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PIPERAZINE ENAMINES DERIVED FROM BENZO[b]THIENO[3,2-f]THIEPIN

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After the establishment of the high neuroleptic activity of derivatives of 10-piperazinodibenzo-[b,f]thiepin¹⁻⁴, *i.e.* of piperazine enamines corresponding to the 10,11-dihydro-analogues of the "perathiepin" type⁵ and "octoclothepin" type⁶ it appeared suitable to study enamines corresponding in their neuroleptic and tranquilizing effect to "peradithiepin", *i.e.* 4-(4-methylpiperazino)-4,5-dihydrobenzo[b]thieno[3,2-f]thiepin⁷ (I). For this reason we prepared now compounds II and III. During their synthesis we proceeded from the corresponding ketone, 4,5-dihydrobenzo-[b]thieno[3,2-f]thiepin-4-one⁷, for the transformation of which into enamines we employed the titanium tetrachloride method⁸, successfully used in the dibenzo[b,f]thiepin series^{2,4}.



Compounds II and III were pharmacologically tested in the form of salts (II methanesulfonate, III fumarate) in two basic tests for tranquilizing and neuroleptic activity (the values shown refer to the bases). In the rotating-rod test in mice, both compounds applied intravenously are approximately equally active as peradithepin I (ref.⁷). ED₅₀ for II is 0.050 mg/kg, for III 0.078 mg/kg. In the catalepsy test in rats upon intraperitoneal application, the two new compounds are substantially more active than peradithiepin I (see ref.⁹): ED₅₀ for II is 2.0 mg/kg, for III 2.1 mg/kg. Hence between the piperazino derivatives of benzo[b]thieno[3,2-f]thiepin and their 4,5-dihydro derivatives there exists a similar relationship as to their tranquilizing and neuroleptic activity as in the series of dibenzo[b,f]thiepin derivatives.

Compound II was further tested by Dr J. Turinová at the bacteriological department of this institute (headed by Dr A. Šimek) as to its inhibitory effects toward several microbial species in vitro. It was found that at a concentration of $25 \,\mu g/ml$ it inhibits the growth of *Streptococcus B-haemolyticus* and *Staphylococcus pyogenes aureus* (including the penicillin-resistant strain).

EXPERIMENTAL

The melting points of analytical preparations were determined in Kofter's block. The samples were dried for 8 h *in vacuo* (about 0.2 Torr) over phosphorus pentoxide at a temperature adequate to the melting points of the substances ($100^{\circ}C$ at most). The NMR spectra were recorded in a ZKR-60 (Zeiss Jena) apparatus in deuteriochloroform. As reference standard we used hexamethyldisiloane; the values shown in the paper are referred to tetramethyldisiloane.

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4-(4-Methylpiperazino)benzo[b]thieno[3,2-f]thiepin (II)

A solution of 3.0 g titanium tetrachloride in 20 ml benzene was added dropwise under stirring over a period of 5 min to a mixture of 6.0 g 4,5-dihydrobenzo[6]thieno[3,2.5]thiepin-4-one⁷, 15.0 g 1-methylpiperazine and 80 ml benzene. The mixture was left to stand overnight at room temperature, then it was refluxed under stirring for 16 h. After cooling, the mixture was decomposed with 30 ml water, the precipitated hydrate of titanium dioxide was filtered and washed with water and benzene. The benzene layer was separated from the filtrate and evaporated: 6.7 g (83%), m.p. 151–153°C (ethanol). NMR spectrum: δ 7-25 (mult. 4 H of benzene ring), 7-21 (doublet, 1 H in position 2 of the thiophene nucleus, J = 7.0 Hz), 6.27 (singlet, 1 H in position 5 of the skeleton), 3.04 (multiplet, 4 H of CH₂ groups adjacent to enamine N), 2.55 (mult., 4 H of CH₂ groups adjacent to NCH₃), 2.35 (singlet, 3 H of methyl). For C_{1.7}H_{1.8}N₂S₂ (314.3) calculated: 64.95% C, 5.77% H, 8.91% N, 20.26% S.

Monomethanesulfonate monohydrate, m.p. $203-205^{\circ}$ C (ethanol-ether). For C₁₈H₂₄N₂O₄S₃ (428·4) calculated: 50·46% C, 5·65% H, 6·54% N; found: 50·16% C, 6·08% H, 6·63% N.

4-[4-(3-Hydroxypropyl)piperazino]benzo[b]thieno[3,2-f] thiepin (III)

As in the previous case, 6.0 g 4,5-dihydrobenzo[b]thieno[3,2-f]thiepin-4-one⁷ reacted with 21.6 g 1-(3-hydroxypropyl)piperazine¹⁰ and 3.0 g titanium tetrachloride in 100 ml benzene. A similar treatment of the reaction mixture yielded 5.9 g substance which was recrystallized from ethanol to recover 3.2 g of the starting ketone, melting at 123-126°C (ref.⁷ gives 122-124°C). Evaporation of the mother liquor yielded 2.42 g (56%) crude base *III* which was purified by conversion to the crystalline maleate (m.p. 95-97°C) and its decomposition by alkalization to give back the pure base, m.p. 121-3°C (ethanol). NMR spectrum: δ 7.26 (multiplet, 4 H of the benzene ring), 7-21 (doublet, 1 H in position 2 of the thiophene ring, *J* = 7.0 Hz), 6.25 (singlet, 1 H in position 5 of the system), 4.20 (wide singlet, 1 H of the OH group), 3.80 (triplet, 2 H of the CH₂ group in CH₂OH, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 3.02 (multiplet, 4 H of the second N atom), 1.76 (multiplet, 2 H of the central CH₂ group of the propane chain). For C₁₉H₂₂N₂OS₂ (358.4) calculated: 63-67% C, 619% H, 7.82% N, 17.92% S.

Fumarate, m.p. 213–214°C under decomposition (ethanol). For $C_{19}H_{22}N_2OS_2.0.5$ $C_4H_4O_4$ (416·4) calculated: 60·56% C, 5·81% H, 6·73% N, 15·40% S; found: 60·25% C, 5·86% H, 6·57% N, 15·45% S.

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ON PHTHALIDES AND INDANDIONES. XLII.* ALKYLATION OF 2-(1-NAPHTHYL-)-1,3-INDANDIONE

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When the anions of 2-phenyl-1,3-indandione and 2-(2-naphthyl)-1,3-indandione are alkylated with primary alkyl halides in various solvents C-alkyl derivatives^{1,2} are formed exclusively. In a previous work³ Hrnčiar found that on methylation of the anion of 2-(1-naphthyl)-1,3-indandione (*I*) with methyl iodide in ethanol O-methyl derivative is formed in addition to the C-methyl derivative. Therefore we were interested in the question to what extent the sterical effect (drop in nucleophilicity) at the C-atom in the position 2 of *I* would be observable during the alkylations with other alkyl halides, in comparison with 2-phenyl-1,3-indandione and 2-(2-naphthyl)-1,3-indandione. The alkylations were carried out in protic and in aprotic solvents having various dielectrical constants (methanol, ethanol, dimethylformamide, dimethyl sulfoxide, acetone, dichloromethane). For the formation of anion *I* in alcoholic medium we made use of alcoholate, while in other solvents potassium carbonate was employed.

From the results given in Table I it is evident that the anion of compound I affords in all solvents on alkylation with methyl iodide, benzyl chloride, benzyl iodide, allyl bromide, and allyl chloride a mixture of C-alkyl and O-alkyl derivatives. After ethylation with ethyl bromide and ethyl iodide only the O-ethyl derivative VI could be isolated. In alkylations of the anion of 2-phe-nyl-1,3-indandione and 2-(2-naphthyl)-1,3-indandione with the mentioned primary halo hydro-carbons C-alkyl derivative VI is formed exclusively. When anion I reacted with isopropyl iodide, again O-isopropyl derivative VI is formed exclusively.

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