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# Synthesis and $\beta$-Adrenergic Blocking Activity of New Aliphatic and Alicyclic Oxime Ethers ${ }^{\dagger}$ 

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#### Abstract

We describe the synthesis and pharmacological properties of two new series of aliphatic and alicyclic $\beta$-adrenergic blockers, most of them containing a cyclopropyl ring. They belong either to 2-hydroxy-3-(tert-butylamino) propyl ether A or 2 -hydroxy-3-tert-(butylamino)propyl ketoxime ether B derivatives. The 0 -[2-hydroxy-3-(tert-butylamino) propyl] dicyclopropyl ketoxime 5 exhibited a $\beta$-adrenergic antagonist activity comparable to that of propranolol. It was found that ketoxime ethers B generally showed higher potency than the corresponding ethers A. We confirm that the presence of an aromatic nucleus is not crucial for the $\beta$-adrenergic activity. Structure-activity relationships among these series are discussed.


In a previous paper, ${ }^{1}$ we have shown that some aliphatic oxime ethers could exhibit interesting $\beta$-adrenergic blocking activities. This result encouraged us to pursue our efforts to increase the activity of these molecules and to clarify structure-activity relationships within this series. In this paper we report the synthesis and the pharmacology of these new $\beta$-blockers, most of which contain a cyclopropyl ring.

Chemistry. Scheme I shows the classical synthetic route starting with the appropriate ketone oximes for the preparation of compounds $1-10$ (Table I). Compounds 11-18 (Table II) were similarly prepared from the sodium salt of the corresponding alcohol (Scheme II).

Most of the ketones used in this work are commercially available or can be obtained by known procedures. Several attempts to prepare ketone 19 were unsuccessful. Thus, the action of MeMgI on crotonyl chloride led to a complex mixture of 1,1-dimethylbutadiene, methyl crotyl ketone, dimethylcrotylcarbinol, methyldicrotylcarbinol, and the desired allyl methyl ketone as evidenced by NMR, MS, and GLC. Similarly, the action of 3-butenyltrimethylsilane on MeCOCl , using $\mathrm{TiCl}_{4}$ as a catalyst, ${ }^{2}$ afforded a mixture of $\beta$-chloro ketone, 3 -butenyl ketone, and cyclopropylacetone from which the last compound could not be isolated satisfactorily. Finally, the ketone 19 was obtained by using the procedure described in Scheme III. The reaction of crotonyl chloride with EtOH in the presence of $\mathrm{N}(\mathrm{Et})_{3}$ gave the rearranged ethyl vinylacetate; ${ }^{3}$ this ester was submitted to a Simmons-Smith reaction by using diiodomethane and $\mathrm{Zn} / \mathrm{Cu}$ couple. ${ }^{4}$ The direct action of MeLi (2 equiv) on cyclopropylacetic acid gave a poor yield of I (ca. $10 \%$ ). Similar findings were mentioned in the literature ${ }^{5}$ for lower aliphatic acids. As an alternative, the

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## Scheme I



Scheme II


## Scheme III


corresponding acid chloride was reacted with dimethylcadmium ${ }^{6}$ to give the cyclopropylacetone with an overall yield of approximately $36 \%$.
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Table I. Physical Properties and $\beta$-Blocking Activity of Aliphatic and Alicyclic Oxime Ethers


| no. | R | $\begin{gathered} \% \\ \text { yield } \end{gathered}$ | mp, ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | crystn solv | formula | $\mathrm{p} K_{\mathrm{a}}$ | $P^{f}$ | $\mathrm{p} A_{2} \pm \mathrm{SE}(n)^{\text {a }}$ |  | broncho-selectivity ${ }^{d}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | atria | trachea |  |
| 1 | $\rangle=N-$ | 16 | 131 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{EtOAc} / \\ & (\mathrm{Et})_{2} \mathrm{O} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2} . \\ & \mathrm{HCl} \end{aligned}$ | 9.42 | 0.02 | $6.51 \pm 0.05^{e}(7)$ | $7.65 \pm 0.32^{e}(12)$ | 13.8 |
| 2 |  | 34 | 112 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { EtOAc/ } \\ & \mathrm{MeOH} \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{\text { oxoalate }}{\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2} .}$ | 9.27 | 0.19 | $7.32 \pm 0.26$ (8) | $6.65 \pm 0.15(10)$ | 0.2 |
| 3 |  | 27 | 128 | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{EtOAc} / \\ \mathrm{MeOH} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2} . \\ \text { oxalate } \end{gathered}$ | 9.45 | 0.18 | $7.98 \pm 0.15$ (6) | $7.90 \pm 0.54^{\circ}(10)$ | 0.8 |
| 4 |  |  | 108 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{EtOAc} / \\ & (i-\mathrm{Pr})_{2} \mathrm{O} \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{\text { oxalate }}{\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2} .}$ | 9.57 | 0.28 | $7.08 \pm 0.25$ (8) | $7.32 \pm 0.18$ (8) | 1.7 |
| 5 |  | 15 | 159 | EtOAc | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2} . \\ 1 / 2 \text { fumarate } \end{gathered}$ | 9.64 | 0.85 | $8.30 \pm 0.30$ (6) | $8.67 \pm 0.24^{e}(7)$ | 2.3 |
| 6 | CN一 | 6 | 195 | $\begin{gathered} i-\mathrm{PrOH} / \\ \mathrm{MeOH} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2} . \\ & \text { fumarate } \end{aligned}$ | 9.64 | 0.02 | $8.01 \pm 0.17$ (7) | $7.09 \pm 0.38^{e}(12)$ | 0.1 |
| 7 |  | 20 | 88 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{6} / \\ & \text { MeOH } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{32} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2} . \\ & \text { oxalate } \end{aligned}$ | 9.41 | 4.96 | $5.88 \pm 0.16$ (4) | $7.78 \pm 0.51^{e}(9)$ | 79.4 |
| 8 |  | 59 | 192 | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{EtOAc} / \\ \mathrm{MeOH} \end{gathered}$ | $\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}$. | 9.10 | 0.13 | $4.90 \pm 0.14$ (5) | $5.30 \pm 0.08^{e}(9)$ | 2.5 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 2 maleate | 10.20 |  |  |  |  |
| $9$ | oxazolidine of 3 | 85 | oil |  | $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}$. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | pivalate of 3 | 50 | 118 | EtOAc | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{32} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3} . \\ & \text { fumarate } \end{aligned}$ | 8.65 | 8.30 | $6.92 \pm 0.16$ (5) | $8.05 \pm 0.18$ (5) | 13.5 |
|  | propanolol |  |  |  |  | 9.50 | 26.00 | $8.62 \pm 0.17$ (13) | $8.47 \pm 0.22$ (9) | 0.7 |

${ }^{a} \mathrm{pA}_{2} \pm$ standard error with the number of experimental values in parentheses. ${ }^{b} \mathrm{pAH}=-\log$ of the molar concentration of antagonist that inhibits $50 \%$ of the maximal effect of the agonist. ${ }^{\text {c }}$ Graphical estimation. ${ }^{d}$ Antilog of the difference between the tracheal and atrial $\mathrm{p} A_{2}$ values. ${ }^{e}$ Schild plot slopes differ significantly from 1. ${ }^{f} P$ values $\pm 0.05$.

Table II. Physical and $\beta$-Blocking Activities of Aliphatic and Alicyclic Ethers



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## Discussion and Structure-Activity Relationships

In our previous paper, ${ }^{1}$ although we had a limited series of compounds, we proposed that the aromatic nucleus of $\beta$-blockers did not seem to be essential, contrary to the generally held views. ${ }^{7-12}$

The findings reported in Tables I and II, based on structures lacking an aromatic nucleus, confirm our pre-
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vious observations and allow certain conclusions to be made regarding the importance of an aromatic ring on the $\beta$-adrenergic activity.

In this series, it appears that oxime derivatives are generally much more potent than their corresponding ether analogues. The most active compound 5 , with a $\mathrm{p} A_{2}=8.7$ on isolated guinea pig trachea, is as active as propranolol. Specifically, compounds 1,3, and 6 are respectively ca. 20, 80 , and 7 times more active on the isolated guinea pig atria and trachea than the ether analogues 12, 17, and 15. The dicyclopropyl oxime derivative 5 is ca. 6000 times more active on atria and 10000 times more active on trachea than the corresponding ether 16. The fact that compounds 1, 11, and 12 described in our previous paper were nearly equipotent had led us to conclude that the nitrogen atom of the oxime function was not crucial for the $\beta$-adrenergic activity. The results obtained here seem to indicate that this oxime linkage is probably more important than might have been expected. Thus, $\mathrm{NaBH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ reduction of the $>\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{N}$ - bond of 3 gives compound 8 that has only ${ }^{1} / 40$ th the activity of 3 on atria and $1 / 1000$ th the activity of 3 on trachea. Interestingly, we observed that the presence of a cyclopropyl ring had a positive influence on the $\beta$-adrenergic activity: on trachea the monocyclopropyl derivative 3 is ca. 20 times more active than 2, and in turn, the dicyclopropyl derivative 5 is ca. 5 times more active than 3. The role of the cyclopropyl ring is unclear but cannot be accounted for only by lipophilicity, since 2 , which has nearly the same partition coefficient ( $P \sim 0.18$ ) value as 3 (same number of carbon atoms), is ca. 20 times less active. However, the biological activity of compounds 3 and 5 may be due to the electron density of the cyclopropyl rings and the conjugation with the ketoxime function, whereas the lack of such features in compounds 8,16 , and 17 may be the cause of their poor activity. Increasing the size of the substituents on the oxime function, and consequently the lipophilicity of the molecule, led to a compound such as 7. The fact that this compound is less active than 3 or 5 indicates that the atrium $\beta_{1}$-adrenergic receptor maintains some steric requirements in the oxime area that are best satisfied in 3 or 5. Variations in this area are allowed to a certain extent since the cyclopropyl aldehyde derivative 6 is as active as 3 on atria. However, moving the cyclopropyl ring away from the oxime linkage by one carbon atom led to 4 which has only ${ }^{1} / 10$ th the activity of 3 on atria. The rather low partition coefficient of 3 when compared to those of classical aromatic $\beta$-blockers ( $P=$ 26 for propranolol) led us to prepare some lipophilic derivatives of 3. Thus, the pivaloyl ester $10\left(\mathrm{p} A_{2} \sim 8\right)$ is ca. 50 times more lipophilic than the parent compound 3. We have noted that 10 was partly hydrolyzed (ca. 25\%) under the experimental conditions used ${ }^{13}\left(\mathrm{pH} 7.4,1 \mathrm{~h}, 37^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$; thus the $\mathrm{p} A_{2}$ observed could be due to the regeneration of the starting drug 3. Similarly, LL 21-945, the pivaloyl ester of 4-[3-(tert-butylamino)-2-hydroxypropoxy]-9fluorenone hydrogen maleate ${ }^{14}$ was found to be only 10 times less active than the parent compound. The hydrochloride oxazolidine derivative 9 is too unstable in aqueous

[^2]solution to be examined. It is hydrolyzed in 15 min under the experimental conditions used. Similar observations were mentioned for the oxazolidine derivative of bunolol. ${ }^{15}$ $\mathrm{p} K_{\mathrm{A}}$ values given in Tables I and II vary between 8.4 and 9.9 and therefore cannot explain the wide range (ca. $10^{4}$ ) in biological activities observed in this series.

Interestingly, our results seem to be in partial agreement with the hypothesis ${ }^{16}$ that cardiac receptors are associated with a more hydrophilic environment than tracheal or vascular receptors. Indeed, the more lipophilic compounds 7, 10, and 18 are more active on trachea than on atria respectively by 80,13 , and 50 times. Conversely, hydrophilic compounds 6,15 , and to a lesser extent 2 are more active on atria than on trachea. However, some notable exceptions are found since the very hydrophilic compound 1 is ca. 14 times more active on trachea than on atria.

In the anesthetized dog, 3 showed the classical hemodynamic profile of a $\beta$-adrenergic blocking agent; it reduced cardiac frequency and cardiac output and increased peripheral resistances. Contrary to propranolol, 3 slightly increased arterial blood pressure in agreement with its relative $\beta_{2}$-activity. ${ }^{17}$ Compound 3 showed a better tolerance than 5 in rabbit ocular instillations. Further, in the model of Bartsch and Knopf, ${ }^{18}$ no anesthesia of the rabbit cornea was observed with 3. Both these properties may be related to the lack of an aromatic nucleus. For these reasons, compound 3 has been chosen for clinical trial under the name of Falintolol. ${ }^{19}$

## Experimental Section

Melting points were obtained on a calibrated Kofler hot stage apparatus and are uncorrected. Infrared spectra were measured in $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ with a Beckman IR 33 spectrophotometer. NMR spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer R 12 A spectrometer with $\mathrm{Me}_{4} \mathrm{Si}$ in a capillary as an external reference. Compounds 1-18 were analyzed for $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{H}$, and N and gave results within $0.4 \%$ of the theoretical values.

Pharmacological Tests of $\beta$-Adrenergic Blocking Activity. $\beta_{1}$ - and $\beta_{2}$-adrenolytic activities were determined on the atria and trachea of guinea pigs. The antagonisms of isoproterenol-induced positive chronotropism on isolated spontaneously beating right atria and isoproterenol-induced relaxation of trachea were measured according to Horii et al. ${ }^{20}$ and Levy and Wilkenfeld, ${ }^{21}$ respectively. The preparations were suspended in Krebs-Henseleit solution, aerated with $95 \% \mathrm{O}_{2}$ and $5 \% \mathrm{CO}_{2}$, at temperatures and resting tensions of $32^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and 0.5 g for atria and $37^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and 1 g for trachea. The physiological solution was composed as follows (in mM): $\mathrm{NaCl}, 120, \mathrm{KCl} 4.80, \mathrm{MgSO}_{4} \cdot 7 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} 1.20, \mathrm{CaCl}_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ $2.53, \mathrm{KH}_{2} \mathrm{PO}_{4} 1.20, \mathrm{NaHCO}_{3} 25$, glucose 10. Tracheal chain preparations were allowed to gain tone spontaneously. Ascorbic acid ( $1.13 \times 10^{-5} \mathrm{M}$ ) was present during the elaboration of each isoprenaline dose-response curve ( $3 \times 10^{-10}$ to $3 \times 10^{-8} \mathrm{M}$ ). Preincubation time with the antagonists was 30 min . The $\beta$ antagonistic activities were expressed in terms of $\mathrm{p} A_{2}$ values for competitive antagonists according to Arunlakshana et al. ${ }^{22}$ When the antagonism was not competitive, it was expressed as pAH ( $-\log$ of the molar concentration of antagonist that inhibits $50 \%$ of the maximal effect of the agonist) according to Ariens and Van Rossum. ${ }^{23} \beta_{2} / \beta_{1}$ bronchoselectivity is the antilog of the difference

[^3]between the tracheal and atrial $p A_{2}$ values for each antagonist.
Partition Coefficient. Reagents. a pH 5.70 buffer was prepared by mixing 100 mL of 0.1 M citric acid with 140 mL of 0.2 M anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{HPO}_{4}$. The bromocresol green solution was prepared by dissolving 30 mg of bromocresol green in 100 mL of the pH 5.70 buffer and filtering.

Measurements. Exactly 0.1 molar equiv of compounds was dissolved in 8.5 mL of phosphate buffer, pH 7.4 , presaturated with $1-o$ ctanol for 12 h . The solution was shaken with 8.5 mL of 1 -octanol (presaturated with buffer) at 350 strokes $/ \mathrm{min}$ at $20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 4 h , after which time the layers were centrifuged for 2 min at 3000 rpm ; the organic phase was discarded, and the concentration of drug remaining in the aqueous phase was determined by spectrophotometric analysis. Bromocresol green solution was added to the aqueous phase and the dye complex formed was extracted with $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ and the absorbance measured at 410 nm as described ${ }^{24}$ previously. The partition coefficient was then calculated from the formula $P=\left(D_{\mathrm{i}}-D_{\mathrm{f}}\right) / D_{f}$, where $D_{\mathrm{i}}=$ optical density of aqueous solution before extraction and $D_{\mathrm{f}}=$ optical density of aqueous solution after extraction. The experiments were carried out twice and are accurate to $\pm 0.05$.

Dissociation Constants. The $\mathrm{p} K_{\mathrm{a}}$ values of compounds were determined by potentiometric titration. The salts (about $20-\mathrm{mg}$ samples accurately weighted) were dissolved in 35 mL of distilled water and 5 mL of 0.1 N aqueous $\mathrm{KNO}_{3}$ at $20 \pm 1^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and neutralized by 0.05 N NaOH by using a Mettler DL 40 automatic memotitrator.
Preparation of Oxime Ether Derivatives 1-7. This preparation is illustrated by the synthesis of 0 -[2-hydroxy-3-(tertbutylamino) propyl]cyclopropyl methyl ketone oxime (3).

Cyclopropyl methyl ketone oxime was synthesized according to ref 25 . $\mathrm{NaH}(50 \mathrm{mmol})$ was added slowly to 50 mmol of cyclopropyl methyl ketone oxime in 100 mL of dry THF. The solution was stirred magnetically until no hydrogen was evolved. This solution was then added dropwise to a solution of 3.9 mL ( 50 mmol ) of epibromohydrin in 10 mL of dry THF and stirred for 48 h during which a precipitation of NaBr occurred. The NaBr was filtered and the THF was evaporated. The crude epoxide was dissolved in 20 mL of dry ethanol containing 10 mL of $t$ $\mathrm{BuNH}_{2}$ and stirred magnetically at room temperature for 24 h . The solvents were removed at a reduced pressure, and the only residue was dissolved in dilute $\mathrm{HCl}(10 \%)$. Neutral and acidic materials were extracted twice with $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$.
The aqueous layer was made alkaline with $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{CO}_{3}$ and extracted twice with EtOAc. The organic phase was dried over $\mathrm{MgSO}_{4}$ and the solvent evaporated. Oxalic acid ( 6.3 g ) was dissolved in a minimum of EtOAc and was added to the crude base. The salt formed was induced to crystallize by scratching; two recrystallizations from EtOAc-MeOH (90:10) gave 4.3 g of 3 : yield $27 \%$; $\mathrm{mp} 128^{\circ} \mathrm{C} .{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 4.00(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.80(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.70$ ( $\mathrm{m}, 2 \mathrm{H}$ ), 1.95 and $1.45(2 \mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.50(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 0.75$ and 0.65 ( $2 \mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}$ ). Anal. $\left(\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{6}\right) \mathrm{C}, \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{N}$.

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Preparation of Compounds 8-10. O-[2-Hydroxy-3-(tert-butylamino)propyl]- $N$-(cyclopropylethyl)hydroxylamine (8) was prepared according to ref 1: yield $59 \% ; \operatorname{mp~} 192 \pm 1^{\circ} \mathrm{C} .{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{D}_{6}\right) \delta 4.15(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 4.05(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.60$ and $3.00(1,3 \mathrm{H}), 2.80$ $(\mathrm{m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.30(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.45(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.30(\mathrm{~d}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.05(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H})$, $0.50(\mathrm{~m}, \mathrm{H})$. Anal. $\left(\mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{34} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{10}\right) \mathrm{C}, \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{N}$.

Cyclopropyl methyl ketone 0 -[(3-tert-butyl-5-oxazolidinyl)methyl]oxime (9) was prepared according to ref 15 : yield $85 \%$; $\mathrm{bp} \sim 133{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}(0.3 \mathrm{mmHg}) ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{D}_{6}\right) \delta 4.95(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 4.45$ $(\mathrm{m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.70$ and $1.43(2 \mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.60(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 0.65(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H})$.

Cyclopropyl methyl ketone 0 -[2-(pivaloyloxy)-3-(tert-butylamino) propyl]oxime (10) was prepared according to ref 26: yield $50 \%$; mp $118 \pm 1^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H} \mathrm{NMR}\left(\mathrm{CCL}_{4}\right) \delta 4.85(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.00(\mathrm{~m}$, $2 \mathrm{H}), 2.10(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.55$ and $1.40(2 \mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.10(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 1.00$ (s, 9 H ), $0.60(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H})$. Anal. $\left(\mathrm{C}_{21} \mathrm{H}_{36} \mathrm{NO}_{27}\right) \mathrm{C}, \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{N}$.

Preparation of Cyclopropylacetone (19). Cyclopropylacetic acid ${ }^{4}$ ( 0.0110 mol ) was converted to cyclopropylacetyl chloride with $\mathrm{SOCl}_{2}$. Cyclopropylacetyl chloride ( $4.0 \mathrm{~g}, 0.035 \mathrm{~mol}$ ) was treated with 0.5 equiv ( 0.017 mol ) of $\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Cd}$ by adapting the procedure of Cason and Prout. ${ }^{6}$ The compound obtained, yield $2 \mathrm{~g}(68 \%)$, had the following characteristics: bp $128^{\circ} \mathrm{C} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(\mathrm{CCl}_{4}\right) \delta 2.25(\mathrm{~d}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.15(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.10(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 0.60$ and 0.30 ( $2 \mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}$ ).

Registry No. 1, 90941-11-0; $1 \cdot \mathrm{HCl}, 73313-16-3 ; 1$ (epoxide), 24161-04-4; 2, 90941-12-1; 2-oxalate, 90941-29-0; 2 (epoxide), 90941-22-3; 3, 88134-91-2; 3.oxalate, 88134-93-4; 3 (epoxide), 88135-05-1; 4, 90941-13-2; 4-oxalate, 90941-30-3; 4 (epoxide), 90941-23-4; 5, 88134-94-5; 5.1/2fumarate, 88134-95-6; 5 (epoxide), 90941-24-5; 6, 90941-14-3; 6.1/2 fumarate, 90941-31-4; 6 (epoxide), 90941-25-6; 7, 88135-00-6; 7-oxalate, 88135-01-7; 7 (epoxide), 88135-06-2; 8, 90941-15-4; 8.2maleate, 90941-32-5; 9, 90941-16-5; 10, 90941-17-6; 10-fumarate, 90941-33-6; 11, 73313-27-6; 11-maleate, 73313-28-7; 11 (epoxide), 3814-55-9; 12, 73313-31-2; 12-maleate, 73313-32-3; 12 (epoxide), 4016-14-2; 13, $90941-18-7 ; 13 \cdot \mathrm{HCl}$, 90941-34-7; 13 (epoxide), 78906-14-6; 14, 80762-89-6; 14.1/ ${ }_{2}$ fumarate, $90941-35-8 ; 14$ (epoxide), 3066-51-1; 15, 88134-96-7; $15-$ maleate, $88134-97-8 ; 15$ (epoxide), 88135-04-0; 16, 88134-98-9; 16 -fumarate, 88134-99-0; 16 (epoxide), 90941-26-7; 17, 90941-19-8; 17-oxalate, 90941-36-9; 17 (epoxide), 90941-27-8; 18, 90941-20-1; 18 -fumarate, 90941-37-0; 18 (epoxide), 90941-28-9; 19, 4160-75-2; 19 (oxime), 90941-21-2; $\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{CO}, 67-64-1 ; \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{COCH}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2}$, 563-80-4; $\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{NOH}, 127-06-0 ; \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{NOH}\left(\mathrm{CH}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2}\right)$, 600-20-4; $\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{CHCH}_{2} \mathrm{OH}, 78-83-1$; $\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{CHOH}, 67-63-0$; $\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{3} \mathrm{CCH}_{2} \mathrm{OH}, 75-84-3 ; \mathrm{CH}_{2}=\mathrm{CHC}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2} \mathrm{OH}, 115-18-4$; (C$\left.\mathrm{H}_{3}\right)_{3} \mathrm{CNH}_{2}, 75-64-9 ;(E)-\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CH}=\mathrm{CHCOCl}, 625-35-4 ; \mathrm{CH}_{2}=$ $\mathrm{CHCH}_{2} \mathrm{COOEt}^{2}$ 1617-18-1; cyclopropyl methyl ketone, 765-43-5; dicyclopropyl ketone, 1121-37-5; cyclopropanecarboxaldehyde, 1489-69-6; 3,3,5-trimethylcyclohexanone, 873-94-9; cyclopropyl methyl ketone oxime, 51761-72-9; dicyclopropyl ketone oxime, 1453-52-7; cyclopropanecarboxaldehyde oxime, 66291-30-3; 3,3,5-trimethylcyclohexanone oxime, 37694-11-4; cyclopropanemethanol, 2516-33-8; $\alpha$-cyclopropylcyclopropanemethanol, 14300-33-5; $\alpha$-methylcyclopropanemethanol, 765-42-4; 3,3,5-trimethylcyclohexanol, 116-02-9; ethyl cyclopropylacetate, 53432-87-4; cyclopropylacetic acid, 5239-82-7; cyclopropylacetyl chloride, 54322-65-5.
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[^1]:    ${ }^{a} \mathrm{pA}_{2} \pm$ standard error with the number of experimental values in parentheses. ${ }^{b} \mathrm{pAH}=-\log$ of the molar concentration of antagonist that inhibits $50 \%$ of the maximal effect on the agonist. ${ }^{c}$ Graphical estimation. ${ }^{d}$ Antilog of the difference between the tracheal and atrial $p A_{2}$ values. ${ }^{e}$ Schild plot slopes differ significantly from 1 . $f P$ values $\pm 0.05$.

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