## 363. The Chemotherapy of Schistosomiasis. Part IV. ${ }^{1}$ Some Ethers of 4-Amino-2-methoxyphenol.

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Numerous alkyl and substituted alkyl ethers of 4 -amino-2-methoxyphenol have been prepared, together with some related compounds and $N$-substituted derivatives. Many of the compounds are schistosomicides.

In earlier parts of this series ${ }^{1.2,3}$ we have reported alkyl and substituted alkyl ethers of $p$-aminophenol which were effective against Schistosoma mansoni infections. ${ }^{4,5}$ Some of these compounds produced undesirable ocular effects in cats, but it was noted that this response, which was particularly marked with 1,5 -di-( $p$-aminophenoxy) pentane, was absent with the o, $o^{\prime}$-dimethoxy-derivative. ${ }^{4}$ Many more ethers of 4 -amino-2-methoxyphenol (4-aminoguaiacol) have therefore been synthesised and tested biologically, ${ }^{6}$ the majority being alkyl ethers either unsubstituted or carrying substituents such as hydroxy, alkoxy, alkylthio, aryl, aryloxy, arylthio, arylsulphonyl, etc. For some of these compounds the effects of branching or unsaturation in the chain, and of substitution in the amino-group,

[^0]have been investigated and a few positional isomers and other related compounds, as well as some further ethers of $p$-aminophenol, have been prepared.

The general method of synthesis used was the condensation of potassium 2-methoxy-4nitrophenoxide ${ }^{7}$ (obtained almost quantitatively by refluxing 4 -nitroveratrole with aqueous potassium hydroxide) with the appropriate chloride, bromide, or toluene- $p$ sulphonate, followed by reduction of the nitro-compound to the amine either catalytically or by using sodium sulphide. In some instances 4 -acetamido- 2 -methoxyphenol ${ }^{8}$ was used and the condensation product was hydrolysed with acid.

As a homologous series of $\omega$-phenylalkyl halides was required for this work, the CrombieHarper synthesis ${ }^{9,10,11}$ using 2,3 -dichlorotetrahydropyran and phenyl or phenylalkyl halides was employed and gave satisfactory overall yields of trans- $\omega$-phenylalk-4-en-1-ols (Ia-e). Catalytic reduction afforded the corresponding saturated alcohols (IIIa-c) which were converted into the bromides (IVa-d) or, in one instance, into the toluene- $p$ sulphonate (Ve). Condensation with potassium 2-methoxy-4-nitrophenoxide yielded the

(a) $n=0, \mathrm{R}=\mathrm{H}$, (b) $n=1-3, \mathrm{R}=\mathrm{H}$, (c) $n=0, \mathrm{R}=o \cdot \mathrm{Me}$, (d) $n=0, \mathrm{R}=p \cdot \mathrm{Me}$, (e) $n=0, \mathrm{R}=p-\mathrm{OMe}$.
nitro-compounds (VII) which were reduced catalytically to the amines (IX). In an alternative procedure, the phenylalkenols ( $\mathrm{Ia}, \mathrm{d}$, and e) were converted into the toluene- $p$ sulphonates (IIa, d, and e) and thence into the unsaturated nitroguaiacyl ethers (VI), which were reduced either catalytically to the saturated amines (IX) or with sodium sulphide to the unsaturated amine (VIII).

4-Benzoylbutyl bromide (XII) was first prepared by Perkin ${ }^{12}$ from benzoylacetic ester (XIII) and 1,3 -dibromopropane, the intermediate ethyl 5,6 -dihydro- 2 -phenyl- 4 H -pyran-3carboxylate (XIV) being hydrolysed and decarboxylated to 3,4 -dihydro-6-phenyl-2 H pyran (XI), which was then treated with hydrobromic acid. We have found that the key intermediate (XI) is formed in $78 \%$ yield by dehydrochlorination of the mixed cisand trans-isomers of 3 -chlorotetrahydro-2-phenylpyran ${ }^{13}(\mathrm{X})$ with sodamide in boiling toluene. The absence of a double-bond isomer of (XI) was shown by almost quantitative conversion of the product into 4 -benzoylbutyl bromide. Riobé ${ }^{11}$ obtained a mixture of two isomers on heating 3 -chlorotetrahydro-2-methylpyran with potassium hydroxide in ethylene glycol, the proportion depending on whether the cis- or trans-chloro-compound

[^1]was used. Treatment of 3-bromo-2-ethyltetrahydropyran with sodamide in liquid ammonia has been investigated ${ }^{14}$ as a route to hept-4-yn-1-ol. Two higher homologues of 4 -benzoylbutyl bromide were prepared by a modification of Perkin's method. When benzoylacetic ester (XIII) was condensed with $4-p$-methoxyphenoxybutyl bromide, and the intermediate ester (XVIIb) was subjected to ketonic hydrolysis, 1-benzoyl-5-p-methoxyphenoxypentane ( XXb ) was obtained; it was converted by aqueous hydrobromic acid
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& \text { (XIX) } n=3 \\
& \text { (XX) } n=4 \\
& \text { (XXI) } n=5 \\
& \text { (XXII) } n=3, R^{\prime}=H \\
& \text { (XXIII) } n=3, R^{\prime}=A c \\
& \text { (XXIV) } n=4, R^{\prime}=H \\
& \text { (XXV) } n=5, R^{\prime}=H \\
& \text { (XXVI) } n=5, R^{\prime}=A c \\
& \mathrm{R}=\text { (a) } \mathrm{Br} r_{1} \text { (b) } \mathrm{O} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{4} \cdot \mathrm{OMe}-\mathrm{p} \text {, (c) } \mathrm{O} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{4} \cdot \mathrm{NO}_{2}-p \text {, (d) } \mathrm{O} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{3}(\mathrm{OMe}) \cdot \mathrm{NO}_{2}-3,4 \text {. }
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into 5-benzoylpentyl bromide (XXa). Later, it was found that condensation of benzoylacetic ester with an excess of 1,5 -dibromopentane and treatment of the crude product (XVIIIa) with hydrobromic acid yielded 6-benzoylhexyl bromide (XXIa) directly.

Reaction of the appropriate benzoylalkyl bromide with potassium 2-methoxy-4nitrophenoxide or potassium $p$-nitrophenoxide afforded respectively the benzoyl alkyl ethers (XIXd), (XXId), (XIXc), ${ }^{1}$ and (XXc). 4-Benzoyl-1-p-nitrophenoxybutane (XIXc) and 5 -benzoyl-1- $p$-nitrophenoxypentane (XXc) were also obtained directly from benzoylacetic ester by condensation with 3 - $p$-nitrophenoxypropyl bromide, or 4 - $p$-nitrophenoxybutyl bromide, respectively, followed by alkaline hydrolysis of the intermediate esters (XVIc) and (XVIIc). Reduction of the nitro-ketones by the Meerwein-Ponndorf method, previously described ${ }^{\mathbf{1}}$ for the preparation of 5 - $p$-nitrophenoxy-1-phenylpentane-1-ol (XXIIc), was employed for the nitro-alcohols (XXIId), (XXIVc), and XXVd). Treatment with acetic anhydride in the presence of sulphuric acid at room temperature gave the corresponding acetates (XXIIId) and (XXVId); at a higher temperature the unsaturated compound (XVd) was isolated.

Three methods were used for the preparation of nitroguaiacyl and nitrophenol ethers (XXXIa and XXXIb) containing sulphur in the chains, the most convenient being the condensation of the nitroguaiacyloxyalkyl or $p$-nitrophenoxyalkyl bromide (XXVIIa or XXVIIb) with sodium alkyl, arylalkyl, or aryl sulphide. In a second route, 5 -(2-methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)pentyl bromide (XXVIIa; $n=5$ ) was converted successively into the thiouronium salt and the thiol (XXVIIIa), which was alkylated with methyl iodide. Another method is exemplified by the reaction of 1,3 -dibromopropane with thiophenol to give 3 -phenylthiopropyl bromide (XXIX) and subsequent condensation with potassium nitroguaiacyloxide. Corresponding sulphoxides (XXXIIb) and sulphones (XXXIVa

[^2]and b) were obtained by oxidation with hydrogen peroxide in acetic acid, and one sulphone was prepared by condensation of the nitroguaiacyloxypentyl bromide (XXVIIa; $n=5$ ) with $p$-acetamidobenzenesulphinic acid (XXXIII). The nitro-sulphones were reduced

to the amines (XXXIVc and d) catalytically, but chemical reduction was necessary for the amino-sulphides (XXXIc and d) and amino-sulphoxides (XXXIId). The diamine (XXXC) was formed when 5-(2-methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy) pentyl bromide (XXVIIa; $n=5$ ) was heated with sodium sulphide.

Condensation of potassium 2-methoxy-4-nitrophenoxide with acetobromoglucose, followed by hydrolysis of the acetyl groups and reduction, afforded 4-amino-2-methoxyphenyl D-glucoside, presumably the $\beta$-isomer. ${ }^{15}$

To examine the effect of introducing a further methoxy-group at $\mathrm{C}_{(6)}$ in the aminoguaiacyl ethers, 2,6-dimethoxy-4-nitrophenol (XXXV) was required. It seemed likely that the 2 -methoxy-group of the known 5 -nitropyrogallol trimethyl ether ${ }^{16}$ (XXXVI)

would be sensitive to nucleophilic reagents and it was in fact preferentially attacked by aqueous alkali. The structure of the nitrophenol (XXXV) thus formed was confirmed by its independent synthesis from sodium nitromalondialdehyde and 1,3-dimethoxyacetone. ${ }^{17}$ Condensations using this sterically hindered phenol were sluggish and required extended reaction times.

The $N$-substituted amines were for the most part obtained by standard methods, which have been described in earlier papers. ${ }^{1,2}$

## Experimental

Light petroleum refers, except where stated, to the fraction of b. p. $40-60^{\circ}$.

## Alcohols, bromides, and related compounds.

1-Phenylbut-3-yl Bromide.-Benzylideneacetone was reduced catalytically (Raney nickel) in ethanol to 4 -phenylbutan-2-ol ( $92 \%$ ), b. p. $119-121^{\circ} / 11 \mathrm{~mm}$. (lit., ${ }^{18} 127^{\circ} / 18 \mathrm{~mm}$.), which

[^3]was refluxed for 20 hr . with $50 \%$ aqueous hydrobromic acid, giving the bromide ( $75 \%$ overall), b. p. $116^{\circ} / 10 \mathrm{~mm}$. (lit., ${ }^{19} 116-118^{\circ} / 14 \mathrm{~mm}$.). 4-Phenylbutyl bromide was prepared by the method of Oae and VanderWerf. ${ }^{20}$

Harper-Crombie Method for the Preparation of Phenylalkyl Bromides.-(a) A Grignard reagent prepared from benzyl chloride ( 189.75 g ., 1.5 moles) and magnesium ( $36.45 \mathrm{~g} ., 1.5$ g.-atoms) in cther ( 400 ml .) was cooled and stirred whilst a solution of 2,3 -dichlorotetrahydropyran (from 86 g . of dihydropyran ${ }^{*}$ ) in ether ( 200 ml .) was added during 1 hr . The mixture was stirred for a further 5 hr ., kept overnight, and decomposed with ammonium chloride solution until the magnesium hydroxide separated as an easily filtrable solid. The suspension was filtered through Hyflo Supercel, the solid was washed with ether, and the ethereal solutions were washed, dried, and distilled, giving a mixture ( $145.4 \mathrm{~g} ., 67 \%$ ), b. p. $148-178^{\circ} / 15 \mathrm{~mm}$. (Found: $\mathrm{Cl}, 14 \cdot 4$. Calc. for $\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{ClO}: \mathrm{Cl}, 16.9 \%$ ), containing both cis- and trans-2-benzyl-3chlorotetrahydropyran. Similar reactions were carried out with bromobenzene, ${ }^{13}$ phenethyl bromide, ${ }^{10} 3$-phenylpropyl bromide, $o$-bromotoluene, $p$-bromotoluene, and $p$-bromoanisole, but in these cases the ethereal solutions were treated directly as in (b).
(b) 2-Benzyl-3-chlorotetrahydropyran ( 144 g . of crude mixture) was slowly added to a stirred (Hershberg wire stirrer) suspension of finely divided sodium ( 34.8 g .) in dry ether ( 500 ml .). Next day, the mixture was treated with ethanol ( 50 ml .), then water, and the washed and dried ethereal solution was distilled, giving the crude alcohol ( $107.7 \mathrm{~g} ., 89.5 \%$ ), b. p. $156-$ $166^{\circ} / 12 \mathrm{~mm}$. A redistilled sample of trans-6-phenylhex-4-en-1-ol had b. p. $152-157^{\circ} / 10 \mathrm{~mm}$., $n_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{12} 1.5380$ (Found: C, $81.5 ; \mathrm{H}, 8.9 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{O}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 81.8 ; \mathrm{H}, 9.2 \%$ ).

Similarly prepared (yields are for crude alcohol overall from dihydropyran) were trans-5-phenylpent-4-en-1-ol ( $77 \%$ ), b. p. $102^{\circ} / 0 \cdot 1 \mathrm{~mm}$., $165-170^{\circ} / 21 \mathrm{~mm} ., n_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{20} 1 \cdot 5620$ (lit., ${ }^{11} \mathrm{~b}$. p. $153-157^{\circ} / 13 \mathrm{~mm} ., n_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{17} 1.5640$ ); trans-7-phenylhept-4-en-1-ol (51\%), b. p. $100-105^{\circ} / 0.03$ $\mathrm{mm} ., n_{\mathrm{D}} 1.5260$ (lit., ${ }^{10}$ b. p. $110-118^{\circ} / 0 \cdot 7 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) ; trans-8-phenyloct-4-en-1-ol ( $81 \%$ ), b. p. 190 $194^{\circ} / 15 \mathrm{~mm} ., n_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{19} \mathrm{I} .5240$ (Found: C, $82 \cdot 5$; H, 9.7. $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{O}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 82 \cdot 3 ; \mathrm{H}, 9.9 \%$ ); trans-5-o-tolylpent-4-en-1-ol (49\%), b. p. $162 — 170^{\circ} / 15 \mathrm{~mm}$., $n_{\mathrm{D}} \mathrm{l} \cdot 5505$ (Found: C, $81 \cdot 7$; H, $9 \cdot 25$. $\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{O}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 81.8 ; \mathrm{H}, \mathbf{9 . 1 \%}$ ); trans-5-p-tolylpent-4-en-1-ol ( $78 \%$ ), m. p. $40-42^{\circ}$, b. p. $155-173^{\circ} / 14 \mathrm{~mm}$. (Found: C, $82.3 ; \mathrm{H}, 8.9 \%$ ); and trans-5-p-methoxyphenylpent-4-en-1-ol ( $71 \%$ ), m. p. $74-75^{\circ}$ (Found: C, $75 \cdot 1 ; \mathrm{H}, 8.4 . \mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{O}_{2}$ requires C, 75.0 ; $\mathrm{H}, 8.3 \%$ ).
(c) Catalytic reduction of the unsaturated alcohols (Raney nickel) gave respectively 5-phenylpentanol ( $87 \%$ ), b. p. $133-144^{\circ} / 11 \mathrm{~mm}$., 6-phenylhexanol ( $93 \%$ ), b. p. $157-167^{\circ} / 13 \mathrm{~mm}$. (lit., ${ }^{21}$ b. p. $160-161^{\circ} / 13 \mathrm{~mm}$.) ; 7 -phenylheptanol ( $65 \%$ ), b. p. $125-135^{\circ} / 0.02 \mathrm{~mm} ., n_{\mathrm{D}} \mathrm{l} .5135$ (lit., ${ }^{21}$ b. p. $142-145^{\circ} / 7 \mathrm{~mm}$.) ; 8 -phenyloctanol ( $81 \%$ ), b. p. $185-189^{\circ} / 12 \mathrm{~mm} ., n_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{19} 1.5080$ (Found: C, $81.9 ; \mathrm{H}, 10.5 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{O}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 81.5 ; \mathrm{H}, 10.75 \%$ ); 5-o-tolylpentanol ( $86 \%$ ), b. p. $155-156^{\circ} / 13 \mathrm{~mm} ., n_{\mathrm{D}} 1.5225$ (Found: C, $80.9 ; \mathrm{H}, \mathbf{9 . 6} . \mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{O}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 81 \cdot 0$; H, $10 \cdot 1 \%$ ) ; 5 -p-tolylpentanol ( $95 \%$ ), b. p. $159-162^{\circ} / 14 \mathrm{~mm}$. (lit., ${ }^{22}$ b. p. $158-159^{\circ} / 11 \mathrm{~mm}$.); and 5-p-methoxyphenylpentanol ( $94 \%$ ), b. p. $110-115^{\circ} / 0.03 \mathrm{~mm}$. (Found: C, 74.5 ; H, 9.25. $\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{O}_{2}$ requires C, $74 \cdot 2 ; \mathrm{H}, \mathbf{9} \cdot \mathbf{3} \%$ ).
(d) The saturated alcohols were converted into the bromides by treatment with $50 \%$ aqueous hydrobromic acid ( $2 \mathrm{ml} . / \mathrm{g}$.) and concentrated sulphuric acid $\left(0.67 \mathrm{ml}\right.$. $/ \mathrm{g}$.) at $100^{\circ}$ for 20 hr . The following were obtained: 5 -phenylpentyl bromide, 6 -phenylhexyl bromide (used without purification); ${ }^{20} 7$-phenylheptyl bromide, b. p. $110-114^{\circ} / 0.05 \mathrm{~mm}$. (lit., ${ }^{21}$ b. p. $170-175^{\circ} / 15$ mm ) ; 8-phenyloctyl bromide ( $72 \%$ ), b. p. $185-187^{\circ} / 12 \mathrm{~mm}$. (Found: $\mathrm{Br}, 27 \cdot 1$. $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{Br}$ requires $\mathrm{Br}, 29 \cdot 7 \%$ ); 5 -o-tolylpentyl bromide ( $84 \%$ ), b. p. $155-162^{\circ} / 14 \mathrm{~mm}$. (Found: C, $59 \cdot 45$; $\mathrm{H}, 7 \cdot 2 ; \mathrm{Br}, 33 \cdot 3 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{Br}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 59 \cdot 7 ; \mathrm{H}, 7 \cdot 1 ; \mathrm{Br}, 33 \cdot 2 \%$; 5 -p-tolylpentyl bromide $(84 \%)$, b. p. $157-163^{\circ} / 14 \mathrm{~mm}$. (Found: $\mathrm{Br}, 29 \cdot 95 . \mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{Br}$ requires $\mathrm{Br}, \mathbf{3 3} \cdot 2 \%$ ).

5-Phenylpent-4-en-1-yl toluene-p-sulphonate, prepared ( $38 \%$ ) in the usual way and crystallised from methanol at $-80^{\circ}$, had m. p. $42-43^{\circ}$ (Found: $\mathrm{S}, 10 \cdot 5 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{~S}$ requires $\mathrm{S}, 10 \cdot 1 \%$ ). The toluene- $p$-sulphonates of 5 - $p$-methoxyphenylpent-4-en-1-ol, 5 - $p$-tolylpent-4-en-1-ol, and

[^4][^5]5 - $p$-methoxyphenylpentanol were similarly prepared, but used without purification. When the toluene- $p$-sulphonate of 5 - $p$-tolylpent- 4 -en-1-ol was prepared in pyridine, but the mixture was left for several days before being worked up, the product was the quaternary pyridinium salt, m. p. 68-69 ${ }^{\circ}$ (Found: C, 68.95 ; H, 6.75; N, 3.4; S, $7.8 \% ; M, 409$. $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{27} \mathrm{NO}_{3} \mathrm{~S}, 0.5 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 68.9 ; \mathrm{H}, 6 \cdot 7 ; \mathrm{N}, 3 \cdot 3 ; \mathrm{S}, 7.8 \% ; M, 418$ ).

5-Phenylpent-4-en-1-yl bromide was obtained from tetrahydro-2-phenylpyran as described by Paul. ${ }^{23}$ 1-Methyl-5-phenylpentyl bromide, prepared by catalytic reduction of cinnamylideneacetone ${ }^{24}$ and subsequent treatment with $50 \%$ aqueous hydrobromic acid, had b. p. 152$156^{\circ} / 14 \mathrm{~mm} ., n_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{30} 1.5218$ (lit., ${ }^{25}$ b. p. $152-156^{\circ} / 10 \mathrm{~mm}$.).

5 -Cyclohexylpentan-1-ol was prepared ( $90 \%$ ) by reduction of 5 -phenylpent-4-en-1-ol over Raney nickel in ethanol at $131^{\circ} / 100 \mathrm{~atm}$. It had b. p. $136-137^{\circ} / 11 \mathrm{~mm}$., $n_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{17} 1.468 \overline{5}$ (lit., ${ }^{26}$ b. p. $118-119^{\circ} / 4 \mathrm{~mm}$., $n_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{25} 1 \cdot 4638$ ). Treatment with hydrobromic-sulphuric acid as described above gave 5 -cyclohexylpentyl bromide ( $91 \%$ ), b. p. $127^{\circ} / 7 \mathrm{~mm}$., $n_{\mathrm{p}}{ }^{20} 1.4838$ (lit., ${ }^{26} \mathrm{~b}$. p. 113 -$114^{\circ} / 5 \mathrm{~mm} ., n_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{25} 1.4814$ ).

3,4-Dihydro-6-phenyl-2H-pyran.-Sodamide ( $15 \cdot 6 \mathrm{~g}$.) was ground in a ball-mill under toluene ( 50 ml .) for 30 hr . and to the resulting cream, stirred and refluxed in toluene ( 50 ml .), was added during 30 min . a solution of 3 -chlorotetrahydro-2-phenylpyran ( 19.65 g .) in toluene ( 50 ml .). After a further 17 hr . the cooled mixture was treated with water, and the washed and dried toluene solution was distilled, giving the dihydrophenylpyran ( $78 \%$ ), b. p. 119$125^{\circ} / 9 \mathrm{~mm} ., n_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{17} 1.5703$ (lit., ${ }^{12}$ b. p. $125^{\circ} / 11 \mathrm{~mm} ., n_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{17} 1 \cdot 5720$ ). When heated with $50 \%$ aqueous hydrobromic acid for 15 min . at $100^{\circ}$, it yielded 4-benzoylbutyl bromide ( $94 \%$ ), m. p. $58^{\circ}$ (lit., ${ }^{12}$ m. p. $61^{\circ}$ ).

Ethyl $\alpha$-(4-p-Methoxyphenoxybutyl)benzoylacetate.-4- $p$-Methoxyphenoxybutyl bromide ( 67.5 g.), dissolved in ethanol ( 50 ml .), and benzoylacetic ester ( 50 g .) were added successively to a solution of sodium ( 6.1 g .) in ethanol ( 150 ml .) . The mixture was refluxed for 3 hr ., then concentrated, diluted with water, and extracted with ether. The residue crystallised on trituration with light petroleum. Recrystallisation of the crude product ( $62 \mathrm{~g} ., 64 \%$ ) from ethanol afforded the pure ester ( 50 g .), m. p. $38-40^{\circ}$ (Found: C, $71 \cdot 6 ; \mathrm{H}, 7 \cdot 05 . \mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 71 \cdot 3$; H, $7 \cdot 0 \%$ ).

1-Benzoyl-5-p-methoxyphenoxypentane.-A mixture of the foregoing ester ( 50 g .), potassium hydroxide ( 20 g .), methanol ( 300 ml .), and water ( 200 ml .) was stirred and refluxed for 24 hr ., then evaporated. The residue was extracted with ether and the washed and dried ethereal solution was evaporated. Trituration of the residue with light petroleum gave the ketone ( $34.3 \mathrm{~g} ., 88 \%$ ) (Found: C, $76.3 ; \mathrm{H}, 7.8 . \mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{O}_{3}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 76.5 ; \mathrm{H}, 7 \cdot 4 \%$ ), m. p. $42^{\circ}$ not raised by recrystallisation from light petroleum.

The alkaline mother-liquors on acidification gave 6-p-methoxyphenoxyhexanoic acid ( 1 g .), m. p. $80-82^{\circ}$ (Found: C, $65.8 ; \mathrm{H}, 7.6 . \mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{O}_{4}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 65.5 ; \mathrm{H}, 7.6 \%$ ), and benzoic acid.

5-Benzoylpentyl Bromide.-A mixture of 1-benzoyl-5-p-methoxyphenoxypentane ( $34 \cdot 5 \mathrm{~g}$.), phenol ( 30 g .) , and $50 \%$ hydrobromic acid ( 100 ml .) was stirred and refluxed for 2 hr ., then cooled, and cautiously added to aqueous sodium hydroxide and ice. The product was extracted with ether and the washed and dried solution was distilled, giving the bromide ( 17.3 g ., $59 \%$ ), b. p. $190-200^{\circ} / 14 \mathrm{~mm} ., \mathrm{m}$. p. $33-34^{\circ}$. After recrystallisation from light petroleum (b. p. $60-80^{\circ}$ ), it had m. p. $37 \cdot 5-38 \cdot 5^{\circ}$ (Found: $\mathrm{Br}, 30 \cdot 6 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{BrO}$ requires $\mathrm{Br}, 31 \cdot 4 \%$ ).

6-Benzoylhexyl Bromide.-1,5-Dibromopentane ( 46 g .) and benzoylacetic ester ( $19 \cdot 2 \mathrm{~g}$.) were added successively to a solution of sodium ( $2 \cdot 3 \mathrm{~g}$.) in dry ethanol ( 70 ml .), and the mixture was refluxed for 1.5 hr ., concentrated, diluted with water, and extracted with ether. The extract was evaporated and the residue was stirred with $50 \%$ hydrobromic acid ( 100 ml .) on the steam-bath for 18 hr . The mixture was then diluted and extracted with ether and the washed and dried extract was distilled, giving 6-benzoylhexyl bromide ( 14.7 g ., $55 \%$ ), b. p. $140-150^{\circ} / 0.03 \mathrm{~mm}$. (Found: $\mathrm{Br}, 27.75 . \mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{BrO}$ requires $\mathrm{Br}, 29.7 \%$ ).

5-(2-Methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)pentyl Bromide.—A mixture of potassium 2-methoxy-4-nitrophenoxide ( 220.5 g ., $93.9 \%$ pure), 1,5-dibromopentane ( 1150 g .), and acetone ( 3 l .) was refluxed for 20 hr ., concentrated to low bulk and steam-distilled. The residue was extracted thrice with chloroform and the combined extracts were washed with 2 N -sodium hydroxide and water,

[^6]concentrated, and diluted with an equal volume of methanol. The crude bromide ( 252 g .; $\mathrm{m} . \mathrm{p} .75-76^{\circ}$ ) was purified by dissolving it in ether and filtering it from 1,5-di-(2-methoxy-4nitrophenoxy) pentane ( $8.85 \mathrm{~g} ., \mathrm{m}$. p. $122-123^{\circ}$ ). Concentration of the ethereal solution gave the bromide (218 g.), m. p. $76-77^{\circ}$ (Found: $\mathrm{Br}, 23.8 . \mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{BrNO}_{4}$ requires $\mathrm{Br}, \mathbf{2 5 \cdot 1} \%$ ). 3-(2-Methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)propyl bromide, m. p. 77.5-79 (from methanol) (Found: N, 4.9; $\mathrm{Br}, 27 \cdot 5 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{12} \mathrm{BrNO}_{4}$ requires $\mathrm{N}, 4 \cdot 8 ; \mathrm{Br}, 27.5 \%$ ), was similarly prepared.

## Nitro- and acylamino-compounds.

7-(2-Methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)-1-phenylhepyl Acetate.-7-(2-Methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)-1-phenylheptan-1-ol (Table 1) ( 39 g .) was mixed with acetic anhydride ( 150 ml .) and treated with one drop of concentrated sulphuric acid. Ice was added after the mixture had been kept for 15 min . at room temperature. When the acetic anhydride had been decomposed the product was extracted with ether, and the extract washed with water, dried, and evaporated. The oil solidified under light petroleum containing a small quantity of ether. The solid was collected and recrystallised from methanol, to give the pure acetate ( $37 \mathrm{~g} ., 89 \cdot 5 \%$ ), m. p. $88-89^{\circ}$ (Found: $\mathrm{C}, 65.85 ; \mathrm{H}, 6.8 ; \mathrm{N}, 3.45 . \mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{27} \mathrm{NO}_{6}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 65 \cdot 8 ; \mathrm{H}, 6.8 ; \mathrm{N}, 3.5 \%$ ). In an earlier experiment the mixture was refluxed for 1 hr ., and the product was recrystallised from ether, yielding 7-(2-methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)-1-phenylhept-1-ene ( $7.0 \mathrm{~g} ., 35 \%$ ), m. p. $97-99^{\circ}$ (Found: $\mathrm{C}, 70.05 ; \mathrm{H}, 6.4$; $\mathrm{N}, 4.0 . \mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{NO}_{4}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 70.35 ; \mathrm{H}, 6.8 ; \mathrm{N}, 4.1 \%$ ). Its structure was confirmed by catalytic reduction to the known 1-(4-amino-2-methoxyphenoxy)-7-phenylheptane (Table 2).

Similarly prepared was 5 -(2-methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)-1-phenylpentyl acetate ( $71 \%$ ), m. p. $114-115^{\circ}$ (Found: C, $64.55 ; \mathrm{H}, 6.35$; N, $3 \cdot 7 . \mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{NO}_{6}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 64 \cdot 3 ; \mathrm{H}, 6 \cdot 2 ; \mathrm{N}, 3.7 \%$ ).

5-(2-Methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy-1-phenylpentan-1-one Diethyl Acetal.-1-Benzoyl-4-(2-methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)butane ( 15 g .) in ethanol ( 100 ml .) was treated with ethyl orthoformate ( $5 \cdot 8 \mathrm{~g}$.) and one drop of concentrated hydrochloric acid. After 3 days at about $35-40^{\circ}$ the mixture was filtered from some starting material ( $4 \cdot 8 \mathrm{~g}$.) and concentrated. Ether was added and a further quantity of starting material ( $1 \cdot 2 \mathrm{~g}$.) was collected. The ether was removed from the filtrate, and the product was recrystallised from ether-light petroleum, to give the diethyl acetal ( 10.2 g., $55.5 \%$ ), m. p. $62-64^{\circ}$ (Found: C, $65.5 ; \mathrm{H}, 7.4 ; \mathrm{N}, 3.55 . \mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{29} \mathrm{NO}_{6}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 65 \cdot 5 ; \mathrm{H}, 7 \cdot 2 ; \mathrm{N}, 3.5 \%$ ).

Ethyl $\alpha$-(4-p-nitrophenoxybutyl)benzoylacetate was prepared ( $62 \%$ ) from benzoylacetic ester and 4 - $p$-nitrophenoxybutyl bromide as described above for the $p$-methoxy-derivative. After crystallisation from methanol it had m. p. $74-75^{\circ}$ (Found: $\mathrm{C}, 65 \cdot 1 ; \mathrm{H}, 5 \cdot 9 ; \mathrm{N}, 3.8 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{21} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{NO}_{6}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 65.5 ; \mathrm{H}, 6.0 ; \mathrm{N}, 3.6 \%$ ).

6-p-Nitrophenoxy-1-phenylhexan-1-one.-(a) The foregoing ester ( $33 \cdot 3 \mathrm{~g}$.) was hydrolysed by potassium hydroxide ( 13 g .) in refluxing methanol ( 250 ml .) and water ( 250 ml .) for 24 hr . The ketone ( $80 \%$ ), recrystallised from ethanol, had m. p. $102^{\circ}$ (Found: C, $69.1 ; \mathrm{H}, 6.0 ; \mathrm{N}, 4.5$. $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{NO}_{4}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 69 \cdot 0 ; \mathrm{H}, 6 \cdot 1 ; \mathrm{N}, 4.5 \%$ ). 6-p-Nitrophenoxyhexanoic acid ( 1.8 g .), m . p. 103- $104^{\circ}$, not depressed by an authentic sample, ${ }^{3}$ was isolated from the alkaline motherliquors. In an experiment which was similar except that less water was used, the product was largely the acid, with only a small amount of ketone.
(b) The same compound was obtained ( $76 \%$ ) by condensation of potassium $p$-nitrophenoxide with 5-benzoylpentyl bromide.

5-p-Nitrophenoxy-1-phenylpentan-1-one was similarly obtained from benzoylacetic ester and $3-p$-nitrophenoxypropyl bromide in $26 \%$ overall yield. 5 - $p$-Nitrophenoxypentanoic acid ( $13 \%$ ) was also formed. The ketone has been previously made from benzoylbutyl bromide. ${ }^{1}$

6-p-Nitrophenoxy-1-phenylhexan-1-ol was prepared ( $94 \%$ ) by reduction (Meerwein-Ponndorf method ${ }^{1}$ ) of the corresponding nitro-ketone. After crystallisation from light petroleum (b. p. $100-120^{\circ}$ ) it had m. p. $72-74^{\circ}$ (Found: C, 68.7; H, 6.75. $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{NO}_{4}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 68.5$; H, $6 \cdot 7 \%$ ).

S-5-(2-Methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)pentylthionvea.—A mixture of 5-(2-methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)pentyl bromide ( 63.6 g .), thiourea ( 15.2 g .), and ethanol ( 150 ml .) was refluxed for 20 hr ., cooled, and diluted with an equal volume of ether. The thiouronium bromide ( $93 \%$ ) had m. p. 158 $159^{\circ}$ (from ethanol) (Found: $\mathrm{Br}, 18.95 ; \mathrm{S}, 7.9 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{~S}, \mathrm{HBr}$ requires $\mathrm{Br}, 20 \cdot 3 ; \mathrm{S}, 8 \cdot 1 \%$ ).

5-(2-Methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)pentane-1-thiol.-A mixture of the foregoing thiouronium salt ( 95 g .) and $1 \cdot 86 \mathrm{~N}$-sodium hydroxide ( 129 ml .) was refluxed for 3 hr . (under nitrogen), cooled, and extracted with chloroform. The dried extract on evaporation afforded the thiol (79\%),
m. p. $77-80^{\circ}$. A distilled specimen, b. p. $216^{\circ} / 0 \cdot 2 \mathrm{~mm}$., was crystallised from ether and had m. p. $84-86^{\circ}$ (Found: N, $5 \cdot 2$; S, $11 \cdot 6 \%$; $M, 299 . \mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{NO}_{4} \mathrm{~S}$ requires $\mathrm{N}, 5 \cdot 2 ; \mathrm{S}, 11 \cdot 8 \%$; $M, 271)$. On several occasions, samples suddenly decomposed during distillation.

1-(2-Methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)-5-methylthiopentane.-A mixture of the foregoing thiol ( $6 \cdot 15 \mathrm{~g}$.) and a solution from sodium ( 0.52 g .) in ethanol ( 30 ml .) was refluxed whilst methyl iodide ( 3.55 g ., 1.1 mol .) in ethanol ( 10 ml .) was added during 15 min . After a further 4 hr . the mixture was evaporated and the residue was dissolved in chloroform. The washed and dried extract was distilled, giving the sulphide ( $55 \%$ ), b. p. $185-205^{\circ} / 0.15 \mathrm{~mm} ., \mathrm{m}$. p. $56-59^{\circ}$. A specimen recrystallised from ether had m. p. $59-61^{\circ}$ (Found: C, $55.05 ; \mathrm{H}, 6.85 ; \mathrm{S}, 11.4 . \mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{NO}_{4} \mathrm{~S}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 54 \cdot 7 ; \mathrm{H}, 6 \cdot 7 ; \mathrm{S}, 11 \cdot 2 \%$ ).

1-2'-Hydroxyethylthio-5-(2-methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)pentane.-2-Mercaptoethanol (15.6g.) and 5 -(2-methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy) pentyl bromide ( 60.4 g .) were added successively to a solution from sodium ( 4.6 g .) in ethanol ( 150 ml .), and the mixture was refluxed for 1 hr ., cooled, and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated and diluted with ether. The crystalline product was washed with ether and water, and crystallised from methanol to give the sulphide ( $52 \%$ ), m. p. $52-54^{\circ}$ (Found: N, 4.5; S, 9.95. $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{NO}_{5} \mathrm{~S}$ requires $\mathrm{N}, 4.4 ; \mathrm{S}, 10 \cdot 2 \%$ ).

Similarly prepared were 1-benzylthio-3-(2-methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)propane ( $80 \%$ ), m. p. $51-53{ }^{\circ}$ (from methanol-ethanol) (Found: $\mathrm{N}, 4 \cdot 2 ; \mathrm{S}, 9 \cdot 3 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{NO}_{4} \mathrm{~S}$ requires $\mathrm{N}, 4 \cdot 2$; $\mathrm{S}, \mathbf{9 . 6 \%}$ ), 1-(2-methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)-5-phenylthiopentane ( $83 \%$ ), m. p. $54-55^{\circ}$ (from etherlight petroleum) (Found: C, $62 \cdot 6 ; \mathrm{H}, 6 \cdot 4 ; \mathrm{S}, 9 \cdot 35 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{NO}_{4} \mathrm{~S}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 62 \cdot 2 ; \mathrm{H}, 6 \cdot 1$; $\mathrm{S}, 9 \cdot 2 \%$ ), and 1-p-chlorophenylthio-5-(2-methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)pentane ( $76 \%$ ), m. p. $67-69^{\circ}$ (from ethanol-ether) (Found: N, 3.7; S, 8.0. $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{ClNO}_{4} \mathrm{~S}$ requires $\mathrm{N}, 3 \cdot 7 ; \mathrm{S}, 8.4 \%$ ).

Similarly prepared, but by using 5 - $p$-nitrophenoxypentyl bromide, were 1-p-nitrophenoxy-5phenylthiopentane ( $90 \%$ ), m. p. $67^{\circ}$ (from ethanol) (Found: $\mathrm{N}, 4 \cdot 3 ; \mathrm{S}, 10 \cdot 5 . \mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{NO}_{3} \mathrm{~S}$ requires $\mathrm{N}, 4.4 ; \mathrm{S}, 10 \cdot 1 \%$ ), 1-p-nitrophenoxy-5-p-nitrophenylthiopentane ( $88 \%$ ), m. p. $83-84^{\circ}$ (from acetic acid) (Found: $\mathrm{N}, 7 \cdot 7 ; \mathrm{S}, 8.8 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{5} \mathrm{~S}$ requires $\mathrm{N}, 7 \cdot 7 ; \mathrm{S}, 8.8 \%$ ), and 5-benzylthio-1-p-nitrophenoxypentane ( $77 \%$ ), m. p. $33-34^{\circ}$ (from ethanol) (Found: $\mathrm{N}, 4.05$; $\mathrm{S}, 9 \cdot 7 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{NO}_{3} \mathrm{~S}$ requires $\mathrm{N}, 4 \cdot 2 ; \mathrm{S}, 9 \cdot 7 \%$ ).

1-(2-Methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)-3-phenylthiopropane.-Thiophenol (11.0 g.) was added to a solution from sodium ( $2 \cdot 3 \mathrm{~g}$.) in dry ethanol ( 100 ml .), followed by 1,3 -dibromopropane ( $40 \cdot 4 \mathrm{ml}$.). After being refluxed for 0.5 hr . the mixture was concentrated and the residue dissolved in ether; the solution was washed with water, dried, and concentrated. Excess of 1,3-dibromopropane was removed by steam-distillation and the residual 3 -phenylthiopropyl bromide was condensed with potassium 2 -methoxy-4-nitrophenoxide to give the nitro-compound ( $54 \%$ ), $\mathrm{m} . \mathrm{p} .87-89^{\circ}$ (from ethanol) (Found: $\mathrm{N}, 4 \cdot 5 ; \mathrm{S}, 10 \cdot 15 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{NO}_{4} \mathrm{~S}$ requires $\mathrm{N}, 4 \cdot 4 ; \mathrm{S}, 10 \cdot 0 \%$ ).

1-(2-Methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)-5-phenylsulphonylpentane.-1-(2-Methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)-5phenylthiopentane ( 27 g .) in acetic acid ( 200 ml .) was treated with $30 \% \mathrm{w} / \mathrm{v}$ hydrogen peroxide ( 20 ml .) ; the temperature rose to $50^{\circ}$. After 2.5 hr . the solution was heated at $90^{\circ}$ for 1 hr ., cooled, and poured into water. The product slowly solidified and recrystallised from ethanol, to give the sulphone ( $88 \%$ ), m. p. $122-124^{\circ}$ (Found: $\mathrm{C}, 57 \cdot 6 ; \mathrm{H}, 5 \cdot 9 ; \mathrm{S}, 8 \cdot 2 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{NO}_{6} \mathrm{~S}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 57 \cdot 0 ; \mathrm{H}, 5 \cdot 6 ; \mathrm{S}, 8.4 \%$ ).

Similarly prepared were: 1-(2-methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)-5-methylsulphonylpentane ( $66 \%$ ), $\mathrm{m} . \mathrm{p} .95-97 \%$ (from ethanol) (Found: $\mathrm{N}, 4.5 ; \mathrm{S}, 9 \cdot 7 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{NO}_{6} \mathrm{~S}$ requires $\mathrm{N}, 4 \cdot 4 ; \mathrm{S}, 10 \cdot 1 \%$ ); 1-p-nitrophenoxy-5-phenylsulphonylpentane ( $97 \%$ ), m. p. $85-86^{\circ}$ (from ethanol) (Found: C, 58.1; $\mathrm{H}, 5.8 ; \mathrm{N}, 3.9 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{NO}_{5} \mathrm{~S}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 58.5 ; \mathrm{H}, 5.45 ; \mathrm{N}, 4.0 \%$ ); 1-p-nitrophenoxy-5-pnitrophenylsulphonylpentane ( $94 \%$ ), m. p. 129-130 (from acetic acid) (Found: N, 7•1; S, 8.1. $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{NO}_{5} \mathrm{~S}$ requires $\mathrm{N}, 7 \cdot 1 ; \mathrm{S}, 8 \cdot 1 \%$ ); and 1-benzylsulphonyl-5-p-nitrophenoxypentane ( $88 \%$ ), m. p. $120-121^{\circ}$ (from acetic acid) (Found: C, $59 \cdot 25 ; \mathrm{H}, 6 \cdot 1 ; \mathrm{N}, 3 \cdot 8 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{NO}_{5} \mathrm{~S}$ requires C, $59 \cdot 5 ; \mathrm{H}, 5 \cdot 8 ; \mathrm{N}, 3.9 \%$ ).

1-p-Acetamidophenylsulphonyl-5-p-nitrophenoxypentane.-A mixture of 5-p-nitrophenoxypentyl bromide ( 28.8 g .), $p$-acetamidobenzenesulphinic acid ( 19.9 g .), sodium acetate ( 7.0 g .), sodium iodide ( 2.0 g .), 2 -ethoxyethanol ( 200 ml .), and water ( 5 ml .) was refluxed for 2.5 hr ., concentrated and diluted with water. Recrystallisation of the product from ethanol afforded the sulphone ( $55 \%$ ), m. p. $112-113^{\circ}$ (Found: C, $56.4 ; \mathrm{H}, 5.5 ; \mathrm{N}, 6.6 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{6} \mathrm{~S}$ requires C, 56.2 ; H, 5.4 ; N, $6.9 \%$ ).

5-p-Nitrophenoxypentyl Phenyl Sulphoxide.- $30 \%$ Hydrogen peroxide ( 14.6 ml .) was added to a solution of $1-p$-nitrophenoxy-5-phenylthiopentane ( 40 g .) in acetic acid ( 400 ml .) at $40^{\circ}$. The solution was heated at $80^{\circ}$ for 30 min ., cooled, diluted with water, and filtered. The
product was recrystallised from ethanol, giving the sulphoxide ( $98 \%$ ), m. p. $80-81^{\circ}$ (Found: $\mathrm{C}, 60 \cdot 6 ; \mathrm{H}, 5 \cdot 7 ; \mathrm{N}, 4 \cdot 2 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{NO}_{4} \mathrm{~S}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 61 \cdot 3 ; \mathrm{H}, 5 \cdot 7 ; \mathrm{N}, 4 \cdot 2 \%$ ). Similarly prepared was benzyl 5 -p-nitrophenoxypentyl sulphoxide ( $92 \%$ ), m. p. $97-98^{\circ}$ (from aqueous ethanol) (Found: C, $62.0 ; \mathrm{H}, 6.15 ; \mathrm{N}, 4.05 . \mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{NO}_{4} \mathrm{~S}$ requires C, $62.2 ; \mathrm{H}, 6.05 ; \mathrm{N}, 4.0 \%$ ).

2-Methoxy-4-nitrophenyl Tetra-O-acetyl-D-glucoside.-A mixture of potassium 2-methoxy-4nitrophenoxide ( $14 \cdot 1 \mathrm{~g}$., dried azeotropically with benzene), acetobromoglucose ( 28 g .), and dimethylformamide ( 100 ml .) was stirred for 20 hr ., then filtered, and the solid was washed with benzene ( 200 ml .). The combined solutions were evaporated under reduced pressure, and the residue, in benzene, was stirred with activated alumina ( $7 \times 20$ g.) to remove free phenol. The filtered solution was evaporated and the residue crystallised from ether, to give the glucoside ( $49 \%$ ), m. p. $145-147^{\circ}$ (Found: C, $50.7 ;$ H, $5 \cdot 2 ; \mathrm{N}, 2.9 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{21} \mathrm{H}_{25} \mathrm{NO}_{13}$ requires C, 50.5 ; H, 5.05 ; $\mathrm{N}, 2.8 \%$ ). The same compound was obtained in traces on using the free phenol, silver carbonate, quinoline, and acetobromoglucose in ether.

2-Methoxy-4-nitrophenyl D-Glucoside.-The foregoing tetra-acetate ( $\mathbf{3 3 \cdot 2} \mathrm{g}$.) in methanol ( 340 ml .) was treated with a solution of sodium hydroxide ( 11.2 g .) in a small amount of water and methanol ( 170 ml .) and kept for 30 min . The product, which separated, was filtered off and crystallised from methanol; it then had m. p. 212-213 ${ }^{\circ}$ (Found: C, 47.3; H, 4.9; N, 4.4. $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{NO}_{9}$ requires C, $47 \cdot 1 ; \mathrm{H}, 5 \cdot 2 ; \mathrm{N}, 4 \cdot 2 \%$ ).

4-Acetamido-2-methoxyphenol.-2-Methoxy-4-nitrophenol ( 31 g .) was reduced over platinum oxide in ethanol ( 300 ml .). The resulting suspension (still containing catalyst) was evaporated under reduced pressure and the residue was refluxed for 30 min . with acetic anhydride ( 50 ml .), cooled, and filtered. The solid was washed with ether and crystallised from ethanol, giving the diacetyl derivative ( $50 \%$ ), m. p. $150-152^{\circ}$ (lit., ${ }^{27} 147^{\circ}$ ).

4-Acetamido-2-methoxyphenyl acetate ( 54 g .) was shaken with 2 N -aqueous sodium hydroxide ( 242 ml .) containing wetting agent (" Lissapol," 1 drop) until dissolved ( 10 min .). The solution was filtered (charcoal), cooled in ice, and acidified with concentrated hydrochloric acid ( 53 ml .). The precipitated 4 -acetamido-2-methoxyphenol $\left(98 \%\right.$, m. p. $\left.114-116^{\circ}\right)$, after recrystallisation from ethyl acetate, had m. p. 115-117 ${ }^{\circ}$ (lit., ${ }^{8}$ m. p. $118^{\circ}$ ).

1-(4-Acetamido-2-methoxyphenoxy)-5-p-nitrophenylpentane.-4-Acetamido-2-methoxyphenol $\left(15.35 \mathrm{~g}\right.$.) and 5 - $p$-nitrophenylpentyl bromide ${ }^{2}(23 \cdot 1 \mathrm{~g}$. of the crude product from the nitration of 5 -phenylpentyl bromide) were added to a solution from sodium ( 1.95 g .) in ethanol ( 100 ml .), and the mixture was stirred and refluxed for 20 hr ., then evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was shaken with chloroform and water, and the chloroform solution was separated, dried, concentrated, and treated with ethyl acetate. The product, which separated, was recrystallised from methanol (yield $21 \%$ ), and then had m. p. 115.5-116 (Found: C, 64.65; $\mathrm{H}, 6.7 ; \mathrm{N}, 7.3$. $\mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ requires $\left.\mathrm{C}, 64 \cdot 5 ; \mathrm{H}, 6 \cdot 5 ; \mathrm{N}, 7 \cdot 2 \%\right)$.

1-(2-Hydroxy-4-nitrophenoxy)-5-phthalimidopentane.-4-Nitrocatechol (18.2 g.) and 5-phthalimidopentyl bromide ( 34.7 g .) were added to 2 -ethoxyethanol ( 100 ml .) and a solution of potassium hydroxide ( 6.6 g .) in water ( 20 ml .). The mixture was refluxed for 20 hr ., cooled, and diluted with water. Recrystallisation of the product from acetic acid gave the phthalimide ( $41 \%$ ), m. p. $137-139^{\circ}$ (Found: N, 7.7. $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{6}$ requires $\mathrm{N}, 7 \cdot 6 \%$ ).

1-(2-Methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)-5-phthalimidopentane.-A mixture of the foregoing hydroxycompound ( 0.77 g .), anhydrous potassium carbonate ( 0.3 g .), methyl iodide ( 4 ml .), and acetone ( 30 ml .) was refluxed for 20 hr ., then evaporated. The residue was treated with aqueous ethanol and the insoluble solid was crystallised from acetic acid. It had m. p. 147.5-148.5 , not depressed by a specimen prepared directly from 2 -methoxy-4-nitrophenol (see Table 1).

1-(2-Methoxy-5-nitrophenoxy)-5-phenylpentane, m. p. 73-75 (from ethanol) (Found: C, 68.9; $\mathrm{H}, 6.9$; $\mathrm{N}, 4.4$. $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{NO}_{4}$ requires C, $68.5 ; \mathrm{H}, 6.7$; $\mathrm{N}, 4.4 \%$ ), was prepared ( $81 \%$ ) from 2 -methoxy-5-nitrophenol, ${ }^{28} 5$-phenylpentyl bromide, and 10 N -aqueous potassium hydroxide in 2 -ethoxyethanol.

1,2,3-Trimethoxy-5-nitrobenzene.-Nitric acid (d $1 \cdot 42 ; 20 \mathrm{ml}$.) was added fairly slowly to $1,2,3$-trimethoxybenzene ( 30 g .) in acetic acid ( 60 ml .). When the temperature reached 90 $100^{\circ}$, ice-water was added. The product was washed well with water, and (by stirring) with hot dilute sodium hydroxide. It was re-washed with water, and crystallised from ethanol; it then had m. p. $100-102^{\circ}$ (lit., ${ }^{11}$ m. p. $100^{\circ}$ ). The yield ( $39-41 \%$ ) was reduced when more dilute nitric acid was employed.

[^7]TABLE 1. Nitroguaiacyl ethers, $\mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{~N}, \mathrm{O} \cdot\left[\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right]_{n} \cdot \mathrm{R}$




| 5 | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{4} \cdot \mathrm{OMe}-\mathrm{p}$ | $57^{7}$ | 81-8를 | EtOH | $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ | 66.2 | 6.9 | $4 \cdot 1$ | $66 \cdot 1$ | $6 \cdot 7$ | $4 \cdot 1$ |
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| 5 | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{4} \cdot \mathrm{NO}_{2}-p$ | 45 | 84 and 93-94 | $\mathrm{COMe}_{2}-\mathrm{EtOH}$ | $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{6}$ | $60 \cdot 1$ | 5-8 | $7 \cdot 95$ | $60 \cdot 0$ | $5 \cdot 6$ | 7.8 |
| 5 | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{3}\left(\mathrm{NO}_{2}\right)_{2}-2,4$ | 58 | 86-87 | EtOAc | $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{~N}_{3}^{2} \mathrm{O}_{8}$ | $53 \cdot 1$ | $4 \cdot 6$ | $10 \cdot 4$ | $53 \cdot 3$ | $4 \cdot 7$ | $10 \cdot 4$ |
| , | - $\mathrm{CH}: \mathrm{CHPh}$-trans | 74 | 95-97 | EtOH | $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{NO}_{4}{ }^{\text {a }}$ | $69 \cdot 0$ | $5 \cdot 9$ | $4 \cdot 5$ | $69 \cdot 0$ | $6 \cdot 1$ | $4 \cdot 5$ |
| 3 | $\cdot \mathrm{CH}: \mathrm{CH} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{Me}$-p-trans | 57 | 103-103.5 | EtOAc-Pet ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{NO}_{4}$ | $70 \cdot 0$ | $6 \cdot 5$ | $4 \cdot 3$ | 69.7 | 6.5 | $4 \cdot 3$ |
| 3 | $\cdot \mathrm{CH} \cdot \mathrm{CH} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{4}^{4} \cdot \mathrm{OMc}$-p-trans | $60^{t}$ | $1-1-121.5$ | EtOH-EtOAc | $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ | 66.9 | $6 \cdot 3$ | $4 \cdot 2$ | 66.5 | $6 \cdot 1$ | $4 \cdot 1$ |
| 1 | $p-\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{4} \cdot \mathrm{SO}_{2} \mathrm{Mc}$ | 87 | 195-197 | EtOH | $\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{NO}_{6} \mathrm{~S}{ }^{\prime \prime}$ |  |  | $4 \cdot 2$ |  |  | $4 \cdot 15$ |
| 1 | 1-Naphthyi | 62 | 110-111 | EtOH-COMe ${ }_{\text {, }}$ | $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{NO}_{4}$ | 69.7 | $5 \cdot 15$ | 4.7 | 69.9 | $4 \cdot 9$ | $4 \cdot 5$ |
| 1 | OMc | $8{ }^{2} \mathrm{v}$ | 89-92 | EtOH-Pet ${ }^{*}$ | $\mathrm{C}_{9} \mathrm{H}_{11} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ | $50 \cdot 6$ | 5.3.9 | 6.5 | 50\% | $5 \cdot 2$ | 6.6 |
| 5 | OMe | 66 | - |  | $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ |  |  | $5 \cdot 3$ |  |  | $5 \cdot 2$ |
| $\cdots$ | $\mathrm{O} \cdot \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Ph}$ | $80^{3}$ | 75-75 | EtOH | $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ | $63 \cdot 3$ | $5 \cdot 8$ | $4 \cdot 7$ | $63 \cdot 4$ | $5 \cdot 6$ | $4 \cdot 6$ |
| 5 | $\mathrm{O} \cdot \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Ph}$ | $71{ }^{2}$ | $90-91$ | EtOH | $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ | $66 \cdot 2$ | $7 \cdot 0$ | $4 \cdot 15$ | 66.0 | 6.7 | 4.05 |
| $\stackrel{\square}{2}$ | 0 Ph | 90 | 116-117 | EtOH | $\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ | 62.4 .5 | $5 \cdot 3$ | 4.8 | $62 \cdot 3$ | 5-2 | $4 \cdot 8$ |
| 3 | OPh | 73 | 100-102 | EtOH | $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ | $63 \cdot 8$ | $5 \cdot 5$ | 4.7 | $63 \cdot 4$ | $5 \cdot 6$ | $4 \cdot 6$ |
| 4 | OPh | 89 | 90-91-5 | EtOH | $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ | $64 \cdot 5$ | $6 \cdot 3$ | $4 \cdot 4$ | $64 \cdot 3$ | 6.0 | $4 \cdot 4$ |
| 5 | OPh | 80 | 67-68 | EtOH | $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{NO}_{3}$ | $65 \cdot 3$ | 6.3 | $4 \cdot \underline{2}$ | $65 \cdot 3$ | 6.4 | $4 \cdot 2$ |
| f | OPh | 84 | 81-8: | EtOH | $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ | $66 \cdot \frac{2}{7}$ | ${ }^{6} 7$ | $4 \cdot 0$ | $66 \cdot \frac{2}{2}$ | 6.7 | $4 \cdot 1$ |
| 7 | OPh | 70 | 56-57 | EtOH | $\mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{25} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ | 66.7 | $7 \cdot 1$ | $4 \cdot 1$ | 66.9 | $7 \cdot 0$ | $3 \cdot 9$ |
| 8 | OPh | 8 ? | 58-59 | EtOH | $\mathrm{C}_{21} \mathrm{H}_{27} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ | $67 \cdot 65$ | $7 \cdot 1$ | $3 \cdot 8$ | 67.6 | $7 \cdot 2$ | $3 \cdot 8$ |
| 3 | $\mathrm{O} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{4} \cdot \mathrm{OMe}-\mathrm{p}$ | 3 를 | 96-97 | EtOH | $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{NO}_{6}$ | 81.6 | $5 \cdot 6$ | $4 \cdot \underline{3}$ | 61.2 | $5 \cdot 8$ | $4 \cdot 2$ |
|  | $\bigcirc \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{4} \cdot \mathrm{OMc}-p$ | 85 | 106-107 | EtOH | $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{NO}_{6}$ | 62. 3 | $6 \cdot 1$ | $4 \cdot 1$ | $62 \cdot 6$ | $6 \cdot 1$ | $4 \cdot 0$ |
| 5 | $\mathrm{O} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{NHAC}^{-p}$ | 86 | 12\%-123 | EtOH | $\mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{6}{ }^{\text {as }}$ |  |  | 7.3 |  |  | $7 \cdot 2$ |
| 5 | $\mathrm{O} \cdot \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{4} \cdot \mathrm{NO}_{2}-p$ | 78 | 95-96 | AcOH | $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{7}$ |  |  | $7 \cdot 6$ |  |  | $7 \cdot 45$ |
| 5 | Phthalimido | 78 ab | 147.5-148.5 | AcOH | $\mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{6}$ |  |  | $7 \cdot 3$ |  |  | $7 \cdot 3$ |
|  | Phthalimido | 61 | 81-83 | EtOH | $\mathrm{C}_{21} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{8}$ | $63 \cdot 3$ | $5 \cdot 9$ | $7 \cdot 25$ | $63 \cdot 3$ | $5 \cdot 5$ | $7 \cdot 0$ |
| 8 | Phthalimido | 79 | $91-9$. | AcOH | $\mathrm{C}_{23} \mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{6}$ |  |  | 6.5 |  |  | $6 \cdot 6$ |
| 5 | $\mathrm{NH} \cdot \mathrm{COPh}$ | $64^{a c}$ | 131-132 | EtOAc | $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{~N}_{2}^{2} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ |  |  | 7.9 |  |  | $7 \cdot 8$ |
| - | $\mathrm{NH} \cdot \mathrm{CO} \cdot \mathrm{CH}_{2} \cdot \mathrm{NH} \cdot \mathrm{COPh}$ | $95{ }^{\text {ad }}$ | 129-130 | $\mathrm{COMe}_{2}$ | $\mathrm{C}_{21} \mathrm{H}_{25} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{6}$ |  |  | $10 \cdot 4$ |  |  | $10 \cdot 1$ |
| 5 | $\mathrm{NH} \cdot \mathrm{CO} \cdot\left[\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right]_{3} \cdot \mathrm{CO}_{2} \mathrm{H}$ | 99 ae | 94-97 | $\mathrm{COMM}_{2}$-Pct | $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{7}$ | $55 \cdot 5$ | 6.7 | $7 \cdot 6$ | 55.4 | 6.5 | $7 \cdot 6$ |
| , | Glutarimido | 83 af | 138-140 | EtOH | $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{6}$ | $58 \cdot 6$ | 6.2 | $8 \cdot 0$ | $58 \cdot 3$ | 6.3 | 8.0 |
| 1 | COPh | 84 | 129-123 | OEt $\cdot\left[\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right]_{2} \cdot \mathrm{OH}$ | $\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ | 62.4 | $4 \cdot 8$ | $4 \cdot 7$ | 62.7 | 4.5 | $4 \cdot 9$ |
| $t$ | COPh | 59 | 91 | $\mathrm{OEt} \cdot\left[\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right]_{2} \cdot \mathrm{OH}$ | $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ | 65.7 | $5 \cdot 8$ | $4 \cdot 2$ | 65.7 | $5 \cdot 8$ | $4 \cdot 3$ |
| ${ }^{6}$ | COPh | 81 | 89-84 | EtOH | $\mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ | 67.1 | 6.4 | $3 \cdot 9$ | 67.25 | 6.45 | $3 \cdot 9$ |
| $\pm$ | $\mathrm{CHPh} \cdot \mathrm{OH}$ | $94{ }^{\text {as }}$ | 76-75 | $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}-\mathrm{Pct}$ | $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ | $65 \cdot 2$ | ${ }^{6.6}$ | $4 \cdot 1$ | $65 \cdot 2$ | 6.4 | 4.2 |
| 6 | $\mathrm{CHPh}^{\circ} \mathrm{OH}$ | 89 ag | $62-63$ | $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$-Pet | $\mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{25} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ | 67.1 | $7 \cdot 0$ | 3.9 | 66.8 | $7 \cdot 0$ | $3 \cdot 9$ |





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| Found (\%) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C | H | N | S |
| 75.9 | 7.0 | $5 \cdot 25$ |  |
| $76 \cdot 9$ | $7 \cdot 3$ | $5 \cdot 0$ |  |
| $75 \cdot 8$ | $8 \cdot \underline{ }$ | $4 \cdot 95$ |  |
|  |  | 4.75 | 11.5 |
|  |  | $7 \cdot 3$ | $8 \cdot \overline{5}$ |
| 67.1 | $7 \cdot 1$ | $3 \cdot 5$ | 16.3 |
|  |  | $4 \cdot 5$ |  |
|  |  | $4 \cdot 5$ | 10.45 |
|  |  | $4 \cdot 4$ | $9 \cdot 9$ |
|  |  | 8.0 | 9.7 |
|  |  | 6.6 |  |
| 60․2 | $6 \cdot 4$ | $7 \cdot 4$ |  |
|  |  | $4 \cdot 1$ | $9 \cdot 9$ |

 Pet $=$ light petroleum. ${ }^{b}$ Nitro-ketone reduced withen . $80-109^{\circ}$.





 ketone or nitro-alcohol.


2,6-Dimethoxy-4-nitrophenel.-(a) The foregoing nitro-compound ( 60 g .) was stirred and refluxed for 2 days with potassium hydroxide ( 60 g .) in water ( 350 ml .), then cooled. The potassium salt ( $49.5 \mathrm{~g} ., 74 \%$ ) was filtered off, washed with chloroform and ethanol, and dried. The mother-liquors were concentrated and refluxed for a further 24 hr ., giving a second crop ( $6 \cdot 1 \mathrm{~g} ., 9 \%$ ). The sodium salt was similarly obtained.
(b) A mixture of 1,3 -dimethoxyacetone ( $7 \cdot 14 \mathrm{~g}$.), sodium nitromalondialdehyde ( 9.5 g .), and a solution of sodium hydroxide ( 0.9 g .) in water ( 90 ml .) was kept overnight at room temperature, then concentrated in vacuo, cooled, and filtered, giving the sodium salt ( 8.35 g ., $62 \%$ ) of the phenol. Acidification and recrystallisation from aqueous acetic acid gave 2,6-dimethoxy-4-nitrophenol, m. p. 136-137 (effervescence) (Found: N, 6.8; OMe, 30.7. $\mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ requires $\mathrm{N}, 7 \cdot 0$; $\mathrm{OMe}, 31 \cdot 2 \%$ ).

1-(2,6-Dimethoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)-5-phthalimidopentane.-A mixture of potassium 2,6-di-methoxy-4-nitrophenoxide ( 40 g .), 5 -phthalimidopentyl bromide ( 50 g .), and 2 -ethoxyethanol ( 100 ml .) was stirred under reflux at $100^{\circ}$ for 7 days. The product crystallised from ethanol, yielding the 5 -phthalimidopentyl ether ( $68 \%$ ), m. p. $105-106^{\circ}$ (Found: N, 6.75; OMe, 15.2. $\mathrm{C}_{21} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{7}$ requires $\mathrm{N}, 6.75$; $\mathrm{OMe}, 14.9 \%$ ). Similarly obtained ( $63 \%$ ) (refluxed for 48 hr .) was 1-(2,6-dimethoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)-5-phenylpentane, m. p. 36-37 ${ }^{\circ}$ (from light petroleum) (Found: C, 66.6; H, 6.9; N, 4.4. $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{NO}_{5}$ requires C, $66.1 ; \mathrm{H}, 6.7 ; \mathrm{N}, 4.1 \%$ ).

The nitro-compounds listed in Table 1 were prepared (except where stated) by condensation of potassium 2 -methoxy-4-nitrophenoxide with the appropriate alkyl or substituted alkyl bromide, usually in boiling ethanol or 2-ethoxyethanol.

## Amines.

Di-[5-(4-amino-2-methoxyphenoxy)pentyl] Sulphide.—A mixture of 5-(2-methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy) pentyl bromide ( 24 g .), sodium sulphide nonahydrate ( 48 g .), ethanol ( 200 ml .), and water ( 100 ml .) was stirred and refluxed for 24 hr . The ethanol was distilled off and the residue was shaken with ether. The solid ( $4 \cdot 55$ g., $27 \%$; m. p. $81-89^{\circ}$ ) which separated was dissolved in chloroform and shaken with 2 N -hydrochloric acid. The hydrochloride was reconverted into the base which, after recrystallisation from chloroform-ether, had m. p. 90-92 (Found: $\mathrm{N}, 6 \cdot 2 ; \mathrm{S}, 7 \cdot 1 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{36} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{~S}$ requires $\mathrm{N}, 6 \cdot 2 ; \mathrm{S}, 7 \cdot 1 \%$ ).

3,3'-Dimethoxy-4,4'-di-n-octyloxyazoxybenzene.-This compound, m. p. 86-89 (from 2ethoxyethanol) (Found: C, $70 \cdot 1 ; \mathrm{H}, \mathbf{9} \cdot 1 ; \mathrm{N}, 5 \cdot 2 \% ; M, 490 . \mathrm{C}_{30} \mathrm{H}_{46} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 70 \cdot 0$; $\mathrm{H}, \mathbf{8 . 9 5} ; \mathrm{N}, 5.45 \% ; M, 514)$, separated ( $5 \%$ yield) on one occasion when a batch of 1-(2-methoxy-4-nitrophenoxy)octane was reduced over Raney nickel in ethanol. The principal product, 3 -methoxy-4-octyloxyaniline, was isolated from the filtrate.

4-Amino-2-methoxyphenyl d -Glucoside.-The corresponding nitro-compound ( 15.6 g .) in ethanol ( 460 ml .) and water ( 180 ml .) was reduced over Raney nickel. Concentration of the filtered solution and recrystallisation of the solid from ethanol gave the amine ( $70 \%$ ), m. p. $202-203^{\circ},[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{19 \cdot 5}-61^{\circ}$ in $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ (Found: C, $51 \cdot 7 ; \mathrm{H}, 6.3 ; \mathrm{N}, 4.7 . \mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{NO}_{7}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 51.8$; H, $6.3 ; \mathrm{N}, 4.65 \%$ ).

3,5-Dimethoxy-4-5'-phthalimidopentylaniline was obtained ( $85 \%$ ) by catalytic reduction of the nitro-compound over Raney nickel in dimethylformamide. After crystallisation from ethanol, it had m. p. $97^{\circ}$ (Found: C, 65.7; H, 6.35; N, 7.45. $\mathrm{C}_{21} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ requires C, 65.6; H, 6.3; N, 7.3\%). 3,5-Dimethoxy-, m. p. 85-87 (from ether) (Found: C, 72.5; H, 8.0; $\mathrm{N}, 4.4 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{25} \mathrm{NO}_{3}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 72 \cdot 4 ; \mathrm{H}, 7 \cdot 9 ; \mathrm{N}, 4 \cdot 4 \%$ ), and 3 -methoxy-4-5'-phenylpentyloxyaniline ( $92 \%$ ), m. p. $59-60^{\circ}$ (from ether-light petroleum) (Found: C, 75.7; H, 8.3; N, 4.9. $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{NO}_{2}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, \mathbf{7 5 . 7 5} ; \mathrm{H}, \mathbf{8 . 1} ; \mathrm{N}, \mathbf{4 . 9} \%$ ) [methanesulphonate, m. p. 130-131 (from ethanol-ether) (Found: N, 3.55; S, 8.4. $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{NO}_{2}, \mathrm{CH}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{~S}$ requires $\mathrm{N}, \mathbf{3 . 7}$; $\mathrm{S}, 8.4 \%$ )], were obtained ( $90 \%$ ) by a similar reduction in ethanol.

The primary amines listed in Tables 2 and 3 were prepared (except where stated) by catalytic reduction of the corresponding nitro-compounds, usually over Raney nickel in ethanol or 2-ethoxyethanol, but occasionally in ethyl acetate or dimethylformamide.

N-Formyl-3-methoxy-4-5'-phenylpentyloxyaniline, prepared ( $89 \%$ ) from the primary amine by means of formamide and concentrated hydrochloric acid ${ }^{1}$ and recrystallised from methanol, had m. p. $86-88^{\circ}$ (Found: C, 72.9; H, 7.2; N, 4.4. $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{NO}_{3}$ requires C, 72.8; H, 7.4; $\mathrm{N}, 4.5 \%$ ). The 4 -octyloxy-derivative ( $81 \%$ ), m. p. $77-78^{\circ}$ (from methanol) (Found: C, 68.3 ; $\mathrm{H}, 9 \cdot 1 ; \mathrm{N}, 4 \cdot 95 . \mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{25} \mathrm{NO}_{3}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 68 \cdot 8 ; \mathrm{H}, 9 \cdot 0 ; \mathrm{N}, 5 \cdot 0 \%$ ), was similarly prepared.

N-Methyl Derivatives (Table 4).-The foregoing formamides were reduced with lithium aluminium hydride in ether-benzene.

NN-Dimethyl and NN-Diethyl Derivatives (Table 4).-The primary amines were converted into the quaternary iodides, which were pyrolysed under reduced pressure (see Part III ${ }^{1}$ ).

N -(2-Chloroethoxycarbonyl)-3-methoxy-4-5'-phenylpentyloxyaniline.-2-Chloroethyl chloroformate ( 8.7 g .) and sodium acetate trihydrate ( $11 \cdot 1 \mathrm{~g}$.) were added successively to a suspension of 3 -methoxy-4-5'-phenylpentyloxyaniline ( 20 g .) in water ( 115 ml .) and acetic acid ( 3 ml .). The mixture was periodically shaken during 1 hr ., then filtered, and the solid was washed with water and recrystallised from aqueous ethanol, giving the urethane ( $85 \%$ ), m. p. 76-78.5 (Found: $\mathrm{N}, 3 \cdot 6 ; \mathrm{Cl}, 8.95 . \mathrm{C}_{21} \mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{ClNO}_{4}$ requires $\mathrm{N}, \mathbf{3 . 6} ; \mathrm{Cl}, 9 \cdot 1 \%$ ). The other urethanes listed in Table 4 were similarly obtained.

N -(2-Hydroxyethyl)-3-methoxy-4-5'-phenylpentyloxyaniline.-The foregoing urethane ( 22.4 g. ) was added to a solution of sodium hydroxide ( 12 g .) in water ( 23 ml .), ethanol ( 4.9 ml .), and 2 -ethoxyethanol ( 49 ml .), and the mixture was refluxed for 10 min ., cooled, diluted with water, and filtered. The product was washed with water and recrystallised from aqueous ethanol, giving the amine ( $68 \%$ ), m. p. $72-73^{\circ}$ (Found: C, $73.05 ; \mathrm{H}, 8.35 ; \mathrm{N}, 4.3 . \mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{27} \mathrm{NO}_{3}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 73.0 ; \mathrm{H}, 8.2 ; \mathrm{N}, 4.3 \%$ ). The other $\mathrm{N}-2-h y d r o x y e t h y l$ derivatives (Table 4) were similarly prepared.

NN-Di-(2-hydroxyethyl)-3-methoxy-4-5'-phenylpentyloxyaniline.-A mixture of 3-methoxy-4-5'phenylpentyloxyaniline ( 14.27 g .), calcium carbonate ( 14.27 g .), ethylene chlorohydrin ( 14.27 ml .), and water ( 150 ml .) was stirred and refluxed for 18 hr ., cooled, and extracted with chloroform. The extract was evaporated and the residue treated with methanesulphonic acid in ethanolether. After recrystallisation from ethanol-ether, the methanesulphonate ( $46 \%$ ) of the tertiary amine had m. p. $93-94^{\circ}$ (Found: N, $2 \cdot 9 ; \mathrm{S}, 6.8 . \mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{31} \mathrm{NO}_{4}, \mathrm{CH}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{~S}$ requires $\mathrm{N}, 3 \cdot 0 ; \mathrm{S}, 6 \cdot 8 \%$ ). The other di-(2-hydroxyethyl) derivatives (Table 4) were similarly prepared.

NN-Di-(2-hydroxypropyl)-3-methoxy-4-5'-phthalimidopentyloxyaniline.-A mixture of 3-methoxy-4-5'-phthalimidopentyloxyaniline ( 20 g .), 1,2-epoxypropane ( 25 ml .), ethanol ( 170 ml .), and concentrated hydrochloric acid ( 1 ml .) was refluxed for 24 hr ., diluted with water, and filtered. Recrystallisation of the solid from methanol-ether gave the tertiary amine ( $28 \%$ ), m. p. 112-114 (Found: C, 66.5; H, 7.3; N, 6.3. $\mathrm{C}_{26} \mathrm{H}_{34} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{6}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 66.4 ; \mathrm{H}, 7.7$; N, $6.0 \%$ ).

N-D-Glucosyl-3-methoxy-4-5'-phthalimidopentyloxyaniline.-A mixture of 3-methoxy-4-5'phthalimidopentyloxyaniline ( 3.54 g .), D-glucose ( 1.8 g .), and ethanol ( 30 ml .) was refluxed for 1.5 hr . (a clear solution was formed after 1 hr .), then concentrated to 15 ml ., cooled, and filtered. The glucosylamine ( $53 \%$ ) had m. p. 121- $123^{\circ}$ (Found: C, $59.2 ; \mathrm{H}, 6.5$; N, 5.35 ; $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}, 1.8$. $\mathrm{C}_{26} \mathrm{H}_{32} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{9}, 0 \cdot 5 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ requires $\mathrm{C}, 59.4 ; \mathrm{H}, 6.3 ; \mathrm{H}, 5.3 ; \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}, 1.7 \%$ ). Similarly prepared ( $62 \%$ ) was the galactosylamine, m. p. $96-98^{\circ}$ (Found: C, $60 \cdot 1 ; \mathrm{H}, 6 \cdot 6 ; \mathrm{N}, 5 \cdot 7 . \quad \mathrm{C}_{26} \mathrm{H}_{32} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{9}$ requires C, $60.5 ; \mathrm{H}, 6.2$; N, $5.4 \%$ ).

4,6-Diamino-1,2-dihydro-1-(3-methoxy-4-octyloxyphenyl)-2,2-dimethyl-1,3,5-triazine.-A mixture of 3 -methoxy-4-octyloxyaniline ( 30 g .), dicyandiamide ( 10 g .), concentrated hydrochloric acid ( 10 ml .), and acetone ( 300 ml .) was refluxed for 4 hr ., cooled, and filtered, and the residue was washed with acetone. The triazine hydrochloride had m. p. 210-212 ${ }^{\circ}$ (Found: $\mathrm{N}, 17 \cdot 0$; $\mathrm{Cl}, \mathbf{8 . 5 5} . \quad \mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{33} \mathrm{~N}_{5} \mathrm{O}_{2}, \mathrm{HCl}$ requires $\mathrm{N}, \mathbf{1 7 . 0} ; \mathrm{Cl}, \mathbf{8 . 6} \%$ ).

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