

A SYNTHESIS OF A NEW-TYPE HETEROCYCLIC COMPOUND BY USING  
DIELS-ALDER REACTION OF 2-METHYLENE-1,2-DIHYDROPYRIDINE DERIVATIVE

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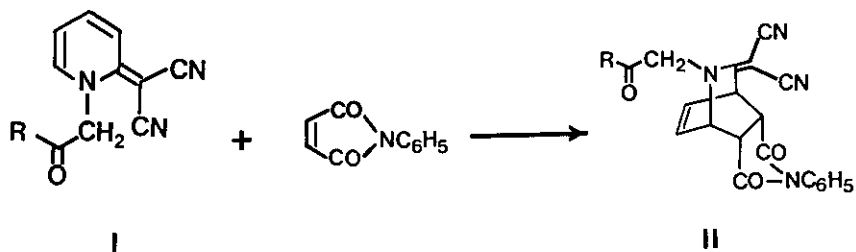
**Abstract** — The Diels-Alder reaction of 2-dicyanomethylene-1,2-dihydropyridines having an active methylene group at the 1-position (Ia-d) with *N*-phenylmaleimide gave isoquinuclidine derivatives (IIa-d), which were treated with triethylamine to afford new-type heterocyclic ring system, 2-azatricyclo[5.2.2.0<sup>2,6</sup>]undecane derivatives (IIIa-d).

Isoquinuclidine derivatives prepared by Diels-Alder reaction of 1-substituted 2(1H)-pyridones with dienophiles are interesting as possible intermediates<sup>1</sup> for iboga alkaloids. Therefore, we have developed a synthetic route toward this heterocyclic ring system having various substituents<sup>2</sup> by the reaction. Moreover, we recently reported a simple synthetic method<sup>3</sup> leading to isoquinuclidines having a carbon side-chain at the 3-position by the reaction of 2-methylene-1,2-dihydropyridine derivatives with dienophiles such as maleic anhydride, maleimide, and *N*-phenylmaleimide, and the reaction is the first example of 2-methylene-1,2-dihydropyridine derivative used as diene. In order to expand the synthetic utility of the above reaction, we investigated the reaction of 2-dicyanomethylene-1,2-dihydropyridines having an active methylene group at the 1-position (Ia-d) with *N*-phenylmaleimide, and cyclization of the adducts (IIa-d) obtained gave a new-type heterocyclic ring system, which shared the nitrogen between pyrrole and isoquinuclidine rings. These compounds (IIIa-d) are expected to possess the interesting pharmacological activities being similar as pyrrole and isoquinuclidine derivatives.

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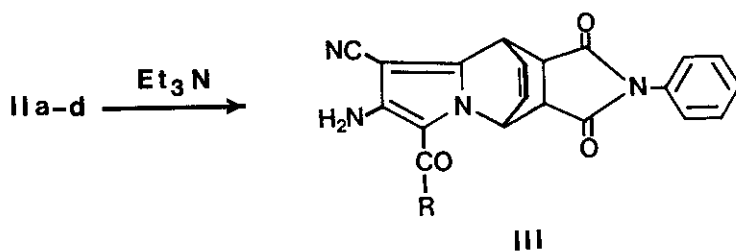
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Table I. Preparation of Adducts (IIa-d)



Compd.	R	Product	Yield (%)
Ia	Me	IIa	60
Ib	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	IIb	50
Ic	OMe	IIc	85
Id	OEt	IIId	34

Table II. Cyclization of Adducts (IIa-d)



Product	R	Yield (%)
IIIa	Me	90
IIIb	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	87
IIIc	OMe	80
IIId	OEt	84

A mixture of Ia-d<sup>4</sup> and 20 equiv of N-phenylmaleimide was heated at 95-100°C for 72 h, and the endo-adducts (IIa-d)<sup>4</sup> were stereoselectively obtained in moderate yields as shown in Table I. The structures of IIa-d were confirmed by their spectral analyses. The configuration of two substituents at 5- and 6-positions in IIa-d was determined to be endo from the coupling constant value ( $J_{16} = 4$  Hz) in their <sup>1</sup>H-nmr spectra, respectively. Next, cyclization of the adducts (IIa-d) was investigated as follows. A solution of IIa-d and 3 equiv of triethylamine in N,N-dimethylformamide was heated at 60-70°C for 10 h to give new-type heterocyclic ring system, 2-azatricyclo[5.2.2.0<sup>2,6</sup>]undecane derivatives (IIIa-d)<sup>4</sup> in excellent yields as shown in Table II. The structures of IIIa-d were determined by their spectral analyses. The ir spectra of IIIa-d showed two absorption bands due to the amino group in the 3500-3400 cm<sup>-1</sup> region, respectively.

Further investigation for the extension of these reactions is now in progress.

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4. All new compounds (Ic,d, IIa-d, and IIIa-d) gave satisfactory spectral and analytical data. Selected data are as follows:  
Ic : mp 141-143°C (benzene); ir (Nujol): 2230, 2200, 1760 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-nmr (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): δ 3.77 (3H, s), 5.35 (2H, s), 6.90 (1H, t, J=7 Hz), 7.30 (1H, d, J=8 Hz), 7.75 (1H, dd, J=7, 8 Hz), 7.97 (1H, d, J=7 Hz); ms m/z 215 (M<sup>+</sup>).  
Id : mp 169-172°C (benzene); ir (Nujol): 2230, 2200, 1755 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-nmr (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): δ 1.25 (3H, t, J=7 Hz), 4.23 (2H, q, J=7 Hz), 5.32 (2H, s), 6.87 (1H, t, J=7 Hz), 7.27 (1H, d, J=8 Hz), 7.72 (1H, dd, J=7, 8 Hz), 7.93 (1H, d, J=7 Hz); ms m/z 229 (M<sup>+</sup>).

- IIa : mp 200-202°C (EtOAc); ir (Nujol) : 2220, 2200, 1780, 1715 cm<sup>-1</sup>;  
<sup>1</sup>H-nmr (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): δ 2.13 (3H, s), 3.42 (1H, dd, J=3, 8 Hz), 3.82 (1H, dd, J=4, 8 Hz), 4.53 (1H, m), 4.92 (2H, s), 5.05 (1H, m), 6.43-6.97 (2H, m), 7.02-7.73 (5H, m); ms m/z 372 (M<sup>+</sup>).
- IIb : mp 218-221°C (acetone); ir (Nujol): 2220, 2200, 1780, 1710, 1690 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-nmr (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): δ 3.57 (1H, dd, J=3, 8 Hz), 3.97 (1H, dd, J=4, 8 Hz), 4.60 (1H, m), 5.27 (1H, m), 5.67 (2H, s), 6.53-7.00 (2H, m), 7.07-8.20 (10H, m); ms m/z 434 (M<sup>+</sup>).
- IIc : mp 124-125°C (benzene); ir (Nujol): 2220, 2200, 1970, 1745, 1720 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-nmr (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): δ 3.45 (1H, dd, J=3, 8 Hz), 3.73 (3H, s), 3.90 (1H, dd, J=4, 8 Hz), 4.57 (1H, m), 4.83 (2H, s), 5.22 (1H, m), 6.47-7.00 (2H, m), 7.05-7.67, (5H, m); ms m/z 388 (M<sup>+</sup>).
- IIId : mp 177-178°C (EtOAc); ir (Nujol): 2220, 2200, 1785, 1740, 1715 cm<sup>-1</sup>;  
<sup>1</sup>H-nmr (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): δ 1.23 (3H, t, J=7 Hz), 3.43 (1H, dd, J=3, 8 Hz), 3.83 (1H, dd, J=4, 8 Hz), 4.20 (2H, q, J=7 Hz), 4.53 (1H, m), 4.80 (2H, s), 5.20 (1H, m), 6.50-6.97 (2H, m), 7.03-7.67 (5H, m); ms m/z 402 (M<sup>+</sup>).
- IIIa : mp 197-199°C (benzene); ir (Nujol): 3480, 3400, 2230, 1775, 1715 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-nmr (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): δ 2.40 (3H, s), 3.43 (1H, dd, J=3, 8 Hz), 3.68 (1H, dd, J=4, 8 Hz), 4.63 (1H, m), 6.10 (2H, br s), 6.50 (1H, s), 6.65-6.98 (2H, m), 7.05-7.70 (5H, m); ms m/z 372 (M<sup>+</sup>).
- IIIb : mp 198-201°C (benzene); ir (KBr): 3500, 3400, 2250, 1785, 1720 cm<sup>-1</sup>;  
<sup>1</sup>H-nmr (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): δ 3.40-3.73 (2H, m), 4.67 (1H, m), 5.17 (1H, m), 6.23 (2H, br s), 6.53-6.90 (2H, m), 6.96-7.77 (10H, m); ms m/z 434 (M<sup>+</sup>).
- IIIc : mp 206-208°C (benzene); ir (Nujol): 3480, 3400, 2230, 1785, 1715, 1685 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-nmr (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): δ 3.45 (1H, dd, J=3, 8 Hz), 3.67 (1H, dd, J=4, 8 Hz), 3.83 (3H, s), 4.67 (1H, m), 5.97 (2H, br s), 6.40 (1H, m), 6.70-7.02 (2H, m), 7.10-7.77 (5H, m); ms m/z 388 (M<sup>+</sup>).
- IIId : mp 174-176°C (EtOAc); ir (Nujol): 3500, 3400, 2230, 1775, 1700, 1680 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H-nmr (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): δ 1.33 (3H, t, J=7 Hz), 3.45 (1H, dd, J=3, 8 Hz), 3.65 (1H, dd, J=4, 8 Hz), 4.30 (2H, q, J=7 Hz), 4.65 (1H, m), 5.83 (2H, br s), 6.38 (1H, m), 6.65-7.00 (2H, m), 7.07-7.67 (5H, m); ms m/z 402 (M<sup>+</sup>).

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