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Alkyl- and Arylthiomethylpiperazines

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In continuation of our research in the field of piperazine chemistry, we have prepared a series of alkyl- and arylthiomethylpiperazines. Analogous compounds have been prepared by others³⁻⁵ by condensing secondary amines with formaldehyde and a thiol using anhydrous potassium carbonate to absorb the water formed. In preparing this series, we have used minor modifications of the methods used by these investigators.

 $R_2NH + HCHO + R'SH \longrightarrow R_2CH_2SR' + H_2O$

Utilization of an arenethiol in this reaction could theoretically lead to compounds of this same chemical class or to Mannich bases of the type produced with phenols, but Grillot and coworkers⁵ have shown that aryldialkylaminomethyl sulfides are ordinarily formed. Our findings have confirmed their results.

A total of forty-eight compounds were prepared, using ethane-, butane-, benzene-, and *p*-toluenethiols and a series of twelve piperazines. Physical data on these compounds are compiled in Tables I and II. The compounds have been submitted to Parke, Davis and Co. for pharmacological screening.

EXPERIMENTAL

Preparation of alkyl- and arylthiomethylpiperazines. The thiol was added dropwise with stirring to an equivalent

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TABLE I											
ALKYLTHIOMETHYLPIPERAZINES											
$R_3 - S - CH_2 - N \underbrace{R_1}_{R_2} N - CH_2 - S - R_3$											
								yses ^b			
				Yield,		Carbo	on, %	Hydrogen, %			
\mathbf{R}_{1}	\mathbf{R}_2	$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{s}}$	B.P. or M.P.º	%	$n_{\scriptscriptstyle D}^{25}$	Calcd.	\overline{Found}	Calcd.	Found		
н— н—	H— CH ₃ —	C_2H_5 C_2H_5	140-141(0.30) 126-126.5	40	1.5314	51.24	51.60	9.46	9.28		
	÷ ===0		(0, 40)	32	1.5283	53.18	53.42	9.74	9.61		
CH3-	CH_{3}	C_2H_5 —	57.1-58.8	49		54.91	54.72	9.99	9.98		
Н	H	$n-C_4H_9$	43.5 - 46.6	52		57.89	57,90	10.41	10.05		
н	CH3-	$n-C_4H_9$ —	157-158								
			(0.075)	54	1.5157	59.14	59.11	10.59	10.34		
CH3-	CH3-	$n-C_4H_9$	32.4-34.5	48		60.33	60.42	10.76	10.62		
Н	н—	C_6H_5 —	100 - 102.9	55		65.42	65.70	6.71	7.01		
Н	CH_3 —	C ₆ H ₆	43.5-46.6	52		66.23	66.18	7.02	7.12		
CH_3 —	CH_3 —	C ₆ H ₆	97.0-98.0	48		67.00	67.10	7.31	7.21		
н	н—	$p-CH_3-C_6H_4-$	127.3 - 130.4	84		67.00	67.30	7.31	7.68		
Н	CH3-	p-CH3C6H4	68.7-70.8	69		67.72	67.45	7.58	7.55		
CH3-	CH3-	<i>p</i> -CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄		62		68.35	68.36	7.82	7.78		

^a Figure in parentheses represents pressure (mm.) at which distillation was carried out and all melting points are corrected. ^b Analyses for N% and S% also checked.

depression.

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NOTES

TABLE II **ARYLTHIOMETHYLPIPERAZINES**

$R_4 - N - CH_2 - S - R_5$

					Analyses ^b			
			Yield,		Carbon, %		Hydrogen, %	
\mathbf{R}_4	$\mathbf{R}_{\mathfrak{b}}$	B.P. or M.P.ª	%	$n_{ m D}^{25}$	Calcd.	Found	Calcd.	Found
C_6H_5 —	C_2H_5	79.8-81.9	64		66.06	65.95	8.53	8.42
o-CH3-C6H4-	C_2H_5 —	$158 - 158 \cdot 5(0 \cdot 40)$	52	1.5617	67.16	67.40	8.86	9.29
m-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	C_2H_5 —	172 - 174(0.30)	41	1.5723	67.16	67.50	8.86	8.85
$p-CH_3-C_6H_4-$	C_2H_5 —	29.0-30.5	52		67.16	67.39	8.86	8.74
o-ClC6H4-	C_2H_5	$158 - 158 \cdot 5(0 \cdot 30)$	57		57.65	57.70	7.07	6.65
m-ClC ₆ H ₄	C_2H_5 —	185.5 - 186(0.50)	45	1.5879	57.65	57.80	7.04	6.65
$p-Cl-C_6H_4$	C_2H_5 —	68.7-71.8	42		57.65	57.65	7.04	7.14
o-CH3OC6H4-	C_2H_5 —	180 - 180.5(1.30)	62	1.5704	63.12	63.30	8.32	8.17
CH3-	$C_2H_5 ==$	76.0-78(0.70)	64	1.5008	55.12	55.01	10.41	10.39
C_6H_5	$n-C_4H_9$ —	179 - 180(0.70)	58	1.5637	68.13	68.19	9.15	9.11
o-CH3C6H4	n-C ₄ H ₉ —	160 - 160.5(0.17)	64	1.5501	69.53	69.31	8.75	9.18
m-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	$n-C_4H_9$ —	167.5 - 168(0.20)	46	1.5590	69.53	69.21	8.75	9.01
p-CH ₄ -C ₆ H ₄	<i>n</i> -C ₄ H ₂	28.3-30.6	54		69.53	69.31	8.75	9.04
o-ClC6H4	n-C4H9-	178 - 178.5(0.15)	48	1.5634	60.27	60.44	7.75	7.68
$m-ClC_6H_4$	$n-C_4H_9$	179.5 - 180(0.15)	72	1.5721	60.27	60.11	7.75	7.79
p-Cl-C6H4-	$n-C_4H_9$	47.2-51.1	47		60.27	60.09	7.75	7.76
o-CH ₃ O-C ₀ H ₄ -	n-C ₄ H ₂	180 - 180.5(0.20)	57	1.5583	65.28	65.21	8.90	8.65
CH ₃	$n-C_4H_9$	89-90(0.18)	62	1.4933	59.34	59.30	10.96	10.79
C_6H_5 —	CaH5	75.8-78.3	76		71.80	71.51	7.09	6.94
o-CH3-C6H4-	C_6H_5 —	55.6-57.7	49		72.45	72.40	7.43	7.14
m-CH3-C6H4-	C_6H_5 —	84.9-87.1	82		72.45	72.20	7.43	7.17
p-CH ₃ -C ₆ H ₄ -	C ₆ H ₅	138.9-141.4	81		72.45	72.25	7.43	7.49
o-Cl-C6H4	C_6H_5 —	52.6 - 56.5	63		64.03	64.21	6.01	6.06
m-Cl-C6H4-	C_6H_5 —	101-103.1	79		64.03	64.10	6.01	5.65
p-Cl-C6H4-	C_6H_5 —	83.9-85.0	75		64.03	64.00	6.01	6.26.
0-CH3OC6H4-	C6H5-	67.2 - 71.1	50		68.75	68.70	7.06	7.13
CH3	C_6H_5 —	112 - 113(0.15)	48	1.5734	64.80	64.91	8.16	8.02
C_6H_5 —	$p-CH_3-C_6H_4-$	100-101.1	85		72.45	72.45	7.43	7.46
o-CH3CeH4-	p-CH3-C6H4-	56.6-58.7	73		73.02	73.00	7.74	7.54
m-CH3CaH4	p-CH3-CaH4-	63-64.5	72		73.02	73.11	7.74	7.89
$p-CH_3-C_6H_4-$	p-CH3-C6H4-	138.4 - 139.9	68		73.02	72.65	7.74	7.54
o-ClC6H4-	p-CH ₃ -C ₆ H ₄ -	66.0-68.0	78		64.95	64.96	6.36	6.36
m-Cl-C6H4-	$p-CH_3-C_6H_4-$	67.7-69.8	81		64.95	64.98	6.36	6.53
p-Cl-C6H4-	p-CH3-C6H4	103.1-105.2	81		64.95	65.39	6.36	6.25
o-CH3O-C6H4-	p-CH3-C6H4-	48.5-51.6	69		69.45	69.30	7.36	7.42
CH ₃ —	p-CH3-C6H4-	33.4-36.5	36		66.06	66.15	8.53	8.52

^{a, b} The same as in Table I.

amount of the piperazine (previously melted if necessary), causing in some cases a precipitation of an addition product. To this mixture was added an equivalent amount of 37% formaldehyde, and the mixture was refluxed with stirring for 3 hr. After cooling to room temperature, the product was extracted with ether. The ether extracts were combined and dried over anhydrous potassium carbonate. The ethereal solution was filtered and then passed over a column of aluminum oxide (Woelm, neutral, activity grade 1 for chromatography). The ether was removed at reduced pressure. If the residue crystallized, it was further purified by recrystallization from anhydrous ether, methanol, or ethanol. The oils were distilled at reduced pressures.

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Some Glycosyl Derivatives of Piperazine

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Piperazine derivatives are of current interest because they display a diversity of pharmacological properties,³ and the biological importance of such glycosylamines as the nucleosides has long been

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