

performed in a full-matrix anisotropic approximation. The isotropic thermal parameters of hydrogen atoms were not refined, but fixed equal to values that are a factor of 1.5 greater than the corresponding parameters of non-hydrogen atoms. The final *R* value obtained from 1604 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  is equal to 0.050. All computations were performed on a PC/AT using the SHELX-86<sup>3</sup> and SHELXL-93<sup>4</sup> programs. The coordinates of atoms are listed in Table 4.

The quantum-chemical calculations for the A and B forms of compound 2a were performed by the MNDO<sup>2</sup> method on a PC/AT.

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# A simple synthesis of 4-amino-6-methyl-1,1,1-trifluoro(trichloro)hepta-3,5-dien-2-ones and 2,2-dimethyl-6-trifluoromethyl-2,3-dihydro-4-pyridone

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Treatment of 2,2-dimethyl-6-trifluoro(trichloro)methyl-2,3-dihydro-4-pyrones with ammonia gives 4-amino-1,1,1-trifluoro(trichloro)-6-methylhepta-3,5-dien-2-ones. Under similar conditions 1,1,1-trifluoro-2-hydroxy-6-methylhepta-2,5-dien-4-one and 6-chloro-1,1,1-trifluoro-2-hydroxy-6-methylhept-2-en-4-one cyclize into 2,2-dimethyl-6-trifluoromethyl-2,3-dihydro-4-pyridone.

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Earlier,<sup>1</sup> we demonstrated that the condensation of trifluoroacetonitrile with mesityl oxide in the presence of *N*-ethylanilinemagnesium bromide leads to 2-amino-1,1,1-trifluoro-6-methylhepta-2,5-dien-4-one (**1**), whose acid hydrolysis can give, depending on reaction conditions, either 1,1,1-trifluoro-2-hydroxy-6-methylhepta-2,5-dien-4-one (**2**) or its cyclic isomer, 2,2-dimethyl-6-trifluoromethyl-2,3-dihydro-4-pyrene (**3**). The cyclization of dienone **2** into dihydropyrene **3** is catalyzed by acids, while the reverse process occurs under the action of sodium ethoxide.

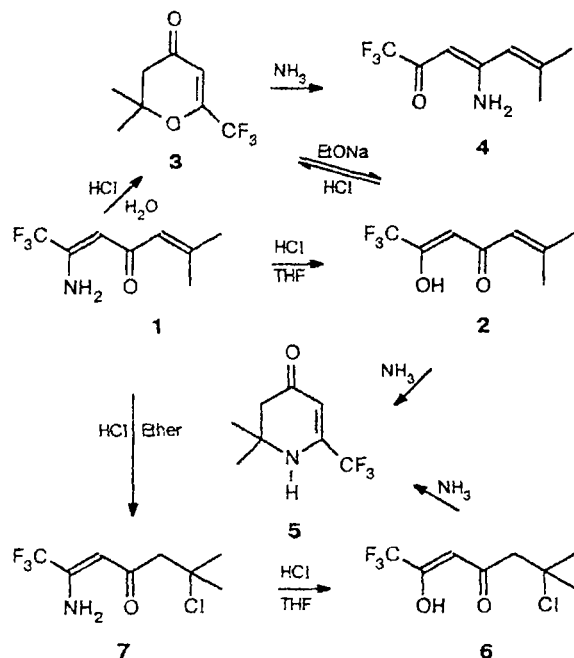
In continuation of studies on the properties of these compounds, we found that dihydropyrene **3** treated with an aqueous 25% solution of ammonia at room temperature undergoes ring opening to give 4-amino-1,1,1-trifluoro-6-methylhepta-3,5-dien-2-one (**4**) isomeric to aminodienone **1**, while dienone **2**, under similar conditions, undergoes heterocyclization into 2,2-dimethyl-6-trifluoromethyl-2,3-dihydro-4-pyridone (**5**). The yields

of products **4** and **5** are 46 and 37%, respectively, and a competitive reaction is the cleavage of compounds **2** and **3** under the action of ammonia into mesityl oxide and  $\text{CF}_3\text{COONH}_4$ . The treatment of 6-chloro-1,1,1-trifluoro-2-hydroxy-6-methylhept-2-en-4-one (**6**), obtained upon acidic hydrolysis of chloroaminoenone (**7**) described earlier,<sup>1</sup> with aqueous ammonia can also result in dihydropyridone **5** (Scheme 1).

In the preparative synthesis of compounds **4** and **5**, the more readily available ethyl trifluoroacetate rather than trifluoroacetonitrile is recommended. Its condensation with mesityl oxide in the presence of sodium methoxide followed by the isolation of the product through a copper chelate gives dienone **2** in a high yield.<sup>2</sup> The same reaction can also be used to obtain dihydropyrene **3**, if the condensation product is isolated by vacuum distillation, without the stage of formation of a copper chelate.

2,2-Dimethyl-6-trichloromethyl-2,3-dihydro-4-pyrene (**8**) behaves similarly to dihydropyrene **3**.<sup>3</sup> Its

Scheme 1



treatment with a methanolic ammonia leads to 4-amino-1,1,1-trichloro-6-methylhepta-3,5-dien-2-one (9) in 32% yield.

The reactions described above are simple and make compounds 4–6 and 9, which are of interest as new  $\text{CF}_3$ - and  $\text{CCl}_3$ -containing synthons, more readily available.

### Experimental

IR spectra were recorded on an IKS-29 instrument in Vaseline oil or in a thin layer.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra were recorded on a Tesla BS-567A spectrometer (100 MHz) in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  with tetramethylsilane as the internal standard.

Compounds 1, 2, and 7 (see Ref. 1) and 3 and 8 (see Ref. 3) were described previously.

**4-Amino-6-methyl-1,1,1-trifluorohepta-3,5-dien-2-one (4).** 4 mL of an aqueous 25% solution of  $\text{NH}_3$  was added to dihydropyrone 3 (0.39 g, 0.002 mol) and the mixture was left to stand at  $-20^\circ\text{C}$  for 2 days. The crystals that formed were

filtered off and recrystallized from a hexane–ether mixture, yield 46%, m.p.  $72\text{--}73^\circ\text{C}$ . Found (%): C, 49.55; H, 5.24; N, 6.96.  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{10}\text{F}_3\text{NO}$ . Calculated (%): C, 49.74; H, 5.22; N, 7.25. IR,  $\nu/\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3310, 3160 ( $\text{NH}_2$ ); 1650, 1600, 1540 ( $\text{C}=\text{C}-\text{C}=\text{O}$ ,  $\text{NH}_2$ ).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR,  $\delta$ : 1.91 (d, 3 H, Me,  $J = 1.4$  Hz); 1.98 (d, 3 H, Me,  $J = 1.2$  Hz); 5.38 (d, 1 H,  $=\text{CH}$ ,  $J = 1.4$  Hz); 5.76 (sept, 1 H,  $=\text{CH}$ ,  $J = 1.2$  Hz); 5.80 (br.s, 1 H,  $\text{NH}_2$ ); 10.10 (br.s, 1 H,  $\text{NH}_2$ ).

**2,2-Dimethyl-6-trifluoromethyl-2,3-dihydro-4-pyridone (5)** was obtained from diketone 2 analogously to compound 4. Yield 37%, m.p.  $114\text{--}115^\circ\text{C}$ . Found (%): C, 49.56; H, 5.14; N, 7.51.  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{10}\text{F}_3\text{NO}$ . Calculated (%): C, 49.74; H, 5.22; N, 7.25. IR,  $\nu/\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3260 (NH); 1645, 1600, 1540 ( $\text{C}=\text{C}-\text{C}=\text{O}$ , NH).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR,  $\delta$ : 1.37 (s, 6 H, 2 Me); 2.44 (s, 2 H,  $\text{CH}_2$ ); 4.94 (br.s, 1 H, NH); 5.38 (d, 1 H,  $=\text{CH}$ ,  $J = 1.9$  Hz).

**2-Hydroxy-6-methyl-6-chloro-1,1,1-trifluorohept-2-en-4-one (6)** was obtained according to a procedure described earlier.<sup>1</sup> Yield 65%, b.p.  $60\text{--}63^\circ\text{C}$  (10 Torr),  $n_D^{20}$  1.4400. Found (%): C, 41.84; H, 4.49.  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{10}\text{ClF}_3\text{O}_2$ . Calculated (%): C, 41.67; H, 4.37. IR,  $\nu/\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 1640 ( $\text{C}=\text{O}$ ); 1600 ( $\text{C}=\text{C}$ ).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR,  $\delta$ : 1.71 (s, 6 H, 2 Me); 2.87 (s, 2 H,  $\text{CH}_2$ ); 6.04 (s, 1 H,  $=\text{CH}$ ); 13.70 (br.s, 1 H, OH).

**4-Amino-6-methyl-1,1,1-trichlorohepta-3,5-dien-2-one (9).** 3 mL of a methanolic  $\text{NH}_3$  was added to dihydropyrone 8 (0.5 g, 0.002 mol) and the mixture was left to stand at  $-20^\circ\text{C}$  for 2 days. Then, the solution was diluted with water, extracted with ether, and dried with  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ . The crystals obtained upon evaporation of the ether were recrystallized from hexane. Yield 32%, m.p.  $94\text{--}95^\circ\text{C}$ . Found (%): C, 39.74; H, 4.07; N, 5.71.  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{10}\text{Cl}_3\text{NO}$ . Calculated (%): C, 39.62; H, 4.16; N, 5.78. IR,  $\nu/\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3330, 3170 ( $\text{NH}_2$ ); 1655, 1585, 1515 ( $\text{C}=\text{C}-\text{C}=\text{O}$ ,  $\text{NH}_2$ ).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR,  $\delta$ : 1.92 (d, 3 H, Me,  $J = 1.4$  Hz); 2.00 (d, 3 H, Me,  $J = 1.4$  Hz); 5.73 (d, 1 H,  $=\text{CH}$ ,  $J = 1.2$  Hz); 5.81 (sept, 1 H,  $=\text{CH}$ ,  $J = 1.4$  Hz); 5.60 (br.s, 1 H,  $\text{NH}_2$ ); 9.6 (br.s, 1 H,  $\text{NH}_2$ ).

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