$(\pm)$ -erythro-1-Benzenesulfonyl-2- $(p$ -chloro- $\alpha$ -vinyloxybenzyl)piperidine  $[(\pm)$ -IVa].—Treatment of 15 g of  $(\pm)$ -IIIa in Et<sub>2</sub>O with 9 g of Mel afforded a quant yield methiodide which was dissolved in warm  $H<sub>2</sub>O$  and treated with freshly prepd AgOH (from 17 g of  $AgNO<sub>3</sub>$ ). When the supernatant failed to give a pos I<sup>-</sup> test (NaNO<sub>2</sub>-H<sup>+</sup>-starch) the mixt was filt and the H<sub>2</sub>O was evapd. To the residue was added 800 ml of  $C_6H_6$ . This was slowly distd off as fresh dry  $C_6H_6$  was added, until only a dry scum remained of the original residue. The  $C_6H_6$  soln was evapd, and the residue was crystd from heptane to give 9.8 g (78%) of  $(\pm)$ -IVa: mp 132–133°; ir (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 1615 and 1635 cm<sup>-1</sup> d (CH= CH<sub>2</sub>).  $\hat{A}$ nal. (C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>22</sub>ClNO<sub>3</sub>S) C, H, N.

 $(\pm)$ -erythro-Benzenesulfonyl-2-(p-chloro- $\alpha$ -hydroxybenzyl)piperidine  $[(\pm)$ -Va].—To 7.84 g of  $(\pm)$ -IVa dissolved in 60 ml of warm 80% EtOH was added 2 ml of 12 *N* HC1. After 12 hr the solv was evapd, and the residue was erystd from heptane to give 5.5 g  $(75\%)$  of  $(\pm)$ -Va: mp 116-117°; ir (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3610  $\text{cm}^{-1}(\text{OH})$ . Anal.  $(\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{CINO}_{3}\text{S})$  C, H, N.

 $( \pm)$ -erythro-1-Benzenesulfonyl-2- $(\alpha$ -hydroxybenzyl)piperidine  $[(\pm)$ -Vb]. A.—Redn of 3.66 g of  $(\pm)$ -Va in 50 ml of EtOH in the presence of 3 g of 10% Pd/C gave 2.64 g (80%) of  $(\pm)$ -Vb after removal of the cat and solv and recrystn of the residue from heptane: mp 121-122<sup>°</sup>; ir (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3610 cm<sup>-1</sup> (OH); nmr (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.65-7.25 (m, 10 H, Ph and PhSO<sub>2</sub>), 5.07 (d,  $J_{\alpha,2} = 7$  Hz, H, OCH), 4.21 (unres 3-line m, *J* = 7 Hz, H, NCH), 3.9-3.1 (m, 2 H, NCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.0-1.2 ppm (m, 6 H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>). Anal. (C<sub>18</sub>- $H_{21}NO_3S)$  C, H, N.

**B.**-To 0.95 g of  $(\pm)$ -erythro-2- $(\alpha$ -hydroxybenzyl)piperidine  $[(\pm)$ -Vc], prepd as descrd by Crook and McElvain, <sup>9a</sup> mp 141– 142°, in 25 ml of Pyr was added dropwise over 1 hr, 0.88 g of PhSO<sub>2</sub>Cl. The solv was evapd, and the residue was mixed with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The soln was washed with acid and with base, dried, The soln was washed with acid and with base, dried, filtd, and evapd to give an authentic sample of  $(\pm)$ -Vb from heptane-Et<sub>2</sub>O: 0.5 g (30%); mp 122-123°; mmp with  $(\pm)$ -Vb obtd from  $(\pm)$ -Va, 121-122°; ir (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) and nmr (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) superimposable upon spectra of  $(\pm)$ -Vb obtd from  $(\pm)$ -Va.  $\overline{A}$ nal. (C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>S) C, H, N.

 $( \pm )$ -threo-1-Benzenesulfonyl-2- $(\alpha$ -hydroxybenzyl)piperidine  $[(\pm)$ -VIIb].—When 0.48 g of  $(\pm)$ -threo-2-(a-hydroxybenzyl)piperidine  $[(\pm)$ -VIIa], mp 171-172°, obtd as descrd by Crook and McElvain.<sup>9a</sup> mp 171-173<sup>o</sup>, was treated as in the prepn and work-up of  $(\pm)$ -Vb, there was obtd from heptane 0.33 g (40%) of  $(+)$ -VIIb: mp 94–95°; ir  $(CHCl<sub>2</sub>)$  3540 cm<sup>-1</sup>  $(OH)$ ; nmr (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.2-7.2 (m, 10 H, Ph and PhSO<sub>2</sub>), 4.91 (d,  $J_{2\alpha} = 10$  Hz, H, OCH),  $4.3-2.9$  (complex, 3 H, NCH<sub>2</sub> and NCH),  $1.8 0.8$  ppm (m,  $6$  H, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>). *Anal.* (C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>S) C, H, N.

 $(2R,\alpha S)-(+)$ -erythro-1-Benzenesulfonyl-2-{ $\alpha$ -[2'- $(N,N-{\rm d}-2{\rm d})$ <br>
damino)ethoxy|benzyl}piperidine  $[(2R:\alpha S)-(+)-{\rm IIIb}]$ methylamino)ethoxy] benzyl } piperidine **Methiodide.**—After 55 g of the  $(-)$ -tartaric acid salt of  $(S)$ - $(-)-Ia$   $[(S)-(+)$ -carbinoxamine-bitartrate], mp 135-137° softens, clear liquid 181-182.5°,  $\alpha$  D (MeOH) +33.5  $\pm$  1.5° (c) 3.56) in 500 ml of 75% EtOH was redd as descrd for  $(\pm)$ -I, the cat was removed and replaced with 8 g of  $10\%$  Pd/C. Redn was contd until the free amine, isolable from the reaction mixt. was halogen free (Na fusion). The free amine was treated as descd in the prepn of  $(\pm)$ -IIIa to give 20 g  $(40\%)$  of  $(2R,\alpha S)$ - $(+)$ -IIIb from Et<sub>2</sub>O-pet ether (30-60°): mp 98-99°; [ $\alpha$ ]D (MeOH)  $+ 61 \pm 1.5^{\circ}$  (c 1.89). Anal. (C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>30</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S) C, H, N.

The methiodide was obtained in quant yield in  $Et<sub>2</sub>O$  and was recrystd from EtOH: mp 187-188°; *[a]v* (MeOH) +43.4  $\pm$  1.5° (c 2.19). Anal. (C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>33</sub>IN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S) C, H, N.

 $(2R,\alpha S)-(+)$ -eruthro-1-Benzenesulfonyl-2- $(\alpha$ -hydroxybenzyl)piperidine  $[(2R:\alpha S) - (+)$ -Vb].—Subjection of 10.9 g of  $(2R:\alpha S)$ - $+$ )-IIIb methiodide to the conditions of the Hofmann elim descrd in the prepn of  $(\pm)$ -IVa afforded 3.6 g (50%) of opt act  $(2R,\alpha S)$ -IVb: mp 102-103°; ir (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 1613 and 1633 cm<sup>-1</sup>, d  $(CH=CH_2)$ . Anal.  $(C_{20}H_{23}NO_3S)$  C, H, N. When subjected to the condns empld for the hydrol of  $(\pm)$ -IVa, 3.6 g of  $(2R,\alpha S)$ -IVb afforded 2.0 g  $(60\%)$  of  $(2R:\alpha S)+(+)$ -Vb: mp 142-143°;  $[\alpha]$ *p* (EtOH)  $+45 \pm 2^{\circ}$  (*c* 0.82); ir (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) and nmr (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) identical with that of  $(\pm)$ -Vb. Anal.  $(C_{18}H_{21}NO_3S) C$ , H, N.

 $(R)$ - $(-)$ -1-Benzenesulfonyl-2-benzoylpiperidine  $(VI)$ . To 0.1 g of  $(2R,\alpha S)-(+)$ -Vb in 20 ml of Et<sub>2</sub>O was added 1.5 ml of oxid soln prepd from 5 g of  $\text{Na}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_1$ .  $2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , 3.75 ml of coned  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ and  $H_2O$  to make 25 ml of soln. After stirring for 3 hr, the  $Et_2O$ was sepd, washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and base, dried, clarified, filtd, and evapd to give a residue. This was erystd from heptane to afford 67 mg of  $(R)$ - $(-)$ -VI: mp 103-103.5°,  $[\alpha]$ *p* (THF) -18  $\pm$  3°  $(c \, 0.85)$ ; lit.<sup>1</sup><sup>c</sup> mp 103°,  $[\alpha]$ *p* (THF) -20  $\pm$  1°.

**Acknowledgment.**—The authors wish to thank Dr. Cornelius Cain of McNeil Laboratories for generous samples of racemic carbinoxamine maleate and of (+)-carbinoxamine tartrate, the dextrorotatory salt of  $(-)$ -carbinoxamine with  $(+)$ -tartaric acid. Our thanks also to Mr. Jin-Shung Chang who determined the nmr spectra.

## **Some Aryloxyalkylamines, N-Arylethylenediamines, and Related Compounds as Anorectic Agents**

R. S. SHADBOLT, C. J. SHARPE,\* G. R. BROWN,

*Chemistry Department* 

A. ASHFORD, AND J. W. ROSS

*Pharmacology Department, Twyford Laboratories, London, N.W.10, England* 

*Received November 4, 1970* 

The anorectic and stimulant properties of some 2-phenoxytriethylamines and related compounds have been compared. The effect of phenyl-ring substitution differs from that in the amphetamine series. A  $p$ -CN group is particularly effective in producing anorectic activity without stimulant effects.

Most anorectic drugs have associated undesirable properties such as CNS stimulation, euphoria, addictiveness, and hypertension.

A considerable number of modifications have been made to the amphetamine structure with a view to reducing its stimulant properties while retaining anorexigenic activity.<sup>1</sup> The most successful compound of

this type is the  $N$ -ethyl-m-trifluoromethyl derivative, fenfluramine.<sup>2</sup> Some l-phenoxy-2-propylamine derivatives are also claimed to have a favorable ratio of anorexigenic to stimulant activity.<sup>3</sup> We have observed anorexigenic activity in some tertiary phenoxyalkylamines (Table I) and find that substitution in this series has different effects on anorexigenic and central stimulant

<sup>(1) (</sup>a) ''Amphetamines and Related Compounds," S. Garattini and E. Costa, Ed., Raven Press, New York, N. Y., 1969; (b) D. L. Marsh and D. A. Herring, *J. Pharmacol,* 100, 298 (1950); (c) G. F. Holland, C. J. Duck, and A. Weissman, *J. Med. Chem..* 6, 519 (1963).

<sup>(2)</sup> J. C. Le Douarec and H. Schmitt, *Therapie,* 19, 831 (1964).

<sup>(3)</sup> Boehringer, Irigelheim, French Patent 1,529,480 (1967); *Chem. Abitr.,*  71, 12806 (1969).

action, than in the amphetamine or phenoxypropylamine types.

As the origin of this investigation, anorectic activity in rats roughly equal to that of amphetamine was observed with  $3-[4-(\beta\text{-diethylaminoethoxy)phenyl}]$ sydnone (2). This compound reversed reserpine-induced hypothermia in mice at low dose levels and caused a behavioral change in cats consisting of stereotyped reactions which, in their most severe form, were suggestive of hallucinations. A detailed description is given in the Experimental Section. Amphetamine<sup>4</sup> also causes stereotyped reactions in cats and similar effects have been reported to occur in human beings  $\frac{1}{2}$  suffering from an overdose of amphetamine<sup>5</sup> or phenmetrazine.<sup>4</sup> For this reason we used cat behavior to assess CNS stimulant properties.

In our chemical series there was good correlation between reserpine antagonism and intensity of CNS stimulation, and the reserpine test was therefore used as an initial, rapid method of screening for undesirable stimulant effects. Our objective was to separate these from the anorectic property. In contrast to the other standard anorectic drugs which we studied, fenfluramine did not reverse reserpine hypothermia and was slightly sedative in cats.

A series of 3-phenylsydnone derivatives showed that only the basic ethers had anorectic activity and since the meta-substituted derivative 6 was inactive, it seemed that the essential structure was a parasubstituted basic phenyl ether. Increasing the size of the alkyl groups on N, which increased liposolubility, caused a general decrease of activity, although the ratio of anorexigenic to antireserpine activity was improved. The possibility that the syndnone ring functions purely as an electron-withdrawing substituent is supported by the good activity of  $p$ -cyano-  $(7)$  and  $p$ -nitrodiethylaminoethoxybenzene (8), but is difficult to reconcile with the lack of activity of some other members of the series, notably the  $p-\overline{F}_3C$  analog, 9. The CN substituent is also remarkable in causing almost complete abolition of the antireserpine properties, but in contrast abondon of the antifestable properties, but in contrast<br>with substituted amphetamines  $15$  it is effective only when para to the basic side chain. A CN substituent on the Ph ring of some anorexigenic 2-alkylamino-lon the 1 n ring or some anorexigente 2-air yiammo-1-<br>phenoxypropanes has also been reported<sup>3</sup> to reduce stimulant activity, but, whereas other substituents, such as 3,4-methylenedioxy had a similar effect in that series, in the case of phenoxytriethylamines the 3,4-  $OCH<sub>2</sub>O$  group gave an inactive compound (28). Another difference is exemplified by the l-phenoxy-2 aminopropanes 47, 48, and 49, of which only the primary amine has anorectic activity, whereas of  $2-(p$ cyanophenoxy) ethylamines 7, 51, and 50, only the tertiary and secondary amines are active. Although ici dai y and secondary annies are active. Although rectic activity<br>rectic activity f rectic activity,<sup> $\epsilon$ </sup> results for  $42-44$  do not suggest any relationship with the present series.

Chain branching or increase in chain length (62, 63, 65, 46, 66) gave anorectic compounds but also caused an increase in the antireserpine activity. This includes the benzyloxy compound 46 which is a ringopened analog of the phenmetrazine type of anorectic agent. Replacement of the ether 0 by CO, NH, or S **(38-41)** abolished the anorectic activity as did further substitution in the Ph ring **(31-33).** Compounds resulting from variation of the substituents in the tertiary amino group of structure **7 (52-60)** were inferior to the parent compound in anorectic potency but the majority of this group were devoid of CNS-stimulant effects.

The introduction of CN or  $NO<sub>2</sub>$  into the para position of  $\beta$ -diethylaminoethoxybenzene gives rise to anorectic activity disproportionate to other central effects in an otherwise inactive molecule, whereas in the amphetamine or l-phenoxy-2-propylamine series substituents reduce the stimulant component of active compounds. It is possible therefore, that the para substituent in active compounds of the present series has a specific binding property.

Compound 7 was convulsant in 1 cat at 100 mg/kg and in mice at 200 mg/kg and was therefore considered unsuitable for clinical use.

## **Experimental Section**

**Pharmacology.**—Compds were administered by the oral route in aq soln or in  $0.5\%$  Tragacanth suspension, in the mouse and rat tests, control animals receiving the vehicle alone. In the cat behavior study the compds were given orally in a gelatine capsule. All doses are expressed as the free base.

**Anorectic Activity.**—Groups of male Wistar rats trained to daytime feeding were used at intervals over a 12-week period, the rat wt changing during this time from about 100 g to about 250 g.

Rats (48), in individual metabolism cages overnight, were dosed at random with the test compds. There were 8 or 12 rats per group. A weighed amount of food, 28-30 g, was given to each rat 1 hr after dosing and after a further 2 hr the food was removed, dried for 30 min at 60°, and reweighed. The food intake/100 g of body weight was calcd for each rat.

A standard dose of compd of 25 mg of base/kg was used and was followed by a detn of  $ED_{50}$  when necessary. Otherwise results are expressed as  $++$  or  $+$  indicating  $25\%$  or  $10-25\%$ reduction of food intake, respectively, *p* Values are calcd by Student's *t* test.

There was remarkably little variation in food intake between control rats, a typical result  $\pm$  s.e. being 4.55  $\pm$  0.177 g.

**Antagonism of Reserpine Hypothermia.<sup>7</sup>**—Room temp was 22°. Groups of 5 female CFW mice 18-20 g were given reserpine (2.5 mg/kg sc) 18 hr before test. The rectal temp after treatment was compared with the initial temp and a graph of percentage increase in temp against time constructed for each dose of compd. The area under the curve was measured and a dose-response curve obtained by plotting area against log dose. The results are expressed as  $ED_{50}$  in mg of base/kg.

**Cat Behavior.**—Adult cats, in groups of 6, were allowed to roam free, and were closely observed by a trained observer. The animals were thoroughly familiar with their surroundings and with each other before being placed on test. Cat behavior was noted for 5-6 hr after dosing. Stereotyped reactions consisted mainly of repetitive and seemingly purposeless movements of the ears and head. The ears alternated in movement and the head turned from side to side. This activity was occasionally combined with motor restlessness. During the severe stereotyped reaction the animal stared fixedly at an apparently empty point on the floor, cowering and backing violently away from it in apparent fear. Results were assessed as follows:  $+$ , nervousness; ++, stereotyped reaction; +++ severe stereotyped reaction.

**Chemistry.**—Melting points were measured in capillary tubes in a Buchi apparatus and are corrected. Chromatog materials used were alumina type H (Spence) deactivated by addn of  $5\%$ w/w of  $10\%$  HOAc and silica for chromatog 0.2–0.5 mm (Merck). Solvent exts of aq mixts were washed  $(H<sub>2</sub>O)$ , dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and evapd at 40-50° *(ca.* 20 mm) using a rotary evaporator unless

(7) B. M. Askew, *Life Sci.,* 10, 725 (1963).

<sup>(4)</sup> A. Randrup and I. Munkvad., *Psychopharmacologia,* 11, 300 (1967). (5) P. H. Connell, "Amphetamine Psychosis," Maudsley Monograph No.

<sup>5,</sup> Chapman and Hall, London, 1958. (6) American Cyanamid Co., U. S. Patent 3,253,989 (1966); *Chem. Abstr.,*  66, 5311 (1966).





SHARPE, et al.





Ā

and/or s

 $\frac{1}{2}$ Citrate Citrate  $2$  IICI

Method<sup>a</sup>

 $O({\rm CH_2})_i{\rm NEt_2}$  $\mathcal{O}(\mathcal{C}\mathcal{H}_2)_4 N \mathcal{E} t_2$ 

 $\overline{\mathscr{C}}$ 

 $4-\mathrm{CN}$  $4-CN$ 

ខ្ទំ នូ **ទូ** ទ

 $\mathcal{B}$  $\mathbf{E}$  $\prec$  $\mathbf{m}$ 

4-Diethylaminoethoxypyridine

Diethylpropion Amphetamine

Fenfluramine

nuental Seetion. 7 Previously reported [M. A. Fahny and H. T. Gordon, J. Econ. Entomno, 58, 451 (1965)] without physical constants: "This compound was too hygroscopic for analysis."<br>
(1. Utsamin, T. Hap, T. Kignedi, and M. by Student's  $t$  (est;  $ns = not$  significant,  $-4$  El), a in  $\arg k\epsilon$ ; i, inactive at 100 mg/kg;  $-$  + mental Section, *I* Previously reported [M. A. Fahmy and H. T. Gordon, *J. Bionn. Enton* under Chemistry; if a literature reference is also given the compound has been made previo  $\epsilon$  Figures denote ED<sub>20</sub> in mg/kg:  $(++)$  more than 25% redi-" Where only a literature reference is given, the compound was prepared by the literature  $0.4\%$  of the calculated values. Metliyl phenidate Pipradol

stated otherwise. Microanalyses were carried out by Mr. R. J. Clark of these Laboratories using a Perkin-Elmer 240 elemental analyzer and are within  $0.4\%$  of the theoretical values unless quoted in full.

**General Methods of Preparation. A.**—A soln of the dialkylaminoalkyl chloride in PhH (prepared from 1.1 equiv of the hydrochloride) was added to a solu of the Na salt of the phenol in EtOH, and the mixt was heated under reflux for 5 hr. The cooled mixt was filtered and evapd, the residue was partitioned between Et.0 and H.O, and the Et.0 was washed  $(1 N \text{ NaOH},$  $H<sub>2</sub>O$ , dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and evapd. The products were purified further if necessary by chromatog on alumina using PhH or  $Et_2O$ as eluant.

 $A<sub>1</sub>$ .—A soln of the Na salt of the phenol in PhH was treated similarly.

A; .—A soln of the Na salt of the phenol in DMF was treated similarly (in the case of the product obtained from 4-nitrocatechol the wash with NaOH was omitted).

 $A_3$ .—A soln of the dialkylaminoalkyl chloride (1.1 equiv) in PhII was added to a mixt of anhyd  $K_2CO_3$  and the phenol in Me2CO, and the mixt was stirred and boiled under reflux for 5 hr and worked up as in A (in the case of the product obtd from 2,4 dinitrophenol the wash with NaOH was omitted).

B.—The appropriate aryloxyalkyl bromide reacted with amines under the following condns: with  $\text{EtNH}_2$  in  $\text{EtOH}$  soln or  $\mathrm{Et}_2\mathrm{NH}$  and a trace of NaI in  $\mathrm{Me}_2\mathrm{CO}$  soln, by heating at  $100^\circ$ for 10 hr in a sealed tube; with other amines by heating at 100° using excess of amine as solvent. After evapn of solvent and unreacted amine at 60-70° under reduced pressure, the residue was partitioned between 2 N HCl and Et<sub>2</sub>O, the aq layer was basified  $(40\% \text{ NaOH}$  soln), and the crude base was isolated by Et>0 extn. Salts *were* prepd from the crude bases except in the case of 4-(2-di-n-amylaminoethoxy)benzonitrile which was first purified by distu, bp  $150-154°$  (0.02 mm).

B,.—An aryloxyalkyl chloride was employed in method B. 4-(2-Diethylaminoethoxy)phenyl methyl sulfoxide (11), which was H<sub>2</sub>O sol, was isolated by treating the reaction mixt with an excess of  $Na<sub>z</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>$ , evapg to dryness, and extg the residue with f-PrOH.

B2.—An aryloxyalkyl tosylate was used in method B.

C.—A reactive halogen compd *(e.g.,* p-trifluoromethylbromobenzene, p-ehlorobenzonitrile, or p-cyanobenzyl bromide) was added to a soln of the Na salt of the dialkylamino alcohol in excess dialkylamino alcohol and heated at 130° for 16 hr. The soln was evapd at 70° (15 mm), and the residue was partitioned between Et2O and 2 N HCl. The aq layer was basified (40%)  $N_AOH$ ), and the product was isolated by  $Et_2O$  extn.

**D. Modification of Compds Contg the Diethylaminoethoxyphenyl Moiety. 4-(2-Diethylaminoethoxy)phenyl Isothiocyanate** (1**3**).—EtOH (55 ml), NH<sub>4</sub>OH ( $d = 0.88$ , 20 ml), and  $CS_2$ (10 ml) were stirred at 0° during addn of a soln of 4-(2-diethylaminoethoxy)aniline  $(20.8 \text{ g})$  in EtOH (20 ml). After 2 hr at  $0^{\circ}$ , the  $N-(p$ -diethylaminoethoxyphenyl)dithiocarbamic acid was filtered off and washed with  $\text{Me}_2\text{CO}$ , (95%, mp 143-144°). *Anal.*  $(C_{13}H_{20}N_{2}OS_{2})$  C, H, N. The dithiocarbamic acid (12.7) g), CHCl<sub>3</sub> (200 ml), and Et<sub>3</sub>N (7 ml) were stirred at  $0^{\circ}$  and ethyl chloroformate (5.1 ml) was added in 10 min. After 1 hr the soln was washed  $(H<sub>2</sub>O, 2 N<sub>1</sub> HCl)$  and the CHCl<sub>3</sub> was evapd to give the isothiocyanate • HC1.

**4-(2-Diethylaminoethoxy)phenyl Thiocyanate** (14) was prepd from 4-(2-diethylaminoethoxy)aniline as described for 4-methoxyphenyl thiocyanate<sup>8</sup> and was purified by chromatog on alumina with PhH.

**4-(2-Diethylaminoethoxy)cinnamonitrile (25).**—4-(2-I)iethylaminoethoxy)benzaldehyde (S.S g), cyanoacetic acid (3.S g), pyridine (20 ml), and piperidine (1 ml) were heated at 100° for 9 hr. The soln was evapd, and the residue was dissolved in Et<sub>2</sub>O, washed (1 N NaOH, NaHSO<sub>3</sub> soln, H<sub>2</sub>O), dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and evapd to give the base (0.2 g).

**4-(2-Diethylaminoethoxy)benzoic Acid (17).**—Alethyl 4-(2- diethylaminoethoxy)benzoate was hydrolyzed,<sup>9</sup> the resulting hydrochloride was treated with Zeo-Karb 225, the resin was elut ed with NH4OH, and the eluate was evapd.

**4-(2-Diethylaminoethoxy)cinnamic acid (26)** was obtained by hydrolysis of the Me ester with  $2 N \text{ NaOH}$  (1.1 moles) in MeOH at  $20^{\circ}$  for 16 hr. Zeo-Karb  $225$  (H<sup>+</sup>) was added to pH 7, the

<sup>(8)</sup> J. W. Dienske, Recl. Trav. Chim. Pays-Bas, 50, 167, 407 (1931).

<sup>(9)</sup> R. Fusio. S. Chiavarelli. G. Palazzo, and D. Bovet, *Gnzz. Chim. Ital.,*  78, 951 (1948).

mixt was filtered, the filtrate was evapd, and the residue was collected with  $Et<sub>2</sub>O$ .

**4-(2-Diethylaminoethoxy)thiobehzamide (27).**—H2S was passed into a mixt of 4-(2-diethylaminoethoxy)benzonitrile (21.8 g), pyridine (100 ml), and  $Et_3N$  (42 ml) for 6 hr. The mixt was evapd, and the residue was purified by chromatog on alumina with EtOAc.

**3-(2-Diethylaminoethoxy)benzaldoxime and 3-(2-Diethylaminoethoxy)benzonitrile (35, 36).—**NH2OH-HCJ (1.2 moles) was added to a stirred mixt of 4-(2-diethylaminoethoxy)benzaldehyde (1 mole) and 1 *N* NaOH (1.2 moles) over lOmin. After 30 min excess  $Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>$  was added, and the product was isolated by extn with  $Et_2O$  followed by chromatog on alumina with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The oxime was boiled under reflux for 5 hr with excess  $Ac_2O$ , the soln was evapd, and the product was isolated by addn of  $Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>$  soln and  $Et<sub>2</sub>O$  extn.

Sydnones were generally prepd from N-4-(2-dialkylaminoethoxy)phenylglycines via the N-nitrosoglycines. The N-substituted glycine  $\cdot$  2HCl (Table II) was dissolved in H<sub>2</sub>O, and 3 equiv of  $2 N N aOH$  was added, followed by 1.1 equiv of  $N a N O<sub>2</sub>$  soln. The soln was stirred at  $-5^{\circ}$  and coned HCl was added in 30 min to give pH 2. After another 30 min the soln was evapd at 50° *in vacuo.* The residue was extd several times with hot MeOH, which was evapd. The residue was heated at 100° with excess Ac<sub>2</sub>O for 1 hr, the soln was evapd, ice and excess  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  soln were added, and the oil was isolated by Et<sub>2</sub>O extn. The residue was purified by chromatog on silica with  $Me<sub>2</sub>CO$ . 3- $(m-Diethyl$ aminoethoxyphenyl)sydnone was prepd via N-(m-diethylaminoethoxyphenyl)glycine ethyl ester. The ester was hydrolyzed by heating with 2 equiv of 2 *N* NaOH for 1 hr, and the soln was nitrosated *etc.,* as above.

**E. Miscellaneous Preparations. 3-(2-Diethylaminoethoxy) nitrobenzene-HCl (37)** was prepd in the same way as the para isomer.<sup>10</sup>

 $N-p$ -Cyanophenyl- $N'N'$ -diethylethylenediamine (41) was prepd from p-aminobenzonitrile by the method described for the *p*-nitro analog<sup>11</sup> and was purified first on a silica column by clearing with PhH-EtOAc and eluting with Me<sub>2</sub>CO to give a product which was purified further on alumina using PhH.

**1-(p-Cyanophenyl)-4-methylpiperazine**  $(44)$ . $-N$ -Methylpiperazine (12 g) and p-chlorobenzonitrile (8.25 g) were heated at 120° for 16 hr. The mixt was evapd, the residue was partitioned between 1  $N$  HCl and EtOAc, and the aq layer was basified; the product obtd by  $Et<sub>2</sub>O$  extn was purified by chromatog on silica using  $Me<sub>2</sub>CO$  and on alumina using  $Et<sub>2</sub>O$ .

**4-(3-Diethylaminopropyl)nitrobenzene (45)** was prepd by the reaction of 3-(p-nitrophenyl)propyl chloride with  $Et_2NH$  in Me2CO as described in method B.

**2-p-Cyanophenoxyethylamine (50).**—2-p-Cyanophenoxyethyl bromide (0.02 mole) and potassium phthalimide (0.02 mole) in DMF (20 ml) were heated at 100 $^{\circ}$  for 2 hr and dild with H<sub>2</sub>O to ppt  $N-(2-p-\text{eyanophenoxyethyl})$ phthalimide (62%, mp 186.5-187° from EtOAc). Anal.  $(C_{11}H_{12}N_2O_3)$  C, H, N. An EtOH soln of the phthalimide derivative was decompd by boiling with N2H4 • H20 for 2 hr. The EtOH was evapd, 2 *N* HC1 was added, and the solid was filtered off. The filtrate was basified (NaOH soln), and the amine was isolated by  $Et<sub>2</sub>O$  extn.

**4-(2-Diethylaminoethoxy)pyridine (67).**—A soln of 4-pyridone  $(0.05 \text{ mole})$  in 2 *N* NaOH (25 ml) was treated with aq AgNO<sub>3</sub> (0.02 mole), and the Ag salt was washed  $(H_2O, EtOH, Et_2O)$ and air-dried. This was boiled for 2 hr under reflux with a soln of diethylaminoethyl chloride (0.02 mole) in PhMe and filtered, the PhMe was evapd, and the product was distd  $(35\%)$ : bp 100-103° (0.2 mm); [lit.<sup>12</sup> bp 95° (0.03 mm)];  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  uv (EtOH)  $222 \text{ m}\mu$  (pH 7);  $238 \text{ m}\mu$  (pH 2) consistent with a 4-alkoxypyridine.<sup>13</sup> The hydrochloride was too hygroscopic for anal.

**2-Amino-1-phenoxyprdpane** (**47**).—2-Bromo- 1-phenoxypropane (0.02 mole) and potassium phthalimide (0.02 mole) in DMF (20 ml) at 120° for 5 hr gave *N-(* l-methyl-2-phenoxyethyl) phthalimide (46%, mp 69-70° from petr ether, bp 60-80°, *Anal.*   $(C_{17}H_{15}NO_3)$  C, H, N), which, on boiling with  $N_2H_4H_2O$  in EtOH for 2 hr, gave the amine by the usual procedure.<sup>14</sup>

(11) M. A. Stahann and A. C. Cope, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc,* 68, 2494 (1946). (12) K. Miescher and E. Ureeh, U. S. Patent 1,881,236 (1933); *Chem. Abstr.,* 27, 1096 (1933).

- (13) A. I. Scott, "Interpretation of the Ultra-Violet Spectra of Natural Products," Pergamon Press, Elmsford, N. Y., 1964, p 180.
- (14) H. R, Ing and R. F. H. Manske, *J. Chem. Soc,* 2348 (1926).

**2-Ethylamino-l-phenoxypropane (48)** was obtained by reduction of crude 2-acetamido-1-phenoxypropane  $(7 \text{ g})$  in PhMe (20 ml) with  $70\%$  Na(MeOCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>AlH<sub>2</sub> (2.25 moles) in PhMe<sup>15</sup> at 80° for 2 hr.

**Intermediates. A<sup>r</sup> -Arylglycine • 2HC1** (Table **II)** was obtd by hydrogenation of a soln of equimolar amts of the appropriate p-dialkylaminoethoxyaniline and glyoxylic acid hydrate in 2 *N* HC1 at 1 atm over  $10\%$  Pd/C until no more  $H_2$  was absorbed  $(1-8)$ hr). The filtered soln was evapd at reduced pressure, and the residue was recrystd.

## TABLE II  $p$ -XCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>NHCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H · 2HCl



 $\alpha$  All compds were analyzed for C, H, N.  $\delta$  C: calcd, 46.3; found, 45.8. *<sup>c</sup>* C: calcd, 54.7; found, 54.2. *d* C: calcd, 56.7; found, 56.2.

p-Dialkylaminoethoxyanilines.-4-( $\beta$ -Hydroxyethoxy)acetanilide<sup>16</sup> in pyridine was treated with TsCl below 20°. After 3 hr the mixt was added to ice water, and the solid was recrystd from EtOH to give  $\beta$ -(4-acetamidophenoxy)ethyl toluene-p-sulfonate (90%), mp 142-143.5°. Anal.  $(C_{17}H_{19}NO_{5}S)$ C, H, N. The tosyl deriv was heated in an oil bath at 100° for 3 hr with excess  $\rm R_2NH$ , the mixt was evapd, and the residue was heated under reflux for 3 hr with 6 N HCl. The soln was basified (40% NaOH) and extd with Et2O to give p-XCH2CH2OC6H4NH2:  $X = Bu_2N$ , 78% yield, bp 163-165<sup> $\delta$ </sup> (0.2 mm), dihydrochloride mp 205-206.5° dec (EtOH), Anal.  $(C_{16}H_{30}Cl_2N_2O)$  C, H, N;  $X^{\dagger} = \text{Am}_2\text{N}$ , 92% yield, bp 145-147° (0.02 mm), *Anal.* (C<sub>18</sub>-<br>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O) C, H, N:  $X =$  pyrrolidino,<sup>17</sup> 81% yield, bp 130-135° (0.01 mm).

**4-(2-Dimethylaminoethoxy)aniline<sup>16</sup> and 4-( 2-diethylaminoethoxy)aniline<sup>16</sup>** were prepd by alkylation of 4-acetamidophenol in NaOEt-EtOH with the appropriate dialkylaminoalkyl chloride in the usual way and hydrolysis of the product for 2 hr with boiling 6 *N* HC1.

**3-(2-Diethylaminoethoxy)aniline** was prepd similarly from m-acetamidophenol: yield, 55%, bp 120° (0.25 mm). *Anal.*   $(C_{12}H_{20}N_2O)$  C, H, N.

**A'-(m-Diethylaminoethoxyphenyl)glycine Ethyl Ester.**—3-(2- Diethylaminoethoxy)aniline, ethyl bromoacetate, NaOAc (0.1 mole each), and EtOH (20 ml) were heated at 120° under reflux for 5 hr. The mixt was evapd, and the residue was partitioned between  $Et_2O$  and  $2$   $N$  HCl. The ester was isolated by basification and ether extn and distd,  $50\%$ , bp 146-152° (0.02 mm). *Anal.*  $(C_{16}H_{20}N_2O_3)$  *C*, *H*, *N*.

**p-Methylthiophenoxyethyl Chloride and 4-(2-Chloroethoxy) phenyl Methyl Sulfoxide and Sulfone.**—p-Methylthiophenoxyethanol<sup>18</sup> (10 g) and TsCl (20 g) in pyridine (100 ml) heated for 15 min at  $100^{\circ}$  and dild with H<sub>2</sub>O gave p-methylthiophenoxyethyl chloride (67%), mp 66-67° (petr ether, bp 80-100°). *Anal.*   $(C_9H_{11}ClOS)$  C, H. H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (30% 4.56 g) was added to a soln of  $p$ -methylthiophenoxyethyl chloride  $(3.38 \text{ g})$  in HOAc  $(10 \text{ ml})$ so that the temp was maintd at 55-65°. After 3 days the soln was dild with  $H_2O$  and neutralized (Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>), and the solid obtd by PhH extn was chromatogd on alumina with PhH to give the sulfone  $(0.76 \text{ g})$ , mp  $86.5-87^\circ$  (aq MeOH). *Anal.*  $(C_9H_1CIO_8S)$ C, H. Further eln of the column with EtOAc gave the sulfoxide  $(1.6 \text{ g})$ , mp 83.5-84° (PhH). Anal.  $(C_9H_{11}Cl\overline{O_2}S) C$ , H.

 $4-(p-Cy$ **anophenoxy**) butyl bromide was prepd in  $54\%$  yield from 1,4-dibromobutane by the process described for  $2-(p$ -cyanophen-

- (16) R. M. Herbst and J. V. Simonian, *J. Org. Chem..* 17, 595 (1952).
- (17) I. A. Kaye, W. J. Burlant, and L. Price, *ibid.,* 16, 1421 (1951).

<sup>(10)</sup> H. J. Engelbrecht, British Patent 961,27S (1964); *Chem. Abatr.,*  61, 6958 (1964).

<sup>(15)</sup> As supplied by Exico, Chemical Division, London, W.C.I, *cf.* M. Cerny, J. Malek, M. Capka, and V. Chvalovsky, *Collect. Czech. Commun.,* 34, 1033 (1969), and previous papers.

<sup>(18)</sup> D. J. Drain, J. G. B. Howes, R. Lazare, G. M. Salaman, R. Shadbolt, and H. W. R. Williams, *J. Med. Chem.,* 6, 63 (1963).

oxy)ethyl bromide,<sup>19</sup> mp  $45-46^{\circ}$  (petr ether, bp  $100-120^{\circ}$ ).  $Anal.$  ( $\dot{C}_{11}H_{12}BrNO$ ) C, H.

**l-(p-Cyanophenoxy)-2-(toluene-p-sulfonyloxy)propane.**  $p$ -Cyanophenol (23.8 g) was treated with propylene oxide (15.5) ml) under the described conditions<sup>18</sup> and an  $Et_2O$  soln of the crude  $1-(p\text{-}cyanophenoxy)-2\text{-}propanol was washed (1 N NaOH, H<sub>2</sub>O),$ dried  $(Mg\bar{S}O_4)$ , and evapd. An ice-cooled soln of the residue in pyridine (100 ml) was treated with TsCl (40 g) and after 2 hr was dild with H<sub>2</sub>O (1 l.) and extd with Et<sub>2</sub>O which was washed  $(1 N HCl, H<sub>2</sub>O),$  dried  $(MgSO<sub>4</sub>)$ , and evapd. The oil was chromatogd on silica with  $Et_2O$  to obtain, as the first component, an oil, which was crystd from MeOH to give the tosylate (12.8 g), mp  $107-109^\circ$ . Anal.  $(C_{17}H_{17}NO_4S)$  C, H, N.

(19) J. N. Ashley, H. J. Barber, A. J. Ewins, G. Newbery, and A. D. H. Self, *J. Chem. Soc,* 103 (1942).

**3-(p-Nitrophenyl)propyl Chloride.**—Nitration of 3-phenylpropyl chloride<sup>20</sup> gave a product which was shown to contain 2 major components in approx equal amts by glpc (apiezon celite at  $150^{\circ}$ ). The prod (59.6 g) distd at 0.5 mm through a spinningband column (108  $\times$  2 cm) giving fractions of bp 129-130°  $(16.3 \text{ g})$  and  $148-149^{\circ}$  (19.8 g). Chromatog of the 2-fractions on alumina using petr ether (60-80°) gave homogeneous products. The lower boiling isomer absorbed (ir) at 1530, 1350, and 790  $cm^{-1}$  (ortho) and the higher boiling isomer at 1505, 1335, and  $840 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (para).<sup>21</sup>

(20) J. Buchi, J. Enezian, G. Enezian, G. Valette, and C. Pattani, *Helv. Chim. Acta,* 43, 1971 (1960). (21) *Cf.* C. P. Conduit, *J. Chem. Soc,* 3273 (1959).

**Microbiological and Chemical Modification of yV-Benzoyl-iV,2,3,3-tetramethyl-exo-2-norbornanamine (iV-Benzoylmecamylamine )** 

MILTON E. HERR,\* HERBERT C. MURRAY, AND GUNTHER S. FONKEN

*Research Laboratories, The Upjohn Company, Kalamazoo, Michigan* 

*Received December 8, 1970* 

The metabolic transformation of the  $N$ -Bz derivative of the ganglionic blocking agent mecamylamine [ $N$ -benzoyl-N,2,3,3-tetramethyl-exo-2-norbornanamine (1)] by Sporotrichum sulfurescens results in oxygenation at positions 6 and 7 to give the hydroxylamides 2 and 3. Several mecamylamine analogs **(4-7** and **10-21)** were prepared from the microbial metabolites.

The chemical preparations and structure-activity relationships of  $N,2,3,3$ -tetramethyl-exo-2-norbornanamine (mecamylamine) and analogs as ganglionic blocking agents have been well documented.<sup>1</sup> Our interest in the microbial oxygenation of the title compound (1) was 2-fold; *viz.,* to compare the stereochemistry and relationship of the enzymic hydroxylation site of the prod $u$ cts with related biotransformations,<sup>2</sup> and to observe the effects of the products and their analogs on hypertension.

Fermentation of  $N$ -benzoyl- $N$ ,2,3,3-tetramethyl-exo-2-norbornanamine with Sporotrichum sulfurescens produced a complex mixture of hydroxylated products from which it was possible to isolate a major component in  $21\%$  yield; if the mixture was oxidized before undertaking isolations, 2 major ketonic products could be obtained, one of mp  $82^{\circ}$ , in  $24\%$  yield and the other, of mp 136-138°, in  $29\%$  yield. It was further determined that oxidation of the originally isolated OH compd led to the ketone melting at 82°. Examination of the nmr spectrum of the ketoamides cast some light on their structures. There are only 3 possibilities for ketone attachment to the substrate  $(1)$ , *i.e.*, at  $C_5$ ,  $C_6$ , or  $C_7$ . The spectrum of  $N$ -benzoylmecamylamine (1) showed a sharp signal,  $3 \text{ H}$ , at  $\delta$  2.92 ppm for the NCH<sub>3</sub> protons. A medium broad signal, 1 H, with no discernable splitting pattern, at *8* 2.48 ppm, was assigned to the tertiary

proton at  $C_1$ . The remainder of the spectrum, aside from the Ph protons, was in the range between *5* Q.80 and 2.10 ppm with sharp signals at *5* 1.20, 1.24, and 1.53 ppm for the  $3 \text{ CCH}_3$  groups. The spectrum of both ketones showed the signal for the tertiary proton at  $C_1$ downfield, as a shoulder at the base of the  $NCH<sub>3</sub>$  signals; the  $NCH<sub>3</sub>$  plus the shoulders now integrated for 4 protons. This downfield shift of protons at  $C_1$  is very likely caused by the C=0 attachments being  $\alpha$  to the  $C_1H$ , *i.e.*, at  $C_6$  and at  $C_7$ . The ketones of mp  $82^\circ$  and mp  $136-138^\circ$  were reduced with NaBH<sub>4</sub> to give two hydroxyamides, both of which were not present in the original biotransformation mixture.

The structure of the alcohol isolated directly from the fermentation was shown to be  $exo-6-hydroxy-N-ben$ zoyl-N,2,3,3-tetramethyl-exo-2-norbornanamine (2) by solvolytic fragmentation. Grob and coworkers<sup>3</sup> have shown in their studies on l-methyl-4-, -5-, and -7-decahydroquinolyl tosylates that if a C-OTs bond and the free electron pair on N are in an antiperiplanar position with respect to the intermediate transfer bond, these compds undergo quantitative stereospecific fragmentation. Compound 2 was reduced with LAH to a hydroxybenzylamine (6) and then converted to its tosyl ester (7). This compd, upon heating in  $80\%$  aq EtOH, was converted exclusively to its fragmentation products, N-methylbenzylamine salt (9) and 3-methyl-3-(3-cyclopentenyl)-2-butanone (8). The ketone 8 was identified by its nmr and ir spectra and by analysis as a 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazone. The nmr spectrum showed 2 equivalent olefinic protons, with a coupling constant approaching zero, as a singlet at  $\delta$  5.67 ppm. It should

<sup>(1)</sup> C. A. Stone, M. L. Torchiana, K. L. Meckelnherd, J. Stavorski, M. Sletzinger, G. A. Stein, W. V. Rugle, D. F. Reinhold, W. A. Gaines, H. Arnold, and K. Pfiater, III, *J. Med. Pharm. Chem.,* 5, 665 (1962); (b) K. Pfister, III, and G. A. Stein, U. S. Patent 2,831,027 (April 15, 1958); (c) G. A. Stein, M. Sletzinger, H. Arnold, D. Reinhold, W. Gaines, K. Pfister, **III,** *J. Amer. Chem. Soc,* 78, 1514 (1956); (d) Z. J. Vejlelek and M. Provita, *Collect. Czech. Chem. Commun.,* 24, 2614 (1959); (e) N. D. Edge, S. J. Corne, G. E. Lee, and W. R. Wragg, *Brit. J. Pharmacol. Chemother.,* 15, 207 (1950).

<sup>(2) (</sup>a) G. S. Fonken, M. E. Herr, H. C. Murray, and L. M. Reineke, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc,* 89, 672 (1967); (b) R. A. Johnson, M. E. Herr, H. C. Murray, **and** G. S. Fonken, *J. Org. Chem.,* 36, 622 (1970), and ref cited therein.

<sup>(3) (</sup>a) C. A. Grob, H. R. Kiefer, H. J. LuU, and H. J. Wilkins, *Helv. Chim. Acta,* 50, 416 (1967); (b) R. A. Johnson, H. C. Murray, L. M. Reineke, and G. S. Fonken, J. Org. Chem., 33, 3207 (1968), have applied this principle in their structure studies of benzoyl-trans-decahydroquinolinol; one of them (R. A. Johnson) suggested the applicability to this work.