4H-PYRIDO[3,4-f]-1,2,4-TRIAZOLO[4,3-a]-1,4-DIAZEPINE — A NEW HETEROCYCLIC SYSTEM

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It is known that 1,4-benzodiazepines and related structures are widely used in medicine as effective tranquilizers (for example, see [1]). A study of the relationship between the structure and activity in 1,4-benzodiazepines led to the synthesis of their structural analogs, the condensed benzene ring of which was replaced by a heterocyclic ring [2].

We have synthesized 1-methyl-6-phenyl-4H-pyrido[3,4-f]-1,2,4-triazolo[4,3-a]-1,4-diazepine (I), which is the 8-aza analog of the known tranquilizer alprazolam [3] and a representative of the heretofore unknown annelated heterocyclic system. Thus the reaction of 5-phenyl-1,3-dihydro-2H-pyrido[3,4-d]-1,4-diazepin-2-one (III) [4] with P_2S_5 leads to 5-phenyl-1,3-dihydro-2H-pyrido[3,4-f]-1,4-diazepine-2-thione (II), the reaction of which with acetylhydrazine gave I.

Thione II, with mp 194-196°C (ethanol) and empirical formula $C_{14}H_{11}N_{8}S$ (from the results of elementary analysis), was obtained in 62% yield by refluxing 5 mmole of III and 5 mmole of $P_{2}S_{5}$ in pyridine for 1.5 h, evaporation of the solvent in vacuo, and crystallization of the residue (chloroform-ether). Mass spectrum (m/z): 253 (M^{+}) , 252 $[M-H]^{+}$, 226 $[M-HCN]^{+}$, 219 $[M-H_{2}S]^{+}$, 207, 166, 164, 149, 91 $(C_{7}H_{7}^{+})$, 77 $(C_{6}H_{5}^{+})$, 63 $(C_{5}H_{3}^{+})$, 51 $(C_{5}H_{4}^{+})$. IR spectrum (KBr): 1340, 1380, 1490 (aromatic C=C); 1525 (C=S); 1610, 1620 cm⁻¹ (C=N). PMR spectrum $(CDCl_{3})$: 10.6 (1H, broad s, NH), 8.50 (1H, d, J = 5.5 Hz, 8-H), 8.44 (1H, s, 6-H), 7.30 (5H, m, $C_{6}H_{5}$), 6.92 (1H, d, J = 5.5 Hz, 9-H), and 4.70 ppm (2H, s, CH_{2}).

Compound I, with mp 206-207°C (from benzene-ether) and empirical formula $C_{16}H_{13}NS$ (from the results of elementary analysis), was obtained in 52% yield by refluxing 2 mmole of II and 6 mmole of acetylhydrazine in dimethylformamide in a stream of nitrogen for 1.5 h, evaporation of the solvent in vacuo, and crystallization of the residue (from chloroform-ether). Mass spectrum (m/z): 275 (M+°), 246, 205, 103, 91 (C₂H₂+), 78 (C₆H₆+°), 77 (C₆H₅+), 63 (C₈H₃+), 51 (C₈H₃+). IR spectrum (KBr): 1440, 1505, 1605, and 1625 cm⁻¹, PMR spectrum (CDCl₃): 8.73 (1H, d, J = 5.5 Hz, 9-H), 8.57 (1H, s, 7-H), 7.30 (6H, m, C₆H₅ and 10-H), 5.42 (1H, d, J = 13.0 Hz, 4-H), 4.03 (1H, d, J = 13.0 Hz, 4-H), and 2.59 ppm (3H, s, 1-CH₃).

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