

tested for uterotrophic⁴ and antiuterotrophic⁴ activities in the mouse. It was dissolved in olive oil and injected subcutaneously. It displayed no significant activities in 3 daily doses of as much as 300 μg . *In vitro* the thiophenol II showed no competitive binding affinity⁴ for estrogen "receptor" sites of the mouse uterus in concentrations 10³ times the effective concentrations of I.

Experimental Section

meso-3,4-Hexanebis(phenyl-4-disulfonyl chloride).—To a solution of 3 g (0.013 mole) of *meso*-3,4-diphenylhexane⁵ in 20 ml of dry CCl_4 in a dry atmosphere was added 6 g (0.05 mole) of $\text{Cl-SO}_2\text{H}$ and the mixture was stirred for 12 hr at room temperature. The suspension was filtered. The product (8.5 g) was crystallized from CHCl_3 after which it melted at 220–226°. *Anal.* ($\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{Cl}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_4$), C, H, S.⁶

meso-3,4-Hexanebis(phenyl-4-thiol) (II).—The crude disulfonyl chloride was reduced according to a literature procedure.⁷ $\text{SnCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (10 g) and 50 ml of HAc was saturated with anhydrous HCl. The solution was maintained at 80°, 6.5 g (0.015 mole) of the sulfonyl chloride was added and the solution was stirred for 1 hr. The solution was cooled, poured into 30 ml of concentrated HCl, and filtered. The filtrate was extracted (Et_2O), dried, and crystallized several times from C_6H_6 . The product was sublimed at 170° (0.01 mm); yield 1 g (25%), mp 147–150°. *Anal.* ($\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{22}\text{S}_2$) C, H, S.⁸ Absorption bands (or peaks) of spectra (nmr, ir) were as expected.

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Compounds Related to Insect Juvenile Hormone.

V. Derivatives of Citronellol and Citronellylamine

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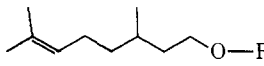

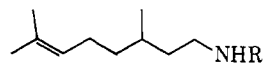
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A number of investigators have reported that certain compounds having insect juvenile hormone activity are also inhibitors of embryonic development in some species of insects.¹ Also, the "dihydrochloride" of methyl farnesate has been found to be a very effective sterilant for female *Pyrrhocoris apterus* (L.).² In addition, Masner and coworkers described the phenomenon of sexually spread insect sterility that occurred when they used compounds with known juvenile hormone activity.³

Among the compounds best known for their chemosterilant activity are tepa [tris(1-aziridinyl)phosphine

oxide]⁴ and hempa (hexamethylphosphoric triamide).^{4,5} We therefore prepared a number of derivatives of citronellol (3,7-dimethyl-6-octenol) and citronellylamine (3,7-dimethyl-6-octenylamine), several of which bear a structural resemblance to these sterilants, for testing as potential sterilants and juvenizers. The test compounds are listed in Table I.

TABLE I

R	Bp, °C(mm)	Yield, %	Formula
A. Compounds Derived from Citronellol (3,7-Dimethylethyl-6-octen-1-ol)			
			
—P(O)(N(CH ₂) ₂) ₂	128–133(0.15)	63	C ₁₄ H ₃₁ N ₂ O ₂ P
—P(O)(N\bigtriangleleft) ₂	142–150(0.10)	53	C ₁₄ H ₂₇ N ₂ O ₂ P
—C(O)(N(CH ₂) ₂)	83–89(0.05)	90	C ₁₃ H ₂₅ NO ₂
	84–93(0.05)	86	C ₁₃ H ₂₃ NO ₂
B. Compounds Derived from Citronellylamine (3,7-Dimethyl-6-octenylamine)			
			
—CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	102–103(0.10)	87	C ₁₃ H ₂₅ NO ₂
—CONH(CH ₂) ₆ NHC(O)	138–139 ^a	97	C ₂₈ H ₅₄ N ₄ O ₂
—P(O)(N(CH ₂) ₂) ₂	165–180(0.10) ^b	27 ^b	C ₁₄ H ₃₂ N ₃ OP
—P(O)(N\bigtriangleleft) ₂	165–180(0.10) ^b	24 ^b	C ₁₄ H ₂₈ N ₃ OP ^c
C. Miscellaneous			
R'CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ^d	107–111(0.12)	72	C ₁₃ H ₂₃ NO ₂
R''CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ^e	123–130 ^c (0.03)	84 ^f	C ₁₃ H ₂₅ NO ₃

^a Melting point following recrystn from EtOH . ^b Decomposes on distn. ^c Combustion analyses were poor, but the nmr spectrum (see Experimental Section) was entirely consistent. ^d Commercial citral was converted into its oxime and reduced with LAH to a mixture of *cis* and *trans* amines. ^e R' therefore is (3,7-dimethyl-2,6-octadienyl)amino. ^f R'' is (6,7-epoxy-3,7-dimethyloctyl)amino. ^g Yield of the epoxidation step.

Only *P,P*-bis(1-aziridinyl)-*N*-(3,7-dimethyl-6-octenyl)phosphinic amide showed chemosterilant activity against house flies, *Musca domestica* L. The carbamates and their epoxides were the only compounds to show juvenile hormone activity against *Tenebrio molitor* L.^{6,7}

Experimental Section

The chem anal. were performed by Galbraith Associates, Inc., Knoxville, Tenn. Nmr spectra were obtained with a Varian Model T-60 instrument, and ir spectra were recorded as films or mulls with a Perkin-Elmer 137 ir spectrophotometer. Where analyses are indicated only by symbols of the elements, analytical results obtained for those elements were within $\pm 0.4\%$ of the theoretical values (see Table I).

Citronellol Derivatives.—Citronellol was converted into its chloroformate by treatment with 1 equiv each of COCl_2 and Et_3N . An ethereal soln of COCl_2 was added dropwise to a well-stirred soln of the alcohol and amine in Et_2O while the mixture was held at 20–30°. The mixture was allowed to stand at room temp for 1.5 hr and filtered by suction (Et_2O rinse). The filtrate

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was washed with H₂O, dried (MgSO₄), and concd. The yield of crude product was 89% (C=O, 1780 cm⁻¹). The chloroformate was converted into the desired carbamate by adding 1 equiv each of an amine (ethylenimine or Me₂NH) and Et₃N. The conditions and work-up procedure paralleled those just described.

Citronellol was converted into the P derivatives by treatment with 1 equiv each of the required acid halide and Et₃N.

Citronellylamine Derivatives.—The amine was prepared by LAH reduction of the oxime.⁸ However, yields were variable and depended largely on the freshness of the reducing agent. Citronellylamine reacted with hexamethylene diisocyanate in Et₂O exothermically to produce the diurea as a ppt. The amine was converted into its other listed derivatives by reaction with the acid halide and Et₃N as described for citronellol.

Epoxidation of the ethyl (3,7-dimethyl-6-octenyl)carbamate was carried out with 1 equiv of *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid in CH₂Cl₂. The mixture was held at 5–10° during addn of the olefins and was allowed to stand at room temp overnight. After extraction with Na₂CO₃, the organic soln was dried (Na₂SO₄), concd, and dist by using a short-path distn apparatus.

The nmr spectrum of *P,P*-bis(1-aziridinyl)-*N*-(3,7-dimethyl-6-octenyl)phosphinic amide showed the following absorptions: 0.88 d (CH₃CH), 1.57 and 1.65 (cis and trans allylic Me, respectively), 1.93 d ($-\text{N} \begin{array}{l} \diagup \\ \diagdown \end{array} \text{C} \begin{array}{l} \diagdown \\ \diagup \end{array} \text{C}-$, $J_{\text{PH}} = 15 \text{ Hz}$), 5.05 (vinyl H).

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Synthesis of New Urethans. *p*-Ethylsulfonyl- and *p*-Dimethylsulfamoylcarbanilic Acid Esters

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Several *p*-arylsulfonylcarbanilic acid esters were reported to have antitumor activities.¹ New urethans listed in Table I were prepared by Curtius degradation of appropriate benzoyl azides.

The compounds proved to be inactive² ($T/C = 89\text{--}102\%$ at 400 mg/kg) against the L-1210 lymphoid leukemia in BDF₁ mice, and the Walker carcinoma 256 in random-bred albino rats.

Experimental Section³

***p*-Ethylsulfonylbenzoyl Azide.**—*p*-Ethylsulfonylbenzoic acid ethyl ester (mp 64°) was prepared by known methods from *p*-ethylsulfonylbenzoic acid⁴ and transformed to *p*-ethylsulfonylbenzoylhydrazide (mp 164°). This hydrazide (2.28 g, 0.01 mole) in 20 ml of 50% AcOH was stirred vigorously at ice bath temperature to give 2.27 g of azide (95%) mp 125° dec. *Anal.* (C₉H₉N₃O₃S) C, H, N.

p-Dimethylsulfamoylbenzoyl azide was prepared similarly from *p*-dimethylsulfamoylbenzoyl hydrazide⁵ as a white powder (91%), mp 109° dec. *Anal.* (C₉H₁₀N₄O₃S) C, H, N.

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TABLE I
RSO₂  NHCOOR'

R	R'	Mp, °C	Yield, %	Formula ^a
Et	Et	135	89	C ₁₁ H ₁₅ N ₂ O ₄ S
Et	<i>t</i> -Bu	129	93	C ₁₃ H ₁₉ N ₂ O ₄ S
Et	<i>n</i> -Hexyl	109	95	C ₁₅ H ₂₃ N ₂ O ₄ S
Et	<i>n</i> -Octyl	124	88	C ₁₇ H ₂₇ N ₂ O ₄ S
Et	Allyl	121	86	C ₁₂ H ₁₅ N ₂ O ₄ S
Et	Benzyl	136	96	C ₁₆ H ₁₇ N ₂ O ₄ S
Et	Cholesteryl	222	92	C ₃₆ H ₅₅ N ₂ O ₄ S
Et	Cyclopentyl	142	79	C ₁₄ H ₁₉ N ₂ O ₄ S
Et	Cyclohexyl	139	83	C ₁₅ H ₂₁ N ₂ O ₄ S
Et	Cycloheptyl	120	85	C ₁₆ H ₂₃ N ₂ O ₄ S
Et	Cyclooctyl	127	79	C ₁₇ H ₂₅ N ₂ O ₄ S
Et	<i>o</i> -MeOC ₆ H ₄	191	80	C ₁₅ H ₁₇ N ₂ O ₄ S
Et	Thymyl	143	84	C ₁₉ H ₂₃ N ₂ O ₄ S
Et	6-Allyl-4-MeOC ₆ H ₃	154	73	C ₁₉ H ₂₁ N ₂ O ₄ S
Et	Ph ₂ CH	195	76	C ₂₂ H ₂₁ N ₂ O ₄ S
Et	α -Cyclohexyl- α -methylbenzyl	136	79	C ₂₃ H ₂₉ N ₂ O ₄ S
Et	<i>p</i> -Menth-3-yl	170	92	C ₁₉ H ₂₉ N ₂ O ₄ S
Me ₂ N	Et	127	71	C ₁₁ H ₁₆ N ₂ O ₄ S
Me ₂ N	<i>i</i> -Pr	159	76	C ₁₂ H ₁₈ N ₂ O ₄ S
Me ₂ N	<i>t</i> -Bu	169	78	C ₁₃ H ₂₀ N ₂ O ₄ S
Me ₂ N	<i>n</i> -Am	105	72	C ₁₄ H ₂₂ N ₂ O ₄ S
Me ₂ N	<i>n</i> -Hexyl	95	69	C ₁₅ H ₂₄ N ₂ O ₄ S
Me ₂ N	<i>n</i> -Octyl	107	68	C ₁₇ H ₂₈ N ₂ O ₄ S
Me ₂ N	Allyl	110	73	C ₁₂ H ₁₆ N ₂ O ₄ S
Me ₂ N	Cyclopentyl	170	86	C ₁₄ H ₂₀ N ₂ O ₄ S
Me ₂ N	Cyclohexyl	176	81	C ₁₅ H ₂₂ N ₂ O ₄ S
Me ₂ N	Cycloheptyl	170	83	C ₁₆ H ₂₄ N ₂ O ₄ S
Me ₂ N	Cyclooctyl	174	79	C ₁₇ H ₂₇ N ₂ O ₄ S
Me ₂ N	Benzyl	142	88	C ₁₆ H ₁₈ N ₂ O ₄ S
Me ₂ N	Cholesteryl	220	80	C ₃₆ H ₅₆ N ₂ O ₄ S
Me ₂ N	Ph ₂ CH	195	91	C ₂₂ H ₂₂ N ₂ O ₄ S
Me ₂ N	Ph ₃ C	132	65	C ₂₃ H ₂₆ N ₂ O ₄ S
Me ₂ N	Thymyl	155	78	C ₁₉ H ₂₄ N ₂ O ₄ S
Me ₂ N	<i>p</i> -Menth-3-yl	173	76	C ₁₉ H ₃₀ N ₂ O ₄ S
Me ₂ N	<i>o</i> -Methoxyphenyl	155	69	C ₁₆ H ₁₈ N ₂ O ₅ S
Me ₂ N	6-Allyl-4-MeOC ₆ H ₃	193	70	C ₁₉ H ₂₂ N ₂ O ₅ S
Me ₂ N	α -Cyclohexyl- α -methylbenzyl	120	64	C ₂₃ H ₃₀ N ₂ O ₄ S

^a All compounds were analyzed for C, H, N, and the results were satisfactory. Similarly ir and nmr spectra were as expected.

***p*-Ethylsulfonylcarbanilic Acid Benzyl Ester.**—*p*-Ethylsulfonylbenzoyl azide, (2.3 g, 0.01 mole) and 2.48 g (0.02 mole) of benzyl alcohol was refluxed for 1 hr in 20 ml of dry PhMe. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was recrystallized from dil EtOH to give 2.9 g (90%) of white plates, mp 136°. The other compounds listed in Table I were prepared in a similar way, except for the Et esters which were prepared by 3-hr refluxing of the appropriate azide in 10 times its weight of abs EtOH.

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Synthesis of 5,7-Dimethoxyindole¹

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