

**DETERMINATION OF STEROID-NONSTEROID EQUILIBRIUM AND  
ANALYSIS OF ITS FACTORS USING DITHIOLANE AND DIOXOLANE**

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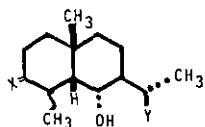
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Displacement of steroid-nonsteroid equilibrium were determined by chemical shift of C<sub>10</sub>-methyl of <sup>13</sup>C NMR in the series of 4,10-dimethyldecal-3-ones, especially  $\gamma$ -tetrahydro-*l*- $\alpha$ -santonin acid ( $\gamma$ -THSA) and its derivatives (shown in Table 1), compared with  $\gamma$ -tetrahydro-*l*- $\alpha$ -santonin (THS) derivatives with trans- or cis- $\gamma$ -lactones as the model compounds for typical steroid or nonsteroid types.

It has turned out from the analysis of <sup>13</sup>C NMR data in the compounds 5, 6, 7 and 8 that not only carbonyl but also acetal (dioxalane) groups are satisfactory groups to take nonsteroid type conformation as shown Fig 1.

Table 1.



No.	X=	C4	Y-
1	O=	$\alpha$ -Me	COOH
2	O=	$\alpha$ -Me	COOMe
3	O=	$\alpha$ -Me	CH <sub>2</sub> OH
4	HO-	$\beta$ -Me	CH <sub>2</sub> OH
5	[ <sup>o</sup> X o	$\alpha$ -Me	CH <sub>2</sub> OH
6	[ <sup>o</sup> X o	$\beta$ -Me	CH <sub>2</sub> OH
7	[ <sup>s</sup> X s	$\alpha$ -Me	CH <sub>2</sub> OH
8	[ <sup>s</sup> X s	$\beta$ -Me	CH <sub>2</sub> OH

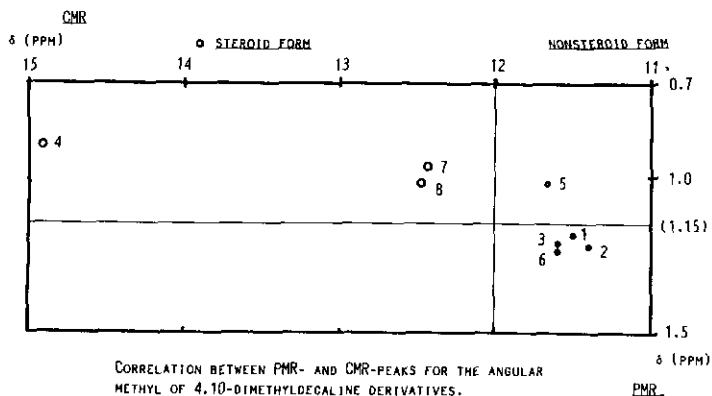


Fig. 1.