

SOME ORGANIC ARSENIC COMPOUNDS OF POSSIBLE
THERAPEUTIC ACTIVITY.

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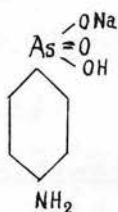
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INTRODUCTION

(1) The nature of chemotherapy.

The large measure of success which has attended the treatment of those diseases caused by various classes of protozoal infection followed essentially from the discovery of the now fundamental organic arsenic compound, then used in medicine under the name of "atoxyl". This compound, prepared in 1863 by Béchamps and which he believed to be an anilide of arsenic acid, was shown by Ehrlich and Bertheim to be the sodium salt of p-amino phenylarsinic acid (I).



(I)

Marked curative results were then obtained in the treatment of sleeping sickness with atoxyl. It was particularly useful in the first stage of the disease/

disease, but proved quite valueless in cases with involvement of the cerebro-spinal fluid. The one great disadvantage in the use of atoxyl was the great risk of causing optic atrophy unless care was taken with the dosage.

Concurrently with the acquisition of much important clinical experience, chemists were busily engaged in the preparation of vast numbers of derivatives of this amino arsinic acid with a view to finding that particular modification, in which the curative or therapeutic effect was present in an enhanced degree, and in which the toxic effect was reduced to a minimum. As in the general case, although their ideal remains yet to be attained, the chemical research has been so intense, and the types of disease studied so diversified, that our knowledge, classed under the title of chemotherapy, has been widely advanced and applied to the alleviation of much needless suffering.

The earlier modifications were directed towards the establishment of some relationship between the chemical constitution and physiological action and were chiefly confined to substitution in the benzene nucleus of phenylarsinic acid (E. Fourneau, Ann. de l'Inst./

1'Inst. Past. 1925). The introduction of an amino group in the para position to the arsenic acid residue was found to diminish the toxicity and bring about a corresponding increase in the therapeutic activity. The orientation of the amino group was found to be very important. When the substitution took place in the ortho position to the arsenic group, the compound obtained was very toxic and possessed no therapeutic activity, while the meta substituted compound showed only a slight action. The effect of introducing a second amino group was next investigated. Starting with p-amino phenyl arsinic acid, a second amino group was introduced in the ortho position to the amino group already present and meta with respect to the arsenic group. The diamino compound so obtained exhibited a remarkably low toxicity but had very little therapeutic action, presumably on account of the rapidity with which it was found to be eliminated in the urine.

If in place of the amino group a hydroxyl group be introduced into the para position of phenyl arsinic acid, the compound p-hydroxy phenyl arsinic acid was obtained. It proved less toxic than atoxyl and more active towards the nagana of mice. As in the case/

case of the amino group the orientation of the hydroxyl group plays an important part. The ortho position is again unfavourable being less active and more toxic than the para isomer. The meta hydroxy acid on the other hand is perhaps more active than the para hydroxy compound. In both cases then the ortho position was definitely shown to be unfavourable, but no sharp distinction could be drawn between the meta and para positions. Since the m-hydroxy and p-amino phenyl arsinic acids were the most active of their respective isomers, it was to be expected that the compound p-amino m-hydroxy phenyl arsinic acid would possess a high activity and be more active than the m-amino p-hydroxy acid. Exactly the reverse order was, however, found to hold, the m-amino p-hydroxy acid being the more active of the two. Any attempt then to find a relation between chemical constitution and physiological action would seem to be confined to a consideration of the most favourable groups and their optimum orientation. On acetylation of the amino groups Fourneau found that in the para position the trypanocidal activity was increased or remained unchanged, whereas when the amino group was present in the ortho or meta position, the trypanocidal action was always diminished by acetylation/

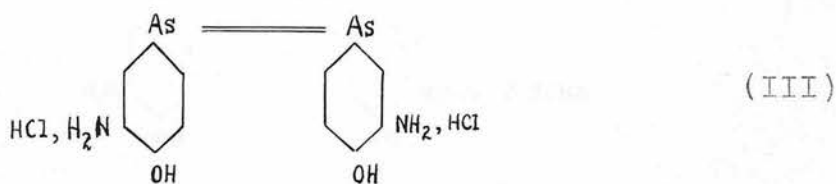
acetylation. From the behaviour of a substituent in one compound, however, its influence in another cannot be predicted with certainty. It is impossible to assign a therapeutic value to a group when introduced in a certain position as is well illustrated by the fact that o-hydroxy phenyl arsinic acid is highly toxic, but if an amino group be already present in the para position the introduction of a hydroxyl group in the ortho position is very favourable.

So far mention has only been made of those modifications containing pentavalent arsenic. On energetic reduction of p-amino phenyl arsinic acid the compound pp'diamino arsenobenzene (II) was obtained (Ehrlich and Bertheim, Ber., 1911, 44, 1260).



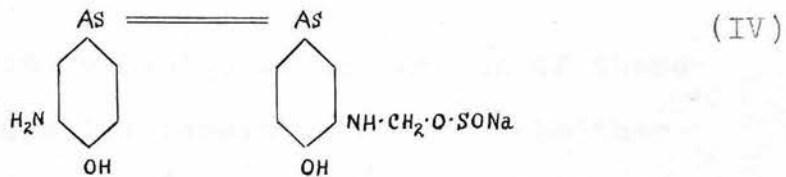
It was found that the reduction of p-amino phenyl arsinic acid to diamino arsenobenzene brought about a great increase in toxic power and also increased the trypanocidal action. The belief that only those compounds containing trivalent arsenic exerted/

exerted a direct trypanocidal action led to the examination of other arsenic compounds and the discovery of salvarsan (III). (Ehrlich and Bertheim, Ber., 1912, 45, 756).



The use of salvarsan "606" is perhaps the greatest achievement of chemotherapy in the treatment of syphilis and other spirochaetal diseases. Further advances have, however, been made since the war. Bismuth has very largely displaced mercury and as a supplement to arsenobenzene derivatives, it is now recognised to be of considerable importance. Search has been made for more active derivatives of salvarsan and the most efficient of these, neo-salvarsan, the sodium salt of 3:3'-diamino-4:4' dihydroxy arsenobenzene-N-methylene sulphinic acid (IV) was made by the introduction of a methylene sulphinic group into one of the amino groups of salvarsan using formaldehyde sulphoxylate. All the other salvarsan/

salvarsan derivatives showed a marked increase in toxicity accompanied by a diminution or no change in the therapeutic activity.



The advantage of neo-salvarsan, apart from its decreased toxicity, is that it does not require neutralisation. On the other hand it is less stable, oxidising readily on shaking the solution, and its toxicity is apt to vary in different samples. There still remains some doubt concerning the exact nature of its chemical constitution.

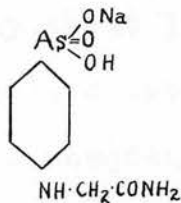
Following the introduction of salvarsan into chemotherapy many toxic effects showing widely differing symptoms soon became apparent. After careful enquiry, it was found possible to avert entirely or alleviate most of these toxic effects by careful use of the drug. The preparation of the drug and its method of injection have been carefully standardised/

standardised so that its administration is now relatively safe. There still remains some doubt however whether modern methods of treatment definitely eradicate syphilitic infection or whether they merely render the disease latent. Time and future work will show.

The exact mechanism of the action of these compounds also still remains obscure. Neither atoxyl nor salvarsan show any therapeutic activity in vitro in concentrations much greater than are possible for bodily administration. If, however, atoxyl be reduced and salvarsan partially oxidised to their corresponding arsenoxides, these products have an intensely lethal action on spirochaetes or trypanosomes in vitro, which the two initial substances conspicuously lack. Voegtlin and his co-workers (U.S. Public Health Service, J. Pharmacol. 1920, 15, 475) strongly support the view, that a reduction or oxidation effected by contact with the tissues is the essential preliminary to the curative action, a supposition which necessarily requires the cooperation of the host. The fact, that the administration of these relatively inactive predecessors is therapeutically more effective than the injection of the, in vitro, active arsenoxides derived/

derived from them, would then be explained on the assumption that the slow liberation of the latter in the body, at a rate which never produces a high concentration, provides the optimum conditions for their persistent action on the parasites, without danger to the host.

More recently Jacobs and Heidelberger (J. Amer. Chem. Soc., 1919, 41, 1587) have revived interest in pentavalent arsenical compounds, temporarily eclipsed by the arsenobenzenes, by preparing tryparsamide, the monosodium salt of N-(p-phenyl arsenic acid) glycineamide, which holds out considerable prospect of the eventual conquest of African

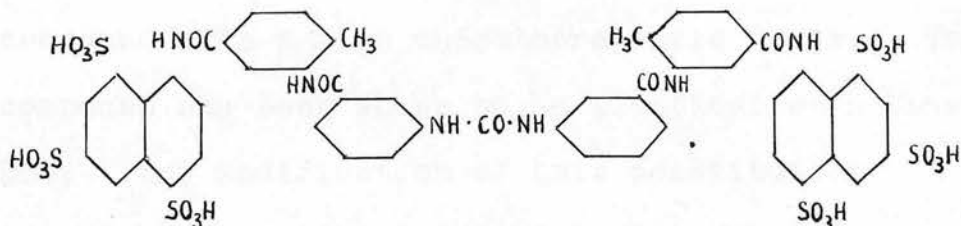


Tryparsamide.

sleeping sickness. It has also been employed in neurosyphilis and it is generally agreed that in early/cases of paresis and tabes, treatment with tryparsamide is of considerable value, better results being obtained than with the arsenobenzenes. Many injections are required and since Moore, Robinson and Lyman (J. Amer. Med. Assoc. 1924, 83, 888) have shown that it is useless in primary and secondary/

secondary syphilis its value would seem due, not to direct spirochaeticidal action, but to its tonic action on the tissues. When tested by Ehrlich's therapeutic index - the ratio of the minimum dose C, which will cure a standard infection in an animal without relapse, to the maximum dose T, tolerated by a healthy animal - it gives a relatively unfavourable figure. For this reason Brown and Pearce (J. Exp. Med., 30, 417) preferred to reject the hypothesis of direct attachment to the parasite in the case of tryparsamide, and rather to rely upon the assumption of a more easy diffusibility of the drug into the tissues, thus increasing the internal resistance of the body cells to the parasite.

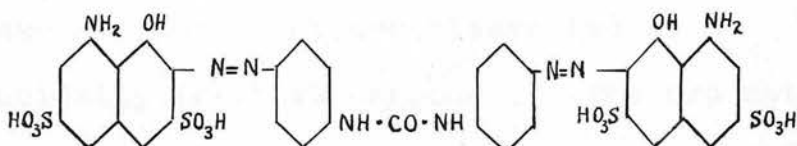
A further remedy for trypanosomiasis was produced in Germany about 1920. The composition of this compound called Bayer 205 or Germanin was not disclosed, but consequent on the researches of Fourneau, it has been definitely established that the compound Fourneau 309 is identical with Bayer 205.



Fourneau 309.

Bayer 205.

The preparation of Bayer 205 was conceived owing to the discovery in 1906 that the azo dyestuff afridol violet possessed some trypanocidal activity. Fournneau then prepared a large number of aminobenzoyl



Afridol Violet

derivatives of various naphthalene sulphonic acids. During the course of the investigation he found that compounds containing the m-amino benzoyl nuclei were more effective than those with the p-amino benzoyl residues. Further it was found that the partial replacement of the m-amino benzoyl residues by aminotolyl gave more encouraging results and finally, of the several naphthalene sulphonic acids, the acid 1-amino-naphthalene-4:6:8-trisulphonic acid gave a compound with a high chemotherapeutic index. This compound has been shown to be identical with Bayer 205. Any modification of this constitution invariably resulted in a great diminution of the trypanocidal activity, The central substituted urea residue/

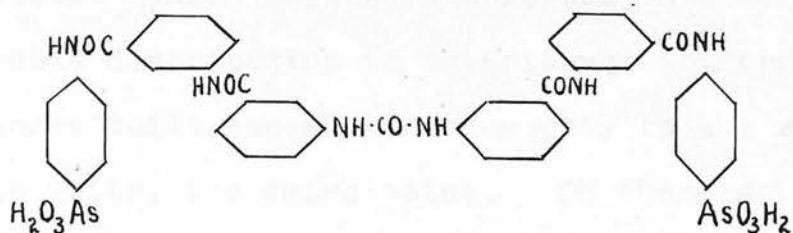
residue seems to form an essential part of the molecule. Condensation of the free amine with various chlorides, e.g. oxalyl, malonyl, diethylmalonyl, phthalyl, isophthalyl and terephthalyl in place of phosgene and the formation of a thio-urea, azo or azoxy compound always led to a trypanocidally inactive compound. The two methyl groups would also seem to play an important role since replacement by higher homologous alkyl groups, by methoxyl or halogens resulted in feeble or inactive compounds. The sulphonic groups even seem to serve a physiological purpose in addition to their physical solubility function, since of the sulphonic acids employed in the condensation, only the 4:6:8 acid gave a compound with marked trypanocidal properties.

Preliminary tests on mice, rats, guinea-pigs and rabbits infected with *Trypanosoma brucei*, *T. equiperdum*, *T. equinum*, *T. gambiense* and *T. rhodesiense* showed it to possess definite curative properties. It was also found to prevent infection when administered prophylactically. Perhaps the most remarkable feature of Bayer 205 is the duration of its action in the body. A case is recorded of
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a rabbit infected with *T. equiperdum* that was rendered immune for five months to reinoculation. The first attempts to apply the drug to the cure of human trypanosomiasis met with encouraging results but an intensive study emphasised the fact that its use was not without danger. One of the more serious toxic effects of the drug was the appearance in the urine after the second or third injection of albumin and casts and in some cases blood. Although in fresh cases a peripheral sterilisation of the blood occurs sufficiently prolonged to suggest permanent cure, cases of chronic trypanosomiasis with altered cerebro-spinal fluid show as a rule a slight but only transient improvement. In a few cases a temporary check is effected but in the majority the disease slowly progresses to a fatal issue. Bayer 205 perhaps possesses more value as a prophylactic than as a curative agent. It definitely diminishes the risk of infection of healthy individuals, while infected cases are better treated with arsenicals.

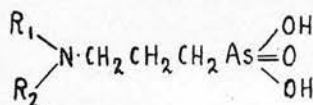
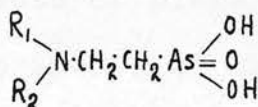
The success which attended the use of Bayer 205 as a trypanocidal agent suggested the interesting possibility/

possibility of preparing a number of complex ureas containing arsenic, in the hope that these would have a prolonged trypanocidal action in the body. Following the general relation between chemical constitution and physiological action found in the Bayer compounds, namely that m-aminobenzoyl derivatives were therapeutically most effective King and Murch (J.C.S., 1924, 125, 2595) aimed at preparing the following compound which would possess a well marked resemblance to Bayer 205. Although they



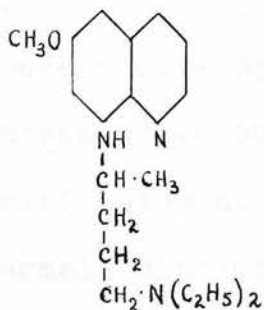
did not succeed in attaining their ultimate aim a number of intermediates of the above type were obtained, but they possessed no therapeutic activity. There is of course a great difference between a compound of this type and Bayer 205. The accumulation of sulphonic acid groups in Bayer 205 renders it very soluble, whereas the arsenic acids prepared were very sparingly soluble, and for that reason were perhaps unable to diffuse freely throughout/

throughout the tissues to exert their influence and hence were rapidly eliminated. Further Bayer 205 possesses amphoteric properties having free amino groups in the molecule, and a number of intermediates of the above type containing a free amino group were found to cause a temporary disappearance of trypanosomes from the blood stream. Experience has shown that a more frequent activity occurs in compounds of an amphoteric nature (King, J.C.S. 1927, 1049) which may be attributed to a more favourable distribution in the tissues conferred on substances built somewhat analogously to the simple protein units, the amino acids. On these considerations, Gough and King (J.C.S., 1928, 2426) prepared a number of amino aliphatic arsenic acids, derivatives of β -amino ethyl and γ -amino propyl arsenic acids, which from their similarity to the amino acids derived from the tissues and their small molecular weight would possess a greater power of penetration and a more favourable distribution.



These compounds, however, were found to have only a slight or no therapeutic activity. On the theory that activity is due to reduction to the trivalent state by the tissues these acids may be difficult to reduce or alternatively they may be excreted too readily from the system.

A compound which has been instrumental in further developing the field of chemotherapy is the German preparation Plasmoquine, N-diethyl-amino-isopentyl 8-methoxy quinoline, which bears a fairly close resemblance to the cinchona



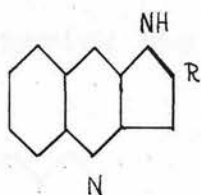
Plasmoquine

alkaloids of which quinine has long been used in the treatment of malaria. The anti-malarial effects of plasmoquine were first demonstrated by experiments on bird malaria. In tertian and quartan/

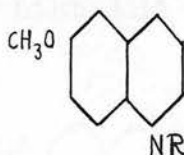
quartan malarial infections plasmoquine was shown to be quite as effective as quinine in destroying both the sexual and asexual forms of the parasites, but in the treatment of subtertian infections it proved less efficient. Relapses were frequent and therefore in clinical practice quinine was combined with plasmoquine treatment. This proved at least equal, if not superior, to the use of quinine alone. Owing to its toxic effects, however, the use of pure plasmoquine has largely been abandoned, although it is sometimes employed in cases of quinine idiosyncrasy, in pregnancy with risk of abortion and in children by whom it is well tolerated.

The recent development of anti-malarials has followed three clues suggested by a consideration of the constitution of (a) the cinchona alkaloids, (b) the harmala alkaloids and (c) plasmoquine (Barger and Robinson, J.C.S., 1929, 2947). The harmala analogy is based on the work of Gunn and Marshall (Proc. Roy. Soc. Edin., 1920, 15, 145) who advanced evidence to show that harmaline although inferior to quinine, possessed curative value/

value in acute malaria, whereas harmine although valueless in acute malaria prevented the recurrence of attacks in three cases of relapsing malaria in which the administration of quinine had been tried and had failed. Some harmala analogues have been prepared (J.C.S., loc. cit.) having the constitution (I), Seshadri (J.C.S., 1929, 2952) prepared quinoline and 6-methoxy quinoline derivatives of type (II) by condensing the appropriate quinoline

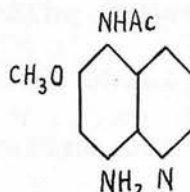
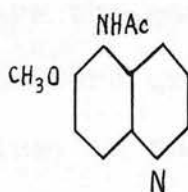
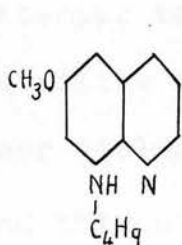


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compound with bromoalkylphthalimides, and Baldwin (J.C.S., 1929, 2959) obtained a number of substituted amino 6-methoxy quinoline compounds (III) somewhat

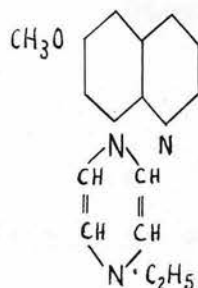
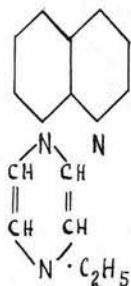


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analogous to plasmoquine.

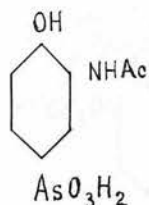
The compound 8-N-ethyl piperazino quinoline was prepared in order to obtain a molecule similar to plasmoquine but containing a piperazine ring in place of the N-diethylamino-isopentyl chain. This was prepared by condensing piperazine with 5-nitro 8-iodo-quinoline, ethylating the free nitrogen atom of the piperazine ring and subsequently removing the nitro group from the quinoline ring by reduction, conversion to the iodo compound and finally removing the iodine. Like the compounds



described above 8-N-ethyl piperazino quinoline was therapeutically inactive towards malaria. All attempts to prepare the corresponding 6-methoxy quinoline compound were unsuccessful owing to the poor yields obtained in the piperazine condensation, and this could not be improved on substituting ethyl/

ethyl piperazine for piperazine. Similar compounds with condensed piperidine residues have also been explored (Kermack and Smith, J.C.S., 1930, 1356) and found to be inactive. A recent acridine derivative however merits further investigation.

The only arsenic compound generally used in the treatment of malaria is stovarsol, 3-acetylamino 4-hydroxyphenylarsinic acid. It has been

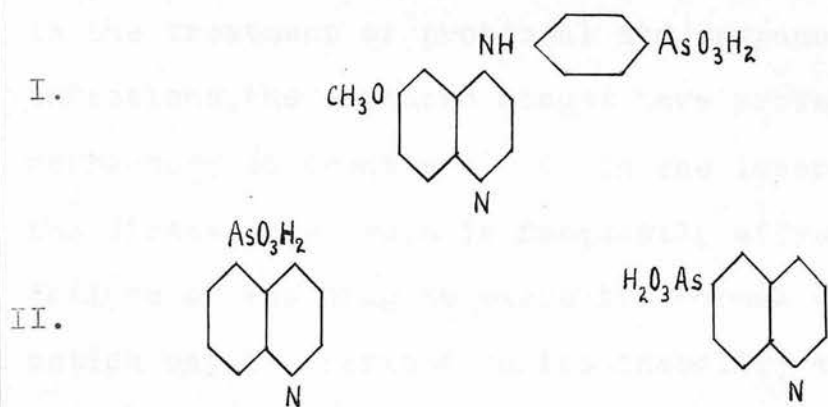


Stovarsol

found active to the older parasites on which quinine had failed, but was unfortunately accompanied by disturbing effects, the chief of which was a marked rise in the patient's temperature. It also possessed no effect on quartan or malignant infections. This led Fourneau to prepare the quinine salt of stovarsol and this he showed better than stovarsol but very similar to quinine and stovarsol given separately.

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This combined quinine and arsenic therapy presented the interesting hypothesis that a quinoline arsenic compound, for example, a substituted quinoline arsenic acid might be an efficient anti-malarial or perhaps a trypanocide. Accordingly Slater (J.C.S. 1930, 1209; 1931, 107, 1938; 1932, 2104, 2196) has prepared many quinoline arsenic acids. These include 6-methoxy quinoline derivatives of amino phenyl arsenic acids (I) and quinoline 5- and 6-arsenic acids (II). None of these is active but the



accessibility of the latter compounds and their derivatives opens the way for the synthesis of quinoline analogues of stovarsol and salvarsan, and these should be of considerable interest.

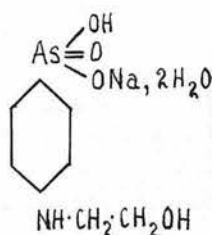
Little is known of the pharmacological action of quinine or plasmoquine in malaria, whilst in the case of the arsenic compounds the hypotheses developed/

developed in the chemotherapy of trypanosome infections may be generally applied. The inactivity of the above quinoline arsenic compounds may be attributed to the size of the molecules rendering their free diffusion throughout the cells difficult and their period of action short on account of their rapid elimination from the system.

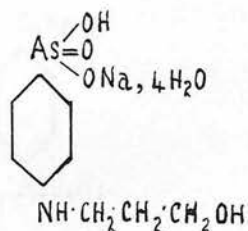
How these various theories may have to be modified rests with the advance of our knowledge and although several compounds have proved very effective in the treatment of protozoal and trypanosome infections, the advanced stages have proved exceedingly refractory to treatment. In the later stages of the disease the brain is frequently affected and the failure of the drug to exert its normal curative action may be ascribed to its inability to diffuse freely throughout the brain tissues. With the idea that a fat soluble compound would be suitable for this purpose, it was hoped to prepare some compounds closely related to tryparsamide, used in the treatment of neuro-syphilis, which would also possess a fat soluble factor.

One attempt to prepare compounds which will readily pass into the central nervous system has been made/

made by Stratman-Thomas and Lowenhart (J. Pharm. and Exp. Therap., 1928, 33, 443, 459), who have prepared the monosodium salts of p-β-hydroxy ethyl amino phenyl arsenic acid (Etharsanol) and p-γ-hydroxy propylamino phenyl arsenic acid (Proparsanol).



Etharsanol.

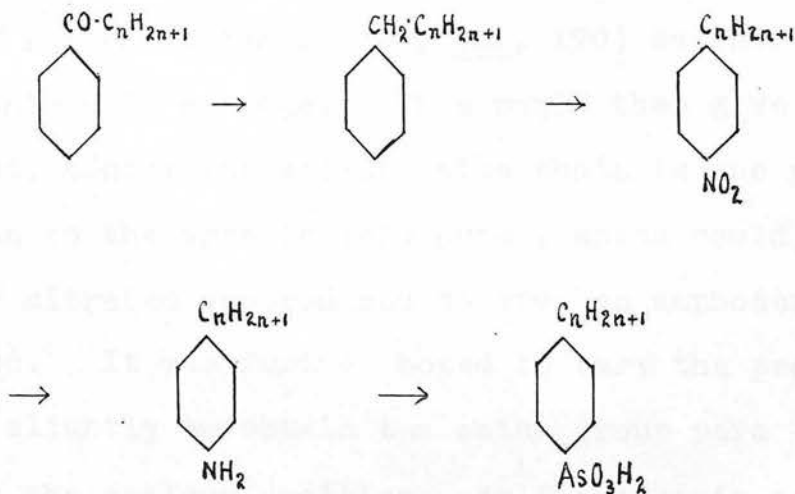


Proparsanol.

These compounds although twice as toxic as tryparsamide have been used in a few cases of sleeping sickness without the appearance of amblyopia, and considerable penetration of arsenic into the brain tissue has been demonstrated.

It was then the object of this research to attempt to prepare some analogues of tryparsamide with long aliphatic side chains to render them fat soluble. The difficulty of directly introducing such a chain into tryparsamide itself was realised, and/

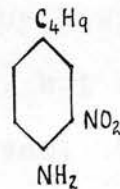
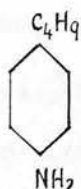
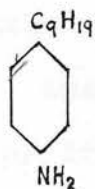
and at the outset the following scheme was pursued.



In the particular case investigated the acid chloride of pelargonic acid was condensed with pure dry benzene by means of the Friedel Craft reaction to give the ketone pelargonyl phenone. This ketone was reduced to a hydrocarbon by the method of Clemmensen (Ber., 1913, 11, 1837). Nitration of this hydrocarbon gave as chief product p-nitro phenyl nonane. The nitro group was assumed to go chiefly into the para position on account of the bulky side chain attached to the ring which would naturally prevent substitution in the ortho position. The nitro compound was reduced with iron and acetic acid to give an aliphatic aromatic amine. This amine/

amine and its acid salts were readily soluble in fat solvents and it was hoped by means of the Bart-Schmidt reaction (Ann., 1920, 421, 170) to introduce an arsenic acid residue. This would then give a compound, containing a fatty side chain in the para position to the arsenic acid group, which could be further nitrated and reduced to give an amphoteric compound. It was further hoped to vary the procedure slightly to obtain the amino group para - usually the optimum position - to the arsenic acid group. After numerous attempts it was found impossible to introduce an arsenic acid group in place of the amino group. A considerable quantity of tar was invariably obtained from which no crystalline compound could be isolated. Since the only difference between p-toluidine, in which the amino group was readily replaced by arsenic in the Bart reaction, and p-amino pelargonyl benzene was the length of the side chain, it was decided to try a compound containing an aliphatic side chain of intermediate length. For this purpose p-amino butyl benzene (Reilly and Hickinbottom, J.C.S., 1920, 117, 103) was prepared and employed in the Bart reaction. In this case a few needles of a crystalline product/

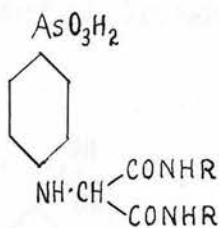
product somewhat contaminated with tar were obtained, but only in very minute amount insufficient for purification and analysis. A similar attempt with 3-nitro-4-amino butyl benzene (Reilly and Hickinbottom, loc. cit.) which was prepared in the hope that the nitro group would increase the aromatic nature over the aliphatic, also proved unsuccessful.



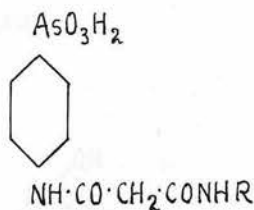
Since this failure seemed definitely due to the influence of the long aliphatic side chain, it was decided to attack the problem in a slightly different way. In the preparation of tryparsamide (Jacobs and Heidelberger, loc. cit.) the mono-sodium salt of p-amino phenyl arsenic acid is condensed with chloroacetamide. Attempts were then made to use in place of chloroacetamide, the bromo fatty acid amides (Fourneau, Bull. Soc. Chim. France [4], 43, 1232-64). Fourneau had already employed α -bromopropionamide in the above condensation (Fourneau, loc. cit.) and the resultant product had been/

been resolved. It was therefore attempted to extend this condensation to α -bromobutyramide. This was, however, unsuccessful, the bromobutyramide being hydrolysed on prolonged boiling in aqueous solution, and other solvents and conditions of reaction proved equally unsuitable.

Attention was next directed toward the malonamide group. The compound N-(p-phenyl arsenic acid) amino malonamide had been prepared by Lewis and Bent (J. Amer. Chem. Soc., 1926, 48, 949), but no report of its therapeutic activity was given. Compounds of type I were then prepared, R being an alkyl group.



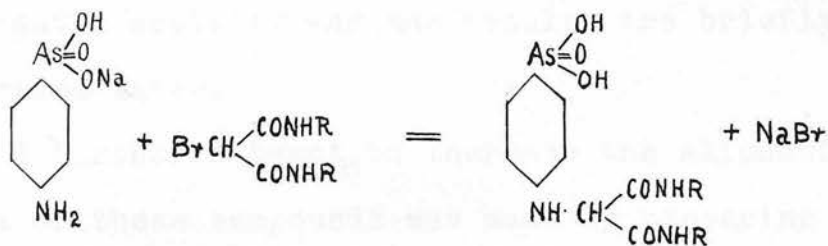
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II.

Although not directly attached to the benzene ring these compounds possessed the advantage that it was possible to introduce two alkyl groups in one stage/

stage as against one in the case of the mono-carboxylic acids. The compounds having R = methyl, ethyl, propyl, n-butyl, iso-butyl, amyl and iso-amyl, have been prepared with a maximum yield in the case of the propyl compound. These compounds, closely analogous to tryparsamide from which they only differ in the presence of an extra substituted carbamide group, are also interesting in view of their relation to some malonamide arsenic acids of type II, prepared by Morgan and Walton (J.C.S., 1931, 1743-1748) from arsanilic acid and carbethoxy acetyl chloride and subsequent treatment with ammonia or alkylamines. The compounds of type I were prepared by condensing the monosodium salt of arsanilic acid with N-substituted bromomalonamides thus:



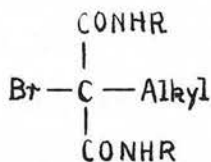
The N-substituted bromomalonamides were obtained by treatment of malonic acid diethyl ester with the corresponding/

corresponding amine and subsequent bromination according to the method of Backes, West and Whiteley (J.C.S., 1921, 119, 359).

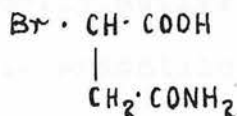
These malonamide arsinic acids were well defined crystalline compounds becoming less soluble in 50 per cent. alcohol and insoluble in cold and hot water with increasing length of R. The calcium, barium and magnesium salts also became more insoluble with the introduction of the more fatty substituents and in many cases showed a characteristic crystalline form. The acids, however, remained insoluble in ether. A further acid prepared by condensing bromomalonic acid diethyl ester with arsanilic acid was obtained but only in small yield, insufficient for testing in cases of experimental trypanosome infection in mice. The other acids have been tested for therapeutic activity and the results are briefly summarised later.

A further attempt to increase the aliphatic nature of these compounds was made by preparing some alkyl bromomalonamides (III), in which the central carbon atom of the malonyl group had an alkyl group attached/

attached. The alkyl group was introduced into



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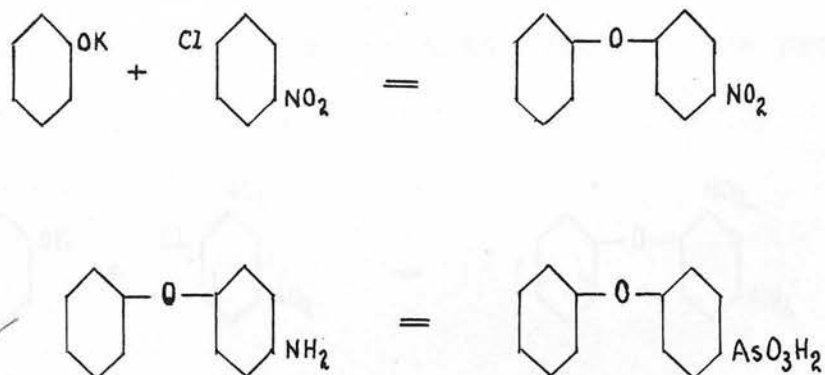
malonic acid diethyl ester by means of the sodio-malonic ester synthesis. This alkyl ester was then treated with ammonia or other primary amine and the resultant alkyl malonamide was then brominated in a manner similar to the malonamides cited above. Those prepared are described but they failed to condense with arsanilic acid. The number of large groups around the central carbon atom may have prevented the introduction of the larger arsanilino group.

Attempts to extend this condensation reaction to the succinamide series were next considered. A succinamide series has already been obtained by Morgan and Walton (loc. cit.) by condensing arsanilic acid with succinic anhydride. Since the optically active/

active compound bromosuccinamide (IV) was described in the literature and further this introduced the interesting possibility of an optically active arsonic acid, attempts were made to condense arsanilic acid with bromosuccinamide. All attempts, however, were unsuccessful. In addition a number of attempts to utilise o-arsanilic acid in the general condensation also met with failure.

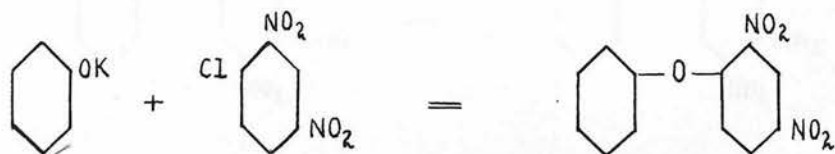
Following the rather disappointing results of the investigation of tryparsamide analogues in the malonamide series, it was decided to explore a somewhat different type of compound. For this purpose the diphenyl ether molecule was chosen as one about which very little seemed to be known. Roberts and Turner (J.C.S., 1925, 127, 2009) have prepared o-phenoxy phenyl arsinic acid from o-phenoxy aniline by means of the Bart reaction. Starting from chloro substituted phenols and o-chloronitrobenzene a few chloro derivatives of o-phenoxy phenyl arsinic acid have also been obtained. It was therefore resolved to extend this field by preparing various/

various halogen and amino substitution products of p-diphenyl ether arsenic acid. p-Diphenyl ether arsenic acid was prepared according to the scheme:



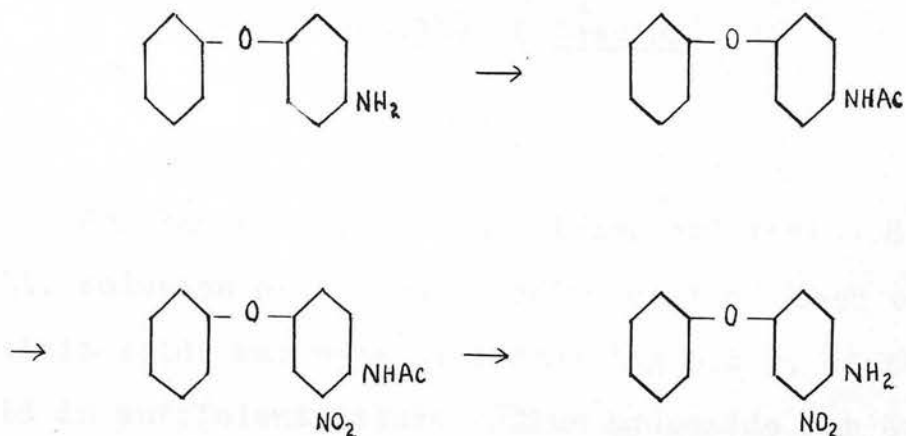
Potassium phenate and p-chloronitrobenzene were heated together in phenol solution and the resultant p-nitro diphenyl ether was reduced with tin and hydrochloric acid. Then by means of the Bart-Schmidt reaction an arsenic acid residue was introduced in place of the amino group to give p-diphenyl ether arsenic acid. On nitration according to the method of Michaelis (Ann., 320, 321) three nitro groups were introduced into the molecule in place of one as was the case in the nitration of p-methyl phenyl arsenic acid. It was impossible to predict the orientation of the three nitro groups. In order that the positions of the final nitro and arsenic/

arsenic acid groups might be previously fixed 2:4-dinitro diphenyl ether was prepared by condensing potassium phenate with 2:4-dinitro chlorobenzene. Attempts to reduce one of these nitro groups and subsequently introduce an arsenic acid residue proved



unsuccessful. The dinitro compound was insoluble in cold alcohol and the method of half reduction with ammonia and sulphuretted hydrogen was thus upset. When solution was brought about by heating tars invariably resulted.

The next step started from the p-amino diphenyl ether obtained above. After acetylation, the p-acetylamino diphenyl ether was nitrated with nitric acid in glacial acetic acid solution. The nitro acetylamino compound was then hydrolysed on boiling with alcoholic hydrochloric acid and a small quantity/



quantity of a red oil was obtained which formed a crystalline picrate. It was hoped after the preparation of a quantity of this amine to obtain a nitro arsenic acid by the Bart reaction and finally an amino arsenic acid. By starting with differently substituted phenols and chlorobenzenes, it should be possible to obtain a wider variety of products in which the orientation of the various substituent groups is definitely fixed.

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(2) Results of Testing.

For the purposes of physiological test a 5 per cent. solution of the mono-sodium salt of each of the arsenic acids was made by dissolving 0.5 g. of the acid in sufficient dilute sodium hydroxide for exact neutralisation and making the volume up to 10 c.c.

These solutions have been tested by Professor Warrington Yorke on an experimental trypanosome infection in mice, and a brief summary of the results is given below.

Sodium salt of N-(p-phenyl arsenic acid)	Maximum lethal dose per 20 g. mouse.	Therapeutic Action.
Amino malonamide	50-75 mg.	Curative in large doses
Amino-malon-dimethylamide	50 mg.	nil
Amino-malon-diethylamide	25 mg.	Very slight
Amino-malon-di-n-propylamide	10 mg.	nil
Amino-malondi-n-butylamide	5 mg.	nil
Amino-malondi-iso-butylamide	10 mg.	nil

The malonamide was curative in large doses comparable with the maximum lethal dose. With increasing length of the alkyl chain, the toxicity showed a marked steady increase. The ethylamide was the only other member of the series to show a slight therapeutic effect. These compounds then are highly toxic and possess, except in two cases, no therapeutic action. In this respect they are inferior to the malonamide arsinic acids of Morgan and Walton (loc. cit.) who find that the most active member of the series is the ethylamide. The outstanding difference between the two types of compounds is the presence in those of Morgan and Walton of a -CO-NH- grouping directly attached to the benzene ring, a factor which has been found repeatedly favourable to therapeutic activity.

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(3) Methods of Analysis.

Arsenic.

The following method for the estimation of arsenic was given in the Pharmacopoeia Germanica.

The arsenic compound (0.2 g.) is oxidised by means of 10 c.c. of concentrated sulphuric acid and 1 c.c. of fuming nitric acid in a long necked 100 c.c. Jena flask. After boiling for 1 hour, the cooled mixture is treated with 50 c.c. of water, evaporated and the process repeated. To the cold solution after the second evaporation are now added successively 10 c.c. of water, 2 g. of potassium iodide in 5 c.c. of water, and sufficient water to dissolve the precipitate. After standing for 30 minutes, the liberated iodine is titrated without an indicator. A slight modification was made in this method owing to the relatively small amounts of the compounds obtained. In place of 0.2 g. only 0.1 g. was taken and for the titration twentieth normal sodium thiosulphate was used. This method although fairly convenient gave consistently high/

high results. Blank estimations on pure p-arsanilic acid and tryparsamide also gave high values, but in blank experiments using only the reagents, this discrepancy could not be accounted for. In the case of arsanilic acid it was found As 35.2:

$C_6H_8O_3NAs$ requires As 34.6%, and for tryparsamide found As 28.2: $C_8H_{11}N_2As$ requires As 27.4%, whereas blank experiments with the reagents alone could justify these figures being diminished only to the extent of 0.1%. This discrepancy has not been thoroughly investigated, but it would seem due perhaps to some occlusion of nitric acid by the arsenic acid produced.

The gravimetric magnesium pyroarsenate method was also employed for a very few estimations and was abandoned because it gave exceedingly low results. This was especially noticeable in the diphenyl ether arsenic acids while carbon and hydrogen estimations gave good results with these compounds.

Nitrogen.

All amino nitrogen estimations were done by the micro-Kjeldahl method following the instructions as given/

given in Die Qualitative Organische Mikroanalyse, Pregl. This method proved quite satisfactory and gave reliable results. Other nitrogen estimations were carried out by the Dumas combustion method.

Bromine.

In addition to the usual method of Carius an interesting method applicable to bromomalonamides (Backes, West and Whiteley, loc. cit.) was also employed. This method consisted in mixing a weighed quantity of the bromo compound with glacial acetic acid and potassium iodide, and after standing for 2 hours, titrating the liberated iodine with sodium thiosulphate. It was found possible to extend this method to the determination of bromine in the alkyl bromomalonamides prepared.

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Pelargonyl chloride.

Pelargonic acid (158 g.) and thionyl chloride (150 g.) were mixed together and allowed to stand overnight in a flask closed with a calcium chloride tube. The reaction proceeded smoothly at room temperature and in the morning the flask was warmed under an air condenser on the steam bath for 1-2 hours. It was then connected with a vacuum pump and the mixture was distilled. Some thionyl chloride came over first and pure pelargonyl chloride distilled at $97^{\circ}/13$ mm. as a colourless liquid with a pungent odour. The yield from 90 g. of acid was 91 g. 92% of theory.

Pelargonyl phenone.

According to the Friedel Craft reaction pelargonyl chloride (176.5 g.) and pure dry benzene (98 g.) were mixed together in a flask and anhydrous aluminium/

aluminium chloride (267 g.) was added in one portion. A vigorous evolution of hydrochloric acid fumes soon commenced and the flask was allowed to stand under a reflux water condenser for half an hour until the reaction had subsided. It was then heated on the water bath for 2 hours, allowed to cool and the aluminium chloride addition compound decomposed by pouring the mixture in a thin stream on to crushed ice. The ketone separated as a brown upper layer which was extracted with ether. The ether extract was washed first with water, then with dilute sodium hydroxide, with water again and finally dried by shaking with anhydrous potassium carbonate. The ether was removed and the ketone distilled in vacuo when it passed over at $168^{\circ}/13$ mm. as a colourless liquid which crystallised about 15° . Yield 80% of theory.

Analysis:

4.330 mg. substance gave 13.210 mg. CO_2 and 3.940 mg. H_2O

Found 83.2% C; 10.1% H.

$\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}$ requires 82.6% C; 10.1% H.

The/

The pelargonyl phenone was immiscible with water but freely soluble in all the organic solvents.

Caproyl phenone.

According to the method used for the preparation of pelargonyl phenone 67 g. of caproyl chloride and 50 g. of benzene were mixed in a flask and 135 g. of fused anhydrous aluminium chloride were added in one portion. After the reaction had subsided the mixture was heated on the water bath for 2 hours. Then after cooling, the mixture was poured in a thin stream on to crushed ice, the phenone which separated was shaken out with ether, the ether layer washed, dried and the ether removed. The residue was distilled in vacuo and the caproyl phenone distilled as a colourless oil at 137°/15 mm. On standing it crystallised in long plates, m.p. about 30°. Yield 80% of theory.

Analysis:

4.850 mg. substance gave 14.550 mg. CO₂ and 3.960 mg. H₂O

Found. 81.8% C; 9.1% H.

C₁₂H₁₆O requires 81.8% C; 9.1% H.

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α -phenyl n-nonane.

According to the method of Clemmensen (Ber., 1913, 11, 1837) granulated zinc (4-5 parts) was placed in a large flask and covered with a 5% solution of mercuric chloride and allowed to stand for 1 hour. The zinc was in this way amalgamated. The solution was poured off and pelargonyl phenone (1 part) added, then a portion of 50% (by volume) hydrochloric acid and the flask was heated under a reflux water condenser for 5-6 hours during which period the remainder of the hydrochloric acid (4-5 parts) was added gradually. The hydrocarbon mixed with some unchanged ketone formed the upper layer which, when cold, was extracted with ether. The ether extract was washed with sodium hydroxide, then with water and finally dried with anhydrous potassium carbonate. The ether was removed on the water bath and the residue was distilled in vacuo. Two fractions were collected, the lower fraction being redistilled and the higher fraction, consisting chiefly of unchanged ketone, was reduced again. Owing to the formation of a very high boiling product, probably a secondary alcohol, it was not found/

found advantageous to repeat the reduction of the unchanged ketone more than once. On redistilling the lower fraction α -phenyl n-nonane passed over at $137^\circ/13$ mm. as a colourless highly refracting liquid. Yield based on the first reduction 65% of theory, or based on the first and second reductions 85% of theory.

Analysis:

5.059 mg. substance gave 16.310 mg. CO_2 and 5.260 mg. H_2O

Found: 88.0% C; 11.6% H.

$\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{24}$ requires 88.2% C; 11.8% H.

p-Nitro α -phenyl n-nonane.

The hydrocarbon was stirred in a beaker and the nitrating acid run in slowly. Different strengths of nitrating acids were used and different temperatures. With weaker nitrating acids and lower temperatures very little hydrocarbon was nitrated. The following conditions were found to be the most suitable.

α -Phenyl n-nonane (10 g.) was stirred vigorously in a beaker cooled in an ice-salt bath to $0^\circ\text{C}.$, and during 2 hours 10 g. of fuming nitric acid/

acid (density 1.5) and 15 g. of 100% sulphuric acid were dropped in. After all the acid had been added the mixture was stirred for 1 hour at room temperature to complete the reaction. The reaction mixture was then poured into several times its volume of water and the lower aqueous layer run off. The nitro compound was taken up in ether, washed well with sodium hydroxide, then with water, and finally dried with anhydrous potassium carbonate. The ether was removed and the residue distilled in vacuo when the nitro phenyl nonane came over at 195-197°/15 mm. A small amount of a higher boiling fraction was also obtained but was not purified. The nitro phenyl nonane was a clear, pale yellow liquid, lighter than water and having a slightly predominating fatty odour. Yield 50% of theory.

Analysis:

4.670 mg. substance gave 12.420 mg. CO₂ and 3.840 mg. H₂O
3.324 mg. " " 0.168 c.c. N₂ at 23.5° and 752 mm.

Found. 72.5% C; 9.2% H; 5.8% N.

C₁₅H₂₃O₂N requires 72.3% C; 9.2% H; 5.6% N.

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p-Amino α -phenyl n-nonane.

p-Nitro α -phenyl n-nonane (20 g.) was mixed in a flask, fitted with a mercury seal stirrer and reflux water condenser, with reduced iron powder (12 g.) and heated to 90° on a water bath with continual stirring. 150 c.c. of 50% acetic acid were run in during 5 hours. The contents of the flask were filtered while still hot and the residue was washed with ether. The filtrate was extracted with ether and the amine acetate passed into the ether layer. The ether extract was made strongly alkaline with sodium hydroxide and the free amine remained in the ether layer. The ether extract was separated, washed, dried and the ether removed in the usual way. The amine distilled in vacuo as a very pale greenish yellow oil at 174-175°/15 mm. Yield 75% of theory. A small amount of a higher boiling fraction was also obtained. It crystallised on standing in the ice chest but was not purified.

Analysis:

5.159 mg. substance gave 15.555 mg. CO₂ and 5.250 mg. H₂O
3.023 mg. " " 0.164 c.c. N₂ at 23.5° and
752 mm.

Found. 82.3% C; 11.4% H; 6.2% N.

C₁₅H₂₅N requires 82.2% C; 11.4% H; 6.4% N.

With/

With hydrochloric and sulphuric acids the amine gave white crystalline salts insoluble in water but readily soluble in ether.

p-Acetyl amino α -phenyl n-nonane.

Amino phenyl nonane (2.2 g.) was mixed with acetic anhydride (2 c.c.) and heated under an air condenser for 1 hour. The hot solution was poured into cold water, the excess acetic anhydride decomposed with sodium hydroxide and the solid mass filtered off and recrystallised from aqueous alcohol. The acetyl compound separated as a felted mass of long thin colourless needles. m.p. 93°.

Analysis:

2.977 mg. substance gave 0.146 c.c. N₂ at 21° and 751 mm.

Found. 5.4% N.

C₁₇H₂₇ON requires 5.6% N.

The acetyl compound was insoluble in water but readily soluble in most organic solvents. It could also be conveniently crystallised from acetone.

Behaviour/

Behaviour of p-amino α -phenyl n-nonane to the Bart
Reaction.

p-Amino α -phenyl n-nonane (5.5 g.) was suspended in water (25 c.c.), hydrochloric acid (9 c.c. of s.g. 1.126) added and cooled to -5°C . For the diazotisation 25 c.c. of n-sodium nitrite were used. After the diazotisation was complete 5 g. of sodium arsenite in 25 c.c. of water were added and during 3-4 hours with stirring 32 c.c. of n-sodium hydroxide were dropped in. After the addition of most of the sodium hydroxide a separation of tar took place from which no crystals could be isolated after extraction with alkali and acidification with hydrochloric acid. The same experiment was repeated several times and the order of addition of ~~of~~ the sodium arsenite and sodium hydroxide was reversed but without any success.

p-Amino n-butyl benzene.

According to the method of Reilly and Hickenbottom (J.C.S., 1920, 117, 103) molecular quantities of aniline and butyl alcohol were mixed with fused zinc chloride/

chloride ($\frac{1}{2}$ mol.) and heated to 240° in a sealed tube for 24 hours. A solid but somewhat soapy crystalline mass resulted. This was washed with water to remove free zinc chloride, then with petrol ether (b.p. $80-100^{\circ}$) to remove secondary amines. The remaining zincichlorides of the primary amines were then warmed with concentrated sodium hydroxide on the steam bath. The free bases separated as a dark brown upper layer. These were taken up with ether, dried with anhydrous potassium carbonate, the ether removed and the remaining bases fractionated. The fraction distilling from $245-260^{\circ}$ was almost pure p-amino n-butyl benzene. The yield was about 20% of theory.

Behaviour of p-amino n-butyl benzene to the Bart reaction.

7.5 G. of the amino butyl benzene were diazotised at -10° with 50 c.c. of n-sodium nitrite in the presence of 50 c.c. of water and 18 c.c. of concentrated hydrochloric acid. The diazotisation proceeded/

proceeded normally. 10 G. of sodium arsenite in 50 c.c. of water were then run in, followed by 60 c.c. of n-sodium hydroxide. A large separation of tar took place together with considerable frothing and the evolution of nitrogen. After filtration to remove the tar the filtrate was acidified with hydrochloric acid and the solution became turbid. On standing some long needles formed which were somewhat contaminated with tar. Numerous attempts were made to prepare larger quantities of this product without success, insufficient material being obtained for purification and analysis. The crystals on combustion had a garlic-like odour.

p-Acetyl amino n-butyl benzene.

According to the method of Reilly and Hickinbottom (J.C.S., loc. cit.) 7.5 g. of amino butyl benzene were mixed with 5 c.c. of acetic anhydride and heated under reflux for 1 hour. The mixture was then poured into cold water when the solid acetyl compound soon separated. The solid was filtered off and crystallised from alcohol in white plates/

plates. m.p. 105°. Yield 90% of theory.

3:nitro 4: acetylamino 1:n-butyl benzene.

2 G. of the preceding compound were dissolved in 10 c.c. of glacial acetic acid and 0.6 c.c. of concentrated nitric acid were added. The whole was then heated on the steam bath or gently under reflux for 1 hour. The mixture was then poured into water when the nitro compound settled to the bottom as a heavy oil. This was taken up in ether, the ether extract dried and the ether evaporated off. The residue crystallised and it was purified by recrystallisation from alcohol, when it separated in fine yellow needles, m.p. 76°.

3: nitro 4: amino 1: n- butyl benzene.

The nitro acetylamino compound was dissolved in 10 times its weight of alcohol and then an amount of concentrated hydrochloric acid added and the whole refluxed until there was no precipitate on pouring into dilute hydrochloric acid. The solution was then poured into water and the base shaken out with ether/



ether. The ether was evaporated off and the residue on standing in the ice-chest crystallised in reddish yellow needles. The base was purified by conversion to the hydrochloride. Alcoholic hydrochloric acid was added to the base and the hydrochloride precipitated in white shining plates by the addition of ether. It was filtered off and decomposed by the addition of water, the free base being taken up with ether and separated. The ether was evaporated off and the base set in the ice-chest to a mass of reddish yellow needles, m.p. about 13°.

Behaviour of 3: nitro 4: amino l-n-butyl benzene to the Bart reaction.

Only a small quantity of this compound was available, but attempts were made to introduce an arsenic acid group by means of the Bart reaction in a similar manner to that described for p-amino butyl benzene. With the additional nitro group it was anticipated that the diazotisation would be more difficult but in addition the hydrochloride was decomposed/

decomposed to the free amine in the presence of water. It was impossible to overcome this difficulty by the addition of alcohol owing to the formation of phenol and subsequent tarring of the reaction product.

Preparation of p-arsanilic acid.

According to the method given in Organic Syntheses, vol. 3, p. 13, to 1035 g. of syrupy arsenic acid (80-85%) in a 12 inch evaporating dish, were added 828 g. (800 c.c.) of aniline in 100 c.c. portions; meanwhile the lumps of aniline arsenate which formed were broken up by rapid stirring with a porcelain spatula. When all the aniline had been added, the powdered solid was transferred to a 3 litre round bottomed flask fitted with a mechanical stirrer, a thermometer reaching to the lower part of the vessel, and a condenser arranged for downward distillation, an additional 800 c.c. of aniline were added and the flask was slowly heated on an oil bath. The bath may be kept at a temperature of 170-175° as long as there is any considerable/

considerable amount of unmelted material in the flask. When the contents of the flask had become liquid the temperature of the bath was dropped and the mixture was held at 155-160° (inside temperature) with continual stirring for at least 4-5 hours. The mass assumed an intense violet colour. The reaction mixture was poured into 700 c.c. of water and the flask washed out with a portion of a previously prepared solution of 350 g. of sodium hydroxide in 1400 c.c. of water, the washings being added to the reaction mixture. The remainder of the alkali was then added and the mixture agitated and cooled under the tap. At this point two distinct layers were present, a lower pink coloured alkaline water layer, and an upper strongly coloured aniline layer. The water layer was while warm carefully separated from the purple coloured oil by means of a separating funnel (heated to prevent separation of sodium arsanilate), and after treatment with 15 g. of animal charcoal, filtered through paper. The arsanilic acid can be obtained from the aqueous alkaline solution either as the free acid or as the sodium salt. To obtain the free acid the solution was acidified with concentrated hydrochloric acid until/

until the purple colour of bromphenol blue changed to faint yellow; care should be taken in the addition of the acid not to overstep the end point. Crystallisation was stimulated by scratching and the flask was allowed to stand overnight to complete the precipitation. The crystals were filtered off and recrystallised once from water (about 2500 c.c.) in order to obtain a white product. If the initial crystals obtained have an appreciable pink tinge, it is advisable to remove most of the colour by digesting with a small volume of warm alcohol before crystallisation from water is attempted. The yield of pure acid was 230 g.

Bromo ethyl malonic ester.

According to the method of Knoevenagel (Ber., 1888, 21, 1356) bromine (1 mol.) was gradually added to malonic ester (1 mol.). The reaction was started by gentle warming, then it proceeded by itself at the ordinary temperature. When all the bromine was added the product was fractionated and the portion distilling at 230-236° collected. The greatest/

greatest part distilled at 233-235°. As slight decomposition took place it was distilled in vacuo when it came over at 137°/11 mm. The distillate was washed with sodium carbonate, then with water, dried over calcium chloride and finally redistilled. It is a colourless oil. Yield 75% of theory.

N-(p-phenyl arsinic acid) aminomalondiethyl ester.

A solution of 1.74 g. of p-arsanilic acid in 7.75 c.c. of n-sodium hydroxide was heated under a reflux water condenser with 3.6 g. of bromomalonic ester and sufficient rectified spirit to render solution complete. After boiling for several hours the solution was evaporated. It separated into two layers, the lower of which on cooling almost wholly solidified. The solid was separated off and washed with dilute hydrochloric acid. It crystallised from a small volume of hot water in small white needles, m.p. 230° (decomp.). Yield poor.

Analysis/

Analysis:

0.1053 g. substance gave a titration of 11.39 c.c.
of 0.0498 N $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$.

7.667 g. substance gave a titration of 2.16 c.c.
of 0.01 N HCl.

Found. 20.2% As; 3.9% N.

$\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_7\text{NAs}$ requires 20.0% As; 3.7% N.

The arsenic acid was soluble in dilute sodium hydroxide and alcohol but insoluble in small amounts of dilute hydrochloric acid.

Monobromomalonamide.

According to the method of Backes, West and Whiteley (J.C.S., 1921, 119, 359), 5 g. of malonamide (1 mol.) (Freund, Ber., 1884, 17(1), 133) dissolved in 400 c.c. of glacial acetic acid were heated on the steam bath, 25 c.c. of a 10% (by volume) solution of bromine in acetic acid (1 mol.) were added/

added slowly, and the mixture was constantly shaken. The bromine was absorbed rapidly and the reaction completed without the precipitation of any solid matter. After spontaneous evaporation of the solvent, slightly impure bromomalonamide was obtained in hard cubes which crystallised from ethyl alcohol in hard colourless prisms, melting and decomposing at 181°.

N-(p-phenyl arsinic acid) aminomalonamide.

According to the method of Lewis and Bent (J. Amer. Chem. Soc. 1926, 48, 949) 0.32 mol. of arsanilic acid were dissolved in 0.31 mol. of N sodium hydroxide and the solution filtered. To the filtrate was added 0.62 mol. of monobromo-malonamide and the mixture was refluxed on an air bath under a reflux water condenser until a heavy white precipitate separated. This took at least 2 hours and depended on the pH of the solution. This precipitate was filtered off and washed with small quantities of dilute hydrochloric acid. It was /

was then dissolved in the minimum amount of cold 2 N sodium hydroxide and then sufficient 50% hydrochloric acid was added to precipitate the arsenic acid. The further purification was effected by repeating this process. It crystallised from a mixture of alcohol and dilute acetic acid. After three crystallisations it melted with decomposition at 226°. Lewis and Bent record no change at 260°. Yield 40% of theory.

Analysis:

0.1232 g. substance gave a titration of 16.24 c.c.
of 0.0498 N $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$.

6.900 mg. substance gave a titration of 6.23 c.c.
of 0.01 N HCl.

Found. 24.6% As: 12.7% N.

$\text{C}_9\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_3\text{N}_3\text{As}$ requires 23.7% As: 13.3% N.

R- salt showed the presence of a trace of arsanilic acid which was very difficult to remove without considerable loss, the malonamide arsenic acid being appreciably soluble in dilute hydrochloric acid. This and subsequent arsenic estimations were done by a convenient iodine thiosulphate titration/

titration method which gave high results.

The arsenic acid gave an insoluble calcium salt which crystallised in bunches of small needles and a pale yellow crystalline copper salt soluble in excess of ammonium hydroxide. The barium and magnesium salts were readily soluble.

N-(p-phenyl arsenic acid) aminomalondimethylamide.

According to the above method 1.74 g. of p-arsanilic acid dissolved in 7.75 c.c. of N sodium hydroxide and 3.24 g. of bromomalondimethylamide (Backes, West and Whiteley, loc. cit.) were heated together until a separation of solid occurred. In this case the optimum pH appeared to be reached more rapidly since the separation of the arsenic acid occurred after about 15 minutes. On purification by precipitation with 50% hydrochloric acid the arsenic acid became gelatinous rendering filtration excessively slow. The arsenic acid, however, crystallised from a mixture of alcohol and dilute acetic acid in small white shining plates. On/

On heating the crystals darkened at 295° but did not melt. Yield 50% of theory.

Analysis:

0.1527 g. gave a titration of 18.48 c.c. of 0.0498

N. $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$.

7.083 mg. gave a titration of 6.07 c.c. of 0.01 N

HCl.

Found 22.6% As: 12.0% N.

$\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_5\text{N}_3\text{As}$ requires 21.7% As: 12.2% N.

The white copper salt of the arsenic acid crystallised in small detached needles and the fairly soluble calcium and barium salts in small cubes. The magnesium salt was soluble.

N-(p-phenyl arsenic acid)aminomalondiethylamide.

The above quantity of sodium arsanilate solution was heated with 3.67 g. of bromomalondiethylamide (Backes, West and Whiteley, J.C.S. loc. cit.). As soon as the bromo compound had passed into solution the arsenic acid immediately began to/

to separate out. The heating was continued for 20 minutes. The solid was filtered off and well washed with dilute hydrochloric acid. On purification by reprecipitation with 50% hydrochloric acid this compound showed no gelatinous properties like its preceding homologue. It crystallised from a mixture of alcohol and dilute acetic acid in beautiful lustrous plates which remained unchanged on heating to 300°. Yield 60% of theory.

Analysis:

0.0997 g. substance gave a titration of 11.16 c.c.
of 0.0498 N $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$.

0.079 mg. substance gave a titration of 4.825 c.c.
of 0.01 N HCl.

Found 20.9% As; 11.1% N.

$\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_5\text{N}_3\text{As}$ requires 20.1% As; 11.3% N.

It formed a pale yellow crystalline copper salt. The calcium salt crystallised in small cubes but was comparatively soluble. The barium and magnesium salts were soluble.

N-/

N-(p-phenyl arsenic acid) aminomalondi-n-propylamide.

The sodium arsanilate solution was heated with 4.11 g. of bromomalondi-n-propylamide (Backes, West and Whiteley, J.C.S., loc. cit.) and 5 c.c. of alcohol. The bromo amide passed slowly into solution and then after 10 minutes the arsenic acid began to separate. The heating was continued for 20 minutes. The solid was filtered off, washed well with dilute hydrochloric acid and recrystallised from 50% alcohol. It formed lustrous platelets which on rapid heating gradually darkened above 265°. Yield 70% of theory.

Analysis:

0.1068 g. substance gave a titration of 10.86 c.c.
of 0.0498 N. $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$.

6.029 mg. substance gave a titration of 4.34 c.c.
of 0.01 N HCl.

Found. 19.0% As; 10.1% N.

$\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_5\text{N}_3\text{As}$ requires 18.7% As; 10.5% N.

It gave an insoluble barium salt which formed clusters of needles. The calcium and magnesium salts were soluble.

N-(p-phenyl arsinic acid) aminomalondi-n-butylamide.

The sodium arsanilate solution was heated with 4.54 g. of bromomalondi-n-butylamide (Backes, West and Whiteley, loc. cit.) and 10 c.c. of alcohol to complete solution of the bromoamide. The arsinic acid separated out after 20 minutes. After boiling for a further 30 minutes the solid was filtered off, washed as above and recrystallised from a considerable volume of 50% alcohol. It formed small glistening plates which darkened above 270° and melted with decomposition at 293°. Yield 55% of theory.

Analysis:

0.1725 g. substance gave a titration of 16.47 c.c.
of 0.0498 N. $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$.

5.382 mg. substance gave a titration of 3.64 c.c.
of 0.01 N. HCl.

Found. 18.2% As; 9.5% N.

$\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_5\text{N}_3\text{As}$ requires 17.5% As; 9.8% N.

It gave an insoluble barium salt which
crystallised/

crystallised in large prismatic needles. The more soluble calcium salt crystallised in small needles and the magnesium salt was soluble.

N-(p-phenyl arsenic acid)aminomalondi-iso-butylamide

The sodium arsanilate solution was heated with 4.54 g. of bromomalondi-iso-butylamide (Backes, West and Whiteley, loc. cit.) and 10 c.c. of alcohol. The arsenic acid separated after 1 hour. It was filtered off, washed well with dilute hydrochloric acid and recrystallised from 50% alcohol. It formed close set clusters which remained unchanged on heating to 260°. Yield 45% of theory.

Analysis:

0.1308 g. substance gave a titration of 12.79 c.c.
of 0.0498 N. $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$.

6.636 mg. substance gave a titration of 4.50 c.c.
of 0.01 N. HCl.

<u>Found.</u>	18.2% As; 9.5% N.
$\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_5\text{N}_3\text{As}$ requires	17.5% As; 9.8% N.

The insoluble barium salt crystallised in beautiful stellate clusters of needles. The calcium and magnesium salts were soluble.

Malondi-n-amylamide.

10.4 g. of ethyl malonate and 10 g. of n-amylamine on standing in a sealed tube formed a solid crystalline mass overnight. The tube was then heated in a furnace at 120° for 5 hours. The solid compound was dissolved out with methyl alcohol and from the solution 10.5 g. of pure malondi-n-amylamide were obtained. It crystallised from petrol ether (b.p. 100-120°) in white plates, m.p. 128°.

Analysis:

6.491 mg. substance gave a titration of 5.30 c.c.
of 0.01 N. HCl.

Found. 11.4% N.

$C_{13}H_{26}O_2N_2$ requires 11.6% N.

It is readily soluble in methyl and ethyl alcohol, acetone, chloroform and acetic acid, less soluble in light petroleum and insoluble in water.

Mono/

Monobromomalondi-n-amylamide.

7.5 g. of the preceding compound were dissolved in 25 c.c. of chloroform and warmed to 40-50°. 15 c.c. of a 10% (by volume) solution of bromine in chloroform were added. The bromine was rapidly absorbed. After evaporation of the chloroform the semi-crystalline residue was dissolved in ethyl alcohol and on slight dilution with water the bromomalondi-n-amylamide separated in long prismatic needles, m.p. 98°.

Analysis:

3.420 mg. substance gave 1.983 mg. AgBr.

5.169 mg. substance gave a titration of 3.29 c.c.
of 0.01 N. HCl.

Found. 8.9% N; 24.7% Br.

$C_{13}H_{25}O_2N_2Br$ requires 8.7% N; 24.9% Br.

It is readily soluble in all the organic solvents and insoluble in water.

N-/

N-(p-phenyl arsenic acid)aminomalondi-n-amylamide.

The sodium arsanilate solution was heated with 4.97 g. of the preceding compound and 15 c.c. of alcohol. A solid compound began to separate after 30 minutes and the heating was continued for a further 30 minutes. The solid was filtered off, washed well with dilute hydrochloric acid and recrystallised from a large volume of 50% alcohol. It formed beautiful small glistening plates which darkened at 275° and melted with decomposition at 297°. Yield 40% of theory.

Analysis:

0.1106 g. substance gave a titration of 9.82 c.c.
of 0.0498 N. $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$.

6.927 mg. substance gave a titration of 4.40 c.c.
of 0.01 N. HCl.

Found. 16.7% As; 8.9% N.

$\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{32}\text{O}_5\text{N}_3\text{As}$ requires 16.4% As; 9.2% N.

The arsenic acid gave thick clusters of needles of the insoluble barium, calcium and magnesium salts. The magnesium salt was slightly soluble.

Malondi-/

Malondi-iso-amylamide.

10.4 G. of ethyl malonate and 10 g. of iso-amylamine were allowed to stand in a sealed tube overnight. Unlike the n-amylamide no crystallisation took place. The tube was then heated in a hot air furnace at 120° for 6 hours. On evaporation of the solution a paste was obtained which after pressing on porous tile could be crystallised from diluted alcohol or petroleum ether (b.p. 100-120°), from which it separated in clusters of fine needles, m.p. 74°. Yield 50% of theory.

Analysis:

6.501 mg. substance gave a titration of 5.23 c.c.
of 0.01 N. HCl.

Found. 11.3% N.

$C_{13}H_{26}O_2N_2$ requires 11.6% N.

It is readily soluble in all the organic solvents with the exception of petroleum ether from which it crystallises and is insoluble in water.

Mono- /

Monobromomalondi-iso-amylamide.

To a solution of 2 g. of malondi-iso-amylamide in 10 c.c. of warm glacial acetic acid were slowly added 4.2 c.c. of a 10% (by volume) solution of bromine in acetic acid. The bromine was rapidly absorbed. After remaining for 10 minutes the solution was poured into a beaker containing 200 c.c. of ice cold water. The precipitated monobromo-malondi-iso-amylamide was filtered off, washed with water, dried and recrystallised from diluted alcohol. It formed fine prismatic needles, m.p. 110°.

Analysis:

3.500 mg. substance gave 2.023 mg. AgBr.

7.349 mg. substance gave a titration of 4.49 c.c.
of 0.01 N. HCl.

Found. 24.7% Br; 8.6% N.

$C_{13}H_{25}O_2N_2Br$ requires 24.9% Br; 8.7% N.

It is readily soluble in all the common organic solvents and insoluble in water.

N-(p-phenyl arsenic acid) aminomalondi-iso-amylamide.

The sodium arsanilate solution was heated with 4.97 g. of the preceding compound and 15 c.c. of alcohol. The arsenic acid separated after boiling for 1 hour. It was filtered off, washed well with dilute hydrochloric acid and purified by solution in N sodium hydroxide and reprecipitation with 50% hydrochloric acid. It was recrystallised from a large volume of 50% alcohol. It formed thick clusters of needles which remained unchanged on heating to 260°. Yield 40% of theory.

Analysis:

0.0767 g. substance gave a titration of 6.91 c.c.
of 0.0498 N. $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$.

7.245 mg. substance gave a titration of 4.58 c.c.
of 0.01 N. HCl.

Found. 16.8% As; 8.9% N.

$\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{32}\text{O}_5\text{N}_3\text{As}$ requires 16.4% As; 9.2% N.

The calcium salt formed hay like bunches of needles/

needles, the barium salt bundles of small stout prisms and the magnesium salt stellate clusters of needles. The magnesium salt is very slightly soluble compared with the insoluble calcium and barium salts.

Methyl bromomalonamide.

Methyl malondiamide (Meyer and Bock, Annalen, 1906, 347, 98) was brominated in acetic acid solution in a manner similar to malondi-iso-amylamide. The solution was concentrated considerably by distilling off the acetic acid in vacuo, and on cooling, the methyl bromomalonamide crystallised out. The solid was filtered off, washed with alcohol and ether and recrystallised from hot alcohol. It formed small needles, m.p. 165°. Yield 50% of theory.

Analysis:

0.1027 g. substance gave a titration of 20.87 c.c.
of 0.0503 N. $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$.

5.820 mg. substance gave a titration of 5.93 c.c.
of 0.01 N. HCl.

Found/

Found. 40.9% Br; 14.3% N.

$C_4H_7O_2N_2Br$ requires 41.0% Br; 14.4% N.

It is readily soluble in alcohol and acetic acid, less in chloroform, ether, benzene and light petroleum, and insoluble in water.

Ethyl bromomalonamide.

This was prepared from ethyl malondiamide (Freund and Goldsmith, Ber., 1888, 21, 1245) in a manner similar to its homologue methyl bromomalonamide. After concentration of the acetic acid solution in vacuo, it was found convenient to precipitate the ethyl bromomalonamide by the addition of ether. It crystallised from absolute alcohol in fine needles, m.p. 160°.

Analysis:

3.149 mg. substance gave 2.816 mg. AgBr.

6.102 mg. substance gave a titration of 5.81 c.c. of 0.01 N. HCl.

Found. 38.1% Br; 13.3% N.

$C_5H_9O_2N_2Br$ requires 38.2% Br; 13.4% N.

It/

It is readily soluble in alcohol and acetic acid, less in the other organic solvents and insoluble in water.

Ethyl malondimethylamide.

Diethyl ethyl malonate (Gattermann, Die Praxis des Organisches Chemikers, 12. Aufl. [Leipzig 1914], s.177) was shaken with 33% aqueous methylamine until the mixture became homogeneous. After standing for a short time long white needles separated. These were filtered off and recrystallised from petroleum ether (b.p. 100-120°), m.p. 177°.

Analysis:

5.110 mg. substance gave a titration of 6.42 c.c.
of 0.01 N. HCl.

Found. 17.6% N.

$C_7H_{14}O_2N_2$ requires 17.7% N.

It is readily soluble in alcohol, chloroform and acetic acid and less in petroleum ether and water.

Ethyl/

Ethyl bromomalondimethylamide.

This was prepared by bromination of the preceding compound in acetic acid solution like malondi-iso-amylamide. The acetic acid was distilled off in vacuo and the solid residue recrystallised from benzene. It formed fine needles, m.p. 130°.

Analysis:

3.000 mg. substance gave 2.362 mg. AgBr.

7.766 mg. substance gave a titration of 6.59 c.c.
of 0.01 N. HCl.

Found. 33.5% Br; 11.9% N.

$C_7H_{13}O_2N_2Br$ requires 33.7% Br; 11.8% N.

It is readily soluble in alcohol and acetic acid, less in benzene and light petroleum, and insoluble in water.

Behaviour/

Behaviour of alkyl bromomalonamides with p-arsanilic acid.

Several of the alkyl bromomalonamides prepared were heated with sodium arsanilate solution as in the case of the bromomalonamides. After continued boiling, however, no separation of solid occurred. On cooling, the alkyl bromomalonamides crystallised out and on acidification with hydrochloric acid some unchanged arsanilic acid was obtained. No better success was obtained by the addition of one molecular quantity of potassium iodide in the hope that the bromine atom would be replaced by the iodine and render the compound more active. After boiling for some time the solution became dark with the separation of free iodine which could be decolourised with sodium thiosulphate. Following this interesting observation it was found possible to extend the method of bromine estimation given by Backes, West and Whiteley, J.C.S., loc. cit.) to include the alkyl bromomalonamides.

Behaviour/

Behaviour of bromomalonamides with o-arsanilic acid.

A solution of o-arsanilic acid was made by dissolving a weighed quantity in sufficient N sodium hydroxide to make the monosodium salt. Bromomalonamide and bromomalondi-n-propylamide were separately heated with a quantity of the arsanilate solution. After prolonged boiling no separation of solid took place in either case. The bromomalonamide and bromomalondi-n-propylamide crystallised out on cooling the mixture. These were filtered off and the filtrate was acidified with dilute hydrochloric acid. The o-arsanilic acid in each case was recovered unchanged. Modification of the conditions by the addition of sodium iodide was also unsuccessful. Perhaps owing to the proximity of the large arsenic acid residue it was impossible to introduce further groups in the ortho position.

p-Nitro diphenyl ether.

According to the method of Haeussermann and Teichmann (Ber., 1896, 29, 1446) p-chloronitrobenzene (31.5 g.), phenol (31.5 g.) and potassium phenate/

phenate (31.5 g.) were mixed in a flask and heated in a castor oil bath under a reflux water condenser for 5-6 hours at 150°. The dark brown melt was treated with sufficient 2N sodium hydroxide to render it strongly alkaline. The solid was filtered off and washed well with sodium hydroxide to remove any unchanged phenol. The reddish brown solid was then mixed with some water and steam distilled to remove any unchanged chloronitrobenzene which is volatile in steam. The residue was first crystallised from rectified spirit, but subsequently it was found more convenient to prepare a super-saturated glacial acetic acid solution, to inoculate this solution with a crystal of the compound, then to filter off the crystals and wash out the acetic acid with alcohol. In this way white shining plates were obtained, m.p. 61°. It is easily soluble in ether, benzene and glacial acetic acid and less soluble in cold alcohol. Yield 20% of theory.

p-Amino/

p-Aminodiphenyl ether.

According to the method of Haeussermann and Teichmann (Ber., loc. cit.) 21.5 g. of the preceding compound were dissolved in 200 c.c. of 90% alcohol. 35.4 G. of granulated tin were added and then gradually an amount of concentrated hydrochloric acid. The solution rapidly became darker in colour and heating was continued until the solution again became clear. The solution was diluted with water and the alcohol removed in vacuo. Sulphuretted hydrogen was then passed through the hot solution to decompose the stannochloride. The stannous sulphide was filtered off while hot and the filtrate was concentrated somewhat and allowed to cool. White needles of the amine hydrochloride separated. These were filtered off and decomposed with sodium hydroxide. The free amine was then extracted with ether. During the extraction the aqueous layer exhibited a blue colour and the ethereal layer a pink colour. The ether layer was removed, washed with sodium carbonate and dried with anhydrous potassium carbonate. The ether was evaporated off and the residue crystallised on standing. It crystallised/

crystallised from hot water with difficulty in fine white needles, m.p. 84° . Yield 30% of theory. A method of reduction employing iron and hydrochloric acid gives much better yields of similar amines (Roberts and Turner, J.C.S., 1925, 127, 2009).

The amine sulphate was prepared by heating 5.6 g. of p-aminodiphenyl ether with 18 c.c. of 5N sulphuric acid and sufficient water to render solution complete. The solution was filtered rapidly, using a hot water funnel, and the amine sulphate crystallised from the filtrate on cooling in a mass of white needles. Larger crystals formed long plates felted together. On heating they darkened above 230° .

Analysis:

4.466 mg. substance gave 10.125 mg. CO_2 and 2.040 mg. H_2O .

Found. 61.8% C; 5.1% H.

$\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_3\text{NS}_{\frac{1}{2}}$ requires 61.6% C ; 5.1% H.

Diphenyl/

Diphenyl ether p-arsinic acid.

According to the method of Schmidt (Annalen, 1920, 421, 170) 11 g. of p-amino diphenyl ether were converted to the amine sulphate as in the previous experiment. This step was merely to ensure purification of the amine. The amine sulphate with the slight excess of sulphuric acid was diazotised at 0° with 60 c.c. of N sodium nitrite in presence of 120 c.c. of water. The solution was then cooled to -5°C. and with strong stirring 12 c.c. of 5N potassium hydroxide were run in and then very gradually 36 c.c. of potassium arsenite solution to which had been added 2.4 c.c. of 5 N sulphuric acid. This addition took place with evolution of nitrogen and frothing which arose to the rim of the beaker. The reaction mixture was allowed to stand overnight. The solution was then made alkaline with sodium hydroxide and filtered from a considerable amount of tar. The filtrate was then acidified with 50% hydrochloric acid and the free arsenic acid crystallised in clusters of needles on stirring. It was purified by solution in the minimum amount of/

of N sodium hydroxide and reprecipitation with 50% hydrochloric acid after stirring in the cold with animal charcoal. Finally it crystallised from hot water in small glistening plates which remained unchanged on heating to 260°. Yield 6% of theory.

Analysis:

4.532 mg. substance gave 8.155 mg. CO₂ and 1.520 mg. H₂O.

Found. 49.1% C; 3.73% H.

C₁₂H₁₁O₄As requires 49.0% C; 3.77% H.

The calcium salt crystallised in clusters of small prisms. The barium salt is more soluble and the magnesium salt readily soluble.

Nitration of diphenyl ether arsenic acid.

According to the method of Michaelis (Annalen, 320, 321) 1 g. of diphenyl ether arsenic acid was added in small portions with continual shaking to a mixture of 5 g. of concentrated sulphuric acid and 4 g. of fuming nitric acid at room temperature. The yellow/

yellow coloured clear solution was then poured into about ten times its volume of cold water and after stirring for a short time the nitro acid separated in very beautiful shining needles. The yield was almost quantitative on working with small quantities. The acid was purified by recrystallisation from hot water to which a little alcohol had been added when it formed beautiful clusters of small needles.

Analysis:

4.711 mg. substance gave 5.835 mg. CO₂ and 0.740 mg. H₂O.

3.398 mg. substance gave 0.276 c.c. N₂ at 21° and 760 mm.

	<u>C</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>N</u>
<u>Found.</u>	<u>33.8%</u>	<u>1.8%</u>	<u>9.4%</u>
C ₁₂ H ₁₀ O ₄ As.NO ₂ requires	42.5%	3.0%	4.1%
C ₁₂ H ₉ O ₄ As(NO ₂) ₂ "	37.5%	2.4%	7.3%
C ₁₂ H ₈ O ₄ As(NO ₂) ₃ "	<u>33.6%</u>	<u>1.9%</u>	<u>9.8%</u>

The nitro compound obtained was therefore a tri-nitrodiphenyl ether arsenic acid. It was impossible to fix definitely without hydrolysis the orientation of the three nitro groups.

2:4 dinitro diphenyl ether.

1:2:4 Chlorodinitrobenzene (20.25 g.) were placed in a flask and a hot solution of 15 g. of potassium phenate in 15 g. of phenol was poured in. A vigorous reaction took place with a separation of solid. The mixture was heated in an oil bath at 150° for 5-6 hours. The solution was allowed to cool and made alkaline with sodium hydroxide. The solid present passed into solution and the aqueous layer gave a strong test for chloride. The brown oil which separated was steam distilled to remove any chloronitrobenzene. It was then extracted with ether, washed well with sodium carbonate and dried with anhydrous potassium carbonate. The ether was removed on the water bath and a yellow oil remained which on standing slowly crystallised. It was pressed on porous tile to remove the adherent oily material. It crystallised from rectified spirit in long thin prisms, m.p. 69°. Yield 14 g., 50% of theory.

Analysis /

Analysis:

4.909 mg. substance gave 9.965 mg. CO_2 and 1.380 mg. H_2O .
3.590 mg. substance gave 0.331 c.c. N_2 at 22.5° and
757 mm.

Found. 55.4% C; 3.12% H; 10.6% N.

$\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_8\text{O}_5\text{N}_2$ requires 55.4% C; 3.08% H; 10.8% N.

It is non-volatile in steam, soluble in most organic solvents, easily crystallised from alcohol in pale yellow needles or prisms and insoluble in water.

Attempted reduction of 2:4 dinitro diphenyl ether.

To reduce one nitro group only the method of reduction with concentrated ammonia and sulphuretted hydrogen in alcoholic solution was employed. The chief trouble was the insolubility of the dinitro compound in cold alcohol, and it failed to pass into solution on treatment with ammonia and sulphuretted hydrogen. When a warm alcohol solution was used tar formation invariably occurred and no crystalline product/

product could be isolated from the mixture after several attempts.

p-Acetylamino diphenyl ether.

p-Amino diphenyl ether (1 mol.) was boiled under a reflux water condenser with acetic anhydride (1 mol.) for 30 minutes. The solution was allowed to cool, poured into a considerable volume of water and any unchanged acetic anhydride decomposed with sodium hydroxide. The oil which settled at the bottom of the beaker soon solidified. The solid was filtered off, washed well with water and recrystallised from diluted alcohol. It formed lustrous plates, m.p. 107-108°. Yield almost theoretical.

Analysis:

4.928 mg. substance gave 13.330 mg. CO₂ and 2.540 mg. H₂O.

3.164 mg. substance gave 0.174 c.c. N₂ at 24° and 758 mm.

Found. 73.8% C; 5.73% H; 6.30% N.

C₁₄H₁₃O₂N requires 74.0% C; 5.73% H; 6.17% N.

It/

It is soluble in most of the common organic solvents and insoluble in water.

Nitro p-acetylamino diphenyl ether.

2.27 G. of the preceding acetylamino compound were mixed with 2 c.c. of glacial acetic acid and 0.9 c.c. of concentrated nitric acid were added with shaking. All the solid passed into solution. The mixture was boiled under reflux for 1 hour. It was then allowed to cool but did not crystallise. A fairly large volume of water was added and the nitro compound was extracted with ether. The ether layer was separated off, washed with sodium carbonate and dried with anhydrous potassium carbonate. The ether was removed on the water bath leaving a red oil which crystallised on standing. The crystals were somewhat contaminated with tarry matter, but after pressing on porous tile, a quantity of yellow crystals was obtained. The nitro compound crystallised from rectified spirit in beautiful pale yellow needles, m.p. 101°.

Analysis/

Analysis:

5.011 mg. substance gave 11.385 mg. CO_2 and 1.900 mg. H_2O .

2.820 mg. substance gave 0.254 c.c. N_2 at 22.5° and 754 mm.

Found. 62.0% C; 4.2% H; 10.3% N.

$\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_4\text{N}_2$ requires 61.8% C; 4.4% H; 10.3% N.

It is readily soluble in the common organic solvents and insoluble in water.

Hydrolysis of nitro p-acetylamino diphenyl ether.

The above nitro acetylamino diphenyl ether was boiled with ten times its weight of alcoholic hydrochloric acid until on pouring into dilute hydrochloric acid no precipitation or turbidity occurred. The solution was then poured into a large volume of water and the nitroamine extracted with ether. The ether layer was removed, washed with sodium carbonate and dried with anhydrous potassium/

potassium carbonate. The ether was removed and a red somewhat tarry oil remained which did not crystallise on standing in the ice-chest. Attempts to prepare the hydrochloride by the addition of a small quantity of alcoholic hydrochloric acid only resulted in the formation of a thick tarry substance which could not be crystallised.

By the addition of picric acid solution, a yellow crystalline picrate was obtained insoluble in cold alcohol, but insufficient of this material was obtained in the first trial for purification and analysis. Further experiments would have yielded sufficient material for the application of the Bart reaction.

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1. Some benzene derivatives containing long aliphatic side chains have been prepared. Such amino compounds did not take part in the Bart reaction.
2. A series of N-substituted aminomalonamide phenyl arsinic acids have been prepared and their therapeutic activity tested on an experimental trypanosome infection in mice.
3. Several alkyl bromomalonamides have been prepared but these would not condense with p-arsanilic acid.
4. Attempts to prepare succinamide arsinic acids and the utilisation of o-arsanilic acid in the general condensation met with failure.
5. A short study has been commenced in the diphenyl ether series and a few new compounds prepared.

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