

EXPERIMENTAL

IR spectra were obtained on a UR-20 instrument. PMR spectra were recorded on a Tesla 567 B instrument with a working frequency of 100 MHz. ^{13}C NMR spectra were taken on a Bruker AM-300 instrument with a working frequency of 75 MHz using CDCl_3 as the solvent and TMS as the standard. The products of synthesis were purified by column chromatography on silica gel 40/100 (Czechoslovakia).

7-Thia-1-tosyloxooctane (II). A mixture of 2.86 g ($2 \cdot 10^{-2}$ mole) of the alcohol (I), 4.49 g ($2.4 \cdot 10^{-2}$ mole) of tosyl chloride, and 5 ml of anhydrous pyridine was stirred at room temperature for 4 h. Then it was diluted with 10 ml of ethyl acetate and washed with water (2×10 ml). The organic layer was dried with Na_2SO_4 and evaporated, and the residue was chromatographed (hexane-ethyl acetate (9:1)). This gave 4 g (68%) of the tosylate (II) in the form of a light yellow oil, R_f 0.44 (hexane-ethyl acetate (7:3)), n_D^{22} 1.5155. PMR spectrum (ppm): 1.25-1.75 (8H, m, CH_2 -2- CH_2 -5), 2.08 (3H, s, CH_3 -8), 2.42 (2H, t, $J = 6.8$ Hz CH_2 -6), 2.50 (3H, s, CH_3Ar), 4.02 (2H, t, $J = 7$ Hz, CH_2 -1), 7.25-7.95 (4H, m, H-Ar).

8-Thianonanonitrile (III). A mixture of 2.46 g ($8.1 \cdot 10^{-3}$ mole) of the tosylate (II), 0.8 g ($1.63 \cdot 10^{-2}$ mole) of NaCN and 5 ml of anhydrous dimethyl sulfoxide was heated at 70°C for 2 h. Then it was cooled to room temperature, diluted with 25 ml of ether, and washed with water (3×10 ml) and with saturated NaCl solution (20 ml). The organic layer was dried with MgSO_4 and evaporated, and the residue was chromatographed (hexane-ethyl acetate (7:3)). This yielded 1.25 g (98%) of the nitrile (III) in the form of a light yellow oil with R_f 0.44 (hexane-ethyl acetate (7:3)), n_D^{22} 1.4760. IR spectrum (cm^{-1}): 2257 ($\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$). PMR spectrum (ppm): 1.39-1.75 (8H, m, CH_2 -3- CH_2 -6), 2.09 (3H, s, CH_3 -9), 2.37 (2H, t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, CH_2 -2), 2.51 (2H, t, $J = 7$ Hz, CH_2 -7). ^{13}C NMR spectrum (ppm): 15.76 (C-9), 17.32 (C-2), 25.52, 28.09, 28.50, 28.99 (C-3-C-6), 34.31 (C-7), 119.92 (C-1).

8-Oxo-8-thianonanonitrile (IV) [(±)-Diptocarpilidine]. A stirred solution of 0.86 g ($5.4 \cdot 10^{-3}$ mole) of the nitrile (III) in 5 ml of acetone was treated with 2 ml of glacial acetic acid and 0.62 g ($5.4 \cdot 10^{-3}$ mole) of 30% hydrogen peroxide. After 2 h, the solvent was evaporated off from the reaction mixture, the residue was dissolved in 10 ml of chloroform, and the solution was neutralized with saturated NaHCO_3 solution. The organic layer was dried with Na_2SO_4 and evaporated, and the residue was chromatographed (chloroform-methanol (10:1)). This gave 1 g (94%) of the alkaloid (IV) in the form of a clear oil. Its IR and PMR spectra were identical with those given in [1]. ^{13}C NMR spectrum (ppm): 17.01 (C-2), 22.30, 25.04, 289.07, 28.14 (C-3-C-6), 38.57 (C-9), 54.29 (C-7), 119.55 (C-1).

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