SYNTHESIS OF 4H-1,2,4,6-THIATRIAZINE 1,1-DIOXIDE:

A PRECURSOR OF 4-CYANO-1,2,6-THIADIAZINE 1,1-DIOXIDES

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Abstract — 4H-1,2,4,6-thiatriazine 1,1-dioxide, obtained from sulfamide and ethyl orthoformate, reacted with ethyl cyanoacetate and malononitrile to give the corresponding 4-cyano-1,2,6-thiadiazine 1,1-dioxide derivatives.

In this paper, we report the synthesis and reactions with  $\alpha$ -methylene compounds of  $4\underline{H}$ -1,2,4,6-thiatriazine 1,1-dioxide (I). Previously, only substituted derivatives of this heterocyclic system had been described  $^1$ .

When sulfamide was treated with an excess of ethyl orthoformate in a sealed tube at 130°C for 12 h, 4H-1,2,4,6-thiatriazine 1,1-dioxide (I) was obtained (mp 270°C, 40%).

$$H_2NSO_2NH_2 + HC(OEt)_3 \longrightarrow NSO_0$$

The structure of the compound was established according to its analytical and spectroscopic data<sup>2</sup>. The fact that there is only one signal for the =CH- protons allows us to establish I in this tautomeric form. The mechanism of the formation of this product is not very clear but one should bear in mind that sulfamide when heated over its melting point undergoes decomposition reactions<sup>3</sup>. In an attempt to extend this reaction for the preparation of other thiatriazines, N-benzylsulfamide was treated with ethyl orthoformate, under the same conditions, but only starting material was recovered. In an experiment with N-benzylsulfamide, sulfamide and ethyl orthoformate only thiatriazine I could be isolated.

When I was treated with two equivalents of malononitrile in refluxing 2N sodium methoxide, 3-amino-4-cyano-6 $\underline{H}$ -1,2,6-thiadiazine 1,1-dioxide (III) was isolated in 60% yield. This compound was identical in all respects to the product obtained in the condensation between sulfamide and ethoxymethylenemalononitrile  $^4$ . In a similar manner, when I was treated with ethyl cyano-acetate, the sodium salt  $^{4,5}$  of 4-cyano-2 $\underline{H}$ -1,2,6-thiadiazine-3(6 $\underline{H}$ )-one 1,1-dioxide (IV) was isolated. The probable course of the reaction involves attack of two equivalents of the active

methylene reagent to the electron defficient positions 3 and 5 of the thiatriazine ring to give the open-chain derivative II.

The fact that compound IV and not 3-amino-4-ethoxycarbonyl-2 $\underline{H}$ -1,2,6-thiadiazine 1,1-dioxide could be isolated should not be surprising since in the case of the synthesis of this same compound through the sulfamidomethylene derivative II (R  $\approx$  CO<sub>2</sub>Et), previously described by us, the only compound obtained was also IV.

Attempts to extend this reaction to other active methylene compounds such as diethyl malonate, ditertbutyl malonate, and malondiamide, in order to obtain other thiadiazine derivatives, were not successful.

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