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*Compounds 3a–c, 4a,b, 5a–c, and 6a,c were obtained from the reactions of perchlorobutadiene (1) with 1,4-butanedithiol (2a), 1,5-pentanethiol (2b), and 2,2'-(ethylene-dioxy)diethanethiol (2c) in ethanol in the presence of sodium hydroxide. Compounds 7a,b were obtained from the reactions of thioethers 3a,b with m-chlorperbenzoic acid in CHCl<sub>3</sub>.*

**Keywords:** Cyclic thioethers; disulphids; dithiols; hexachlorobutadiene; sulphone; thioethers

Previously, the reactions of hexachlorobutadienes with some thiols were reported.<sup>1–6</sup> The same thioethers were obtained in the reactions of hexachlorobutadiene with methanethiol. It was reported in the US Patent that these compounds exhibit biological activity.<sup>7</sup> We reported previously the synthesis of cyclic and straight-chain thioethers from the reactions of hexachlorobutadiene with some thiols.<sup>8–12</sup>

The aim of this work was to synthesis novel compounds from the reactions of perchlorobutadiene with some dithiols and also establish the structure of these novel compounds.

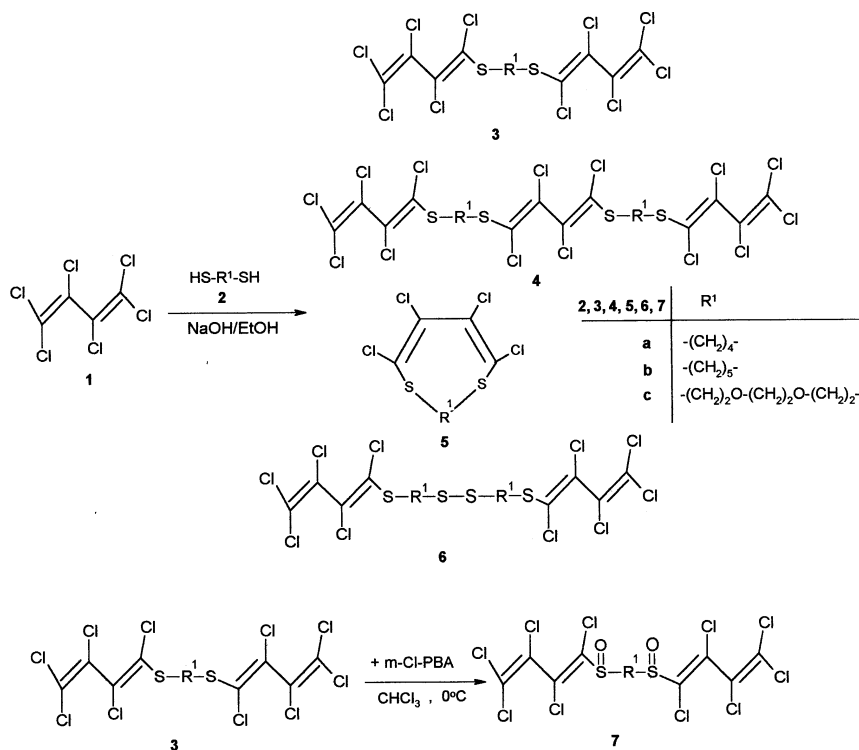
Macrocyclic thio-crown ethers are of particular interest, among other reasons, as potential heavy-metal receptors and could be useful for treatment of heavy-metal poisoning.<sup>13</sup>

Previously, mono(thio)- and bis(thio)substituted diene compounds have been produced from the reactions of nitrodienes with thiols in the presence of NaOH in ethanol.<sup>14–21</sup>

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Compounds **3a-c**, **4a,b**, **5a-c**, and **6a,c** were obtained from the reactions of compounds **1** with dithiols (Scheme 1).



SCHEME 1

Compounds **3a**, **5a**, and **6a** were known.<sup>22</sup> Compounds **4a,b**, **3b,c**, **5b,c** and **6c** are novel and stable. Compounds **5b** and **5c** have an interesting cyclic thioether structure. Compound **6c** has a disulfide structure and is stable. The IR spectra of compound **6c** shows a characteristic band for S—S at 500 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

The structures of these compounds were determined by microanalysis and spectroscopic data. Probably the reactions occurred according to the addition–elimination mechanism.

It was known that R—SO—SR and R—SO<sub>2</sub>—SR have been obtained from the oxidation reactions of cyclic and straight-chain disulfides.<sup>23</sup> In addition, it was also known that the sulfoxides R—SO—R and sulfones R—SO<sub>2</sub>—R have been obtained from the cyclic and straight-chain thioethers.<sup>24,25</sup>

The oxidation reactions of organosulfur compounds are important in the biochemistry and in industrial processes.<sup>26</sup>

Compounds **7a** and **7b** sulfoxide were obtained from the reactions of 1 mole **3a,b** and 4 mole *m*-Cl-PBA in CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The IR spectra of **7a** and **7b** show a characteristic band for the >S=O group at 1100 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

## EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

<sup>1</sup>H NMR: Varian (Inova) 500 MHz. IR: Shimadzu FTIR-8101. Microanalyses: Carlo-Erba 1106 Elemental Analyzer. Melting points: Büchi SMP 20. Products were isolated by column chromatography on SiO<sub>2</sub> (Fluka Kieselgel 60, particle size 0.063–0.2 mm). Thin layer chromatography (TLC) plates silica 60 F<sub>254</sub> (Merck, Darmstadt), detection with UV light (254 nm).

### Preparation of S-Substituted Polyhalodienes General Procedure I

Equimolar amounts of hexachlorobutadiene (**1**) in 10 ml of ethanol and dithiols in 10 ml of ethanol were mixed, and NaOH (in 8 ml of water) was added at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 24 h until completion of the reaction (TLC). Chloroform was added to the reaction mixture. The organic layer was separated and washed with water (4 × 30 ml), and dried with anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel.

### General Procedure II

Compounds **3a** or **3b** (1 mol) in 30 ml of chloroform was mixed with *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid (4 moles) in 30 ml of chloroform at 0°C for 24 h; 2N NaOH was added to the mixture, and then chloroform was added to the reaction mixture. The organic layer was separated and washed with water (4 × 30 ml) and dried with anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel.

### 6,6'-Dithia-tetrachlorobutadiene-1,3-bis(11-thia-12,13,14,15,15-pentachloro-decadienyl-7,8) (**4a**)

Compound **4a** was synthesized from 1,1,2,3,4,4-hexachloro-1,3-butadiene (**1**) (2 g, 7.66 mmol) and butanedithiol (**2a**) (0.935 g, 7.66 mmol) according to general procedure I, yield, 1.5 g (22%); oil. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.3333 (Petroleumether/CCl<sub>4</sub> 1:1). IR (film): ν = 2950, 2900 cm<sup>-1</sup>

(C–H), 1600 (C=C).  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 1.6–2.0 ppm (m, 8H,  $4\text{CH}_2$ ), 2.6–3.2 (m, 8H,  $4\text{CH}_2\text{-S}$ ).  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{16}\text{Cl}_4\text{S}_4$  (880.95) calcd.: C, 27.27; H, 1.83; S, 14.56. Found: C, 27.98; H, 1.81; S, 14.54.

**5,5'-Pentadithio-bis(1,1,2,3,4-pentachloro-1,3-butadiene) (3b), 6,6'-Dithia-tetrachlorobutadiene-1,3-bis(12-thia-13,14,15,16,16-pentachloro-undecadienyl-8,10) (4b), 2,3,4,5-tetra-chloro-1,6-dithia-cycloundeca-2,4-dien (5b)**

Compounds **3b**, **4b**, and **5b** were synthesized from 1,1,2,3,4,4-hexachloro-1,3-butadiene (**1**) (5 g 19.15 mmol) and pentadithiol (**2b**) (2.61 g, 19.15 mmol) according to general procedure I.

**3b**: yield, 0.926 g (11%); oil.  $R_f$  = 0.4167 (Petroleumether). IR (film):  $\nu$  = 2950, 2900  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C–H), 1600 (C–C).  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 12–2.2 ppm (m, 6H,  $3\text{CH}_2$ ), 2.4–3.3 (m, 4H  $2\text{CH}_2\text{-S}$ ).  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{10}\text{Cl}_{10}\text{S}_2$  (584.88) calcd.: C, 26.7; H, 1.72; S, 10.96. Found: C, 26.89; H, 1.32; S, 10.50.

**4b**: yield, 1.236 g (9%); oil.  $R_f$  = 0.7917 (Petroleumether/ $\text{CCl}_4$  1:1) IR (film):  $\nu$  = 2950, 2900  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C–H), 1600 (C=C).  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 1.2–2.0 ppm (m, 12H,  $6\text{CH}_2$ ), 2.4–3.3 (m, 8H,  $4\text{CH}_2\text{-S}$ ).  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{Cl}_{14}\text{S}_4$  (909.0) calcd.: C, 29.07; H, 2.22; S, 14.11. Found: C, 29.59; H, 2.45; S, 14.29.

**5b**: yield, 0.92 g (19%); oil.  $R_f$  = 0.7083 (Petroleumether/ $\text{CCl}_4$  1:1) IR (film):  $\nu$  = 2950, 2900  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C–H), 1600 (C=C).  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 1.2–2.0 ppm (m, 6H,  $3\text{CH}_2$ ), 2.4–3.2 (m, 4H,  $2\text{CH}_2\text{-S}$ ).  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{10}\text{Cl}_4\text{S}_4$  (324.12) calcd.: C, 33.35; H, 3.10; S, 19.78. Found: C, 33.08; H, 3.05; S, 19.52.

**1,1,2,3,4,15,16,17,18-Decachloro-5,14-dithia-8,11-dioxa-octadecan-1,3,15,17-tetraen (3c); 1,1,2,3,4,25,26,27,28,28-Decachloro-5,14,15,24-tetrathia-8,11,18,21-tetraoxa-octaeiko-san-1,3,25,27-tetraen (5c); and 1,6-dithia-9,12-dioxa-2,3,4,5-tetrachloro-tetradeca-2,4-dien (6c)**

Compounds **3c**, **5c**, and **6c** were synthesized from 1,1,2,3,4,4-hexachloro-1,3-butadiene (**1**) (5 g, 19.15 mmol) and 2,2'-(ethylenedioxy)-diethanethiol (**2c**) (3.49 g, 19.15 mmol) according to general procedure I.

**3c**: yield, 2 g (16%); oil.  $R_f$  = 0.3913 ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{CCl}_4$  1:2). IR (film):  $\nu$  = 2900  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C–H), 1600, 1550 (C=C), 1100, 1300 (C–O–C).  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  = 3.1–3.2 ppm (m, 4H,  $2\text{CH}_2\text{-S}$ ), 3.5–3.7 (m, 8H,  $4\text{CH}_2\text{-O}$ ).  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{Cl}_{10}\text{S}_2\text{O}_2$  (631.284) calcd.: C, 26.65; H, 1.92; S, 10.16. Found: C, 26.38; H, 1.89; S, 10.53.

**5c:** yield, 3.4 g (11%); oil.  $R_f = 0.7200$  ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{CCl}_4$  1:1). IR (film):  $\nu = 2900\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (C–H), 1600, 1550 (C=C), 1110, 1300 (C–O–C).  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta = 3.6\text{--}3.8$  ppm (m, 16H,  $8\text{CH}_2$ ), 3.2–3.3 (m, 4H,  $2\text{CH}_2\text{--S--S}$ ), 2.6–2.8 (m, 4H,  $2\text{CH}_2$ ).  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{24}\text{Cl}_{10}\text{S}_4\text{O}_4$  (811.568) calcd.; C, 29.61; H, 2.98; S, 15.81. Found: C, 29.82; H, 2.73; S, 15.99.

**6c:** yield, 1.8 g (13%); oil.  $R_f = 0.5071$  ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ ). IR (film):  $\nu = 2950\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (C–H), 1610 (C=C), 1100, 1305 (C–O–C).  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta = 3.6\text{--}3.8$  ppm (m, 8H,  $4\text{CH}_2\text{--S}$ ), 2.8–3.2 (m, 4H,  $2\text{CH}_2\text{--O}$ ).  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{12}\text{Cl}_4\text{S}_2\text{O}_2$  (370.284) calcd.: C, 32.45; H, 3.27; S, 17.27. Found: C, 32.68; H, 3.18; S, 17.23.

### 5,5'-Butanyldisulfinyl-bis(1,1,2,3,4-pentachloro-1,3-butadiene (7a))

Compound **7a** was synthesized from 4,4'-butanedithio-bis (1,1,2,3,4-pentachloro-1,3-butadiene (**3a**)) (0.5 g, 0.875 mmol) and m-chloroperbenzoic acid (0.151 g, 0.875 mmol) according to the general procedure II, yield, 0.3 g (57%); oil.  $R_f = 0.4545$  ( $\text{CCl}_4/\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  2:1). IR (film):  $\nu = 2950, 2900\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (C–H), 1605 (C=C), 1100 (S=O).  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_8\text{Cl}_{10}\text{S}_2\text{O}_2$  (603.228) calcd.: C, 23.91; H, 1.34; S, 10.64. Found: C, 23.74; H, 1.32; S, 10.50.

### 6,6'-Pentanyldisulfinyl-bis(1,1,2,3,4-pentachloro-1,3-butadien (7b))

Compound **7b** was synthesized from 5,5'-pentanedithio-bis (1,1,2,3,4-pentachloro-1,3-butadiene (**3b**)) (0.5 g 0.875 mmol) and m-chloroperbenzoic acid (0.151 g, 0.875 mmol) according to the general procedure II, yield, 0.005 g (25%); oil.  $R_f = 0.3333$  ( $\text{CCl}_4/\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  1:1). IR (film):  $\nu = 2950, 2990\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (C–H), 1600, 1550 (C=C), 1080 (S=O).  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{10}\text{Cl}_{10}\text{S}_2\text{O}_2$  (616.883) calcd.: C, 25.3; H, 1.63; S, 10.40. Found: C, 25.4; H, 1.6; S, 10.5.

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