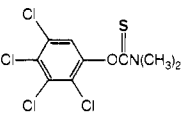
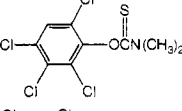
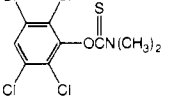




**Table I. Isomeric *O*-(Tetrachlorophenyl)-*N,N*-dimethylthiocarbamates, 2<sup>a</sup>**

Structure	Mp, °C	Yield, %	NMR data <sup>b</sup>	
			N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	Arom H
	129-131	97	3.367 3.444	7.266
	157-158	90	3.401 3.469	7.509
	148-150	98	3.399 3.468	7.507

<sup>a</sup> All of the compounds gave elemental analyses within  $\pm 0.30$  of the calculated values. <sup>b</sup> The NMR data are given in ppm ( $\delta$ ) downfield from TMS and are accurate to  $\pm 0.002$   $\delta$ . The spectra were run with a 10% wt/vol solution of the compound in CDCl<sub>3</sub> and were recorded on a Varian XL-100 spectrometer equipped with a Digilab Fourier transform system.

rophenyl)-*N,N*-dimethylthiocarbamate, the aromatic proton signal (7.266  $\delta$ ) is shifted upfield (shielded) with respect to the other two isomers owing to inductive and anisotropic effects of the adjacent *N,N*-dimethylthiocarbamoyl group.

In contrast, the opposite situation exists for the tetrachlorobenzenethiols. The chemical shift (7.38  $\delta$ ) of the aromatic proton of the 2,3,4,5-isomer and the chemical shift (7.37  $\delta$ ) of the aromatic proton of the 2,3,5,6-isomer are virtually identical, indicating that these two protons are in nearly identical environments. Apparently, the thiol group donates electron density to the aromatic ring system via resonance interaction, causing an upfield shift of the aromatic proton signals in these two isomers in comparison to the aromatic proton signal (7.44  $\delta$ ) of the 2,3,4,6-isomer.

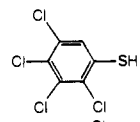
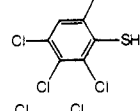
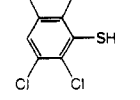
### Experimental

#### *O*-(Tetrachlorophenyl)-*N,N*-dimethylthiocarbamates (2).

In a 1-l., 3-neck flask equipped with a mechanical stirrer, a thermometer, and an addition funnel were placed 14.2 grams of 85% potassium hydroxide, 250 ml of water, and 49.9 grams (0.215 mol) of the tetrachlorophenol (Aldrich Chemical Co., 98+ % pure by gas chromatography). The reaction mixture was cooled to 10°, and a solution of 35.0 grams (0.283 mol) of dimethylthiocarbamoyl chloride in 80 ml of tetrahydrofuran was added dropwise, with stirring, at such a rate that the reaction temperature remained below 15°. After the addition was complete, the reaction mixture was made basic with sodium hydroxide solution, diluted with water, and filtered to remove the solid product. The solid was washed with water, air dried, and vacuum dried to give the *O*-(tetrachlorophenyl)-*N,N*-dimethylthiocarbamate as a white solid (Table I).

**Tetrachlorobenzenethiols (4).** In a 500-ml, single-neck flask fitted with a magnetic stirrer, a nitrogen inlet, and a cal-

**Table II. Isomeric Tetrachlorobenzenethiols, 4**

Structure	Mp, °C	Yield, %	NMR data <sup>a</sup>	
			SH	Arom H
	93-94	93	4.01	7.38
	112-113 <sup>b</sup>	90	4.70	7.44
	105-107	82	4.90	7.37

<sup>a</sup> The NMR data are given in ppm ( $\delta$ ) downfield from TMS. The spectra were run with a 10% wt/vol solution of the thiol in CDCl<sub>3</sub> and were recorded on a Varian HA-100 spectrometer with TMS as an internal standard. <sup>b</sup> Literature (1), mp 101-102°. *Anal.* Calcd for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>4</sub>S: C, 29.06; H, 0.81; Cl, 57.20; S, 12.93. Found: C, 29.40; H, 0.96; Cl, 57.00; S, 13.10.

cium chloride drying tube were placed 59.60 grams (0.187 mol) of the *O*-(tetrachlorophenyl)-*N,N*-dimethylthiocarbamate. The material was melted and then heated, with stirring, at 195° for 2-4 hr. The flask was then allowed to cool to room temperature. The contents of the flask (the *S*-(tetrachlorophenyl)-*N,N*-dimethylthiocarbamate) were washed into a 1-l. flask with approximately 300 ml of methanol. To the methanol slurry, 14.5 grams (0.365 mol) of sodium hydroxide were added, and the reaction mixture was heated, under nitrogen, at reflux for 3 hr. The reaction mixture was allowed to cool and was then diluted to a volume of approximately 1 l. with water. The resulting solution was filtered and then acidified with dilute hydrochloric acid to precipitate the thiol. The resulting precipitate was filtered off, washed with water, air dried, vacuum dried, and recrystallized from absolute ethanol to give the tetrachlorobenzenethiol (4, Table II).

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