

6,8-Dichloro-4-epoxyethyl-2,3-trimethylequinoline (7).—A soln of 1 g (0.026 mole) of NaBH_4 in 10 ml of H_2O and 7 ml of 2 *N* NaOH , was added dropwise over 10 min to a stirred suspension of 4.65 g (0.013 mole) of nearly pure **6** (above) in 50 ml of MeOH . Stirring for an addl 1.5 hr, cooling for 15 min, filtering, and washing with MeOH gave 3.42 g (94.5%) of **7** (mp 134–139°; recrystd from Et_2O -hexane, mp 144–145°; ir (cm^{-1}) 2960, 2980, 3100, none for $\text{C}=\text{O}$; nmr (CDCl_3), 8.02 (1 H, d), 7.71 (1 H, d), 4.26 (1 H, m), 3.10 (5 H, m), 2.17 (2 H, quintuplet). *Anal.* ($\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}$) C, H, N.

5,7-Dichloro-2,3-dihydro-1H-cyclopenta[b]quinoline-9-(α -di-*n*-butylaminomethyl)methanol·HCl (1).—A suspension of 3.6 g of **7** in 12 ml of Bu_2NH was stirred for 4.5 hr at 105–110°, monitoring disappearance of **7** (4 hr) by tlc (silica gel G, 1:1 Et_2O -hexane). After evapn *in vacuo* of Bu_2NH (60°) the oil (5.1 g), dissolved in 150 ml of Et_2O , was treated with increments of $\text{Et}_2\text{O} \cdot \text{HCl}$, each sufficient to give 0.2–0.4 g of **1** (each fraction being washed with Et_2O). Fractions 1–4 contd decreasing amts of $\text{Bu}_2\text{NH} \cdot \text{HCl}$; and 5–8 were largely **1** (2.65 g). Repeated recrystn from $\text{EtOH-Et}_2\text{O}$ gave 0.5 g, light tan, mp 160–162° dec; ir (cm^{-1}) 3440, 3220 (OH), 2960, 2940, 2880 (CH), 2670, 2620, 2530 (NH). *Anal.* ($\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{30}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_2\text{O} \cdot \text{HCl}$) C, H, N, Cl.

Incidental and Preliminary Experiments. Attempts to add 2-PyLi and MeLi to the 2,3-trimethylenecinchoninic acids were unsuccessful, presumably because of steric interference of the 3- CH_2 group and/or the activity of the 2- CH_2 hydrogens (*cf.* ref 12).

2,3-Trimethylenecinchoninic acid·HCl (11), pptd from Et_2O , mp 252–255° dec, was treated with PCl_5 (steam bath for 30 min, addn of C_6H_6 , and reflux for 2 hr), giving a ppt presumed to be the acid chloride·HCl (**12**) (sublimed, 8%, mp 245° dec).

2,3-Trimethylenecinchoninamide (13) was prepd from **12** by treatment with $\text{H}_2\text{O-NH}_3$; crystd from EtOH , mp 276–277°; ir (cm^{-1}) 3330 (s), 3140 (s) (NH_2), 1688 ($\text{C}=\text{O}$). *Anal.* ($\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_2\text{O}$) C, H.

4-Bromoacetyl-2,3-trimethylequinoline·HBr (14).— $\text{CH}_3\text{N}_2\text{-Et}_2\text{O}$ with 3 g of **12** (overnight) gave orange cubes of diazo ketone. Treatment with 10 ml of 48% $\text{HBr-H}_2\text{O}$ gave **14**; crystd from EtOH ; 2.1 g (70%); mp 208° dec; ir (cm^{-1}) 1730 ($\text{C}=\text{O}$), 2500 (NH). *Anal.* ($\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{13}\text{Br}_2\text{NO}$) N.

Derivatives of 2,3-trimethylene-4-quinolones were made by the action of the appropriate aniline on ethyl cyclopentanone-2-carboxylate, cyclizing at 250°, and crystn from EtOH :^{13,15} **15**, (a) 6,8- Cl_2 , 26%, mp 305–307° (b) cyclization by refluxing Ph_2O , recrystd, mp 314–315° (lit.¹⁵ 313°) [*Anal.* ($\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_9\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}$) C, H, N]; **16**, 6,8- Me_2 , 60%, mp 326–327° [*Anal.* ($\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}$) N]; **17**, 6-Me, 39%, mp 319–322° [*Anal.* ($\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}$) C, H]; **18**, 8-OMe, 26%, mp 212–213° [*Anal.* ($\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_2$) C, H, N]; **19**, 8-Cl, 21%, mp 269–270° [*Anal.* ($\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{ClNO}$) C, H, N]; **20**, 8-F, 15%, mp 292–293° [*Anal.* ($\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{FNO}$) C, H, N].

4-Bromo-2,3-trimethylequinolines were prepd by treating the quinolone¹³ with POBr_3 at 120°; crystd from EtOH : **21** (parent compd), 50%, mp 72–73° [*Anal.* ($\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{BrN}$) C, H, N]; **22**, 6,8- Me_2 , from **16**, 69%, mp 124–125° [*Anal.* ($\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{14}\text{BrN}$) C, H].

4,6,8-Trichloro-2,3-trimethylequinoline (23) was prepd by refluxing POCl_3 on **15**, crystd from EtOH , 80%, mp 160–162°. *Anal.* ($\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_5\text{Cl}_3\text{N}$) C, H, N.

Attempted preparation of 4-lithio-2,3-trimethylequinolines from **21** and **22** by BuLi and addns to 2-pyridaldehyde were unsuccessful, presumably because of the activities of the 2- CH_2 groups.¹²

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N,N' - α,ω -Alkylenebis(nitroacetamides)

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Some bis(nitroacetamides) with the general structure **1** were required for screening as antispermatic agents.

The amides were readily prepared by heating the appropriate amine with the desired nitro ester without solvent and recrystallizing the resulting solid from a suitable solvent.

The compds prepared are listed in Table I. While

TABLE I

$\begin{array}{c} \text{R} \\ \\ \text{O}_2\text{NCCONH}(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{NHCOCONO}_2 \\ \\ \text{R} \end{array}$		$\begin{array}{c} \text{R} \\ \\ \text{O}_2\text{NCCONH}(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{NHCOCONO}_2 \\ \\ \text{R} \end{array}$		1		
R	n	Yield, %	Mp, °C	Rxt solv	Formula ^a	
1 H	6	34.1	143–144	CH ₃ CN	C ₁₀ H ₁₈ N ₄ O ₆	
2 H	8	50.3	147–148	95% EtOH	C ₁₂ H ₂₂ N ₄ O ₆	
3 CH ₃	2	12.8	183–185	CH ₃ CN	C ₁₀ H ₁₈ N ₄ O ₆	
4 CH ₃	3	21.7	105–108	C ₆ H ₆ - <i>n</i> -C ₆ H ₁₄	C ₁₁ H ₂₀ N ₄ O ₆	
5 CH ₃	4	14.7	207–208	CH ₃ CN	C ₁₂ H ₂₂ N ₄ O ₆	
6 CH ₃	6	30.6	168–170	CH ₃ CN	C ₁₄ H ₂₆ N ₄ O ₆	
7 CH ₃	8	23.0	138–141	CH ₃ CN	C ₁₆ H ₃₀ N ₄ O ₆	

^a All compds were anal. for C, H, N.

no antispermatic activity was found in this series anthelmintic activity was discovered. For example, **1** ($\text{R} = \text{H}$; $n = 6$) when administered orally to Swiss mice naturally infected with *Aspicularis tetraoptera* (pinworm) cleared 100% of the mice (5/5 per dose level) at 100 mg/kg per day for 4 days and **1** ($\text{R} = \text{H}$; $n = 8$) cleared 100% of the mice (5/5 per dose level) at 200 mg/kg per day for 4 days; also, **1** ($\text{R} = \text{CH}_3$; $n = 8$) cleared 80% of the mice (4/5 per dose level) infected with the tapeworm *Hymenolepis nana* at 400 mg/kg per day for 4 days.

Experimental Section¹

N,N' -Hexamethylenebis(nitroacetamide).—Ethyl nitroacetate (11.2 g, 0.0855 mole) was added to hexamethylenediamine (9.94 g, 0.855 mole). The mixt became hot and liquefied, after which a white solid pptd. The mixt was heated for 3 hr on a steam bath. It slowly turned to a thick orange liquid. The mixt was acidified with alcoholic HCl and poured into H_2O . The white solid was collected and recrystd from MeCN , mp 147–148° dec.

The other compds were prepd similarly except that in the case of the compds with no free H α to NO_2 , 1 equiv of diamine was treated with 2 equiv of nitro ester and the alcoholic HCl treatment was unnecessary.

(1) Melting points were measured in open capillary tubes in a bath and are corrected.

Tricyclic Heterocycles Derived From 4-Oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydrothianaphthenes¹

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Recently we described the synthesis of a variety of tricyclic heterocycles from 4-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydroin-

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