Figure 3. Comparison of contractile response of the isolated rabbit duodenum in a longitudinal axis to 6 and acetylcholine (ACh) in vitro. The contractile response induced by 6 (10^{-8} M) was phasic with a gradual tonal increase while that induced by ACh (10^{-6} M) was a rapid tonic contraction. The effect of 6 on smooth muscle contraction was not inhibited by the pretreatment of the muscle preparation with tetrodotoxin (TTX, 10^{-6} M) or atropine (Atr, 10^{-6} M). The minimum effective concentration of 6 measured in this system was found to be 10^{-9} M. W with arrows indicates repeated washing of preparation.

among the derivatives as shown in Table I, the qualitative characteristics of the contractile patterns induced by these derivatives were quite similar to each other; namely, all these derivatives induced a series of contractions in the gastrointestinal tract which were quite similar to the natural interdigestive contractions. The in vitro study, moreover, indicated that 6 caused contractions of the rabbit duodenum in a concentration of 10^{-9} M (the minimum effective concentration).[13] The contractile pattern

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induced by 6, as shown in Figure 3, was quite different from that caused by acetylcholine, and the contractions produced by this compound were not blocked by pretreatment with tetrodotoxin (10^{-6} M) and atropine (10^{-6} M). The EM derivatives illustrated here may be useful to modulate the contractile activity in the gastrointestinal tract. Such agents may alone be useful tools to study the physiology and controlling mechanism of gastrointestinal motility.

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Articles

Antimalarial Activity of 2-(Substituted amino)-4,6-bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazines and N-(Chlorophenyl)-N'-[4-(substituted amino)-6-(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]guanidines[1,2]

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A series of 2-[[(dialkylamino)alkyl]amino]-4,6-bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazines (III) and N-(4-chlorophenyl)-N'-[4-[[(dialkylamino)alkyl]amino]-6-(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]guanidines (IV) were prepared from 2,4,6-tris(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazine and 2-chloro-4,6-bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazine. Compounds of type III showed modest antimalarial activity while XIa with the camoquin side chain was more potent. Analogues of type IV broadly exhibited modest antimalarial activity.

The continuing problem of drug resistance in the successful treatment of malaria mandates further exploratory studies for novel structural classes that exhibit even moderate antimalarial activity.

The importance of the trichloromethyl group has been implicated in several instances in conferring antimalarial activity on a molecular species. Thus both aromatic and heterocyclic structures (I, II) have been shown to possess strong suppressive activity against the malaria parasite.[3-5]
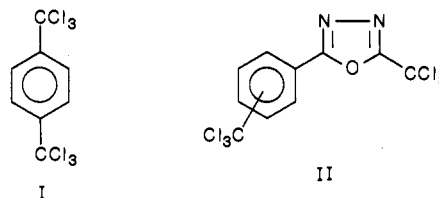
In the course of these investigations patents[6,7] came to our attention indicating that certain trichloromethyl-

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Table I. 2-[[(Dialkylamino)alkyl]amino]-4,6-bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazines

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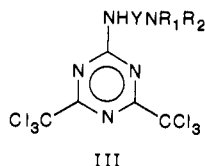
compd no.	NHYNR$_1$R$_2$	mp, °C	yield purified, %	purifn solvent	formula	anal.
IIIa	NH(CH$_2$)$_3$N(CH$_3$)$_2$	123–124	83	MeOH–H$_2$O	C$_{10}$H$_{13}$Cl$_6$N$_5$	C, H, N, Cl
IIIb	NH(CH$_2$)$_3$N(CH$_2$)$_4$	132–135	62		C$_{12}$H$_{15}$Cl$_6$N$_5$	C, H, N, Cl
IIIc		97–98	69	MeOH–H$_2$O	C$_{12}$H$_{15}$Cl$_6$N$_5$	C, H, N
IIId	NH(CH$_2$)$_4$N(CH$_2$)$_4$	103–106	47		C$_{13}$H$_{17}$Cl$_6$N$_5$	C, H, N
IIIe	NH(CH$_2$)$_5$N(CH$_2$)$_4$	136–139	60	EtOH–H$_2$O	C$_{14}$H$_{19}$Cl$_6$N$_5$	C, H, N

substituted triazines (III, IV) also had potent activity against *Plasmodium berghei* infections in the mouse.

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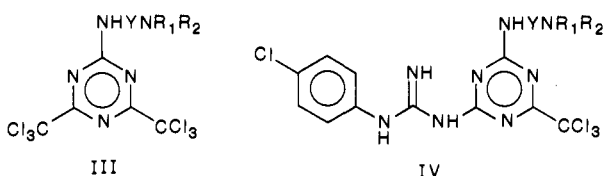
Generally, structural requirements for potent antimalarial activity in the chlorguanide (V), cycloguanil (VI), and pyrimethamine series (VII) are rather specific and parallel to each other. Furthermore, strains of malarial parasites resistant to one of these drugs are usually cross-resistant to the other two substances.


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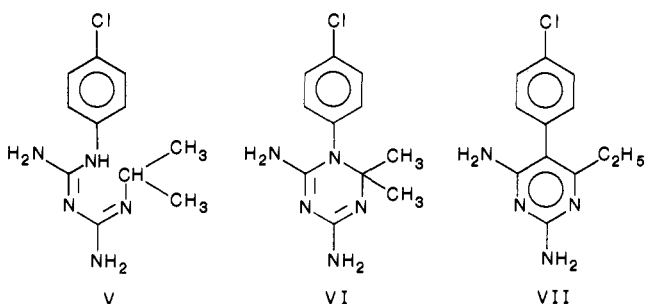
The tacit assumption is often made that antimalarial substances related to compounds V–VII would be cross-resistant. However, there is a good possibility that certain types of related compounds may act by different mechanisms and thus escape this liability.

For example, 5-[(4-nitrophenyl)methyl]-2,4-pyrimidinediamine is virtually as active against a strain of *Plasmodium gallinaceum* 64-fold resistant to pyrimethamine as to the parent strain.[8] The closely related 5-[(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)methyl]-2,4-pyrimidinediamine (trimethorprim) is active against pyrimethamine-resistant *Plasmodium falciparum*.[10] Furthermore, N-(4-chlorophenyl)-N'-[4-[[2-(diethylamino)ethyl]amino]-6-methyl-2-pyrimidinyl]guanidine is fully effective against chlorguanide-resistant *P. gallinaceum*, cycloguanil-resistant *P. berghei*, chlorguanide-resistant *P. knowlesi*, and pyrime-

thamine-resistant *Plasmodium knowlesi*.[11,13]

Thus it was of interest to reexplore the (trichloromethyl)triazines. The parent compounds were shown to be curative against *P. berghei* infections in mice. Expansion of these series was then undertaken and it is this work that is the subject of the present paper.

Chemistry. The 2-[[(dialkylamino)alkyl]amino]-4,6-bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazines III (Table I) were prepared by stirring 2,4,6-tris(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazine[14] (Xa) with an aliphatic diamine in ethyl acetate at room temperature. N,N'-[1,4-Piperazinediylbis(1,3-propanediyl)]bis[4,6-bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-amine] (VIII) was obtained similarly by utilizing 2 equiv of Xa and 1 equiv of 1,4-piperazinedipropanamine. The [(4-chlorophenyl)methyl]amino derivative IX was obtained by mixing Xa and 4-chlorobenzenemethanamine in benzene at ice-bath temperature.


VIII

IX
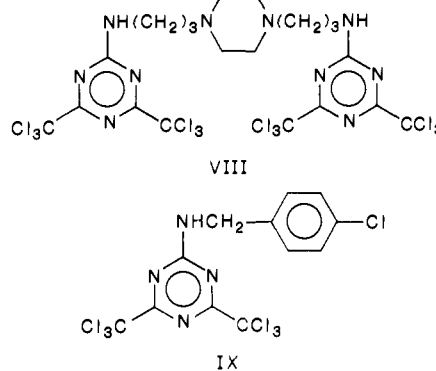
Displacement of the trichloromethyl group by less basic aromatic amines was unsuccessful. Xa was therefore hydrolyzed in aqueous triethylamine to the triethylamine salt of 4,6-bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-ol, which was then converted to 2-chloro-4,6-bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazine[15] (Xb) with phosphorus oxychloride. Treatment with 5-amino-N,N-diethyl-2-methoxybenzenemethanamine, 4-chlorobenzenamine, and 3,4-dichlorobenzenamine in benzene provided XIa–c.

The reaction between Xb and 4-chlorobenzoic acid hydrazide in acetonitrile at room temperature furnished 4-chlorobenzoic acid 2-[4,6-bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-

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Xa: R = CCl₃
b: R = Cl

	X	Y
XIa:	OCH₃	CH₂N(C₂H₅)₂
b:	Cl	H
c:	Cl	Cl
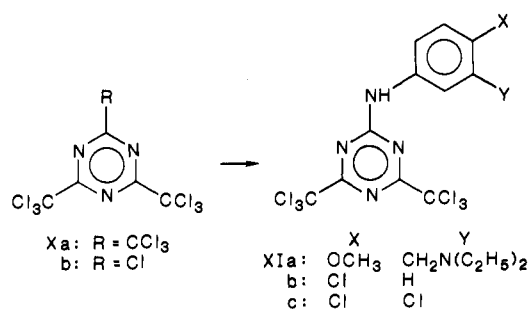
triazin-2-yl]hydrazide (XII). Heating XII in acetonitrile with *N,N*-dimethyl-1,3-propanediamine provided 4-chlorobenzoic acid 2-[4-[[3-(dimethylamino)propyl]-amino]-6-(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]hydrazide (XIII).

XII

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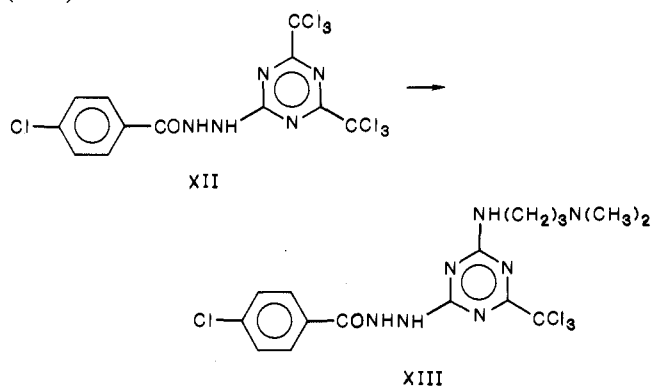
N-(4-Chlorophenyl)guanidine reacts with Xa to give *N*-[4,6-bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]-*N'*-(4-chlorophenyl)guanidine (XIV).[7] Brief heating of XIV with

XIV

XV
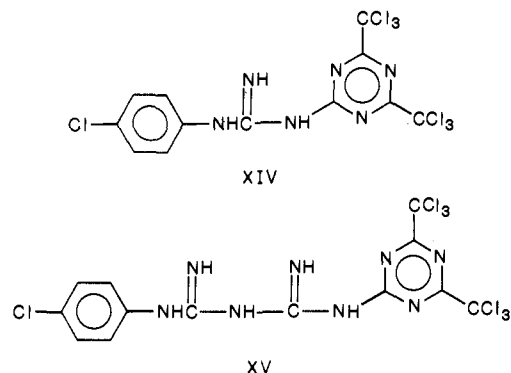
the appropriate diamine in benzene afforded the *N*-(4-chlorophenyl)-*N'*-[4-[[(dialkylamino)alkyl]amino]-6-(tri-chloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]guanidines (**IV**) (Table II). The condensation of Xa with *N*-(4-chlorophenyl)imido-dicarbonimidic diamide failed to give the desired *N*-(4-chlorophenyl)-*N'*-[4,6-bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]imidodicarbonimidic diamide (XV). This was obtained in poor yield, however, by allowing Xb to react with *N*-(4-chlorophenyl)imidodicarbonimidic diamide in aceto-nitrile at room temperature.

Antimalarial Effects. The compounds described were evaluated in mice infected with *P. berghei* sc[16] or by drug diet,[18] and against *P. gallinaceum* infections in white

Leghorn cockerels[21] (Tables III and IV).

The 2-[[(dialkylamino)alkyl]amino]-4,6-bis(trichloro-methyl)-1,3,5-triazines III displayed modest antimalarial activity, but none were considered sufficiently potent to warrant additional studies. It was surprising that struc-tures of type III (Table III) lacked strong antimalarial effects against *P. gallinaceum* when given in a single sc dose. Neither bis-compound VIII nor the 4-chloro-benzenemethanamine analogue IX demonstrated anti-malarial activity. Of the aromatic amine analogues, only the camoquin-like compound XIa showed activity and it was surprisingly potent with a *Q* of 1.5 (see footnote *b*, Table III) when given by drug diet, although it was quite toxic when given subcutaneously. The benzoic acid hy-drazide derivatives XII and XIII were without antimalarial activity. The *N*-(chlorophenyl)-*N'*-[4-[[(dialkylamino)al-kyl]amino]-6-(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]guanidines (Table IV) broadly exhibited modest activity but once again lacked sufficient potency for further consideration. Neither the intermediate guanidinobis(trichloromethyl)-triazine XIV nor the biguanide analogue XV possessed significant activity.

Conclusion. These studies, albeit limited, reveal lim-ited antimalarial activity for the (trichloromethyl)triazines. Unless further work is able to increase dramatically the potency of these compounds, little potential is evident for the use of this novel structural class against resistant malaria.

Experimental Section

Melting points (corrected) were taken on a Thomas-Hoover capillary melting point apparatus. Where analyses are indicated by symbols of the elements, analytical results obtained for those elements were within ±0.4% of the theoretical values.

***N*-[5-(1-Pyrrolidinyl)pentyl]-4,6-bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-amine (IIIe, Table I).** To a solution of 21.7 g (0.05 mol) of 2,4,6-tris(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazine (Xa) in 100 mL of EtOAc cooled in an ice bath was added dropwise 7.8 g (0.05 mol) of 1-pyrrolidinepentanamine. The solid that formed in about 0.5 h was collected and recrystallized from EtOH–H₂O to give 14.2 g of the product.

***N,N'*-[1,4-Piperazinediylbis(3,1-propanediyl)]bis-4,6-bis-(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-amine (VIII).** To a solution of 21.7 g (0.05 mol) of Xa in 150 mL of EtOAc at 10 °C was added dropwise a solution of 5.0 g (0.025 mol) of 1,4-piperazinedi-propanamine in EtOAc. The mixture was stirred at 10 °C for several hours, and the solid that formed was collected and re-crystallized twice from EtOH to give 5.4 g (26%) of the product, which sintered at 167 °C, gradually darkened, began to shrink at 176 °C, and gradually melted with decomposition indefinitely to about 205 °C. Anal. (C₂₀H₂₂Cl₁₂N₁₀) C, H, N.

***N*-[(4-Chlorophenyl)methyl]-4,6-bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-amine (IX).** To a solution of 21.8 g (0.05 mol) of Xa in 100 mL of C₆H₆ cooled in an ice bath was added dropwise 7.1 g (0.05 mol) of 4-chlorobenzenemethanamine. The mixture was stirred for 5 h and the solvent was removed in vacuo without heat. The residual oil was triturated with petroleum ether (bp 40–60 °C). Filtratiopn gave 2.2 g of the product, mp 92–94 °C. Concentration of the filtrate to half-volume gave an additional

(16) The parenteral antimalarial screening was carried out by Dr. Leo Rane of the University of Miami, and test results were provided through the courtesy of Dr. David P. Jacobus, Dr. T. R. Sweeney, and Dr. E. A. Steck of the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research. For a description of the test method, see ref 17.

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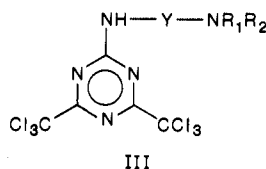
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(21) Antimalarial screening against *P. Gallinaceum* in chicks was carried out by Dr. Leo Rane at the University of Miami, and test results were supplied through the courtesy of Dr. David P. Jacobus, Dr. T. R. Sweeney, and Dr. E. A. Steck of the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research.

Table II. *N*-(Chlorophenyl)-*N'*-[4-[[(dialkylamino)alkyl]amino]-6-(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]guanidines

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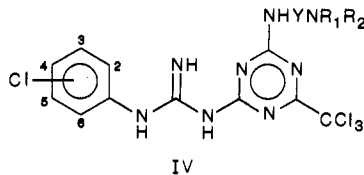
compd no.	NHYNR₁R₂	x-Cl	mp, °C	yield purified, %	purifn solvent	formula	anal.
IVa	NH(CH₂)₃N(CH₃)₂	3,4-Cl₂	209–211 dec	32		$C_{16}H_{19}Cl_5N_8$	C, H, N
IVb	NH(CH₂)₃N(CH₃)₂	4-Cl	193–195	50	alc–H₂O	$C_{16}H_{20}Cl_4N_8$	H, N, Cl; Cᵃ
IVc	NH(CH₂)₃N(CH₂)₄	4-Cl	169–170 dec	48		$C_{18}H_{22}Cl_4N_8$	C, H, N
IVd	NH—⟨ ⟩—N—C₂H₅	4-Cl	148–151	20	MeCN	$C_{18}H_{22}Cl_4N_8$	C, H, N
IVe	NH(CH₂)₄N(CH₂)₄	4-Cl	153–155 dec	28	MeOH	$C_{19}H_{24}Cl_4N_8$	C, H, N
IVf	NH(CH₂)₃N(CH₂)₅	4-Cl	177–179 dec	46	EtOAc–MeCN	$C_{19}H_{24}Cl_4N_8$	C, H, N
IVg	NH(CH₂)₅N(CH₂)₄	4-Cl	171–172 dec	40	alc–H₂O	$C_{20}H_{26}Cl_4N_8$	C, H, N
IVh	NH(CH₂)₃N(CH₂)₆	4-Cl	171–172	34	alc	$C_{20}H_{26}Cl_4N_8$	C, H, N

ᵃ C: calcd, 41.22; found, 41.78.

Table III. Effects of 2-[[(Dialkylamino)alkyl]amino]-4,6-bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazines against *P. berghei* in Mice and *P. gallinaceum* in Chicks

III

| | | | *P. berghei* | | | | | | | | *P. gallinaceum* | |
| | | | diet, 6 days | | | ΔMST; T or Cᶜ after single sc dose, mg/kg | | | | | | single sc dose, mg/kg | ΔMST; T or Cᵈ |
compd no.	NHYNR₁R₂	formula	no. of mice	SD₉₀,ᵃ mg/kg per day	Qᵇ	640	320	160	80	40	20		
IIIa	NH(CH₂)₃N(CH₃)₂	$C_{10}H_{13}Cl_6N_5$	14	125	0.6	16.3; T3 17.7; T2	6.8; T3	4.0 4.7	2.2	2.0 2.1	1.2	240	0.3
IIIb	NH(CH₂)₃N(CH₂)₄	$C_{12}H_{15}Cl_6N_5$	14	86	0.9	3.8	1.6	1.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	240	0.3
IIIc	NH—⟨ ⟩—N—C₂H₅	$C_{12}H_{15}Cl_6N_5$	14	91	0.8	C1		2.8		0.2		240	1.6
IIId	NH(CH₂)₄N(CH₂)₄	$C_{13}H_{17}Cl_6N_5$	14	80	0.9	C1 C1	4.2	2.8 2.1	0.4	0.2 0.3	0.2	60	0.1
IIIe	NH(CH₂)₅N(CH₂)₄	$C_{14}H_{19}Cl_6N_5$	14	34	2.2	C1 C1	8.6	3.0 2.3	0.4	0.4 0.5	0.0	120 60	4.6 1.2

ᵃ SD₉₀ represents the daily dose (mg/kg) required for 90% suppression of the parasitemia in treated mice relative to control mice. The SD₉₀ was estimated graphically with semilogarithmic paper. ᵇ The quinine equivalent Q is the ratio of the SD₉₀ of quinine hydrochloride (74.5 mg of base/kg per day) to the SD₉₀ of the test substance under comparable experimental conditions. ᶜ ΔMST is the mean survival time (days) of treated mice (MSTT) minus the mean survival time (days) of control mice (MSTC). In the present study the MSTC ranged from 6.1 to 6.5 days. T signifies the number of toxic deaths occurring on days 2–5 after infection that are attributed to drug action. C indicates the number of mice surviving at 60 days post infection and termed "cured"; data to establish parasitological cure based on subinoculation is unavailable. ᵈ ΔMST is the mean survival time (days) of treated chicks (MSTT) minus the mean survival time (days) of control chicks (MSTC). In the present study the MSTC ranged from 3.0 to 4.0 days. C designates the number of chicks surviving to 30 days post infection termed "cured"; data to establish parasitological cure based on subinoculation is unavailable. T indicates the number of deaths occurring within 48 h after infection that are attributed to drug action and are counted as toxic deaths. Control birds do not die before 48 h. Each entry at each dose level represents results with a five-animal group.

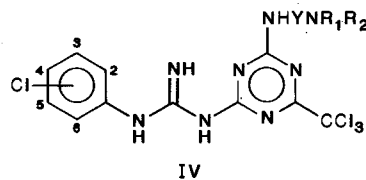12.1 g, mp 90–92 °C (total yield = 63%). Anal. (C₁₂H₇Cl₇N₄) C, H, N.

N-[3-[(Diethylamino)methyl]-4-methoxyphenyl]-4,6-bis-(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-amine Hydrochloride (XIa). To a solution of 12 g (0.034 mol) of 2-chloro-4,6-bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazine (Xb) in C₆H₆ was added 14.6 g (0.07 mol) of 5-amino-*N*,*N*-diethyl-2-methoxybenzenemethanamine,[22] and the mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature. The heavy yellow solid that formed was collected, washed with hot H₂O, and recrystallized from 2-PrOH to give 3.9 g of the product, mp 263–264 °C. The C₆H₆ filtrate was concentrated in vacuo, and the residue was taken up in Et₂O and treated with EtOH saturated with gaseous HCl to give an additional 3.7 g of the product, mp

262–263 °C (total yield = 19.2%). Anal. (C₁₇H₁₉Cl₆N₅O·HCl) C, H, N.

N-(4-Chlorophenyl)-4,6-bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-amine (XIb). A mixture of 3.6 g (0.01 mol) of Xb and 2.6 g (0.02 mol) of 4-chlorobenzenamine in 50 mL of C₆H₆ was heated under reflux for 0.5 h. The 4-chlorobenzenamine hydrochloride was filtered from the reaction mixture, and the filtrate was concentrated to an oil, which solidified upon addition of petroleum ether (bp 40–60 °C). Recrystallization from EtOH–H₂O gave 2.5 g (57%) of the product, mp 141–142 °C. Anal. (C₁₁H₅Cl₇N₄) C, H, N.

N-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-4,6-bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-amine (XIc) was prepared similarly in 73% yield, mp 171–173 °C (EtOH–H₂O). Anal. (C₁₁H₄Cl₈N₄) C, H, N.

4-Chlorobenzoic Acid 2-[4,6-Bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]hydrazide (XII). To a stirred solution of 3.5 g (0.01

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IV

compd no.	NHYNR₁R₂	x-Cl	formula	no. of mice	SD₉₀,[a] mg/kg per day	Q[a]	640	320	160	80	40	20	single sc dose, mg/kg	ΔMST; T or C[a]
				P. berghei diet, 6 days			ΔMST; T or C[a] after single sc dose, mg/kg						*P. gallinaceum*	
IVa	NH(CH₂)₃N(CH₃)₂	3,4-Cl₂	C₁₆H₁₉Cl₅N₈	14	100	0.7	15.5; C2		12.3		1.3		100	0.2
							14.9; C2		12.6		1.6			
IVb	NH(CH₂)₃N(CH₃)₂	4-Cl	C₁₆H₂₀Cl₄N₈				C5		5.4		4.2			
							C5		6.5		4.6			
IVc	NH(CH₂)₃N(CH₂)₄	4-Cl	C₁₈H₂₂Cl₄N₈	14	235	0.3	10.1	7.5	3.7	1.9	0.5	0.5	240	14.4
							9.9		2.3		0.5		120	11.7; C2
IVd	NH—[1-ethylpiperidin-3-yl] (N-C₂H₅)	4-Cl	C₁₈H₂₂Cl₄N₈	14	97	0.8	10.3; C1	5.3	4.7	4.1	0.7	0.3	100	9.5
IVe	NH(CH₂)₄N(CH₂)₄	4-Cl	C₁₉H₂₄Cl₄N₈	14	108	0.7	9.9; C1		2.3		1.1			
							5.8; T2	4.8; T1	3.8; T1	2.2	0.4	0.2		
							5.3; T3		4.8; T1		1.0			
IVf	NH(CH₂)₃N(CH₂)₅	4-Cl	C₁₈H₂₄Cl₄N₈	14	208	0.4	7.9	5.5	3.1	2.7	1.7	0.3	120	9.1
							8.1		3.9		1.5			
IVg	NH(CH₂)₅N(CH₂)₄	4-Cl	C₂₀H₂₆Cl₄N₈	14	145	0.5	7.2	4.0	3.8	2.2	1.0	0.6	120	0.7
							7.0		4.2		1.2			
IVh	NH(CH₂)₃N(CH₂)₆	4-Cl	C₂₀H₂₆Cl₄N₈	14	240	0.3	7.5	4.5	2.7	1.7	1.1	0.7	240	7.2
							4.7		1.5		0.7		100	18.7; C3

[a] See footnotes *a–d*, Table III.

mol) of Xb in 35 mL of MeCN was added a slurry of 3.4 g (0.02 mol) of 4-chlorobenzoic acid hydrazide in 35 mL of MeCN. The mixture was stirred for 6.75 h at room temperature and the 4-chlorobenzoic acid hydrazide hydrochloride was removed by filtration. The filtrate was evaporated to dryness in vacuo and the residue was recrystallized from EtOH–H$_2$O to give 4.2 g (87%) of the product. Anal. (C$_{12}$H$_6$Cl$_7$N$_5$O) C, H, N.

4-Chlorobenzoic Acid 2-[4-[[3-(Dimethylamino)propyl]-amino]-6-(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]hydrazide (XIII). To a solution of 1.7 g (0.0035 mol) of XII in 20 mL of MeCN was added 0.7 g (0.007 mol) of N,N-dimethyl-1,3-propanediamine and the solution was heated under reflux for 1 h. Filtration provided 1.4 g of a solid, which was recrystallized from EtOH to give 1.2 g (75%) of the product, mp 216–217 °C. Anal. (C$_{16}$H$_{19}$Cl$_4$N$_7$O) C, H, N.

N-(4-Chlorophenyl)-N'-[4-[[5-(1-pyrrolidinyl)pentyl]-amino]-6-(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]guanidine (Compound IVg, Table II). A mixture of 20.0 g (0.04 mol) of N-[4,6-bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]-N'-(4-chlorophenyl)guanidine and 12.5 g (0.08 mol) of 1-pyrrolidinepentanamine in 130 mL of C$_6$H$_6$ was heated under reflux for 30 min. The solution was allowed to cool to room temperature and the solid that formed was collected and recrystallized from EtOH–H$_2$O to give 8.4 g of the product.

(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)guanidine. A mixture of 10.0 g (0.05 mol) of 3,5-dimethylpyrazole-1H-carboxamidamide nitrate and 8.1 g (0.05 mol) of 3,4-dichlorobenzenamine was gradually heated to 120 °C and held there for 30 min. The mixture was cooled to room temperature and slurried in petroleum ether. The resulting solid was dissolved in hot MeOH, and the solution was cooled and poured into a large volume of Et$_2$O. Recrystallization of the precipitate from MeCN provided 10.8 g (80%) of the product as the nitrate salt, mp 198–200 °C. Anal. (C$_7$H$_7$Cl$_2$N$_3$·HNO$_3$) H, N; C: calcd, 31.48; found, 30.90.

A slurry of 9.5 g (0.035 mol) of the salt in 100 mL of warm H$_2$O was added to 100 mL of 50% NaOH solution. The warm mixture was stirred for 20 min and the solid was collected, washed with H$_2$O, and recrystallized from C$_6$H$_6$ to give 5.5 g (77%) of guanidine base.

N-[4,6-Bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]-N'-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)guanidine. A solution of 5.5 g (0.027 mol) of (3,4-dichlorophenyl)guanidine and 11.8 g (0.027 mol) of Xa in 100

mL of C$_6$H$_6$ was heated under reflux for 8 h. The solvent was removed in vacuo and the residue was dried in vacuo at 25 °C for 24 h to provide 13.5 g (96.5%) of the product, mp 191–196 °C, which was used without further purification.

N-(4-Chlorophenyl)-N'-[4,6-bis(trichloromethyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2-yl]imidodicarbonimidic Diamide (XV). To a solution of 3.5 g (0.01 mol) of Xb in 30 mL of MeCN was added a solution of 4.6 g (0.02 mol) of N-(4-chlorophenyl)imidodicarbonimidic diamide monohydrate in 65 mL of MeCN, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 h. Filtration removed the N-(4-chlorophenyl)imidodicarbonimidic diamide hydrochloride that formed, and the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo to a yellow semisolid. Recrystallization from EtOH–H$_2$O provided 0.8 g (15%) of the product, mp 217–219 °C. Anal. (C$_{13}$H$_9$Cl$_7$N$_8$) C, H, N.

Stereospecificity in Allergic Contact Dermatitis to Simple Substituted Methylene Lactone Derivatives

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The enantiomers of β,γ-dimethyl- and β-methyl-α-methylene-γ-butyrolactones have been synthesized stereospecifically from glutamic acid and β-hydroxy isobutyric acid, respectively. Guinea pigs have been sensitized (Freund complete adjuvant technique) and tested to them. Both enantiomers of β-methyl lactone as well as (+)-β,γ-dimethyl lactone induced enantiospecific allergic contact dermatitis (ACD); in turn, (−)-β,γ-dimethyl lactone showed no specificity. An interpretation is proposed.

Configuration–activity relationships in bioactive compounds have been demonstrated in pharmacology and enzymology. Specificity exhibited by the reactions involved has been generally related to high specificity in binding to receptors.[1]

Similarly, in allergic contact dermatitis (ACD), it can be imagined that clonal selection leads to a subpopulation of T-lymphocytes specific of a given allergen.[2] One can thus expect at least stereoselectivity in the allergic activity of two enantiomers.

In fact, such enantiospecificity has been described for the first time by Mitchell in 1980 in the case of ACD to usnic acid.[3] Few cases of such enantiospecificity have been reported; they include ACD to frullanolides[4] and Dalber-

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