Substituted Benzidines and Related Compounds as Reagents in Analytical Chemistry. Part XIV. 3-Bromo- and 3,3'-Dibromo-benzidine as Redox Indicators.

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Addendum: Statement by Dr. M. Kapel

In a paper (*J.*, 1958, 2336) under the above title, Belcher, Nutten, and Stephen describe, among other experiments, the synthesis for the first time of 2-chloroazobenzene, 2-bromoazobenzene, 3-chlorobenzidine, and 3-bromobenzidine; the synthesis of 3,3'-dichlorobenzidine by a method not previously used for this compound is also described. I wish to draw attention to the fact that the syntheses named above were recorded as my original work in my Ph.D. thesis (University of Birmingham, 1954).

Statement by the Authors

Dr. Kapel has claimed that the publication of the above paper constitutes an infringement of his copyright in his thesis. Although we admit that certain parts of the experimental section of the paper correspond very closely with passages in Dr. Kapel's thesis, we have assured him that there was no intentional copying and he has accepted that assurance.

It will be understood that when a number of different investigators have been engaged on a general project, it is sometimes difficult to determine the extent of the contribution of a particular investigator. We are now satisfied that Dr. Kapel was, in fact, responsible for developing these syntheses. We wish, of course, to express our regrets that his contribution was not acknowledged.

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