

Cycloadditions of 1-aza-2-azoniaallene cations to isothiocyanates

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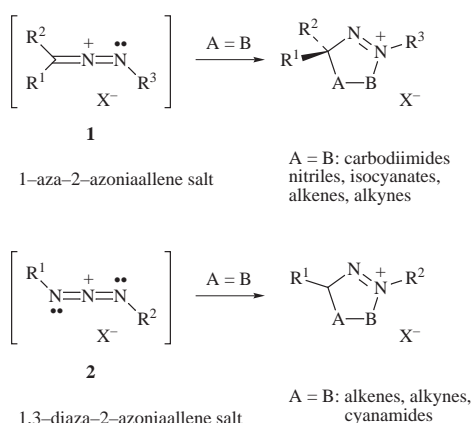
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Isothiocyanates react as S-nucleophiles with 1-aza-2-azoniaallene salts **1** to give different types of 1,3,4-thiadiazolium salts (**9**, **11**, **12**) and 1,2,4-triazolium salts (**10**). Which product is formed, depends on the one hand on the ability of a substituent of the heteroallene salt **1** to undergo a [1,2] shift as a positively charged migrant (generalized Wagner–Meerwein rearrangement) or to act as a cationic leaving group, and on the other hand on Dimroth rearrangement of the initially formed thiadiazolium salt **8** to triazolium salts. The structures of the thiadiazolium salt **9c** and the triazolium salt **10d** were confirmed by X-ray structural analyses.

Introduction

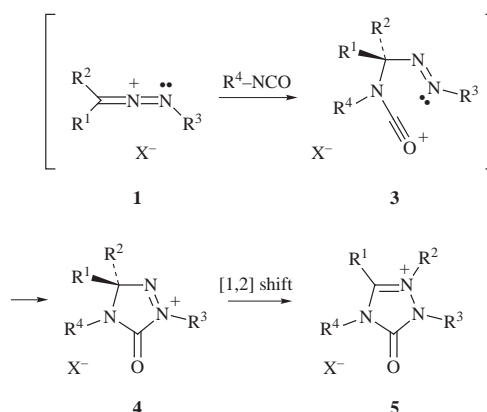
While 1,3-dipolar cycloadditions of neutral 1,3-dipoles are widely used in preparative organic chemistry,¹ reports on cycloadditions of cationic four-electron-three-center components to multiple bonds are scarce. Interesting inorganic examples of such “1,3-dipolar cycloadditions with reverse electron demand” have been reported for certain sulfur–nitrogen compounds.^{2–5} For instance, the ion $S=N^+=S$ behaves as a 1,3-dipole undergoing cycloadditions to alkynes, alkenes and nitriles. In contrast, the economically important nitronium ion $O=N^+=O$ acts as a strong electrophile effecting, for example, aromatic nitration.

Recently, we reported preparations of azoniaallene salts as reactive intermediates, among others of 1-aza-2-azoniaallene salts **1** and of 1,3-diaza-2-azoniaallene salts **2**. These salts react as four-electron-three-center components in cycloadditions with many types of multiple bonds (Scheme 1).^{6–8}



Scheme 1 Cycloadditions of 2-azoniaallene cations.

Cations **1** and **2** undergo cycloadditions to electron-rich alkenes with complete retention of configuration of the alkene.^{7–9} This led us to assume that additions of cations **1** and **2** to alkenes and alkynes are concerted reactions, a view which is supported by semi-empirical AM1 calculations. However, cycloadditions of cations **1** and **2** to the triple bond of nitriles are most likely two-step processes with nitrilium ions as intermediates.¹⁰ Likewise, according to AM1 calculations, cycloadditions of heteroallenes **1** to carbodiimides¹¹ and isocyanates¹² (Scheme 2) should proceed in two steps.



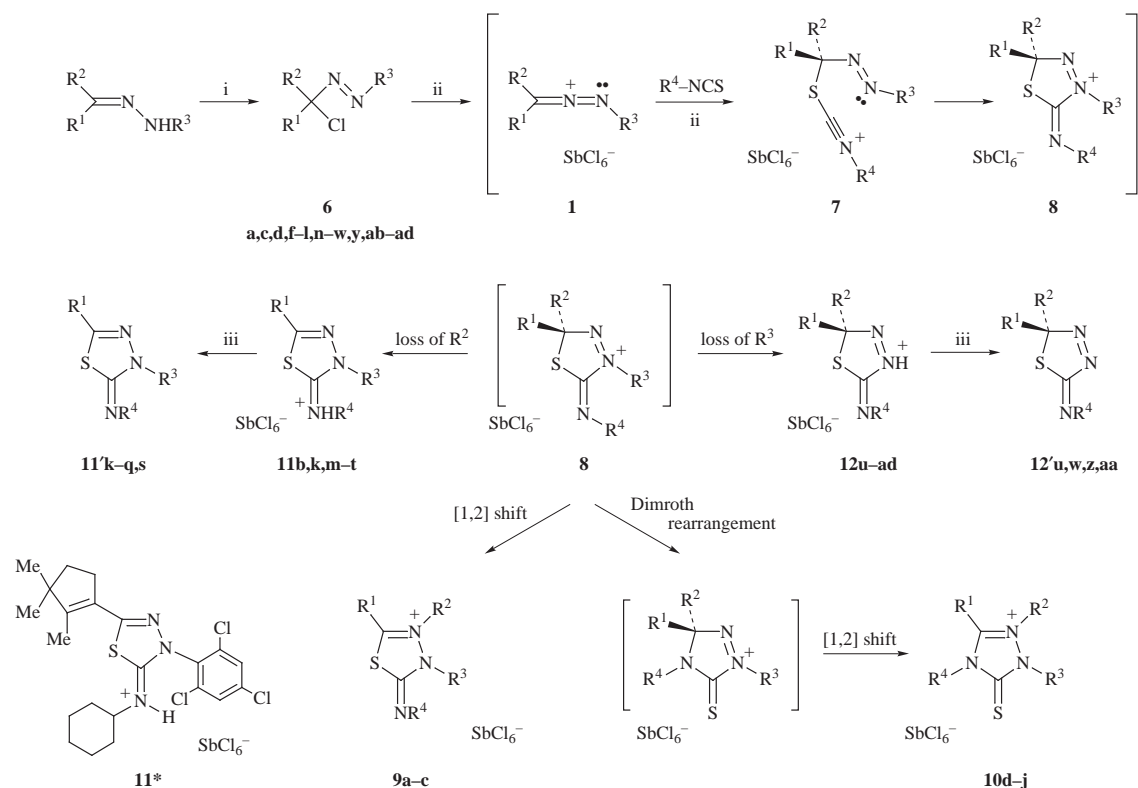
Scheme 2 Cycloadditions of isocyanates to 1-aza-2-azoniaallene salts **1**.¹²

Not all types of multiple bonds react with 2-azoniaallenes **1**, **2**. For example, no reactions could be induced between sulfinylamines $RN=S=O$ and cations **1**, **2**. No products could be isolated from reactions of compounds **1**, **2** with carbonyl compounds (aldehydes, ketones, carboxamides). Azomethines add as N-nucleophiles to the carbon atom of the $C=N^+=N$ unit of cations **1** with formation of rather sensitive iminium salts.¹³

Recently, we reported syntheses of 2,5- and 2,3-dihydro-2-(glucosylimino)-1,3,4-thiadiazoles formed by reaction of a glucosyl isothiocyanate with certain salts **1**.¹⁴ Furthermore, 2,3-dihydro-2-(iminoalkyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazolium salts were produced by cycloadditions of a 1-aza-2-azoniaallene salt derived from camphor with isothiocyanates.¹⁵ However, it soon turned out that reactions of heteroallenes **1** with isothiocyanates can lead to different products depending on the substitution pattern of cation **1**. Here we report the results of a more systematic investigation of reactions of cations **1** with isothiocyanates $R-NCS$.

Results and discussion

1-Aza-2-azoniaallene salts **1** were prepared as reactive intermediates by treating (1-chloroalkyl)azo compounds **6**¹⁶ at low temperature (-60°C , CH_2Cl_2) with antimony pentachloride (Scheme 3).⁸ In the presence of an isothiocyanate a colour change between -60°C and $+23^\circ\text{C}$ of the orange suspension of the heteroallene **1** indicated a reaction. In all cases a single product was isolated in good yield and purity. No limitations



	R ¹	R ²	R ³	R ⁴		R ¹	R ²	R ³	R ⁴
a	Pr ⁱ	Pr ⁱ	2,4,6-Cl ₃ C ₆ H ₂	Ph	p	Pr	H	2,4,6-Cl ₃ C ₆ H ₂	Ph
b	Pr ⁱ	Pr ⁱ	2,4,6-Cl ₃ C ₆ H ₂	Me	q	Pr ⁱ	H	2,4,6-Cl ₃ C ₆ H ₂	C ₆ H ₁₁
c	Me	Pr ⁱ	2,4,6-Cl ₃ C ₆ H ₂	Ph	r	Me	Pr ⁱ	COOEt	Ph
d	Me	Me	2,4,6-Cl ₃ C ₆ H ₂	Pr ⁱ	s	Et	Pr ⁱ	COOEt	Ph
e	Me	Me	2,4,6-Cl ₃ C ₆ H ₂	Ph	t	Pr ⁱ	Pr ⁱ	COOEt	Ph
f		(CH ₂) ₄	2,4,6-Cl ₃ C ₆ H ₂	Me	u	Me	Me	COPh	Pr ⁱ
g		(CH ₂) ₅	2,4,6-Cl ₃ C ₆ H ₂	Me	v	Me	Me	COOEt	Pr ⁱ
h	Me	Et	2,4,6-Cl ₃ C ₆ H ₂	Me	w	Me	Et	COOEt	Ph
i	Me	Ph	2,4,6-Cl ₃ C ₆ H ₂	Me	x	Me	Et	COOEt	Me
j	Ph	Et	2,4,6-Cl ₃ C ₆ H ₂	Me	y	Me	Me	Bu ^t	Pr ⁱ
k	Me	Bn	2,4,6-Cl ₃ C ₆ H ₂	Me	z	Me	Me	Bu ^t	Ph
l	Pr ⁱ	Pr ⁱ	4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄	Me	aa	Me	Me	Bu ^t	allyl
m	Pr ⁱ	Pr ⁱ	4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄	Bu ^t	ab	Me	Et	Bu ^t	Ph
n	Me	H	2,4,6-Cl ₃ C ₆ H ₂	C ₆ H ₁₁	ac	Et	Pr ⁱ	Bu ^t	Me
o	Et	H	Bu ^t	Ph	ad	R ¹ -C-R ² = 2-adamantyl			Pr ⁱ

Scheme 3 Reagents and conditions (yields after recrystallization): i, SbCl₅, -60 °C, CH₂Cl₂; ii, CH₂Cl₂, -60 to 23 °C, 130 min; iii, NaOH-H₂O; **9a** 82%, **9b** 76%, **9c** 86%, **10d** 66%, **10e** 50%, **10f** 55%, **10g** 47%, **10h** 65%, **10i** 44%, **10j** 87%, **11b** 50%, **11k** 56%, **11'k** 57%, **11l** 80%, **11'l** 66%, **11m** 63%, **11'm** 66%, **11n** 66%, **11'n** 87%, **11o** 39%, **11'o** 66%, **11p** 74%, **11'p** 86% (picrate), **11q** 49%, **11'q** 77% (picrate), **11r** 41%, **11s** 36%, **11's** 72%, **11t** 36%, **12u** 59%, **12'u** 89%, **12v** (≡ **12u**) 56%, **12w** 42%, **12'w** 58%, **12x** 48%, **12y** (≡ **12u**) 79%, **12z** 55%, **12'z** 96%, **12aa** 89%, **12'aa** 85%, **12ab** (≡ **12w**) 57%, **12ac** 54%, **12ad** 71%.

could be found for the reaction of 1-aza-2-azoniaallene salts **1** with isothiocyanates.

Concerted cycloadditions to isothiocyanates are known to occur both on the C=S and the C=N bonds in a competitive manner.¹⁷ However, according to AM1 calculations, cycloadditions of heteroallenes **1** to isothiocyanates seem to be *two-step* reactions with nitrilium ions **7** as intermediates (Schemes 2, 3). While isocyanates act as N-nucleophiles towards heteroallenes **1** furnishing 1,2,4-triazolium salts **4** or **5** via acylium intermediates **3**,¹² isothiocyanates react as S-nucleophiles affording 1,3,4-thiadiazolium salts **9**, **11**, **12** or 1,2,4-triazolium salts **10**.

Thus, when the 1-aza-2-azoniaallene salt **1a** was treated with phenyl isothiocyanate the moderately stable thiadiazolium salt **9a** was isolated in 82% yield (after recrystallization). Correspondingly, heterocycles **9b,c** were obtained. Thiadiazolium salts of this type seem to be unreported in the literature.

Assignments in favour of the thiadiazolium structure **9** and

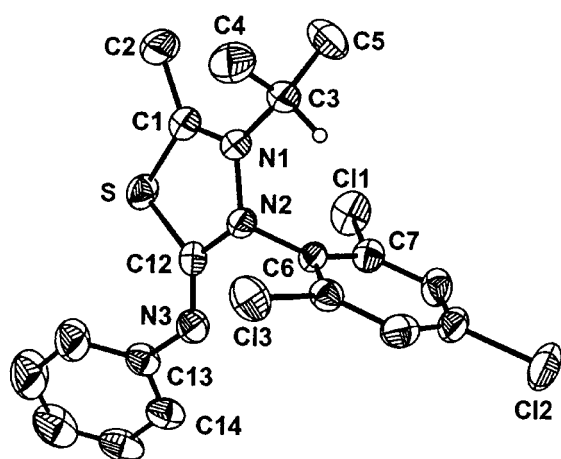
against an isomeric triazolium constitution **10** are based *inter alia* on the IR spectra (KBr, CH₂Cl₂), which are characterized by a very strong, somewhat broad band between 1615 and 1670 cm⁻¹ assigned to the stretching vibration of the exocyclic C=N double bond. That this absorption for exocyclic C=N is greatly enhanced has been discussed by West and Warkentin for a 2-imino-1,3,4-thiadiazole.^{18,19} In the ¹³C NMR spectra (CD₃CN) the signals for C=N were found between 168 and 180 ppm (C2) and between 140 and 150 ppm (C5).

L'abbé and co-workers pointed out that a phenylimino structure is substantiated by a low-field resonance of the aromatic *ipso*-C atom (**9a,c** around 150 ppm) and high-field absorptions for the *ortho*- and *para*-C atoms (**9a,c** around 121 and 127 ppm).²⁰

The constitution of the salt **9c** was additionally confirmed by X-ray structural analysis (Fig. 1, Table 1). It should be noted that the bonds N3-C13 and C12-S are *cis* orientated with respect to each other (dihedral angles S-C12-N3-C13: -6.6°;

Table 1 Selected bond lengths (pm), bond angles and torsional angles (°) for **9c**²¹

Atoms	Exp.	Atoms	Exp.
C1–N1	130.6(5)	C3–N1–C1	128.8(3)
N1–N2	140.9(4)	C6–N2–N1	119.2(3)
N2–C12	141.3(4)	N3–C12–N2	121.8(3)
C12–S	179.9(4)	C12–N3–C13	122.0(3)
S–C1	172.7(4)	C1–N1–N2–C12	2.4(4)
C1–C2	151.2(6)	N1–N2–C12–S	–0.9(4)
N1–C3	152.7(5)	N2–C12–S–C1	–0.5(3)
N2–C6	144.0(4)	C12–S–C1–N1	1.9(3)
C12–N3	125.8(5)	S–C1–N1–N2	–2.8(4)
C1–N1–N2	113.5(3)	S–C12–N3–C13	–6.6(6)
N1–N2–C12	113.9(3)	C12–N3–C13–C14	141.8(4)
N2–C12–S	107.6(3)	N2–C12–N3–C13	175.1(3)
C12–S–C1	90.5(2)	N1–N2–C6–C7	–72.6(4)
S–C1–N1	114.6(3)	C1–N1–C3–C4	67.8(5)
C2–C1–N1	125.4(4)	C2–C1–N1–N3	1.7(7)

**Fig. 1** ORTEP Plot for the cation **9c**.

N2–C12–N3–C13: 175.1°; C12–N3–C13–C14: 141.8°) (*cf.* structure **12'z**).

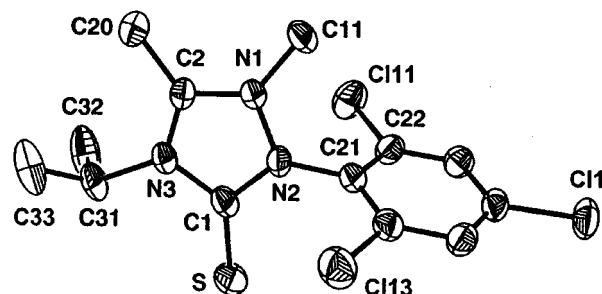
A rationale for the formation of heterocycles **9** is depicted in Scheme 3. Obviously, the initially formed cycloadducts **8** are unstable rearranging to the thiadiazolium salts **9** by a [1,2] shift of substituent R². Such shifts play an important role in the chemistry of azolium salts.^{8,22–25} Mechanistically, these shifts can be regarded as generalized Wagner–Meerwein rearrangements.²² In the transition state the migrant carries a positive partial charge. If there is a choice, the group forming the more stable carbenium ion migrates preferentially. Thus, in **8c** the isopropyl group migrates in preference to the methyl group.

Under the conditions described for the formation of thiadiazoles **9**, the 1-aza-2-azoniaallene **1d** reacted with isopropyl isothiocyanate to afford the triazolium salt **10d** in 66% yield. Similarly, the salts **10e–j** were obtained (Scheme 3). The ring enlargement reactions leading to the bicyclic compounds **10f,g** are worth mentioning. Triazolium salts of type **10** seem to be unreported in the literature.

In place of a strong, broad band between 1615 and 1670 cm^{–1} observed for salts **9**, compounds **10** show a moderately strong and sharp IR absorption (KBr or nujol) between 1590 and 1615 cm^{–1} assigned to the endocyclic C=N double bond, and two strong bands around 1565 and 1555 cm^{–1}. In the ¹³C NMR spectra (CD₃CN) the signals for C=N and C=S appear at 155–160 ppm and 167–169 ppm. For neutral 4,5-dihydro-1,2,4-triazole-5-thiones chemical shifts for C=N between 145 and 160 ppm and for C=S between 161 and 169 ppm have been reported.^{26–30} The four ¹³C signals for the N-phenyl group of **10e** fall in the range of 128.8 to 133.0 ppm. The absence of phenyl signals around 150 and 121 ppm is further evidence against an isomeric structure **9e**.

Table 2 Selected bond lengths (pm), bond angles and torsional angles (°) for **10d**²¹

Atoms	Exp.	Atoms	Exp.
C1–N2	136.4(5)	N1–C2–C20	123.6(1)
N2–N1	138.5(5)	C1–N3–C31	121.0(4)
N1–C2	131.8(5)	C1–N2–N1–C2	1.0(5)
C2–N3	134.9(6)	N2–N1–C2–N3	0.0(4)
N3–C1	140.2(5)	N1–C2–N3–C1	–0.9(4)
C1–S	163.1(5)	C2–N3–C1–N2	1.5(4)
C1–N2–N1	109.9(3)	N3–C1–N2–N1	–1.5(4)
N2–N1–C2	108.1(3)	N1–N2–C1–S	179.0(3)
N1–C2–N3	108.2(4)	C31–N3–C1–S	–2.1(6)
C2–N3–C1	110.4(3)	C32–C31–N3–C1	–95.0(5)
N3–C1–N2	103.4(4)	C1–N2–N1–C11	179.9(4)
N3–C1–S	129.6(3)	C1–N3–C2–C20	179.2(4)
N2–C1–S	127.0(3)	C2–N1–N2–C21	175.6(4)
C2–N1–C11	130.4(4)	N1–N2–C21–C22	–76.1(6)

**Fig. 2** ORTEP Plot for the cation **10d**.

The constitution of compound **10d** was additionally established by X-ray structural analysis (Fig. 2, Table 2).

The triazoles **10** must have been formed by Dimroth rearrangement of intermediates **8**. We never observed a Dimroth rearrangement **9**→**10**. If the [1,2] shift of R² of the thiadiazolium ion **8** is faster than Dimroth rearrangement, the final product is a salt **9**. *Vice versa*, if Dimroth rearrangement of the intermediate **8** is faster than a [1,2] shift of R², one ends up with a triazole **10**. Thus, with the good migrant isopropyl (**8a–c**) thiadiazoles **9** are produced, while with the slower migrant ethyl (**8h**) the triazolium salt **10h** is formed. The substitution patterns of compounds **9**, **10** show that an isopropyl group migrates in preference to a methyl (**9c**), the ethyl or phenyl groups. An ethyl group is a better migrant than a methyl group (**10h**), the phenyl group migrates faster than methyl (**10i**) but not as fast as ethyl (**10j**). A phenonium ion mechanism might be operative in cases of phenyl migration.

It is well known from other azolium rearrangements that substituents forming especially stable carbenium ions can escape from the heterocycle instead of migrating intramolecularly to another ring position.^{8,10,14,23,31–35} When the heteroallene **1k** with R² = benzyl was treated with methyl isothiocyanate, instead of a thiadiazolium salt **9**, the salt **11k** without a benzyl substituent was isolated (Scheme 3). Most likely, traces of water intercepting a free benzyl cation as benzyl alcohol are responsible for this result. Recently, we reported a similar reaction leading to salt **11*** (Scheme 3), the structure of which, including the site of protonation, was secured by X-ray structural analysis.¹⁵ From a heteroallene **1** with R² = *tert*-butyl and a glucosyl isothiocyanate a thiadiazolium salt **11** was formed with concomitant loss of isobutene.¹⁴

The isopropyl group seems to be a borderline case of a group, which either migrates to afford a salt **9** or is eliminated as propene to furnish a salt **11**. Thus, under apparently identical conditions in three experiments compound **9b** containing two isopropyl groups was obtained from the reaction of heteroallene **1a** with methyl isothiocyanate, while in three other experiments the salt **11b** with only one isopropyl substituent was

isolated. Under conditions where heteroallene **1a** reacted with methyl isothiocyanate to give the diisopropyl compound **9b**, the more electron deficient allene **11** reacted to afford the mono-isopropyl compound **11l**. Similarly, from salt **11** and *tert*-butyl isothiocyanate the heterocycle **11m** was obtained.

The heteroallenes **1** with $R^2 = H$ are worth mentioning. The difficulties associated with the syntheses of such compounds have been discussed elsewhere.³¹ When the heteroallene **1n** was treated with cyclohexyl isothiocyanate, the thiadiazolium salt **11n** was isolated (66%). Correspondingly, from allenes **1o–q** the heterocycles **11o–q** were prepared. Not unexpectedly, a proton is a better migrant than an alkyl cation. The site of protonation of compounds **11** suggests that for $R^2 = H$ the transformation **8**→**11** is an intermolecular process.

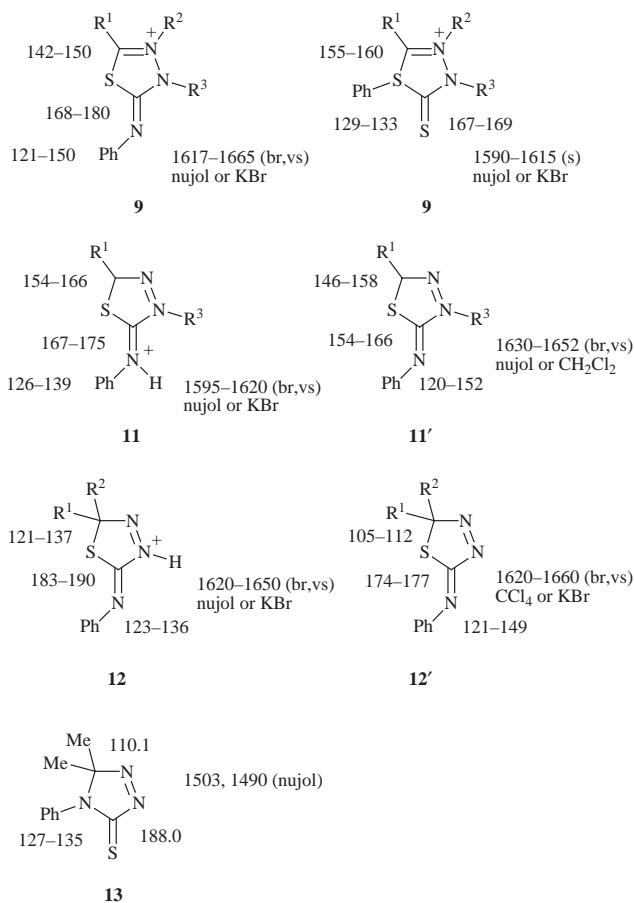
Only thiadiazolium salts (**11r–t**) were obtained from reactions of isothiocyanates with heteroallenes **1** with $R^2 =$ isopropyl and $R^3 = COOEt$. On treatment with aqueous sodium hydroxide the thiadiazoles **11'k–q,s** were obtained from their salts. The bases **11'p,q** were characterized as their picrates.

Similar to compounds **9**, salts **11** are characterized by a strong, broad IR band between 1595 and 1620 cm^{-1} and other strong bands between 1540 and 1600 cm^{-1} (Nujol mull or KBr). In the 1H NMR spectra (CD_3CN) 3J couplings between the iminoalkyl substituent and NH indicate protonation of the exocyclic imino nitrogen atom. In the ^{13}C NMR spectra two resonances for C=N were found at 154–166 ppm and 167–175 ppm. Other than for salts **9**, no unusual shifts for the exocyclic phenyliminium groups (**11o,p,r–t**) were observed. The IR and ^{13}C NMR characteristics of the salts **11** and their bases **11'** have been put together in Scheme 4.

While heteroallenes **1** with a good leaving group R^2 such as benzyl, hydrogen, *tert*-butyl,¹⁵ or occasionally also isopropyl, react with isothiocyanates to furnish 2,3-dihydro-2-imino-1,3,4-thiadiazolium salts **11**, cations **1** with a good leaving group R^3 afford 2,5-dihydro-2-imino-1,3,4-thiadiazolium salts **12** (Scheme 3). Obviously, a leaving group R^3 is a good one if its elimination from intermediate **8** is faster than Dimroth rearrangement **8**→**10**. Thus, when the benzoyl compound **6u** was treated with antimony pentachloride and isopropyl isothiocyanate the moderately stable iminium salt **12u** was obtained (59%). Alternatively, this salt was prepared from the carboxylate **6v** and isopropyl isothiocyanate (**12u**≡**12v**, 56%). Correspondingly, the thiadiazolium salts **12w,x** were obtained (Scheme 3). Again, the presence of traces of moisture in the reaction mixtures is likely to be responsible for these results.

Easily accessible are heteroallenes **1** with $R^3 =$ *tert*-butyl.⁸ Thus, when the (1-chloroalkyl)azo compound **6y** was treated with antimony pentachloride and isopropyl isothiocyanate the salt **12y** (≡**12u**) was obtained in 79% yield. Neutralization with aqueous sodium hydroxide afforded the imine **12'u** (89%). Correspondingly, the salts **12z–ad** were prepared. Interestingly, for none of the cations **12** was a [1,2] shift of R^2 (e.g. **12ac** with $R^2 =$ isopropyl) observed.

The salts **12** all show a very strong and broad IR band between 1620 and 1650 cm^{-1} and a sharp strong band between 1530 and 1555 cm^{-1} (nujol, KBr) (Scheme 4). The bases **12'** show a broad, strong C=N vibration between 1620 and 1660 cm^{-1} (CCl_4 or KBr). The ^{13}C resonances for the sp^3 hybridized ring carbon atoms C5 were found at unusually low field (**12** 121–137 ppm, **12'** 105–112 ppm) as were the signals for SC=N (**12** 183–190 ppm, **12'** 174–177 ppm). Similar observations for 2,5-dihydro-1,3,4-thiadiazoles have been reported by Heimgartner and co-workers.³⁶ In contrast to compounds **11**, for the salts **12** a $^3J_{HNCH}$ coupling was not observed. Hence in contrast to thiadiazolium salts **11**, the site of protonation of compounds **12** is unlikely to be the exocyclic imino nitrogen atom. The ^{13}C NMR resonances for the phenyl *ipso*-carbon atoms of salts **12w,z** (about 136 ppm) were not found to be shifted to unusually low fields as observed for the salts **9a,c** (around 150 ppm). However, shifts around 149 ppm were found for the bases

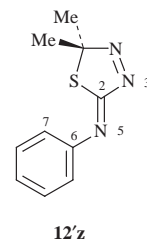


Scheme 4 Some ^{13}C NMR (ppm in CD_3CN or $CDCl_3$) and IR characteristics of the new heterocycles prepared.

12'w,z. These findings suggest N3 to be the site of protonation of salts **12**. Because of amidinium resonance, the double bond character of the exocyclic C=N bond of salts **12** should be less pronounced than in the amidines **12'**.

Compound **12z** was prepared by Landquist by oxidation of acetone 4-phenylthiosemicarbazone with manganese dioxide.³⁷ Under slightly different conditions Landquist obtained the isomeric triazole **13**. For reasons of comparison the spectroscopic data for compound **13** are included in Scheme 4.^{18,38}

The crystallographic structure of the thiadiazole **12'z** has



been reported.^{39,40} An X-ray crystallographic analysis of our product **12'z** confirmed the identity with Landquist's compound. Our crystallographic data will not be repeated here, since they are in good agreement with the literature data.

Similar to the stereochemistry observed for salts **9c** and **11***,¹⁵ the N5–C6 and the C2–S bonds of compound **12'z** are *cis* orientated with respect to each other (dihedral angles S–C2–N5–C6: $-2.0(2)^\circ$; N3–C2–N5–C6: $-178.1(1)^\circ$; C2–N5–C6–C7: $+145.1(2)^\circ$). This is in contrast to what one would expect for stereoelectronic reasons. Nucleophilic additions to the nitrilium triple bond of intermediates **7** are known to proceed stereoelectronically controlled in such a way that in the product the

nitrilium substituent R⁴ and N-nucleophile are *cis* orientated with respect to each other.^{41,42} It is tempting to speculate that under the reaction conditions the primarily formed *cis* products undergo fast isomerization to the thermodynamically more stable *trans* products **9c**, **11***, **12'z**.⁴³ Actually, all compounds **9**, **11**, **12** were isolated as single geometrical isomers.

Experimental

Solvents were dried by standard methods. Cycloadditions were carried out with exclusion of moisture. IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer FTIR 1600 spectrometer. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker AC-250 and WM-250 spectrometers; internal reference SiMe₄; 295 K; δ -scale; *J*-values are given in Hz.

X-Ray structural analysis of **9c**²¹

Crystal data. [C₁₈H₁₇Cl₃N₃S]⁺[SbCl₆]⁻, *M* = 748.2, monoclinic, space group *P*2₁/*n* (No. 14), *a* = 811(1), *b* = 2650(1), *c* = 1345.0(6) pm, β = 101.4(1)°, *T* = 248 K, *V* = 2835(4) × 10⁶ pm³, *Z* = 4, *F*(000) = 1464, *D*_c = 1.753 g cm⁻³, μ (Mo-K α) = 19.09 cm⁻¹, λ = 71.073 pm.

Data collection. Intensity data were collected on a Siemens P4 diffractometer using Mo-K α radiation from a graphite monochromator in the θ -range of 2.18–27.00° (Wyckoff scan). The orange crystal used had dimensions 0.3 × 0.3 × 0.5 mm. Three reference reflections were measured every 97 reflections. The reference reflections showed no significant variation in intensities throughout data collection. Lorentz and polarization corrections were applied to the data and equivalent reflections were merged to give 5218 unique reflections with *I*/ σ (*I*) > 2 (*R*_{int} = 0.0253 for all 6194 reflections).

Structure solution and refinement.⁴⁴ The structure was solved by direct methods in *Pn* and refined in *P*2₁/*n*. All atoms including all hydrogen atoms were located by difference-Fourier synthesis. The hydrogen atoms were refined with fixed isotropic *U*. A semi-empirical absorption correction was applied by using psi-scan data. The final cycles of full-matrix least-squares refinement converged against *R* = 0.0380 and *wR*(*F*) = 0.0904 for 357 parameters and 5218 reflections with weights of 1/[$\sigma^2(F) + 0.034000P^2 + 5.660400P$] where *P* = (*F*_o² + 2*F*_c²)/3. In the final difference-Fourier map there were residual peaks in the range -0.79 to +0.87 × 10⁻⁶ e pm⁻³.

X-Ray structural analysis of **10d**²¹

Crystal data. [C₁₃H₁₅Cl₃N₃S]⁺[SbCl₆]⁻, *M* = 686.1, monoclinic, space group *P*2₁/*n* (No. 14), *a* = 956.6(3), *b* = 1878.6(7), *c* = 1414.7(5) pm, β = 105.2(1)°, *T* = 243 K, *V* = 2453(2) × 10⁶ pm³, *Z* = 4, *F*(000) = 1336, *D*_c = 1.858 g cm⁻³, μ (Mo-K α) = 22.11 cm⁻¹, λ = 71.073 pm.

Data collection. Intensity data were collected on a Siemens R3m/V diffractometer using Mo-K α radiation from a graphite monochromator in the θ -range of 2.0–27.0° (Wyckoff scan). The yellow crystal used had dimensions 0.35 × 0.35 × 0.40 mm. Three reference reflections were measured every 97 reflections. The reference reflections showed no significant variation in intensities throughout data collection. Lorentz and polarization corrections were applied to the data and equivalent reflections were merged to give 4289 unique reflections with *I*/ σ (*I*) > 4 (*R*_{int} = 0.046 for all 5349 reflections).

Structure solution and refinement.⁴⁵ The structure was solved by the Patterson method. All non-hydrogen atoms were located by difference-Fourier synthesis. For the hydrogen atoms the riding model with *d*(C–H) = 0.95 pm and fixed isotropic *U* was

applied. A semi-empirical absorption correction was applied by using psi-scan data. The final cycles of full-matrix least-squares refinement converged against *R* = 0.0368 and *wR*(*F*) = 0.0395 for 244 parameters and 4289 reflections with weights of 1/[$\sigma^2(F) + 0.00001F^2$]. In the final difference-Fourier map there were residual peaks in the range -0.85 to +0.98 × 10⁻⁶ e pm⁻³.

Preparation of the hydrazones: general procedure

A solution of the ketone (100 to 120 mmol) and the hydrazine (100 mmol) in EtOH (100 ml) containing AcOH (1 ml) was boiled under reflux for 6 to 12 h. Evaporation of the solvent and crystallization of the residue at -15 °C from EtOH afforded the pure hydrazone. Alternatively, the crude hydrazone was dissolved in pentane. The solution was left at -15 °C for 12 h. Filtration with added decolorizing charcoal and evaporation of the solvent furnished the pure hydrazone.

The following new hydrazones were obtained.

2,4-Dimethylpentan-3-one (2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)hydrazone.

The title compound was isolated (24.66 g, 80%) as a brownish oil (Found: C, 50.89; H, 5.55, N, 9.18. C₁₃H₁₇Cl₃N₂ (MW = 307.7) requires C, 50.75; H, 5.57; N, 9.11%); ν_{\max} (neat)/cm⁻¹ 1559, 1468; δ_{H} (250 MHz; CDCl₃) 1.12 (d, *J* 6.8, 6 H), 1.23 (d, *J* 7.0, 6 H) (CH₃), 2.62 (septet, *J* 6.8), 3.04 (septet, *J* 7.0) (CH), 7.13 (br, NH), 7.25 (aryl); δ_{C} (62.9 MHz; CDCl₃) 18.8, 21.7 (CH₃), 27.9, 31.3 (CH), 125.9, 126.4, 128.6, 139.4 (aryl), 164.1 (C=N).

1-Phenylpropanone (2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)hydrazone. The title compound was isolated (20.64 g, 63%) as a moderately stable crystalline powder; mp 63–64 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 54.87; H, 4.10; N, 8.63. C₁₅H₁₃Cl₃N₂ (MW = 327.6) requires C, 54.99; H, 4.00; N, 8.55%); ν_{\max} (CH₂Cl₂)/cm⁻¹ 1687, 3355; δ_{H} (250 MHz; CDCl₃) *ca.* 5:1 mixture of the geometrical isomers; main isomer 1.29 (t, *J* 7.7, CH₃), 2.77 (q, *J* 7.7, CH₂), 7.49 (br, NH), 7.21–7.78 (several m, aryl); minor isomer 1.12 (t, *J* 7.5, CH₃), 2.57 (q, *J* 7.5, CH₂); δ_{C} (62.9 MHz; CDCl₃) main isomer 10.1 (CH₃), 19.3 (CH₂), 151.7 (C=N); minor isomer 11.1 (CH₃), 31.4 (CH₂), 153.6 (C=N).

2,4-Dimethylpentan-3-one (4-nitrophenyl)hydrazone. The title compound was isolated (21.19 g, 85%) as an orange powder; mp 113–115 °C (Found: C, 62.61; H, 7.69; N, 16.90. C₁₃H₁₉N₃O₂ (MW = 249.3) requires C, 62.63; H, 7.68; N, 16.85%); ν_{\max} (CCl₄)/cm⁻¹ 3375, 1601; δ_{H} (250 MHz; CDCl₃) 1.18 (d, *J* 6.7), 1.20 (d, *J* 6.9) (CH₃), 2.69 (septet, *J* 6.7), 2.95 (septet, *J* 6.9) (CH), 7.07 (m, 2 H), 8.13 (m, 2 H) (aryl), 7.92 (br, NH); δ_{C} (62.9 MHz; CDCl₃) 19.0, 22.1 (CH₃), 27.6, 30.9 (CH), 111.6, 126.1, 139.5, 151.0, 162.2 (aryl, C=).

Ethyl 3-methyl-2-butylidene carbazate. The title compound was isolated (15.36 g, 89%) as a semi-solid resin, which decomposed during the next few days (Found: C, 55.87; H, 9.27; N, 16.24. C₈H₁₆N₂O₂ (MW = 172.2) requires C, 55.79; H, 9.36; N, 16.26%); ν_{\max} (CH₂Cl₂)/cm⁻¹ 3387, 1741, 1710; δ_{H} (250 MHz; CDCl₃) *ca.* 20:1 mixture of the geometric isomers; main component 1.08 (d, *J* 6.9, 6 H), 1.30 (t, *J* 6.9), 1.83 (CH₃), 2.64 (septet, *J* 6.9, CH), 4.25 (q, *J* 7.0, CH₂), 8.60 (br, NH); δ_{C} (62.9 MHz; CDCl₃) main component 12.0, 14.6, 19.8 (2 C) (CH₃), 36.9, 61.6 (br) (CH, CH₂), 155.0 (br), 174.4 (C=).

Ethyl 2-methyl-3-pentylidene carbazate. The title compound was isolated (11.36 g, 61%) as prisms; mp 56–58 °C (Found: C, 57.80; H, 9.67; N, 15.26. C₉H₁₈N₂O₂ (MW = 186.3) requires C, 58.03; H, 9.74; N, 15.04%); ν_{\max} (CCl₄)/cm⁻¹ 3395, 1760, 1716, 1701; δ_{H} (250 MHz; CDCl₃) main isomer 1.11 (t, *J* 7.7, 3 H), 1.11 (d, *J* 7.0, 6 H), 1.32 (t, *J* 7.2, 3 H) (CH₃), 2.22 (q, *J* 7.7), 4.27 (q, *J* 7.2, coupled to 1.32) (CH₂), 2.66 (septet, *J* 7.0, CH), 7.82 (br, NH); δ_{C} (62.9 MHz; CDCl₃) main isomer 10.1, 14.6,

19.4, 20.0 (2 C), 36.2, 61.7 (br) (CH₃, CH₂, CH), 154.3 (br), 161.7 (C=).

Ethyl 2,4-dimethyl-3-pentylidenecarbazate. The title compound was isolated (16.42 g, 82%) as a powder; mp 71–73 °C (Found: C, 59.63; H, 10.17; N, 14.01. C₁₀H₂₀N₂O₂ (MW = 200.3) requires C, 59.97; H, 10.06; N, 13.99%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3386, 1741, 1709; $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.14 (d, *J* 6.8, 6 H), 1.16 (d, *J* 7.0, 6 H), 1.31 (t, *J* 7.1) (CH₃), 2.64 (septet, *J* 6.8), 2.84 (septet, *J* 7.0) (CH), 4.25 (q, *J* 7.1, CH₂), 8.05 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 14.6, 18.9 (2 C), 21.5 (2 C) (CH₃), 27.7, 31.5 (CH), 61.5 (br, CH₂), 154.5 (br), 164.5 (C=).

Acetone benzoylhydrazone. The title compound was isolated (12.91 g, 73%) as powder; mp 136–138 °C (Found: C, 68.18; H, 6.72; N, 16.10. C₁₀H₁₂N₂O (MW = 176.2) requires C, 68.16; H, 6.86; N, 15.90%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{CCl}_4)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1656; $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.97 (br), 2.09 (br) (CH₃), 7.32–7.79 (several m, phenyl), 8.97 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 16.8 (br), 25.5 (br) (CH₃), 127.3 (br), 128.6 (br), 131.7, 133.7 (phenyl), 156.6 (br), 164.2 (br)(C=).

Ethyl 2-butylidenecarbazate. The title compound was isolated (10.44 g, 66%) as prisms (from pentane); mp 33–35 °C (Found: C, 52.75; H, 8.97; N, 17.55. C₇H₁₄N₂O₂ (MW = 158.2) requires C, 53.14; H, 8.92; N, 17.71%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{CCl}_4)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3394, 1760, 1701; $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ ca. 4:1 mixture of the geometrical isomers; main isomer 1.10 (t, *J* 7.6), 1.31 (br, t, *J* 7.1), 1.87 (CH₃), 2.33 (q, *J* 7.6), 4.26 (br, q, *J* 7.1) (CH₂), 8.26 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ main isomer 11.1, 14.5, 14.6, 32.2, 61.7 (br) (CH₃, CH₂, CH), 154.8 (br), 155.2 (C=).

Butan-2-one tert-butylhydrazone. The title compound was prepared from butan-2-one (10.82 g, 150 mmol) and tert-butylhydrazinium chloride (12.46 g, 100 mmol) instead of the free hydrazine; yield 10.19 g (57%) of the hydrochloride of the title hydrazone; mp 122–124 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 53.19; H, 10.60; N, 15.93. C₈H₁₉ClN₂ (MW = 178.7) requires C, 53.77; H, 10.72; N, 15.68%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1654, 1564; $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.11 (t, *J* 7.3), 1.53 (9 H), 2.42 (q, *J* 7.3), 2.46 (CH₃), 10.78 (br, NH₂); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 9.8, 20.7, 24.9 (3 C), 33.1, 60.3 (CH₃, CH₂, C), 179.5 (C=N). A mixture of the hydrochloride (8.94 g, 50 mmol) and Na₂CO₃ (7.95 g, 75 mmol) in H₂O (100 ml) was stirred for 10 min. Repeated extraction with pentane and usual work-up afforded the title hydrazone as a volatile oil (5.05 g, 71%); C₈H₁₈N₂ (MW = 142.2); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ main isomer 1.06 (t, *J* 7.3), 1.18 (9 H), 1.69 (CH₃), 2.22 (q, *J* 7.3, CH₂), 4.03 (br, NH₂); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ main isomer 11.1, 13.8, 28.6 (3 C), 32.3, 53.2 (CH₃, CH₂, C), 148.1 (C=N).

2-Methylpentan-3-one tert-butylhydrazone. The title compound was isolated (5.96 g, 35%) as a moderately stable impure pale yellow oil; bp 67–69 °C/15 Torr; C₁₀H₂₂N₂ (MW = 170.3); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ main isomer 1.06 (t, *J* 7.3), 1.07 (d, *J* 6.8, 6 H), 1.17 (9 H) (CH₃), 2.13 (q, *J* 7.3, CH₂), 2.44 (septet, *J* 6.8, CH), 4.37 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ main isomer 10.0, 19.8, 20.5, 28.4 (3 C), 35.5, 53.3 (CH₃, CH₂, CH, C), 154.9 (C=N).

Tricyclo[3.3.1.1^{3,7}]decanone tert-butylhydrazone. The title compound was prepared from adamantanone (15.02 g, 100 mmol) and tert-butylhydrazinium chloride (12.46 g, 100 mmol) instead of the free hydrazine. The hydrochloride of the title hydrazone was obtained as a powder (19.39 g, 76%); mp 209–211 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 65.32; H, 9.73; N, 11.03. C₁₄H₂₅ClN₂ (MW = 256.8) requires C, 65.48; H, 9.81; N, 10.91%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{Nujol})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1633; $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{SOCD}_3; 313 \text{ K})$ 1.37 (9 H, CH₃), 1.76–2.09 (several m, 12 H, CH₂), 2.61 (br, 1 H), 3.28 (br, 1 H) (CH), 11.19 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{SOCD}_3; 313 \text{ K})$ 24.3, 26.7, 34.0, 35.5, 37.8, 38.5, 38.7, 57.9 (CH₃, CH₂, CH, C), 185.2 (C=N). The title hydrazone was prepared from

its hydrochloride in the manner described for butan-2-one tert-butylhydrazone and was isolated as an oil (8.38 g, 76%); C₁₄H₂₄N₂ (MW = 220.4); $\nu_{\max}(\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3352, 1732, 1722; $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.18 (9 H, CH₃), 1.73–1.99 (several m, 12 H, CH₂, CH), 2.55 (br, 1 H), 3.00 (br, 1 H) (CH), 4.23 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 28.1, 28.4 (3 C), 29.2, 36.6, 37.5, 39.2, 39.9, 53.0 (CH₃, CH₂, CH, C), 157.7 (C=N).

Preparation of the (1-chloroalkyl)azo compounds: general procedure

The reactions were carried out with exclusion of light. A solution of tert-butyl hypochlorite⁴⁶ (1.30 g, 12 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 ml) was added dropwise to a cold (–50 °C) solution of the hydrazone (10 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 ml). After stirring at –50 °C for 1 h and then at 0 °C for 2 to 10 h, and finally at 23 °C for 0 to 3 h, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. In most cases the moderately stable orange oily residue **6** was used without further purification.

The following new 1-chloroazo compounds were obtained.

1-[(1-Chloro-1-isopropyl-2-methylpropyl)azo]-2,4,6-trichlorobenzene 6a. The title compound was isolated (3.08 g, 90%) as an orange oil; C₁₃H₁₆Cl₄N₂ (MW = 342.1); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.09 (d, *J* 6.7, 6 H), 1.13 (d, *J* 6.7, 6 H) (CH₃), 2.83 (septet, *J* 6.7, 2 CH), 7.41 (aryl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 17.3, 17.6 (CH₃), 35.8 (CH), 109.8 (C), 127.8, 129.2, 134.0, 145.3 (aryl).

1-[(1-Chloro-1-phenylpropyl)azo]-2,4,6-trichlorobenzene 6j. The title compound was isolated (3.28 g, 91%) as an orange oil; C₁₅H₁₂Cl₄N₂ (MW = 362.1); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.07 (t, *J* 7.3, CH₃), 2.67 (q, *J* 7.3) (CH₂), 7.37 (aryl), 7.33–7.73 (several m, phenyl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 9.0 (CH₃), 36.4 (CH₂), 101.4 (C), 127.2, 127.3, 128.4, 128.7, 128.9, 133.8, 139.3, 145.7 (phenyl, aryl).

1-[(1-Chloro-1-isopropyl-2-methylpropyl)azo]-4-nitrobenzene 6l. The title compound was isolated (13.90 g, 98%) as an orange crystalline powder; mp 59–61 °C (Found: C, 55.00; H, 6.27; N, 14.94. C₁₃H₁₈ClN₂O₂ (MW = 283.8) requires C, 55.02; H, 6.39; N, 14.81%); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.06 (d, *J* 6.7), 1.07 (d, *J* 6.7) (CH₃), 2.87 (septet, *J* 6.7, CH), 7.86 (m, 2 H), 8.36 (m, 2 H) (aryl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 17.3, 17.7 (CH₃), 36.3 (CH), 108.5 (CCl), 123.5, 124.8, 148.9, 154.3 (aryl).

Ethyl (1-chloro-1,2-dimethylpropyl)diazene-carboxylate 6r. The title compound was isolated (1.80 g, 87%) as a yellow oil; C₈H₁₅ClN₂O₂ (MW = 206.7); $\nu_{\max}(\text{CCl}_4)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1769; $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 0.93 (d, *J* 6.7), 1.14 (d, *J* 6.7), 1.41 (t, *J* 7.1), 1.81 (CH₃), 2.57 (septet, *J* 6.7, CH), 4.44 (q, *J* 7.1, CH₂); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 14.1, 17.2, 17.4, 26.4, 38.2 (CH₃, CH), 64.7 (CH₂), 101.0 (C), 161.8 (C=O).

Ethyl (1-chloro-1-ethyl-2-methylpropyl)diazene-carboxylate 6s. The title compound was isolated (1.95 g, 88%) as a yellow oil; C₉H₁₇ClN₂O₂ (MW = 220.7); $\nu_{\max}(\text{CCl}_4)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1769; $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 0.89 (t, *J* 7.3), 0.90 (d, *J* 6.8), 1.14 (d, *J* 6.8), 1.42 (t, *J* 7.1) (CH₃), 2.32 (m, 2 H), 4.45 (q, *J* 7.2, 2 H) (CH₂), 2.67 (septet, *J* 6.8, CH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 7.8, 14.2, 17.0, 17.3, 32.6, 37.1, 64.7 (CH₃, CH₂, CH), 104.8 (C), 161.9 (C=O).

Ethyl (1-chloro-1-isopropyl-2-methylpropyl)diazene-carboxylate 6t. The title compound was isolated (2.03 g, 87%) as a yellow oil; C₁₀H₁₉ClN₂O₂ (MW = 234.7); $\nu_{\max}(\text{CCl}_4)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1769; $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.03 (t, *J* 6.9, 12 H), 1.41 (t, *J* 7.1) (CH₃), 2.78 (septet, *J* 6.9, CH), 4.44 (q, *J* 7.1, CH₂); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 14.2, 17.0 (2 C), 17.3 (2 C) (CH₃), 35.9 (2 CH), 64.6 (CH₂), 108.0 (C), 162.0 (C=O).

1-Benzoylazo-1-chloro-1-methylethane 6u. The title compound was isolated (1.82 g, 86%) as brownish oil; C₁₀H₁₁ClN₂O

(MW = 210.7); $\nu_{\max}(\text{CCl}_4)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1726; $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.98 (CH₃), 7.45–7.93 (several m, phenyl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 29.8 (CH₃), 93.8 (CCl), 129.0, 129.6, 130.2, 134.9 (phenyl), 181.3 (C=O).

Ethyl (1-chloro-1-methylpropyl)diazencarboxylate 6w. The title compound was isolated (1.63 g, 85%) as a yellow oil (Found: C, 43.36; H, 6.51; N, 14.50. C₇H₁₃ClN₂O₂ (MW = 192.6) requires C, 43.64; H, 6.80; N, 14.55%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1762; $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 0.99 (t, *J* 7.4), 1.41 (t, *J* 7.1), 1.86 (CH₃), 2.23 (m, 2 H), 4.44 (q, *J* 7.1) (CH₂); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 8.3, 14.1, 27.9, 35.2, 64.8 (CH₃, CH₂), 97.3 (C), 161.7 (C=O).

1-[(1-Chloro-1-methylpropyl)azo]-1,1-dimethylethane 6ab. The title compound was isolated (1.01 g, 57%) as a volatile yellow oil; C₈H₁₇ClN₂ (MW = 176.7); $\nu_{\max}(\text{CCl}_4)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1474, 1455; $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 0.94 (t, *J* 7.3), 1.24 (9 H), 1.73 (CH₃), 2.13 (AA'X₃ spectrum, CH₂); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 8.4, 26.9 (3 C), 28.2 (CH₃), 35.6 (CH₂), 67.3 (C), 96.7 (CCl).

1-[(1-Chloro-1-ethyl-2-methylpropyl)azo]-1,1-dimethylethane 6ac. The title compound was isolated (1.69 g, 83%) as a volatile yellow oil; C₁₀H₂₁ClN₂ (MW = 204.7); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3; 273 \text{ K})$ 0.83 (t, *J* 7.3), 0.87 (d, *J* 6.7), 1.09 (d, *J* 6.8), 1.27 (9 H) (CH₃), 2.21 (m, CH₂), 2.55 (septet, *J* 6.7, CH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3; 273 \text{ K})$ 7.9, 17.1, 17.3, 27.1 (3 C) (CH₃), 32.5, 37.0, 67.9 (C, CH, CH₂), 104.4 (CCl).

1-[(2-Chlorotricyclo[3.3.1.1^{3,7}]decan-2-yl)azo]-1,1-dimethylethane 6ad. The title compound was isolated (2.43 g, 95%) as a yellow oil; C₁₄H₂₃ClN₂ (MW = 254.8); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.27 (9 H, CH₃), 1.76–2.46 (several m, 14 H, CH₂, CH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 26.7 (3 C), 27.1, 27.2, 34.6, 34.7, 38.4, 39.6, 68.0 (CH₃, CH₂, CH, C), 98.7 (CCl).

Reactions of (1-chloroalkyl)azo compounds 6 with isothiocyanates: general procedure

A solution of SbCl₅ (2.99 g, 10 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 ml) was added dropwise to a cold (−60 °C) solution of the (1-chloroalkyl)azo compound **6** (10 mmol) and the isothiocyanate (12 to 20 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 ml). The mixture was stirred at −60 °C for 1 h, then at 0 °C for 1 h and finally at +23 °C for 10 min. After dropwise addition of Et₂O (50 ml) the mixture was kept at −15 °C for 12 h. The product was isolated by filtration.

Preparation of the heterocycles 11',12' from their salts 11,12: general procedures

Method A. A solution of NaOH (3.20 g, 80 mmol) in H₂O (20 ml) was added to a solution of a salt **11** or **12** (10 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (30 ml)–MeOH (6 ml). The mixture was stirred at −10 °C for 1 h and then at 23 °C for 15 min. Separation of the organic layer and extraction of the aqueous layer with CH₂Cl₂ (2 × 30 ml) afforded after usual work-up the heterocycle **11'** or **12'**.

Method B. In the manner described for method A. However, the salt **11** or **12** (10 mmol) is dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (60 ml)–MeCN (6 ml).

2,3-Dihydro-4,5-diisopropyl-2-phenylimino-3-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-4-ium hexachloroantimonate 9a

From azo compound **6a** (3.42 g, 10 mmol) and phenyl isothiocyanate (2.03 g, 15 mmol), *title compound 9a* was isolated as a powder (7.05 g, 91%), which was recrystallized at −15 °C from warm MeCN (30 ml) to afford a yellow powder (6.39 g, 82%); mp 213–215 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 31.17; H, 2.74; N, 5.42. C₂₀H₂₁Cl₉N₃SSb (MW = 776.3) requires C, 30.94; H, 2.73; N,

5.41%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1661 (br, vs), 1592 (m), 1577 (m), 1564 (m); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN}; 273 \text{ K})$ 1.44 (d, *J* 6.7, 6 H), 1.62 (d, *J* 7.0, 6 H) (CH₃), 3.86 (septet, *J* 6.7), 4.61 (br m, CH), 6.90–7.49 (several m, phenyl), 7.88 (aryl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN}; 273 \text{ K})$ 21.1, 22.8 (CH₃), 33.0, 63.7 (CH), 120.9, 127.3, 130.4 (br), 131.5, 131.6, 138.7, 141.0, 148.4, 149.6, 179.5 (br) (aryl, C=N).

2,3-Dihydro-4,5-diisopropyl-2-methylimino-3-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-4-ium hexachloroantimonate 9b

From azo compound **6a** (3.42 g, 10 mmol) and methyl isothiocyanate (0.88 g, 12 mmol), *title compound 9b* was precipitated from the reaction mixture with pentane (60 ml) to afford a brownish powder (6.42 g, 89%), which was recrystallized at −15 °C from MeCN (10 ml) to furnish a colourless powder (5.46 g, 76%); mp 168–171 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 25.02; H, 2.75; N, 5.85. C₁₅H₁₉Cl₉N₃SSb (MW = 714.2) requires C, 25.22; H, 2.68; N, 5.88%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1617 (br, vs), 1555 (s); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN}; 273 \text{ K})$ 1.50 (d, *J* 6.7, 6 H), 1.59 (d, *J* 7.0, 6 H), 3.07 (CH₃), 3.86 (septet, *J* 6.7), 4.56 (br m) (CH), 7.82 (aryl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN}; 273 \text{ K})$ 21.1 (br), 22.8 (br), 33.0, 43.0, 63.4 (CH₃, CH), 130.7 (br), 131.4, 138.7, 140.5, 146.0, 179.8 (br) (aryl, C=N).

2,3-Dihydro-4-isopropyl-5-methyl-2-phenylimino-3-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-4-ium hexachloroantimonate 9c

From azo compound **6c**⁸ (3.14 g, 10 mmol) and phenyl isothiocyanate (2.03 g, 15 mmol), *title compound 9c* was isolated as a yellow powder (7.08 g, 95%), which was recrystallized at −15 °C from MeCN (10 ml)–Et₂O (2 ml) to afford orange prisms (6.46 g, 86%); mp 156–157 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 29.05; H, 2.33; N, 5.65. C₁₈H₁₇Cl₉N₃SSb (MW = 748.3) requires C, 28.89; H, 2.29; N, 5.62%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{Nujol})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1651 (vs), 1590 (s), 1576 (m), 1566 (m); $\nu_{\max}(\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1665 (vs), 1592 (s), 1566 (s), 1552 (m); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN}; 273 \text{ K})$ 1.60 (d, *J* 7.0, 6 H), 2.93 (CH₃), 4.57 (septet, *J* 7.0, CH), 6.89–7.48 (several m, phenyl), 7.89 (aryl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN}; 273 \text{ K})$ 19.3, 20.4 (2 C) (CH₃), 63.1 (CH), 120.8 (*o*-C phenyl), 127.2 (*p*-C phenyl), 129.9, 131.5, 131.6, 138.7, 141.0 (phenyl, aryl), 148.4, 149.6 (*i*-C phenyl, C=N), 168.7 (br, C=N⁺).

4,5-Dihydro-4-isopropyl-2,3-dimethyl-5-thioxo-1-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)-1H-1,2,4-triazol-2-ium hexachloroantimonate 10d

Compound **10d** was prepared from azo compound **6d**⁸ (2.86 g, 10 mmol) and isopropyl isothiocyanate (1.21 g, 12 mmol). Reprecipitation at −20 °C from MeCN (8 ml)–Et₂O (40 ml) afforded *title compound 10d* as yellow needles (4.56 g, 66%) suitable for X-ray structural analysis; mp 184–186 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 22.53; H, 2.17; N, 5.99. C₁₃H₁₅Cl₉N₃SSb (MW = 686.2) requires C, 22.75; H, 2.20; N, 6.13%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1603 (m), 1566 (s), 1552 (s); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 1.69 (d, *J* 7.0, 6 H), 2.89, 3.68 (CH₃), 5.21 (septet, *J* 7.0, CH), 7.84 (aryl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 13.4, 19.3 (2 C), 36.3 (CH₃), 54.5 (CH), 125.9 (*i*-C), 131.1 (*m*-C), 137.9 (*o*-C), 141.3 (*p*-C), 155.4, 167.4 (C=N, C=S).

4,5-Dihydro-2,3-dimethyl-4-phenyl-5-thioxo-1-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)-1H-1,2,4-triazol-2-ium hexachloroantimonate 10e

Compound **10e** was prepared from azo compound **6d**⁸ (2.86 g, 10 mmol) and phenyl isothiocyanate (1.62 g, 12 mmol). Reprecipitation at −20 °C from MeCN (10 ml)–Et₂O (50 ml) afforded *title compound 10e* as yellow needles (3.58 g, 50%); mp 185–187 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 26.71; H, 1.86; N, 5.74. C₁₆H₁₃Cl₉N₃SSb (MW = 720.1) requires C, 26.68; H, 1.82; N, 5.84%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1615 (s), 1593 (m), 1566 (s), 1554 (s); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 2.61, 3.76 (CH₃), 7.53–7.75 (several m, phenyl), 7.90 (aryl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 13.8, 36.8 (CH₃), 126.0,

131.4, 138.2, 141.7 (aryl), 128.2, 131.7, 132.5, 133.0 (phenyl), 156.3, 168.9 (C=N, C=S).

2,3,5,6,7,8-Hexahydro-1-methyl-2-thioxo-3-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)-1H-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-4-ium hexachloroantimonate 10f

From azo compound **6f**¹¹ (3.12, 10 mmol) and methyl isothiocyanate (0.88 g, 12 mmol), *title compound 10f* was obtained as a brown powder (6.00 g, 88%), which was recrystallized at -20°C from CH_2Cl_2 (30 ml)– Et_2O (7 ml) to afford pale brown needles (3.79 g, 55%); mp $192\text{--}194^{\circ}\text{C}$ (decomp.) (Found: C, 22.89; H, 1.91; N, 6.10. $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{13}\text{Cl}_9\text{N}_3\text{SSb}$ (MW = 684.2) requires C, 22.82; H, 1.92; N, 6.14%; $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1612 (m), 1568 (m), 1555 (s); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 3.65 (CH_3), 2.12 (m, 4 H), 3.12 (m, 2 H), 3.81 (m, 2 H) (CH_2), 7.86 (aryl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 17.7, 21.6, 23.4, 33.1, 48.3 (CH_3 , CH_2), 125.6, 131.3, 138.0, 141.6 (aryl), 156.0, 168.5 (C=N, C=S).

1,2,3,5,6,7,8,9-Octahydro-1-methyl-2-thioxo-3-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]azepin-4-ium hexachloroantimonate 10g

From azo compound **6g**⁸ (3.26, 10 mmol) and methyl isothiocyanate (0.88 g, 12 mmol), *title compound 10g* was obtained as a dark yellow powder (4.83 g, 69%), which was recrystallized at -20°C from MeCN (6 ml) to afford a yellow powder (3.28 g, 47%); mp $190\text{--}192^{\circ}\text{C}$ (decomp.) (Found: C, 24.10; H, 2.15; N, 6.05. $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{15}\text{Cl}_9\text{N}_3\text{SSb}$ (MW = 698.2) requires C, 24.08; H, 2.17; N, 6.02%; $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{Nujol})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1596 (m), 1566 (s), 1556 (s); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 3.76 (CH_3), 1.94 (m, 6 H), 3.28 (m, 2 H), 4.11 (m, 2 H) (CH_2), 7.85 (aryl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 22.8, 26.1, 26.7, 28.3, 34.3, 52.5 (CH_3 , CH_2), 125.8, 131.3, 138.3, 141.7 (aryl), 160.1, 168.7 (C=N, C=S).

2-Ethyl-4,5-dihydro-3,4-dimethyl-5-thioxo-1-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)-1H-1,2,4-triazol-2-ium hexachloroantimonate 10h

From azo compound **6h**⁸ (3.00, 10 mmol) and methyl isothiocyanate (0.88 g, 12 mmol), *title compound 10h* was obtained as a yellow powder (5.86 g, 87%), which was recrystallized at -20°C from MeCN (10 ml) to afford a yellow powder (4.34 g, 65%); mp $198\text{--}200^{\circ}\text{C}$ (decomp.) (Found: C, 21.46; H, 1.98; N, 6.22. $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{13}\text{Cl}_9\text{N}_3\text{SSb}$ (MW = 672.2) requires C, 21.44; H, 1.95; N, 6.25%; $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{Nujol})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1600 (m), 1568 (m), 1557 (s); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 1.29 (t, J 7.3), 2.81, 3.71 (CH_3), 4.16 (q, J 7.3, CH_2), 7.86 (aryl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 12.9, 14.3, 34.1 (CH_3), 46.3 (CH_2), 126.1, 131.5, 137.9, 141.6 (aryl), 155.7, 168.6 (C=N, C=S).

4,5-Dihydro-3,4-dimethyl-2-phenyl-5-thioxo-1-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)-1H-1,2,4-triazol-2-ium hexachloroantimonate 10i

Compound **10i** was prepared from azo compound **6i**¹⁰ (3.48 g, 10 mmol) and methyl isothiocyanate (7.31 g, 100 mmol). Addition of Et_2O to the reaction mixture and keeping the temperature at -15°C for 3 h afforded *title compound 10i* as a brown powder (6.09 g, 85%), which was recrystallized at -15°C from MeCN (6 ml) to furnish a yellow powder (3.17 g, 44%); mp $203\text{--}205^{\circ}\text{C}$ (decomp.) (Found: C, 26.61; H, 1.83; N, 5.72. $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{Cl}_9\text{N}_3\text{SSb}$ (MW = 720.2) requires C, 26.68; H, 1.82; N, 5.83%; $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1591 (m), 1564 (s), 1554 (s); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 2.68, 3.84 (CH_3), 7.65 (m, 7 H, aryl, phenyl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 13.8, 34.4 (CH_3), 126.3, 128.8, 129.0, 130.9, 132.0, 135.2, 137.9, 141.3 (aryl, phenyl), 157.4, 168.1 (C=N, C=S). When less than a tenfold excess of methyl isothiocyanate over **6i** was used, 3-methyl-1-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)-1H-indazolium hexachloroantimonate was formed as a side product.¹⁰

2-Ethyl-4,5-dihydro-4-methyl-3-phenyl-5-thioxo-1-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)-1H-1,2,4-triazol-2-ium hexachloroantimonate 10j

From azo compound **6j** (3.62 g, 10 mmol) and methyl isothio-

cyanate (1.46 g, 20 mmol), *title compound 10j* was isolated as a yellow powder (6.84 g, 93%), which was recrystallized at -15°C from MeCN (6 ml)– CH_2Cl_2 (4 ml) to furnish yellow prisms (6.42 g, 87%); mp $211\text{--}213^{\circ}\text{C}$ (decomp.) (Found: C, 27.89; H, 2.11; N, 5.76. $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{Cl}_9\text{N}_3\text{SSb}$ (MW = 734.2) requires C, 27.81; H, 2.06; N, 5.72%; $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{Nujol})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1603 (m), 1565 (s), 1556 (s); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN}; 283\text{ K})$ 1.21 (t, J 7.2), 3.62 (CH_3), 4.10 (q, J 7.2, CH_2), 7.80–7.94 (m, phenyl), 7.92 (aryl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN}; 283\text{ K})$ 14.9, 35.4 (CH_3), 47.5 (CH_2), 118.7, 126.4, 130.9, 131.3, 131.5, 135.9, 137.8, 141.6 (phenyl, aryl), 154.8, 169.1 (C=N, C=S).

N-[2,3-Dihydro-5-isopropyl-3-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-ylidene]methylammonium hexachloroantimonate 11b

From azo compound **6a** (3.42 g, 10 mmol) and methyl isothiocyanate (0.88 g, 12 mmol), *title compound 11b* was isolated as a yellow powder (4.51 g, 67%), which was recrystallized from CH_2Cl_2 (30 ml)–pentane (5 ml) to afford yellow prisms (3.33 g, 50%); mp $221\text{--}223^{\circ}\text{C}$ (decomp.) (Found: C, 21.23; H, 2.01; N, 6.15. $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{13}\text{Cl}_9\text{N}_3\text{SSb}$ (MW = 672.2) requires C, 21.44; H, 1.95; N, 6.25%; $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{Nujol})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3298, 1614 (br, vs), 1555 (vs); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 1.41 (d, J 6.8, 6 H), 3.16 (d, J 4.7) (CH_3), 3.37 (septet, J 6.8, CH), 7.84 (aryl), 8.34 (br, coupled to 3.16, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 21.8 (2 C), 32.4, 37.1 (CH_3 , CH), 129.4, 131.2, 136.5, 140.6 (aryl), 166.2 (C=N), 171.4 (SC=N).

N-[2,3-Dihydro-5-methyl-3-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-ylidene]methylammonium hexachloroantimonate 11k

From azo compound **6k**¹² (3.28 g, 10 mmol) and methyl isothiocyanate (0.88 g, 12 mmol), *title compound 11k* was isolated as a yellow powder (4.70 g, 73%), which was recrystallized at -15°C from MeCN (7 ml) to afford a pale yellow powder (3.61 g, 56%); mp $214\text{--}216^{\circ}\text{C}$ (decomp.) (Found: C, 18.78; H, 1.53; N, 6.28. $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_9\text{Cl}_9\text{N}_3\text{SSb}$ (MW = 644.1) requires C, 18.64; H, 1.41; N, 6.52%; $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{Nujol})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3298, 1621 (br, vs), 1556 (vs); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 2.68, 3.14 (d, J 4.9) (CH_3), 7.85 (aryl), 8.13 (br, coupled to 3.14, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 17.3, 37.0 (CH_3), 129.4, 131.3, 136.5, 140.7 (aryl), 156.5 (C=N), 171.8 (SC=N).

2,3-Dihydro-5-methyl-2-methylimino-3-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazole 11'k

Compound **11'k** was prepared from salt **11k** (6.44 g, 10 mmol) (method A). Crystallization at -15°C from CHCl_3 (6 ml) afforded *title compound 11'k* as an orange powder (1.74 g, 57%); mp $123\text{--}125^{\circ}\text{C}$ (Found: C, 39.12; H, 2.80; N, 13.52. $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_8\text{Cl}_3\text{N}_3\text{S}$ (MW = 308.6) requires C, 38.91; H, 2.61; N, 13.61%; $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{Nujol})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1652 (br, vs), 1570 (m), 1552 (m); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 2.44, 3.03 (CH_3), 7.44 (aryl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 18.0, 44.2 (CH_3), 128.9, 133.5, 135.9, 136.5 (aryl), 145.9 (C=N), 156.7 (SC=N).

2,3-Dihydro-5-isopropyl-2-methylimino-3-(4-nitrophenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazole 11'l

Compound **11l** was prepared from azo compound **6l** (2.84 g, 10 mmol) and methyl isothiocyanate (0.88 g, 12 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at 23°C for 3 h. The impure orange hexachloroantimonate **11l** (4.91 g, 80%) was transformed into *title compound 11'l* (method B). Crystallization at -15°C from hot EtOH (40 ml) afforded pale brown needles (1.82 g, 66%); mp $114\text{--}116^{\circ}\text{C}$ (Found: C, 51.52; H, 5.09; N, 19.69. $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_4\text{O}_2\text{S}$ (MW = 278.3) requires C, 51.78; H, 5.07; N, 20.13%; $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1636 (br, vs), 1593 (vs); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.36 (d, J 6.9, 6 H), 3.17 (CH_3), 3.07 (septet, J 6.9, CH), 8.21 (m, 2 H), 8.33 (m, 2 H) (aryl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 21.3 (2 C), 32.2 (CH_3), 44.5 (CH), 119.5, 124.4, 143.3, 145.7, 155.6, 157.0 (aryl, C=N).

***N*-[2,3-Dihydro-5-isopropyl-3-(4-nitrophenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-ylidene]-*tert*-butylammonium hexachloroantimonate 11m**

From azo compound **6l** (2.84 g, 10 mmol) and *tert*-butyl isothiocyanate (1.38 g, 12 mmol), *title compound 11m* was obtained as a brown powder (5.77 g, 88%), which was recrystallized at -15°C from MeCN (10 ml)–Et₂O (30 ml) to afford a pale brown powder (4.15 g, 63%); mp 225–229 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 27.59; H, 3.29; N, 8.62. C₁₅H₂₁Cl₆N₄O₂SSb (MW = 655.9) requires C, 27.47; H, 3.23; N, 8.54%); $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3356, 1614 (s), 1588 (vs); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 1.41 (d, *J* 6.9, 6 H), 1.48 (9 H) (CH₃), 3.35 (septet, *J* 6.9, CH), 7.87 (m, 2 H), 8.46 (m, 2 H) (aryl), 7.52 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 21.9 (2 C), 27.6 (3 C) (CH₃), 31.9, 59.0 (C, CH), 127.1, 129.1, 141.1, 150.3, 165.6, 166.7 (aryl, C=N).

2-*tert*-Butylimino-2,3-dihydro-5-isopropyl-3-(4-nitrophenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazole 11'm

Compound **11'm** was prepared from salt **11m** (6.56 g, 10 mmol) (method A). After crystallization at -15°C from hot EtOH (10 ml) *title compound 11'm* was obtained as an orange crystalline powder (2.10 g, 66%); mp 84–85 °C (Found: C, 56.25; H, 6.28; N, 17.48. C₁₅H₂₀N₄O₂S (MW = 320.4) requires C, 56.23; H, 6.29; N, 17.49%); $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{CCl}_4)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1632 (br, vs), 1592 (vs); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.34 (9 H), 1.35 (d, *J* 6.9, 6 H) (CH₃), 3.03 (septet, *J* 6.9, CH), 8.20 (m, 2 H), 8.40 (m, 2 H) (aryl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 21.3 (2 C), 27.9 (3 C) (CH₃), 32.1, 54.8 (C, CH), 119.9, 124.2, 143.0, 145.8, 146.3, 156.8 (aryl, C=N).

***N*-[2,3-Dihydro-5-methyl-3-(1,2,4-trichlorophenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-ylidene]cyclohexylammonium hexachloroantimonate 11n**

From azo compound **6n**³¹ (2.72 g, 10 mmol) and cyclohexyl isothiocyanate (1.70 g, 12 mmol), *title compound 11n* was isolated as a brown powder (5.76 g, 81%), which was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (25 ml). Addition of pentane (35 ml) and crystallization at -15°C afforded fine yellow prisms (4.72 g, 66%); mp 222–226 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 25.36; H, 2.45; N, 5.86. C₁₅H₁₇Cl₃N₃SSb (MW = 712.2) requires C, 25.30; H, 2.41; N, 5.90%); $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3287, 1606 (vs), 1557 (vs); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 2.68 (CH₃), 1.12–2.07 (several m, 10 H, CH₂), 3.33 (br m, CH), 7.83 (aryl), 8.05 (br d, *J* 7.6, coupled to 3.33, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 17.3, 25.2, 25.3, 32.2, 64.3 (CH₃, CH₂, CH), 129.6, 131.2, 136.4, 140.5 (aryl), 156.4, 169.5 (C=N).

2-Cyclohexylimino-2,3-dihydro-5-methyl-3-(1,2,4-trichlorophenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazole 11'n

Compound **11'n** was prepared from **11n** (7.12 g, 10 mmol) (method B). Crystallization at -15°C from hot EtOH (5 ml) afforded *title compound 11'n* as prisms (3.26 g, 87%); mp 65–67 °C (Found: C, 47.77; H, 4.23; N, 11.24. C₁₅H₁₆Cl₃N₃S (MW = 376.7) requires C, 47.82; H, 4.28; N, 11.16%); $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{CCl}_4)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1645 (br, vs); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 2.38 (CH₃), 1.18–1.74 (several m, 10 H, CH₂), 2.56 (br, CH), 7.41 (aryl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 17.9, 24.9, 25.7, 33.3, 68.6 (CH₃, CH₂, CH), 128.8, 134.1, 135.4, 136.6, 145.5 (br), 151.9 (br) (aryl, C=N).

***N*-[3-*tert*-Butyl-5-ethyl-2,3-dihydro-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-ylidene]phenylammonium hexachloroantimonate 11o**

From azo compound **6o**³¹ (1.63 g, 10 mmol) and phenyl isothiocyanate (1.62 g, 12 mmol), *title compound 11o* was obtained as a grey powder (3.64 g, 61%), which was crystallized at -15°C from MeCN (35 ml)–Et₂O (35 ml) to afford a pale yellow powder (2.33 g, 39%); mp 141–144 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 28.29; H, 3.34; N, 6.96. C₁₄H₂₀Cl₆N₃SSb (MW = 596.9) requires C, 28.17; H, 3.38; N, 7.04%); $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3392, 1595 (s), 1574 (s), 1538 (vs); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 1.26 (t, *J* 7.5), 1.79 (9 H) (CH₃), 2.84 (q, *J* 7.5, CH₂), 7.47–7.62 (m, phenyl), 8.76

(br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 12.9, 24.8, 28.5 (3 C), 67.9 (CH₃, CH₂, C), 126.7, 131.0, 131.7, 140.4 (phenyl), 158.6, 170.6 (C=N).

3-*tert*-Butyl-5-ethyl-2,3-dihydro-2-phenylimino-1,3,4-thiadiazole 11'o

From salt **11o** (5.97 g, 10 mmol) (method B), *title compound 11'o* was obtained as fine orange prisms (1.73 g, 66%); mp 62–64 °C (Found: C, 64.63; H, 7.38; N, 16.20. C₁₄H₁₉N₃S (MW = 261.4) requires C, 64.33; H, 7.33; N, 16.08%); $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{CCl}_4)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1614 (br, vs), 1587 (vs); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.17 (t, *J* 7.6), 1.67 (9 H) (CH₃), 2.58 (q, *J* 7.6, CH₂), 7.00–7.34 (several m, phenyl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 12.5, 25.2, 28.1 (3 C), 61.2 (CH₃, CH₂, C), 121.0, 122.9, 129.4, 146.0 (phenyl), 153.3, 156.5 (C=N).

***N*-[2,3-Dihydro-5-propyl-3-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-ylidene]phenylammonium hexachloroantimonate 11p**

From azo compound **6p**³¹ (3.00 g, 10 mmol) and phenyl isothiocyanate (1.62 g, 12 mmol), *title compound 11p* was obtained as a pale brown powder (5.88 g, 80%), which was crystallized at -15°C from CH₂Cl₂ (25 ml)–pentane (25 ml) to afford yellow prisms (5.41 g, 74%); mp 140–142 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 27.83; H, 2.08; N, 5.66. C₁₇H₁₅Cl₃N₃SSb (MW = 734.2) requires C, 27.81; H, 2.06; N, 5.72%); $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3251, 1604 (vs), 1581 (vs), 1544 (vs); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 1.01 (t, *J* 7.4, CH₃), 1.80 (m), 2.99 (t, *J* 7.3) (CH₂), 7.44–7.64 (m, phenyl), 7.90 (aryl), 9.85 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 13.3, 22.4, 33.0 (CH₃, CH₂), 124.5, 129.6, 131.0, 131.4, 131.8, 136.3, 138.1, 140.8 (phenyl, aryl), 161.2, 171.2 (C=N).

***N*-[2,3-Dihydro-5-propyl-3-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-ylidene]phenylammonium picrate 11*p**

Compound **11*p** was prepared from salt **11p** (7.34 g, 10 mmol) (method A). The oily base was dissolved in a saturated solution of picric acid (*ca.* 3.44 g, 15 mmol) in EtOH. Crystallization at -15°C afforded *title compound 11*p* as a yellow powder (5.37 g, 86%); mp 138–140 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 43.96; H, 2.68; N, 13.27. C₂₃H₁₇Cl₃N₆O₇S (MW = 627.8) requires C, 44.00; H, 2.73; N, 13.39%); $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1631 (br, vs), 1590 (s), 1552 (s); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.04 (t, *J* 7.4, CH₃), 1.78 (m), 2.82 (t, *J* 7.3) (CH₂), 7.23–7.42 (m, phenyl), 8.91 (aryl), 12.08 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 13.2, 21.5, 32.9 (CH₃, CH₂), 122.7 (br), 126.2, 127.4 (br), 129.1, 130.1, 130.9, 132.3, 135.9, 137.8, 139.5, 144.3 (br), 154.7 (br), 157.6, 163.8 (br) (phenyl, aryl, C=N).

***N*-[2,3-Dihydro-5-isopropyl-3-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-ylidene]cyclohexylammonium hexachloroantimonate 11q**

From azo compound **6q**³¹ (3.00 g, 10 mmol) and cyclohexyl isothiocyanate (1.70 g, 12 mmol), *title compound 11q* was obtained as a pale orange powder (5.12 g, 69%), which was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (25 ml)–MeCN (0.5 ml). Addition of pentane (30 ml) and crystallization at -15°C afforded a powder (3.65 g, 49%); mp 172–179 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 27.54; H, 2.90; N, 5.76. C₁₇H₂₁Cl₃N₃SSb (MW = 740.3) requires C, 27.58; H, 2.86; N, 5.68%); $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3286, 1602 (br, vs), 1550 (vs); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 1.40 (d, *J* 6.8, CH₃), 1.19–2.07 (several m, 10 H, CH₂), 3.34 (br m), 3.36 (septet, *J* 6.8) (CH), 7.83 (aryl), 8.07 (br d, *J* 7.9, coupled to 3.34, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 21.8, 25.3, 32.2, 32.3, 64.5 (CH₃, CH₂, CH), 129.7, 131.2, 136.4, 140.5 (aryl), 166.2, 169.2 (C=N).

***N*-[2,3-Dihydro-5-isopropyl-3-(2,4,6-trichlorophenyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-ylidene]cyclohexylammonium picrate 11*q**

Compound **11*q** was prepared from salt **11q** (7.40 g, 10 mmol) (method A). The oily base was transformed into the picrate in the manner described for **11p**. *Title compound 11q* was obtained

as yellow prisms (4.88 g, 77%); mp 193–195 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 43.84; H, 3.77; N, 12.86. C₂₃H₂₃Cl₃N₆O₇S (MW = 633.9) requires C, 43.58; H, 3.66; N, 13.26%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1631 (vs), 1620 (vs), 1563 (vs); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.45 (d, *J* 6.8, CH₃), 1.13–2.11 (several m, 10 H, CH₂), 3.16 (m, 1 H), 3.28 (septet, *J* 6.8, 1 H) (CH), 7.26 (2 H), 8.80 (2 H) (aryl), 11.14 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 21.6, 24.5, 25.0, 31.1, 31.6, 65.6 (CH₃, CH₂, CH), 126.2, 127.9, 129.1, 129.2, 135.8, 138.6, 141.0, 160.2, 162.0, 166.2 (aryl, C=N).

***N*-[3-Ethoxycarbonyl-2,3-dihydro-5-methyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-ylidene]phenylammonium hexachloroantimonate 11r**

From azo compound **6r** (2.07 g, 10 mmol) and phenyl isothiocyanate (2.03 g, 15 mmol), *title compound 11r* was isolated as an orange powder (3.64 g, 61%), which was recrystallized at –15 °C from MeCN (10 ml) to afford pale yellow prisms (2.43 g, 41%); mp 168–170 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 24.28; H, 2.40; N, 7.20. C₁₂H₁₄Cl₆N₃O₂SSb (MW = 598.8) requires C, 24.06; H, 2.36; N, 7.02%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{Nujol})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3276, 1751 (vs), 1617 (vs), 1567 (s); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 1.47 (t, *J* 7.1, CH₃), 4.66 (q, *J* 7.1, CH₂), 7.49–7.65 (several m, phenyl), 11.09 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 14.3, 17.0 (CH₃), 69.0 (CH₂), 125.6, 131.7, 131.8, 138.9, 150.2, 154.2, 174.7 (phenyl, C=).

***N*-[3-Ethoxycarbonyl-5-ethyl-2,3-dihydro-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-ylidene]phenylammonium hexachloroantimonate 11s**

From azo compound **6s** (2.21 g, 10 mmol) and phenyl isothiocyanate (2.03 g, 15 mmol), *title compound 11s* was isolated as a pale yellow powder (3.25 g, 53%), which was recrystallized at –15 °C from MeCN (10 ml) to afford a powder (2.21 g, 36%); mp 158–160 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 25.74; H, 2.66; N, 6.89. C₁₃H₁₆Cl₆N₃O₂SSb (MW = 612.8) requires C, 25.48; H, 7.63; N, 6.86%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{Nujol})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3278, 1748 (vs), 1614 (s), 1592 (m), 1562 (s); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 1.29 (t, *J* 7.5), 1.47 (t, *J* 7.1) (CH₃), 2.93 (q, *J* 7.9), 4.67 (q, *J* 7.1) (CH₂), 7.48–7.65 (several m, phenyl), 11.11 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 12.7, 14.3 (CH₃), 25.1, 69.1 (CH₂), 125.8, 131.8, 131.9, 139.1, 150.4, 159.7, 174.7 (phenyl, C=).

Ethyl 5-ethyl-2,3-dihydro-2-phenylimino-1,3,4-thiadiazole-3-carboxylate 11's

From salt **11s** (6.13 g, 10 mmol) (method B), *title compound 11's* was isolated as an oil (2.44 g, 88%), which crystallized at –15 °C from Et₂O (100 ml) to afford a powder (2.00 g, 72%); mp 92–93 °C (Found: C, 56.34; H, 5.49; N, 15.19. C₁₃H₁₅N₃O₂S (MW = 277.3) requires C, 56.30; H, 5.45; N, 15.15%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1757 (vs), 1637 (br, vs), 1592 (s); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.22 (t, *J* 7.6), 1.45 (t, *J* 7.2) (CH₃), 2.70 (q, *J* 7.6), 4.50 (q, *J* 7.1) (CH₂), 7.00–7.39 (several m, phenyl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 12.3, 14.4 (CH₃), 25.5, 64.1 (CH₂), 120.2, 124.7, 129.6, 149.6, 152.4, 153.6, 154.0 (phenyl, C=).

***N*-[3-Ethoxycarbonyl-2,3-dihydro-5-isopropyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-ylidene]phenylammonium hexachloroantimonate 11t**

From azo compound **6t** (2.35 g, 10 mmol) and phenyl isothiocyanate (2.03 g, 15 mmol), *title compound 11t* was isolated as a yellow powder (3.19 g, 51%), which was recrystallized at –15 °C from MeCN (5 ml)–Et₂O (5 ml) to afford a yellow powder (2.27 g, 36%); mp 185–187 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 26.79; H, 2.84; N, 6.56. C₁₄H₁₈Cl₆N₃O₂SSb (MW = 626.8) requires C, 26.82; H, 2.89; N, 6.70%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3236, 1761 (vs), 1611 (vs), 1591 (s), 1560 (s); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 1.33 (d, *J* 6.9, 6 H), 1.48 (t, *J* 7.0) (CH₃), 3.27 (septet, *J* 6.9), 4.67 (q, *J* 7.0) (CH₂), 7.50–7.69 (several m, phenyl), 9.46 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 14.3, 21.7 (2 C) (CH₃), 32.1, 69.0 (CH₂), 125.7, 131.7, 131.8, 139.0, 150.3, 164.0, 174.4 (phenyl, C=).

2,5-Dihydro-2-(isopropylimino)-5,5-dimethyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-3-ium hexachloroantimonate 12u (≡ 12v, 12y)

(a) From azo compound **6u** (2.11 g, 10 mmol) and isopropyl isothiocyanate (2.02 g, 20 mmol), *title compound 12u* was obtained as a brown powder (3.38 g, 67%), which was recrystallized at –15 °C from MeCN (6 ml)–Et₂O (2 ml) to afford an ochreous powder (2.98 g, 59%); mp 154–156 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 16.77; H, 2.78; N, 8.13. C₇H₁₄Cl₆N₃SSb (MW = 506.7) requires C, 16.59; H, 2.78; N, 8.29%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{Nujol})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3213, 1636 (br, vs), 1546 (s); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 1.51 (d, *J* 6.5, 6 H), 2.05 (6 H) (CH₃), 3.98 (septet, *J* 6.5, CH), 11.66 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 20.4 (2 C), 26.0 (2 C) (CH₃), 58.3 (CH), 121.7 (C5), 187.9 (br, C=N).

(b) From azo compound **6v**¹⁴ (1.79 g, 10 mmol) and isopropyl isothiocyanate (2.02 g, 20 mmol), *title compound 12u* was obtained as a brown powder (4.25 g, 84%), which was recrystallized at –15 °C from CH₂Cl₂ (8 ml) to afford a brown powder (2.81 g, 56%); mp 154–156 °C (decomp.).

(c) From azo compound **6y**⁸ (1.63 g, 10 mmol) and isopropyl isothiocyanate (1.21 g, 12 mmol), *title compound 12u* was obtained as a powder (4.00 g, 79%); mp 152–153 °C (decomp.).

2,5-Dihydro-2-(isopropylimino)-5,5-dimethyl-1,3,4-thiadiazole 12'u

From salt **12u** (5.07 g, 10 mmol) (method A), prisms of *title compound 12'u* were isolated (1.52 g, 89%); mp 64–66 °C (Found: C, 49.21; H, 7.63; N, 24.11. C₇H₁₃N₃S (MW = 171.3) requires C, 49.09; H, 7.65; N, 24.54%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{CCl}_4)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1652 (br, vs); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.33 (d, *J* 6.3, 6 H), 1.83 (6 H) (CH₃), 3.31 (septet, *J* 6.3, CH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 22.5 (2 C), 28.6 (2 C) (CH₃), 60.5 (CH), 105.6 (C5), 174.3 (C=N).

5-Ethyl-2,5-dihydro-5-methyl-2-(phenylimino)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-3-ium hexachloroantimonate 12w (≡ 12ab)

(a) From azo compound **6w** (1.93 g, 10 mmol) and phenyl isothiocyanate (2.03 g, 15 mmol), *title compound 12w* was obtained as a dark yellow powder (3.31 g, 60%), which was recrystallized at –15 °C from CH₂Cl₂ (5 ml)–Et₂O (3 ml) to afford a pale brown powder (2.34 g, 42%); mp 148–150 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 24.04; H, 2.49; N, 7.45. C₁₁H₁₄Cl₆N₃SSb (MW = 554.8) requires C, 23.81; H, 2.54; N, 7.57%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{Nujol})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3177, 1626 (vs), 1541 (s); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN}; 273 \text{ K})$ 0.91 (t, *J* 7.4), 2.09 (CH₃), 2.57 (m, CH₂), 7.74 (m, phenyl), 9.96 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN}; 273 \text{ K})$ 9.8, 24.4, 33.2 (CH₃, CH₂), 123.0 (C5), 128.0, 131.8, 132.7, 135.5 (phenyl), 183.7 (C=N).

(b) Compound **12w** was prepared from azo compound **6ab** (1.77 g, 10 mmol) and phenyl isothiocyanate (1.62 g, 12 mmol). However, in place of Et₂O pentane (50 ml) was added to the reaction mixture. After 12 h at –15 °C *title compound 12w* was obtained as a dark yellow powder (3.96 g, 71%), which was recrystallized at –15 °C from MeCN (6 ml) to furnish a pale brown powder (3.15 g, 57%); 148–150 °C (decomp.).

5-Ethyl-2,5-dihydro-5-methyl-2-(phenylimino)-1,3,4-thiadiazole 12'w

From salt **12w** (5.55 g, 10 mmol) (method A), *title compound 12'w* was isolated as a yellow powder (1.74 g, 79%), which was recrystallized at –15 °C from CHCl₃ (3 ml) to afford a yellow powder (1.26 g, 58%); mp 58–60 °C (decomp.) (Found: C, 60.10; H, 6.10; N, 18.31. C₁₁H₁₃N₃S (MW = 219.3) requires C, 60.24; H, 5.97; N, 19.16%); $\nu_{\max}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1623 (br, vs), 1588 (s); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 0.86 (t, *J* 7.4), 1.86 (CH₃), 2.21 (m, CH₂), 7.22–7.48 (several m, phenyl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9 \text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 9.1, 26.6, 33.6 (CH₃, CH₂), 111.9 (C5), 121.1, 126.8, 129.4, 148.2 (phenyl), 174.3 (C=N).

5-Ethyl-2,5-dihydro-5-methyl-2-(methylimino)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-3-ium hexachloroantimonate **12x**

Compound **12x** was prepared from azo compound **6w** (1.93 g, 10 mmol) and methyl isothiocyanate (1.46 g, 20 mmol) in the manner described for **12w**. *Title compound 12x* was obtained as a yellow powder (3.56 g, 72%), which was recrystallized at -15°C from MeCN (4 ml) to furnish a yellow powder (2.35 g, 48%); mp 118–120 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ (decomp.) (Found: C, 14.38; H, 2.45; N, 8.53. $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{Cl}_6\text{N}_3\text{SSb}$ (MW = 492.7) requires C, 14.63; H, 2.45; N, 8.53%; $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{Nujol})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3233, 1646 (br, vs), 1544 (m); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN}; 273\text{ K})$ 0.86 (t, J 7.3), 2.06, 3.55 (CH_3), 2.53 (m, CH_2), 10.08 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN}; 273\text{ K})$ 9.6, 24.7, 33.2, 38.7 (CH_3 , CH_2), 126.4 (C5), 189.7 (C=N).

2,5-Dihydro-5,5-dimethyl-2-(phenylimino)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-3-ium hexachloroantimonate **12z**

From azo compound **6y**⁸ (1.63 g, 10 mmol) and phenyl isothiocyanate (1.62 g, 12 mmol), *title compound 12z* was obtained as a yellow powder (4.86 g, 90%), which was crystallized at -15°C from warm MeCN (6 ml) to furnish pale yellow needles (2.98 g, 55%); 125–127 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ (decomp.) (Found: C, 22.26; H, 2.23; N, 7.76. $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{12}\text{Cl}_6\text{N}_3\text{SSb}$ (MW = 540.8) requires C, 22.21; H, 2.24; N, 7.77%; $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3214, 1626 (vs), 1539 (s); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 2.09 (6 H, CH_3), 7.72 (m, phenyl), 11.46 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 26.0 (CH_3), 122.4 (C), 122.9, 131.8, 132.5, 136.0 (phenyl), 184.1 (br, C=N).

2,5-Dihydro-5,5-dimethyl-2-(phenylimino)-1,3,4-thiadiazole **12'z**³⁷

From salt **12y** (5.41 g, 10 mmol) (method A), *title compound 12'z* was obtained as a yellow powder (1.97 g, 96%). Crystallization at -15°C from a dilute solution in cyclohexane afforded pale green needles suitable for X-ray crystallographic analysis; mp 100–102 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ (lit.,³⁷ 100–102 $^{\circ}\text{C}$). $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_3\text{S}$ (MW = 205.3); $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{CCl}_4)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1640 (br, vs), 1554 (m); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.87 (CH_3), 7.23–8.48 (several m, phenyl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 28.3 (CH_3), 106.9 (C5), 121.1, 126.8, 129.4, 148.2 (phenyl), 174.3 (C=N); EI-MS m/z 177 (M – N_2 , 16%), 74 ($\text{Me}_2\text{C}=\text{S}^+$, 100%).

2-(Allylimino)-2,5-dihydro-5,5-dimethyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-3-ium hexachloroantimonate **12aa**

From azo compound **6y**⁸ (1.63 g, 10 mmol) and isopropyl isothiocyanate (1.19 g, 12 mmol), *title compound 12aa* was obtained as a yellow powder (4.50 g, 89%); mp 116–121 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ (decomp.) (Found: C, 16.76; H, 2.43; N, 8.18. $\text{C}_7\text{H}_{12}\text{Cl}_6\text{N}_3\text{SSb}$ (MW = 504.8) requires C, 16.66; H, 2.40; N, 8.33%; $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{KBr})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3224, 1628 (br, vs), 1545 (m); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 2.05 (6 H, CH_3), 4.41 (m, CH_2), 5.54 (m), 5.95 (m) (CH), 10.85 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 26.0 (CH_3), 54.5 (CH_2), 122.1 (C5), 123.7, 127.5 (C=), 189.3 (C=N).

2-(Allylimino)-2,5-dihydro-5,5-dimethyl-1,3,4-thiadiazole **12'aa**

From salt **12aa** (5.05 g, 10 mmol) (method A), *title compound 12'aa* was obtained as a yellow oil (1.44 g, 85%); mp 97–99 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ (Found: C, 49.46; H, 6.65; N, 24.74. $\text{C}_7\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_3\text{S}$ (MW = 169.2) requires C, 49.68; H, 6.55; N, 24.84%; $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{CCl}_4)/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1652 (br, vs); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.85 (CH_3), 4.06 (m, 2 H), 5.28 (m), 6.08 (m) (CH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 28.4 (CH_3), 60.8 (CH_2), 106.3 (C5), 116.9, 133.4 (C=), 176.9 (C=N).

5-Ethyl-2,5-dihydro-5-isopropyl-2-(methylimino)-1,3,4-thiadiazol-3-ium hexachloroantimonate **12ac**

Compound **12ac** was prepared from azo compound **6ac** (2.05 g, 10 mmol) and methyl isothiocyanate (1.10 g, 15 mmol) in the manner described for **12w**. *Title compound 12ac* was obtained as a yellow powder (3.28 g, 63%), which was recrystallized at

-15°C from MeCN (5 ml) to furnish a yellow powder (2.81 g, 54%); mp 63–65 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ (decomp.) (Found: C, 18.23; H, 2.93; N, 8.11. $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{16}\text{Cl}_6\text{N}_3\text{SSb}$ (MW = 520.8) requires C, 18.44; H, 3.09; N, 8.06%; $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{Nujol})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3193, 1652 (br, vs), 1552 (s); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 0.78 (t, J 7.3), 0.86 (d, J 6.6), 1.21 (d, J 6.7), 3.57 (CH_3), 2.55 (m, 1 H), 2.75 (m, 1 H) (CH_2), 2.99 (septet, J 6.7, CH), 10.90 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_3\text{CN})$ 8.8, 18.1, 20.0, 30.5, 37.6, 38.9 (CH_3 , CH_2 , CH), 136.6 (C5), 188.9 (C=N).

Spiro[tricyclo[3.3.1.1^{3,7}]decane-2,2'-(2',5'-dihydro-5'-isopropyl-imino-1',3',4'-thiadiazol-4-ium)] hexachloroantimonate **12ad**

From azo compound **6ad** (2.55 g, 10 mmol) and isopropyl isothiocyanate (2.02 g, 20 mmol), *title compound 12ad* was obtained as a pale yellow powder (4.86 g, 81%), which was recrystallized at -15°C from MeCN (9 ml)–Et₂O (5 ml) to furnish a powder (4.26 g, 71%); mp 208–210 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ (decomp.) (Found: C, 28.22; H, 3.65; N, 6.65. $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{22}\text{Cl}_6\text{N}_3\text{SSb}$ (MW = 598.9) requires C, 28.08; H, 3.70; N, 7.02%; $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{Nujol})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3263, 1625 (vs), 1531 (m); $\delta_{\text{H}}[250\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{--CD}_3\text{CN} (2:1)]$ 1.56 (d, J 6.5, 6 H), 1.91–2.77 (several m, 14 H), 4.00 (septet, J 6.5, CH), 8.86 (br, NH); $\delta_{\text{C}}[62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{--CD}_3\text{CN} (2:1)]$ 20.6, 27.0, 27.3, 36.8, 37.6, 39.0, 41.6, 58.1 (CH_3 , CH_2 , CH), 136.5 (C5), 184.9 (C=N).

4,5-Dihydro-3,3-dimethyl-4-phenyl-3H-1,2,4-triazole-5-thione **13**³⁷

Compound **13** was prepared from acetone 4-phenylthiosemicarbazone (2.07 g, 10 mmol) according to the literature method.³⁷ Pure orange prisms of *title compound 13* were obtained in low yield (0.27 g, 13%); mp 167–168 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ (lit.,³⁷ 172–174 $^{\circ}\text{C}$); $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_3\text{S}$ (MW = 205.3); $\nu_{\text{max}}(\text{Nujol})/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1503 (s), 1490 (s); $\delta_{\text{H}}(250\text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 1.64 (6 H, CH_3), 7.15–7.60 (several m, phenyl); $\delta_{\text{C}}(62.9\text{ MHz}; \text{CDCl}_3)$ 22.5 (CH_3), 110.1 (C5), 127.3, 129.7, 130.3, 134.8 (phenyl), 188.0 (C=S); EI-MS m/z 177 (M – N_2 , 50%), 74 ($\text{Me}_2\text{C}=\text{S}^+$, 100%).

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