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Synthesis and Adrenergic β-Blocking Activity of Some Propanolamine Derivatives

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In a series of experiments in an attempt to find new β -adrenoceptor blocking agents, we have synthesized some 1,3-benzodioxole derivatives and examined their β -blocking and hypotensive activities.²⁾ In the present report, we will describe the syntheses and biological activities of some propanolamine derivatives. Out of twelve compounds we synthesized and tested in the present study, three had stronger β -adrenergic blocking activity than sotalol and the other three had about the same potency as sotalol.

The compounds listed in Table I were usually prepared by the reaction of epoxypropane intermediate listed in Table II with the appropriate amine.

$$ROCH_2CH-CH_2 \xrightarrow{R'NH_2} ROCH_2CHOHCH_2NHR'$$

N-Methyl derivatives (1, 5) and N-isopropyl derivative (6) were synthesized by catalytic hydrogenolysis of the corresponding N-alkyl-N-benzylaminopropanol derivatives.

The ring opening reaction of epoxypropane derivatives by amines gave exclusively the desired secondary alcohols as in the propranolol series.³⁾

The epoxypropane derivatives (16—20) listed in Table II were obtained easily from the corresponding phenols and epichlorohydrin by using K_2CO_3 or CH_3ONa as a condensing agent. However the standard procedure for the etherification using K_2CO_3 , $NaNH_2$ or NaH as a condensing agent in various solvents failed to produce epoxypropane derivatives (13—

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TABLE I

Compo	ROCH ₂ CHOHCH ₂ NHR ₁						
Compe	R^{a}	R_1	Form	Crystn. solvent	mp (C°)	Formula $^{b)}$	
1 ^d)	Me	CH ₃	HCl	iso-PrOH	135 —136	$C_{14}H_{27}NO_2 \cdot HC1$	
2 3 4	$(C_6H_5)_2CH C_6H_5CH(CH_3)-$	${\rm CH(CH_3)_2} \atop {\rm CH(CH_3)_2} \atop {\rm CH(CH_3)_2}$	HCl HCl Oxalate	iso-PrOH n-BuOH–EtOH iso-PrOH	195 —196 199 —200 145 —146	$\begin{array}{l} {\rm C_{16}H_{31}NO_2 \cdot HCl} \\ {\rm C_{19}H_{25}NO_2 \cdot HCl} \\ {\rm C_{14}H_{23}NO_2 \cdot 0.5C_2H_2O_4} \end{array}$	
5 c)	CO/N-	CH_3	HCl	iso-PrOH-EtOH	153 —155	$\mathrm{C_{14}H_{18}N_2O_4\cdot HCl}$	
6		$CH(CH_3)_2$	HCl	EtOH	216 —217	$\mathrm{C_{16}H_{23}N_2O_4\!\cdot\!HCl}$	
7	N	$CH(CH_3)_2$	Succinate	iso-PrOH	149.5—150.5	$C_{13}H_{18}N_2O_2S \cdot 0.5C_4H_6O_2$	
8	5 V	$C(CH_3)_3$	Succinate	iso-PrOH	159.5—160	$C_{14}H_{20}N_2O_2S \cdot 0.5C_4H_6O_3$	
9	N	CH(CH ₃) ₂	Succinate	iso-PrOH	141 —143	$C_{13}H_{18}N_2O_2S \cdot 0.5C_4H_6O_6$	
10		$C(CH_3)_3$	Succinate	iso-PrOH	176 —177	$C_{14}H_{20}N_2O_2S \cdot 0.5C_4H_6O_6$	
11	N _S	CH(CH ₃) ₂	Succinate	iso-PrOH	165 —166	$C_{13}H_{18}N_2O_2S \cdot 0.5C_4H_6O_3$	
12 ^{e)}	N NH	CH(CH ₃) ₂	2HCl	iso-PrOH	180 —181	$\rm C_{12}H_{18}N_4O_2\!\cdot\!2HCl$	

- a) Where there is a blank space in this column, the R group is the preceding structure.
- b) All compounds analyzed for C,H, and N.
- c) Intermediate 1-(N-benzyl-N-methylamino)-3-[4-(2,5-dioxo-pyrrolidin-1-yl)-phenoxy]-propan-2-ol, mp 85—86° (from EtOH).
- d) Intermediate 1-(N-benzyl-N-methylamino)-3-(bornan-2-yloxy)-propan-2-ol·HCl, mp 169—170° (from iso-PrOH).
- e) Intermediate 1-isopropylamino-3-(4-acetoamino-3-nitrophenoxy)-propan-2-cl, mp 148—149.5° (from EtOH). Intermediate 1-isopropylamino-3-(4-acetoamino-3-aminopheoxy)-propan-2-cl (24), mp 139—140° (from EtOH).

15) and the starting materials were recovered unchanged. So, starting aliphatic and alicyclic alcohols were converted to allylethers, which were then oxidized with $H_2O_2^{4}$ or NBS-NaOH⁵) to epoxypropane derivatives.

Most of the epoxypropane intermediates were purified. However, in the cases of compounds 17—19, purification was not attained and the crude materials were directly used in the following reactions.

For the synthesis of 12, 1-acyl protected 5-hydroxybenzotriazole *i.e.* 21 has been chosen as starting material.

The synthesis of 21 through the partial hydrolysis of O,N-diacetyl-5-hydroxybenzotriazole⁶⁾ was unsuccessful because the hydrolysis of N-acetyl group proceeded the hydrolysis

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TABLE II

Compd.	ROCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂						
compa,	R	Crystn. solvent a)	mp (°C) or bp (°C/mmHg)	Formula	Analyses		
13	Me		103—104/4	$C_{13}H_{22}O_2$	С, Н		
$14^{b)}$	$(C_6H_5)_2CH-$	P (40)	47— 48, 160/3	$C_{16}H_{16}O_{2}$	C, H		
$15^{c)}$	$C_6H_5CH(CH_3)-$		131—132/18	$C_{11}H_{14}O_2$			
16^{d}	CO N-	EtOH	164—165	$\mathrm{C_{13}H_{13}NO_{4}}$	C, H, N		
17	N _S			$C_{10}H_{9}NO_{2}S$	C, H, N		
18	N S			$C_{10}H_9NO_2S$	C, H, N		
19	$\binom{N}{S}$			$C_{10}H_9NO_2S$	C, H, N		
20 ^{e)}	O ₂ N AcHN	Ligroine	110—113	$C_{11}H_{12}N_2O_5$	C, H, N		

a) P (40), petroleum ether (bp $40-60^{\circ}$).

b) Starting material, benzohydrol, mp 69° (lit.") mp 69°). Intermediate 3-(diphenylmethoxy)-propen-1, bp 130—132° (4 mmHg).

c) Starting material, a-phenylethanol, bp 100° (18 mmHg) (lit.8) bp 100° (18 mmHg)). Intermediate 3-(1-phenylethoxy)-propen-1, bp 93—94° (18 mmHg).

d) Starting material, N-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-succinimide.

e) Starting material, 3-nitro-4-acetoaminophenol, mp 219° (lit.9) mp 218°).

of O-acetyl group. The synthesis of 21 was accomplished in 80.5% yield by the reaction of 4-acetoamino-3-aminophenol with NaNO₂.

Condensation of 21 with epichlorohydrin in acetone using K_2CO_3 as a condensing agent gave a mixture of three products. One of these products was easily separated and identified as 5-hydroxybenzotriazole. The other two products (A and B) were separated by preparative thin-layer chromatography (TLC). Proton magnetic resonance (PMR) and TLC analyses of the crude product indicate that the ratio of A: B was about 1:1.7. A and B had a same molecular formula of $C_{13}H_{14}N_3O_4Cl$, with m/e 311 (M+). The physical properties of compound A and B were summerized in Table III.

In view of the coupling patterns and chemical shifts of PMR and CMR spectra given in Table III we could conclude that C-9 methylene group linked with nitrogen atom rather than with oxygen atom (cf, proton at δ 3.4—4.0 and carbon at δ 55.99 for compound A and proton at δ 3.4—4.0 and carbon at δ 48.04 for compound B). Further support that the compounds A and B are N-alkylation products 22 was obtained from the following facts.

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	Compound A	Compound B
Mass	311 (M ⁺), 269 (M-Ac) 209 (269-OAc), 174 (209-Cl)	311(M ⁺), 269(M-Ac) 209(269-OAc), 174(209-Cl)
PMRa)	2.05 ^{b)} (CHOCHCH ₃), 2.34(ArOCOCH ₃) 3.4—4.0(NCH ₂ CHOAc), 4.8—5.05 (CH ₂ Cl), 5.4—5.8(NCH ₂ CHOAc)	1.95(CHOCHC <u>H</u> ₃), 2.34(ArOCOC <u>H</u> ₃) 3.4—4.0(NC <u>H</u> ₂ CHOAc), 4.7—5.1 (C <u>H</u> ₂ Cl), 5.2—5.7(NCH ₂ C <u>H</u> OAc)
CMR¢)	20.68, 21.12(C-1, C-13), 42.77 (C-11), 55.99(C-9), 70.56(C-10), 109.34(C-4), 119.05(C-5), 123.05(C-8), 142.66, 144.51 (C-6, C-7), 149.14(C-3), 169.38, 169.67(C-2, C-12)	20.73, 21.07(C-1, C-13), 42.58 (C-11), 48.04(C-9), 71.16(C-10), 109.73(C-4), 119.49(C-5) 123.34(C-8), 146.11(C-6, C-7), 150.46(C-3), 169.82, 169.72 (C-2, C-12)
$\Pi \Lambda q$)	$\lambda_{\text{max}} \text{ nm } (\varepsilon) : 281 (8.97 \times 10^3)$ $\lambda_{\text{sh.}} \text{ nm } (\varepsilon) : 286 (8.19 \times 10^3)$	$\lambda_{\text{max}} \text{ nm } (\epsilon): 258 (5.28 \times 10^3)$ $\lambda_{\text{max}} \text{ nm } (\epsilon): 264 (5.39 \times 10^3)$ $\lambda_{\text{max}} \text{ nm } (\epsilon): 283 (4.44 \times 10^3)$
IR (film)	1760 cm ⁻¹ (Broad), 1220 cm ⁻¹ (Broad)	1760 cm ⁻¹ (Broad), 1220 cm ⁻¹ (Broad)
$\mathbb{R}f$	0.80 (Benzene-MeOH, 6:1)	0.61 (Benzene-MeOH, 6:1)

Table III. Physical properties of Compound A and B

a) Measured in CDCl3.

b) Chemical shift (60 Mc) ppm.

c) Chemical shifts were obtained in CDCl₃ and are expressed downfield from Me₄Si. The assignment of each signals was based on chemical shift and multiplicity in off-resonance decoupled spectrum: C-1, C-13 (q), C-9 (t), C-11 (t), C-10 (d), C-4 (d), C-5 (d), C-8 (d), C-6 (s), C-7 (s), C-3 (s), C-2 (s) (s=singlet, d=doublet, t=triplet, q=quartet).

d) Measured in EtOH.

In a CMR spectrum the C-9 signal of compound 23, which was obtained by the treatment of 22 with iso-PrNH₂ and subsequent alkaline hydrolysis, appeared at 50.09 ppm, while that of 12 which was obtained by alternative method descrived later appeared at 70.42 ppm.

The spectral data of compound A and B closely resemble except C-9 signals in CMR. The facts indicate that compound A and B would be position isomers. The ultraviolet (UV) spectrum provides some informations on the position of alkylation. 1-Substituted benzotriazoles have UV absorptions around 255 and 283 nm (some compounds have two peaks in former region) and the intensity of the former (ε_{255}) is stronger than that of the later (ε_{283}). The 2 substituted benzotriazoles absorb at ca. 275 nm.¹⁰)

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From the UV spectra of compound A and B in Table III, we can deduce that compound A and B would be the benzotriazole derivatives substituted at 2- and 1- position respectively.

The confirmation of the position of alkylation and reaction mechanisms are under investigation.

Since the synthesis of 12 from acyl protected benzotriazole such as 21 proved to be unsuccessful because rapid migration occured in preference to a O-etherification, the alternative approach to 12 was undertaken. 4-Acetoamino-3-nitrophenol was used as starting material and the final product 12 was obtained by another synthetic route shown in Chart 1.

$$\begin{array}{c} O_2N \\ AcNH- & OH \xrightarrow{1) CICH_2CH-CH_2} \\ AcNH- & OCH_2CHOHCH_2NH iso-Pr \\ \hline \\ AcNH- & OCH_2CHOHCH_2NH iso-Pr \\ \hline \\ 24 & OCH_2CHOHCH_2NH iso-Pr \\ \hline \\ 20 & NaOH/H_2O \\ \hline \\ 20 & NaOH/H_2O \\ \hline \\ 10 & NaOH/H_2O \\ \hline \\ 1$$

The reaction of 24 with NaNO₂ was accomplished without protecting isopropylamino side chain and pure 12 was obtained after column chromatography on silicagel.

Most of the starting phenols and alcohols were easily obtained but the known methods to synthesize phenols fused with thiazole nucleus were not satisfactory because of the low yield.

6-Hydroxybenzothiazole (25), which is the starting material of 7 and 8, has been reported by Boggust, et al.¹¹⁾

Their process for obtaining 25 starting from benzothiazole has several disadvantages; 5-nitro derivative formed as a by-product during nitration of benzothiazole and 25 was often contaminated with 5-hydroxy derivative and the yield was only 3.7% from benzothiazole. We synthesized 25 via an alternative route.¹²⁾

2-Amino-6-methoxybenzothiazole, which was commercially available, was diazotized with $NaNO_2$ in dil. H_2SO_4 and the diazotized compound was isolated as HBF_4 salt. Subsequent reduction of the resulting 2-diazotized derivative with H_3PO_2 or iso-PrOH afforded 6-methoxybenzothiazole, which could be converted into 25 on further hydrolysis (HI-P). Compound (25) was obtained in comparatively good yield (29.9%).

The starting material of 11, 4-hydroxybenzothiazole was also obtained by the same procedure described above.¹³⁾

The synthesis of 5-hydroxybenzothiazole (26) which is the starting material of 9 and 10 has been reported by Davies, et al.¹⁴⁾ Neverthless, according to their process 5-hydroxybenzothiadiazole was formed as a by-product during diazotization of 5-aminobenzothiazole.¹⁴⁾

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We synthesized 26 from 2-amino-4-methoxythiophenol¹⁵⁾; 2-amino-4-methoxythiophenol was converted to the benzothiazole derivative by using HCOOH and subsequent acid hydrolysis of the resulting 5-methoxybenzothiazole gave 26 in 70.3% yield.

We were interested in the pharmacology of 7, especially in the relation of its β -blocking activity with its antiarrhythmic activity. We attempted to resolve 7 to its optical active forms but attempted resolution of 7 was unsuccessful because 7 did not form crystalline salt with various reagents for resolution.

Biological Results

β-Adrenergic blocking activity was determined with guinea-pig atrial preparations. Isolated guinea-pig atria were suspended in physiological salt solution maintained at 37° and oxygenated with 95% O₂ and 5% CO₂. Composition of the physiological salt solution used was as follows (in mm): NaCl 135, KCl 5, CaCl₂ 2, MgCl₂ 1, NaHCO₃ 15 and glucose 5.5. Isometric contractions were measured with a force displacement transducer (Nihon Kohden, Model SB lT) and recorded on an ink-writing oscillograph (Nihon Kohden, Model RM-150); rate of contractions was electrically measured (Nihon Kohden, RT-2).

In the first step of the screening, the compounds were tested for the activities to inhibit the increases in rate and force of the contractions produced by a single dose of isoproterenol $(3\times10^{-8}\,\text{m})$, a concentration producing approximately 80% of the maximum effect); two atria were used for each compound. As a result of this step of the experiments, six of the

Table IV. β -Adrenergic Blocking Actions of the Compounds tested in the Guinea-pig Atria

Compd.		eta-Blocking action in guinea-pig atria		
-	$\widehat{\mathrm{p}A_{2}}$	\widetilde{N}		
1	<i>a</i>)			
$oldsymbol{2}$	a)			
3	a)			
4	<i>a</i>)			
5	<i>a</i>)			
6	a)			
7	7.55 ± 0.12^{b}	6		
8	6.69 ± 0.10	5		
9	6.61 ± 0.06	4		
10	6.90 ± 0.21	6		
11	7.32 ± 0.06	4		
12	6.25 ± 0.05	4		
Propranolol	8.20 ± 0.1	5		
Sotalol	6.80 ± 0.1	4		

a) Compounds were substantially inactive. The highest dose tested was $5\times 10^{-5}\,\mathrm{m}$.

b) Values are mean \pm SE.

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compounds tested (7—12, in Table I) were found to be considerably potent, while the rest of the compounds were very weak in the β -adrenergic blocking activity when compared with sotalol. Therefore, pA_2 values for these compounds were determined on the basis of the shift of dose-response curve to isoproterenol. As shown in Table IV, pA_2 values for these compounds were higher than 6; 7.6 for compound 7, 6.7 for compound 8, 6.6 for compound 9, 6.9 for compound 10, 7.3 for compound 11 and 6.3 for compound 12. Since pA_2 value for sotalol determined in the present series of experiments was 6.8, compounds 7, 10 and 11 were more potent in the β -adrenergic blocking activity than sotalol. Compounds 8, 9 and 12 were almost equipotent to sotalol.

The compounds were also tested on their hypotensive activities. Male rats (150—180 g) were anesthetized and a cannula was fixed in the carotid artery of each rat. After the operation (3-4 days), blood pressure was led to the pressure transducer through the cannula and recorded on an ink-writing oscillograph. Animals were unanesthetized and freely movable As a result, compound 8 was found to have a during the blood pressure measurement. relatively strong hypotensive action. In the experiments with twelve animals, the mean control blood pressure was 117.8±1.8 mmHg before the drug administration. The blood pressure reduced to 110.5±2.0, 104.3±2.5 and 99.2±2.9 mmHg, 1, 3 and 5 hours after the oral administration of 50 mg/kg of compound 8, respectively. In the present series of experiments, the control blood pressure (122 \pm 2.7 mmHg) reduced to 83 \pm 1.6, 89 \pm 2.3 and 94 \pm 1.7 mmHg, 1, 3 and 5 hours after the oral administration of 5 mg/kg of hydralazine (number of the experiments were 16), respectively. Therefore, 50 mg/kg of compound 8 showed about the same degree of hypotensive action as that of 5 mg/kg of hydralazine at 5 hours after the oral administration.

Discussion

Since only a limited number of the compounds were examined in the present study, detailed discussions on the structure-activity relationships are impossible. However, the following may be pointed out. Among the compounds with various nuclei tested in the present study, all compounds with benzothiazole nucleus showed significant β -adrenergic blocking activity, and the rest of the compounds were free from substantial β -blocking activity with one exception (compound 12). With respect to the side chain, isopropyl group is better for producing β -blocking activity than tertially butyl group, when the side chain is attached to six position of benzothiazole structure. On the contrary, it is interesting that tertially butyl substituent is better than isopropyl substituent for the β -blocking action, when the side chain is connected to five position of the benzothiazole ring. A compound with a side chain at four position of benzothiazole nucleus compound 11 also showed a potent β -blocking action.

Direct cardiac depressant action was found with the compounds 1, 3, and 9—12. Compound 5 produced a slight cardiac acceleration. Rest of the compounds tested were free from direct cardiac action. No structural correlation could be found with respect to the direct cardiac actions of the compounds tested.

Compound 7 was reported elsewhere in more detail on its general pharmacology¹⁶⁾ and its antiarrhythmic action.¹⁷⁾ The antiarryhythmic activities of the rest of the compounds tested were weaker than those of compound 7 in the first screening. Compound 7 antagonized ouabain-induced arrhythmias in normal and bilaterally vagotomized guinea pigs: its antagonistic activity was equal to that of propranolol. The antiarrhythmic activity of compound 7 paralleled its β -blocking activity in the isolated preparations but not in the intact animals.

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Experimental

Melting points and recrystallizing solvents given in the tables are usually not reported in the text. Hydrogenations were carried out at room temperature and atmospheric pressure unless stated otherwise. The melting points for the samples were determined with a Mitamura hot-stage apparatus and were not corrected. Infrared spectra were recorded on a Hitachi-215 Grating Infrared spectrophotometer and Ultraviolet spectra on a Hitachi EPS-3 spectrophotometer. Proton magnetic resonance (PMR) spectra were determined on a Varian T-60 spectrometer. Chemical shifts were reported in δ values relative to Me₄Si as external standard (in D₂O) and as internal standard (in CDCl₃ and CCl₄). Carbon magnetic resonance (CMR) spectra were obtained at 25.1 MHz on a JEOL-JNM-PS-100 spectrometer, operating in a Fourier transform mode with dioxane (in D₂O) or Me₄Si (in CDCl₃) as internal standard. Low resolution mass spectra were obtained on a JEOL-JMS-OISG-2 mass spectrometer. Thin-layer chromatography was carried out on silica gel plates (Silica gel 60, F₂₅₄, Merck).

1-Isopropylamino-3-(bornan-2-yloxy)-propan-2-ol (2)—Powdered NaNH₂ (39.2 g, 1 mol) was added to a stirred solution of borneol (144.6 g, 1 mol) in toluene (200 ml). The mixture was heated to reflux for 3 hr and then allylchloride (306 g, 4 mol) was added dropwise to the mixture. The heating at reflux was continued further for 1 hr and cooled. The precipitates were removed by filtration and the filtrate was washed twice with $\rm H_2O$. Evaporation of the solvent gave crude 3-(bornan-2-yloxy)-propen-1. Distillation of the crude product gave 138.2 g (0.71 mol, 71%) of colorless oil: bp 93—95° (11 mmHg), IR $\rm r_{max}^{nest}$ cm⁻¹: 1650, 995, 930.

To a stirred solution of allylether (129 g, 0.66 mol), 30% H₂O₂ (94 g, 0.83 mol), CH₃CN (34 g, 0.83 mol) and Na₂HPO₄·12H₂O (0.1 N, 8.3 ml) in MeOH (600 ml) was added dropwise NaOH (0.5 N, 58 ml) over period of 4 hr with warming (50—53°). The mixture was further stirred for 1 hr at the same temperature. The reaction mixture was concentrated to 200 ml and the solution was diluted with H₂O and extracted with ether. The extract was dried and evaporated *in vacuo*, leaving 132.5 g of colorless oil. The oil was distilled and the fraction boiling at 103—104° (4 mmHg) was collected. 63.8 g (0.30 mol, 46%) of 13 was yielded. IR $v_{\text{max}}^{\text{neat}}$ cm⁻¹: 845, 860 (epoxide). NMR (CCl₄) δ : 0.75, 0.77 (9H, s, ring CH₃), 0.78—2.2 (8H, m, ring proton), 2.4—2.75 (2H, m, CH-CH₂O), 2.9—3.05 (1H, m, CH-CH₂O), 3.35—3.8 (2H, m, OCH₂CH-CH₂O). Anal. Calcd. for C₁₃H₂₂O₂: C, 74.24; H, 10.54. Found: C, 74.36; H, 10.54.

13 (24.5 g, 0.12 mol) and iso-PrNH₂ (25 g, 0.42 mol) in EtOH (100 ml) was heated under reflux for 2 hr. The reaction mixture was concentrated to dryness in vacuo. HCl (1 n, 130 ml) was added to the oily residue and the mixture was extracted twice with ether. The aq. acidic solution was made alkaline with 3 n NaOH and extracted with EtOAc. The extract gave 2 as an oil which was converted to its hydrochloride: yield 27.5 g (0.09 mol, 75%). IR $v_{\text{max}}^{\text{KBr}}$ cm⁻¹: 3250, 1130. NMR (D₂O) δ : 1.35, 1.4 (9H, s, ring CH₃), 1.75 (6H, d, NCH(CH₃)₂), 1.4—2.3 (8H, m, ring proton), 3.5—3.75 (2H, m, CHOHCH₂N), 3.75—4.1 (3H, m, OCH₂CHOH), 4.0 (1H, m, NCH(CH₃)₂). Anal. Calcd. for C₁₆H₃₂ClNO₂: C, 60.52; H, 10.16; N, 5.04. Found: C, 60.74; H, 10.15; N, 5.31.

1-Isopropylamino-3-(1-phenylethoxy)-propan-2-ol (4)—Using the procedure for synthesizing 2, α -phenylethanol (61 g, 0.5 mol), NaNH₂ (23.4 g, 0.6 mol) and allyl chloride (53.5 g, 0.7 mol) yielded 53 g (0.33 mol, 65.4%) of 3-(1-phenylethoxy)-propen-1: bp 93—94° (18 mmHg). IR $v_{\text{max}}^{\text{neat}}$ cm⁻¹: 1650, 1100, 995, 930.

A solution of 3-(1-phenylethoxy)-propen-1 (18 g, 0.11 mol) and N-bromosuccinimide (19.8 g, 0.11 mol) in H_2O (29 ml) and THF (100 ml) was stirred for 5 hr at room temperature. The THF was evaporated and the oily product was extracted with ether. Evaporation of the extract gave bromohydrin (27.2 g, 0.105 mol, 95.5%): bp 163—167° (2 mmHg). IR $v_{\rm mex}^{\rm nest}$ cm⁻¹: 3400.

Crude bromohydrin (27.2 g, 0.105 mol) was added dropwise to NaOH solution (8 g NaOH/20 ml $\rm H_2O$) at 10—15°. The mixture was stirred for 2 hr at 10°. Crude 15 was isolated by ether extraction. Distillation of the crude product gave 14 g (0.079 mol, 74.8%) of pure 15: bp 131—132° (18 mmHg). IR $v_{\rm max}^{\rm nest}$ cm⁻¹: 1100, 850. NMR (CCl₄) δ : 2.2—2.7 (2H, m, $\overline{\rm CH-CH_2O}$), 3.1 (1H, m, $\overline{\rm CH-CH_2O}$), 3.4 (3H, double doublet, $\overline{\rm CH_3}$), 3.1—3.6 (2H, m, $\overline{\rm OCH_2CH-CH_2O}$), 4.4 (1H, octet, $\overline{\rm CH_3CHO}$), 7.23 (5H, s, arom.). Anal. Calcd. for $\overline{\rm C_{11}H_{14}O_2}$: C, 74.13; H, 7.92. Found: C, 74.38; H, 7.88.

15 (5.4 g, 0.03 mol) and iso-PrHN₂ (17.7 g, 0.3 mol) in EtOH (40 ml) were heated under reflux for 2 hr. Crude 4 was obtained by the same procedure as described for synthesizing 2. 5.61 g (0.024 mol, 78.9%) of 4 was yielded as an oil. NMR (CCl₄) δ : 1.0 (6H, d, CH(CH₃)₂), 1.8 (3H, d, CH₃), 2.3—2.65 (2H, m, CHO-HCH₂N), 2.7—3.3 (3H, m, CH₂CHOH), 3.5—3.85 (1H, m, CH(CH₃)₂), 4.35 (1H, q, CH₃CHO), 7.2 (5H, s, arom.). The base was converted to its oxalate in acetone. Anal. Calcd. for C₁₅H₂₄NO₄: C, 63.81; H, 8.57; N, 4.96. Found: C, 63.72; H, 8.88; N, 4.97.

1-Isopropylamino-3-[4-(2,5-dioxopyrrolidin-1-yl)-phenoxy]-propan-2-ol (6)——A mixture of p-hydroxy-phenylsuccinimide¹⁸⁾ (38.2 g, 0.2 mol), epichlorohydrin (56 g, 0.6 mol) and K_2CO_3 (46 g, 0.3 mol) in acetone

¹⁸⁾ Piutti, Ber., 29, 84 (1896).

(300 ml) was refluxed for 12 hr. After cooling the solid was filtered off. The filtrate was evaporated to dryness under reduced pressure. To the residue was added toluene and the solution was washed twice with $\rm H_2O$ and dried and evaporated. The residual solid was recrystallized twice from EtOH to give 24 g (0.097 mol, 48.5%) of 16. IR $r_{\rm max}^{\rm neat}$ cm⁻¹: 1770, 1705, 860. NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 2.6—3.0 (2H, m, CH-CH₂O), 2.83 (4H, s, COCH₂CH₂CO), 3.32 (1H, m, CH-CH₂O), 3.6—4.4 (2H, m, OCH₂CH-CH₂O), 7.07 (4H, q, arom.), Anal. Calcd. for $\rm C_{13}H_{13}NO_4$: C, 63.15; H, 5.30; N, 5.67. Found: C, 63.16; H, 5.35; N, 5.49.

A solution of 16 (10 g, 0.04 mol) and iso-PrNHCH₂Ph (24.1 g, 0.162 mol) in EtOH (100 ml) was heated for 3 hr 80°. After cooling, EtOH and excess iso-PrNHCH₂Ph were evaporated under reduced pressure. Work up the same as in the previous description gave a isopropylbenzylaminopropanol derivative (11.9 g,

0.03 mol, 75%) as an oil.

A solution of the above compound (16 g, 0.04 mol) and concentrated HCl (3.5 ml) in MeOH (300 ml) was hydrogenated over Pd/C (3%, 3 g) at room temperature and at atmospheric pressure. White powder (12 g) which was obtained by usual work up of the reaction mixture, was recrystallized twice to give 3.8 g (0.011 mol, 27.7%) of 6. IR $\nu_{\text{max}}^{\text{KBr}}$ cm⁻¹: 3360, 1708, 1700. NMR (D₂O) δ : 1.83 (6H, d, CH(CH₃)₂), 3.35 (4H, s, COCH₂CH₂CO), 3.5 (2H, m, CHOHCH₂N), 3.85—4.2 (1H, m, CH(CH₃)₂), 4.5—4.9 (3H, m, OCH₂CHOH), 7.6 (4H, s, arom.). Anal. Calcd. for C₁₆H₂₄ClN₂O₄: C, 56.31; H, 6.82; N, 8.21. Found: C, 56.06; H, 6.76; N, 8.17.

1-Isopropylamino-3-(benzothiazol-6-yloxy)-propan-2-ol (7)—A mixture of 25 (4 g, 0.026 mol) epichloro-hydrin (8.5 g, 0.092 mol) and K_2CO_3 (5.5 g, 0.04 mol) in acetone (80 ml) was heated to reflux with stirring for 10 hr. The precipitates were removed by filtration and the filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure. To the residual oil was added EtOH (100 ml) and undissolved resinous solid was filtered off with charcoal. Removal of the solvent *in vacuo* gave 3.86 g (0.019 mol, 71.7%) of 17 as a pale reddish oil. IR $r_{\text{max}}^{\text{nest}}$ cm⁻¹: 850 (epoxide).

A solution of 17 (4.7 g, 0.023 mol) and iso-PrNH₂ (6 g, 0.1 mol) in EtOH (10 ml) was refluxed for 1 hr. The solution was evaporated to dryness and the residue was crystallized from PhH-ligroine. 4.75 g (0.018 mol, 77.5%) of 7 was yielded; mp 101—102°, Rf 0.17 (MeOH-CHCl₃, 1: 3, on silica gel F). The base was converted to its succinate in acetone. NMR (D₂O) δ : 1.75 (6H, d, CH(CH₃)₂), 3.5—4.17 (3H, m, CH₂NHCH-(CH₃)₂), 4.26—4.84 (3H, m, OCH₂CHOH), 6.83—7.67 (3H, m, arom.), 9.7 (1H, s, N=CH-S). UV λ_{max}^{Ho} nm (ε): 255 (5.32×10³). Anal. Calcd. for C₁₅H₂₁N₂O₄S: C, 55.37; H, 6.51; N, 8.61. Found: C, 55.66; H, 6.75; N, 8.52.

Isopropylamino-3-(benzothiazol-5-yloxy)-propan-2-ol (9)—Using the procedure for synthesizing 7, 26 (2.5 g, 0.017 mol), epichlorohydrin (15.9 g, 0.116 mol) and K₂CO₃ (4.6 g, 0.033 mol) in acetone yielded 18

(3.3 g, 0.0124 mol, 72.9%). IR $v_{\text{max}}^{\text{nest}}$ cm⁻¹: 850 (epoxide).

Compound 9 was obtained by the reaction of 18 (3.3 g, 0.0159 mol) with iso-PrNH₂ 5.6 g (0.095 mol) as described for 7: yield 3.1 g (73%); Rf 0.24 (CHCl₃-MeOH, 1:1), mp 111.5—112.5° (from PhH-ligroine). The base was converted to its succinate in acetone: Rf 0.53 (n-BuOH-AcOH-H₂O, 4:1:1), NMR (D₂O) δ : 1.55 (6H, d, CH(CH₃)₂), 3.3—4.2 (3H, m, CH₂NHCH(CH₃)₂), 4.1—4.8 (3H, m, OCH₂CHOH), 7.0—8.05 (3H, m, arom.), 9.3 (1H, s, N=CH-S). UV $\lambda_{\text{max}}^{\text{Ho0}}$ nm (ε): 255 (5.35×10³). Anal. Calcd. for C₁₅H₂₁N₂O₄S: C, 55.37; H, 6.51; N, 8.61. Found: C, 55.21; H, 6.55; N, 8.59.

1-Isopropylamino-3-(benzothiazol-4-yloxy)-propan-2-ol (11)—Using the procedure described above, free 11 was obtained as an oil in 85% yield from 4-hydroxybenzothiazole¹³): Rf 0.35 (CHCl₃-MeOH, 1:1). The base was converted to its succinate in acetone. NMR (D₂O) δ : 1.45 (6H, d, CH(CH₃)₂), 3.3—4.1 (3H, m, CH₂NHCH(CH₃)₂), 4.0—4.8 (3H, m, OCH₂CHOH), 6.8—7.7 (3H, m, arom.), 9.43 (1H, s, N=CH-S). UV $\lambda_{\max}^{\text{H}_{2}O}$ nm (ϵ): 255 (5.35 × 10³). Anal. Calcd. for C₁₅H₂₁N₂O₄S: C, 55.37; H, 6.51; N, 8.61. Found: C, 55.42; H, 6.64; N, 8.48.

1-Isopropylamino-3-(1*H*-benzotriazol-5-yloxy)-propan-2-ol (12)——4-Acetoamino-3-nitrophenol⁹⁾ (47 g, 0.24 mol) was added to a stirred solution of CH₃ONa (Na 5.4 g in 60 ml of MeOH). The mixture was warmed for 1 hr and epichlorohydrin (111 g, 1.2 mol) was added to the solution. The mixture was heated to reflux for 3 hr and evaporated. The residue was dissolved in CHCl₃. The solution was washed with H₂O, dried and evaporated to give crude 20: yield 17.9 g (0.071 mol, 29.6%). IR (KBr) $v_{\rm max}^{\rm KBr}$ cm⁻¹: 3350, 1703, 1560, 1035, 870. Anal. Calcd. for C₁₁H₁₂N₂O₅: C, 52.38; H, 4.80; N, 11.11. Found: C, 52.37; H, 4.81; N, 11.48.

20 (16.9 g, 0.067 mol) and iso-PrNH₂ (40 g, 0.67 mol) in EtOH (400 ml) was heated at reflux for 3 hr. White powder which was obtained by usual work up of the reaction mixture, was crystallized from EtOH. 18 g (0.058 mol, 86.3%) of isopropylaminopropanol derivative was yielded. IR $\nu_{\rm max}^{\rm KBr}$ cm⁻¹: 3350, 3260, 1685, 1515, 1030. NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.13 (6H, d, CH(CH₃)₂), 2.3 (3H, s, NHCOCH₃), 2.7—3.1 (5H, m, CHOHCH₂N, OH, NH-iso-Pr), 3.95—4.1 (2H, m, OCH₂CHOH), 3.9—4.15 (1H, m, CH(CH₃)₂), 7.1—8.7 (3H, m, arom.), 10.5 (1H, s, NHCOCH₃). Anal. Calcd. for C₁₄H₂₁N₃O₅: C, 54.01; H, 6.80; N, 13.50. Found: C, 54.33; H, 6.81; N, 13.49.

A solution of the derivative (7.5 g, 0.024 mol) in MeOH (500 ml) was hydrogenated over Raney-Ni (5 g) at 40° at atmospheric pressure. The mixture was filtered. The filtrate was evaporated to dryness and crude 24 was recrystallized twice from EtOH: yield 3.9 g (0.0139 mol, 57.8%). IR $\nu_{\rm max}^{\rm KBr}$ cm⁻¹: 3280, 1650, 1620. Anal. Calcd. for $C_{14}H_{23}N_3O_3$: C, 59.76; H, 8.24; N, 14.94. Found: C, 59.43; H, 8.27; N, 14.84.

To a stirred solution of 24 (2.6 g, 9.2 mmol) in HCl-H₂O (12 n HCl 3 ml, H₂O 40 ml) was added dropwise NaNO₂ solution (NaNO₂ 0.64 g/H₂O 4.5 ml) at 0°. The mixture was further stirred for 1 hr. Then the pH of the reaction mixture was adjusted at 8.6. The reaction mixture was additionally stirred for 1 hr and evaporated to dryness *in vacuo*. Crude 12 was obtained by CHCl₃ extraction and purified by chromatography on florisil (100 g) in MeOH-CHCl₃ (1:3). The base was converted to its HCl salt as usual manner: yield (1.03 g, 3.2 mmol, 34.6%, as 2HCl salt): Rf 0.47 (n-BuOH-AcOH-H₂O, 4:1:1). IR $\nu_{\rm max}^{\rm KBr}$ cm⁻¹: 1630, 1295, 1180. NMR (D₂O) δ : 1.83 (6H, d, CH(CH₃)₂), 3.6—4.15 (3H, m, CH(CH₃)₂), CHOHCH₂N), 4.15—5.0 (3H, m, OCH₂CHOH), 6.8—7.9 (3H, m, arom.), CMR (D₂O) δ : 18.92, 19.31 (C-8), 47.60 (C-11), 52.09 (C-7), 66.38 (C-10), 70.42 (C-9), 93.74 (C-6), 117.39, 118.71 (C-2, C-3), 136—80 (C-4, C-5), 158.01 (C-1). *Anal.* Calcd. for $C_{12}H_{20}Cl_2N_4O_2$: C, 44.59; H, 6.24; N, 17.33. Found: C, 44.39; H, 6.18; N, 16.98.

Attempted Preparation of 12 from 1-Acetyl-5-hydroxybenzotriazole (21)—A mixture of 21 (3 g, 16.9 mmol), epichlorohydrin (1.9 g) and K₂CO₃ (1.17 g, 8.47 mmol) in acetone (20 ml) was heated under reflux for 1 hr. The precipitates were removed by filtration and the filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure. To the residue H₂O and CHCl₃ were added. Two layers were separated. H₂O layer gave 5-hydroxybenzotriazole, mp 227—229° (lit¹⁹⁾ 228°), upon neutralization. The CHCl₃ layer was dried and evaporated to give crude 22 (2.5 g, 8.02 mmol) as an oil. The crude 22 was separated into compound A and B on preparative TLC (PLC plate silica gel 60, Merck) using benzene-methanol (6: 1) as developing solvent. Compound A (0.7 g, 2.2 mmol) and compound B (1.0 g, 3.2 mmol) were obtained. The physical properties of compound A and B were shown in Table III. Anal. (compound A) Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₄N₃O₄Cl: C, 50.09; H, 4.53; N, 13.48. Found: C, 50.11; H, 4.78; N, 13.22. Anal. (compound B) Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₄N₃O₄Cl: C, 50.09; H, 4.53; N, 13.48. Found: C, 50.12; H, 4.35; N, 13.43.

A solution of compound B (0.7 g, 2.2 mmol), iso-PrNH₂ (1.3 g, 22 mmol) in EtOH (3 ml) was refluxed for 3 hr. The reaction mixture was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was dissolved in MeOH (3 ml). To the solution 2 n NaOH (1 ml) was added. The solution was stirred for 3 hr at room temperature. The solution was diluted with H₂O and neutrized. The product was obtained by EtOAc extraction and converted to its HCl salt as usual manner. Recrystallization from iso-PrOH gave 0.4 g of 23: mp 228—229° Rf 0.51 (n-BuOH-AcOH-H₂O, 4: 1: 1). NMR (D₂O) δ : 1.78 (6H, d, CH(CH₃)₂), 3.5—3.85 (2H, m, CH₂NH-iso-Pr), 3.9—4.1 (1H, m, CH(CH₃)₂), 4.7—5.2 (3H, m, NCH₂CHOH), 7.1—8.0 (3H, m, arom.). CMR (D₂O) δ : 18.78, 19.26 (C-8), 47.79 (C-11), 52.09 (C-7, C-9), 66.91 (C-10), 93.93 (C-6), 111.98, 117.53 (C-2, C-3), 135.44 (C-5), 140.36 (C-4), 157.29 (C-1). Anal. Calcd. for C₁₂H₂₀Cl₂N₄O₂: C, 44.59; H, 6.24; N, 17.33. Found: C, 44.47; H, 6.37; N, 17.01.

6-Hydroxybenzothiazole (25)—To a stirred solution of 2-amino-6-methoxybenzothiazole (11.2 g, 0.062 mol) in H_2SO_4 (16.6%, 100 ml) was added dropwise NaNO₂ solution (NaNO₂ 4.5 g/ H_2O 7 ml) at -10° . The mixture was stirred for 1 hr at the same temperature. HBF₄ solution (47%, 17.7 ml, 0.124 mol) was added to the mixture. The mixture was stirred for 2 hr at 0° . The precipitates were filtered and washed with cold H_2O . The cake was added to cold H_3PO_2 solution (50%, 60 ml). The mixture was stirred over night at room temperature and filtered with charcoal. The filtrate was neutralized and the product was obtained by EtOAc extraction and crystallized from ligroine. 3.6 g (0.022 mol, 35%) of 6-methoxybenzothiazole was yielded; mp 72—73° (lit¹²⁾ 72.5°).

A mixture of 6-methoxybenzothiazole (4.5 g, 27.2 mmol), AcOH (4.5 ml), HI (22.6 ml) and phosphorus red (0.5 g) was heated under reflux for 5 hr. The mixture was diluted with H_2O and filtered. The filtrate was neutralized and the crystals were filtered, washed with H_2O and recrystallized from EtOH- H_2O to give 3.5 g (23.2 mmol, 85.3%) of 25: mp 190.5—191° (lit¹¹⁾ 181—182°). Anal. Calcd. for C_7H_5NOS : C, 55.61; H, 3.33; N, 9.26. Found: C, 55.64; H, 3.34; N, 9.12.

5-Hydroxybenzothiazole (26)—A mixture of 4-methoxy-2-aminothiophenol·HCl¹⁵ (21.2 g, 0.11 mol), boric acid (30 g) and HCOOH (95%, 210 ml) was heated under reflux for 2.5 hr. The reaction mixture was cooled and diluted with H_2O . The solution was made alkaline and the product was obtained by PhH extraction. Oily 5-methoxybenzothiazole 15 g (0.091 mol, 82.7%) was yielded.

A mixture of 5-methoxybenzothiazole (15 g, 0.091 mol) and HI (48%, 120 g) was heated under reflux for 5 hr. Crude product was obtained by the sample procedure as described for synthesizing 25 and recrystallized twice from dilute EtOH: yield 11.7 g (0.077 mol, 85%): mp 156—157° (lit. 11) 155—156°). Anal. Calcd. for C₇H₅NOS: C, 55.61; H, 3.33; N, 9.26. Found: C, 55.34; H, 3.67; N, 9.04.

1-Acetyl-5-hydroxybenzotriazole (21)—To a solution of 4-acetoamino-3-aminophenol (8.6 g, 51.7 mmol) in conc. HCl (9.15 ml) and H₂O (129 ml) was added a solution of NaNO₂ (3.58 g, 51.9 mmol) in H₂O (34.8 ml) at 0—5° with stirring. After the addition was completed, the mixture was further stirred for 1 hr. The precipitates were collected by filtration and washed with H₂O and dried. The crude product was recrystallized from benzene-ligroine. 21 (7.37 g, 41.6 mmol) was obtained in 80.5% yield: mp 147—149°. IR $v_{\rm max}^{\rm KBr}$ cm⁻¹: 1750. NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ : 2.97 (s, 3H, COCH₃). Anal. Calcd. for C₈H₇N₃O₂: C, 54.23; H, 3.98; N, 23.72. Found: C, 54.43; H, 4.17; N, 23.99.

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