

TABLE III
 ArSO₂OCH₂C≡CCH₂OSO₂Ar

No.	Ar	Method of prepn ^a	Yield, %	Recrystn solvent ^b	Mp, °C	Formula	Calcd, %		Found, %	
							C	H	C	H
VII	2,5-Dimethylphenyl	D	29	G	104-105	C ₂₀ H ₂₂ O ₆ S ₂	56.85	5.25	56.91	5.25
VIII	2,5-Dichlorophenyl	D	81	E	137-139	C ₁₆ H ₁₀ Cl ₂ O ₆ S ₂	38.11	2.00	37.94	2.01
IX	<i>p</i> -Nitrophenyl	D	33	E	178-180	C ₁₈ H ₁₂ N ₂ O ₁₀ S ₂	42.10	2.65	42.31	2.84
X	2,4-Dimethylphenyl	D	36	E	105-107	C ₂₀ H ₂₂ O ₆ S ₂	56.85	5.25	57.03	5.19
XI	3,4-Dichlorophenyl	D	81	H	105-107	C ₁₆ H ₁₀ Cl ₂ O ₆ S ₂	38.11	2.00	38.30	2.07
XII	2,5-Dibromophenyl	D	81	E	114-118	C ₁₆ H ₁₀ Br ₂ O ₆ S ₂	28.19	1.46	28.33	1.49
XIII	4-Chloro-3-nitrophenyl	D	39	E	116-117	C ₁₈ H ₁₀ Cl ₂ N ₂ O ₁₀ S ₂	36.52	2.06	36.70	2.08
XIV	Thienyl	D	66	G	96-97	C ₁₂ H ₁₀ O ₆ S ₄	37.10	2.65	37.22	2.73
XV	<i>m</i> -Nitrophenyl	D	23	E	127-128.5	C ₁₈ H ₁₂ N ₂ O ₁₀ S ₂	42.10	2.65	41.93	2.40
XVI	<i>p</i> -Bromophenyl	D	49	E	135-137	C ₁₈ H ₁₂ Br ₂ O ₆ S ₂	36.65	2.09	36.58	2.18

^a See Experimental Section. ^b E = acetone, G = acetone-H₂O (3:2), H = petroleum ether (bp 60-110°).

Preparation of Arylsulfonic Acid Esters of 1,4-But-2-yne-1,3-diol.
Method D.—The 1,4-but-2-yne-1,3-diol bis(arylsulfonates) (VII–XVI, Table III) were prepared by a procedure similar to that described by Eglington and Whitting.¹⁷ A solution of 0.101 mole of KOH in 10 ml of water at 0° was added to 40 ml of acetonitrile at 10–20°, containing 0.10 mole of arylsulfonyl chloride and 0.05 mole of 1,4-but-2-yne-1,3-diol. The addition took 30 min. The solution was then stirred at room temperature for 2–4 hr. The material precipitated was collected by vacuum filtration. The solid was air dried and then extracted with boiling acetone. Good to excellent yields of the esters recrystallize from the acetone solutions upon cooling to 0°.

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Synthesis of N-Monosubstituted 2-Mercaptoethylamines with Thioureido Substituents^{1,2}

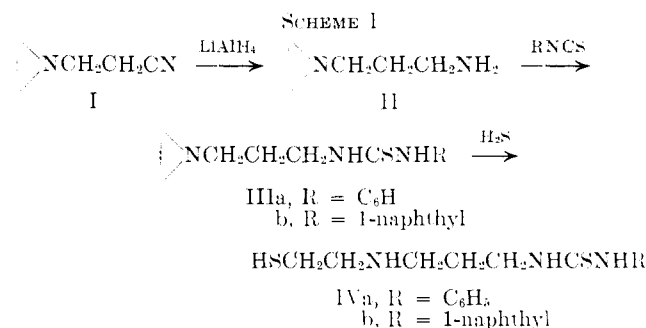
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Because of the interest in 2-mercaptoethylamines and their derivatives as potential antiradiation drugs,^{3–7} and the fact that certain 1-alkyl-3-(2-mercaptoethyl)-thioureas⁸ were found to be effective radiation-protective agents,⁹ we have synthesized a few N-monosub-

stituted 2-mercaptoethylamines, RNHCH₂CH₂SH, in which the R group includes thioureido. The method is shown in Scheme I. Data on the compounds with



structures III and IV are presented in Tables I and II, respectively.

Both compounds were tested at 51–150 mg/kg ip in mice for 30-day survival against lethal radiation of 1000 r.¹⁰ Neither of the amino mercaptans bearing the thioureido group provided mice any protection against lethal doses of radiation.

Experimental Section¹¹

N-(3-Aminopropyl)ethylenimine.—A solution of 20.0 g (0.21 mole) of β-ethyleniminopropionitrile¹² in 40 ml of dry ether was added dropwise to a slurry of 7.9 g (0.21 mole) of LiAlH₄ in 200 ml of dry ether at 0° with stirring in a nitrogen atmosphere. The resultant reaction mixture was stirred at 0° for 30 min. Then, at 0°, 8 ml of water, 6 ml of 20% NaOH, and 28 ml of water were cautiously added in that order. The granular white solids formed in this way were removed by suction filtration, then washed with ether. The ethereal solutions were combined, dried (MgSO₄), and then concentrated by distillation through a Vigreux column. The residue obtained was distilled *in vacuo* and gave 6.3 g (30%) of product, bp 67–69° (27 mm), *n*_D²⁰ 1.4567. Bestian¹² gives bp 61–62° (19 mm) for the compound prepared by catalytic hydrogenation.

Anal. Calcd for C₅H₁₂N₂: C, 59.95; H, 12.08; N, 27.97. Found: C, 59.75; H, 12.11; N, 27.76.

1-(3-Ethyleniminopropyl)-3-(1-naphthyl)thiourea.—1-Naphthyl isothiocyanate (4.6 g, 0.025 mole) and N-(3-aminopropyl)-ethylenimine (2.5 g, 0.025 mole) were dissolved in reagent grade benzene, heated to boiling, and cooled. A white solid, 4.7 g (66%), mp 128–131°, precipitated and was collected by suction filtration.

⁹ Test data supplied by Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, Washington, D. C.

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TABLE I
1-(3-ETHYLENIMINOPROPYL)-3-SUBSTITUTED THIOUREAS

R	Yield, %	Mp, °C	Recrystn solvent	Calcd, %				Found, %			
				C	H	N	S	C	H	N	S
C ₆ H ₅	72	107-109	Ethyl acetate	61.24	7.28	17.85	13.63	61.36	7.20	17.92	13.79
C ₁₀ H ₇	66	129.5-130.5	Benzene	67.33	6.71	14.72	11.23	67.54	6.64	14.59	11.41

TABLE II
1-[3-(2-MERCAPTOETHYLAMINO)PROPYL]-3-SUBSTITUTED THIOUREAS

R	Yield, %	Mp, °C	Formula	Calcd, %				Found, %			
				C	H	N	S	C	H	N	S
C ₆ H ₅	100	77-79.5	C ₁₂ H ₁₉ N ₃ S ₂	53.49	7.10	15.60	23.80	53.62	7.10	15.51	23.80
C ₁₀ H ₇	100	106-108	C ₁₆ H ₂₃ N ₃ S ₂	60.15	6.30	13.15	20.07	60.13	6.38	13.09	20.29

filtration. After a recrystallization from benzene, an analytical sample of 1-(3-ethyleniminopropyl)-3-(1-naphthyl)thiourea was obtained, mp 129.5-130.5°.

1-[3-(2-Mercaptoethylamino)propyl]-3-phenylthiourea.—Hydrogen sulfide was bubbled into absolute ethanol at -60° for 1 hr; approximately 12.0 g of H₂S was absorbed. This solution was cautiously added to 2.5 g (0.01 mole) of analytically pure 1-(3-ethyleniminopropyl)-3-phenylthiourea dissolved in 150 ml of a 1:1 mixture of chloroform and anhydrous ethanol. The solution was allowed to stand for 3 hr, then additional hydrogen sulfide was bubbled through the solution for 15 min. The solution was concentrated *in vacuo* on a rotary evaporator to afford a clear oil which, on rubbing with a glass rod, gave 2.5 g (quantitative yield) of snow white solid, mp 77.5-80°. The infrared spectrum showed a mercaptan peak at 2550 cm⁻¹.¹³

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Some Bridgehead-Substituted Tetrahydroacenaphthenones^{1a}

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Attention has recently been called to the importance of rigid molecules, commonly possessing quaternary or bridgehead carbon atoms, in developing biologically active molecules of high potency.² A series of 2-dialkylaminoalkyl-2a,3,4,5-tetrahydroacenaphthen-1-ones has been reported,³ some of which had analgesic activity. The ready availability of 2-carboxamido-2a-cyano-2a,3,4,5-tetrahydroacenaphthen-1-one (**2**),⁴ via the Michael addition of cyanide ion to 2-carboxamido-3,4-trimethylene-1-indenone (**1**),⁵ led to the preparation of several tetrahydroacenaphthene derivatives of **2**

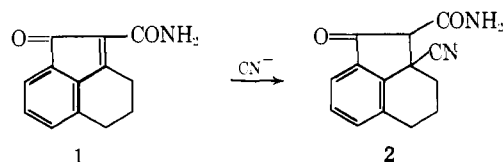
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for pharmacological screening. These compounds are rigid molecules containing a quaternary carbon atom at a bridgehead, and hence might have enhanced biological activity.



Hydrolysis of **2** with aqueous sulfuric acid (5-35%) led to 2a-carboxy-2a,3,4,5-tetrahydroacenaphthen-1-one (**3a**), while hydrolysis using 20% phosphoric acid gave a mixture of 2a-cyano-2a,3,4,5-tetrahydroacenaphthen-1-one (**3b**) and **3a**. The structure of **3a** is indicated by its stability (not a β -keto acid) and by the hydrolysis of **3b** with 50% aqueous sulfuric acid to a keto acid shown to be identical with **3a**. The acid **3a** was converted to β -diethylaminoethyl (**3c**), γ -dimethylaminopropyl (**3d**), and β -1-piperidinoethyl 1-oxo-2a-3,4,5-tetrahydroacenaphthene-2a-carboxylate hydrochloride (**3e**) by treatment with the appropriate dialkylaminoalkyl chloride hydrochloride and potassium carbonate in dimethylformamide. Treating the acid chloride of **3a** with the appropriate alcohol led to the formation of **3c** and **3d**. β -Chloroethyl 1-oxo-2a,3,4,5-



3a, R = CO₂H

b, R = CN

c, R = CO₂CH₂CH₂N(C₂H₅)₂·HCl

d, R = CO₂(CH₂)₃N(CH₃)₂·HCl

e, R = CO₂CH₂CH₂N(CH₃)₃·HCl

f, R = CH₂CH₂Cl

g, R = CONH₂

4a, R = CO₂H

b, R = CN

c, R = CO₂CH₂CH₂N(C₂H₅)₂·HCl

tetrahydroacenaphthene-2a-carboxylate (**3f**) was formed when a mixture of **3a**, ethylene chlorohydrin, and concentrated sulfuric acid was heated in benzene. Treatment of **3b** with concentrated sulfuric acid af-

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