## DERIVATIVES OF 1-(2-PYRIDYL)-4,5,6,7-TETRAHYDROINDAZOLE

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In reactions of oxidation of 1-(2-pyridyl)-3,6,6-trimethyl-4-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydroindazole, the corresponding 4,5-dioxoindazole is obtained, and then 1-(2-pyridyl)-3-methyl-4-carboxy-5-(2-methyl-2-carboxypropyl)pyrazole; in bromination reactions, a series of 5-bromo and 7-bromo derivatives is obtained. From 4,5-dioxoindazole with hydrazides of acids, a series of 4-oxo-5-acylhydrazono derivatives is obtained, and also 1-(2-pyridyl)-3,6,6-trimethyl-4-oxo-5-tosylhydrazono-4,5,6,7-tetrahydroindazole, which, under the action of caustic, gives the 4-oxo-5-diazo derivative.

Derivatives of indazole and other pyrazole-containing condensed systems are attracting attention because of their biological activity and the possibilities of further conversions [1-7]. Therefore, continuing the work reported in [8-14], we have obtained a number of derivatives of 1-(2-pyridyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydroindazole.

The oxidation of 1-(2-pyridyl)-3,6,6-trimethyl-4-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydroindazole by selenious acid, following the procedure used in [9], gives the  $\alpha$ -diketone Ib. In the IR spectrum of the 4,5-dioxo derivative Ib, intense absorption bands of carbonyl groups are observed at 1725 and 1676 cm<sup>-1</sup>, and in the PMR spectrum a signal of protons of the  $C_{(7)}$ -methylene group at 3.73 ppm. Oxidation of the diketone Ib with hydrogen peroxide in a mixture of formic acid and acetic anhydride, in accordance with [9, 15], gives the dicarboxylic acid II. Boiling of the acid II with acetic anhydride leads to the formation of an anhydride – the oxepinopyrazole III, the structure of which is confirmed specifically by the presence of characteristic IR absorption bands of anhydrides at 1777 and 1730 cm<sup>-1</sup>, and also the corresponding signals of protons in the PMR spectrum (corresponding in number and character).

In reactions of the 4,5-dioxo derivative Ib with hydrazides of nicotinic, isonicotinic, salicylic, and 3-bromobenzoic acids, the corresponding 4-oxo-5-acylhydrazonoindazoles IVa-d are obtained; their PMR spectra exhibit downfield signals of NH protons involved in an H-chelate ring ( $\delta_{NH}$  14.33-14.61 ppm).

We also obtained the tosylhydrazone IVe, which, when subjected to the action of alkali, is converted to the 4-oxo-5-diazo derivative Ic.

Bromination of the indazole Ia by N-bromosuccinimide (NBS) affords the 7-bromo derivative Va, even with excess of the brominating agent; but bromination of Ia by pyridinium bromide-perbromide (PBP), depending on the mole ratio of reagents, gives the 4-oxo-5-bromo derivative (Id) and the 4-oxo-5,5-dibromo derivative (Ie), respectively. This is consistent with the relationships in the bromination of 4-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydroindazoles that were noted in [9, 11]. The 5,7-dibromo derivative Vb was obtained by the action of PBP on the 7-bromosindazole Va. The 4,5-dioxo-7-bromoindazole Vc was obtained from the 4,5-dioxoindazole Ib by the action of either N-bromosuccinimide or pyridinium bromide-perbromide, which is observed for the first time in the 6,6-dimethyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydroindazole series.

As a result of the introduction of a bulky substituent – bromine – into position 5 or 7, the  $C_{(6)}$ -methyl groups become magnetically nonequivalent and are observed in the PMR spectrum, in contrast to 5,7-unsubstituted 6,6-dimethyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydroindazoles and their 5-oxo (Ib), 5-diazo (Id), and 5-hydrazono (IV) derivatives, in the form of two signals. The signal of the remaining  $C_{(7)}$  proton in compounds Va-c undergoes a considerable downfield shift to 6.36 ppm (Va), 6.53 ppm (Vb), and 6.58 ppm (Vc).

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1) I,Va) X = Y = H; Ib) XY = O; Ic)  $XY = N^+ = N^-$ ; Id) X = H, Y = Br; Ie) X = Y = Br; Vb) X = H, Y = Br; Vc) XY = O; IVa) X = H; IVb) X = H; IVc) X = H; IVc) X = H; IVd) X = H; IVd) X = H; IVd) X = H; IVe) X = H; IVe)

## **EXPERIMENTAL**

The IR spectra were taken in a Specord 75-IR spectrometer on suspensions of the substances in white mineral oil (1500-1800 cm<sup>-1</sup>) or hexachlorobutadiene (2000-3600 cm<sup>-1</sup>) without indication of C-H stretching vibration frequencies in the 2800-3050 cm<sup>-1</sup> interval. The PMR spectra were taken in CDCl<sub>3</sub> or DMSO-D<sub>6</sub> in a Bruker WH-90/DS spectrometer (90 MHz), internal standard TMS.

Elemental analyses of the compounds for C, H, N, S, and Br matched the calculated values.

1-(2-Pyridyl)-3,6,6-trimethyl-4,5-dioxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydroindazole (Ib,  $C_{15}H_{15}N_3O_2$ ). A mixture of 1.02 g (4 mmoles) of the indazole Ia (obtained in accordance with [14]) and 0.52 g (4 mmoles) of selenious acid in 6 ml of glacial acetic acid was left for 48 h at 20°C, heated for 1 h on a boiling water bath, and then refluxed for 1 h. After cooling, the selenium was filtered off, 2 ml of water was added, and the solution was neutralized with a concentrated aqueous ammonium hydroxide solution. The resulting precipitate was crystallized from acetic acid. Obtained 1.00 g (92%) of Ib, mp 162-164°C. IR spectrum, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1725, 1670, 1620, 1596, 1580, 1540. PMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), ppm: 1.36 (6H, s, 2CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.56 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.73 (2H, s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.02-8.44 mp. (4H, m,  $C_5H_4N$ ).

1-(2-Pyridyl)-3-methyl-4-carboxy-5-(2-methyl-2-carboxypropyl)pyrazole (II,  $C_{15}H_{17}N_3O_4$ ). To a solution of 1.62 g (6 mmoles) of Ib in a solution of 5.5 ml of 90% formic acid and 7.0 ml of acetic anhydride, with cooling, 1.6 ml of a 30% solution of  $H_2O_2$  was added cautiously, dropwise. The mixture was heated for 1.5 h on a boiling water bath, the hot mixture was filtered, and the filtrate was diluted with 50 ml of water. Obtained as a precipitate 1.40 g (77%) of II, mp 234-236°C (from 50% acetic acid). IR spectrum, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1690, 1680, 1630, 1590, 1580, 1550, 2500-3200. PMR spectrum (DMSO-D<sub>6</sub>), ppm: 0.90 (6H, s, 2CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.47 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.96 (2H, s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.43-8.30 (4H, s,  $C_5H_4N$ ), 12.23 (2H, 2COOH).

4,4,8-Trimethyl-6-(2-pyridyl)-1,3-dioxo-1,3,4,5-tetrahydro-6H-oxepino[3,4-c]pyrazole (III,  $C_{15}H_{15}N_3O_3$ ). A 1.52 g quantity (5 mmoles) of the acid II in 30 ml of acetic anhydride was refluxed 4 h. The acetic anhydride was removed in a rotary evaporator, the residue was dissolved in a minimum quantity of benzene, and hexane was added to the solution. Obtained 0.85 g (60%) of III, mp 93-95°C. IR spectrum, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1777, 1730, 1600, 1580, 1555. PMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), ppm: 1.44 (6H, s, 2CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.56 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.64 (2H, s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.27-8.47 mp (4H, m,  $C_5H_4N$ ).

1-(2-Pyridyl)-3,6,6-trimethyl-4-oxo-5-acylhydrazono-4,5,6,7-tetrahydroindazoles (IVa, IVb,  $C_{21}H_{20}N_6O_2$ ; IVc,  $C_{22}H_{21}N_5O_3$ ; IVd,  $C_{22}H_{20}BrN_5O_2$ ). A 0.52-g quantity (2 mmoles) of Ib and an equimolar quantity of the appropriate hydrazide, in 10 ml of ethanol, was refluxed for 2 h. In the cases of IVa and IVb, after cooling, the reaction mixture was diluted with 20 ml of water, and compounds IVa-d were obtained.

IVa. Yield 65%, mp 166-167°C (from ethanol). IR spectrum, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1700, 1693, 1640, 1590, 1543, 1510, 3220, 3060. PMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), ppm: 1.36 (6H, s, 2CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.56 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.61 (2H, s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.25-9.14 (8H, m, 2C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>N), 14.47 (1H, NH).

IVb. Yield 63%, mp 164-165°C (from ethanol). IR spectrum, cm $^{-1}$ : 1700, 1690, 1635, 1595, 1580, 1545, 1505, 3202-3160. PMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), ppm: 1.42 (6H, s, 2CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.62 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.57 (2H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 7.27-8.78 (8H, m, 2C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>N), 14.50 (1H, NH).

IVc. Yield 56%, mp 222-223°C (from DMF). IR spectrum, cm $^{-1}$ : 1655, 1633, 1615, 1595, 1580, 1545, 1515, 1510, 3450, 3150, 3080. PMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), ppm: 1.47 (6H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.61 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.61 (2H, s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.91-8.44 (8H, m, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>4</sub>N), 12.05 (1H, OH), 14.61 (1H, NH).

IVd. Yield 69%, mp 187-189°C (from DMF). IR spectrum, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1687, 1633, 1580, 1565, 1540, 3165, 3100, 3080. PMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), ppm: 1.44 (6H, s, 2CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.61 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.56 (2H, s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.27-8.44 (8H, m,  $C_6H_4$ ,  $C_5H_4N$ ), 14.33 (1H, NH).

1-(2-Pyridyl)-3,6,6-trimethyl-4-oxo-5-tosylhydrazono-4,5,6,7-tetrahydroindazole (IVe,  $C_{22}H_{23}N_5O_3S$ ). A 1.35-g quantity (5 mmoles) of the diketone Ib and 0.93 g (5 mmoles) of tosylhydrazide in 20 ml of methanol was refluxed for 2 h. After cooling, obtained 1.65 g (75%) of IVe, mp of yellowish crystals  $160^{\circ}C$  (decomp.) (from an ethanol-DMF mixture, 1:1). IR spectrum, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1633, 1595, 1580, 1550, 3120, 3070. PMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), ppm: 1.22 (6H, m, 2CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.42 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.56 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.46 (2H, s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.28-8.44 (8H, m,  $C_6H_4$ ,  $C_5H_4N$ ), 12.71 (1H, NH).

1-(2-Pyridyl)-3,6,6-trimethyl-4-oxo-5-diazo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydroindazole (Ic,  $C_{15}H_{15}N_5O$ ). Suspended 0.87 g (2 mmoles) of the tosylhydrazone IVe in 30 ml of an aqueous caustic solution containing 0.40 g (10 mmoles) of NaOH; the mixture was heated for 1 h on a water bath while stirring, after which 12 ml of ethanol was added. The precipitate was filtered off and crystallized from a 1:1 mixture of benzene and hexane. Obtained 0.50 g (90%) of bright yellow crystals of Ic, mp 157-158°C (decomp.). IR spectrum, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1620, 1595, 1580, 1543, 1520, 3090, 3070, 2090. PMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), ppm: 1.37 (6H, s, 2CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.60 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.46 (2H, s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.22-8.40 (4H, m,  $C_{5}H_{4}N$ ).

1-(2-Pyridyl)-3,6,6-trimethyl-4-oxo-5-bromo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydroindazole (Id,  $C_{15}H_{16}BrN_3O$ ). A 0.40-g quantity (1.5 mmoles) of the indazole Ia, 0.50 g (1.5 mmoles) of pyridinium bromide-perbromide (PBP), and 0.1 ml of  $H_2SO_4$  in 5 ml of acetic acid was refluxed for 10 min. The mixture was diluted with 50 ml of water. The resinous substance that solidified upon triturating was crystallized from ethanol. Obtained 0.48 g (96%) of Id, mp 132-133 °C. IR spectrum, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1680, 1650, 1595, 1580, 1550, 1515, 3080. PMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), ppm: 1.20 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.40 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.58 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.42 (2H, s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.11 (1H, s, CH), 7.22-8.53 (4H, m,  $C_5H_4N$ ).

1-(2-Pyridyl)-3,6,6-trimethyl-4-oxo-5,5-dibromo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydroindazole (Ie,  $C_{15}H_{15}Br_2N_3O$ ). A 0.40-g quantity (1.5 mmoles) of the indazole Ia, 1.00 g (3 mmoles) of PBP, and 0.1 ml of  $H_2SO_4$  in 5 ml of acetic acid was refluxed for 10 min, after which the reaction mixture was cooled and diluted with 50 ml of water. The colorless solid substance was crystallized from 80% ethanol. Yield 0.59 g (95%), mp 150-152°C. IR spectrum, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1688, 1632, 1610, 1595, 1580, 1555. PMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), ppm: 1.22 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.62 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.56 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.53 (1H, CH), 3.58 (1H, CH), 7.22-8.40 (4H, m,  $C_5H_4N$ ).

1-(2-Pyridyl)-3,6,6-trimethyl-4-oxo-7-bromo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydroindazole (Va,  $C_{15}H_{16}BrN_3O$ ). A 1.28-g quantity (5 mmoles) of the indazole Ia and 0.89 g (5 mmoles) of NBS in 25 ml of dry CCl<sub>4</sub> was refluxed for 3 h; the succinimide was filtered from the hot mixture, two-thirds of the volume of CCl<sub>4</sub> was driven off, and 15 ml of hexane was added to the residue. Obtained 1.30 g (78%) of Va, mp 146-148°C. IR spectrum, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1680, 1650, 1637, 1600, 1588, 1556. PMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), ppm: 1.27 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.38 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.53 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.24 (1H, dd,  $C_{(5)}$ -H<sub>A</sub>, J = 16.8, 1.3 Hz), 2.91 (1H, dd,  $C_{(5)}$ -H<sub>B</sub>, J = 16.8, 0.9 Hz), 6.36 (1H, dd,  $C_{(7)}$ -H, J = 1.3, 0.9 Hz), 7.22-8.49 (4H, m,  $C_{5}$ H<sub>4</sub>N).

Compound Va was also obtained with a 1:2 mole ratio of Ia to NBS.

1-(2-Pyridyl)-3,6,6-trimethyl-4-oxo-5,7-dibromo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydroindazole (Vb,  $C_{15}H_{15}Br_2N_3O$ ). A 0.50-g quantity (1.5 mmoles) of the indazole Va and 0.5 g (1.5 mmoles) of PBP in 5 ml of acetic acid was refluxed for 10 min, cooled, and diluted with 50 ml of water. The precipitated Vb was crystallized from ethanol. Obtained 0.55 g (88%) of colorless crystals, mp 180-182°C. IR spectrum, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1695, 1648, 1610, 1590, 1582, 1560. PMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>), ppm: 1.24 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.62 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.56 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 5.17 (1H, s,  $C_{(5)}$ -H), 6.53 (1H, s,  $C_{(7)}$ -H), 7.31-8.44 (4H, m,  $C_{5}$ H<sub>4</sub>N).

1-(2-Pyridyl)-3,6,6-trimethyl-4,5-dioxo-7-bromo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydroindazole (Vc,  $C_{15}H_{14}BrN_3O_2$ ). A 0.26-g quantity (1 mmole) of the diketone Ib, 0.33 g (1 mmole) of PBP, and 0.1 ml of  $H_2SO_4$  in 10 ml of acetic acid was refluxed for 1 h, cooled, and diluted with 80 ml of water. The precipitate was recrystallized from 90% ethanol. Obtained 0.25 g (72%) of Vc, mp 178-180°C. IR spectrum, cm<sup>-1</sup>: 1740, 1693, 1685, 1650, 1622, 1598, 1585, 1555, 1525. PMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 1.47 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.64 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.58 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 6.58 (1H, s,  $C_{(7)}$ -H), 7.28-8.49 (4H, m,  $C_{5}H_{4}N$ ).

Compound Vc was also obtained with a 65% yield from Ib and NBS by refluxing for 3 h in CCl<sub>4</sub>, separating off the succinimide, and driving off the CCl<sub>4</sub>.

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