mcg./ml. Add the 2.0 mcg./ml. standard solution to alternate cylinders on each plate and the sample to the remaining cylinders. Incubate the plates for at least 48 hours at 30°, read the zones of inhibition, and calculate the concentration of griseofulvin as described for the cylinder plate assay. The lowest concentration of griseofulvin that this method can detect in body fluids is 0.9 mcg./ml.

EXPERIMENTAL

Griseofulvin bulk material, tablets, and suspensions assayed by this cylinder plate or disk method gave results comparable to those obtained using a spectrophotometric method (2) as shown in Table I. Using the described method, standard curves were run using a commercial bulk sample of griseofulvin as a house standard. Four replicate assays of a bulk sample from a different manufacturer were performed on each of three consecutive days. From the results obtained the 95% confidence limits of a single assay of the method described for pharmaceutical preparations were calculated and shown to be $\pm 10.9\%$. This range can be reduced of course by performing replicate assays. Different commercial preparations were assayed by this procedure and the spectrophotometric method (2). The results summarized in Table I show good agreement.

TABLE I.—GRISEOFULVIN PHARMACEUTICAL PREPARATIONS ASSAYED BY TWO METHODS

Product	Label Potency	Spectro- photo- metric	Micro- bial
Bulk	1,000 mcg./mg.	1000	1000
	, , , ,	978	1008
Tablets Oral sus-	250 mg./tablet	250	255
pension	250 mg./5 ml.	250	250

Experimental studies on the assay in serum were limited because of lack of clinical facilities. However, one male receiving therapy of griseofulvin (250 mg. every 4 hours, total dose 1 Gm./day) for 1 week volunteered to have his serum assayed for griseofulvin. Blood sample was taken 2 hours after a 250 mg. dose of griseofulvin. His serum assayed 0.9 mcg./ml., whereas the serum from a male volunteer receiving no drug was negative.

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Basic 1,3-Dioxolanes

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The preparation of a series of 2-aminomethyl and 4-aminomethyl-1,3-dioxolanes A selected number of the products were subjected to prehas been described. liminary pharmacologic evaluation.

IN RECOGNITION of the various structural aspects assigned to muscarine prior to 1942, Fourneau and associates (1) initiated studies on quaternary ammonium compounds which led to the synthesis of 2-methyl-4-dimethylaminomethyl-1,2-dioxolane methiodide. The compound exhibited strong muscarinic activity which decreased with the substitution of bulkier groups for the C-2 methyl moiety.

Subsequently, extensive investigations on the autonomic pharmacodynamics of basic 1,3dioxolanes and their quaternary derivatives have been reported (2-8). Recently, Hardie and co-workers (9) have reported on the local anesthetic and spasmolytic properties of a series of 4-(2-piperidvl)-1,3-dioxolanes.

The present work was undertaken to prepare basic dioxolanes with additional structural variations for pharmacologic evaluation. The products represent essentially an extension of the Blicke series (5) of 2-aminomethyl and 4-aminomethyl substituted 1,3-dioxolanes.

The intermediate halodioxolanes (Tables I and II) required for the synthesis of the aminodioxolanes were prepared by two general methods: (a) condensation of an α -haloketone with a 1,2-glycol or with glycerol- α -monochlorohydrin in the presence of *p*-toluenesulfonic acid according to the procedure of Salmi (10); (b) condensation of a ketone with epibromohydrin in the presence of stannic chloride according to the procedure of Bersin and Willfang (11, 12).

The infrared absorption spectra of a number of the halodioxolanes listed in Table I are shown in Table III. The four bands found in the 990-

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No.	R	R'	R″	R'''	Reflux, Hr.	М.р., °С.	Yield, %	Formula	- Halo	ses, % ogen — Found
1ª	CsH5	CH ₂ Br	н	н	15	59-60	61	C10H11BrO2	32.87	33.01
2	p-BrC6H4	CH ₂ Br	н	н	16	82-83	61	C10H10Br2O2	49.64	49.50
3	p-BrC6H4	CH ₂ Br	CH3	н	9	65-66	48	C11H12Br2O2	ь	
4	p-ClC6H4	CH ₂ Br	\mathbf{H}	н	22	61 to 62.5	67	C10H10BrClO2	28.79	28.50^{c}
5	p-ClC6H4	CH ₂ Br	CH3	н	24	73 to 74.5	50	C11H12BrClO2	6	
6	p-ClC6H4	CH ₂ Br	CH3	CH₃	24	84-89	40	C12H14BrClO2	ь	
7 ^d	p-CH2OC6H4	CH2Br	н	н	12	73.5 to 75	50	C11H13BrO3	29.26	29.46
8	m-NO2C6H4	CH ₂ Br	н	н	15	89.5-90.5	62	C10H10BrNO4	27.74	27.82
9	p-NO2C6H4	CH2Br	н	н	10	130-133	59	C10HI0BrNO4	27.74	27.60
10	p-NO2C6H4	CH ₂ Br	CH3	н	8	126.5 to 128	66	C11H12BrNO4	26.45	26.28
11	p-C6H5C6H4	CH ₂ Br	н	н	15	79.5 to 80	76	C16H16BrO2	25.04	24.92
12	p-C6H6C6H4	CH ₂ Cl	н	н	18	77-78	6 8	C16H16ClO2	12.91	12.86
13	C8H9 ^e	CH2Br	н	н	17	47.5 to 48	65	C12H15BrO2	29.47	29.68
14	C6H5	C(CH ₄) ₂ Br	н	н	10	74-76	2 6	C12H15BrO2	29.47	29.24
15	C6H5	C(CH ₃) ₂ Br	CH3	н	18	56 to 57.5	22	C13H17BrO2	28.02	27.85
16	C6H6	C(CH ₁) ₂ Br	CH3	CH2	36	91-96	33	C14H19BrO2	26.71	26.62
17	C6H5	C(CH ₂) ₂ Cl	н	н	7	73.5 to 75	45	C12H15ClO2	15.64	15.71
18	C6H5	$C(CH_3)_2Cl$	CH₃	CH3	24	83 . 5 to 85	22	C14H19ClO2	13.92	13.82
19 ^f	CeHs	CH(Cl)C ₆ H ₅	н	н	10	74-75	54	C16H15ClO2	12.90	12.65
20	C6H5	C6H10Br ^g	н	н	24	119-121	18	C15H19BrO2	25.68	25.48
21	C6H6	C6H10Cl ^h	н	н	30	105-106	38	$C_{16}H_{19}ClO_2$	13.29	13.07

^a Described by Kühn (14). ^b The unanalyzed products were aminated. ^c Analyzed for bromine. ^d Described by Thomae (15). ^e 2,5-Dimethylphenyl. ^f Described by Summerbell and Berger (16). ^g 1-Bromocyclohexyl. ^h 1-Chlorocyclohexyl. All compounds were prepared following the method of Salmi (10). ⁱ Compounds 2,4, 7, 12, 14, 17, and 19 were recrystallized from methanol, the remainder from ethanol.

1200 cm.⁻¹ region are in agreement with the reported observations ascribed by Bergmann and Pinchas (13) as being specific for the C—O—C grouping. However, Lagrange, and Mastagli (13) have pointed out that many of

these bands appear in dioxane derivatives also and that they are not always all present in dioxolanes.

The 4-aminomethyl-1,3-dioxolanes (Table IV) were prepared by heating a mixture of the inter-

TABLE II.-4-HALOMETHYL-1,3-DIOXOLANES

$$H_2 \longrightarrow (H)CH_2X$$

 $R \longrightarrow R'$

	_			Reflux,	B.p.,	
No.	R	R′	\mathbf{x}	Hr.	°C./mm.	Yield, %
1	p-BrC ₆ H₄	CH_3	C1	20	115-116/3	86
2	p-ClC ₆ H ₄	CH3	C1	15	110-111/3	80
2 3	p-CH₃OC ₆ H₄	CH_3	Cl	24	102 - 104/4	66
4	p-CH ₃ C ₆ H₄	CH_3	C1	12	110 - 112/1	59
4 5 6	C ₆ H ₅	C_2H_5	C1	20	106-109/3	75
6	C_6H_5	$n-C_3H_7$	C1	24	112–114/3	78
7	C ₆ H ₅	$CH(CH_3)_2$	C1	24	110 - 112/3	79
8	C ₆ H ₅	$CH(C_2H_5)_2$	Cl	60	108 - 112/2	45
8 9	C ₆ H ₅	$CH(C_2H_5)C_4H_9$	C1	72	130 - 132/2	59
10	C6H5CH2	CH ₃	Cl	24	100 - 104/3	78
11	p-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	C ₆ H ₅	Cl	36	a	
12	p-ClC ₆ H ₄	C ₆ H ₅	C1	48	a	
13	n-CoH19	CH ₃	Br	Ь	117-118/4	71
14	2-C4H3S ^c	CH ₃	Br		100 - 102/4	87
15ª	2-C ₄ H ₃ S	C ₆ H ₅	Br		155 - 160/2	74
16	C6H5CH2	CH ₃	Br		110-111/3	73
17ª	C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂	C6H5CH2	Br		a	
18 ^d	p-CH ₃ C ₆ H₄	p-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄	Br		a	

^a The crude products and unanalyzed distilled products were aminated (Table IV). ^b The bromo derivatives, compounds 13–18, were prepared according to the method of Bersin and Willfang (11, 12) which does not involve refluxing. Compounds 1–12 were prepared by the method of Salmi (10). ^c 2-Thienyl. ^d Described by Blicke and co-workers (5).

		~	—–Wavenumber	$(\nu), \text{ cm.}^{-1}$	
No.	1,3-Dioxolanes	1234 - 1205	1183 - 1156	1064-1023	1013-990
1	2-Bromomethyl-2-phenyl-	1220	1169	1042	1000
2	2-Bromomethyl-2-(p-bromophenyl)-	1220	1173	1042	1010
3	2-Bromomethyl-2-(p-chlorophenyl)-	1220	1162	1039	1013
4	2-Bromomethyl-2-(p-methoxyphenyl)-	1215	1169	1030	997
5	2-Bromomethyl-2-(p-nitrophenyl)-	1215	1162	1036	1005
6	2-Bromomethyl-2-(<i>m</i> -nitrophenyl)-	1227	1177	1044	1002
7	2-Bromomethyl-2-(p-phenylphenyl)-	1212	1156	1030	1000
8	2-Chloromethy1-2-(p-phenylphenyl)-	1223	1183	1036	1008
9	2-Bromomethyl-2-(2,5-dimethylphenyl)-	1234	1156	1036	990
10	2-(2-Chloroisopropyl)-2-phenyl-	1234	1180	1023	1010
11	2-(a-Chlorobenzyl)-2-phenyl-	1215	1162	1047	1008
12	2-(1-Chlorocyclohexyl)-2-phenyl-	1205	1169	1064	1005

TABLE III.—INFRARED SPECTRA OF HALOGENATED 1,3-DIOXOLANE DERIVATIVES^a

a Measured in potassium bromide disks (concentration 0.4%; disk thickness 0.6 mm.) with a Perkin-Elmer model 21 infrared spectrophotometer.

mediate halodioxolane, the amine, and a solvent in a pressure bottle on a steam bath. The periods of heating varied from 2 to 7 days. The products were isolated as hydrochlorides, oxalates, or methiodides.

In contrast to the above procedure for the preparation of 4-aminomethyl-1,3-dioxolanes, the preparation of the 2-aminomethyl analogs (Table V) required higher temperatures. For example, when a mixture of 2-bromomethyl-2-phenyl-1,3-dioxolane, morpholine, and benzene was heated in a pressure bottle on the steam bath for 7 days, the starting intermediates were recovered unchanged. The reaction was successfully conducted in the absence of solvent in sealed glass tubes heated at $140-150^{\circ}$ for 24 hours. The products were also isolated as hydrochlorides, oxalates, or methiodides.

The condensation of Mannich bases with 1,2glycols as a direct potential route to 2-aryl-2-(β -aminoethyl)-1,3-dioxolanes was studied. The condensation of β -morpholinopropiophenone hydrochloride with ethylene glycol was carried out with moderate success. Under similar reaction conditions, β -dimethylamino and α -methyl- β -dimethylaminopropiophenone hydrochlorides failed to yield the corresponding dioxolanes.

In preliminary experiments on isolated guinea pig ileum, compounds 1, 3, 5, 6, 8, 19, 22, 26, and 27 (Table IV), compounds 1, 6, and 10 (Table V), and 2-phenyl-2-(β -morpholinoethyl)-1,3-dioxolane hydrochloride exhibited low anticholinergic activity. Significant activity was observed with compound 9 (Table V).

In exploratory experiments on anesthetized dogs, compounds 3, 5, 13, 19, 27, 28, and 30 (Table IV), compounds 6 and 11 (Table V), and 2-phenyl-2-(β -morpholinoethyl)-1,3-dioxolane hydrochloride exhibited weak autonomic activity. Compound 9 (Table V) produced a fall in diastolic pressure and cardiac stimulation at an intra-

venous dose of 1 mg./Kg. A prolonged duration of action resulted on increasing the dosage to 5 mg./Kg.

EXPERIMENTAL¹

The procedures used for the synthesis of the intermediate halodioxolanes and the final products are illustrated by the following examples.

2 - Phenyl - 2 - $(\beta$ - morpholinoethyl) - 1,3 - dioxolane Hydrochloride.-The compound was prepared according to the procedure of Salmi (10). A mixture of 38.5 Gm. (0.15 mole) of the required Mannich base salt (*β*-morpholinopropiophenone hydrochloride), 31.0 Gm. (0.5 mole) of ethylene glycol, 0.95 Gm. of *p*-toluenesulfonic acid monohydrate, and 200 ml. of toluene was refluxed for 3 hours in an assembly equipped with a Dean-Stark trap. The reaction mixture was rendered alkaline with 10% aqueous sodium hydroxide. The combined toluene layer and ether extracts of the aqueous phase were washed with water, dried, and concentrated to an oily residue in vacuo. Unreacted Mannich base was removed by vacuum distillation (b_3 77–83°). The distillation residue was converted to the hydrochloride with ethereal hydrogen chloride. The yield, after two recrystallizations from absolute ethanol, was 5.5 Gm. (12%), m.p. 220-221°

Anal.—Caled. for $C_{15}H_{22}ClNO_3$: N, 4.67; Cl, 11.83. Found: N, 4.40; Cl, 11.66.

2-Bromomethyl-2-(p-phenylphenyl)-1,3-dioxolane.—(Table I, compound 11).—The compound was prepared according to the procedure of Salmi (10). A mixture of 27.5 Gm. (0.1 mole) of pphenylphenacyl bromide, 62 Gm. (1 mole) of ethylene glycol, 0.95 Gm. of p-toluenesulfonic acid monohydrate, and 200 ml. of toluene was refluxed for 15 hours. The yield was 24 Gm. (76%), m.p. 79.5 to 80° after recrystallization from ethanol.

2 - Benzyl - 2 - methyl - 4 - bromoethyl - 1,3 - dioxolane.—(Table II, compound 16.)—The compound was prepared according to the procedure of Bersin and Willfang (11, 12). A stirred solution of 20 Gm. (0.15 mole) of phenyl-2-propanone and 27.5 Gm. (0.2 mole) of epibromohydrin in 150 ml. of dry carbon tetrachloride was maintained at $0-5^{\circ}$ for 2 hours during the dropwise addition of

¹ Melting points were determined on a Fisher-Johns or Nalge melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. Microanalyses are by the Microanalytical Laboratory, Department of Chemistry, University of California, Berkeley.

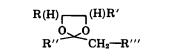
TABLE IV.--4-AMINOMETHYL-1,3-DIOXOLANE SALTS'

H₃ (H) -CH₃R'

a A = hydrochloride; B = oxalate; C = methiodide. ^b Halogen or sulfur. ^c Piperidino. ^d Morpholino. ^e Piperazino. ^f 2-Thienyl. ^g The corresponding oxalate methed at 188–191°. ^h Calcd.: S, 6.77. Found: S, 6.60. ^f Reaction time: compounds 3, 19, 24, 27, 28–2 days; 26–2.5 days; 11, 12, 20–4.5 days; 56–5 days; 56–5 days; all other compounds 1–3, 8, 9, 19, 22–24, and 27 were recrystallized from isopropanol, the remainder from absolute ethanol. 21.30 9.24 30.28 30.28 111.59 111.41 111.48 111.30 11.00 10.84 19.27 $17.89\\18.05\\9.30$ $\begin{array}{c} 24.66\\ 9.03\\ 9.52\\ 8.60\\ 8.60\\ 7.44\end{array}$ 10.29 Found : : : : -X-Calcd. 21.34 9.14 30.40 111.37 111.37 111.30 111.37 111.30 $10.88 \\ 10.82 \\ 19.52 \\ 19.52 \\ 19.52 \\ 19.52 \\ 19.52 \\ 19.52 \\ 10.5$ 10.55 $17.98 \\ 17.89 \\ 9.48 \\ 9.48$ $\begin{array}{c} 24.91\\ 9.09\\ 9.28\\ 8.92\\ 7.64\end{array}$ ÷ : : : : Found ż Caled. \$ Analyses, Found 7.77 7.947.518.387.97 $7.56 \\ 6.81$ 6.05 : 6.39÷ : ÷ : : : : : : : : ÷ Calcd. 8.16 8.56 8.56 8.06 7.70 7.14 $7.45 \\ 6.86$ ÷ 6.34 ÷ ÷ : : : 6.01 : ÷ : : : : : : ÷ : 62.1858.96 Found 64.82 61.71 65.90 62.98 59.78 63.21 60.01 64.35 : : : : : ÷ : : : : : : : : : Calcd. 64.84 61.60 66.18 63.14 62.45 58.84 63.31 59.83 64.3260.12 : : : : : : : : C₁₆H₂₃BrCINO₂ C₁₆H₂₁BrCINO₃ C₁₆H₂₃Cl₃NO₂ C₁₇H₂₂Cl₃NO₂ Cultanton Cultantino C Cal H an NO Cal H an O C₁₀H₂₄INSO₃^A C₂₁H₂₅NSO₆ Formula C22H33NO6 7 88884488888888894262552444888888518848823 ŝ $\begin{array}{c} 181-187\\ 182-185\\ 1970-174\\ 1970-202\\ 186-189\\ 1770-180\\ 1770-180\\ 1770-182\\ 1800-184\\ 1770-182\\ 1770-182\\ 1770-182\\ 1770-182\\ 1770-182\\ 1770-182\\ 1770-182\\ 1770-182\\ 1800-182\\ 1810-182\\ 18$ $\begin{array}{c} 190-194\\ 170-173\\ 193-196\\ 204-206\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{c} 190 - 195 \\ 182 - 184 \\ 133 - 134 \\ 209 - 212 \end{array}$ 129–131 194–197 186–191 40 - 143с. М NC₆H₁₀·A R" (A,B,C) CH(CH₃), CH(CH₃), CH(CH₃), CH(CH₃), CH(CH₃), CH(CH₃), CH₃), CH₃, CH₃ CH CH CH CH P-CH CH CH CH CH CH n-C₃H₇ n-C₃H₇ CH(CH₃)₂ à арана Сансси Сансси Сансси Сансси Эрспосан Эрсп 2 ġ.

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TABLE V.-2-AMINOMETHYL-1,3-DIOXOLANE SALTS



No.								——————————————————————————————————————			
	R	R'	R"	R'''	М.р., °С.	Yield, %	Formula	N Calcd.	Found	X, Calcd.	
1	н	н	C6H5	N2C4H9 ^b ·2HCl	250 ⁱ	23	C14H22Cl2N2O2	8.72	8.68	22.07	21.89
2	н	н	p-BrC6H4	NC5H10 ^c ·HCl	224-227	48	C15H21BrCINO2	3.86	3.98		
3	н	CH3	p-BrCaH4	$NC_{b}H_{10} \cdot C_{2}H_{2}O_{4}^{d}$	154-157	47	C15H24BrNO6	3.26	3.30	18.57	18.82
4	н	н	p-CICoH4	NC ₆ H ₁₀ · HCl	208-213	67	C15H21Cl2NO2	4.40	4.55	22.28	22.02
5	н	н	p-CIC6H4	NC4H8O· ^e HCl	200-205	38	C14H19Cl2NO3	4.37	4.49	22.15	22.08
6	н	CHa	p-CIC6H4	NC5H10 · HCl	189-191	80	C16H23Cl2NO2	4.20	4.18	21.34	21.24
7	CH:	CH ₃	p-CICsH4	NC ₆ H ₁₀ ·HCl	208-214	74	C17H26Cl2NO2	4.05	4.11	20.48	20.50
8	\mathbf{H}	н	p-CoHoCoH4	NC6H10 · C2H2O4	179-180	30	C23H27NO6	3.39	3.50		
9	н	н	p-CoHaCoH4	NCsH10 · CH3I	222-224		C22H28INO2			27.27	27.60
10	н	н	p-C6H6C6H4	NC4H4O C2H2O4	195-198	42	C22H25NO7 ⁹	3.37	3.08		
11	н	н	C ₈ H ₉ ^h	NC ₅ H ₁₀ · CH ₂ I	219-223	31	C18H28INO2	3.36	3.50	30.41	30.22
12	н	CH,	C8H9	NCsH10 · CH3I	185-188	57	C ₁₉ H ₃₀ INO ₂	3.25	3.35	29.42	29.38

^a Halogen. ^b Piperazino. ^c Piperidino. ^d Oxalate. ^e Morpholino. ^f Calcd. C, 66.81; H, 6.58. Found: C, 66.98; H, 6.76. ^o Calcd.: C, 63.60; H, 6.07. Found: C, 63.30; H, 5.89. ^h 2.5-Dimethylphenyl. ⁱ With decomposition. ⁱ Compounds 2 and 5 were recrystallized from absolute ethanol-ether; 4, 6, and 7 from isopropanol; the remainder from absolute ethanol.

5.2 Gm. of stannic chloride in 50 ml. of carbon tetrachloride. The product was purified by distillation (b₃ 110-111°).

2 - Methyl - 2 - (p - tolyl) - 4 - piperidinomethyl-1,3-dioxolane Hydrochloride .-- (Table IV, compound 6.)-A solution of 11.5 Gm. (0.05 mole) of 2-methyl-2-(p-tolyl)-4-chloromethyl-1,3-dioxolane and 42.5 Gm. (0.5 mole) of piperidine in 50 ml. of benzene was heated in a pressure bottle on a steam bath for 6 days. The mixture was treated with 10% aqueous sodium hydroxide. The combined benzene layer and ether extract of the aqueous phase was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was converted to the hydrochloride and recrystallized from absolute ethanol. The yield was 7.5 Gm. (48%), m.p. 182-185°.

2 - (p - Phenylphenyl) - 2 - piperidinomethyl-1,3-dioxolane Methiodide.--(Table V, compound 9.)-A mixture of 11 Gm. (0.04 mole) of 2-bromomethyl-2-(p-phenylphenyl)-1,3-dioxolane and 8.5 Gm. (0.1 mole) of piperidine was heated at 150° in a sealed glass tube for 24 hours. The mixture was made alkaline with 10% aqueous sodium hydroxide and extracted with ether. The solvent and unreacted amine were removed in vacuo. Excess methyl iodide was added to an ether solution of the residue and allowed to stand at room temperature for 24 hours. The product was recrystallized from absolute ethanol, m.p. 222-224°.

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