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Synthesis of *N*-nitrooxazolidines and *N*-nitrotetrahydro-1,3-oxazines from *N*-(2-hydroxyalkyl)- and *N*-(3-hydroxyalkyl)sulfamates

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A method was developed for the preparation of functionally substituted *N*-nitrooxazolidines and *N*-nitrotetrahydro-1,3-oxazines by nitration of the products obtained in the reactions of *N*-(2-hydroxalkyl)- and *N*-(3-hydroxalkyl)sulfamates with formaldehyde.

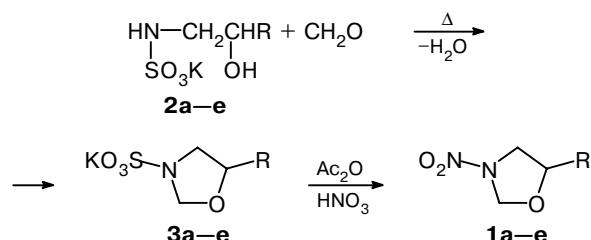
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The present study was aimed at the search for rational procedures for the preparation of the previously unknown *N*-nitro derivatives of oxazolidine based on derivatives of sulfamic acid. Although procedures for the synthesis of oxazolidine and tetrahydroooxazine derivatives were reported in the literature,¹⁻³ their *N*-nitro derivatives remain unknown.

Results and Discussion

With the aim of preparing *N*-nitro derivatives of oxazolidines **1**, we studied the reactions of the corresponding *N*-(2-hydroxyalkyl)sulfamates **2** with formaldehyde. These reactions afforded complex mixtures of products. However, we found conditions under which the oxazolidine ring was predominantly formed (the initial components were taken in a ratio **2** : CH₂O = 1 : 1.1, condensation was carried out at pH 7.7–8.2). The resulting compounds **3** were not isolated in individual form because of their instability in solvents. Sulfamates **3** were converted into nitro compounds **1** in a total yield of 50–75% under the action of the HNO₃–Ac₂O mixture as a nitrating agent at the temperature from –10 to –5 °C (Scheme 1), which is indirect evidence in favor of the structure of compounds **3**.

Scheme 1



R = CH₂OMe (**a**); CH₂Cl (**b**); CH₂N₂ (**c**); Me (**d**); H (**e**)

Compounds **1** exist as liquids and were isolated by fractional distillation (Table 1).

Compound **1b** was converted into azidomethyl-substituted compound **1c** in 85% yield upon treatment with NaN₃ in DMF (Scheme 2).

It should be noted that the preparation of azide **1c** through chloride **1b** did not require fractional distillation.

Scheme 2

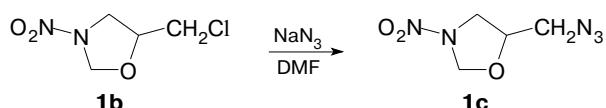


Table 1. Physicochemical properties and the yields of *N*-nitrooxazolidines **1** and *N*-nitrotetrahydro-1,3-oxazines **6**

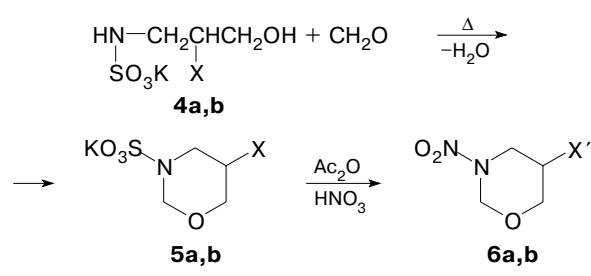
Com- ound	Yield (%)	B.p./°C (<i>p</i> /Torr)	Found Calculated (%)			Molecular formula
			C	H	N	
1a	47	72–73 (0.7–0.9)	37.09 37.04	6.21 6.22	—	C ₅ H ₁₀ N ₂ O ₄
1b	75	93–94 (1.0–1.2)	29.01 28.84	4.31 4.24	16.80 16.82	C ₄ H ₇ N ₂ O ₃ Cl
1c	49	102–103 85*	28.32 (0.8–1.0)	4.28 27.75	40.68 40.45	C ₄ H ₇ N ₅ O ₃
1d	48	60–61 (1.0–1.2)	—	—	21.64 21.20	C ₄ H ₈ N ₂ O ₃
1e	61	49–50 (0.7–0.8)	31.11 30.51	5.14 5.12	23.84 23.72	C ₃ H ₆ N ₂ O ₃
6a	42	**	36.90 36.36	6.19 6.10	—	C ₄ H ₈ N ₂ O ₃
6b	42	**	25.01 24.88	3.65 3.65	21.91 21.76	C ₄ H ₇ N ₃ O ₆

* Prepared from compound **1b** (Scheme 2).

** Crystalline compounds; m.p. were 19.5–20.5 (**6a**) and 89–90 (**6b**) °C.

tion, and compound **1c** was obtained in higher total yield.

N-(3-Hydroxyalkyl)sulfamates **4** behave analogously to *N*-(2-hydroxyalkyl)sulfamates **2**. Compounds **4** can also undergo cyclization in the reactions with formaldehyde to form compounds **5**, which were converted into the corresponding *N*-nitrotetrahydro-1,3-oxazines **6** in 40–45% yields upon treatment with the HNO₃–Ac₂O mixture (Scheme 3). Compounds **6** were obtained in the crystalline form (see Table 1).

Scheme 3

X = X' = H (**a**); X = OH, X' = ONO₂ (**b**)

It should be noted that the reaction of sulfamate **4b** with formaldehyde followed by nitration afforded a compound to which the structure of *N*-nitro-5-nitroxymethyloxazolidine (**6b**) was assigned based on the data from ¹H, ¹³C, and ¹⁵N NMR spectroscopy (Table 2), the correlation ¹H–¹H, ¹H–¹³C, and ¹H–¹⁵N NMR spectra (Fig. 1), the IR spectra ((KBr), v/cm^{−1}: 1284, 1552 (NNO₂); 1636 (ONO₂)), the mass spectra (peaks: 193 [M]⁺, 131 [M–ONO₂]⁺, 101 [M–2NO₂]⁺, 85 [M–ONO₂–NO₂]⁺), and the data from elemental analysis (see Table 1). Noteworthy is the large difference in the chemical shifts of the magnetically nonequivalent protons of the CH₂ groups at the nitrogen atoms in the

Table 2. ¹H NMR spectra of nitramines **1** and **6**

Com- ound	δ, J/Hz
1a	3.32 (s, 3 H, OMe); 3.58 (m, 2 H, <u>CH</u> ₂ OMe, <i>J</i> = 2.6, 2.6); 3.82 (dd, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ CH, <i>J</i> = −11.7, 7.3); 4.03 (dd, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ CH, <i>J</i> = −11.7, 7.3); 4.47 (m, 1 H, CHO); 5.12 (d, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ O, <i>J</i> = −6.2); 5.40 (d, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ O, <i>J</i> = −6.2)
1b	3.84 (dd, 1 H, CH ₂ Cl, <i>J</i> = −11.9, 5.2); 3.87 (dd, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ CH, <i>J</i> = −11.7, 7.1); 3.90 (dd, 1 H, CH ₂ Cl, <i>J</i> = −11.9, 4.5); 4.21 (dd, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ CH, <i>J</i> = −11.7, 6.7); 4.65 (m, 1 H, CHO); 5.20 (d, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ O, <i>J</i> = −5.8); 5.47 (d, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ O, <i>J</i> = −5.8)
1s	3.56 (dd, 1 H, CH ₂ N ₃ , <i>J</i> = −15.0, 7.0); 3.67 (dd, 1 H, CH ₂ N ₃ , <i>J</i> = −15.0, 5.6); 3.78 (dd, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ CH, <i>J</i> = −13.2, 8.0); 4.13 (dd, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ CH, <i>J</i> = −13.2, 8.3); 4.58 (m, 1 H, CHO); 5.17 (d, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ O, <i>J</i> = −7.0); 5.48 (d, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ O, <i>J</i> = −7.0)
1d^a	1.38 (d, 3 H, <u>Me</u> CH, <i>J</i> = 7.0); 3.42 (dd, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ CH, <i>J</i> = −9.4, 9.4); 4.12 (dd, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ CH, <i>J</i> = −9.4, 6.5); 4.40 (m, 1 H, CHO); 5.07 (d, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ O, <i>J</i> = −6.5); 5.40 (d, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ O, <i>J</i> = −6.5)
1e	3.95 (t, 2 H, <u>CCH</u> ₂ O, <i>J</i> = 7.5); 4.18 (t, 2 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ C, <i>J</i> = 7.5); 5.20 (s, 2 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ O)
6a^a	1.80 (q, 2 H, CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ , <i>J</i> = 5.7, 5.3, 5.3, 5.7); 3.90 (t, 2 H, <u>OCH</u> ₂ CH ₂ , <i>J</i> = 5.3); 4.07 (t, 2 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ CH ₂ , <i>J</i> = 5.7); 5.27 (s, 2 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ O)
6b^b	4.20 (dtd, 1 H, <u>OCH</u> ₂ CH, <i>J</i> = −13.1, 2.3, 0.7); 4.28 (dd, 1 H, <u>OCH</u> ₂ CH, <i>J</i> = −13.1, 2.1); 4.28 (br.d, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ CH, <i>J</i> = −16.3); 5.01 (br.d, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ O, <i>J</i> = −12.0); 5.04 (dq, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ CH, <i>J</i> = −16.3, 2.5); 5.24 (q, 1 H, CHONO ₂ , <i>J</i> = 2.2); 5.89 (dd, 1 H, <u>NCH</u> ₂ O, <i>J</i> = −12.0, 2.1); 48.9 (s, <u>NCH</u> ₂ CH); 68.5 (s, <u>OCH</u> ₂ CH); 76.9 (s, CHONO ₂); 78.8 (s, <u>NCH</u> ₂ O) ^c ; −26.9 (s, N− ¹⁴ NO ₂); −45.2 (s, O− ¹⁴ NO ₂) ^d

^a The spectra were recorded on a Bruker AM-300 spectrometer.

^b The spectra were recorded on a Bruker DRX-500 spectrometer.
^c ¹H–¹³C NMR. ^d ¹H–¹⁵N NMR.

NCH₂O and NCH₂CH fragments and a rather small difference in these shifts for the CH₂O fragment. The assignment of the signals was made based on the data from the ¹H–¹³C NMR correlation spectra assuming that the lowest-field and the highest-field ¹³C signals belong to the NCH₂O and NCH₂CH fragments, respectively. This assignment was confirmed by the correlation ¹H–¹⁵N NMR spectrum. The cross-peaks between the N−¹⁵NO₂ group and the protons of the NCH₂O and NCH₂CH fragments are observed.

According to the data from ¹H NMR spectroscopy (3.92 (dd, 1 H, NCH₂CH, *J* = −12.3 and 4.9 Hz); 4.24 (dd, 1 H, NCH₂CH, *J* = −12.3 and 6.74 Hz); 4.70–4.95 (m, 3 H, OCH₂CH₂ONO₂); 5.22 (d, 1 H, NCH₂O, *J* = 6.0 Hz); 5.45 (d, 1 H, NCH₂O, *J* = 6.0 Hz)), isomeric *N*-nitro-5-nitroxymethyloxazolidine was obtained as an admixture (the yield was ~5%).

To summarize, a general method was proposed for the preparation of *N*-nitrooxazolidines **3** and *N*-nitro-

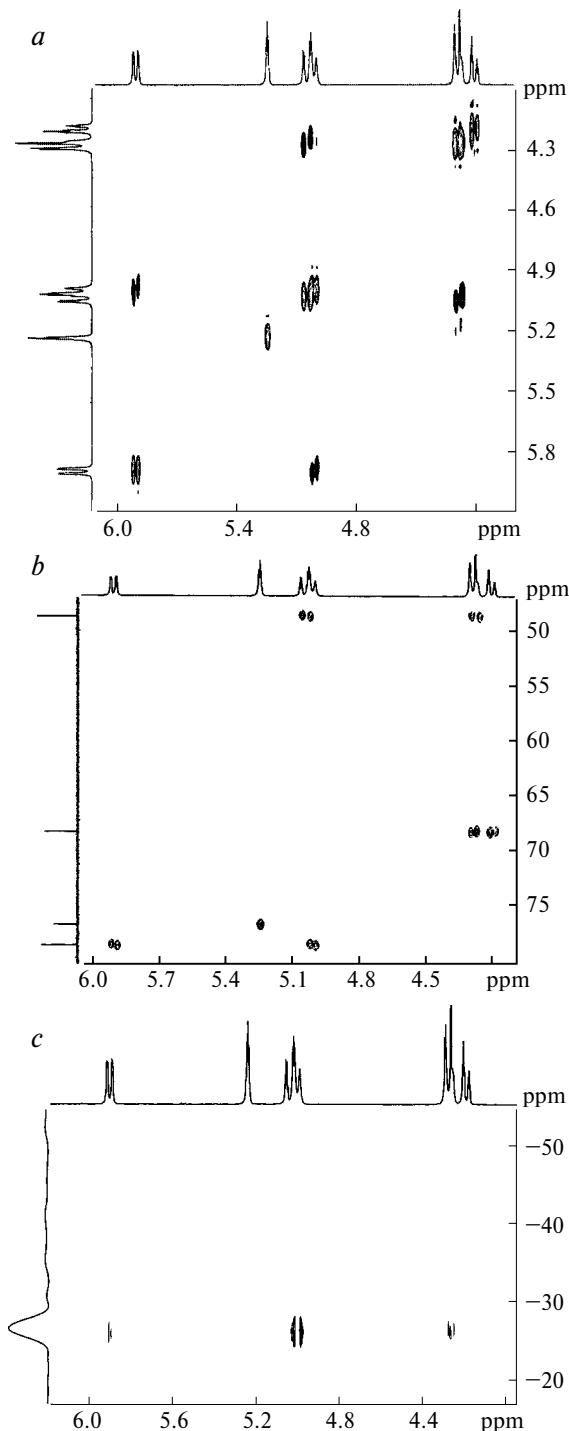


Fig. 1. Correlation NMR spectra of compound **6b**: *a*, ^1H — ^1H NMR; *b*, ^1H — ^{13}C NMR; *c*, ^1H — ^{15}N NMR.

tetrahydro-1,3-oxazines **6** based on hydroxyl-containing *N*-alkylsulfamates.

Experimental

The ^1H NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker WM-250 (250.13 MHz) and Bruker AM-300 (300.13 MHz) spectrom-

eters in $(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{CO}$ with HMDS as the internal standard. The 2D ^1H — ^1H , ^1H — ^{13}C , and ^1H — ^{15}N NMR spectra were measured on a Bruker DRX-500 spectrometer. The IR spectra were recorded on a Specord-80 instrument in KBr pellets. The mass spectra were obtained on a MS-3 Kratos spectrometer (EI, 70 eV, the temperature of the ionization chamber was 200 °C, the direct inlet system of the samples).

5-Chloromethyl-*N*-nitrooxazolidine (1b**).** A 28% CH_2O solution (4.36 g, 44 mmol) was added to a solution of *N*-(3-chloro-2-hydroxypropyl)sulfamate (**2b**) (9.68 g, 43 mmol) in H_2O (40 mL) and the pH of the reaction mixture was brought to 7.95 (with KOH or HCl). Then the mixture was concentrated *in vacuo*. Potassium salt of 5-chloromethyl-*N*-sulfooxazolidine **3b** was obtained in a yield of 10.20 g. Thereupon this salt was used without additional purification.

Compounds **3a,c—e** were obtained analogously.

Compound **3b** (10.20 g) was added to a mixture of 97% HNO_3 (13 mL) and Ac_2O (47 mL) at the temperature from −10 to −7 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h, poured into ice water (90 mL), and extracted with AcOEt (3×30 mL). The extract was washed successively with H_2O and a solution of Na_2CO_3 and then concentrated *in vacuo*. 5-Chloromethyl-*N*-nitrooxazolidine (**1b**) was obtained in a yield of 5.83 g (75%). The solution was distilled and the fraction with b.p. 93–94 °C (1.0–1.2 Torr) was collected.

Compounds **1a,c—e** were obtained analogously.

5-Azidomethyl-*N*-nitrooxazolidine (1c**).** 5-Chloromethyl-*N*-nitrooxazolidine (**1b**) (1 g, 6 mmol) was added to a solution of CaCl_2 (1.32 g, 12 mmol) and NaN_3 (0.78 g, 12 mmol) in DMF (10 mL) at 95–100 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5.5 h and poured into H_2O (30 mL). The precipitate that formed was filtered off and the filtrate was extracted with benzene (3×15 mL). The extract was washed with H_2O (7×10 mL) and concentrated. 5-Azidomethyl-*N*-nitrooxazolidine (**1c**) was obtained in a yield of 0.88 g (85%).

N-Nitro-5-nitroxyltetrahydro-1,3-oxazine (6b**).** A 28% CH_2O solution (4.45 g, 49.5 mmol) was added to a solution of potassium *N*-(2,3-dihydroxypropyl)sulfamate (**4b**) (9.40 g, 45 mmol) in H_2O (25 mL). The pH of the reaction mixture was brought to 7.50 (with KOH or HCl) and the mixture was concentrated *in vacuo*. Potassium salt of 5-hydroxy-*N*-sulfo-tetrahydro-1,3-oxazine (**5b**) was obtained in a yield of 9.95 g. The salt was used without purification.

Sulfamate **5a** was prepared analogously.

Sulfamate **5b** was added to a mixture of 97% HNO_3 (15 mL) and Ac_2O (9.95 g, 56 mL) at the temperature from −10 to −7 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h, poured into ice water (100 mL), and extracted with AcOEt (3×30 mL). The extract was washed successively with H_2O and a solution of Na_2CO_3 and then concentrated. Nitro-5-nitroxyltetrahydro-1,3-oxazine (**6b**) was obtained in a yield of 3.69 g (42%). The residue was recrystallized from EtOH (18 mL). IR (KBr, ν/cm^{-1}): 1284, 1552 (NO_2); 1636 (ONO_2).

N-Nitrotetrahydro-1,3-oxazine (**6a**) was prepared analogously.

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