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ABSTRACT

In the area of structure-activity relationships of nitrogen bridged compounds, certain structure-coherent physical properties with ion exchange HPLC behaviour has been studied. This paper illustrates the results in finding the best conditions to separate the various structural types of model compounds. For this purpose, ion exchange HPLC technique has proved as highly advantageous.

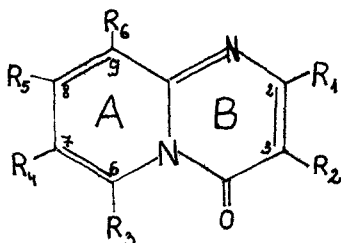
INTRODUCTION

In our previous work¹, we reported the results we achieved by the same chromatographic technique C₁₈ reversed phase HPLC for the same model compounds²,

pyridopyrimidines with unsaturated and saturated A-ring Table 1, Table 2 and three ring systems with different ring size Table 3 .

Table 1.

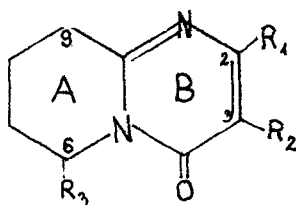
Structure of model substances
pyridopyrimidines with unsaturated "A"-ring



Nr	Substituents on					
	C ₂	C ₃	C ₆	C ₇	C ₈	C ₉
1	H	H	H	H	H	H
2	CH ₃	H	H	H	H	H
3	H	CH ₃	H	H	H	H
4	H	H	CH ₃	H	H	H
5	H	H	H	CH ₃	H	H
6	H	H	H	H	CH ₃	H
7	H	H	H	H	H	CH ₃
8	CH ₃	CH ₃	H	H	H	H
9	CH ₃	H	CH ₃	H	H	H
10	CH ₃	H	H	H	H	CH ₃
11	H	CH ₃	CH ₃	H	H	H
12	CH ₃	H	C ₂ H ₅	H	H	H
13	H	C ₂ H ₅	CH ₃	H	H	H
14	CH ₃	C ₂ H ₅	CH ₃	H	H	H
15	CH ₃	C ₂ H ₅	CH ₃	H	CH ₃	H
16	C ₂ H ₅	CH ₃	CH ₃	H	H	H
17	C ₃ H ₇	C ₂ H ₅	CH ₃	H	H	H

Table 2

Structure of model substances
pyridopyrimidines with saturated "A"-ring



Nr	Substituents on			
	C ₂	C ₃	C ₆	C ₉
18	H	H	H	H
19	CH ₃	H	H	H
20	H	H	CH ₃	H
21	CH ₃	CH ₃	H	H
22	CH ₃	H	CH ₃	H
23	H	CH ₃	CH ₃	H
24	CH ₃	C ₂ H ₅	CH ₃	H
25	CH ₃	H	H	CH ₃

Table 3. Structure of model substances
Three ring systems with different ring size

Number of compounds			Number of compounds		
26.	n = 1		38.	n = 1	
27.	n = 2		39.	n = 2	
28.	n = 3		40.	n = 3	
29.	n = 4		41.	n = 4	
30.	n = 1		42.	n = 1	
31.	n = 2		43.	n = 2	
32.	n = 3		44.	n = 3	
33.	n = 4		45.	n = 4	
34.	n = 1		46.=26.	n = 1	
35.	n = 2		47.	n = 2	
36.	n = 3		48.	n = 3	
37.	n = 4		49.	n = 4	
34.a	C ₈ Me		47.a	C ₈ Me	
34.b	C ₃ Me				
36.a	C ₃ Me				
50.	n = 1		58.	n = 1	
51.=31.	n = 2		59.	n = 2	
52.	n = 3		60.	n = 3	
53.	n = 4		61.	n = 4	
54.	n = 1		62.	n = 1	
55.	n = 2		63.	n = 2	
56.	n = 3		64.	n = 3	
57.	n = 4		65.	n = 4	

Table 4
The capacity factor and resolution factor of the HPLC system for some pairs

The pair of compounds	K									R _s					
	40%			6.7 pH			40 %			6,7 pH			6,7 pH		
	4.7	5.5	6.7	4.7	40 %	50 %	4.7	5.5	6.7	4.7	30 %	40 %	50 %		
1	1.421	1.421	1.105	1.631	1.105	0.421	2.5	2.4	0.0	0.19	0.0	0.0	0.0		
18	1.578	0.895	1.105	1.526	1.105	0.421	2.5	2.4	0.0	0.19	0.0	0.0	0.0		
2	2.473	1.210	1.473	2.263	1.473	0.578	1.8	1.8	1.8	0.69	1.8	0.27	0.27		
4	2.947	1.684	1.842	2.842	1.842	0.526	1.8	1.8	1.8	0.69	1.8	0.27	0.27		
4	2.947	1.684	1.842	2.842	1.842	0.526	2.7	2.2	2.2	1.08	2.2	0.25	0.25		
9	6.736	2.368	2.474	3.947	2.474	0.578	1.59	1.4	2.5	1.03	2.5	0.5	0.5		
12	6.736	2.368	2.474	3.947	2.474	0.578	1.59	1.4	2.5	1.03	2.5	0.5	0.5		
18	1.578	0.895	1.105	1.526	1.105	0.421	0.46	0.7	0.44	0.95	0.44	0.0	0.0		
19	1.842	1.033	1.210	1.105	1.210	0.421	0.46	0.7	0.44	0.95	0.44	0.0	0.0		
20	1.421	0.789	1.00	1.589	1.00	0.368	1.7	1.1	1.5	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0		
22	2.263	1.053	1.368	2.263	1.368	0.368	1.7	1.1	1.5	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0		
26	1.736	1.210	1.631	2.526	1.631	0.578	2.02	0.9	2.6	1.9	2.6	0.5	0.5		
27	3.315	1.474	2.474	4.157	2.474	0.523	2.02	0.9	2.6	1.9	2.6	0.5	0.5		
30	3.105	1.947	2.526	4.316	2.526	0.736	5.2	3.3	2.6	2.3	2.5	0.5	0.5		
31	6.578	3.263	3.789	6.578	3.789	0.842	5.2	3.3	2.6	2.3	2.5	0.5	0.5		
34	2.789	1.263	2.47	4.894	2.474	0.631	2.93	0.6	1.25	1.15	1.25	0.2	0.2		
35	6.00	2.842	3.94	7.315	3.947	0.842	2.93	0.6	1.25	1.15	1.25	0.2	0.2		
38	4.157	2.105	2.842	5.00	2.842	0.632	0.9	0.0	0.12	0.25	0.12	0.0	0.0		
28	3.315	2.105	2.789	4.736	2.789	0.632	0.9	0.0	0.12	0.25	0.12	0.0	0.0		

Stationary phase: Nucleosil 5 SA /C₁₈/M
 Mobile phase: Methanol-water /KH₂PO₄ / solvent mixture
 Methanol content : 30 %, 40 %, 50 % pH of the mixture 4.7-5.5-6.7 respectively

Table 4.a

Compounds number	\bar{k} at different pH using CH_3OH			\bar{k} at different concentration of \bar{c} CH_3OH \bar{c} constant pH 6.7		
	4.7	5.5	6.7	30 %	40 %	50 %
1	1.421	1.421	1.105	1.631	1.105	0.421
2	2.473	1.210	1.473	2.263	1.473	0.578
3	2.578	1.316	1.736	2.631	1.736	0.526
4	3.947	1.684	1.842	2.842	1.842	0.526
5	2.473	1.526	1.684	2.684	1.684	0.526
6	2.894	1.447	1.736	2.578	1.736	0.526

7	1.789	1.105	2.157	2.210	1.789	0.421
8	5.736	2.105	2.421	3.947	2.421	0.631
9	6.736	2.368	2.474	3.947	2.474	0.578
10	2.631	1.474	1.947	3.210	1.947	0.473
11	7.421	2.632	2.263	4.737	2.263	0.684
12	8.368	2.895	3.368	5.821	3.368	0.684
13	35.105	3.842	4.210	10.052	4.210	0.789
14	19.315	6.789	5.263	10.210	5.263	0.921
15	...	18.695	12.631	18.046	12.631	1.368
16	33.42	5.895	5.109	18.046	5.105	0.947
17		16.211	10.579	10.579	10.579	1.210

Table 4.b

Compounds number	\bar{k} at different pH using 40 % CH_3OH			\bar{k} at different concentration of CH_3OH @ constant pH 6.7		
	4.7	5.5	6.7	30 %	40 %	50 %
18	1.578	0.895	1.105	1.526	1.105	0.421
19	1.842	1.033	1.210	1.105	1.210	0.421
20	1.421	0.789	1.000	1.589	1.000	0.368
21	4.684	1.694	1.815	3.158	1.815	0.578
22	2.263	1.053	1.368	2.263	1.368	0.368
23	2.894	1.316	1.632	2.684	1.632	0.447
24	2.157	0.895	1.211	2.00	1.211	0.368
25	6.578	2.605	2.789	5.158	2.789	0.526

Table 4.c

Compound's number	\bar{k} at different pH using 40 % CH ₃ OH			\bar{k} at different concentration CH ₃ OH e constant pH 6.7		
	4.7	5.5	6.7	30 %	40 %	50 %
26	1.736	1.210	1.631	2.526	1.631	0.578
28	3.315	2.105	2.789	4.736	2.789	0.632
30	3.105	1.947	2.526	4.316	2.526	0.736
31	8.578	3.263	3.789	6.578	3.789	0.842
38	4.157	2.105	2.842	5.00	2.842	0.632
47.d	16.578	2.211	2.894	5.210	2.894	0.684
48	4.157	2.105	2.842	5.00	2.842	0.632
49	4.157	2.421	3.421	6.263	3.421	0.684
50	3.315	1.474	2.474	4.157	2.474	0.684
51	8.578	3.263	3.789	6.578	3.789	0.842
59	8.157	3.211	3.263	8.263	3.263	0.789
60	9.421	3.579	4.842	9.526	4.842	0.842
63	10.369	3.947	5.263	10.684	5.263	0.842
65		6.263	8.894	21.631	8.894	1.105

Table 4.d

Compounds number	\bar{k} at different pH using 40 % CH_3OH			\bar{k} at different concentration of CH_3OH \bar{c} constant pH 6.7		
	4.7	5.5	6.7	30 %	40 %	50 %
34	2.789	1.263	2.474	4.894	2.474	0.631
35	6.00	2.842	3.94	7.315	3.947	0.842
36	6.052	2.578	4.631	9.00	4.631	0.789
34.a	3.526	2.158	3.00	5.684	3.000	0.631
34.b	4.789	2.316	4.263	8.210	4.263	0.789
36.a	11.473	6.211	8.526	20.894	8.526	1.053

To find the optimum conditions for the separation of the previous compounds, the capacity factor has been calculated in various pH's and concentrations of methyl alcohol (see Table 4, a,b,c,d); also, the resolution factor for some pairs of these compounds have been calculated.

EXPERIMENTAL

1. Materials

All model substances have been synthesised at our laboratory; the identification and control of these compounds was made by melting point determination and chromatography.

All other chemicals were analytical grade Merck, West Germany and used without further purification.

The HPLC grade of the solvents (Merck, West Germany) was used without further purification.

2. Apparatus

Biotronic UV Detector BT 3030

Biotronic HPLC pump BT 3020

3. Chromatographic procedure

A 250 mm x 4,6 mm Nucleosil column 5 SA/mn was used.

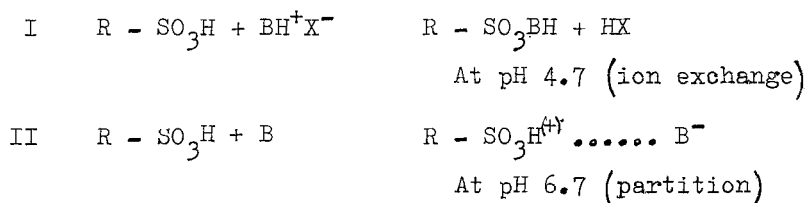
10 ul sample solutions 0.1 ug/ml in methanol were injected.

Experiments were run at room temperature using a mobile phase flow rate 1 ml/min.

Results and discussion

Table 4 shows the retention parameters and resolution factors for some pairs of homologues and structural isomers.

The pK values of these weak bases fall within a relatively narrow range (3.2-4); therefore at, pH 4.7, the compounds may be taken as partially protonated, while at pH 6.7 only the base form is assumed to exist. Consequently the chromatographic process is governed by the following equilibria



As may be seen from the R_s values, the selected pairs of various homologous compounds are separated very sharply by ion exchange liquid chromatography with a mobile phase containing 40 % methylalcohol at pH 4.7 (see R_s values of compounds 1-2, 9-12, 9-4, etc.).

This chromatographic system obviously offers optimal conditions for HPLC separation of our pyridopyrimidine model substances (Table 1,2).

Essentially the same conclusions may be drawn for the three-ring homologous with different ring sizes (see R_s values of compounds 34-35, 26-27).

That the higher homologous with C_2 , C_6 methyl substituents have higher k' values may be a consequence of the hyperconjugational effect of the methyl group, i.e., the strong Lewis base character of the compound Nr 9, 2, 4. The lack of hyperconjugational effect in the methyl derivatives with a saturated A-ring causes reduced retention

(smaller k' values) of this type of compound (Nr 18, 19, 20, 22).

As a proof of the partition mechanism (see equ. 2), the k' value for the same compound are smaller when mobile phase containing 40 % methanol and pH 6.7 was used compared with the k' values are determined using acidic developing solvents when ion exchange mechanism works.

At pH 6.7 increasing the methanol concentration causes the decrease of k' values. In general the resolution is poorer than in case of the ion exchange version.

As shown in Table 5, the log P values of the investigated series of compounds correlate rather well with log k' values, which were generated at pH = 6.7. Much poorer correlation was obtained with the more acidic solvent mixture (pH 5.5, 4.7). This may be taken as another proof of the partition character of the chromatographic process when the base form of the compounds exist.

By contrast, the correlation was found definitely better with the log k' values obtained with the acidic developing mixture when pK values were used as variables (Table 6). This experience gives strong support to the assumption that the protonated form of the compounds moves with an ion exchange mechanism and the retention is controlled mainly by the strength of the base (i.e. the acidity of the ammonium cation).

As shown in Fig. 1, the applied chromatographic system indicates rather high selectivity; the small structural differences are reflected much more by the HPLC

Table 5Relationship between $\log K'$ and $\log P$ values

$\log K', \text{pH}=4,7$	$= 0,513 \log P - 0,218$	$r = 0,671$	$n = 15$	/Table 1/
$\log K', \text{pH}=6,7$	$= 0,409 \log P - 0,051$	$r = 0,967$	$n = 17$	/Table 1/
$\log K', \text{pH}=4,7$	$= 0,397 \log P + 0,184$	$r = 0,823$	$n = 8$	/Table 2/
$\log K', \text{pH}=6,7$	$= 0,254 \log P + 0,015$	$r = 0,849$	$n = 8$	/Table 2/
$\log K', \text{pH}=4,7$	$= 0,362 \log P + 0,244$	$r = 0,772$	$n = 12$	/Table 3, saturated rings/
$\log K', \text{pH}=6,7$	$= 0,250 \log P + 0,174$	$r = 0,950$	$n = 12$	/Table 3, saturated rings/

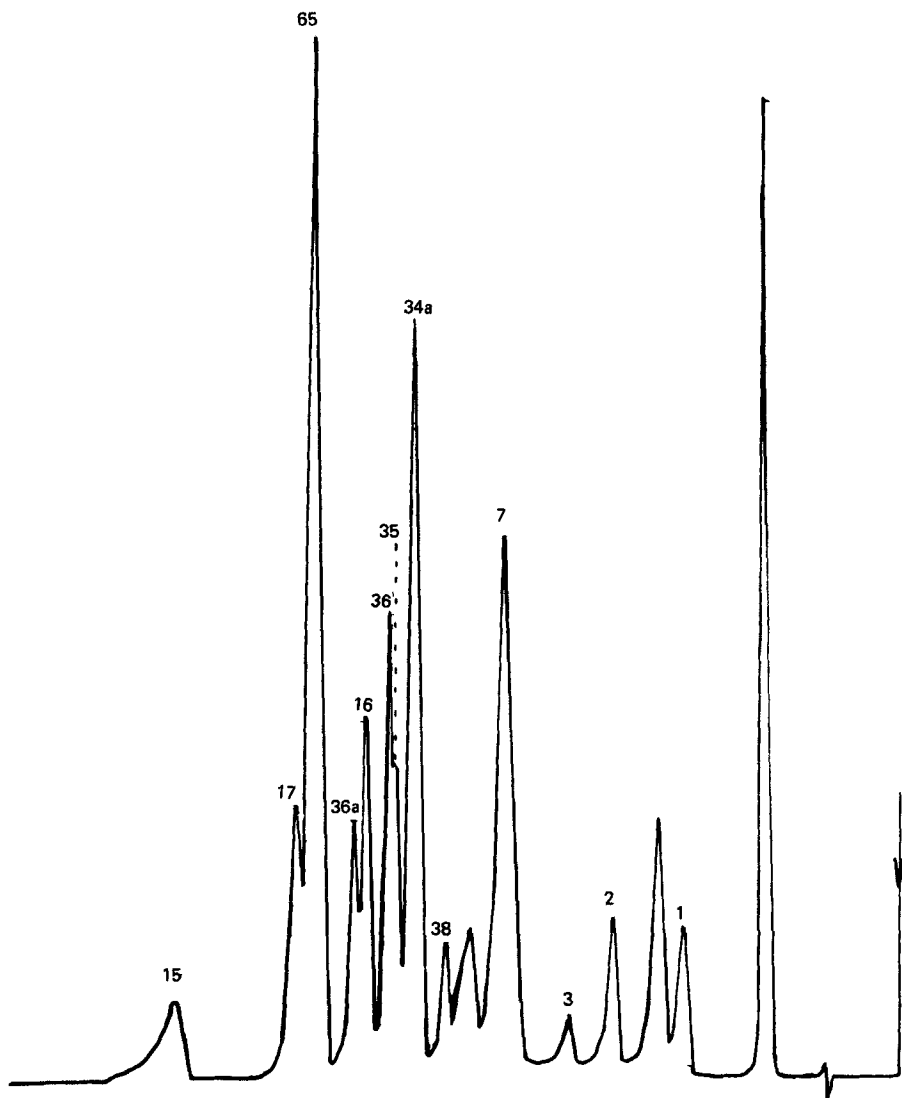


Fig. 1. The separation of mixture of some nitrogen bridged compounds by gradient linear elution technique. /Stationary phase nucleosil 5 SA/mn, mobile phase a 0.1 Mol KH_2PO_4 , - b 0.01 Mol KH_2PO_4 in methanol-water 40:60, pH from 3 to 5.5, flow rate 1 ml/min./

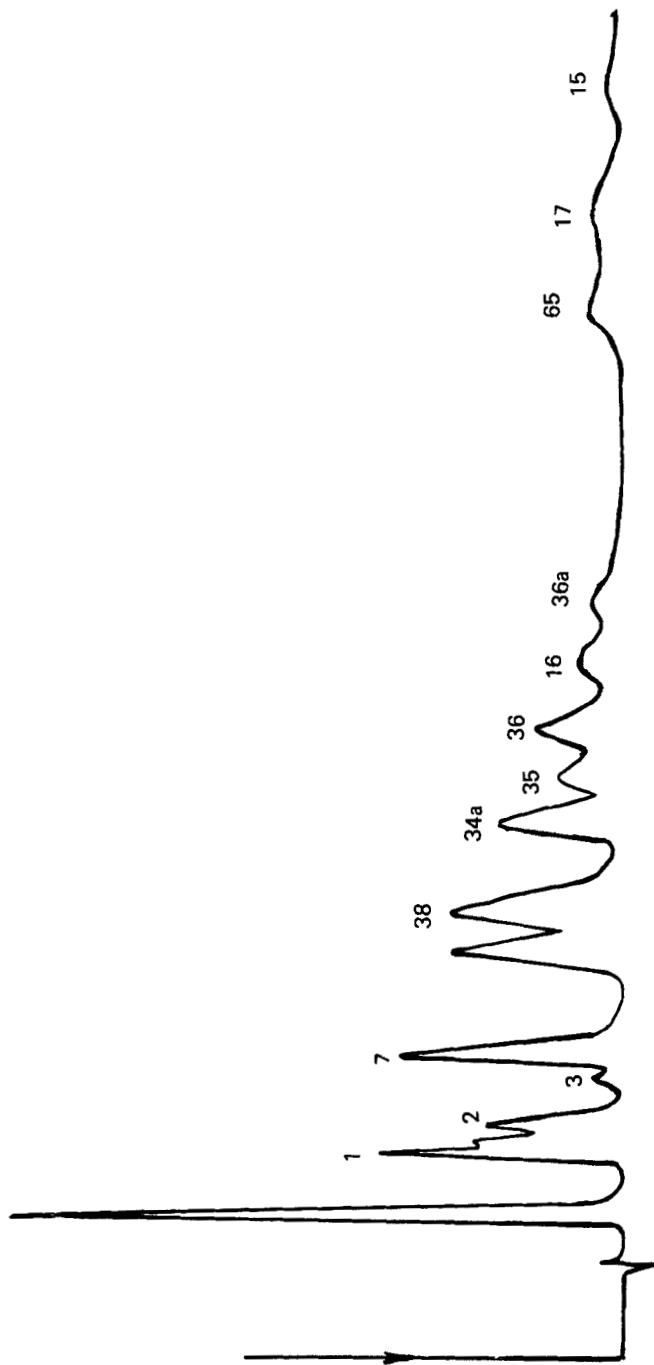


Fig. 2. The separation of mixture of some nitrogen bridged compounds with isocratic elution technique /stationary phase nucleosil 5 SA/mm, mobile phase methanol-water 40:60, pH 5.5, flow rate 1 ml/min./

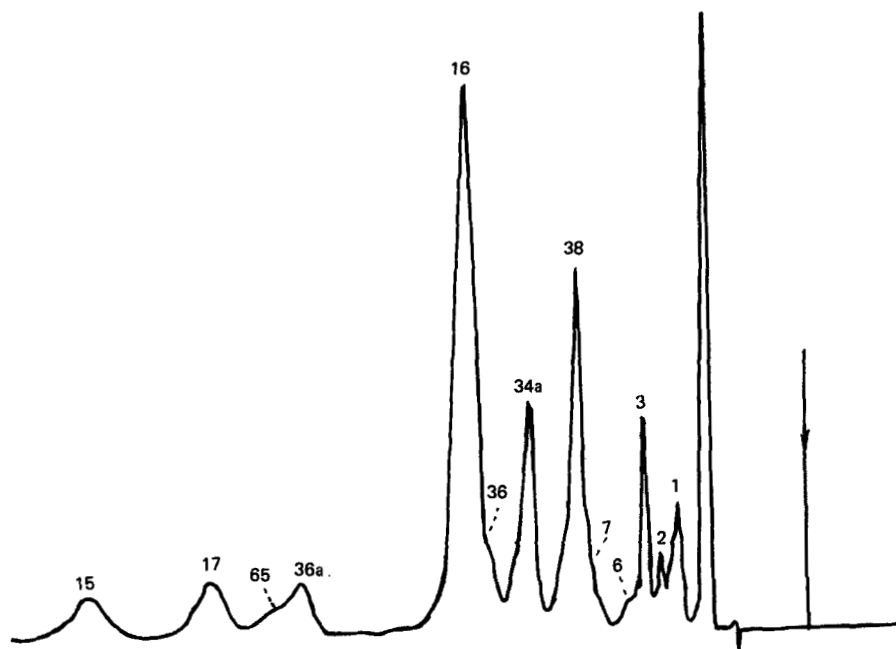


Fig. 3. The separation of mixture of some nitrogen bridged compounds with isocratic elution technique /stationary phase nucleosil 5 SA/mn, mobile phase methanol-water 40:60, pH 6.7, flow rate 1 ml/min./

Table 6

Relationship between $\log K'$ and pK values

$$\log K'_{pH=6,7} = 0,234 pK - 0,301 \quad r = 0,759 \quad n = 11 \quad \text{/Table 3/}$$

$$\log K'_{pH=4,7} = 0,312 pK - 0,435 \quad r = 0,909 \quad n = 11 \quad \text{/Table 3/}$$

behaviour when the gradient elution technique is used (compare the Figures 1 and 2 and 3).

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