

lized (CHCl<sub>3</sub>-hexane) to give 1.0 g (80%) of white crystals, mp 154–156°.

*Anal.* (C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>7</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O) C, H, N.

**1-Methyl-4-(3-methyl-5-isoxazolyl)pyridazinium Iodide (5a) and 1-Methyl-5-(3-methyl-5-isoxazolyl)pyridazinium Iodide (6a).** A solution of 0.5 g (3.1 mmol) of **7a** and 10 ml of MeI in 20 ml of MeOH was stirred at room temperature for 48 hr. The solution was cooled and 0.2 g of deep orange solid was collected. Recrystallization (EtOH) gave **5a** as deep orange crystals: mp 210–211° dec; nmr  $\delta$  4.68 (s, 3, N<sup>+</sup>CH<sub>3</sub>), 7.47 (s, 1, =CH), 9.73 (d, 1, J<sub>H<sub>A</sub>H<sub>C</sub></sub> = 6 cps, H<sub>A</sub>), 9.91 (d, 1, J<sub>H<sub>B</sub>H<sub>C</sub></sub> = 2.5 cps, H<sub>B</sub>).

*Anal.* (C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O) C, H, I, N; C: calcd, 35.7; found, 35.2.

Addition of Et<sub>2</sub>O to the mother liquors gave 0.4 g of orange solid which was recrystallized (MeOH) several times to give 68 mg of orange crystals of **6a**: mp 166–167° dec; nmr  $\delta$  4.75 (s, 3, N<sup>+</sup>CH<sub>3</sub>), 7.33 (s, 1, =CH), 9.55 (d, 1, J<sub>H<sub>A</sub>H<sub>C</sub></sub> = 6 cps, H<sub>A</sub>), 9.80 (broad m, 1, H<sub>B</sub>).

*Anal.* (C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O) C, H, I, N.

**4-(4-Methyl-2-thiazolyl)pyridazine (7b).** A solution of 2.1 g (15.0 mmol) of **8**<sup>12</sup> and 1.9 g (20.0 mmol) of 1-chloro-2-propanone in 100 ml of EtOH was heated under reflux for 6 hr and concentrated *in vacuo*. The solid residue was dissolved in H<sub>2</sub>O and the aqueous solution was made alkaline with 1 N NaOH and extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The CHCl<sub>3</sub> solution was dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and concentrated to a brown solid which was recrystallized (CHCl<sub>3</sub>-hexane) to give 0.4 g (15%) of **7b** as a yellow crystalline solid, mp 131–133°.

*Anal.* (C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>7</sub>N<sub>3</sub>S) C, H, N, S; calcd, 18.1; found, 17.3.

**1-Methyl-4-(4-methyl-2-thiazolyl)pyridazinium Iodide (5b) and 1-Methyl-5-(4-methyl-2-thiazolyl)pyridazinium Iodide (6b).** A solution of 0.4 g (2.25 mmol) of **7b** and 1 ml of MeI in 15 ml of MeOH was stirred at room temperature for 48 hr, cooled, and filtered to give 0.28 g of red solid. Recrystallization (MeOH) gave 0.22 g of **5b** as deep red crystals: mp 220–222° dec; nmr  $\delta$  4.67 (s, 3, N<sup>+</sup>CH<sub>3</sub>), 7.79 (d, 1, J = 1 cps, =CH), 9.63 (d, 1, J<sub>H<sub>A</sub>H<sub>C</sub></sub> = 6.5 cps, H<sub>A</sub>), 9.87 (d, 1, J<sub>H<sub>B</sub>H<sub>C</sub></sub> = 2.5 cps, H<sub>B</sub>).

*Anal.* (C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>3</sub>S) C, H, I, N, S.

Addition of Et<sub>2</sub>O to the mother liquors gave 0.4 g of orange solid which was recrystallized (twice MeOH, twice Me<sub>2</sub>CO) to give 0.172 g of orange crystals of **6b**: mp 171° dec; nmr  $\delta$  4.75 (s, 3, N<sup>+</sup>CH<sub>3</sub>), 7.69 (d, 1, J = 1 cps, =CH), 9.50 (d, 1, J<sub>H<sub>A</sub>H<sub>C</sub></sub> = 6 cps, H<sub>A</sub>), 9.87 (d, 1, J<sub>H<sub>B</sub>H<sub>C</sub></sub> = 1 cps, H<sub>B</sub>).

*Anal.* (C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>3</sub>S) C, H, I, N, S.

**4-(5-Methyl-1,2,4-oxadiazol-3-yl)pyridazine (7c).** A solution of 0.7 g (5.0 mmol) of **9**<sup>12</sup> in 5 ml of Ac<sub>2</sub>O was heated under reflux for 3 hr, concentrated *in vacuo* to an oil, and diluted with H<sub>2</sub>O. The aqueous mixture was adjusted to pH 6 with dilute aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The CHCl<sub>3</sub> extracts were washed with aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and concentrated to a tan solid. Sublimation at 100–110° (13 mm) followed by recrystallization (hexane) gave 0.18 g (22%) of white crystals, mp 133–134°.

*Anal.* (C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>6</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O) C, H, N.

**1-Methyl-4-(5-methyl-1,2,4-oxadiazol-3-yl)pyridazinium Iodide (5c) and 1-Methyl-5-(5-methyl-1,2,4-oxadiazol-3-yl)pyridazinium Iodide (6c).** A solution of 0.75 g (4.6 mmol) of **7c** and 1.5 ml of MeI in 30 ml of MeOH was stirred at room temperature for 72 hr and concentrated to dryness. The solid residue was taken up in 50 ml of boiling Me<sub>2</sub>CO and cooled to give 0.33 g of red solid. Recrystallization (Me<sub>2</sub>CO) gave 0.17 g of **5c** as deep red crystals: mp 186–187° dec; nmr  $\delta$  4.75 (s, 3, N<sup>+</sup>CH<sub>3</sub>), 9.83 (d, 1, J<sub>H<sub>A</sub>H<sub>C</sub></sub> = 6 cps, H<sub>A</sub>), 10.0 (d, 1, J<sub>H<sub>B</sub>H<sub>C</sub></sub> = 2 cps, H<sub>B</sub>).

*Anal.* (C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>9</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O) C, H, I, N.

Addition of Et<sub>2</sub>O to the mother liquors gave 0.5 g of brown solid which was recrystallized (EtOH-Et<sub>2</sub>O) to 0.35 g of very hygroscopic crystals of **6c**: mp 126–127° dec; nmr  $\delta$  4.83 (s, 3, N<sup>+</sup>CH<sub>3</sub>), 9.60 (d, 1, J<sub>H<sub>A</sub>H<sub>C</sub></sub> = 6 cps, H<sub>A</sub>), 10.3 (broad m, 1, H<sub>B</sub>).

*Anal.* (C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>9</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O·H<sub>2</sub>O) C, N, H; calcd, 3.44; found, 2.84.

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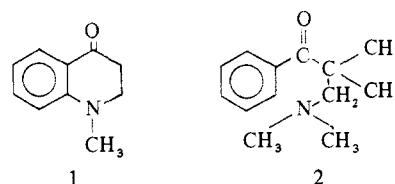
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## Synthesis of Some *cis*- and *trans*-2-(Substituted amino)cyclohexyl Phenyl Ketones<sup>†</sup>

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A number of  $\beta$ -amino ketones prepared in this laboratory have been shown to possess analgetic activity. When evaluated by the Hafner tail pinch method,<sup>1</sup> *N*-methyl-2,3-dihydro-4-quinolone (**1**) was found to have an ED<sub>50</sub> of 250 mg/kg<sup>2</sup> while an open-chain analog,  $\alpha,\alpha$ -dimethyl- $\beta$ -dimethylaminopropiophenone (**2**), was shown to have an ED<sub>50</sub> of 35 mg/kg.<sup>2</sup> Since the possibility exists that the lower potency of the more rigid 1-methyl-2,3-dihydro-4-quinolone (**1**), might result from its inability to fit the receptor as readily as the open-chain analog (**2**), it was decided to study the biological activity of other  $\beta$ -amino ketones with the hope of ascertaining the stereochemical requirements for the analgetic activity of such compounds.



Among the compounds selected to study were the *cis* and *trans* isomers of a number of 2-(substituted amino)cyclohexyl substituted-phenyl ketones. In these compounds the spatial relationship between the amino and carbonyl groups, which appear to be necessary for analgetic activity,<sup>3</sup> is varied.

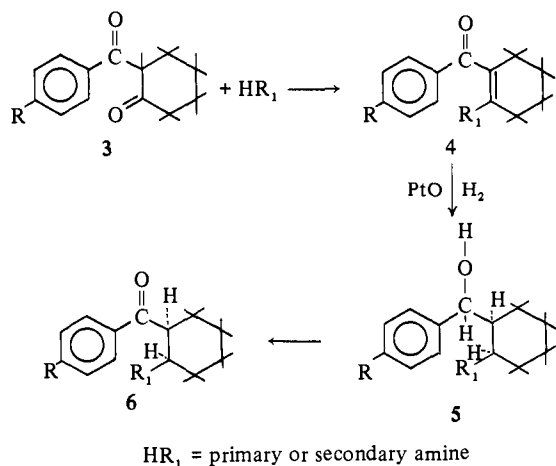
The *cis* isomers were prep'd by the catalytic redn of the enamine of substituted 2-benzoylcyclohexanones (**3**) (Table I). The diketones **3** were allowed to react with amines in the presence of TsOH. The amine reacted exclusively with the carbonyl of the cyclohexanone ring to form the enamine **4**.

Infrared spectra of the diketones **3** showed peaks attributed to carbonyl absorption at approximately 1685 and 1710 cm<sup>-1</sup>. The peak at 1685 cm<sup>-1</sup> is attributed to the

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<sup>§</sup>Analytical samples of **6a**, **6b**, and **6c** were found to contain about 25% of the isomeric **5a**, **5b**, and **5c**, respectively (3:1 relative integrated intensity of the nmr N<sup>+</sup>CH<sub>3</sub> and =CH signals).



carbonyl absorption of the benzoyl group since it is conjugated with the aromatic ring and might be expected to absorb at lower wave numbers than the carbonyl of cyclohexanone. This absorption band varied when the benzoyl group was substituted in the para position while the absorption at 1710 cm<sup>-1</sup> remained virtually constant in all compounds substituted on the benzoyl group. Since the enamine showed a single band which could be attributed to carbonyl absorption and since it was always below 1700 cm<sup>-1</sup>, it can be assumed that the reaction with amines occurred only with the carbonyl group of the cyclohexanone ring.

Catalytic redn of the enamine gave the amino alcohols 5 (Table II), which were readily oxidized with Jones reagent to the desired amino ketones 6 (Table III).

*trans*-2-(*N,N*-Dimethylamino)cyclohexyl phenyl ketone

Table I. 2-(Substituted benzoyl)cyclohexanones

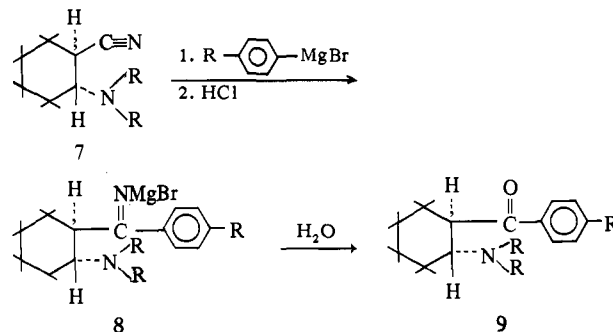
R	Mp, °C	Crystn solvent <sup>a</sup>	Yield, %	Formula	Analysis
H	89-91	A	43	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>14</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	C, H
Cl	101-103	B	51	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>13</sub> O <sub>2</sub> Cl	C, H
OCH <sub>3</sub>	116-118	A	69	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>16</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	C, H

<sup>a</sup>Solvents used in recrystallization: A = methanol, B = ethanol.

Table II. *cis*-2-(Substituted amino)cyclohexyl-substituted-phenylmethanols

R	R <sub>1</sub>	Mp, °C	Yield, %	Crystn solvent	Formula	Analysis	Hydrochloride				
							Mp, °C	Crystn solvent	Yield, %	Formula	Analyses
H	NHCH <sub>3</sub>	89-91	46	A	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>21</sub> NO	C, H, N					
H	N(CH <sub>3</sub> )CH <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>						220-222	B	58	C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>28</sub> ClNO	C, H, N, Cl
H	NC <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>	142-144	78	B	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>25</sub> NO	C, H, N					
H	NC <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub> O	95-97	55	B	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>25</sub> NO <sub>2</sub>	C, H, N					
Cl	N(CH <sub>3</sub> )CH <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>						241-242	B	65	C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>27</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> NO	C, H, N
Cl	NC <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>	143-145	40	C	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>24</sub> NOCl	C, H, N					
Cl	NC <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub> O						256-257	B	45	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>25</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> NO	C, H, N, Cl
OCH <sub>3</sub>	NHCH <sub>3</sub>	87-90	54	D	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>23</sub> NO <sub>2</sub>	C, H, N					
OCH <sub>3</sub>	N(CH <sub>3</sub> )CH <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>						220-221	B	65	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>30</sub> ClNO <sub>2</sub>	C, H, N, Cl
OCH <sub>3</sub>	NC <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>						213-215	B	89	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>26</sub> ClNO <sub>2</sub>	C, H, N, Cl
OCH <sub>3</sub>	NC <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>						210-211	B	72	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>28</sub> ClNO <sub>3</sub>	C, H, N, Cl

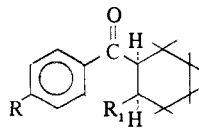
and *trans*-2-(*N,N*-dimethylamino)cyclohexyl *p*-methoxyphenyl ketone were prepared by allowing *trans*-aminohexahydrobenzimidazole (7) to react with the appropriate Grignard reagent and hydrolyzing the resulting imine.



**Structure Assignment.** The assignment of configuration of the amino alcohols and the amino ketones was based upon both their method of preparation and nmr analysis. The amino alcohols 5 were prepared by hydrogenation of the vinylogous amides 4 which have a planar, conjugated system.

Hydrogenation gives the *cis* alcohol which upon oxidation yielded the *cis* amino ketones since oxidation of the benzyl alcohol does not involve the stereochemistry of the cyclohexane ring. Nmr analysis supported this assignment of configuration. The *cis* ketones 6 showed a peak at 3.90 ppm having a broad base, but singlet character corresponding to the hydrogen  $\alpha$  to the carbonyl. In the case of several of the *p*-methoxyphenyl substituted-aminocyclohexyl ketones, the signal for this hydrogen is overlapped by the methoxy hydrogen. In these cases, the area integrates for 4 protons. The hydrogen attached to the carbon holding the amino group appears at approximately 2.66 ppm. It is overlapped by the signals of the methylene protons of the *N*-alkyl groups. While overlapping does occur, it is possible to interpret the spectra taking advantage of the fact that the coupling constant between axial hydrogens on adjacent carbons ( $J_{aa} = 8-10$  Hz) is larger than between hydrogens in any other orientation on adjacent carbons ( $J_{ae} = 2-5$  Hz). When the compounds were examined using an applied frequency of 90 MHz, the coupling constant between the hydrogens  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  to the carbonyl groups was observed to be 3-4.5 Hz.

The *trans* ketones were similarly examined. While again some overlapping of signal occurred it was possible to

Table III. *cis*-2-(Substituted amino)cyclohexyl Substituted-phenyl Ketones


R	R <sub>1</sub>	Mp, °C	Crystn solvent	Yield, %	Formula	Analyses	Hydrochloride				
							Mp, °C	Yield, %	Crystn solvent	Formula	Analyses
H	NHCH <sub>3</sub>						170-172	66	C	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>20</sub> ClNO	C, H, N, Cl
H	N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	55-57	A	49	C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>25</sub> NO	C, H, N					
H	NC <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>						155-157	74	C	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>24</sub> ClNO	C, H, N, Cl
H	NC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> O	78-80	B		C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>23</sub> NO <sub>2</sub>	C, H, N					
Cl	N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>						137-139	59	C	C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>25</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> NO	C, H, N, Cl
Cl	NC <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>	86-88	A		C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>22</sub> ClNO	C, H, N, Cl					
Cl	NC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> O	100-101	B		C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>22</sub> ClNO <sub>2</sub>	C, H, N, Cl					
OCH <sub>3</sub>	N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	57-59	A	78	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>27</sub> NO <sub>2</sub>	C, H, N					
OCH <sub>3</sub>	NC <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>	95-97	B	75	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>25</sub> NO <sub>2</sub>						
OCH <sub>3</sub>	NC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> O	74-76	B	83	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>25</sub> NO <sub>3</sub>						
OCH <sub>3</sub>	NHCH <sub>3</sub>						188-190	66	D	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>22</sub> ClNO <sub>2</sub>	C, H, N, Cl

measure a coupling constant of approximately 8 Hz between the same protons examined in the *cis* series of compounds.

**Biological Activity.** The compounds prepared in this study showed no analgetic activity in white female Swiss mice when tested by the Hafner tail pinch method.<sup>1</sup> The compounds were administered intraperitoneally. 2-Benzoylcyclohexanone, when similarly administered to mice in doses of 200/kg, markedly increased the activity of the animals. No such action was noted in the compounds bearing a substituent in the para position.

## Conclusions

Lack of analgetic activity in the compounds reported may be due to their inability to be transported to the site of action or to their ability to fit the receptor. Because of their complete lack of analgetic activity and their close resemblance to active compounds, the latter seems more likely. If this assumption is true, it would appear that the spatial arrangement between the phenyl, amino, and carbonyl groups, previously suggested essential for activity, is not suitable for the proper interaction with the receptor.

## Experimental Section

Melting points (uncorrected) were determined with a Thomas-Hoover capillary melting point apparatus. Microanalysis for C, H were performed by Microtech Microanalytical Laboratories, Skokie, Ill.; where analyses are indicated only by symbols of the elements the results were within  $\pm 0.4\%$  of the theoretical values.

***trans*-2-Dimethylaminohexahydrobenzoxazole.** *trans*-2-Dimethylamino- $\Delta^3$ -tetrahydrobenzoxazole (50 g, 0.3 mole) in MeOH (100 ml) was reduced in a Parr hydrogenator using 1.0 g of PtO<sub>2</sub> as catalyst at 30-lb pressure. When the theoretical amount of H<sub>2</sub> was absorbed the catalyst was removed by filtration and the solvent removed by distn. The residue was converted to the picrate for identification. After recrystn from EtOH, it melted at 158-159°. *Anal.* (C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>19</sub>O<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>) C, H, N.

***trans*-2-(Dimethylamino)cyclohexyl Phenyl Ketone.** The Grignard reagent was prepared using 15.7 g (0.1 mole) of bromobenzene, 2.4 g (0.1 g-atom) of magnesium, and 50 ml of Et<sub>2</sub>O. 2-Dimethylaminohexahydrobenzoxazole (10.0 g, 0.66 mole) in 50 ml of Et<sub>2</sub>O was added dropwise while the Et<sub>2</sub>O was heated under reflux. After the mixture was heated to reflux for 2 hr, the addition was completed. The mixture was poured over iced dil H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, washed with Et<sub>2</sub>O, made alkaline with NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and extd with Et<sub>2</sub>O. The Et<sub>2</sub>O ext were washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and the solvent was evapd. The residue was recrystd from Et<sub>2</sub>O-petr ether (1:1). It melted at 96-97°, lit. 96-97°.<sup>4</sup>

***trans*-2-(Dimethylamino)cyclohexyl *p*-Methoxyphenyl Ketone.**

This compound was prepared following the procedures reported for the preparation of *trans*-2-(dimethylamino)cyclohexyl phenyl ketone, but substituting *p*-methoxybromobenzene for BrC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>. After recrystallizing from Et<sub>2</sub>O-petr ether (1:1), it melted at 74-76°, yield 77%. *Anal.* (C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>23</sub>O<sub>2</sub>N) C, H, N.

**2-(Substituted benzoyl)cyclohexanones.** The procedure for the preparation of 2-(*p*-chlorobenzoyl)cyclohexanone was employed for the synthesis of 2-benzoylcyclohexanone and 2-(*p*-methoxybenzoyl)cyclohexanone. Cyclohexanone, 49 g (0.5 mole), 71 g (1.0 mole) of pyrrolidine, and 500 ml of C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub> were mixed and heated under reflux for 2.5 hr using a Dean-Stark trap. At the end of this period, 9 ml (0.5 moles) of water was collected.

The solvent was then removed *in vacuo*. The liquid residue was dissolved in 750 ml of CHCl<sub>3</sub> and chilled to 0° in an ice-CH<sub>3</sub>OH bath. (C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)<sub>3</sub>N (60 g, 0.7 mole) was added. This was followed by the dropwise addition of 95.0 g (0.56 mole) of anisoyl chloride, in 50 ml of CHCl<sub>3</sub> over a 30-min period. Reaction temp was maintained below 10°. The reaction was allowed to stir for 2 hr at ice-bath temp. Stirring was continued overnight at ambient temp.

The reddish soln was poured over 800 g of crushed ice and made acid by the addition of 20% HCl. The acidified mixture was stirred for 2 hr in an ice bath before the organic layer was separated.

The aqueous layer was extracted with two 100-ml portions of CHCl<sub>3</sub>, and the combined CHCl<sub>3</sub> layers were washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, 10% NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and finally with H<sub>2</sub>O until neutral. The neutral CHCl<sub>3</sub> solution was dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) overnight then concentrated *in vacuo* to a solid residue (Table I).

***cis*-2-(Substituted aminocyclohexyl)phenylmethanols.** A soln of the properly substituted 2-benzoylcyclohexanone (0.05 mole), amine (0.15 mole), and *p*-toluenesulfonic acid (0.1 g) in 50 ml of C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub> was heated at reflux for 12 hr using a Dean-Stark trap. Approximately 0.9 ml of H<sub>2</sub>O was collected. The mixture was evapd to dryness, the residue dissolved in 175 ml of absolute C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH, 0.5 g of PtO<sub>2</sub> added, and the mixture hydrogenated at 50 lb until the theoretical quantity of hydrogen was absorbed. The catalyst was removed by filtration, and the filtrate evapd to dryness. The residue was dissolved in Et<sub>2</sub>O and this solution extracted with 10% AcOH. The AcOH extract was made alkaline with 20% sodium hydroxide solution to ppt the amino alcohol. It was removed by filtration or extd with Et<sub>2</sub>O. It was either characterized as the free base or extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O or converted to the hydrochloride by the usual procedure.

***cis*-2-(Substituted amino)cyclohexyl Substituted-phenyl Ketones.** To a soln of *cis*-2-(substituted aminocyclohexyl)substituted-phenylmethanol (6.5 mmoles) in 100 ml of Me<sub>2</sub>CO, 10 ml of dioxane, and 6 ml of H<sub>2</sub>O was added Jones reagent (10.68 mmoles). The solution was allowed to stand for 2 hr. The Me<sub>2</sub>CO was removed by vacuum distilln and the residue treated with 200 ml of H<sub>2</sub>O and cooled in an ice bath. CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (100 ml) was added, and the mixture made basic by the dropwise addition of 20% NaOH. The basic mixt was allowed to stir for 1 hr in the cold, and the organic layer was sep'd. The aqueous layer was extd with 2 portions of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (50 ml each) and these combined were washed twice with H<sub>2</sub>O (200 ml each) and then dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>). The CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was removed by distn. If the residue did not crystallize, the liquid was dissolved in a mixture of

anhydrous Et<sub>2</sub>O (20 ml) and absolute C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH. Anhydrous HCl was passed through the soln. On cooling, the hydrochloride was isolated.

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## Synthesis and Biological Activity of 2,4-Diamino-6- and -7-(1-adamantyl)pteridines<sup>†</sup>

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As part of an effort to synthesize new folate antagonists<sup>1</sup> of potential anticancer activity, we would like to report the preparation and some biological properties of 2,4-diamino-6-(1-adamantyl)pteridine (1) and its isomer, 2,4-diamino-7-(1-adamantyl)pteridine (2). Compound 1 was obtained by condensation of 1-adamantylglyoxal hydrazone<sup>§</sup> (3) with 2,4,5,6-tetraaminopyrimidine hydrochloride<sup>3</sup> in aqueous methanol. Isomeric pteridine 2 was prepared by condensation of 1-adamantylglyoxal<sup>4</sup> with 2,4,5,6-tetraaminopyrimidine<sup>3</sup> in methanol.<sup>#</sup>

The structural assignments of the two isomers were established by comparison of their uv maxima with the literature values recorded for 2,4-diamino-6- and -7-methylpteridines (Table I), 4 and 5, respectively. Hydrolysis of the diamino-adamantylpteridines (1 and 2) gave the respective 2-amino-4-hydroxypteridines (6 and 7) which had uv spectra (Table I) and tlc characteristics (Experimental Section) similar to the literature values for 2-amino-4-hydroxy-6- and -7-methylpteridines (8 and 9, respectively).

Compound 1 was found to inhibit the growth of mouse mammary adenocarcinoma (TA3) cells *in vitro* culture<sup>6</sup> with an ID<sub>50</sub> of 1.4 × 10<sup>-7</sup>M. This compound also inhibited the growth of *Streptococcus faecium*<sup>7</sup> with an ID<sub>50</sub> of 1.44 × 10<sup>-8</sup>M but was an ineffective growth inhibitor of *Escherichia coli*<sup>8</sup> at a concentration of 10<sup>-5</sup>M.

Compound 2 demonstrated growth inhibition of the TA3 cells with ID<sub>50</sub> 4.8 × 10<sup>-6</sup>M. Compound 2 also inhibited the growth of *Strep. faecium*<sup>7</sup> with ID<sub>50</sub> 1.96 × 10<sup>-6</sup>M but was an ineffective growth inhibitor of *E. coli*<sup>8</sup> at a concentration of 10<sup>-5</sup>M.

It is possible that the activity of the 7 isomer (2) is affected by very minor amounts of the 6 isomer present as an impurity. The biological data seem to negate this objection because the ratios of the ID<sub>50</sub>'s (2:1) for the TA3 cells and *Strep. faecium* are 35 and 136, respectively. One would expect these ratios to be nearly the same if the activity of 2

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<sup>§</sup>Use of the hydrazone has been shown to produce the 6 isomer in analogous systems (see ref 2).

<sup>#</sup>Use of these conditions has been shown to lead to the 7 isomer in analogous systems (see ref 2).

Table I. Ultraviolet Data<sup>a</sup>

No.	R	R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	λ <sub>max</sub> , mμ	
				pH 1	pH 13
1	NH <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>15</sub> <sup>b</sup>	H	338	369
2	NH <sub>2</sub>	H	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>15</sub> <sup>b</sup>	331	360
4	NH <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub>	H	337 <sup>c</sup>	369 <sup>c</sup>
5	NH <sub>2</sub>	H	CH <sub>3</sub>	332 <sup>c</sup>	361 <sup>c</sup>
6	OH	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>15</sub> <sup>b</sup>	H	324	364
7	OH	H	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>15</sub> <sup>b</sup>	316	357
8	OH	CH	H	326 <sup>d</sup>	367 <sup>d</sup>
9	OH	H	CH <sub>3</sub>	319 <sup>d</sup>	359 <sup>d</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Other maxima present in each spectrum are not presented here for the sake of clarity. Shifts of the maxima not presented are in the same direction as those reported in this Table. <sup>b</sup>1-Adamantyl. <sup>c</sup>Seeger, *et al.*<sup>5a</sup> <sup>d</sup>Mowat, *et al.*<sup>5b</sup>

were an artifact caused by isomeric contamination of the analytical sample.

Work is continuing in our laboratories to determine if other adamantylpteridines will exhibit biological activity.

## Experimental Section

Analytical data were obtained by G. I. Robertson, Jr., Florham Park, N. J.; where analyses are indicated by the symbols of the elements, analytical results were within ±0.3% of the theoretical values. Ultraviolet spectra were run on a Perkin-Elmer 202. Tlc plates were Brinkman silica gel F-254 on aluminum. Melting points were determined on a Fisher-Johns apparatus.

**1-Adamantylglyoxal Hydrazone (3).** 1-Adamantylglyoxal<sup>4</sup> (1.68 g, 8.75 mmoles) was dissolved in the min amt of abs Et<sub>2</sub>O. A few drops of hydrazine were added to this soln. A ppt began to form almost immediately and was collected after 0.5 hr. The crude material (1.2 g) was recrystallized from Et<sub>2</sub>O to give 300 mg; mp 132–135°; single spot in tlc (CHCl<sub>3</sub>-THF, 1:1) R<sub>f</sub> 0.33. *Anal.* (C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O) C, H, N.

**2,4-Diamino-6-(1-adamantyl)pteridine (1).** 1-Adamantylglyoxal hydrazone (3) (300 mg, 1.46 mmoles) in MeOH (40 ml) was added to a soln of 2,4,5,6-tetraaminopyrimidine hydrochloride<sup>3</sup> in a hot soln of 35 ml of MeOH and 5 ml of H<sub>2</sub>O. This reaction mixt was stirred under N<sub>2</sub> for 18 hr; during this period of time, the vol decreased from 75 to 40 ml. The reaction mixt was then evapd to dryness. The resulting residue was extracted twice with hot EtOH-THF (1:4). The insol solid was unreacted pyrimidine (140 mg) (tlc). The filtrates were evapd to dryness and triturated with Et<sub>2</sub>O to give 90 mg of gray-white solid which was dissolved in hot EtOH and filtered. Enough H<sub>2</sub>O was added to the soln to make it opaque, and the soln was allowed to cool to room temperature. The solid was collected by filtration, washed with Et<sub>2</sub>O, and dried at 138° *in vacuo* over P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> for 4 hr to give 1: 50 mg yield; mp 326–328° dec; tlc (ε 9.8 × 10<sup>3</sup>) (THF-CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 1:1) single spot, R<sub>f</sub> 0.18; λ<sub>max</sub> (pH 1) 243 (ε 1.76 × 10<sup>4</sup>), 279 (3.8 × 10<sup>3</sup>), 338 mμ; λ<sub>max</sub> (pH 13) 257 (ε 1.65 × 10<sup>4</sup>), 369 mμ (5.76 × 10<sup>3</sup>). *Anal.* (C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>6</sub>·0.75HCl) C, H, C; N: calcd, 26.00; found, 25.42.

**2,4-Diamino-8-(1-adamantyl)pteridine (2).** A soln of 1-adamantylglyoxal<sup>4</sup> (905 mg, 4.0 mmoles) in hot MeOH (100 ml) was added to a soln of 2,4,5,6-tetraaminopyrimidine hydrochloride<sup>3</sup> in MeOH (100 ml, hot). The reaction mixt turned yellow immediately and was refluxed for 2.5 hr. The vol was reduced to 30 ml, the reaction mixt cooled, and 360 mg of product collected on filtration. Recrystallization from abs EtOH gave 460 mg; mp (darkens from 265°) 307–309° dec, after drying at 138° over P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> *in vacuo* for 2 hr; tlc (THF-CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 1:1) R<sub>f</sub> 0.36 (single spot); λ<sub>max</sub> (pH 1) 239 (ε 1.92 × 10<sup>4</sup>), 277 (7.84 × 10<sup>3</sup>), 331 mμ (1.63 × 10<sup>4</sup>); λ<sub>max</sub> (pH 13) 252 (ε 1.33 × 10<sup>4</sup>), 360 mμ (6.47 × 10<sup>3</sup>). *Anal.* (C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>6</sub>·C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH·HCl) C, H, N, Cl.

**Hydrolysis of 2,4-Diamino-6- and -7-(1-adamantyl)pteridines.** **2-Amino-4-hydroxy-6-(1-adamantyl)pteridine (6).** 2,4-Diamino-6-(1-adamantyl)pteridine (1) (3 mg) was refluxed under N<sub>2</sub> with 3 ml of 0.1 N NaOH for 2 hr when soln occurred. After 2 hr more, the reaction mixt was cooled and the basic soln neutralized with 1 N