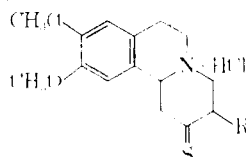
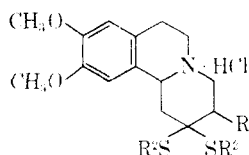


TABLE I
2-Thio-1,3,4,6,7,11b-hexahydro-9,10-dimethoxy-2H-benzo[a]quinolizine Hydrochlorides



No.	R	Mp, °C	Yield, %	Formula	Caled. %				Found. %			
					C	H	N	S	C	H	N	S
1	CH ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂	216-217	73.3	C ₁₉ H ₂₇ NO ₂ S·HCl	61.7	7.6	3.8	8.7	61.5	7.5	3.8	8.8
2	CON(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	176-178	35.8	C ₂₆ H ₂₈ N ₂ O ₂ S·HCl	58.2	7.1	6.8	7.9	58.4	7.0	6.9	7.8

TABLE II
2,2-Bis(alkylthio)- and 2,2-Bis(arylthio)-1,3,4,6,7,11b-hexahydro-9,10-dimethoxy-2H-benzo[a]quinolizine Hydrochlorides



No.	R ¹	R ²	Mp, °C	Yield, %	Formula	Caled. %				Found. %			
						C	H	N	S	C	H	N	S
3	CH ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂	CH ₃	226-227	86.4	C ₂₁ H ₃₃ NO ₂ S ₂ ·HCl	58.4	7.9	3.2	14.8	58.2	8.2	3.3	15.0
4	CON(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	CH ₃	197-200	99.4	C ₂₂ H ₃₄ N ₂ O ₂ S ₂ ·HCl	55.6	7.4	5.9	13.5	55.8	7.4	5.9	13.4
5	CH ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂	C ₂ H ₅	222-224	98.0	C ₂₃ H ₃₇ NO ₂ S ₂ ·HCl	60.0	8.3	3.0	13.9	60.2	8.4	3.1	14.1
6	CON(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	C ₂ H ₅	177-179	85.9	C ₂₄ H ₃₈ N ₂ O ₂ S ₂ ·HCl	57.3	7.8	5.6	12.7	57.1	8.0	5.3	12.8
7	CH ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂	(CH ₂) ₃ CH ₃	171-173	78.1	C ₃₇ H ₄₉ NO ₂ S ₂ ·HCl	62.8	9.0	2.7	12.4	62.8	9.3	2.5	12.2
8	CH ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂	CH ₂ CH=CH ₂	142-145	74.0	C ₂₅ H ₃₇ NO ₂ S ₂ ·HCl	62.0	7.9	2.9	13.3	62.2	8.0	2.7	13.4
9	CH ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂	C ₆ H ₅	216-218	46.3	C ₃₁ H ₃₇ NO ₂ S ₂ ·HCl	66.9	6.9	2.5	11.5	66.9	7.1	2.6	11.5
10	CH ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂	CH ₂ CH ₂ OH	217-219	30.4	C ₂₃ H ₃₇ NO ₄ S ₂ ·HCl	56.1	7.8	2.9	13.0	56.3	8.0	3.0	13.2

TABLE III^a

Compd	Min dose (mg/kg) causing ---signif CNS depres ^b ---		---Approx LD ₅₀ , mg/kg---	
	IP	Oral	IP	Oral
1	100	100	500	1000
2	200	200	500	>1000
3	50	50	300	1000
4	200	200	200	500
5	100	100	500	>1000
6	50	200	300	500
7	100	100	500	500
8	300	1000	500	>1000
9	300	>1000	300	>1000
10	200	500	500	>1000
Tetrabenazine	50	300	500	750

^a We are grateful to Mrs. I. M. Cole for biological data. ^b The minimum dose causing the same degree of loss of the spontaneous motor activity as an intraperitoneal dose of 20 mg/kg of pentobarbital.

centrated at reduced pressure. The 2-thio-3-isobutyl derivative was purified by trituration of the residue with water (50 ml) and reprecipitation of the solid thus obtained from MeOH with ether. The 2-thio-3-(N,N-diethylcarboxamido) compound (2) was obtained as a yellow solid on treatment of the residue with ether (50 ml) and recrystallized from EtOH.

2,2-Bis(alkylthio)- and 2,2-Bis(arylthio)-1,3,4,6,7,11b-hexahydro-9,10-dimethoxy-2H-benzo[a]quinolizine Hydrochlorides.—A solution of the ketone hydrochloride (5.0 g) and the appropriate thiol (50 ml) in saturated EtOH-HCl (250 ml) was allowed to stand at room temperature for 2 days and then concentrated at reduced pressure. The water-insoluble 3-isobutyl derivatives (3, 5, and 7-10) were purified by trituration of the residue with water (50 ml) and recrystallization of the solid thus obtained from benzene or benzene-ether mixtures. 3-(N,N-Diethylcarboxamido) compounds (4 and 6) were recrystallized from EtOH.

Infrared Data.—The infrared absorption spectra⁵ were in full accordance with the proposed structures. The ketone C=O

(stretching bands present at 1720 cm⁻¹ in the spectrum of tetrabenazine hydrochloride and at 1730 cm⁻¹ in that of 1,3,4,6,7,11b-hexahydro-3-(N,N-diethylcarboxamido)-9,10-dimethoxy-2H-benzo[a]quinolizine-2-one hydrochloride were not present in the spectra of the products 1-10. The amide C=O stretching band at about 1640 cm⁻¹ was, however, present in the spectra of the compounds with the carboxamido substituent (2, 4, 6).

Biological Data.—The compounds were administered as 2% suspensions in 3% tragacanth to albino Swiss-Webster mice by both intraperitoneal and oral routes.

Some 2,6-Methanonaphth[1,2-d]azocines

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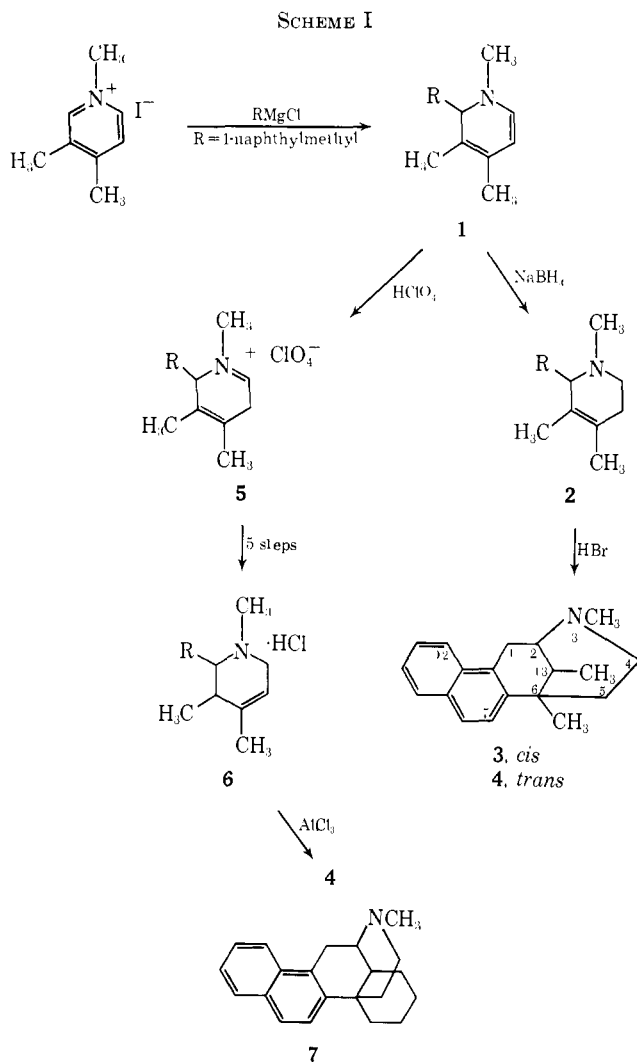
The development by May and co-workers of a convenient synthesis of the benzomorphan or, more properly, the 2,6-methano-3-benzazocine ring system¹ has made possible the synthesis of compounds exhibiting a variety of biological activities. In an attempt to improve certain parameters, some 2,6-methanonaphth[1,2-d]azocines were prepared by the same route.

Both the *cis* isomer 3 with 6-quasi-equatorial (with respect to the hydroaromatic ring) and 13-axial methyl groups and the *trans* isomer 4 with 6-quasi-equatorial and 13-equatorial methyl groups were obtained. These could be separated by recrystallization or chromatography on silica. Addition of the dihydropyridine 1

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to perchloric acid gave the perchlorate **5**. By addition and loss of hydrogen cyanide to **5** according to the procedure developed by Fry,² the *trans*-tetrahydropyridine **6** was obtained. Cyclization of **6** with aluminum chloride gave almost exclusively **4** (see Scheme I).



The assignment of configuration of the 6,13-methyl groups was based upon nmr data. The downfield shift in going from the axial to the equatorial 13-methyl reported for the 5,9-dimethylbenzomorphans³ is quite characteristic for all the benzomorphans. The possibility of cyclization of **2** to the 8 position of the naphthalene ring rather than to the 2 position was excluded on the basis of infrared and nmr investigations of acenaphthene, naphthalene-1,8-dicarboxylic acid, 1,8-naphthalenedimethanol, 1,2-dimethylnaphthalene, and 1-chloromethyl-2-methylnaphthalene as model compounds. The related *N*-methylbenzo[*a*]morphinan **7** has recently been reported.⁴ This synthesis also involves cyclization into the 2 position of naphthalene.

The pure *cis*- and *trans*-*N*-methyl-2,6-methanonaphtho[1,2-*d*]azocines (**3**, **4**) were converted to the norbases with cyanogen bromide. These norbases were acylated with cyclopropylcarbonyl chloride, and the resulting *N*-acyl derivatives were reduced with lithium

aluminum hydride to the cyclopropylmethyl analogs. In the *cis* series the *N*-cyclobutylmethyl and *N*-phenethyl compounds were also prepared. In the *trans* series the *N*-(3-methyl-2-butenyl) compound was made.

Pharmacology.—Although, in the benzazocine series, the *N*-cyclopropylmethyl derivatives bearing either an 8-hydroxyl, 8-methoxyl, or 8-hydrogen and the *N*-cyclobutylmethyl derivative bearing an 8-hydroxyl were active as meperidine antagonists at doses of less than 1 mg/kg,⁵ and the *N*-(3-methyl-2-butenyl) derivative was active at 3.3 mg/kg,⁶ the naphthazocines reported here were all inactive at doses of 40 mg/kg ip. All naphthazocines were also inactive on the D'Amour-Smith rat tail flick test at doses of 120 mg/kg sc and/or ip. Some activity was noted on the inclined screen, but this activity was lower than that seen in the benzazocine series.⁷ The *cis*- and *trans*-*N*-cyclopropylmethylnaphthazocines both had ED₅₀ values of 55 mg/kg ip, and the cyclobutylmethyl had an ED₅₀ of 80 mg/kg ip on the inclined screen.

Experimental Section

1,3,4-Trimethyl-2-(1-naphthylmethyl)-1,2,5,6-tetrahydropyridine.—The Grignard reagent from 37.2 g of Mg and 274 g of 1-chloromethylnaphthalene was added to 376 g of **1** suspended in 1500 ml of ether. The mixture was poured onto ice and about 50 g of NH₄Cl. NH₄OH was added to make the mixture basic, and the ether layer was separated and concentrated to give 267 g of red oil. This was dissolved in 1 l. of ethanol and reduced at 15–20° with 28 g of NaBH₄ in 240 ml of H₂O. Work-up gave 181 g of orange-red oil. This was distilled to give 148 g boiling at 148–156° (0.5 mm).

1,2,3,4,5,6-Hexahydro-3,6,13-trimethyl-2,6-methanonaphtho[1,2-*d*]azocines.—The above 148 g of oil was refluxed for 24 hr with 1500 ml of 48% HBr. The mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* and partitioned between 2 l. of H₂O and 400 ml of ethyl acetate. The H₂O layer was made basic with K₂CO₃ and the liberated oil was extracted with ether. Concentration gave 135 g of dark oil. This was dissolved in 100 ml of acetone and cooled in a Dry Ice-methanol bath. After 1 hr, the product was filtered and washed with a little cold acetone to give 90.5 g, mp 55–73°. This consists of a mixture of the *cis* isomer, mp 78–81°, *R*_f 0.16–0.19 on silica (benzene-isopropylamine, 99:1), and *trans* isomer, mp 133–135.5°, *R*_f 0.53–0.56, in a ratio of 4 parts of *cis* (**3**) to 1 part of *trans* (**4**). Two recrystallizations from acetone gave 9 g of pure **4**. The mother liquors afforded additional crops of **3** and **4**. The last, weighing 13.5 g and melting at 67–75°, was recrystallized from 25 ml of acetone (seeded with **4**) and refrigerated overnight. Upon filtration of 1.0 g of **4**, 2.8 g of pure **3** separated as needles. Further crops of crystals were mixtures of **3** and **4**. Additional supplies of the pure isomers were obtained by chromatography on silica.

A suspension of 250 g of SiO₂ in 400 ml of benzene and 75 ml of isopropylamine was stirred by hand and transferred to a column. The column was washed with benzene. A crude mixture of 12.9 g of **3** plus **4** was placed on the column and eluted with benzene containing 1% isopropylamine by volume. When material appeared at the bottom of the column, 50-ml fractions were collected. Fraction 1 gave 0.9 g of **4**, fractions 2–6 gave a total of 7.4 g of mixture, and fractions 7–10 gave 4.0 g of **3** showing one spot on tlc. The latter was recrystallized from ether (cooling in Dry Ice) to give 3.5 g, mp 76–78°.

Anal. Calcd for C₁₄H₂₃N: C, 85.98; H, 8.73; N, 5.28. Found (*trans*): C, 86.26; H, 8.55; N_D, 5.82. Found (*cis*): C, 85.93; H, 8.60; N_D, 5.06.

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The nmr spectra, obtained at room temperature from about 20% solutions in CDCl_3 using tetramethylsilane (TMS) as an internal standard, were recorded on a Varian A-60 instrument. The *trans* isomer (**4**) showed an N-methyl at 141, a C-methyl at 83, and a split methyl at 77 cps with $J = 7$ cps. The *cis* isomer (**13**) had an N-methyl signal at 145, a C-methyl at 86, and a split methyl at 52 cps with $J = 7$ cps.

trans-1,3,4-Trimethyl-2-(1-naphthylmethyl)-1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridine Hydrochloride (6).—The Grignard reagent from 97 g of 1-chloromethylnaphthalene and 13.3 g of Mg in 500 ml of ether was added to 1,3,4-trimethylpyridinium bromide under 500 ml of ether. After 1 hr, the mixture was filtered, and the filtrate was added to 300 g of ice and 105 ml of 60% HClO_4 with stirring. The inorganic salts were removed by filtration and the filter cake (53 g) was washed with ether to give, from the filtrate, 65.4 g of white crystals (**5**) melting at 103–119° dec. This perchlorate (55 g) was stirred with 60 ml of H_2O and 300 ml of ether, while a solution of 35 g of NaCN in 50 ml of H_2O was added to give 1,3,4-trimethyl-2-(1-naphthylmethyl)-6-cyanopyridine as a solution in ether. The ether layer was separated and concentrated to a small volume. Then, 80 ml of H_2O was added, followed by the slow addition of 80 ml of concentrated HCl. This caused vigorous evolution of HCN; the temperature rose to 70°. When the reaction had moderated, 320 ml of CHCl_3 was added, and the mixture was warmed 3 hr on the steam bath under reflux. The CHCl_3 and some of the H_2O were removed *in vacuo* to give *trans*-2,3-dihydro-1,3,4-trimethyl-2-(1-naphthylmethyl)pyridinium chloride as an orange oil suspended in H_2O . Fifty grams of NaCN were added, and the resulting *trans*-1,2,3,6-tetrahydro-1,3,4-trimethyl-2-(1-naphthylmethyl)-6-cyanopyridine was extracted with ether. Removal of the ether left 46 g of orange-brown syrup. This, in 250 ml of ethanol, was reduced with 12 g of NaBH_4 in 50 ml of H_2O . Work-up in the usual way gave 27.5 g of product which readily gave a crystalline hydrochloride **6**, mp 250–252° after one recrystallization from 2-propanol.

Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}\cdot\text{HCl}$: C, 75.61; H, 8.02; N, 4.64. Found: C, 75.54, 75.88; H, 7.91, 7.79; N, 4.55, 4.53.

The nmr spectrum of a 20% trifluoroacetic acid solution, using an external TMS standard, showed seven aromatic hydrogens at 435–470, one vinyl hydrogen at 325, a methyl singlet at 109, and a doublet at 74 cps.

Cyclization of **5** g of **6** with 5 g of AlCl_3 in 25 ml of CS_2 gave a 66% yield of crude material melting at 117–123°. Tlc showed that this was almost all **4** with a few per cent of **3** and a small amount of another material.

1,2,3,4,5,6-Hexahydro-*cis*-6,13-dimethyl-2,6-methanonaphth[1,2-*d*]azocine Hydrochloride.—Compound **3** (42 g) was treated with 17 g of BrCN in CHCl_3 and the resulting N-cyano compound was hydrolyzed in the usual manner with 640 ml of 6% HCl to give 30.5 g of crude norbase. This was distilled to give 28.1 g (71%) of product boiling at 154° (0.6 mm). The hydrochloride, after recrystallization from ethanol, melted at 286–290°. *Anal.* Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}\cdot\text{HCl}$: C, 75.11; H, 7.71; N, 4.87. Found: C, 74.86; H, 7.52; N, 5.04.

In like manner, 20 g of **4** gave 15.1 g (80%) of norbase boiling at 162–166° (0.9 mm). This gave a hydrochloride showing only one spot on tlc and decomposing at 330–337°.

Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}\cdot\text{HCl}$: N, 4.87; Cl, 12.32. Found: N, 5.02; Cl, 12.54.

3-Cyclopropylcarbonyl-1,2,3,4,5,6-hexahydro-*cis*-6,13-dimethyl-2,6-methanonaphth[1,2-*d*]azocine.—A solution of 7.6 g of *cis*-norbase in 50 ml of CHCl_3 and 4.6 ml of Et_3N was treated with 3.2 g of cyclopropanecarbonyl chloride in 25 ml of CHCl_3 . The resulting solution was washed with H_2O , dilute HCl, and aqueous NaHCO_3 . Concentration gave 9.8 g of light orange oil. Distillation of 7.7 g of this gave 0.3 g boiling at 60–192° (0.1 mm) and 6.0 g boiling at 192–197° (0.1 mm).

Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{29}\text{NO}$: C, 82.72; H, 7.89; N, 4.39. Found: C, 82.63; H, 7.61; N, 4.53.

In like manner, the *trans* isomer was prepared. The product, after recrystallization from ethyl acetate–hexane, melted at 139.0–140.8° (cor).

Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{29}\text{NO}$: C, 82.72; H, 7.89; N, 4.39. Found: C, 82.82; H, 7.97; N, 4.64.

3-Cyclopropylmethyl-1,2,3,4,5,6-hexahydro-*cis*-6,13-dimethyl-2,6-methanonaphth[1,2-*d*]azocine.—Reduction of 10.0 g of the *cis*-cyclopropylcarbonyl compound with 3 g of LiAlH_4 gave 9.6 g of clear, viscous oil which crystallized on standing. Three

recrystallizations from aqueous ethanol gave 5.3 g melting at 78–81° (cor).

Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{27}\text{N}$: C, 86.50; H, 8.91; N, 4.59. Found: C, 86.43; H, 8.74; N, 4.54.

In like manner the *trans* isomer was prepared. The base did not crystallize, but was converted to the hydrochloride. This was recrystallized from 2-propanol to give the pure product in 73% over-all yield from the amide. The hydrochloride melted at 240.5–251.5° (cor).

Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{27}\text{N}\cdot\text{HCl}$: C, 77.28; H, 8.25; N, 4.10. Found: C, 77.09; H, 8.32; N, 4.07.

3-Cyclobutylmethyl-1,2,3,4,5,6-hexahydro-*cis*-6,13-dimethyl-2,6-methanonaphth[1,2-*d*]azocine.—To 8.5 g of *cis*-norbase in 50 ml of CHCl_3 and 5.1 ml of Et_3N was added 4.3 g of cyclobutylcarbonyl chloride in 25 ml of CHCl_3 . Work-up as for the cyclopropyl analog gave 11.3 g of amide as a viscous oil. This was reduced in tetrahydrofuran (THF) with 3.5 g of LiAlH_4 to give 11.0 g of oil which was dissolved in 20 ml of ethanol, diluted with 15 ml of H_2O , and refrigerated to give 9.4 g of crude product. Two recrystallizations from aqueous ethanol gave 6.6 g, mp 81–84°.

Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}$: C, 86.46; H, 9.16; N, 4.38. Found: C, 86.63; H, 9.51; N, 4.44.

1,2,3,4,5,6-Hexahydro-*cis*-6,13-dimethyl-3-phenethyl-2,6-methanonaphth[1,2-*d*]azocine Hydrochloride.—Reaction of 7.6 g of *cis*-norbase with 4.7 g of phenylacetyl chloride in the usual manner gave a quantitative yield of crude amide as an oil. This was reduced with 2 g of LiAlH_4 in THF to give 9.8 g of crude product as a yellow oil. The oil was dissolved in 50 ml of acetone and 3.5 g of oxalic acid dihydrate in 20 ml of acetone was added to give 10.1 g of oxalate melting at 220–225° dec. Recrystallization from 400 ml of 75% ethanol gave 7.1 g of white crystals, mp 232–234° dec, showing one spot on tlc. These were converted to the hydrochloride, mp 270–273°.

Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}\cdot\text{HCl}$: C, 79.66; H, 7.72; N, 3.57. Found: C, 79.34; H, 7.52; N, 3.56.

1,2,3,4,5,6-Hexahydro-*trans*-6,13-dimethyl-3-(3-methyl-2-butenyl)-2,6-methanonaphth[1,2-*d*]azocine Hydrochloride.—A mixture of 6.3 g of *trans*-norbase, 5.5 g of NaHCO_3 , 55 ml of dimethylformamide, and 3.9 g of dimethylallyl bromide was stirred and refluxed for 4 hr, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*, and the residue was partitioned between H_2O and ethyl acetate. The ethyl acetate was dried, treated with charcoal, filtered, and concentrated to give 6.8 g of oil. This was converted to the hydrochloride, 5.0 g, mp 248–245° dec. The indicated one impurity which was removed by recrystallization from ethanol; mp 266.8–268.0° dec (cor).

Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}\cdot\text{HCl}$: C, 77.61; H, 8.50; N, 3.91. Found: C, 77.55; H, 8.50; N, 4.00.

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Effect of Organic Compounds on Reproductive Processes. VII. Bis- N,N' -carbamoylaziridines

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Previous results from this laboratory have shown that certain N,N' -bis(aziridineacetyl)- α,ω -diamines were effective chemosterilants for houseflies.^{1,2} Borkovec and Woods³ reported that certain N -carbamoylaziri-

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