# 134. Stereochemistry of the Diels-Alder Reaction with Ethylenic Sulphoxides. Part VII. ${ }^{1}$ Proton Magnetic Resonance Spectra of Bicyclic Sulphides, Sulphoxides, and Sulphones. 

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Proton magnetic resonance spectra of thio-, sulphinyl-, and sulphonyl-norbornene- and -norbornane-carboxylic acids have been measured in $\mathrm{NaOD}-\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ solution; chemical shifts and coupling constants have been determined. The anisotropic effect of the double bond on protons 1-4, and of the phenyl ring on proton 4 has been evaluated.

Proton magnetic resonance spectroscopy has been applied successfully to configurational problems in bicyclic systems; ${ }^{2-4}$ for instance, we ${ }^{5}$ used it when assigning the configuration at the sulphur atom in norbornene and norbornane sulphoxides. Details are now reported for carboxy-sulphides, -sulphoxides, and -sulphones in these series. The compounds, all of known configuration, were prepared by Diels-Alder reaction, between cyclopentadiene and $\beta$-phenylsulphonyl- and $\beta$-phenylsulphinyl-acrylic acids, as previously described. ${ }^{5-7}$ Spectra have been recorded for 0.5 N -solutions of sodium deuteroxide in deuterium oxide.

[^0]Table 1.
Proton chemical shifts * in norbornene derivatives.

|  | $\gamma(1)$ | $\gamma(2-e n)$ | $\gamma(2-e x)$ | $\gamma(3-e n)$ | $\gamma(3-e x)$ | $\gamma(4)$ | $\gamma(5) \dagger$ | $\gamma(6) \dagger$ | $\gamma(7 \alpha)$ | $\gamma(7 \beta)$ | $\gamma(\mathrm{Ph})$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I | $-106 \cdot 8$ |  | $-121 \cdot 8$ |  | $-161.9$ | -80.0 | $-275.3$ | $-296 \cdot 8$ | 0 $(8.69)$ | ${ }_{0}^{0}$ | $-368 \cdot 4$ |
|  | (6.80) |  | (6.53) |  | (5.82) | (7-27) | (3.81) | (3-43) | (8.69) | (8.69) | (2.16) |
| II | $-104.6$ |  | $-110 \cdot 2$ |  | $-149.3$ | -84.0 | $-275 \cdot 8$ | $-295 \cdot 0$ |  |  | $-337.8$ |
|  | (6.84) |  | (6.74) |  | (6.04) | (7.20) | (3.80) | (3.46) | (8.69) | (8.69) | (2.70) |
| III | $-112.3$ |  | $-108.7$ |  | $-154.3$ | $-112.3$ | $-285.8$ | $-294.5$ | $-19 \cdot 2$ | $-19 \cdot 2$ | $-360 \cdot 0$ |
|  | (6.70) |  | (6.76) |  | (5.96) | (6.70) | (3.62) | (3-47) | (8.35) | (8.35) | (2.31) |
| IV | $-118.7$ |  | $-112.6$ |  | $-127 \cdot 8$ | $-44.4$ | $-273.0$ | $-283.6$ | 0 | 0 | $-359.6$ |
|  | (6.59) |  | (6.69) |  | (6.43) | (7.90) | (3.85) | (3.66) | (8.69) | (8.69) | (2-32) |
| V | $-111 \cdot 6$ |  | -79.1 | $-111 \cdot 6$ |  | $-106.3$ | $-271 \cdot 1$ | $-285 \cdot 4$ | $-17.2$ | $-32 \cdot 4$ | $-358.7$ |
|  | (6.71) |  | (7.29) | (6.71) |  | (6.81) | (3.88) | (3.63) | (8-39) | (8-12) | (2.33) |
| VI | $-105 \cdot 3$ |  | $-105.3$ | $-100 \cdot 0$ |  | $-105 \cdot 3$ | $-275 \cdot 2$ | $-279 \cdot 4$ | -9.1 | $-26.2$ | $-359.3$ |
|  | (6.82) |  | (6.82) | (6.92) |  | (6.82) | (3.81) | (3.74) | (8.53) | (8.23) | (2.32) |
| VII | $-108.8$ |  | $-108.8$ | $-123.5$ |  | $-108.8$ | $-276 \cdot 1$ | $-276 \cdot 1$ | $-10 \cdot 6$ | $-34.4$ | $-365 \cdot 5$ |
|  | (6.76) |  | (6.76) | (6.50) |  | (6.76) | (3.80) | (3.80) | (8.50) | (8.08) | (2.21) |
| VIII | $-108.5$ |  | $-121.5$ | -78.2 |  | -78.2 | $-274 \cdot 0$ | $-274 \cdot 0$ | $-9.5$ | $-24 \cdot 2$ | $-336 \cdot 1$ |
|  | (6.77) |  | (6-54) | (7-30) |  | (7-30) | (3.83) | (3.83) | (8.52) | (8-26) | (2.73) |
| IX | -92.7 | $-64 \cdot 9$ |  |  | $-156.8$ | $-99 \cdot 7$ | $-269 \cdot 2$ | $-289 \cdot 2$ | $-18.2$ | $-18.2$ | $-339.6$ |
|  | (7.05) | (7.54) |  |  | (5.91) | (6.92) | (3.92) | (3.56) | (8-37) | (8-37) | (2.67) |
| X | $-103.6$ | $-70 \cdot 4$ |  |  | $-168.0$ | $-103.6$ | $-274 \cdot 2$ | $-292.8$ | $-15 \cdot 7$ | $-15.7$ | $-367 \cdot 1$ |
|  | (6.85) | (7.44) |  |  | (5.71) | (6.85) | (3.83) | (3.50) | (8.41) | (8.41) | (2-18) |
| XI | $-96.7$ | -76.3 |  | $-124 \cdot 4$ |  | $-96.7$ | $-258.0$ | $-284.2$ | $-5.7$ | $-65.1$ | $-367 \cdot 7$ |
|  | (6.98) | (7-34) |  | (6.49) |  | (6.98) | (4-12) | (3.65) | (8.59) | (7-54) | (2-17) |
| XII | $-106.8$ |  |  |  |  | $-84 \cdot 2$ | $-279 \cdot 1$ | $-298.6$ | 0 | 0 | $-364 \cdot 2$ |
|  | (6.80) |  |  |  |  | (7.20) | (3.74) | (3.40) | (8.69) | (8.69) | (2.23) |
| XIII | $-104 \cdot 9$ | $-70 \cdot 4$ |  |  |  | $-100 \cdot 2$ | $-279.7$ | -297.1 | $-16.2$ | $-16.2$ | $-365 \cdot 2$ |
|  | (6.83) | (7-44) |  |  |  | (6.91) | (3.73) | (3.42) | (8.40) | (8.40) | (2.22) |
| XIV | $\begin{aligned} & -109 \cdot 8 \\ & (6 \cdot 74) \end{aligned}$ |  | $\underset{(6 \cdot 74)}{-109 \cdot 8}$ |  |  | $\begin{gathered} -105 \cdot 9 \\ (6.81) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} -\mathbf{2 7 6} 6 \\ (\mathbf{3} \cdot 79) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -276 \cdot 6 \\ & (3 \cdot 79) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} -10.6 \\ (8.50) \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & (35.0) \\ & (8.07) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} -364 \cdot 0 \\ (2 \cdot 24) \end{gathered}$ |

* Values in parentheses are in $\tau$ units. For ( Me$)_{3} \mathrm{C}-\mathrm{OH}, \tau=8.69$ (Green, McCleverty, Pratt, and Wilkinson, $J ., 1961,4854)$. Similarly in Table 2. $\dagger$ The position of H-5 and H-6 may be reversed.


(I)

(II)

(III)

(IV)

(V)

(VI)

(VII)

(VIII)

(IX)
(X) $\mathrm{SO}_{2} \cdot \mathrm{Ph}$
(XI)
between the peaks of the $7 \alpha$ - and $7 \beta$-proton depends on the substituents in positions 2 and 3 : it is smallest when the substituents are in the endo- and largest when they are in the exoposition.

The chemical shifts of protons 2,3 , and 4 are strongly affected by the type and position of the substituents. Therefore they can be used to study the configuration of the bicyclic compounds. In the spectrum of the cis-endo-sulphone (I) (Fig. 1) the multiplets of protons 2 and 3, at -121.8 and $-161.9 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$., respectively, are of AB type, with additional splitting due to protons 1 and 4. This assignment was confirmed by exchange of proton 3 with deuterium.


Fig. 1.
Fig. 2.
Proton magnetic resonance spectra of compounds designated.
Table 2.
Proton chemical shifts in norbornane derivatives.

The multiplet at $-161.9 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$. disappears, while that at $-121.8 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$. changes to a slightly broader line. The deuteration at position $\mathbf{3}$ is accompanied by the slower inversion endo $\rightarrow$ exo of the phenylsulphonyl group ( $k_{\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{D}} / k_{\text {inr. }}=15$ ), ${ }^{7}$ and thus the peaks corresponding to protons 2 and 3 in the trans-exo-sulphone (VII) can be identified. The peak at $-121.8 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$. disappears also with the 2,3 -dideuterated derivative ${ }^{7}$ (XII). The positions of the other peaks remain almost unchanged. The line of proton 4 in sulphone (I), at $-80.0 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$., is rather broad on account of coupling with protons 3,5 , and 7.

With the cis-endo-sulphide (II) the peaks of protons 2 and 3 are shifted to higher field ( -110.2 and -149.3 c ./sec., respectively), compared with the corresponding compound (I), while that for proton 4 lies at $-84.0 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$. The distance between the peaks of protons 2 and 3 changes from $\sim 40 \mathrm{c}$./sec. for compounds (I) and (II) to $\mathbf{4 5 . 6}$ and 15.2 c ./sec. for compounds (III) and (IV), respectively. For the sulphoxide (III) the 4 -proton signal lies at -112.3 c ./sec., together with that of proton 1, while for the sulphoxide (IV) it is shifted to much higher magnetic field ( $-41.4 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$.). This difference is caused by the ring current of the phenyl group in compound (IV). In fact, the most probable conformation of sulphoxide [anti, (IV)] is one where the 4 -proton lies above the phenyl ring, as previously ${ }^{5}$ discussed. In the saturated sulphoxide [anti, (XVII)] the same situation occurs. The exact position of the peak cannot be determined, for it is masked by those of protons 5-7. Intensity measurements confirm, however, the presence of the 4 -proton line in the multiplet, and its chemical shift was estimated to be about $-20 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$. The peak due to the 4 -proton in the $s y n$-isomer (XVI) lies at $-84.7 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$. Therefore, the saturated sulphoxides [syn, (XVI); anti, (XVII)] show the same relative spectral behaviour as the unsaturated sulphoxides (III) and (IV).

## Discussion

Karplus ${ }^{8}$ has correlated the magnitude of coupling constants between protons on adjacent carbon atoms with the dihedral angles between the carbon-hydrogen bonds. For all the cis-endo-compounds described here the values of the coupling constants $J(1,2)$, $J(3,4), J(4,5)$, and $J(1,6)$ lie between $2 \cdot 3$ and $3 \cdot 4 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$. For the trans-compounds, $J(4,5)$ and $J(1,6)$ still lie in the interval $2 \cdot 1-3 \cdot 6 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$., but $J(1,2-e n)$ and $J(3-e n, 4)$ are lower than $1 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$. (Table 3). $J$ values between 2.1 and $3.6 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$. correspond ${ }^{8}$ to dihedral angles of $50-60^{\circ}$, and those lower than $1 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$. to dihedral angles of $\sim 90^{\circ}$. This is in qualitative agreement with the dihedral angles obtained from molecular models on the basis of the endo,exo-configurations previously assigned. ${ }^{1,5,6}$

Table 3.
Proton coupling constants in norbornene derivatives.

|  | $J(1,2)$ | $J(1,6)$ | $J(2,3)$ | $J(3,4)$ | $J(4,5)$ | $J(5,6)$ | $J(7 \alpha, 7 \beta)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I | $2 \cdot 3$ | $2 \cdot 9$ | $10 \cdot 1$ | $2 \cdot 8$ | $2 \cdot 9$ | $5 \cdot 1$ |  |
| II | $2 \cdot 7$ | $2 \cdot 3$ | $9 \cdot 6$ | $3 \cdot 4$ | $2 \cdot 3$ | $4 \cdot 5$ | $\sim 9$ |
| III | $3 \cdot 4$ | $2 \cdot 8$ | $7 \cdot 8$ | $3 \cdot 4$ | $2 \cdot 8$ | $5 \cdot 6$ | $9 \cdot 4$ |
| IV | $2 \cdot 5$ | $2 \cdot 6$ | $6 \cdot 6$ | $2 \cdot 5$ | $2 \cdot 6$ | 6.5 |  |
| V | $2 \cdot 5$ | $2 \cdot 9$ | $3 \cdot 7$ |  | $2 \cdot 6$ | $6 \cdot 3$ | $8 \cdot 9$ |
| VI | $2 \cdot 1$ | $2 \cdot 1$ |  |  | $2 \cdot 1$ | $4 \cdot 6$ | $8 \cdot 9$ |
| VII |  |  | $4 \cdot 9$ | $<1$ |  |  | $9 \cdot 2$ |
| VIII | $2 \cdot 6$ |  | $3 \cdot 4$ | $<1$ |  |  | $8 \cdot 3$ |
| IX |  | $3 \cdot 2$ | $2 \cdot 8$ | $2 \cdot 8$ | $3 \cdot 6$ | $4 \cdot 3$ |  |
| X | $<1$ | 3•1 | $5 \cdot 0$ | $2 \cdot 6$ | 3•1 | $5 \cdot 6$ |  |
| XI | $<1$ | $3 \cdot 7$ | $9 \cdot 4$ | $<1$ | 3•1 | $5 \cdot 7$ | $8 \cdot 7$ |

For a series of 2 -endo-substituted hexachlorobicyclo[2,2,1]hept-5-enes Williamson ${ }^{9}$ found a linear correlation between $J(2-e x, 3-e x), J(2-e x, 3-e n)$, and $J(3-e x, 3-e n)$ and the electronegativity of the substituent (as defined by Cavanaugh and Dailey ${ }^{10}$ ). In our series a linear relation exists between $J(2$-ex,3-en) of trans-derivatives (VI)-(VIII) and the

[^1]electronegativities of $\mathrm{EtS}, \mathrm{Et} \cdot \mathrm{SO}$, and $\mathrm{Et} \cdot \mathrm{SO}_{2}$ groups ( $\mathbf{2 \cdot 6 4}, \mathbf{2} \cdot 67$, and $2 \cdot 81$, respectively ${ }^{11}$ ), employed instead of those of $\mathrm{PhS}, \mathrm{Ph} \cdot \mathrm{SO}$, and $\mathrm{Ph} \cdot \mathrm{SO}_{2}$ which are not available. An analogous correlation with $J(2-e x, 3-e x)$ does not occur with the cis-derivatives (I)-(IV), probably owing to direct interactions through space between $\mathrm{CO}_{2}{ }^{-}$at position 2 and cis-substituents at position 3, which were previously ${ }^{1}$ invoked to explain the acidity measurements.

We may suppose that the variation in chemical shift of protons 1-4 due to hydrogenation is mainly caused by anisotropy of the double bond. These variations are shown in Table 4 and agree with values $(0.54-0.61)$ derived from Fraser's results. ${ }^{2}$

## Table 4.

Variation of chemical shifts due to hydrogenation of the C:C bond.

| $\Delta($ p.p.m. $)=[\gamma(\mathrm{CH} \cdot \mathrm{CH})-\gamma(\mathrm{C}: \mathrm{C})] / 56.4$ (c./sec. $)$. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | H-1 | H-2ex | H-2en | H-3ex | H-3.n | H-4 |
| $(\mathrm{I}) \longrightarrow$ (XV) | +0.58 | $+0.31$ |  | $+0.65$ |  | $+0.50$ |
| (III) $\longrightarrow$ (XVI) | +0.59 | $+0.32$ |  | $+0.36$ |  | $+0.49$ |
| $(\mathrm{IV}) \longrightarrow$ (XVII) | +0.69 | $+0.16$ |  | +0.42 |  | $+0 \cdot 43$ |
| $(\mathrm{XI}) \longrightarrow$ (XVIII) | +0.62 |  | $-0 \cdot 17$ |  | $-0.12$ | $+0.62$ |

Hydrogenation of the double bond in the norbornene system shifts the lines due to protons 2 and 3 in endo- or exo-position to lower and higher magnetic field, respectively. ${ }^{2}$ Table 4 shows also that lines due to protons 1 and 4 are shifted to higher field by saturation of the double bond. However, while $\Delta$ (p.p.m.) of protons 2 and 3 varies appreciably with the nature of the substituent, the variations for the bridgehead protons $l$ and 4 are much smaller ( $0.58-0.69$ for $\mathrm{H}-1$ and $0.43-0.62$ for $\mathrm{H}-4$ ). The contribution made by the magnetic anisotropy of a C:C double bond to the chemical shift is given by the formula: ${ }^{12,13}$

$$
\delta=\frac{10^{24}}{3 N R^{3}}\left(1-3 \cos ^{2} \gamma\right) \Delta \chi
$$

where $\Delta_{\chi}$ is the difference between the components of magnetic susceptibility perpendicular to the plane and parallel to the axis of the double bond, $\gamma$ is the angle subtended at the normal to this plane by the line, of length $R$ (in $\AA$ ), joining the proton to the centre of the double bond. The nearly constant shift $\Delta$ (p.p.m.) for protons 1 and 2 can be used to derive $\Delta \chi$ : by assuming $R=2.8 \AA$ and $\gamma=85^{\circ}$ on the basis of molecular models, a value of about $23 \cdot 10^{-6} \mathrm{~cm} .^{3}$ mole ${ }^{-1}$ is obtained for $\Delta \%$. Now the formula can be applied to compute $\delta$ for the endo- and exo-protons 2 and 3 . This has been done by using the values $R_{e n}=2.7 \AA, R_{e x}=3.5 \AA, \gamma_{e n} \approx 80^{\circ}, \gamma_{e x} \approx 45^{\circ}$; the following results were obtained:

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\begin{aligned}
& \left.\mathrm{H}_{e n} \approx-0.32 \text { (exp. }-0.12 \text { to }-0.17\right) \\
& \left.\mathrm{H}_{e x} \approx 0.27 \text { (exp. } 0.16 \text { to } 0.65\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

Keeping in mind that (i) other contributions to the chemical shift exist beside magnetic anisotropy, (ii) the $\gamma$-values employed are rather subjective (that implies a large uncertainty of $\delta$ for $\gamma \approx 45^{\circ}$ ), we conclude that the agreement is reasonable.

All our compounds contain a phenyl group bonded to the bicyclic system through $\mathrm{S}, \mathrm{SO}$, or $\mathrm{SO}_{2}$. It has been found ${ }^{\mathbf{1 4}}$ that in 1,2 -diphenylcyclopentane the phenyl ring gives a narrow peak or a broad multiplet, depending on the degree of free rotation. In our bicyclic systems both types of absorption signal occur, but it is probable that, besides

[^2]steric factors, the nature of the bonding group ( $\mathrm{S}, \mathrm{SO}$, or $\mathrm{SO}_{2}$ ) and the interactions between $\mathrm{Ph}, \mathrm{C}: \mathrm{C}$, and $\mathrm{CO}_{2}{ }^{-}$will affect the form of the resonance signal. Therefore, it is not possible to draw conclusions about the rotational freedom of the phenyl ring.

It is evident that a diamagnetic effect by the $\pi$-electron cloud of the phenyl ring operates on the protons which lie above the plane of the ring. The large shift ( $-44 \cdot 4 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$.) to higher field of the 4 -proton line of the cis-anti-sulphoxide (IV) was previously ${ }^{5}$ related to this effect, while for the sulphoxides [cis-syn, (III); and trans, $(\mathrm{V})$ and (VI)] the 4 -proton peaks are at $-112 \cdot 3,-106 \cdot 3$, and $-105 \cdot 3 \mathrm{c}$./sec., respectively.

Thus, as previously postulated, ${ }^{5}$ the anti-isomer (IV) easily reaches a conformation in which proton 4 lies above the plane of the phenyl ring. An analogous conformation is much less probable for the syn-isomer (III) and the trans-isomers (V) and (VI). For the cis-sulphone (I) and cis-sulphide (II) the 4-proton peak falls at -80.0 and $-84.0 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$., respectively; these values reflect a situation in which the phenyl group, in respect of proton 4, occupies a preferred position intermediate between the two extreme possibilities in the corresponding sulphoxides (III) and (IV). ${ }^{5}$ In addition, it may be supposed that at least in some of the cis- and trans-sulphoxides and -sulphones deshielding of proton 4 by the sulphinyl and sulphonyl group takes place. The contribution of the ring-current to the shift of the 4 -proton line of the anti-sulphoxide (IV) can be calculated by using Pople's free-electron model, as modified by Waugh and Fessenden: ${ }^{15}$

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\delta=\frac{n c^{2}}{24 \pi m c^{2} a} B_{0}(\rho, z)
$$

In their formula the chemical shift $\delta$ is proportional to $B_{0}(\rho, z)$, which has been tabulated ${ }^{15}$ as a function of the cylindrical co-ordinates $\rho$ and $z$. For the smallest distance of proton 4 from the centre of the ring, two limiting conformations are considered: (i) maximum paramagnetic contribution of the phenyl ring (proton in the plane of the ring); (ii) maximum diamagnetic contribution of the ring (phenyl group rotated $90^{\circ}$ from the former conformation). By assuming $\rho$ and $z$ to be 3.0 and 0 in case (i), and 1.0 and 1.7 in case (ii), $\delta$ is found to be -0.4 p.p.m. for case (i) and +1.6 p.p.m. for case (ii). This means that, even with completely free rotation of the phenyl group around the Ar-S bond, the diamagnetic is larger than the paramagnetic contribution. If we take as reference compounds the trans-sulphoxides (V) and (VI), where the ring effect on proton 4 may be assumed to be negligible, the experimental value of $\delta$ is $+1 \cdot 10$ p.p.m., in reasonable agreement with the computed values.

Further, the magnetic anisotropy of carboxyl, ${ }^{16}$ sulphinyl, ${ }^{13}$ and sulphonyl groups can affect the protons of the bicyclic system. This is shown by the chemical shifts of proton 7 (Tables 1 and 2), one of which (probably $7 \beta-\mathrm{H}$ ) is generally shifted to low field more than the other. The largest effect on $7 \beta-\mathrm{H}$ is caused by exo- $\mathrm{Ph}^{2} \cdot \mathrm{SO}_{2}$ in compounds (VII) and (XIV), but it increases also when both $\mathrm{Ph} \cdot \mathrm{SO}_{2}$ and $\mathrm{CO}_{2}{ }^{-}$are exo [compounds (XI) and (XVIII)]. When only the carboxyl group is exo [compounds (IX), (X), and (XIII)] both 7 -protons are equally affected.

The chemical shifts of the 7 -protons may give information about the syn,anti-configurations at the sulphur atom in the trans-sulphoxides (V) and (VI). For the sulphoxide of m . p. 193-194 7 -protons peaks are found at -17.2 and $-32.4 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$. (average $-24 \cdot 8 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$.), and for the sulphoxide of m. p. $204-205^{\circ}$ at $-9 \cdot 1$ and $-26 \cdot 2 \mathrm{c}$. $/ \mathrm{sec}$. (average $-\mathbf{1 7} \cdot \mathbf{c}$ c./sec.). Models show that the sulphinyl-oxygen atom in the syn-isomer lies closer to the methylene bridge than in the anti-isomer. On this basis, a syn-configuration $[(V)]$ can be assigned to the former isomer and an anti-configuration to the latter, in agreement with those derived from acidity constants. ${ }^{1}$

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## Experimental

Syntheses of the bicyclic compounds have been reported elsewhere. ${ }^{\mathbf{s}, 6 b, 7}$
Proton Magnetic Resonance Spectra.-The spectra were recorded with a Varian DP-60 spectrometer, operating at $56.4 \mathrm{Mc} . / \mathrm{sec}$. Calibration was by the side-band technique, with $\mathbf{1 \%}$ t-butyl alcohol as internal standard. Chemical shifts ( $\pm 1 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$.) and coupling constants ( $\pm 0.3 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$.) are the average of five measurements.

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[^0]:    Results
    The spectra of norbornene derivatives are usually easier to analyse than those of norbornane derivatives, because in the proton magnetic resonance spectra of the latter the signals of the 5 - and 6-protons overlap with others at higher field. The chemical shifts are collected in Tables 1 and 2.

    The multiplet of the phenyl group, present for all the derivatives, lies at lowest magnetic field ( -335 to $-370 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$.); its fine structure and position vary with the configuration of the substituent (endo or exo) and with the type of group ( $\mathrm{S}, \mathrm{SO}$, or $\mathrm{SO}_{2}$ ) bonded to phenyl. For example, for the cis-endo-compounds (I)-(IV), a shift of 22 c ./sec. to lower field is observed on passing from sulphide (I) to sulphoxides (III) and (IV), and one of $31 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$. on passing from the same sulphide (I) to the sulphone (II).

    The spectra of the unsaturated derivatives show two asymmetrical multiplets at $\mathbf{- 2 6 0}$ to $-300 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$., which disappear on hydrogenation, and these are assigned to the ethylenic 5 - and 6 -protons. The multiplets can be considered as an AB group, with additional fine structure arising from spin-spin interactions with $\mathrm{H}-1$ and $\mathrm{H}-4$. The separation between the two ethylenic protons varies with the nature and configuration of the 2 - and 3 -substituents.

    The sharp peak at about $-190 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$. belongs to protium oxide, present as an impurity in the deuterium oxide as well as formed in salt-formation by the carboxyl group.

    For the unsaturated derivatives the resonance line in the region -90 to $-120 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$., belonging to $\mathrm{H}-1$, could not be resolved, because of coupling with other protons (e.g., H-2, H-6, and H-7). However, the coupling constants $J(1,2)$ and $J(1,6)$ could be derived from multiplets of the 2 - and 6 -protons. This assignment is in agreement with the nearly constant chemical shift due to the presence of a carboxyl ion at position 2 in all the compounds. Small variations in position of this line depend whether this group is in the endo- or exo-position, and interaction of the latter with the 3 -substituent. For the saturated compounds the line due to the 1 -proton is shifted upfield by about $35 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$. (Table 2).

    The peaks corresponding to the methylenic 7-protons form a multiplet of AB type and are observed at highest magnetic field. Because of direct and long-range coupling with other protons the multiplet components are not sharp (half-width $\sim 10 \mathrm{c} . / \mathrm{sec}$.). The distance
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