5.47-5.80 Å; $\rm C_{7(8)}$... $\rm C_{3\alpha(4)},$ $\rm 3.11$ -3.68 Å; $\rm C_{7\beta(8\beta)}$... $\rm C_{3\alpha(4)},$ $\rm 3.20$ -4.26 Å; $N_{4(5)}...C_{3\alpha(4')}$, 2.44-2.54 Å. The analogous distances in 6 are near the lower end of the quoted ranges.

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Syntheses, Analgetic Activity, and Physical Dependence Capacity of 5-Phenyl-6,7-benzomorphan Derivatives $1,2$

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The synthesis, analgetic activity, and physical dependence capacity of a large number of 5-phenyl-6,7-benzomorphan derivatives are described. Observations made during the Stevens' rearrangement of 1-benzyl-1-methyl- Δ^3 -piperidinium salt derivatives (V) under various conditions are discussed. The absolute configuration of the 9-demethyl series and the 2'-deoxy series is established by comparison of their ORD and CD spectra with those of 49, whose absolute configuration was previously established by X-ray crystallography.² A convenient synthesis of ³H-labeled phenols $^{3}H_{3}PO_{4}$ is described, as well as the preparation of ¹⁴C-labeled compounds by conventional methods.

 $1-\beta$ -2'-Hydroxy-2,9-dimethyl-5-phenyl-6,7-benzomor phan² (49; I, $R = CH_3$; GPA 1657) is a potent, orally effective analgetic.^{2,4} 49 provides a structural link from the benzomorphans to the 4-phenylpiperidines $4-6$ and the diphenylpropylamine analgetics.^{5,7} 49 and its analogues display interesting pharmacological properties. For instance, 49 is an analgetic antagonist not only in reversal of morphine analgesia and precipitation of withdrawal symptoms in monkeys treated chronically with morphine⁴ but also in opiate receptor binding studies;⁸ 214 (the N -propargyl analogue of 49) is a pure, long-acting antagonist in the guinea pig ileum $\frac{1}{2}$ and binds more strongly to the opiate receptor in the presence of sodium ion than in its absence;⁸ 207 and 219 [the N-(dimethylallyl) and N -(cyclobutylmethyl) analogues, respectively, of 49] are both mixed agonist-antagonists;⁴ and both optical isomers of the 9-demethyl and the 2'-deoxy-9-demethyl analogues of 49 are about equally potent as analgetics in the mouse phenylquinone writhing test.⁵

In this paper, we will describe the synthesis and summarize the pharmacology of the extensive series of 5 phenylbenzomorphans from which the above compounds were derived.

Chemistry. The synthesis of compounds related to 49 $(I, R = CH₃)$ was similar to that described already for $49²$ and its 9-demethyl analogue.¹⁰ As shown in Scheme I, most of the required Δ^3 -piperideine intermediates, IVa (see Table I), were prepared by reacting 4-piperidinones, II, with an aryllithium, generated in situ from the corresponding aryl bromide, followed by acid-catalyzed dehydration of the resulting 4-aryl-4-piperidinols, III. Compound 8 (Table I) was prepared by reacting 1 methyl-4-phenyl-3-piperidone^{I1} with ethyllithium and dehydrating the resulting 3-ethyl-3-piperidinol derivative. During the dehydration reaction, prolonged refluxing with

Scheme 1°

a See Table I.

HCl usually provided a preponderance of the Δ^3 -piperideines, IVa, which were separated by recrystalization of

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V

 a See footnote a in Table I.

their hydrochloride salts. When R_2 of III was CF_3 or OCH₃, however, satisfactory products could not be obtained.

The intermediates of structure IVa are listed in Table I. Compounds IVa were quaternized to compound V (Scheme II) with the appropriate benzyl halide in refluxing acetone. Many of the compounds V (Table II) crystallized readily from acetone and were analyzed. Others were hygroscopic, and spectral data (IR, UV, and NMR) were used for their identification.

The Stevens' rearrangement of compound V yielded compounds VI (see Scheme II) in yields of 65-75% with a strong base in an inert solvent. The use of powdered KOH in benzene or toluene² required heat, while KO-t-Bu was effective in benzene or dioxane at room temperature.

Scheme II^a

Table III. 4 -Aryl-2-benzoyl- Δ ³-piperidine Derivatives

^a See footnote a in Table I. ^b Mouse tail-flick test (maximum effective dose); see Experimental Section for the method. ^c Mouse phenylquinone writhing test, ED₅₀ (mg/kg); see Experimental Section for the method.

a, $R_1 = H$; $R_3 = H$; b, $R_1 = H$; $R_3 = OCH_3$; c, $R_1 = CH_3$; $R_3 = H$; d, $R_1 = CH_3$; $R_3 = OCH_3$

Table III describes the Stevens' products VI and notes the synthetic methods used. Many of the products were purified and characterized directly as salts. Those with a methoxy substituent were usually cleaved first to the corresponding phenol with brief boiling in 48% HBr. In some cases, $KNH₂$ in liquid ammonia was used to carry out the Stevens' rearrangement. Under these conditions, 3-unsubstituted compounds V ($R_1 = H$; Table II) gave pure products VI (Table III). In most cases, however, the Stevens' rearrangement gave mixtures containing side products, especially when there was a methyl substituent at C_3 (see Scheme III). When KOH in toluene or KO-t-Bu in benzene was used as the base, the product contained the "escape product" X from the radical pair intermediate.^{12,13} When there was a C_3 methyl group, these conditions gave, besides the Stevens' product VI, the product of 1,4 rearrangement, VII (see Experimental μ Section), and the Hoffmann methine. VIII.² With a C₂ methyl group, KNH_2 in liquid ammonia gave the 2,3 Sommelet-Hauser rearrangement product, IXc. Similar side products have been isolated by other workers in analogous reactions.^{14,15}

Cyclization of the purified Stevens' rearrangement products, VI, was carried out with refluxing 48% HBr to provide the substituted 5-phenylbenzomorphans, XI (R⁴ $=$ CH₃; Scheme IV; Table IV). When R_1 was a methyl or ethyl group, it was necessary to purify compounds VI prior to cyclization because the presence of even a small amount of the 1,4 rearrangement products greatly reduced the yield of benzomorphan. During the cyclization reaction methoxy groups were cleaved to provide phenols. As was the case with 49 , only 9 β -methylbenzomorphans, XI, were isolated in the cyclization of the 4-aryl-3-methyl-2 benzyl- Δ^3 -piperidines, VI (see Table III, 27, 28, and 32). Cyclization of 26 gave the 9β -ethylbenzomorphan 53 (Table IV), and 29 yielded the 4β -methylbenzomorphan 44. Intermediates to 29 are 4 (Table I) and 17 (Table II). The β orientation of the alkyl group in the cyclized products was confirmed by the rate of quaternization study.² In many cases the phenolic benzomorphans were converted
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benzomorphans were resolved into their optical isomers by fractional crystallization of the mandelate and tartrate salts.

In order to obtain a variety of N-substituted benzomorphans, the N -methyl substituent was first removed by von Braun degradation with cyanogen bromide¹⁰ or via the ethylurethane derivative.¹⁶ Phenolic groups were first protected by esterification or ether formation with diazomethane. The N -cyano intermediates XIa (Table VI, R^4 = CN) were most conveniently converted to the nor compound XIc $(R^4 = H)$ with LiAlH₄ in refluxing THF. Urethanes $XIb (R⁴ = COOEt)$ were hydrolyzed with KOH in carbitol at 170 °C, although acid hydrolysis was also used in some cases. Phenolic ester groups were cleaved during these hydrolytic procedures. The properties of compounds XIa, Xlbj-and XIc are listed in Table VI.

Table VII lists 111 substituted 5-phenylbenzomorphans, $\boldsymbol{\mathrm{X}}$ I, in which the N -methyl group has been replaced with a different substituent, \dot{R}^4 . Two general methods were used to prepare the N -alkyl derivatives from the nor base XIc. In one method, XIc was alkylated directly with an alkyl halide, usually without protection of the phenolic hydroxyl group. Very reactive halides, such as propargyl bromide, produced some of the O_N -dipropargyl derivative. Quaternization was minimal when only 1 equiv of the alkyl halide was used. Acylation followed by reduction was a more versatile procedure. One equivalent of acyl halide usually gave the N -acyl derivative selectively, but ester amides were obtained with an excess of acyl halide. Phenolic and ester amides were easily reduced with LiAlH₄ or B_2H_6 in refluxing THF to provide phenolic tertiary amines in good yield. Table VII includes intermediate amides when these were isolated and characterized.

Table VIII gives the $\alpha|_D$ values of all optically active compounds listed in Tables IV through VII. With many compounds, the optical rotation was measured not only at 589 nm (sodium D line) but also at 578, 546, 436 and 365 nm. Thus, it was clear that compound 199 belonged to the levorotatory series (in addition to chemical evidence), although it had $\alpha|_D$ 0°.

Furthermore, ORD and CD curves of two 9-demethyl *d* and *I* pairs, compounds 36 and 37 and 42¹⁷ and 43, were determined and compared with ORD and CD curves of compounds 49^{17} and 50 (see Figure 1, A-D). From the curves, the absolute configuration of 42, the 9-demethyl analogue of 49, is obviously the same as that of 49, whose absolute configuration was established by X-ray crystallography of its $O-p$ -bromobenzoate ester 88.^{2,5} In contrast to very small differences in peak position and amplitudes between 42 and 49, the ORD and CD curves of 36 are different due to the lack of the 2'-hydroxy group. Thus, the bands ascribed to the long-wavelength $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$ transitions (above 280 nm) are missing in the curves of 36. Nevertheless, there are three distinct negative Cotton effects in the 250-270-nm region which are common for 36 and 42, as well as for 49, and which establish the equivalence of their absolute configurations. (These are due to the 5-phenyl substituent, ${}^{1}A_{1}g \rightarrow {}^{1}B_{2}u$.) In addition,

Table IV. 2-Methyl-5-phenylbenzomorphans

 $a-d$ See footnotes a-d in Table III. ² l-Tartrate. ^f Mice treated with test compound for 2 days and then challenged with nalorphine (nalorphine dose = 100 mg/kg) (see ref d, Table III). ^g d-Tartrate. ^h See ref 10.

Figure 1. ORD and CD curves of optical isomers. Compounds 49 and 50 are, respectively, the / and *d* isomers of 2,9-dimethyl-2'-hydroxy-5-phenyl-6,7-benzomorphan. 42 and 43 are the corresponding 9-demethyl analogues. 36 and 37 are the corresponding 9-demethyl-2'-deoxy analogues.

all three compounds have similar negative Cotton effects around 235 nm $(^1A_1g \rightarrow ^1B_1u)$. Differences of the CD curve of 36 from those of 42 and 49 below 210 nm are again due to the absence of a phenolic hydroxy group $(^1A_1g \rightarrow ^1E_1u).^{18}$ It should be noted that the comparison among 36, 42, and 49 are made with the free base, HC1 salt, and the free base, respectively, while the comparison among 37, 43, and 50 are made with the free base (37) and HC1 salts (43 and 50). However, as was pointed out previously by Karliner,¹⁷ ORD and CD curves of the free base and HC1 salt of 49 and 50 have similar spectral characteristics with only minor differences in peak position and amplitudes. Clearly, the ORD and CD spectroscopic evidence establishes the absolute stereochemistry of the optically active compounds of Figure 1. By inference, the absolute configuration of all the other compounds is also established, since they were prepared from common intermediates, respectively.

In order to facilitate the study of their biological disposition,¹⁹ several ³H- and ¹⁴C-labeled compounds were prepared (see Experimental Section). A very convenient and effective ³H-labeling technique was developed. In a model experiment, 49 was heated with D_3PO_4 at 95 °C for $24 h^{20}$ (Scheme V). The NMR spectrum of the product showed that the *V-* and 3'-H had been selectively exchanged with D to the extent of 98%. Tritiation of 49 with tritiated H_2O and P_2O_5 readily afforded ³H-labeled 49 with a specific activity of 17 mCi/mmol. Compounds with a labile substituent were prepared from a ³H-labeled N-nor

Scheme V

compound **110.** Since ³H's ortho to a phenolic hydroxy group could be lost under physiological conditions in some circumstances,¹⁹ the N-methyl ¹⁴C-labeled 49 was prepared from 110 by alkylation of 110 with $^{14}CH_3I$ at low temperature.

Pharmacology. Much of the pharmacology of the most interesting compounds of this series has been published (see references in Table IX). Since many publications have identified these compounds by their GPA numbers, a number of these are tabulated in Table IX together with the corresponding compound numbers of Tables IV to VII.

 a -d See footnotes a-d in Table III. ^e See ref 10. ^f Mice treated with test compound for 2 days and then challenged with nalorphine (nalorphine dose = 50 mg/kg sc)(See reference given in footnote d, Table III). ^g S

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Antagonist potency in the guinea pig ileum assay has been correlated recently with opiate receptor binding for a number of these compounds.²¹ Tables **III** to VII inclusively list the analgetic potencies and physical dependence capacities that were measured in mice. Conclusions based on quantitative comparisons are difficult to make, because not all compounds were studied in each test and by the same route of administration. In the tail-flick (TF) test, the activity is listed on a scale of 0 to $+2$ at the indicated dose in mg/kg and the indicated route of administration. Numbers listed for the phenylquinone writhing test (PQW) are ED_{50} doses for the indicated route of administration (see Experimental Section). In the mouse jumping test (loc. cit.), mice are treated chronically with the test compound for 2 days and then challenged with naloxone. The average number of jumps (rate) and the number of mice affected (frequency) are listed.

Compound 22, in which $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = H$, was the most potent of the 4-aryl-2-benzyl- Δ^3 -piperideine derivatives of Table III as an analgetic. These compounds are less potent than morphine, but most of them are free of physical dependence capacity in mice.

Of the 5-phenylbenzomorphans, *I* isomers are more potent as analgetics than *d* isomers, but when there is no 96 -methyl substituent the difference in analgetic potency is very much diminished⁵ [compare compounds 42 and 43 , 36 and **37,** and 49 and 50 (Table IV) and **154** and 155 (Table VII)]. The *I* isomers with antagonist-like substituents (Table VII, compounds 203 through **219)** are less potent than the corresponding 5,9-dialkyl-6,7-benzomorphans, morphinans, or normorphine derivatives either as analgetics or as antagonists,²² and most *d* isomers with antagonist-like substituents (Table VII, compounds **146-148)** are inactive or very weak as analgetics. The iV-phenethyl analogue (180 of Table VII) of 49 (Table IV) is actually less active than 49. This is a surprising result in view of the fact that in the 5.9α -dimethylbenzomorphan series the phenethyl substituent enhances the analgetic activity. In these aspects, the 5-phenyl-6,7-benzomorphans are hybrids between 5,9-dialkyl-6,7-benzomorphans and $\frac{1}{2}$. September 5.5 and $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{2}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ characteristics.²³ It is interesting to note that esters of 49, particularly chlorobenzoyl esters, are as potent analgetics as the parent compound by subcutaneous administration. However, none of these esters were free of physical dependence capacity in the mouse (Table V). Of the N -alkyl analogues of 49, the n-pentyl compound 174 (Table VII) is one of the most potent analgetics of this series, whereas the ethyl and the *n*-propyl compounds 172 and 173 (Table VII) are practically inactive and the β -hydroxyethyl and 2-(furylmethyl) compounds 203 and **195** (Table VII) demonstrated antagonistic characteristics in the guinea pig ileum assay.²⁴

Experimental Section

Chemistry. Most of the methods described below are generalized procedures and were used for many of the compounds listed in the tables. Where analyses are indicated by symbols of the elements, the microanalytical results were within $\pm 0.4\%$ of the theoretical values. Melting points and boiling points are uncorrected. Optical rotations are provided in Table VIII.

Values of α _D have been determined on a Perkin-Elmer 141 polarimeter. ORD and CD curves were determined with a Durrum-Jasco Model J-20 at a sample cell compartment temperature of 26 °C. Sample cells of 0.1- and 1.0-mm fixed path lengths were employed with a concentration range of 10^{-2} to 10^{-4} M. The NMR spectra were determined on a Varian A/60 spectrometer in deuterated solvents with an internal standard (Me₄Si). Chemical shifts are recorded in δ values (ppm downfield from the reference signal). In NMR descriptions, the following

abbreviations were used: s, singlet; d, doublet; q, quartet; m, multiplet. Specific radioactivity of ¹⁴C- and ³H-labeled compounds were determined with a Packard Tri-Carb Model 3380 scintillation spectrophotometer.

List of **Solvents.** A, water; B, methanol; C, 95% ethanol; D, absolute ethanol; E, 2-propanol; F, butanol; G, petroleum ether; H, cyclohexane; I, hexane; J, heptane; K, benzene; L, toluene; M, acetone; N, ether; O, THF; P, chloroform; Q, ethyl acetate; R, pyridine; S, dimethyl sulfoxide; T, sublimation in vacuo; U, precipitated from aqueous base; V, 1 N NaOH; W, methanolchloroform (1:1); X, methanol-chloroform (3:1).

Preparation of 4-Aryl-A³ -piperidine Derivatives (Table I). 4-(p-Chlorophenyl)-l,3-dimethyl-A³ -piperidine (6; Method la). To a solution of 375 mL (0.6 mol) of 1.6 N n-butyllithium in hexane at -25 °C was slowly added, with stirring, 105 g (0.55) mol) of p-chlorobromobenzene in 200 mL of ether. After storing the solution for 2.5 h at -25 °C, a solution of 63.5 g (0.5 mol) of l,3-dimethyl-4-piperidone was added slowly, and the mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred an additional 2 h. Then, 200 mL of water was added, and the organic layer was separated and extracted with 1 N hydrochloric acid. The acidic extract was basified with ammonia and extracted with ether. The ether extract was dried (Na_2SO_4) and evaporated to leave 70.4 g (59%) of 4-(p-chlorphenyl)-l,3-dimethyl-4-piperidinol as a white solid, mp 107-109 °C. Anal. (C₁₃H₁₈ClNO) C, H, N, Cl. A solution of 76.0 g (0.32 mol) of the piperidinol in 400 mL of 12 N hydrochloric acid was refluxed for 48 h, cooled, basified with ammonia, and extracted with ether. The extract was dried (Na_2SO_4) and evaporated to provide 66.7 g (95%) of the product as a brown oil. The oil was converted to the quaternary ammonium salt without purification.

4-(p-Fluorophenyl)-l,3-dimethyl-A³ -piperidine (7; method lb) was obtained as a brown oil in 77% crude yield from the corresponding 4-(p-fluorophenyl)-4-piperidinol. The piperidinol melted at 124-126 °C. Anal. (C₁₃H₁₈FNO) C, H, N.

3-Ethyl-l-methyl-4-phenyl-A³ -piperidine (8; **method 2)** was obtained in a similar manner from 3-ethyl-l-methyl-4-phenyl-3-piperidinol. In this case, the product was characterized as its hydrochloride salt, which was recrystallized first from acetone and then from methanol. The intermediate 3-piperidinol was obtained from l-methyl-4-phenyl-3-piperidone hydrochloride¹¹ with ethyllithium in benzene. The 3-piperidinol was obtained as an oil, bp 95-99 °C (0.2 mm) (75%). Anal. $(C_{14}H_{21}NO)$ C, H, N.

Quarternization of 4-Aryl-l-methyl-A³ -piperidines (Table II; Method 3). To a solution of 64.4 g (0.29 mol) of crude 6 in 150 mL of acetone was added slowly a solution of 45.25 g (0.29 mol) of p-anisyl chloride in 50 mL of acetone. The solution was then stirred and refluxed for 5 h and cooled, and the solid was collected to give 42.5 g (85%) of 15 as a white crystalline powder, mp 200-203 °C. A sample for analysis was obtained by recrystallization from acetone.

Stevens' Rearrangement of a Quaternary N-Benzyl-**A 3 -piperidinium Salt (Table** III). **With C6H5Li (Method 4a).** To a slurry of 18.0 g (0.05 mol) of quaternary salt 11 in 100 mL of ether at 5-10 °C was added 26.6 mL (0.06 mol) of phenyllithium solution. After stirring the solution for 0.5 h, 50 mL of 1 N HC1 was added. The aqueous layer was separated and basified with NH3, and the product was extracted with ether to give 9.6 g (59%) of an oil. The oil was first converted to its picrate salt (mp 198-203 °C from acetone) and then to its hydrobromide salt (2.6 g, mp 189-192 °C from ethanol) of 23. Similarly, 24 was purified via its picrate salt (mp 149-152 °C from acetone-ether). Compound 21 gave a hydrobromide salt from ethanol-acetone-ether.

With KNH_2 **(Method 4b).** To a solution of 0.84 mol of KNH_2 in 1.2 L of NH_3 (*l*) was added 121 g (0.35 mol) of compound 18 over 0.3 h. The red solution was stirred 0.6 h, then excess **KNH²** was destroyed with 8.4 g of NH4C1, and the NH3 *(I)* was allowed to evaporate. The residue was taken up in aqueous HC1 and ether, and the acidic solution was separated, basified with $NH₃$, and extracted with ethyl acetate. The extract was dried (Na_2SO_4) , concentrated to 300 mL in vacuo, and treated with ethanolic HBr to give 97.4 g (71%) of crude 30, mp 224-226 °C. Recrystallization from 2 L of MeOH gave 74 g (54%) of purified 30.

When the quaternary salt 20 (163 g, 0.46 mol) was treated in a similar manner, the crude base was chromatographed on neutral

no. mer R¹ **113** *dl* H **114** *dl* H **115** *dl* H **116** *dl* H **117** *dl* H **118** *dl* H **119** *dl* H **120** *dl* H **121** *dl* H **122** *dl* H **123** *dl* H **124** *dl* H **125** *dl* H **126** *dl* H **127** *dl* H **128** *dl* H **129** *dl* H **130** *dl* H **131** *dl* H **132** *dl* H **133** *dl* H **134** *dl* H **135** *dl* H **136** *dl* H **137** *dl* H **138** *dl* H **139** *dl* H **140** *dl* H **141** *dl* H **142** *I* H **143** *I* H **144** *I* H **145** *I* H **146** *d* H **147** *d* H **148** *a* H **149** *dl* H

H OH CI OH

 $\rm CH_{2}$ -c-C $_{3}$ H $_{5}$ $CH_2CH_2C_6H_5$ 8e, 12a B/N

 $S/A > 350$

13a

opt iso-

1 $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}$ **C**

 C_2 , H_2 , NO-HCl $\rm C_{26}H_{26}CINO$ HCl

C, H, N, CI C, H, N, Cl

0/80 po

 >100 sc

CO

Table VII (Continued)

 $\frac{a \cdot d}{a}$ See footnotes a-d in Table III. ^e Joint effect, the activity (A, antagonist; P, potentiator) in the tail-flick test when administered with morphine. See Experimental Section
for the method. ^f Isopropanola

Table VIII. Optical Rotations of D Line of Na

		temp, \mathbf{C}	concn, g/100 mL	solv^a			temp, $^{\circ}c$	concn,	
no.	$[\alpha]_{\mathbb{D}}$				no.	$[\alpha]_{\text{D}}$		$g/100$ mL	solv ^a
36	-52	20	$2.5\,$	$\, {\bf B}$	171	$+138$	25	1.00	$\, {\bf B}$
37	$+54$	20	2.5	B	172	-70	25	1.12	$\, {\bf B}$
42	-92	20	0.66	$\, {\bf B}$	173	-96	27	1.00	\bf{B}
43	$+91$	20	0.66	$\, {\bf B}$	174	-72	25	1.00	$\, {\bf B}$
58 59	$+51$ -52	25 28	1.02 2.86	A	175	-91	25	1.70	$\overline{\mathbf{B}}$
68	$+82$	27	1.88	A A	176	-122	25	1.00	$\, {\bf B}$
69	-88	25	1.0	$\, {\bf B}$	177	-144	25	1.00	B
70	-80	27	4.27	$\mathbf P$	178	-216	25	1.00	$\ddot{\mathbf{P}}$
71	-73	26	1.20	\bf{B}	179 180	-104 -141	25	1.00	\bf{B} \bf{B}
72	-79	26	5.09	\bf{B}	181	-67	25 28	1.10 1.14	\bf{B}
73	-74	26	5.16	$\, {\bf B}$	182	-139	25	0.253	$\overline{\mathbf{B}}$
74	-75	28	1.78	P	183	-154		1.00	$\mathbf R$
75	-75	27	2.36	${\bf P}$	184	-113	25	0.48	\bf{B}
76	-87	25	1.00	B	185	-116	25	1.00	\bar{B}
77	-106	27	4.59	$\, {\bf B}$	186	-107	25	1.00	\bf{B}
78	-80	26	1.00	$\, {\bf B}$	187	-75	25	1.00	\bf{B}
79	-92	29	1.00	B	188	-89	${\bf 25}$	1.00	$\, {\bf B}$
80	-63	25	1.00	W	189	-96	25	1.00	\mathbf{o}
81	-82	25	1.00	W	190	-105	25	0.865	$\overline{\mathbf{B}}$
82	-72	25	0.50	W	191	-46	25	1.00	W
83	-48	25	0.67	W	192	-80	25	1.00	\bf{B}
84	-77	25	1.00	W	193	-121	25	1.00	\bf{B}
85	-73	25	1.00	W	194	-240	25	0.50	\bf{B}
86	-77	25	1.00	W	195	-158	25	1.0	\bf{B}
87	-86	25	1.00	W	196	-147	26		\bf{B}
92	-149	26	1.04	${\bf P}$	197	-93		1.00	$\overline{\mathbf{B}}$
93	-52	26	1.03	W	198	-133	25	1.00	$\mathbf 0$
102	-75.5	22	2.6	B	199 ^b	0^b	25	1.00	\bf{B}
104	-73.2		1.50	$\overline{\mathbf{B}}$	200	-111	$\bf 25$	1.12	$\bar{\textbf{V}}$
109	-166	25	1.00	B	201	-143	25	1.00	$\, {\bf B}$
110	-96	25	0.50	\bf{B}	202	-133	25	1,00	$\, {\bf B}$
111	$+164$	25	1.15	\bf{B}	203	-136	27	1.00	\bf{B}
112	$+100$	27	0.42 4.6	$\, {\bf B}$ \bf{B}	204	-117	27	1.00	\bf{B}
142	-85 -115	28	0.82	X	205	-152	26	1.25	W
143 144	-78	24	1.27	B	206	-140	27	1.00	$\, {\bf B}$
145	-102		1.1	$\, {\bf B}$	207	-165	26	1.11	\bar{B} B
146	$+123$	27	1.30	$\mathbf X$	208	- 106	25	1.07	
147	$+86$	28	1.42	$\, {\bf B}$	209	- 131	25	0.50	$\, {\bf B}$
148	$+106$		1.1	$\, {\bf B}$	210	-125	25	1.00	W W
154	-109	$20\,$		\bf{B}	211 212	-89	25 25	1.00 1.00	
155	$+95$		2.3	$\, {\bf B}$	213	-118 -97	25	1.00	B $\, {\bf B}$
162	$+74$	25	1.00	\bf{B}	214	-161	27	1.00	B
163	$+128$	26.5	1.00	\bf{B}	215	-128	25	0.63	\overline{B}
164	$+216$	25	1.00	$\mathbf P$	216	-157	25	1.00	$\, {\bf B}$
165	$+105$	25	1.00	$\, {\bf B}$	217	-256	25	0.31	$\, {\bf B}$
166	$+88$	25	1.00	$\, {\bf B}$	218	- 123	26	1.05	\bf{B}
167	$+95$	25	1.00	$\mathbf O$	219	-143	25	1.00	$\, {\bf B}$
168	$+118$	26		$\, {\bf B}$	220	-149	25	1.00	$\, {\bf B}$
169	+166	26	1.01	B	221	-132	25	1.00	\bf{B}
170	+125	26	1.03	в	222	-117	25	1.00	B

^a See the list of solvents under Experimental Section. ^b 199: [α]²⁵₃₆₅ - 259.3° (MeOH, *c* 1.00, 25 °C).

alumina (1.5 kg). The benzene eluate (89 g of oil) was converted to its hydrobromide salt with ethanolic HBr to give 46 g, mp 218-224 °C. Recrystallization from methanol gave 24 g (13%), mp 239-241 °C, of **l,3-dimethyl-2-(2-methylphenyl)-4 phenyl-l,2,5,6-tetrahydropyridine hydrobromide (IXc):** NMR (CDCl₃, free base) δ 1.25 (br s, 3 H, C₃-Me), 2.23 (s, 3 H, N-Me, shifts to low field upon addition of acid), 2.53 (s, 3 H, aromatic Me), 2.50-3.30 (m, 4 H, ring CH₂), 3.87 (br s, 1 H, C₂-H), 7.08-7.45 (m, 9 H, aromatic H). Anal. $(C_{20}H_{23}N\text{-HBr})$ C, H, N, Br.

The mother liquor from crude IXc was concentrated and allowed to stand overnight at room temperature, whereupon 22.5 g of crude 32 was deposited, mp 190-195 °C. Recrystallization from acetone gave 15.0 g (8%) , mp 205-206 °C.

The quaternary salt 10 gave crude 22 in 88% yield as a brown oil, which was converted to its hydrobromide salt in ether and recrystallized from acetone.

With KOBu (Method 4c). The quaternary salt 14 (20.8 g, 0.06 mol) and 7.2 g (0.64 mol) of $KO-t$ -Bu were stirred in benzene for 2 h at room temperature. The reaction mixture was then filtered and the filtrate concentrated to provide 16.8 g of brown oil. A solution of the oil in 100 mL of 48% HBr was refluxed for 15 min, cooled, poured into cold concentrated aqueous $NH₃$, and extracted with chloroform. The extract was dried (Na_2SO_4) and evaporated, the residue was taken up in ether, and the solution was filtered and extracted with 1 N HC1. The acidic solution was basified with $NH₃$, the product was taken up in ether, washed with water, dried (Na_2SO_4) , and evaporated, and the residue crystallized from n-heptane raised the melting point of **26** to 112-114 °C. Compounds 27 and 28 were recrystallized from 2-propanol, while **25** was recrystallized as its hydrochloride salt from absolute ethanol.

With KOH in DMF (Method 4d). To a solution of 30.0 g (0.08 mol) of compound 19 and 4.8 g (0.086 mol) of KOH in 350 mL of warm distilled DMF was added 350 mL of benzene, and the solution was refluxed overnight. The solvent was then distilled in vacuo and the residue taken up in water and ether. The ether layer was dried (Na₂SO₄) and evaporated, and the residue was

Table IX. Correlation of Compound Numbers (Tables IV-VII) to GPA, NIH^d and UM^e Numbers

		NIH	UM	
no.	GPA no.	no.	no.	ref
36	2068	8305	673	5, 25
37	2069	8306	674	5, 26
48	$1579^a/1656^b$	8217	605	4, 8a, 28
49	1657	8240	623	4, 6b, 8a, 9a, 27
50	1658	8241		624 4, 6b, 8a
69.	2259	8481	798	27
72	1966	8302	670	30
131	1467			4, 9a, 21
132	1364			9a, 19
144	1833			9a, 21
145	4622			4
168	1847			4.9b.c
203	1866			21
204	1843			$4, 9a-c.28$
205	1894			9a, 21
207	$1841^a/2164^b/2443^c$	8303	671	4.26
214	$1867^a/2163^c$	8304	672	4, 8b, 9a, 21
219	3154	8576	808	4, 9a, 21

^{*a*} Free base. ^{*b*} HCl salt. ^{*c*} Methanesulfonate. ^{*d*} Na</sub> tional Institutes of Health. *^e* The University of Michigan, Department of Pharmacology.

converted to the hydrochloride salt of 31 in ethanol, yield 13.6 g (52%).

With KOH in Toluene. Isolation of Byproducts Vlld and Xd (**Method** 4e). Compound V ($R_1 = Me$, $R_2 = H$, $R_3 = OMe²$) 200 g; 0.58 mol) in 750 mL of toluene was treated with 39 g (0.7 mol) of powdered KOH according to the procedure of ref 2 to give 170 g of crude 34 0-methyl ether as a brown oil. A portion of the oil was redissolved in toluene, and the solution was extracted with 1 N HCl and then with water, dried $(MgSO₄)$, and evaporated. The residue was crystallized from ether-pentane to provide white leaflets of Xd: mp $124-125$ °C, lit.¹³ mp $124-126$ $^{\circ}$ C; NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.80 (s, 4 H, benzylic CH₂), 3.77 (s, 6 H, OMe), 6.79 (d, *J* = 9 Hz, 4 H, aromatic H ortho to OMe), 7.08 (d, *J =* 9 Hz, 4 H, aromatic H ortho to $CH₂$).

The crude free base of VI (R_1 = Me; R_2 = H; R_3 = OMe) generated from the acid extract (160 g) was treated with 80 g of d,/-tartaric acid in 1 L of hot acetone. The solution was allowed to stand and cool to give 40 g of a white crystalline solid, which was recrystallized from methanol to give 24 g, mp 186-187 °C. The solid was identified as the d,/-tartrate salt of **1,3-dimethyl-4-phenyl-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-l,4,5,6-tetrahydropyridine (VIId):** NMR (CDCl₃; free base) δ 1.61 (d, $J_{\text{Me-C}_2\text{H}}$ = 1.5 Hz, 3 H, 3-Me), 1.75-2.80 (m, 4 H ring CH₂), 2.36 (s, 3 H, N-Me), 3.11 (s, 2 H, benzylic CH₂), 3.70 (s, 3 H, OMe), 5.84 (q, $J_{\text{C}_2H\text{-Me}} = 1.5$ Hz, 1 H, C₂H), 6.69-7.50 (m, 9 H, aromatic H). Anal. $(\widetilde{C}_{21}H_{25}NO \cdot C_4H_6O_6)$ C, H, N.

From the mother liquor remaining from the isolation of Vlld, the major product, the OMe derivative of 34, was obtained.

Cyclization of the Stevens' Base (Table IV; Method 5). The purified Stevens' rearrangement products (Table III) were cyclized by refluxing in 48% HBr,² to provide the products described in Table IV. In some cases the products were converted to bases or to hydrochloride salts for purification. Compounds 35, 39, 47, 53, and 54 were obtained after reflux times of 14-20 h; compounds 40 and 51 required 3 days and compound 44 required 6 days of refluxing with the addition of HBr gas to the refluxing solution. Compounds 45 and 46 were obtained after only 1 h of reflux time. The *0* configuration of compound 44 was confirmed by the finding that it was only 18% quaternized after 7 h (see ref 2 for method).

Optical Resolution of N-Methyl-5-phenylbenzomorphan **Derivatives (Table IV). With** *d-* **and /-Tartaric Acids (Method** 6a). Compounds 36 and 37 were obtained by resolution of 35 with d- and /-tartaric acids, respectively. The free base of 35 (10.52 g, 40 mmol) and d-tartaric acid (6.0 g, 40 mmol) were dissolved in about 100 mL of a 7:3 mixture of $Me₂CO$ and $MeOH$ with heating. The solution was concentrated and cooled to precipitate crystalline solid: 7.7 g; mp 175-192 °C. One recrystallization of the crude product from an *i*-PrOH-MeOH mixture yielded 4.0 g of the purified product, mp 195-196 °C. Similarly, the treatment of the free base of 35 (3.5 g, 13.3 mM) with *l*-tartaric acid $(1.90 g, 12.8 mM)$ gave 1.80 g of the crude product, mp 190-197 °C. This material was recrystallized from an i-PrOH-MeOH mixture to yield 1.60 g of white crystals, mp 195-197 °C.

With *d-* **and /-Mandelic Acids (Method 6b).** Compounds 42 and 43 were obtained by resolution of 41 with d- and /-mandelic acids, respectively. A solution of the free base of 41 (43.94 g, 158 mmol) and d-mandelic acid (24.04 g, 158 mmol) in a mixture of MeOH (1250 mL) and i-PrOH (500 mL) was concentrated to a volume of approximately 700 mL and cooled to precipitate a white solid: 27.84 g; mp 233-237 °C. This material was slurried in 325 mL of diluted NH4OH with heating and filtered. The solid was collected (18.0 g, mp 267-271 °C) and recrystallized from n-BuOH to yield 11.8 g of white crystals: mp 267-273 °C; $\left[\alpha\right]^{20}$ _D -92.4° (c 0.66, /1.0, MeOH). This material was converted to the HC1 salt in n -BuOH by treatment with enthanolic HCl obtaining 10.8 g of 42 as white crystals, mp 308-312 °C.

The mother liquor remaining from the isolation of the 42 d-mandelate salt was taken to dryness, and the residue was treated with diluted NH4OH and filtered. The collected solid (25.1 g, 90 mM, mainly the free base of 43) was treated with /-mandelic acid $(13.7 g, 90 mmol)$ in a mixture of *i*-PrOH and MeOH obtaining 23.1 g of 43 *l*-mandelate, mp 237-240 $^{\circ}$ C. The salt was converted to the free base by slurrying in diluted NH4OH and recrystallized from n-BuOH to yield 11.36 g of white crystals: mp 273-275 °C; $[\alpha]^{20}$ _D +91.2° (c 0.66, *l* 1.0, MeOH). The free base $(5.0 g)$ was converted to the HCl salt in n-BuOH by treatment with ethanolic HC1 obtaining 5.0 g of 43 as white crystals, mp 308-313 °C.

Modification of the 2-Hydroxy Group of 5-Phenylbenzomorphan Derivatives (Table V). Etherification (Method 7). With CH2N2 (Method 7a). The phenolic base was treated with diazomethane and the reaction worked up according to the procedure described for **60.**²

With Me2S04 (Method 7b). A suspension of 10 g (34 mmol) of the phenolic base of 49² in 90 mL of Me₂SO and 37.5 mL of 1 N NaOH was heated on the steam bath for 0.5 h to obtain a clear solution. A solution of 4.52 g (36 mmol) of Me₂SO₄ in 25 mL of Me₂SO was added, and the solution was heated on the steam bath for 2 h and then cooled to deposit crystals of the base of 69 (9.6 g, 85%, mp 133-138 °C). The base was converted to the hydrochloride salt and crystallized first from water and then from acetone.

With Mel and NaH in DMF (Method 7c). The phenolic compound was converted to the sodium salt with NaH in DMF and heated for 1 h with a large excess of $CH₃I$. The solvent was removed in vacuo and the residue was taken up in ether and water. The ether solution was dried $(MgSO₄)$ and evaporated to leave the product as an oil.

1-2 **-Methoxymethoxy-2,9/3-dimethyl-5-pheny 1-6,7 benzomorphan (75; Method 7d).** The sodium salt of the phenolic base of 49^2 (3.1 g; 10.6 mmol) was prepared with NaOMe and the solvent removed. The anhydrous sodium salt was dissolved in 200 mL of CHCl₃ and 0.86 g (10.7 mmol) of chloromethyl methyl ether was added. The mixture was refluxed overnight and evaporated, and the residue was taken up in benzene and 1 N NaOH. The benzene solution was washed with water, dried, and evaporated. The residue, 75, was recrystallized from 2-propanol.

Esterification (Method 8). With Ac20 (Method 8a). The phenolic compound in acetic anhydride was heated to 100 °C for 1 h and worked up as described for **55.**¹⁰

With Other Acid Anhydrides (Method 8b). The phenolic compound in benzene was treated with a solution of the anhydride in benzene and stirred and refluxed for 3 h, evaporated in vacuo, and purified by recrystallization.

With Acid Chloride and Diisopropylethylamine in C6H⁶ (Method 8c). A solution of 11.7 g (46 mmol) of the phenolic base of 49,² 1.1 equiv of the acid chloride, and 1.1 equiv of diisopropylethylamine in 300 mL of benzene was refluxed for 16-20 h and evaporated. A solution of the residue in $CHCl₃$ was washed with saturated $NAHCO₃$, dried (Na₂SO₄), and evaporated. The residue was recrystallized from 2-propanol. For the preparation of 83, the reflux time was only 2 h.

With Acid Chloride and Diisopropylethylamine in THF (Method 8d). A solution of the phenolic base, 1.05 equiv of acid chloride, and diiospropylethylamine in THF was stirred at room temperature for 1 h, refluxed for 4 h, and then cooled and evaporated in vacuo. The residue was triturated with benzene and dilute ammonia, and the benzene layer was dried (MgS04) and evaporated to leave the crude product, which was converted to its hydrochloride salt for purification.

With Acid Chloride and Pyridine in Toluene. N,0-Diacylation (Method 8e). A solution of the phenolic secondary base in pyridine was treated with 2.4 equiv of the acid chloride in toluene solution. The mixture was stirred and refluxed for 2.5 h and evaporated in vacuo, and the residue was taken up in CHCl₃ and 1 N HCl. The CHCl₃ layer was washed with water, dried (Na2S04), treated with charcoal, and evaporated. The residue was triturated with ether and the product crystallized from the ether solution.

With Acid Chloride in Pyridine. N,0-Diacylation (Method 8f). A mixture of the phenolic base and 2.0 equiv of acid chloride in pyridine was stirred overnight and poured into ice and water. The precipitated product was recrystallized.

Tosylation of the 2'-Hydroxy Group in 5-Phenylbenzomorphan Derivatives (Method 8g). A pyridine solution of phenolic base and 1.1 equiv of tosyl chloride was refluxed for 3 h, cooled, and poured into water. After the solution was left standing at room temperature for several hours, the aqueous layer was decanted and the residue was recrystallized from 2-propanol, converted to the base, and finally converted to the hydrobromide salt. The latter salt was recrystallized from ethanol-methanol to give 61.

d7-2-Methyl-2'-[(dimethylthiocarbamyl)oxy]-5-phenyl-6,7-benzomorphan (62; Method 8h). To a stirred suspension of 2.8 g (10 mM) of the phenolic base 41^{10} in 40 mL of DMF was added 410 mg (1 equiv) of 58% of NaH in mineral oil dispersion. Stirring was continued at room temperature for 0.5 h and cooled to 5 °C, and 1.3 g (10% excess) of dimethylthiocarbamyl chloride was added. The mixture was stirred for 0.5 h at room temperature, then for 1 h at 80 °C, and finally cooled and poured into 200 mL of 1 % NaOH. The precipitate was collected, washed with water, and dried to give 3.5 g (95%) of 62, mp 171-180 °C.

 $1-2'$ -[[(Carbethoxymethyl)carbamyl]oxy]-2,9 β -dimethyl-5-phenyl-6,7-benzomorphan (74; Method 8i). To a solution of 1.50 g (5.06 mmol) of 49^2 as the free base in 60 mL of THF was added 0.98 g (7.58 mmol) of carbethoxymethyl isocyanate. The solution was refluxed for 24 h and then taken to dryness in vacuo to quantitatively yield a crystalline solid. Two recrystallizations from methanol yielded 0.78 g (40%) of 74.

7-2'-[(Methanesulfonyl)oxy]-2,9/S-dimethyl-5-phenyl-6,7-benzomorphan $(76; Method 8j)$. To a mixture of $49^2 (5.87)$ g as the free base, 20 mmol) and diisopropylethylamine (2.6 g, 20 mmol) in benzene (100 mL) was added methanesulfonyl chloride (2.3 g, 20 mmol). The reaction mixture was refluxed on a steam bath overnight, then cooled, washed (H_2O) , and extracted with 1 N HCl. The acid layer was washed $(Et₂O)$, neutralized $(NH₄OH)$, and extracted with CHCl₃. Chloroform extract was dried (MgS04), decolorized, and evaporated to dryness, leaving a foam solid which was crystallized from 2-propanol, yielding white crystals: mp 107-108 $^{\circ}$ C; 4.48 g (60%).

N-Demethylation of 5-Phenylbenzomorphan Derivatives (Table V). Formation of N -Cyano Derivatives (Method 9a). The base was treated with CNBr in CHCl₃ according to the procedure described for 89.¹⁰

Conversion of N -Cyano Derivatives to N -Nor Derivatives with $LiAlH₄$ in THF (Method 9b). The N-cyano derivative was reduced with LAH in THF according to the procedure described for 91.¹⁰

Conversion of N -Cyano Derivatives to N -Nor Derivatives by HCl Hydrolysis (Method 9c). The N-cyano derivative was prepared by method 9a and refluxed overnight in an excess of 6% HC1. The solution was cooled and basified with ammonia, and the product was extracted into CHCl₃. After removal of the CHCI₃, the base was converted to its hydrochloride salt.

Formation of N-Carbethoxy Derivatives¹⁶ (Method 10a). Compound 65 (131 g, 0.39 mol) in benzene (500 mL) was added to a stirred suspension of 84 g (1 mol) of $NAHCO₃$ and 107.4 g (1 mol) of ethyl chloroformate in 300 mL of benzene over a period

of 45 min with ice cooling. Additional benzene (150 mL) was added, and the mixture was refluxed for 16 h, cooled, and filtered. The filtrate was washed with 1 N HCl and water, dried (Na_2SO_4) , and evaporated to leave 179 g of the N-carboethoxy derivative.

Hydrolysis of N -Carbethoxy Derivatives to N -Nor Derivatives (Method 10b). The crude N-carboethoxy derivative derived from 111 by method 10a (166 g) was dissolved in 600 mL of carbitol and added slowly to a stirred suspension of 166 g of powdered KOH in 400 mL of carbitol. The reaction mixture was stirred and refluxed for 18 h, cooled, and stirred with a solution of 160 g of NH4CI in 1 L of water. The precipitate was collected and dried. A second crop was obtained by extraction of the carbitol solution with $CHCl₃$, the $CHCl₃$ was removed, water was added, and the solid was collected. The combined product was crystallized from 1-butanol to give 76.8 g (78%) of 112. The preparation of 110 was carried out in a similar manner.

Modification of the Nitrogen Function of 5-Phenylbenzomorphan Derivatives (Table VII). N-Acylation. Various N -acyl derivatives were prepared from the corresponding *N-nor* derivatives utilizing reaction conditions described for the esterification of the 2'-hydroxy group of 5-phenylbenzomorphan derivatives (see method 8).

dJ-2-Acetyl-2'-hydroxy-5-phenyl-6,7-benzomorphan (114; **Method 11).** A solution of the O_iN -diacetyl compound 113 in ethanol was treated with a 10% excess of 1 N NaOH and refluxed for 3 h. After cooling and adjusting the pH to neutral, the solution was allowed to stand to deposit the crystalline product.

Reduction of N -Acyl Derivatives (Method 12). With $LiAlH₄$ in THF (Method 12a). A solution of the amide in THF was added to a stirred suspension of an excess of LAH in THF. The mixture was refluxed for 2-24 h, except for 179 which required a 72-h reflux. The reaction was worked up to obtain the product in the usual manner (see ref 2 for example).

With Red-Al^{*} in C_6H_6 (Method 12b). 161 was prepared by reduction of the amide with sodium (2-methoxyethoxy)aluminum hydride in benzene.

Alkylation of N -Nor Derivatives with RX (Method 13). With RX and Inorganic Base in DMF (Method 13a). A mixture of the secondary amine, a slight excess of the alkyl bromide or chloride, and NaHCO_3 (or Na_2CO_3 or K_2CO_3) in DMF was heated at 100 °C or at reflux, usually for 4 h but sometimes for as long as 14 h. The solvent was evaporated and the product was purified in the usual manner.

With RX and Diisopropylethylamine in DMF (Method 13b). The procedure was the same as for method 13a, except that diisopropylethylamine (1 equiv) was used as the base. For 166 and 167 refluxing was continued for 72 h, while for 183 only 1.5 h at room temperature was required.

Michael Addition Reaction (Method 14). A slurry of the secondary amine 91 was stirred in ethyl acrylate at room temperature for 15 h, cooled, and filtered to obtain 125. For 126, the secondary amine was treated with dimethylacrylamide and Triton B in DMF at reflux temperature for 6 h.

Catalytic Hydrogenation of $N-p$ -Nitrophenethyl Derivatives (Method 15). The nitro compound was reduced by catalytic hydrogenation using 5% Pd/C in THF or ethanol.

 $1-2$ '-Hydroxy-2-isopentyl-9 β -methyl-5-phenyl-6,7benzomorphan (176; Method 16). 176 was prepared from 207 by catalytic hydrogenation using $PtO₂$ in ethanol.

 $1-2'$ -Hydroxy-2-(3-hydroxy-3,3-diphenylpropyl)-9 β methyl-5-phenyl-6,7-benzomorphan (191; Method 17). 191 was prepared from 190 in the following manner. To a solution of PhLi (19.4 mmol) in THF, a solution of 1.75 g of the free base generated from 190 in THF was added at -20 °C over a period of 0.5 h. The mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature and then water was added to the mixture and evaporated to dryness. The residue was treated with H_2O and CHCl₃. The CHCl₃ layer was washed (H_2O) , dried $(MgSO₄)$, decolorized (Darco), and evaporated to dryness, leaving a white solid which was crystallized from acetone, obtaining 1.35 g (65%) of white microcrystals, mp 274-275.5 °C.

 $1-2'$ -Hydroxy-2,9 β -dimethyl-2-(3-oxobutyl)-5-phenyl-6,7-benzomorphan (192; Method 18). 192 was prepared from 110 in the following manner. A mixture of 100 g (0.27 mol) of 110, methanesulfonic acid (26 g, 0.27 mol), 80 mL of 13 M aqueous $CH₂O$ in 200 mL of $Me₂CO$, and 100 mL of EtOH was refluxed under a nitrogen atmosphere for 20 h. Then the solution was cooled to 0 °C in an ice bath. The precipitated product was collected by filtration, washed with ether, and dried, obtaining 70.5 g of white crystals, which were recrystallized from EtOH, mp 203-204 °C.

i-2'-Hydroxy-2-(3-hydroxy-3-methylbutyl)-9|8-methyl-5 phenyl-6,7-benzomorphan (193; Method 19). 193 was prepared from the free base of **207** in the same manner as for the deuterium exchange of 1' and 3' hydrogens of benzomorphan (see test). Thus, 1.5 g of the free base of **207** was heated at 95-100 °C and stirred overnight in a mixture of 1.65 g of P_2O_5 and 2.94 mL of H_2O . The reaction mixture was then poured onto a mixture of concentrated $NH₄OH$ and ice and extracted with $CHCl₃$. The CHCl₃ layer was dried (Na_2SO_4) and evaporated to leave a residue which was crystallized from j'-PrOH and recrystallized from EtOH, obtaining white crystals: mp 178-180 °C; 0.5 g.

7-2-(Carboxymethyl)-2'-hydroxy-90-methyl-5-phenyl-6,7-benzomorphan (200; Method 20). 200 was prepared from **222** in the following manner. To a solution of 2 g (5.47 mmol) of **222** in 60 mL of EtOH was added 12.0 mL of 1 N NaOH. The resulting solution was refluxed for 2 h and evaporated to dryness in vacuo, and the residue was taken up in H_2O . A clear solution resulted. The basic solution was acidified with 16.5 mL of 1 N HC1. The precipitated solid was collected by filtration and dried, obtaining 1.56 g (84%) of white solid, mp 283-284 °C.

Synthesis of Radioactive Compounds. /-2'-Hydroxy-2- [¹⁴C]methyl-9/3-methyl-5-phenyl-6,7-benzomorphan Hydrochloride (¹⁴C-Labeled 49). A solution of 340 mg (2.39 mmol, 11 mCi) of ¹⁴C-labeled CH₃I in 80 mL of 5% MeOH in DMF was kept in a dry ice-acetone bath. To this was added 1.340 g (4.84 mmol) of $l-2'$ -hydroxy-9 β -methyl-5-phenyl-6,7-benzomorphan **(110).** The reaction mixture was refrigerated for 4 days at 5 °C with occasional shaking. After the reaction mixture was evaporated to dryness, the recovered solvent showed no radioactivity. The residue was extracted with warm $EtO₂$ in the presence of 4 g of anhydrous K_2CO_3 . Extraction with Et₂O was repeated several times. The combined $Et₂O$ extracts were filtered to remove the starting material. To the ethereal filtrate was added n-heptane. After boiling off most of the $Et₂O$, the solution was filtered, concentrated to a smaller volume, and cooled to deposit white crystals, 0.60 g. This material was converted to the HC1 salt in EtOH (5 mL) with ethanolic HC1. After crystallization of the HC1 salt was induced, the ethanolic solution was diluted with $Et₂O$ (5 mL) and kept at -5 °C for 1 h. Crystals were collected by decanting, washed with an $EtOH-Et₂O$ mixture and then with $Et₂O$, and air-dried to obtain 556 mg of the labeled 49 (71%). Anal. C, H, N, CI.

The ¹⁴C-labeled 50 was prepared from 171 mg (1.2 mmol, 6 mCi) of CH3I and 675 mg (2.4 mmol) of 111 in the same manner, yield 320mg(80%). Anal. C, H, CI.

i-2'-Hydroxy-2,9/9-dimethyl-5-phenyl-6,7-[l',3-²H] benzomorphan (Dideuterated 49 Free Base). This experiment was conducted as a model experiment for the preparation of tritiated 49.

Deuterated phosphoric acid was obtained by adding 1.96 mL of D_2O dropwise to 1.10 g of P_2O_5 at -40 °C. To this was added 1.00 g of the free base generated from 49, and the mixture was heated at 95-100 °C for 24 h. After quenching with ice-water, the reaction mixture was basified with aqueous NH4OH and extracted with CHCl₃. The CHCl₃ extract yielded crude product (0.9 g), which was recrystallized from MeOH-hexane to obtain 600 mg of the free base of deuterated 49, mp 196-198 °C. The percent of deuteration was determined by NMR, which showed approximately 98% deuteration at C_1' and C_3' of the benzomorphan molecule.

;-2'-Hydroxy-2,9/3-dimethyl-5-phenyl-6>7-[lI3'-³H] benzomorphan Hydrochloride (Tritiated 49). Tritiated phosphoric acid was prepared from 4.8 g of P_2O_5 and 3.0 mL (3 Ci) of tritiated H₂O. To this was added 3.0 g of the free base generated from 49, and the mixture was heated at 95-100 °C for 4 h. The reaction mixture was neutralized with concentrated NH4OH while cooling in an ice bath and filtered. The precipitate was dissolved in Et_2O and dried (K_2CO_3), and HCl gas was passed through to precipitate the HCl salt. The HCl salt was collected by filtration and recrystallized from absolute EtOH to obtain 2.85 g of white crystals (84%), mp 309-311 °C; specific activity 17

mCi/mmol. Anal. C, **H,** N, CI.

 $1-2$ -(Cyclobutylmethyl)-2'-hydroxy-9 β -methyl-5-phenyl-**6,7-[l,3'-³H]benzomorphan Hydrochloride (Tritiated 219).** Tritiated phosphoric acid was prepared from 4.8 g of P_2O_5 and 3.0 mL (3 Ci) of tritiated H_2O . To this was added 3.5 g of 219, and the mixture was heated at 120 °C for 3 h with stirring. The reaction mixture was cooled, neutralized with 10 g of KOH in 50 mL of H₂O, and extracted with Et₂O $(2 \times 50 \text{ mL})$. The Et₂O extract was dried $(Na₂SO₄)$, decolorized with charcoal, and acidified with HCl gas to precipitate the HCl salt. The HCl salt was collected by filtration and recrystallized from aqueous MeOH to obtain white needles, 2.45 g (70%), mp 287-288 °C.

/-2'-Hydroxy-9/3-methyl-2-(3-methyl-2-butenyl)-5 phenyl-6,7-[r,3'-³H]benzomorphan Methanesulfonate (Tritiated 207 Methansulfonate). Tritiated phosphoric acid was prepared from 5.6 g of P_2O_5 and 2.0 mL (2 Ci) of tritiated H₂O. To this was added 2.97 g of $l-2'$ -hydroxy-9 β -methyl-5phenyl-6,7-benzomorphan (110), and the reaction mixture was heated at 100 °C for 3 h. The reaction mixture was cooled and diluted with H₂O, and tritiated 110 was precipitated with NH₄OH. The precipitate was collected by filtration, washed several times with H_2O , and finally washed with Me₂CO.

The crude, dry, tritiated **110** was slurried in 30 mL of dry dimethylformamide, and 1.53 mL of diisopropylamine and 1.25 mL of dimethylallyl bromide were added. After 5 min, a near complete solution had resulted which did not clear after 1 h. The mixture was filtered and the clear filtrate concentrated to an oil, which was extracted with ammonium hydroxide and ethermethylene chloride (3:2). The organic layer yielded 4.6 g of solid, which was dissolved in 50 mL of isopropyl alcohol and treated with 1.2 mL of methanesulfonic acid. After cooling the solution at -20 °C for 15 h, 2.09 g of a crystalline material had formed, mp 215-217 °C. The test sample was recrystallized from isopropyl alcohol-heptane: 1.67 g (35%); mp 216-217 °C; specific activity 5.68 mCi/mmol. Anal. C, **H,** N.

Pharmacology. Mouse Tail-Flick Analgetic Test. Male CF-1 mice, 18-24 g, were used. The animals were allowed food and water up until the time of testing. Soluble compounds were dissolved in distilled water and administered orally, subcutaneously, or intraperitoneally. Insoluble compounds were suspended in 3% colloidal cornstarch containing 5% PEG-400 and 0.5% Tween 80. In all administrations, the dose volume was adjusted to 0.1 mL/10 g of body weight. A constant intensity heat stimulus was used to induce a tail-flick response.³¹ The apparatus was modified in that a light source with a built-in parabolic reflector (Sylvania, T-12, 150 W) was focused from a point 5-cm below the tail of the mouse. The control reaction time was measured twice in each of ten animals. To standardize the procedure, the intensity of the stimulus was adjusted so that the control values were between 3.5 and 4.5 s. Thus, in a series of 16 experiments, the mean $(\pm SD)$ control value was 3.5 \pm 0.33 s. A group of five mice was used for each dose level. Reaction time (T_r) was measured prior to and 30, 60, 90, and 120 min after drug administration on a Schaer Algesiometer*. A dose which caused an increase of reaction time by more than 1 s but less than 2 s compared to the average control value was rated as +. If the increase in reaction time was more than 2 s, the dose was rated as $++ (2+)$.

Mouse Tail-Flick Analgetic Test. Joint Action with Morphine. The method was the same as described in the preceding section. Test compounds were administered to the animals in conjunction with morphine hydrochloride, 10 mg/kg sc, and changes in the reaction time were observed. Typical examples are illustrated in Tables X and XI.

Mouse Phenylquinone Writhing Analgesia Test. Male $CF₁S$ (Carworth Farms) mice, 16-25 g, were used. The animals had free access to food and water up until the time of the experiment, unless the drug was to be administered orally, in which case the animals were fasted for 18 h. A short version of the phenylquinone writhing test was employed (modification of the method of Taber et al.³²) with the phenylquinone solution prepared as described by Blumberg et al.³³ Administration of test compounds to the animals was done in the same manner as described in the preceding section. An appropriate number of control animals received distilled water or 3% colloidal cornstarch, in the same volume to body weight ratio each time the test was

Table X. Joint Action of 130 with Morphine (Mouse Tail-Flick Method)

130 dose.	T_r^a (s)			
mg/kg sc	130 alone	morphine alone	$130 +$ morphine	
5 10 20 40	-0.6 -0.2 $+0.3$ -0.4	$+4.5$	$+3.4$ $+5.3$ $+2.6^{b}$ +2.1 ^b	

 T_r = reaction time of treated animal minus reaction time of control animal. *^b* Observed values are significantly smaller $(p < 0.05)$ than the value for morphine alone. Thus, 130 exhibited morphine analgesia antagonism at 20 and 40 mg/kg sc.

Table XI. Joint Action of 133 with Morphine (Mouse Tail-Flick Method)

133 dose,	T_r^a (s)					
mg/kg SC	133 alone	morphine alone	$133 +$ morphine			
40 80	-0.2 0.0	$+3.5$	$+4.5^{b}$ +4.4 ^b			

 T_r = reaction time of treated animal minus reaction time of control animal. *^b* Observed values are significantly greater *(p* <0.05) than the value for morphine alone. Thus, 133 enhanced morphine analgesia at 40 and 80 mg/ kg sc.

run. At various time intervals after administration of the test compound, the mice received 0.1 mL/10 g of body weight of a 0.25 mg/mL solution of phenyl-p-quinone made in 5% aqueous ethanol (2.5 mg/kg) via the intraperitoneal route. Five minutes later, the animals were placed in clear Plexiglas cages containing San-i-cel* bedding, and the number of animals which did not perform a characteristic writhe during the next 10 min were recorded. Under these conditions, this dose of phenylquinone has been demonstrated to induce one or more writhes in 95% of the mice in a large separate control study.

Statistical analysis (optional) on the quantal data (number of mice not writhing/total number of mice tested) was performed by the logit method of Berkson,³⁴ which generated the $\mathrm{\hat{ED}_{50}},$ slope, and 95% confidence limits.

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