

bromoanisole. To this solution was added 21.0 g. (0.11 mole) of 9-anthrone in 100 ml. of tetrahydrofuran. After stirring for 45 min., the mixture was poured into ice-concentrated hydrochloric acid. The organic products were extracted with benzene and the extracts were dried over sodium sulfate. Evaporation of the benzene left an oily residue that was chromatographed on alumina in 3:2 benzene-hexane. The blue-fluorescing band was collected and recrystallized from aqueous ethanol to yield 7.4 g. (24%) of pale yellow product: m.p. 113.5–114.5°; $\lambda_{\text{max}}^{\text{ethanol}}$ m μ (log ϵ), 254 (5.16), 346 (3.99), 364 (4.03), and 384 (3.83).

Anal. Calcd. for C₂₁H₁₆O: C, 88.70; H, 5.67. Found: C, 88.63; H, 5.67.

General Procedure for Preparation of 9-Methoxyphenyl-10-nitrophenylanthracenes.—A solution of 1.42 g. (5.0 mmoles) of a 9-methoxyphenylanthracene⁷ and 0.83 g. (5.0 moles) of cupric chloride dihydrate in 240 ml. of acetone was added to a three-necked flask fitted with dropping funnel, condenser, and mechanical stirrer. The system was flushed with nitrogen and to the flask was added 60 ml. of an aqueous solution of a nitrobenzenediazonium chloride, prepared from 3.45 g. (25 mmoles) of nitroaniline, 12 ml. of 6 N hydrochloric acid, 1.73 g. (25 mmoles) of sodium nitrite, and diluted with water to volume. After stirring for about 1 hr. (9-*o*-nitrophenyl- and 9-*p*-nitrophenyl-10-*p*-methoxyphenylanthracene crystallize from reaction mixtures and may be isolated by filtration), the reaction mixture was poured into 500 ml. of water and the organic products were extracted with three 50-ml. portions of benzene. The combined extracts were washed with 20% aqueous sodium hydroxide and with water. After drying over sodium sulfate, the benzene was removed under reduced pressure and codistillation with ethylene glycol was employed to remove nitrochlorobenzene. The distillate was discarded and the ethylene glycol solution of the nonvolatile fraction was diluted with water and gave a viscous oil that was dissolved in benzene. After drying over anhydrous sodium sulfate, the benzene was removed under reduced pressure. Chromatography of the residue in 2:1 benzene-hexane on 100 g. of neutral alumina (Merck) gave 9-methoxyphenylanthracene followed by a yellow band of 9-methoxyphenyl-10-nitrophenylanthracene. The yellow products were recrystallized from benzene-ethanol or benzene-hexane. Yields, melting points, and elemental analyses of the nine constitutional isomers are listed in Table I and the ultraviolet spectra are recorded in Table II.

The three reverse syntheses from diazotized anisidines and 9-nitrophenylanthracenes¹ were accomplished as described above except that 10 equiv. of diazonium salt was used and the reactions were continued for 2 hr. The yields are recorded in Table I.

General Procedure for Preparation of 9-Phenyl- and 9-Nitrophenyl-10-nitrophenylanthracenes.—A solution of 0.254 g. (1 mmole) of 9-phenylanthracene or 0.299 g. (1 mmole) of 9-nitrophenylanthracene¹ and 0.170 g. (1 mmole) of cupric chloride dihydrate in 40 ml. of acetone was placed in a three-necked flask fitted with a stirrer, condenser, and addition funnel. The apparatus and contents were flushed with nitrogen and to the flask was added with stirring 10 ml. of an aqueous solution of nitrobenzenediazonium chloride that had been prepared from 1.04 g. (7.5 mmoles) of nitroaniline, 1.87 ml. of concentrated hydrochloric acid, diluted with 1.5 ml. of water, and 0.569 g. (8.2 mmoles) of sodium nitrite. The excess nitrous acid was destroyed with sulfamic acid and the solution was diluted to volume with water. After addition of the solution of diazonium chloride, the stirring was continued for 30 min. and the reaction mixture was refrigerated overnight. 9-Phenyl-10-*p*-nitrophenylanthracene, 9-phenyl-10-*o*-nitrophenylanthracene, 9-*o*-nitrophenyl-10-*p*-nitrophenylanthracene, and 9-*m*-nitrophenyl-10-*p*-nitrophenylanthracene usually crystallized from the respective reaction mixtures and were isolated by filtration. In the event that precipitation did not occur, the reaction mixture was steam distilled and the distillate was discarded. The nonvolatile residue was dissolved in benzene and the benzene solution was concentrated and dried by distillation. Chromatography of this solution on alumina (Merck), prepared and eluted with 1:1 benzene-hexane, gave 9-phenylanthracene or 9-nitrophenylanthracene followed by a yellow band of 9-phenyl-10-nitrophenylanthracene or 9-nitrophenyl-10-nitrophenylanthracene. Recrystallization from benzene-hexane and/or benzene-ethanol afforded analytical samples. However, 9-*o*-nitrophenyl-10-*m*-nitrophenylanthracene yields a molecular compound of m.p. 218° dec. when crystallized from

benzene and the higher melting point, 244–246°, refers to material recrystallized from ethanol. The reverse syntheses were accomplished by an essentially identical procedure. Yields, melting points, and elemental analyses are recorded in Table I and ultraviolet data are recorded in Table II.

9-*p*-Chlorophenyl-10-*p*-nitrophenylanthracene.—This compound was prepared from 9-*p*-nitrophenylanthracene and diazotized *p*-chloroaniline and from 9-*p*-chlorophenylanthracene and diazotized *p*-nitroaniline in the manner described previously for 9-nitrophenyl-10-nitrophenylanthracenes. Both syntheses furnished solid products directly from the respective reaction mixtures. Recrystallization from benzene-ethanol afforded an analytical sample. Pertinent data are listed in Tables I and II.

9-*p*-Chlorophenyl-10-*p*-nitrophenylanthracene may also be prepared directly from anthracene without isolation of the 9-arylanthracene. For example, anthracene was treated with *p*-nitrobenzenediazonium chloride by the procedure previously described¹ and the 9,10-di-*p*-nitrophenylanthracene that precipitated from the reaction mixture was removed by filtration. The filtrate was then treated with diazotized *p*-chloroaniline and the resulting yellow precipitate was isolated by filtration. The yield based on anthracene with 5 equiv. of each diazonium salt amounted to 6%.⁸

Infrared Spectra.—The infrared spectra of these compounds are complex. For example, 9-*p*-methoxyphenyl-10-*o*-nitrophenylanthracene exhibits more than twenty strong absorption bands between 6 and 15 μ . However, all nineteen of these derivatives of 9,10-diphenylanthracene (1–19) exhibit absorption bands, characteristic of the nitro group, at 6.5–6.7 and at 7.4–7.5 μ . In compounds 10–18, aryl methyl ether absorption bands appear at 8.0–8.2 and at 9.5–9.7 μ .

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The Reaction of Substituted Ureas with Lithium Aluminum Hydride. I. A New Synthesis of Three-Substituted Formamides

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As far as we know, the only previous attempt to reduce ureas with lithium aluminum hydride (LAH) was carried out by Ried and Muller,¹ who, after heating an ether solution of LAH with *sym*-diphenylurea for 30 hr., did not obtain any reaction products.

We have now found that LAH does react with other ureas. In fact, after heating 1,1-diethyl-3-phenylurea with equimolar quantities of LAH in benzene-ether solutions for 14 hr., two fractions could be isolated, besides unreacted urea. The first one was easily recognized as *N*-methylaniline, the other one was identified as *N*-phenyl-*N*',*N*'-diethylformamide (I), on the basis of microanalysis and of ultraviolet and infrared spectra. The ultraviolet spectrum,² with one maximum at 265 m μ (log ϵ 4.12), suggested the formation of a double bond conjugated to the benzene ring, as a consequence of the action of LAH on the urea. The in-

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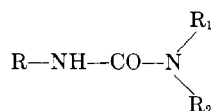
(2) This was determined with a Beckman (Model DK) recording instrument in 95% ethanol.

TABLE I
DISUBSTITUTED N-ARYLFORMAMIDINES



No.	R	R ₁	R ₂	B.p., °C. (mm.)	Procedure	Yield, %	Calcd., %			Found, %			Picrate, m.p., °C.
							C	H	N	C	H	N	
1	H	CH ₃	CH ₃	128-131 ^a (15)	B (C, A)	29 (28, 26)	72.94	8.16	18.90	73.11	8.29	19.05	158
2	H	C ₂ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅	143-144 ^b (15)	A	57	74.95	9.15	15.90	75.10	9.02	15.64	140-141
3	H	CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₂	CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₂	154-155 (15)	A	62	76.42	9.87	13.71	76.68	10.00	13.59	130-131
4	H	(CH ₃) ₂ CH	(CH ₃) ₂ CH	^c	A	57	76.42	9.87	13.71	76.13	9.78	13.82	156-157
5	H	CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₃	CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₃	102-104 ^d (0.001)	A	53	77.53	10.41	12.06	77.71	10.30	12.11	127
6	H	(CH ₃) ₂ CHCH ₂	(CH ₃) ₂ CHCH ₂	93-95 (0.001)	A	40	77.53	10.41	12.06	77.80	10.41	12.22	129-130
7	H	CH ₃	C ₆ H ₁₁ ^e	124-125 (0.001)	A	40	77.73	9.32	12.95	77.50	9.27	13.02	170
8	H	CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂	CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂	115-117 ^f (0.05)	B (A)	35 (traces)	75.82	8.10	16.08	75.60	8.14	16.11	191-192
9	H	CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂	CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂	115-118 (0.06)	B (A)	36 (traces)	76.55	8.57	14.88	76.67	8.32	14.60	149-150
10	H	CH ₂ CH ₂ OCH ₂ CH ₂	CH ₂ CH ₂ OCH ₂ CH ₂	120 ^g (0.05)	B (A)	40 (6)	69.44	7.42	14.73	69.56	7.31	14.90	181-182
11	H	CH ₂ CH ₂ N(CH ₃)CH ₂ CH ₂	CH ₂ CH ₂ N(CH ₃)CH ₂ CH ₂	100-102 ^h (0.001)	C (A)	43 (12)	70.90	8.43	20.67	70.61	8.15	20.44	215 ⁱ
12	2-Cl	C ₂ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅	108 (0.001)	A	52	62.64	7.17	13.30	62.82	7.01	13.08	112-113 ^j
13	3-Cl	C ₂ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅	166-167 (15)	A	61	62.64	7.17	13.30	62.22	6.84	13.12	142
14	4-Cl	C ₂ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅	114-115 (0.005)	A	60	70.87	9.15	12.72	70.58	9.18	12.60	180
15	4-OC ₂ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅		A								153-154
16	2-NH ₂	C ₂ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅		A								186 ^{k,l}

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TABLE III
 DISUBSTITUTED BUTYL- OR ARYLUREAS


R	R ₁	R ₂	Yield, %	M.p., °C.	B.p., °C. (mm.)	Calcd., %			Found, %		
						C	H	N	C	H	N
CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₃	C ₂ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅	87	...	104-105 (0.001)	62.74	11.70	16.26	62.81	11.71	16.20
CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₃	CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₂	CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₂	78	...	109-110 (0.001)	65.95	12.08	13.99	65.99	12.12	13.91
CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₃	(CH ₃) ₂ CH	(CH ₃) ₂ CH	90	...	128-130 (15)	65.95	12.08	13.99	65.70	12.15	13.90
CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₃	CH ₃	C ₆ H ₁₁ ^a	80	...	135-138 (0.005)	67.88	11.39	13.19	68.16	11.60	13.32
CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₃	CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂		91	52-53 ^b	...	63.49	10.66	16.46	63.67	10.78	16.59
CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₃	CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂		87	63-64 ^b	...	65.17	10.94	15.20	65.31	11.02	14.97
CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₃	CH ₂ CH ₂ OCH ₂ CH ₂		90	68 ^b	...	58.03	9.74	15.04	57.74	9.62	15.20
CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₃	CH ₂ CH ₂ N(CH ₃)CH ₂ CH ₂		86	54-56 ^b	112-115 (0.001)	60.26	10.62	21.08	60.32	10.48	21.04
C ₆ H ₅	CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₂	CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₂	85	73 ^c	...	70.87	9.15	12.72	70.82	9.12	12.86
4-C ₂ H ₄ OC ₆ H ₄	C ₂ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅	86	95-96 ^c	...	66.07	8.53	11.86	65.80	8.54	11.72

^a Cyclohexyl. ^b Crystallized from petroleum ether, (60-68°). ^c Crystallized from a benzene-petroleum ether mixture.

Experimental⁹

Preparation of Ureas.—1,1-Diethyl-3-(*o*-aminophenyl)urea was prepared by catalytic reduction of the corresponding nitro compound. The other ureas used were prepared according to a previously reported method.¹⁰ The previously unknown ureas are listed in Table III.

Preparation of Formamidines. Procedure A.—A solution of 0.02 mole of the urea in 150 ml. of anhydrous benzene was added, dropwise, to a well-stirred suspension of 0.03 mole of LAH in 150 ml. of dry ether. The reaction mixture was refluxed for 14 hr. Then, the mixture was cooled and the reaction product and the excess LAH were decomposed by slow addition of water, 15% aqueous NaOH, and water, in succession.¹¹ After vigorous stirring for 20 min., the mixture was filtered and the precipitate was repeatedly washed with ether. The initial solution and the ether used for washing were combined and shaken with a concentrated solution of tartaric acid. The organic phase, after evaporation of the solvent, gave the unreacted urea; the aqueous phase, after cooling, was made alkaline with potassium carbonate and extracted with ether. The resulting ether solution was dried on anhydrous sodium sulfate, and then evaporated. The residue was then distilled under reduced pressure.

Procedure B.—A solution of 0.02 mole of the urea in 150 ml. of dry benzene was added, dropwise and with stirring, to a suspension of 0.02 mole of LAH in 150 ml. of anhydrous ether. When the addition was finished, the mixture was heated under reflux for 14 hr. The cooled mixture was, successively, worked up as in procedure A.

Procedure C.—This was identical with procedure A, except for the refluxing time (4 hr.).

Procedure D.—A solution of 0.05 mole of the urea in 100 ml. of toluene was added, slowly and under stirring, to a suspension of 0.05 mole of LAH in 100 ml. of *n*-butyl ether. After the addition was complete, the mixture was refluxed for 5 hr. After cooling, the reaction mixture was decomposed and worked up as in procedure A.

Procedure E.—This was similar to procedure B and differed only in the heating time (4 hr.).

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Proton Magnetic Resonance Evidence for Ligand-Porphyrin Interaction in Magnesium Porphyrins¹

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Recently Corwin, *et al.*,^{3,4} proposed that the appearance of a new absorption peak in the near ultraviolet (Soret) region of the electronic spectra of metalloporphyrins in the presence of strong ligands is due to a steric interference between the ligand and the π -electron system of the porphyrin ring. Caughey and Iber⁵ recently showed that in *N*-methyl and *N*-ethyletioporphyrin II (etio II) the position of the *N*-alkyl resonance is shifted to considerably higher field due to the ring-current effects at the center of the aromatic porphyrin system. We have observed large chemical shifts to high field from their normal position in the case of ligands bound to magnesium in magnesium etioporphyrin II (Mg etio II) and magnesium tetraphenylporphyrin (Mg TPP). This permits one to determine the number of ligands interacting with the metalloporphyrin and to gain a qualitative view of how tightly the ligand is bound to the metalloporphyrin system.

Table I presents a comparison of the chemical shifts of pyridine in the Mg etio II complex, Mg TPP complex, and some model pyridine complexes. In both the pyridinium hydrochloride and the magnesium hexapyridinate diiodide the pyridine protons are shifted to slightly lower field, a paramagnetic shift expected from the de-

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