

was added 15 ml. of 1 *N* HCl, 50 ml. of water, and 30 ml. of dioxane. The resulting solution was cooled to 10° and saturated with phosgene. The mixture was filtered, washed with water, and recrystallized from ethanol. There was obtained 2.50 g. (59%) of red-tan prisms melting at 211–215°.

*Anal.* Calcd. for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S: C, 58.32; H, 4.20; N, 9.72; S, 11.12. Found: C, 58.32; H, 4.07; N, 9.67; S, 11.11.

**1-*p*-Tolylsulfonyl-2-benzimidazolines (IIIa). Method C.**—A mixture of 4.33 g. (0.0165 mole) of *N-p*-tolylsulfonyl-*o*-phenylenediamine, 0.93 g. (0.0165 mole) of KOH, 1.30 g. (0.017 mole) of carbon disulfide, 20 ml. of ethanol, and 2.25 ml. of water was heated under reflux for 3 hr. The mixture was diluted with about 20 ml. of water and acidified with acetic acid. The solid was removed by filtration and washed with water; yield, 3.84 g. Recrystallization from ethanol gave light tan needles melting at 153°. The melting point appeared to vary depending upon the rate of heating.

*Anal.* Calcd. for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S<sub>2</sub>: C, 55.26; H, 3.98; N, 9.21; S, 21.03. Found: C, 55.25; H, 4.04; N, 9.38; S, 21.24.

***N-p*-Tolylsulfonyl-4-methyl-2-nitroaniline (IVb). Method D.**—A solution of 95.32 g. (0.5 mole) of *p*-toluenesulfonyl chloride and 76.07 g. (0.5 mole) of 4-methyl-2-nitroaniline in 200 ml. of pyridine was heated under reflux for 1 hr. The pyridine was removed *in vacuo* at 50°. The residue was diluted with water. The precipitate was removed by filtration and recrystallized from 2-propanol. There was obtained 142.9 g. (93%) of yellow rosettes melting at 100–101°.

*Anal.* Calcd. for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S: C, 54.89; H, 4.61; S, 10.47. Found: C, 55.06; H, 4.62; S, 10.60.

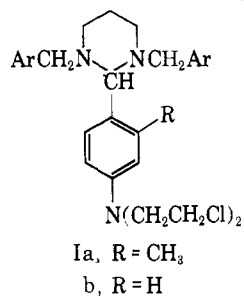
## Hexahydropyrimidines. VI. Some 2-{4-[*N,N*-Bis(2-chloroethyl)amino]aryl}- 1,3-bis(aralkyl)hexahydropyrimidines<sup>1</sup>

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compounds of type I were described. The degree of activity of those compounds against Walker carcinoma 256 appeared to be related to the electron-donating ability of the substituents on the nitrogens of the hexahydropyrimidine ring. Two additional compounds of type Ia have been prepared, as indicated in Table I. Compound II was synthesized by condensing *o*-tolualdehyde nitrogen mustard with *N,N'*-bis(*p*-dimethylaminobenzyl)-1,3-diaminopropane, and III was obtained in a similar manner from *o*-tolualdehyde nitrogen mustard and *N,N'*-bis(*o*-methoxybenzyl)-1,3-diaminopropane.

**Biological Results.**—Compounds II and III indicated some inhibitory activity against Walker carcinoma 256.<sup>3</sup>

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TABLE I  
2-{4-[*N,N*-Bis(2-chloroethyl)amino]aryl}-  
1,3-bis(aralkyl)hexahydropyrimidines<sup>a</sup>

| No. | Ar   | Yield, %        |        | M.p., °C. (cor.) |       | Nitrogen, % <sup>b</sup> |       |
|-----|--|-----------------|--------|------------------|-------|--------------------------|-------|
|     |  | R               | (pure) | Calcd.           | Found | Calcd.                   | Found |
| II  | <i>p</i> -Dimethylaminophenyl <sup>c</sup> | CH <sub>3</sub> | 32     | 117              | 118   | 12.01                    | 12.09 |
| III | <i>o</i> -Methoxyphenyl <sup>c</sup>       | CH <sub>3</sub> | 50     | 127.5            | 129   | 7.55                     | 7.26  |

<sup>a</sup> See compound I for general structure. <sup>b</sup> Microanalyses were performed by Midwest Microlab, Indianapolis, Ind. <sup>c</sup> Recrystallized from acetonitrile.

TABLE II  
INHIBITION OF WALKER CARCINOMA 256<sup>a</sup>

| Ar                                   | R               | Dose,<br>mg./kg. | % inhibition | Animal<br>deaths |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|
| <i>p</i> -Methoxyphenyl <sup>2</sup> | CH <sub>3</sub> | 100              | 100          | None             |
| <i>o</i> -Methoxyphenyl              | CH <sub>3</sub> | 100              | 95           | None             |
| <i>p</i> -Dimethylaminophenyl        | CH <sub>3</sub> | 100              | 77           | None             |
| <i>p</i> -Chlorophenyl <sup>2</sup>  | CH <sub>3</sub> | 100              | 71           | None             |
| 2,4-Dichlorophenyl <sup>2</sup>      | CH <sub>3</sub> | 100              | 22           | None             |
| 3,4-Dichlorophenyl <sup>2</sup>      | CH <sub>3</sub> | 100              | 57           | None             |

<sup>a</sup> See ref. 3; see compound I for general structure.

Both have an electron-releasing group on the phenyl ring of the substituent Ar, and the results followed the general structure-activity relationship previously suggested.<sup>2</sup> A comparison of the antitumor activity of II and III with other compounds of type Ia is given in Table II.

If electron release by Ar is indeed a factor in inhibitory activity, then the possibility of some loss of activity through *in vivo* protonation of the dimethylamino nitrogens should be considered.

### Experimental

The preparation of *N,N'*-bis(*p*-dimethylaminobenzyl)-1,3-diaminopropane has been described.<sup>4</sup>

***N,N'*-Bis(*o*-methoxybenzyl)-1,3-diaminopropane.**—Equimolar quantities of *o*-methoxybenzaldehyde and 1,3-diaminopropane were well mixed and then warmed with an oil bath at 100° for 30 min. The water which formed was removed by adding benzene and distilling the azeotrope. All of the benzene was removed under vacuum and absolute ethanol was added to the crude *N,N'*-bis(*o*-methoxybenzylidene)-1,3-diaminopropane. This di-Schiff base was hydrogenated to produce the corresponding diamine using P(O<sub>2</sub>) and a hydrogen pressure of 2–3 atm. The catalyst was removed by filtration and the ethanol was removed under vacuum using a rotary evaporator. The crude diamine oil was used in the preparation of III. A small sample of the diamine dihydrochloride was prepared by passing dry HCl through a solution of the diamine in benzene. This dihydrochloride was recrystallized from an ethanol-acetone mixture to give a sample with m.p. 184.5° dec.

*Anal.* Calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>·2HCl: Cl, 18.32; N, 7.24. Found: Cl, 18.67; N, 7.31.

**2-{4-[*N,N*-Bis(2-chloroethyl)amino]aryl}-1,3-bis(aralkyl)hexahydropyrimidines (Table I).**—These compounds were prepared by the method reported in ref. 2. The *o*-tolualdehyde nitrogen mustard was obtained commercially.<sup>5</sup>

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