REACTIONS OF 1.3-BENZOTHIAZINE DERIVATIVES WITH AROYL CYANIDES

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Continuing our studies  $^{1-3}$  on the cycloaddition reactions of 1,3-benzo-thiazines, we have recently studied their reactions with aroyl cyanides. In this paper we describe the results of these investigations.

It was found that the reactions of 1,3-benzothiazines with aroyl cyanides depend strongly on the substituent at position 4 of the 1,3-benzothiazines. Depending on this substituent, addition and cycloaddition were observed. Reaction of compounds  $\frac{1}{2}$  with 6,7-dimethoxy-2H-1,3-benzothiazine ( $\frac{2}{2}$ ) in benzene solution furnished Reisert compounds ( $\frac{3}{2}$ ), which could not be prepared under the usual experimental conditions. In contrast, the reactions of the 4-methyl- ( $\frac{4}{2}$ ) and 4-ethyl-1,3-benzothiazine derivatives ( $\frac{6}{2}$ ) with  $\frac{1}{2}$  furnished compounds  $\frac{5}{2}$  through addition, and compounds  $\frac{7}{2}$  through cycloaddition.

The reactions of several further 1,3-benzothiazine derivatives were also studied. The structures of the compounds obtained were supported by micro-analytical and spectroscopic (IR,  $^1\text{H-}$  and  $^{\bar{1}3}\text{C-nmr}$ , MS) methods.

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