THE STRUCTURE OF PRODUCTS OF COUPLING OF ARENEDIAZO-NIUM SALTS WITH 3-AMINOCROTONONITRILE DERIVATIVES

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The structure of products of coupling arenediazonium salts with 3-aminocrotononitrile derivatives is reported. The spectral data as well as the chemical behaviour of coupling products indicated that it is the hydrazone in (E)-form.

Some time ago we reported a new synthesis of pyridazines by cyclization of products of coupling Ib with benzenediazonium chloride¹. Although this synthetic approach has been extensively utilized for synthesis of polyfunctionally substituted pyridazines²⁻¹¹, no trial to establish the exact structure of the products of coupling Iwith arenediazonium salts has been made. Further the mechanism of conversion of the coupling products into pyridazines has not been clarified. In the present article we report the results of our investigation aiming to establish both the structure of coupling of Ia - Id with arenediazonium salts and the mechanism of their conversion into pyridazines. Thus, it has been found that Ia - Id coupled with arenediazonium salts to yield products that may be formulated as the hydrazone II or the 3(2H)-pyridazinimines III. The hydrazone structure II is readily established for products of coupling of *Ib* with arenediazonium salts as the IR spectra of all prepared products revealed C = N absorption which should be absent if these are the cyclic imines III (Table II). In addition ¹H NMR of these products revealed two ester functions (Table III). Compounds IIa, IIb, and IIe have been synthesized earlier by us^{1,6}. Although IR spectra cannot be utilized for establishing the structure of other products of coupling with arenediazonium salts, the chemical behaviour of all prepared coupling products revealed that they are the acyclic hydrazones II. Thus, the products of coupling of Ic, Id are isomerized on reflux in acetic acid--hydrochloric acid mixture for a short period. Although these isomerization products seemed to be the 3(2H)-pyridazinimines IIIk-IIIo one can also argue that these are the (Z)-isomer of II. In order to eliminate this possibility products IIe - IIi are also isomerized on reflux in acetic acid-hydrochloric acid mixture to yield products that are considered to be the 3(2H)-pyridazinimines III and not the (Z)-hydrazone IV based on IR spectra which revealed the absence of C=N absorption in the spectra of isomerization products of IIe-IIh. The UV spectra of these 3(2H)-pyridazinimides was found very similar to the UV spectra of the products of isomerising IIk-IIo in acetic acid-hydrochloric acid mixture. Thus, the 3(2H)-pyridazinimine structure was established for these products. Compounds IIIa, IIIe have been synthesized earlier by cyclization of IIa, IIe with acetic acid^{1,8}. Compound IIIa has also been synthesized via reaction of malononitrile with phenylhydrazonomesoxalonitriles⁸. Attempted cyclization of IIi under the same conditions afforded the 3(2H)-pyridazinone V.



In formulae // and /// : a , X = CN ; $Y = CO_2C_2H_5$; $Ar = C_6H_5$; $R = NH_2$ b , X = CN ; $Y = CO_2C_2H_5$; $Ar = C_6H_4CH_3-\rho$; $R = NH_2$ c , X = CN ; $Y = CO_2C_2H_5$; $Ar = C_6H_4CI-\rho$; $R = NH_2$ d , X = CN ; $Y = CO_2C_2H_5$; $Ar = C_6H_4CI-\rho$; $R = NH_2$ e , $X = Y = CO_2C_2H_5$; $Ar = C_6H_4CH_3-\rho$; $R = NH_2$ f , $X = Y = CO_2C_2H_5$; $Ar = C_6H_4CH_3-\rho$; $R = NH_2$ g , $X = Y = CO_2C_2H_5$; $Ar = C_6H_4CI_3-\rho$; $R = NH_2$ f , $X = Y = CO_2C_2H_5$; $Ar = C_6H_4CI_3-\rho$; $R = NH_2$ h , $X = Y = CO_2C_2H_5$; $Ar = C_6H_4CI-\sigma$; $R = NH_2$ h , $X = Y = CO_2C_2H_5$; $Ar = C_6H_4CI_3-\rho$; $R = NH_2$ f , $X = Y = CO_2C_2H_5$; $Ar = C_6H_4CI_3-\rho$; $R = NH_2$ f , $X = Y = CO_2C_2H_5$; $Ar = C_6H_5$; $R = NH_2$ f , X = Y = CN ; $Ar = C_6H_5$; $R = NH_2$ f , X = Y = CN ; $Ar = C_6H_4CH_3-\rho$; $R = NH_2$ f , X = Y = CN ; $Ar = C_6H_4CH_3-\rho$; $R = NH_2$ f , X = Y = CN ; $Ar = C_6H_5$; $R = C_6H_5$ h , X = Y = CN ; $Ar = C_6H_5$; $R = C_6H_5$ h , X = Y = CN ; $Ar = C_6H_4CH_3-\rho$; $R = C_6H_5$ h , X = Y = CN ; $Ar = C_6H_4CH_3-\rho$; $R = C_6H_5$ h , X = Y = CN ; $Ar = C_6H_4CH_3-\rho$; $R = C_6H_5$ h , X = Y = CN ; $Ar = C_6H_4CH_3-\rho$; $R = C_6H_5$ h , X = Y = CN ; $Ar = C_6H_4CH_3-\rho$; $R = C_6H_5$ h , X = Y = CN ; $Ar = C_6H_4CH_3-\rho$; $R = C_6H_5$ h , X = Y = CN ; $Ar = C_6H_4CH_3-\rho$; $R = C_6H_5$ h , X = Y = CN ; $Ar = C_6H_4CH_3-\rho$; $R = C_6H_5$ h , X = Y = CN ; $Ar = C_6H_4CH_3-\rho$; $R = C_6H_5$ h , X = Y = CN ; $Ar = C_6H_4CH_3-\rho$; $R = C_6H_5$ h , X = Y = CN ; $Ar = C_6H_4CH_3-\rho$; $R = C_6H_5$ h , X = Y = CN ; $Ar = C_6H_4CH_3-\rho$; $R = C_6H_5$

In contrast, attempted isomerization of IIa - IIc under similar conditions failed. The extra stability of these products can be rationalized by assuming extra stabilisation of the (E)-hydrazone formed in these compounds by hydrogen bonding. This rationalization seems more logical than assuming that these products are realy 3(2H)-pyridazinimines as has been recently suggested by Mittelbach¹¹. In order to provide further evidence to support the belief that products of coupling Ia and Ic are IIa-IId and IIi-IIm, ³C NMR spectra of IIb and IIk were run and inspected. ¹³C NMR spectra revealed two C=N signals in the spectrum of IIb and three C=N signals in the spectrum of IIk. In addition a signal at $\delta \sim 80$ was observed which is assigned to C-4 of IIb and C-2 of IIk. This signal is hard to be interpreted in terms of the cyclic structure III. It is worth to mention that arylhydrazone C-2 in both IIb and IIk appeared at a somewhat lower field than that expected for a phenylhydrazine derivative (c. 114 ppm). This deshielding is attributed to involvement of nitrogen lone pair in resonance across the C=N linkage which decreases its availability for resonance with benzene ring. For assignment of the particular atoms in ¹³C NMR spectrum of *IIb* and *IIk* see Fig. 1.

Refluxing IIa-IIc in acetic acid-hydrochloric acid mixture for a long time afforded the amino acids VIa-VIc. It is believed that IIa-IIc are first hydrolyzed into VIIa-VIIc which then can be isomerized into the (Z)-hydrazone VIII. This latter hydrazones then cyclized into the final isolable VIa-VId. Compound IIj gave the isomeric amino acid IX on treatment with acetic acid in presence of concentrated hydrochloric acid. This indicates that the functional group at C-5 flanked by two amino groups is more readily attacked by hydroxide ion than that at C-3 (Scheme 1).



FIG. 1 Assignment of ¹³C NMR spectra of compounds *Ilb* and *Ilk*



SCHEME 1

In contrast to previously reported formation of X on refluxing *IIe* in the presence of acetic anhydride¹, compounds *IIe*, *IIb* gave the acetylamino derivatives XIa, XIb. In no case we were able to isolate X. Compound X could be produced only from the 3(2H)-pyridazinone.

Compounds IIa-IIc reacted with hydrazine hydrate to yield products that may be formulated as XII or XIII. Structure XIII was readily established for the products based on its conversion into XIV by reflux in AcOH-HCl mixture. If the reaction products were XII then the acid VI would be produced. In conclusion it may be stated that Ia - Id give always (E)-hydrazones on coupling with arenediazonium salts and not the (Z)-hydrazones as has been previously suggested⁶. These hydrazones need to be isomerized into (Z)-hydrazones to cyclize.



This isomerization becomes difficult when an ester function is placed in a position that stabilizes the (E)-hydrazone form while no such effect is present on the stability of the (Z)-form. Cyclization in acid media enhance pyridazine formation while basic reagents as hydrazines react with other functions in the molecule.

EXPERIMENTAL

All melting points are uncorrected. IR spectra were recorded (KBr disc) on a Shimadzu-408 and Perkin-Elmer spectrometer. ¹H NMR spectra were measured in $(CD_3)_2SO$ on a Jeol-PMX-60 spectrometer at 60 MHz and Varian EM-390 spectrometer at 90 MHz using tetramethylsilane as internal standard and chemical shifts are expressed as δ (ppm). Microanalytical data (C, H, N) were obtained from the Microanalytical data unit at Cairo University.

Coupling of Ia-Id with Arenediazonium Chloride

An ice cold solution of 0.01 mol of arenediazonium chlorides (prepared from 0.01 mol of aromatic amine and the appropriate amount of sodium nitrite and hydrochloric acid) was added to a solution of Ia - Id (0.01 mol) in ethanol (100 ml) containing sodium acetate (5.0 g). The precipitate was collected by filtration and crystallized from the proper solvent (see Table I).

TABLE I

List of the newly synthesized compounds

Compound	Cryst. solvent	M.p., °C	Yield %	Formulae (M.w.)	Calculated/Found		
					% C	% н	% N
IIa	ethanol	202 ^{<i>a</i>}	83	$\begin{array}{c} C_{14}H_{13}N_5O_2\\ (283\cdot3) \end{array}$	59•4 59•5	4∙6 4∙5	24·7 24·5
IIb	ethanol	247	88	$C_{15}H_{15}N_5O_2$ (297.3)	60∙6 60∙6	5·1 5·2	23·6 23·5
IIc	ethanol	237	83	$C_{15}H_{15}N_5O_3$ (313·3)	57·5 57·4	4·8 4·9	22·4 22·5
IId	ethanol	263	80	$C_{14}H_{12}CIN_5O_2^{b}$ (317.8)	52·9 52·8	3∙8 4∙0	22·0 22·2
IIe	ethanol	110	80	$C_{16}H_{18}N_4O_4$ (330.3)	58·2 58·2	5·5 5·5	17·0 16·9
IIf	ethanol	130	75	$C_{17}H_{20}N_4O_4$ (344·4)	59·3 59·3	5·9 5·9	16·3 16·3
IIg	ethanol	112	85	$C_{17}H_{20}N_4O_5$ (360.4)	56·7 56·7	5·6 5·7	15·5 15·9
IIh	ethanol	135	82	$C_{16}H_{17}CIN_4O_4^{\ c}$ (364.8)	52·7 52·8	4·7 4·7	15·3 15·2
IIi	ethanol	137	92	$C_{21}H_{24}N_6O_5$ (440.5)	57·3 56·9	5·5 5·5	19·1 18·7
IIj	ethanol– –dioxane	216	72	$C_{12}H_8N_6$ (236.2)	61·0 61·2	3·4 3·5	35·6 35·6
IIk	ethanol- dioxane	190	87	$C_{13}H_{10}N_6$ (250·3)	62·4 62·4	4·0 4·2	33·6 33·5
III	ethanol	205	80	$C_{13}H_{10}N_{6}O_{(266\cdot3)}$	58·6 58·6	3·8 3·9	31·6 31·3
IIm	ethanol	143	75	$C_{18}H_{11}N_5$ (297·3)	72·7 72·3	3·7 3·7	23·6 23·6
IIn	ethanol	192	72	$C_{19}H_{13}N_5$ (311·4)	73·3 73·5	4·2 4·3	22•5 22•5
Ho	ethanol	170	73	$C_{19}H_{13}N_5O$ (327.4)	69·7 69·9	4∙0 4∙0	21·4 21·4
IIIe	ethanol	220	60	$C_{16}H_{18}N_4O_4$ (330·3)	58·2 58·3	5·5 5·5	17·0 17·0
IIIf	ethanol– –water	188	60	$C_{17}H_{20}N_4O_4$ (344·3)	59•3 59•6	5·9 5·8	16·3 16·2

Table I

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Compound	Cryst. solvent	М.р., °С	Yield %	Formulae (M.w.)	Calculated/Found		
					% C	% н	% N
IIIg	ethanol– –water	>250	62	C ₁₇ H ₂₀ N ₄ O ₅ (360·4)	56∙7 56∙3	5∙6 5∙5	15·5 15·5
IIIh	ethanol– –water	145	65	$C_{16}H_{17}CIN_4O_4{}^d$ (364.8)	52·7 52·6	4∙7 4∙5	21·3 21·2
IIIk	ethanol	225	65	$C_{13}H_{10}N_6$ (250·3)	62·4 62·5	4∙0 4∙3	33·6 33·6
IIIm	ethanol	218	60	$C_{18}H_{11}N_6$ (297.3)	72·7 72·5	3·7 3·8	23·6 23·7
IIIn	ethanol	180	62	$C_{19}H_{13}N_5$ (311.4)	73·3 73·3	4·2 4·4	22·5 22·5
IIIo	ethanol	150	62	C ₁₉ H ₁₃ N ₅ O (327·4)	69·7 69·9	4∙0 4∙0	21·4 21·4
V	DMF– –ethanol	284	84	C ₁₉ H ₁₈ N ₆ O ₄ (394·4)	57·7 57·9	4∙5 4∙6	21·0 21·3
VIa	acetic acid	>300	70	C ₁₂ H ₉ N ₅ O ₂ (255·2)	56∙5 56∙6	3∙6 3∙6	27·4 27·4
VIb	acetic acid	>300	70	$C_{13}H_{11}N_5O_2$ (269·3)	58∙0 58∙0	4·1 4·2	26∙0 26∙0
VIc	acetic acid	>300	70	C ₁₂ H ₈ ClN ₅ O ₂ ^e (289·7)	49∙8 49∙5	2·8 2·8	24·2 24·2
IX	ethanol	218	65	$C_{12}H_9N_5O_2$ (255·2)	56∙5 56∙4	3∙6 3∙8	27·4 27·5
XIa	ethanol	196	72	$C_{18}H_{20}N_4O_5$ (372.4)	58∙1 58•2	5·4 5·2	15·0 15·3
XIb	acetone	222	72	$C_{15}H_{12}N_6O_2$ (308.8)	58∙4 58∙3	3·9 3·9	27·4 27·5
XIIIa	ethanol	162	70	$C_{12}H_{11}N_7O_{(269\cdot3)}$	53·5 53·8	4·1 4·0	36∙4 36∙5
XIIIb	ethanol	210	60	$C_{13}H_{13}N_5O$ (283·3)	55·1 55·2	4∙6 4∙6	34·6 34·5
XIIIc	ethanol– –water	240	60	$C_{12}H_{10}CIN_7O^f$ (303.7)	47∙5 47∙6	3·3 3·5	32·2 32·2
XIV	ethanol	>250	65	$C_{12}H_{12}N_6O$ (288·3)	50·0 49·8	4·2 4·1	29·2 29·3

^{*a*} Misprinted 270°C in ref.⁶; ^{*b*} calculated 11·2% Cl, found 11·0%; ^{*c*} calculated 9·7% Cl, found 9·5%; ^{*d*} calculated 9·7% Cl, found 9·8%; ^{*e*} calculated 12·2% Cl, found 12·0%; ^{*f*} calculated 11·7% Cl, found 11·6%.

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TABLE II

Selected IR data for compounds listed in Table I

Compound	$\tilde{\nu}_{\max}, \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$
lla	3 380, 3 320, 3 240 (NH and NH ₂); 2 210, 2 200 (CN); 1 710 (C=O); 1 670 (C=N)
IIb	3 390, 3 300, 3 220 (NH and NH ₂); 2 210, 2 200 (CN); 1 710 (C=O); 1 640 (C=N)
Ис	3 390, 3 300, 3 220 (NH and NH ₂); 2 220, 2 200 (CN); 1 715 (C=O); 1 640 (C=N)
IId	3 380, 3 300, 3 220, 3 100 (NH and NH ₂); 2 220, 2 190 (CN); 1 715 (C=O)
IIe	3 500-3 200 (NH and NH ₂); 2 220 (CN); 1 730, 1 720 (C=O)
Пf	3 400, 3 300, 3 200 (NH and NH ₂); 2 220 (CN); 1 720, 1 680 (C=O); 1 640 (C=N)
IIg	3 400, 3 250, 3 200 (NH and NH ₂); 2 200 (CN); 1 680, 1 670 (C=O); 1 630 (C=N)
IIh	3 400, 3 270, 3 200 (NH and NH ₂); 1 690, 1 680 (C=O); 1 620 (C=N)
Hi	3 420-3 100 (NH and NH ₂); 1 720-1 690 (C=O); 1 660 (ring C=O); 1 625 (C=N)
IIj	3 450, 3 350 (NH and NH ₂); 2 210, 2 200 (CN); 1 660 (C=N)
IIk	3 400, 3 350 (NH and NH ₂); 2 220, 2 200 (CN); 1 650 (C=N)
111	3 450, 3 300 (NH and NH ₂); 2 220, 2 200 (CN); 1 660 (C==N)
IIm	3 350 (NH); 2 200, 2 190 (CN); 1 625 (C=N)
IIn	3 450 (NH); 2 210, 2 200 (CN); 1 630 (C=N)
По	3 450 (NH); 2 220, 2 200 (CN); 1 630 (C=N)
Ille	3 260-3 200 (NH and NH ₂); 1 700 (C=O); 1 660-1 630 (C=N)
IIIf	3 450 – 3 200 (br, NH and NH ₂); 1 730 – 1 710 (C=O groups)
IIIg	3 450-3 200 (br, NH and NHa); 1 720-1 700 (br, C==O groups)
IIIh	3 400-3 300 (br, NH and NH ₂); 1 730-1 710 (C=O groups)
IIIk	3 450, 3 350 (NH and NH ₂); 2 200 (CN); 1 660 (exocyclic NH)
IIIm	3 420 (NH); 2 200 (br, CN); 1 670 (exocyclic C=NH)
IIIn	3 350 (NH); 2 220 (br, CN)
IIIo	3 350 (NH); 2 210 (br, CN); 1 670 (exocyclic C==NH)
V	3 400, 3 200 (NH ₂); 2 200 (CN); 1 710 (ester C=O); 1 680 (pyridazine CO); 1 640 (pyrazolin C=O)
VIa	3 500 – 3 200 (br, NH ₂); 2 200 (CN); 1 660 (C=O)

TABLE II

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Compound	\tilde{v}_{max} , cm ⁻¹	
VIb	3 450 – 3 200 (br, NH ₂); 2 200 (CN); 1 670 (C=O)	
VIc	3 450-3 200 (br, NH ₂); 2 210 (CN); 1 660 (C=O)	
IX	3 450, 3 300, 3 150 (NH ₂); 2 200 (CN); 1 690 (C=O)	
XIa	3 250 (NH ₂); 1 730, 1 710, 1 680 (C=O groups)	
XIb	3 400, 3 300, 3 200 (NH ₂); 2 200 (CN); 1 720 (C=O)	
XIIIa	3 400, 3 300 (NH ₂); 2 200 (CN); 1 670 (ring CO)	
XIIIb	3 420, 3 340, 3 300 (NH ₂); 2 200 (CN); 1 660 (ring CO)	
XIIIc	3 400-3 100 (NH ₂); 2 200 (CN); 1 650 (ring CO)	
XIV	3 450-3 120 (OH and NH ₂); 1 670-1 650 (br, C=O groups)	

Reaction of IIa-IIo and XIIIa with Acetic Acid-Hydrochloric Acid Mixture

A solution of the appropriate IIa-IIo or XIIIa (3.0 g) in acetic acid (20 ml) and hydrochloric acid (37%; 3.0 ml) is heated under reflux for 4 h in case of IIe-IIo, XIIIa or 12 h in case of IIa-IIc. The reaction mixture is then allowed to cool and poured onto water (80 ml) containing sodium hydrogencarbonate (5.0 g). The solid product, so formed, is collected by filtration and crystallized from the proper solvent (see Table I).

Reaction of IIe, III with Acetic Anhydride

A solution of the appropriate IIe, III (3.0 g) in acetic anhydride (20 ml) is heated under reflux for 7 h, evaporated in vacuo and then poured onto water. The solid product, so formed, is collected by filtration and crystallized from the proper solvent (see Table I).

Reaction of Compounds IIa-IIc with Hydrazine Hydrate

A solution of the appropriate IIa - IIc (0.01 mol) in ethanol (50 ml) is treated with hydrazine hydrate (0.5 g, 0.01 mol). The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 2 h. The precipitate formed during reflux is collected by filtration and crystallized from the proper solvent (see Table I).

¹³C NMR measurements were performed at the City University, London by Dr S. A. Matlin, thanks to the support of the International Organization of Chemical Sciences in Development (IOCD), which is acknowledged.

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TABLE III

¹H NMR data for compounds listed in Table I

Compound	δ , ppm
IIa	1·3 t, 3 H (CH ₃); 4·3 q, 2 H (CH ₂); 7·0 -8 ·4 m, 7 H (5 × H-arom. and NH ₂); 9·0 br, 1 H (NH)
IIb	1·3 t, 3 H (CH ₃); 2·3 s, 3 H (CH ₃); 4·2 q, 2 H (CH ₂); 7·0 $-8\cdot5$ m, 6 H (4 × H-arom. and NH ₂); 9·0 br, 1 H (NH)
IIe	1·2 t, 6 H (2 × CH ₃); 4·2 q, 4 H (2 × CH ₂); 6·5 br, 2 H (NH ₂); 7·2-8·0 m, 5 H (H-arom.); 10·9 br, 1 H (NH)
IIg	1·2 t, 6 H (2 × CH ₃); 3·3 s, 3 H (OCH ₃); 3·8 m, 4 H (2 × CH ₂); $6\cdot 2 - 6\cdot 6$ m, 4 H (H-arom.); 8·0 br, 2 H (NH ₂); 9·3 s, 1 H (NH)
IIi	1·3 t, 6 H (2 × CH ₃); 2·2 s, 3 H (CH ₃); 3·2 s, 3 H (CH ₃); 4·3 q, 4 H (2 × CH ₂); 7·2 $-7\cdot5$ m, 5 H (H-arom.); 8·3 bs, 2 H (NH ₂); 9·3 s, 1 H (NH)
IIk	2·3 s, 3 H (CH ₃); 7·2-7·6 m, 4 H (H-arom.); 8·3 br, 2 H (NH ₂); 9·2 s, 1 H (NH)
IIl	7·2-7·6 m, 5 H (H-arom.); 8·3 br, 2 H (NH ₂); 9·2 s, 1 H (NH)
IIn	2·3 s, 3 H (CH ₃); 6·9-7·8 m, 10 H (H-arom.); 9·3 br, 2 H (NH ₂)
IIIf	1.3 t, 6 H (2 × CH ₃); 2.2 s, 3 H (CH ₃); 4.2 m, 4 H (2 × CH ₂); 7.2-8.3 m, 7 H (4 × H-arom., NH and NH ₂)
IIIh	1·3 t, 6 H (2 \times CH ₃); 4·2 m, 4 H (2 \times CH ₂); 7·2–8·4 m, 7 H (4 \times H-arom., NH and NH ₂)
IIIn	2·2 s, 3 H (CH ₃); 7·2 -8 ·3 m, 10 H (9 \times H-arom. and NH)
V	1·3 t, 3 H (CH ₃); 2·3 s, 3 H (CH ₃); 3·2 s, 3 H (CH ₃); 4·2 q, 2 H (CH ₂); 7·2 -7 ·5 m, 5 H (H-arom.); 8·3 br, 2 H (NH ₂)
XIa	1·3 t, 6 H (2 × CH ₃); 2·9 s, 3 H (COCH ₃); 3·8 q, 4 H (2 × CH ₂); 6·6–6·9 m, 5 H (H-arom.); 9·7 br, 2 H (NH ₂)
XIb	2·9 s, 3 H (COCH ₃); 3·2 s, 3 H (OCH ₃); 6·7-7·2 m, 4 H (H-arom.); 9·2 br, 2 H (NH ₂)

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