Ring Transformations of Bicyclic Cycloalka[d]- to the Isomeric Cycloalka[c]isothiazolium Salts and their Oxidation to ω -(2-Aryl-1,1,3-trioxo-2,3-dihydro-1*H*isothiazol-4-yl)-alkanoic Acids

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Abstract. The synthesis of tetrahydro-2,1-benzisothiazolium salts 8 and cyclohepta[c] isothiazolium salts 11 by ring transformation of bicyclic isothiazolium perchlorates 2, 3 is described and the by-products 9, 10 and 12 are characterized.

Oxidation of the bicyclic salts **8** and **11** results in a new route to obtain- ω -(2-aryl-1,1,3-trioxo-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isothiazol-4-yl)-alkanoic acids **17** and **18** by Criegee-type-rearrangement.

In the last years isothiazole 1,1-dioxides have received increased interest as chiral auxiliaries in asymmetric syntheses since Oppolzer's discovery of camphor sultam [1, 2]. Furthermore camphersulfonyl-oxaziridines [3] and oxaziridines of toluene-2, α -sultame type [4, 5] have aquired remarkable importance as asymmetric oxidants. In parallel to our experiments regarding the oxidation of 2-arylisothiazolium salts 2 we found the relation between donor and acceptor functionality on the substituents R and the function of these substituents on stereochemical aspects on the formation of rac-cis/ *trans*-3-hydroperoxy-4,5,6,7-tetrahydrotoluene-2, α -sultims and sultams, which are oxidizing agents [6, 7]. Recently, we have demonstrated the accessibility of monocyclic chiral 3-alkyl-3-hydroperoxy-sultams and 4-methyl-isothiazol-3(2H)-one 1,1-dioxides by oxidation of isothiazolium salts 5, which is alkyl substituted at the 3-position. The latter was prepared by a novel ring transformation under sulfur migration of isothiazolium salts 4 [8]. The goal of this paper is to extend the method reported previously [8] in order to obtain bicyclic isothiazolium salts and their oxidation to sultams.



Results

The starting materials, which are the bicyclic isothiazolium salts 1-3, were prepared according to our reported synthesis by cyclocondensation of 2-thiocyanato-cycloalkene-1-carbaldehydes with anilines 6a-c and perchloric acid [9]. The salts 1 and 3 are new compounds and were firstly synthesized in our laboratory.



Scheme 1 Ring opening of bicyclic salts 1a-c with anilines 6a-c to vinamidines 7a-c

The isothiazolium salts 1-3 possess the capability to react with the substituted anilines 6a-c in order to prepare the isomeric isothiazolium salts by ring transformation. Depending on the ring size of the isothiazolium salts 1-3 different products were obtained in the reaction mixture (scheme 1-3). Several substituents were chosen (R = H, CH₃, Cl) for examination of the influence between electron-donating and electron-withdrawing substituents. Because 2-aryl-5,6-dihydro-4*H*-cyclopenta[*d*]isothiazolium perchlorates **1** (n = 1) are allowed to react with substituted anilines **6a**-**c** in methanol, vinamidines **7ac** can be easily obtained in quantitative yield (95–99%) as the main product in a sufficient purity (scheme 1). Vinamidines are formed by reaction of 2-chloro-cyclopentene-1-carbaldehyd and anilines according to previous reported procedures [10, 11].

Isomerization of 2-aryl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1,2-benzisothiazolium perchlorates $2\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$ (n = 2) results in 1aryl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-2,1-benzisothiazolium perchlorates $8\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$ while the vinamidines $10\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$ (5–13%) and spirocyclic salts $9\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$ (5–31%) are only by-products (scheme 2).



Scheme 2 Isomerization of 4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1,2-benzisothiazolium perchlorates $2\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$ to 1-aryl-2,1-benzisothiazolium salts $8\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$, spirocyclic salts $9\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$ and vinamidines $10\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$

The substituent R at the aryl position importantly influences the isomerization yield. Thus, it was shown that by use of unsubstituted as well as electron-donating anilines **6a,b** ($R = H, CH_3$) reasonable yields of isomeric salts **8a,b** could be obtained (33–64%). On the other hand the use of electron-withdrawing substituted 4-chloro-aniline **6c** only results in traces of the isomeric salt **8c** (2%), which was confirmed in the reaction mixture by NMR spectroscopy. This tendency excellently correlates with the results we previously reported for isomerization of monocyclic isothiazolium salts [8].

In comparison to these results the ring transformation works well for the 2-aryl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4Hcyclohepta[d]isothiazolium perchlorates $3\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$ (n = 3). The isomeric cyclohepta[c]isothiazolium perchlorates **11a,b** are the main products while spirocyclic salts 12a c are found in significant lower yields as by-products (1-8%) (scheme 3). In contrast to the former mentioned results of isomerization the reaction mixture contained no vinamidines in our experiments. The substituent R at the aryl position responsibly influences the yields of 11a-c in the same direction as observed for reaction of the salts $2\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$. Thus the products $11\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}$ (R = H, CH₂) are obtained in excellent yields (81-89%), whereas the acceptor substituted salt 11c (R = Cl) is only formed in poor yield (4%). **11c** was not isolated but detected by spectroscopic methods.



Scheme 3 Isomerization of cyclohepta[d]isothiazolium perchlorates 3a-c to the bicyclic salts 11a-c and spiro salts 12a-c

The mechanism of the ring transformation can be explained by a nucleophilic attack of aniline at the carbon atom in 5-position of 2 and 3. Sulfur migration and a subsequent ring closure results in 8 and 11 [8]. Vinamidines 10 are obtained as by-products, which are attributed to a loss of sulfur from either the salts 2 or an intermediate. Vinamidines 7a-c are the main-products (98–99%) in the case of reaction of 1a-c with anilines 6a-c. Spirocyclic salts *rac-cis-* 9 are known as the reaction products of an dimerization bet-ween two molecules of the isothiazolium salts 2 in the presence of a base [12]. Therefore, the reaction of salts 2, 3 with anilines 6 leads in the same time to spiro salts 9, 12 by dimerization as a side-reaction.

The structures of all compounds prepared are confirmed by their spectroscopic data and elemental analysis. The isomeric salts 8 and 11 exhibit characteristic

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signals at about 9,27–9,35 ppm, 2,86–2,95 ppm and 2,74–2,83 ppm in ¹H NMR spectra. The first set of signals can be attributed to the proton in 3-position of the isothiazole ring, the second and third one to the methylene groups of the cycloalkene ring. A characteristic feature of the salts **8**, **11** are the ¹³C NMR signals of the isothiazole moiety at 168–173 ppm (C-5), 150–151 ppm (CH-3) and 132–134 ppm (C-4). In the IR spectra of **8**, **11** the characteristic signals of the O–Cl–O absorption bands is found as a intense signal at about 1090–1117 cm⁻¹. Electrospray ionization mass spectra which are taken from **1a**, **3b** and **8b**, show the expected molecular ion peaks of the cations.

The vinamidines **7** and **10** exhibit characteristic signals in ¹H NMR spectra at 11,60 ppm (NH), 10,60 ppm (NH) and 8,90 ppm (CH=N), whereas the spirocyclic salts **9**, **12** can be identified by their typical ¹H NMR signals at 9,30 ppm (3'-H), and two doublets at 4,40 ppm (3-H) and 5,80 ppm (NH). The typical signals in the ¹³C NMR spectra of **12** are 66,8 ppm for C-2/8', a doublet of the C-3 atoms at 82 ppm and a further one of the C-3' at 153 ppm.

The isomeric isothiazolium salts **8a,b** and **11a,b** are valuable starting compounds for the preparation of bicyclic 3-hydroperoxy-isothiazole-1,1-dioxides **13**, **14**. The oxidation of the mentioned salts was performed by heating the salts **8**, **11** in acetic acid with an excess of hydrogen peroxide (30%) for several hours. Surprisingly ω -(2-aryl-1,1,3-trioxo-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isothiazol-4-yl)-alkanoic acids **17a,b**, **18a,b** are isolated as products in mostly good yields (38–43%). The formation of these



Scheme 4 Oxidation of bicyclic isothiazolium salts 8 and 11 *via* instable hydroperoxides 13, 14 to ω -(2-aryl-1,1,3-trioxo-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-isothiazol-4-yl)-alkanoic acids 17, 18

carboxylic acids **17**, **18** can be attributed to a criegeetype rearrangement of initially formed hydroperoxides **13**, **14** followed by a subsequent oxidation of the nonisolable alkanols obtained **15**, **16** (scheme 4). Only in one case the hydroperoxid **13a** could be isolated in low yield (2%) by applying slight oxidation conditions at low temperature.

The structure of ω -(2-aryl-1,1,3-trioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-isothiazol-4-yl)-alkanoic acids 17a,b, 18a,b follows from the spectroscopic data. Thus, characteristic signals at 1182-1185 cm⁻¹, 1327-1334 cm⁻¹, 1705- 1713 cm^{-1} , and $1730 - 1740 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ were found in the IR spectra. Whereas the first and second set of signals are related to the symmetrical and asymmetrical SO₂ absorption of the SO₂ moiety, the third one can be attributed to the carboxyl group and the last one to the carbonyl group. Another typical signals of this compounds are found in the ¹³C NMR at 178–179 ppm (COOH) and at 160-161 ppm (C=O). Additionally, the structure of these compounds is confirmed by mass spectroscopic analysis, where a molecular ion peak with high intensity was found. The comparison of various spectroscopic data of the sultams 17 and 18 with those of typical isothiazole-3(2H) on 1,1-dioxides supports the structure of 17 and 18.

Conclusion

In summary, the bicyclic isothiazolium salts 2 and 3 react with anilines 6 to form isomeric salts 8 and 11. Byproducts are spirocyclic salts *rac*-cis 9 and *rac*-cis - 12 and vinamidines 10a-c. In the case of salts 1 only ring opening products, the vinamidines 7a-c, are obtained. Furthermore a new efficient route to alkanoic acids 17 and 18 has been found through oxidation of the bicyclic salts 8 and 11.

Experimental

IR: ATI Mattson Genesis Series FTIR.Analytical System. – UV/Vis: Beckmann DU 650 Spectrophotometer. – NMR: Varian Unity 400 Spectrometer; TMS internal standard. – Elemental analysis: Heareus-CHN–O–S-Rapid-Analyser. – MS: VG-12-250 of Analytical Instruments Manchester. – Melting points were determined on a Boetius micro melting point apparatus and have been corrected.

Bicyclic 2-Aryl-cycloalka[d]isothiazolium Perchlorates 1– 3 (General Procedure)

The salts 1-3 were prepared according ref. [9]. The isothiazolium perchlorates $2\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$ were described in [9, 12].

2-Phenyl-5,6-dihydro-4H-cyclopenta[d]isothiazolium perchlorate (1a)

Yield 92%; m.p. 155-158 °C (ethanol) beige crystals. - IR

(KBr): $\nu/cm^{-1} = 1096$ s (O–Cl–O). – UV (CH₃CN): λ_{max}/nm (lg ε) = 224.5 (3.78); 247.0 (3.72); 297.0 (3.94). – ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ /ppm = 9.39 (s, 1H, CH=N); 7.81–7.76 (m, 2H, *o*-H); 7.68–7.63 (m, 3H, *m/p*-H); 3.32 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.97 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.47 (q, 2H, CH₂). – ¹³C NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ /ppm = 178.2 (C-6a); 151.5 (C-3); 144.7 (C-3a); 138.5 (*i*-C); 131.8 (*p*-CH); 131.4 (*m*-CH); 124.4 (*o*-CH); 33.6; 29.0; 27.3 (3CH₂).

 $\begin{array}{cccc} C_{12}H_{12}ClNO_4S & Calcd.: C \ 47.76 & H \ 4.01 & N \ 4.64 & S \ 10.63 \\ (301.73) & Found: C \ 47.75 & H \ 4.14 & N \ 4.71 & S \ 10.44. \end{array}$

2-(4-Methylphenyl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-cyclopenta[d]isothiazolium perchlorate (**1b**)

Yield 31%; *m.p.* 139–141 °C (ethanol) beige crystals. – IR (KBr): $\nu/\text{cm}^{-1} = 1119$ s (O–Cl–O). – UV (ethanol): $\lambda_{\text{max}}/\text{nm}$ (lg ε) = 218.0 (3.95); 254.0 (3.76); 305.5 (4.01). C₁₃H₁₄ClNO₄S (315.75).

2-(4-Chlorphenyl)-5,6-dihydro-4H-cyclopenta[d]isothiazolium perchlorate (**1c**)

Yield 41%; *m.p.* 115–120 °C (ethanol), beige crystals. – IR (KBr): $\nu/cm^{-1} = 1112$ s (O–Cl–O). – UV (ethanol): λ_{max}/nm (lg ε) = 222.5 (3.93); 253.0 (3.69); 303.5 (9.91). C₁₂H₁₁Cl₂NO₄S (336.17).

2-Phenyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-cyclohepta[d]isothiazolium perchlorate (**3a**)

Yield 98%; *m.p.* 204–206 °C (ethanol) colorless crystals. – IR (KBr): $\nu/cm^{-1} = 1100$ s (O–Cl–O). – UV (ethanol): λ_{max}/nm (lg ε) = 253.5 (3.85); 296.5 (3.98). – ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ /ppm = 9.48 (s, 1H, CH=N); 7.81 (m, 2H, *o*-H); 7.67 (m, 3H, *m/p*-H); 3.35 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.92 (t, 2H, CH₂); 1.89 (m, 2H; CH₂); 1.70 (m, 4H, 2CH₂). – ¹³C NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ /ppm = 174.2 (C-8a); 156.7 (C-3); 141.2 (C-3a); 137.6 (*i*-C); 132.0 (*p*-CH); 131.5 (*m*-CH); 124.1 (*o*-CH); 31.8; 28.5; 27.9; 27.1; 26.9 (5CH₂).

2-(4-Methylphenyl)-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-cyclohepta[d] isothiazolium perchlorate (**3b**)

Yield 85%; *m.p.* 150–151 °C (ethanol) colorless crystals. – IR (KBr): $\nu/cm^{-1} = 1096$ s (O–Cl–O). – UV (CH₃CN): λ_{max} /nm (lg ε) = 201.5 (4.13), 257.0 (3.71), 302.5 (3.89). – ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ /ppm = 9.46 (s, 1H, CH=N); 7.72 (d, 2H, J_{AB} = 8.6 Hz, *o*-H); 7.50 (d, 2H, J_{AB} = 8.6 Hz, *m*-H); 3.35 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.94 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.43 (s, 3H, CH₃); 1.93 (m, 2H; CH₂); 1.73 (m, 4H, 2CH₂). – ¹³C NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ /ppm = 172.9 (C-8a); 155.8 (C-3); 137.1 (C-3a); 142.7 (*p*-C); 123.4 (*o*-CH); 131.7 (*m*-CH); 134.3 (*i*-C); 31.2; 27.8; 27.2; 26.5; 26.3; (5CH₂); 20.9 (*p*-CH₃).

 $C_{15}H_{18}CINO_4S \ \ Calcd.: \ \ C \ 52.40 \ \ H \ 5.28 \ \ N \ 4.07 \ \ S \ 8.32 \\ (343.80) \ \ Found: \ \ C \ 52.30 \ \ H \ 5.18 \ \ N \ 4.06 \ \ S \ 8.79.$

2-(4-Chlorphenyl)-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-cyclohepta[d]isothiazolium perchlorate (**3c**)

Yield 67%; *m.p.* 128–129 °C (ethanol)colorless crystals. – IR (KBr): $\nu/cm^{-1} = 1090$ s (O–Cl–O). – UV (CH₃CN): $\lambda_{ma}/nm (\log \varepsilon) = 217.5$ (4.14), 254,0 (3.88), 296.1 (4.01). – ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆): $\delta/ppm = 9.45$ (s, 1H, CH=N); 7.84 (d, 2H, J_{AB} = 9.0 Hz, *o*-H); 7.76 (d, 2H, J_{AB} = 9.0 Hz, *m*-H); 3.34 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.91 (t, 2H, CH₂); 1.88 (m, 2H; CH₂); 1.69 (m,

4H, 2CH₂).

Isomeric Bicyclic 1-Aryl-cycloalka[c]isothiazolium Perchlorates 8a,b and 11a,b (General Procedure)

The isomeric isothiazolium salts 8 and 11 were prepared according ref. [8]. 3 mmol 2-aryl-isothiazolium perchlorate 2 or 3 and 3 mmol aniline 4 were dissolved by stirring and gentle heating in 30 ml methanol. The reaction mixture is stirred at 50 °C for 8 hours, while the by-products 9 and 12 are precipitated as a yellow powder, which can be separated. After removing the solvent up to 4-6 ml, 25-30 ml of ether are carefully added. After scratching and standing at 0-5 °C the perchlorates 8 and 11 are precipitated as microcrystallin powders, which are filtered off, washed with ether and purified by recrystallization from ethanol/ether. The remaining solution contains the vinamidines 7 and 10.

1-Phenyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-2,1-benzisothiazolium perchlorate (**8a**)

Yield 33%; *m.p.* 185–188 °C (ethanol/ether) beige needles. – IR (KBr): $\nu/cm^{-1} = 1090$ s (O–Cl–O). – UV (CH₃CN): λ_{max}/nm (lg ε) = 242.0 (4.09); 302.0 (3.78). – ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ /ppm = 9.35 (s, 1H, CH=N); 7.71–7.70 (m, 5H); 2.86 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.74 (t, 2H, CH₂); 1.79 (m, 4H, CH₂). – ¹³C NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ /ppm = 168.5 (C-7a); 150.9 (C-3); 134.9 (*i*-C); 133.7 (C-3a); 131.5 (*p*-CH); 130.2 (*m*-CH); 126.6 (*o*-CH); 26.8; 24.2; 20.7; 20.6 (4CH₂).

1-(4-Methylphenyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-2,1-benzisothiazo-lium perchlorate (**8b**)

Yield 64%; *m.p.* 197 – 199 °C (ethanol/ether) yellow needles. – IR (KBr): *v*/cm⁻¹ = 1100 s (O–Cl–O). – UV (CH₃CN): λ_{max} /nm (lg ε) = 243.0 (4.20), 308.5 (3.85). – ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ /ppm = 9.35 (s, 1H, CH=N); 7.71 (d, $J_{AB} = 8,3$ Hz, *o*-H); 7.22 (d, $J_{AB} = 8,3$ Hz, *m*-H); 2.86 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.74 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.32(s, 3H, *p*-CH₃); 1.79 (m, 4H, CH₂). C₁₄H₁₆ClNO₄S Calcd.: C 50.99 H 4.89 N 4.25 S 9.72 (329.78) Found: C 50.79 H 4.75 N 4.09 S 9.84.

1-Phenyl-5,6,8,7-tetrahydro-4H-cyclohepta[c]-isothiazolium perchlorate (**11a**)

Yield 81%; *m.p.* 162–165 °C (ethanol/ether) yellow powder. – IR (KBr): $\nu/cm^{-1} = 1092$ s (O–Cl–O). – UV (CH₃CN): $\lambda_{max}/$ nm (lg ε) = 209,0.nm (3.82); 272.5 (3.80). – ¹H NMR (DMSOd₆): $\delta/ppm = 9.29$ (s, 1H, CH=N); 7.71–7.69 (m, 5H); 2.95 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.83 (t, 2H, CH₂); 1.85 (m, 2H, CH₂); 1.69 (m, 4H, 2 CH₂). – ¹³C NMR (DMSO-d₆): $\delta/ppm = 172.7$ (C-8a); 150.1 (C-3); 139.3 (*i*-C); 134.9 (C-3a); 131.7 (*p*-CH); 130. (*m*-CH); 127.1 (*o*-CH); 30.7; 30.2; 28.3; 26.5; 24.3 (5CH₂). C₁₄H₁₆CINO₄S Calcd.: C 50.99 H 4.89 N 4.25 S 9.72 (329.78) Found: C 50.61 H 4.87 N 4.41 S 9.94.

1-(4-Methylphenyl)-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-4H-cyclohepta[c]-isothiazolium perchlorate (**11b**)

Yield 89%; *m.p.* 112–114 °C (ethanol/ether) yellow powder. –IR (KBr): v/cm⁻¹ = 1117 s (O–Cl–O). – UV (CH₃CN): λ_{max} / nm (lg ε) = 270.0 (4,01). – ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ /ppm = 9.27 (s, 1H, CH=N); 7.60 (d, $J_{AB} = 8,4$ Hz, o-H); 7.50 (d, $J_{AB} = 8,4$ Hz, m-H); 2.96 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.85 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.44 (s, 3H, p-CH₃); 1.84 (m, 2H, CH₂); 1.70 (m, 4H, 2 CH₂). $-^{13}$ C NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ /ppm = 172.9 (C-8a); 150.1 (C-3); 139.5 (*i*-C); 132.7 (C-3a); 142.1 (p-C); 130.8 (m-CH); 127.0 (o-CH); 30.9; 30.4; 28.6; 26.7; 24.6 (5CH₂); 21.0 (p-CH₃). C₁₅H₁₈CINO₄S Calcd.: C 52.40 H 5.28 N 4.07 S 8.32 (343.80) Found: C 52.30 H 5.18 N 4.06 S 8.79.

(2-Arylamino-cycloalkenylmethylen)-aryl-ammonium Perchlorates 7a-c, 10a-c

The vinamidines $7\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$ are the main products of the reaction of the perchlorates $1\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$ with substituted anilines $6\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$. The vinamidines $10\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$ are obtained as by-products at the synthesis of the salts $8\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$. The vinamidines $7\mathbf{a}$ and $10\mathbf{a}$ are described in ref. [10] as chlorides.

(2-Phenylamino-cyclopent-1-enylmethylen)-phenyl-ammonium perchlorate (**7a**)

Yield 98%; *m.p.* 220–222 °C (ethanol) yellow crystals. – IR (KBr): $\nu/\text{cm}^{-1} = 1111 \text{ s}$ (O–Cl–O). – UV (CH₃CN): $\lambda_{\text{max}}/\text{nm}$ (lg ε) = 243.5 (4.01); 398.0 (4.45).

 $\begin{array}{cccccccc} C_{18}H_{19}ClN_2O_4 & Calcd.: & C \ 59.59 & H \ 5.28 & N \ 7.72 & Cl \ 9.77 \\ (362.80) & Found: & C \ 59.42 & H \ 5.19 & N \ 7.84 & Cl \ 9.68. \end{array}$

4-Methylphenyl-[2-(4-methylphenylamino)-cyclopent-1enylmethylen]-ammonium perchlorate (**7b**)

Yield 95%; *m.p.* 195–198 °C (ethanol) yellow crystals. – IR (KBr): $\nu/cm^{-1} = 1114$ s (O–Cl–O). – UV (CH₃CN): λ_{max}/nm (lg ε) = 245.5 (4.10); 405.0 (4.59). – ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ /ppm = 11.63 (bs, 1H, NH); 10.60 (d, 1H, NH); 8.98 (d, 1H, CH=N); 7.42–7.28 (m, 8H, arom.); 2.91 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.69 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.36 (s, 3H, *p*-CH₃); 2.33 (s, 3H, *p*-CH₃); 1.97 (m, 2H, CH₂). – ¹³C NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ /ppm = 179.2 (C-2); 144.3 (C-1'); 137.5; 137.3; 135.6; 135.2; 130.4; 130.3; 129.9; 118.1; 106.6 (C–1); 28.9; 28.8; 27.3.

 $\begin{array}{cccc} C_{20}H_{23}ClN_2O_4 & Calcd.: & C \ 61.45 \ H \ 5.93 \ N \ 7.17 & Cl \ 9.07 \\ (390.85) & Found: & C \ 61.34 \ H \ 5.80 \ N \ 7.10 & Cl \ 8.91. \end{array}$

4-Chlorphenyl-[2-(4-chlorphenylamino)-cyclopent-1-enylmethylen]-ammonium perchlorate (**7c**)

Yield 46%; *m.p.* 213–216 °C (ethanol) yellow crystals. – IR (KBr): $\nu/cm^{-1} = 1096$ s (O–Cl–O). – UV (CH₃CN): λ_{max}/nm (lg ε) = 246.0 (4.20); 405.5 (4.63).

 $\begin{array}{cccc} C_{18}H_{17}Cl_3N_2O_4 & Calcd.: C 50.07 & H 3.97 & N 6.48 & Cl 24.64 \\ (431.70) & Found: C 50.91 & H 3.72 & N 6.63 & Cl 24.44. \end{array}$

(2-Phenylamino-cyclohex-1-enylmethylen)-phenyl-ammonium perchlorate (**10a**)

Yield 13%; *m.p.* 143–145 °C (ethanol) yellow crystals. – IR (KBr): $\nu/cm^{-1} = 1111$ s (O–Cl–O). – UV (CH₃CN): λ_{max}/nm (lg ε) = 243.5 (4.20); 400.0 (4.58). – ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ /ppm = 11.79 (bs, 1H, NH); 10.60 (d, 1H NH); 8.78 (d, 1H, CH=N); 7.63–7.21 (m, 10H, arom.); 2.63 (m, 2H, CH₂); 2.50 (m, 2H, CH₂); 1.72 (m, 4H, CH₂). – ¹³C NMR (DMSO-d₆: δ /ppm = 174.5 (C-2); 147.6 (C-1'); 139.7; 136.9; 129.5; 129.4; 127.7; 125.6; 125.5; 118.4; 103.4; 29.9; 23.6, 21.6; 20.9; (4CH₂).

 $\begin{array}{c} C_{19}H_{21}ClN_2O_4S & Calcd.: C \ 60.55 & H \ 5.61 \ N \ 7.43 & Cl \ 9.40 \\ (376.83) & Found: C \ 60.75 & H \ 5.73 \ N \ 7.21 & Cl \ 9.32. \end{array}$

4-Methylphenyl-[2-(4'-methylphenylamino)-cyclohex-1-enylmethylen)-ammonium perchlorate (10b)

Yield 11%; *m.p.* 153–154 °C (ethanol) yellow crystals. – IR (KBr): $\nu/cm^{-1} = 1135$ s (O–Cl–O). – UV (CH₃CN): λ_{max}/nm (lg ε) = 246.0 (4.14); 405.0 (4.56). – ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ /ppm = 11.35 (bs, 1H, NH); 10.38 (d, 1H NH); 8.57 (d, 1H, CH=N); 7.40–7.16 (m, 8H, arom.); 2.50 (m, 2H, CH₂); 2.43 (m, 2H, CH₂); 1.62 (m, 4H, CH₂). – ¹³C NMR (DMSO-d₆: δ /ppm = 174.1 (C-2); 147.2 (C-1'); 137.4; 137.3; 134.9; 129.9; 129.8; 125.5; 118.2; 102.8; 29.8; 23.5, 21.6; 20.9; (4CH₂); 20.6 (*p*-CH₃); 20.4 (*p*-CH₃).

 $\begin{array}{c} C_{21}H_{25}ClN_2O_4S \ Calcd.: \ C \ 62.29 \ H \ 6.22 \ N \ 6.92 \ Cl \ 8.75 \\ (445.73) \ Found: \ C \ 62.15 \ H \ 6.35 \ N \ 6.71 \ Cl \ 8.61. \end{array}$

4-Chlorphenyl-[2-(4'-chlorphenylamino)-cyclohex-1-enylmethylen)-ammonium perchlorate (**10c**)

Yield 5%; *m.p.* 167–168 °C (ethanol) orange crystals. – IR (KBr): $\nu/cm^{-1} = 1114$ s (O–Cl–O). – UV (CH₃CN): λ_{max}/nm (lg ε) = 245.5 (4.30); 400.5 (4.35). – ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ /ppm = 11.55 (bs, 1H, NH); 10.57 (d, 1H NH); 8.65 (d, 1H, CH=N); 7.58–7.13 (m, 8H, arom.); 2.63 (m, 2H, CH₂); 2.51 (m, 2H, CH₂); 1.72 (m, 4H, CH₂). – ¹³C NMR (DMSO-d₆: δ /ppm = 175.3 (C-2); 147.47 (C-1'); 138.6; 135.7; 129.5; 129.4; 127.4; 122.2; 119.9; 117.2; 104.2; 29.8; 23.6, 21.6; 20.9; (4CH₂); 20.6 (CH₃); 20.4 (CH₃).

Spirocyclic Isothiazolium Perchlorates 9a-c, 12a-c (General Procedure)

The spirocyclic isothiazolium perchlorates $9\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{c}$ and $12\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{c}$ are obtained as by-products at the synthesis of the isomeric salts $8\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{c}$, $11\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{c}$ (*method A*). Otherwise these compounds are available by dimerization of $2\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{c}$ and $3\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{c}$ (*method B*), see ref [12]. $9\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{c}$ are described (*method B*) in [12].

Method B: 0.4 mmol of isothiazolium perchlorate $3\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$ were dissolved in 1.8 ml methanol by stirring and heating on a water bath (70 °C). To the warm reaction mixture 3 drops of dicyclohexylamine were slowly added, while the clear solution is becoming red. The reaction mixture is stirred on the water bath for 2–5 minutes. After this another 2 drops of dicyclohexylamine are added and the reaction mixture is stirred at room temperature, until the perchlorates $12\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$ are precipitated as a fluffy, yellow solid. The precipitate is filtered off and washed with ether. Further purification of $12\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$ is achieved by recrystallisation from ethanol.

Spiro[3-phenylamino-2,3,5,6,7,8-hexahydro-4H-cyclohepta [b]thiophen-2,8'-2'-phenyl-5',6',7',8'-tetrahydro-4'Hcyclohepta[d]-isothiazolium perchlorate] (**12a**)

Yield 3% (method A); 50% (method B); *m.p.* 172–177 °C (ethanol). – IR (KBr): $\nu/cm^{-1} = 1089$ s (O–Cl–O). – UV (CH₃CN): λ_{max}/nm (lg ε) = 242.0 (4.21); 300.5 (3.87). – ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ /ppm = 8.74 (s, 1H, CH=N); 7.55–7.10 (m, 10H, arom.); 5.78 (d, 1H, NH); 4.38 (d, 1H, 3-H); 3.21 (m, 2H, CH₂); 2.75 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.49 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.61–1.43 (m, 12H, 6 CH₂). – ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ /ppm = 168.9 (C-8'a); 153.4 (C-3'); 142.7; 139.2; 137.4; 137.1; 130.8; 130.5; 130.1; 124.9; 123.8; 123.6, 121.2; 82.2 (C-3); 66.7(C-2/8');

Spiro[*3*-(*4*-*methylphenyl*)-2,3,5,6,7,8-*hexahydro*-4*H*-*cyclo*-*hepta*[*b*]*thiophen*-2,8'-2'-(*4*-*methylphenyl*)-5',6',7',8'-*tetrahy*-*dro*-4'*H*-*cyclohepta*[*d*]-*isothiazolium perchlorate*] (**12b**)

Yield 8% (method A); 58% (method B); *m.p.* 187–190 °C (ethanol). – IR (KBr): $\nu/cm^{-1} = 1097$ s (O–Cl–O). – UV (CH₃CN): λ_{max}/nm (lg ε) = 243.5 (4.24); 304.5 (3.88).

 $\begin{array}{ccc} C_{30}\dot{H}_{35}ClN_2O_4S_2 \ Calcd.: \ C\ 61.36\ H\ 6.01 & N\ 4.77\ S\ 10.92 \\ (587.18) & Found: \ C\ 61.24\ H\ 6.15 & N\ 4.51\ S\ 10.81. \end{array}$

Spiro[3-(4-chlorphenylamino)-2,3,5,6,7,8-hexahydro-4Hcyclohepta[b]thiophen-2,8'-2'-(4-chlorphenyl)-5',6',7',8'-tetrahydro-4'H-cyclohepta[d]-isothiazolium perchlorate](12c) Yield 1% (method A); 35% (method B); m.p. 178-179 °C (ethanol). – IR (KBr): $\nu/cm^{-1} = 1096$ s (O–Cl–O). – UV (CH₃CN): λ_{max} /nm (lg ε) = 246.0 (4.38); 302.0 (4.03). – ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ /ppm = 8.65 (s, 1H, CH=N); 7.51–7.11 (m, 8H, arom.); 5.95 (d, 1H, NH); 4.41 (d, 1H, 3-H); 3.11 (m, 2H, CH₂); 2.85 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.50 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.63–1.42 (m, 12H, 6 CH₂). $-^{13}C$ NMR (CDCl₃): δ /ppm = 169.5 (C-8'a); 153.3 (C-3'); 141.1; 139.6; 137.5; 137.0; 135.5; 130.4; 130.1; 127.1; 125.4; 125.3, 122.7; 81.9 (C-3); 66.8(C-2/8'); 37.7; 31.1; 30.3; 29.1; 29.0; 27.6; 26.9; 26.2; 25.0 (9CH₂). C₂₈H₂₉Cl₃N₂S₂O₄ Calcd.: C 53.55 H 4.65 N 4.46 S 10.21 Found: C 53.41 H 4.76 N 4.31 S 10.01. (628.03)

7a-Hydroperoxy-4,5,6,7-tetrahydrobenzo-1-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-isothiazol 1,1-dioxide (**13a**)

The preparation of hydroperoxid 13a was performed like reported for monocyclic 3-hydroperoxy-isothiazol 1,1-dioxides in [8]. 1mmol isothiazolium perchlorate 8a is dissolved in 6 ml acetic acid and under stirring 4 ml of hydrogen peroxide is added dropwise at room temperature. The reaction mixture is stirred for 8 h at 50 °C. After removing the solvent at room temperature 13a is obtained as colorless needles, which are filtered of and washed well with distilled water. Yield 2%; *m.p.* 86–90 °C. – IR (KBr): $\nu/cm^{-1} = 1166$ s (SO₂), 1289 s (SO₂). – UV (ethanol): λ_{max}/nm (lg ε) = 224.5 (3.73). – ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ/ppm = 7.67–7.57 (m, 2H, *o*-H); 7.47– 7.49 (m, 3H, *m/p*-H); 6.31 (s, 1H, 3-H); 2.66 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.27 (t, 2H, CH₂), 1.87-1.81 (m, 4H, 2CH₂). - ¹³C NMR $(CDCl_3): \delta/ppm = 139.4 (C-3a); 131.2 (p-CH), 130.5 (m-CH);$ 129.8 (o-CH); 129,6 (i-C); 127(C-3); 108.8 (C-7a); 30.4; 25.4; 24.1; 22.8 (4CH₂). – MS (*m*/*z*, %): 281 (M⁺, 1); 263 (2); 247 (23); 183 (100); 167 (23); 154 (39); 80 (56); 77 (30); 51 (20). C₁₃H₁₅NO₄S (281.3)

ω-(2-Aryl-1,1,3-trioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-isothiazol-4-yl)-alkanoic Acids 17a,b , 18a,b (General Procedure)

1 mmol of isothiazolium perchlorate **8a,b**, **11a,b** is diluted in 6 ml acetic acid by gentle heating. To the stirred solution 4 ml hydrogen peroxide (30%) are added slowly and the reaction mixture is stirred at 70–80 °C for 6–8 hours. After removing the solvent the remaining colorless oil is stirred up in distilled water. The alkanoic acids **17a,b**, **18a,b** crystallize after a short standing time as colorless powders, which are filtered off, dried and recrystallized from ethanol.

4-(2-Phenyl-1,1,3-trioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-isothiazol-4-yl)butanoic acid (**17a**)

Yield 39%; *m.p.* 103–106 °C (ethanol). – IR (KBr): $\nu/cm^{-1} = 1185 \text{ s} (SO_2), 1327 \text{ s} (SO_2), 1713 \text{ s} (COOH), 1740 \text{ s} (C=O). – UV (ethanol): <math>\lambda_{max}/mm$ (lg ε) = 219.0 (4,11). – ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ /ppm = 7.50–7.46 (m, 5H, arom. H); 7.16 (s, 1H, 5-H); 2.66 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.52 (t, 2H, CH₂), 2.01 (t, 2H, CH₂). – ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ /ppm = 178.6 (COOH); 160.2 (C=O); 144.5 (C-4); 131.8 (C-5)*¹), 130.7 (*p*-CH)*; 130.6 (*m*-CH); 129.3 (*i*-C); 128.7 (*o*-CH); 33.5; 26.0; 22.4 (3CH₂). – MS (*m*/*z*, %): 295 (M⁺, 100); 277 (16); 263 (35); 250 (8); 236 (21); 223 (4); 212 (14); 196 (5); 185 (21); 170 (18); 159 (10); 117 (7).

4-[2-(4-Methylphenyl)-1,1,3-trioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-isothiazol-4-yl]-butanoic acid (**17b**)

Yield 8%; *m.p.* 116–120 °C (ethanol). – IR (KBr): *v*/cm⁻¹ = 1185 s (SO₂), 1330 s (SO₂), 1710 s (COOH), 1735 s (C=O). – UV (ethanol): λ_{max} /nm (lg ε) = 219.0 (4.12). – ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ /ppm = 7.30–7.29 (m, 4H, arom. H); 7.17 (s, 1H, 5-H); 2.64 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.49 (t, 2H, CH₂), 2.39 (s, 3H, *p*-CH₃); 1.98 (t, 2H, CH₂). – ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ /ppm = 178.8 (COOH); 160.4 (C=O); 144.5 (C-4)*; 140.9 (*p*-C)*; 131.8 (C-5); 131.2 (*m*-CH); 128.7 (*o*-CH); 126.4 (*i*-C); 33.5, 25.9; 22.2 (3CH₂); 22.1 (*p*-CH₃).

 $\begin{array}{cccc} C_{14}H_{15}NO_5S & Calcd.: & C 54.36 & H 4.89 & N 4.53 & S 10.37 \\ (309.3) & Found: & C 54.21 & H 4.72 & N 4.68 & S 10.20. \end{array}$

4-(2-Phenyl-1,1,3-trioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-isothiazol-4-yl)pentanoic acid (**18a**)

Yield 38%; *m.p.* 143–144 °C. – IR (KBr): ν /cm⁻¹ = 1182 s (SO₂), 1333 s (SO₂), 1706 s (COOH), 1730 s (C=O). – UV (ethanol): λ_{max} /nm (lg ε) = 218,5 (3,98). – ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ /ppm = 7.57 – 7.42 (m, 5H, arom. H); 7.17 (s, 1H, 5-H); 2.59 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.44 (t, 2H, CH₂), 1.73 (m, 4H, 2CH₂). – ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ /ppm = 179.5 (COOH); 160.6 (C=O); 144.9 (C-4); 131.4 (C-5)*; 130.5 (*p*-CH)*; 130.4 (*m*-CH); 129.2 (*i*-C); 128.5 (*o*-CH); 33.6, 26.4; 26.0; 24.2 (4CH₂). – MS (*m*/*z*, %) = 309 (M⁺, 80); 291 (8); 250 (52); 238 (15); 223 (12); 198 (22); 186 (19); 172 (20); 159 (21); 144 (10); 130 (31); 119 (98); 92 (100); 77 (71); 64 (49); 52 (40); 38 (57). C₁₄H₁₅NO₅S Calcd.: C 54.36 H 4.89 N 4.53 S 10.37 (309,3) Found: C 54.48 H 4.66 N 4.75 S 10.15.

4-[2-(4-Methylphenyl)-1,1,3-trioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-isothiazol-4-yl]pentanoic acid (**18b**)

Yield 43%; *m.p.* 118–122 °C. – IR (KBr): $\nu/\text{cm}^{-1} = 1184$ s (SO₂), 1334 s (SO₂), 1705 s (COOH), 1739 s (C=O). – UV (ethanol): $\lambda_{\text{max}}/\text{nm}$ (lg ε) = 219.5 (4,15). – ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ /ppm = 7.28–7.27 (m, 4H, arom. H); 7.21 (s, 1H, 5-H); 2.55 (t, 2H, CH₂); 2.43 (t, 2H, CH₂), 2.37 (s, 3H, *p*-CH₃); 1.70 (m, 4H, 2CH₂). – ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ /ppm = 179.0 (COOH); 160.5 (C=O); 145.0 (C-4)*; 140,8 (*p*-C)*; 131,5 (C-5); 131,6 (*m*-CH); 128,6 (*o*-CH); 124,0 (*i*-C); 33,8, 26,8; 26.5; 25,1 (4CH₂); 21,8 (*p*-CH₃). – MS (*m*/*z*, %) = 323 (M⁺, 30); 305 (2); 291 (48); 264 (11); 250 (5); 226 (5); 212 (10); 198 (14); 186 (9); 172 (9); 156 (12); 144 (13); 133 (40); 117 (100); 107

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