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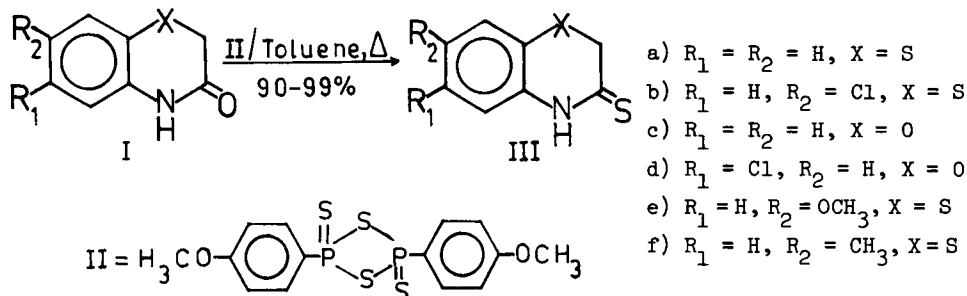
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A large number of compounds derived from 2H-(1,4)-benzothiazin- and 2H-(1,4)-benzoxazin-3(4H)-thiones have been reported<sup>1</sup> to exhibit diverse types of biological activities. During the course of some other studies, some of these thiones (IIIa-f) were needed in larger quantities. Earlier preparations have described the use of P<sub>2</sub>S<sub>5</sub> in xylene, pyridine or trieth-



ylamine for the conversion of the 3-oxo derivatives (I) into thiones (III) which involves tedious procedures for isolation of the products. Although benzoxazin-3-thione (IIIc) was prepared<sup>2,3</sup> in 75-80% yield by this method, benzothiazin-3-thione (IIIa) was obtained<sup>4</sup> in low yield (50%).<sup>†</sup> Scheibye *et al.*<sup>5</sup> have recently reported the conversion of carboxamides to thiocarboxamides using *p*-methoxyphenylthionophosphine sulfide dimer (II<sup>6</sup>) in HMPA.

We now report the use of this reagent for facile conversion of 2H-(1,4)-benzothiazin- and 2H-(1,4)-benzoxazin-3(4H)-ones (I) to 3(4H)-thiones (IIIa-f) in almost quantitative yields using toluene as solvent instead of more expensive HMPA. Hitherto unreported 7-substituted 2H-(1,4)-benzothiazin-3(4H)-thione (IIIb, IIIe and IIIf) were also prepared by this method.

## EXPERIMENTAL

IR spectra were measured in nujol on Perkin-Elmer 237 grating spectrophotometer. NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian A-90 (EM 390) spectrometer using TMS as internal standard. Melting points were determined in open capillary tubes with Gallenkamp melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. Micro-analyses were performed using Hosli micro-combustion apparatus MK-101.

2H-(1,4)-Benzothiazin-3(4H)-thione (IIIa).- A mixture of 2H-(1,4)-benzothiazin-3(4H)-one (Ia)<sup>7</sup> (16.5 g; 0.1 mole) and *p*-methoxyphenylthionophosphine sulfide dimer (II) (20.2 g; 0.05 mole) in dry toluene (200 ml) was heated under reflux for 1 hr. The reaction mixture turned into dark green homogeneous solution. Toluene was completely removed under reduced pressure. The resulting dark green residue was purified by column chromatography over silica gel and eluted with chloroform to give 18.0 g (99%) of pure IIIa as pale yellow crystalline solid, mp. 128-129° (benzene-pet. ether); lit.<sup>4</sup> mp. 128°; IR(nujol): 3140 (m), 3080 (m), 1600 (m), 1540 (s), 1110 (s), 1070 (m), 780 (m), 740 (s) and 730 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 3.88 (s, 1H, SH, exchangeable with D<sub>2</sub>O), 4.08 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>) and 6.85-7.80 (m, 4H, ArH).

Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>7</sub>NS<sub>2</sub>: C, 53.04; H, 3.87; N, 7.70.

Found: C, 53.44; H, 3.97; N, 7.50.

7-Chloro-2H-(1,4)-benzothiazin-3(4H)-thione (IIIb).- A mixture of Ib<sup>8</sup> (20 g; 0.1 mole) and II (20.2 g; 0.05 mole) in dry toluene (200 ml) was heated under reflux for 0.5 hr. and worked up as described above to give 20.3 g (94%) of IIIb; mp. 206-208° (benzene-pet. ether); IR(nujol): 3120 (m),

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3045 (m), 1580 (s), 1530 (s), 1150 (s), 1110 (s), 1060 (s), 860 (s) and 800  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (s); NMR (Acetone- $\text{d}_6$ );  $\delta$  2.44 (s, 1H, SH exchangeable with  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ ), 3.80 (s, 2H,  $\text{CH}_2$ ), 7.06-7.22 (m, 2H,  $\text{H}_5$  &  $\text{H}_6$ ) and 7.28 (d,  $J=1.5$  Hz, 1H,  $\text{H}_8$ ).

Anal. Calcd. for  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_6\text{ClNS}_2$ : C, 44.55; H, 2.78; N, 6.49.

Found: C, 44.92; H, 3.10; N, 6.59.

2H-(1,4)-Benzoxazin-3(4H)-thione (IIIc).- A mixture of Ic<sup>9</sup> (14.9 g; 0.1 mole) and II (20.2 g; 0.05 mole) in dry toluene (200 ml) was refluxed for 0.5 hr. and worked up as described for IIIa to give 15.2 g (92%) of pure IIIc as pale yellow needles (benzene-pet. ether); mp. 119-120°; lit.<sup>3</sup> mp. 121°; IR(nujol): 3150 (m), 3090 (m), 1595 (m), 1550 (s), 1140 (s), 1030 (s) and 735  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (s); NMR ( $\text{CCl}_4$ ):  $\delta$  4.76 (s, 2H,  $\text{CH}_2$ ), 6.9 (s, 4H, ArH) and 11.06 (br, NH, exchangeable with  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ ).

Anal. Calcd. for  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_7\text{NOS}$ : C, 58.18; H, 4.27; N, 8.48.

Found: C, 58.39; H, 4.25; N, 8.10.

6-Chloro-2H-(1,4)-benzoxazin-3(4H)-thione (IIIId).- A mixture of Id<sup>10</sup> (18.35 g; 0.1 mole) and II (20.2 g; 0.05 mole) in dry toluene (200 ml) was refluxed for 0.5 hr. and worked up as above to give 18.0 g (90%) of IIIId as pale yellow needles; mp. 195-196° (benzene-pet. ether); lit.<sup>11</sup> mp. 193°; IR(nujol): 3150 (w), 3080 (w), 1605 (s), 1540 (s), 1130 (s), 1100 (s), 1000 (s), 845 (s) and 800  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (s); NMR ( $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):  $\delta$  4.82 (s, 2H,  $\text{CH}_2$ ) and 6.93-7.31 (m, 3H, ArH).

Anal. Calcd. for  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_6\text{ClNOS}$ : C, 48.11; H, 3.01; N, 7.01.

Found: C, 48.60; H, 3.50; N, 6.81.

7-Methoxy-2H-(1,4)-benzothiazin-3(4H)-thione (IIIe).- A mixture of Ie (19.5 g, 0.1 mole) and II (20.2 g, 0.05 mole) in dry toluene (200 ml) was heated under reflux for 0.5 hr. and worked up as above to give 19.5 g, (92%) of IIIe, mp. 162-163° (EtOH); IR (nujol): 3140 (m), 3050 (m), 1575 (s), 1530 (s), 1215 (s), 1100 (s), 1060 (s), 865 (s) and 795  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (s); NMR ( $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ ):

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$\delta$  3.70 (s, 1H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 3.83 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.7 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.12 (d, J=9Hz, 1H, C<sub>5</sub>-H) and 12.4 (br, 1H, NH, exchangeable with D<sub>2</sub>O).

Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>9</sub>NOS<sub>2</sub>: C, 51.18; H, 4.26; N, 6.63

Found: C, 51.64; H, 4.66; N, 6.19

7-Methyl-2H-(1,4)-benzothiazin-3(4H)-thione (IIIIf).- A mixture of If (17.9 g, 0.1 mole) and II (20.2 g, 0.05 mole) in dry toluene (200 ml) was heated under reflux for 0.5 hr. and worked up as described above to give 18.1 g (93%) of IIIIf, mp. 187-189° (EtOH); IR (nujol); 3190 (m), 3150 (m), 3080 (m), 1595 (s), 1580 (s), 1400 (s), 1100 (s), 1060 (s), 820 (s) and 800 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  2.22 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.83 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.0 (m, 3H, AzH) and 12.4 (br, 1H, NH-exchangeable with D<sub>2</sub>O).

Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>9</sub>NS<sub>2</sub>: C, 55.39; H, 4.61; N, 7.18

Found: C, 56.01; H, 4.66; N, 6.84

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