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N-Aryl-2-dialkylaminosuccinimides

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Abstract—Reaction of *N*-arylmaleimides with an equimolar amount of diethylamine, piperidine, and morpholine afforded the corresponding *N*-aryl-2-dialkylaminosuccinimides as mixtures of stereoisomers.

Some N-aryl-2-(4-alkyl-1-piperazinyl)- and N-aryl-2-(2-benzimidazolyl)succinimides were found to exhibit somnific, anticonvulsant, antiarrythmic, and other kinds of biological activity [1–3]. On the other hand, the number of known compounds of this series is relatively small. Therefore, synthesis of new 2-aminosubstituted N-arylsuccinimides is important. Taking into account the above stated, we have synthesized new N-aryl-2-dialkylaminosuccinimides and exaimed their properties. The syntheses were performed by heating mixtures of equimolar amounts of N-arylmaleimides Ia–II and diethylamine (IIa), piperidine (IIb), or morpholine (IIc) in dioxane at $45-100^{\circ}$ C (Scheme 1).

Succinimides **IIIa–IIIi** and **IVa–IVj** (Table 1) are crystalline or amorphous powders with different colors (from colorless to bright orange). Their purity was checked by TLC, and the structure was confirmed by elemental analysis and IR and ¹H NMR spectroscopy (Table 2). In the IR spectra of succinimides **III** and **IV**, stretching vibrations of the carbonyl groups give rise to one or two strong bands in the region 1710–1655 cm⁻¹ and a medium-intensity band 1775–1730 cm⁻¹; also, a weak but characteristic overtone is observed at 3470– 3440 cm⁻¹. The ¹H NMR spectra of the products (except for IIIa, IIId, IVa, IVd, Va, and Vd) contained signals from protons of the endocyclic CH₂ group as a doublet of doublets at δ 2.58–2.87 ppm $({}^{3}J_{\text{HH}} = 4, 12 \text{ Hz})$ and a quartet at $\delta 2.87 - 3.03 \text{ ppm}$ $({}^{3}J_{\rm HH} = 8$ Hz). The 2-H proton in **IIIb** and **IIIe–IIIi** appeared as a quartet at δ 4.13–4.30 ppm, and the corresponding signal of compounds IVb, IVc, IVg, IVi, Vb, Vc, and Vg was located at δ 3.94–4.06 ppm (q, ${}^{3}J_{\rm HH} = 4$ Hz). The presence of a methyl group in the ortho position of the aromatic ring in compounds **IIId**, **IVd**, and **Vd** leads to additional splitting of the CH_2 and CH signals, and the latter appear as octets in the corresponding spectral region, the above given coupling constants remaining unchanged. The observed pattern indicates that these compounds are mixtures of stereoisomers.

EXPERIMENTAL

The IR spectra were recorded on a Specord IR-75 spectrometer, and the ¹H NMR spectra were obtained on a Bruker DRX-500 instrument (500.13 MHz) in DMSO- d_6 using TMS as internal reference. TLC



Scheme 1.

I, R = o-NO₂ (**a**), m-NO₂ (**b**), p-NO₂ (**c**), o-Me (**d**), m-Me (**e**), p-Me (**f**), p-PhN=N (**g**), o-piperidino (**h**), p-piperidino (**i**), o-BuO (**j**), p-BuO (**k**), m-PhCONH (**l**); **II**, R' = Et (**a**), R'_2 = (CH_2)_5 (**b**), R'_2 = (CH_2)_2O(CH_2)_2 (**c**); **III**, R' = Et, R = o-NO₂ (**a**), m-NO₂ (**b**), p-NO₂ (**c**), o-Me (**d**), m-Me (**e**), p-Me (**f**), p-PhN=N (**g**), p-piperidino (**h**), m-PhCONH (**i**); **IV**, R'_2 = (CH_2)_5, R = o-NO₂ (**a**), m-NO₂ (**b**), p-NO₂ (**b**), p-NO₂ (**c**), o-Me (**d**), m-Me (**e**), p-Me (**f**), p-PhN=N (**g**), p-piperidino (**g**), o-BuO (**i**), p-BuO (**j**); **V**, R'_2 = (CH_2)_2O(CH_2)_2, R = o-NO₂ (**a**), m-NO₂ (**b**), p-NO₂ (**c**), o-Me (**d**), m-Me (**e**), p-Me (**f**), p-PhN=N (**g**), p-piperidino (**g**), p-BuO (**j**); **V**, R'_2 = (CH_2)_2O(CH_2)_2, R = o-NO₂ (**a**), m-NO₂ (**b**), p-NO₂ (**c**), o-Me (**d**), m-Me (**e**), p-Me (**f**), p-PhN=N (**g**).

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N-ARYL-2-DIALKYLAMINOSUCCINIMIDES

| Comp. | Yield, | erer ^o C (aslesset) | ת | Found, % | | | F 1 | Calculated, % | | |
|-------|--------|---|-----------------|----------|-------|-------|-----------------------------|---------------|-------|-------|
| no. | % | mp, °C (solvent) | $\kappa_{ m f}$ | С | Н | Ν | Formula | С | Н | N |
| IIIa | 80.9 | 92–94 (<i>i</i> -PrOH) ^a | 0.66 | 57.60 | 5.80 | 14.31 | $C_{14}H_{17}N_3O_4$ | 57.73 | 5.88 | 14.43 |
| IIIb | 62.5 | 106–108 (aq. <i>i</i> -PrOH) ^a | 0.65 | 57.78 | 5.85 | 14.50 | $C_{14}H_{17}N_3O_4$ | 57.73 | 5.88 | 14.43 |
| IIIc | 80.8 | 114–115 (<i>i</i> -PrOH) | 0.67 | 57.69 | 5.81 | 14.37 | $C_{14}H_{17}N_3O_4$ | 57.73 | 5.88 | 14.43 |
| IIId | 80.4 | 96–98 (<i>i</i> -PrOH) ^a | 0.74 | 69.10 | 7.68 | 10.70 | $C_{15}H_{20}N_{2}O_{2} \\$ | 69.21 | 7.74 | 10.76 |
| IIIe | 55.0 | 60–62 (Et ₂ O) | 0.65 | 69.08 | 7.70 | 10.67 | $C_{15}H_{20}N_{2}O_{2} \\$ | 69.21 | 7.74 | 10.76 |
| IIIf | 82.6 | 110–112 (<i>i</i> -PrOH) | 0.71 | 69.09 | 7.63 | 10.68 | $C_{15}H_{20}N_{2}O_{2} \\$ | 69.21 | 7.74 | 10.76 |
| IIIg | 85.7 | 143.5–145 (<i>i</i> -PrOH) ^a | 0.74 | 68.43 | 12.53 | 15.87 | $C_{20}H_{22}N_4O_2$ | 68.55 | 12.61 | 15.99 |
| IIIh | 93.3 | 96–97.5 (<i>i</i> -PrOH) ^a | 0.71 | 69.15 | 8.15 | 12.62 | $C_{19}H_{27}N_3O_2$ | 69.27 | 8.26 | 12.75 |
| IIIi | 74.5 | 156–157 (<i>i</i> -PrOH) ^a | 0.68 | 68.98 | 6.39 | 11.42 | $C_{21}H_{23}N_3O_2$ | 69.03 | 6.34 | 11.50 |
| IVa | 89.5 | 95–96 (Et ₂ O) | 0.58 | 59.28 | 5.56 | 13.74 | $C_{15}H_{17}N_3O_4$ | 59.40 | 5.65 | 13.85 |
| IVb | 60.4 | 147-149 (EtOH) | 0.57 | 59.21 | 5.54 | 13.76 | $C_{17}H_{17}N_3O_4$ | 59.40 | 5.65 | 13.85 |
| IVc | 83.6 | 151–152 (EtOH) ^a | 0.61 | 59.26 | 5.72 | 13.77 | $C_{17}H_{17}N_3O_4$ | 59.40 | 5.65 | 13.85 |
| IVd | 98.3 | 99–101 (<i>i</i> -PrOH) ^a | 0.65 | 70.46 | 7.33 | 10.16 | $C_{16}H_{20}N_{2}O_{2} \\$ | 70.57 | 7.40 | 10.29 |
| IVe | 41.6 | 130-132 (EtOH) | 0.66 | 70.65 | 7.31 | 10.17 | $C_{16}H_{20}N_{2}O_{2} \\$ | 70.57 | 7.40 | 10.29 |
| IVf | 63.3 | 170-172 (AcOEt) | 0.67 | 70.38 | 7.35 | 10.38 | $C_{16}H_{20}N_{2}O_{2} \\$ | 70.57 | 7.40 | 10.29 |
| IVg | 35.9 | 188–190 (<i>i</i> -PrOH) | 0.67 | 69.47 | 8.18 | 15.37 | $C_{21}H_{22}N_4O_2$ | 69.60 | 8.26 | 15.46 |
| IVh | 85.9 | 152–154 (i-PrOH) | 0.70 | 70.23 | 7.16 | 12.40 | $C_{20}H_{27}N_{3}O_{2} \\$ | 70.35 | 7.97 | 12.31 |
| IVi | 84.5 | 74–75 (<i>i</i> -PrOH) ^a | 0.72 | 69.15 | 7.99 | 8.36 | $C_{19}H_{26}N_2O_3$ | 69.06 | 7.93 | 8.48 |
| IVj | 88.3 | 127–128 (<i>i</i> -PrOH) ^a | 0.68 | 68.97 | 7.82 | 8.39 | $C_{19}H_{26}N_2O_3$ | 69.06 | 7.93 | 8.48 |
| Va | 89.5 | 156–158 (i-PrOH) | 0.40 | 54.97 | 4.87 | 13.65 | $C_{14}H_{15}N_3O_5$ | 55.09 | 4.95 | 13.77 |
| Vb | 75.1 | 146–148 (EtOH) ^a | 0.45 | 54.98 | 4.88 | 13.66 | $C_{14}H_{15}N_3O_5$ | 55.09 | 4.95 | 13.77 |
| Vc | 84.2 | 150-154 (EtOH) | 0.54 | 55.17 | 4.98 | 13.70 | $C_{14}H_{15}N_3O_5$ | 55.09 | 4.95 | 13.77 |
| Vd | 37.4 | 114–116 (PhMe) ^a | 0.46 | 65.57 | 6.50 | 10.11 | $C_{15}H_{18}N_2O_3$ | 65.68 | 6.61 | 10.21 |
| Ve | 86.3 | 99–101 (Et ₂ O) | 0.53 | 65.55 | 6.52 | 10.10 | $C_{15}H_{18}N_2O_3$ | 65.68 | 6.61 | 10.21 |
| Vf | 41.9 | 159-161 (AcOEt) | 0.53 | 65.56 | 6.54 | 10.13 | $C_{15}H_{18}N_2O_3$ | 65.68 | 6.61 | 10.21 |
| Vg | 61.8 | 206–208 (dioxane) | 0.70 | 65.81 | 5.49 | 15.28 | $C_{20}H_{22}N_4O_2$ | 65.92 | 5.53 | 15.37 |

Table 1. Yields, melting points, R_f values, and elemental analyses of *N*-aryl-2-dialkylaminosuccinimides III–V

^a Double recrystallization.

Table 2. IR and ¹H NMR spectra of N-aryl-2-dialkylaminosuccinimides **III**–V

| Comp. no. | IR spectrum, v, cm^{-1} | ¹ H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm (<i>J</i> , Hz) |
|--------------|---|---|
| IIIa | 3460, 1770, 1700 (C=O); 1500, 1325 (NO ₂) | 1.12 t (6H, 2CH ₃ , ${}^{3}J_{\text{HH}} = 8$); 2.65–2.75 m (4H, CH ₂ N; 1H, CH ₂); 2.95–3.05 m (1H, CH ₂); 4.28 s (1H, CH); 7.49 d, 7.69 t, 7.84 t, and 8.13 d (4H, H _{arom} , ${}^{3}J_{\text{HH}} = 8$) |
| IIIb | 3470, 1750, 1695, 1680 (C=O); 1520, 1330 (NO ₂) | 1.06 t (6H, CH ₃ , ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 8$); 2.62–2.72 (4H, CH ₂ N); 2.78 d and 2.97 q (2H, CH ₂); 4.30 q (1H, CH, ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 8$); 7.80 m, 8.22 s, and 8.27 d (4H, H _{arom} , ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 8$) |
| IIIc | 3460, 1760, 1700, 1680 (C=O); 1525, 1310 (NO ₂) | _ |
| IIId | 3460, 1760, 1700, 1690 (C=O) | 1.10 t (6H, CH ₃ , ${}^{3}J_{\text{HH}} = 8$); 2.12 s (3H, CH ₃); 2.62–2.75 m (4H, CH ₂ N; 1H, CH ₂); 3.00 oct (1H, CH ₂); 4.23 oct (1H, CH); 7.02 d and 7.07 d (1H, H _{arom} , ${}^{3}J_{\text{HH}} = 8$); 7.24–7.28 m and 7.29–7.33 m (3H, H _{arom}) |

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| Comp. no. | IR spectrum, v, cm^{-1} | ¹ H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm (<i>J</i> , Hz) |
|--------------|---|---|
| IIIe | 3470, 1775, 1700 (C=O) | 1.12 t (6H, CH ₃ , ${}^{3}J_{\text{HH}} = 8$); 2.40 s (3H, CH ₃); 2.63–2.74 m (4H, CH ₂ N); 2,58 d.d and 2.95 q (2H, CH ₂); 4.15 q (1H, CH); 7.00 d, 7.02 s, 7.18 d, and 7.32 t (4H, H _{arom} , ${}^{3}J_{\text{HH}} = 8$) |
| IIIf | 3470, 1760, 1690 (C=O) | 1.10 t (6H, CH ₃ , ${}^{3}J_{\text{HH}} = 8$); 2.40 s (3H, CH ₃); 2.56–2.62 m (4H, CH ₂ N); 2.58 d.d and 2.94 q (1H, CH ₂); 4.13 q (1H, CH); 7.08 d and 7.21 d (4H, H _{arom} , ${}^{3}J_{\text{HH}} = 8$) |
| IIIg | 3460, 1685 (C=O) | 1.12 t (6H, CH ₃ , ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 8$); 2.63–2.77 s (4H, CH ₂ N; 1H, CH ₂); 3.00 q (1H, CH ₂ , ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 8$); 4.22 q (1H, CH); 7.43–7.57 m (5H, C ₆ H ₅); 7.90 d and 7.98 d (4H, C ₆ H ₄ , ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 8$) |
| IIIh | 3440, 1750, 1650 (C=O) | 1.05 s (6H, CH ₃); 1.60 s (2H, CH ₂ N); 1.65 s (4H, CH ₂ N); 2.65 s (4H, CH ₂ N; 1H, CH ₂); 2.92 q (1H, CH ₂); 3.20 s (4H, CH ₂ N); 4.18 s (1H, CH); 6.94 d and 7.04 d (4H, H _{arom} , ${}^{3}J_{\rm HH} = 8$) |
| IIIi | 3340 (NH); 3440, 1750, 1660 (C=O); 1630 (CONH) | 1.12 t (6H, CH ₃ , ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 7$); 2.62–2.76 m (4H, CH ₂ N; 1H, CH ₂); 2.98 q (1H, CH ₂ , ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 8$); 4.21 q (1H, CH); 6.92 d (1H, H _{arom} , C ₆ H ₄ , ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 8$); 7.38 t and 7.47 t (3H, H _{arom} , C ₆ H ₅ , ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 8$); 7.52 t, 7.76 s, and 7.88 d (3H, H _{arom} , C ₆ H ₄ , ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 8$); 7.99 d (2H, H _{arom} , C ₆ H ₅ , ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 8$); 10.20 s (1H, NH) |
| IVa | 3470, 1775, 1710, 1700 (C=O); 1515, 1340 (NO ₂) | 1.47 m (2H, CH ₂ N); 1.57 s (4H, CH ₂ N); 2.53 m and 2.87 m (4H, CH ₂ N); 2.72 m and 3.00 m (2H, CH ₂); 4.03 s (1H, CH ₂); 7.48 d, 7.20 s, 7.83 t, and 8.13 s (4H, H _{arom} , ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 8$) |
| IVb | 3450, 1775, 1690 (C=O); 1500, 1330 (NO ₂) | _ |
| IVc | 3460, 1750, 1690 (C=O); 1500, 1320 (NO ₂) | 1.47 m (2H, CH ₂ N); 1.58 s (4H, CH ₂ N); 2.52 m and 2.85 m (4H, CH ₂ N); 2.72 d.d and 3.02 q (2H, CH ₂); 3.95 q (1H, CH); 7.60 d and 8.30 d (4H, H _{arom} , ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 8$) |
| IVd | 3440, 1750, 1670 (C=O) | 1.47 m (2H, CH ₂ N); 1.57 s (4H, CH ₂ N); 2.12 s (3H, CH ₃); 2.53 m and 2.85 m (4H, CH ₂ N); 2.70 oct and 3.02 oct (2H, CH ₂); 3.96 oct (1H, CH); 7.00 d, 7.07 d, 7.26 t, and 7.30 m (3H, H_{arom} , ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 8$) |
| IVe | 3460, 1750, 1670 (C=O) | _ |
| IVf | 3470, 1770, 1700, 1690 (C=O) | _ |
| IVg | 3470, 1700 (C=O) | 1.47 m (2H, CH ₂ N); 1.57 s (4H, CH ₂ N); 2.53 m and 2.87 m (4H, CH ₂ N); 2.68 d.d and 3.03 q (2H, CH ₂); 3.94 q (1H, CH); 7.45–7.57 m (5H, H _{arom} , C ₆ H ₅); 7.88 d and 7.98 d (4H, H _{arom} , C ₆ H ₄ , $^{3}J_{HH} = 8$) |
| IVh | 3440, 1730, 1670, 1655 (C=O) | _ |
| IVi | 3460, 1750, 1675 (C=O); 1180, 1040 (COC) | 0.93 t (3H, CH ₃ , ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 7$); 1.38 m (2H, CH ₂ , Bu); 1.43 s (2H, CH ₂ N); 1.56 s (4H, CH ₂ N); 1.62 m (2H, CH ₂ , Bu); 2.55 m and 2.75 m (4H, CH ₂ N); 2.67 d.d and 2.95 q (2H, CH ₂); 3.95 m (1H, CH; 2H, CH ₂ , Bu); 6.98 t, 7.10 m, and 7.38 t (4H, H _{arom}) |
| IVj | 3470, 1755, 1675, 1660 (C=O); 1160, 1050 (COC) | |
| Va | 3450, 1760, 1705, 1695 (C=O); 1500, 1330 (NO ₂); 1160 (COC) | 2.58 m and 2.88 m (4H, CH ₂ N); 2.82 d.d and 3.02 q (2H, CH ₂); 3.62 t (4H, CH ₂ O); 4.06 q (1H, CH); 7.52 d, 7.70 t, 7.85 t, and 8.15 d (4H, H _{arom} , ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 8$) |
| Vb | 3460, 1775, 1700, 1680 (C=O); 1510, 1340 (NO ₂); 1145 (COC) | 2.57 m and 2.92 m (4H, CH ₂ N); 2.78 d.d and 3.03 q (2H, CH ₂); 3.63 t (4H, CH ₂ O); 3.98 q (2H, CH ₂); 7.75 m and 8.25 m (4H, H _{arom}) |

Table 2. (Contd.)

| Comp. no. | IR spectrum, v, cm^{-1} | ¹ H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm (<i>J</i> , Hz) |
|--------------|---|---|
| Vc | 3450, 1770, 1695 (C=O); 1510, 1315 (NO ₂); 1125 (COC) | _ |
| Vd | 3440, 1760, 1680 (C=O); 1130 (COC) | 2.12 s (3H, CH ₃); 2.58 m and 2.92 m (4H, CH ₂ N); 2.77 oct and 3.05 oct (2H, CH ₂); 3.65 t (4H, CH ₂ O); 3.97 oct (1H, CH); 7.04 d, 7.07 d, 7.27 t, and 7.32 m (4H, H_{arom} , ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 8$) |
| Ve | 3460, 1770, 1690, 1680 (C=O); 1170 (COC) | _ |
| Vf | 3460, 1760, 1690 (C=O); 1140 (COC) | _ |
| Vg | 3450, 1690, 1680 (C=O); 1150 (COC) | 2.58 m and 2.93 m (4H, CH ₂ N); 2.87 d.d and 3.03 q (2H, CH ₂); 3.65 s (4H, CH ₂ O); 3.95 q (1H, CH); 7.48–7.58 m (5H, H _{arom} , C ₆ H ₅); 7.87 d and 7.98 d (4H, H _{arom} , C ₆ H ₄ , ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 8$) |

analysis was performed on Sorbfil PTSKh-P-V plates using ethanol-hexane (3:1) as eluent and iodine vapor as developer. The elemental compositions were determined on a Perkin–Elmer 2400 CHN analyzer. Maleimides **Ia–II** were synthesized as described in [4–8].

N-Aryl-2-dialkylaminosuccinimides III-V. A solution of 0.01 mol of secondary amine IIa-IIc in 2-5 ml of dioxane was slowly added to a solution or suspension of 0.01 mol of maleimide Ia-Il in 4-10 ml of dioxane. The mixture was stirred for 2-4 h at room temperature and was then heated for 1 h at 45-50°C (with diethylamine) or for 1 h at 80-100°C (with piperidine and morpholine). The mixture was cooled to room temperature, and the products were isolated by evaporation of the resulting solution under reduced pressure (IIIa, IIId, IIIh, IIIi, IVd, Vd, and Ve) or by stirring the mixture with water (IIIb, IIIc, IIIe, IIIf, IIIg, IVa, IVc, IVh, IVj, Vb, and Vc). Succinimides IVb, IVe, IVf, IVg, Va, Vf, and Vg precipitated directly from the reaction mixture. All compounds **III**–V were additionally purified by recrystallization.

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