

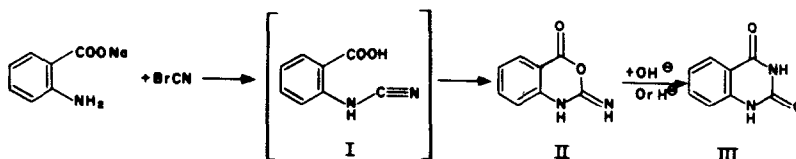
REARRANGEMENT OF N-CYANO-ANTHRANILIC ACIDS TO 1,2-DIHYDRO-2-IMINO-3,1,  
4H-BENZOXAZIN-4-ONES AND 2,4(IH,3H)-QUINAZOLINE-DIONES. REACTIONS OF  
1,2-DIHYDRO-2-IMINO-3,1, 4H-BENZOXAZIN-4-ONE WITH HYDROXYLIC REAGENTS.

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Reaction of sodium anthranilate with excess cold aqueous cyanogen  
bromide affords - evidently through rearrangement of transitionally  
formed N-cyano-anthranilic acid (I) - 1,2-dihydro-2-imino-3,1,4H-  
benzoxazin-4-one (II) mp.: 212°C, decomp., from ethyl acetate; found  
C 59,48 H 3,81 N 17,50;  $C_8H_6N_2O_2 = 162,1$  requires C 59,26 H 3,73 N 17,28,  
the asymmetric imide of isatoic acid.

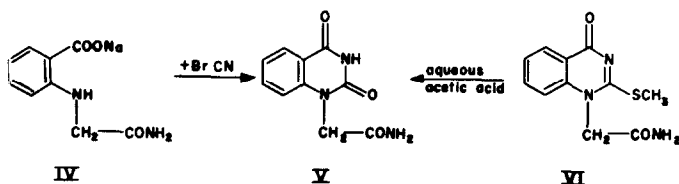


The structure of II follows 1) from its IR spectrum, which does not  
contain bands corresponding to a  $C = N$  or  $N = C = N$  group, however  
contains bands between  $3440$  and  $3000\text{ cm}^{-1}$  corresponding to the different  
NH groups, bands at  $1750$  and  $1690\text{ cm}^{-1}$  corresponding to the carbonyl  
vibration of a cyclic lactone and to the  $C = N$  band respectively; 2) from

its UV spectrum which is closely similar to that of anthranilic acid and isatoic anhydride; and 3) from its reactions outlined below.

Treatment of II with excess hot aqueous-alcoholic potassium carbonate or with cold aqueous-acetonic potassium hydroxide or with hot 20% hydrochloric acid, as well as prolonged refluxing with acetic acid converts it to 2,4(1H,3H)-quinazolinedione (III) identified by mp. and mixed mp.

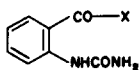
If the N-carbamoylmethyl derivative (IV) of sodium anthranilate is treated with cyanogen bromide under the conditions stated above, the corresponding derivative (V) mp: 331-332°C, decomp., from aqueous alcohol; found C 54,79 H 4,12 N 19,35;  $C_{10}H_9N_3O_3 = 221,2$  requires C 54,79 H 4,14 N 19,15 of III is directly formed.



The structure of V has been proved 1) by its IR spectrum and 2) by independent synthesis from (1,4-dihydro-2-methylmercapto-4-oxo-1-quinazolinyl)-acetamide (VI)<sup>1</sup>.

Treatment of II with 1 mole of cold aqueous-acetonic potassium hydroxide or short refluxing with 1 mole of aqueous potassium carbonate or even with aqueous dioxane as well as treatment with 50% acetic acid at room temperature converts it to 2-ureido-benzoic acid (VIIa) mp.: 173-174°C, decomp., from aqueous methanol; found: C 53,45 H 4,54 N 15,45;  $C_8H_8N_2O_3 = 180,2$  requires: C 53,33 H 4,48 N 15,55, which on more energetic treatment with alkali or acid, is cyclised to III.

Correspondingly, short refluxing with 50% aqueous methanol or ethanol converts II to 2-ureido-benzoic acid methyl (VIIb) mp.: 178-179°C<sup>x</sup> from methanol; found: C 55,80 H 5,15 N 14,25; C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> = 194,2 requires C 55,66 H 5,19 N 14,43 and ethyl ester (VII c) mp.: 179°C<sup>x</sup>, from ethanol; found: C 57,99 H 5,70 N 13,58; C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>12</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> = 208,2 requires C 57,68 H 5,81 N 13,46 respectively.



VII

a: X = HO-

b: X = CH<sub>3</sub>O-c: X = C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>O-d: X = n-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>O-e: X = n-C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub>O-f: X = i-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>O-

Treatment of a solution of II in a mixture of dry dioxane and ether with dry gaseous hydrochloric acid yields the hydrochloride of II (mp.: 260°C decomp.) C 48,59 H 3,65 N 14,12 Cl 17,65; C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>7</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> = 198,6 requires C 48,38 H 3,55 N 14,11 Cl 17,83.

The latter, on treatment with water or primary alcohols at room temperature, or with hot iso-propyl alcohol yields 2-ureido-benzoic acid and its corresponding esters (VIIb-f) (VIIId) mp.: 144-145°C; from 70% methanol, found C 59,43 H: 6,38 N: 12,71; C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> = 222,2 requires C: 59,45 H: 6,35 N: 12,60 - VIIe mp.: 122-123°C, from benzene-petrol-

<sup>x</sup> With foaming and resolidification; second mp.: about 330°C, corresponding to that of III.- For VIIb Grammaticakis states mp.-s between 320-350°C, and for VIIc Weil and Syngierowna state mp.: 342-343°C.

ether; found N 11,99;  $C_{12}H_{16}N_2O_3 = 236,3$  requires N:11,86; - VIIf; mp.: 182-183°C from isopropyl alcohol-petroleum ether; found N: 12,90;  $C_{11}H_{14}N_2O_3 = 222,2$  requires N: 12,60 respectively. Short refluxing of II.HCl with water or primary alcohols converts it to III.

The structures of VIIa-c have been proved 1) by the IR spectrum of VIIc which contains three ester bands at 1709, 1250 and 1095  $cm^{-1}$  respectively, two bands at 3410 and 3320  $cm^{-1}$  characteristic for the  $NH_2$  group, the amide I band at 1670  $cm^{-1}$ , the amide II band at 1590  $cm^{-1}$  and a band at 3230  $cm^{-1}$  characteristic for the secondary NH group;

2) by the UV spectra of VIIb and c which are closely similar to that of anthranilic acid and identical with the spectrum of VIIb published by Grammaticakis<sup>2</sup>; 3) by comparison of VIIa and B with authentic samples prepared according to Bogert and Scotchard<sup>4</sup>.

Investigation of the reaction of II and II.HCl with amines is in progress.

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