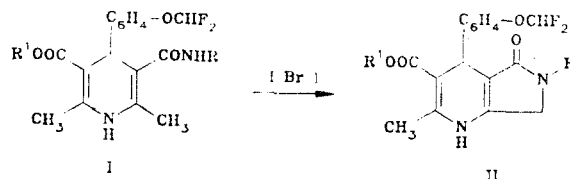


BROMINATION OF AMIDES OF 2,6-DIMETHYL-1,4-DIHYDROPYRIDINE-5-CARBOXYLIC ACIDS

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We have shown that on bromination of amide Ia or anilide Ib by the procedure we developed earlier for the bromination of the corresponding esters of the acids with dioxane dibromide and N-bromosuccinimide [1, 2], and also with pyridine bromide—perbromide [3], the attack takes place at the 6-CH₃ with subsequent cyclization to pyrrolo[3,4-b]pyridines, II.



I, II a R=H, R'=CH₃; b R=C₆H₅, R'=C₂H₅

The formation of pyrrolo[3,4-b]pyridines on bromination of amides of type I is not described in the literature. On bromination of amides of 1,4-dihydropyridine-3,5-dicarboxylic acids, oxidation of the 1,4-dihydropyridine ring takes place.

2-Methyl-3-methoxycarbonyl-4-(2-difluoromethoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-1,4,5,6,7-pentahydro-pyrrolo[3,4-b]pyridine (IIa) is obtained on the bromination of amide Ia with pyridine bromide—perbromide (yield 32%); with N-bromosuccinimide (yield 46%); with dioxane dibromide (yield 40%). Mp 236-238°C. R_f 0.20 (acetone—methanol—water 8:2:1). IR spectrum: 1660, 1701, 3170, 3190 cm⁻¹. UV spectrum, λ_{max} (log ε): 233 (4.24), 357 nm (3.81). NMR spectrum (in DMSO-d₆): 2.27 (3H, s, 2-CH₃), 3.50 (3H, s, OCH₃), 5.10 (1H, s, 4-H), 5.44 (2H, s, CH₂), 7.20 (1H, q, OCHF₂, J_{FH} = 72, J_{FH} = 74 Hz); 7.25 (5H, m, ArH and NH), 10.73 ppm (1H, s, NH). Mass spectrum, m/z (I, %): 350 (9.5) M⁺, 335 (10.8) [M-CH₃]⁺, 319 (5.2) [M-OCH₃]⁺, 291 (3.3) [M-COOCH₃]⁺, 283 (8.9) [M-OCHF₂]⁺, 281 (5.9) [283-2H]⁺, 207 (100) [M-C₆H₄OCHF₂]⁺.

2-Methyl-3-ethoxycarbonyl-4-(2-difluoromethoxyphenyl)-5-oxo-6-phenyl-1,4,5,7-tetrahydropyrrolo[3,4-b]pyridine (IIb). Mp 210-212°C. R_f 0.42 (ethyl acetate—acetic acid 10:1). IR spectrum: 1620, 1690, 3140 cm⁻¹. UV spectrum, λ_{max} (log ε): 230 (4.13), 360 nm (3.95). NMR spectrum (in CDCl₃): 1.14 (3H, t, CH₂CH₃); 2.61 (3H, s, 2-CH₃), 4.02 (2H, q, CH₂CH₃), 5.58 (1H s, 4-H), 5.75 (2H, s, CH₂), 6.78 (1H, q, OCHF₂, J_{FH} = 72.0, J_{FH} = 74.0 Hz); 7.35 (4H, m, ArH), 9.95 ppm (1H, s, NH). Mass spectrum, m/z (I, %): 440 (60) M⁺, 438 (40) [M-H₂]⁺, 411 (14.9) [M-CH₂H₅]⁺, 396 (6.3) [M-OC₂H₅]⁺, 373 (29) [M-OCHF₂]⁺, 371 (76) [373-H₂]⁺, 342 (64) [371-C₂H₅]⁺, 297 (100) [M-C₆H₄OCHF₂]⁺.

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