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To my brother Rick
—G.M.C.

To Didi, Oliver, and Rene
—F.G.K.

*To my wife, Maro
my daughter, Kristiana
my son, Stefan*
—H.F.S.

The Chemistry of Heterocyclic Compounds

Introduction to the Series

The chemistry of heterocyclic compounds constitutes one of the broadest and most complex branches of chemistry. The diversity of synthetic methods utilized in this field, coupled with the immense physiological and industrial significance of heterocycles, combine to make the general heterocyclic arena of central importance to organic chemistry.

The Chemistry of Heterocyclic Compounds, published since 1950 under the initial editorship of Arnold Weissberger, and later, until Dr. Weissberger's death in 1984, under our joint editorship, has attempted to make the extraordinarily complex and diverse field of heterocyclic chemistry as organized and readily accessible as possible. Each volume has dealt with syntheses, reactions, properties, structure, physical chemistry and utility of compounds belonging to a specific ring system or class (e.g., pyridines, thiophenes, pyrimidines, three-membered ring systems). This series has become the basic reference collection for information on heterocyclic compounds.

Many broader aspects of heterocyclic chemistry are recognized as disciplines of general significance which impinge on almost all aspects of modern organic and medicinal chemistry, and for this reason we initiated several years ago a parallel series entitled *General Heterocyclic Chemistry*, which treated such topics as nuclear magnetic resonance, mass spectra, and photochemistry of heterocyclic compounds, the utility of heterocyclic compounds in organic synthesis, and the synthesis of heterocyclic compounds by means of 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition reactions. These volumes were intended to be of interest to all organic and medicinal chemists, as well as to those whose particular concern is heterocyclic chemistry.

It has become increasingly clear that this arbitrary distinction creates as many problems as it solves, and we have therefore elected to discontinue the more recently initiated series *General Heterocyclic Chemistry*, and to publish all forthcoming volumes in the general area of heterocyclic chemistry in *The Chemistry of Heterocyclic Compounds* series.

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Preface

A large number of alkaloids and other natural products carry the isoquinoline skeleton. These natural products provide the basis for many intensive efforts towards the development of new and useful therapeutic agents. As indicated in the preface of *Isoquinolines: Part One* the purpose of the books on isoquinolines is dual: an introduction for the beginner interested in the general chemistry of isoquinolines and a source of detailed data for the frequent user.

Since the publication of Part One of the isoquinoline series in 1981, unfortunate factors delayed publication of the intended Parts Two, Three, and Four, which were originally targeted for the early 1980s. Because of the delay, the chapters in Part Two differ from the projected ones indicated in the contents of *Isoquinolines: Part One*.

We made a commitment in 1987 to see that the subsequent *Isoquinolines* volumes were published as soon as possible. This volume is the result of the work of authors who have been prompt in responding to our call to update their chapters.

The present volume gives details of the chemistry of the following isoquinoline derivatives: Halogenated and metallated isoquinolines and their hydrogenated derivatives; isoquinoline carboxylic acids and their hydrogenated derivatives; isoquinolines containing basic functions at the ring and their hydrogenated derivatives; and isoquinolines containing oxidized nitrogen functions and their hydrogenated derivatives. We wish to acknowledge our gratitude and appreciation for the efforts of the authors who contributed to this volume, thus making possible the expeditious publication of this book.

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I. INTRODUCTION

This chapter reviews the preparation, properties, and reactions of halogenated isoquinolines and their hydrogenated derivatives. Also included are organometallic derivatives and complexes incorporating the isoquinoline nucleus.

Many of the possible mono and poly ring-halogenated isoquinolines have been reported and even those that have not yet been prepared may be synthesized by one or more of the general synthetic routes outlined here. Interest in these classes of compounds has centered around their potential utility as starting materials for biologically active preparations or as synthons for the synthesis of polycyclic natural products containing the isoquinoline nucleus.

Side-chain halogenated isoquinolines are versatile intermediates for the synthesis of potential biologically active molecules because of the relatively higher reactivity of side-chain halogens. However, they have not been included because they do not fall strictly under the defined scope of this chapter. Quaternary derivatives are not included; however, references to *N*-oxides have been made since they constitute important starting materials for certain halogenated isoquinolines.

Much of the early literature on halogenated isoquinolines sadly lacks experimental details; the tables of halogenated derivatives, are therefore, incomplete in certain respects.

Reports on organometallic derivatives of isoquinolines appearing in the literature mostly refer to complexes of ill-defined structure and properties. Nevertheless, they are presented in the tables along with the available details on their preparation and properties.

II. RING-HALOGENATED ISOQUINOLINES

A. Methods of Synthesis

(a) General

The success of the reaction and the nature of the isomers obtained in the various procedures for the synthesis of halogenated isoquinolines depend on the conditions used, the nature of substituents in the ring, and the nature of the halogens. Most of the work reported in the literature pertains to the synthesis of chloro- and bromoisooquinolines and their derivatives. Relatively few fluoro- and iodoisoquinolines have been prepared and their properties studied.

Benzene-ring-substituted haloisoquinolines are prepared essentially by direct halogenations or by the Sandmeyer reaction on the corresponding amino derivatives, while pyridine-ring-substituted haloisoquinolines have been prepared by any one of the halogenation procedures. Benzene-ring-substituted haloisoquinolines may also be prepared by starting with the appropriate halophenyl derivatives and building up the isoquinoline ring system by any of the well-known isoquinoline syntheses according to Bischler-Napieralski, Pictet-Spengler, Pictet-Gams, or Pomeranz-Fritsch reactions.¹ However, since the first three of these ring closures require activated benzene rings for cyclization to take place, such methods have not generally been preferred. In addition, since most of these synthetic methods yield hydrogenated isoquinoline derivatives, a final dehydrogenation step is also needed.

(b) Halogenation of the Isoquinoline and its Salts

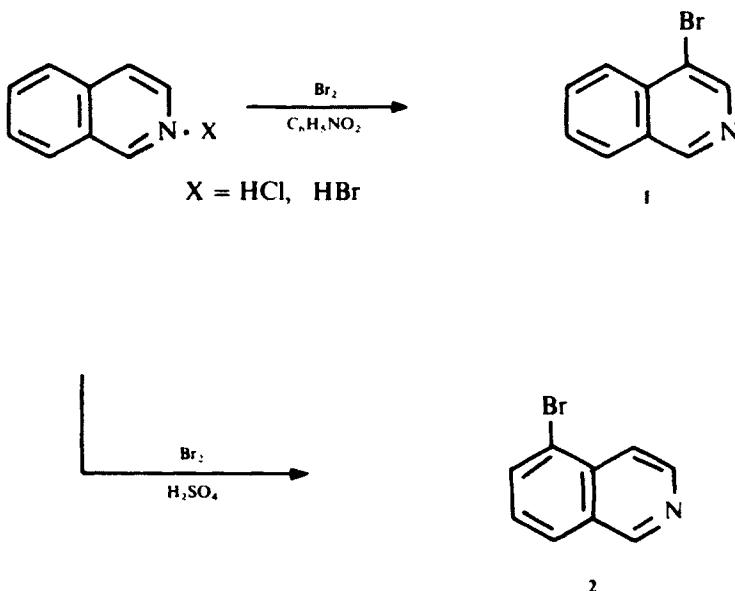
(i) Direct Halogenation

From π -electron density calculations, electrophilic substitution is predicted to take place at the 4 position of the isoquinoline nucleus.² However, direct halogenation of isoquinoline itself, in the absence of catalysts, does not proceed to any appreciable extent. Jansen and Wibaut³ found that bromination at 300 °C in the gaseous phase produced no bromoisooquinoline; at 450 °C a small amount of 1-bromoisoquinoline was obtained along with some unidentified products. A recent French patent⁴ describes the bromination of isoquinoline in nitrobenzene to yield the expected 4-bromoisoquinoline.

Edinger and Bossung⁵ found that heating of isoquinoline dibromide or its hydrobromide or hydrochloride salt at 180–200 °C produced 4-bromoisoquinoline (**1**), besides higher brominated products.^{6,7} It has been reported that a tribromoisoquinoline was obtained on warming an alcoholic solution of isoquinoline perbromide;³ details are not available.

Bromination of the hydrobromide salt of isoquinoline at 180 °C gave a 73% yield of 4-bromoisoquinoline (**1**). More recently, Kress and Constantino⁸ carried

out the reaction of isoquinoline hydrochloride in nitrobenzene with bromine at 180 °C and obtained an 81% yield of 4-bromoisoquinoline (Scheme 1).



Scheme 1

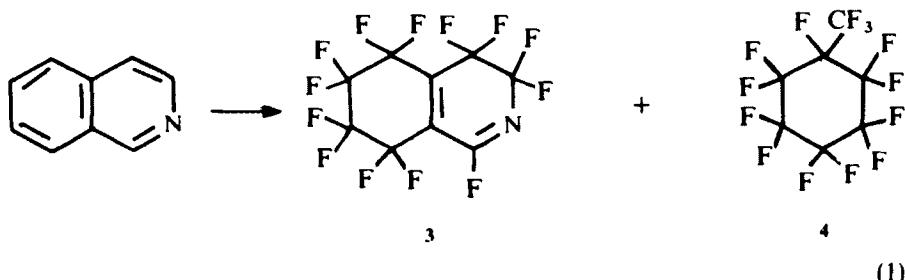
Direct bromination of isoquinoline has also been reported^{9,10} in sulfur monochloride at reflux temperatures, again to yield 4-bromoisoquinolines. In all of these reactions, no attempt has been made to determine the extent of by-product formation consisting of isomeric bromo compounds or polybromo derivatives. At least in some of these cases, it does seem possible that 5-bromo derivatives are also formed.

Dewar and Maitlis¹¹ reported in 1957 that nitration in a strongly acid medium produced the 5-nitro derivative as the major product, indicating that the preferred electrophilic attack is at the 5 position under strongly acid conditions. Bromination in strong acid is reported to give 5-bromoisoquinoline (2).¹⁰

Iodination of isoquinoline in sulfuric acid is reported to yield both diiodo- and triiodoisooquinolines of undetermined orientation.¹² Iodination of 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline in sulfuric acid containing silver sulfate gave a mixture of 6-, 7-, and 8-iodo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines.¹³ However, iodination of isoquinoline with iodine in hydriodic acid yielded 4-iodoisooquinoline.¹⁴

Direct chlorination of isoquinoline in the vapor phase or through its hydrochloride salt to yield chloro derivatives has not been reported. Chlorination of isoquinoline with sulfur monochloride or sulfur dichloride is said to result in a trichloroisooquinoline as major product.^{15,16} However, neither the orientation of the halogen atoms in this product nor the yield is reported.

When isoquinoline was passed over cesium tetrafluorocobaltate, a complex mixture of products was obtained, from which the perfluoroisoquinoline (**3**) and (**4**) were isolated¹⁷ (Eq. 1).

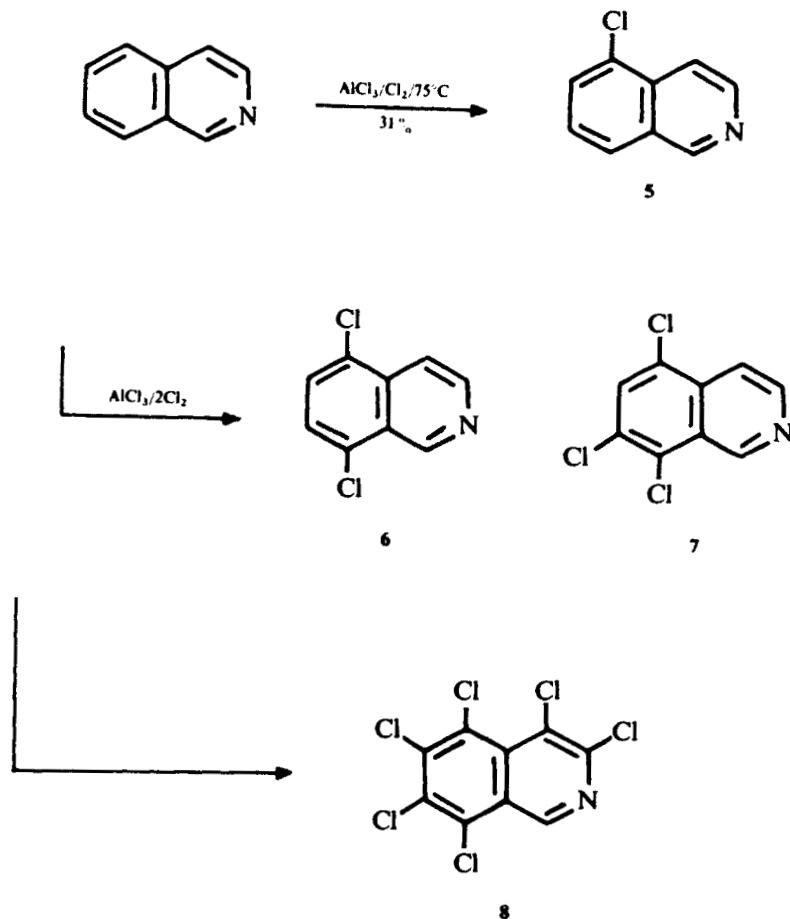


N-Methyl decahydroisoquinoline was fluorinated electrochemically to give, among other products, a mixture of *cis*- and *trans*-perfluoro derivatives.¹⁸

(ii) Swamping Catalyst Method

Chlorination and bromination of isoquinoline in the presence of aluminium chloride as a catalyst have been used extensively for the synthesis of chloro- and bromoisooquinolines. Halogenation of the aluminium chloride complexes of isoquinoline gave in good yields halogen derivatives substituted in the benzene ring.¹⁹ The nature of the products and the sequence of the substitution reactions depend on the amount of halogen used, temperature, and time of reaction. Thus, chlorination at 75 °C yielded 31% of the 5-chloro isomer (**5**): with 2 eq. chlorine, 5,8-dichloro-(**6**) and further 5,7,8-trichloro derivatives (**7**) were obtained (Scheme 2). A modification of this method using a melt of isoquinoline and aluminium chloride at 105–110 °C has been employed to prepare 5,6,7,8-tetrachloroisooquinoline in low (2%) yield.²⁰ Similar reactions occurred with bromine; 5-bromo-, 5,8-dibromo-, 5,7,8-tribromo- and even 5,6,7,8-tetrabromoisoquinolines have been isolated. A patent²¹ claimed the preparation of hexachloroisooquinoline (**8**) in 87% yield using this swamping catalyst method. Several interesting points emerge from this process. First, there is the possibility for preparing mono, di, and trihalo derivatives in a selective manner by a relay synthesis. To obtain, for example, a 5,6,8-trihalogeno derivative, it is advantageous to halogenate the 5,8-dihalo derivative, rather than direct halogenation with an excess of reagent. The orientation of the third-entering halogen in dihaloisooquinolines has led to the proposal of a canonical form, such as (**9**), as an important contributor in this reaction. The orientation of the products is consistent with the molecular orbital calculations of Dewar and Maitlis¹¹ for the protonated forms of isoquinoline.

Similarly, it was observed that 5,8-dibromoquinoline is converted to 5,7,8-tribromoquinoline in keeping with the canonical form (**10**) for the quinoline complex.

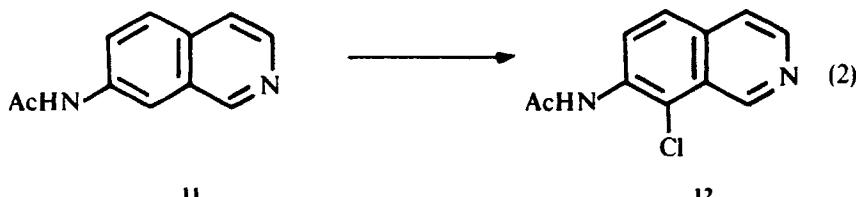


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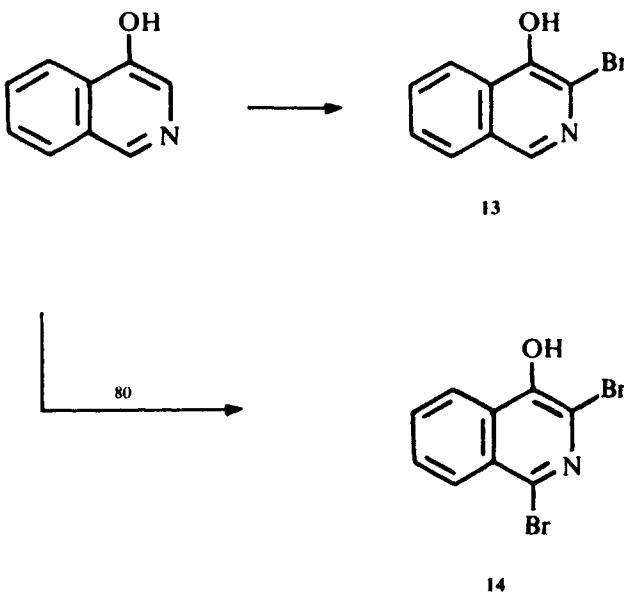


(iii) Halogenation of Activated Nucleus

Direct halogenation of isoquinolines carrying strong activating groups proceeds in moderate yields.^{9,22} Thus, 7-acetamidoisoquinoline (**11**) upon chlorination gives the 7-acetamido-8-chloroisoquinoline (**12**) (Eq. 2). It is significant that such groups are capable of directing the entering substituent to the 8 position in preference to the normal 5 position.

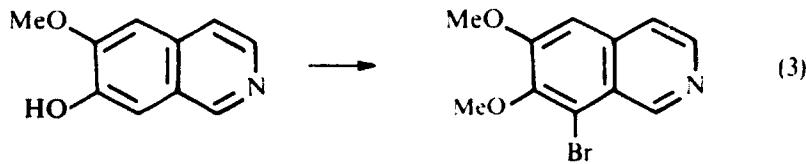


4-Hydroxyisoquinoline, upon bromination in the presence of alkali at room temperature furnished²³ the 3-bromo compound (**13**) in 76% yield, whereas heating to 80 °C produced 1,3-dibromo-4-hydroxyisoquinoline (**14**) in 40% yield (Scheme 3).

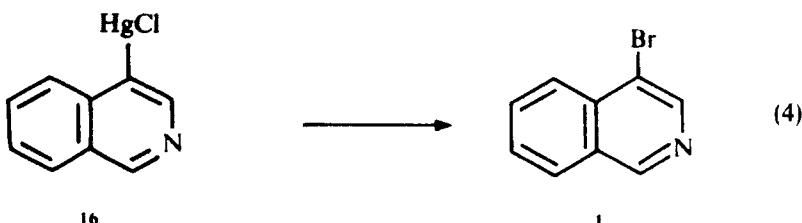


Scheme 3

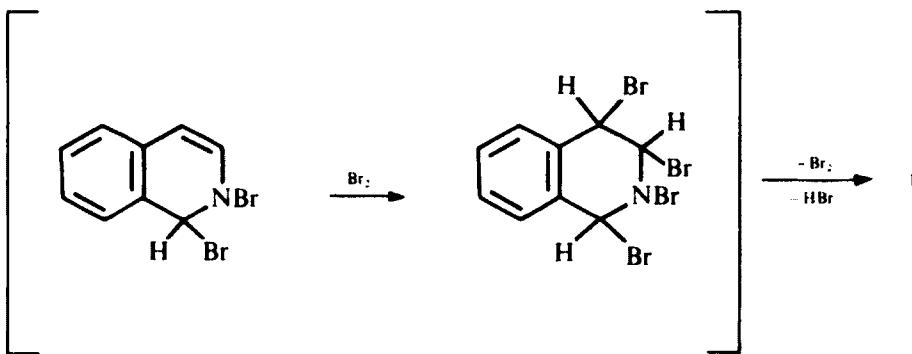
Bromination of alkoxy-substituted isoquinolines yielded the corresponding 8-bromo compounds.^{24–27} Thus, 7-hydroxy-6-methoxyisoquinoline, on bromination with bromine in acetic acid containing sodium acetate, followed by methylation, gave **15** in 71% yield²⁶ (Eq. 3).



Bromination of the mercurated derivative of isoquinoline (**16**) led to 4-bromoisoquinoline (**1**) (Eq. 4).



Addition, followed by elimination, has been suggested as a plausible mechanism of this reaction^{9,10,28} (Scheme 4).

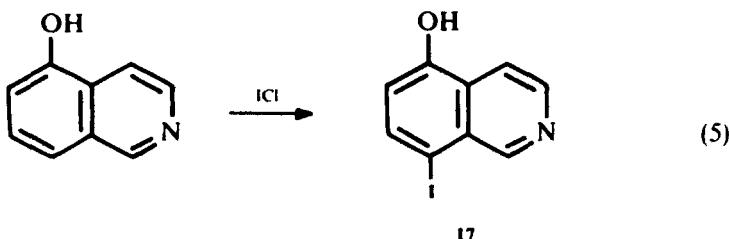


Scheme 4

With phosphorus pentabromide, isoquinoline-5-sulfonic acid yielded a mixture of mono- and dibromoisoquinolines of undetermined structure.²⁹

Iodination gave even better results; at 20°C, iodine–potassium iodide converted 4-hydroxyisoquinoline to 4-hydroxy-3-iodoisoquinoline in 83% yield, while at 70°C, 1,3-diiodo-4-hydroxyisoquinoline was obtained.²³

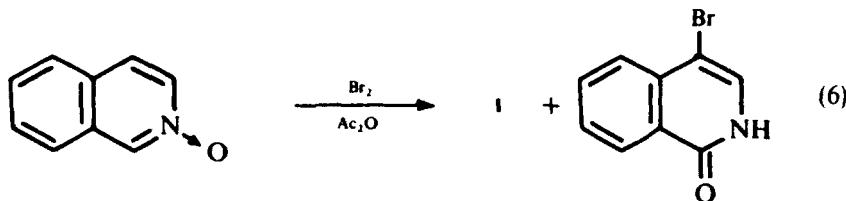
Iodination of 5-hydroxyisoquinoline takes place in the more activated benzene ring. Using iodine monochloride as reagent, 5-hydroxyisoquinoline was converted at 5°C to 5-hydroxy-8-iodoisoquinoline (**17**)³⁰ (Eq. 5).



(c) *From N-Oxides*

(i) Halogenation of *N*-Oxides

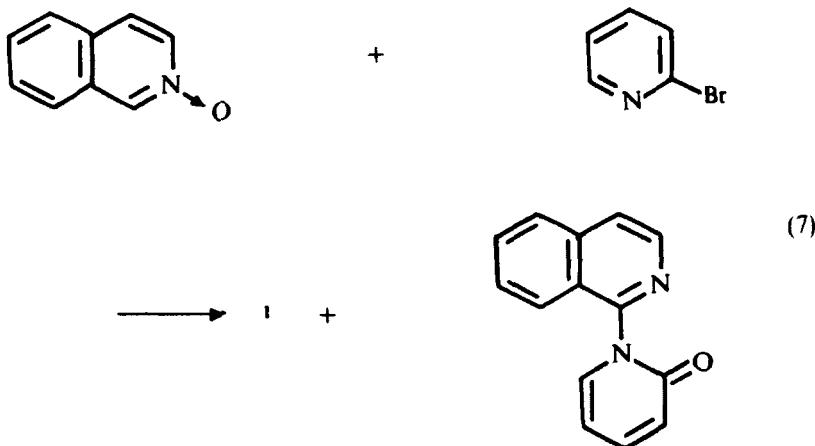
Even though the electrophilicity in the isoquinoline nucleus is maximum at the 5 and 8 positions when halogenations are carried out in strongly acid medium, instances of a halogen atom entering the 4 position of the nucleus when a partial positive charge resides on the nitrogen atom are also known. Thus, isoquinoline *N*-oxide facilitates bromination and directs the entering bromine to the 4 position.³¹ These reactions, however, produce the corresponding brominated isocarboxylic acids as well, presumably by a rearrangement of the *N*-oxide under the reaction conditions. In certain cases, deoxygenation also results, for example, bromination of isoquinoline *N*-oxide in the presence of acetic anhydride gave a mixture of 4-bromoisoquinoline and 4-bromoisoquinoline (I)³¹ (Eq. 6).



Isoquinoline *N*-oxide also reacts with cyanogen bromide in ethanol to give 4-bromoisoquinoline in low yield (4.9%).³²

It is interesting to note that heterocyclic halides do react with isoquinoline *N*-oxide to yield 4-haloisoquinolines. For example, 2-bromopyridine (Eq. 7), 1-bromoisoquinoline,³³ 1-chloroisoquinoline,³³ and 2-bromopyrimidine³⁴ react with isoquinoline *N*-oxides to yield 4-bromo- and 4-chloroisoquinolines as minor products.

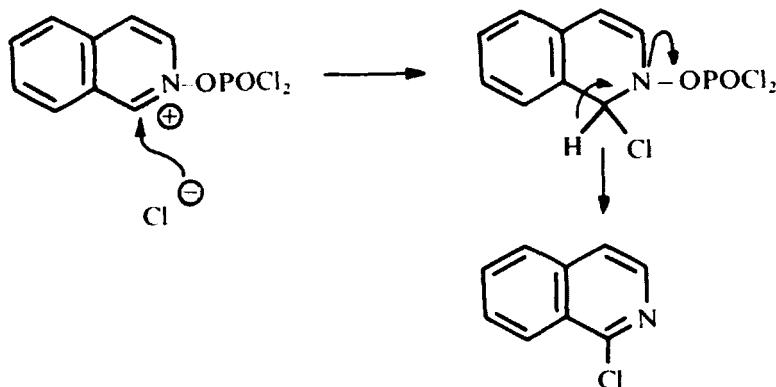
The mechanism of these halogenation reactions has been discussed.³³ In a related reaction, *p*-toluenesulphonyl chloride reacts with isoquinoline *N*-oxide to yield 4-chloroisoquinoline in small amounts, besides 4-*p*-toluenesulfonamido isoquinoline and isocarboxylic acid.³³



(ii) Rearrangements of *N*-Oxides

Rearrangements of isoquinoline *N*-oxides under Meisenheimer reaction conditions lead to 1-haloisoquinolines. The formation of the 1-chloro rather than the 3-chloro derivative is attributable to the greater electrophilicity of the 1 position. Of the chlorine-containing reagents, such as phosphorus oxychloride, phosphorus pentachloride, or sulfonyl chloride that form Meisenheimer complexes with isoquinoline *N*-oxide, phosphorus oxychloride is the most frequently used. Isoquinoline-*N*-oxide itself is converted to 1-chloroisoquinoline in 56% yield.³⁵ *p*-Toluenesulfonyl chloride also reacts in a similar fashion, but, as mentioned earlier, leads to a variety of other products. The mechanism of this reaction is illustrated in Scheme 5.

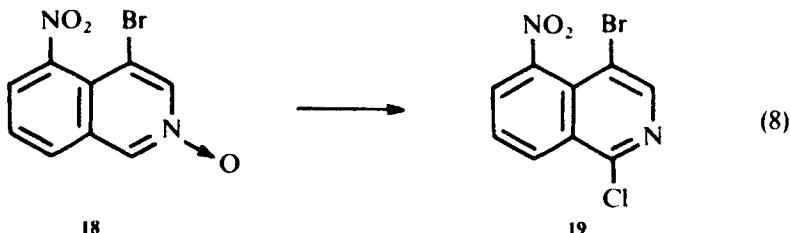
The reaction is also suited to the synthesis of 1-haloisoquinoline, especially 1-chloroisoquinolines³⁵ carrying other substituents in the nucleus. 7-Chloroiso-



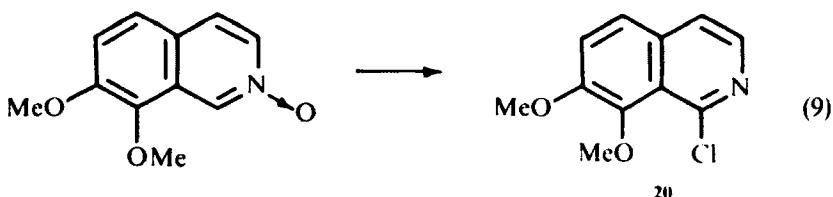
Scheme 5

quinoline *N*-oxide yields 1,7-dichloroisoquinoline, while 6- or 7-methoxyisoquinoline *N*-oxides are converted to their respective 1-chloro derivatives in excellent yields (see also ref. 100). 4-Bromoisoquinoline can be transformed through its *N*-oxide into 1-chloro-4-bromoisoquinolines under the mild conditions of this reaction.³⁶

Even the presence of a nitro group in the nucleus does not deter the facile rearrangement of isoquinoline *N*-oxide. Thus, 4-bromo-5-nitroisoquinoline *N*-oxide (**18**) yields the 1-chloro derivative (**19**)³⁷ (Eq. 8).

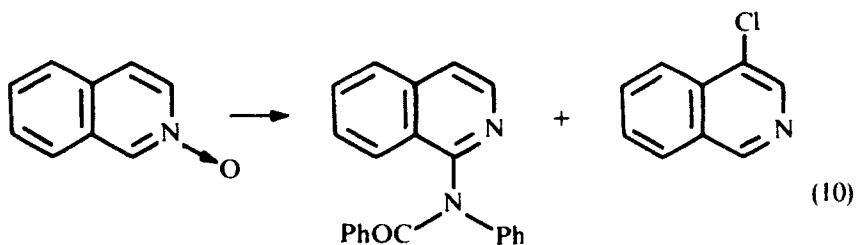


7,8-Dimethoxyisoquinoline *N*-oxide is readily converted into 1-chloro-7,8-dimethoxyisoquinoline (**20**)³⁸ (Eq. 9).



4-Azidoisoquinoline *N*-oxide on treatment with phosphorus oxychloride yields the azido-1-chloroisoquinoline in 62% yield.³⁹

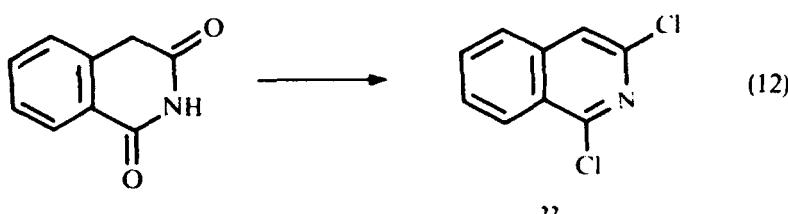
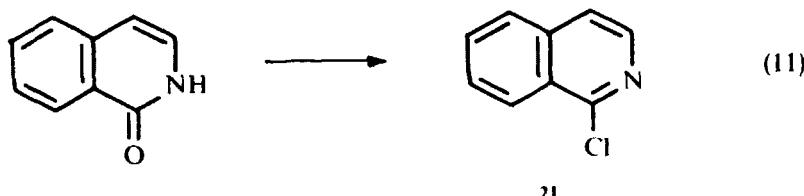
4-Chloroisoquinoline was obtained in 23% yield during direct acylation of isoquinoline *N*-oxide using *N*-phenyl benzimidoyl chloride⁴⁰ (Eq. 10).



(d) Conversion of Hydroxyisoquinolines

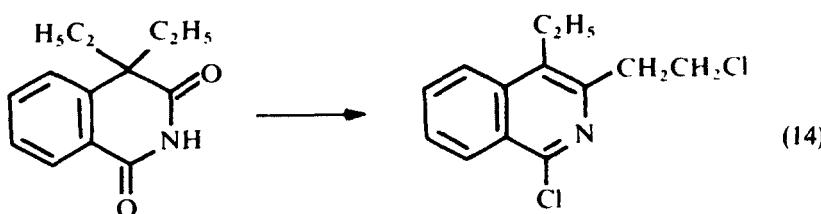
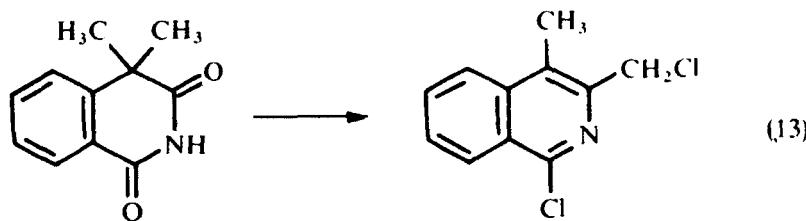
A facile method for the preparation of 1-chloro- and 1,3-dichloroisoquinolines and the corresponding bromo analogs involves the treatment of the hydroxy derivatives with reagents like phosphorus oxychloride or bromide. Thus,

isocarbostyryl⁴¹ and homophthalimide⁴² are readily converted to 1-chloroisooquinoline (**21**) and 1,3-dichloroisooquinoline (**22**), respectively, by reaction with phosphorus oxychloride (Eqs. 11 and 12).

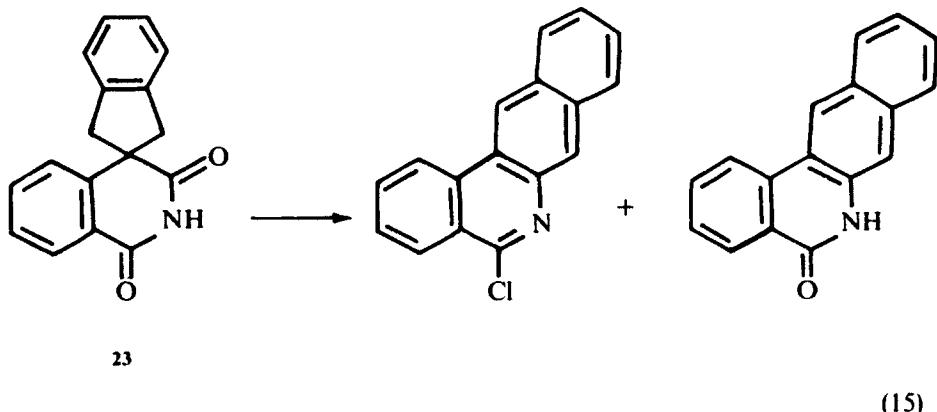


More recent work⁴³ has established that the reaction of anhydrous phosphorus oxychloride with homophthalimide results in the formation of 3-chloroisocarbostyryl, which in turn can be converted to 1,3-dichloroisooquinoline. On the other hand, the presence of moisture or a trace of concentrated hydrochloric acid effects the direct conversion of homophthalimide to 1,3-dichloroisooquinoline. Thus, by selecting the reaction conditions, it is possible to prepare 3-chloroisocarbostyryl or 1,3-dichloroisooquinoline.

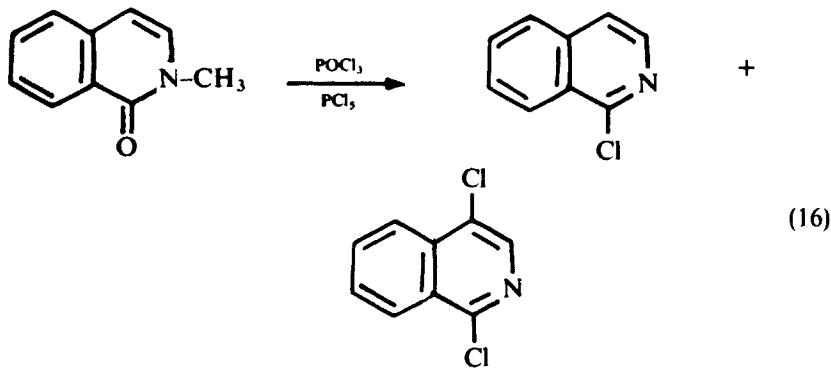
The rearrangement of α,α -dialkyl homophthalimides with phosphorus oxychloride has been studied in detail⁴⁴⁻⁴⁸ (Eqs. 13 and 14).



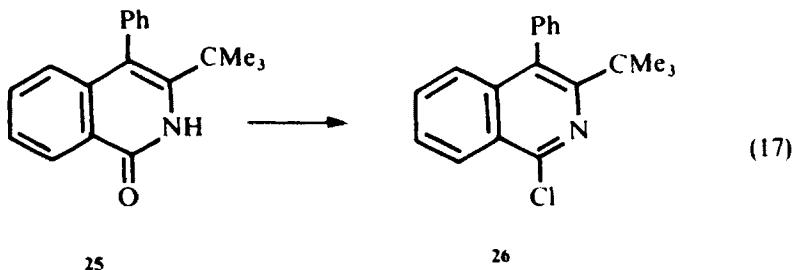
Starting with a 4-spirohomophthalimide (**23**), it was possible to effect a skeletal rearrangement to generate a benzophenanthridine system⁴⁹ (Eq. 15).



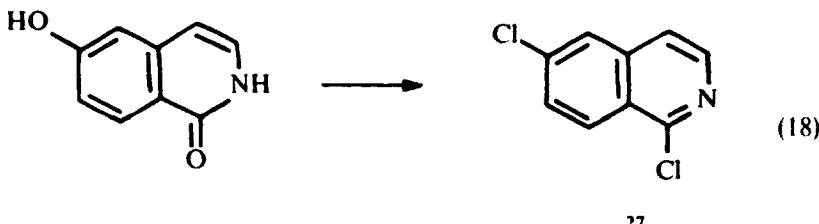
A series of substituted 1-chloroisouquinolines were prepared from isocarbostyryls using phosphorus oxychloride.⁵⁰ A mixture of phosphorus oxychloride and phosphorus pentachloride has been employed for the conversion of *N*-methyl isocarbostyryl to 1-chloroisouquinoline. The driving force for the demethylation must be the formation of a fully aromatic system. Also obtained in this reaction is 1,4-dichloroisouquinoline (**24**) (Eq. 16). These experiments were carried out in connection with synthetic experiments related to indole alkaloids (see Section III. E, ref. 196).



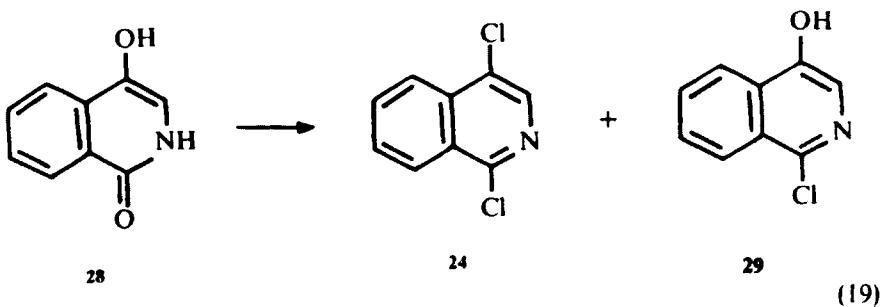
In the preparation of 3-substituted 4-arylisouquinolines, which are useful as antidiabetics, the intermediate **26** was prepared from the corresponding carbostyryl **25**⁵¹ (Eq. 17).



The conversion of 6-hydroxyisocarbostyryl to 1,6-dichloroisoquinoline (27)⁵² is an unexpected reaction, since phenolic hydroxyl groups normally do not undergo replacements with chlorine. The conditions for effecting this transformation, are, however, much more drastic than those used for isocarbostyryl (Eq. 18).

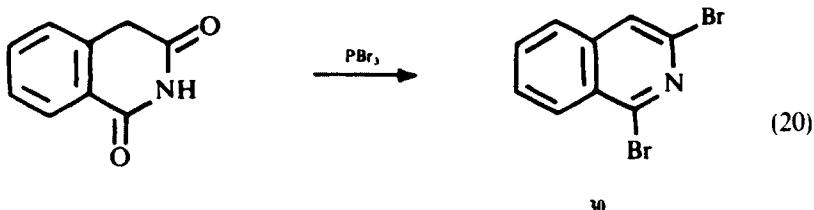


The reaction of 4-hydroxyisocarbostyryl (28) with phosphorus oxychloride proceeds very sluggishly to yield a mixture of 1,4-dichloro (24) and 1-chloro-4-hydroxyisoquinoline (29)⁴¹ (Eq. 19).



The need for the presence of a trace of moisture or free acid in phosphorus oxychloride^{43, 53} for the ready conversion of homophthalimides or isocarbostyryls to chloroisoquinolines is further emphasized in the case of the synthesis of 7-nitro-1,3-dichloroisoquinoline from 7-nitrohomophthalimide.⁵⁴ Failure to reproduce this reaction may be attributed to the use of the "anhydrous" reagent since the authors mention that in the case of the successful reaction an "aged" sample of reagent was employed.

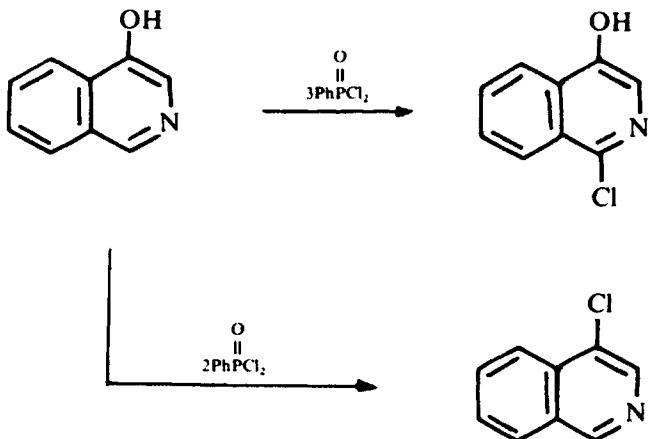
Phosphorus tribromide converts homophthalimide to 1,3-dibromoisoquinoline (**30**)⁵⁴ (Eq. 20).



Under forced conditions, 3-hydroxy-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline undergoes concomitant dehydrogenation to yield 3-bromoisoquinoline⁵⁵⁻⁵⁷ and a dibromoisoquinoline of undetermined orientation.⁵⁵ Both from the melting point and the logistics of this reaction, the compound seems to be the 1,3 isomer.

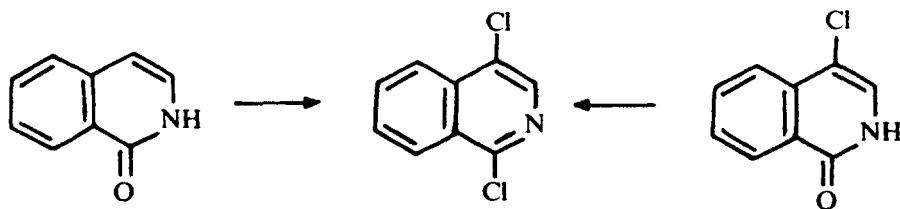
It has been suggested that phenylphosphonic dichloride is a better reagent for chlorodehydroxylation since its boiling point is higher. However, experience with this reagent does not justify this generalization. 4-Hydroxyisoquinoline gave a better yield of the 4-chloro compound with phosphorus oxychloride than with phenylphosphonic dichloride. The nature of the products obtained in the reaction with the latter reagent depended on the amount of reagent used. In the presence of 3 equivalents of reagent, selective chlorination of 4-hydroxyisoquinoline to 1-chloro-4-hydroxyisoquinoline resulted, whereas with 2 equivalents, the product is 4-chloroisoquinoline⁵⁸ (Scheme 6).

Isocarbostyryl was directly converted to 1,4-dichloroisoquinoline in 50% yield on reaction with phosphorus pentachloride,⁵⁹ identical with the product ob-



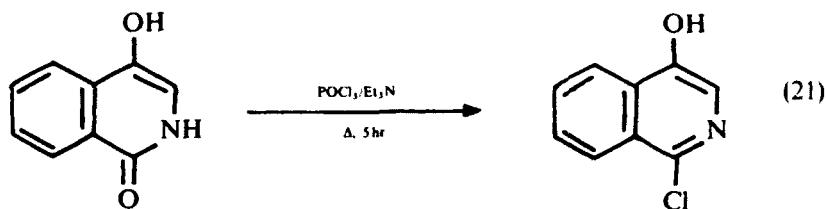
Scheme 6

tained from 4-chloroisocarbostyryl (Scheme 7). The tendency of phosphorus pentachloride to also function as a chlorinating agent in addition to its role as a chlorodehydroxylating agent has largely precluded its use as a useful reagent for the synthesis of 1-chloroisoquinolines from isocarbostyryls.

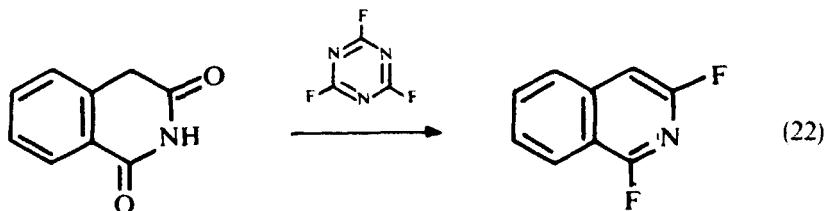


Scheme 7

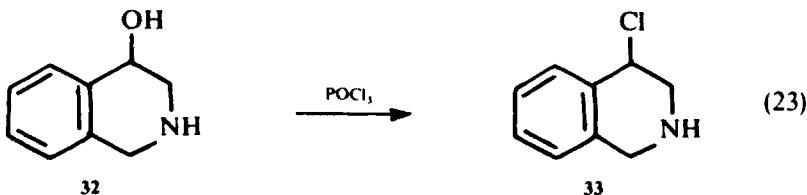
A French patent⁶⁰ describes the conversion of 4-hydroxyisocarbostyryl to 1-chloro-4-hydroxyisoquinoline with phosphorus oxychloride in the presence of triethylamine (Eq. 21). This compound was used as an intermediate for the synthesis of 1-(2-dialkylaminoethoxy)-4-alkoxyisoquinolines.



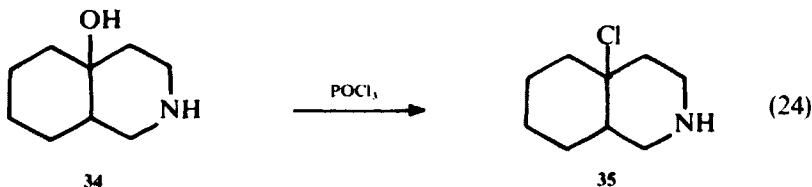
The conversion of homophthalimide to 1,3-difluoroisoquinoline (**31**) has been accomplished with the use of 2,4,6-trifluoro-1,3,5-triazine as the fluorodehydroxylating agent⁶¹ (Eq. 22).

**31**

4-Hydroxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (32) reacts with phosphorus oxychloride to provide the 4-chloro derivative (**33**)³⁶ (Eq. 23).



The synthesis of chloro dehydroisoquinoline (**35**) by the reaction of a hydroxy derivative (**34**) with phosphorus oxychloride has also been reported⁶² (Eq. 24).

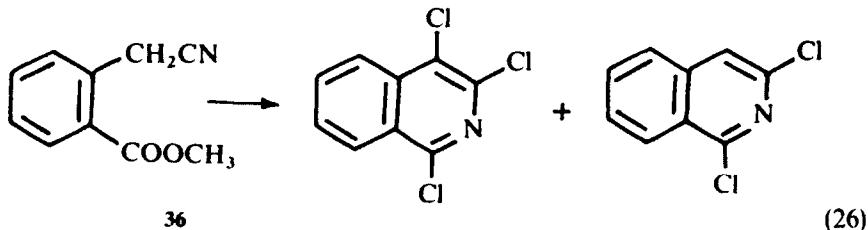
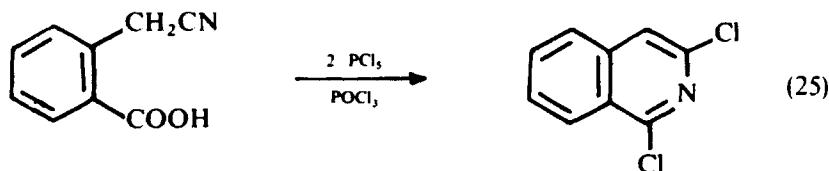


(e) Building up of the Pyridine Ring of Isoquinolines

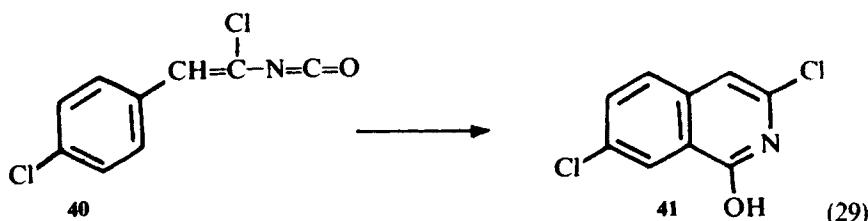
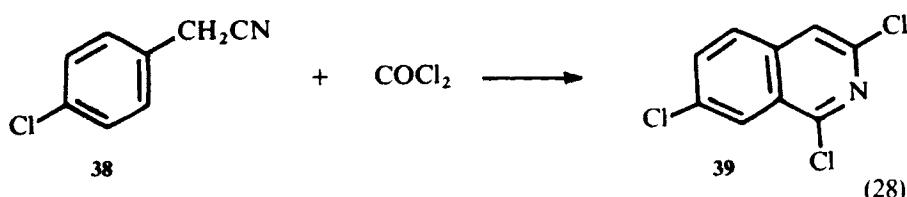
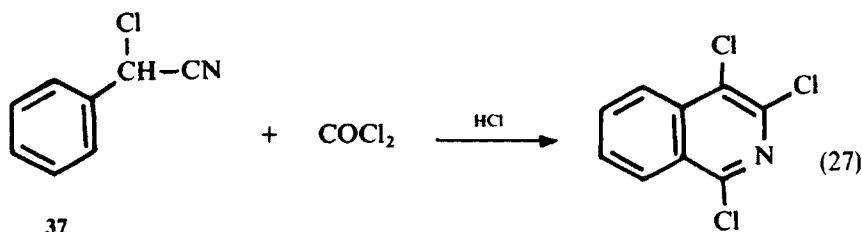
(i) Through Nitrilium Salts or Their Equivalents

The cyclization of dinitriles by anhydrous halogen acids, leading to 1-halo-3-aminoisoquinolines, was first reported by Johnson and Nasutavicus^{63,64} in 1962. The reaction was successful (yields 52–95%) with hydrogen bromide and iodide, but not with hydrogen chloride. The resulting amino compounds have been converted to 3-hydroxy derivatives on reaction with nitrous acid.⁶³

Similarly, *o*-cyanomethyl benzoic acid is converted into 1,3-dichloroisooquinoline in 94% yield⁶⁵ with 2 molar equivalents of phosphorus pentachloride in phosphorus oxychloride (Eq. 25). The methyl ester (**36**) also reacts with phosphorus pentachloride to give a mixture of 1,3-dichloro- and 1,3,4-trichloroisooquinolines⁶⁶ (Eq. 26) along with traces of 3-chloroisocarbostyryl.

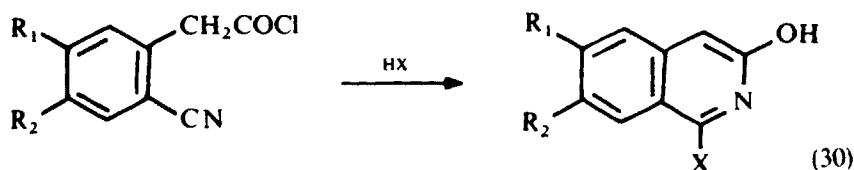


Yet another type of intramolecular cyclization leading to haloisoquinolines is the reaction of phosgene with nitriles. For example, *o*-chlorophenylacetonitrile (**37**) is converted into 1,3,4-trichloroisooquinoline, although in poor yield (Eq. 27), while *p*-chlorophenylacetonitrile (**38**) is converted to 1,3,7-trichloroisooquinoline (**39**)^{6,7} (Eq. 28). More successful is the thermal cyclization of styrylisocyanate **40** to yield 3,7-dichloroisocarbostyryl (**41**) which then is easily converted to 1,3,7-trichloroisooquinoline^{6,7} (Eq. 29).



Strongly electron-withdrawing groups reduce the electrophilic intramolecular cyclization of the isocyanate at the *ortho* position.^{6,7}

The case of an acid chloride intramolecularly cyclizing with a nitrile group is illustrated by the synthesis of a series of haloisoquinolines in the presence of anhydrous hydrogen halide^{6,8} (Eq. 30).

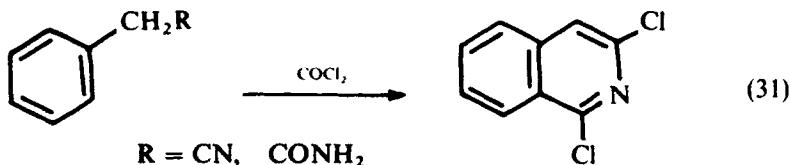


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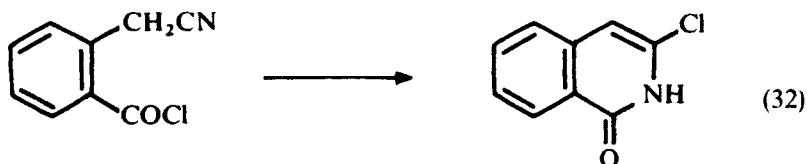
$R_1 = H, Cl, Br, OMe, Me$

$R_2 = H, OMe, Me$

Even benzylcyanide and phenylacetamide react with phosgene to give 1,3-dichloroisoquinoline⁶⁷ (Eq. 31).

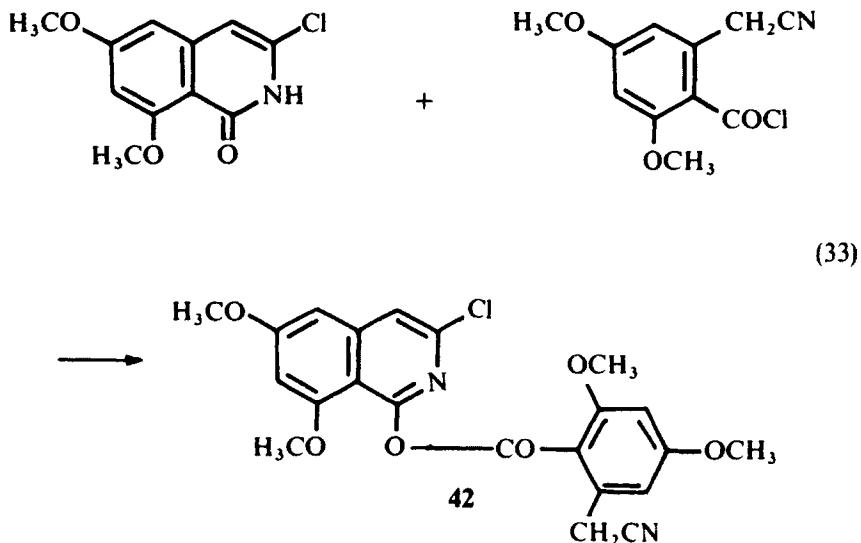


Saturating 2-cyanomethylbenzoyl chloride in dioxane with hydrogen chloride and heating for a few hours at 60–70 °C leads to 3-chloroisocarostyryl⁶⁹ (Eq. 32).

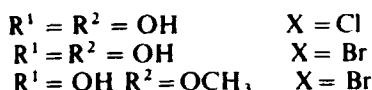
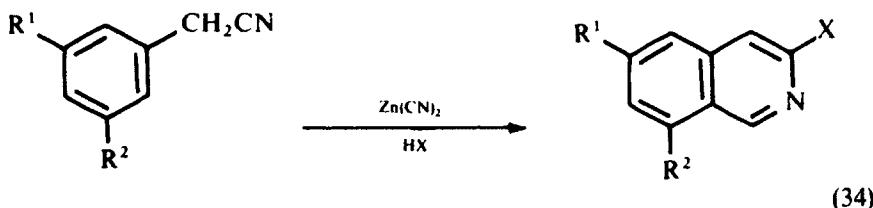


Extension of this reaction to the synthesis of other heterocyclic derivatives proved equally successful.^{70–72}

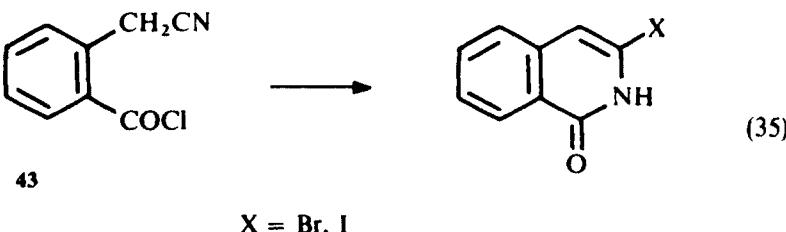
The ease of these cyclizations depends on the acid concentration. At low concentrations, acylation of the initially formed isocarostyryl also occurs. One such example is the formation of **42**^{69, 72} (Eq. 33).



Synthesis of a series of methoxy and hydroxy haloisoquinolines has been achieved by the Gattermann reaction on phenylacetonitriles⁷³ (Eq. 34).

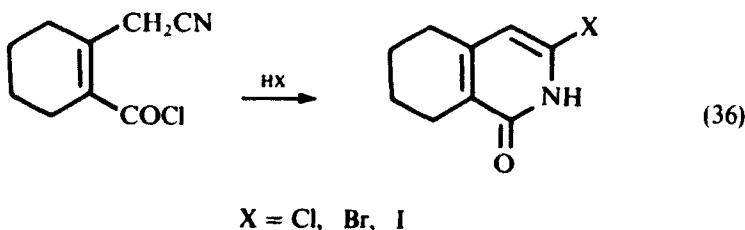


3-Bromo- and 3-iodoisocarbostyrls can also be obtained in quantitative yield from the reaction of 2-cyanomethyl benzoyl chloride (**43**) with hydrogen bromide and hydrogen iodide, respectively⁶⁹ (Eq. 35).

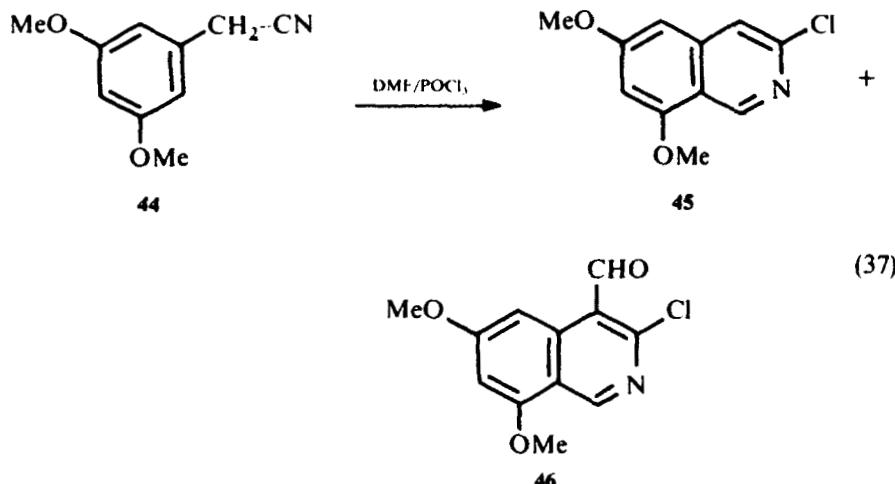


These intramolecular cyclizations leading to halogenated isoquinolines give good yields, irrespective of the nature and position of substituents on the benzene ring, and hence offer a distinct advantage over the other isoquinoline syntheses.

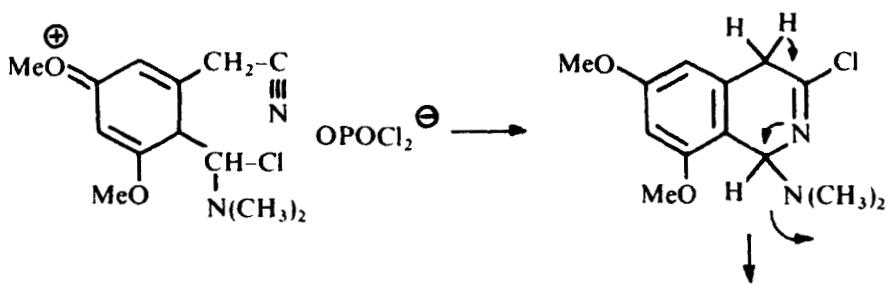
Nitrilium salts have also been used to prepare hydrogenated derivatives of halogenated isoquinolines. Thus, treatment of α -cyanomethylcycloalkene carboxylic acid chlorides with hydrogen halides result in moderate yields of hydrogenated isocarbostyryl derivatives⁷¹ (Eq. 36).



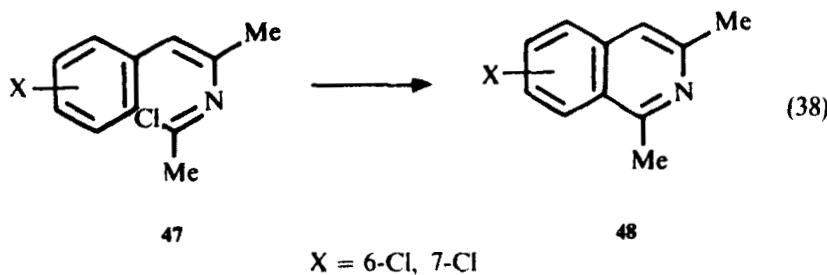
The conversion of 3,5-dimethoxyphenylacetonitrile (**44**) to 3-chloro-6,8-dimethoxyisoquinoline also takes place under Vilsmeier conditions.^{74, 75} During attempts to prepare formyl derivatives⁷⁶ of the acetonitriles, it was found that **44** gave, in up to 65% yield, compound **45** contaminated with small amounts of the 4-formyl derivative (**46**) (Eq. 37).



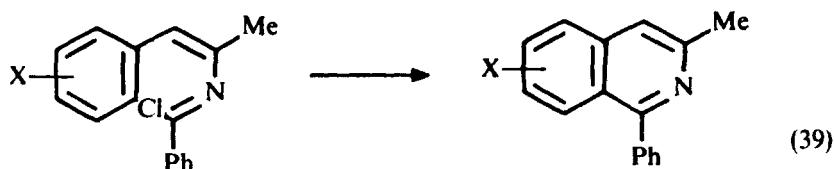
The mechanism of this reaction is believed to involve an initial intermediate attack of the Vilsmeier species, followed by cyclization and aromatization⁷⁶ (Scheme 8).



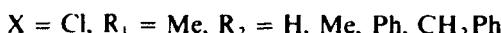
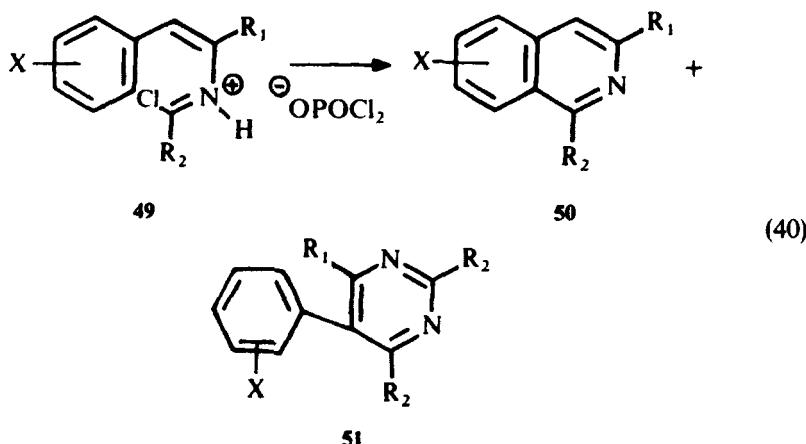
Halogenated 1,3-dimethylisoquinolines (**48**) were obtained⁷⁷ by *in situ* cyclization using phosphorus pentoxide of the imidoyl chlorides **47** formed by Beckmann rearrangement of the oximes derived from 4-aryl-3-methyl-3-buten-2-ones (Eq. 38).



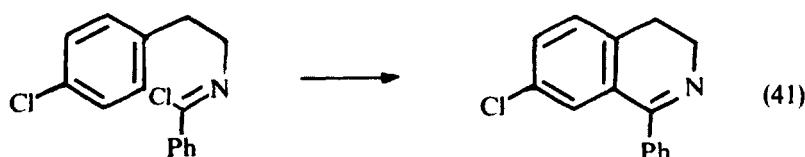
Halogenated 1-phenyl-3-methylisoquinolines were prepared similarly⁷⁸ (Eq. 39).



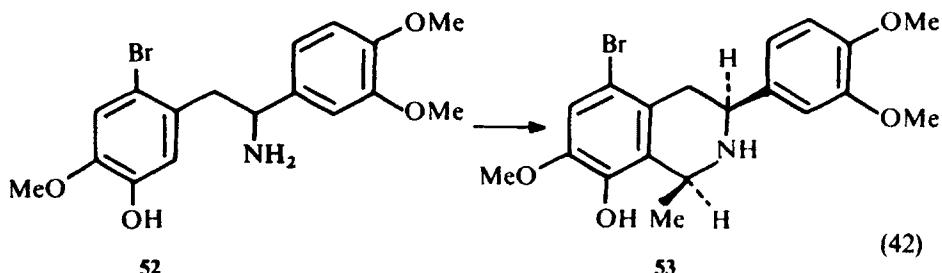
The reaction of halogenated benzyl ketones with nitriles and phosphorus oxychloride gave compounds of type **49**, which reacted to yield haloisoquinolines **50** and aryl pyrimidines **51**⁷⁹ (Eq. 40).



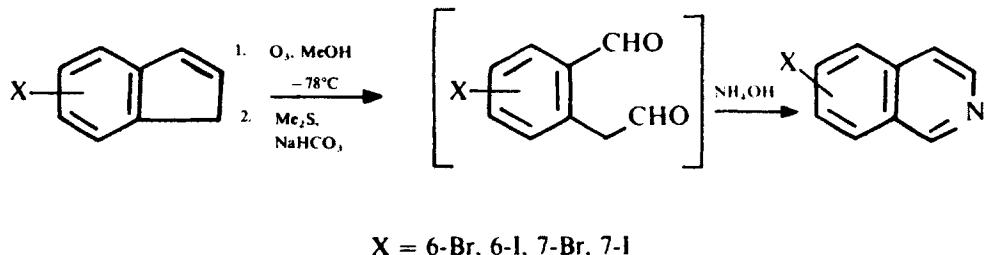
A Hungarian patent⁸⁰ describes the cyclization of substituted imidoyl chlorides using phosphorus oxychloride or thionyl chloride in the presence of various Lewis acids to give 3,4-dihydroisoquinolines (Eq. 41).



A stereoselective synthesis of the *cis*-1-methyl-3-aryl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (**53**) was carried out by cyclocondensation of **52** with acetaldehyde⁸¹ (Eq. 42).



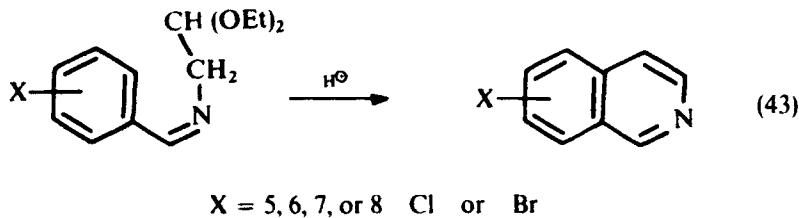
Starting from substituted indenes, 6- and 7-bromo and iodoisoquinolines can be prepared by a general procedure. Ozonolysis of the indenes, followed by reductive work-up and treatment with ammonium hydroxide, gave the isoquinolines in 58–70% yield. Isoquinoline formation seems to be independent of the electron-withdrawing nature of the substituents⁸² (Scheme 9).



Scheme 9

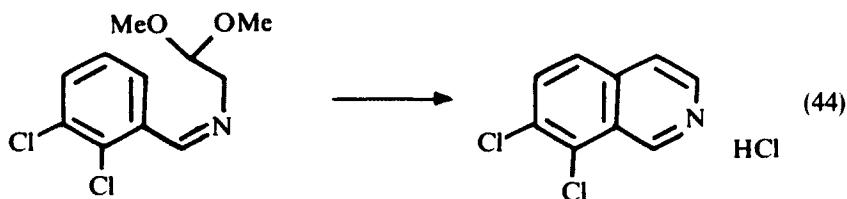
(ii) Pomeranz-Fritsch Synthesis

The Pomeranz-Fritsch synthesis provides a direct entry to halogenated isoquinolines not easily prepared by other methods. Moreover, unlike the Bischler-Napieralski or the Pictet-Spengler synthesis, it provides the fully aromatic isoquinolines rather than partially hydrogenated isoquinolines (Eq. 43). Both benz-chloro- and bromoisooquinolines have been prepared by this procedure, but the yields are far from satisfactory.^{22, 83} Starting from *o*-, *m*-, or *p*-bromobenzalaminoacetals, 8-bromo, a mixture of 5- and 7-bromo, and 6-bromoisooquinolines were obtained in 29, 65, and 6% yields, respectively.⁸⁴



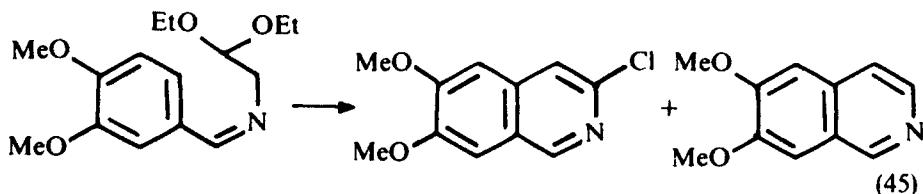
1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolines with chlorine substituted in the benzene ring have been found to inhibit the enzyme phenylethanolamine *N*-methyltransferase (PNMT). Hence, considerable efforts have been made to use the Pomeranz-Fritsch reaction for their synthesis and to develop milder conditions and modifications leading to better yields. In a series of mono-, di-, and trichloro-substituted isoquinolines²⁰, the yields of cyclization of the appropriate benzylideneamines using sulfuric acid varies from 6 to 54%. This variation has been explained by the concomitant formation of phenyloxazoles.⁸⁵

7,8-Dichloroisoquinoline was prepared as shown below and reduced in a subsequent step to the 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline^{20, 86} (Eq. 44).

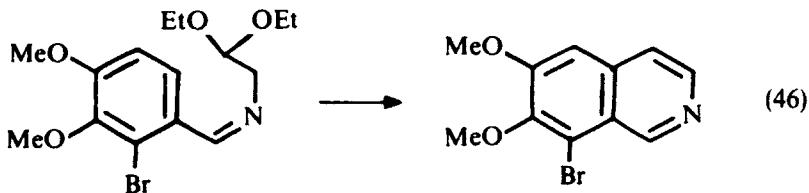


7,8-Dichloro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline, labeled with ¹⁴C in position 1 has been similarly prepared⁸⁷ starting from 2,3-Cl₂C₆H₃¹⁴CHO.

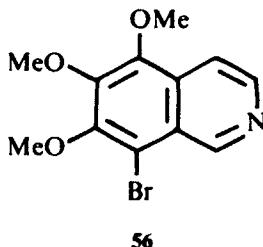
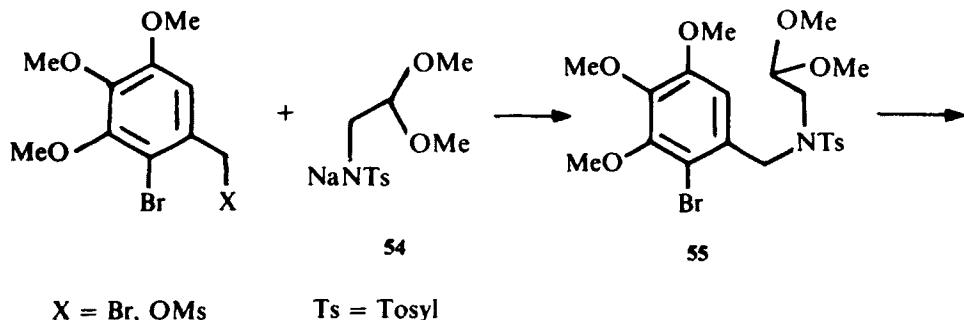
Other cyclizing agents that have been used include halosulfonic acid.⁸⁸ (Eq. 45).



8-Bromo-6,7-dimethoxyisoquinoline was prepared via a modification of the Pomeranz-Fritsch procedure developed by Bewis *et al.*⁸⁹ using boron trifluoride-acetic acid in trifluoroacetic anhydride to bring about the cyclization⁹⁰ (Eq. 46).



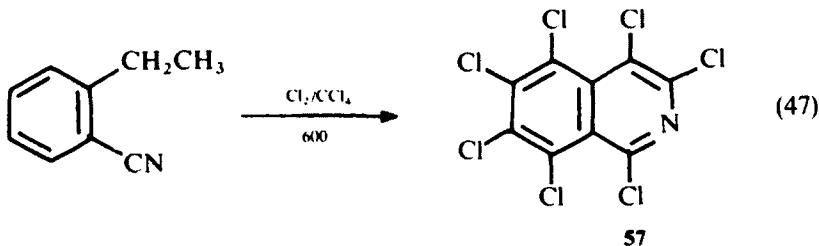
A two-step synthesis of isoquinolines has been devised. Treatment of benzylic halides and mesylates with the sodium anion of *N*-tosyl aminoacetaldehyde dimethylacetal (**54**) led to **55**, cyclization of which led to the isoquinoline **56**⁹¹ (Scheme 10).



Scheme 10

(iii). One-Step Perchloroisoquinoline Synthesis

An intramolecular chlorination–cyclization reaction has been reported⁹² to yield perchloroisoquinoline (**57**) in 25% yield (Eq. 47).

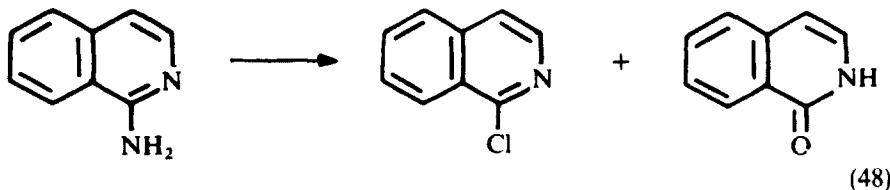


(f) Sandmeyer and Schiemann Reactions

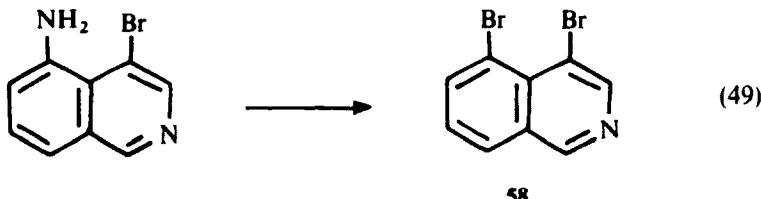
(i) Sandmeyer Reaction

In many ways, the Sandmeyer and Schiemann reactions constitute the most general synthetic methods for the synthesis of haloisoquinolines. The limitation, of course, is the availability of the appropriately substituted aminoisoquinolines. Other complications of the Sandmeyer reaction, such as deaminations and formation of hydroxy compounds, are also potential drawbacks.

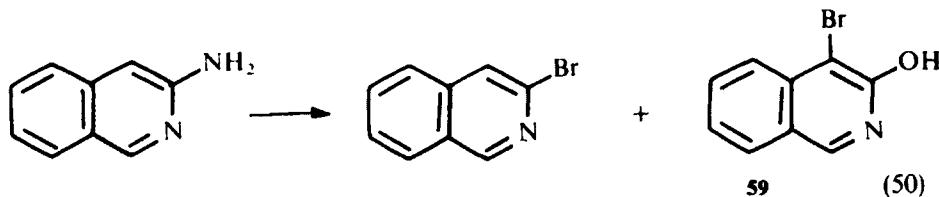
Tschitschibabin noted that 1-aminoisoquinoline is converted to a mixture of 1-chloroisoquinoline and isocarbostyryl under Sandmeyer conditions.⁹³ (Eq. 48).



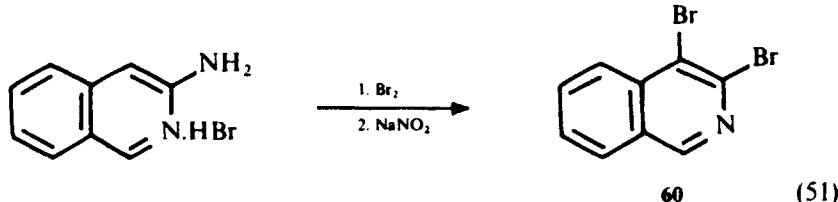
A monoamino-4-bromoisoquinoline of undetermined orientation was subjected to the Sandmeyer reaction and a dibromo derivative was obtained⁹⁴ (Eq. 49). Recent work indicates that the product is 4,5-dibromoisoquinoline (**58**); consequently, the starting material should be designated as a 5-amino-4-bromoisoquinoline.



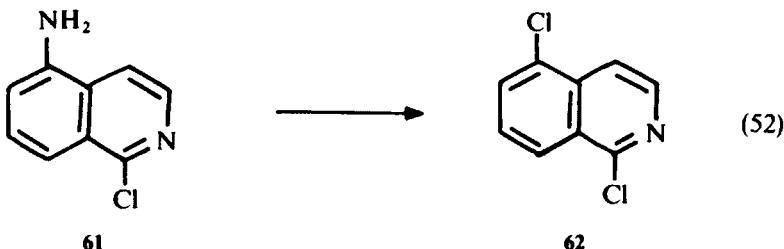
Similarly, the bromoisoquinoline obtained from an aminoisoquinoline appears to be the 5-bromo compound from its reported melting point.^{54, 95} Also, from dipole moment studies Le Fevre and Le Fevre had concluded that the structure of the nitroisoquinoline from which this aminoisoquinoline was prepared is the 5-isomer.⁹⁶ 3-Aminoisoquinoline yields the 3-bromo derivative.⁹⁷ Later work has shown that this reaction produces, additionally, a 47% yield of 3-hydroxy-4-bromoisoquinoline (**59**)⁹⁸ (Eq. 50).



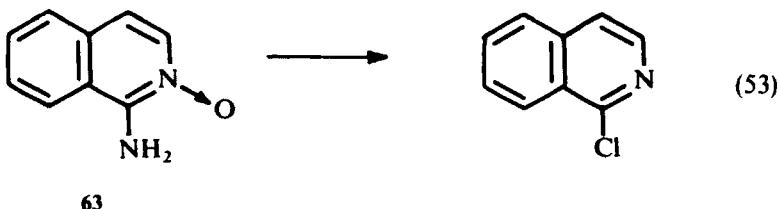
A Sandmeyer reaction on the perbromide of 3-aminoisoquinoline hydrobromide afforded 3,4-dibromoisoquinoline (**60**) in 80% yield⁹⁸ (Eq. 51).



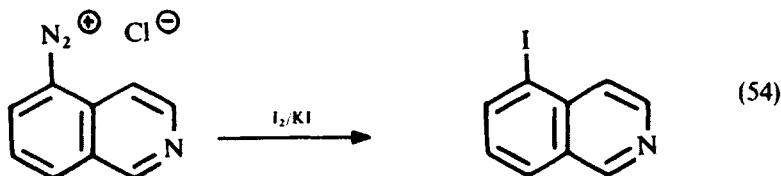
4-Aminoisoquinoline has been converted to 4-chloroisoquinoline,⁹⁹ while 1-chloro-5-aminoisoquinoline (**61**) yields 1,5-dichloro compound (**62**) in 50% yield¹⁰⁰ (Eq. 52).



5- and 7-Aminoisoquinolines undergo Sandmeyer reactions to give the corresponding chloro compounds.²² The Sandmeyer reaction has also been employed for the synthesis of other chloro- and bromoisooquinolines and their hydrogenated derivatives.^{54, 101–107} A Sandmeyer reaction on 1-amino-isoquinoline *N*-oxide (**63**) is reported¹⁰⁸ to yield 1-chloroisooquinoline (Eq. 53).

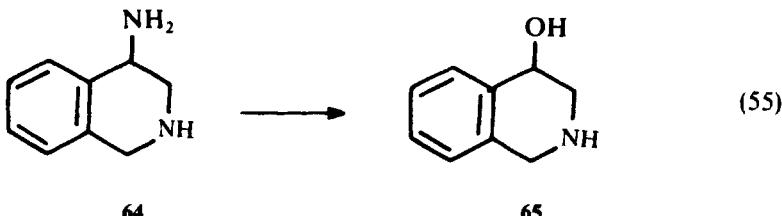
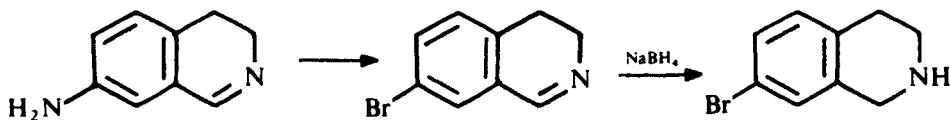


Iodoisoquinolines are prepared by diazotization of aminoisoquinolines and treatment of the diazo intermediates with iodine-potassium iodide (Eq. 54). Among the compounds prepared are 5-iodoisooquinoline¹⁰⁹ and 8-hydroxy-5-iodoisooquinoline.³⁰



The Sandmeyer reaction has also been utilized for the synthesis of halodihydroisoquinolines. Thus, 7-amino-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline was converted in 67% yield to the 7-bromo compound^{110, 111} which, on reduction with sodium borohydride, yielded 7-bromo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline¹¹¹ (Scheme 11).

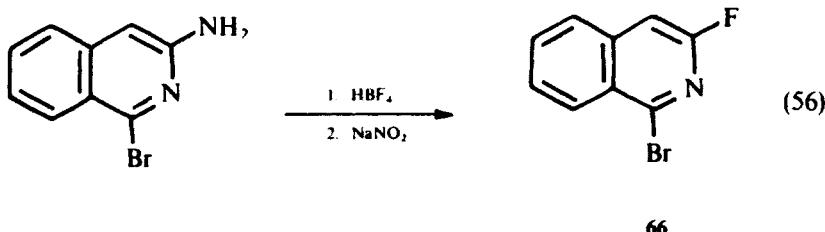
4-Amino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (**64**), upon diazotization, yielded the 4-hydroxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (**65**)³⁶ (Eq. 55).



7-Amino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-methylisoquinoline under Sandmeyer conditions gave the corresponding 7-bromo compound in 87% yield.¹¹²

(ii) Schiemann Reaction

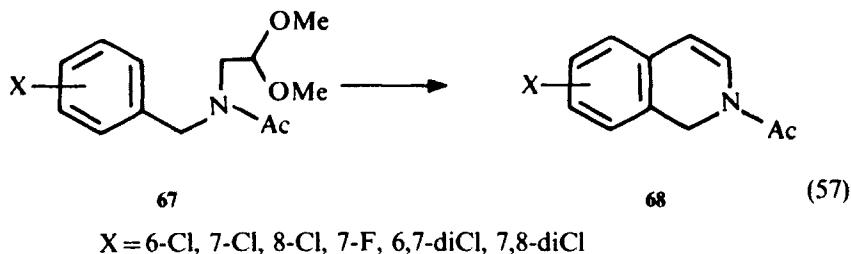
The Schiemann reaction,¹¹³ which involves the reaction of diazonium chloride with fluoboric acid, has been successfully used for the synthesis of fluoroisoquinolines in moderate yields. Thus, 1-, 3-, 4-, and 5-fluoroisoquinolines have been prepared from the corresponding aminoisoquinolines in 13, 49, 36, and 67% yields, respectively.¹¹⁴ In all cases, not unexpectedly, hydroxyisoquinolines are by-products of these reactions. 3-Amino-1-bromoisoquinoline produces 1-bromo-3-fluoroisoquinoline (**66**) under similar conditions.¹¹⁵ (Eq. 56).



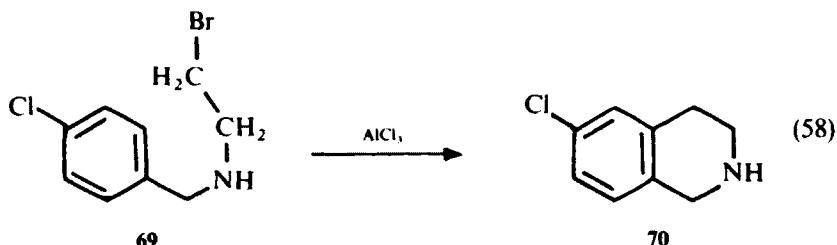
(g) Friedel-Crafts-Type Ring Closure

Friedel-Crafts-type ring closures have been reported for the syntheses of 1,2-dihydro-¹¹⁶ and 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines.¹¹⁷⁻¹²¹

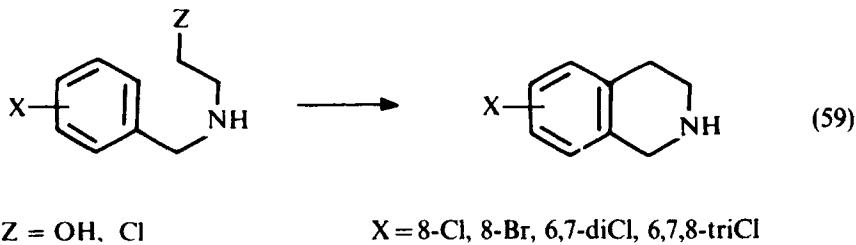
Cyclization of compounds **67** using a slurry of aluminium chloride in 1,2-dichloroethane afforded *N*-acetyl-1,2-dihydroisoquinolines **68** which could then be reduced to the corresponding 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines¹¹⁶ (Eq. 57).



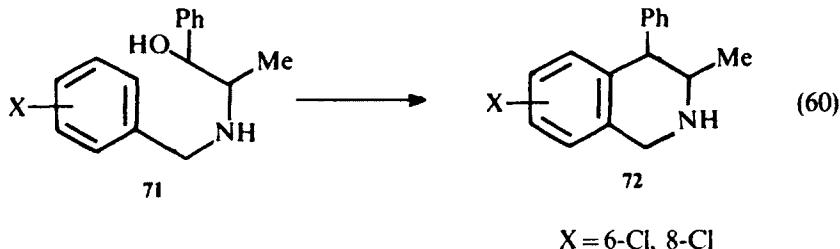
Friedel-Crafts ring closure also leads to 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines. By this method, 6-chloro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (**70**) was obtained in 60% yield from **69**¹¹⁷ (Eq. 58).



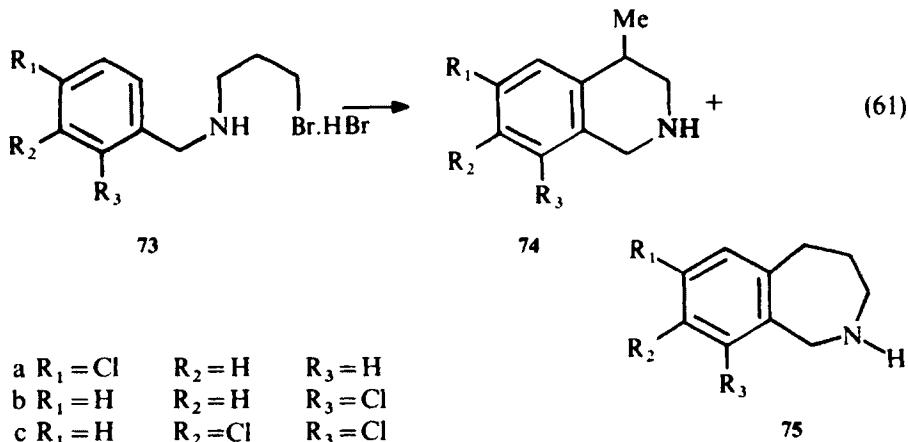
Several halogen-substituted 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines have been prepared using a melt of aluminium chloride and ammonium chloride to effect cyclization¹¹⁸ (Eq. 59)



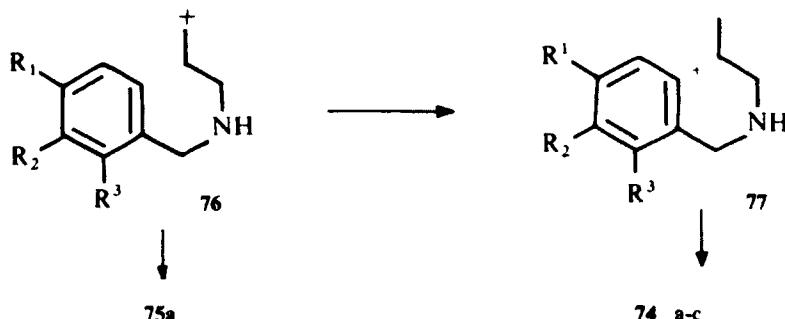
Ring closure of 2-benzylamino-1-arylethanols leads to 4-aryl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines.^{119–122} For example,¹¹⁹ **71**, on cyclization with hydrobromic acid, yielded **72** (Eq. 60).



Chlorine-substituted 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines **74** were obtained as the major products of cyclization of the appropriate benzylaminopropyl bromides using a melt of aluminium chloride and ammonium chloride; the expected benzazepine **75** was also obtained as a minor product in one case¹²³ (Eq. 61).



Such observations have precedence in Friedel-Crafts literature and are rationalized by an isomerization of the initially formed carbonium ion **76** to the more stable 2° carbonium ion **77**. Thus, in **73a-c**, attack by the carbonium ion on the deactivated ring is slow relative to isomerization to **77**, resulting in predominant formation of **74a-c** (Scheme 12).



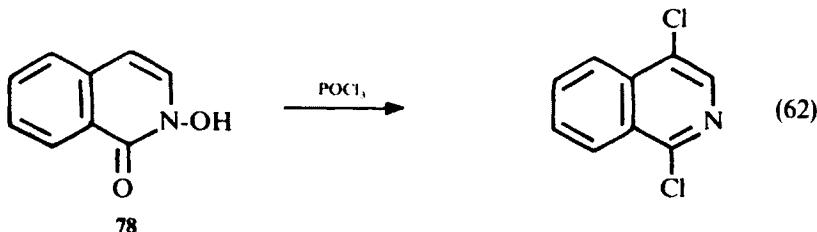
Scheme 12

(h) Miscellaneous Methods

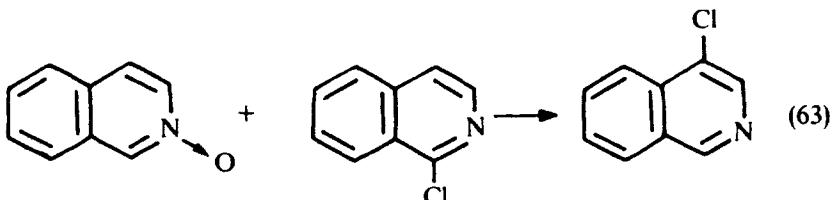
(i) Rearrangements

Rearrangements leading directly to haloisoquinolines have not been of much preparative value in isoquinoline chemistry. The cyclic hydroxamic acid *N*-hydroxyisocarbostyryl (**78**) reacts with phosphorus oxychloride to yield 1,4-

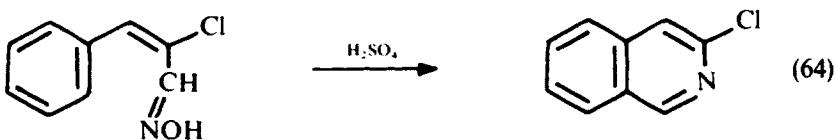
dichloroisooquinoline⁵⁹ (Eq. 62). This reaction highlights the susceptibility of the 4 position to oxidative halogenation. Another example of halogenation, presumably resulting from a rearrangement of an *N*-oxide rather than a direct attack by halogen, is the conversion of isoquinoline *N*-oxide to 4-bromoisoquinoline with bromine in refluxing acetic anhydride³¹ [see section A(c)(i)].



Bromo- and chloroheterocycles also halogenate isoquinoline *N*-oxide in the 4-position³³ (Eq. 63) [see Section A(c)(i)].

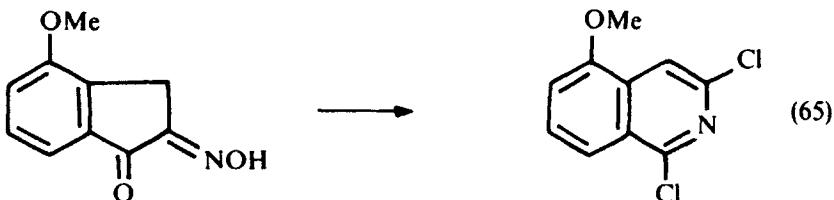


Two reactions have been reported wherein halogenated isoquinolines are formed by a Beckmann type of reaction. As early as 1895, Goldschmidt reported the formation of 3-chloroisooquinoline in low yield by the action of phosphorus pentoxide or sulfuric acid on α -chlorocinnamaldehyde oxime¹²⁴ (Eq. 64).

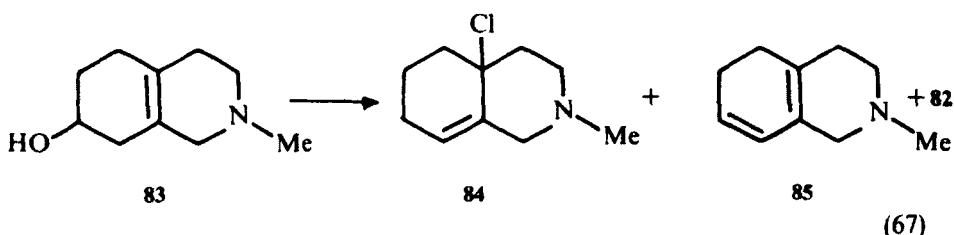
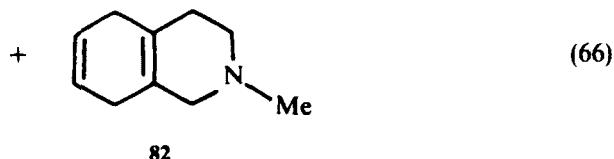
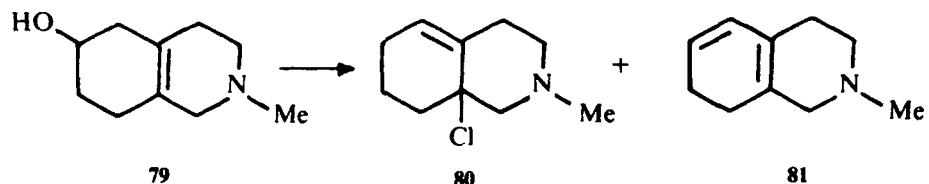


Ring enlargement with subsequent chlorodehydroxylation may be the route to the formation of substituted 1,3-dichloroisooquinolines from 2-oximino-1-indanones.⁷⁰

The reaction proceeds equally well with the 5- and 6-methoxy isomers and the 5,6-dimethoxyindanedione monoximes to lead to the corresponding isoquinolines^{70,72} (Eq. 65).

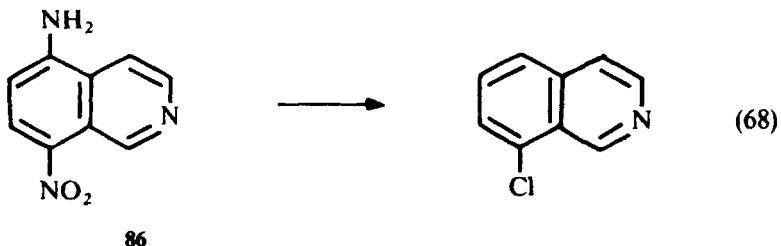


Treatment of the hydroxy-substituted isoquinoline **79** and **83** with phosphorus oxychloride in pyridine at 0 °C led to, among other products, the angular chlorinated hydrogenated isoquinolines **80** and **84**¹²⁵ (Eqs. 66 and 67).

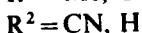
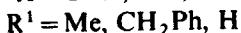
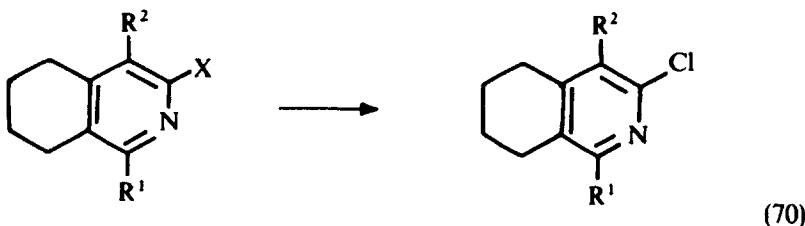
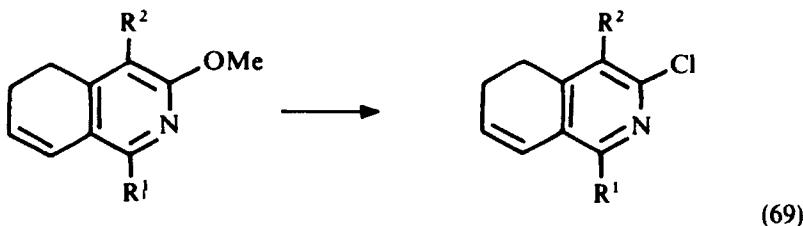


(ii) Replacement Reactions

During an attempt to prepare 8-nitroisoquinoline from 5-amino-8-nitroisoquinoline (**86**) by deamination, Keilin and Cass observed that the product (obtained in 70% yield) was actually 8-chloroisooquinoline¹⁰¹ (Eq. 68). Such nucleophilic displacements of nitro groups by chlorine with the evolution of nitrous acid have been reported in literature,^{126–128} although not in such high yields.

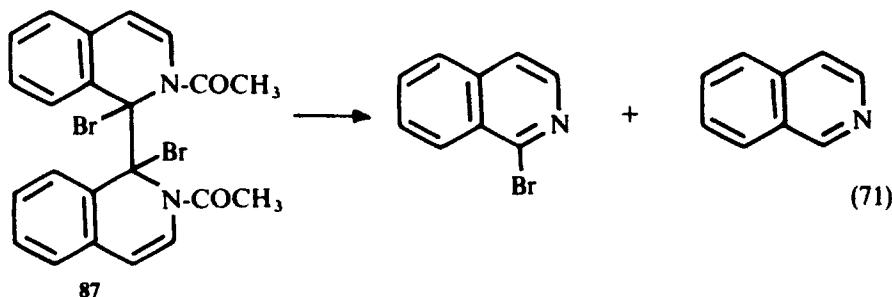


Under Vilsmeier–Haack conditions, 3-alkoxy-5,6-dihydroisoquinolines and 3-alkoxy-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinolines are converted to the corresponding 3-chlorocompounds¹²⁹ (Eqs. 69 and 70).



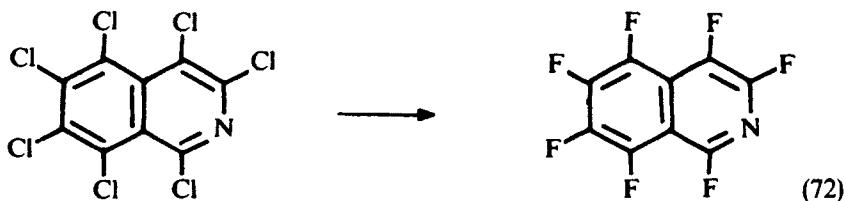
(iii) Cleavage Reactions

The base-catalyzed cleavage of bisisoquinoline (**87**) has been reported to lead to a 1-bromoisoquinoline¹³⁰ (Eq. 71).

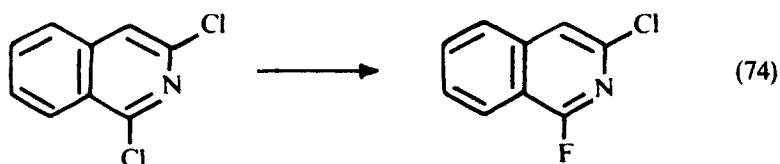
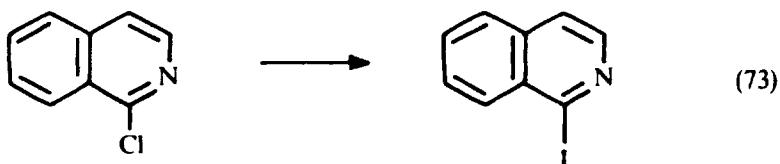


(iv) Interconversions

Replacement of one halogen by another has also been used for the synthesis of certain difficult to obtain isoquinoline derivatives. Thus, heptachloroisoquinoline heated at 420 °C with potassium fluoride is converted into heptafluoroisoquinoline²¹ (Eq. 72).



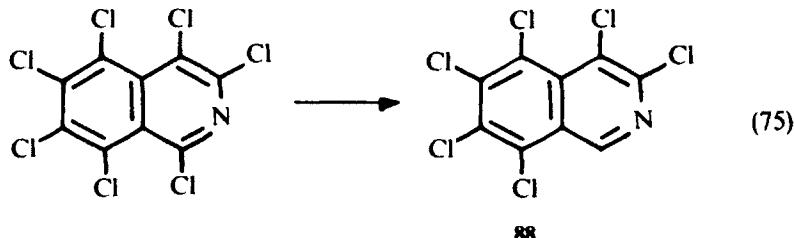
Among other reported reactions of this type are the replacements of chlorine by iodine¹³¹ in 1-chloroisooquinoline (Eq. 73) and of chlorine by fluorine in 1,3-dichloroisooquinoline. In the latter instance, it was possible to selectively replace the 1-chlorine, keeping intact the 3-substituent¹¹⁵ (Eq. 74)



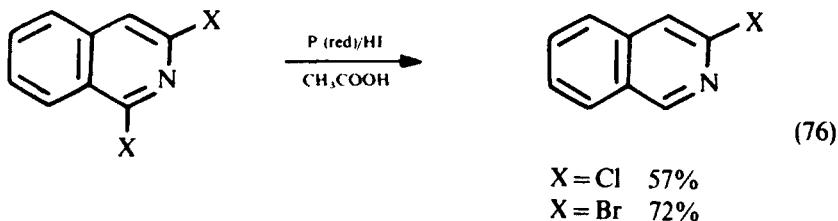
Chlorine- and bromine-substituted isoquinolines can be converted in good yields to the corresponding iodo compounds through intermediate trimethylstannyl derivatives (see Section vi. c).

(v) Selective Reduction

Electrolytic reduction of polyhaloisooquinolines is reported to yield compounds containing fewer halogens. Heptachloroisooquinoline was electrolytically reduced to hexachloro- (**88**) and even pentachloroisooquinoline¹³² (Eq. 75).

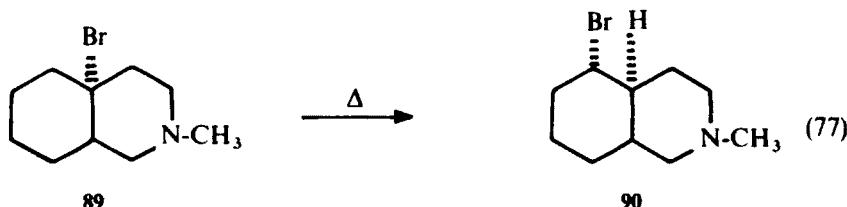


Chemical or catalytic reduction of 1,3-dichloro or 1,3-dibromoisoquinoline leads to 3-chloro- or 3-bromoisoquinoline (Eq. 76); the greater susceptibility of the 1-halogen toward hydrogenolysis is utilized in this reaction.⁵⁴



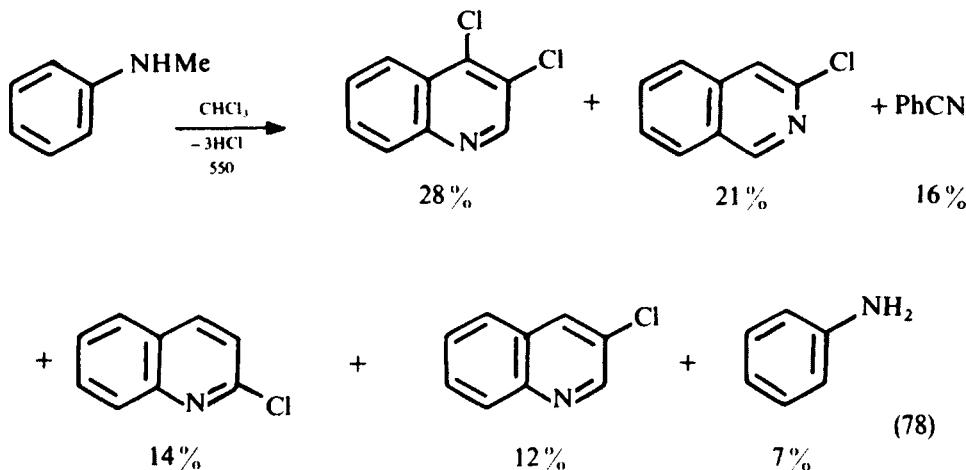
(vi) Other Methods

The bromodecahydroisoquinoline (**89**) possessing an angular bromine underwent thermally induced isomerization to a ring-brominated decahydroisoquinoline (**90**)¹³³ (Eq. 77).



Similarly, 10-chloro-*N*-methyldecahydroisoquinoline also undergoes multiple isomerization to a mixture of 5,6 and 7-chloro derivatives.⁶²

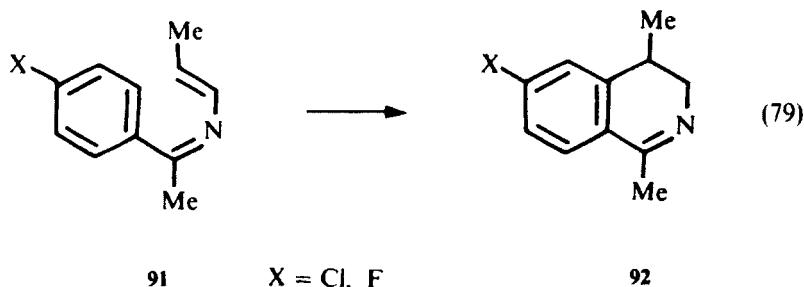
3-Chloroisoquinoline has been reported to be formed in 21% yield by a vapor-phase reaction of chloroform with *N*-methylaniline¹³⁴ (Eq. 78).



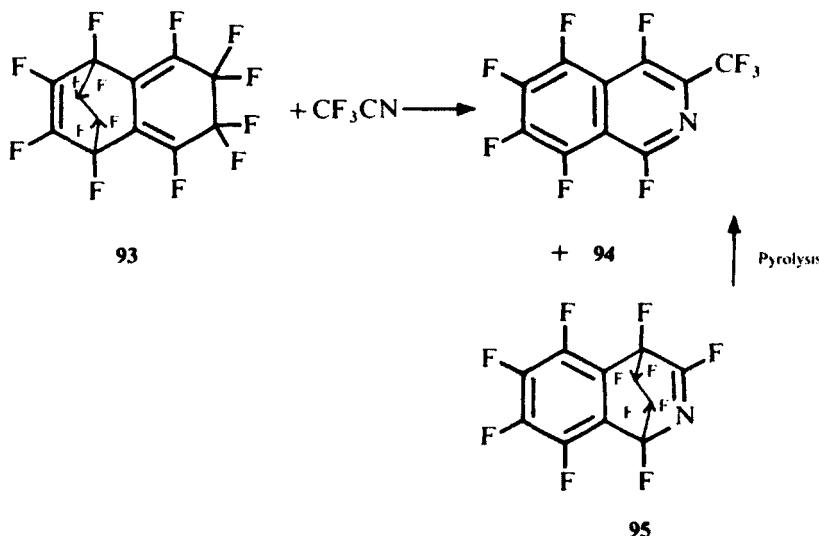
7,8-Dichloro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline is aromatized by rat-liver microsomes to the corresponding isoquinoline.¹³⁵

Attempts to overcome the disadvantages of the Bischler-Napieralsky, Pictet-Gams, and Pomeranz-Fritsch reactions which do not work well with

electron-withdrawing substituents continue to engage the attention of chemists. Thermal electrocyclization of 1-aryl-2-aza-1,3-pentadiene (**91**) led to the 3,4-dihydroisoquinolines (**92**) in about 60% yield¹³⁶ (Eq. 79).



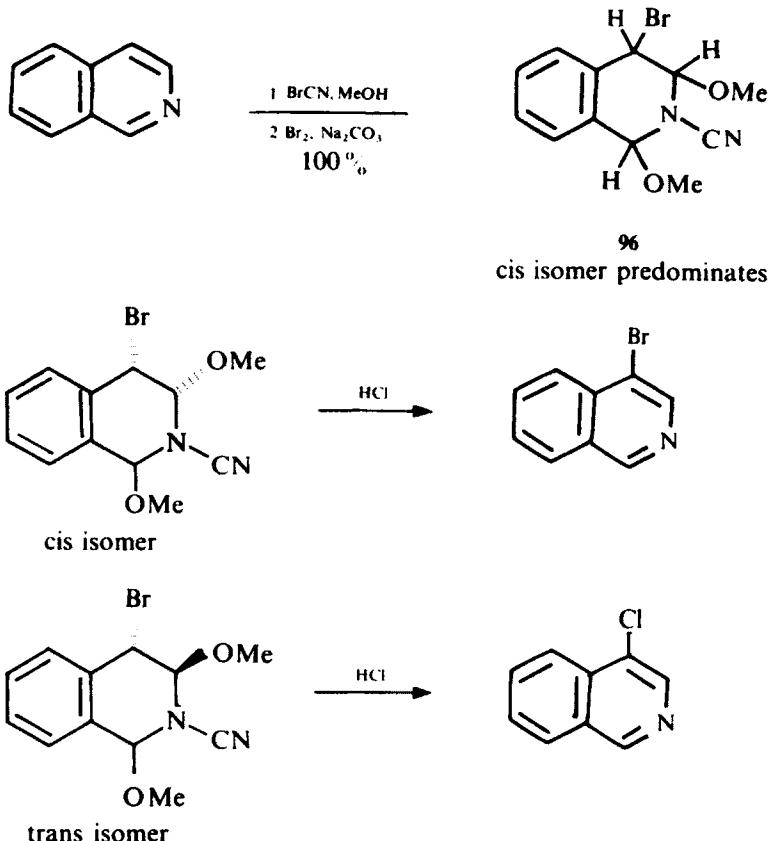
The Diels–Alder reaction of perfluorotricyclo [6,2,2,0^{2,7}] dodeca-2,6,9-triene (**93**) with trifluoroacetonitrile led to perfluoro-3-methylisoquinoline (**94**) and the perfluoro compound (**95**), which upon pyrolysis is converted to **94**.¹³⁷ (Scheme 13).



Scheme 13

4-Bromoisoquinoline has been obtained by the acidic hydrolysis of 1,3-dimethoxy-4-bromo-2-cyano-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (**96**), where the hydrogen atoms in positions 3 and 4 are cis oriented. Similar hydrolysis of the trans isomer gave 4-chloroisoquinoline¹³⁸ (Scheme 14).

4-Bromoisoquinoline has also been obtained from 2-cyano-1-methoxy-1,2-dihydroisoquinoline (**97**).¹³⁹ The various reactions are summarized in Scheme 15.

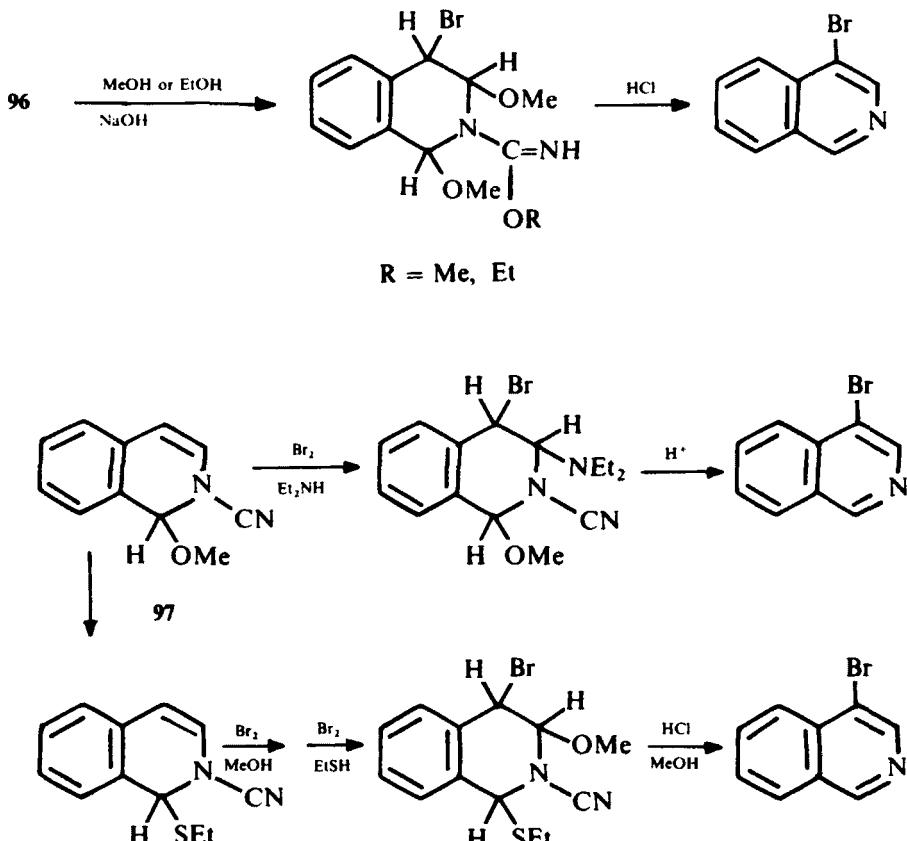


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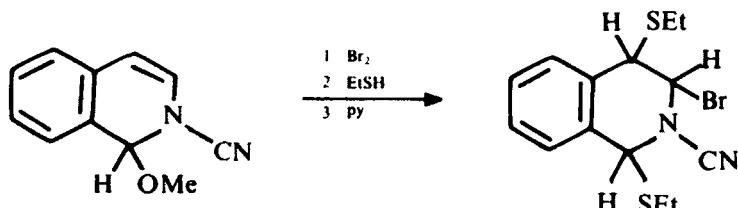
Treatment of 2-cyano-1-methoxy-1,2-dihydroisoquinoline with bromine followed by ethanethiol and then pyridine gave 3-bromo-2-cyano-1,2-diethylthio-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (Scheme 16).

B. Bromoisooquinolines

The preparation of monobromoisooquinolines has been reviewed.¹⁴⁰ Among the monobromoisooquinolines, the two isomers that have attracted most attention are the 4-bromo- and the 5-bromoisoquinolines. The former is prepared most conveniently by bromination of isoquinoline hydrochloride or hydrobromide with bromine^{6, 8} and the latter by bromination of isoquinoline in the presence of aluminium chloride as catalyst.¹⁹ 1-Bromoisoquinoline has been prepared from isocarbostyryl;³ however, not many reports are available on this compound, presumably since the 1-chloro derivative is easily accessible and suitable for further reactions.



Scheme 15



Scheme 16

It would, however, seem reasonable that the 1-bromo isomer can also be easily made by a Meisenheimer rearrangement of isoquinoline *N*-oxide with phosphorus oxybromide. 6-Bromo- and 7-bromoisoquinolines are obtained in fair to good yields from the corresponding bromoindenes by way of intermediate formation of homophthaldehydes.⁸² 7-Bromo-2-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline was prepared in excellent yield by a Sandmeyer reaction of the

corresponding 7-amino compound.¹¹² 8-Bromo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline was obtained in 59% yield by a Friedel-Crafts-type ring closure of 2-benzylaminoethanols.¹¹⁸

Among the dibromoisoquinolines, 1,3-dibromoisoquinoline is conveniently prepared from homophthalimide,⁵⁴ 5,8-dibromoisoquinoline from isoquinoline by bromination in the presence of aluminium chloride¹⁹ and 4,5-dibromo by a Sandmeyer reaction on 5-amino-4-bromoisoquinoline.^{94, 104}

5,7,8-Tribromoisoquinoline is prepared in 75% yield from 5,8-dibromoisoquinoline by bromination in the presence of aluminium chloride.¹⁹

C. Chloroisoquinolines

Several mono-,^{20, 219} di-, tri-, and tetrachloroisoquinolines have been synthesized.

1-Chloroisoquinoline may be prepared by a number of methods; the preferred processes, however, are reaction of isocarbostyryl^{41, 50} or isoquinoline *N*-oxide³⁵ with phosphorus oxychloride; 3-chloroisoquinoline is prepared by the selective reduction of 1,3-dichloroisoquinoline.⁴² Unlike the 4-bromo derivative, the 4-chloroisoquinoline has not been prepared by direct chlorination. The two methods reported are the conversions of 4-hydroxyisoquinoline with phenyl phosphonic chloride⁵⁸ and 4-amino isoquinoline under Sandmeyer conditions.⁹⁹

5-Chloroisoquinoline is formed by chlorination by the swamping catalyst process;¹⁹ the yield, however, is much lower than in the case of the 5-bromo derivative. All the benz-substituted chloroisoquinolines can be made most conveniently by the Sandmeyer reaction on the corresponding amino compounds or by Pomeranz-Fritsch reaction of the corresponding benzylidene aminoacetals.²⁰ 8-Chloro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline has been obtained by Friedel-Crafts-type ring closure of the corresponding 2-benzylamino ethanols using a melt of aluminium chloride and ammonium chloride.¹¹⁸

1,3-Dichloroisoquinoline is obtained in high yield from homophthalimide on reaction with phosphorus oxychloride or phenylphosphonic chloride.^{42, 58} While 1,4-dichloroisoquinoline has been reported to be obtained in 100% yield by the action of phosphorus pentachloride on isocarbostyryl⁵⁹, other dichloroisoquinolines and trichloroisoquinolines are prepared by methods described in Sections II.A(b) (ii) and II.A(d) (ii).

D. Fluoroisoquinolines

The relatively few fluoroisoquinolines reported in the literature have been synthesized by the Schiemann reaction, starting with the appropriate amino compounds. 7-Fluoro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline was obtained by Friedel-Crafts ring closure of the corresponding *N*-acetyl-benzyl aminoacetal,

followed by reduction of the 1,2-dihydroisoquinoline obtained and hydrolysis.¹¹⁶ 1,3-Difluoroisoquinoline is prepared from homophthalimide,⁶¹ while fully fluorinated isoquinoline is obtained from heptachloroisoquinoline.²¹ Lithium aluminium hydride reduction selectively removes the 1-fluorine, yielding hexafluoroisoquinoline.

E. Iodoisoquinolines

Not many iodoisoquinolines are reported in the literature. The Sandmeyer reaction^{84, 114} and the replacement of chlorine by iodine¹³¹ are the methods of choice for the synthesis of iodoisoquinolines. 1-, 3-, and 4-iodoisoquinolines have been obtained in excellent yields from the corresponding trimethylstannyl compounds (see Section VI. D). Both 6- and 7-iodoisoquinolines can be obtained from the corresponding indenes.⁸²

Intramolecular cyclization of *o*-cyanophenylacetic acids and derivatives yield iodoisoquinolines.⁷² Iodination of the isoquinoline nucleus, activated by the hydroxy group using iodine monochloride or even iodine in potassium iodide, has also been successfully utilized for the synthesis of certain derivatives.

F. Isoquinolines Substituted by Different Halogens

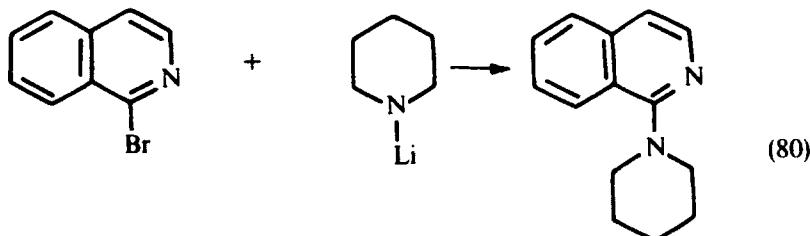
Mixed haloisoquinolines have been prepared by various methods. For example, 1-bromo-3-fluoroisoquinoline is obtained by a Schiemann reaction on 3-amino-1-bromoisoquinoline,¹¹⁵ while 4-bromo-1-chloroisoquinoline is conveniently prepared by the Meisenheimer rearrangement of 4-bromoisoquinoline *N*-oxide.³⁶ In general, 1-chloroisoquinoline carrying other substituents, halogens or otherwise, are preferably synthesized from the *N*-oxides.

III. REACTIONS OF HALOGENATED ISOQUINOLINES

A. Nucleophilic Replacements

Among all the possible haloisoquinolines, the compounds carrying a 1-halogen are the most susceptible to nucleophilic displacements. Such reactivity is entirely analogous to the increased activity of the 2 and 4 halogens in halogenated pyridines and quinolines. Molecular orbital calculations using the isolated molecule, localization and delocalization approaches, and correlation with experimental activation and free energies in nucleophilic substitutions substantiate the increased activity of the 1-halogen atom¹⁴¹ followed by the 3-isomer. In the case of fluoroisoquinolines, only the 1-isomer underwent halogen atom replacement when treated with sodium hydroxide.¹¹⁵ The mechanism of

this nucleophilic substitution has been investigated in the case of the reaction of 1-bromoisoquinoline with lithium piperidide, quantitating the products of this reaction. Thus, in this reaction, 1-piperidinoisoquinoline was formed in 91.5% yield, isoquinoline in 1%, and 1-bromoisoquinoline was recovered in 3% yield (Eq. 80).

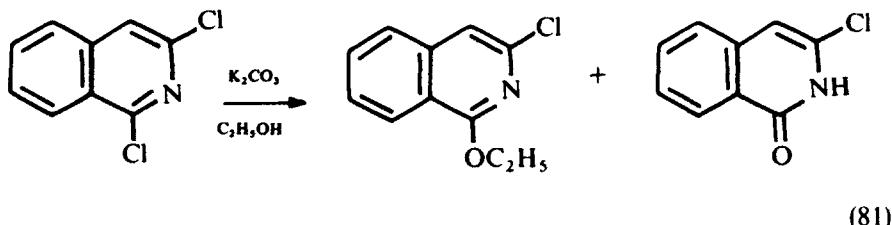


Other studies to evaluate the kinetics of the reaction of 1-chloroisoquinoline with sodium ethoxide,¹⁴³ dimethylamine,¹⁴⁴ and piperidine¹⁴⁵ are also reported.

The variation in the reactivity of halogen atoms caused by the fusion of a benzene ring to 2- or 4-chloropyridines in various possible ways with respect to bond fixation has also been studied.¹⁴⁶

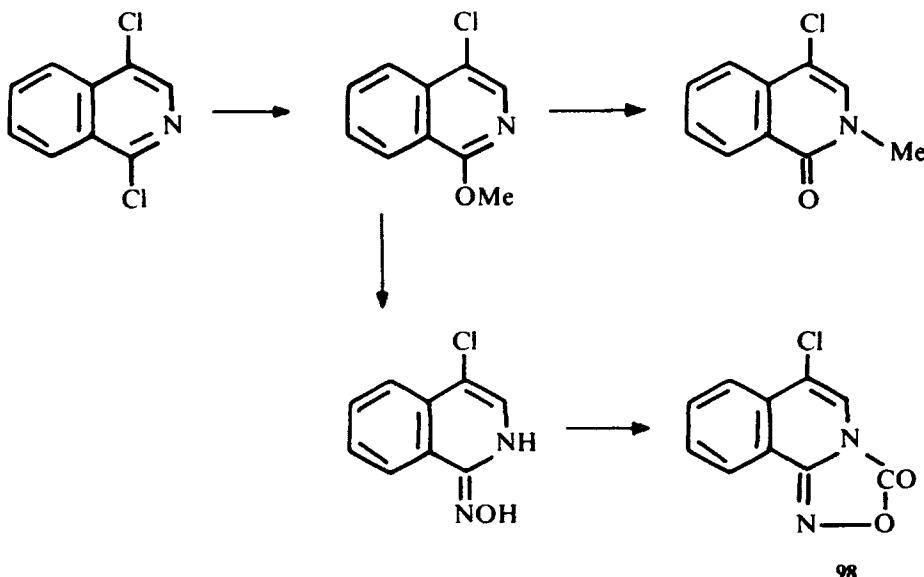
1-Haloisoquinolines are readily converted to isocarbostyryls either directly under hydrolytic conditions or stepwise through a 1-acetoxy derivative. They are also formed as by-products during nucleophilic displacement reactions on 1-haloisoquinolines.

1,3-Dichloroisoquinoline reacts with sodium methoxide⁴² to yield 1-methoxy-3-chloroisoquinoline, while with alcoholic potash, a mixture of 3-chloroisocarbostyryl and 3-chloro-1-ethoxyisoquinoline is obtained⁴² (Eq. 81).



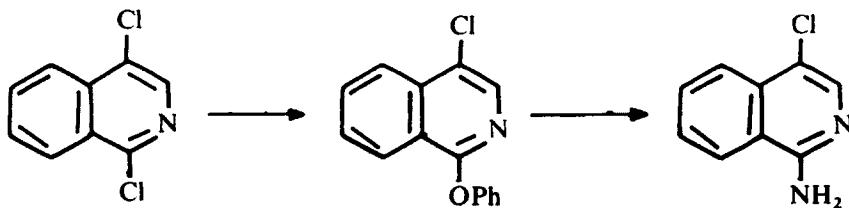
Similarly, *p*-chloroaniline and β -diethylaminoethylamine react with 1,3-dichloroisoquinoline to yield 1-substituted products, keeping the 3-chlorine atom intact. Under more drastic conditions, 1,3-disubstituted derivatives are also obtained.¹⁴⁷

Treatment of 1,4-dichloroisoquinoline with sodium methoxide affords 4-chloro-1-methoxyisoquinoline.^{148, 149} This, in turn, was converted to 4-chloro-2-methylisocarbostyryl, which is useful in the control of rice blast.¹⁴⁸ The reaction of 4-chloro-1-methoxyisoquinoline with hydroxylamine, followed by treatment with phosgene in pyridine, led to **98**¹⁴⁹ (Scheme 17).



Scheme 17

When 1,4-dichloroisooquinoline is heated with phenol and potassium hydroxide, 4-chloro-1-phenoxyisoquinoline was obtained, which was further converted to 1-amino-4-chloroisooquinoline (Scheme 18). 1-Aminoisoquinoline was prepared by the same sequence starting from 1-chloroisooquinoline.¹⁵⁰



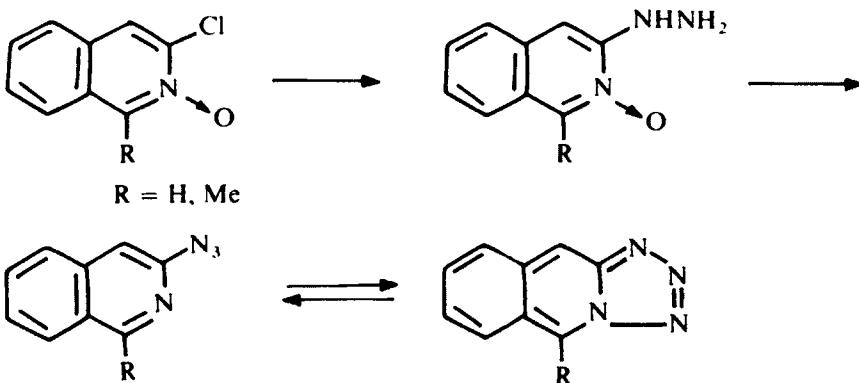
Scheme 18

Linearly fused tetrazole systems can be synthesized starting from 3-chloroisooquinoline *N*-oxides.^{151, 152} (Scheme 19).

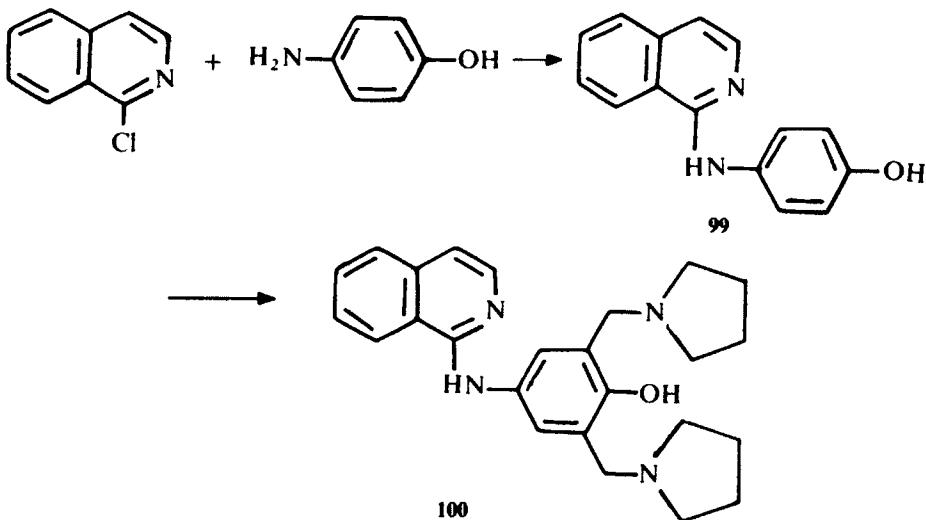
1-Bromoisoquinoline or 1-chloroisooquinoline reacts with amide in ammonia,¹⁵³ secondary amines,¹⁴⁵ and anilines¹⁴⁷ to yield 1-aminoisoquinolines.

To test the antiarrhythmic and parasympatholytic properties of substituted phenols, 1-chloroisooquinoline was treated with *p*-aminophenol. Bisaminomethylation of 1-(4-hydroxyanilino)isoquinoline (99) then gave compound 100¹⁵⁴ (Scheme 20).

A dibromoisoquinoline has been reported to have been converted to an aminobromoisoquinoline.¹⁵⁵

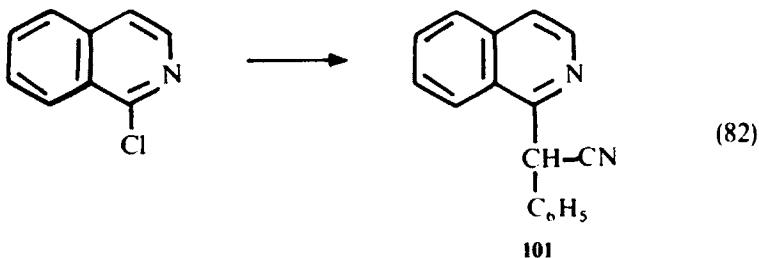


Scheme 19



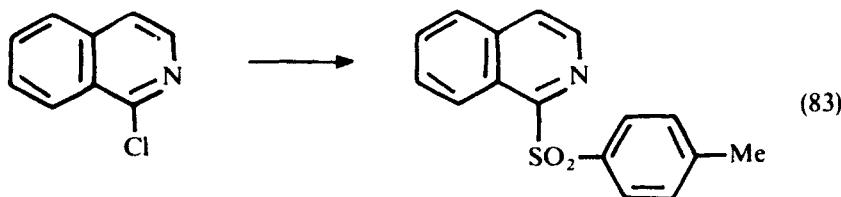
Scheme 20

1-Chloroisouinoline reacts with active methylene compounds under base catalysis. Thus, in the presence of sodium amide, 1-chloroisouinoline even reacts with phenylacetonitrile^{35, 156} to yield compound (101) (Eq. 82).

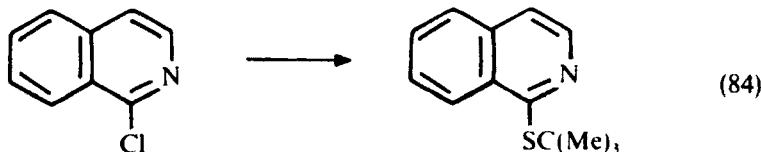


Nucleophilic aromatic substitution of 1-chloroisoquinoline by carbanions of 2-phenylalkanenitriles generated in a catalytic two-phase system has been reported.¹⁵⁷

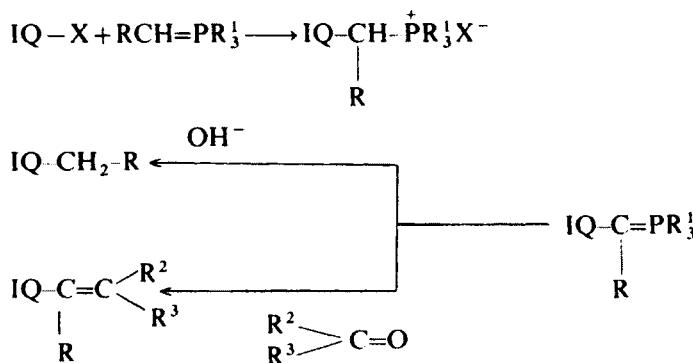
When 1-chloroisoquinoline is reacted with sodium *p*-toluenesulfinate, the corresponding sulfone is formed.¹⁵⁸ (Eq. 83).



t-Butylthioethers can be obtained by reaction of 1-chloroisoquinoline with sodium *t*-butylthiolate suspension¹⁵⁹ (Eq. 84).

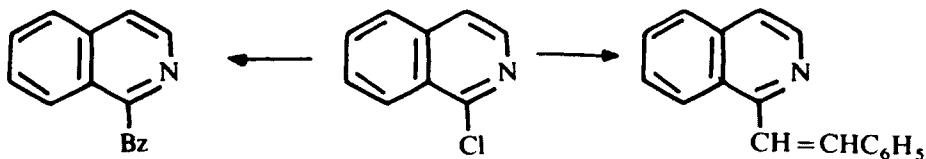


1-Chloroisoquinoline can be alkylated or alkenylated by reaction with a Wittig reagent (alkylidene phosphorane), and hydrolysis of the resulting ylide to yield the alkyl derivative or reaction with a carbonyl compound to yield the alkenyl derivative (Scheme 21).



Scheme 21

Thus, 1-chloroisoquinoline reacts with methylene triphenylphosphorane, followed by reaction with benzaldehyde, to yield 1-styrylisouquinoline and with benzylidene tri-*n*-butylphosphorane to yield 1-benzylisoquinoline¹⁶⁰ (Scheme 22).



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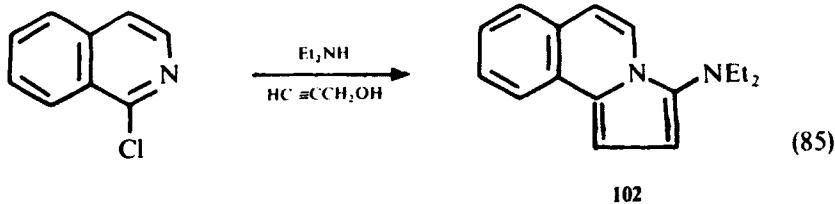
Scheme 22

In a similar fashion, papaverine is synthesized in one step by reaction of 1-chloro-6,7-dimethoxyisoquinoline with the Wittig reagent formed from veratryl chloride and tri-*n*-butylphosphine.¹⁶⁰

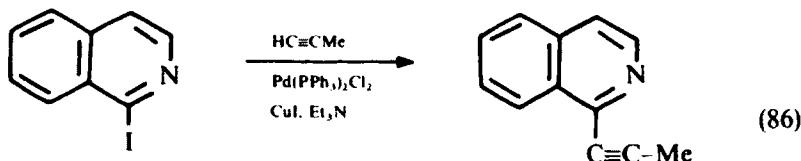
Alkylation^{39, 161} and arylation^{161, 162} of haloisoquinolines can be effected efficiently by palladium³⁹ or nickel phosphine-catalyzed^{161, 162} coupling with Grignard reagents. Thus, 4-methylisoquinoline was obtained from 4-bromoisoquinoline, while 1-methyl-, 1-ethyl- and 1-benzylisoquinolines were obtained by coupling with the corresponding Grignard reagents using $[(\text{NiCl}_2(\text{dppp}))_2]$ as catalyst.¹⁶¹ This coupling reaction has also been used to synthesize the precursors for isoquinoline alkaloids, cryptostyline II (Scheme 23) and methopholine.¹⁶¹

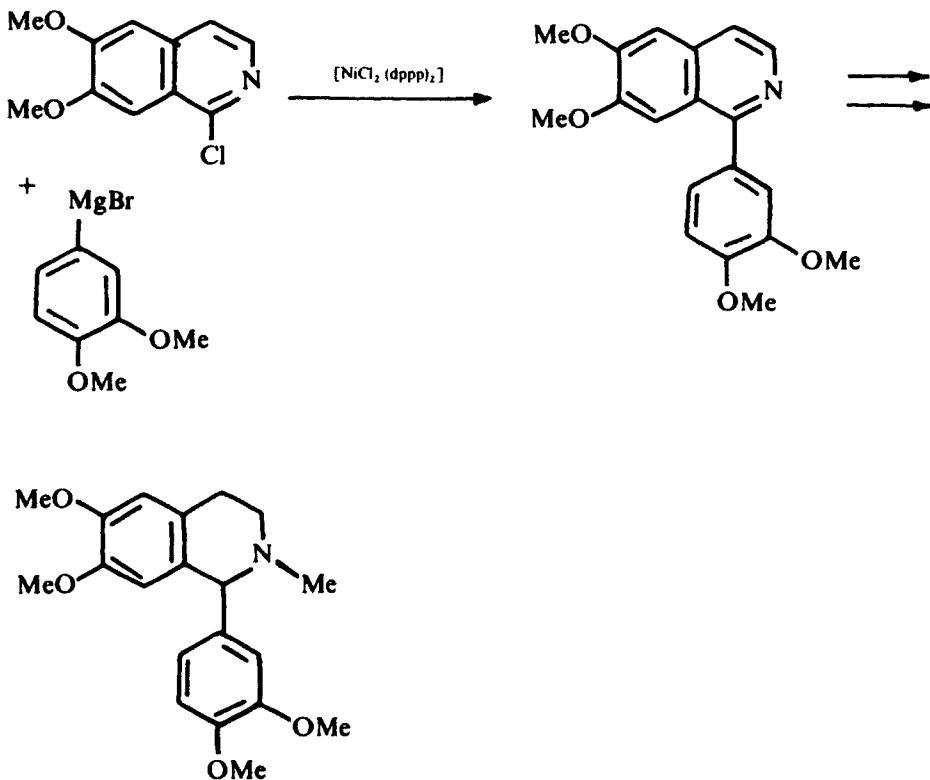
It has been found that the order of reactivity of positional isomers of haloisoquinolines in the coupling reaction follows that reported by Dyall.¹⁶³ Thus, 1-and 5-haloisoquinolines reacted much faster than the 6-, 7-, and 8-isomers.¹⁶²

Treatment of 1-chloroisooquinoline with propargyl alcohol and diethylamine yields the pyrrolo [2, 1-a] isoquinoline derivative **102**¹⁶⁴ (Eq. 85).



Monosubstituted acetylenes can be condensed efficiently with bromo- or iodoisoquinolines using a palladium-phosphine complex in the presence of copper iodide.^{14, 165} Thus, 1-propynylisoquinoline was obtained¹⁶⁵ (Eq. 86).

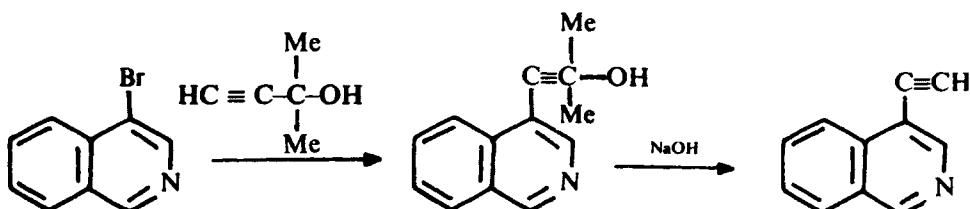




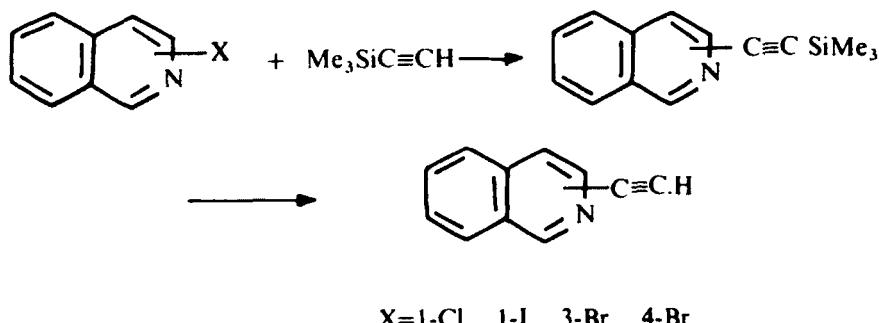
Scheme 23

This method has been extended to the preparation of ethynylisoquinolines by use of 2-methyl-but-3-yn-2-ol as the protected acetylene source¹⁶⁶ (Scheme 24).

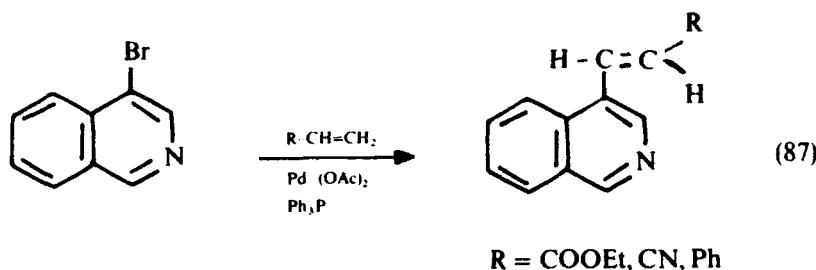
Ethynylisoquinolines can also be prepared using trimethylsilylacetylene and subsequent removal of the trimethylsilyl groups using aqueous methanolic potassium hydroxide¹⁶⁷ (Scheme 25).



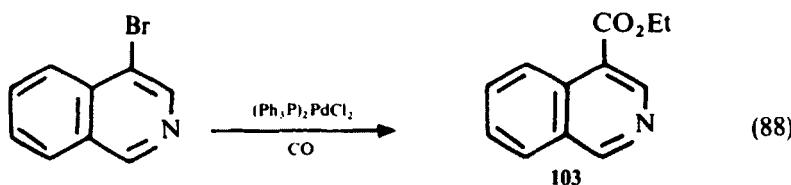
Scheme 24

**Scheme 25**

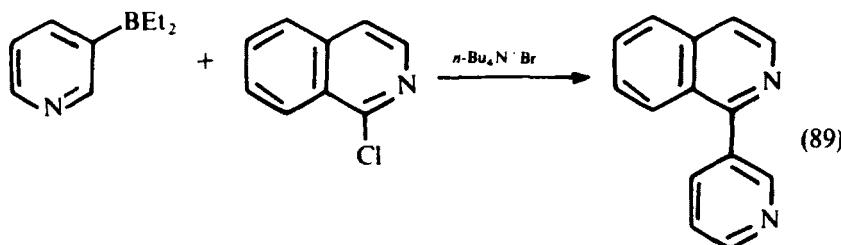
4-Bromoisoquinoline can be coupled with olefins in the presence of palladium acetate and triphenylphosphine¹⁶⁸ (Eq. 87).



4-Bromoisoquinoline was carbonylated in ethanol containing palladium phosphine catalyst to produce 4-carbethoxyisoquinoline (**103**)¹⁶⁹ (Eq. 88).

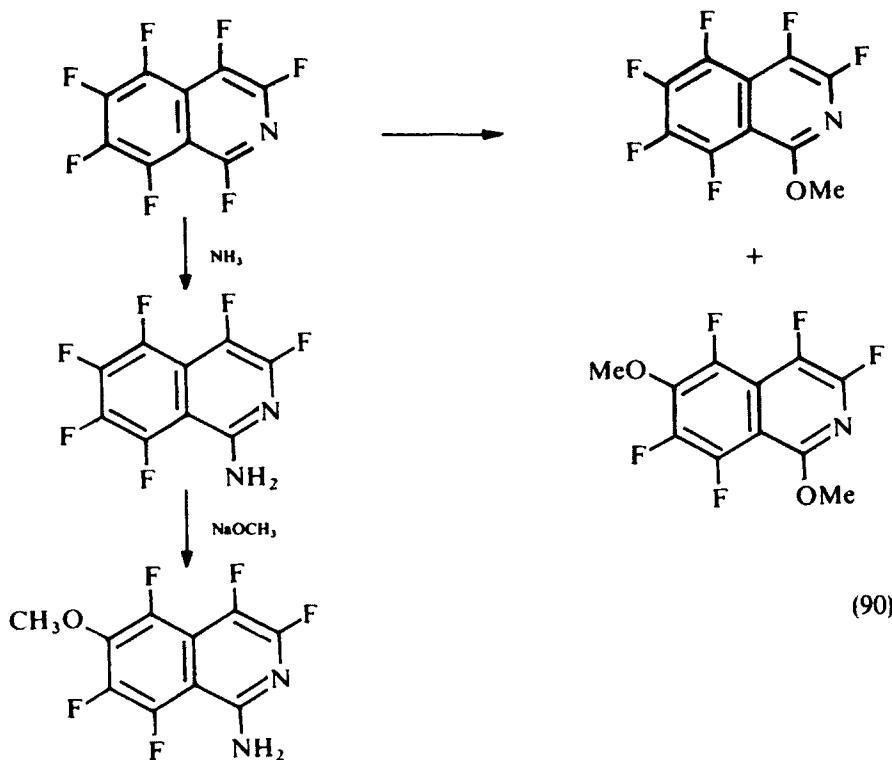


3-Isoquinolylpyridine is synthesised by palladium-catalyzed cross-coupling of diethyl-(3-pyridyl) borane with 1-chloroisoquinoline in the presence of base¹⁷⁰ (Eq. 89).



The α -L-arabinofuranosyl-4-bromoisoquinolinium salt has been prepared by treatment of the sugar bromide with 4-bromoisoquinoline in the presence of base tetrabutylammonium bromide, and the hydrolysis studied to obtain information on enzymic and nonenzymic glycoside hydrolysis.¹⁷¹ Similar experiments with α -D-xylopyranosyl and α -D-glucopyranosyl salts of 4-bromoisoquinoline were interpreted in terms of a failure of the antiperiplanar lone-pair hypothesis in glycoside hydrolysis.¹⁷²

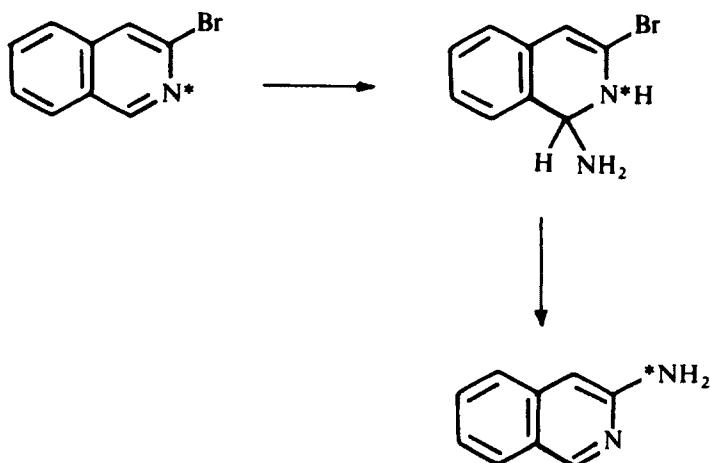
The reaction of heptafluoroisoquinoline with sodium methoxide occurs both at the 1-fluoro and 6-fluoro positions to provide a mixture of 1-methoxy and 1,6-dimethoxy fluorinated isoquinolines. When using ammonia, only the 1-amino-hexafluoroisoquinoline is formed. Subsequent treatment with sodium methoxide then furnishes 1-amino-6-methoxypentafluoroisoquinoline¹⁷³ (Eq. 90).



Similarly, the reaction of heptafluoroisoquinoline with hydrazine hydrate and lithium aluminium hydride occurs only at the 1-fluorine position.¹⁷³ Heptafluoroisoquinoline is more reactive toward nucleophiles than pentafluoropyridines.

3-Bromo and 3-chloroisoquinolines react with ammonia to yield 3-aminoisoquinoline.^{54,153} The reaction of 3-bromoisoquinoline and amide ion in liquid ammonia has been shown to proceed through a ring-opening route. Using the ^{15}N -labeled 3-bromoisoquinoline derivative, it was established that 55% of the

3-aminoisoquinoline forms by ring opening and that the amide ion adds to position 1 prior to rearrangement,¹⁵³ (Scheme 26).

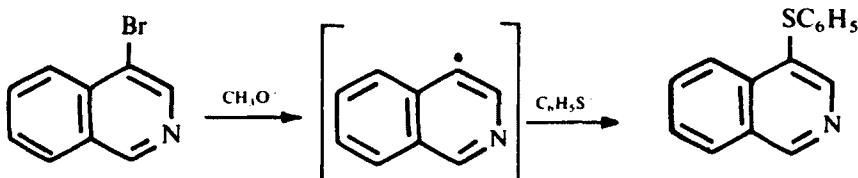


Scheme 26

The reaction of 4-haloisoquinolines with KNH₂ in liquid ammonia yields a mixture of products involving abnormal addition-elimination sequences. The mechanism of formation of various products is reported¹⁷⁴ (see Section III. B).

Bromoethoxyisoquinolines with the substituents in the pyridine ring generally undergo simple nucleophilic substitution of the bromine atom with potassium amide in liquid ammonia to give the corresponding amino compounds. However, 4-bromo-3-ethoxyisoquinoline yields a complex mixture of products.¹⁷⁵

4-Bromoisoquinolines also may be forced to undergo nucleophilic displacement reactions. Thus, 4-bromoisoquinoline reacts with cuprous cyanide in *N*-methylpyrrolidone to yield 4-cyanoisoquinoline,¹⁷⁶ while reaction with ammonia in the presence of copper sulfate gives the 4-amino derivative.¹⁷⁷ 4-Bromoisoquinoline reacts with sodium thiophenolate in methanol at 147 °C to yield 4-thiophenylisoquinoline.¹⁷⁸ In the presence of methoxide ion, isoquinoline is also formed by a reductive dehalogenation. This reaction occurs through a radical chain route initiated by methoxide ion (Scheme 27). The absence of 4-methoxyisoquinoline in the product indicates the superiority of the benzene thiolate in trapping the isoquinolyl radical.

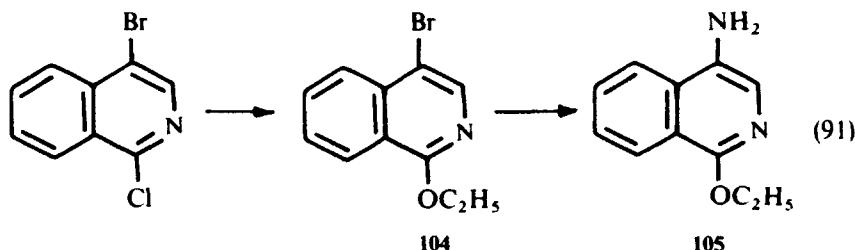


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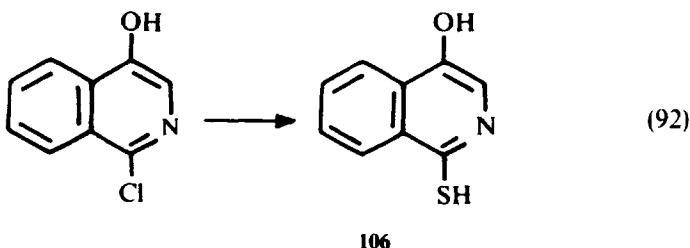
The exclusive formation of 4-phenylthioisoquinoline in the absence of methoxide proceeds possibly by an ionic route.

The 4-isoquinolyl radical has been generated photochemically from 4-bromoisoquinoline, and its reactivity toward hydrogen abstraction and nucleophilic addition has been compared with the corresponding 3-pyridyl and 3-quinolyl radicals.¹⁷⁹

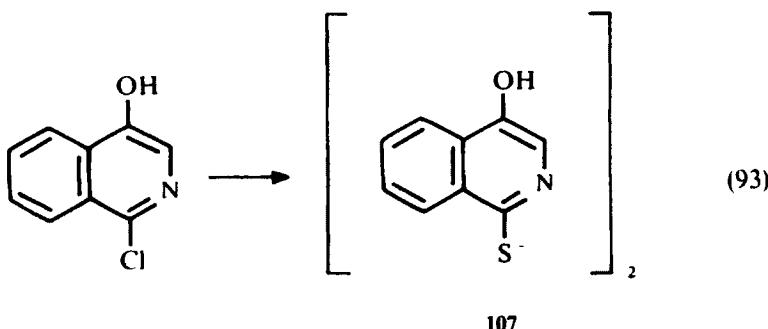
4-Bromo-1-chloro-isoquinoline has been reacted with sodium ethoxide to give 4-bromo-1-ethoxyisoquinoline (**104**), which in turn was converted to 4-amino-1-ethoxyisoquinoline (**105**)³⁶ (Eq. 91).



1-Chloro-4-hydroxyisoquinoline reacts with hydrogen sulfide in pyridine to yield 4-hydroxy-1-mercaptopisoquinoline (**106**) in 85% yield¹⁸⁰ (Eq. 92).



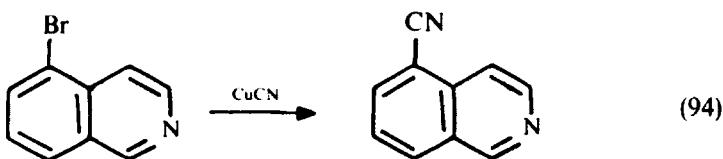
Thiourea, on the other hand, yields an isoquinolyl disulfide (**107**), presumably through the intermediacy of an isothiouronium salt which undergoes hydrolysis and oxidation¹⁸⁰ (Eq. 93).



1,1'-Diselenobisisoquinoline was obtained by reaction of sodium hydroselenide with 1-chloroisooquinoline (see Section VI. A).

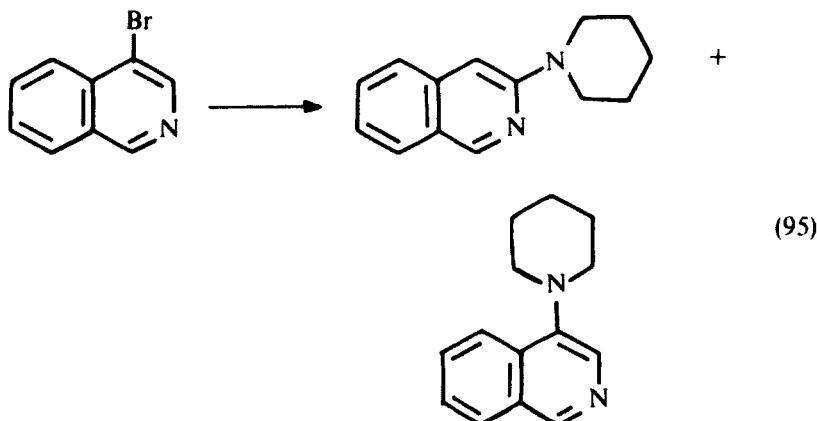
4-Chloroisooquinoline can be converted into 4-bromoisoquinoline by bromination of a mercury complex.¹⁸¹ However, the same derivative can be obtained by bromination of mercury derivatives of isoquinoline itself. Interconversions of 1-haloisoquinolines also constitute other examples of replacement reactions. These have been dealt with in Section II. A(h)(iv).

The bromine atom in 5-bromoisoquinoline undergoes replacement by cyanide ion by reaction with cuprous cyanide⁸⁴ (Eq. 94). Performing the reaction in dimethyl sulfoxide has been reported to give better yields.¹⁸²



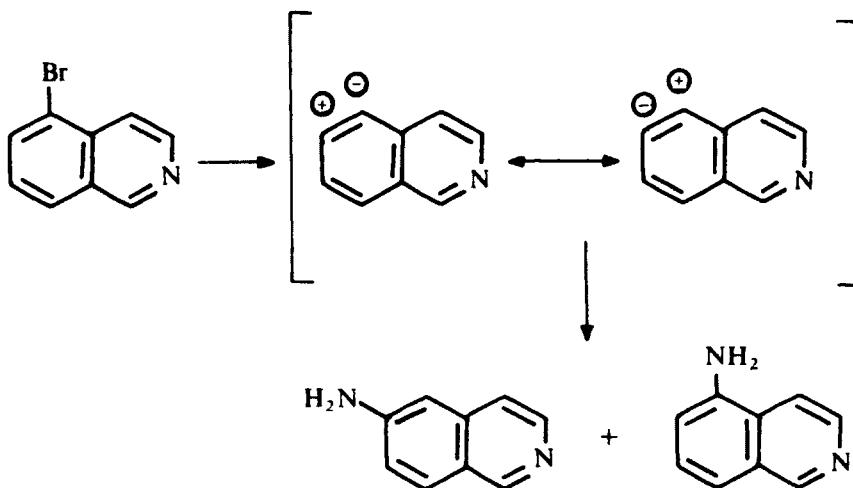
B. Di-Dehydroisoquinolines

Unlike in the quinoline series, very little work has been reported on dehydroisoquinolines. 3,4-Di-dehydroisoquinoline is reported to be formed from 4-bromoisoquinoline with anhydrous piperidine to form the 3- and 4-piperidino isoquinolines in yields of 4 and 35%, respectively.^{183, 184} (Eq. 95).



A convenient preparation of 6-aminoisoquinoline in 47% yield consists of the reaction of 5-bromoisoquinoline with potassium amide in liquid ammonia.¹⁸⁵ As expected, 5-aminoisoquinoline was also isolated (21% yield) (Scheme 28).

The reaction of piperidine with 4-haloisoquinoline was reinvestigated by Sanders et al.¹⁷⁴ These authors obtained in addition to the expected 4-piperidinoisoquinoline, 1-piperidino- and 3-piperidinoisoquinolines. The forma-

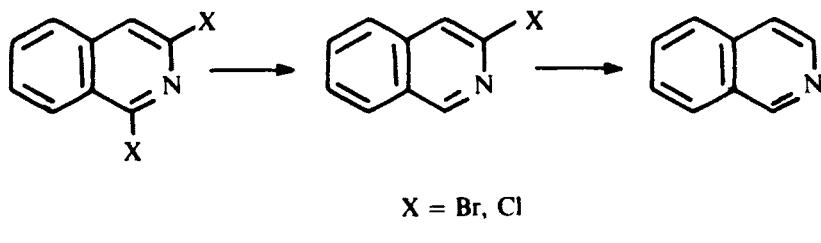


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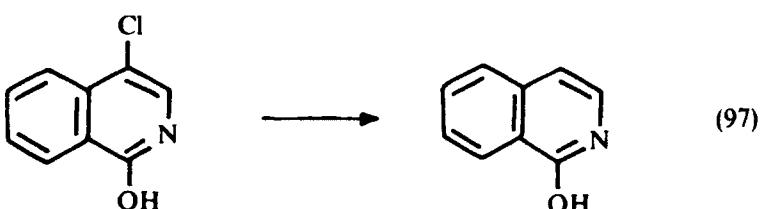
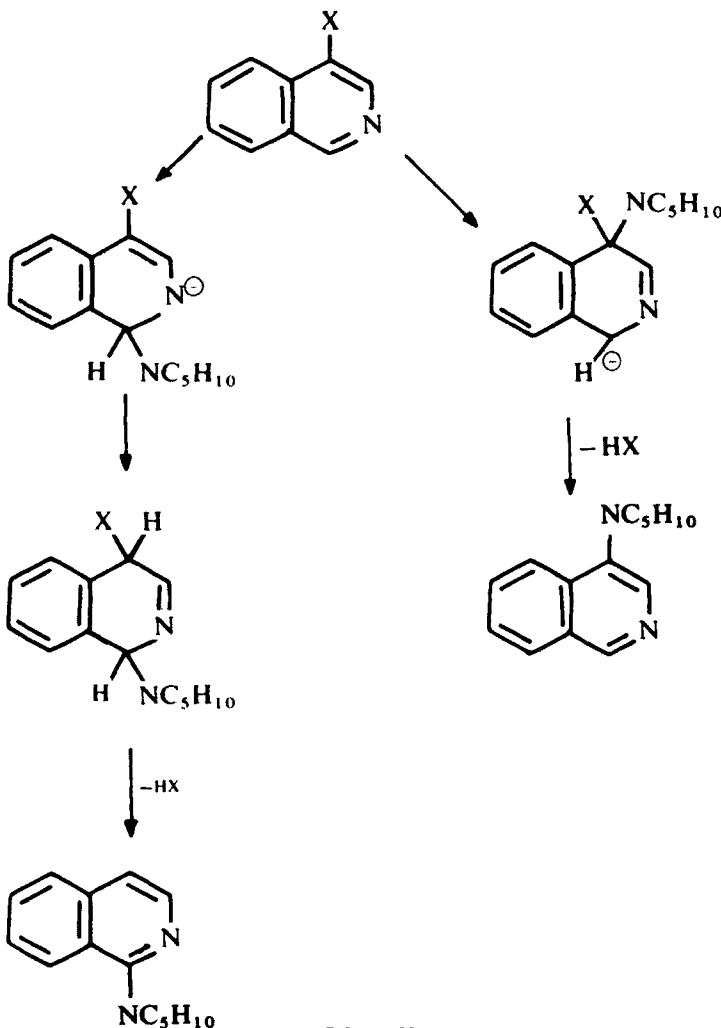
tion of the 1-isomer is explained by an abnormal addition-elimination (AE_a) mechanism (Scheme 29), and the authors claim that the 3-piperidino isomer also probably results from an addition-elimination, rather than proceeding through a 3,4-didehydroisoquinoline, as suggested earlier.¹⁸³

C. Reduction of Haloisoquinolines

Selective removal of halogen atoms from the isoquinoline nucleus has been effectively used as a method of synthesis of isoquinoline derivatives. 1,3-Dichloroisoquinolines under the action of red phosphorus and iodine⁴² yield, in a stepwise manner, 3-chloroisoquinoline and isoquinoline (Eq. 96). Raney nickel in an alkaline medium also yields similar results both with 1,3-dichloro- as well as 1,3-dibromoisoquinoline.



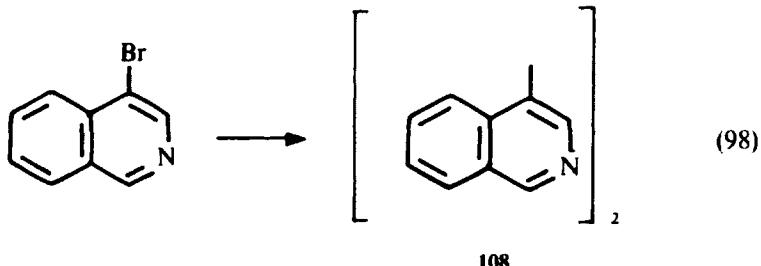
4-Chloroisocarbostyryl is reduced catalytically in the presence of palladium-charcoal to isocarbostyryl⁵⁹ (Eq. 97).



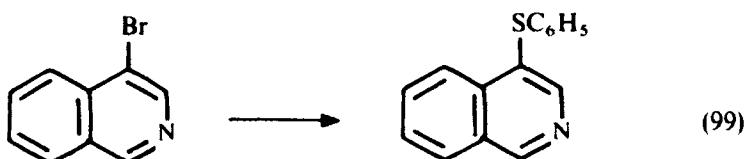
1-Bromo-4-(4-aminophenyl)isoquinoline is debrominated to the corresponding isoquinolines by stannous chloride–hydrochloric acid.¹⁸⁶

A series of 3-hydroxyisoquinolines was prepared by the catalytic hydrogenation of 1-chloro-3-hydroxyisoquinolines.⁶⁸

4-Bromoisoquinoline is converted during hydrogenation with palladium-calcium carbonate catalyst to bisisoquinoline (**108**)¹⁸⁷ (Eq. 98), while with sodium hydrazide in hydrazine, it undergoes reductive dehalogenation to isoquinoline.¹⁸⁸

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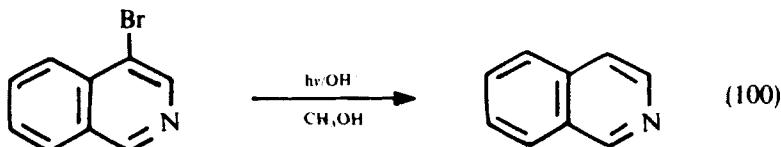
Sodium thiophenolate in the presence of sodium methoxide converts 4-bromoisoquinoline to a mixture of 4-phenylmercaptoisoquinoline and isoquinoline, while in the absence of the base, the former is the only product¹⁷⁸ (Eq. 99) (see also Scheme 27).



Electrolytic reduction of heptachloroisoquinoline yields hexachloro- and pentachloroisoquinolines¹³² [see Section II. A(h) (v)].

1,3-Dichloro-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline is reductively dehalogenated by zinc and acetic acid to 5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline¹⁸⁹ while 4-chloro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline undergoes conversion to 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline during catalytic hydrogenation.³⁶

Photodebromination of 4-bromoisoquinoline has been recently reported¹⁹⁰ in the presence of alkali and methanol. The debromination involves electron donation to the excited bromoisoquinoline and abstraction of hydrogen radical from methanol (Eq. 100) (see also Section III.A).

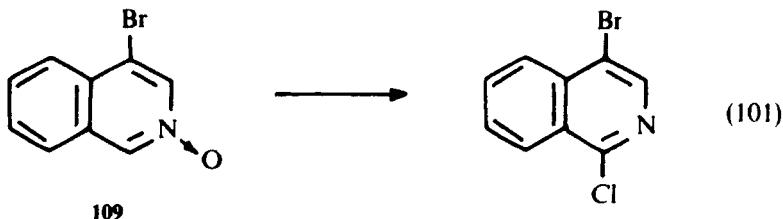


D. N-Oxidation

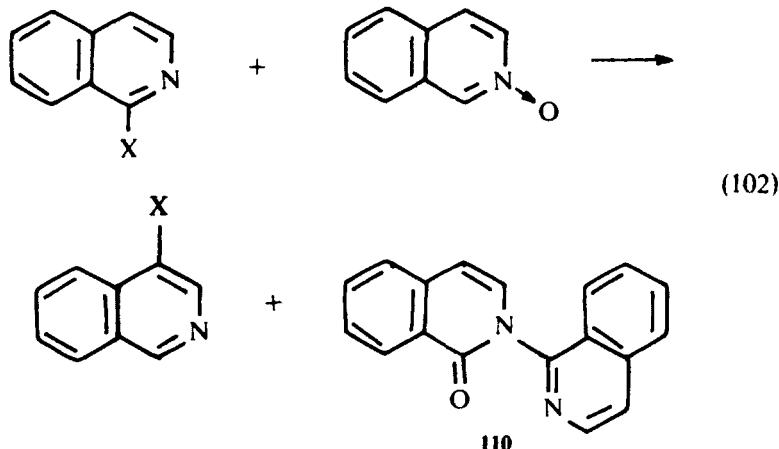
Halosubstituted isoquinolines undergo *N*-oxidation with the usual reagents, but peracetic acid is the preferred reagent. 1-Chloroisooquinoline, however, on

treatment with hydrogen peroxide and acetic acid was converted into 4-chloroisocarbostyryl in 20–24% yield.⁵⁹

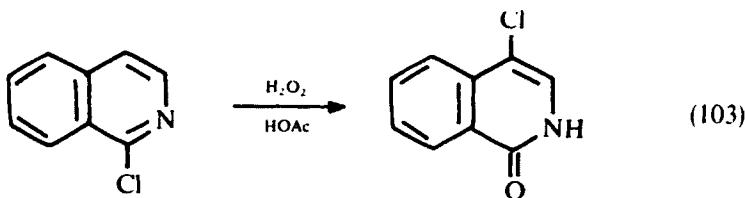
The versatility of the *N*-oxides for further activating the nucleus toward substitution reactions, their facile deoxygenations with phosphorus trichloride, and the diverse rearrangements that these derivatives undergo have made this class of compounds valuable intermediates for the synthesis of isoquinoline derivatives. For example, except for the 1-fluoroisomer, none of the fluoroisoquinolines have a replaceable halogen. In the corresponding *N*-oxides, however, replacements could be effected with nucleophilic reagents in all fluoroisoquinolines except in those cases where the fluorine atom is in the 5 and 7 position.¹¹⁵ The *N*-oxide can also be used for the introduction of a halogen (especially chlorine or bromine) in the 1 position of the isoquinoline nucleus. 4-Bromoisoquinoline undergoes ready *N*-oxidation and the product (**109**) can easily be converted to 4-bromo-1-chloroisoquinoline by the action of phosphorus oxychloride¹⁹¹ (Eq. 101) [see Section II. A (c) (ii)].



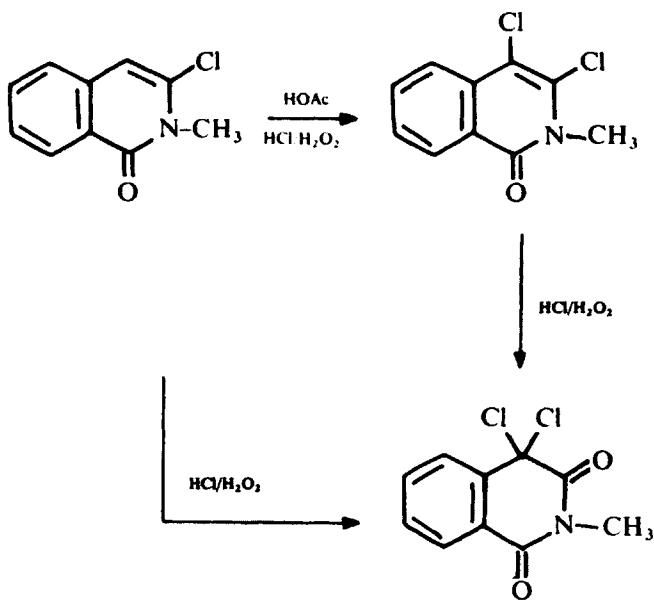
1-Bromo- and 1-chloroisoquinolines react with isoquinoline *N*-oxide to form 4-bromo- and 4-chloroisoquinolines³³ (Eq. 102) along with a substituted iso-carbostyryl derivative (**110**).



On oxidation with hydrogen peroxide and acetic acid, 1-chloroisoquinoline gives, in 87% yield, 4-chloroisocarbostyryl⁵⁹ (Eq. 103) which is easily convertible into 1,4-dichloroisoquinoline. In a series of related rearrangements, it was found

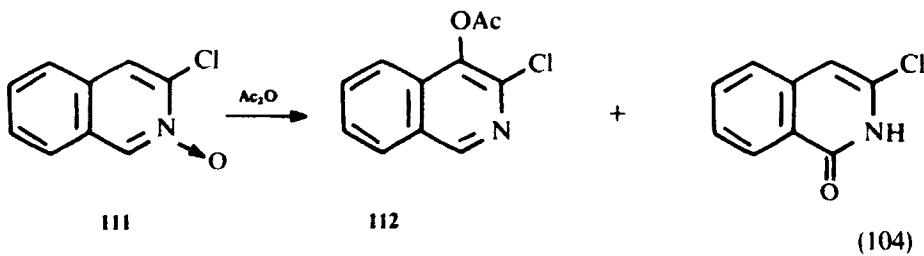


that 3-chloro-*N*-methylisocarbostyryl was converted to α -dichlorohomophthalimide or 3,4-dichloro-*N*-methyl isocarbostyryl by choosing the reaction conditions⁴³ (Scheme 30).



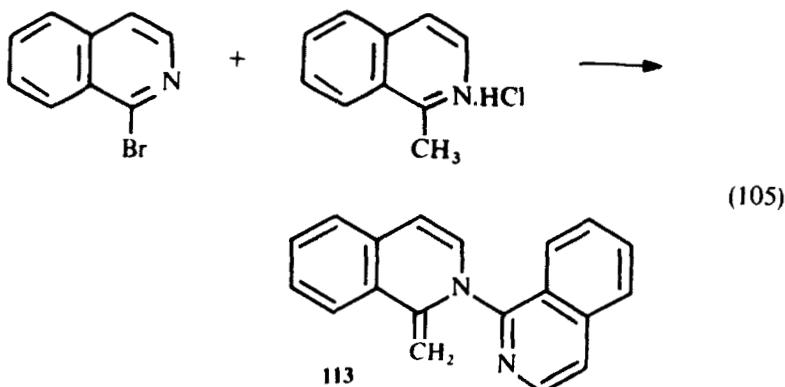
Scheme 30

3-Chloroisooquinoline *N*-oxide (**III**) on treatment with acetic anhydride is converted into a mixture of 4-acetoxy-3-chloroisooquinoline (**112**) and 3-chloroisocarbostyryl¹⁹² (Eq. 104).



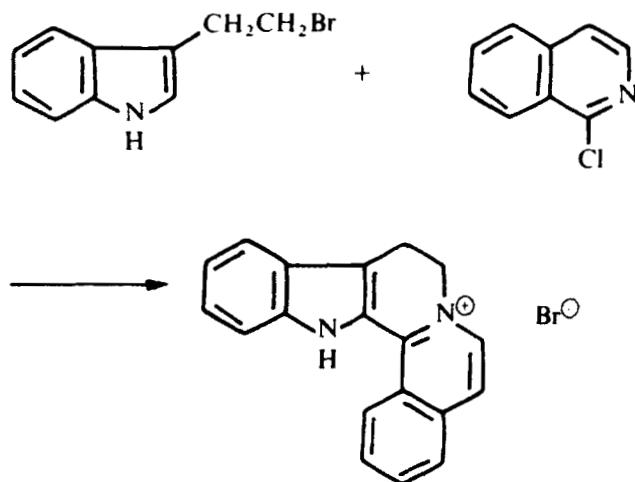
E. Other Reactions

Unlike the case of the reaction of 2-methylquinoline with 2-chloroquinoline,¹⁹³ which yields 2,2',2"-triquinolylmethane, 1-bromoisoquinoline *N*-alkylates 1-methyl isoquinoline hydrochloride to yield a 1-methylene isoquinoline derivative (**113**) in 44% yield¹⁹⁴ (Eq. 105).

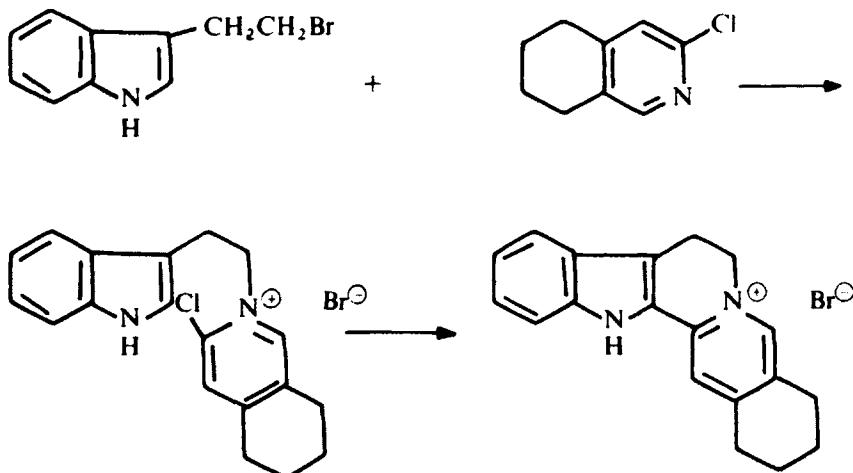


1-Chloroisoquinoline and 3-chloro-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline have been employed for the synthesis of polycyclic indole systems and alkaloids of the Sempervirine class (Schemes 31 and 32). Their reactions with 3-β-bromoethylinoles have been studied in detail.^{195, 196}

1-(3-Benzyl-4-methoxybenzyl)-8-bromo-3,4-dihydro-6,7-dimethoxyisoquinoline (**114**) has been used for the preparation of the oxoaporphine alkaloid

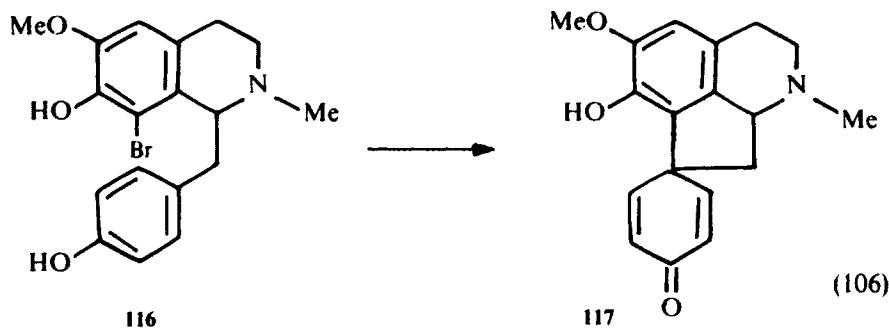


Scheme 31



atheroline (**115**) in a series of steps, including oxidation followed by debenzylation and photolysis in the presence of sodium hydroxide^{197, 198} (Scheme 33). The corresponding 10,11-oxoaporphine was also obtained during photolysis.

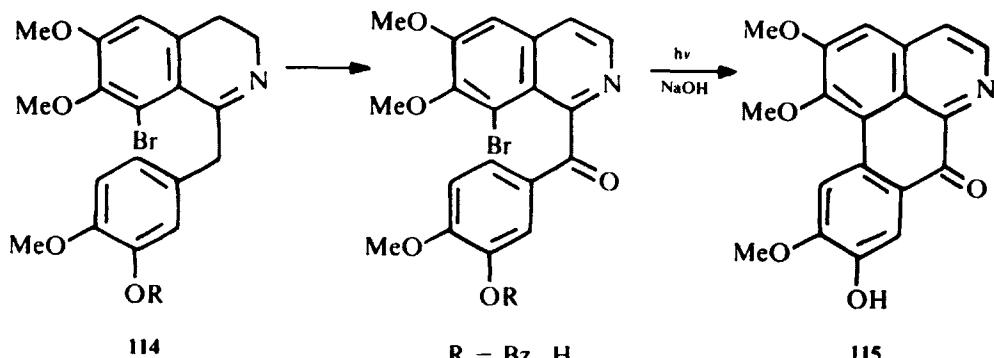
Photolysis of the 8-bromo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline **116** in alkaline solution led to (\pm)-glaziovine (**117**)^{25, 199} (Eq. 106).



The protoberberine alkaloid caseidine has been synthesized, starting from 8-benzyloxy-1-chloro-7-methoxyisoquinoline and dimethoxyhomophthalic anhydride.²⁰⁰ In a similar fashion, 1-chloroisooquinoline was treated with glutaconic anhydride and α -methylhomophthalic anhydride.²⁰¹

Several syntheses of ellipticine and its derivatives, which are useful as antitumor agents, have been reported in a series of steps starting from substituted haloisoquinolines.^{202 - 205}

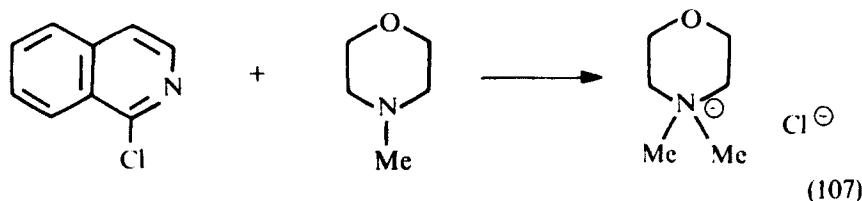
A bromoisooquinoline has also been used for the synthesis of the azafluoranthene alkaloids rufescine and imelutine.²⁰⁶



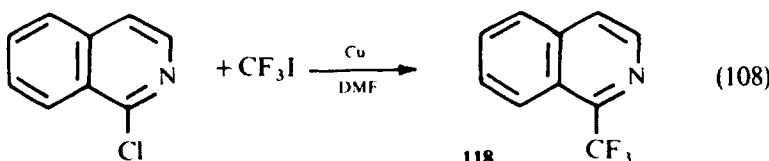
Scheme 33

The bisbenzylisoquinoline alkaloids trilobine, isotrilobine, and obaberine have been synthesized starting from *O*-benzyl-8-bromo-*N*-norarmepavine.²⁰⁷

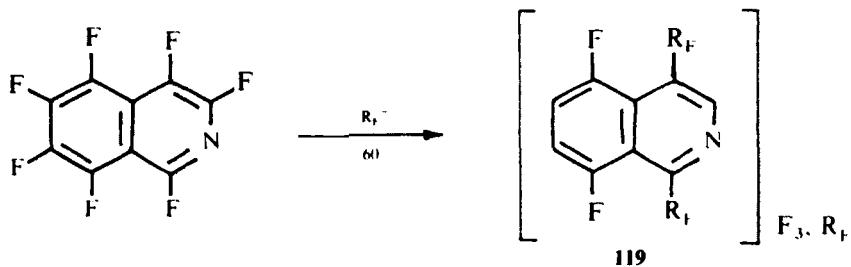
Reaction of 1-chloroisooquinoline with 4-methyl morpholine and trimethylamine yields, as the only isolable products, the quaternary methyl chloride of these bases²⁰⁸ (Eq. 107). It is possible that the normal quaternary product with isoquinoline formed initially may be sufficiently reactive to generate methylchloride, which in turn quaternizes the 4-methylmorpholine or trimethylamine.



1-Trifluoromethylisoquinoline (**118**) has been prepared by the action of trifluoromethyl iodide on 1-chloroisooquinoline or 1-iodoisooquinoline in the presence of copper^{209, 210} (Eq. 108).



The multiple thermally induced isomerization of bromo and chloro decahydroisoquinoline has already been reported [see Section II.A(h) (v)].

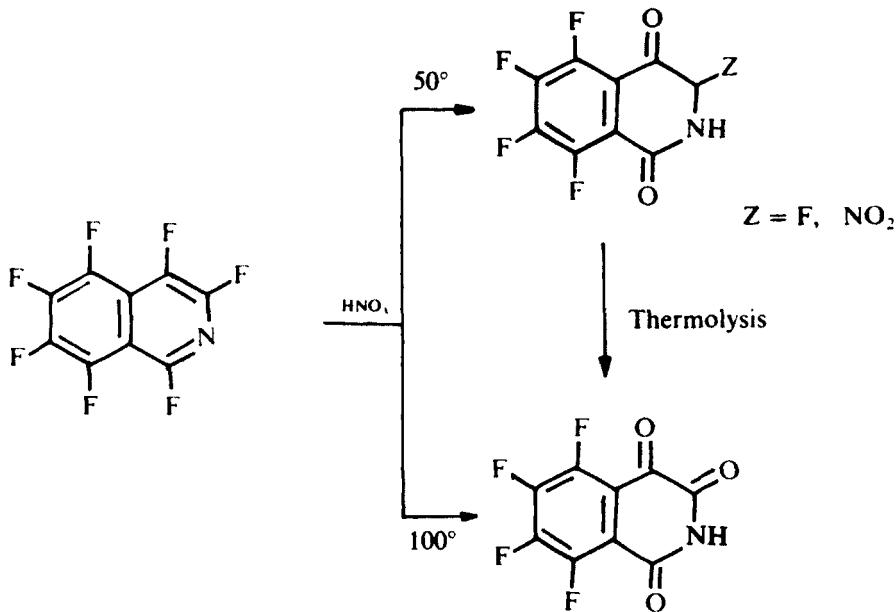


$$(109)$$

When perfluoroisoquinoline was perfluoroalkylated with octafluorobut-2-ene a complex mixture of products was obtained,²¹¹ the major component being **119** (Eq. 109).

4-Bromoisoquinoline on nitration, yields 4-bromo-5-nitroisoquinoline, which possesses fungicidal activity. Other derivatives with halogen and/or nitro substituents were also prepared.²¹²

Oxidation of perfluoroisoquinoline with fuming nitric acid at 50°C gives 5,6,7,8-perfluoro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-3-nitro-1,4-dioxoisoquinoline which, on thermolysis, yields 5,6,7,8-tetrafluoro-1,3,4-trioxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline, which can also be obtained directly from perfluoroisoquinoline by nitration at 100°C²¹³ (Scheme 34).



Scheme 34

IV. PHYSICAL AND SPECTROSCOPIC PROPERTIES OF HALOISOQUINOLINES

The monohaloisoquinolines are colorless liquids or low-melting solids originally isolated as their hydrohalides or picrates. They are, however, readily distillable liquids, and isomers can be separated by fractional distillation.

The ultraviolet (UV) spectra of all seven possible monochloroisoquinolines have been reported.²¹⁴ The effect of halogen substituents on the UV spectra of isoquinoline itself has also been determined.²¹⁵ The absorption spectra of 1-fluoro-, 3-fluoro-, and 4-fluoroisoquinolines have been published.²¹⁶

The infrared (IR) spectra of a number of isoquinoline derivatives have been reported.^{217, 218} However, these data are of only supportive value in the structural elucidation of haloisoquinolines.

The dipole moments of several monohaloisoquinolines have been measured.^{94, 219} Based on dipole moments, some structural assignments have been made for other isoquinoline derivatives.⁹⁴

The PK_a 's of 4-bromo and a few other substituted isoquinolines are reported in connection with a study on the ionization constants of 3-substituted pyridines, quinolines, and isoquinolines.²²⁰

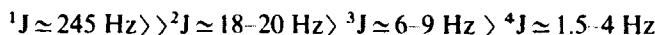
The NMR spectrum of isoquinoline itself has been studied in detail. Based on the values of chemical shifts and coupling constants, it has been possible to assign structures to the mono- and polyhaloisoquinolines obtained from various reactions. Of the many monobromoisoquinolines, the 4-bromo isomer has been studied in detail. Extensive spin-decoupling experiments have enabled the determination of the magnitude and relative sign of the long-range coupling constants in 4-bromoisoquinoline.²²¹ The use of europium shift reagent, Eu(fod)₃, was of considerable assistance in the unambiguous assignment of orientation in 3-bromo-, 3,4-dibromo-, and 4-bromo-3-hydroxyisoquinolines.⁹⁸ The chemical shifts of H-1, H-3, and H-4 have been determined and the substituent effects of several isoquinolines halogenated in the pyridine nucleus have been studied.²²²

The product of bromination of 4-bromoisoquinoline in the presence of a swamping catalyst, aluminium chloride, has been assigned the 4,5,8-tribromo structure based on an AB quartet at δ 7.8, resulting from the two adjacent protons at C₆ and C₇ of the nucleus.¹⁰⁴

The ¹³C-NMR shifts have been assigned for chloro-, dichloro-, and chloromethylisoquinolines and some of their *N*-oxides,²²³ and for fluoro methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines.²²⁴ Substituent chemical shifts (SCS) are noticed for substitution by both chlorine and fluorine atoms. Chlorine substituent effects have been noted in the alpha, ortho, meta, para and peri positions. The alpha SCS effects vary widely from 1.1 ppm upfield in 1-chloroisoquinoline to 0.7 ppm downfield in 4-chloroisoquinoline. These effects, in comparison with those in literature, allow the extent of steric and nitrogen lone-pair contribution to be defined in modifying SCS effects, and these have been shown to be roughly additive.²²³

Fluorine substitution in the phenyl ring manifests itself in two ways.²²⁴ There is a striking effect on the ¹³C chemical shift, the carbon bearing the fluorine atom being deshielded by >30 ppm, whereas the carbon ortho to fluorine shows a large upfield shift \approx 14 ppm, the carbon para to fluorine a shielding effect of \approx 5 ppm, and the carbon meta to fluorine experience a deshielding effect of 1–2 ppm.

In addition, because of fluorine substitution, there is a characteristic regular pattern in the aromatic region of the proton-decoupled spectrum.



The ¹⁹F-NMR spectra of fluoroisoquinolines have been measured.^{225, 226} Both chemical shifts and coupling constants are of value in the assignment of structures. The large peri 1,8 and 4,5 couplings of the order of 60–65 Hz and 50 Hz are of considerable assistance in identifying the substitution patterns.¹⁷³ For example, the structures of products obtained from the reaction of sodium methoxide with heptafluoroisoquinoline have been unambiguously established by correlation of the chemical shifts and coupling constants in their ¹⁹F NMR spectra.

While mass spectral fragmentation patterns of isoquinoline, alkyl and hydroxy isoquinoline, and isoquinoline *N*-oxide²²⁷ and 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines²²⁸ have been studied in some detail, there has been little systematic study of the mass spectra of haloisoquinolines.

V. USES

None of the haloisoquinolines or their simple derivatives has been known to be useful as pharmaceutical agents. Several chloro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines are inhibitors of the enzyme phenylethanolamine *N*-methyltransferase. 7,8-Dichloro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline displays a marked hypotensive activity^{229, 230} and is under clinical investigation.²⁰ 6,7-Dichloro-1-(3,4,5-trimethoxybenzyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline is useful as a β -adrenergic receptor blocking agent.²³¹ Perfluoro-2-methyl decahydroisoquinoline has been examined as a potential blood substitute.²³² Reports on the synthesis of many derivatives as potentially biologically active preparations are available. Thus, 1- β -dialkylaminoalkyl isoquinolines synthesized for antimalarial screening from 1-chloroisooquinoline¹⁰⁰ were devoid of such activity, as was the case of 1-anilino derivatives.¹⁴⁷

A French patent claims the uses of 4-alkoxy-1-(2-di-alkylaminoethoxy)isoquinolines as local anesthetics,⁶⁰ while a group of substituted 1-chloroisooquinolines are also claimed to have local anesthetic, in addition to antispasmodic activity.⁵⁰

The bronchodilatory activity of derivatives of 1-chloro-6,7-dimethoxyisoquinoline has been reported.²³³ Products derived from 7-chloro-1-methylmercapto-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline have reportedly antitussive and anti-brillatory properties.²³⁴

In view of the reported amoebicidal properties of iodohydroxyquinolines, similar derivatives in the isoquinoline series have been prepared.³⁰ However, none of them exhibited any antiamoebic activity at the doses employed.

Several imidazolylisoquinolines have been prepared by treating the corresponding 1-chloroisooquinolines with imidazoles in the presence of base and their hypolipemic and hypoglycemic activities have been tested.²³⁵

In a search for CNS-active compounds, ethyl-5-oxo-2,5-dihydroisoxazole-4-carboxylate was treated with different substituted 1-chloroisooquinolines to obtain the corresponding substitution products.²³⁶

As part of a program to synthesize nitro heterocycles with antimicrobial activity, 1-chloro-4-nitroisoquinoline was reacted with oxazolidin-2-one and thiazolidin-2-one in the presence of sodium hydride, or condensed with aminoacetaldehyde dimethylacetal, followed by cyclization, to get products which, however, showed no appreciable *in vitro* activity.²³⁷

Hydroxyalkylamino-substituted isoquinolines variously useful as sympatholytics, β -blockers, and antihypertensives have been prepared by the reaction of the appropriate alcohols with substituted 1-haloisoquinolines.²³⁸⁻²⁴⁰

Substituted 1,3-dichloroisooquinolines, when treated sequentially with thiomorpholine or its oxide and then with piperazine derivatives, lead to compounds that inhibit platelet aggregation.²⁴¹

7-Chloro-8-nitroisoquinoline was converted to the 7-benzylthio derivative by treatment with benzylmercaptan and reduction. This was further transformed in a series of steps to thiadiazolotetrahydroisoquinoline, which showed antidepressant activity.²⁴² Replacement of the chlorine of substituted 3-chloroisooquinolines with piperidino or piperazino derivatives led to compounds with antidepressant activity.²⁴³ Quinolizinone derivatives useful as antidepressants and anti-Parkinson agents have been prepared, starting from the corresponding 3,4-dihydroisoquinolines.²⁴⁴

Bistetrahydroisoquinoline derivatives, which are potent inhibitors of the enzyme phenylethanolamine-*N*-methyltransferase, have been obtained by acylation of 7,8-dichloro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline hydrochloride with the appropriate ω -haloacyl halides, followed by alkylation with a second molecule of 7,8-dichloro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline and reduction of the amide.²⁴⁵

Iminodisulfamides were obtained by treatment of halo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines with $(\text{CISO}_2)_2\text{NH}$ and tested for antiallergic activity.²⁴⁶ 7-Chloro-3,4-dihydro-1-phenylisoquinoline was tested for antiallergic activity.²⁴⁷

Chlorine-substituted *s*-triazolo[3,4-*a*]isoquinolines, useful in the treatment of inflammatory disorders, were obtained by cyclization of hydrazinoisoquinolines with the appropriate acid or anhydride.²⁴⁸

Halogen-substituted isoquinolines were among several other-substituted isoquinolines that were converted to imidazolinylaminoisoquinolines which were useful as antihypertensives.²⁴⁹

1-Chloro-3-(2-pyridyl)isoquinolines have been prepared and found to exhibit antimycoplasmal activity in the presence of copper.²⁵⁰

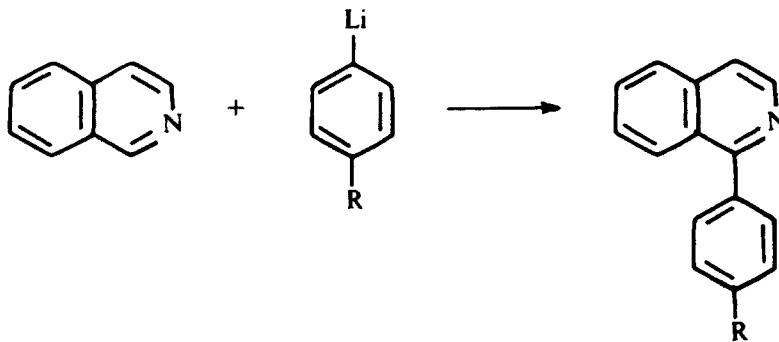
Among other 8-substituted 4-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines, the corresponding 8-halo compounds have been tested for renal vasodilator activity.²⁵¹

3-Chloro-5-acetamidoisoquinoline has been found to have herbicidal activity,²⁵² while 4-bromo-5-nitroisoquinoline has fungicidal activity.^{212,252} Other halogen-substituted isoquinolines have been prepared by a Sandmeyer or Schiemann reaction of the corresponding aminoisoquinolines and their activity tested.²⁵²

VI. ORGANOMETALLIC DERIVATIVES OF ISOQUINOLINES

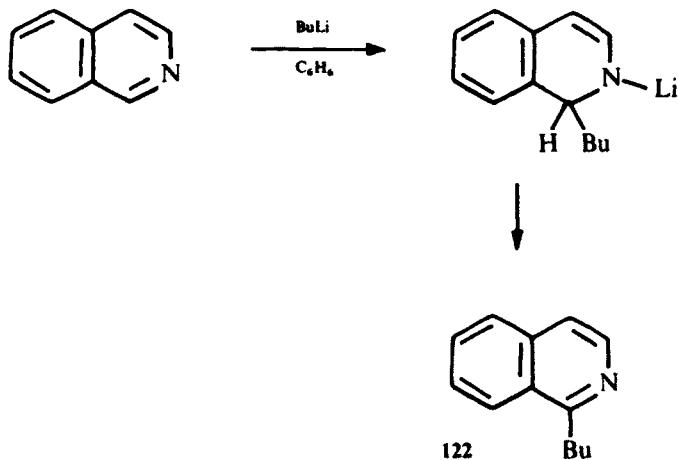
A. Lithium Salts

Phenyllithium is reported to react with isoquinoline to form 1-phenylisoquinoline (**120**), which was characterized as its picrate.²⁵³ The phenyllithium adduct, which is presumably the intermediate, has not been isolated. A similar reaction of *p*-anisyllithium with isoquinoline yielded 1-*p*-anisylisoquinoline (**121**)²⁵³ (Eq. 110).

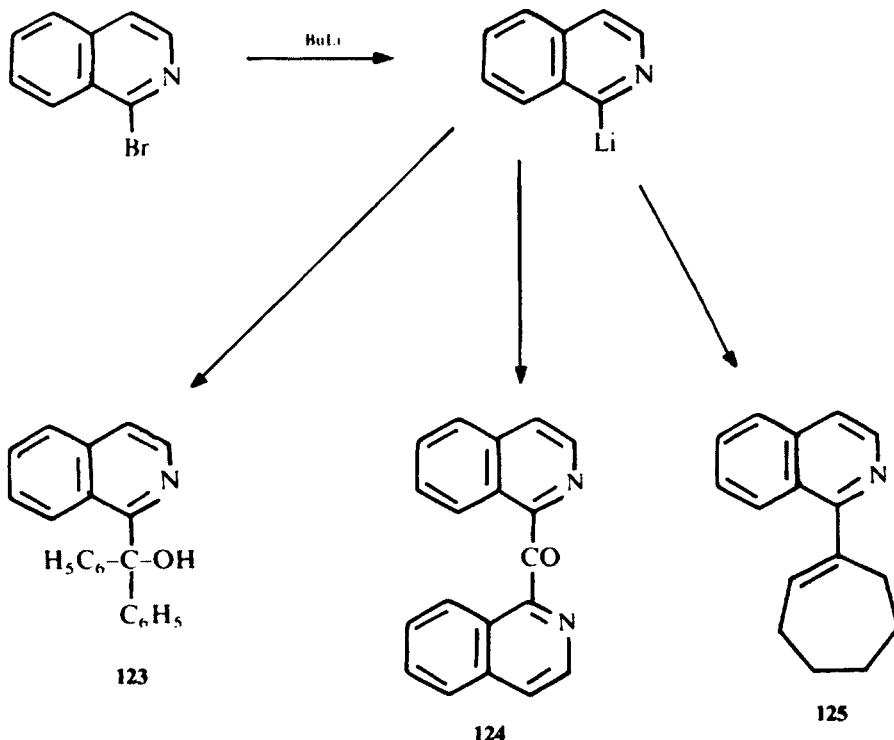


Reaction of isoquinoline with butyllithium in benzene solution yields an unstable adduct which undergoes decomposition (Scheme 35) to yield 1-butylisoquinoline (**122**).²⁵⁴ Phenyllithium, under the same conditions, did not yield a pure product.

The first report on the preparation of 1-isoquinolinyl lithium appeared in 1957.²⁵⁵ The procedure involved a low-temperature halogen-metal interconversion of 1-bromoisoquinoline with *n*-butyllithium. Here again, the intermediate 1-isoquinolinyl lithium was not isolated, but was directly used for further reaction, for example, with benzophenone,²⁵⁵ carbon dioxide,²⁵⁵ and cycloheptanone²⁵⁶ (Scheme 36) to give **123**, **124**, and **125**, respectively.

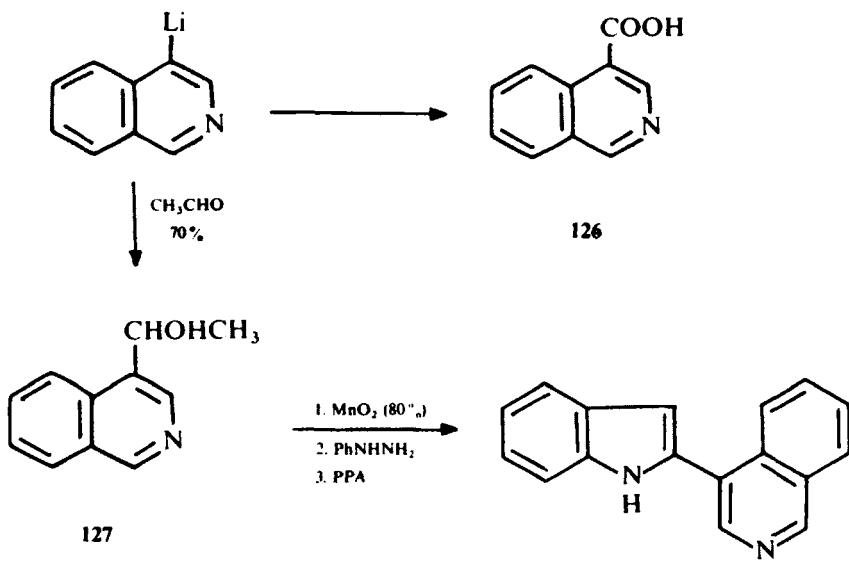


Scheme 35



Scheme 36

By a similar procedure, 4-bromoisoquinoline was converted through 4-isoquinolinyl lithium to 4-isoquinoline carboxylic acid (**126**) in 40% yield and to 4- α -hydroxyethylisoquinoline (**127**) by treatment with acetaldehyde²⁵⁷ (Scheme 37). This was oxidized to the corresponding ketone, reacted with phenyl hydrazine, and the phenyl hydrazone cyclized with polyphosphoric acid to 4-indol-2-yl isoquinoline (94% yield).

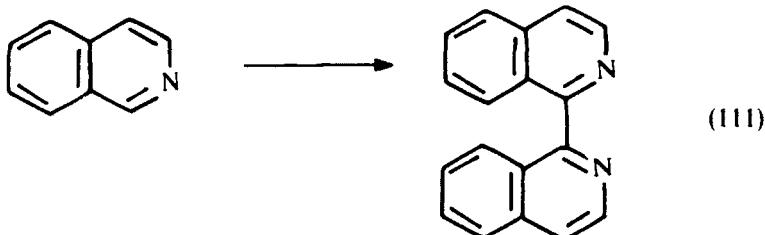


Scheme 37

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On carbonation, both the acid and ketone are possible products, the latter being formed by the attack of the organolithium compound on the initial carboxylic acid.

When isoquinoline is treated with lithium di-isopropylamide in HMPA, a dimer is obtained, presumably through an intermediate α -lithio derivative. However, attempts to trap this intermediate were unsuccessful.²⁵⁸ (Eq. 111).

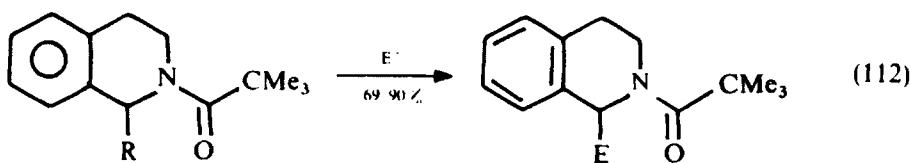


The functionalization of the pyridine ring of isoquinoline and quinoline by direct metallation has been studied.²⁵⁹ Thus, reaction of isoquinoline with *n*-butyllithium and potassium *t*-butoxide resulted in metallation of the pyridine

ring. The extent of metallation was small when isoquinoline was treated with equimolar quantities of potassium *t*-butoxide and lithium diisopropylamide in tetrahydrofuran-hexane and HMPA, as shown by isolation of the deuterated isoquinoline. However, reaction with dimethylsulfide after generating the lithio derivative by treatment of isoquinoline with lithium diisopropylamide-potassium *t*-butoxide yielded 4-methylthioisoquinoline in 60% yield.

2-Pivaloylisouquinoline can be quantitatively converted to the 1-lithio derivative (*t*-butyllithium and tetramethylenediamine), which then reacts with a variety of electrophiles to give the corresponding 1-substituted compounds²⁶⁰ (Eq. 112).

Dimerization of the lithiated derivative occurs with iodine to give 129.

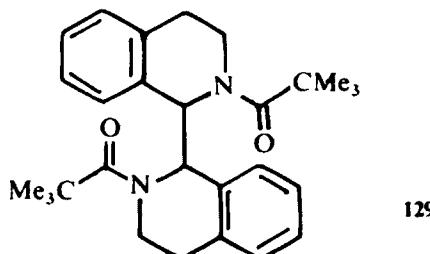


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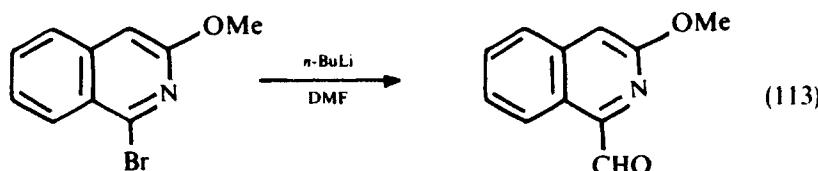
$R = Li$

$E = Si\ (CH_3)_3, Sn\ (C_4H_9)_3, C_2H_5CHOH,$

$C_6H_5CHOH, \text{cyclohexene-OH}, (C_6H_5)_2COH, CH_3,$
 $CH_3(CH_2)_7, (CH_3)_2CH, \text{2-methoxyphenyl-CH}_2$



3-Methoxy-1-isoquinoline carboxaldehyde was obtained by the treatment of 1-bromo-3-methoxyisoquinoline with *n*-butyllithium followed by dimethylformamide²⁶¹ (Eq. 113).

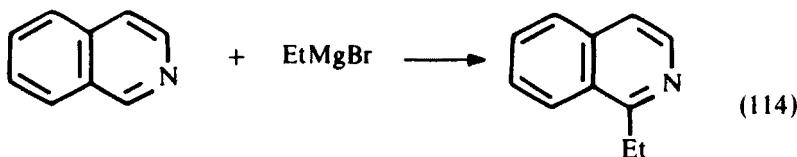


In a similar manner, 4-isooquinoline carboxaldehyde was prepared from 4-bromoisoquinoline and used for the preparation of thromboxane synthetase inhibitors by reaction with ethyl *p*-amino benzoate to give the corresponding Schiff base, followed by reduction of the imino group.²⁶²

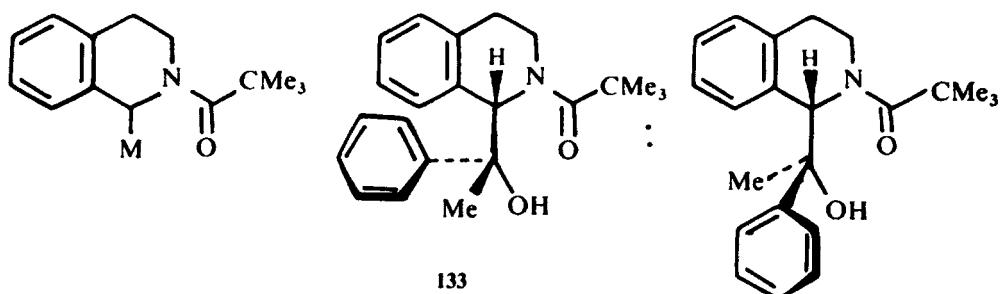
In connection with the work on 3,4-didehydroisoquinoline (see Section III.B), 4-bromoisoquinoline is reported to be unreactive to lithium piperidine and piperidine. No 3- or 4-piperidylisoquinoline was isolated. The reason for this has been ascribed to the stability of the 4-bromo-1-lithioisoquinoline.

B. Grignard Reaction

Isoquinoline reacts with ethylmagnesium bromide to directly form 1-ethylisoquinoline in 66% yield²⁶³ (Eq. 114). The reaction takes place only when the reactants are heated in an autoclave at 150–160°C. The structure of the product was not rigorously established by the authors, but in view of the greater reactivity of the 1-position, the assignment should be correct.



The 1-bromomagnesium derivative of *N*-pivaloyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (**130**) adds in a highly stereoselective manner to acetophenone. This has been shown by X-ray analysis of the major product 1-(α -hydroxy- α -methylbenzyl)-2-pivaloyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (**133**). The lithio derivative (**131**) reacts in a much less stereoselective fashion.²⁶⁴



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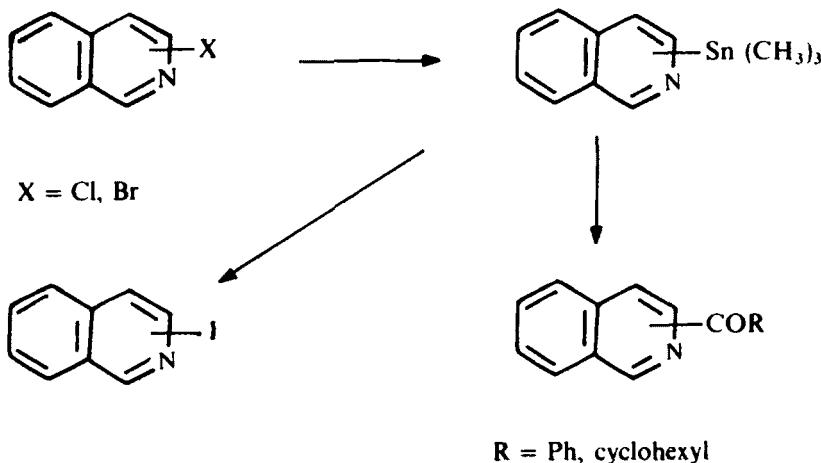
131 = M = Li

132 = M = Mg

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C. Tin Compounds

Trimethylstannylyl derivatives of isoquinolines can be prepared from the corresponding haloisoquinolines by treatment with trimethylstannyl sodium. These stannylyl derivatives readily react with iodine to give the corresponding iodo compounds²⁶⁵ and with acyl chlorides to give the corresponding ketones in good yield.²⁶⁶ 1-Trimethylstannylylisoquinoline reacts directly with acylchlorides, whereas the 3-and 4-trimethylstannylylisoquinolines require catalysis using palladium chloride or $PdCl_2(PPh_3)_2$ (Scheme 38).



Scheme 38

D. Other Organometallic Derivatives

Numerous reports describe the formation of metallic derivatives of isoquinolines. However, the majority of these do not strictly fall under the category of organometallic compounds; rather, they are to be classified as complexes. The structures of these complexes are not clearly elucidated and they are not of much synthetic value, as judged by available reports. They do not undergo selective preferential reactions useful in synthetic chemistry for which the more conventional organometallics are reputed. Exceptions are indicated; side-chain-metallated isoquinolines are not included.

(a) Group IB Elements

(i) Copper

Crystalline complexes of isoquinoline with copper salts have been described by many workers. Among these are complexes containing cupric formate,²⁶⁷

acetate,^{268, 269} benzoate,^{270, 271} oxalate,²⁷² chloride,^{273, 274} iodide,^{275, 276} cyanate,²⁷⁷ isocyanate,^{278, 279} thiocyanate,²⁸⁰ and azide.²⁸¹ Many copper complexes of organic aldehydes, ketones, phenols, and acids react with isoquinoline to form mixed-ligand complexes such as those with salicylaldehyde,²⁸² acetoacetanilide,²⁸³ *o*-hydroxyacetophenone,²⁸⁴ acetylacetone,²⁸⁵ chloroacetylacetone,²⁸⁶ thenoyltrifluoroacetone,²⁸⁷ pivaloyltrifluoroacetone,²⁸⁷ 2,4,6-trichlorophenol,²⁸⁸ 2,4,6-tribromophenol,²⁸⁹ ethylacetoacetate,²⁹⁰ trichloroacetic acid,²⁹¹ phenylacetic acid,²⁹² alkoxy and aryloxy acetic acids,²⁹³ alkylthioacetic acids,^{294, 295} dithiocarbamic acid,²⁸⁵ *m*-methoxybenzoic acid,²⁹⁶ and biphenyl-2,2'-dicarboxylic acid.²⁹⁷ Even compounds containing copper oxides²⁹⁸ are reported. The halogenation of CuI complexes containing isoquinoline as the nitrogen-donor ligand yield higher halogenated complexes.²⁹⁹

The stereochemistry of the mononuclear copper-formate and acetate complexes with isoquinoline at room temperature and in a frozen glass at 77°K has been studied by ESR.³⁰⁰ A copper formate-isoquinoline complex has been used as a catalyst to obtain benzophenone azine from Ph₂C=N and oxygen.³⁰¹

(ii) Silver

By treating a concentrated solution of silver nitrate or silver perchlorate with isoquinoline, complexes designated as Ag(IQ)NO₃ and Ag(IQ)₂ClO₄ are obtained. These compounds are sparingly soluble in organic solvents and have sharp melting points.³⁰²

Thiocyanato and cyanato complexes of silver containing isoquinoline as the donor ligand have been characterized.³⁰³ Isothiocyanatochromates of bisisoquinoline-silver complexes are also reported.³⁰⁴ A silver picolinate isoquinoline complex has also been obtained.³⁰⁵

(b) Group IIA Elements

(i) Calcium

According to a Patent,³⁰⁶ purification of isoquinoline from an impure fraction may be accomplished through its calcium chloride adduct [(IQ)₂CaCl₂] which readily decomposes in water.

(c) Group IIB Elements

(i) Zinc

Slow addition of diethyl or dimethyl zinc to an excess of isoquinoline in an inert atmosphere resulted in a 1:1 complex.^{307, 308}

Zinc dithiocarbamate reacts with isoquinoline to furnish [(Me₂N-CS₂)₂Zn(IQ)_n] (*n*=1 or 2) in high yields. These compounds are claimed to have fungicidal properties.³⁰⁹

Other complexes include those with zinc chloride,³¹⁰ mixed ligand complexes of zinc halide with thiourea and isoquinoline,³¹¹ zinc cyanate,³¹² zinc selenocyanate,³¹³ zinc thiocyanate,³¹⁴ and zinc nitrite.³¹⁵ Zinc acetylacetone also reacts with isoquinoline in methanol to form mixed-ligand complexes.³¹⁶

Other zinc complexes are those with salicylaldehyde,²⁸² *o*-hydroxyacetophenone,²⁸⁴ acetoacetanilide,²⁸³ tetraphenylporphyrin,³¹⁷ chloroacetylacetone,³¹⁸ thenoyltrifluoroacetone,²⁸⁷ pivaloyltrifluoroacetone,²⁸⁷ ethylacetacetate,²⁹⁰ trichloroacetic acid,²⁹¹ phenylacetic acid,²⁹² piperidyl dithiocarbamate,³¹⁹ and biphenyl-2,2'-dicarboxylic acid.²⁹⁷

The preparations and structures of zinc, cadmium, and mercury complexes of isoquinoline have been described.³²⁰

The zinc chloride-isoquinoline complex $[ZnCl_2(IQ)_2]$ catalyzes the rate of acylation of aniline with naphthoic anhydride.³²¹

(ii) Cadmium

Complexes of cadmium thiocyanate,^{322,323} iodide,³²⁴ chloride, and bromide³²⁵ with isoquinoline have been reported. Other complexes include those with acetoacetanilide,²⁸³ *o*-hydroxyacetophenone,²⁸⁴ 3-and 4-picoline *N*-oxide,³²⁶ and piperidyl^{327,328} and morpholyl dithiocarbamate.³²⁷ Manganese-doped cadmium-chloride complexes with isoquinoline containing 1% cadmium ions have been prepared.³²⁹

(iii) Mercury

Mercury-cyanate complexes with isoquinoline³³⁰ and mixed-ligand complexes of mercuric chloride with thiosalicylic acid and isoquinoline³³¹ have been reported.

(d) Group IIIA Elements

(i) Aluminium

Triethylaluminium reacts with isoquinoline at 0°C to yield a 1:1 adduct.³³² Such complexes have been used for the determination of active hydrogen and in spectrophotometric methods.^{333,334}

(e) Group IIIB Elements

(i) Lanthanide Series

(1) Cerium. When hydrogen chloride is passed through ceric chloride in aqueous solution, isoquinoline added, and hydrogen chloride again passed through the solution and the solution concentrated, a white solid of the complex $(IQH)_2 [CeCl_5]$ is obtained.³³⁵

(2) Holmium. The holmium complex $[(\text{IQH})_2 \text{HoCl}_5 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}]$ is obtained in the same way as the cerium complex.³³⁶

(3) Ytterbium. Ytterbium chloride reacts with oxalic acid and isoquinoline to give a white complex of the formula $[(\text{IQH}) \text{Yb}(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_2 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}]$.³³⁶

(ii) Actinide Series

(1) Thorium. Isoquinoline complexes have been reported with thorium perchlorate,³³⁷ nitrate,³³⁸ and thiocyanate.³³⁸

(2) Uranium. Uranium chloride reacts with isoquinoline³³⁹ in a 1:2 or 1:3 ratio to yield discrete complexes of the formula $[\text{UCl}_5(\text{IQ})_n]$ where $n = 2$ or 3. Uranium chloride reacts with isoquinoline in the presence of thionyl chloride to give reddish-brown complexes.^{340, 341} When uranyl chloride saturated with hydrogen chloride is treated with isoquinoline and hydrogen chloride is again passed through, yellow $[(\text{IQH})_2 \text{UO}_2\text{Cl}_4]$ is obtained.³⁴² Other complexes of uranium with isoquinoline include those of uranyl phenyl acetate³⁴³ and lactate.³⁴⁴

(f) Group IVA Elements

(i) Germanium

Germanium tetrahalides on reaction with isoquinoline as a 1% solution in hexane give the insoluble 1:2 adducts. The chloride, fluoride, and bromide complexes have been prepared.³⁴⁵

(ii) Tin

Alkyl and aryltin halides form adducts with isoquinoline to yield various derivatives.^{346 - 353}

(iii) Lead

Lead chloride complexes of isoquinoline are obtained by treatment of the lead salt with isoquinoline or by treatment of hexachloroplumbic acid with isoquinoline hydrochloride in hydrochloric acid.³⁵⁴

(g) Group IVB Elements

(i) Titanium

Coordination compounds of titanium tetrahalides were obtained by the direct reaction of the dry reagents with isoquinoline in benzene.³⁵⁵ During reactions in thionyl chloride, complexes, incorporating the solvent, such as $[(\text{IQ})_2 \text{TiCl}_4 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \text{SOCl}_2]$ resulted.³⁵⁶

(ii) Zirconium

The structure of the addition compounds of zirconyl halides with isoquinoline were postulated to be $[(\text{ZrOCl}_2)(\text{IQ})]$.³⁵⁷ Zirconium perchlorate reacts with excess isoquinoline to give $[\text{ZrO}(\text{ClO}_4)_2 \cdot 4\text{IQ}]$.³⁵⁷

(h) Group VA Elements

(i) Antimony

The preparation, characteristics, and crystallographic data on isoquinoline-antimony tribromide complex have been reported.³⁵⁸ By adding a solution of antimony oxide in concentrated hydrochloric acid to a diazotized solution of 5-aminoisoquinoline, a sodium isoquinoline-5-stibonate was prepared.³⁵⁹ An antimony complex of the formula $[\text{IQH}] [(\text{X}_4\text{C}_6\text{H}_2\text{O}_2)\text{SbX}'_2]$ has been prepared, where $\text{X}_4\text{C}_6\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$ = pyrocatechol derivative; X = H, halogen and $\text{X}' = \text{Cl}, \text{Br}$.³⁶⁰

(i) Group VB Elements

(i) Vanadium

Vanadium oxychloride in chloroform yields a violet-red complex $[\text{VOCl}_3(\text{IQ})]$,³⁶¹ whereas in carbon tetrachloride, a dark-brown hygroscopic solid $[\text{VOCl}_3 \cdot 3\text{IQ}]$ is obtained.³⁶² Vanadium oxydichloride forms $[\text{VO}(\text{IQ})_2\text{Cl}_2]$.³⁶³ Vanadium tetrachlorideisoquinoline adduct $[\text{VCl}_4 \cdot \text{IQ}]$ is prepared in anhydrous carbon tetrachloride.³⁶⁴ Vanadium dihalideisoquinoline adducts have also been reported from ethanol.³⁶⁵

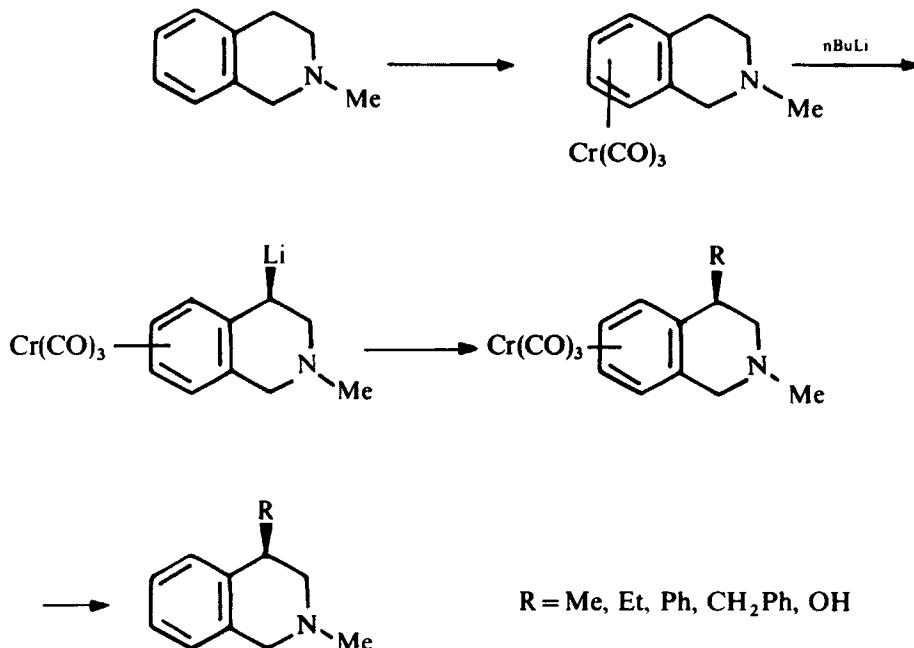
Vanadyl sulfate in methanol on treatment with isoquinoline forms $[\text{VO}(\text{IQ})\text{SO}_4]$,³⁶⁶ just as potassium hexathiocyanato vanadate with the base also yields a complex.³⁶⁷ Vanadyl acetylacetone forms a complex with isoquinoline.³⁶⁸

(j) Group VIB Metals

(i) Chromium

A mixed-ligand complex of chromium chloride with thiourea and isoquinoline has been reported.³⁶⁹ Chromic oxide dissolved in glacial acetic acid, saturated with hydrogen chloride, treated with isoquinoline, and resaturated with the gas gives dark-red $[\text{IQH}] [\text{CrOCl}_4]$.³⁷⁰ When this reaction mixture is refluxed and resaturated with hydrogen chloride, a purple powder of $[\text{IQH}]_2 [\text{CrCl}_5(\text{HO}_2\text{CMe})]$ ³⁷¹ is obtained. Using hydrogen bromide instead of hydrogen chloride as first described and keeping the resulting reaction mixture for several weeks at 0°C gave $[\text{IQH}] [\text{CrBr}_4(\text{HO}_2\text{CMe})_2]$.³⁷¹ Isoquinoline complexes have also been obtained with $\text{K}(\text{CrO}_3\text{Cl})$ ³⁷² and nitrilotriacetic acid.³⁷³

Thermolysis of chromium hexacarbonyl with 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline or *N*-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline gives complexes of the formula $[\text{THIQ Cr}(\text{CO})_3]$ and $[\text{N-MeTHIQ CrCO}_3]$. The *N*-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline chromium carbonyl complex can be selectively deprotonated in the 4-exo position by butyllithium and then treated with electrophiles to give the corresponding 4-substituted products,^{374,375} which can be subsequently decomplexed by exposure of the ether solutions to air (Scheme 39).



(ii) Molybdenum

Molybdenum complexes with isoquinoline that have been reported are $[(\text{IQ})_3\text{H}_3\text{As}(\text{Mo}_3\text{O}_{10})_4]$,³⁷⁶ $[(\text{IQ})_3\text{H}_3\text{AsTh}(\text{Mo}_3\text{O}_{10})_4]$,³⁷⁶ and $[\text{MoOCl}_3(\text{IQ})_2]$.³⁷⁷

(k) Group VIIB Elements

(i) Manganese

Manganese(II) chloride, bromide, iodide, and thiocyanate react with isoquinoline in alcoholic medium to give complexes with σ -bonded nitrogen donors.³⁷⁸ Manganese(II) chloride and isoquinoline also yield a yellow complex

of the formula $[\text{MnCl}_2(\text{IQ})_5]$.³¹⁰ Mixed-ligand complexes of bis(acetylacetonyl)manganese with isoquinoline have been described.³⁷⁹ A manganesecyanato complex of isoquinoline has been formulated as $[\text{Mn}(\text{IQ})_4(\text{NCO})_2]$.³⁸⁰ A similar selenocyanate complex has also been reported.³⁸¹

Halogenation of dihalocomplexes of manganese(II) containing nitrogen donor ligands have been reported.³⁸² When $[\text{n-cepy}]_2 [\text{MnCl}_4]$, where $\text{n-cepy} = \text{n-cetylpyridine}$, is treated with isoquinoline, a complex of the formula $[\text{n-cepy}]_2 [\text{MnCl}_4(\text{IQ})_4]$ is obtained. When heated to 100 °C, this complex yielded $[\text{n-cepy}]_2 [\text{MnCl}_4(\text{IQ})_2]$.³⁸³ An isoquinoline complex of manganese with biphenyl-2,2'-dicarboxylic acid has been reported.²⁹⁷

(I) Group VIII Elements

(i) Iron

During his studies on the complexes of ferro- and ferricyanides with organic bases, Cumming has described the formation of various complexes of isoquinoline containing iron. Examples are $[(\text{IQ})_2 2\text{Na}_4\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}]$,³⁸⁴ $[(\text{IQ})_3 \text{H}_4\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6] \cdot \text{EtOH}$,³⁸⁵ $[(\text{IQ})_3 \text{H}_4\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6] 3\text{EtOH}$,³⁸⁵ and $[(\text{IQ})_3 \text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6] 0.5 \text{EtOH}$.³⁸⁶ All these complexes are colored crystalline compounds.

Other iron complexes include those of cyclohexylxanthate,³⁸⁷ dimethyl glyoxime,³⁸⁸ malonic acid, succinic acid, glutaric acid, adipic and diphenic acids,³⁸⁹ and the cyano³⁹⁰ and acetate derivatives.³⁹¹ The iron-tetraphenylporphyrin complex with isoquinoline has also been reported.³⁹² When $[\text{Me}_4\text{N}] [\text{FeCl}_4]$ is treated with isoquinoline, two complexes are formed, depending upon the amount of isoquinoline used.³⁹³ An East German patent reports the synthesis of phenylisocyanate by the carbonylation of nitrobenzene in the presence of a palladium complex $[(\text{Bu}_4\text{N})_2\text{Pd}_2\text{Cl}_6]$ and isoquinolinium tetrachloroferrate.³⁹⁴

(ii) Cobalt

A number of complexes of cobalt salts with isoquinoline are reported. Thus, cobalt thiocyanate with isoquinoline forms $[\text{Co}(\text{SCN})_2(\text{IQ})_2]$,³⁹⁵ $[\text{Co}(\text{SCN})_2 4 \text{IQ}]$,³⁹⁶ metal cyanamides form $\text{Co}(\text{IQ})_4 [\text{N}(\text{CN})_2]_2$,³⁹⁷ which decomposes when heated in carbon tetrachloride to give $\text{Co}(\text{IQ})_2 [\text{N}(\text{CN})_2]_2$.³⁹⁷

Cobalt chloride^{310,398} and sulfate³⁹⁹ complexes with isoquinoline are prepared by the addition of the isoquinoline in a solvent to the reagents. In an attempt to synthesize vitamin B_{12} model compounds, several complexes of cobalt salts have been prepared.⁴⁰⁰ Cobalt nitrite⁴⁰¹ and acetylacetone⁴⁰² readily form complexes $\text{Co}(\text{IQ})_4(\text{ONO})_2$ and $\text{Co}(\text{acac})_2(\text{IQ})_2$. Cobalt biphenyl-2,2'-dicarboxylate,²⁹⁷ trichloroacetate,^{291,403} dichloroacetate,⁴⁰³ phenylacetate,²⁹² benzoate,²⁷¹ substituted benzoates,⁴⁰⁴ diphenate,⁴⁰⁵ succinate,⁴⁰⁶ glutarate,⁴⁰⁶ adipate,⁴⁰⁶ malonate,⁴⁰⁶ and alkanoate complexes⁴⁰⁷ with isoquinoline have been reported. Other complexes include those with ethylenedia-

mine,^{408,409} 1,10-phenanthroline,⁴¹⁰ succinimide,⁴¹¹ phthalimide,⁴¹¹ ethyl acetoacetate,²⁹⁰ dibenzoylmethane,^{412,413} salicylaldehyde,⁴¹⁴ tetraphenylporphyrin,⁴¹⁵ acetoacetanilide,²⁸³ *o*-hydroxyacetophenone,²⁸⁴ and trialkylphosphate derivatives.^{416,417} *cis*-CoCl(en)₂ (IQ) cations were resolved using Na Sb (III) (+) tartarate and the active cations isolated.^{408,409} Dichloro and dibromo cobalt isoquinoline complexes [Co(IQ)₂ X₂] upon halogenation yield mixed-halogen complexes.⁴¹⁸ In addition, mixed-ligand complexes like [Co(tu)₂(SCN)₂ (IQ)₄]⁴¹⁹ where tu = thiourea, [Co(ABT)(SCN)₂(IQ)₄]⁴²⁰ where ABT = 2-aminobenzothiazole, and [Co(acac)(mbt)(IQ)₂]⁴²¹ where acacH = acetylacetone and Hmbt = 2 mercaptobenzothiazole have been obtained.

The autoxidation of *p*-xylene in the presence of cobalt and manganese-isoquinoline complexes has been studied in various solvents.⁴²²

(iii) Nickel

Nickel compounds also form ready complexes with isoquinolines. Among those that have been reported are: [Ni(IQ)₂ (H₂O)₂]²⁺,⁴²³ [Ni(IQ)₂Br]⁴²⁴ [Ni(IQ)I₂]⁴²⁴ [Ni(IQ)₄ (NO₂)X Ni(IQ)₄ (ONO)₂]⁴²⁵ [Ni(Ac₂CH)₂(IQ)₂]⁴²⁶ [Ni(bzac)₂(IQ)₂]⁴²⁷ [Ni(IQ)₂(NO₂)₂]⁴²⁸ [NiC₂O₄IQ]⁴²⁹ [Ni(Cldpti) (IQ)₂]⁴³⁰ [NiCl₂(IQ)₄]; [Ni Cl₂(IQ)₂]^{431,432} [NiL₂(IQ)₂]²⁹⁰ HL = ethylacetatoacetate; [Ni(IQ)₄I₆]⁴³³ Ni[O₂P(OR)₂]₂ · 2IQ;⁴³⁴ [NiL · 4IQ], LH₂ = biphenyl-2,2'-dicarboxylic acid,²⁹⁷ [Ni(C₆H₅CO₂)₂ (IQ)₂]²⁷¹ [NiL₂ (IQ)₂]^{291,403} LH = CCl₃CO₂H; [Ni(RCO₂)₂(IQ)₂]⁴⁰⁷ [Ni L₂ (IQ)₂]⁴³⁵ HL = diethyl malonate; [Ni(PhCH₂CO₂)₂ (IQ)₂]²⁹² K[Ni(IQ)₂L(H₂O)(OH)]⁴³⁶ H₂L = malonic, succinic, glutaric, and adipic acid; [Ni L₂(IQ)₂]²⁸³ HL = acetooctonilide; [Ni(Cl₂CHCO₂)₂(IQ)₄]; [Ni (Cl₂CHCO₂)₂(IQ)₂]⁴⁰³ [Me₄N]₂ [Ni(SCN)₄ (IQ)₂]⁴³⁷ [Ni(C₅H₁₀O₂N₃)(IQ)₂]⁴³⁸ C₉H₁₀O₂N₃ = anion of 3-(*p*-acetophenyl)-1-methyltriazene-*N*-oxide; [NiL₂ (IQ)₂], HL = *o*-hydroxyacetophenone,²⁸⁴ and K[Ni(L)₃ (IQ)(H₂O)₂]⁴¹¹ L = succinimide, phthalimide. Also prepared were coordination compounds of the formula [Ni(β -dikhydth-2H)IQ] where the nickel chelates were prepared by treatment of the Schiff bases derived from compounds with nickel acetate.⁴³⁹

(iv) Ruthenium

The two isomeric ruthenium carbonyl-isoquinoline complexes of the formula [HRu₃(CO)₁₀ (IQ)] were obtained by treatment of [Ru₃(CO)₁₀(NCMe)₂] with isoquinoline.⁴⁴⁰

(v) Rhodium

Rhodium(III) complexes of the formula [Rh(IQ)₄Cl₂] γ have been synthesized and characterized.⁴⁴¹ Various cationic complexes of rhodium have been prepared: [Rh (CO)(IQ) L₂]ClO₄,⁴⁴² L = (*p*-tolyl)₃P, Ph₃As, Ph₃P; [(COD)Rh(IQ)₂]ClO₄,⁴⁴³ COD = 1,5-cyclooctadiene; [(CO)₂Rh(IQ)₂]ClO₄,⁴⁴³ [CO(PPh₃)Rh(IQ)₂]ClO₄,⁴⁴³ [(COD)Rh(IQ)PPh₃]²

ClO_4 .⁴⁴³ $[(\text{CO})_2\text{Rh}(\text{PPh}_3)(\text{IQ})]\text{ClO}_4$.⁴⁴³ $[(\text{NBD})\text{Rh}(\text{IQ})_2]\text{BPh}_4$.⁴⁴⁴ NBD = norbornadiene; $[\text{Rh}(\text{NBD})(\text{IQ})_2]\text{ClO}_4$.^{445,446} and $[\text{Rh}(\text{NBD})(\text{IQ})(\text{PPh}_3)]\text{ClO}_4$.^{445,446} Some of these have been investigated as catalysts for the hydrogenation of cyclic and terminal olefins.⁴⁴⁶

(vi) Palladium

Palladium chloride quantitatively precipitates isoquinoline as an insoluble complex $[(\text{IQ})_2\text{PdCl}_2]$.⁴⁴⁷ The interaction of palladium carboxylate with isoquinoline gives complexes of the type $[\text{Pd}(\text{OCOR})_2(\text{IQ})_2]$ with unidentate carboxylate groups.⁴⁴⁸ Complexes of noble metals with isoquinoline have been recommended as catalysts for preparing isocyanates.⁴⁴⁹⁻⁴⁵¹ *Trans*- $[\text{Pd}(\text{IQ})_2\text{Cl}_2]$ has been used to catalyze the hydrogenation of nitrobenzene, nitrotoluene, chloronitrobenzene, and dinitrobenzenes to anilines.⁴⁵² The 2,2-dimethylallyl palladium chloride-isoquinoline complex has been prepared and temperature-dependent processes studied by ^1H NMR.⁴⁵³

(vii) Osmium

Triosmium dodecacarbonyl reacts with isoquinoline to give two isomers of the formula $[\text{HOs}_3(\text{IQ})(\text{CO})_{10}]$, where isoquinoline is metallated in the 1,2 or 2,3, positions. The structures have been assigned by ^1H NMR spectra.⁴⁵⁴ Osmium tetroxide-isoquinoline complexes have been prepared^{455,456} and serve as a source of OsO_4 while fixing and staining biological specimens for electron microscopy.⁴⁵⁷ Other osmium complexes that have been prepared include those formed from osmium tetroxide with alkynes and dienes in the presence of isoquinoline⁴⁵⁸ and substituted nitrido complexes of osmium with isoquinoline.⁴⁵⁹

(viii) Iridium

Mononuclear and dinuclear diolefinic cationic iridium complexes with neutral monodentate and bidentate sulfur ligands have been reported, for example, $[\text{Ir}(\text{COD})\text{L}(\text{IQ})]\text{ClO}_4$, where COD = 1,5-cyclooctadiene, L = tetrahydrothiophene, trimethylene sulphide, SMe_2 , or SEt_2 and $[(\text{COD})(\text{IQ})\text{Ir}(\text{L-L})\text{Ir}(\text{IQ})(\text{COD})](\text{ClO}_4)_2$, where L-L = 1,4-dithiocyclohexane, (*t*-BuS)₂(CH₂)₂ or (MeS)₂.⁴⁶⁰

(ix) Platinum

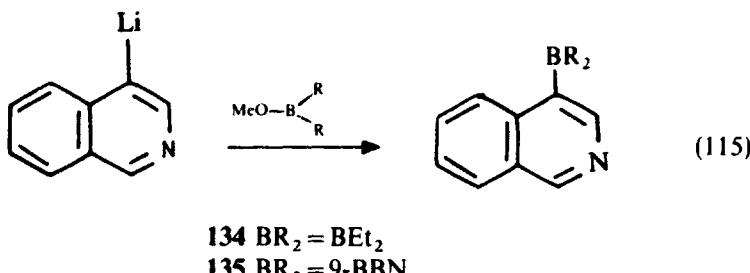
The photochemical isomerization of *cis*- $[\text{Pt}(\text{IQ})_2\text{Cl}_2]$ to the *trans* complex has been reported.⁴⁶¹ Irradiation of *trans*- $[\text{PtCl}_2(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)\text{IQ}]$ in chloroform led to isomerization to the corresponding *cis* complex.^{462,463} Other platinum complexes prepared include $[\text{PtH}(\text{IQ})(\text{PBz}_3)]_2\text{BPh}_4$,⁴⁶⁴ where PBz = tribenzylphosphine, and $[\text{PtCl}(\text{L})(\text{IQ})]$,⁴⁶⁵ L = allyl or 2-methylallyl.

E. Nonmetallic Derivatives

(a) Boron

Sodium borohydride in neutral or alkaline solution at room temperature reacts with isoquinoline salts to form *N*-substituted borazans,⁴⁶⁶ whereas esters of metaboric acid form adducts in high yield.⁴⁶⁷ Other boron complexes include $[(\text{IQ})\text{BH}_2\text{Br}]$,⁴⁶⁸ $[(\text{IQ})_2\text{BH}_2]^+\text{PF}_6^-$, and $\text{IQ}\text{-BH}_3$.⁴⁶⁹

Treatment of 4-bromoisoquinoline with *n*-butyllithium affords the 4-lithio derivative which, when treated with dialkyl methoxyboranes, provide, the corresponding derivatives 134 and 135⁴⁷⁰ (Eq. 115).



(b) Silicon

Silicon tetrachloride, bromide, and iodide react with isoquinoline to form complexes of the formula $[\text{SiX}_4(\text{IQ})_4]$ ⁴⁷¹ where X = Cl, Br, or I. The structure and reactions of the complex of silicon tetrafluoride have been the subject of a detailed study.⁴⁷² Hydrolysis gives silica among other products (Eq. 116)

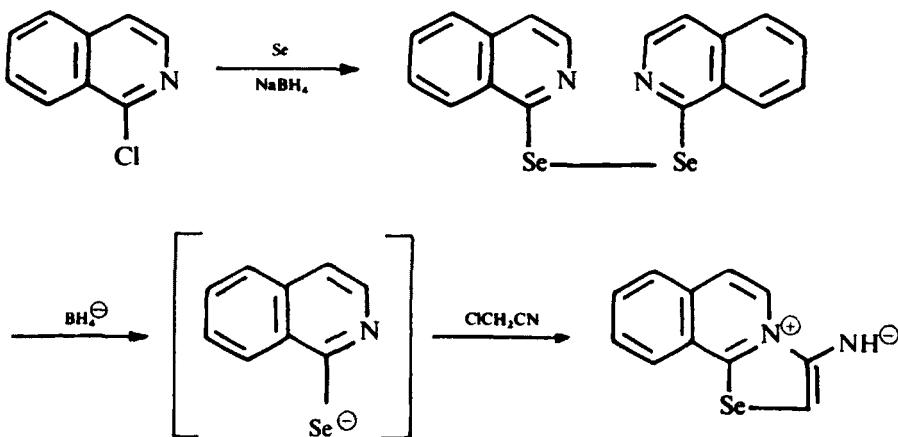


Silicon tetrathiocyanate, on reaction with isoquinoline, forms a complex $[\text{Si}(\text{NCS})_4 2(\text{IQ})]$ that turns yellowish in air and decomposes above 100°C.⁴⁷³

The 1-lithio derivative of 2-pivaloyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline reacted with trimethylsilylchloride to produce the corresponding 1-trimethylsilyl derivative²⁶⁰ (see Section VI. A).

(c) Selenium

A complex of isoquinoline with selenium dioxide melts at 67–68°C and has been formulated as $[\text{IQ} \cdot 2\text{SeO}_2]$.⁴⁷⁴ A selenium isoquinoline complex has been reported to have antineoplastic activity.⁴⁷⁵



Scheme 40

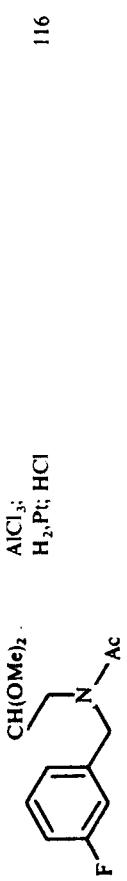
1,1'-Diselenobisisoquinoline was obtained by treatment of 1-chloroisooquinoline with sodium hydroselenide,⁴⁷⁶ which was generated from selenium and sodium borohydride (Scheme 40).

VII. Tables of Halogenated Isoquinoline and Isoquinoline Organometallic Derivative

A. Fluoroisoquinolines

Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
1-F	1-Aminoisoquinoline 1-Chloroisoquinoline 3-Aminoisoquinoline 4-Aminoisoquinoline 5-Aminoisoquinoline 6-Aminoisoquinoline 7-Aminoisoquinoline 8-Aminoisoquinoline Homophthalimide	Schiemann reaction Gabriel's method Schiemann reaction Schiemann reaction Schiemann reaction Schiemann reaction Schiemann reaction Schiemann reaction 2,4,6-Trifluoro-1,3,5-triazinc LiAlH ₄	13 73 49 36 67 54 15 89	b.p. 208 b.p. 235 b.p. 251 b.p. 236 43 52 27 30	114 115 114 114 114 115 115 115 57
2-F			-	b.p. 68 (1 mm)	172
heptaF	Heptafluoroisoquinoline	KF	83	44.5-45.0	21
3,4,5,7,8-pentaF-1,6-di-OCH ₃	Heptafluoroisoquinoline	NaOMe	75	99-100	172
3,4,5,6,7,8-hexaF-1-OH	Heptafluoroisoquinoline	aq. NaOH	46	178-182	477
3,4,5,6,7,8-hexaF-1-OCH ₃	Heptafluoroisoquinoline	NaOMe	47	86-87	172
	3,4,5,6,7,8-Hexafluoro-1-hydroxyisoquinoline	CH ₂ N ₂	80	86-87	477

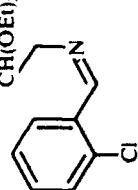
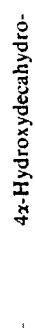
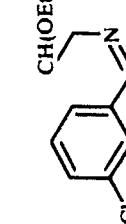
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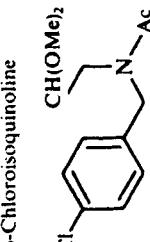
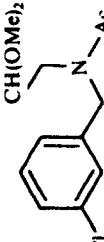
Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
1,3,4,5,7,8-HexaF-6-OCH ₃	1-Amino-3,4,5,7,8-pentafluoro-6-methoxyisoquinoline	HF, NaNO ₂	40	32–33	172
7-F-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro		AlCl ₃ ; H ₂ Pt; HCl			116
7-F-1,4-diMe-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro		Pyrolysis; NaBH ₄ reduction	65	220–222 (HCl)	136
PerF-3-CH ₃	Perfluoro-bicyclo-[6,2,2,0 ^{2,7}] dodeca 2,6,9-triene	Diels–Alder reaction with CF ₃ CN	30–35	30	137
1,3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,7,7,8,8-tribedecaF-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexa-hydro	IQ	Caesium tetra fluorocobaltate 335–350°C		122.5–124.5	17

B. Monochloroisoquinolines

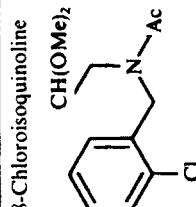
Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
1-Cl	Isocarbostyryl Isocarbostyryl	POCl ₃ , POCl ₃	37-38	41	
			b.p. 114-116 (9 mm)	50	
2-Methylisocarbostyryl	*POCl ₃ , PCl ₃	40	b.p. 145 (15 mm)	196	
Isoquinoline-2-oxide	POCl ₃	56	b.p. 135-140 (10 mm)	35	
1-Aminoisoquinoline-2-oxide	NaNO ₂ , HCl, Cu ₂ Cl ₂	22	b.p. 130-135 (4 mm)	108	
3-Cl	HCl/red P or Sn/HCl	47-48		42	
4-Cl	PhPOCl ₂	36	b.p. 127-131 (9 mm)	58	
4-Aminoisoquinoline	HCl, CuSO ₄ , NaNO ₂	43.6	28.5-29.5	99	
Isoquinoline-2-oxide	1-Chloroisouquinoline	10.5	195 (Picrate)	33	
	Tosylchloride	3.3		33	
	AlCl ₃ , 1 eq. Cl ₂	31	72-74	19	
	Sandmeyer reaction	60	73-74	22	
5-Cl	CH(OEt) ₂	Pomeranz - Fritsch reaction	14		83
6-Cl					

B. Monochloroisooquinolines (Continued)

Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
7-Cl	7-Aminoisoquinoline 7-Aminoisoquinoline	Sandmeyer reaction Sandmeyer reaction	75	44–45 45	22 100
8-Cl	5-Amino-8-nitroisoquinoline 8-Nitroisoquinoline-2-oxide	Sandmeyer reaction PCl_3 ; reduction; Cu_2Cl_2 , NaNO_2	70	55–56 55	101 102
		Pomeranz–Fritsch reaction	9	55–56	83, 101
		POCl_3	21	141–142	62
	$\Delta^{5,6}$ and $\Delta^{5,7}$ Octahydroisoquinoline	HCl	51	205–206.5	62
5+7-Cl (mixture)		Pomeranz–Fritsch reaction	25–38	22, 83	
6-Cl-3, 4-dihydro	—	—	—	222 (HCl)	478
1-C1-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro	1-Oxy-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline	POCl_3	—	135–136 (Picrate)	36

4-Cl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro 5-Cl,5,6,7,8'-tetrahydro	4-Hydroxy-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline	POCl_3	77	201 (Picrate)	36
6-Cl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro 4-Cl	N -(2-bromoethyl)- <i>p</i> -chlorobenzylamine Isoquinoline-2-oxide	AlCl_3 $\begin{array}{c} \text{PhC=NPPh} \\ \\ \text{Cl} \end{array}$	60 23	b.p. 100 (5 mm) b.p. 90 (0.5 mm)	177 40
5-Cl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro 6-Cl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro	5-Chloroisooquinoline 6-Chloroisooquinoline	Diborane reduction $\text{AlCl}_3; \text{H}_2/\text{Pt}; \text{HCl}$	31 40	171-172 229-231 (HCl)	20 20
7-Cl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro		H_2/PtO_2	33	213-214.5	20
		$\text{AlCl}_3; \text{H}_2/\text{Pt}; \text{HCl}$	116		

B. Monochloroisouquinolines (*Continued*)

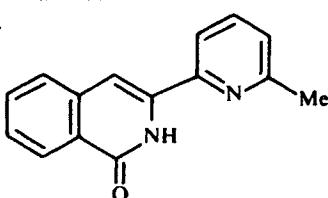
Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
8-Cl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro	8-Chloroisouquinoline 	H ₂ /PtO ₂ CH(OMe) ₂	67	245-247	20

C. Substituted Monochloroisoquinolines

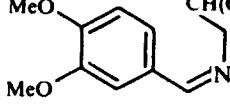
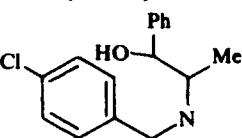
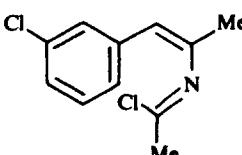
Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
1-Cl-3-OH	2-Cyanophenyl acetic acid	PCl ₅ , HCl	79	205-206	72
1-Cl-4-OH	4-Hydroxyisocarbostyryl	PhPOCl ₂	33	194-195	58
	4-Hydroxyisocarbostyryl	PhPOCl ₂	23	192-194	192
	4-Hydroxyisocarbostyryl	POCl ₃ , Et ₃ N		220-226(?)	60
1-Cl-5-OH	5-Hydroxyisocarbostyryl	POCl ₃		225-230	480
3-Cl-1-OH	3-Chloro-1-fluoro-isoquinoline	Hydrolysis	10	218	115
	Homophthalimide	POCl ₃	72	219-220	43
	<i>o</i> -Cyanomethylbenzoic acid	PCl ₅	94	218	65
	<i>o</i> -Cyanomethylbenzoic acid	PCl ₅	81	210-215	69
3-Cl-4-OH	3-Chloro-4-acetoxy-isoquinoline	Hydrolysis	77	168-169	192
4-Cl-1-OH	1-Chloroisouinoline	H ₂ O ₂ /HCl	87	235-237	59
8-Cl-7-OH	 <chem>O=C1CCN(CCO)C(Cl)=C1O</chem>	H ₂ SO ₄	64	230-231	22
1-Cl-4-OCH ₃	1-Chloro-4-hydroxy-isoquinoline	CH ₃ I	..	76	60, 179
1-Cl-5-OCH ₃	1-Hydroxy-5-methoxy-isoquinoline	POCl ₃	70	137	100
1-Cl-6-OCH ₃	6-Methoxyisoquinoline-2-oxide	POCl ₃	70	77	100
1-Cl-7-OCH ₃	7-Methoxyisoquinoline-2-oxide	POCl ₃	75	176	100
3-Cl-1-OCH ₃	1,3-Dichloroisouinoline	NaOMe			42
1-Cl-4-OC ₂ H ₅	1-Chloro-4-hydroxy-isoquinoline	C ₂ H ₅ I		109	60
3-Cl-4-OCOCH ₃	3-Chloroisouinoline-2-oxide	Ac ₂ O	49	113-114	192
7-Cl-3, 4-di-hydro-1-SCH ₃	7-Chloro-3,4-dihydro-isothiocarbostyryl	CH ₃ I		185 (HI)	234
3-Cl-6,8-di-OH	3-Chloro-6,8-dimethoxy-isoquinoline	HI	82.5	242-243	73

C. Substituted Monochloroisoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
1-Cl-3-OH-6-OMe	2-Cyano-5-methoxyphenylacetic acid	PCl ₅ ; HCl	72	211	72
1-Cl-3-OH-7-OMe	2-Cyano-4-methoxyphenylacetic acid	PCl ₅ ; HCl	70	230-232	72
3-Cl-1-OH-5-OMe	2-Cyanomethyl-3-methoxybenzoyl chloride	HCl	72	246-247	72
3-Cl-1-OH-6-OMe	2-Cyanomethyl-4-methoxybenzoyl chloride	HCl	100	228-229	72
3-Cl-1-OH-7-OMe	2-Cyanomethyl-5-methoxybenzoyl chloride	HCl	50	241	72
1-Cl-6,7-diOCH ₃	6,7-Dimethoxyisocarbostyryl	POCl ₃		193-194 (Picrate)	38
3-Cl-1,6-diOCH ₃	1,3-Dichloro-6-methoxyisoquinoline	NaOMe	21	126-128	70
3-Cl-1,7-diOCH ₃	1,3-Dichloro-7-methoxyisoquinoline	NaOMe	59	88-89	70
3-Cl-6,8-diOCH ₃	3,5-Dimethoxyphenyl acetonitrile	Gatterman reaction	54	160	73
	3,5-Dimethoxyphenyl acetonitrile	Vilsmeier reaction	62	159-160	74, 76
1-Cl-6, 7-diOMe-3-OH	2-Cyano-4,5-dimethoxyphenylacetic acid	PCl ₅ ; HCl	69	226-227	72
3-Cl-6,7-diOMe-1-OH	2-Cyanomethyl-4,5-dimethoxy benzoylchloride	HCl	74	264-265	72
3-Cl-6, 8-diOMe-1-OH	2-Cyanomethyl-4,6-dimethoxy benzoyl-chloride	HCl	77	201-202	72
3-Cl-6,7,8-triOMe-1-OH	2-Cyanomethyl-4,5,6-trimethoxy benzoyl-chloride	HCl	40	211-212	72
1-Cl-7,8-diOCH ₃	7,8-Dimethoxyisocarbostyryl	POCl ₃			38
4-N ₃ -1-Cl	4-Azido-isoquinoline-2-oxide	POCl ₃	62	82-83	39
1-Cl-3-(6-Me-2-pyridyl)		POCl ₃	69	142.5-143.5	250



C. Substituted Monochloroisoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
3-Cl-6,7-diOMe		CH(OEt) ₂ , CISO ₃ H	53	134-135	88
1-Bz-3-Cl-4-CN-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro	1-Benzyl-4-cyano-3-methoxy-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline	POCl ₃ /DMF	52	68	129
3-Cl-1-Me-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro	3-Methoxy-1-methyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline	POCl ₃ /DMF	56	57	129
3-Cl-4-CN-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro	4-Cyano-3-methoxy-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro isoquinoline	POCl ₃ /DMF	20	85-86	129
3-Cl-4-CN-1-Me-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro	4-Cyano-3-hydroxy-1-methyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline	POCl ₃ /DMF	38	105	129
	4-Cyano-3-methoxy-1-methyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline	POCl ₃ /DMF	70	105	129
	3-Benzyl-4-cyano-1-methyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline	POCl ₃ /DMF	70	105	129
3-Cl-4-CN-1-Me-5,6-dihydro	4-cyano-1-methyl-3-methoxy-5,6-dihydroisoquinoline	POCl ₃ /DMF	69	110	129
1-Bz-3-Cl-4-CN-5,6-dihydro	1-benzyl-4-cyano-3-methoxy-5,6-dihydroisoquinoline	POCl ₃ /DMF	40	72	129
3-Cl-1-Me-5,6-dihydro	3-Methoxy-1-methyl-5,6-dihydroisoquinoline	POCl ₃ /DMF	65	78-79	129
6-Cl-3-Me-4-Ph-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro		HBr	66	298-300	119
6-Cl-1,3-diMe		P ₂ O ₅	48	55-56	77

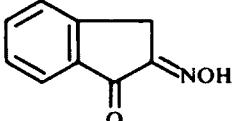
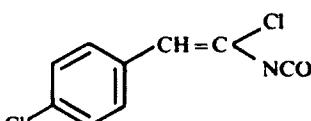
C. Substituted Monochloroisoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
1-Bz-6-Cl 3,4-dihydro			92	146-148 (Picrate)	481
6-Cl-3,4-diPh-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro		HBr	43	121-123	121
1-Bz-7-Cl 3,4-dihydro			41	176-177	481
6-Cl-3,3-diMe-4-(3-OMe-phenyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro		CH3SO3H			482
7-Cl-1,3-diMe		P2O5	31	75-76	77
6-Cl-3,3-diMe-4-Ph-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro		H2SO4	-	276-277	481
7-Cl-1-Ph-3,4-dihydro			-	234-236	247

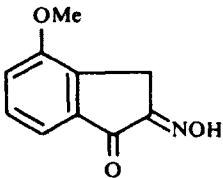
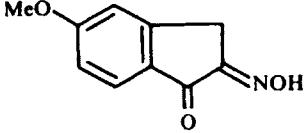
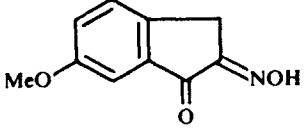
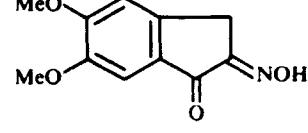
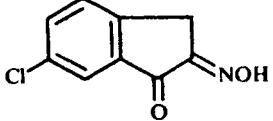
C. Substituted Monochloroisoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
7-Cl-1,4-diMe-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro		Pyrolysis reduction	60	256-260 (HCl)	136
8-Cl-3-Me-4-Ph-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro		HBr	13	218-220	119
6-Cl-4-Me-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro		AlCl_3 , NH_4Cl melt	64		123
8-Cl-4-Me-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro- and 5-Cl isomer		AlCl_3 , NH_4Cl , melt	54 + 14		123
8-Cl-6,7-diOMe-4-(4-OMephenyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro		CF_3COOH			122
7-NH ₂ -6-Cl-3,3-diMe-4-(3-Cl-phenyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro		PPA	—	—	482

D. Polychloroisoquinolines

Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
1,3-diCl	Homophthalimide	POCl ₃		122–123	42
	Homophthalimide	PhPOCl ₂	87	120–121	58
	2-Cyanomethyl- benzoic acid	PCl ₅ , POCl ₃	94	120	65
	2-Cyanomethyl benzoic acid methyl ester	PCl ₅	Traces		66
		PCl ₅	61	120	70
					
1,4-diCl	4-Hydroxyiso- carbostyryl		Poor	88–89	41
	4-Cl-isocarbo- styryl	POCl ₃	50	92	59
	Isocarbostyryl	PCl ₅	100	92	59
	N-Methylisocarbo- styryl	POCl ₃ /PCl ₅	16	89–90	196
	2-Hydroxyisocarbo- styryl	POCl ₃	44	90.5–92	192
1,5-diCl	5-Amino-1-chloro- isoquinoline	Sandmeyer reaction	50	147	100
1,6-diCl	6-Hydroxy iso- carbostyryl	POCl ₃	—	95–96	52
1,7-diCl	7-Chloroisoquino- line	H ₂ O ₂ , POCl ₃	90	138	100
	7-Hydroxyisocarbo- styryl	POCl ₃	—	—	52
5,8-diCl	Isoquinoline	AlCl ₃ , 2 eq. Cl ₂	57	115–117	19
1,6-diCl- 3-OH	2-Cyano-5-chloro- phenylacetic acid	PCl ₅ /HCl	80	219–221	72
3,7-diCl- 1-OH	5-Chloro-1-cyano- methyl benzoyl chloride	HCl	68	253–254	72
3,7-diCl- 1-OH		Heat		253–257	67
					

D. Polychloroisoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
1,3-diCl-5-OCH ₃		PCl ₅ , HCl	54	166-167	70
1,3-diCl-6-OCH ₃		PCl ₅ , HCl	57	91-93	70
1,3-diCl-7-OCH ₃		PCl ₅ , HCl	62	169-170	70
1,3-diCl-6,7-diOCH ₃		PCl ₅ , HCl	76	200-201	70
1,3,4-triCl	4-Chlorophenyl-acetonitrile 2-Cyanomethyl benzoic acid-methyl ester	COCl ₂ PCl ₅	4.4 92	141-143 138	67 66
1,3,7-triCl		PCl ₅	77	166-168	109
	4-Chlorophenyl-acetonitrile 3,7-Dichloroiso-carbostyryl	COCl ₂ COCl ₂	17 93	168-170 177-178	67 19
5,7,8-tri-Cl	5,8-Dichloro-isoquinoline	AlCl ₃ , Cl ₂	87	124	15, 16
triCl	Isoquinoline	S ₂ Cl ₂	-	-	
pentaCl	Heptachloroiso-quinoline	Electrolytic-reduction	-	-	132

D. Polychloroisoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
hexaCl	Heptachloroisoquinoline	Electrolytic reduction	—	—	132
heptaCl	Isoquinoline	$\text{AlCl}_3, \text{Cl}_2$	87	174	21
	Isoquinoline	Two-stage chlorination	68	126–128	21
	<i>o</i> -Ethylbenzonitrile	$\text{Cl}_2/\text{CCl}_4,$ 600°C	25	—	92
5,7-diCl		H_2SO_4	54	155–156	20
5,8-diCl		H_2SO_4	16	117–118	20
6,7-diCl		H_2SO_4	9	227(d)	20
6,8-diCl		H_2SO_4	<1	238(d)	20
7,8-diCl		H_2SO_4	56.6 49	225–226 (HCl) 222–224 (HCl)	86 20
5,6-diCl- 1,2,3,4-tetrahydro		BH_3	—	250–252 (HCl)	20

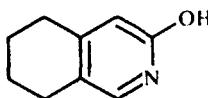
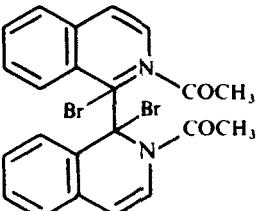
D. Polychloroisoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
5,6-diCl-1-OH		AlCl_3	50	202–204	20
5,7-diCl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro	5,7-Dichloroisoquinoline	H_2/PtO_2	47	300(d) (HCl)	20
5,8-diCl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro	5,8-Dichloroisoquinoline	H_2/PtO_2	55	311(d) (HCl)	20
6,7-diCl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro	6,7-Dichloroisoquinoline	H_2/PtO_2	29	269–274 (HCl)	20
		$\text{AlCl}_3; \text{H}_2/\text{Pt}; \text{HCl}$		271–273 (HCl)	116
6,7-diCl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro		$\text{AlCl}_3/\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$	41		118
6,8-diCl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro	6,8-Dichloroisoquinoline	H_2/PtO_2	43	296(d) (HCl)	20
7,8-diCl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro	7,8-Dichloroisoquinoline	H_2/PtO_2	48	225–227 (HCl)	20
		$\text{AlCl}_3; \text{H}_2/\text{Pt}; \text{HCl}$	—	222.5–225 (HCl)	116
		$\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}, \text{AlCl}_3$ melt	80		118

D. Polychloroisoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
7,8-diCl- 4-Me-1,2, 3,4-tetrahydro		AlCl_3 , NH_4Cl melt	72		123
6,7-diCl- 1-(3,4,5- triOMe benzyl)		BTEAC NaOH	98	211-212	231
6,7,8- triCl		H_2SO_4	6	205-207 ($\text{CH}_3\text{SO}_3\text{H}$)	20
5,7,8-triCl- 1,2,3,4- tetrahydro	5,7,8-Trichloro isoquinoline	Diborane	50	178-179 (Maleate)	20
6,7,8-triCl- 1,2,3,4- tetrahydro	6,7,8-Trichloroiso- quinoline	Diborane	52	193-194 (Maleate)	20
		AlCl_3 / NH_4Cl	51		118
5,6,7,8- tetraCl	Isoquinoline	$\text{AlCl}_3 +$ Cl_2	2	210-212	20
5,6,7,8- tetraCl- 1,2,3,4- tetrahydro	5,6,7,8- Tetrachloro- isoquinoline	Diborane	50	>300 (HCl)	20

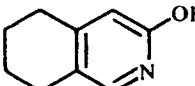
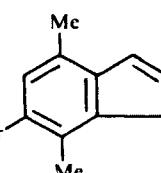
E. Bromoisoquinolines

Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
1-Br	Isocarbostyryl	PBr ₃		41-42	3
3-Br	3-Aminoisoquinoline	HBr, NaNO ₂	45	63-64	97
	3-Aminoisoquinoline	HBr, NaNO ₂	47	-	98
	1,3-Dibromoisoquinoline	Reduction	60	63-64	54
		POBr ₃	47	61	55
4-Br	Isoquinoline-2-oxide	2-Bromo-pyridine	8		33
	Isoquinoline	Br ₂ (PhNO ₂)	High		4
	Isoquinoline-2-oxide	2-Bromo-pyrimidine	7	-	34
	Isoquinoline	Br ₂ , HBr	53	38-39	177
	Isoquinoline	Br ₂ , HBr	76	39-40	483
	Isoquinoline	Hg(OAc) ₂ , Br ₂	-	40; 179 (Nitrate)	28
	Isoquinoline	Br ₂ (SO ₂ Cl ₂ or S ₂ Cl ₂)	-	34-37	9
	Isoquinoline	2Br, 180		40	5
	Isoquinoline	Hg(OAc) ₂ , Br ₂	--	--	181
	Isoquinoline	HBr; Br ₂ (180 °C) Hydrolysis	73.7	39-40	6
	Isoquinoline hydrochloride	Br ₂ , (PhNO ₂)	81	41-42	8
	Isoquinoline-2-oxide	1-Bromoisoquinoline	8		9,33
		NaOH/EtOH reflux	40	41-41.5	130
5-Br	Isoquinoline	AlCl ₃ , Br ₂	78	80-82	19
	Isoquinoline	AlCl ₃ , Br ₂	44	82-84	484
	5-Aminoisoquinoline	HBr/NaNO ₂ ; O ₂ ; CuBr/HBr, 75 °C	80.5	82-84	54, 95
			65	82	185

E. Bromoisooquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
6-Br		Pomeranz-Fritsch reaction	6	—	84
8-Br		Pomeranz-Fritsch reaction	29	—	84
5 and 7-Br (mixture)		Pomeranz-Fritsch reaction	65	—	84
7-Br-3,4-dihydro	7-Amino-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline	HBr/NaNO ₂ ; 0 °C; CuBr/HBr, 75 °C	67	201–202 (HCl)	110, 111
7-Br-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro	7-Bromo-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline	NaBH ₄	81	—	111
5-Br-decahydro	5-Hydroxy-decahydroisoquinoline	HBr	27	167 (HBr)	133
10-Br-decahydro	10-Hydroxydecahydroisoquinoline	HBr	47	110–114 (HBr)	133
1-Br-3-OH	3-Amino-1-bromoisoquinoline 1-Cyanophenyl-acetic acid	HNO ₂ HBr	Poor 83	179–181 179–182	63 72
3-Br-1-OH	<i>o</i> -Cyanomethylbenzoyl chloride	HBr	94	224–226	69, 72
3-Br-4-OH	4-Isoquinolinol	Br ₂ (NaOH), 20 °C, 3 hr	76	145–146	23
4-Br-1-OH	Isoquinoline-2-oxide Isocarbostyryl	Br ₂ /Ac ₂ O HBr	248–250 3.6	248–249	31 59
4-Br-3-OH	3-Aminoisoquinoline	Sandmeyer reaction	22	209–211	98
4-Br-1-OC ₂ H ₅	4-Bromo-1-chloroisoquinoline	NaOEt	77	63–64	36
3-Br-6,8-diOH	3,5-Dimethoxyphenyl acetonitrile	Zn(CN) ₂ dry HBr	—	258–263	73
1-Br-3-OH-6-OMe	2-Cyano-5-methoxyphenyl acetic acid	HBr	73	191–193	72

E. Bromoisoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
3-Br-6-OH-8-OCH ₃	3-Bromo-6,8-dimethoxy isoquinoline	HI, reflux 15 min	58	247-249	73
3-Br-6,8-diOCH ₃	3,5-Dimethoxyphenyl acetonitrile	Gattermann reaction		159-160	73
1-Br-6,7-diOMe-3-OH	2-Cyano-4,5-dimethoxy phenylacetic acid	HBr	75	207-210	72
1,3-diBr	Homophthalimide	PBr ₃	-	147	54
		POBr ₃	-	144-145	55
3,4-diBr	3-Aminoisoquinoline	Sandmeyer reaction	80	92-93	98
5,8-diBr	Isoquinoline	AlCl ₃ , Br ₂	61	114-115	19
4,5-diBr	4-Bromo-5-amino-isoquinoline	Sandmeyer reaction	-	138(?)	94
	4-Bromoisoquinoline	Bromination	72	112-113	104
	4-Bromo-5-amino-isoquinoline	Sandmeyer reaction	-	112-113	104
1,3-diBr-4-OH	4-Isoquinolinol	Br ₂ (NaOH) 80 °C, 3 h	40	161-163	23
1,6-diBr-3-OH	5-Bromo-2-cyano-phenyl acetic acid	HBr	89	197-199	72
4,5,8-triBr	4-Bromoisoquinoline	Br ₂	86	165	104
5,7,8-triBr	5,8-Dibromoisoquinoline	AlCl ₃ , Br ₂	75	200-201	19
6-Br	6-Bromoindene	O ₃ , MeOH, -78 °C; Me ₂ S, NaHCO ₃ , NH ₄ OH	70	42-43	82
6-Br-5,8-diMe		O ₃ , Me ₂ S, NaHCO ₃ , NH ₄ OH	95		203
7-Br	5-Bromoindene	O ₃ , MeOH, -78 °C; NaHCO ₃ , Me ₂ S	58	67-69	82
7-Br-2-Me-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro	7-amino-2-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline	HBr/NaNO ₂ (CuBr)	87	285-286 (HBr)	112

E. Bromoisooquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
8-Br-2-Me-5,6,7-triOMe 1,2,3,4-tetrahydro	5,6,7-trimethoxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline	CH_2O , NaBH_4 ; bromination		226-227 (HCl)	24
8-Br-5,6,7-triOMe		HCl; K.t. butoxide	83	64-67	91
8-Br-6,7-diOMe		$(\text{CF}_3\text{CO})_2\text{O}$; $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{HOAc}$; NH_3	29	135-137	90
8-Br-6,7-diOMe	7-Hydroxy-6-methoxyisoquinoline	Br_2 , HOAc NaOAc, methylation	71	220.5-223	26
8-Br-5-OEt-6-OMe-2-Me-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro	8-Amino-5-ethoxy-6-methoxy-2-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline	Sandmeyer reaction	37	35	105
8-Br-4-(3',4'-diOMephenyl)-2-Me-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro		Methylation; AlCl_3	66	233-236	120
8-Br-5,6-diOMe-2-Me-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro	8-Amino-5,6-dimethoxy-2-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline	Sandmeyer	78	65	106
5-Bz-8-Br-2-Me-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro	5-Benzylxy-2-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline	Bromination			27

E. Bromoisoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
8-Br-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro		$\text{AlCl}_3/\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$	59	—	118
1-(4-OBzbenzyl)-8-Br-6,7-diOMe-3,4-dihydro		POCl_3 , benzene	—	171–173	207
1-(3-OBz-3-OMebenzyl)-8-Br-6,7-diOMe-3,4-dihydro		Bischler-Napieralski	Yellowish syrup	198	

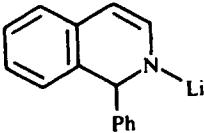
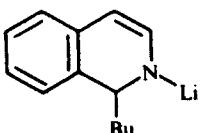
F. Iodoisoquinolines

Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
1-I	1-Chloroisoquinoline	NaI, HI		70–72	131
5-I	5-Aminoisoquinoline	H ₂ SO ₄ /NaNO ₂	22	98	109
1-I-3-OH	2-Cyanophenylacetic acid	(1) PCl ₅ (2) HI	81	154–157	72
3-I-1-OH	<i>o</i> -Cyanomethylbenzoyl chloride	HI/NaHCO ₃	70	234–237	69, 72
3-I-4-OH	4-Hydroxyisoquinoline	I ₂ , KI	88	172–173	23
5-I-8-OH	5-Amino-8-hydroxy-isoquinoline	NaNO ₂ ; I ₂ , KI; Ac ₂ O; Hydrolysis	92	185–188	30
8-I-5-OH	5-Hydroxyisoquinoline	ICl	31	213 (HCl)	30
1-I-3-OH-6-OMe	2-Cyano-5-methoxy-phenylacetic acid	PCl ₅ ; HI	85	180–182	72
1-I-6,7-di-OMe-3-OH	2-Cyano-4,5-dimethoxy-phenylacetic acid	PCl ₅ ; HI	61	220–222	72
Diiodo	Isoquinoline	I ₂ /H ₂ SO ₄	...	151	12
1,3-dil-4-OH	4-Hydroxyisoquinoline	I ₂ , KI	50	137–139	23
5,7-dil-8-OH	5-Iodo-8-hydroxyisoquinoline	ICl	70	208–210 (HCl)	30
6,8-dil-5-OH	6,8-Diiodo-5-acetoxyisoquinoline	NaOH	100	180–185	30
Triiodo	Isoquinoline	I ₂ /H ₂ SO ₄	—	—	12
1-I	1-Trimethylstannyl isoquinoline	I ₂	96	74–76	265
3-I	3-Trimethylstannyl-isoquinoline	I ₂	94	59.5–60.5	265
4-I	Isoquinoline	I ₂ , HI, H ₂ O			14
	4-Trimethylstannyl-isoquinoline	I ₂	95	93–94	265
6-I	6-Iodoindene	O ₃ , Me ₂ S NaHCO ₃ , NH ₄ OH	66	86–88(d)	82
7-I	5-Iodoindene	O ₃ , Me ₂ S, NaHCO ₃ , NH ₄ OH	58	124– (128(d))	82

G. Isoquinolines Substituted with Different Halogens

Compound	Starting Material	Method	Yield (%)	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
1-Br-3-F	3-Amino-1-bromoisoquinoline	HBF ₄ ; NaNO ₂ steam dist.	28	60	115
4-Br-1-Cl	4-Bromoisoquinoline	H ₂ O ₂ /HOAc; POCl ₃	73	98	36
3-Cl-1-F	1,3-Dichloroisoquinoline	Me ₂ SO ₂ , KF	23	67	115
5-Cl-8-F	5-Chloro-8-aminoisoquinoline	Schiemann reaction	21	93	115
1-Br-6-Cl-3-OH	2-Cyano-5-chlorophenylacetic acid	HBr	70	204–206	72
6-Br-1-Cl-3-OH	5-Bromo-2-cyano-phenylacetic acid	PCl ₅ ; HCl	70	226–227	72
6-Br-1-I-3-OH	6-Bromo-2-cyano-phenylacetic acid	PCl ₅ ; HCl	85	180–182	72
4-Cl-3,5,6,7,8-penta-F-1-OMe	4-Chloro-1,3,5,6,7,8-hexafluoroisoquinoline	NaOMe	—	72–73	173

H. Organometallic Derivatives of Isoquinolines

Compound	Method/Properties	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
<i>Lithium Complexes</i>			
	IQ + Ph Li	253, 254	
	IQ + p-anisyl Li	—	253
	IQ + Bu Li	—	254
1-IQLi	1-BrIQ + Bu Li	255	
4-IQLi	4-BrIQ + n-BuLi	470, 257	

H. Organometallic Derivatives of Isoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Method/Properties	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
	+ <i>t</i> -Bu Li TMEDA	260	
	Cr(CO) ₃ + <i>n</i> -Bu Li	--	374, 375
<i>Grignard Reagent</i>			
IQ Mg Grignard	IQ + EtMgBr Autoclave	263	
		--	264
Magnesium bromide etherate pale yellow rhomb-shaped crystals			
<i>Tin Compounds</i>			
1-TMSnIQ TMSn = trimethylstannyl	1-ClIQ + NaSn(CH ₃) ₃	b.p. 120–121 (4.5 mm)	265
3-TMSnIQ	3-BrIQ + NaSn(CH ₃) ₃	b.p. 118–120 (4.0 mm)	265
4-TMSnIQ	4-BrIQ + NaSn(CH ₃) ₃	b.p. 147–149 (3.0 mm)	265
	+ (C ₄ H ₉) ₃ SnCl	b.p. 210 (0.01 mm)	260

H. Organometallic Derivatives of Isoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Method/Properties	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
Group IB			
<i>Copper complexes</i>			
$[(\text{N}_3)_2\text{Cu}(\text{IQ})_2]$	Yellowish green; explodes at 197–200 °C	280	
$[\text{Cu}(\text{IQ})_2\text{Cl}_2]$	$\text{Cu}(\text{II})$ salt + IQ	250	273
$[\text{Cu}(\text{IQ})_2(\text{NO}_3)_2]$	$\text{Cu}(\text{II})$ salt + IQ	265	273
$[\text{Cu}(\text{IQ})\text{I}]$	CuI (in aq. KI) + excess IQ	204	275
$[\text{Cu}_4\text{O}(\text{IQ})_4\text{Cl}_6]$	$\text{CuCl}_2 + \text{NaOH} + \text{IQ}$	265	298
$[\text{Cu}_4\text{O}(\text{IQ})_4\text{Br}_6]$	$\text{CuBr}_2 + \text{NaOH} + \text{IQ}$	217–219	298
$[\text{Cu}(\text{OCN})_2(\text{IQ})_2]$	$\text{KOCN} + \text{IQ} + \text{Cu}(\text{NO}_3)_2 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$	—	276
$[\text{Cu}(\text{HCOO})_2(\text{IQ})_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}]$	$\text{CuCO}_3 \cdot \text{Cu}(\text{OH})_2 + 36\%$ aq. boiling $\text{HCOOH} \rightarrow$ filtrate + IQ; blue crystals	—	267
$[\text{CuC}_2\text{O}_4 \cdot 2(\text{IQ})]$	$\text{CuC}_2\text{O}_4 + \text{IQ}$	—	272
$[\text{CuCl}_4 \cdot (\text{IQH})_2]$	$[\text{Cu}(\text{IQ})_2] + \text{Cl}_2$; orange-yellow crystals	180	299
$[\text{CuCl}_2\text{Br}_2 \cdot (\text{IQH})]$	$[\text{Cu}(\text{IQ})_2\text{Cl}_2] + \text{Br}_2$; dark violet crystals	142	299
$[\text{CuBr}_4 \cdot (\text{IQH})]$	$[\text{Cu}(\text{IQ})_2] + \text{Br}_2$; dark violet crystals	130	299
$[\text{Cu}(\text{NCO})_2(\text{IQ})_2]$	$\text{Cu}(\text{NO}_3)_2 + \text{KNCO} + \text{IQ}$	—	278, 279
$[\text{Cu}(\text{SCN})_2(\text{IQ})_2]$	$\text{Cu}(\text{SCN})_2 + \text{IQ}$	201	280
$[\text{Cu}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CO}_2)_2(\text{IQ})]$	IQ + anhydrous $\text{Cu}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CO}_2)_2$; green solid	—	270, 271
$[\text{Cu}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CO}_2)_2(\text{IQ})_2]$	Excess IQ + anhydrous $\text{Cu}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CO}_2)_2$; blue solid	270, 271	
$[\text{Cu}(\text{Sal})_2(\text{IQ})_2]$ HSal = Salicylaldehyde	$\text{Cu}(\text{Sal})_2 + \text{IQ}$; Blue or green needles	160	282
$[\text{Cu}_2(\text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2)_4(\text{IQ})_2]$	$\text{Cu}(\text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2)_2 + \text{IQ}$; dark green microcrystals	158	268, 269

H. Organometallic Derivatives of Isoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Method/Properties	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
[CuL·2IQ] LH ₂ = biphenyl-2,2'-dicarboxylic acid	CuL + IQ	—	297
[CuL ₂ (IQ) ₂] HL = Ethyl acetoacetate	CuL ₂ + IQ; green needles	215	290
[Cu(OCH ₃) (2,4,6-OC ₆ H ₂ Cl ₃) (IQ)]	[Cu(OCH ₃) (2,4,6-OC ₆ H ₂ Cl ₃)·CH ₃ OH] + IQ; dark green crystals	—	288
[Cu ₂ Cl ₄ (IQ) ₅]	CuCl ₂ + IQ; dark green silky needles	—	274
[CuCl ₂ (IQ) ₂]	CuCl ₂ + IQ; pale green solid	—	274
[CuL ₂ (IQ)] HL = 3-chloro-1,4-pentanedione	CuL ₂ + IQ; green crystals	—	286
[Cu(acac) ₂ (IQ)] Hacac = acetylacetone	—	—	285
[Cu(dt _c) ₂ (IQ)] Hdt _c = dithiocarbamic acid	—	—	285
[CuL ₂ (IQ) ₂] LH = CCl ₃ CO ₂ H	CuL ₂ + IQ	—	291
[Cu(ROCH ₂ CO ₂) ₂ (IQ) ₂] R = Ph, o-, m-, p-MeC ₆ H ₄	Cu(ROCH ₂ CO ₂) ₂ ·3H ₂ O + IQ	—	293
[Cu(OMe) (OC ₆ H ₂ Br ₃ -2,4,6) ₂ IQ]	Cu(OMe)(OC ₆ H ₂ Br ₃ -2,4,6) ₂ MeOH + IQ	—	289
[CuL ₂ (IQ) ₂] HL = PhCH ₂ CO ₂ H	Cu(PhCH ₂ CO ₂) ₂ + IQ; green crystals	—	292
[CuL ₂ (IQ)] HL = acetoacetanilide	CuCl ₂ + acetoacetanilide + IQ; green crystals	254	283
[Cu(MB) ₂ IQ]	—	—	296
[Cu(MB) ₂ (IQ) ₂] HMB = <i>m</i> -methoxybenzoic acid	—	—	296
[Cu(L ₂ (IQ) ₃)] L = isopropylthioacetate	CuL ₂ ·2H ₂ O + IQ; blue crystals	—	294, 295
[CuL ₂ (IQ)] HL = thenoyltrifluoroacetone, pivaloyltrifluoroacetone	CuL ₂ + excess IQ; green crystals	—	287

H. Organometallic Derivatives of Isoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Method/Properties	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
[Cu(RSCH ₂ CO ₂) ₂ IQ] R = Me, Et, isoPr	[Cu(RSCH ₂ CO ₂) ₂] hydrates + IQ		295
[Cu(RSCH ₂ CO ₂) ₂ (IQ) ₂] R = isoPr			
[Cu(RSCH ₂ CO ₂) ₂ (IQ) ₃] R = Me, Et, iso-Pr	[Cu(RSCH ₂ CO ₂) ₂] hydrates + IQ		295
[CuL ₂ (IQ)] HL = <i>o</i> -hydroxy acetophenone	CuCl ₂ + dil NH ₃ → Ppt. + IQ; green crystals	245	284
<i>Silver complexes</i>			
[Ag(IQ) ₂ NO ₃]	IQ + conc. solution of the Ag salt	165	302
[Ag(IQ) ₂ ClO ₄]	IQ + conc. solution of the Ag salt	215	302
[Ag(IQ)(NCO)]	IQ + conc. solution of the Ag salt	303
[Ag(IQ)SCN]	IQ + conc. solution of the Ag salt	—	303
[Ag(IQ) ₂ Cr-(NCS) ₆]	IQ + conc. solution of the Ag salt	—	304
[Ag(IQ) ₂ Cr-(NCS) ₄ A ₂] A = aniline, <i>p</i> -toluidine	IQ + conc. solution of the Ag salt	—	304
[AgL ₂ (IQ) ₂] HL = picolinic acid	AgL ₂ + IQ	102	305
<i>Group II A</i>			
<i>Calcium complexes</i>			
[(IQ) ₂ CaCl ₂]	IQ-fraction + sat. aq. CaCl ₂ → ppt. on cooling		306
<i>Group II B</i>			
<i>Zinc complexes</i>			
[Et ₂ Zn(IQ)]	IQ (excess) + Et ₂ Zn; viscous oil → light yellow needles from pentane	9–10	307
[(Me ₂ NCS ₂) ₂ Zn(IQ) _n] n = 1, 2	IQ + Zn-dithiocarbamate	n = 1 n = 2	200–210 145–160
[R ₂ Zn·2(IQ)] R = Me, Et		R = Me R = Et	64 28
[ZnL ₂ X ₂ (IQ) ₂] L = Thioureas X = Cl, Br, I	ZnL ₂ X ₂ + IQ		311

H. Organometallic Derivatives of Isoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Method/Properties	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
[Zn(acac) ₂ ·(IQ)]	IQ + zinc acetylacetone;	—	316
[Zn(IQ) ₂ (NO ₂) ₂]	Zn(NO ₂) ₂ + excess IQ	—	315
[Zn(NCO) ₂ (IQ) ₂]	Zn(NCO) ₂ + IQ	220	315
[Zn(Sal) ₂ (IQ) ₂] HSal = salicylaldehyde	Zn(Sal) ₂ + IQ; white crystals	204	282
[ZnL ₂ (IQ) ₂] HL = EtO ₂ CCH ₂ OMe	ZnL ₂ + IQ; white crystals	194	290
[ZnCl ₂ (IQ) ₂]	ZnCl ₂ + IQ; snow-white solid	—	310
[ZnL ₂ IQ] LH ₂ = biphenyl-2,2'-dicarboxylic acid	ZnL + IQ	—	297
[Zn(NCSe) ₂ (IQ)]	Zn(NCSe) ₂ + IQ	128	313
[Zn(Pdtc) ₂ (IQ)] (Pdtc = piperidylidithiocarbamate)	Zn(Pdtc) ₂ + IQ; white crystals	183	319
[ZnL ₂ (IQ) ₂] HL = CCl ₃ CO ₂ H	Zn(CCl ₃ CO ₂) ₂ + IQ; white crystals	—	291
[Zn(PhCH ₂ CO ₂) ₂ (IQ) ₂]	Zn(PhCH ₂ CO ₂) ₂ + IQ; white crystalline solid	—	292
[Zn(Clacac) ₂ (IQ)] HClacac = chloroacetylacetone	[Zn(Clacac) ₂ (H ₂ O)]	175	318
[ZnL ₂ (IQ)] HL = acetoacetanilide	ZnCl ₂ + acetoacetanilide + IQ	180	283
[Me ₄ N] [Zn(SCN) ₄ (IQ) ₂]	[Me ₄ N] [Zn(SCN) ₄] + IQ; white crystalline solid	109	314
[ZnL ₂ (IQ)] HL = thenoyltrifluoroacetone, pivaloyltrifluoroacetone	ZnL ₂ + IQ; white crystals	—	287
[ZnL ₂ (IQ)] LH = <i>o</i> -hydroxyacetophenone	ZnCl ₂ + LH + dilute NH ₃ , → precipitate + IQ; white crystals	175	284
<i>Cadmium complexes</i>			
[Cd(Mdtc) ₂ IQ] Mdtc = morpholylidithiocarbamate	Cd(Mdtc) ₂ + IQ; light rose-colored solid	> 280	327

H. Organometallic Derivatives of Isoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Method/Properties	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
[Cd(Pdtc) ₂ (IQ) ₃] Pdtc = piperidylidithiocarbamate	Cd(Pdtc) ₂ + IQ; shining grey solid	130	327
[Cd(SCN) ₂ (IQ) ₄]	Cd(SCN) ₂ + excess IQ; white crystalline solid	110	322
[CdI ₂ (3-pic-NO)(IQ) ₂]	[CdI ₂ (3pic-NO)] + IQ; pale yellow needles	180	326
[CdI ₂ (4-pic-NO)(IQ) ₂]	[CdI ₂ (4-pic-NO)] + IQ; pale yellow needles	165	326
[(Et ₄ N)][CdI ₃ (IQ) ₂]	(Et ₄ N) ₂ CdI ₄ + IQ; white needles	148	324
[IQH] ₂ [CdX ₂ Cl ₂] X = Cl X = Br	[Cd(IQ) ₂ X ₂] + slight excess IQ + Cl ₂ White crystals Pale brown crystalline solid	150 225(d)	325
[Cd(IQ) ₂ X ₂] X = Cl X = Br			325
[CdL ₂ (IQ) ₂] HL = acetoacetanilide	CdCl ₂ + acetoacetanilide + IQ; white crystals	248	283
[Me ₄ N] ₂ [Cd(SCN) ₄ (IQ) ₂]	[Me ₄ N] ₂ [Cd(SCN) ₄] + IQ		323
[Cd(Pdtc) ₂ (IQ)] Pdtc = piperidylidithiocarbamate	Cd(Pdtc) ₂ + IQ; brownish-white crystalline solid		328
[CdL ₂ (IQ)] HL = <i>o</i> -hydroxyacetophenone	CdCl ₂ + Hl + dilute NH ₃ → precipitate + IQ; white crystals	205	284
[Cd(Mn)(IQ)Cl ₂] (Manganese-doped Mn ions present at a nominal value of 1%)	CdCl ₂ + MnCl ₂ + IQ	--	329
<i>Mercury complexes</i>			
[Hg(IQ)(CN) ₂]	Excess IQ + Hg(CN) ₂	206	330
[HgL ₂ Cl ₂ (IQ) ₂] HL = thiosalicyclic acid	HgL ₂ Cl ₂ + IQ; white amorphous solid	173	331

H. Organometallic Derivatives of Isoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Method/Properties	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
Group IIIA Elements			
<i>Aluminium complexes</i>			
$[(Et_3Al)(IQ)]$ or $[(Et_2AlH)(IQ)]$	$IQ + Et_3Al$ (or Et_2AlH)	—	332
$[(Et_2AlH)(IQ)_2]$	IQ (excess) + Et_2AlH	—	334
Group IIIB Elements			
<i>Lanthanide series</i>			
<i>Cerium complexes</i>			
$[(IQH)_2CeCl_3]$	$CeCl_3 + HCl_{(g)}$ + IQ; white solid	—	335
<i>Holmium complexes</i>			
$[(IQH)_2HoCl_3 \cdot 3H_2O]$	$HoCl_3 \cdot 6H_2O + HCl_{(g)}$ + IQ; Cream crystals	265–275	336
<i>Ytterbium complexes</i>			
$[(IQH)Yb(C_2O_4)_2 \cdot 3H_2O]$	$YbCl_3 \cdot 6H_2O$ + oxalic acid + IQ; white solid	234(d)	336
<i>Actinide series</i>			
<i>Thorium complexes</i>			
$[Th(ClO_4) \cdot 8IQ]$	$Th(ClO_4)$ + excess IQ	185–187	337
$[Th(NO_3)_4 \cdot 2IQ]$	$Th(NO_3)_4$ + IQ; white solid	—	338
$[Th(NCS)_4 \cdot 4IQ]$	$Th(NCS)_4$ + excess IQ; pinkish-white solid	—	338
<i>Uranium complexes</i>			
$[UCl_5(IQ)_n]$ $n = 2, 3$	$IQ + UCl_5$; in $SOCl_2$	Decomposes > r.t.	339
$[(IQH)_2UOCl_5 \cdot IQ]$	$IQ + UCl_5 + SOCl_2$; reddish-brown solid	—	340
$[(IQH)_2][UOCl_5]$	$IQ + UCl_5 + SOCl_2$; reddish-brown solid	—	341
$[(IQH)_2UO_2Cl_4]$	$HCl_{(g)}$ + uranyl chloride + IQ + $HCl_{(g)}$; yellow solid	219	342
$[UO_2(PhCH_2CO_2)_2(IQ)H_2O]$	Excess IQ + $UO_2(PhCH_2CO_2)_2$; bright yellow solid	240–242 (d)	343

H. Organometallic Derivatives of Isoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Method/Properties	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
[UO ₂ L(IQ)H ₂ O] HL = lactic acid	Excess IQ + UO ₂ (C ₃ H ₅ O ₃)·2H ₂ O; yellow compound	248 (d)	344
Group IV A			
<i>Germanium complexes</i>			
[GeX ₄ ·2(IQ)] X = Cl, Br, F	GeX ₄ + IQ		345
<i>Tin complexes</i>			
[Ph ₃ SnCl(IQ)] ₂ SnCl (IQ)]	Excess IQ + Ph ₃ SnCl	110	346
[Pr ₃ SnCl (IQ)]	Excess IQ + Ph ₃ SnCl	169	346
[Ph(nBu)SnCl ₂ (2IQ)]	Tri(<i>n</i> -propyl)tin chloride + IQ	141–142	347
[PhSnCl ₃ ·2(IQ)]	Phenyl(<i>n</i> -butyl)tin dichloride + IQ	114–115	348
[Pr ₂ SnCl ₂ (2IQ)]	Excess IQ + Ph ₃ SnCl	—	349
[(IQ) ₂ SnCl ₄]	Di(<i>n</i> -propyl)tin-dichloride + IQ	158–159	350
[R _x Sn _{4-x} ·2IQ]	White	225	356
R _x Sn _{4-x} = BuSnCl ₃ BuSnBr ₃ PhSnCl ₃ Bu ₂ SnCl ₂ Bu ₂ SnBr ₂ Ph ₂ SnCl ₂ Ph ₂ SnBr ₂ Ph ₂ SnI ₂ (<i>p</i> -tolyl) ₂ SnCl ₂ (<i>p</i> -tolyl) ₂ SnBr ₂ (<i>o</i> -tolyl) ₂ SnCl ₂ Ph ₃ SnCl	Organotin halide + IQ	134 94–96 > 300 106–108 102–104 182 170 122 172 182 164 106–107	351
[(Et)(Ph)SnCl ₂ ·2IQ]	Allylphenyltin dichloride + IQ; white	114–116	352
[(nPr)(Ph)SnCl ₂ ·2IQ]	White solid	118–119	352
[(nBu)(Ph) SnCl ₂ ·2IQ]	White solid	114–115	352
[R ₁ R ₂ SnCl ₂ ·2IQ] R ₁ = Me, R ₂ = Et R ₁ = Et, R ₂ = <i>n</i> -Pr R ₁ = <i>n</i> -Pr, R ₂ = <i>n</i> -Bu	IQ + dialkyltin dichloride	147–149 85–86 107–108	353

H. Organometallic Derivatives of Isoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Method/Properties	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
<i>Lead complexes</i>			
$[(\text{IQH})_2\text{PbCl}_6]$	$\text{H}_2\text{PbCl}_6 + \text{excess IQ}\cdot\text{HCl}$	—	354
$[\text{PbCl}_4\cdot 2\text{IQ}]$	$\text{PbCl}_4 + \text{IQ}$	—	354
<i>Group IVB</i>			
<i>Titanium complexes</i>			
$[(\text{IQ})_2\text{TiCl}_4 \cdot \frac{1}{2}\text{SOCl}_2]$	$\text{TiCl}_4 + \text{IQ}$ in SOCl_2 ; red	176–8	356
$[\text{TiX}_4(\text{IQ})]$ $\text{X} = \text{F, Cl, Br}$	$\text{IQ} + \text{TiX}_4$	—	355
<i>Zirconium complexes</i>			
$[(\text{ZrOCl}_2)(\text{IQ})]$	Excess IQ + ZrOCl_2	Decomposes > 230	357
$[\text{ZrO}(\text{ClO}_4)_2 \cdot 4\text{IQ}]$	Zirconium perchlorate	165–167	337
<i>Group VA</i>			
<i>Antimony complexes</i>			
$[\text{H}(\text{IQ})\text{SbBr}_4]$	$\text{IQ} + \text{SbBr}_3$ in conc. HBr	358	
$[\text{C}_9\text{H}_7\text{NaNO}_3\text{Sb}]$	5-Aminoisoquinoline + Sb_2O_3	—	359
$[\text{IQH}(\text{X}_4\text{C}_6\text{H}_2\text{O}_2)\text{SbX}'_2]$ $\text{X}_4\text{C}_6\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 = \text{pyrocatechol derivative}$ $\text{X} = \text{H, halo}$ $\text{X}' = \text{Cl, Br}$	—	—	360
<i>Group VB</i>			
<i>Vanadium complexes</i>			
$[\text{VOCl}_3(\text{IQ})]$	$\text{VOCl}_3 + \text{IQ}$; violet-red powder	—	361
$[\text{VCl}_4(\text{IQ})_2]$	$\text{IQ} + \text{VCl}_4$; brown semisolid turning green	—	364
$[\text{VO}(\text{IQ})\text{SO}_4]$	$\text{VOSO}_4 + \text{IQ}$	—	366
$[\text{VO}(\text{IQ})_2\text{Cl}_2]$	$\text{VOCl}_2 + \text{IQ}$	—	363
$[\text{VO}(\text{acac})_2(\text{IQ})]$	$\text{VO}(\text{acac})_2 + \text{IQ}$	—	368
$[\text{VOCl}_3 \cdot 3\text{IQ}]$	$\text{IQ} + \text{VOCl}_3$ Dark-brown hygroscopic solid	—	362

H. Organometallic Derivatives of Isoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Method/Properties	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
[V(IQ) ₄ X ₂]	VX ₂ ·xEtOH + IQ x = 4 or 6	—	365
X = Cl	Royal blue	—	—
X = Br	Royal blue	—	—
X = I	Blue	—	—

*Group VI B**Chromium complexes*

[Cr(tu) ₂ (IQ) ₂ Cl ₂]Cl tu = thiourea	Cr(tu) ₃ Cl ₃ ; green solid	138	369
[IQH] [CrOCl ₄]	CrO ₃ + CH ₃ CO ₂ H + HCl _(g) + IQ; dark red crystals	—	370
[IQH] ₂ [CrCl ₅ (HO ₂ CMe)]	CrO ₃ + CH ₃ CO ₂ H + HCl _(g) + IQ; reflux; purple powder	—	371
[IQH] [CrBr ₄ (HO ₂ CMe) ₂]	CrO ₃ + CH ₃ CO ₂ H + HBr + IQ; brown powder contaminated with small amounts of [IQH] [Br ₃]	—	371
K[CrO ₃ Cl(IQ)]	K(CrO ₃ Cl) + IQ; yellow-brown solid	no definite m.p.	372
[Cr(NTA)(IQ) ₂] H ₃ NTA = nitrilotriacetic acid	—	—	373
[THIQ-Cr(CO) ₃] THIQ = 1, 2, 3, 4- tetrahydroisoquinoline	THIQ + Cr(CO) ₆ , Yellow-orange plates	63–64 —	374, 375
[N-MeTHIQ·Cr(CO) ₃] N-MeTHIQ = N-Methyl-1,2, 3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline	N-MeTHIQ + Cr(CO) ₆ ; bright yellow needle	100–101 —	374, 375

Molybdenum complexes

[(IQ) ₃ H ₃ As(Mo ₃ O ₁₀) ₄]	Arsenate solution + Na molybdate + HCl + IQ·HCl	376
[(IQ) ₃ H ₃ AsTh(Mo ₃ O ₁₀) ₄]	Similar to above	—
[MoOCl ₃ (IQ) ₂]	[MoOCl ₃ (CH ₃ CN) ₂] + IQ; brown solid	377

H. Organometallic Derivatives of Isoquinolines (Continued)

Compound	Method/Properties	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
Group VIIB Metals			
<i>Manganese complexes</i>			
[Mn(IQ) ₂ X ₂] X = Cl, Br, I, SCN	MnX ₂ + IQ	—	378
[Mn(IQ)X ₂	Mn(IQ) ₂ X ₂ → heat 125°–30°C several hours	—	378
[Mn(acac) ₂ (IQ) ₂] acac = acetylacetone	Mn(acac) ₂ ·2H ₂ O + IQ; deep-yellow crystalline solid	110	379
[Mn(IQ) ₄ (NCO) ₂]	Mn(NO ₃) ₂ + KCNO + IQ	225	379
[Mn(IQ) ₄ (NCSe) ₂]	IQ + Mn(NCSe) ₂	165	381
[MnCl ₂ (IQ) ₅]	IQ + MnCl ₂ , yellow crystals	310	
[MnL·4IQ] LH ₂ = biphenyl-2,2'-di-carboxylic acid	MnL + IQ	—	297
[n-cepy] ₂ [MnCl ₄ (IQ) ₄] n-cepy = N-cetylpyridine	[n-cepy] ₂ [MnCl ₄ + IQ] + excess IQ	68	383
[n-cepy] ₂ MnCl ₄ (IQ) ₂]	[n-cepy] ₂ [MnCl ₄ (IQ) ₄] Δ → 100°	—	383
Group VIII			
<i>Iron complexes</i>			
[(IQ) ₃ ·2Na ₄ Fe(CN) ₆ ·H ₂ O]	IQ + Na ₄ Fe(CN) ₆ + HCl; orange crystals	—	384
[(IQ) ₃ ·H ₃ Fe-(CN) ₆ ½EtOH]	Yellow rhombohedral crystals	—	385, 386
[(IQ) ₃ ·H ₄ Fe(CN) ₆ ·3EtOH]	Lemon needles	—	385
[Na ₃ Fe(CN) ₅ ·IQ]	[Na ₃ Fe(CN) ₅ NH ₃] + excess IQ	—	390
[Fe(Chxn) ₂ (IQ) ₂] Chxn-cyclohexylxanthate	Excess IQ + [Fe(Chxn) ₂ (EtOH) ₂]; yellow solid	—	387
[Fe(DgH) ₂ (IQ) ₂] DgH ₂ = dimethylglyoxime	Dimethylglyoxime + FeSO ₄ ·7H ₂ O + IQ	—	388
[Fe(IQ) ₂ (acid)(OH)H ₂ O] acid = malonate, succinate, glutarate adipate, or diphenate ion	—	—	388
[Fe ^{II} Fe ^{III} ₂ O(OAc) ₆ ·3.5IQ]	Base + Fe ^{II} Fe ^{III} ₂ O(OAc) ₆ (H ₂ O) ₃	—	391

H. Organometallic Derivatives of Isoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Method/Properties	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
[Fe ₃ O(OAc) ₆ (IQ) ₃ Cl]	—	—	391
[FeCl ₂ (IQ) ₄]	—	—	391
[Me ₄ N][FeCl ₄ (IQ) ₂]	[Me ₄ N][FeCl ₄] + IQ; dark-yellow solid	235	393
[Me ₄ N][FeCl ₄ (IQ)]	[Me ₄ N][FeCl ₄] + IQ; yellow solid	249	393

Cobalt complexes

[Co(SCN) ₂ (IQ) ₂]	IQ + CoCl ₂ + excess NH ₄ SCN; crystallizes out	395	
[Co(SCN) ₂ ·4(IQ)]	IQ(excess) + ammonium thiocyanatocobaltate; rose colored	175	396
(a) Co(IQ) ₄ [N(CN) ₂] ₂	Co(NO ₃) ₂ ·6H ₂ O + KN(CN) ₂ + IQ; microcrystals	—	397
(b) {Co(IQ) ₂ [N(CN) ₂] ₂ }	{Co(IQ) ₄ [N(CN) ₂]} in CCl ₄ ; reflux	—	397
[CoCl ₂ ·4(IQ)]	IQ + CoCl ₂	—	398
[CoSO ₄ (IQ) ₂]	CoSO ₄ + IQ (excess)	—	399
[CoX(DH) ₂ (IQ)] X = CN, NO ₂ , SeCN, SCN, Br D = dianion of dimethyl glyoxime	Dimethylglyoxime + IQ + Co salt	—	400
[Co(IQ) ₄ (ONO) ₂]	Sodium cobaltinitrite + IQ (excess); orange crystals	—	401
[Co(IQ) ₃ (NO ₂) ₂]	Recrystallizing Co(IQ) ₄ (ONO) ₂ from acetone; dark brown crystals	—	401
[Co(acac) ₂ ·(IQ) ₂]	Coacetylacetone + IQ in hot EtOH	200	402
[CoCl(en) ₂ (IQ)]Cl ₂ ·H ₂ O en = ethylenediamine	IQ + <i>trans</i> [CoCl ₂ (en) ₂]Cl red-pink precipitate	—	408
[Co(phen)(IQ) ₂ Cl ₂] phen = 1,10-phenanthroline	Excess IQ + [Co(phen)Cl ₂] → red precipitate + air	—	410
[Co(phen)(IQ) ₂ Cl ₂ O·5IQ]	[Co(phen)(IQ) ₂ Cl ₂] + alcohol; red compound	—	410
[CoL ₂ (IQ) ₂] LH = (EtO) ₂ PO ₂ H, (MeO) ₂ PO ₂ H	CoL ₂ + excess IQ	—	417
[CoL ₂ (IQ) ₂] L = EtO ₂ CCH ₂ OMe	CoL ₂ + IQ; pink crystals	148	290

H. Organometallic Derivatives of Isoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Method/Properties	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
[CoCl ₂ (IQ) ₂]	CoCl ₂ + IQ; dark blue	—	310
[CoL _n IQ] <i>n</i> = 2,4 LH ₂ = biphenyl-2,2'-di carboxylic acid	CoL + IQ	—	297
[Co(C ₆ H ₅ CO ₂) ₂ (IQ) ₂]	Co(C ₆ H ₅ CO ₂) ₂ + IQ	—	271
[Co(tu) ₂ (SCN) ₂ (IQ) ₄] tu = thiourea	[Co(tu) ₂ (SCN) ₂] + IQ; pink crystalline solid	181	419
[CoL ₂ (IQ) ₂] HL = dibenzoylmethane	IQ + CoL ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂	205	412
[CoX(bbz) ₂ (IQ)(H ₂ O) ₂] Bbz = dibenzoylmethane X = Cl X = Br	IQ + cobaltous salt + dibenzoyl- methane yellow orange-yellow	—	413
[Co(Sal) ₂ (IQ) ₂] HSal = salicylaldehyde	Co(Sal) ₂ + IQ; pink crystals	170	414
[(IQ) ₂ Co(TPP)] ⁺ Br ⁻ TPPH ₂ = meso-tetraphenyl- porphyrin	IQ + Br - Co(TPP)	—	415
Co[O ₂ P(OBu) ₂] ₂ ·2IQ	Co[O ₂ P(OBu) ₂] + IQ	—	416
[CoL ₂ (IQ) ₂] LH = CCl ₃ CO ₂ H	CoL ₂ + IQ; pink crystalline solid	—	291
[Co(O ₂ CR) ₂ (IQ) ₂] R = H, Me, Et, Bu, Pr, Iso-Pr	Co(II) alkanoate + IQ; formate and acetate—pink, others—red	—	407
[IQH] [CoX ₂ Br(IQ)] X = Br X = Cl	[Co(IQ) ₂ X ₂] + Br ₂	203 188	418
[IQH] [CoX ₂ Cl(IQ)] X = Cl X = Br	Cl ₂ + [Co(IQ) ₂ X ₂]	190 185	418
[CoL ₂ (IQ) ₂] HL = PhCH ₂ CO ₂ H	Co(PhCH ₂ CO ₂) + IQ; pink crystalline solid	—	292
[Co(IQ) ₂ L] H ₂ L = succinic, glutaric, or adipic acid	CoL + IQ; blue compounds	—	406
[Co(IQ) ₄ L] H ₂ L = malonic acid	CoL + IQ; pink	—	406
[CoL ₂ (IQ) ₂] HL = acetoacetanilide	CoCl ₂ + acetoacetanilide + IQ	> 250	283
[Co(Cl ₂ CHCO ₂) ₂ (IQ) ₂]	Co(Cl ₂ CHCO ₂) ₂ + IQ	—	403
[Co(Cl ₂ CHCO ₂) ₂ (IQ) ₄]	IQ + Co(Cl ₂ CHCO ₂) ₂ ; pink	—	403

H. Organometallic Derivatives of Isoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Method/Properties	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
[Co(F ₃ C·CO ₂) ₂ (IQ) ₂]	IQ + Co(F ₃ C·CO ₂) ₂	—	403
[Co(ABT) ₂ (SCN) ₂ (IQ) ₄] ABT = 2-aminobenzothiazole	[Co(ABT) ₂ (SCN) ₂] + IQ	162	420
[Co(RC ₆ H ₄ CO ₂) ₂ (IQ) ₂] R = <i>o</i> -Me, <i>o</i> , <i>m</i> -Cl, <i>o</i> -, <i>m</i> -NO ₂ , and <i>m</i> -MeO	Co(RC ₆ H ₄ CO ₂) ₂ + IQ; pink compounds	—	404
[Co(acac)(mbt)(IQ) ₂] acacH = acetyl acetone Hmbt = 2-mercaptopo benzothiazole	[Co(acac)(mbt)] + excess IQ Red crystals	135	421
K[CoL ₃ (IQ) ₃] L = succinimide or phthalimide	Co ion + K salt of imide + IQ	—	411
[CoL ₂ (IQ) ₂] LH = <i>o</i> -hydroxyacetophenone	CoCl ₂ + LH + dilute NH ₃ → precipitate + IQ	135	284
[Co(DA)(IQ) ₂] DA = deprotonated diphenic acid	Co(OH) ₂ + diphenic acid + IQ	223	405
<i>Nickel Complexes</i>			
[Ni(IQ) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂] phenoxyacetate	IQ + Ni phenoxyacetate; light blue	—	423
(a) [Ni(IQ) ₂ Br ₂] (b) [Ni(IQ) ₂ I ₂]	NiX ₂ + IQ(1:4); heat, and cool for 24 h (a) Light blue (b) Greenish yellow	—	424
[Ni(IQ) ₄ (NO ₂) ₂ ·Ni(IQ) ₄ (ONO) ₂]	IQ + Ninitrite	—	425
[Ni(Ac ₂ CH) ₂ (IQ) ₂]	IQ + Ni(Ac ₂ CH) ₂ + hot EtOH	—	426
[Ni(bzac) ₂ (IQ) ₂]	—	—	427
[Ni(IQ) ₂ (NO ₂) ₂]	—	—	428
[NiC ₂ O ₄ (IQ) ₂]	NiC ₂ O ₄ + IQ in CHCl ₃	—	429
[Ni(Cl ⁺ dtpi)(IQ) ₂] Cl ⁺ dtpiH = di(<i>p</i> -chlorophenyl) dithiophosphinic acid	IQ + Ni(Cl ⁺ dtpi) ₂	—	430
[NiCl ₂ (IQ) ₄]	Hydrated NiCl ₂ + IQ green solid	—	431
[NiCl ₂ (IQ) ₂]	Reflux [NiCl ₂ (IQ) ₄] in Et ₂ O, CHCl ₃ , or benzene as solvent Yellow solid	—	431

H. Organometallic Derivatives of Isoquinolines (Continued)

Compound	Method/Properties	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
[NiL ₂ (IQ) ₂] HL = EtO ₂ CCH ₂ OMe	NiL ₂ + IQ Blue needles	178	290
[Ni(IQ) ₄ I ₆]	KI ₃ + IQ + NiCl ₂ ·6H ₂ O Brown	110(d)	433
Ni[O ₂ P(OR) ₂] ₂ ·2IQ R = Me, Et	Ni[O ₂ P(OR) ₂] ₂ + IQ Green solids	—	434
[NiL·4IQ] LH ₂ = biphenyl-2,2'-dicarboxylic acid	NiL + IQ	—	297
[Ni(C ₆ H ₅ CO ₂) ₂ (IQ) ₂]	Ni(C ₆ H ₅ CO ₂) ₂ + IQ	—	271
[NiL ₂ (IQ) ₂] HL = CCl ₃ CO ₂ H	NiL ₂ + IQ Green crystalline solid	—	291
[Ni(RCO ₂) ₂ (IQ) ₂]	Ni(II) alkanoate + IQ Light blue solids	—	407
[NiL ₂ (IQ) ₂] HL = diethyl malonate	Ni(II) malonate + IQ	—	435
[Ni(PhCH ₂ CO ₂) ₂ (IQ) ₂]	Ni(PhCH ₂ CO ₂) ₂ + IQ Green crystalline solid	—	292
K[Ni(IQ) ₂ L(H ₂ O)(OH)] H ₂ L = malonic, succinic, glutaric, or adipic acid	NiCl ₂ + H ₂ L + KOH (3 moles) KCl filtered and filtrate + IQ Light blue crystalline solids	—	436
[NiL ₂ (IQ) ₂]	NiCl ₂ + acetoacetanilide + IQ Green crystals	> 250	283
[Ni(Cl ₂ CHCO ₂) ₂ (IQ) ₄]	Ni(Cl ₂ CHCO ₂) ₂ + IQ	—	403
[Ni(Cl ₂ CHCO ₂) ₂ (IQ) ₂]	Blue	—	—
[Ni(F ₃ CCO ₂) ₂ (IQ) ₂]	IQ + Ni(F ₃ CCO ₂) ₂ Light blue	—	403
[Me ₄ N] ₂ [Ni(SCN) ₄ (IQ) ₂]	IQ + [Me ₄ N] ₂ [Ni(SCN) ₄] Light violet crystals	—	437
[Ni(C ₉ H ₁₀ O ₂ N ₃) ₂ (IQ) ₂] C ₉ H ₁₀ O ₂ N ₃ = anion of 3-(<i>p</i> -acetophenyl)-1-methyltriazene- <i>N</i> -oxide	[Ni(C ₉ H ₁₀ O ₂ N ₃) ₂] + IQ + NiCl ₂ ·6H ₂ O	224 (d)	438
[Ni(Acachydth-2H)(IQ)] Acac = acetylacetone hydth = hydrazine- <i>S</i> -methylcarbodithioate	Schiff base + IQ + Ni(OAc) ₂ ·4H ₂ O	—	439
[Ni(Bzachydth-2H)(IQ)] Bzac = benzoylacetone hydth = as above	As above	—	439
[Ni(Bzacethydth-2H)(IQ)] Bzacet = benzoyl	Benzoylacetaldehyde Na salt + hydth	—	439

H. Organometallic Derivatives of Isoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Method/Properties	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
acetaldehyde hydth = as above	+ Ni(OAc) ₂ ·4H ₂ O + IQ		
[NiL ₂ (IQ) ₂] HL = <i>o</i> -hydroxyacetophenone	NiCl ₂ + HL + dil·NH ₃ → Precipitate + IQ green crystals	205	284
K[Ni(L) ₃ (IQ)(H ₂ O) ₂] L = succinimide, phthalimide	Metal ion + K salt of imide + IQ	—	411
Ruthenium Complex			
[HRu ₃ (CO) ₁₀ (IQ)] 1,2 and 2,3-isomer	[Ru ₃ (CO) ₁₀ (NCMe) ₂] + IQ	—	440
Rhodium Complexes			
<i>trans</i> -[Rh(IQ) ₄ ·Cl ₂]Y		—	441
[Rh(CO)(IQ)L ₂]ClO ₄ L = (<i>p</i> -tolyl) ₃ P L = Ph ₃ As L = Ph ₃ P	[Rh(CO) ₂ L ₃]ClO ₄ + IQ Yellow/orange yellow Yellow/orange yellow Yellow/orange yellow	205–207 213–215 194–195	442
[(CO)Rh(IQ)(PPh ₃) ₂] ⁺	PPh ₃ + [CO(PPh ₃)Rh(IQ) ₂]·ClO ₄ or PPh ₃ + [(CO) ₂ Rh(PPh ₃)(IQ)]ClO ₄	—	443
[(COD)Rh(IQ) ₂]ClO ₄ COD = 1,5-cyclooctadiene	IQ + [(COD) ₂ Rh]ClO ₄ or IQ + [(COD)RhCl] ₂ + NaClO ₄ Yellow solid	165 (d)	443
[(CO) ₂ Rh(IQ) ₂]ClO ₄	CO + [(COD)Rh(IQ) ₂]ClO ₄	137	443
[CO(PPh ₃)Rh(IQ) ₂]ClO ₄	PPh ₃ + [(CO) ₂ Rh(IQ) ₂]ClO ₄ Yellow crystals	135	
[(COD)Rh(IQ)(PPh ₃)]ClO ₄	PPh ₃ + [(COD)Rh(IQ) ₂]ClO ₄	—	443
[(CO) ₂ (PPh ₃)(IQ)]ClO ₄	CO + [(COD)Rh(IQ)(PPh ₃)]ClO ₄	115	443
[(NBD)Rh(IQ) ₂] ⁺ BPh ₄ ⁻ NBD = norbornadiene	[(NBD)RhCl] ₂ + IQ + NaBPh ₄	—	444
[Rh(NBD)(IQ) ₂]ClO ₄ NBD = norbornadiene	IQ + [Rh(NBD) ₂]ClO ₄	150–160 (d)	445, 446
[Rh(NBD)(IQ)(PPh ₃)]ClO ₄	PPh ₃ + [Rh(NBD)(IQ) ₂]ClO ₄	150(d)	446, 445
Palladium Complexes			
IQ PdCl ₂ complex		447	
[Pd(OCOCH ₃) ₂ (IQ) ₂]	Metal-carboxylate + IQ	448	

H. Organometallic Derivatives of Isoquinolines (*Continued*)

Compound	Method/Properties	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
[IQ(1,2-dimethylallyl)PdCl ₂]	(1,2-dimethylallyl)PdCl ₂ + IQ Pale yellow solid	96–99	453
[Pd(IQ) ₂ Cl ₂]	Pd(black) + IQ · HCl + c · HNO ₃		450, 451
<i>trans</i> -[Pd(IQ) ₂ Cl ₂]	IQ + PdCl ₂ + HCl Yellow compound		452
<i>Osmium Complexes</i>			
[HOs ₃ (IQ)(CO) ₁₀] 2,3-isomer	Os(CO) ₁₂ + IQ chromatography Yellow crystals		454
1,2-isomer	Yellow crystals	188(d) 164–166	
[IQ · OsO ₄]	OsO ₄ + IQ	90–92(d)	455
IQ[OsO ₂ (O ₂ C ₂ Me ₄)]	[IQ · OsO ₄] + tetramethylethylene Dark-brown solid		455
[Os(IQ) ₂ O ₂ (O ₂ C ₂ Me ₄)]	—		455
[Os ₂ O ₄ (O ₄ RCCR)(IQ) ₄] R = H; R' = H R = Ph; R' = Ph R = Me; R' = Ph	OsO ₄ · IQ + RC ≡ CR' or OsO ₄ + RC ≡ CR' + excess IQ	—	458
[Os ₂ O ₄ (O ₄ C ₈ H ₁₂)(IQ) ₄]	OsO ₄ + IQ + cycloocta-1,5-diene Brown crystals	—	458
[OsO ₂ (O ₂ C ₈ H ₁₂)(IQ) ₂]	As above	—	458
[n-Pr ₄ N][OsNCl ₄ (IQ)]	[n-Pr ₄ N][OsNCl ₄] + IQ	—	459
<i>Iridium Complexes</i>			
[Ir(COD)(L)(IQ)ClO ₄] COD = 1,5-cyclooctadiene L = tetrahydrothiophene L = trimethylene sulphide L = SMe ₂ L = SEt ₂	IQ + [Ir(COD)L ₂]ClO ₄		460
		120–124	
		122–126	
		106–112	
		90–95	
[{(COD)(IQ)Ir{μ-(L-L)}} ₂ Ir(IQ)(COD)](ClO ₄) ₂ COD = 1,5-cyclooctadiene L – L = (t-BuS) ₂ (CH ₂) ₂ L – L = 1,4-dithiacyclohexane L – L = (MeS) ₂	IQ + [(COD) Ir{μ-(L-L)} ₂ Ir(COD)](ClO ₄) ₂		460
		115–110	
		128–132	
<i>Platinum Complexes</i>			
<i>trans</i> -[Pt(IQ) ₂ Cl ₂]	Irradiation of cis isomer with 366 nm Hg rays		461

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Compound	Method/Properties	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
<i>trans</i> -[PtCl ₂ (C ₂ H ₄)]IQ]	IQ + K[PtCl ₃ (C ₂ H ₄)]		462
[PtH(IQ)(PBz ₃) ₂]BPh ₄ PBz = tribenzyl-phosphine	IQ + PtH(NO ₃)(PBz ₃) ₂ + NaBPh ₄ White crystalline solid	157-159	464
[PtCl(allyl)]IQ]	IQ + [PtCl(C ₃ H ₅) ₄] Pale yellow prisms	135-139	465
[PtCl(C ₄ H ₇)]IQ]	IQ + di- μ -chloro-di(2-methylallyl)platinum(II)	132-135	465
<i>cis</i> [PtCl ₂ (IQ)(η -C ₂ H ₄)]	<i>trans</i> -[PtCl ₂ (C ₂ H ₄)]IQ $\xrightarrow[\text{366 nm}]{h\nu}$ Orange-yellow solid		463

Nonmetallic Derivatives**Boron complexes**

Isoquinolineborazole	NaBH ₄ + IQ (salt)	Decomposes at 50	466
MeBO ₂ -IQ adduct	IQ + ester of metaphoric acid		467
[(IQ)BH ₂ Br]	(CH ₃) ₂ S·BH ₂ Br + IQ White solid	122-125	468
[(IQ) ₂ BH ₂] ⁺ PF ₆ ⁻	IQ + (CH ₃) ₂ S·BH ₂ Br → Ppt. + NH ₄ PF ₆ White solid	178-179	468
IQ-BH ₃	IQ + BH ₃ ·THF	62-63	469
4BR ₂ IQ	4-BrIQ + BuLi + MeOBR ₂		
BR ₂ = BEt ₂ BR ₂ = 9-bora-bicyclo[3.3.1]nonane		> 300	470
		> 300	

Silicon complexes

[SiX ₄ · (IQ) ₄] X = Cl, Br, I	IQ + SiX ₄		471
[(IQ) ₂ H ₂ SiF ₆]	SiF ₄ · (IQ) ₂ + H ₂ O		472
[Si(NCS) ₄ · 2(IQ)]	IQ + Si(NCS) ₄	Decomposes at 100	473

Selenium complexes

[(IQ) · SeO ₂]	SeO ₂ + IQ at 100 °C	67-68	474
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CHAPTER II

Isoquinoline Carboxylic Acids and Their Hydrogenated Derivatives

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This chapter discusses the preparation, properties, and reactions of ring and side-chain isoquinoline and hydrogenated isoquinoline carboxylic acids, cyanides, and acid derivatives such as acid halides, amides, esters, and lactones. Acids such as sulfonic are also included. The literature is reviewed through mid-1987.

The tables in each section contain listings of the various derivatives and the individual reference should be consulted for specific details on all of the chemistry studied. Only a few typical references for such common conversions as esterification and hydrolysis are included in the text.

I. ISOQUINOLINES

This section includes all acid derivatives of the fully aromatic isoquinolines.

A. Isoquinolincarboxylic Acids

Tables I. 1 (page 137), I. 2 (page 137), I. 3 (page 138) contain data on isoquinolincarboxylic acids with the carboxylic acid group attached directly to the ring, while Table I. 4 (page 138) contains those compounds in which the carboxylic acid group is in a side chain.

The hydrolysis of nitriles has been used to prepare various isoquinoline-1-¹⁻², 4-³⁻⁶, 5-^{6,11}, 6-^{6,10} and 8-⁶ carboxylic acids. A large number of isoquinoline-3-carboxylic acids have been prepared by ester hydrolysis,¹²⁻¹⁸ while isoquinoline-1-carboxylic acids have been prepared both by ester and amide hydrolysis.^{2,19} The thermally labile carboxylate **1** and the corresponding

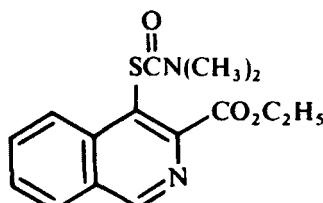
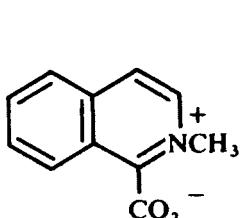


TABLE I.1. Isoquinoline-1-Carboxylic Acids

Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
(N ⁺ -Oxide)	161-162 HBr: 202-203	2, 19, 21-23, 48-50 23, 49
(N ⁺ -CH ₃)	129 N/A	2 34
	146-149	20
5-NO ₂ ^a	166	1
5-OH ^a	219-220 HCl: 192	1 1
5-NH ₂	Picrate: 260	1
6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	204-205	24
3-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	203-204 Picrate: 240	51 25

^aIR in paper.

TABLE I.2. Isoquinoline-3-Carboxylic Acids

Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
(N ⁺ -CH ₃)	167-168 206-211	28, 30, 52, 53 20, 34
(N ⁺ -oxide)	211-211.5	52
X-Br	210	30
8-NO ₂	230-240	29
3-OH	218-220	33a
4-OH ²	194-197	35
4-SH	245-246	13
7-CH ₃ -6,8-(OH) ₂	270	12
1-Cl-7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	294	54
1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	217	14
1-OCH ₃ -7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	185	16
1-OC ₂ H ₅ -7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	153	16
1-OC ₃ H ₇ -7,8(OCH ₃) ₂	136	16
1-C ₆ H ₅	221	36, 54c
1-OC ₄ H ₉ -7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	127	16
1-C ₆ H ₅ -7-CH ₃	227	36
1-Cl-4-CH ₃	170-171	54a
1-OCH ₃ -4-CH ₃	141-142	54b
1-C ₆ H ₅ -CO	158	54c
1-C ₆ H ₅ -5-OCH ₃	213	36
1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	216-216.5	15
1-(C ₆ H ₅ [OCH ₃] ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	212-213	18
1-(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ [OCH ₃] ₂ -3,4-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	175-176 173	18 17
5,7-(CH ₃) ₂	230-232	54d
1-Cl-3-C ₆ H ₅ -	153	54a

^aUV in paper.

TABLE I.3. Isoquinoline 4-, 5-, 6-, 7- and 8-Carboxylic Acid

Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
4-CO ₂ H	263–265 264–266	3, 5 6
4-CO ₂ H-1-OH	295–296	55
4-CO ₂ H-1-NH ₂	249–250	3
4-CO ₂ H-1-C ₂ H ₅	222–223	4
5-CO ₂ H-3-Br ^a	251	31–33
5-CO ₂ H	280–282 HCl: > 300 272 Picrate: 212–213	6, 7, 10 6 56 56
5-CO ₂ H-3-CHO	249–250	8
5-CO ₂ H-1-CHO	Thiosemicarbazone: 245–246	9
5-CO ₂ H-1-CH ₃	297–300	9
5-CO ₂ H-3-COCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ OC ₂ H ₅	2,4-DNPH: 249	8
6-CO ₂ H	355–360 352–356	6 10
7-CO ₂ H	287–290 295–297	10 6
8-CO ₂ H	292–294	6

^aUV in paper.

TABLE I.4. Isoquinolines with a Carboxylic Acid in a Side Chain

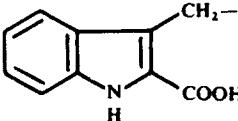
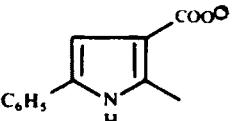
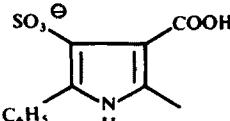
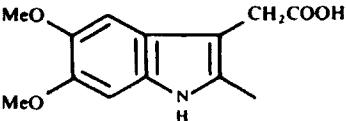
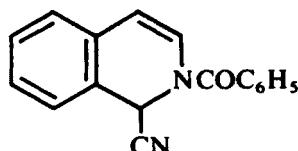
Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
1-CH ₂ CO ₂ H-3-Cl	90	57
1-(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ H ^a	130–131 126	37 58
1-(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ H-4-CN	155–156	38
1-(CH ₂) ₅ CO ₂ H ^{a,b}	107–108	39
1-(C ₆ H ₄ CO ₂ H-2)-7-Cl	242–243	59,60
1-(C ₆ H ₃ Cl-3 or -5-CO ₂ H-2)	230	59,60
1-(C ₆ H ₄ CO ₂ H-2)	285–287 Picrate: 186	59,60
	158–160 HCl: 195–196	61,62
1-(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₂ -4, 5-CO ₂ H-2)	(N ⁺ H) 258	63
	(N ⁺ H) 264–265	64

TABLE I.4. Isoquinolines with a Carboxylic Acid in a Side Chain (*Continued*)

Substituent		m.p. (°C)	Ref.
	(N+H) > 360		64
	262		65
2-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ ⁻		200-210	40
2-CH ₂ CH(CO ₂ H)SO ₃ ^c		302	66.75
2-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ CO ₂ H	Br ^{-c}	211-212	40
	Cl ⁻	211-212	41
2-COCH=CHCO ₂ ⁻		102	43
2-CH(CO ₂)CH ₂ CO ₂ H		118	43
2-CH(CO ₂ H)CH ₂ CO ₂ ⁻		149-150	42
4-CH ₂ CO ₂ H		HCl: 241-243	67
	(N + CH ₃ ClO ₄ ⁻)	191-192	46
4-CH ₂ CO ₂ H-6, 7-CH ₂ O ₂		HCl: 274	46,68
4-CH ₂ CO ₂ H-7, 8-CH ₂ O ₂		HCl: 209	46
4-CH ₂ CO ₂ H-3-CH ₃ (N+CH ₃ PF ₆ ⁻)		208.5	47
4-CH ₂ CO ₂ H-7-CH ₃ O ^a		HCl: 209-211	44
4-CH ₂ CO ₂ H-6, 7-(OCH ₃) ₂		HCl: 228-230	68
4-CH ₂ CO ₂ H-7, 8-(OCH ₃) ₂ ^c		HCl: 194-195	45
4-C(=CHC ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ O ₂)CO ₂ H		246-247	67
4-C(=CHC ₆ H ₄ NH ₂ -2)CO ₂ H		279-281	67
4-C(=CHC ₆ H ₂ NO ₂ -2-CH ₂ O ₂ -4,5)-CO ₂ H-6,7-CH ₂ O ₂ ^c		HCl: > 340	68
4-C(=CHC ₆ H ₂ NO ₂ -2-CH ₂ O ₂ -4,5)CO ₂ H-6,7-OCH ₃ ₂		HCl: > 340	68
4-CH ₂ CO ₂ H-7-OCH ₃ -8-OC ₂ H ₅		HCl: 176.5-177	45a
4-CH(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ CH ₂ O ₂ -2,3)CO ₂ H-7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂ ^c		HCl: 183-185	45
4-C(=CHC ₆ H ₂ NO ₂ -2-(OCH ₃) ₂ -4,5)CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		N/A	68
6-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ H-3-OC ₂ H ₅ -7-CH ₃ ^a		188-190	69
7-CH=CHCO ₂ H		237-238	70
7-CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ H-3-OCH ₃		155.5-156.5	71
7-CH=CHCO ₂ H-1-C ₆ H ₅		283-285	70

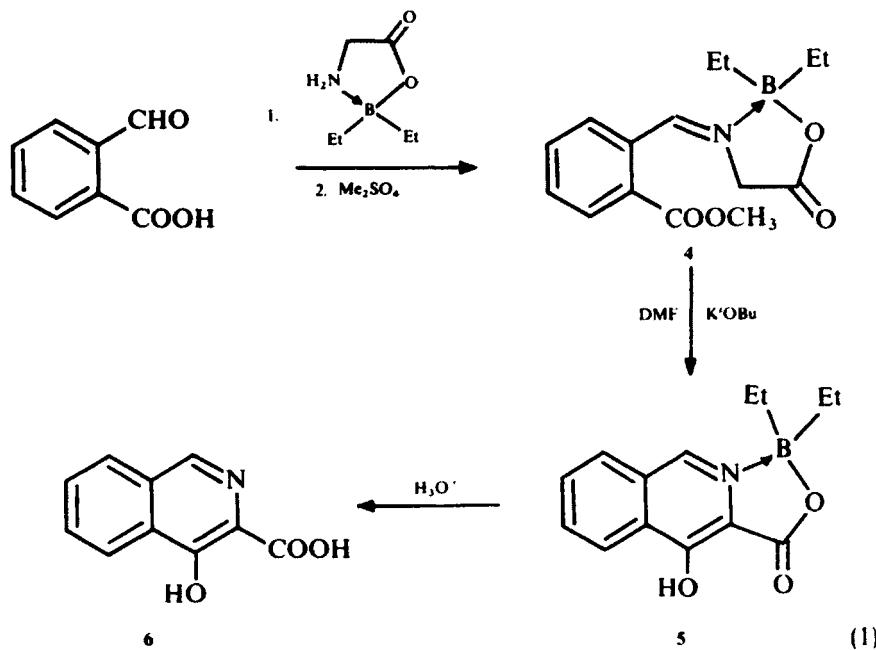
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3-carboxylates have been obtained by ester hydrolysis of the corresponding methyl esters.²⁰ These readily undergo thermal decarboxylation.^{34,35} In some cases, other functional groups also undergo hydrolysis. Thus acidic hydrolysis of **2** gives 4-mercaptoisoquinoline-3-carboxylic acid¹³ and hydrolysis of methyl 6,8-dimethoxy-7-methylisoquinoline-3-carboxylate with hydriodic acid gives 6,8-dihydroxy-7-methylisoquinoline-carboxylic acid.¹² The hydrolysis of the Reissert compound **3** either with 50% sulfuric acid²¹ or HBr in acetic acid^{22,23} served as a route to isoquinoline-1-carboxylic acid.

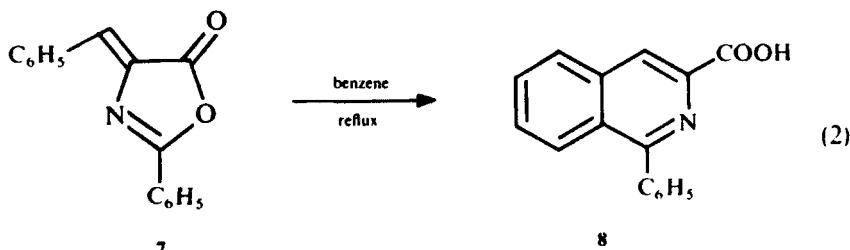


Oxidation of styryl groups with potassium permanganate²⁴ gives the corresponding isoquinoline-1-carboxylic acid. Use of manganese dioxide with 1- or 3-methyl isoquinolines give the manganese salts of the corresponding acids.²⁶ A vanadyl salt of isoquinoline-1-carboxylic acid has also been reported.²⁷ Oxidation of 3-methyl groups with selenium dioxide²⁸ or 3-formyl groups^{29, 30} gives isoquinoline-3-carboxylic acids. Isoquinoline-5-carboxylic acids have also been prepared by similar oxidation sequences.³¹⁻³³

Treatment of **4** with potassium *t*-butoxide produced the boron complex of an isoquinoline-3-carboxylic acid **5** which on deboration gave 4-hydroxyisoquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (**6**)^{33a} (Eq. 1).

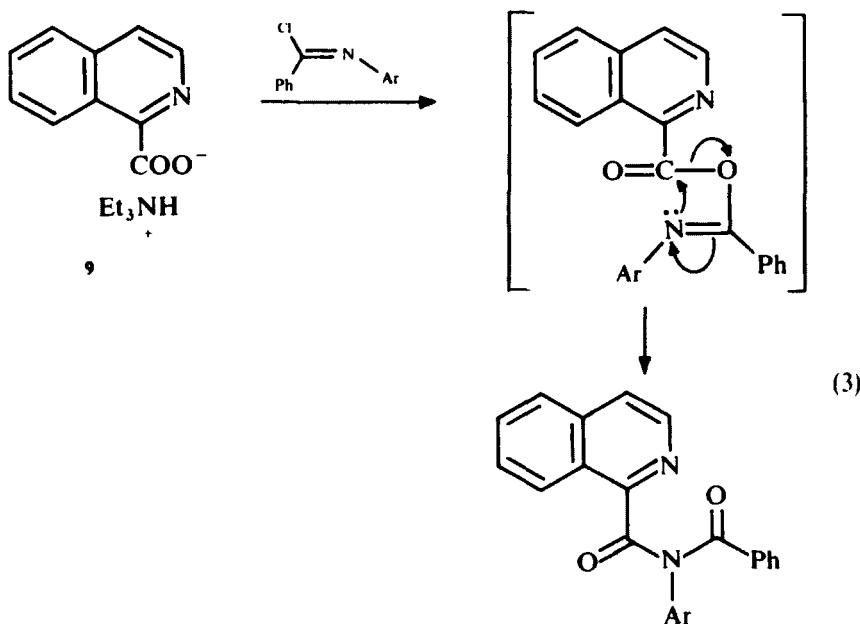


Refluxing **7** in benzene results in an intramolecular alkylation to provide 1-phenylisoquinoline-3-carboxylic acid (**8**)³⁶ (Eq. 2).



Isoquinoline-1-carboxylic acid has been converted to its *N*-oxide by treatment with peracetic acid.² This same *N*-oxide is also obtained by reacting isoquinoline-1-carboxamide *N*-oxide with nitrous acid.² Nitration of isoquinoline-1-carboxylic acid gives the 5-nitro derivative, which can be reduced to the 5-amino-derivative by catalytic hydrogenation.¹ Amination of isoquinoline-4-carboxylic acid with potassium amide gives the 1-amino derivative.³

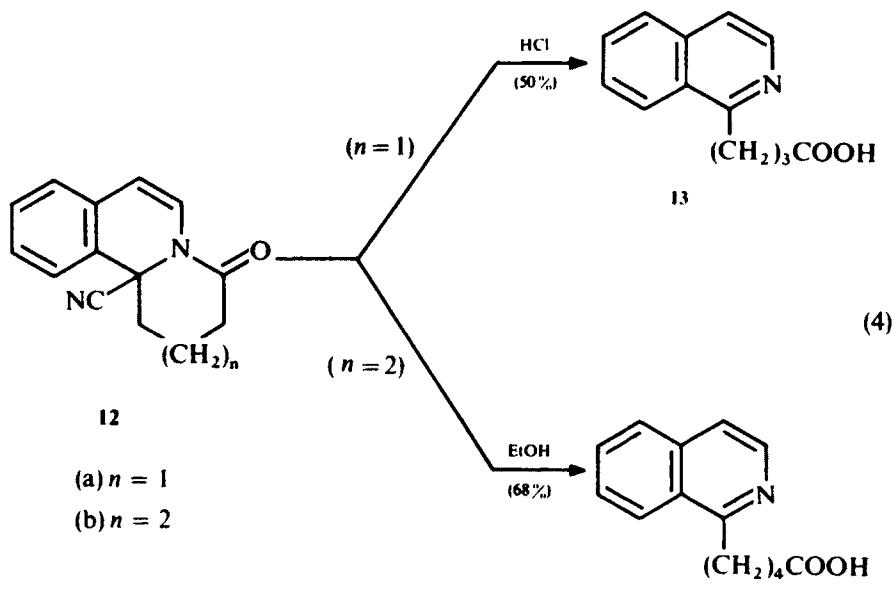
The reaction of the triethylammonium salt of isoquinoline-1-carboxylic acid **9** with either *N*-phenyl- or *N*-(1-naphthyl)benzimidoyl chloride proceeds through an intramolecular O → N acyl migration to provide the unsymmetrical imides **10** or **11** in excellent yields^{36a} (Eq. 3).



10 Ar = C₆H₅ (95%)

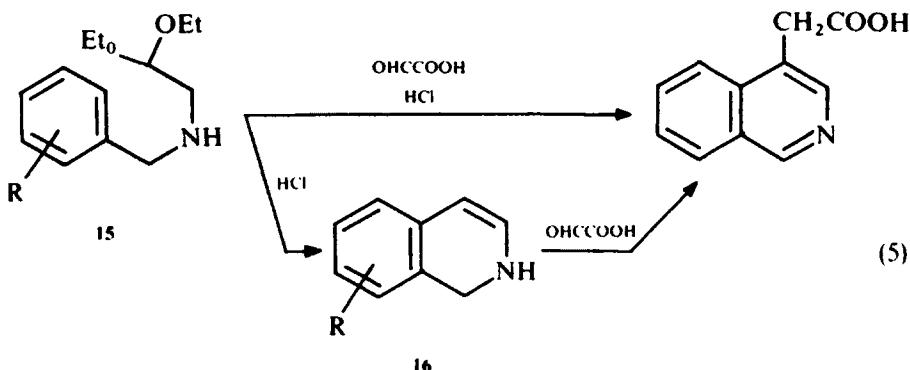
11 Ar = 1-naphthyl (80%)

Hydrolysis of the Reissert compounds **12a** and **12b**³⁷ leads to acids **13** or **14**³⁷⁻³⁹ (Eq. 4).

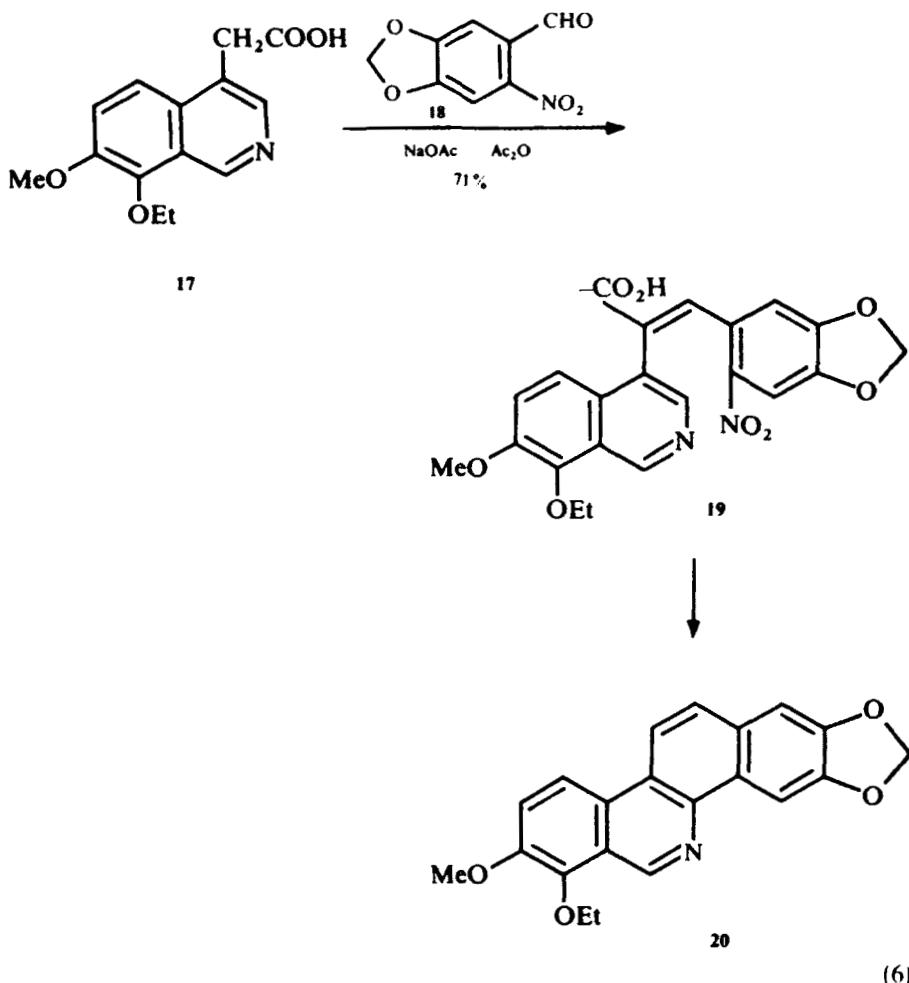


Reaction of isoquinoline with acrylic acid,⁴⁰ β -propiolactone,⁴¹ and maleic acid⁴² or anhydride⁴³ leads to isoquinolines with acid groups in a side chain on the 2 position.

Substituted-4-isoquinolinephenylacetic acid derivatives have been prepared through two different routes. One involves the acid-catalyzed cyclization using **15** with glyoxylic acid,^{45-45a} while the other uses the reaction of 1,2-dihydroisoquinolines with either glyoxylic acid or ethyl iodoacetate^{46-47a, 47b} (Eq. 5).



The condensation of 8-ethoxy-7-methoxy-4-isoquinoline acetic acid (**17**) with 6-nitropiperonal (**18**) yielded **19**, which upon reduction, diazotization, and decarboxylation provided the benzo[c]phenanthridine **20**^{45a} (Eq. 6).

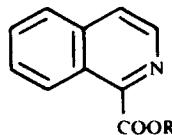


B. Isoquinolinecarboxylates

Tables I. 5 (p. 144), I. 6 (p. 144), I. 7 (p. 147), and I. 8 (p. 148) isoquinolinecarboxylates with the ester group attached directly to the ring, while Table I. 9 (page 149) contains those compounds in which the carboxylate group is in a side chain.

Esterification has been used as a route to a great variety of esters, both with the ester group on the ring and on the side chain.^{1, 3, 6, 7, 11, 20–21, 23, 31–33, 44–45, 51, 54–55, 57, 72–73} Conversion of the acid chloride of 1-chloroisouquinoline-3-carboxylic acid to its ester also leads to the introduction of a 1-alkoxy group.¹⁶ Ester interchange has also been used.⁶² Acid-catalyzed hydrolysis of nitriles in alcoholic solvents has also been used as a route to esters.^{67, 74} A variety of esters

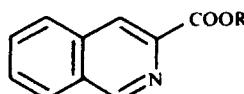
TABLE I.5. Isoquinoline-1-Carboxylates



R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
CH_3	—	b.p. 110/4 Picrate: 147 $(\text{N}^+ \text{CH}_3 \text{I}^-)$: 150–151 $(\text{N}^+ \text{CH}_3 \text{BF}_4^-)$: 174–176	23 23 23 34
	—	b.p. 197–199/20 b.p. 193–195/23 49 Picrate: 154–155 $(\text{N}^+ \text{CH}_2 \text{CO C}_6 \text{H}_5 \text{Br}^-)$ 160–162	21 72 72 72 110
	5-OH	153–154	1
	5-NH ₂	b.p. 190/0.5	1
C_2H_5	CH_3	151–153 Picrate: 212 Picrate: 216	51 25 51
	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	styphnate: 180–181	86
	3-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	86–87 Picrate: 176–177	51 51
	CH(C ₆ H ₅)COC ₆ H ₅	152.8–153	19

^aIR in paper.^bUV in paper.

TABLE I.6. Isoquinoline-3-Carboxylates



R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
CH_3	—	$(\text{N}^+ - \text{CH}_3 \text{BF}_4^-)$ 126–128 $4\text{-OH}-7\text{-Cl}(\text{N}^+ - \text{CH}_2 \text{C}_6 \text{H}_5 \text{Cl})$ 154–155	20 82, 83
	5-Cl-6,8-(OH) ₂ -7-CH ₃	240 <i>O</i> -acetyl: 184	12 12
	—	b.p. 165–170/2 b.p. 144–145/0.5	88 76, 77
	—	HBr: 203 Picrate: 153 Picrate: 154–155 Picrate: 157 $(\text{N}^+ - \text{CH}_3 \text{I}^-)^{a-c}$ 162–163	54c 77 76 88 80
C_2H_5	—	—	—
	4-OH-7-Cl($\text{N}^+ - \text{CH}_2 \text{C}_6 \text{H}_5 \text{Cl}$)	—	—
	5-Cl-6,8-(OH) ₂ -7-CH ₃	—	—
	—	—	—

TABLE I.6. Isoquinoline-3-Carboxylates (*Continued*)

R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
C ₂ H ₅ ^a	4-OH	78-80 Picrate: 172 (N ⁺ CH ₃ ClO ₄ ⁻) 157-158	35 111
CH ₃	6,8-(OH) ₂ -7-CH ₃	270 O-benzoate: 238	12 12
CH ₃ ^{a-c}	6-NH ₂ -7-OCH ₃	156-158	112
CH ₃	1-Cl-7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	166	54
C ₂ H ₅	6-CH ₃	104-105 Picrate: 181-182	88 88
CH ₃ ^a	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	198-199 209-210	113 91
C ₂ H ₅	4-OH-7-OCH ₃ (N ⁺ -CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ Cl)	252-254	82
C ₂ H ₅	1-C ₆ H ₅ -4-OOCOCH ₃	169-170	54c
CH ₃ ^{a-c}	1-CH ₃ -6-NH ₂ -7-OCH ₃	N/A	112
CH ₃	1-N ₂ H ₃ -7,8(OCH ₃) ₂	196-197	16
C ₂ H ₅	1-Cl-7,8(OCH ₃) ₂	106	54
C ₂ H ₅ ^{a-c}	4-CH ₂ COCH ₃ (N-CH ₃ ClO ₄) (N ⁺ -CH ₃ ClO ₄ ⁻) 155-157	80	
CH ₃	7-CH ₃ -6,8(OCH ₃) ₂	168 Picrate: 238 (N ⁺ -CH ₃ I ⁻) 198	12 12 12
CH ₃ ^{a-c}	1-CH ₃ -6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	184-185 224	112 14
CH ₃	1,7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	131	16, 54
C ₂ H ₅	4-OH-6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	(N ⁺ -CH ₃ Cl ⁻) 230-231 (N ⁺ -CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ Cl) 192-194 221-223 ^{a-c} 187-188 ^{b,c}	82 82 83 83
C ₂ H ₅	4-OH-7,8(OCH ₃) ₂	(N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ Cl) 141-143	83
C ₃ H ₇	1-Cl-7,8(OCH ₃) ₂	102	54
C ₂ H ₅	4-OC(=S)N(CH ₃) ₂	118-119	13
C ₂ H ₅	4-SCON(CH ₃) ₂	79-81	13
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	146 185 ^b 164-165	14 114 85
CH ₃	1-C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	258	14
CH ₃	1-OC ₂ H ₅ -7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	114	16
C ₂ H ₅	1-N ₂ H ₃ -7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	196-197	16
C ₃ H ₇	1-N ₂ H ₃ -7,8(OCH ₃) ₂	169-172	16
C ₂ H ₅ ^{a-c}	4-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ (N ⁺ CH ₃ ClO ₄) 141-143	80	
C ₄ H ₉	1-Cl-7,8(OCH ₃) ₂	77	54
C ₂ H ₅	1-C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	152	14
C ₂ H ₅	1-OC ₂ H ₅ -7,8(OCH ₃) ₂	86	16
CH ₃	1-OC ₃ H ₇ -7,8(OCH ₃) ₂	86	16
C ₄ H ₉	1-N ₂ H ₃ -7,8(OCH ₃) ₂	169-170	16
CH ₃	1-OC ₄ H ₉ -7,8(OCH ₃) ₂	85	16
C ₂ H ₅	1-C ₆ H ₅ -4-OH	143-144	97
C ₂ H ₅	4-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ (N ⁺ CH ₃ ClO ₄) 177-179	80	
C ₃ H ₇	1-OC ₃ H ₇ -7,8(OCH ₃) ₂	69-70	16

TABLE I.6. Isoquinoline-3-Carboxylates (*Continued*)

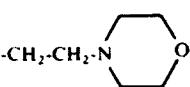
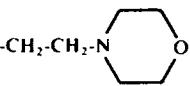
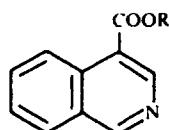
R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
CH ₃	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	172-173	15, 87
C ₂ H ₅	1-(SO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4)-4-OH	87-90	115
C ₂ H ₅ ^{a-c}	4-(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ O ₂ CH ₂ -3, 4) (N ⁺ -CH ₃ ClO ₄ ⁻)	248-250	80
C ₂ H ₅	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	170 168-170	84 87
C ₄ H ₉	1-OC ₄ H ₉ -7,8(OCH ₃) ₂	51-52	16
C ₂ H ₅ ^{a-c}	4-(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4) (N ⁺ CH ₃ ClO ₄ ⁻)	159-161	80
CH ₃	1-(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	178	18
C ₂ H ₅	1-(C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	210-213	18
CH ₃	1-(CH=CHC ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	175	14
C ₂ H ₅	1-(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	141	17, 116
CH ₃	1-(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -3-OC ₂ H ₅ -4)-6-OCH ₃ - 7-OC ₂ H ₅	187-189	81
CH ₂ CH ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	158.5-159	15
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	126	87
	Picrate:	183-184	87
CH ₃	1-(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ (OC ₂ H ₅) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	166	81
CH ₂ CH ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	1-(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		
	HCl:	191-192	18
CH ₂ CH ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	1-(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 113-114	18
C ₂ H ₅	5,7-(CH ₃) ₂	83-84	54d
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₃	104	96b
C ₂ H ₅	1-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂	94	96b
CH ₃	1-Cyclohexyl	135-136.5	96c
CH ₃	1-Cyclopentyl	71.5-73	96c
C ₂ H ₅	1-OC ₂ H ₅ -6,8-(OBzI) ₂	128.5-130	96d
CH ₃	1-Cl-4-CH ₃	106-107	54a
	1-Cl-4-CH ₃	HCl: 233-234	54a
-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -NMe ₂	1-Cl-4-CH ₃	HCl: 203-204	54a
CH ₂ -CH ₂ -NEt ₂	1-Cl-4-CH ₃	HCl: 203	54a
-(CH ₂) ₃ NMe ₂	1-Cl-4-CH ₃	HCl: 179-180	54a
-(CH ₂) ₃ N(C ₄ H ₉) ₂	1-Cl-4-CH ₃	HCl: 121-122	54a
-CH(CH ₃)CH ₂ N(C ₄ H ₉) ₂	1-Cl-4-CH ₃	HCl: 178-180	54a
CH ₃	1-Cl-4-C ₆ H ₅	HCl: 153	54a
	1-Cl-4-C ₆ H ₅	HCl: 196-196.5	54a
-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -NMe ₂	1-Cl-4-C ₆ H ₅	HCl: 204-205	54a
-CH ₂ -CH ₂ NEt ₂	1-Cl-4-C ₆ H ₅	HCl: 185-186	54a
CH ₃	1-OCH ₃ -4-CH ₃	215-216	54b

TABLE I.6. Isoquinoline-3-Carboxylates (*Continued*)

R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
CH ₃		120.5–122	54b
CH ₃		102–103	54b
CH ₃		Picrate: 162–163	54b
CH ₃		Picrate: 224.5–225	54b

^a UV in paper.^b IR in paper.^c NMR in paper.

TABLE I.7. Isoquinoline-4-Carboxylate



R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
CH ₃	1-Cl	60–62	117
CH ₃		82	89
CH ₃		81	6
C ₂ H ₅		b.p.: 132–137/1	21
C ₂ H ₅		47–49	21
C ₂ H ₅		47–48	3
C ₂ H ₅		HCl: 160	3
C ₂ H ₅	1-OH	226–227	55
CH ₃	5-CO ₂ CH ₃	136–138 ^a	89
CH ₃ ^a	1-Cl-6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	156–157	74
CH ₃ ^a	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	138	74
CH ₃	-NHCH ₂ CH ₂ OH	BR [–] diHCl: 170	117
C ₂ H ₅ ^{a,b}	1-3-(CH ₃) ₂ -5,8(OH) ₂	267	95, 96

TABLE I.7. Isoquinoline-4-Carboxylate (Continued)

R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
CH ₃		79-80	117
CH ₃		diHCl: 75-78	117
CH ₃ ^{a-c} CH ₃	1,3-(CH ₃) ₂ -5,8(OCH ₃) ₂ -NHCH ₂ CH ₂ N(CH ₃) ₂	79-81 diHCl: 240	95, 96 117
CH ₃		79-80	117
CH ₃		diHCl: 194-196	117
t-C ₄ H ₉ ^{a-c} CH ₃ C ₂ H ₅ ^{a-c} t-C ₄ H ₉ ^{a,b} C ₂ H ₅ C ₂ H ₅ C ₂ H ₅ C ₂ H ₅ C ₂ H ₅	1,3-(CH ₃) ₂ -5,8(OH) ₂ 1-(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4) 1,3-(CH ₃) ₂ -5,8(OCOCH ₃) ₂ 1,3-(CH ₃) ₂ -5,8(OCOCH ₃) ₂ 1-CH ₃ 1-C ₂ H ₅ 1-C ₃ H ₇ 1-C ₄ H ₉ 1-C ₆ H ₅	212 (N ⁺ -Oxide) 180-180.5 118-119 137-138 75-6 46-7 b.p. 158-9/4 b.p. 148-50/4 181-182	95, 96 118 95, 96 95, 96 118a 118a 118a 118a 118a

^a IR in paper.^b UV in paper.^c NMR in paper.

TABLE I.8. Isoquinoline 5-, 6-, 7-, and 8-Carboxylates

Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-Br	123 127	31, 33
5-CO ₂ CH ₃	66 ^{a,c} 64-66 ^a 66 (various salts) 7, 11, 102, 119	78 7 6
6-CO ₂ CH ₃	95	6
6-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7-OH ^{a-c}	120-121	92
6,7-(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅) ₂ -5,6-(OH) ₂ ^{a,b}	154-155	94
6-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7-O ₂ CC ₆ H ₅ ^{a,c}	196-197	92
6-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7-OH-1-(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅) ₃ -3,4,5 ^{a-c}	152-153	92

TABLE I.8. Isoquinoline 5-, 6-, 7-, and 8-Carboxylates (*Continued*)

Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
6-CO ₂ CH ₃ -5-OH-1-(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5) ^{a-c}	182-183	92
7-CO ₂ CH ₃	100	6
	96-98	11
	(N ⁺ -C ₂ H ₅ , I ⁻) 217-218.6	11
7-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-OH ^{a-c}	137-138	92
7-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-O ₂ CC ₆ H ₅ ^{a,c}	116-117	92
8-CO ₂ CH ₃	73	6

^aIR in paper.^bUV in paper.^cNMR in paper.

TABLE I.9. Isoquinolines with an Ester in a Side Chain

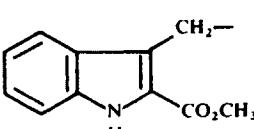
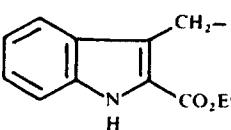
Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
1-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-Cl	116-117	57
1-COCH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	Picrate: 154-155	72
1-CH ₂ COCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	192-194	101
1-C(CH ₃) ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3-OH	98-99	93
1-CH(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅) ₂ -3-Cl	65-66	57
	b.p.: 150/1.8	57
	K salt: 278-280	57
1-CH(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅) ₂ ^a	Picrate: 190-192	39
1-COCH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ ^c	116.5	100
1-(CH ₂) ₄ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ^c	oil	37
	Picrate: 109-110	37
1-(CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ C ₄ H ₉ -sec-3-OH) ^{a,b}	108-109	93
1-(C ₆ H ₅ CO ₂ CH ₃) ⁴	(N ⁺ -Oxide) 225-226	118
1-CH ₂ CH ₂ CH(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅) ₂	bp: 140/1.5	73
	Picrate: 188-190	73
	199-200	62
	Picrate: 234-235	62
1-(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -4,5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -2) (N ⁺ -CH ₃ , I ⁻)	230-232	120
1-CH=C(C ₆ H ₅)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	134.5-135.5	103
	185-186	61

TABLE I.9. Isoquinolines with an Ester in a Side Chain (*Continued*)

Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
1-CH ₂ CH(COC ₆ H ₅)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	Picrate: 230-231	61
1-C(CO ₂ CH ₃)=C(COC ₆ H ₅)CO ₂ CH ₃	129-130	106
1-C(CO ₂ CH ₃)=C(COC ₆ H ₅)CO ₂ CH ₃	176-178	108
	149-150	64
	94-96	65
1-(CH(C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -4)CH(COC ₆ H ₅)CO ₂ CH ₃	144-145	107
1-CH(C ₆ H ₅)CH(COC ₆ H ₅)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	120-122	108
1-CH(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)CH(COC ₆ H ₅)CO ₂ CH ₃	132-133	107
	Picrate: 138	72
	224-225	109
	169-170	109
2-C(=CHO ⁻)CO ₂ CH ₃ ^{a-c}	193	104
2-CH ₂ CH(SO ₃ ⁻)CO ₂ CH ₃	240	75
2-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	Br ^{-b}	185-186
2-C(=CHO ⁻)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ^{a-c}	195-196	104
2-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-CH ₃	Br ⁻	200
2-C(CO ₂ CH ₃)=C(O ⁻)CO ₂ CH ₃ ^{a-c}	180-181	104
2-C(CO ₂ CH ₃)=CHCO ₂ CH ₃	ClO ₄ ⁻	161-162
	Picrate	173
2-CH(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅) ₂	ClO ₄ ⁻	91-92
2-C(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅)=C(O ⁻)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ^{a-c}		158-160
2-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1,3-(CH ₃) ₂ 6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	ClO ₄ ^{-a}	206
2-CH(C ₆ H ₅)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	Br ⁻	104-105
2-C(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅)=C(O ⁻)C ₆ H ₅ ^{a-c}		195
2-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -4-NHCOC ₆ H ₅	Cl ⁻	N/A
		210 ^a

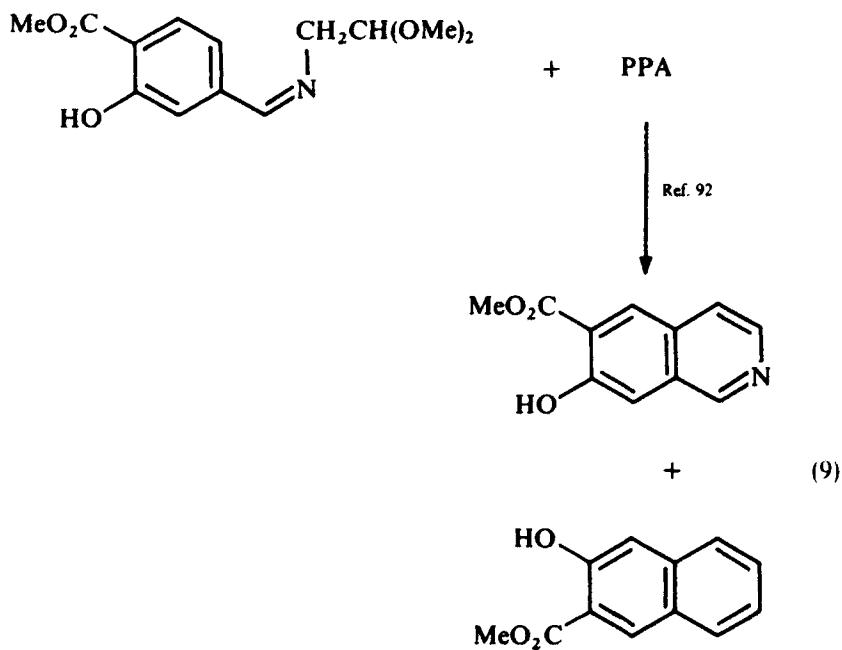
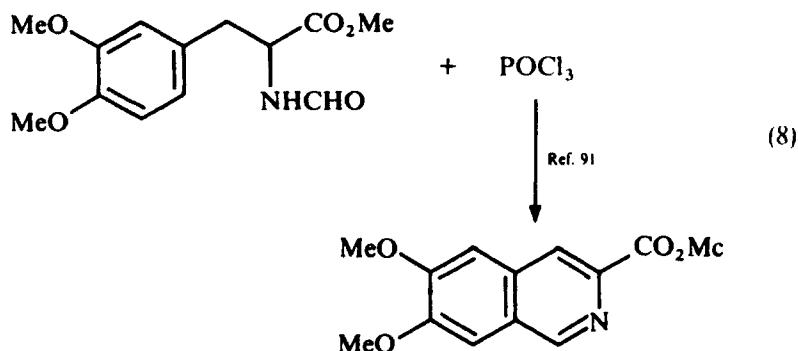
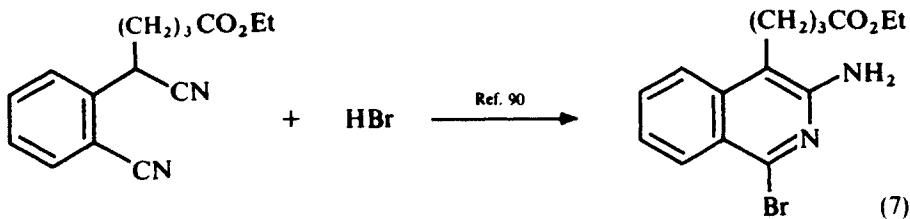
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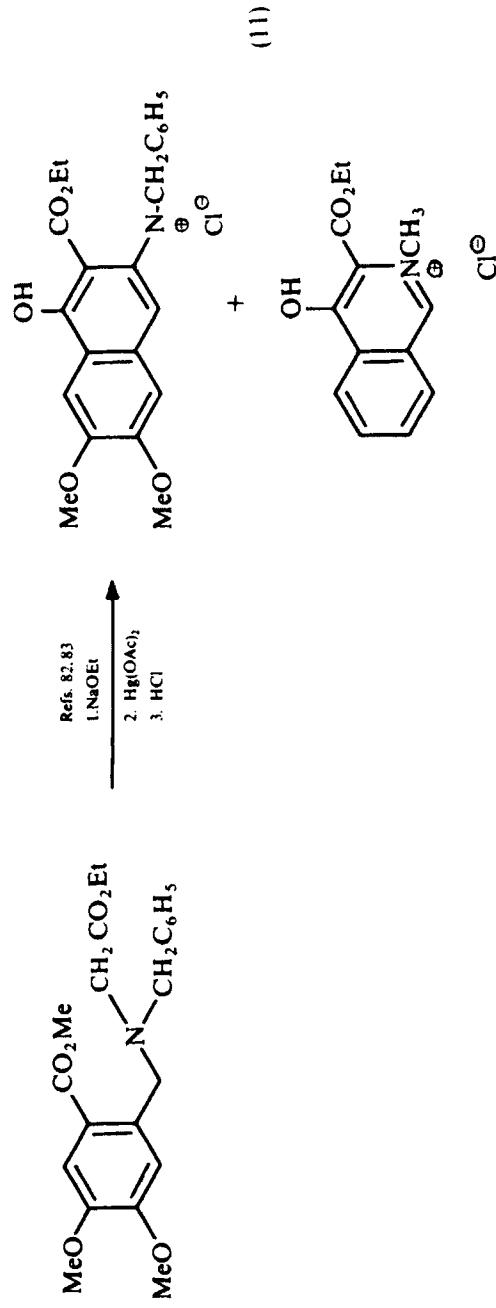
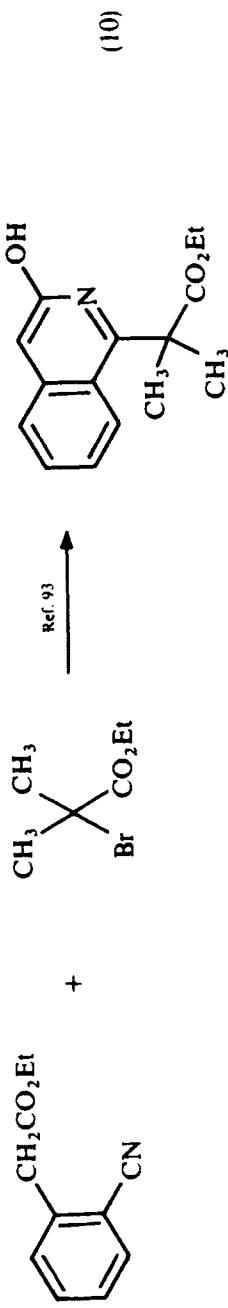
Substituent		m.p. (°C)	Ref.
2-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -4NHCO ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	Br ⁻	111-112	105
3-COCH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6-CH ₃ O ^{a,c}		81-82	99
4-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅		62-64	67
4-CH=CHCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ^{a,c}	(N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻)	159-160	102
4-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -7-CH ₃ O	(N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻)	117-119	44
4-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ ^d	HCl: 193-194		44
(N+CH ₃ I ⁻)		169-171	44
4-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂		64-66	45
	HCl: 181-183		45
	Picrate: 182-184		45
3-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	HBr: 205-207		54c
4-CH=CHCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	b.p. 180-2		102a
4-(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-Br-3-NH ₂	222		90
	Picrate: 162		90
4-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	80-81		45
4-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	(N ⁺ CH ₃ ClO ₄ ⁻)	141-143	80
4-CH(C ₆ H ₅ O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4-NO ₂ -6)-CO ₂ CH ₃ ^{a,c}		150-151	45
4-CH(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7,8(OCH ₃) ₂ ^b		142-143	45
	HCl: 130-132		45
	(N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻)	101-103	45
4-CH(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -7,8(OCH ₃) ₂ ^a	Picrate: 153-155		45
4-COCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3(C ₆ H ₅ OCH ₃) ₂ ^b			
3,4)-6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	(N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻) ^{a,b}	199.5-201.5	79
4-CH(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7,8(OCH ₃) ₂ ^{a,c}	Picrate: 163.5-165		45
4-CH(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂ ^{a,c}	Picrate: 120-130		45
6-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3-OCH ₃ -7-CH ₃ ^{b,c}	57-58		69
6-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3-OC ₂ H ₅ -7-CH ₃ ^c	86-87		69
7-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-OCH ₃	49.5-51		71
7-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-OCH ₃	49.5-51		71a
7-CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-OCH ₃	35-36		71a
1-CH(CO ₂ Et)=C(NH ₂)OEt	138-140		71b
1-CH(CO ₂ Et)=C(NH ₂) ₂	193-194.5		71b

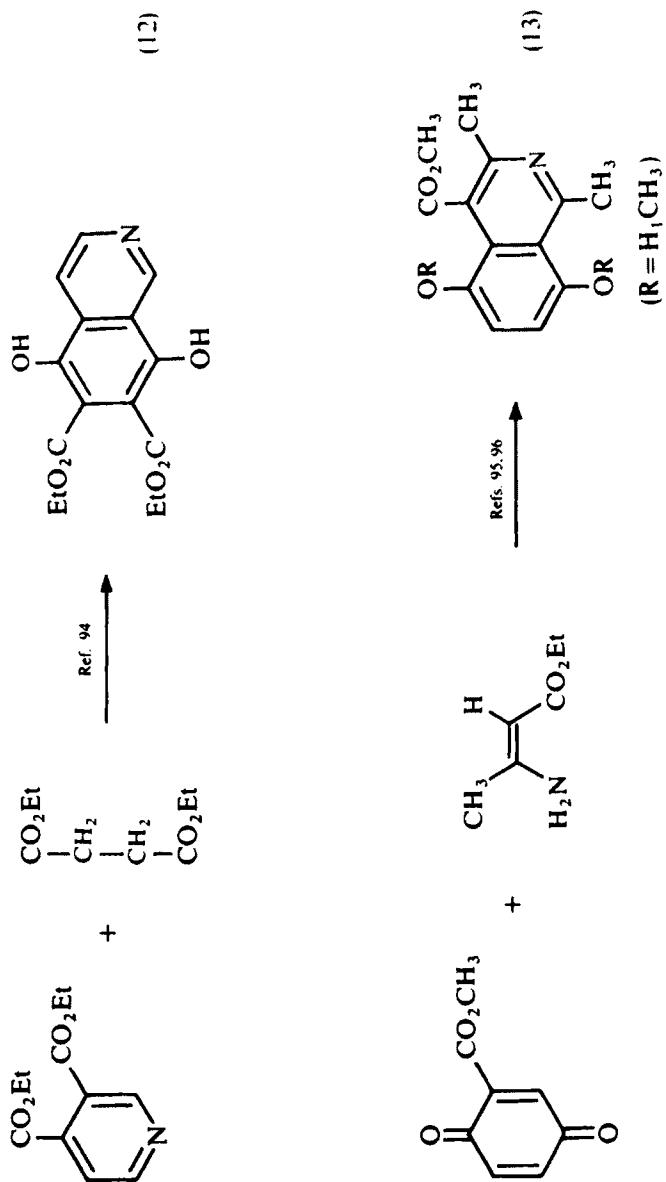
^aIR in paper.^bUV in paper.^cNMR in paper.^dMass spectroscopy in paper.

derived from dihydro- and tetrahydroisoquinolines have been dehydrogenated to the corresponding isoquinoline derivative.^{15, 17-18, 71, 76-89} Treatment of 3,4-dihydroisoquinoline-3-carboxylic acid derivative with thionyl chloride in methanol gave the fully aromatic ester, while use of phosphorous pentachloride gave the dihydro ester.¹⁵

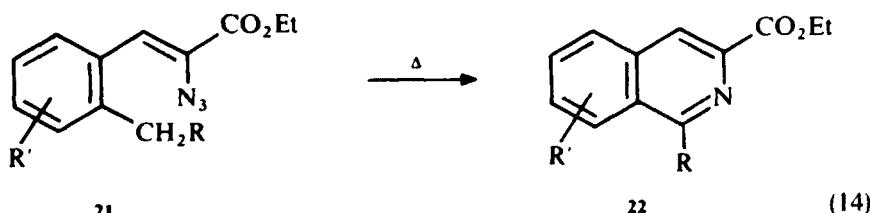
A variety of ring-closure methods have been used to prepare isoquinoline esters. Some of these are illustrated below:



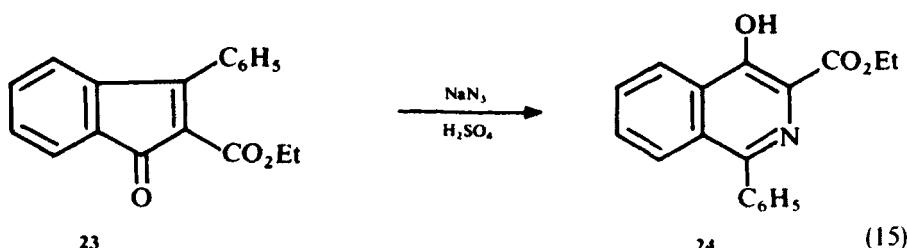




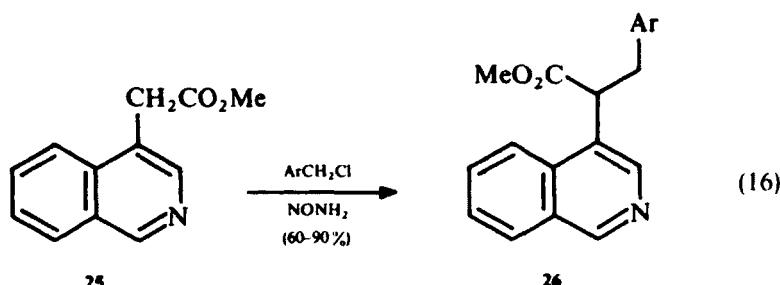
Mild thermal decomposition in boiling toluene or xylene of the azidocinnamates **21**, readily prepared from the corresponding aldehyde and ethyl azidoacetate, gives a series of 1-substituted isoquinoline-3-carboxylates **22**^{54d, 96a-d} (Eq. 14).



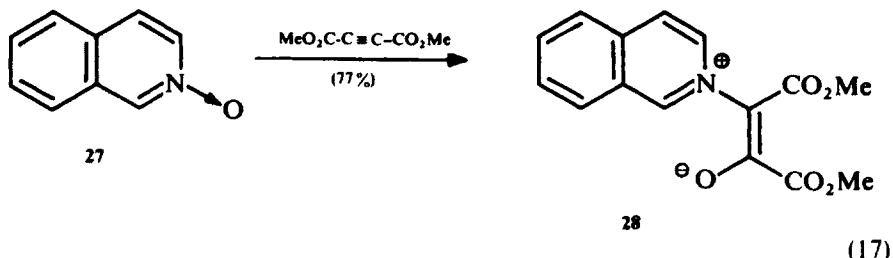
Treatment of **23** with sodium azide and sulfuric acid leads to ring expansion to give ethyl 1-phenyl-4-hydroxyisoquinoline-3-carboxylate (**24**)⁹⁷ (Eq. 15).



Diethyl malonate has been used to displace substituents in the 1 position^{39, 57} and to add to 1-vinylisoquinoline.⁷³ 1- and 3- isoquinolinecarboxylates have been condensed with acetates to give β -ketoesters.^{72, 99, 100} Condensation of 1-methylisoquinoline with diethyl oxalate¹⁰¹ and isoquinolinecarboxaldehydes with carboethoxymethylenetriphenylphosphorane¹⁰² or ethyl phenylacetate¹⁰³ led to ester derivatives. Sodium-amide-catalyzed condensations of benzyl halides with **25** leads to **26**⁴⁵ (Eq. 16).

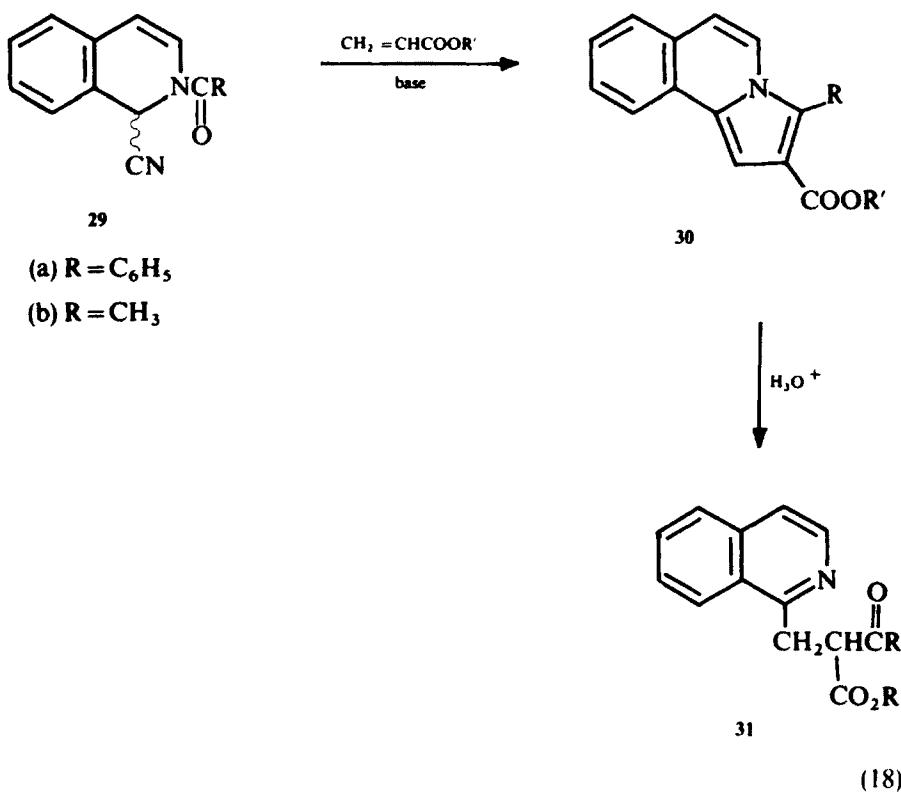


The reaction of isoquinoline-*N*-oxide (**27**) with alkynes leads to the introduction of ester function into the 2 side chain. For example, the use of dimethyl acetylenedicarboxylate leads to **28** (Eq. 17).

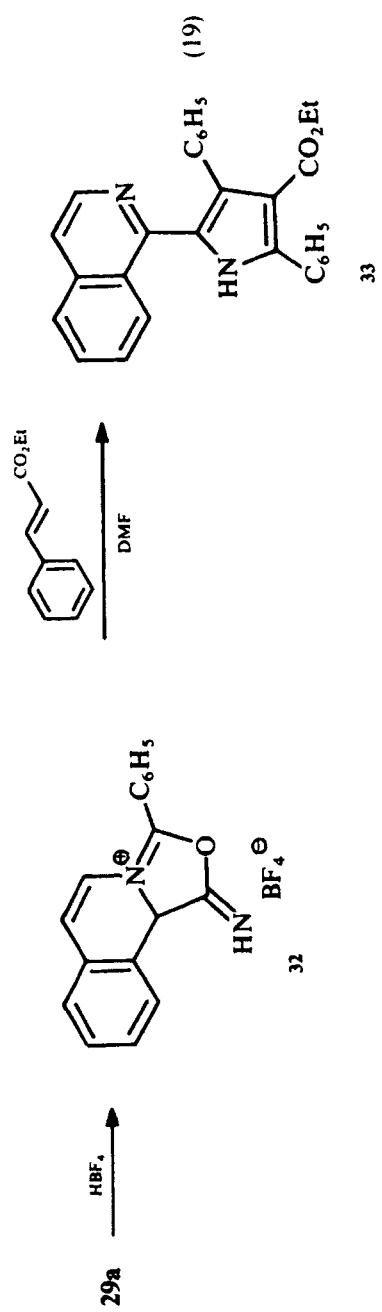


The mechanism for the formation of **28** via the expected 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition remains to be clarified. Other ester functions have been introduced into the 2 side chain by the use of appropriate substituted alkyl halides.^{75, 98, 105}

The Michael reaction of Reissert compounds **29** with α,β -unsaturated compounds such as acrylates or cinnamates affords the 7,8-benzopyrrolidine **30**, which can be hydrolyzed to the keto ester **31**¹⁰⁶ (Eq. 18).



The regiospecific condensation of **32**, obtained by treating **29a** with fluoroboric acid, with ethyl cinnamate in DMF at room temperature provides in 64% yield ethyl 3,5-diphenyl-2-(1-isoquinolyl)pyrrole-4-carboxylate (**33**)¹⁰⁹ (Eq. 19).



C. Cyanoisoquinolines

Displacement of halogens on the ring by reaction with cuprous cyanides^{6,10,38,128,129} and halogens on the side chain by reaction with cyanide ion^{67,69,130,131} has been used to prepare cyanoisoquinolines. Sulfonic acid groups have also been displaced by cyanide ion⁷⁻⁹ and amine groups have been converted to cyano via the diazonium salt.⁸⁻⁹ Various cyanodihydroisoquinolines have been dehydrogenated to cyanoisoquinolines.^{4,132,133} Treatment of *N*-methyl-4-cyano-1,2-dihydroisoquinoline with perchloric acid or bromine gives the 4-cyanoisoquinolinium salts.¹³⁴ Cyanoisoquinolines have been obtained by phosphorus oxychloride dehydration of amides^{38,135} and acetic anhydride dehydration of oximes.¹³⁶

The reaction of isoquinoline-*N*-oxides with benzoyl chloride and cyanide ion^{1,2,137,138a-c} or tosyl chloride and cyanide ion¹³⁹ gives rise to 1-cyanoisoquinolines. Trimethylsilylcyanide has also been used.^{139a} Treatment of 4-cyanoisoquinoline-*N*-oxide with potassium cyanide in dimethyl sulfoxide gives 1,4-dicyanoisoquinoline.^{141,142} Treatment of Reissert compound 3 with phosphorus pentachloride,^{21,142,143} thionyl chloride¹⁴⁴ or irradiation¹⁴⁵ affords 1-cyanoisoquinolines. The Reissert analog, 34 when treated with base¹⁴⁶⁻⁸ or sodium borohydride¹⁴⁹ also provides 1-cyanoisoquinolines. Isoquinoline-*N*-oxide and 2-cyanopropene gives a mixture that includes 1-cyanoisoquinoline.¹⁵⁰ The reaction of isoquinoline, potassium cyanide, and sulphuryl chloride gives 1-cyano-4-chloroisoquinoline;¹⁴³ use of base gives 1-cyanoisoquinoline, while an excess of potassium cyanide gives 3-cyanoisoquinoline-1-carboxamide. Irradiation of a number of isoquinolines and sodium cyanide has given cyanoisoquinolines.^{143a}

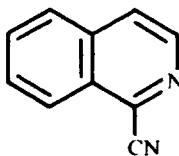


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Cyanoisoquinoline-*N*-oxides have been prepared by peracetic acid oxidation of the cyanoisoquinolines^{2,138a,141,151} and by treatment of isoquinoline-*N*-oxide with potassium cyanide and potassium ferricyanide.^{152,153} The nitration of 1-cyanoisoquinoline-*N*-oxides has been studied.^{138a,153a} Compound 35 and the corresponding amide are obtained from *o*-cyanobenzyl cyanide, formamide, and sodamide.^{172a}

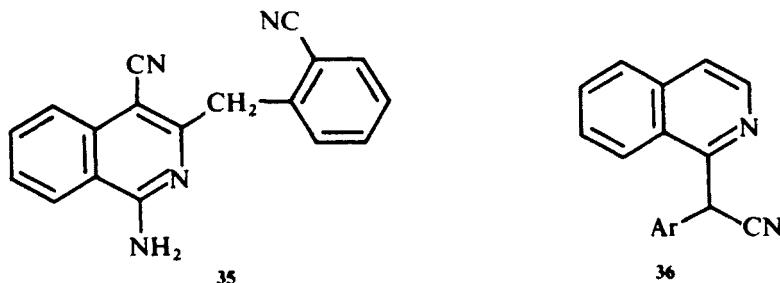
Reaction of 1-haloisoquinolines with benzylcyanides and amide ion gives 36.¹⁵⁴⁻¹⁵⁹

TABLE I.10. 1-Cyanoisoquinolines

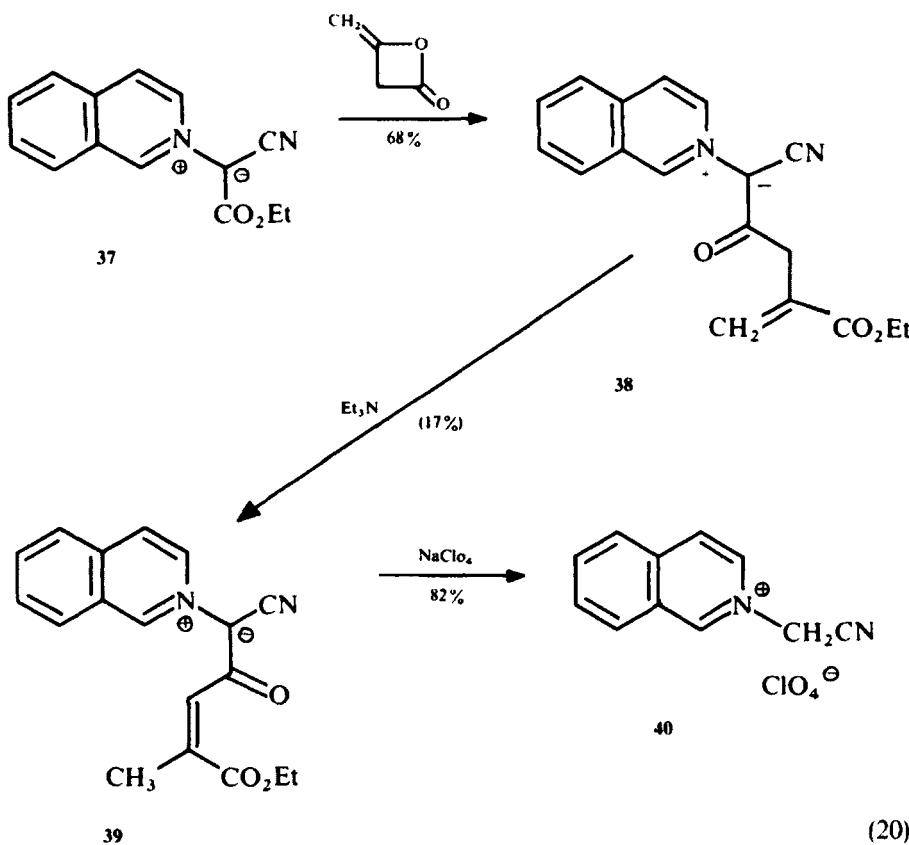


Substituent		m.p. (°C)	Ref.
	(N ⁺ -CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -3 BF ₄ ⁻)	181-182 90-90.5	183 2, 21, 39, 48, 139, 140, 142 146-150, 174, 175, 179-182
4-Br	(N ⁺ -Oxide)	207 124-125 122-123	2, 152, 153, 179 151 148
	(N ⁺ -Oxide)	204-205 207-208	151 138a
4-Cl		122	143
5-HO		269-270 ^d	1
3-CN		217-219	143
4-CN ^{d-f}		178.5	140, 141
3-CH ₃		103-104 N/A ^b	148 179
	(N ⁺ -Oxide)	195-196 N/A ^b	151 179
7-OCH ₃		152-153	148
5-NHCOCH ₃		260	138
4-C ₂ H ₅ ^{d-f}		54-55	137
6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		198.4-199	144
4,5,6,7-(OCH ₃) ₄ ^{d-f}		138-139	184
4-C ₆ H ₅ ^{d,f}		161-162	185
5-OCOC ₆ H ₅ ^d		152-153	1
3- or 4-		245	146
4-COC ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5		188-190	145
4-C ₆ H ₅	(N ⁺ -Oxide)	135-136	138b
5-NO ₂	(N ⁺ -Oxide)	227-228	138a, 153
6-NO ₂	(N ⁺ -Oxide)	224	138a, 153
8-NO ₂		193	138a
6-NO ₂		190-191	138

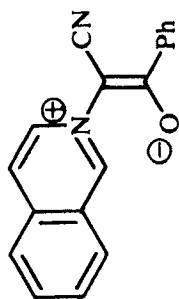
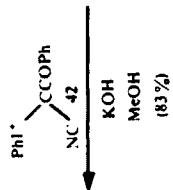
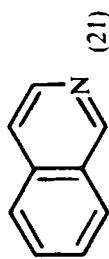
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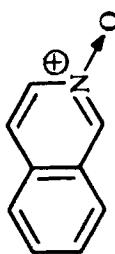
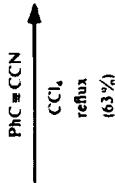
The reaction of isoquinoline with alkyl halides containing a cyano group has been used to introduce cyano groups into the 2 side chain.¹⁶⁰⁻¹⁶⁶ The reaction of isoquinolinium cyanoethoxycarbonylmethylide 37 with diketene provides the adduct 38, which can be thermally converted to isomer 39 or hydrolyzed to 40¹⁶⁷ (Eq. 20).



The reaction of isoquinoline-N-oxide (27) with phenylcyanoacetylene provides the ylide 41 in 63% yield. Alternatively, 41 can be prepared in 83% yield by the reaction of isoquinoline with α -cyanophenacyliodinium ylid (42)¹⁶⁸ (Eq. 21).

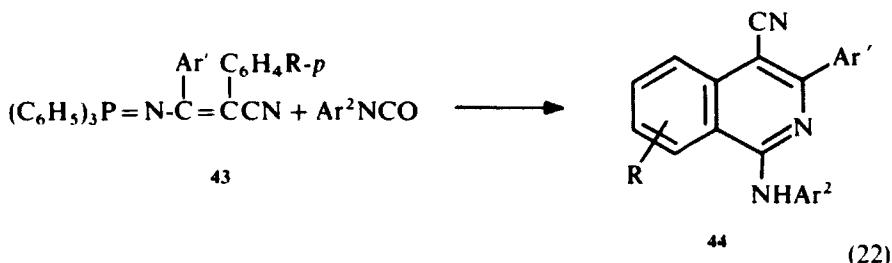


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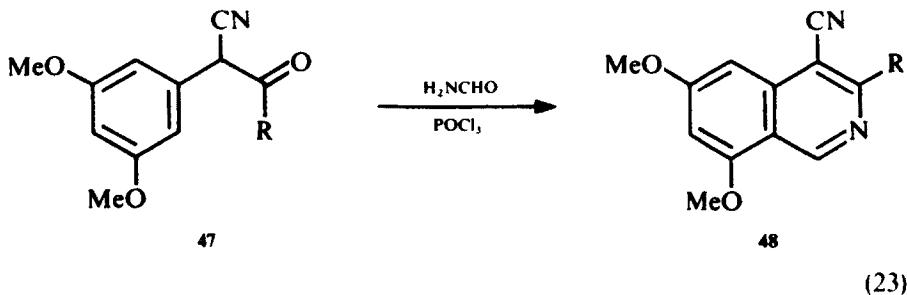
Phosphine *N*-(β -arylstyryl) imides (**43**) afford 3-aryl-1-arylamino-4-cyanoisoquinolines **44** in poor yields when treated with arylisocyanates¹⁶⁹ (Eq. 22).



While both 3- and 4-cyanomethylisoquinoline undergo condensations with aromatic aldehydes to give **45**,^{67,130} benzylcyanides on the other hand condense with isoquinoline-1- and 3-carboxaldehydes to give **46**.^{103,170}



In an attempt to prepare analogs of agrimonolide, the following cyclization route has been used^{171,172} (Eq. 23).



The reaction of 4-cyanoisoquinoline with methyl ketones and sodium amide gives **49**³⁸ while aromatic aldehydes and cyanide ion give **50**.¹⁷³ Hueckel molecular orbital calculations have been carried out on 1-, 3-, and 4-cyanoisoquinolines to explain the reaction with Grignard reagents at the ring in the 4-cyanoisoquinolines and at the cyano group in the 1- and 3- cases.¹⁷⁴ Thus 1- and 3-cyanoisoquinolines with Grignard reagents gives the expected ketones.¹⁴⁶ While sodium borohydride does not react with 1- or 4-cyanoisoquinoline, 3-cyanoisoquinoline gives **51**.¹⁵⁷ It has been observed that 3-cyanoisoquinoline,

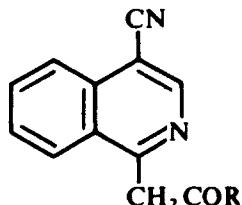
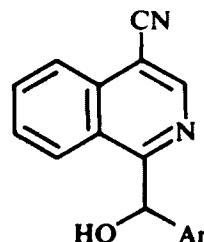
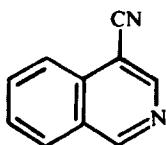
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TABLE I.II. 4-Cyanoisoquinolines



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	103–104	UV, IR	38
HCl: 105			186
		MO Calculation	174
($\text{N}^+ - \text{Oxide}$)	221	IR, UV, NMR	141
($\text{N}^+ - \text{CH}_3\text{Br}^-$)	254	IR, UV	134
($\text{N}^+\text{CH}_3\text{ClO}_4^-$)	160	IR, UV	134
($\text{N}^+ - \text{CH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{Br}^-$)	240		134
($\text{N}^+ - \text{Oxide}^-$)	209		134a
1-OH	248–250	IR, UV	141
1-NH ₂	254–255	IR, UV	38
1-CN	178.5	IR, UV, NMR	140, 141
1-CH ₃	100–101	IR, UV	38
1-C ₂ H ₅	87	IR	4
	85–86	UV, IR	133
	88	UV, NMR	137
1-CH ₂ SOCH ₃	159–159.5		187
1-Cl-6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	245	IR, NMR	74
6,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	201–202.5	IR, UV, NMR	171, 172
6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	218–219	IR, NMR	74
($\text{N}^+ - \text{CH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CH}_2\text{Br}^-$)	150		134a
1-CH ₂ COCH ₃	202–204	IR, UV	38
1-NH ₂ -3-(O-CNC ₆ H ₄ CH ₂)	223–224	IR, NMR, UV	172a
	139–141	NMR	188

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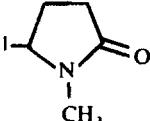
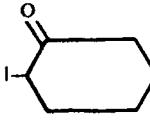
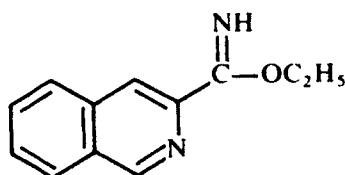
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1-nC ₃ H ₇	87-88		38
	87-90	UV	133
3-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	218-219		189
3-CH ₃ -6,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	216-217	IR, UV, NMR	171, 172
1-CH(OC)C ₆ H ₄ N-4	199		173
1-CH ₂ COC ₂ H ₅	169-170	IR, UV	38
1-CH(CH ₃)OCOCH ₃	114.5-115.5	NMR	188
1-CH(SCH ₃)OCOCH ₃	117-118		187
1-nC ₄ H ₉	47-48.5	UV	133
1-CH(CH ₃)OC ₂ H ₅	62-63	NMR	188
3-C ₂ H ₅ -6,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	177	IR, UV, NMR	171, 172
1-OC ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	192-193	IR, NMR	190
1-COC ₄ H ₃ O-2	194-196		173
	207-208	NMR	188
1-CH ₂ CO(CH ₂) ₂ CH ₃	167.5-168.5	IR, UV	38
1-CH ₂ COCH(CH ₃) ₂	206-207	IR, UV	38
1-(CH ₂) ₃ OC ₂ H ₅	53-54	UV	133
1-C ₆ H ₅	141-142	UV	133
	198-200	IR, UV	38
1-CH ₂ COCH ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂	149-150	IR, UV	38
1-(CH ₂) ₅ CO ₂ H	155-156		38
1-CH(OHC ₆ H ₄ Cl-2	169-170		173
1-CH(OHC ₆ H ₄ Cl-4	189-190		173
1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	182-184		173
1-CH ₂ COC ₆ H ₅	244-246	IR, UV	38
1-COC ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4	155-158		173
1-COC ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4	187-189		173
1-CH(OH)C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -2	157-159		173
1-CH(OH)C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -3	127-129		173
1-CH(OH)C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4	173-175		173
1-CH(OH)C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -2	154-155		173
1-CH(OH)C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -3	145-146		173
1-CH(OH)C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4	160-161		173
1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	193.5-194.5	IR, UV, NMR	171, 172
1-CH(CH ₃)COC ₆ H ₅	137-141	IR, UV	38
1-CH(OH)C ₆ H ₄ NHCOCH ₃ -4	244-245		173

TABLE I.11. 4-Cyanoisoquinolines (*Continued*)

Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
	310	IR, UV, NMR	38
1-CH(C ₂ H ₅)COC ₆ H ₅	130-131	IR, UV	38
3-(CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	150-151.5	IR, UV, NMR	171, 172
1-NHC ₆ H ₅ -3-C ₆ H ₅ -7-Cl	243-244	IR, UV	169
1-(NHC ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)-3-C ₆ H ₅	289-290	IR, UV	169
1-NHC ₆ H ₅ -3-C ₆ H ₅	259-260	IR, UV	169
1-NHC ₆ H ₅ -3-(C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4)	213-215	IR, UV	169
	207	IR, UV	169
3-OC ₂ H ₅ -8OH	225-7		169a
1-CH ₃ -3-OC ₂ H ₅ -OH	238-9		169a
3-OC ₂ H ₅	77-9		169a
1-CH ₃ -3-OC ₂ H ₅	125-127		169a
1,3-(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	145-147		169a

when treated with sodium borohydride in pyridine is reduced to the tetrahydroisoquinoline with concomitant loss of the cyano group.¹⁷⁶



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The reaction of 1-cyanoisoquinoline with hydrazine¹⁷⁷ or hydroxylamine^{177a} affords the expected nucleophilic addition products at the cyano function.

The photolysis of 1-cyano-3-substituted isoquinoline *n*-oxides **52** in acetone affords a series of benz[*d*]-1,3-oxazepines **53**^{178, 178a} (Eq. 24).

TABLE I.12. 2-, 3-, 5-, 6-, and 8-Cyanoisoquinoline

Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
2-CN	(BF ₄ ⁻) 102	191
3-CN	127.5-128	135, 136, 143a, 174, 175
5-CN	140-141	6, 7, 10, 128
	275-276	192
	(N ⁺ -CH ₃ I ⁻) (other salts)	119, 186
6-CN	149-150	6, 10
8-CN	133	6
5- or 8-CN	135	56
1,3-(CN) ₂	217-219	143
X, Y-(CN) ₂	137	193
5-CN-1-CHO	185-187	9
Thiosemicarbazone:	247-248	9
5-CN-6-OCH ₃	183-185	143a
8-CN-7-OCH ₃	164-165	143a
8-CN-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	173	143a
5-CN-3-CHO	208-210	8
3-CN-1-CO ₂ H	200-203	143
3-CN-1-COH ₂	230-233	143
5-CN-1-CH ₃	145-146	9
5-CN-3-CH ₃	127-129	8
3-CN-1,4-(OCOCH ₃) ₂ ^a	183-186	194
6-CN-7-(C ₆ H ₄ -NH ₂ -2)	218	195

^a MO calculation in paper.^b IR, UV, and NMR in paper.

TABLE I.13. Isoquinoline Containing a Cyano Group in a Side Chain

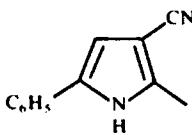
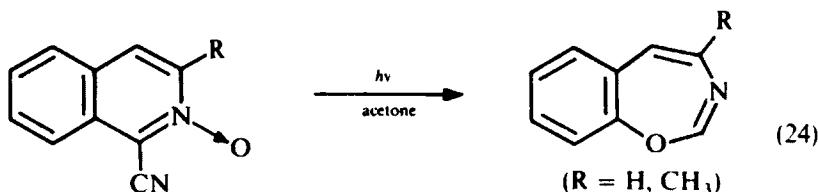
Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
1-CH ₂ CN	174	IR, UV	39
1-CH ₂ CN-3-CH ₃	187-188		132
1-(CH ₂) ₃ CN	b.p. 156/2.5		58
1-N(C ₆ H ₅)CN	78		196
1-CH(C ₆ H ₄ Br-2)CN	152-155		159
1-CH(C ₆ H ₅)CN	b.p. 170-180/0.005 143-145 142-143 142-143	IR, UV	154, 157 156 39
1-CH(C ₆ H ₄ NH ₂ -4)CN	100-105		158
2-C(CN)=C(C ₆ H ₅)O ⁻	209-210	IR, NMR	168
1-CH=C(C ₆ H ₅)CN	96.5-97		103
1-CH(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)CN	b.p. 140-160/0.003 142		155
 221.5-222 HCl: 275-6		IR, NMR	64

TABLE I.13. Isoquinoline Containing a Cyano Group in a Side Chain (*Continued*)

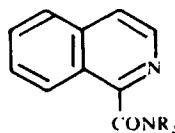
Substituent		m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
2-CH ₂ CN	Br ⁻	196-197 195		164 166
	(ClO ₄ ⁻)	177-178	NMR	163, 167
	(I ⁻)	161-162	NMR	160
2-CH ₂ CN-5-NO ₂	(I ⁻)	169-170	NMR	160
1-C(CN)(OCOEt)(4NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄)		205-8		160a
1-C(CN)(OCOMe)(4NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄)		202-204		160a
1-C(CN)=C(CH ₃)NH ₂		177-178		160b
2-CH ₂ CH ₂ CN	(Cl ⁻)	220-222		161, 162
2-CH(C ₆ H ₅)CN	(Br ⁻)	176		164
3-CH ₂ CN		49.5-450		130
3-CH ₂ CN-1-Cl-4-CH ₃		154-156		131
3-C(=CHC ₆ H ₅)CN		194		130
3-CH(C ₆ H ₅)CN-1-C ₂ H ₅		89-91	IR, UV, NMR	197
3-CH=C(C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ 3,4)CN		147-148		170
	HCl: 105-107			170
3-CH(C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)- 1-CH ₃ -6,7-(CH ₃ O) ₂		121	IR, UV	197
	HCl: 172			197
3-CH(C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)- 1-C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(CH ₃ O) ₂		135-137	IR, UV	197
	HCl: 135-137			197
4-CH ₂ CN		109-110		67
4-C(=CHC ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -2)CN		177-178		67
6-CH ₂ CH ₂ CN-3-OC ₂ H ₅ -7-CH ₃		113-114	IR	69
3-(2CNC ₆ H ₄)		104-105		197a
1-C(CN)=C(C ₆ H ₅)NH ₂		197-198		160b
3-CH ₂ CN-1-C ₆ H ₅		158		54c
3-CH ₂ CN-1-COC ₆ H ₅		107-108		54c
4-CH ₂ CN-1-C ₆ H ₅		78-80		54c



D. Isoquinoline Carboxamides

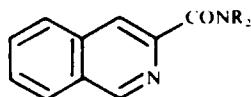
Tables I. 14 (page 168), I. 15 (page 168) and I. 16 (page 170) list isoquinolines with amide functions attached directly to the ring; Table I. 17 (page 171) includes amides in a side chain.

TABLE I.14. Isoquinoline-1-Carboxamides



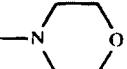
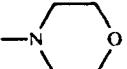
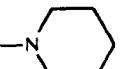
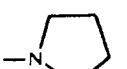
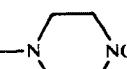
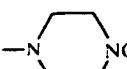
R ₂	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
H ₂	4-Br	169-170	148
H ₂		168-170	2, 49, 50, 148, 204, 205
	HBr: 275-276 (N ⁺ -Oxide) 283	49	2
H ₂	3-CH ₃	181-182	148
H ₂	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	169-170	144
		168-169	203
H, C ₆ H ₅	-	119-121	202
H, 1-C ₁₀ H ₇		168-170	202
C ₆ H ₅ , COC ₆ H ₅		206-208	36a
1-C ₁₀ H ₇ , COC ₆ H ₅		216-218	36a

TABLE I.15. Isoquinoline-1-Carboxamides



R	Substituent	m.p., °C	Ref.
H ₂	-	212-213	30, 52, 53, 135
H ₂	1-C ₆ H ₅ -4-OH	271-273	97
H, CH ₂ CH ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	1-Cl	77-78	201
		HCl: 164-165	201
H, CH ₂ CH ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	1-OCH ₃	HCl: 128-129	201
H, C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -2	6-CH ₃ O	124-125	99
H, CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ SO ₂ NH ₂ -4	--	242-244	198, 199
H, CH ₂ CH ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	1-OC ₂ H ₅	HCl: 163-164	201
H, CH ₂ CH ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	1-OC ₃ H ₇ -n	HCl: 177-178	201
H, CH ₂ CH ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	1-OC ₄ H ₉ -n	HCl: 180-181	201
H, CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ SO ₂ NH-CONHC ₆ H ₁₁ -n	--	195-197	198, 199
H, CH ₂ CH ₂ N(CH ₃) ₂	1-OCH ₃ -4-CH ₃	72-73	54b
H, CH ₂ CH ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	1-OCH ₃ -4-CH ₃	55-56	54b
H-(CH ₂) ₃ N(CH ₂) ₂	1-OCH ₃ -4-CH ₃	84-85	54b
H-(CH ₂) ₃ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	1-OCH ₃ -4-CH ₃	129-130	54b
H-CH ₂ N(CH ₃) ₂	1-Cl-4-CH ₃	137	54b
H CH ₂ CH ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	1-Cl-4-CH ₃	98-99	54b

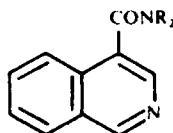
TABLE I.15. Isoquinoline-1-Carboxamides (*Continued*)

R_2	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
H-(CH ₂) ₃ -N(CH ₃) ₂	1-Cl-4-CH ₃	156-157	54b
H-(CH ₂) ₃ -N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	1-Cl-4-CH ₃	148-149	54b
NR ₂ =			
	1-OCH ₃ -4-CH ₃	136-137	54b
	1-Cl-4-CH ₃	198-199	54b
	1-OCH ₃ -4-CH ₃	90-92	54b
	1-Cl-4-CH ₃	142-143	54b
	1-OCH ₃ -4-CH ₃	100-101	54b
	1-Cl-4-CH ₃	128	54b
	1-OCH ₃ -4-CH ₃	108-109	54b
	1-Cl-4-CH ₃	163-164	54b

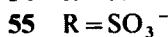
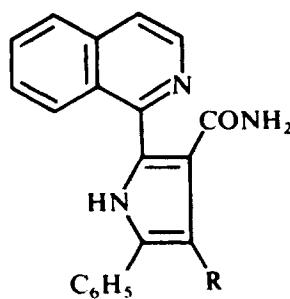
Amides have most frequently been prepared from the nitrile^{2,3,5,64,67,131,144,154-155,157,159} or from an amine and the carboxylic acid, ester, or acyl halide.^{5,30,57,99,135,198-199,200-202} Base hydrolysis of the nitrile gives amide **54**, while hydrolysis with sulfuric acid gives **55**.⁶⁴

1-Carboxamides have been prepared by the action of acid²⁰³ or hydrogen peroxide²⁰⁴ on Reissert compounds **3**, or more conveniently by the action of concentrated base on **34**.^{147-148,205} The *N*-oxide of isoquinoline-1-carboxamide can be prepared by the action of alkaline hydrogen peroxide on 1-cyanoisoquinoline-*n*-oxide or peracetic acid on isoquinoline-1-carboxamide.²

TABLE I.16. Isoquinoline-4-Carboxamides



R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
H ₂		174.5-175.5 168-172	3 5
	(NCH ₃ Br ⁻) ^{a,b}	245	134
	(NCH ₃ I ⁻)	260	5
	(N ⁺ CH ₃ ClO ₄ ⁻) ^{a,b}	248	134
	(N ⁺ CH ₃ picrate)	226	134
	(N ⁺ CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ Br ⁻)	255	134
H ₂	1-CH ₃ ^{a,b}	183-185	38
H ₂	1-C ₂ H ₅ ^{a,b}	173-175	38
(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	—	b.p. 158-162/0.25 HCl: 138 Picrate: 195 (N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻) 193	5 5 5 5
H, CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ ^a	—	168.5-169.5	200
H ₂	1-NH ₂ -3-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ -CN-O-	233-235	172a
H ₂	6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	254	134a
	(N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ Cl ₂ -2,6)(Cl ⁻)	210	134a

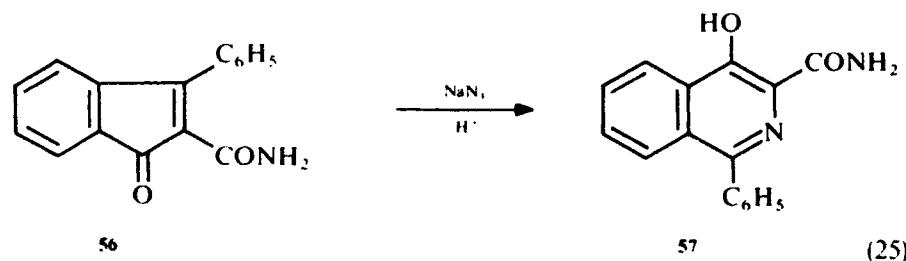
^aIR in paper.^bUV in paper.

Amides have been introduced in side chains in the 2 position by the reaction of isoquinolines with acrylamide²⁰⁶⁻²⁰⁷ or with alkyl halides containing amide groups.^{160,208} The equilibrium for pseudobase formation has been studied in these isoquinolinium salts.¹⁶⁰

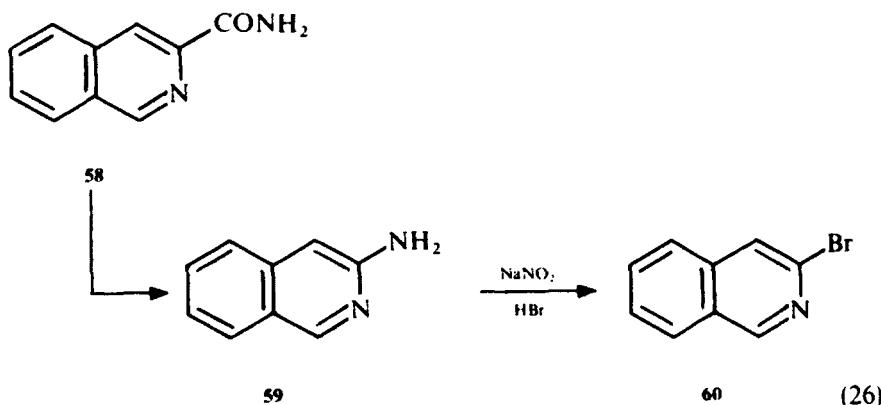
TABLE I.17. Isoquinolines Containing an Amide Group in the Side Chain

Substituent		m.p. (°C)	Ref.
I-CH ₂ CONH ₂		204-205	210
		209-211	210a
I-CH ₂ CONHCH ₃ -3-Cl		191-192	57
I-CH(C ₆ H ₄ Br-2)CONH ₂		173-173.5	159
	Picrate	208	159
I-CH(C ₆ H ₅)CONH ₂		191-192	154, 157
	(N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻)	240-242	154
I-CH=CHCONHC ₆ H ₅		163-166	212
	(N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻)	262-263	212
I-CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -3-Cl		169-170	57
I-CH(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)CONH ₂		205-206	155
	(N ⁺ H)	303-305	64
2-CH ₂ CONH-5-NO ₂ ^a	I ⁻	233	160
2-CH ₂ CONH ₂	Br ⁻	203	211
2-CH ₂ CONH ₂ ^a	I ⁻	194-196	160
2-CH ₂ CH ₂ CONH ₂	Cl ⁻	210.5-212	206, 207
2-CH(C ₆ H ₅)CONHC ₆ H ₅	Cl ⁻	245	208
3-CH ₂ CONH ₂ -1-Cl-4-CH ₃		219-220	131
4-CH ₂ CONH ₂		219-220	67
3-CH ₂ CONH ₂	1-COC ₆ H ₅	185-187	54c
3-CH ₂ CONH ₂	1-C ₆ H ₅	201-204	54c
4-CH ₂ CONH ₂	1-C ₆ H ₅	190-192	54c
3-CH ₂ CONH ₂	1-(4ClC ₆ H ₄)	219-221	54c

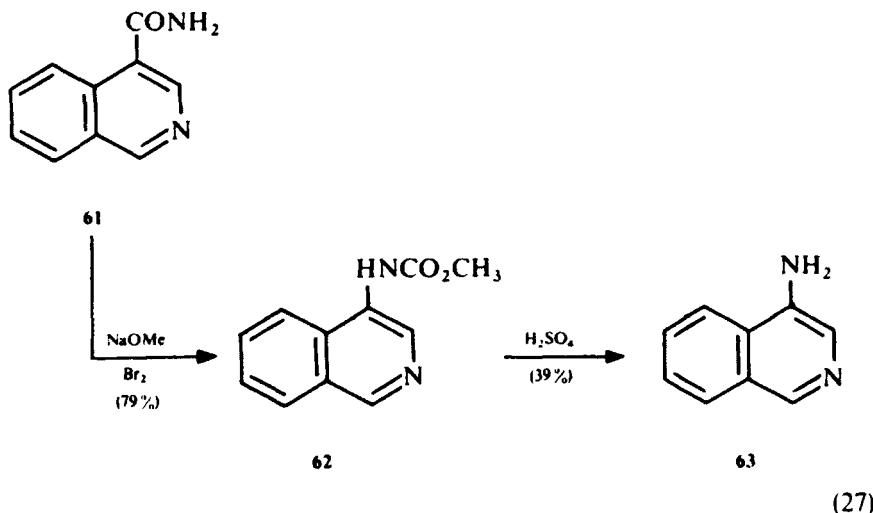
Treatment of **56** with sodium azide and acid proceeds through ring expansion to give 1-phenyl-4-hydroxyisoquinoline-3-carboxamide (**57**)⁹⁷ (Eq. 25).



3-Bromoisoquinoline (**60**), used to prepare 3,3'-bisisoquinoline by an Ullmann reaction, can be conveniently prepared from 3-aminoisoquinoline (**59**) derived from isoquinoline-3-carboxamide (**58**)^{5,3} (Eq. 26).



The reaction of isoquinoline-4-carboxamide (**61**) with bromine and NaOMe proceeds through a Hofmann rearrangement to afford methylisoquinoline-4-carbamate (**62**), which was subsequently hydrolyzed to 4-amino isoquinoline (**63**) with 93% H₂SO₄.²⁰⁹ (Eq. 27).



E. Miscellaneous Isoquinoline Carboxylic Acid Derivatives

Derivatives such as acid chlorides, hydrazides, and azides are listed in Table I.18.

The action of phosphorus oxychloride–phosphorus pentachloride on **64** leads to **65**^{54,201} (Eq. 28). A number of acid chlorides have been used as intermediates without characterization.

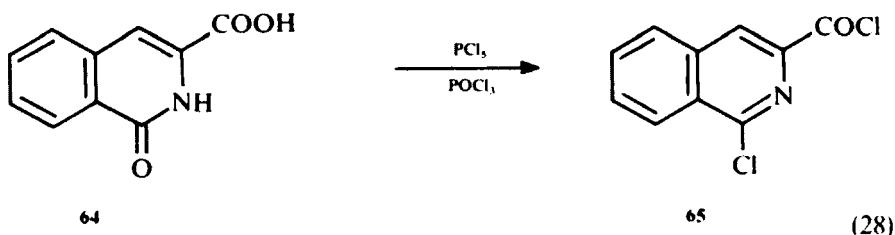
TABLE I.18. Miscellaneous Isoquinoline Carboxylic Acid Derivatives

Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
3-COCl-1-Cl	130-132	201
4-COHNH ₂ -1-NHNH ₂	236-238	117
3-COCl-1-Cl-7,8(OCH ₃) ₂	168	54
3-C(=NH)OC ₂ H ₅ ^a	N/A	175
4-COO-5-1,3(CH ₃) ₂ -8-(OCOCH ₃) ^{a-c}	189-191	95, 96
3-CON ₃ -1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	121-122	84
3-CONHNH ₂ -1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	215-216, 217	84 87
3-COCl-1-Cl-4-CH ₃	172-173	54a
3-COCl-1-Cl-4-OCH ₃	101-102	54b

^aIR and NMR in paper.

^bUV in paper.

Lactone.



Hydrazides^{84, 117} and an azide⁸⁴ have been prepared in the usual manner from the ester.

F. Isoquinolinedithiocarboxylic Acids

N-Benzylisoquinolinium halides **66**, when combined with carbon disulfide in alkaline aqueous dioxane, give both the mesoionic 3-phenylthiazolo[2,3-a]isoquinolinium-2-thione betaine (**67**) and *N*-benzylisoquinolinium-4-dithiocarboxylate (**68**).^{213, 214} (Eq. 29).

The treatment of 2-methyloquinolinium-4-dithiocarboxylate (**69**) with iodomethane in methanol affords the 2-methyl-4-(methylthio)thiocarbonylisoquinolinium iodide **70** in 93% yield. This is oxidized to methyl-2-methyl-1-oxo-1,2-dihydroisoquinoline-4-dithiocarboxylate (**71**) with potassium ferricyanide²¹⁵ (Eq. 30).

Reactions of 1-chloro-4-hydroxyisoquinoline with carbon disulfide and base led to the introduction of the dithiocarboxylate into the 3 position.²¹⁷

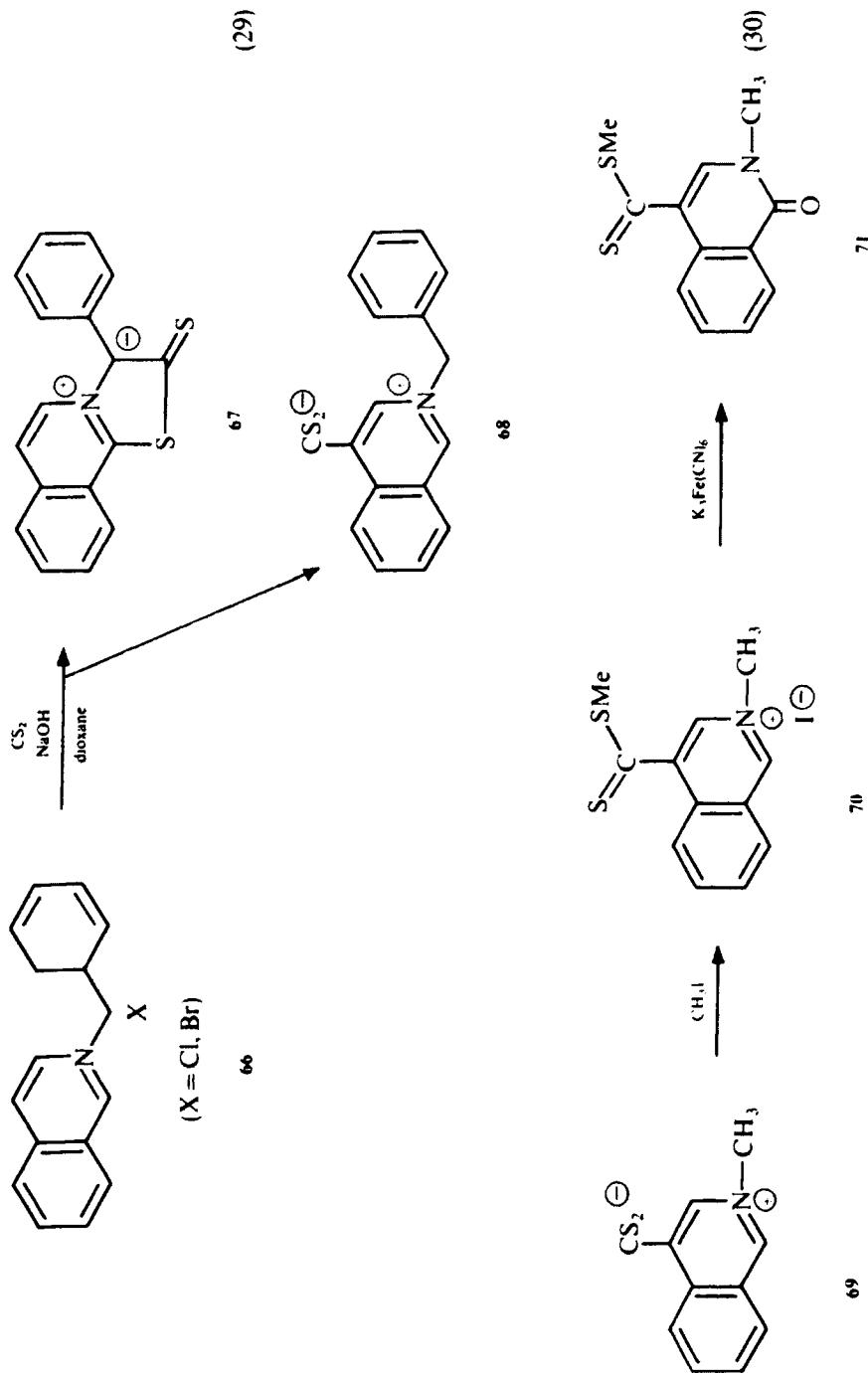


TABLE I.19. Isoquinoline dithiocarboxylic Acid Derivatives

Substituent		m.p. (°C)	Ref.
4-CS ₂	(N ⁺ CH ₃)	280	215
4-CS ₂ CH ₃ ^{a,b}	(N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻)	187-188	215
4-CS ₂ -3-CH ₃ ^a	(N ⁺ CH ₃)	280	216
3-CS ₂ CH ₃ -1-Cl-4-OH ^{a,b}		199	217
4-CS ₂	(N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ Br-3)	207-208	214
4-CS ₂	(N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ Br-4)	206-227	214
4-CS ₂	(N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ Cl-3)	210-213	214
4-CS ₂	(N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)	208-209	214
4-CS ₂	(N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ F-3)	204-205	213, 214
4-CS ₂	(N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄)	209-210	213, 214
4-CS ₂	(N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -3)	198-199	214
4-CS ₂	(N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4)	198-201	213, 214
4-CS ₂	(N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -3)	215-218	214
4-CS ₂	(N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)	191-193	213, 214

^aUV in paper.^bNMR in paper.

G. Isoquinoline Acids Containing Phosphorus, Sulfur, and Antimony

The reaction of isoquinoline-3-carboxaldehyde (**72**) with diethylphosphite and triethylamine leads to **73**, which can be hydrolyzed to **74**²¹⁸ (Eq. 31).

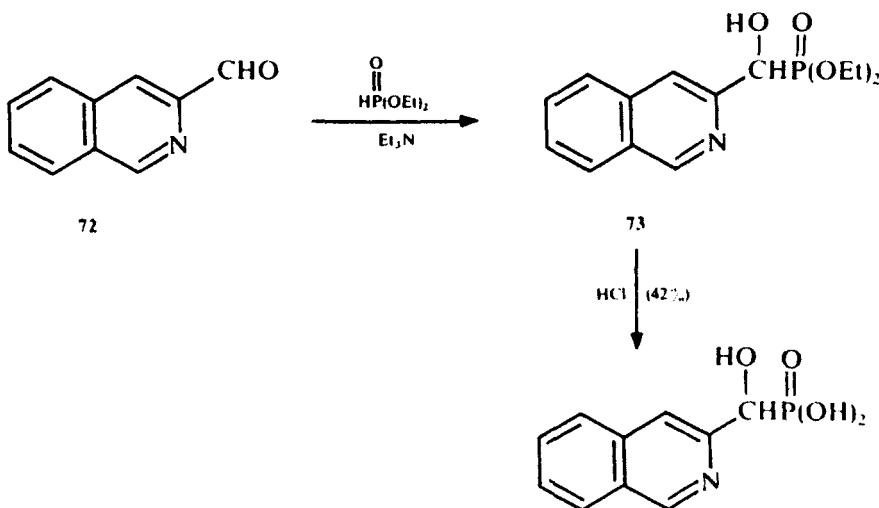
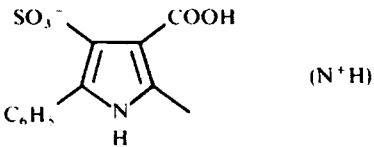
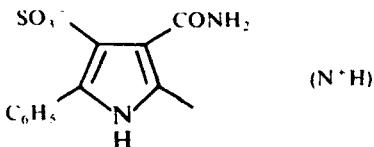


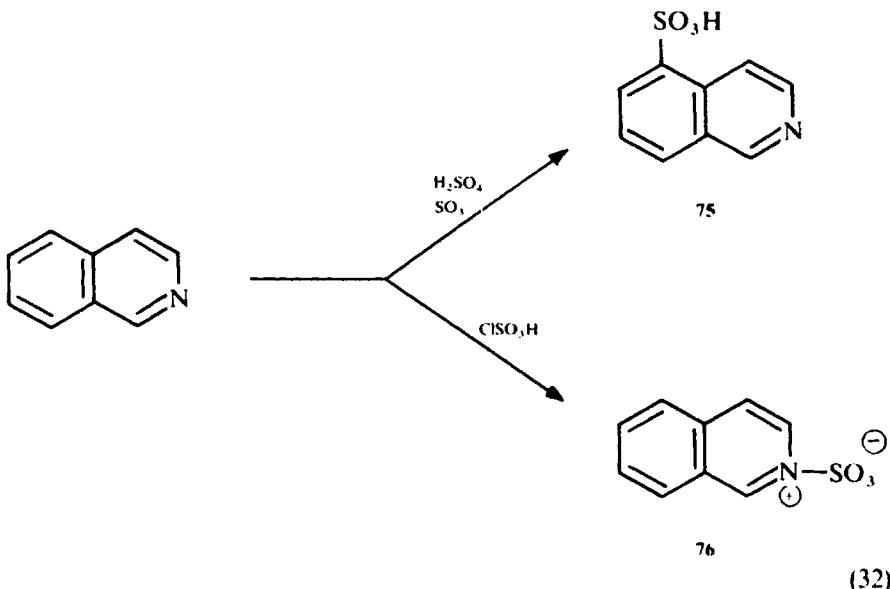
TABLE I.20 Isoquinoline Acid Derivatives of P, S, and Sb

Substituent		m.p. (°C)	Ref.
3-CH(OH)PO(OH) ₂		238–239	218
3-CH(OH)PO(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	HBr:139–139.5		218
5-SO ₃ H		N/A	1,7,223
X-SO ₃ H		N/A	224
2-SO ₃ ⁻	(N ⁺ H)	250–254	219
3-SO ₃ H-4-OH		N/A	222
8-SO ₃ H-4-OH		N/A	221
5-SO ₃ H-1-CH ₃		N/A	220
5-SO ₃ H-3-CH ₃		420–430	8
5-SO ₃ H-1-CH=NNHCSNH ₂		N/A	220
		314–316	9
2-CH ₂ CH(CO ₂ H)SO ₃ ⁻	(N ⁺ H) ^a	302	66
		300	75
2-CH ₂ CH(CO ₂ CH ₃)SO ₃ ⁻		240	75
5-SO ₃ ⁻ -1-CH ₂ -N ⁺ 		> 300	9
	(N ⁺ H)	> 360	64
	(N ⁺ H)	303–305	64
		Na Salt:260	64
5-SbO ₃ HNa		> 300	225

^aNMR in paper.

Reaction of isoquinoline with fuming sulfuric acid leads to the formation of the 5-sulfonic acid **75**^{1,7} Chlorosulfonic acid, however, leads to **76**²¹⁹ (Eq. 32).

Although both 1- and 3-methylisoquinolines undergo sulfonation in the 5 position,^{8,220} 4-hydroxyisoquinoline gives the 8-sulfonic acid.²²¹ Oxidative sulfonation of 4-hydroxyisoquinoline takes place in the 3 position.²²²



H. Isoquinoline Ylides Containing Acidic Functions

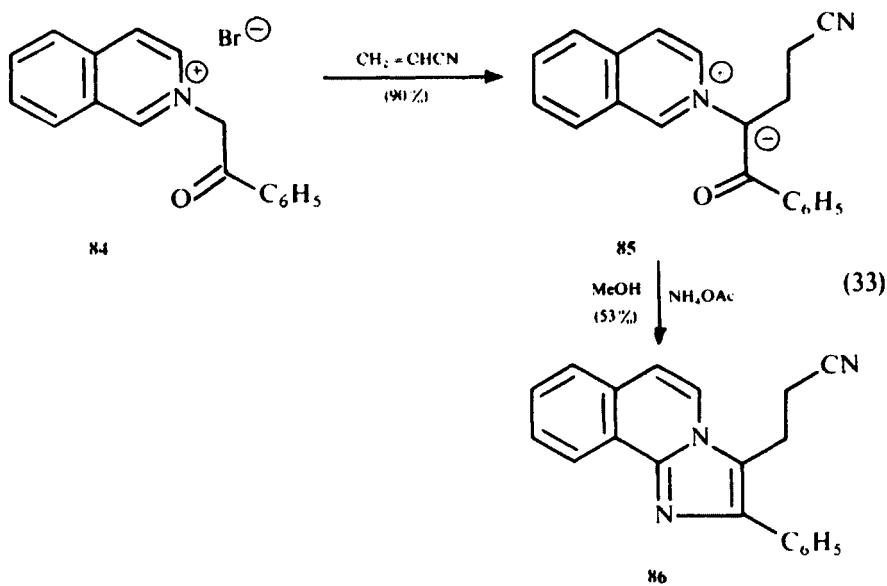
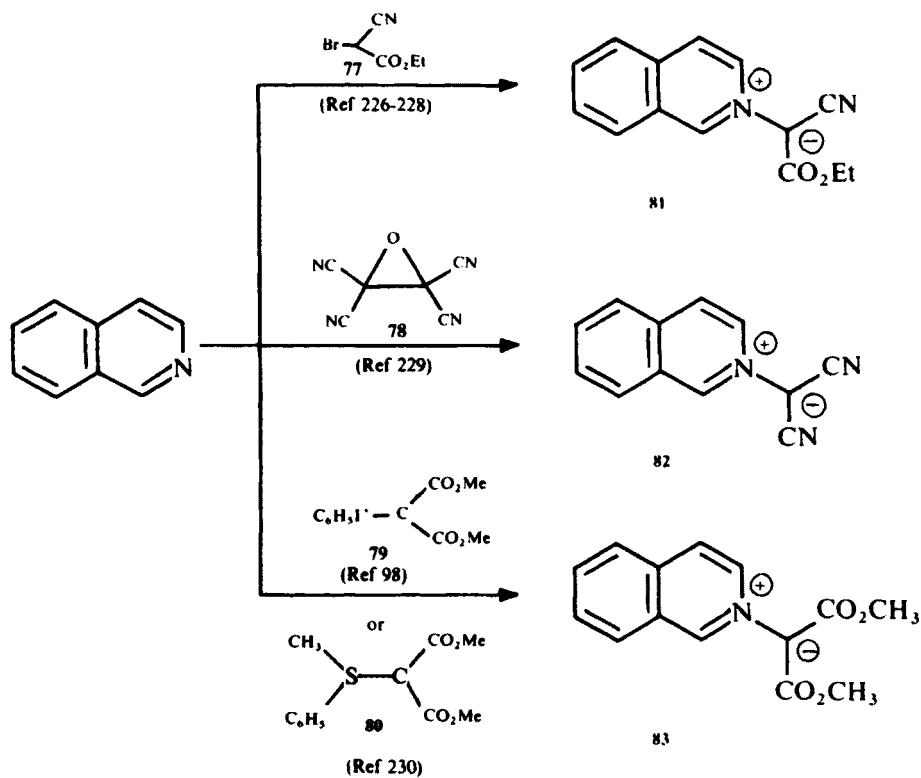
Heterocyclic *N*-ylides **81–83** can be prepared from isoquinoline reacting with compounds such as alkyl bromocyanoacetates (**77**),^{226–228} tetracyanoethylene oxide (**78**),²²⁹ bisethoxycarbonyl(phenyliodonio)methanide (**79**),⁹⁸ and **80**²³⁰ (Scheme 1).

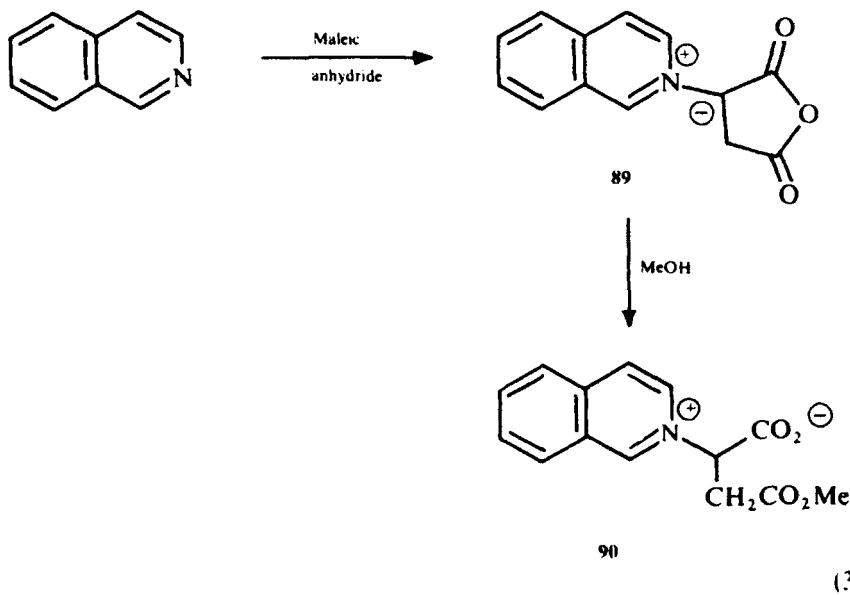
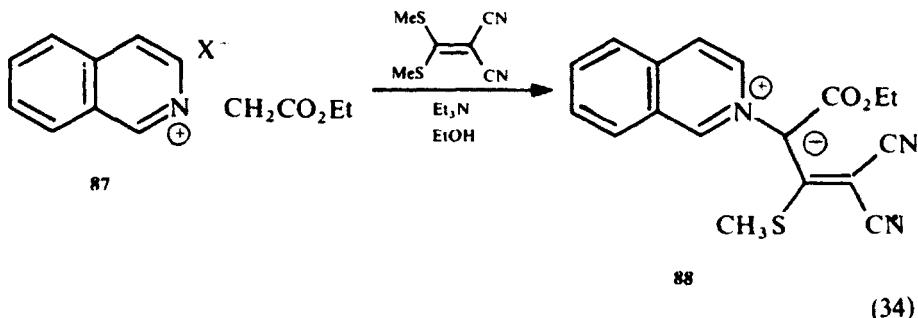
N-Phenacylisoulininium bromine (**84**) reacts with acrylonitrile in basic methanol to afford the heterocyclic *N*-lide **85**, which is further cyclized with ammonium acetate in methanol to 3-(2-cyanoethyl)-2-phenyl-2,3-dihydroimidazo[2,1-*g*]isoquinoline (**86**) in 53% yield.²³² (Eq. 33).

Isoquinolinium salts **87** also react with ketone thioacetals to give isoquinolinium allylides (**88**) in 30–50% yield²³³ (Eq. 34).

The reaction of isoquinoline with maleic anhydride in dry benzene yields **89**, which upon treatment with methanol yields **90**⁴³ (Eq. 35).

Interest has centered on the reaction of the heterocyclic *N*-ylides **81–83** with dicyanoacetylene,²³⁴ dimethylacetylenedicarboxylate,¹⁶⁵ and other electrophilic reagents,^{235,236} including UV irradiation.^{237,238} Thermal decomposition of **83** to isoquinoline and carbenes has been investigated. These heterocyclic *N*-ylides have also been investigated as acid-base indicators,²⁴⁰ as semiconductors,²⁴¹ and for the determination of benzoyl chloride, acetic anhydride, and phenyl isocyanate.²⁴²





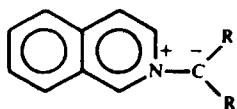
II. DIHYDROISOQUINOLINES

This section includes all dihydroisoquinolines containing acid functions.

A. 1,2-Dihydroisoquinolines

Because of the large interest in Reissert compounds (*N*-acyl-1,2-dihydroisoquinaldonitriles), nitriles are treated in a separate section. For convenience

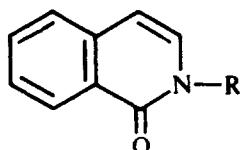
TABLE I.21. Isoquinoline Ylides



R	R'	m.p. (C)	Ref.
CN	CN	253-254 N/A	228, 229 238
CN	CO ₂ CH ₃	159 158-159 ^{a,b}	226 237
		140	43
CN	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	146-147	228
CO ₂ CH ₃	CO ₂ CH ₃	220-221 ^b 235-236 ^{a,b}	98 227
CO ₂ CH ₃	C(SCH ₃)=NCN	228 ^{a,b}	233
CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	C(SCH ₃)=NCN	246 ^{a,b}	233
CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	195 195 ^b N/A	123 98 238
CO ₂ CH ₃	C(SCH ₃)=C(CN) ₂	197 ^{a,b}	233
CN	COCH ₂ C(=CH ₂)OCO ₂ CH ₃	122-124 ^{a,c}	163, 167
CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	C(SCH ₃)=C(CN) ₂	146 ^{a,b}	233
CN	COCH=C(=CH ₂)OCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	155-156 ^{a,c}	163, 167
CN	COCH ₂ C(=CH ₂)OCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	102-103 ^{a,b}	163, 167
CH ₂ CH ₂ CN	COOC ₆ H ₅	157	232
CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	CONHC ₆ H ₅	N/A	240
CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	C ₆ H ₅ NHCS	N/A	240, 243
COOC ₆ H ₅	C(SCH ₃)=C(CN) ₂	250 ^{a,b}	233

^aIR in paper.^bUV in paper.^cNMR in paper.

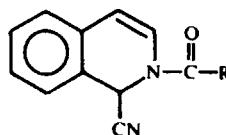
and to reflect their true structure, compounds like **91** are treated in this section, although they have the same oxidation state as compounds in Section I.



(a) Nitriles

The chemistry of *N*-acyl-1-1,2-dihydroisoquinaldonitriles has been the subject of comprehensive reviews.^{244-245a} The application of these compounds to the synthesis of isoquinoline alkaloids has been reviewed,²⁴⁶ as has their use in ring annulation reactions.^{246a} Reissert compounds are covered in Tables II.1 (pages 181-188), II.2 (page 188) and II.3 (page 189) and their analogs in Table II.4 (page 190). Other nitriles derived from 1,2-dihydroisoquinolines are included in Tables II.5 (page 191), II.6 (page 192), and II.7 (page 193).

TABLE II.1. 1-Cyano-2-Acyl-1,2-Dihydroisoquinolines—Reissert Compounds



R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
CH_3	5- NO_2	186-187	IR, NMR	334
		119-120		247, 263, 352
		121-121.5	NMR	256
		N/A	MS	353
		N/A		249
$\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}$		130-131		302
CH_2CH_3		115-117		247, 352
CH_3	1- CH_3	95-96.5		281
CH_3	3- CH_3	99.5-100.5		281
		109-111		247
$\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}$		89-91		302, 354
$\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$		87-88		247, 352
$\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{-}i$		87-88		247
CH_3	1- C_2H_5	115-116		281
C_2H_5	3- CH_3	84.5-86		281
CH_3	5,7-(OCH_3) ₂	175-194		256
$\text{C}_4\text{H}_3\text{O-2}$		112	IR, NMR	254
		110-111		247
$\text{C}_4\text{H}_3\text{S-2}$		153-154	IR, NMR	254
		150-151		302
$(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{Cl}$	3- CH_3	69-72	IR	37
$(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{Cl}$		104-106		302
$\text{C}_4\text{H}_9\text{-n}$		88-89		247
$\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$	3- CH_3	104.5-107.5		281
CH_3	1- $\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$	121.5-122		281
$(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{Cl}$	9- $\text{C}(\text{SCH}_3)=\text{S}$	N/A	NMR	332, 333
		136-138	NMR	37

TABLE II. 1-Cyano-2-Acyl-1,2-Dihydroisoquinolines—Reissert Compounds (*Continued*)

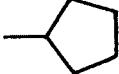
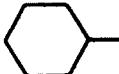
R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
		87–88		247
(CH ₂) ₅ Br		95–96	IR	37
CH ₃	1-CH ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂	93–94	N/A	281
CH ₃	3-CH ₃ -1-CH(CH ₃) ₂	114–114.5	N/A	332, 333
C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4	5-NO ₂	199–200	IR, NMR	334
C ₆ H ₅	4-Br	173	N/A	248
C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4		155.2–155.8	NMR	331
		150–151		269
C ₆ H ₄ Cl-3		185–187		247
C ₆ H ₄ Cl-2		175.5–177.5		281
C ₆ H ₅	4-Cl	163–165		143
C ₆ H ₅	1-D	N/A	NMR	331
C ₆ H ₄ F-4		178–179		247
C ₆ H ₅	5-F	179–180		271
C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -4		177–178		247
C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -3		183–184		247
C ₆ H ₅	5-NO ₂	148		248
C ₆ H ₅	8-NO ₂	181		248
C ₆ H ₅		128–130		10, 19, 21, 22, 49, 64, 202, 213, 247, 248, 249, 254, 259, 293, 300, 301, 309, 310, 331, 355, 356–358
CH ₃	2-[3-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₃ N]	227–228		311
C ₆ H ₄ SO ₃ H-3		175–176		148
C ₄ H ₃ S-2	6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	160–161	IR, NMR	254
C ₄ H ₃ S-2	6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	166–167	IR, NMR	254
		127–128		247
CH(CH ₃) ₂	1-CH(CH ₃) ₂	94–95		281
		N/A	NMR	333
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅		166–168		302
C ₆ H ₄ CF ₃ -4		159–160		247
C ₆ H ₅	6,7-CH ₂ O ₂	137–138	IR, NMR	280
		135–136		326d
		134–135		272–273
		168		359
CH ₃	1-[2,4-(NO ₂) ₂ C ₆ H ₃]	193–195		311
C ₆ H ₄ Cl-2	3-CH ₃	173–174.5		281
C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4	3-CH ₃	122.5–124.5		281
C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4	4-Cl	152		146

TABLE II. 1-Cyano-2-Acyl-1,2-Dihydroisoquinolines Reissert Compounds (Continued)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
C ₆ H ₅	3-CH ₃ -5-NO ₂	159		248
C ₆ H ₅	3-CH ₃ -8-NO ₂	134		248
C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4	5-NO ₂	198-200	IR, NMR	334
C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4	5-NO ₂	209-210	IR, NMR	334
C ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₃	120-121		265, 266
		118-120		10
		119-121		263
		N/A	MS	353
C ₆ H ₅	3-CH ₃	127-128		360
		139-140		281
		N/A	NMR	331
C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4		127.5-128.5		281
		N/A	NMR	331
C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -2		168.5-169.5		281
C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4		175-176	NMR	256
		173-174		247, 259
		N/A		255
C ₆ H ₅ , CH(CH ₃) ₂	7-CH ₃ O	144-146	NMR	279
	3-CH ₃ -1-CH(CH ₃) ₂	123.5-124.5		281
		N/A	NMR	333
C ₆ H ₅	3-CH ₃ -5-CN	175		248
CH=CHC ₆ H ₅		164-165		247
		160-162		263
C ₆ H ₅	5-CO ₂ CH ₃	121		248
C ₆ H ₅	1-CS ₂ CH ₃	174-176		265, 266
C ₆ H ₄ Cl-2	6,7-(CH ₃ O) ₂	174-176		262
C ₆ H ₅	1-C ₂ H ₅	103		261
		108.5-110.5		281
C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4	3-CH ₃	128-129.5		281
		N/A	NMR	331
C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -2	3-CH ₃	145-146		281
CH ₃	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	136-137.5		281
C ₆ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	156-157		361
		167-168	IR, UV, NMR	278
		159-162		325
		164	NMR	203, 254
		N/A	NMR	331
C ₆ H ₅	7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	158-159.5		309
		158		277
C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ - 3,4		202.3-202.6		361
C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ - 3,4		213-215	IR, UV	362
		N/A		249
C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ - 2,3		132-133	IR, UV	362
C ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CH=CH ₂	101-10.5	UV, NMR	329
C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -4- Br-3	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	157-157.5		264

TABLE II. 1-Cyano-2-Acyl-1,2-Dihydroisoquinolines—Reissert Compounds (Continued)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
C ₆ H ₄ Cl-2	1-CH(CH ₃) ₂	113–117		281
		N/A	NMR	333
C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4	1-CH(CH ₃) ₂	134.5–135.5		281
		N/A	NMR	333
C ₆ H ₅	1-C ₃ H ₇ -n	120		261
		119–121		265, 266
C ₆ H ₅	1-C ₃ H ₇ -i	128–130		265, 266
C ₆ H ₅	1-CH(CH ₃) ₂	131–132.5		281
		N/A	NMR	332, 333
C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	156.4–157.2		361
C ₆ H ₅	5,6,7-(OCH ₃) ₃	165		276
		166–167		273
		167–168		326a
C ₉ H ₁₉		53–55		247
C ₁₀ H ₇ -1		198–200		247
C ₁₀ H ₇ -2		165–167		247
CH=CHC ₆ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	164.8–165.4		361
C ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	129–131		265, 266
CH ₃	1-[CH(OCOCH ₃) ₂] C ₆ H ₅ NO ₂ -2]	199–201	IR, NMR	363
C ₆ H ₄ Cl-2	3-CH ₃ -1-CH(CH ₃) ₂	180–180.5		281
		N/A	NMR	333
C ₆ H ₅	1-C ₄ H ₉ -n	107		261
		106–107		266
C ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂	84–85.5		281
		N/A	NMR	332, 333
C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -2	1-CH(CH ₃) ₂	121.5–123		281
		N/A	NMR	332, 333
C ₆ H ₅	3-CH ₃ -1-CH(CH ₃) ₂	146–147		281
		N/A	NMR	333
C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4	1-CH(CH ₃) ₂	145.5–146.5		281
		N/A	NMR	333
C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	152–152.4		361
C ₆ H ₅	4,5,6,7-(OCH ₃) ₄	136–137	NMR	184
C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -2,3	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	181		203
		163–165	UV	362
C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,5	5,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	176–195		256
C ₆ H ₅	2-[3-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₃ N]	230–231		311
C ₁₀ H ₇ -1	3-CH ₃	198–199.5		281
C ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂	117–118	NMR	290
C ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂	125–127	NMR	290



TABLE II. I-Cyano-2-Acyl-1,2-Dihydroisoquinolines—Reissert Compounds (Continued)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -2	1-CH ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂	138–139.5		281
		N/A	NMR	332, 333
C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -2	3-CH ₃ -1-CH(CH ₃) ₂	183–184		281
		N/A	NMR	333
C ₆ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -1-CH(CH ₃) ₂	203–204		281
		N/A	NMR	332, 333
C ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CH ₂ N ⁺ Me ₃ I ⁻	224–225		73
C ₆ H ₅	1-[2-(NO ₂) ₂ C ₆ H ₃] I ⁻	163–164		311
C ₆ H ₅	1-[4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄] I ⁻	N/A		261
C ₆ H ₅	1-CH(C ₂ H ₅)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	160–161		281
C ₆ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -1-CH ₂ -	165–166	UV, IR, NMR	289
C ₆ H ₅	-CH ₂ CON(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	137–138		302
C ₆ H ₅	1-C ₆ H ₅ CO	183–184		263
C ₆ H ₅	5-OOC ₆ H ₅	198		248
C ₆ H ₅	1-[2-IC ₆ H ₄ CH ₂] I ⁻	150.5–151		300
		N/A	NMR	333
C ₆ H ₅	4-NHCOC ₆ H ₅	158		248
C ₆ H ₅	1-[CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ -NO ₂ -4]	203–204	NMR	310
C ₆ H ₅	1-[2-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ CH ₂] I ⁻	143–144	UV, IR	299, 300
C ₆ H ₅	1-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂	129		261
		123.5–125		281
		N/A	NMR	333
		Gum		266
		N/A		288
C ₆ H ₅	5-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ O	N/A		283
C ₆ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -1-CH ₂ - 	169–171	NMR	290
C ₆ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -1-CH ₂ - 	154–155	NMR	290
C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4	8-C ₆ H ₅ CO ₂	207–207.5	IR, NMR	267
		N/A	NMR	331
C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4	8-HO-1-C ₆ H ₅ CO	231–232	IR, NMR	267
C ₆ H ₅	1-CS ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	139–141		266
C ₆ H ₅	6-CH ₃ O-7-C ₆ H ₅ CO ₂	N/A		319
C ₆ H ₅	1-(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ NO ₂ -2-OCH ₃ -3)	172.7–174.7		303, 304
		180–182	IR, UV, NMR	295
C ₆ H ₅	1-[2-NO ₂ -4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₃ CH ₂] I ⁻	133–135		301
C ₆ H ₅	1-[CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ -NO ₂ -2-OCH ₃ -5] I ⁻	100–138		294
C ₆ H ₅	1-[2-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄ CH ₂] I ⁻	145–147		266
		N/A	NMR	332

TABLE II. 1-Cyano-2-Acyl-1,2-Dihydroisoquinolines Reissert Compounds (*Continued*)

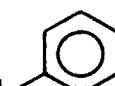
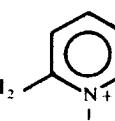
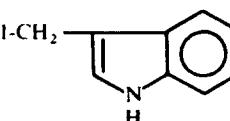
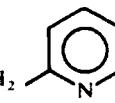
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C ₆ H ₅	7-OCH ₃ -8-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ O	135 135 132-133 N/A	NMR	267 307 364 274
C ₆ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -1-CH ₂ 	158		365
C ₆ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -1-CH ₂ 	169-171		291
C ₁₀ H ₇ -1	1-CH ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂	155-157 N/A	NMR	281 333
C ₁₀ H ₇ -1	3-CH ₃ -1-CH(CH ₃) ₂	200-202 N/A	NMR	281 333
C ₆ H ₅	6-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7-C ₆ H ₅ CO ₂	203	IR, UV, NMR	92
C ₆ H ₅	6-CO ₂ CH ₃ -5-C ₆ H ₅ CO ₂	194-195	IR, NMR	92
C ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ 	175-176		61
C ₆ H ₅	1-[CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ -CH=CH ₂ -4] 1-[CH ₂ C ₆ H ₂ -NO ₂ -2-(OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4]	150.5-152.5 208-209	IR, UV, NMR	329 293, 297, 298
C ₆ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -1-CH ₂ 	165		292
C ₆ H ₅	-CH ₂ -CH ₂ -N(C(=O)c1ccccc1)(C(=O)C ₆ H ₅)	204-205		302

TABLE II. 1-Cyano-2-Acyl-1,2-Dihydroisoquinolines—Reissert Compounds (Continued)

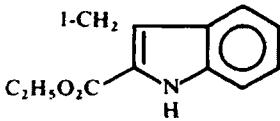
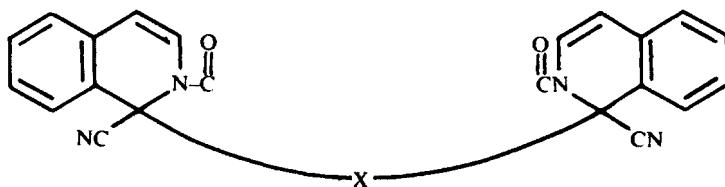
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C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4	7-OCH ₃ -8-[4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄ CO ₂]	86-88	IR, NMR	267
C ₆ H ₅	7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂ -1-[CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4]	196-198		309
C ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5	N/A		366
C ₆ H ₅	1-[4-NO ₂ -2- <i>t</i> -C ₄ H ₉ O ₂ CC ₆ H ₃]	166		261
C ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ 	114-116		61
C ₆ H ₅	6-CO ₂ CH ₃ -5-HO-1-[CH ₂ C ₆ H ₂ -(OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5]	202-203	NMR, IR	92
C ₆ H ₅	6-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7-HO-1-[CH ₂ C ₆ H ₂ -(OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5]	205	UV, IR, NMR	92
C ₆ H ₅	1-(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -4)	144-146		305
C ₆ H ₅	7,8-(C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ O) ₂	N/A		284
C ₆ H ₅	6,7-CH ₂ O ₂ -1-[3-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ O-4-CH ₃ O-2-NO ₂ -C ₆ H ₂ CH ₂]	165-166	IR, NMR	280
C ₆ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ 1-[5-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ O-4-CH ₃ O-2-NO ₂ -C ₆ H ₂ CH ₂]	176-177	IR, UV, NMR	278
C ₆ H ₅	5,6,7-(OCH ₃) ₃ -1-[2-NO ₂ -3-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ O-4-CH ₃ O-C ₆ H ₂ CH ₂]	181	NMR	276
C ₆ H ₅	7,8-(C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ O) ₂ -1-[CH ₂ C ₆ H ₂ -(OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5]	N/A		284
C ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ - 	N/A	UV	329
	(polymer)			
C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4	7,8(OCH ₃) ₂	160-161		259a
C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4	5,6,7-(OCH ₃) ₃	153-154		259a
C ₆ H ₅	6,7-Cl ₂	194-196		366a
C ₆ H ₅	2-(CH ₂ -C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)-6,7-Cl ₂	193-195		366a
C ₆ H ₅	1-(4-Picoly)	137-138		366b
C ₆ H ₅	1-(4-Picoly)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	192-193		366b
C ₆ H ₅	1-Allyl	98-100		366b
C ₆ H ₅	7-(4CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄ O)	162-165		366c
C ₆ H ₅	5-(4CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄ O)	192-195		366c

TABLE II. 1-Cyano-2-Acyl-1,2-Dihydroisoquinolines—Reissert Compounds (Continued)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
C ₆ H ₅	1-(3-OCH ₃ -4-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄ -C ₆ H ₃ CH ₂ -) 5-(4CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄ O)	72-75		366c
C ₆ H ₅	6-OCH ₃ -7(4CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄ O)	94-97		366c
C ₆ H ₅	1-(3,4-(OCH ₃) ₂ C ₆ H ₃ CH ₂ -) 6-OCH ₃ - 7(4CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄ O)	105-108		366c
C ₆ H ₅	7-C ₆ H ₅ OCO	210-211		366c
C ₆ H ₅	1-(4BrC ₆ H ₄ CH ₂ -) 7-C ₆ H ₅ OCO	180-181		366c
C ₆ H ₅	5-Br	183-184		366c
C ₆ H ₅	7-CH ₃ O-8-Br	161-162		366c
C ₆ H ₅	1-(2-NO ₂ -3-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ O- 4-OCH ₃ C ₆ H ₂ CH ₂ -) 6,7-CH ₂ O ₂	178-180		326d
C ₆ H ₅	1-(2-NO ₂ -4-C ₆ H ₅ - CH ₂ OC ₆ H ₃ CH ₂ -) 5,6,7-(OCH ₃) ₃	156-157		326j
C ₆ H ₅	6-CH ₃ O-7-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ O)	150-153		326l
C ₆ H ₅	1-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ -6,7-OCH ₃	153-155		259b
C ₆ H ₅	1-(2NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ CH ₂ -) 6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	182-184		259b
C ₆ H ₅	1-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ -5,6,7- (OCH ₃) ₃	138-139		259b
C ₆ H ₅	1-(2NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ CH ₂)-5,6,7- (OCH ₃) ₃	127-128		259b
C ₆ H ₅	1-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ - 6,7-CH ₂ O ₂	146-148		259b
C ₆ H ₅	1-(2NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ CH ₂)-6,7- CH ₂ O ₂	177-178		259b

TABLE II.2 Bis-Reissert Compounds

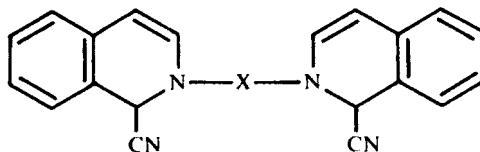


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(CH ₂) ₃ -CH ₂ -CH=CH-CH ₂		130-132 217-218	302 302

TABLE II.2. Bis-Reissert Compounds (*Continued*)

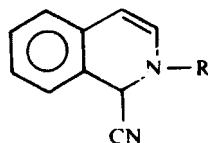
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		216-217	
		160-162	302
4-CH ₂ -C ₆ H ₄ -O-C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₂ -4		123-127	306
4-CH ₂ -C ₆ H ₄ -O-C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₂ -4	6-CH ₃ O	122-127	306
3-CH ₂ -(C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -6)-O-C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₂ -4		136-139	
3-CH ₂ -(C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -6)-O-C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₂ -4	6,7-OCH ₂ O	137-140	306
4-CH ₂ -C ₆ H ₄ -O-C ₆ H ₄ CH ₂ -4	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	130-133	306
3-CH ₂ -(C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -6)-O-C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₂ -4	6-CH ₃ O	129-133	306
2-CH ₂ -(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₂ -4,5)-O-(C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -6)-CH ₂ -3		134-136	306
2-CH ₂ -(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₂ -4,5)-O-(C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -6)-CH ₂ -3	6,7-OCH ₂ O	134-136	306
2-CH ₂ -(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₂ -4,5)-O-(C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -6)-CH ₂ -3	6-CH ₃ O	130-133	306
2-CH ₂ -(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₂ -4,5)-O-(C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -6)-CH ₂ -3	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	134-136	306
(CH ₂) ₃	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	84-100	366b
(CH ₂) ₄		200-201	366b
(CH ₂) ₅		185-187	366b

TABLE II.3. Bis-Reissert Compounds



R	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
3-SO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ -3-CO(CH ₂) ₄ CO	184-185 189-190	148 247, 352
	197-199	247
	140-163	366c

TABLE II. 4. 1-Cyano-2-Acyl-1,2-Dihydroisoquinolines—Reissert Analogs



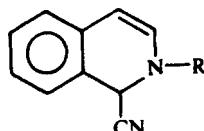
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CO_2CH_3		83-85	337
$\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$		83-85 ^a	338
		N/A	249
		N/A ^b	353
		84-86	337
		84-85 ^c	336
$\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CCl}_3$		104-106	337
$\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$	1-CH ₃	72-73	337
		N/A ^b	353
$\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$	3-CH ₃	46.5-49.5	281
$\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$	1-CH(CH ₃) ₂	66-67.5	281
		N/A ^c	333
$\text{CO}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$		156-158	337
$\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5^c$	3-CH ₃ -1-CH(CH ₃) ₂	N/A	333
$\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$		84-86	337
$\text{CO}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{OCH}_3\text{-5}$		182-183	337
$\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$	3-CH ₃	72.5-74.5	281
$\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$	3-CH ₃ -1-CH(CH ₃) ₂	N/A	333
COSC_2H_5		107-108	337
		N/A ^b	353
CSOC_2H_5		109-110 ^c	336
COSC_2H_5	1-CH ₃	79-81	337
	1-CH ₃	N/A ^b	353
$\text{CSOC}_6\text{H}_5^c$		164	336
$\text{CON}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_5)_2$		100-102	339
$\text{CON}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_2$		218-219	339
		N/A ^b	353
$-\text{C}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)=\text{NC}_6\text{H}_5$		HCl:277-278.5 Picrate:225.5-226	48
$\text{P}(\text{=S})(\text{OCH}_3)_2$		78-80	340
$\text{P}(\text{=O})(\text{OC}_2\text{H}_5)_2$		60-61	340
$\text{P}(\text{=S})(\text{OC}_2\text{H}_5)_2$		66-67	340
$\text{P}(\text{=O})(\text{OC}_6\text{H}_5)_2$		111-113	340
$\text{P}(\text{=O})(\text{OC}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}_3\text{-4})_2$		134-135	340
SO_2CH_3		130-132	148
$\text{SO}_2\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{-}n$		85-86	148
$\text{SO}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Br}\text{-4}$		119-122	148
$\text{SO}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$	4-Br	149-150	148
$\text{SO}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Cl}\text{-4}$		93-96	148
$\text{CON}(\text{CH}_3)_2$		151-152	339a
$\text{CON}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_2$	1-CH ₃	161-163	339a
$\text{SO}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{F}\text{-4}$		131-132	148

TABLE II.4. 1-Cyano-2-Acy1-1,2-Dihydroisoquinolines—Reissert Analogs (*Continued*)

R ₂	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
SO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -4		143–146	148
SO ₂ C ₆ H ₅		109–112 ^a	147, 148
SO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₃ -4 ^a	4-Br	164	335
SO ₂ C ₆ H ₅	3-CH ₃	132–15 ^b	148
SO ₂ C ₆ H ₅	7-CH ₃ O	91–93	148
SO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4		101–103	148
		101 ^a	335
SO ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅		134–136	148
SO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4		131–134	148

^aUV, IR, and NMR in paper.^bMS in paper.^cNMR in paper.

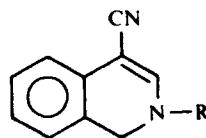
TABLE II. 5. Other 1-Cyano-1,2-Dihydroisoquinolines



R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
CH ₃		92	342
C ₂ H ₅		181.5–183	313
		53	342
CH ₂ OCH ₃		63–64	344
CH ₂ OC ₂ H ₅		51	344
NHC ₆ H ₅		110	368
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅		83–84 ^a	341
		81.5–83	313
		N/A	345
-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -2,3)	6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	120–122	203
CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)	6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	117	343

^aIR in paper.

TABLE II. 6. 4-Cyano-1,2-Dihydroisoquinoline



R	Substituent	m.p. (C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
H		101.5-103.5 Picrate: 101.5-103.5 N/A	IR, UV, NMR	346 346 369
CH ₃		80 N/A	IR, UV, NMR	347 346
H	1-CH ₃	95-96	UV	187
H	1-CH ₂ OH	139-141	NMR UV	188 188a
Ms		130.5-131		370
H	1-CH ₂ CN	148-149	IR, NMR	187
COCH ₃		156.5-157.5		369
H	1-C ₂ H ₅	96 96 96 96-96.5	NMR, UV IR UV UV	137 4 133 187
CH ₃	1-CH ₃	80-81		187
H	1,1-(CH ₃) ₂	133-134	UV	187
H	1-CHOHCH ₃	N/A	NMR	188
H	1-CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ OH	151-154	NMR UV	188 188a
H	1-CH ₃ SOCH ₃	204-207		187
H	1-CH ₂ OCH ₂ O-	152-154	NMR	188
H	1-C ₃ H _{7-n}	75-76	UV	133
H	1-C(CH ₃) ₂ OH	163-165	NMR	188
H	1-C ₄ H _{9-n}	64-65	UV	133
H	1,1-(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	113.5-114.5	UV	133
H	1-(CH ₂) ₃ OC ₂ H ₅	61-62	UV	133
H	1-C ₆ H ₅	187-188.5 195-196	UV	133 187
H	1,1-(C ₃ H _{7-n}) ₂	128-129	UV	133
COC ₆ H ₅		111-111.5		369
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅		120	IR, UV	134
H	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	160-161	UV	133
Ts		142-143		370
H	1-CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	118-120	NMR	187
H	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -1-CH ₂ OH	176-178	NMR	188

TABLE II. 4-Cyano-1,2-Dihydroisoquinoline (*Continued*)

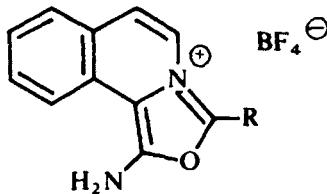
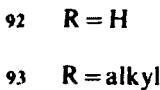
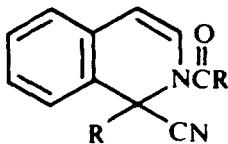
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Ts	1-CH ₃	152-153		187
H	1,1-(C ₄ H ₉ -n)	b.p.: 180-190.3	UV	133
COC ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ SOCH ₃	201-204		187
CH ₃	1-CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	113.5-114		187
Ts	1,1-(CH ₃) ₂	146-147		187
Ts	1-CH ₂ SOCH ₃	186		187
H	1-CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ OTs	117.5-118.5		188a
CH ₃	1=C ₂ H ₅ -1-CH ₂ -C ₆ H ₅	174		187
Ts	1-C ₆ H ₅	138-139		187
Ts	1=CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	159-159.5		187
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	1-NHCOC ₆ H ₅	198		134a
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	1-NHCOC(CH ₃) ₃	111		134a
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	1-NHCON(CH ₃) ₂	176		134a
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅		105		134a

TABLE II. 7. Other Cyano-1,2-Dihydroisoquinolines

Substituent	m.p. (C)	Ref.
2-CH-1-OH-4-Br	147	191
2-CH-1-OH	112-113	191
	118	348
2-CH-1-OCH ₃	52	191
	N/A ^a	358
2-CH-1-O ₂ C-CH ₃ ^a	N/A	358
2-CH-1-OC ₄ H ₉ -t	97	191
2-CH-1-O-O-C ₄ H ₉ -t	90	191
2-CN-1,1=NC ₆ H ₅	96	196
1-CH(CN) ₂ -2-CH=CHCOCH ₃	111-113	350
1-CH(CN) ₂ -2CH=CHCO ₂ CH ₃	132.5-137.5	351
1-CH(CN)CO ₂ CH ₃ -2-CH=CHCOCH ₃	111-116	371
1-CH(CN)CO ₂ CH ₃ -2-CH=CHCO ₂ CH ₃	110-112.5	351
1-CH(CN)CO ₂ CH ₃ -2-COC ₆ H ₅	115	371
1-CH(CN)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -2-COC ₆ H ₅	111-112	372
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2-CN-1-Br		372b
2-CN-1-OCH ₃ -5-NO ₂		372b

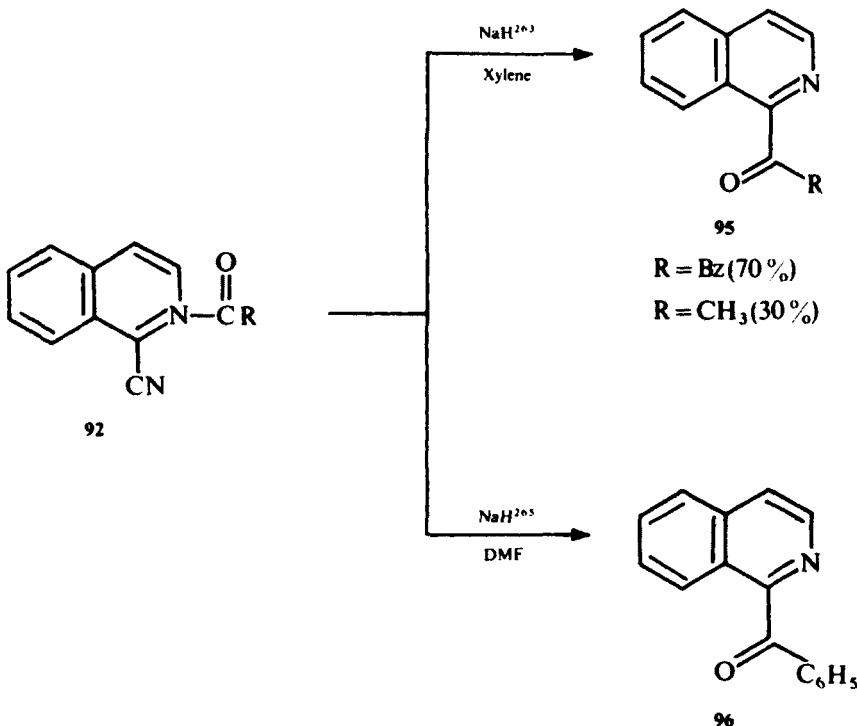
^aNMR in paper.

Reissert compounds **92** are prepared from isoquinolines, potassium cyanide, and acid chlorides.^{244, 245} on occasion, acid bromides and anhydrides have been used.²⁴⁷ Generally, a methylene chloride-water solvent system is preferred^{244, 245, 247, 248} but variations such as trimethylsilylcyanide-aluminum chloride²⁴⁹ are sometimes used.



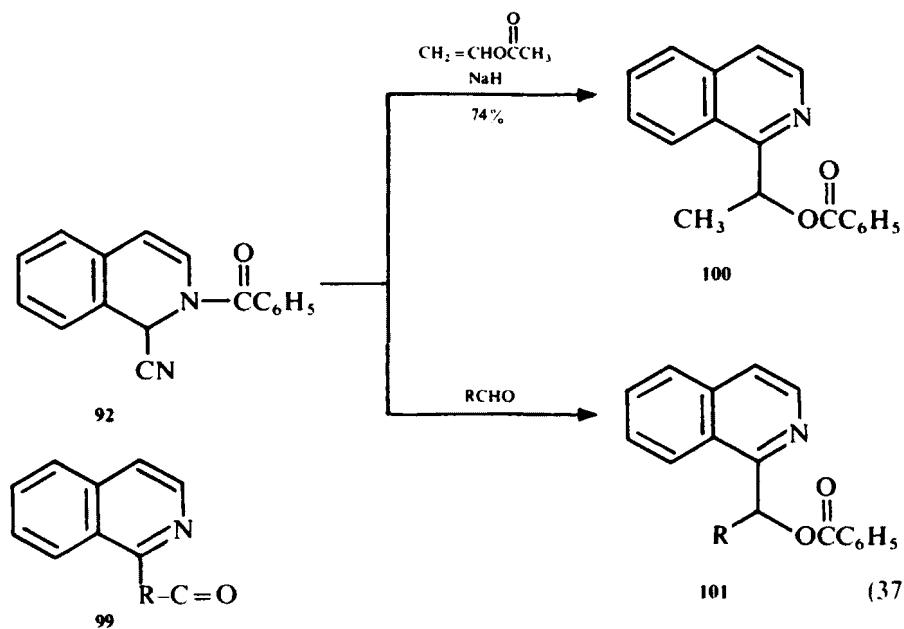
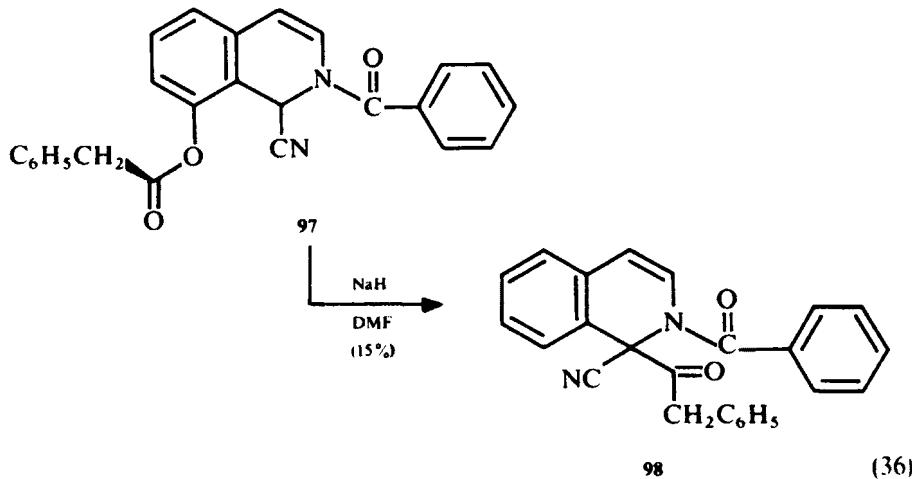
Acid-catalyzed hydrolysis of Reissert compounds gives aldehydes derived from the acyl group.^{244, 245, 247} Reissert salts^{107, 108, 250–252} can be isolated and their structure has been studied^{253–255} and shown to be 94.²⁵⁶ These have been reacted with benzhydrol,²⁵⁷ 1,1-diphenylethylene,^{257, 258} and vinylpyridine,²⁵⁹ and so on.^{109, 259a}

The 1-proton of 92 can be removed by a variety of bases,^{244, 245, 259b} including sodium hydroxide or sodium hydroxide-TEBA,^{260, 1} but preferably sodium hydride in dimethylformamide. The anion formed can undergo rearrangement to ketones 95 or 96^{146, 254, 262–266} (Scheme 2). It is of interest that in 97 that acyl

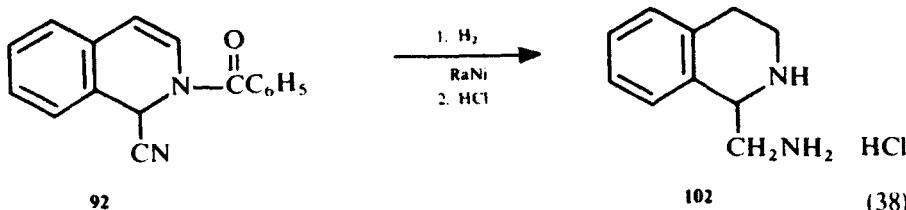


Scheme 2

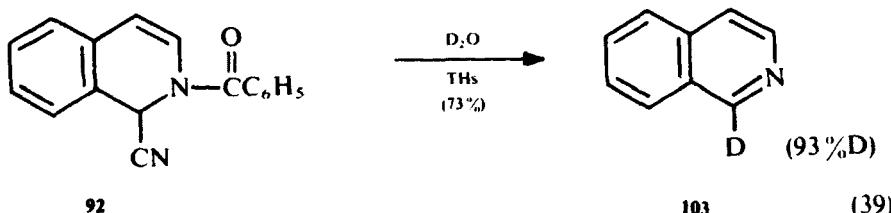
group at C8 migrates to C-1 to provide **98**, although in poor yields²⁶⁷ (Eq. 36). Rearrangement in the presence of Grignard reagents give the tertiary alcohol derived from reaction of the Grignard reagent with **99**.^{268,269} In at least one case, phenyl lithium gives a similar product.²⁷⁰ The anion of **92** can be alkylated to provide **93**,^{61,92,184,261,262,265,266,271-310} arylated,^{311,311a} can undergo the Michael condensation¹⁰⁶ as, for example, the reaction of **92** with vinyl acetate to afford **100**,³¹² reacts with various aldehydes that rearrange to afford **101**,^{254,260,262,302,313-320a} and reacts with reactive ketones,^{260,302,321,322} lactones,³²³ carbon disulfide,^{37,266} and isocyanates^{323a} (Eq. 37).



Base hydrolysis of **93** is an excellent route to 1-substituted isoquinolines. Catalytic hydrogenation of **92** provides a useful route for the preparation of 1-aminomethyltetrahydroisoquinoline **102**³²⁴ (Eq. 38).



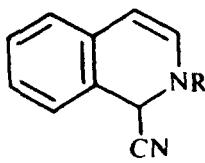
A number of these reactions have been applied to the synthesis of a variety of alkaloids and alkaloid-related compounds²⁴⁶ such as thalicarpine,^{315–318} calycotomine,³²⁵ armeparine,³²⁶ O-methyldauricine,²⁶⁴ and many others.^{326a–e, 326g–l} 1-Deuteroisoquinoline (**103**) has been obtained from **92**.²¹³



These reactions have also been used to prepare a variety of polymeric isoquinolines.^{327–330}

Oxidation of a Reissert compound gives the corresponding 1-cyanoisoquinoline.^{330a} Oxidation with thallium(III) nitrate gave a tetrahydroisoquinoline derivative.^{330b} Reaction with sulphuryl chloride and potassium cyanide resulted in addition to the 3,4position.^{330c–e} Dichlorocarbene also adds to the 3,4position.^{330f}

Various NMR studies related to the stereochemistry of **92** have been carried out.^{331–334}

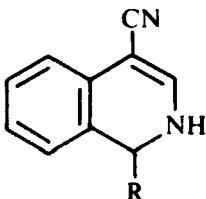
**104**

A number of analogs of Reissert compounds **104** R = SO₂R', CO₂R, CONR'₂, P(=Z)(OR)₂, etc.] have been prepared from isoquinoline, cyanide ion and sulfonyl halides,³³⁵ chloroformates,^{336–338} carbamoyl chlorides,^{339,339a} chlor-

ophosphates,³⁴⁰ and *N*-phenylbenzimidyl chloride.⁴⁸⁷ Alkylation of **104** ($R = CO_2R'$) proceeds as with **92**, although the reaction of the anion of **104** with aldehydes gives a tricyclic product.³³⁷ The conversion of the cyano group of **104** ($R = CO_2R'$) to an amidoxime group takes place with hydroxylamine.³³⁷

The reaction of isoquinolinium salts with cyanide ion^{203, 341–343} or isoquinolines, alkyl halides, and cyanide ion^{344, 345} gives the pseudocyanides **104** ($R = \text{alkyl}$).

Grignard reagents react with 4-cyanoisoquinolines to give **105**.^{4, 133, 187} 1-Substituted-4-cyanoisoquinolines react in a similar manner to give 1,1-disubstituted analogs.^{133, 187} The nitrogen in **105** can be alkylated or tosylated.¹⁸⁷ Reaction of 4-cyanoisoquinoline with phenyllithium, methyl sulfinyl carbanion, or the anion from acetonitrile also gives compounds of the type **105**¹⁸⁷.

**105**

Ultraviolet irradiation of 4-cyanoisoquinoline in the presence of propionic acid in benzene gives several products including **105** ($R = C_2H_5$),¹³⁷ while irradiation in the presence of alcohols gives **105** ($R = R'_2 COH$).¹⁸⁸

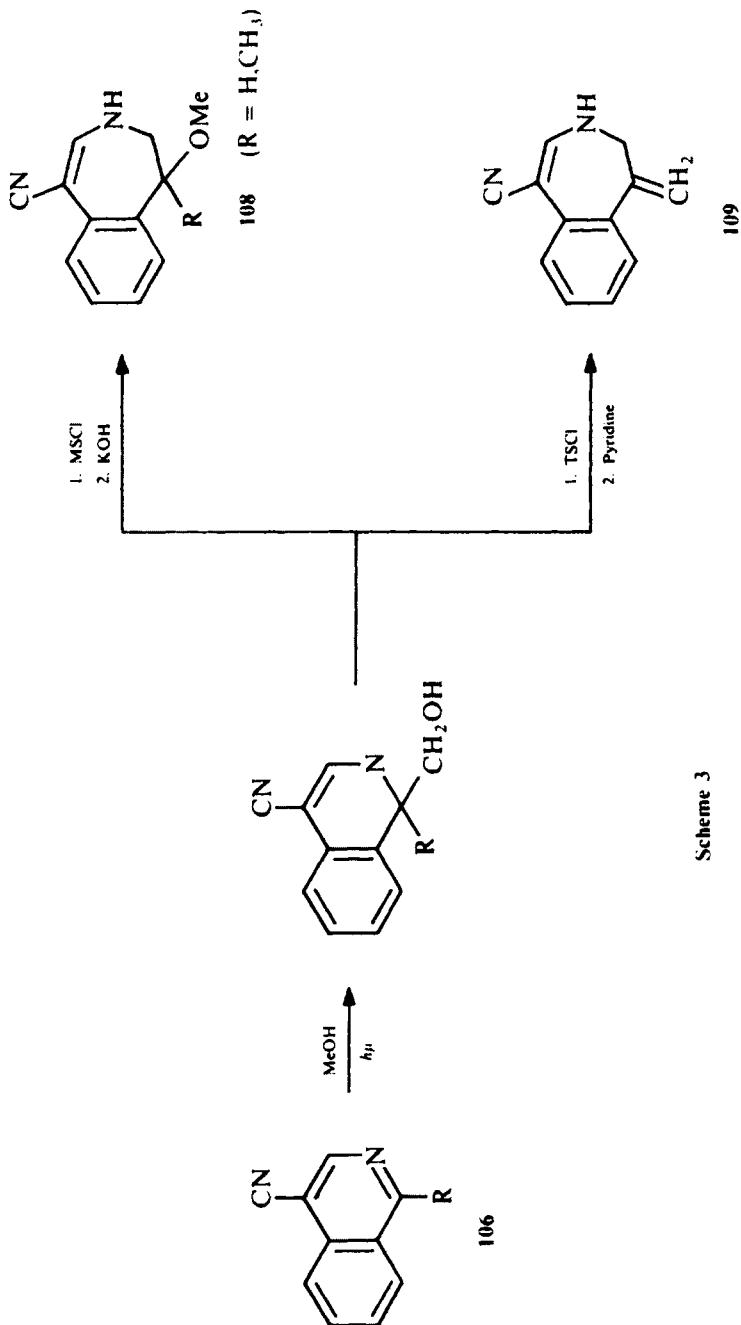
The mesylates of **107** undergo thermal ring expansion to 3*H*-4,5-dihydro-3-benzazepines **108** when warmed at 65 °C in methanol with potassium hydroxide. Interestingly, the tosylate of **107** ($R = CH_3$) rearranges in refluxing pyridine to the dihydro-3-benzazepine **109** having an *exo*-methylene^{188a} (Scheme 3).

Borohydride reduction of 4-cyanoisoquinolinium salts gives 4-cyano-*n*-substituted-1,2-dihydroisoquinolines.^{134, 346, 347}

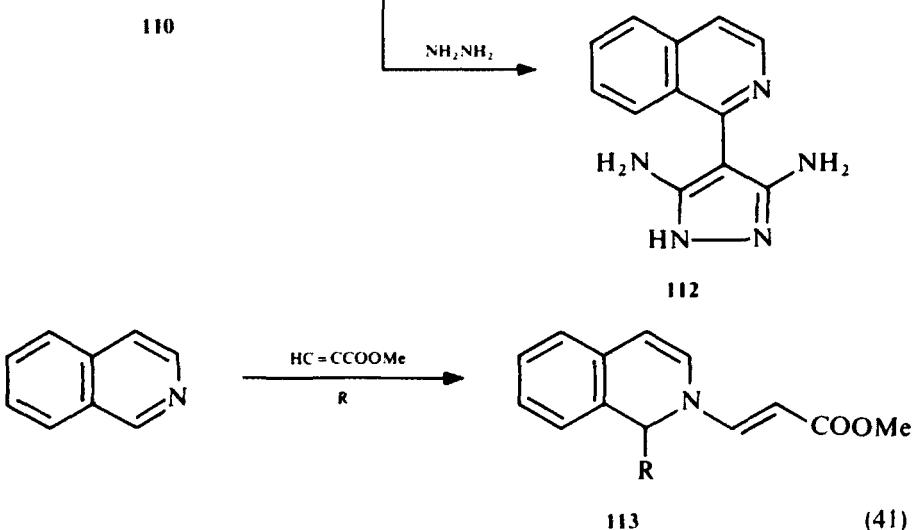
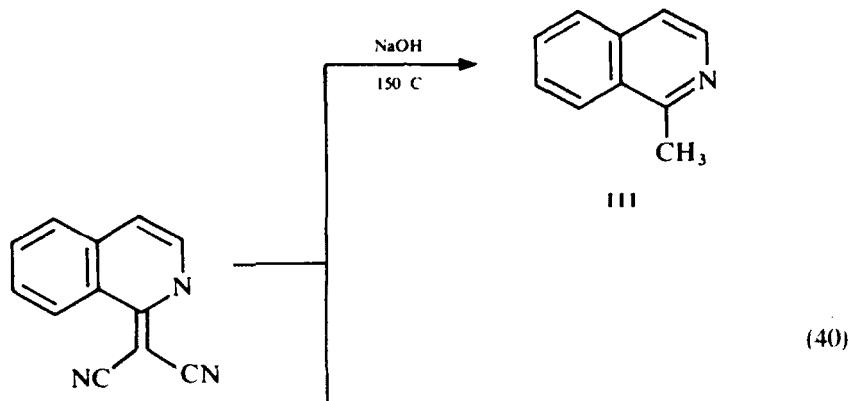
Cyanogen bromide and isoquinoline^{191, 348} or 2-cyanoisoquinolinium fluoroborate and water¹⁹¹ give 1-hydroxy-2-cyano-1,2-dihydroisoquinoline.

(2*H*)-dicyanomethylene isoquinoline **110**, when treated with aqueous sodium hydroxide and heated in an autoclave at 150 °C for 5h, provides 1-methylisoquinoline **111** in 58% yield. The reaction of **110** with hydrazine affords 1-(3',5'-diaminopyrazolyl-4') isoquinoline **112** in 62% yield³⁴⁹ (Eq. 40).

The reaction of isoquinoline with methylpropiolate and nitromethane provides mainly 1,2-dihydro-*N*-(*trans*-2-methoxycarbonylvinyl)-1-nitromethylisoquinoline **113a**.³⁵¹ Replacing nitromethane with methyl acetoacetate or cyanoacetate, acetyl acetone or malononitrile gives the corresponding derivatives **113b e**^{350, 351} (Eq. 41).



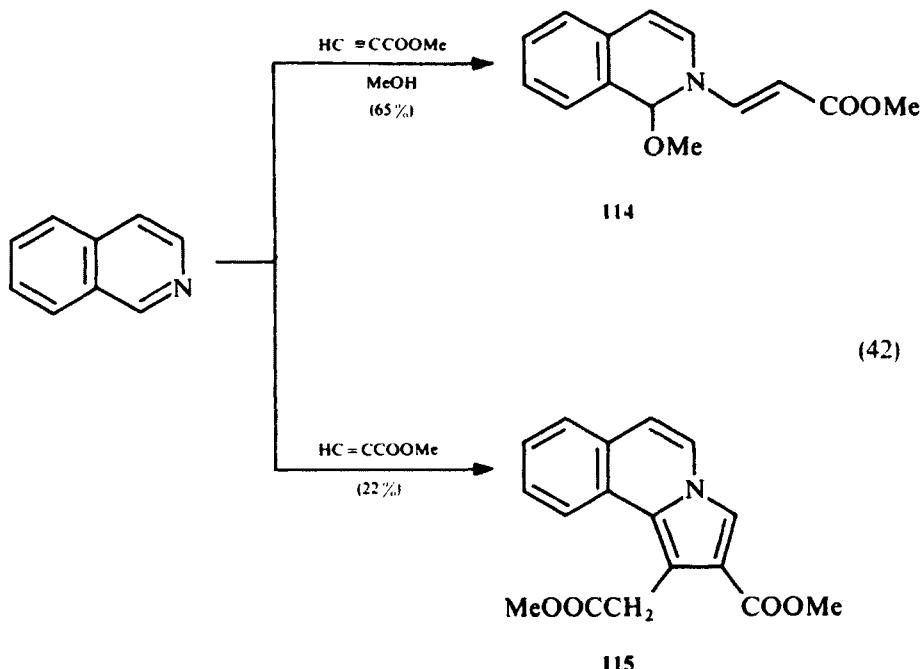
Scheme 3



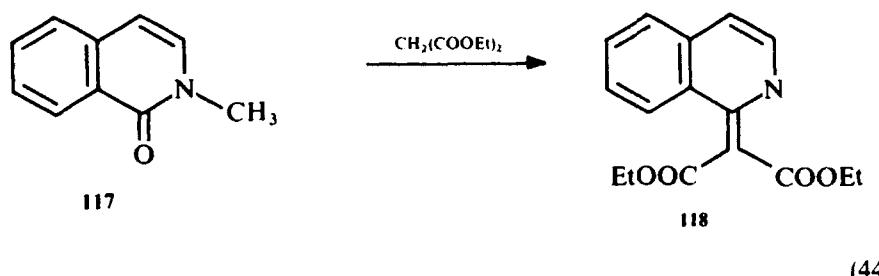
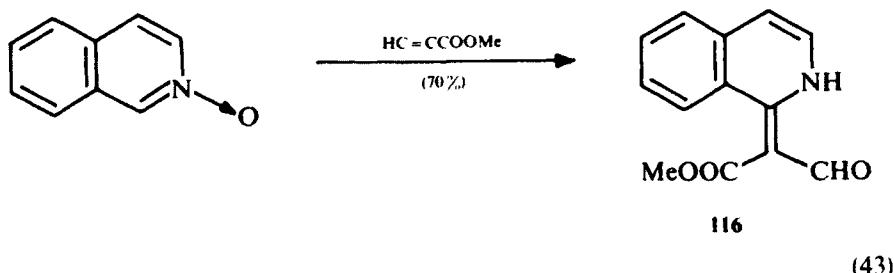
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|------------------------------------|----|
| a. CH ₂ NO ₂ | 21 |
| b. Acetylacetone | 51 |
| c. Methyl acetoacetone | 29 |
| d. Methyl cyanoacetate | 80 |
| e. Malononitrile | 80 |

(b) Other Acid Derivatives

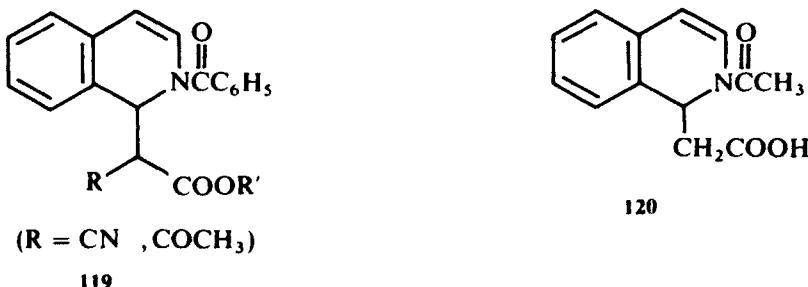
The reaction of isoquinoline with methyl propiolate gives, after recrystallization from methanol, 114.³⁷⁸ In the absence of methanol, isoquinoline and methyl propiolate react violently to produce the benzoindolizidine 115³⁷³ (Eq. 42).



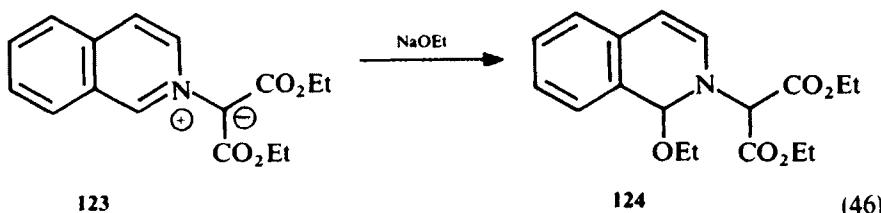
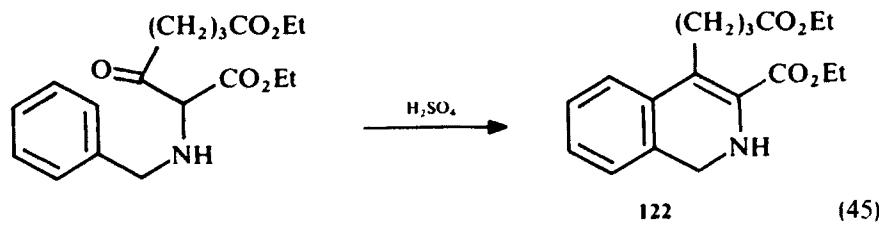
Use of isoquinoline *N*-oxide with methyl propiolate gives **116** (Eq. 43).³⁷⁴ Similarly, the reaction of *N*-methyl-1,2-dihydroisoquinoline-2-one **117** with diethyl malonate affords **118**³⁷⁵ (Eq. 44).



Reaction of isoquinoline, benzoyl chloride, and active methylene compounds gives **119**.^{371,372} Use of acetic anhydride in place of the benzoyl chloride gives a similar product,³⁷⁶ while isoquinoline and acetic anhydride alone gives **120**.³⁷⁶



A number of ring openings^{43,377,378} and esterifications^{376,378,379} have been used. Borohydride reduction of appropriately substituted isoquinolines has given the dihydroisoquinolines.^{346,347} The reaction of **121** with sulfuric acid gives **122**⁹⁰ (Eq. 45). Reaction of the ylide **123** with sodium ethoxide gives the corresponding 1-ethoxy-1,2-dihydroisoquinolines **124**²³⁹ (Eq. 46).



The above 1,2-dihydroisoquinolines are included in Table II.8 (page 203). Table II.9 (page 203), II.10 (page 205) and II.11 (page 208) include compounds of the type **91**.

A large number of isocoumarins containing various carboxylic acid functional groups have been reacted with ammonia or amines to give compounds of the type **91**.^{80,117,380-391} A similar conversion of an isothiocoumarin-3-carboxylic acid has been reported.³⁹²

Spontaneous^{79,134,347} or potassium-ferricyanide oxidation^{134,215,393} of 1,2-dihydroisoquinolines leads to **91**. Catalytic hydrogenation of 4-cyano-1-hydroxyisoquinoline-*N*-oxide or reaction of benzoyl chloride and base with 4-cyanoisoquinoline-*N*-oxide leads to 4-cyanocarbostyril **91** ($\text{R} = \text{H}$).^{140,141}

TABLE II. 8. Other Cyano-1,2-Dihydroisoquinoline Derivatives

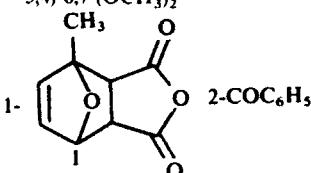
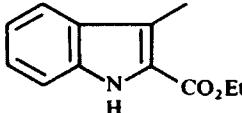
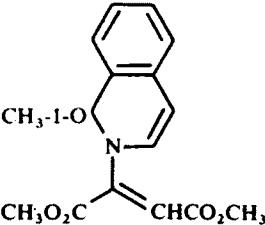
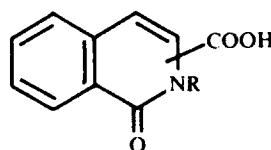
Substituents	m.p (°C)	Ref.
4-CONH ₂ ^{a,b}	196-197	346
4-CONH ₂ -2-CH ₃ ^{a-c}	180 HCl: 227 Picrate: 240	347 347 347
4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ^{a-c}	80-82 Picrate: 140	346 346
1-C(NH ₂)=NOH-2-COCH ₃	194-196 145	416 43
1,1=C(CHO)CO ₂ CH ₃	N/A	374
1-CH ₂ CO ₂ H-2-COCH ₃	165-166	376
2-CH ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-CONH ₂ ^a	161-162	379
3-CO ₂ C ₃ H ₅ -2-CH ₃	183-185	337
2-CO ₂ C ₃ H ₅ -1-C(NH ₂)=NOH ^a	N/A	80
1-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -2-COCH ₃	153-155	337
2-CH=CHCO ₂ CH ₃ -1-OCH ₃ ^a	b.p. 145-150/2	379
2-CH(CO ₂ CH ₃)CH ₂ CO ₂ H-1-OH	101-102.5	373
2-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-C(NH ₂)=NOCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ^a	95-105	43
1-C(NH ₂)=NOH-2-COC ₆ H ₅	133-134	337
1-CH(CN)CO ₂ CH ₃ -2-CH=CHCOCH ₃	182-183	416
1-CH(CN)CO ₂ CH ₃ -2-CH=CHCO ₂ CH ₃	111-116	350
4-CONH ₁ -2,6C ₂ H ₃ CH ₂	110-112.5	351
1,1=C(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅) ₂ -2-CH ₃	220	134a
1-C(CH ₃) ₂ CO ₂ H-2-COCH(CH ₃) ₂	189-191	375
1-CH(SH)CO ₂ H-2-COC ₆ H ₅	136	378
1-CH(COCH ₃)CO ₂ CH ₃ -2-CH=CHCO ₂ CH ₃	141-142	377
1-CH(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅) ₂ -2-COCH ₃ ^{a,c}	95-97	351
1-C(CH ₃) ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -2-COCH(CH ₃) ₂	b.p. 160-170/2	376
3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -4-(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	115-116	378
2-CH(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅) ₂ -1-OCH ₃	230	90
1-CH(C ₆ H ₅)CO ₂ H-2-COCH ₃	145	239
1-CH(C ₆ H ₅)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -2-COCH ₃	186-187	376
1-CH ₂ (CN)CO ₂ CH ₃ -2-COC ₆ H ₅	2 isomers 169-170 115	371
1-CH(C ₆ H ₅)CO ₂ CH ₃ -2-COCH ₃	144-145	376
1-CH(CN)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -2-COC ₆ H ₅	2 isomers 112-113	376
1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-CN-2-COC ₆ H ₅	111-112	372
1-CH(COCH ₃)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -2-COC ₆ H ₅	129-131	265, 266
1-CH(C ₂ H ₅)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-CN-2-COC ₆ H ₅	120-122	372, 417
1-CH(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅) ₂ -2-COC ₆ H ₅	160-161	281
4-COCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -2-CH ₃ -3-(C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ ^{a-c}	86-87	372
1- 	87	371
2-COC ₆ H ₅ ,	146-148	79
109-110	418	

TABLE II. 8. Other Cyano-1,2-Dihydroisoquinoline Derivatives (*Continued*)

Substituents		m.p. (°C)	Ref.
	-1-CN-2-COC ₆ H ₅	114-116	61
	2-C(CO ₂ CH ₃)=CHCO ₂ CH ₃ -1-O-	116-117	122
4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-CH ₃		86-88	118a
4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-C ₂ H ₅		85-86	118a
4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-C ₃ H ₇		109-110	118a
4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-C ₄ H ₉		Oil	118a

^aUV in paper.^bIR in paper.^cNMR in paper.

TABLE II. 9. Carboxylic Acid Derivatives of 1,2-Dihydroisoquinoline-1-Ones



R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
H	3-CO ₂ H	320	381, 419
		326-328	392
		> 300	399
		325-326	411
		318-320	407, 408
H	4-CO ₂ H	290	387
		N, A ^{b,c}	420
CH ₃	3-CO ₂ H-4-CH ₃	335-336	54, 392, 421
		238	380
	3-CO ₂ H	238-240	392

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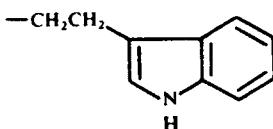
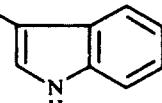
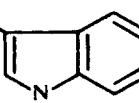
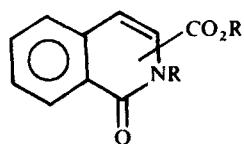
R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
CH ₃ ^{a,c}	4-CO ₂ H	262-263	396
		262	387
H	4-CO ₂ H-7-CH ₃ O	345	422
H	3-CO ₂ H-7-CH ₃ O-8-HO	315	385, 412
CH ₃	3-CO ₂ H-5-CN	350-353	395
CH ₃ ^{a,b}	4-CO ₂ H-6,7-CH ₂ O ₂	321-322	382
C ₂ H ₅	3-CO ₂ H	202	380
		200-201	392
H	3-CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ H	227-228	93
CH ₃	3-CO ₂ H-4-CH ₃	216-217	54b
CH ₃ ^{a,b}	4-CO ₂ H-7-CH ₃ O	263-264	382
H	3-CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	313-314	385
H	3-CO ₂ H-5,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	274-275	385
H	3-CO ₂ H-7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	257-258	392
		261	385, 402, 403
		N/A	389
CH ₃	3-CO ₂ H-7-CH ₃ -O-8-OH	242-243	409
CH ₃ ^{a-c}	4-CH=CHCO ₂ H	260	102
H	3-C(CH ₃) ₂ CO ₂ H	215	93
H	3-CO ₂ H-7-CH ₃ O-8-C ₂ H ₅ O	257-258	385
CH ₃	3-CO ₂ H-7,8-(CH ₃ O) ₂	198-199	392
		194-195	409
H	3-CO ₂ H-4,5,6-(OCH ₃) ₂	280	383
C ₂ H ₅	3-CO ₂ H-7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	128-130	392
H	4-CH ₂ CO ₂ H-5,6,7-(OCH ₃) ₃	242-244	388
CH ₂ CH ₂ C(CH ₃)(NH ₂)CO ₂ H		257	423
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ^{a,b}	3-CO ₂ H	112-113	80
H	3-CO ₂ H-4-C ₆ H ₅	325-327	97
C ₆ H ₅	3-CO ₂ H	265	380
		272-273	392
C ₆ H ₅	4-CO ₂ H	267	387
H	3-CO ₂ H-4-C ₆ H ₅ NH	250-256	407, 408
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ H-5,6,7-(OCH ₃) ₃	220-222	382a
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₃	311-312	382a
H	3-CH ₂ CO ₂ H-4-C ₆ H ₅	242	386
	NH ₄ salt:	217	386
C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂	3-CO ₂ H	223-224	392
		207	384
(CH ₂) ₃ COCH ₃ ^a	4-CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	265-266	190
H ^{a,b}	4-CN-3-(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ CO ₂ H-2)	243	410
COCH(CH ₃) ₂ ^{a-c}	1-C(CH ₃) ₂ CO ₂ H-3-CH ₃	118-119	424
 			
	3-CO ₂ H	206-207	390, 425
		204-205	426

TABLE II. 9. Carboxylic Acid Derivatives of 1,2-Dihydroisoquinoline-1-Ones (*Continued*)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
-CH ₂ -CH ₂		249.5-250	425,426
-CH ₂ CH ₂		249.5-250	390
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ 3-[C ₆ H ₅ (O ₂ CH ₂)-3,4]	256-258	426a

^a IR in paper.^b NMR in paper.^c UV in paper.

TABLE II. 10. Carboxylate Derivatives of 1,2-Dihydroisoquinoline-1-Ones



R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
H ^a	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -4-OH-6 or 7-Cl	250	427
H	3-CO ₂ CH ₃	160-161.5	428
		158-159	428a
		157-158	399
		161-162	411
H	4-CO ₂ CH ₃	249-250	117
H ^b	5-CO ₂ CH ₃	207-208	395
H	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -4-OH	219-220	404
NH ₂	4-CO ₂ CH ₃	177	117
CH ₃	3-CO ₂ CH ₃	132-133	411
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ CH ₃	122-123	117
H	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	147-148	411
H	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	Na salt: 227	387
H	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -4-OH	194	429
		N. A.	430
H	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7-OCH ₃	223-223.5	391
CH ₃ ^c	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -4-OH	93-94	394
H	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -5-OCH ₃ -8-OH	243-244	385
H	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7-OCH ₃ -8-OH	233	412
		233 ^{a,b}	385

TABLE II. 10. Carboxylate Derivatives of 1,2-Dihydroisoquinoline-1-Ones (*Continued*)

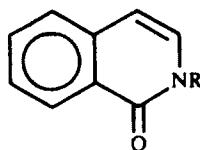
R	Substituent	m.p. (C)	Ref.
H	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -4-CH ₃	214-216	54a
H	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -4-C ₆ H ₅	165-167	428a
H	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -4-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₃ - <i>p</i>	252-254	428a
CH ₃ ^{a-c}	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -5-CN	132-133	395
H	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -4-OOCCH ₃	186-187	431
H ^a	3,5-(CO ₂ CH ₃) ₂ -4-OH	194-196	405
H ^a	3,7-(CO ₂ CH ₃) ₂ -4-OH	246-248	405
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	98	387,396
		100	347
CH ₃ ^{b,c}	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -4-OCH ₃	127-129	394
CH ₃ ^b	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7-OCH ₃	147-148	382
H	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	199	409
		198-199	385
		195	54, 402, 403
CH ₃	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7-OCH ₃ -8-OH	148-149	409
H	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -7-OCH ₃ -8-OH	207	385
H ^{a,b}	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3-CH ₃ -5,8-(OH) ₂	256-258	95,96
R	4-C(SCH ₃)=C(CN)CO ₂ R	N/A	432
CH ₃ ^c	4-CH=CHCO ₂ CH ₃	75-76	102
H	3-C(CH ₃) ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃	163	93
H	3-CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	110	93
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -7-OCH ₃	145-146	382
H	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	179	54,402
		180	403
H ^b	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	280-281	190
CH ₃	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	160-161	385, 409, 412
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	192-193	382a
H	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,8-(OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅) ₂	163-164	96d
H	4-C(SCH ₃)=C(CN)CO ₂ CH ₃	N/A	433
CH ₃	4-CH=CHCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	89-90	102
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ^{a,b}	3-CO ₂ H	112-113	80
H	3-C(CH ₃) ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	151	93
H	3-CO ₂ C ₃ H ₇ -7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	146	403
H	3-CO ₂ C ₄ H ₉ -7-OCH ₃ -8-OH	168	403
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ^{a,b}	3-COOOCO-4	151-153	80
CH ₃ ^{a-c}	5,7-(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅) ₂ -6-OH	159-161	434
H	3-CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ C ₄ H ₉ -sec	Oil	93
H	3-CO ₂ C ₄ H ₉ -7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	128	403
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ^{a,c}	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	Oil	80
N=CHC ₆ H ₅	4-CO ₂ CH ₃	132-134	117
H	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -4-C ₆ H ₅	148-151	97
C ₆ H ₅	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	118	387
NHCONHC ₆ H ₅	4-CO ₂ CH ₃	230	117
(CH ₂) ₃ COCH ₃ ^{b,c}	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	120-121	190
H	3-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ CO ₂ CH ₃ -2)-4-CN	195	410
CH ₃ ^b	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -4-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	144-146	394
N=CH(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)	4-CO ₂ CH ₃	187-189	117
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	3,4-(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅)	Oil	80

TABLE II. 10. Carboxylate Derivatives of 1,2-Dihydroisoquinoline-1-Ones (*Continued*)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
$(CH_2)_3C(OCH_2)_2CH_3^{b,c}$	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	107-108 199-200	190 79
H	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -4-OH-6-NO ₂	> 280	434a
H	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -4-OH-7-NO ₂	278-280	434a
CH ₃	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -4-OCH ₃ -6-NO ₂	133-135	434a
CH ₃	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -4-OCH ₃ -7-NO ₂	153-155	434a
H	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -4-OH-8-NO ₂	257-260	434a
H		213-214	428a
H		172-173	428a
H		254-256	428a
H		234-236	428a
H		252-254	428a
H		269-271	428a
H		258-261	428a
H		263-266	428a

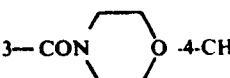
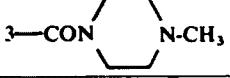
^a UV in paper.^b IR in paper.^c NMR in paper.

TABLE II. 11. Other Derivatives of 1,2-Dihydroisoquinoline-1-Ones



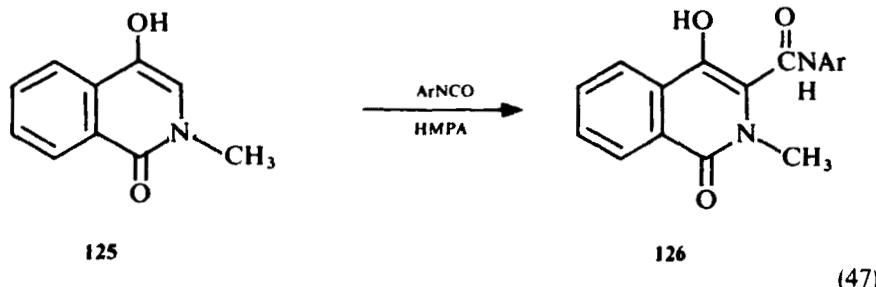
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H	4-CN	257-258		140, 141
		256-258	IR, UV	38
		258-259	IR, NMR	415
H	5-CN	275	IR, UV	395
OH	3-CN	232-234	UV, IR	406
H	3-CON ₃	155		413
H	4-CON ₃	150		413
H	3-CONH ₂	276-277		400
		289		411
H	3-CONHNH ₂	285		413
H	4-CONHNH ₂	> 300		413
H	4-CN-6,7-CH ₂ O ₂	> 340	NMR	415
CH ₃	4-CN	198	IR, UV, NMR	347
		200-201		346
		197-199		393
NH ₂	4-CN-3-SCH ₃	165-167	IR, UV	435
H	3-CONHCH ₃	227		400
CH ₃	3-CO ₂ H-5-CN	350-353		395
H	4-CN-6,7-CH ₂ O ₂ -8-OCH ₃	290-292		414
H	8-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-CH ₃ -7OCOCH ₃	283		435a
CH ₃	8-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-CH ₃ -7OCOCH ₃	220		435a
C ₂ H ₅	8-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-CH ₃ -7OCOCH ₃	178		435a
C ₃ H ₇	8-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-CH ₃ -7OCOCH ₃	133		435a
C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂	8-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-CH ₃ -7OCOCH ₃	189		435a
		290-292	NMR	415
H	4-CN-3-C ₂ H ₅	261-262		398
H	4-CN-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	293-294	IR	74
CH ₃	4-CS ₂ CH ₃	144	IR, UV, NMR	215
CH ₃	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -5-CN	132-133	IR, UV, NMR	395
N=C(CH ₃) ₂	4-CN-3-SH	221-223	IR, UV	435
H	4-CN-3-C ₃ H ₇ -n	221		397
CH ₃	4-CN-3-C ₂ H ₅	135-136		398
CH ₃	4-CN-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	274-275	IR	190
CH ₃	4-CON(CH ₃) ₂	160	IR, UV	134
H		324	IR, UV	217
H	4-C(SCH ₃)=C(CO ₂ CH ₃)CN	N/A		433
R	4-C(SCH ₃)=C(CO ₂ R')CN	N/A		432

TABLE II. 11. Other Derivatives of 1,2-Dihydroisoquinoline-1-Ones (Continued)

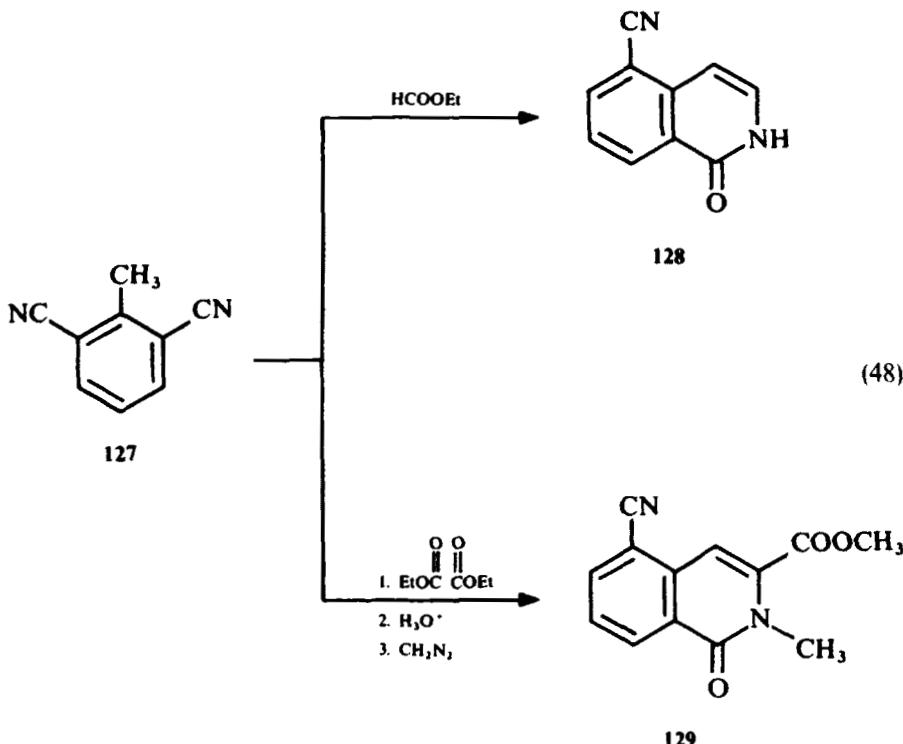
R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
H	3-CO NH C ₆ H ₅	278		400
H	3-CO NH ₂ -4-C ₆ H ₅	224-226		97
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	4-CN	132	IR, UV	134
CH ₃	3-CO NH(C ₆ H ₅ Cl ₂ -2,5)-4-OH	228-230		394
CH ₃	3-CO NH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)-4-OH	239-241		394
CH ₃	3-CO NH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-2)-4-OH	210-212		394
CH ₃	3-CO NH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-3)-4-OH	228-230	IR, NMR	394
CH ₃	4-CO(NH ₂) ₂	136	IR, UV	134
CH ₃	3-CO NH(C ₆ H ₃ Cl ₂ -2,4)-4-OH	233-234		394
CH ₂ CO ₂ H	H	245-247		433a
CH ₃	3-CO NH(C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -4)-4-OH	246		394
-(CH ₂) ₃ COCH ₃	4-CN-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₃	191-192	IR, NMR	190
(CH ₂) ₃ COCH ₃	4-CO NH ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	257-258	IR	190
CH ₃	3-CO NH C ₆ H ₅ -4-OH	195-197		394
H	4-CN-3-(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ CO ₂ H-2)	240	UV	401
		243	IR, NMR	410
H	3-CO=CH(C ₆ H ₄ CO ₂ H-2)	251-253		400
CH ₃	3-CO NH(C ₆ H ₄ CF ₃ -3)-4-OH	196-199		394
H	4-CN-3-(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -2)-8-OCH ₃	304-306	UV, IR, NMR	437
CH ₃	3-CO NH(C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -3)-4-OH	208-209		394
CH ₃	3-CO NH(C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4)-4-OH	207-209		394
CH ₃	3-CO NH(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -2)-4-OH	177-180		394
H	4-CN-3-(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ CO ₂ CH ₃ -2)	195		410
H	3-CO NH(CH ₂) ₃ NH ₂ -4-(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)	188-190		438
-(CH ₂) ₃ C(OCH ₃) ₂	4-CN-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	161-162	IR, NMR	190
CH ₃	3-CO NH ₂ -4-CH ₃	331-332		54a
CH ₃	3-COCl-4-CH ₃	97-98		54b
CH ₃	3-CO NH(CH ₂) ₂ -N(CH ₃) ₂ -4-CH ₃	104-105		54b
CH ₃	3-CO NH(CH ₂) ₂ -N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ -4-CH ₃	86-87		54b
CH ₃	3-CO NH(CH ₂) ₂ -N(CH ₃) ₂ -4-CH ₃	68-72		54b
CH ₃	3—CON  -4-CH ₃	155-156		54b
CH ₃	3—CON  -4-CH ₃	136-137		54b
CH ₃	3—CON  -4-CH ₃	141-142		54b
CH ₃	3—CON  N-CH ₃ -4-CH ₃	150-151		54b

1-Chloro-⁵⁴ and 1-methoxy-¹⁶ isoquinoline-3-carboxylic acids have been reacted with alcohols to give 3-carboxylate derivatives of **91**.

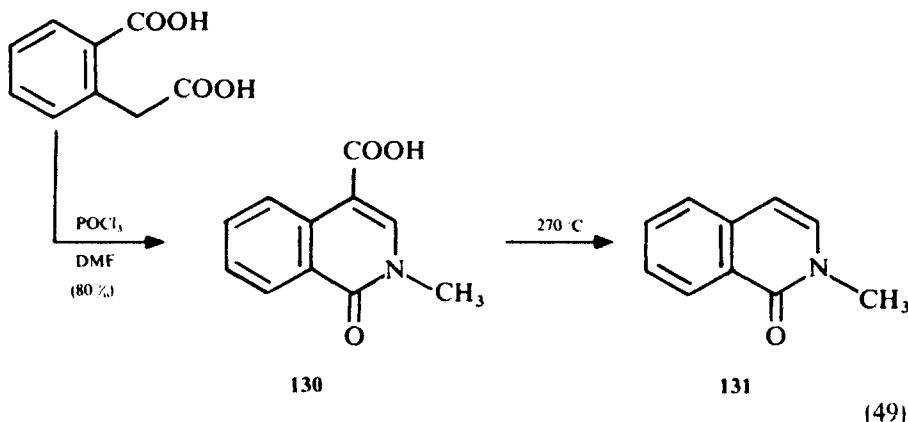
The reaction of 2-methyl-4-hydroxyisocarbostyryl **125** with aryl isocyanates in the presence of NaH-hexamethylphosphoramide provides 4-hydroxy-2-methyl isocarbostyryl-3-carboxanilides **126** in poor to moderate yields³⁹⁴ (Eq. 47).



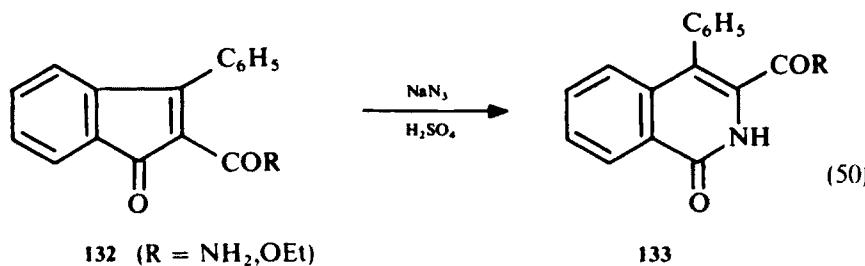
The condensation of 2-methylisophthalonitrile **127** with ethyl formate in the presence of potassium *t*-butoxide yields *S*-cyanoisocarbostyryl **128**. Similarly, condensation with ethyl oxalate followed by mild basic hydrolysis and diazomethane treatment provides 2-methyl-3-carbomethoxy-5-cyanoisocarbostyryl **129**³⁹⁵ (Eq. 48).



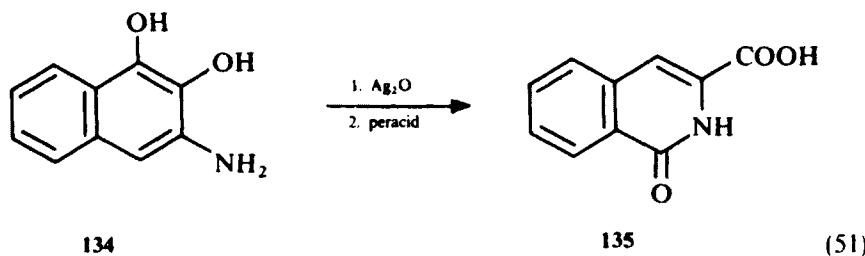
The reaction of homophthalic acid with the Vilsmeier reagent (DMF/POCl₃) at 100 °C provides an 80% yield of 2-methyl-4-carboxy-1(2H)isoquinoline **130**, which is quantitatively decarboxylated to give 2-methyl-1(2H)isoquinoline **131**.^{382, 396} (Eq. 49). A variety of other cyclizations based on *o*-disubstituted benzenes have been used in this series.^{93, 397–401}



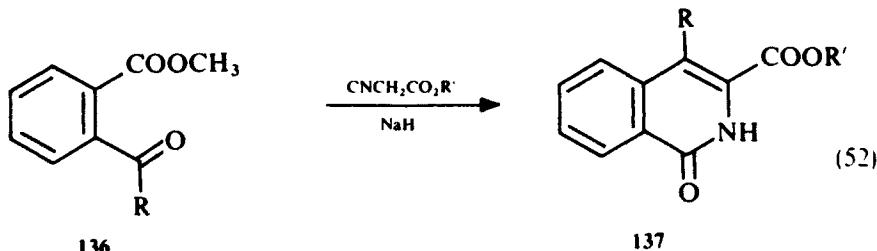
The reaction of **132** with sulfuric acid and sodium amide gives **133**⁹⁷ (Eq. 50).



Treatment of 2-phenyl-4-benzylidene-5-oxazolones^{385,402,403} or phthalimidoacetates^{404,405} with base gives rise to 3-carboxylic acid derivatives of **91**. Other cyclization⁷⁴ and rearrangement⁴⁰⁶ reactions have been used, including treatment of **134** with silver oxide and then a peracid to give **135** (Eq. 51).^{407,408}



The reaction of isocyanides with methyl 2-formylbenzoate **136** in the presence of sodium hydride in DMF at 30–40 °C gives the isocarbostyryl-3-carboxylates **137** in moderate yields^{428a} (Eq. 52).



A variety of reactions, such as esterification,^{80, 102, 382, 385, 396, 399, 403, 409–411} ester hydrolysis,^{93, 97, 190, 385, 387, 391, 395, 409, 412} and nitrile hydrolysis,^{190, 395} have been reported for the preparation of derivatives of **135**. Esters have been converted to amides²¹⁷ and hydrazides.⁴¹³ These latter compounds have been converted to azides and subjected to the Curtiss rearrangements.⁴¹³ The nitrogen in **91** ($R = H$) has been substituted by reaction with a variety of alkyl halides.^{190, 394} Heating of the 5,8- or 7,8-dimethoxy-3-carboxylic acid derivatives of **91** leads to the formation of the 5- or 7-methoxy-8-hydroxy-3-carbomethoxy derivative.^{385, 409, 412} 4-Bromo derivatives of **91** have been reacted with cuprous cyanide to give 4-cyano derivatives.^{393, 414, 415}

B. 3,4-Dihydroisoquinoline Derivatives

A large number of 3,4-dihydroisoquinolines containing acidic functional groups, particularly in the 1 and 3 positions and in the side chain, have been prepared by the Bischler-Napieralski reaction or some modification of it. Thus, amides of type **138** are cyclized to **139** with reagents such as phosphorus oxychloride, phosphorus pentoxide, polyphosphate ester, phosphorus pentachloride, or mixtures of the reagents.^{15, 17, 18, 84–86, 92, 132, 439–489} (Eq. 53).

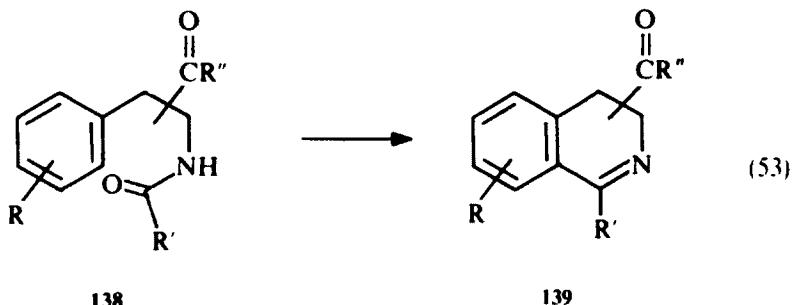
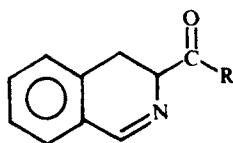


TABLE II.12. 3,4-Dihydroisoquinolines with Acidic Function on 3 Position



Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
3-CO ₂ H-1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	N/A	514
3-CO ₂ R-1-R'-6,7(OH) ₂	N/A	514, 515
3-CO ₂ H-1-CH ₃ -6,7-CH ₂ O ₂	HCl: 230	473
3-CO ₂ H-1,3-(CH ₃) ₂	241-242 HCl: 179-180	456 456
3-CONH ₂ -1,3-(CH ₃) ₂	137 Picrate: 186-187	504 504
3-CONHNH ₂ -1,3-(CH ₃) ₂	164-165	508
3-CO ₂ H-1-C ₂ H ₅ -3-CH ₃	171-172	458
3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1,3-(CH ₃) ₂	Picrate: 182-183	455
3-CO ₂ H-1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 205	473
3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-CH ₃ -6,7-CH ₂ O ₂	96-97 HCl: 194 (N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻) 173	473 473 473
3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1,3-(CH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 132-134/2-3	456
3-CO ₂ H-1-C ₃ H ₇ -n-3-CH ₃	154-155	458
3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1,3-(CH ₃) ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃)-DL	101-103 HCl: 193-195 (N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻) 215-217	450, 471 471 471
	-L b.p.: 163-165/0.5 HCl: 213-215	471 471
	-D 65-67 HCl: 209-211	471 471
3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-SCH ₃	141 103 Picrate: 189	508a 473 85
3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 155-160 b.p.: 154-155/4-5 b.p.: 160-165/4-5	473 458 458
3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-C ₂ H ₅ -3-CH ₃	oil	479
3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-C ₃ H ₇ -n-3-CH ₃	106	473
3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-C ₆ H ₅ -6-OCH ₃ ^a	Oxalate: 206-207	505
3,3-(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅) ₂ -1-CH ₃ -6,7-CH ₂ O ₂ ^b	140.5	463
3-CO ₂ CH ₃ CH ₂ CH ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ -6,7-CH ₂ O ₂	139-140	458
3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-CH ₂ O ₂	HCl: 205	479
3-CO ₂ H-1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -3-CH ₃	196	474
3-CO ₂ H-1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	Picrate: 234-235	474
3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-C ₆ H ₅ -7-OH-6,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	202-203	508
3-CONHNHSO ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -1,3-(CH ₃) ₂	110	473
3,3-(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅) ₂ -1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ ^b	b.p.: 200-202/7-8	503
3-CO ₂ (CH ₂) ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ -1,3(CH ₃) ₂ ^b	Dipicrate: 112	503
3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-(C ₆ H ₃ O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)-6,7-CH ₂ O ₂	140-141	463

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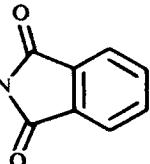
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3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-ClCH ₂ -3-CH ₃ ^a	120.5-121.5 120 ^a 119-120 ^a	15 479 443
	55-56	IR, NMR
	HCl: 277-278	508b
3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-(CH ₂) ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ ^b (N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ I ⁻) (N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ Cl ⁻)	155-156 160-161	485, 516 485, 516
3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -3-CH ₃	b.p. 210-212/8-9 94-95	458 458
3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-C ₆ H ₅ -3-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -DL	105-107	471
	HCl: 172-173	471
3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	Picrolonate: 193	84
3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-CH ₂ O ₂	111	463
3,3-(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅)-1-CH ₃ -6-N(CH ₂ CH ₂ Cl) ₂	85-95	461
3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3-CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ CH ₂ -N 	Picrate: 172	517
3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-OCH ₃ -1-CH ₂ N 	202-204	476, 482, 483
3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -3-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -DL	HCl: 222-224	471
3-CO ₂ H-1-CH ₂ CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)-3-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	N/A	450
3-CO ₂ H-1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	140 147 142-145 147-148	488 17 518 81
3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-CH=CH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)-3-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	150-153	450, 471
	HCl: 224-228 (N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻)	471 177-180
3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	N/A	470
3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	125-126 137-139 125-128	488 81 18
3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	144-145	18
	HCl: 205-207	471
3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	115	17
	HCl: 205-207	471
3-CO ₂ laurate-1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	N/A	514
3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-CH=CH(C ₆ H ₃ (CH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-3-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	130-135	471
3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ OC ₂ H ₅ -4-OCH ₃ -3)-6-OCH ₃ -7-OC ₂ H ₅	149-150	81

TABLE II.12. 3,4-Dihydroisoquinolines with Acidic Function on 3 Position (Continued)

Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
3-CO ₂ (CH ₂) ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ -1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -3-CH ₃ ^a	b.p.: 215–216/2	503
3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ (C ₂ H ₅)(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	108–109	81
3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3-CH ₃	chloroplatinate: 241–242	517

^a IR, NMR in paper.^b UV in paper.

TABLE II.13. 3,4-Dihydroisoquinolines with Acidic Function on Ring Positions other than 3

Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
4-CN-1,3-(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ ^a	86–87	133
1-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	78–79	506
	79–80	86, 440, 494
	81.5–83	481
(N ⁺ CH ₃ I [−])	142	507
4-CN-1,3-(C ₃ H ₇ -n) ₂ ^a	86–87	133
4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 150/0.01	486
	HCl: 228–230	486
1-CONHC ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	Tartrate: 182	507
1-CONHCH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	HCl: 191–193	448
	Picrate: 167–168	448
4-CN-1,3(C ₄ H ₉ -n) ₂ ^a	b.p. 160–165/3	133
1-CONHCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ ^b	159	507
	HCl: 222	507
1-CONH(CH ₂) ₃ -N	137	507
	HCl: 175	507
(N ⁺ CH ₃ I [−])	243	507
1-CONH(CH ₂) ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-CH ₂ O ₂	145–157	506
	HCl: 167	506
7-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-3,4,5)-6-OH	HCl: 122–126	92
1-CONH(CH ₂) ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	146–147	506
	Picrate: 178	506

^a UV in paper.^b IR in paper.^c NMR in paper.

TABLE II.14. 3,4-Dihydroisoquinolines with Acidic Function in Side Chain

Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
1-CH ₂ CONH ₂	198-200 HCl: 187-191 HCl: 195-197 HBr: 186-187	519 500 210 500
1-CH ₂ CONHNH ₂	212 HCl: 220	490 490
1-CH ₂ CN-6,7-CH ₂ O ₂	187	449
1-CH=CHCO ₂ H	160-165	520
1-CH ₂ CN-3-CH ₃	93-94	132
1-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃	b.p.: 170/3 HCl: 144 Picrate: 153-154	490 490 490
(N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻)	178	490
2-CH ₂ CH ₂ CONH ₂	Br ⁻ 172	510
1-CH(CN)CH ₃ -6,7-(CH ₂ O ₂)	Picrate: 178	449
2-C(CO ₂ CH ₃)=CH-O ⁻	144-145 ^{a,c}	521
1-C(CN)=NOH-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	210 ^{a,c}	501
1-(CH ₂) ₃ CN	b.p.: 154/0.8	58
1-CH ₂ CN-5,6-(OCH ₃) ₂	200-202 ^{a,b}	475
1-CH ₂ CN-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	173 HCl: 205-206	446, 501a, 501c 446
1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	Picrate: 225 b.p.: 138-140/0.13 b.p.: 123-126/0.2 b.p.: 156-158/1 HCl: 107	446 491 492 490
1-C(CONH ₂)=NOH-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	Picrate: 134 238 ^{a,b}	490 501
1-CH ₂ CONH ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	Br ⁻ HCl: 203	500, 501c ^a
2-CH ₂ CONH ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	Cl ⁻ 225	510
1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-CH ₂ O ₂	146 144-146	445 464
1-CH(CN)CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	Picrate: 186	449
2-CH ₂ CH ₂ CONH ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	Br ⁻ 205	510
2-CH ₂ CONH ₂ -6,7,8-(OCH ₃) ₃	Cl ⁻ 182	510
1-(CH ₂) ₃ CONHNH ₂ -3-CH ₃	Picrate: 173-174	447
1-C(CN)=NOH-6,7-(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	212	501
1-(CH ₂) ₃ CN-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 168-169	498
1-(CH ₂) ₄ CO ₂ CH ₃	b.p.: 179-180/1	522
1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ - 6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	80-82 86 85.5-86.5 84-85 b.p.: 130/0.4 HCl: 163-164	509 445 441 442,495 442 495
	Picrate: 161-163	442
	Picrate: 170-171	509
	HBr: 160	509

TABLE II.14. 3,4-Dihydroisoquinolines with Acidic Function in Side Chain (*Continued*)

R ₂	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
1-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	Oxalate: 111-112 N/A	444 480	
1-(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		128-129 ^c	493
	HCl: 258-261	493	
	HCl 197-198	498	
1-CH(OH)CH(OH)CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 162-163 ^c	451	
2-CH ₂ CH ₂ CONH ₂ -6,7,8-(OCH ₃) ₃	Br ⁻	201	510
1-C(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅)=NOH-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		217	501
1-CH ₂ CONHNH=CH(C ₄ H ₃ O-2) ₂		275	490
1-C(=CH ₂)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		180-181	509
1-(CH ₂) ₄ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	b.p.: 184-185/1 ^a	522	
1-(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3-CH ₃	b.p.: 170-171/2-3 ^{a,b}	447	
1-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	Oxalate: 112-113 (N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻)	444 149-151 ^c	
1-CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 155 (N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻)	495 155-156	
1-CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 119-121	459	
1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7,8-(OCH ₃) ₃		120	445, 464
1-(C ₆ H ₄ CO ₂ H-2)-6,7-CH ₂ O ₂		175	523
1-C(CN)(CH ₂ CH ₂ CN) ₂		98-99.5	499
1-CH ₂ CH(CF ₃)CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	Oxalate: 128 HCl: 192	469 459,469	
1-(CH ₂) ₆ CO ₂ CH ₃	b.p.: 186-188/1	522	
1-C(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅		81-82 ^a	468
1-(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		68-69 ^a	465
		73-74	498
	HCl: 127-128	498	
	HCl: 124-125	439	
	Picrate: 172-173.5	439	
	(N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻)	171	498
1-CH ₂ CH(CH ₃)CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 215-218/0.075 98.5-99.5	452 452	
	Chloroplatinate: 161-162	452	
	Oxalate: 136-138	469	
	Oxalate: 139-140	459	
1-CH(OH)CH(OH)CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	HCl: 174.5-175 ^{a,c}	451	
1-CH(C ₂ H ₅)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 130-132	496	
1-CH ₂ CONHNH=CHC ₆ H ₅		205-210	490
1-CH ₂ CONHNH=CH(C ₆ H ₄ OH-2)		188-190	490
2-CH ₂ CONHC ₆ H ₅ -1-CH ₃	I ⁻	227-230	436,513
1-CH(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅)CH ₂ CH ₂ CN-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	(N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻)	154-155	498

TABLE II.14. 3,4-Dihydroisoquinolines with Acidic Function in Side Chain (Continued)

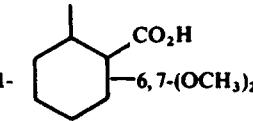
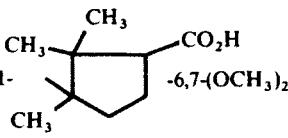
R ₂	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
1-CH(CH ₂ =CH-CH ₂)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		HBr: 137-138	496
1- 	(N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻)	201-202	487
1-(CH ₂) ₆ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅		b.p.: 187-190/1 ^a	522
1-(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3-C ₃ H ₇		b.p.: 94-95/0.1	462
1-(CH ₂) ₄ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		58-59 ^a	467
1-CH ₂ CH(C ₃ H ₇)CH ₂ CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		Picrate: 98-99	467
1-C(CN)=CHC ₆ H ₅ -6,7-CH ₂ O ₂		Picrate: 179-181	478
1-C(CN)=CH(C ₆ H ₅) ₂ -6,7-CH ₂ O ₂		180	449
1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ CN-4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		HCl: 204	449
1-CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅		HCl: 209-211	460
(N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ Cl ⁻)		Picrate: 200-202	460
(N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ I ⁻)		160-161	457
(N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ I ⁻)		160-161	485
(N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ I ⁻)		155-156	485
(N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ Cl ⁻)		155-156 ^b	516
1-CH ₂ CH(C ₃ H ₇)CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		160-161 ^b	516
1-CH ₂ CH(C ₃ H ₇)CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		HCl: 177-178	478
		Oxalate: 125-127	459, 469
1-C(CN)=CH(C ₆ H ₅) ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)-6,7-CH ₂ O ₂		268-269	449
1-C(CN)=CH(C ₆ H ₃ -OH-3-OCH ₃ -4)-6,7-CH ₂ O ₂		HCl: 265	449
1-CH(CO ₂ CH ₃)CH(C ₆ H ₅)CH ₃		250	449
		HCl: 254	449
		b.p.: 232-234/2	524
1- 		65	523
1-(CH ₂) ₇ -CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		HCl: 129-131	525
1-CH ₂ C(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		Oxalate: 107-108	469
1-(CH ₂) ₄ CO ₂ C ₄ H ₉ -n-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		58-59 ^a	467
1-CH ₂ CH(C ₆ H ₅)CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-CH ₂ O ₂		Oxalate: 159.5-160	459, 569
1-CH=CH(C ₆ H ₄ CO ₂ H-4)-3-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		HCl: 230-235	450
2-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		Br: 165 ^{a-c}	512
1-C(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅)(CH ₂ CH ₂ CN)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		166-167	498
1-CH ₂ CH(C ₆ H ₄ Br-4)CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		Oxalate: 126.5-128	459
1-CH ₂ CH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-2)CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		Oxalate: 136-137	459
1-CH ₂ CH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-3)CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		Oxalate: 103.5-106	459
1-CH ₂ CH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		Oxalate: 135-137	459, 469
1-CH ₂ CH(C ₆ H ₄ F-4)CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		Oxalate: 141.5-142.5	459

TABLE II.14. 3,4-Dihydroisoquinolines with Acidic Function in Side Chain (Continued)

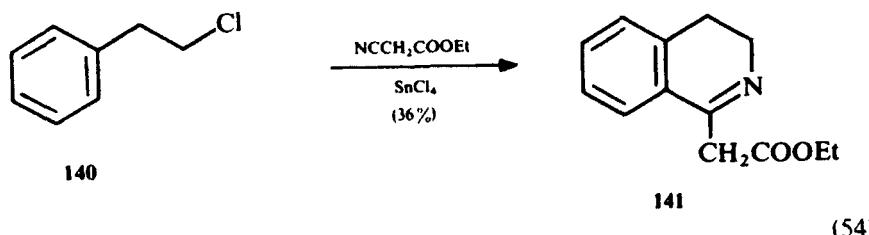
R ₂	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
1-CH(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		103-104 HCl: 166	496 496, 497
1-CH ₂ -CH(C ₆ H ₅)CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		Oxalate: 120-122.5 Oxalate: 125.5-126.5	469 459
1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4-CO ₂ H-6)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		140	489
1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ OH-3-OCH ₃ -4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 193.5	484	
1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		125-126	489
1-CH ₂ CH(C ₆ H ₃ O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		Oxalate: 167'-169	459, 469
1-CH ₂ CH(C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4)-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		Oxalate: 123	469
1-CH ₂ CH(C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4)-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		Oxalate: 137-139.5	459
1-CH ₂ CH(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅)CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		Oxalate: 137-139	459, 469
1-CH ₂ CH(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		Oxalate: 132-134	459, 469
4-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-CH ₂ CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		HCl: 174-175	477
4-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		HCl: 155-156	477
2-CH(C ₆ H ₅)CONHC ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		Cl ⁻ 172 ^{a,b}	526
1-CH(CN)CH(CH ₃)CH ₂		173-175 ^{a,b}	466
1-CH(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅)-CH ₂ -N		diHBr: 174-175	509
1-CH(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅)-CH ₂ CH(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅)-		6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ 183-185	509
1-CH ₂ [C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -4-(OC ₆ H ₅ OCH ₃ -2-CH ₂ CH ₂ CN-4)-3]-6-OCH ₃ -7-O(C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -2-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -5)		Picrate: 118-120	527

TABLE II.14. 3,4-Dihydroisoquinolines with Acidic Function in Side Chain (*Continued*)

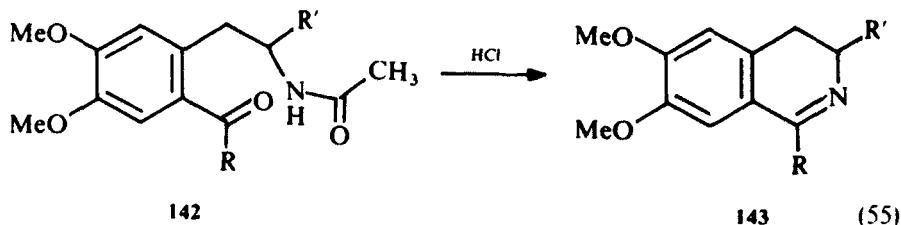
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1-CH₂[C₆H₃OCH₃-4-(OC₆H₃OCH₃-2-CH₂-CH₂- -4)-3]-6-OCH₃-7-O(C₆H₃OCH₃-2-CH₂CO₂CH₃-5)			
	(N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻)	Pictrate: 178-179 110-114	527 527
1-CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ CH ₃		130-135/1	490a
1-CH(C ₂ H ₅)CO ₂ CH ₃		135-140/1	490a
1-CH(C ₃ H ₇)CO ₂ CH ₃		144-145/1	490a
1-CH(C ₄ H ₉)CO ₂ CH ₃		162/1	490a
1-CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅		152-155/1	490a
1-CH(C ₂ H ₅)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅		144-146/1	490a
1-CH(C ₃ H ₇)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅		160/1	490a
1-CH(C ₄ H ₉)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅		170/1	490a
1-CH(CH ₃)CONHNH ₂		124-126	490a
	HCl: 99-100	490a	
1-CH(C ₂ H ₅)CONHNH ₂		125-130	490a
	HCl: 100-105	490a	
1-CH(C ₃ H ₇)CONHNH ₂		115-120	490a
	HCl: 100	490a	
1-CH(C ₄ H ₉)CONHNH ₂		114-115	490a
	HCl: 125-130	490a	

^a IR in paper.^b UV in paper.^c NMR in paper.

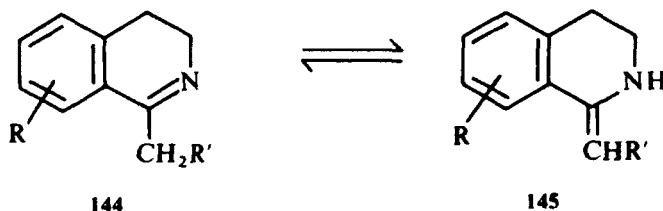
Other cyclization reactions have also been used, such as the stannic-chloride-catalyzed reaction of β -chloroethylbenzene **140** and ethyl cyanoacetate to give **141**⁴⁹⁰⁻⁴⁹² (Eq. 54) and the reaction of compounds of the type **142** with hydrochloric acid to give **143**^{450, 493} (Eq. 55).



These compounds are listed in Tables II.12 through II.14.



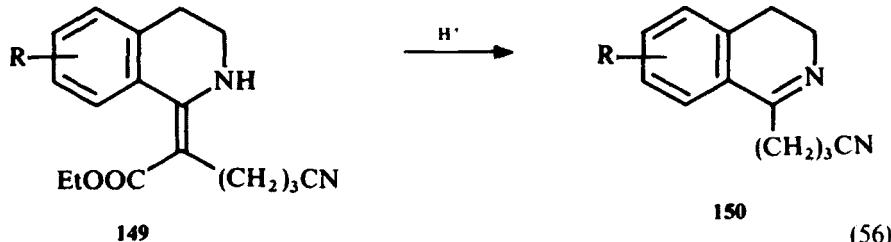
It has been reported that compounds believed to be **144**⁴⁴² are actually the tautomeric **145**.⁴⁹⁴



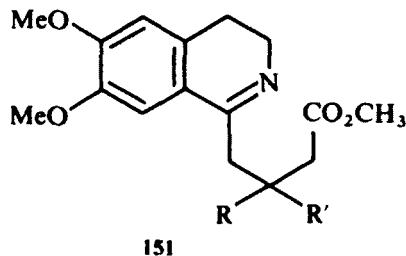
- a. R' = CO₂Et
- b. R' = CONH₂
- c. R' = CN

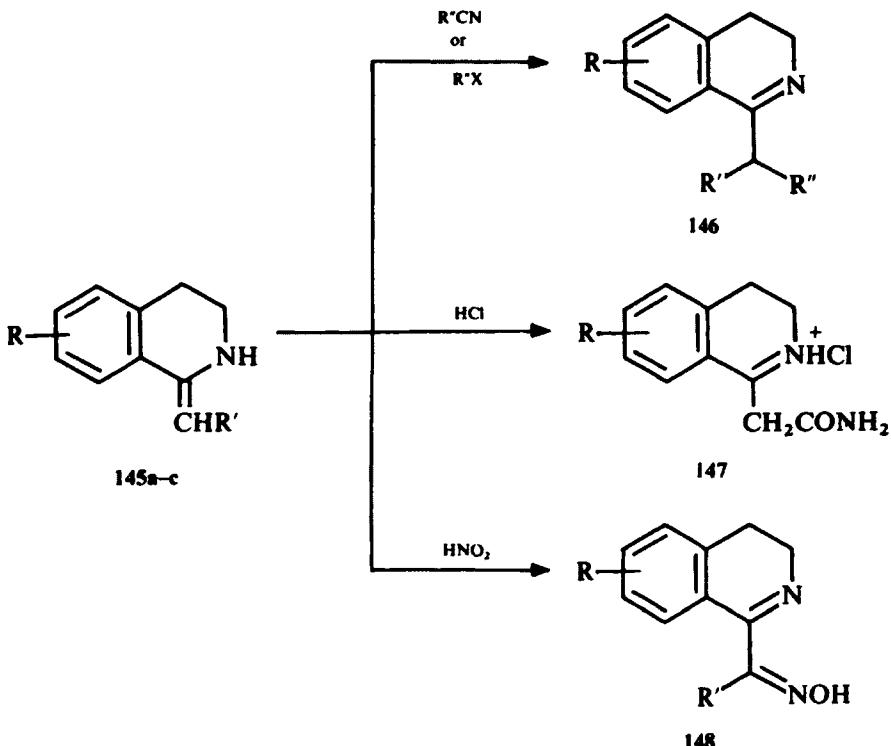
Alkylation of **145a**⁴⁹⁵⁻⁹⁷ or the reaction of **145c** with acrylonitrile^{498, 99} provides derivatives **146**. The reaction of **145b** with acid yields **147**.⁵⁰⁰ The reaction of **145b** or **145c** with nitrous acid gives **148**.⁵⁰¹ (Scheme 4).

Interestingly, the reaction of **149** with acid occurs with hydrolysis and decarboxylation to afford **150**⁴⁹⁸ (Eq. 56).



Compounds of the type **151** undergo cyclization to tricyclic compounds.^{459, 469}

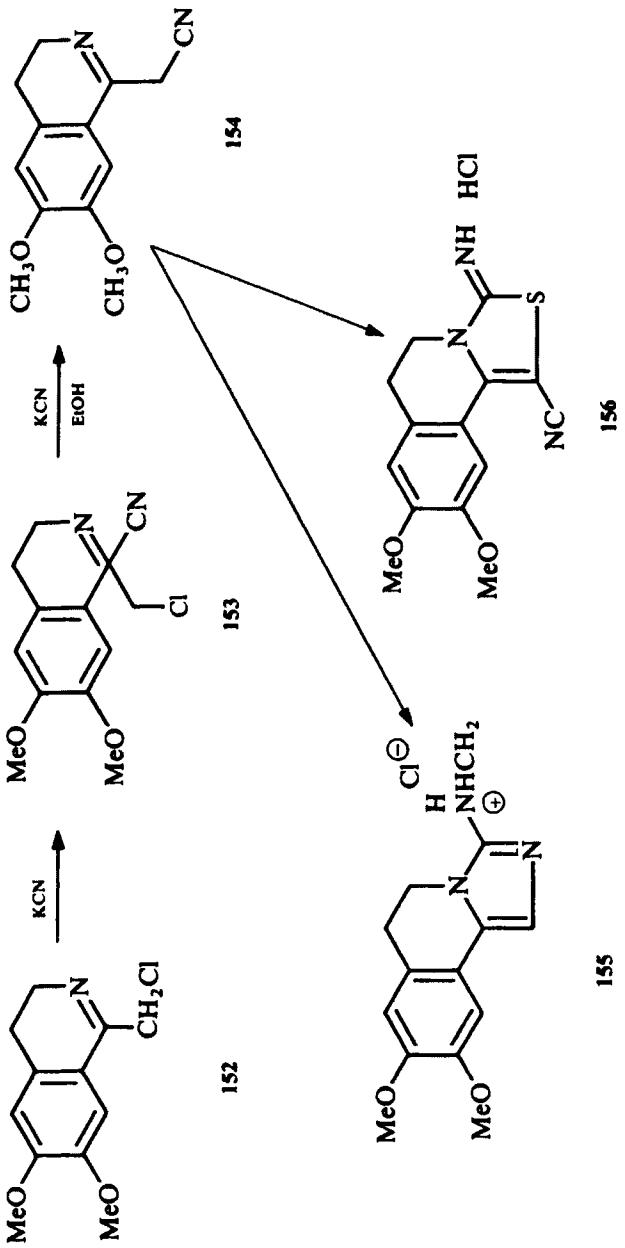




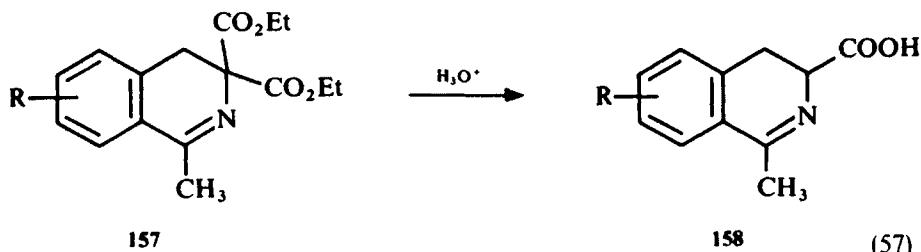
Scheme 4

1-Chloromethyl-6,7-dimethoxy-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline hydrochloride **152** when treated with potassium cyanide affords **153**, which in the presence of potassium cyanide in refluxing ethanol yields 1-cyanomethyl-6,7-dimethoxy-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline **154**. This key intermediate has been transformed to either 3-benzyl-8,9-dimethoxy-5,6-dihydroimidazo [5,1-a] isoquinoline hydrochloride **155**^{501a} or 1-cyano-3-imino-8,9-dimethoxy-3,4,5,6-tetrahydrothiazolo [4,3-a] isoquinoline hydrochloride **156**, which are interesting as drugs against heart disease. By using ¹⁴C-labeled potassium cyanide, suitably labeled forms of these drugs have been prepared for pharmacological investigations^{501a, b} (Scheme 5).

Various typical transformations such as ester hydrolysis,^{17, 81, 455, 456, 458, 488, 489} esterification,^{473, 498, 502, 503} conversion of esters to amides,^{504 – 507} conversion of esters and hydrazides,^{477, 490, 508} replacement of halogens by nitriles,^{446, 449} and hydrolysis of nitriles^{498, 509} have been reported. Treatment of 1,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline-3-carboxamide with alkaline bromine leads to the formation of 1,3-dimethyl-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline. Hydrolysis of **157** results in decarboxylation to **158**⁴⁷³ (Eq. 57). Other examples of decarboxylation have been reported.^{496, 498} Side chains containing acid functions have been introduced into the 2 position by alkylation.^{436, 510 – 513}



Scheme 5



C. Miscellaneous Dihydroisoquinoline Derivatives

A number of dihydroisoquinolines other than 1,2- and 3,4-dihydro have been prepared and these are included in Table II.15.

TABLE II. 15. Miscellaneous Dihydroisoquinolines

R	R ¹	R ²	R ³	R ⁴	M.p., °C	Spect.	Ref.
<chem>C2H5O2CCH2</chem>				<chem>OC2H5</chem>			
					95-96		69
<chem>HO2C-CH2</chem>				<chem>OCH3</chem>			
					151-152		71
<chem>CH3O2C</chem>	<chem>CO2CH3</chem>						
<chem>R3</chem>	<chem>O</chem>	<chem>R2</chem>	<chem>R'</chem>	<chem>O</chem>	89.5-90.5	IR, NMR	89
<chem>CH3</chem>	<chem>CH3</chem>	<chem>CO2C2H5</chem>	<chem>H</chem>	<chem>H</chem>	103-103.5	UV, IR	95, 96
<chem>H</chem>	<chem>H</chem>	<chem>H</chem>	<chem>CO2C2H5</chem>	<chem>CO2C2H5</chem>	144-145	UV, IR	94
<chem>CN</chem>	<chem>H</chem>	<chem>H</chem>	<chem>H</chem>	<chem>OCH3</chem>	242-243		514a

TABLE II.15. Miscellaneous Dihydroisoquinolines (*Continued*)

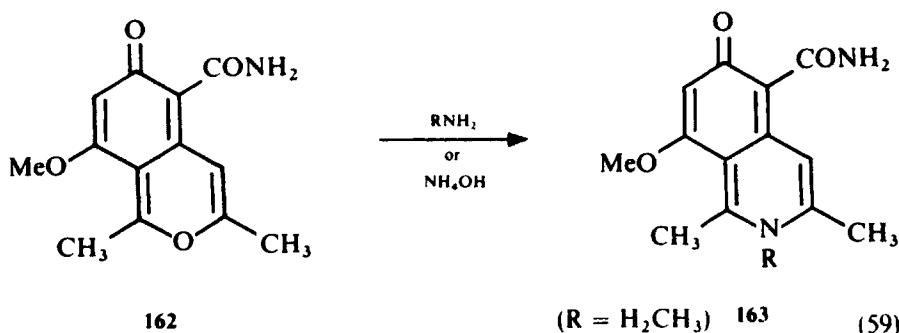
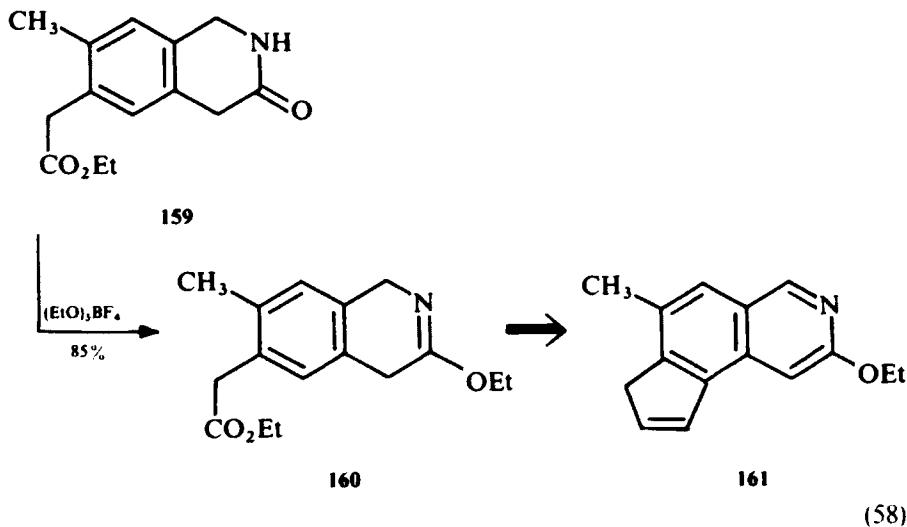
R	R ¹	R ²	R ³	R ⁴	M.p., °C	Spect.	Ref.
CH ₃	H	CH ₃		H	CONH ₂	H	280-283
CH ₃	CH ₃	CH ₃		H	CONH ₂	H	278-280
H	H	-CH(CH ₃)CH ₂ CH ₃		CH ₃	H	CO ₂ H	238-240
H	H	H	H	H	CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ , CH ₃		238-240 ^a
N(CH ₃) ₂	C ₆ H ₅	= O		CN	H	H	240-242
N(CH ₃) ₂	C ₆ H ₅	= S		CN	H	H	246-248
CN	CH ₃	= NTosyl		H	H	H	220
N(CH ₃) ₂	C ₆ H ₅	= NC ₆ H ₅		CN	H	H	234-236

^a UV, NMR in paper.

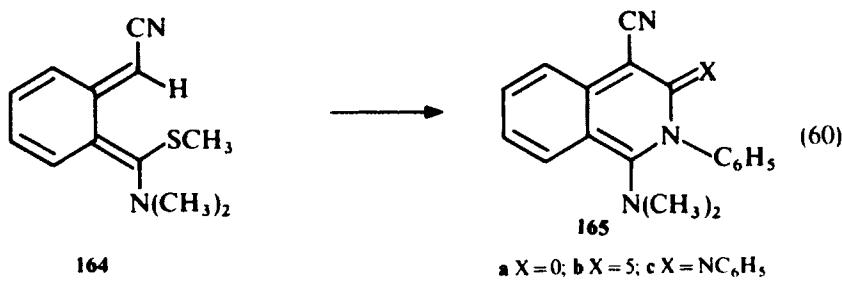
6-Carboethoxymethyl-7-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-one **159** is converted in 85% yield to the corresponding ethyl ether **160** with triethyloxonium fluoroborate. Oxidation with DDQ, reduction with LiAlH₄, cyclization with fluorosulfonic acid, reduction of the ketone with NaBH₄, and dehydration affords 3-ethoxy-8-methyl-7(5)H-cyclopenta[f]isoquinoline **161**, a derivative designed to bind specifically to native DNA⁶⁹ (Eq. 58).

Oxidation of 5,8-dihydroxyisoquinoline containing carboethoxy groups with lead tetraacetate⁹⁴ or ferric chloride^{95,96} leads to 5,8-dioxo-5,8-dihydro products. Dehydration of an 8-hydroxy-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro compound⁷¹ or action of *p*-toluenesulfonyl chloride-pyridine on a 5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline-1-oxide⁸⁹ leads to 5,6- and 7,8-dihydroisoquinolines, respectively.

Treatment of the pyranoquinonoid system **162** with a primary amine or concentrated ammonium hydroxide at RT easily displaces the oxygen to afford **163**^{529, 529a} (Eq. 59).



The stable *O*-quinodimethylene 5-cyanomethylene-6-[(dimethylamino)(methylthio)methylene]-1,3-cyclohexadiene **164** undergoes cycloaddition reactions with phenylisocyanate, phenylisothiocyanate, or diphenyl carbodiimide to afford in good yields the 2,3-dihydroisoquinolines **165a–c**, respectively⁵³⁰ (Eq. 60).



1,2-Dihydroisoquinolines⁵³¹ and 3-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines⁶⁹ have also been converted to 2,3-dihydroisoquinolines.

III. TETRAHYDROISOQUINOLINES

A. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline Derivatives

1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolines containing various acid functional groups are included in Tables III.1–III.10. Compounds such as **166** (where R and/or R' are acidic functional groups) are included in this section rather than with the dihydroisoquinolines, as are carbonyl compounds such as **167**. The various “one” derivatives are included in Tables III.11–III.14.

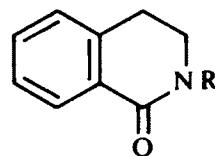
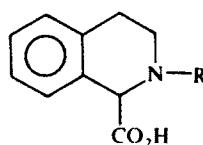
**166****167**

TABLE III.1. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-1-Carboxylic Acids



R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
NO		N/A	650
H		161	142
		299	594
		162	368
		299	651
H	4,6-(OH) ₂	238	542, 543
CH ₃	4,6-(OH) ₂ -5-I	205-210	544
CH ₃	4,6-(OH) ₂ -7-I	260	544
H	1-CH ₃ -6-OH	N/A	555
CH ₃	4,6-(OH) ₂	230-235	542-544
		cis 225	543, 544
		trans 224-225	543, 544
H	1-CH ₃ -4,6-(OH) ₂	N/A	555
H	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	230-235	547
		240	652
		238-241	602
		N/A	534

TABLE III.1. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-1-Carboxylic Acids (*Continued*)

R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
H	1-CH ₃ -6,7,8-(OH) ₃	250 HCl: 227-228	546 546
R		N/A	653
H	3-CO ₂ H-1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	N/A	570
C ₂ H ₅	4,6-(OH) ₂	212	542, 543
H	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	252-257	549
		N/A	618, 619
H	1-CH ₃ -6-OH-7-OCH ₃	205 254 N/A	551, 552 546 534
		HCl: 252	546
H	1-CH ₃ -6-OH-7-OCH ₃ (1- ¹⁴ C)	252	564
H	1-C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OH) ₂	243-244 243	602 565
H	1-C ₂ H ₅ -6,7,8-(OH) ₃	264	565
CH ₃	3-CO ₂ H-1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	N/A	570
H	1-CH ₃ -3,3=CHCH ₃ -4,6,7-(OH) ₃	285	574
H	1-C ₃ H ₇ -6,7-(OH) ₂	226	569
H	1-C ₃ H ₇ -5,6-(OH) ₂	242	569
H ^a	6,7,8-(OCH ₃) ₃	238-240	587
H	1-(CH ₂) ₃ CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	241	565
COCH ₃	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	207.5-210 209-210	549 86
H	3-CO ₂ H-1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	N/A	570
H	1-(CH ₂) ₃ CH ₃ -6-OH	255	565
H	1-(CH ₂) ₃ CH ₃ -5,6-(OH) ₂	255	565
CH ₃	6,7,8-(OCH ₃) ₃	245-246	587
H ^a	1,3-(CH ₃) ₂ -3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OH) ₂	218-220	568
H ^a	1,3-(CH ₃) ₂ -3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -7,8-(OH) ₂	248-250	568
H	1-(CH ₂) ₅ CH ₃ -6-OH	249	565
H	1-(CH ₂) ₅ CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	239	565
H	1-(CH ₂) ₅ CH ₃ -6,7,8-(OH) ₃	240	565
COC ₆ H ₅		120	594
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅		174-175	253
H	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6-OH	N/A	555
H	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -5,6-(OH) ₂	244-245	569
H	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OH) ₂	HCl: 240 HCl: 243-246	547 534
H	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OH-4)-6-OH	N/A	555
H	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OH-2)-6,7-(OH) ₂	HCl: 220	547
H	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OH-3)-6,7-(OH) ₂	HCl: 255	547
H	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OH-4)-6,7-(OH) ₂	HCl: 260 N/A	547, 547a 652
H	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6,7,8-(OH) ₃	239-240	546
H	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OH-4)-6,7,8-(OH) ₃	HCl: 245 258-260	546 546
H ^{a-d}	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OH) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OH) ₂	HCl: 268-270 HCl: 287-295	546 572, 547a

TABLE III.1. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-1-Carboxylic Acids (*Continued*)

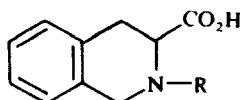
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H	1-(CH ₂) ₆ CH ₃ -6-OH	250	565
H	1-(CH ₂) ₅ CH ₃ -5,6-(OH) ₂	230	565
H	1-(CH ₂) ₆ CH ₃ -5,6-(OH) ₂	245	565
H	1-(CH ₂) ₆ CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	225	565
CO ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅		N/A	651
H	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	270-275	597, 598
H ^a	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6-OCH ₃ -7-OH	HCl: 245-248	534
H	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OH-3)-6-OH-7-OCH ₃	HCl: 220	546
H ^a	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OH-4)-6-OH-7-OCH ₃	270	534
H	1-(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OH) ₂	190-200	550
H	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -3-OH-4)-6,7-(OH) ₂	230	547
		HCl: 255-256	547, 547a
		N/A	652
H	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -3-OH-4)-6,7,8-(OH) ₃	HCl: 217-222	546
H	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -4-OH-3)-6,7,8-(OH) ₃	259-260	546
		HCl: 252-253	546
H	1-(CH ₂) ₇ CH ₃ -5,6-(OH) ₂	241	565
H	1-(CH ₂) ₇ CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	226	565
H	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)-6-OH-7-OCH ₃	> 250	556
CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)		164-165	362
CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -2,3) ^b		Perchlorate: 190	362
H	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 199-200	547
		HCl: 180-185 ^{a,b}	654
H ^a	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)-6-OH-7-OCH ₃	HCl: 258-261	534
H ^a	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OH-4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 244-247	534
H	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OH) ₂	229-230	569
H	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-5,6-(OH) ₃	234-236	569
H	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ -OH-4-OCH ₃ -3)-6-OH-7-OCH ₃	253	546
		HCl: 252	546
H	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7,8-(OH) ₃	228-238	546
		HCl: 260	546
H ^b	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ O ₂ CH ₂ -2,3)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	275	603
H	6-OH-7-OCH ₃	HCl: 209-212	637a
H	1-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ -6-OH-7-OCH ₃	HCl: 245-249	637a
H	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	298-300	637a
H	1-C ₆ H ₅ -CH ₂ -6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	281-286	637a
		HCl: 238-240	637a
H	1-[C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5]-6-HO-7-OCH ₃	HCl: 252-254	637a
H	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	255	578, 655
H ^a	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 278-281	534
H	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6-OH-7-OCH ₃	99-100	551, 552
H ^{a,b}	1-(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	116-118	550
H	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)-6,7,8-(OH) ₃	241	546
		HCl: 223-224	546
CH ₃ ^{a,b}	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ O ₂ CH ₂ -2,3)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	200-205	603

TABLE III.1. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-1-Carboxylic Acids (*Continued*)

R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
COCH ₃ ^a	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)-6-OH-7-OCH ₃	143-145	534
CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -2,3)	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	183-185	362
COCH ₃ ^a	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	124-126	534
CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)-6-OCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -7-OCH ₃	253-256	556
COC ₆ H ₅ ^{a,c}	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ O ₂ CH ₂ -2,3)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	216-218	603
COC ₆ H ₅	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	247	540, 578

^aNMR in paper.^bIR in paper.^cUV in paper.^dMass spectroscopy in paper.

TABLE III.2. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-Carboxylic Acids



R	Substituents	mp. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
H				
	DL	331		428
	D	328.5		428
	L	327.5		428
	DL	313-316		656
	D	280		656
	L	274		656
		311		566
		311-312		567
		306-311		
		(no preheat)		583
		324-325		
		(preheat)		583
	HCl:305			567, 649a
	HCl:308-309			532, 532a
	Picrate:204			76
		N/A		636
H	7-OH	336-338		566
		195		571
	Picrate:290			571
H	6,7-(OH) ₂	277		569
H	6,7-(OH) ₂ (-)	286-288	MS, UV, IR, MNR	533
H	6,7-(OH) ₂ (3S)	293-294	NMR	535

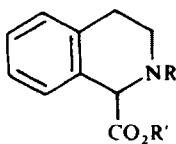
TABLE III.2. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-Carboxylic Acids (*Continued*)

R	Substituents	mp. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.	
CH ₃		HCl:204-206		636	
H	3-CH ₃	>300		532a	
H	1-CH ₃ -6-OH	269-272		584	
H	6-OCH ₃	302		88	
		263-264		657	
CH ₃	6,7-(OH) ₂	(3S) 253-255	NMR	535	
H	7-OH-6-OCH ₃	(3S) 268-269	NMR	535	
H	6-OH-7-OCH ₃	(3S) 290	NMR	535	
H	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	206-208	IR, UV	112	
H	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	(-) N/A	UV, NMR	541	
H	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	(1R, 3R) 285-287	NMR	537	
H	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	(1S, 3S) 280-281	NMR	535	
		(1R, 3S) 212	NMR	535	
H	3-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	279-280	NMR	568	
H	1-CH ₂ OH-6,7-(OH) ₂	281-282		538, 539	
COCH ₃		173.2-175.8		532	
		171-172		636	
H	1-CO ₂ H-1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	N/A		570	
H	1,1-(CH ₃) ₂ -6-OH	HCl:258	IR, UV, NMR	553	
		N/A		561	
CH ₃	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	(1S, 3S)		535	
		HCl:225-227	NMR	535	
		(1S, 3S)	HCl:227-228	NMR	535
CH ₃	3-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	N/A		579	
		268-270		579a	
H	1-CH ₃ -7-OH-6-OCH ₃	(1S, 3S) 295	NMR	535	
	(1R, 3S)	260-261	NMR	535	
H	1-CH ₃ -6-OH-7-OCH ₃	(1S, 3S) 254-255	NMR	535	
	(1R, 3S)	235-236	NMR	535	
H	1,1-(CH ₃) ₂ -6,7-(OH) ₂	N/A		570	
H	1,3-(CH ₃) ₂ -6,7-(OH) ₂	285-287	NMR	568	
H	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	260	IR	479	
		HCl:263-264	UV	113, 649a	
H	1,3-(CH ₃) ₂ -1-CO ₂ H-6,7-(OH) ₂	N/A		570	
H	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	(1S, 3S)			
		HCl:214-215	NMR	537	
	(1R, 3R)	HCl:222-223	NMR	537	
H	1-CO ₂ H-1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	N/A		570	
H	1-C ₆ H ₅ -OH- <i>cis</i>	254-256	IR, NMR	479	
	- <i>trans</i>	240	IR, NMR	479	
	- <i>trans</i>	sulfate:260		479	
COC ₆ H ₅		DL 160-163		428	
		D 146-150		428	
		L 152-153		428	
		158-160		636	
		DL 170-172		656	
		D 156-158		656	
		L 164		656	

TABLE III.2. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-Carboxylic Acids (*Continued*)

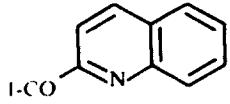
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H	1-C ₆ H ₅ -3-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	258-259	NMR	568
H	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OH) ₂	221-223	NMR	568
SO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4		152		659
H		N/A		660
H	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -3-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	264-266	NMR	568
CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ O CH ₃ -3)	6-OCH ₃	223-225		657
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4		180-185		613
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	4-OH-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl:215-216		605
CH ₂ CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ - 3,4)		157		600
H	3-CH ₃ -6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl:231-233		649a
CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4		157		649a
CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	179-182		649a
CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4	3CH ₃ -6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	189-192		649a
CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4,5	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	110-112		649a
CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4,5	7,8(OCH ₃) ₂	162-164		649a
CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4	1-CH ₃ -6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	157-158 (1535)157-158		649b
H	4-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	259-263		649b
CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4	4-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	160-162		649b

TABLE III.3. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-1-Carboxylates



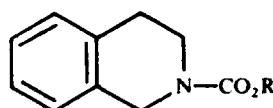
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R	CH ₃		N/A	653
CH ₃	CH ₃		Picrate: 160-161	23
H	C ₂ H ₅	5-OH	202-203	1
CH ₃	CH ₃	4,6-(OH) ₂	159-160	543,544
			161-163	542
H	C ₂ H ₅	4,6-(OH) ₂	194-195	542,543
H	C ₂ H ₅	6-OCH ₃	b.p.: 98-103/0.004	662
			Picrate: 167.5-168	622
CH ₃	C ₂ H ₅	4,6-(OH) ₂	168	542
			170	543
C ₂ H ₅	CH ₃	4,6-(OH) ₂	139-140	542,543
H	C ₃ H ₇ -n	4,6-(OH) ₂	165-166	542,543
COCH ₃ ^a	C ₂ H ₅	5-OH	148-149	1
H	CH ₃	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 110-120/0.001	602
H	C ₂ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	188-189	507
			73-74	663
			oxalate: 188-189	86
			N/A	481
CH ₃	C ₃ H ₇ -i	4,6-(OH) ₂	165	542
			168-170	543
CH ₃	C ₃ H ₇ -n	4,6-(OH) ₂	140	542
			157	543
H	C ₄ H ₉ -i	4,6-(OH) ₂	148-149	542
COCH ₃ ^a	C ₂ H ₅	1-CN	134-136	664
H	CH ₃	1-C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 100-110/0.001	602
CH ₃	C ₂ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 153/3	507
			Picrate: 171	507
CH ₃	C ₄ H ₉ -n	4,6-(OH) ₂	128	542
			143-145	543
CH ₃	C ₄ H ₉ -i	4,6-(OH) ₂	166-168	542,543
COCH ₂ Cl	C ₂ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	80.6-84.2	623-628
CH ₃	C ₅ H ₁₁ -n	4,6-(OH) ₂	130	542,543
CH ₃	C ₅ H ₁₁ -i	4,6-(OH) ₂	153-155	542,543
COC ₆ H ₅	CH ₃		105-108	594
H ^{a,b}	CH ₃	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ O ₂ CH ₂ -2,3)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	Oil	603
H	C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ O ₂ CH ₃ -3,4)-6-OH-7-OCH ₃	Syrup	556
CH ₃ ^{a,c}	CH ₃	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ O ₂ CH ₂ -2,3)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	112-114	603

TABLE III.3. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-1-Carboxylates (*Continued*)

R	R ¹	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
CH ₃ ^{a,b}	CH ₃	1-(C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	104-105	550
CSNH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	CH ₃		133-135	661
H	CH ₃	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	118	547
CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -2) ^{a,c}	C ₂ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	92.5-93.5	481
COC ₆ H ₅	CH ₃		184-187	594
COC ₆ H ₅ ^{a-c}	CH ₃	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ O ₂ CH ₂ -2,3)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	215-216	603
COC ₆ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	172	578

^a IR in paper.^b NMR in paper.^c UV in paper.

TABLE III.4. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-2-Carboxylates



R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
C ₂ H ₅	7-OCH ₃ -8-OH	Syrup	IR, NMR	665
C ₂ H ₅	1-CN-6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	103-105	IR, NMR	338
(CH ₂) ₂ N(CH ₃) ₂	(N ⁺ CH ₃ 1 ⁻)	b.p.: 186-189/5 167-168		666 666
C ₂ H ₅	7-OCH ₃ -8-OCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	b.p.: 205-210/0.8	IR, NMR	665
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ NHCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	95-97 103		205 356
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₃ -6,7,8-(OCH ₃) ₃	b.p.: 160/0.05	IR	667
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	1-CO ₂ H	N/A		651
CH ₃	1-(2-pyridyl)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	110-112		668
CH ₃	1-(2-piperidyl)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	246-247		668
C ₂ H ₅	1,I=CHC ₆ H ₄ I-2	92-93	IR, UV, MS, NMR	669
C ₂ H ₅	1,I=CHC ₆ H ₅	87-88 97-98		646 646
C ₂ H ₅	3-CH ₃ -4-C ₆ H ₅	b.p.: 158-159/0.4		670
C ₂ H ₅	7-OCH ₃ -8-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	b.p.: 180/0.9	IR, NMR	665

TABLE III.4. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-2-Carboxylates (*Continued*)

R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
C ₂ H ₅	1-(C ₆ H ₄ NH ₂)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	N.A		671
C ₂ H ₅	1,1'=CH(C ₆ H ₂ OCH ₂ -3,4-Br-2)- 6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	186.5-187	UV, NMR	645
C ₂ H ₅	3-CH ₂ SeC ₆ H ₅		NMR	671a
C ₂ H ₅	1,1'=CH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	169-170	644	
C ₂ H ₅	1,1'=CH(C ₆ H ₄ I-2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	135-136	IR, UV, NMR	669
C ₂ H ₅	1,1'=CHC ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	122-124 133-134	IR, UV, NMR	642 644
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)-6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	113-114		672
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ OH-4-OCH ₃ -3-Br-1)- 6-OH-7-OCH ₃	N.A		673
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ OCH ₃ -4-OH-5-Br-2)- -6-OH-7-OCH ₃	138-139	IR	674
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -1-OH-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	Oil	NMR, IR, MS, UV	642
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OH-4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	170-171		672
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -4-OH-3)- -6-OH-7-OCH ₃	148-150	IR	675
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -4-OH-3)- -6-OCH ₃ -7-OH	Glass	NMR	676
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ OH-4-OCH ₃ -3)- -6-OH-7-OCH ₃	153-154		673
C ₂ H ₅	1,1'=CH(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4-Br-2)-6,7- O ₂ CH ₂	210-211		645
C ₂ H ₅	1,1'=CH(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4-Cl-2)- -6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	208-209.5	NMR	645
CH ₃	1,1'=CH(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -2,5)- -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	144-145	UV, IR, NMR	642
CH ₃	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -4-OCO ₂ CH ₃ -3)- -6-OCH ₃	105		677
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH(OAc)[C ₆ H ₂ -2-CH ₂ OH-3,- 4(OCH ₃) ₂]6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	229-230		677a
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH(OAc)[C ₆ H ₂ -2CHO-3,4(OCH ₃) ₂]- 6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	154-155		677a
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ Br-1-(OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)- -7-OH-6-OCH ₃	123-126	IR, UV, NMR	643
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ OCH ₃ -4-OH-5-Br-2)- -6-OH-7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	136-137	IR, NMR	674
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -4-OH-3)- -6-OH-7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	157-158	IR, NMR	654
C ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ I-2	151-152	IR, MS, NMR	669
C ₂ H ₅	1,1'=CH(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4-Br-2)- -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	218.5-219.5		644
C ₂ H ₅	3-CH ₃ -4-C ₆ H ₅ -6-C(CH ₃) ₃	93-95		670

TABLE III.4. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-2-Carboxylates (*Continued*)

R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
C ₂ H ₅	1,1=CHC ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	151-152		578
C ₂ H ₅	1-(C ₆ H ₅ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	N A		671
C ₂ H ₅	1,1=CH(C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	144-146 154-155		646 644
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ OCH ₃) ₂ -4,5-Br-2)-6-OH-5,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	180-181	IR	674
C ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ I-2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	160-161	IR, MS, NMR	669
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)-1-CO ₂ H-6-O ₂ COC ₂ H ₅ -7-OCH ₃	253-256		556
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -4-OH-3)-6-OCH ₃ -7-OH	86-88	NMR	676
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅		N.A		651
C ₂ H ₅	1,1-C(C ₆ H ₅) ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	136-137.5		647
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ OCH ₃ -4-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -3-Br-2)-5-Br-7-OCH ₃ -8-OH	149-151	IR, NMR	640, 641
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	97-99		672
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ Br-1-(OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6-OCH ₃ -7-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	113-114	IR, NMR	643
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ NO ₂ -6-(OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6-OCH ₃ -7-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	125-127	IR	675
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ OH-6-(OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6-OCH ₃ -7-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	148-150		675
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ NH ₂ -6-(OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6-OCH ₃ -7-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	115-117		675
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₂ -4,5-Br-2)-5,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -6-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	Syrup	IR, NMR	674
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ OCH ₃ -4-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -3-Br-2)-5-Br-7-OCH ₃ -8-OCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	119-120	IR, UV, NMR	640, 641
C ₂ H ₅		HCl: N A		525
CH ₂ CHOH CH ₂ OH		HCl: N A		678

TABLE III.4. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-2-Carboxylates (*Continued*)

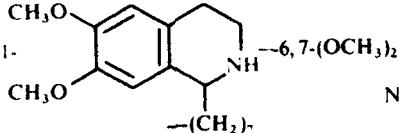
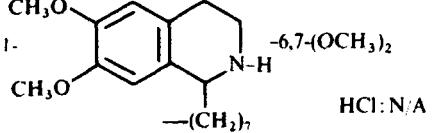
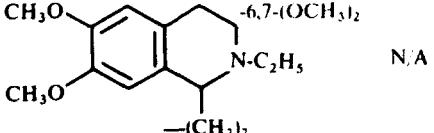
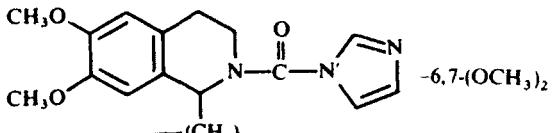
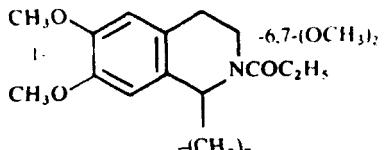
R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -4)-6-OCH ₃ -7-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	105-107		672
C(CH ₃) ₃		N/A		525
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃)-4-Br-2-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -5)-7-OCH ₃ -6-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	139-140		674
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -3-OCH ₃ -4)-6-OCH ₃ -7-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	134-135		672
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ -OCH ₃ -4-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -3)-6-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -7-OCH ₃	138-140 N/A	IR	675 679
C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ OCH ₃ -4-Br-2-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -5)-7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂ -6-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	127-128	IR,NMR	674
C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -4				
		HCl:N/A		678
C(CH ₃) ₃		N/A		525
C(CH ₃) ₃		N/A		678
C(CH ₃) ₃		N/A		525

TABLE III.4. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-2-Carboxylates (*Continued*)

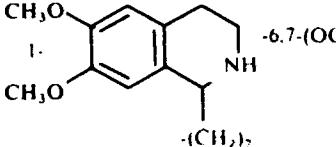
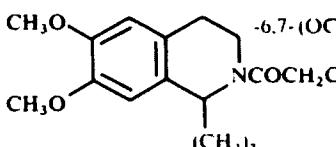
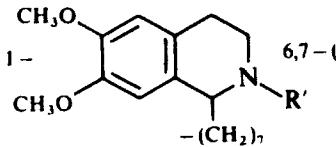
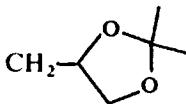
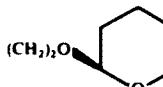
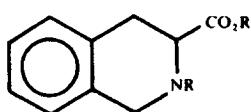
R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
$\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{-CO}_2\text{CH}_3\text{-2}$		-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl:N/A	678
$\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3$		-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ NCOCH ₂ CO ₂ Et	HCl:N/A	678
$\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3$		6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ - (CH ₂) ₇ N-R'		
	R'			
	$\text{COCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$	N/A		525
	$\text{COCH}_2\text{NH}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CH}_3$	HCl:N/A		678
		N/A		525
	$\text{CO}[\text{C}_6\text{H}_3(\text{NO}_2)_2\text{-3,5}]$	N/A		525
	$\text{COC}_6\text{H}_{11}$	N/A		525
	$\text{CO}(\text{CH}_2)_5\text{CH}_3$	HCl:N/A		525
		N/A		525
	$\text{COC}_6\text{H}_4\text{OCF}_3\text{-4}$	N/A		525
	$\text{COCH}_2\text{OC}_6\text{H}_5$	N/A		525
	$\text{COC}_6\text{H}_4\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3\text{-2}$	N/A		525
	CO-Adamantyl	N/A		525

TABLE III.5. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-Carboxylates



R	R ¹	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
H	CH ₃		b.p.: 110/0.03 HCl: 278	IR, NMR	479
H	CH ₃	7-OH	230		479
H	R	6,7-subst.,	N/A		558
H	R	1,1-subst.-6,7-(OH) ₂	N/A		514,515
H	C ₂ H ₅	6-F	(±) HCl: 220-222 b.p.: 115-121/0.2 b.p.: 134/0.8 b.p.: 124-125/0.6 b.p.: 130-135/0.08 b.p.: 165/2 b.p.: 144-145/15 b.p.: 97-98/0.1 b.p.: 120/1		557
H	C ₂ H ₅		(-) b.p.: 140-142/2 (+) b.p.: 140-142/2 (±) b.p.: 138-140/2 HCl: 178-180 HCl: 203-205 HCl: 308-309		601
			(-) HCl: 204-205 (+) HCl: 206-207 (±) HCl: 186-188 Picrate: 198-199 Picrate: 202-204 Picrate: 198-200 Picrate: 195-196 Picrate: 204 Picrate: 204 Picrolonate: 225 Picrolonate: 212-213		680 532 573 567 77 77 599 557 557 557 557 573, 601 532 557 557 577 601 532 573 567 77 599 567 599
H	CH ₃	6-OCH ₃	Picrate: 185		88
H	CH ₃	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	HCl: 226-228	IR, UV	112
H	CH ₃	3-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	HCl: 246-248	NMR	568
CH ₂ CH ₂ CN	R	6,7-subst.	N/A		681
H	C ₂ H ₅	6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	b.p.: 183-185/1.5		682
H	C ₂ H ₅	6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	(±) b.p.: 183-185/1.5 HCl: 223-225 (-) HCl: 223-225		577 682 577
H	C ₂ H ₅	3-CH ₃	b.p.: 152-155/10 Picrate: 179		517 517
H		CH(CH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 125/0.1		600, 649a

TABLE III.5. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-Carboxylates (*Continued*)

R	R'	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
CH ₃	C ₂ H ₅	(N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻)	b.p.: 140-142/6.5 b.p.: 135-136/2 186-188	NMR,IR	622 557 622
H	C ₂ H ₅	6-OCH ₃	Picrate: 128-130 b.p.: 160/2 Picrate: 187-188		557 88 88
H	CH ₃	1,3-(CH ₃) ₂ -6,7-(OH) ₂	191-193	NMR	568
H	CH ₃	1,1-(CH ₃) ₂ -6,7-(OH) ₂	N/A		570
H	C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	(1S,3S) 161-162 (IS,3S) HCl: 229-230 (1R,3R) HCl: 230-231 (1R,3S) HCl: 217-218	NMR IR,NMR 535 537 537	
H	CH ₃	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	210-214 HCl: 256 HCl: 244-245	IR,NMR IR,NMR UV	479 479 113
H	CH ₃	6,8-(OCH ₃) ₂ -7-CH ₃	Picrate: 208		12
H	C ₂ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	(±) b.p.: 184-187/1 (±) HCl: 214-215 HCl: 215		557 557 683
COCH ₃	C ₂ H ₅	3-CN	143-145		583
CH ₃	C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₃ -6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	b.p.: 200-204/6		473
COCH ₃	C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	(1R,3R) 185-186 (1R,3S) 162-163	IR,NMR IR,NMR	537 537
H	C ₂ H ₅	1,3-(CH ₃) ₂ -1-CO ₂ H-6,7-(OH) ₂	218-220	NMR	568
H	C ₂ H ₅	1,3-(CH ₃) ₂ -1-CO ₂ H-7,8-(OH) ₂	248-250	NMR	568
H	C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	68-70	UV	85
(CH ₂) ₃ CN	C ₂ H ₅		b.p.: 170/1		599
H	CH ₃	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6-OH- <i>cis</i>	185-186	IR,NMR	479
H	CH ₃	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6-OH- <i>trans</i>	74	IR,NMR	479
(CH ₂) ₄ CN	C ₂ H ₅		b.p.: 175-180/0.1		614
(CH ₂) ₃ CN	C ₂ H ₅	6-OCH ₃	b.p.: 210/2		88
(CH ₂) ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅		b.p.: 160-161/4		614
COCH ₃	C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	Picrate: 115-116 (1S,3S) 86-87 (1R,3R) 91-92 (1R,3S) 101-102	IR,NMR IR IR,NMR	537 537 537
SO ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ NO ₂) ₂ -2-Cl-4	C ₂ H ₅		(±) 101-103		557
SO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -2	C ₂ H ₅		(±) 94-96	IR	557
H	C ₂ H ₅	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6-OH- <i>trans</i>	68	IR,NMR	479
SO ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ NH ₂) ₂ -2-Cl-4	C ₂ H ₅		(±) 134-136		557
SO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ NH ₂ -2	C ₂ H ₅		(±) 153-155	IR	557
CH ₂ CH=CHCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅		b.p.: 197-200/1.5 b.p.: 181-184/0.7		532 532

TABLE III.5. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-Carboxylates (*Continued*)

R	R ¹	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
H	C ₂ H ₅	1,I = CHCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	131-131.5	IR,NMR	684
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅	6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	Oil	IR,NMR	80
(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ C ₂ H ₅			b.p.: 180-190/2-3		601
			b.p.: 170/1		599
H	C ₂ H ₅	I-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 183-186/0.003 77-78	IR	684 684
CO(C ₆ H ₃ NO ₂ -2-Cl-3)	C ₂ H ₅		(-) 109-110 (+) Liquid		557 557
CO(C ₆ H ₃ NO ₂ -2-F-4)	C ₂ H ₅		(-) 85-87 (+) 90-91		557 557
CO(C ₆ H ₃ (NO ₂) ₂ -2,3)	C ₂ H ₅		(-) 128-130 (+) 128-130		557 557
CO(C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -2)C ₂ H ₅			(-) 98-99 (+) 98-99		557 557
COC ₆ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅		79		77
CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ NO ₂ -2-Cl-5)	C ₂ H ₅		(-) 66-68 N/A		557 690, 691
COC ₆ H ₄ NH ₂ -2	C ₂ H ₅		N/A		685
CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -2)	C ₂ H ₅		(+) 91-92 (-) 88-89 N/A	IR	557 557 686
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅		b.p.: 175-177/1.3		634
H	C ₂ H ₅	I-C ₆ H ₅ -6-OCH ₃ -trans	HCl: 217-218	IR	479
CH ₃	C ₂ H ₅	I-C ₆ H ₅ -OH-trans	Oil	IR,NMR	479
H	CH ₃	I-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -trans	118 HCl: 215	IR,NMR	479 479
CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ NH ₂ -2)	C ₂ H ₅		(+) 85-86 (-) 84-85 N/A	IR	557 557 686, 687
(CH ₂) ₄ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ C ₂ H ₅			b.p.: 169-170/0.1		614
COC ₆ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅	I-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	110-111.5	IR	684
CH ₃	C ₂ H ₅	I-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 185-195/0.05		688
CO(C ₆ H ₃ NO ₂ -2-Cl-3)	C ₂ H ₅	6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	(-) 181-182		557
CO(C ₆ H ₃ NO ₂ -2-F-4)	C ₂ H ₅	6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	(-) 112-114		557
CO(C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -2)C ₂ H ₅		6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	(-) 141-142		557

TABLE III.5. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-Carboxylates (*Continued*)

R	R ¹	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
CO(C ₆ H ₅ NO ₂ -2-O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)	C ₂ H ₅	(-) 140-142 (+) Liquid			557
CO(C ₆ H ₅ NO ₂ -2-OCH ₃ -5)	C ₂ H ₅	(±) 130-131			557
CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ NO ₂ -2-O ₂ CH ₂ -4,5)	C ₂ H ₅	(-) 87-89			557
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ NH ₂ -2C ₂ H ₅	6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	(±) 111-113	IR		557
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅	6-OCH ₃	N/A		99
H	CH ₃	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6-7-(OH) ₂	(1S,3S) 173-174 HCl: 144-147 (1R,3S) 110-112 HCl: 185-188 cis 173-174 trans 110-112	IR,NMR	576
(CH ₂) ₅ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ , C ₂ H ₅		b.p.: 174-176/0.3			614
CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ -					
C ₂ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 220-230/0.05		683
H	CH ₃	6-OCH ₃ -1-CH ₂ -N	138-140		476, 482, 483
COCH ₃	CH ₃	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6-O ₂ CCH ₃ - <i>cis</i>	169	IR,NMR	479
COCH ₃	CH ₃	1-C ₆ H ₅ -O ₂ CCH ₃ - <i>trans</i>	163	IR,NMR	479
CO(C ₆ H ₅ NO ₂ -2-Cl-3)	C ₂ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	(±) 163-166		557
CO(C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -2)C ₂ H ₅		6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	(±) 141-144		557
CO(C ₆ H ₂ NO ₂ -2-(OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)	C ₂ H ₅		(-) 145-147 (+) 150-152		557
COCH ₃	CH ₃	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ - <i>trans</i>	300	IR,NMR	479
CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ NO ₂ -2-(OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)	C ₂ H ₅		(±) 131-133	IR	557
CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OC _H ₃) ₂ -3,4)	C ₂ H ₅	6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 185-190/0.1		613
H	C ₂ H ₅	3-CH ₃ -	81-84		649a
H	CH(CH ₃) ₂	6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	57-60		649a
H	CH(CH ₃) ₂	7,8(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 130/0.03		649a
CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4	CH(CH ₃) ₂		b.p.: 180/0.06		649a
CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4	C ₂ H ₅	6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	100-102		649a
CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4	CH(CH ₃) ₂ -3-CH ₃ -6,7(OCH ₃) ₂		b.p.: 190/0.09		649a

TABLE III.5. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-Carboxylates (*Continued*)

R	R ¹	Substituents	m.p. (C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.	
CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₃ ,4,5	C ₂ H ₅	6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	92–94		649a	
CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ ,4,5	CH(CH ₃) ₂	7,8(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 150–185/0.05		649a	
CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ ,4	C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₃ -6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 150–120/0.01		649b	
H	C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	(1S3S)HCl: 220–221		649b	
-CHO	C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	(1S3S)170–172		649b	
-CH ₃	C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₃ -6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	(1S3S)HCl: 213		649b	
H	C ₂ H ₅	4-CH ₃ -6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	67–78		649b	
CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ ,3,4	C ₂ H ₅	4-CH ₃ -6,7(OCH ₃) ₂	120–180/0.03		649b	
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅	4-OH-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 198		82, 605	
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ NH ₂ -2	C ₂ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	(±)	123–124	IR	557
COC ₆ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	(1S,3S)	Oil	IR	537
H	CH ₃	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	(1S,3S)	126–128	IR,NMR	576
			(1R,3S)	95–96	IR,NMR	576
			1,3-cis	123–125		649
			cis	126–128		577
H	C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CH(C ₆ H ₃) ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	N/A		470	
CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ - 3,4	CH(CH ₃) ₂		b.p.: 180/0.6		600	
CH ₃	CH ₃	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)- 6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	(1S,3S)	70–71	IR,NMR	576
			(1R,3S)	113–114	IR,NMR	576
(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅	6-OCH ₃	b.p.: 200/2		88	
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	α -isomer	HCl: 172–173	485, 516	
			β isomer	104.5–105.5	485, 516	
				HCl: 147–148	485, 516	
				Picrate: 122–123.5	485, 516	

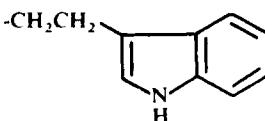
TABLE III.6. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-4,5-,6-, and 7-Carboxylic Acid and Carboxylates

R	Substituent	m.p. (C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ H	N/A		581
H	4-CO ₂ H-1,1-(CH ₃) ₂ -6-OH	HCl: 295	IR, NMR	554
H	5-CO ₂ H-4,6,7-(OH) ₃	HBr: 189–190		575
CH ₃	5-CO ₂ H-7-NO ₂	HCl: 239–242		192
H	5-CO ₂ H-1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	255–256		596
COCH ₃	5-CO ₂ H-1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	178–179		596
H	7-CO ₂ H-1,1-(CH ₃) ₂ -6-OH	N/A		562
H	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	Picrate: 175–176		593
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ CH ₃	Picrate: 120		580, 581

TABLE III.6. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-4,5,6-, and 7-Carboxylic Acid and Carboxylates (Continued)

R	Substituent	m.p. (C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
H	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1,1(CH ₃) ₂ -6-OH	HCl: 236	IR, NMR	554
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	N/A		689
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	130.5-131.5		688
C ₂ H ₅	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 260		347
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-O ₂ CH ₂			
	-trans	75.5-76.5	IR, NMR	548
	-cis	HCl: 215-216	IR, NMR	548
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-O ₂ CH ₂ -trans	127.5-129	IR	560
		-cis 135.5-136.5		560
H	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -			
	-trans	125-126	IR, NMR	548
	-cis	111.5-112.5	IR, NMR	548
H	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-(C ₆ H ₃ O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -trans			
		171-171.5	IR, NMR	548
		-cis 116-117	IR, NMR	635
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ H-3-(C ₆ H ₃ O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -trans			
		208-209	IR, NMR	635a
		-cis 229-230	IR, NMR	635a
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -			
	-trans	120-121	IR	560
	-cis	135-136		560
C ₃ H ₇ -n	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-O ₂ CH ₂ -trans	198-199	IR, NMR	635
		cis HCl: 148.5-150	IR, NMR	635
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-(C ₆ H ₃ O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -trans			
		158-159	IR, NMR	548, 560
C ₂ H ₅	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -			
	-trans	107-107.5	IR, NMR	635
	-cis	HCl: 116-117	IR, NMR	635
H	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -trans			
		185-186	IR, NMR	548
H	cis	130-131	IR, NMR	635
C ₃ H ₇ -n	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -			
	-trans	106-107	IR, NMR	635
	-cis	116-117	IR, NMR	635
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -trans			
		184-185	IR, NMR	559, 560
C ₃ H ₇ -n	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -trans			
		134-135	IR, NMR	635
		-cis Oil	IR, NMR	635
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-O ₂ CH ₂			
	-trans	172-173	IR, NMR	635
	-cis	185-186	IR, NMR	635
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂			
	-trans	131.5-132.5	IR, NMR	635
	-cis	133-134	IR, NMR	635

TABLE III.6. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-4,5-,6-, and 7-Carboxylic Acid and Carboxylates
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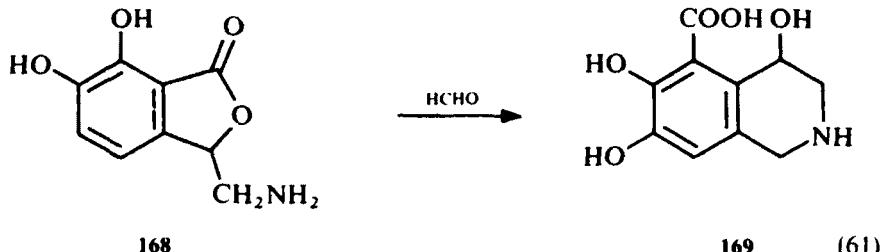
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CH ₃	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7-NO ₂	129-130		192
	HCl: 195-198			192
CH ₃	5-CO ₂ CH ₃	b.p.: 110/0.1	IR, NMR	78
	Picrate: 166-167			78
CH ₃	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7-OH	180/181		192
H	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -4-OCH ₃ -6,7-(OH) ₂	HCl: 181		575
CH ₃	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7-NH ₂	144-146		192
	HI: 219			192
C ₂ H ₅	5-CO ₂ CH ₃	187-188		11
CH ₃	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7-NHCOCH ₃	93-95		192
H	5-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -4-OC ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OH) ₂ HCl: 171-172			575
				
	5-CO ₂ CH ₃	130-131		119
	HBr: 204-206			119
	Picrate: 186-194			119
CH ₃	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7-NHCO(C ₆ H ₅ OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4,5)	170-171		192
H	6-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4,5)-7-OH	Oil	IR, NMR	92
	HCl: 186-188	UV		92
H	6-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4,5)-5-OH	Oil	IR, NMR	92
	HCl: 213-215	UV		92
C ₂ H ₅	7-CO ₂ CH ₃	215.2-216.1		11
H	7-CO-C ₂ H ₅ -1,1-(CH ₃) ₂ -6-OH	N/A		562
H	7-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4,5)-6-OH	HCl: 135-138	IR, UV, NMR	92
CH ₃	5-CONHNH ₂ -7-NO ₂	185		192

(a) 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolinecarboxylic Acids and Esters

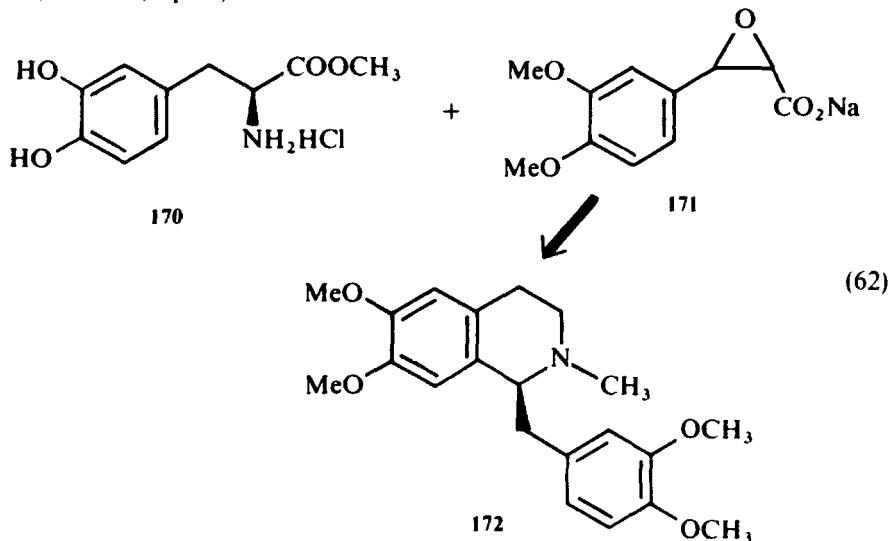
Since most synthetic procedures can be applied to all acidic derivatives of 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines and not just to carboxylic acids and esters, those methods will be discussed in this section and not repeated in Section III.A (a).

Perhaps the most frequently used synthetic procedure involves some variation of the Pictet-Spengler reaction, which is the condensation of a phenethylamine derivative with a carbonyl compound generally under mild acid catalysis.^{80, 112, 113, 428, 479, 517, 532-574} Thus, phenylalanine derivatives provide the 3-

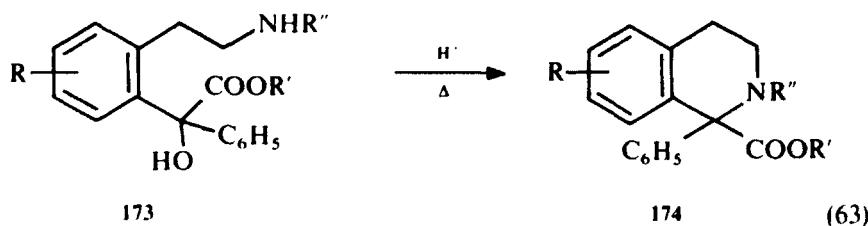
carboxylic acids or esters while pyruvates afford the 1-carboxylic acids or esters. 2-C¹⁴-pyruvate has been used to introduce C¹⁴.⁵⁶⁴ A number of variations on this basic reaction have been reported. The reaction of **168** with formaldehyde gives 4,6,7-trihydroxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline-5-carboxylic acid (**169**)⁵⁷⁵ (Eq. 61).



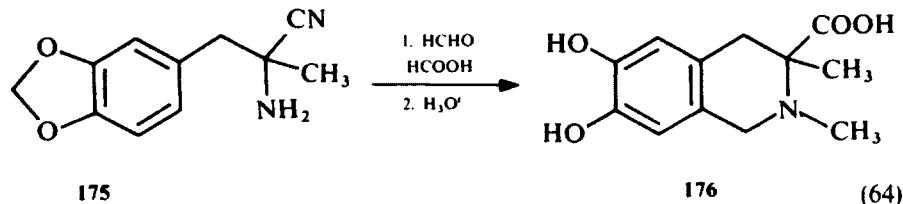
The asymmetric Pictet–Spengler reaction of L-3-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl)alanine methyl ester hydrochloride (**170**) with sodium (3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)glycidate (**171**) proceeds by a 1,3 transfer of asymmetry to afford, after appropriate chemical transformations, the benzylisoquinoline alkaloid (*S*)-laudanosine (**172**).^{576, 577} (Eq. 62).



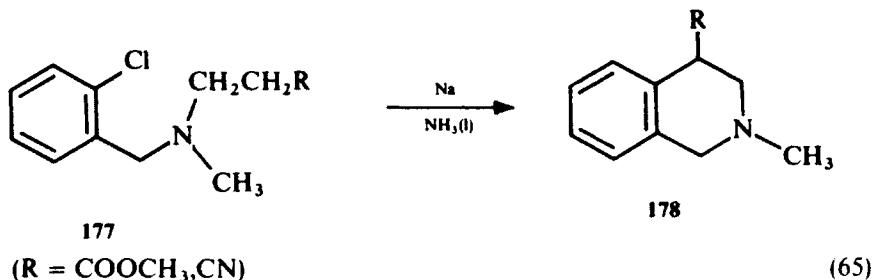
Treatment of **173** with acid leads to **174**.⁵⁷⁸ (Eq. 63).



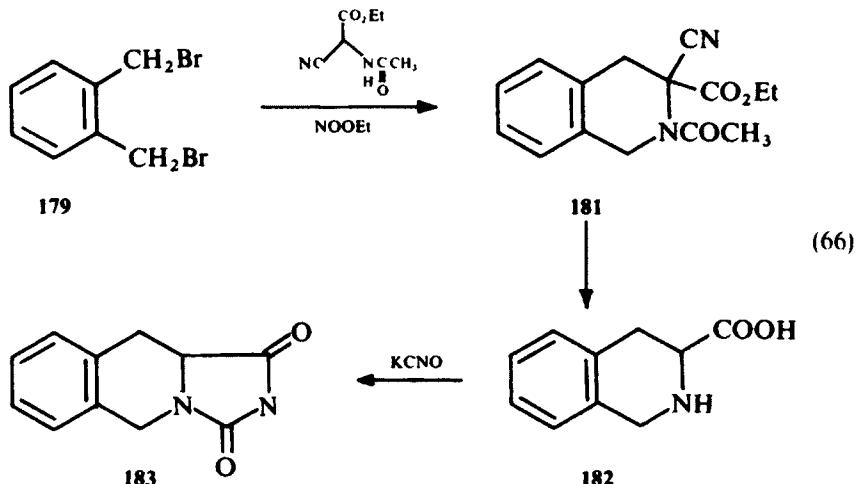
Reaction of **175** with formaldehyde-formic acid followed by hydrolysis gave **176**⁵⁷⁹ (Eq. 64).



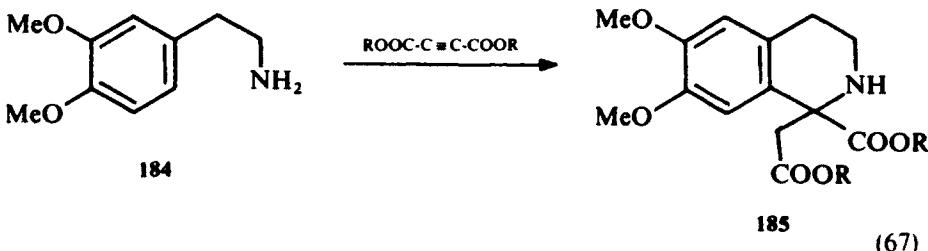
Reaction of **177** with sodium amide in liquid ammonia leads to **178**^{580, 581} (Eq. 65). The cyclization of 2-(β -chloroethyl)-benzyl chlorides with amines has also been used to prepare tetrahydroisoquinolines.⁵⁸²



The base-catalyzed condensation of *o*-xylene bromide (**179**) with **180** provides in 43% yield ethyl 2-acetyl-3-cyano-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-carboxylate (**181**), which can be hydrolyzed and decarboxylated to the amino acid **182**.⁵⁸³ The reaction of **182** with potassium cyanate affords **183**^{693a} (Eq. 66).



The Michael adduct obtained from homoveratritylamine (**184**) reacting with an acetylenedicarboxylic ester cyclizes under mild conditions to give **185**^{583a} (Eq. 67).



A number of compounds in this series have been isolated from natural sources.^{533, 541, 584}

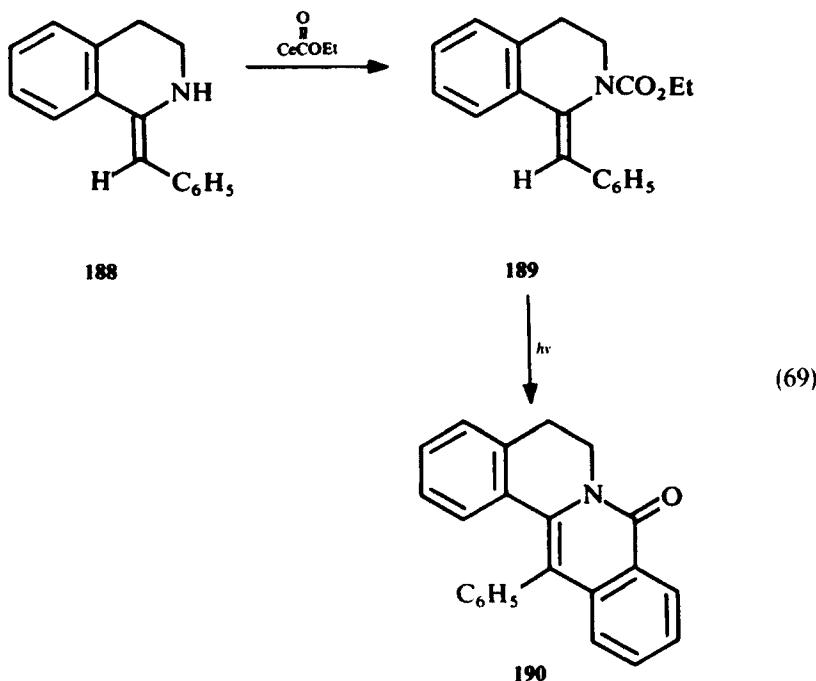
Reduction of dihydroisoquinolines containing acidic groups with borohydride, catalytic hydrogenation, and zinc and acid^{86, 92, 134, 156, 347, 376, 436, 441, 442, 444, 445, 449, 451, 464, 468, 470, 473, 478–481, 485, 490, 491, 493, 495, 497, 506, 507, 513, 516, 527, 585–592} and reduction of isoquinolinium salts containing acidic groups with borohydride or catalytic hydrogenation^{1, 5, 11, 23, 63, 105, 119, 126, 192, 347, 477, 593–595} has led to 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines containing acid derivatives. Oxidation of side chains^{549, 596} and ring-cleavage reactions^{597, 598} have also been used.

A variety of transformations typical of esters and acids have been reported. Thus both esterification^{65, 192, 445, 479, 498, 532, 543, 544, 556, 557, 568, 571, 578, 594, 599–603} and ester hydrolysis^{86, 126, 445, 502, 507, 537, 544, 547, 554, 562, 588, 590, 600, 603–613} have been reported. In addition, nitriles have been used to prepare both esters^{491, 499, 573, 593, 599, 614} and acids.^{192, 498, 534, 580, 581, 603, 615–617} Amides have been converted to acids,^{253, 362, 615, 618, 619} acids to amides,^{620, 621} and esters to amides^{491, 563, 577, 621–633} and hydrazides.^{192, 544} Lithium aluminium hydride reduction of esters and acids give primary alcohols.^{497, 498, 593, 634, 635} Esterification of 4,6,7-trihydroxy-1,2,3,4-isoquinoline-5-carboxylic acid leads to the 4-alkoxy esters.⁵⁷⁵

Decarboxylations have also been reported. The decarboxylation of 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-carboxylic acids takes place more readily with NH than with *N*-methyl.⁶³⁶ Oxidative decarboxylation of a series of 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline-1-carboxylic acids, including the 7-hydroxy derivatives takes place easily, except in the case of the 7-methoxy derivative.^{637, 637a} Treatment of **186** with hydriodic acid leads with decarboxylation to a 3,4-dihydroisoquinoline **187**^{638, 639} (Eq. 68). The half-wave potential of a series of 1-benzyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline-1-carboxylic acids has been studied.⁵³⁴



The reaction of chloroformates, particularly ethyl chloroformate^{556, 640-643} with tetrahydroisoquinolines leads to *N*-carboalkoxy derivatives. The reaction of 1-benzylidene-2-carbethoxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (**188**) with ethyl chloroformate leads to **189**,^{578, 642, 644-646} which undergoes an oxidative irradiation to afford the oxyprotoberberine **190**⁶⁴⁷ (Eq. 69).



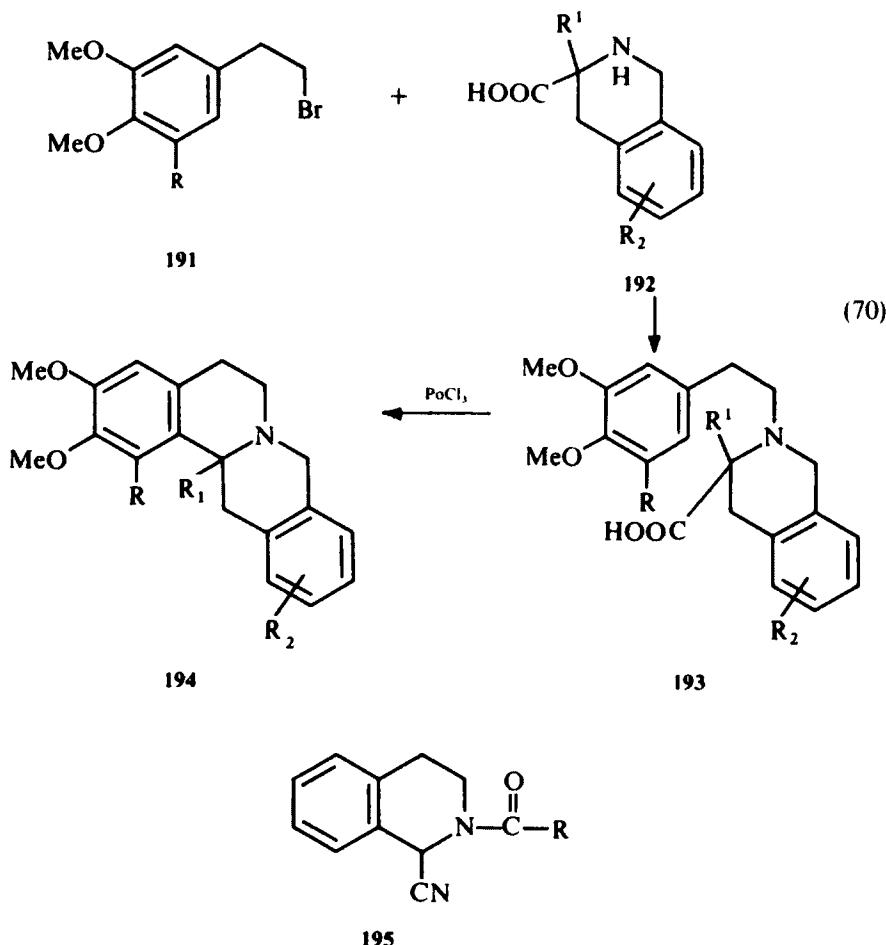
Compounds **194**, prepared from **193**, have been used to prepare berbines, a class of naturally occurring and synthetic isoquinoline alkaloids^{649a,b} (Eq. 70).

The thin-layer chromatographic behavior of diastereomeric methyl 6,7-dialkoxy-3-aryl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline-4-carboxylates have been studied.⁶⁴⁸ The stereochemistry involved in the synthesis of these compounds^{548, 559-560} and an NMR study of the conformation of the compounds⁶³⁵ has appeared. Isomerization reactions of certain methyl 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-carboxylates have been studied in connection with alkaloid syntheses.⁶⁴⁹

(b) Other 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline Derivatives

(i) Cyano, Amide, and Hydrazide Groups on the Ring

3,4-Dihydroisoquinolines behave in a similar manner to isoquinolines and react with acid chlorides and cyanide ion to give **195**^{37, 249, 253, 256, 313, 534, 603, 655, 664, 693} Benzoyl cyanide also leads to the same



product.^{597, 598} These compounds have been alkylated in the 1 position in the same manner as Reissert compounds.^{342, 534, 603, 637a, 664, 692} Reaction of 3 with aqueous hypochlorous acid leads to **196**,⁶⁹³ which when treated with Et_3N rearranges to the isochromene **197** (Eq. 71).

The fluoroborate salts of **195** have been investigated.²⁵⁵ Reissert analogs of the type **195** ($\text{R}=\text{OC}_2\text{H}_5$) have been reacted with benzaldehyde to give **198**.^{693a}

The reaction of 3,4-dihydroisoquinolinium salts with cyanide ions leads to the cyanides **199**.^{203, 342, 343, 446, 453, 510, 618, 619, 628, 694–712} This reaction is reversible^{694, 699–701, 707, 712} and the equilibrium has been studied.⁷¹³ While the reduction of **200b**³⁴² or **200c**^{342a} with lithium aluminum hydride gives the 1-aminomethyl products **202b,c**, reduction of **200a** gives 1,1'-bis-(1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolyl) (**201**) (Eq. 72).

The conversion of **203** to 6,7-dimethoxy-1-cyano-2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (**204**) by reaction with hydrogen cyanide can be considered

TABLE III.7. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline Carbonitriles

R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
<i>I-Cyano</i>			
H ^a		160-162	664
CH ₃		158-161	342a
		76-78	725
		77-78	705
COCH ₃ ^a		114-116	664
CO ₂ CH ₃ ^a		110-112	664
C ₂ H ₅		51-52	342
CH ₃	1-CH ₃	(N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻) 159	342
CH ₂ OCH ₃		82	342
CH ₂ CH ₂ OH		83.5	707
H	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	N/A	618, 619
CH ₃	5-Br-6,7-O ₂ CH ₂ -8-OCH ₃	152-153	725
COCH ₃ ^a	1-CH ₃	142-143	664
CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ^{a,b}		99-100	664
CH ₃	6,7-O ₂ CH ₂ -8-OCH ₃	95-96	725
CH ₂ CH ₂ CONH ₂		112	510
H	1-CH ₂ Cl-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	125	446
CH ₃	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	127-128	619, 704, 725
C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	107-108	342a
COCl ₃	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	N/A	249
CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ^{a,b}	6,7-CH ₂ O ₂	103-105	338
CH ₂ CONH ₂	6,7-O ₂ CH ₂ -8-OCH ₃	152.5	510
COCH ₃ ^a	1-C ₂ H ₅	78-80	664
-(CH ₂) ₂ COCH ₃		95-97	712
COCH ₃ ^a	1-CH ₂ OCH ₃	82-83	664
COCH ₃	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	200	256
CH ₂ CONH ₂	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	188	510
CH ₃	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	N/A	726
CH ₂ CH ₂ OH ^a	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	N/A	706
COCH ₃ ^a	1-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	134-136	664
CH ₂ CH ₂ CONH ₂	6,7-O ₂ CH ₂ -8-OCH ₃	167	510
CH ₂ CH ₂ CONH ₂	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	152	510
C ₃ H ₇	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	70-72	725
(CH ₂) ₂ CH ₂ OH ^a		N/A	619
-(CH ₆ H ₃ (NO ₂) ₂) ₂ -2,4-	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	53-54	706
-C ₆ H ₃ (NO ₂) ₂ -2,4	5-Br	141	727
-C ₆ H ₃ (NO ₂) ₂ -2,4	8-Br	183	727
-C ₆ H ₃ (NO ₂) ₂ -2,4	5-Cl	143-144	727
-C ₆ H ₃ (NO ₂) ₂ -2,4	8-Cl	176-177	727
C ₆ H ₃ (NO ₂) ₂ -2,4	5-I	143	727
C ₆ H ₂ Br ₃ -2,4,6		130	694
C ₆ H ₃ Cl ₂ -2,4		144	694

TABLE III.7. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline Carbonitriles (*Continued*)

R	Substituents	m.p. (C)	Ref.
C ₆ H ₅ Cl ₂ -2,5		175	694
C ₆ H ₄ Br-4		157-158	694
C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4		153-154	694
C ₆ H ₄ F-4		136	694
C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -2		151-152	694
C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -3		170-171	694
C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -4		151-152	694, 695
		142-143	695
C ₆ H ₅		96-96.5	694
-(CH ₂) ₂ COCH ₃	6,7-O ₂ CH ₂ -8-OCH ₃	210-212	712
CO(CH ₂) ₃ Cl	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	158-159	37
CH ₃	3-CH ₂ -CH=CH ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	73-75	700
		75	699
-(CH ₂) ₂ COCH ₃	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	116-117	712
COC ₆ H ₅	3-OH-4-Cl	176-178	693
COC ₆ H ₅		104-105	253
		123-124	256
		N/A	255
CO ₂ C ₆ H ₅ ^a		133-134	644
SO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₃ -4	3,4-Br ₂	118-118.5 ^{a, b, c}	335
-C ₆ H ₃ (NO ₂) ₂ -2,4	5-OCH ₃	159	727
-C ₆ H ₃ (NO ₂) ₂ -2,4	6-OCH ₃	139	727
-C ₆ H ₃ (NO ₂) ₂ -2,4	8-OCH ₃	163	727
SO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₃ -4	3-OH-4-Br	184 ^{a-c}	335
C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -2		137	694
(CH ₂) ₂ COCH ₂ CH ₃	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	104-106	712
COC ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₃ -6-OCH ₃ -7-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	179-181	637a
COC ₆ H ₅	1-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ -6-OCH ₃ -7-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	178-180	637a
-C ₆ H ₄ Cl-2	6,7-O ₂ CH ₂ -8-OCH ₃	163-165	695
-C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -2	6,7-O ₂ CH ₂ -8-OCH ₃	153-154	695
-C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -4	6,7-O ₂ CH ₂ -8-OCH ₃	200-202	695
COC ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₃	162-163	342
CH ₃	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -2)	98-100	41
CH ₃	3-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -2)	102-103	41
-C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -2	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	151	695
-C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -4	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	179-180	695
CH ₃	3-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	87-88	701
CH ₂ CH(C ₂ H ₅)COCH ₃	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	127-128	712
(CH ₂) ₂ COCH(CH ₃) ₂	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	82-83	712
COCH ₃ ^a	1-COC ₆ H ₅	208-210	664
COC ₆ H ₅	1-COCH ₃	204-206	342
COCH ₃ ^a	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	180-181	664
COC ₆ H ₅	1-C ₂ H ₅	137-139	342
COC ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ SCH ₃	90-91	342
COC ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ OCH ₃	110-112	342
COC ₆ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	212-213	313
		215-216 ^a	603
SO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₃ -4	3-OC ₂ H ₅ -4-Br	169 ^{a-c}	335
CH ₃	3-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -7-OCH ₃	109-110	701

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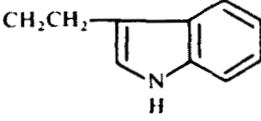
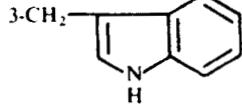
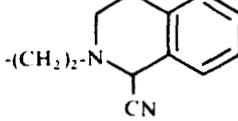
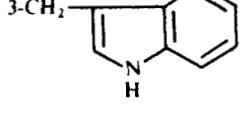
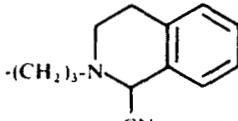
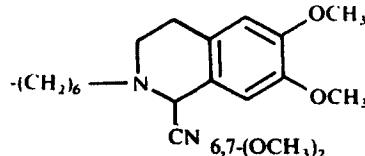
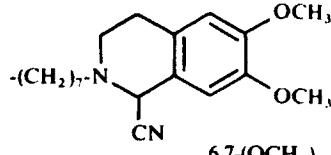
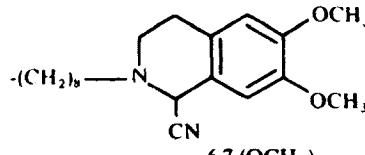
R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
CO ₂ C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)	1-CH ₂ CH ₂ CN 1-CH ₂ NO ₂ -6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	136 151	342 728
		108-110 128-129	453 729
CH ₃ SO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₃ -4 CH ₃	3-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ Br-4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ 3-OCH(CH ₃) ₂ -4-Br 3-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	136-137 166 ^a ^c 140-141	41 335 698
CH ₃		6-OCH ₃	153-154
CH ₃ CH ₃ CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -2,3)	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -3,3-(CH ₃) ₂ -6-OCH ₃ 3-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6-OCH ₃ 6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	98 148.5-149.5 125	696 730 203
CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	98	343
		200	342
CO ₂ C ₆ H ₅	3-CH ₂ CH=CH ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	N/A	692
CH ₃		6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	149-150
CO ₂ C ₆ H ₅ CH ₃ CH ₃ CH ₃	1-CON(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ 3-CH ₂ CH=CHC ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ 1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ 3-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	209 99-100 145-147 129 115-117	342 699 702 698 697, 702
		172	342
CH ₂ CH(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅)COCH ₃	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	107-109	712

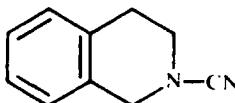
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R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
CO ₂ C ₆ H ₅	1-COC ₆ H ₅	218	342
CO ₂ C ₆ H ₅	1-CSNHC ₆ H ₅	153-155	342
CO ₂ C ₆ H ₅	1-CONHC ₆ H ₅	186	342
CH ₃	3-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OC ₂ H ₅) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	141-142	697
CH ₃	3-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	93-94	697
CO ₂ C ₆ H ₅	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	190	597, 598
CO ₂ C ₆ H ₅	6-OCH ₃ -7-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	178-180	534
CO ₂ C ₆ H ₅ ^{a,b}	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -C(=O)(OCH ₃) ₂	185-186	603
CH ₃	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	212-213	709
	3-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OC ₂ H ₅) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	106-108	697
CO ₂ C ₆ H ₅ ^{a,c}	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	191-192	603
CO ₂ C ₆ H ₅ ^{a,c}	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ O ₂ CH ₂ -2,3)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	187-188	603
CO ₂ C ₆ H ₅	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	128-129	655
CH ₃	3,4-(CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅) ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	116-117	601
	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	153-154	709
	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	186	710, 711
	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	170	709
	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	145-146	709

TABLE III.7. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline Carbonitriles (Continued)

R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	135-136	709
COC ₆ H ₅ ^a	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4)-3-CH ₂ - CH=CH-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	169-170	692
	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	138	709
	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	138	709
COC ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	153-153	534

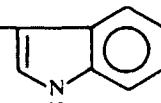
Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
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2-Cyano

Complex with Ni(CO) ₄	117-124	718
5-OH	140-142	717
3-CF ₃	61-62	715, 716, 732
5-CH ₃	55-57	717
7-CH ₃	75-75.5	717
1-CH ₃ -6-OH	95-97	717

TABLE III.7. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline Carbonitriles (*Continued*)

Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
1-C ₂ F ₅	56-57	715, 716, 732
5-NHCOCH ₃	192-193	717
1,3-(OCH ₃) ₂ -4-Br	136	191
1,5-(CH ₃) ₂	67-68	717
1,8-(CH ₃) ₂	72.5-74	717
3,5-(CH ₃) ₂	77-78	717
6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	124-126	719
1-CH ₃ -6-OH-7-OCH ₃	96-98	719
1-C ₃ F ₇	67-68	715, 716, 732
1-(CH ₂) ₃ Br	N/A	617
1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	72-74	719
3-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	97-101	717
1-(CH ₂) ₃ CN	220-230/0.07	617
1-(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ H	N/A	617
1-CH(OH)Ar	N/A	314
3-(C ₆ H ₅ O ₂ -4,5-CH=CH ₂)-7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	165-167	721, 722
3-(C ₆ H ₅ O ₂ CH ₂ -4,5-CH ₂ CH ₂ Br-2)-7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	174-175	721, 722
6,7-(OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅) ₂	101-103	717
1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅) ₂	76-77	717
3-(C ₆ H ₅ O ₂ CH ₂ -4,5-CH ₂ CH ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ -7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	127-128	721, 722
	HCl: 202-204	721, 722
	(NC ₂ H ₅ I ⁻) 246-248	721, 722

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
<i>3-,4- and 5-Cyano</i>			
CH ₃ ^a	3-CN	71-72	622
COCH ₃	3-CN-3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	143-145	583
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	3-CN-1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ (1S, 3S)	Oi	575
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ ^{a, b}	4-CN-3-(C ₆ H ₅ O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	156-157	724
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	4-CN-3-(C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	N/A	733
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ ^{a, b}	4-CN-3-(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	158.5-160	724
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	4-CN-3-(C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6-OCH ₃	N/A	733
CH ₃	5-CN	52	192
CH ₃ ^b	5-CN-7-NO ₂	b.p.: 75/0.1 111-112	192
CH ₂ CH ₂ - 	5-CN	185-187	119
		HBr: 222-225 Picrate: 184-187	119
CH ₃	3-CN-5-Br-8-NO ₂	145-149	733a

^aIR in paper.^bNMR in paper.^cUV in paper.^dMass spectroscopy in paper.

TABLE III.8. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline with Amides and Hydrazides on Ring

R	R ¹	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
<i>I-Position</i>				
H		1-CONH ₂	178-180 ^{a,b}	176
			168-169	368
			180-183	205
			182-183	253
			HBr: 285-286	205
H		1-CONHNH ₂ -4,6-(OH) ₂	212-215	544
CH ₃		1-CONHNH ₂ -4,6-(OH) ₂	222-224	544
H		1-CONH ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	N/A	618, 619
C ₂ H ₅		1-CONHNH ₂ -4,6-(OH) ₂	219-220	544
CH ₃		1-CONHN=C(CH ₃) ₂ -4,6-(OH) ₂	204-206	544
H		1-CONHC ₆ H ₅	138.5-139.4	202
CH ₃		1-CONHN=C(CH ₃)C ₂ H ₅ -4,6-(OH) ₂	192-194	544
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅		1-CONH ₂	150-151	253
			HCl: 251	253
H		1-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	121.4-125.8	623-628
CH ₃		1-CONHN=CHC ₆ H ₄ OH-4,6-(OH) ₂	215	544
C ₂ H ₅		1-CONHC ₆ H ₅	101-102	202
			HCl: 244-246	202
H		1-CONHC ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	162-165	623-628
			HCl: 237-245	623-628
H			180	651
CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)		1-CONH ₂	179	362
			Perchlorate: 209-210	362
CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)		1-CONH ₂	Perchlorate: 204-205	362
H		1-CONHCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	160-161	623-628
CH ₃		1-CONHC ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	175-177	623-628
COC ₆ H ₅		1-CN-1-CH ₂ CH ₂ CN	136	342
COCH ₂ Cl		1-CONHC ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	182-183	623-628
H		1-CONH ₂ -1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	156	655
			HCl: 163-165	655
R			N/A	734
CH ₃		1-CH(CN)(C ₆ H ₂ NO ₂ -2-(OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6-OCH ₃	125-127	735
H		1-CONHC ₆ H ₅ -1-CH ₂ -6,7-(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	133	545
CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -2,3)		1-CONH ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	192	203
CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)		1-CONH ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	189-192	362
COC ₆ H ₅		1-CON(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ -1-CN	209	342

TABLE III.8. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline with Amides and Hydrazides on Ring (Continued)

R	R ¹	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.	
H		1-CONHCH ₂ CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	142	506	
CO ₂ C ₆ H ₅		1-CONHC ₆ H ₅	186	342	
H		1-CONH ₂ -1-(C ₆ H ₃ (OC ₂ H ₅) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	117 HCl: 186-188	655 655	
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅			DL 120-200	651	
CO ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅			DL N/A	651	
2-Position					
H	C ₆ H ₄ Cl-3	1,1=CH ₂	80-85	736	
H ^{b,c}	C ₆ H ₅	1,1=CH ₂	105-107	736	
H	H	3,3-(CH ₃) ₂ -1-		180-180.5	737
H	H	1-CH ₂ Ar 4-OH-4-Ar	N/A N/A	314 738	
H	C ₂ H ₅	3,3-(CH ₃) ₂ -1-		181-182	737
H	H	3-(C ₆ H ₂ O ₂ CH ₂ -4,5-CH=CH ₂ -2)-7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	192-194	721, 722	

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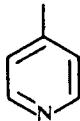
R	R ¹	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
H	C ₆ H ₅	3,3-(CH ₃) ₂ -1- 	165-166	737
H	CH ₂ CH ₂ -N 	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	130-131	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(C ₃ H ₇ -i) ₂	1-C ₆ H ₅	101-103	739
H	CH ₂ CH ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	97-98	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N 	1-(C ₆ H ₄ F-4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	95-96	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(C ₃ H ₇ -i) ₂	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	121-122	739
H	CH ₂ CH ₂ -N 	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	101-102	739
H	H	3-(C ₆ H ₂ O ₂ CH ₂ -4,5-CH ₂ CH ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ -2)-7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	149.5-151	721, 722
H	(CH ₂) ₃ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	92-93	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(C ₃ H ₇ -i) ₂	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6-OH-7-OCH ₃	91-92	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N 	1-(C ₆ H ₄ Br-2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	146-149	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(C ₃ H ₇ -i) ₂	1-(C ₆ H ₃ Cl ₂ -2,6)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	106-107	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(C ₃ H ₇ -i) ₂	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-O ₂ C ₂ H ₅	112-113	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(C ₃ H ₇ -i) ₂	1-(C ₆ H ₄ Br-2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	143-145	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(C ₃ H ₇ -i) ₂	1-(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	78-81	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(C ₃ H ₇ -i) ₂	1-(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	128-129	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(C ₃ H ₇ -i) ₂	1-(C ₆ H ₄ F-4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	136-137	739
H	CH ₂ CH ₂ N(C ₃ H ₇ -i) ₂	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	109-110	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(CH ₃)(C ₆ H ₁₁)	1-(C ₆ H ₄ Br-2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	139-140	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(CH ₃)(C ₆ H ₁₁)	1-(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	126-129	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(CH ₃)(C ₆ H ₁₁)	1-(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	142-143	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(CH ₃)(C ₆ H ₁₁)	1-(C ₆ H ₄ F-4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	149-150	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(CH ₃)(C ₆ H ₁₁)	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	136-138	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N 	1-(C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	165-167	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(C ₃ H ₇ -i) ₂	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	87-89	739

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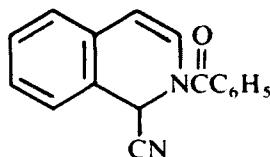
R	R ¹	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(C ₃ H ₇ -i) ₂	1-(C ₆ H ₄ CH ₂ -2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	230-233	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(CH ₃)(C ₆ H ₁₁)	1-(C ₆ H ₄ CH ₂ -2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	145-146	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(CH ₃)(C ₆ H ₁₁)	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	Oil	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(C ₃ H ₇ -i) ₂	1-(C ₆ H ₄ OC ₂ H ₅ -2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	127-128	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(C ₃ H ₇ -i) ₂	1-(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	114-115	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(CH ₃)(C ₆ H ₁₁)	1-(C ₆ H ₄ OC ₂ H ₅ -2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	136-137	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(CH ₃)(C ₆ H ₁₁)	1-(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	112-113	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(CH ₃)-C ₆ H ₅	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	166-167	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(C ₃ H ₇ -i) ₂	1-C ₆ H ₅ -7-OCH ₃ -6-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	150-152	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(C ₃ H ₇ -i) ₂	1-C ₆ H ₅ -7-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6-OCH ₃	142-144	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(CH ₃)(C ₆ H ₁₁)	1-C ₆ H ₅ -7-OCH ₃ -8-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	109-110	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(CH ₃)(C ₆ H ₁₁)	1-C ₆ H ₅ -7-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6-OCH ₃	109-111	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(CH ₃)(C ₆ H ₁₁)	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6-OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -7-OCH ₃	109-110	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(C ₃ H ₇ -i) ₂	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅) ₂	132-133	739
H	(CH ₂) ₂ N(CH ₃)(C ₆ H ₁₁)	1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅) ₂	123-124	739

3-Position

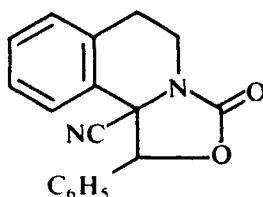
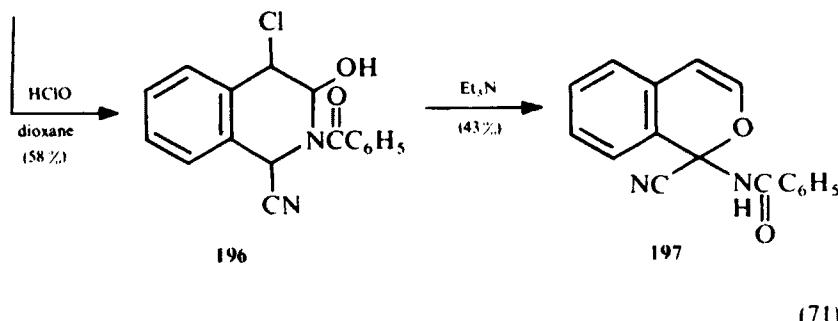
CH ₃	3-CONH ₂	158-159 ^a	622
		162-163	609, 610
H	3-CONHNH ₂ -1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	167-168	85
H	3-CONH(CH ₃) ₂ N(CH ₃) ₂	bp: 192-195 0.1	629, 630
H	3-CONHCH ₂ CH ₂ NRR'	N/A	740
H	3-CONH(CH ₃) ₂ NHCH(CH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 198-200 0.5	629, 630
H	3-CONH(CH ₃) ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	bp: 205-210 0.1	629, 630
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	3-CONH ₂	145-146	609, 610
H	3-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -2)	N/A	741
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	3-CONH ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	149-150	609, 610
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	3-CONHCH(CH ₃) ₂	105-106	609, 610
H	3-CONH ₂ -1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	196-198 ^{a,b}	576
	(1S, 3S)	196-198 ^{a,b}	576
	(1R, 3S)	206-208 ^{a,b}	649
	cis	196-198	577
CH ₃	3-CONH ₂ -1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	149-151 ^{a,b}	576
	(1S, 3S)	149-151	577
	cis	149-151	577
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	3-CONHC ₆ H ₅	125-126	609, 610
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	3-CONH ₂ -1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	N/A ^{a,b}	576
	(1S, 3S)	Picrate: 109-110	576
	cis	Picrate: 109-111	577
	(1R, 3S)	140 ^a	649

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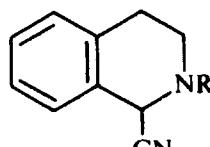
R	R'	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
4-Position				
CH ₃		4-CN	41.5-42.5 HCl: 224-226	580, 581 580, 581
CH ₃		4-CONH ₂	152 153 180 HCl: 200 HCl: 227	134, 347 580, 581 580, 581 5 580, 581 5
CH ₃		4-CON(CH ₃) ₂	Picrolonate: 197	580, 581
CH ₃		4-CON(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	b.p.: 125-135/0.01 bp: 165-173/0.05 oxalate: 190-192	581 5 581

^aIR in paper.^bNMR in paper.^cUV in paper.

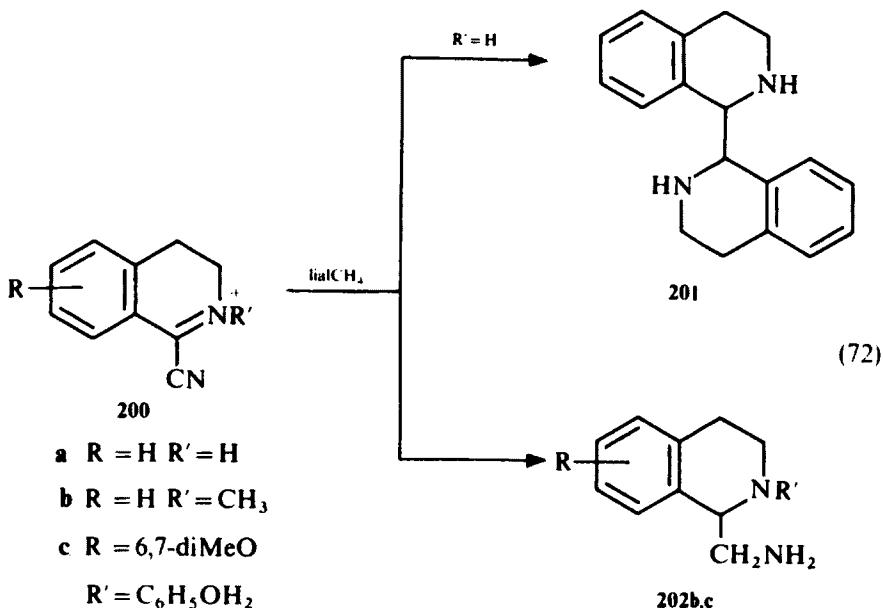
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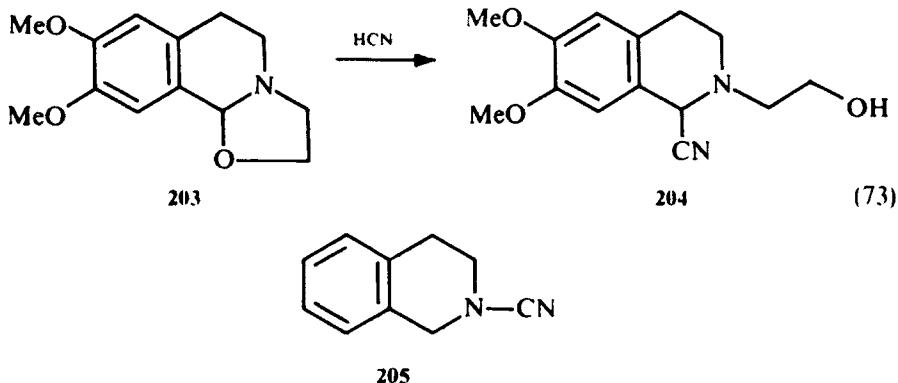
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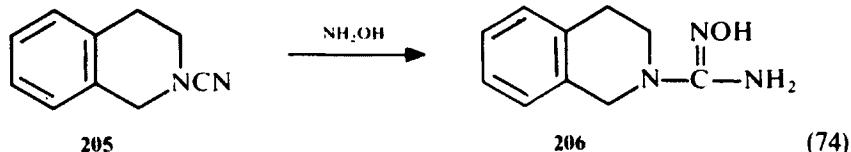
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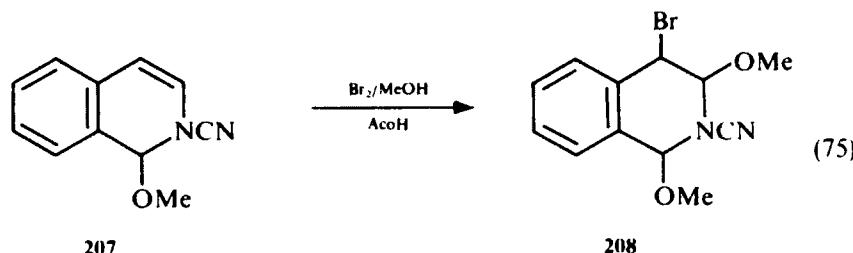
analogous to pseudobase formation⁷⁰⁶ (Eq. 73). The reaction of 2-unsubstituted-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines with cyanogen bromide leads to the 2-cyano derivative **205**.^{617, 714–22} Somewhat surprisingly, a 2-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline has also been reported to give the same product.⁷²³



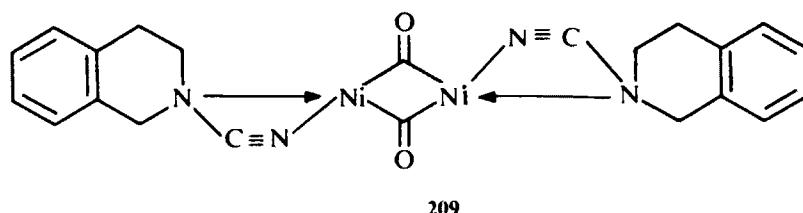
Reaction of compounds of the type **205** with hydroxylamine leads to the carboxamidoximes **206**^{714–717} (Eq. 74), which are covered in another chapter.



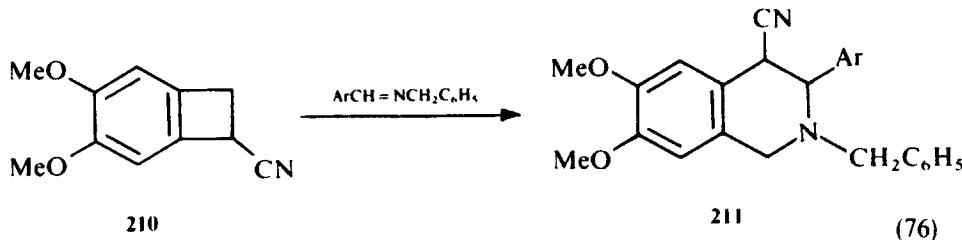
Reaction of 1-methoxy-2-cyano-1,2-dihydroisoquinoline (**207**) with bromine and methanol in acetic acid leads to the 1,3-dimethoxy-4-bromo derivative **208**¹⁹¹ (Eq. 75).



Reaction of **205** with nickel tetracarbonyl leads to the complex **209**.⁷¹⁸



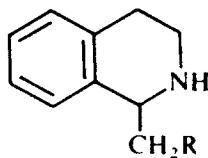
The 2-cyano group can be reduced to an *N*-methyl group with borohydride while the 4-bromo group in a 2-cyano compound can be easily displaced.^{718a} The reaction of the benzocyclobutane with ArCH=NCH₂C₆H₅ leads to **211** and other products⁷²⁴ (Eq. 76).



In addition to interconversions discussed in the previous section, one might note conversion of nitriles to amides,^{203, 362, 580, 581, 615, 618, 619, 655, 721} the hydrolysis of nitriles,^{597, 598, 655} and the conversion of esters to hydrazides.⁵⁹⁵ *N*-Substituted-3-cyano-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines can be decyanated with sodium in liquid ammonia.^{721a}

(ii) Acidic Groups on Side Chains Attached to Carbon

The reaction of 3,4-dihydroisoquinolines with potassium ethyl malonate or cyanoacetic acid gives side-chain derivatives of type **212**.^{586, 604, 742–744} The reaction of β -arylethyl amines with diethyl ethoxymethylene-malononitrile gives



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(R = CN, CO₂Et)

rise to compounds **212** (R=CO₂C₂H₅).⁷⁴⁵⁻⁷⁴⁷ Treatment of **213** with acid leads to **214**⁷⁴⁸ (Eq. 77).

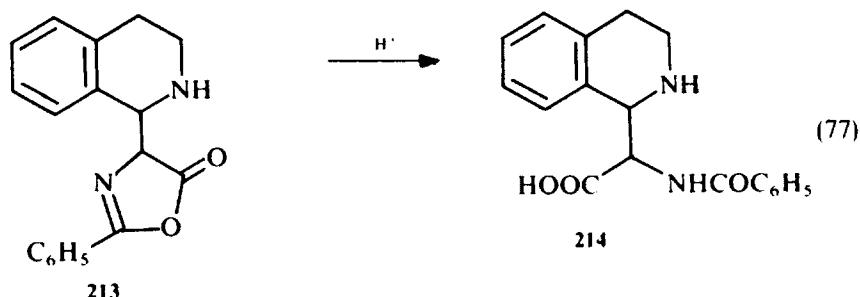


TABLE III.9. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolines with Acidic Function in Side Chain or Carbon

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
<i>Carboxylic Acids</i>			
NO	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ H	167-169 170	611 765
H	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ H	239-241 219-220	766 764
		HCl: 183-184	590, 611
COCH ₃	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ H	165-166 161-163	376, 765a 590, 765b
H	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 218-218.5 HCl: 204 HCl: 232 N/A	91 767 768 620
CN	1-(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ H	N/A	617
CHO	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	155-156 153-155 ^{a,b}	769 770
CH ₃	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 217-218 HCl: 200-203 MeI: 183-185	768 769 769a
SO ₂ CH ₃	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	(±) 120	502
H	1-CH ₂ COCH ₂ CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	101-103 107-110	742-744, 771, 772 604

TABLE III.9. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolines with Acidic Function in Side Chain or Carbon
(Continued)

R	Substituent		m.p. (C)	Ref.
COCH ₃	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	(±)	154-155	502
		(-)	99-102	502
			N/A	773
H	1-(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		212	498
H	1-C(CH ₃) ₂ CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		HCl: 218-219 ^c	493
H		b.p.: 179-181/0.5		774
H		74.5-76		774
H		Picrate: 141-142		774
H	1-CH(C ₂ H ₅)CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 170-175/0.04		774
H		HCl: 134.5-135		774
		Picrate: 113-114.5		774
CH ₃	1-(CH ₂) ₂ CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		HCl: 250	480
H	1-(CH ₂) ₄ CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		Syrup	467
H	1-C(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 160-163/0.02		774
		65-67		774
		HCl: 159		774
		Picrate: 163-165		774
CH ₃	1-(C ₆ H ₄ COH ₂ -2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		Picrate: 152-153	487
SO ₂ C ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		171-172 ^b	770
H	1-CH ₂ N(COC ₆ H ₁₁)CH ₂ CO ₂ H		N/A	775
CO ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ H-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		N/A	620
CH ₃	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4-CO ₂ H-6)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂		141-143 ^{a-b}	776
COCH ₃	1-CH(NHCOC ₆ H ₅)CO ₂ H-1-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂		193-195	748
CH ₃	7-O(C ₆ H ₃ -OCH ₃ -2-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -5)-6-OCH ₃ -1-			
CH ₃	8-CH=CHCO ₂ H-5-OCH ₃		Picrate: 103-105	527
			260-265	777
			N/A ^a	778
CH ₃	8-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ H-5-OCH ₃		212	777
			N/A ^a	778

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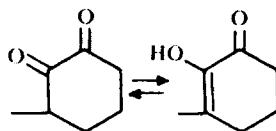
H	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃	b.p.: 153-155/2	490
		Picrate: 182	490
H	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	b.p.: 112-114/0.05	491
H	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	b.p.: 145-150/3-4	490
		b.p.: 120/0.4	751
		b.p.: 120/0.5 ^a	749

TABLE III.9. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolines with Acidic Function in Side Chain or Carbon
(Continued)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
		b.p.: 123-129/1	765a
		b.p.: 111-114/0.5 ^{a,c}	589
		b.p.: 128-134/0.2	590
		Picrate: 132	490
CH ₃	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃	HCl: 142.5-144	779
H	1-CH(CH ₂ OH)CO ₂ CH ₃	N/A	374
H	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-OCH ₃	176-178.5	621
CH ₃	1,3-(CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃) ₂	NA	779a
CH ₃	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃	NA	779a
COCH ₃	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃	91-93	379
H	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	b.p.: 145/0.03 58	464 445,464
		Oxalate: 157	445
CH ₃	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	b.p.: 98-106/0.3 ^{a,c}	589,769a
H	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -5-OCH ₃	Oil ^a	751
H	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6-OCH ₃	b.p.: 130-132/0.02 b.p.: 132/0.02	464 445
		Oxalate: 148-150	464
		Oxalate: 150	445
H	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -7-OCH ₃	N/A	621
CH ₃	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-O ₂ CH ₂ (N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ Br ⁻)	HCl: 134-136 ^a 180-182 ^{a,c}	589 589
H	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -5,6-(OCH ₃) ₂	71-72 ^a	751
H	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	77.5-78 72-76 78 77-78 78-79 ^{a,c}	91 604 445 441,442 764
		(+) 85.5-86.5	757
		(-) 86-87	757
		Oxalate: 155	764
		Oxalate: 164	445
		Oxalate: 136-164	745-747
		Oxalate: 170.5-172	757
		Oxalate: 169.5-171	757
		Sulfate: 171	445
H	1-CH(OH)CH(OH)CO ₂ CH ₃ - 6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 243-245 ^{a,c}	451
CH ₂ CH ₂ CN	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	b.p.: 170-175/0.4 86 ^a	763 780
CHO	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	107.5-108 ^{a,b}	770
H	1-CH(CH ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂)CO ₂ CH ₃	69	445
		Oxalate: 176	445
H	1-CH(C ₂ H ₅)CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	82-83	445
H	1-CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	54-55 HI: 166 HCl: 183 ^{a,c} HCl: 170 ^{a,c}	495 495 586 586

TABLE III.9. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolines with Acidic Function in Side Chain or Carbon
(Continued)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
CH ₃	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ (N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻) (N ⁺ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ , Br ⁻)	HCl: 179-183 HBr: 178 167-168 172 190-192 N/A	745-747 781 781 769a 589 756
H	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7,8-(OCH ₃) ₃	b.p.: 168/0.01	445, 464
SO ₂ CH ₃	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ (+)	114-115	502
CH ₃	1-CH(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅)OCOCH ₃ -6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	Oil ^{a,c}	782
CH ₃	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	MeI: 158-159	769a
CH ₂ CN	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	78 ^a	783
H	1-CH ₂ COCH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 173-174	604
COCH ₃	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ (±)	94-95 (+) 113-114	502 502
H	1-C(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	HCl: 187-188	468
H	1-(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 175-176	498
CH ₃	1-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 170/0.25	591
		HCl: 194-196	591
		HCl: 187-190 ^a	444
CH ₃	1-CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	H ₁ : 164-165	495
CH ₂ CH ₂ OH	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	N/A	784
H	1-CH(OH)CH(OH)CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	HCl: 170-171	451



1-CH₂CO₂CH₃ 111-112^{a,b} 785,786

	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	N/A ^a	749
H	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	HCl: 140 Picrate: 209	545 545
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	b.p.: 180-183/0.01	445
CH ₃	1-CH(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅)OCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	153-154.5 ^{a,c}	787
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	b.p.: 167-170/0.5	763
H	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 183-186/0.0003 77-78 ^a	684 684

TABLE III.9. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolines with Acidic Function in Side Chain or Carbon
(Continued)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
C(=O)NH ₂	1-C(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	153-154 ^{a,c}	468
H	1-(CH ₂) ₄ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ,6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	Picrate: 115-116 ^a HCl: 119-121	467 498
CH ₃	1-(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ,6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 180-183/0.01	464,762
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ,6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	b.p.: 170-175/0.03	464
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ,6-OCH ₃	b.p.: 170-175/0.02	762
		b.p.: 175/0.03	445
CH ₃	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 185-195/0.05	688
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	121-122	445
C(=S)NHCH ₃	1-C(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	165-166	468
H	1-C(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ CO ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ Cl-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	72	774
		Picrate: 188-189	774
H	1-CH ₂ CH(C ₃ H ₇)CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 138-159	478
 1-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃		HCl: 93-96 ^{a,b}	785,786
 1-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃		110-111 ^{a,b}	785,786
 1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6-OCH ₃		Oil ^{a,b}	788
 1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6-OCH ₃		181-182 ^{a-c}	788
CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅		Picrate: 161-162	788
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 210/0.01	592
		Picrate: 123-124	592
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 197-201/0.02	464,762
		b.p.: 180/0.01	445
		37-39	445,464
		Picrate: 117-118	789

TABLE III.9. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolines with Acidic Function in Side Chain or Carbon
(Continued)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
H	1-CH ₂ CH(OH)CH(CH ₃) (CH ₂) ₄ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	82-83 ^{a-c}	708
H		199-200	61
CH ₃ SO ₂ C ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CH(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅)(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4) 1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	Picrate: 206-207 179-185 90.5-91.5 ^a	61 591 770
	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	110-111 ^{a,b}	786
	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6-OCH ₃	154 ^{a-c}	788
CH ₂ C(C ₂ H ₅)(CO ₂ H) ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ 1-CH ₂ CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ - 6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	69-70 b.p.: 215-225/0.05 Picrate: 114	445 592 592
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 198-205/0.1 N/A	790 586
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ CH ₂ CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-CH(C ₂ H ₅)CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 190/0.001	445
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ CH ₂ CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ CH ₃	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	83-84	789
CSNH(C ₆ H ₄ F-3)	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 180/0.01	464,762
H	1-CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ - 6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	111-112	791
	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃	123-124 ^{a,b}	785,786
CH ₂ C(CH ₃)(CO ₂ CH ₃) ₂	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	89-91	792

TABLE III.9. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolines with Acidic Function in Side Chain or Carbon
(Continued)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-CH(C ₂ H ₅)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 198–210/0.1	790
CH ₂ CH(C ₂ H ₅)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 185–190/0.06	445
		76–77	441,442
		78–79	585
H	1-CH ₂ CH(OH)CH(CH ₃)(CH ₂) ₄ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	82–83 ^{a,c}	793
CH ₃	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₂ -4,5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	127–128	63
		130–132	120
CH ₃	1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₂ -CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	130–131 ^{a,c}	776
CH ₂ C(C ₂ H ₅)(CO ₂ CH ₃) ₂	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	116–118	445
		118–120	445
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-CH(C ₂ H ₅)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 221–226/0.1	790
H	1-C(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ CO ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	Dipicrate: 131–132.5	774
C(=S)NHC ₆ H ₄ Br-4	1-C(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	156–157	468
C(=S)NHC ₆ H ₄ Cl-4	1-C(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	162–163 ^a	468
C(=O)NHC ₆ H ₄ Cl-4	1-C(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	99–100	468
C(=O)NHC ₆ H ₅	1-C(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	142–143	468
CSNH(C ₆ H ₄ N(CH ₃) ₂ -4)	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	140–142	764
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-CH(C ₄ H ₉ -n)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 221–226/0.1	790
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-CH(C ₄ H ₉ -i)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 224–228/0.1	790
COC ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	110–111.5 ^a	684
CH ₂ C(C ₄ H ₉)(CO ₂ CH ₃) ₂	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	80–81	445
CH ₂ C(CH ₂ CH(CH ₃)) ₂ (CO ₂ CH ₃) ₂	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	93–94	445
CH ₃	1-[CH ₂ C ₆ H ₂ -4,5-(OCH ₃) ₂ -CO ₂ CH ₃]-6,7-OCH ₃	120	790a
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	α-isomer	HCl: 172–173
		β-isomer	104.5–105.5
			HCl: 147–148
			Picrate: 122–123.5
H	3-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	b.p.: 131–134/0.15	491
(CH ₃) ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	3-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	b.p.: 178/0.06	573
H	4-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃	HCl: 170–173	593
CH ₃	4-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃	b.p.: 98/0.05	595
CH ₃	4-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-CH ₃	b.p.: 94–96/0.05	595
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	4-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃	b.p.: 155–160/0.002	593
CH ₃	4-COCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3-(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	146–148 ^{a,b}	79
CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4	4-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 169–171	477
CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	4-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 145–147	477

TABLE III.9. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolines with Acidic Function in Side Chain or Carbon
(Continued)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
<i>Acidic Functional Groups</i>			
H	1-C(=NOH)CO ₂ H	145–146 ^{a,c}	611
H	1-CH ₂ CONH ₂	171.5–172	563
		HCl: 231–233	589
NO	1-CH ₂ CN-6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	138	449
H	1-CH ₂ CN-6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	93	449
		HCl: 254	449
		Picrate: 190	449
CH ₃	1-[CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -4,5-(OCH ₃) ₂ -2-CHOHCN]-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	130	790a
CH ₃	1-CH(C ₆ H ₅)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	105–107	769a
		MeI: 144–145	769a
CH ₃	1-CH(C ₆ H ₅)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	107–108	769a
		MeI: 116–119	769a
CH ₃	1-CH(CO ₂ CH ₃) ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	68–70	769a
CH ₃	1-CH(CO ₂ CH ₃) ₂	57–58	769a
	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	MeI: 80–110	769a
H	1-CH ₂ CONHCH ₃	109–109.5	491
H	1-CH ₂ CONH ₂ -7-OCH ₃	215–217	621
H	1-C(CN)=NOH-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	192 ^{a,b}	501
H	1-CH ₂ CN-5,6-(OCH ₃) ₂	N/A	475
H	1-CH ₂ CN-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	120 ^a	586
H	1-CH ₂ CONH ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	166–169.5	631,632
CN	1-(CH ₃) ₃ CN	b.p.: 220–230/0.07	617
SO ₂ CH ₃	1-CH ₂ CONHNH ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	71–72	502
H	1-(CH ₃) ₃ CN-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 187–188	498
H	1-CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ CH ₂ OH-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	114–115	563
CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CH ₂ CN	b.p.: 210/1	795
		Picrate: 137–137.5	795
H	1-CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ CH=CH ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	92–94	563
H	1-CH ₂ CONHCH(CH ₃) ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	N/A	620
H	1-CH ₂ CONH(CH ₂) ₃ OH-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	115–119	563,631,632
H	1-CH ₂ CONHC ₄ H ₉ -n-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	87–88	563,631,632
H	1-CH ₂ CONHC ₄ H ₉ -i-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	105–108	563,631,632
H	1-CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	110–111	621

TABLE III.9. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolines with Acidic Function in Side Chain or Carbon
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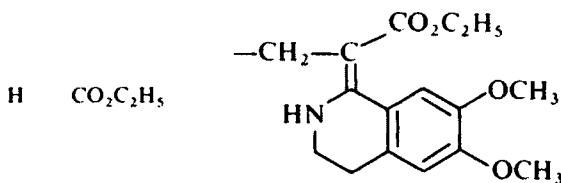
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CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CN-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	76 ^a	586
H	1-CH ₂ CONHC ₆ H ₅ -i-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	74-76	563
H	1-CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	106-107	621
		N/A	621
COCH ₃	1-CH ₂ CN	127	765b
COCH ₃	1-CH(CN) ₂	156	765b
H	1-CH ₂ CONHC ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	120	661
H	1-CH ₂ CONHAr-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	N/A	620
H	1-CH ₂ CONHC ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	N/A	620
H	1-CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ CH ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	88-92	563
COC ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CH ₂ CN-1-CN	136	342
COCH ₂ Cl	1-CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	121-122	621
H	1-CH ₂ CONHCOC ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	173.5-175.5	631,632
CO ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₂ CONHR	N/A	620
H	1-CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6-OCH ₃	54-58	621
H	1-CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	129-132	563,621
		129.5-132.5	631,632
		194.5-199	632
CH ₃	1-CH(CN)(C ₆ H ₅ O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	171	796
COCH ₂ Cl	1-CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	107-108	621
H	1-CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	114-116	563,631, 632
	R	144-145	621
	L	143-144	621
COCH ₂ Cl	1-CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -7-OCH ₃	N/A	621
COCH ₂ Cl	1-CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	153-154	621
COCH ₂ Cl	1-CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	72-74	621
	R	129-130	621
	S	126-127	621
CH ₃	1-CH ₂ CH ₂ -C(CN)CH(CH ₃) ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)	N/A	797
CH ₃	3-CH ₂ CN	b.p.: 110-114/0.35 ^a	758
		90-91	758
CH ₃	4-CH ₂ CONHNH ₂	129	595
CH ₃	4-CH ₂ CONHNH ₂ -1-CH ₃	127 ^{a,b}	595
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	4-CH ₂ CN	b.p.: 185-190/0.002	593

TABLE III.9. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolines with Acidic Function in Side Chain or Carbon
(Continued)

R	R'	R''	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
Unsaturated Side Chain					
H	H	CN		98.5-99 ^{a,b}	499
H	H	CONH ₂		106.5-107.5	500
				N/A	798
H	CO ₂ H	NHOH		145-146 ^{a,b}	611
MS	H	CN		103-104 ^{a,c}	799
H	H	CONH ₂	7-OCH ₃	142-143	621
D	D	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅		b.p.: 116/0.005 ^a	750
H	CO ₂ CH ₃	CHO		N/A	800
H	H	CH ₂ CH ₂ CN		b.p.: 175/1 ^a	754
				HCl: 125-127	754
				Picrate: 128-129	754
H	H	CN	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	170-171	499
H	H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅		b.p.: 117-120/0.001	750
H	H	CO ₂ CH ₃	3-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃	b.p.: 140/0.08 29-31.5 ^{a,c}	499 750
				Picrate: 144-145	751
				N/A	749
				N/A	779a
H	CH ₃	CO ₂ CH ₃		58-59	521
H	H	CONH ₂	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	163-164	500
H	CN	CH ₂ CH ₂ CN		137-138	499
H	CH ₃	CH ₂ CH ₂ CN		b.p.: 162-165/3-4 ^a	754
H	H	CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃		Picrate: 110-112	754
				b.p.: 163/18	753
H	H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	5-OCH ₃	Picrate: 116	753
H	H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	5-OCH ₃	75-76	750
				65-68 ^{a,c}	751
H	H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	6-OCH ₃	70-72	749
				N/A	662
MS	H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅		77.5-78.3 ^{a,c}	799
H	CO ₂ CH ₃	COCO ₂ CH ₃		N/A	800
H	H	CH ₂ CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ CH ₃		b.p.: 170/1 85-86	753 750
H	H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	5,6-(OCH ₃) ₂	83-84 ^{a,c}	751
				81-82 ^{a,c}	494
H	H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	86-87	499
				Picrate: 172-173 466	494 800a
H	CN	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅		Hbr: 194-5	800a

TABLE III.9. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolines with Acidic Function in Side Chain or Carbon
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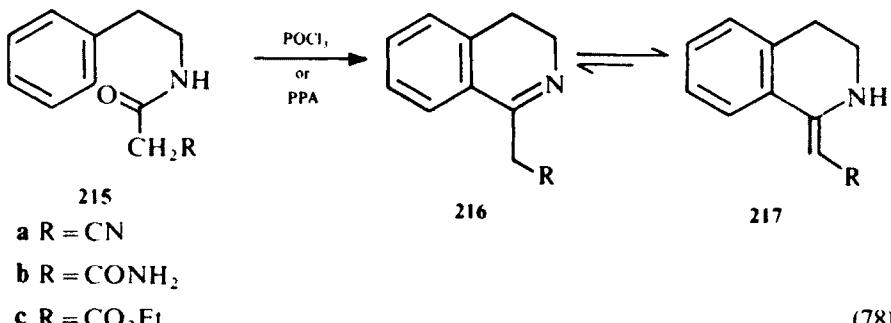
R	R'	R''	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
H	H	CN		97-98	800a,b
H	CH ₂ CH ₂ CN	CH ₂ CH ₂ CN		b.p.: 225-230/1	753
				83	753
			Picrate:	133	753
			HCl:	146	753
H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	CH ₂ CH ₂ CN		b.p.: 205-208/5	753
			Picrate:	117	753
H	H	CONHC ₆ H ₄ Cl-3		150-155 ^c	736
H	H	CONHC ₆ H ₅		103 ^{b,c}	736
H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	CH ₂ CH ₂ COCH ₃		b.p.: 194/4	753
			Picrate:	138-140	753
H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃		205-212	753
H	CN	CH			
		=C(C ₂ H ₅)CO ₂ C ₂			
		H ₅		159-160 ^b	755
H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	CH ₂ CH ₂ CN	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	96-99	498
H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	CH ₂ CH(CH ₃)-			
		CO ₂ CH ₃		b.p.: 203-205/2	753
H	H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	131-131.5 ^{a,c}	684
H	CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃	CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃		b.p.: 207-215/1	753
H	C ₆ H ₅	CH ₂ CH ₃ CN		99-100 ^a	754
H	H	CONHC ₆ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	143-144	661
CH ₃	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	CH ₂ CH ₂ CN	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	144-145	498
H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	CONHC ₆ H ₅		128-130	661
H	CONHC ₆ H ₄ Cl-3CONHC ₆ H ₄ Cl-3			170 ^c	736
H	CONHC ₆ H ₅	CONHC ₆ H ₄ Cl-3		150-151	736
H	CONHC ₆ H ₅	CONHC ₆ H ₅		165-167 ^{b,c}	736
H	CONHC ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -3	CONHC ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -3		165-168	736



6,7-(OCH₃)₂ 180.5-182^b 755

^aIR in paper.^bUV in paper.^cNMR in paper.

Cyclization of **215a-c** with phosphorus pentoxide or polyphosphoric acid^{499, 500, 749-751} affords **216**^{442, 752} (Eq. 78). Based on IR and NMR spectral studies, compounds **216** have the preferred structures **217**.^{494, 499, 750}



Catalytic reduction of **217** takes place readily.^{621, 661, 662, 749, 751} to give **212**. A variety of reagents such as acrylonitrile and acrylates add to **217**^{498, 499, 753, 754} to afford **218** while formaldehyde gives **219**⁷⁵⁵ (Eq. 79).

Catalytic hydrogenation of **220** provides **221**⁵²¹ (Eq. 80).

The reaction of phenylisocyanate with 1-methyl-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline (**222**) gives a variety of products, depending upon reaction conditions.^{661, 736} Reaction at 110°C gives **217e** (R = CONHC₆H₅), while at room temperature the reaction takes place at nitrogen to give **223**. Continuing the reaction at room temperature for a more extended time gives **224**⁷³⁶ (Eq. 81).

The absolute configuration⁷⁵⁶ and resolution^{502, 756, 757} of a number of compounds of type **212** has been studied.

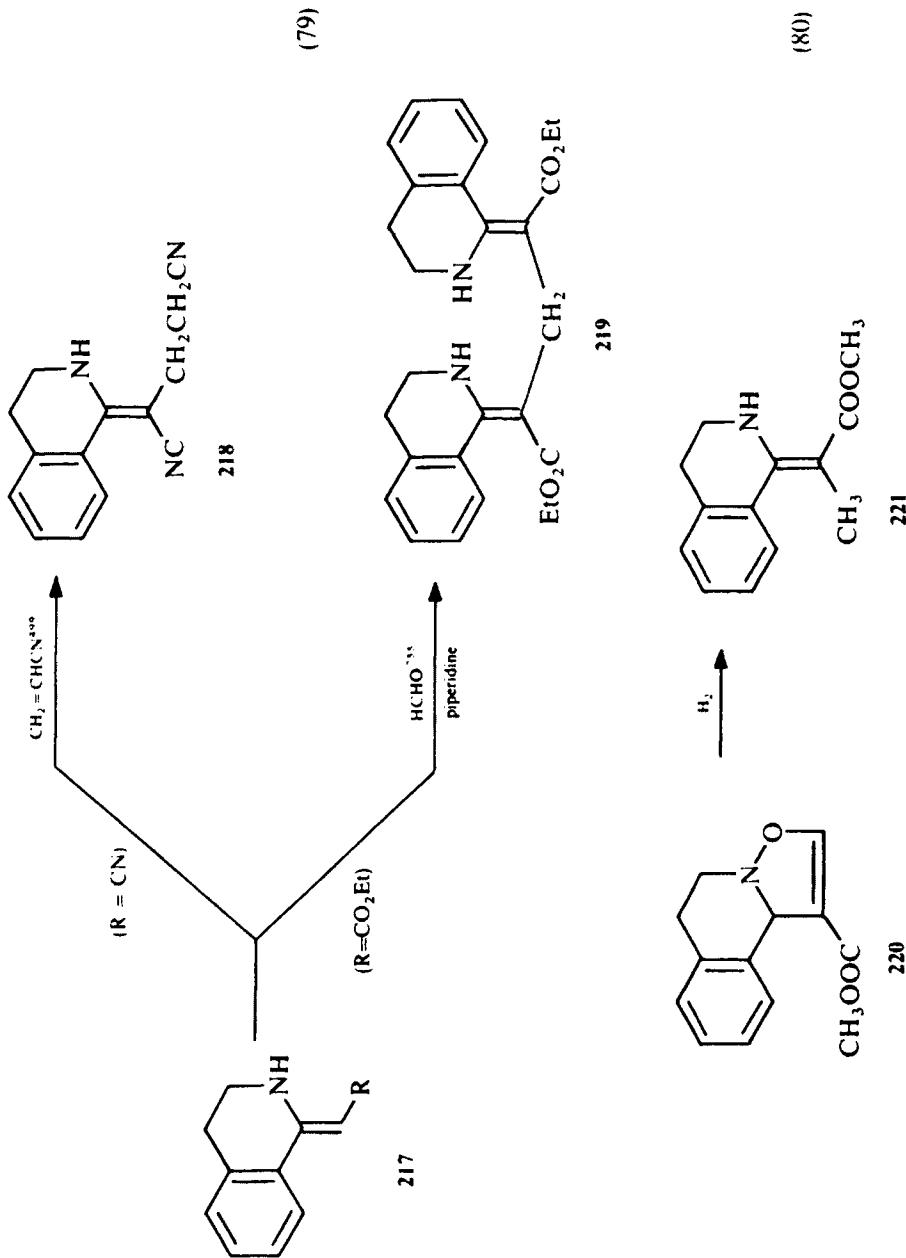
Haloalkyl side chains have been reacted with cyanide ion to give cyanoalkyl side chains.^{593, 617, 758}

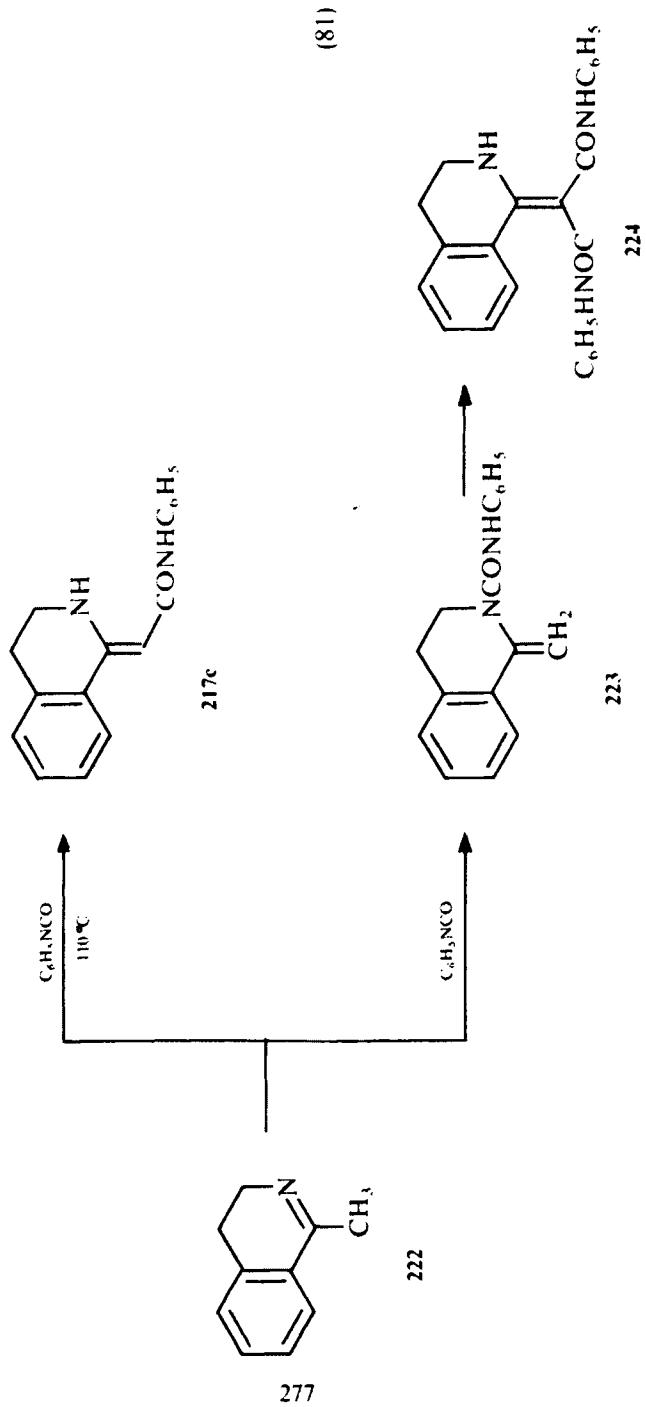
A variety of cyclization reactions have been carried out on side-chain acid derivatives leading to tri- and tetracyclic products. The reaction of **225** with base or thermally^{606, 608, 759-761} gives rise to diazepine derivatives **226** (Eq. 82).

Photocyclization of **227** has been used to prepare various aporphines **228**^{669, 673, 675} (Eq. 83). A number of Dieckmann-type condensations have been carried out between 1 and 2 and between 2 and 3 side chains to give the expected products.^{464, 592, 601, 683, 762-763} Other cyclizations involving an acidic group in a side chain on the 1 position have also been studied.^{498, 563, 590-591, 617, 764}

(iii) Acidic Groups on Side Chains Attached to Nitrogen

Acidic functional groups in side chains are introduced onto nitrogen by reaction with reagents such as acrylonitrile,^{464, 573, 616} acrylic acids,^{586, 688, 762, 689, 790, 801-802} ethoxymethylene malonates,⁸⁰³ and various alkyl halides containing acidic functional groups.^{88, 464, 510, 536, 606, 612, 633, 683, 804-808} Reaction of 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline with formaldehyde and sodium cyanide gives the 2-cyanomethyl derivative.⁶¹⁵





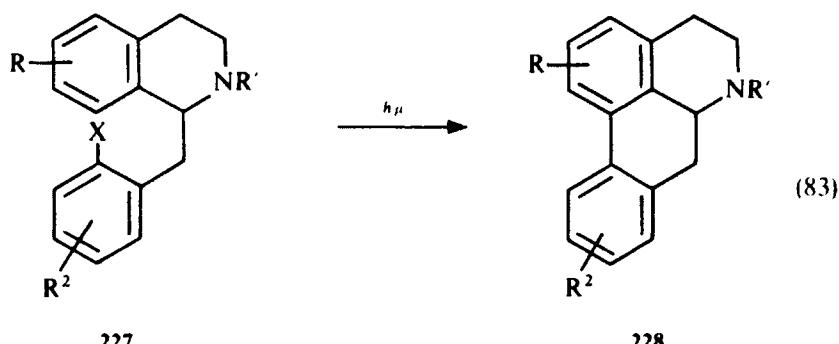
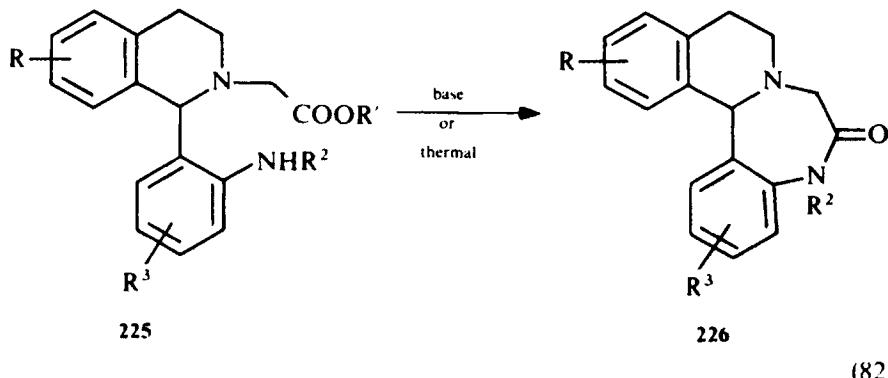
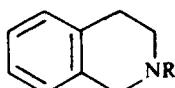


TABLE III.10. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolinium Salts with Acidic Function on Side Chain in 2 Position



R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
-CH ₂ CN		b.p.: 170-190/24 N/A	807, 808 809
CH ₂ CO ₂ H	4-NH ₂	HCl: 163-165 ^a	126
COCH ₂ CN		105-106	810
CH ₂ CH ₂ CN		b.p.: 150-151/0.02	811
		b.p.: 160-162/2.5	616
		b.p.: 195-205/10	809
CH ₂ CH(SO ₃ ⁻)CO ₂ H		265 ^b	812
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ H		169-170	616
	(N ⁺ -Oxide)	148-149 ^b	811
CH ₂ CH ₂ CONH ₂		83	813
CH=C(CN) ₂		122-123	803

TABLE III.10. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolinium Salts with Acidic Function on Side Chain in 2 Position (Continued)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
CH ₂ CH ₂ CONH ₂	1-CN	112	510
CH ₂ CH=CHCO ₂ H		189-191	612, 814
C(=CHOH)CO ₂ CH ₃		203-205 ^a	104
(CH ₂) ₂ CN	3-CH ₂ OH	b.p.: 150/0.05	573
CH ₂ CH=CHCONH ₂		204-206	612
		164-166	814
		HCl: 204-206	814
CH ₂ CONH ₂	6,7-O ₂ CH ₂ -8-OCH ₃	170	510
CH ₂ CH(SO ₃ ⁻)CO ₂ CH ₃		265 ^b	812
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃		HCl: 157-158	815
-CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ CH ₃		b.p.: 160/1	633
		b.p.: 164/1	805
CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅		b.p.: 91-94/0.01	816
		b.p.: 180-182/5	817
		Picrate: 147-148.5	816
CON(CH ₃)CONHCH ₃		34	818
		b.p.: 218-220/0.7	818
CH(CH ₂ OH)CO ₂ CH ₃		b.p.: 145-150/0.003 ^a	521
CH ₂ CON(CH ₃) ₂		b.p.: 132-134/0.09	819
(CH ₂) ₂ CONHCH ₃		b.p.: 162-170/0.1	819
CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	4-NH ₂	N/A	125
		diHCl: 167-171	105
CH ₂ CH ₂ CH(NH ₂)CO ₂ H		223-224	820
CH ₂ C(CH ₃)(NH ₂)CO ₂ H		264-265	821
CH ₂ CONH ₂	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	157.5	510
CH ₂ CONH ₂	1-CN-6,7-O ₂ CH ₂ -8-OCH ₃	152.5	510
CH ₂ CH=CHCO ₂ CH ₃		b.p.: 117-118/0.08	612, 814
		HCl: 194-196	612, 814
CH ₂ CONH ₂	1-CN-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	188	510
CH ₂ CH=CHCONHCH ₃		111-112	612, 814
CH ₂ CH ₂ CONH ₂	6,7-O ₂ CH ₂ -8-OCH ₃	135	510
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅		188-189/15	802
	(N ⁺ OH Cl ⁻)	122-123 ^b	811
CH ₂ CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ CH ₃		b.p.: 95/0.05	801
(CH ₂) ₂ CONHC ₂ H ₅		b.p.: 156-164/0.1	819
(CH ₂) ₂ CON(CH ₃) ₂		b.p.: 152-155/0.1	819
CH ₂ CH ₂ CONH ₂	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	Picrate: 184	510
CH=C(CN)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅		108-110	803
CH ₂ CH ₂ CONH ₂	1-CN-6,7-O ₂ CH ₂ -8-OCH ₃	167	510
CH ₂ CH ₂ CONH ₂	1-CN-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	152	510
CH ₂ CH=CHCON(CH ₃) ₂		HCl: 211-212.5	612, 814

TABLE III.10. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolinium Salts with Acidic Function on Side Chain in 2 Position (Continued)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
$\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCONH}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$		128–129 HCl: 197.5–198.5	612, 814 612, 814
$\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$	1- $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}$	b.p.: 182–185/0.1 Picrate: 125	795 795
CH_2CH $=\text{CHCONHCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$		HCl: 167–169	612
CH_2CON 		b.p.: 165–170/0.1	806
$\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$		b.p.: 114/0.25	822
$\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$	1- $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$	Picrate: 149–149.5	795
$\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3$	6,7-(OCH_3) ₂	b.p.: 110–111/21 HCl: 177–178	815 815
$\text{CH}_2\text{CON}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_5)_2$		b.p.: 130–138/0.09	819
$(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CONHCH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$		b.p.: 150–165/0.09	819
$(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CONHC}_3\text{H}_7$		b.p.: 160–170/0.08	819
$\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCO}_2\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$		HCl: 193–194	612, 814
$\text{CH}_2\text{-CON}$ 		b.p.: 147–150/0.09	806
$(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CON}$ 		b.p.: 172–194/0.1 Oxalate: 145	896 806
$\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCONH}_2\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{-i}$		162–163 HCl: 201–203	612, 814 612, 814
$\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCONH}_2\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{-n}$		120 HCl: 175–178	612, 814 612, 814
$\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$	1- $\text{CH}_3\text{-}6,7\text{-(OCH}_3)_2$	b.p.: 180/0.5 HBr: 186–188	509 509
$\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3$	6- $\text{OC}_2\text{H}_5\text{-}7\text{-OCH}_3$	HCl: 192–193	815
$\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CN}$	3- $\text{CO}_2\text{R}\text{-}6,7\text{-subst.}$	N/A	681
CH_2CN	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{NH}_2\text{-}2\text{-Cl-5}$)	125–127	823
CH_2CN	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{NH}_2\text{-}2\text{-NO}_2\text{-5}$)	222–225	823
CH_2CO_2	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{NH}_2\text{-}2\text{-Cl-5}$)	163–165	760, 761, 824
CH_2CO_2	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{NH}_2\text{-}2\text{-NO}_2\text{-5}$)	210 203–204	760 825
$\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{NH}_2\text{-2}$)	95–130	760
$\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{NH}_2\text{-2}$)	N/A	606
$\text{CH}=\text{C}(\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5)_2$		210/1.1	803
$(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{CN}$	3- $\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$	b.p.: 175–180/0.1	614

TABLE III.10. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolinium Salts with Acidic Function on Side Chain in 2 Position (Continued)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
<chem>CH2CH=CHCON</chem>		HCl: 207-210	612
(CH ₂) ₃ CN	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6-OCH ₃	b.p.: 210/2	88
(CH ₂) ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	b.p.: 160-161/4	614
-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	Picrate: 115-116	614
CH ₂ CH=CHCONHC ₄ H ₉ -sec		130.5-131.5	485
		129.5-130	612, 814
		HCl: 189-192	612, 814
CH ₂ CH=CHCON(C ₂ H ₅) ₂		HCl: 178-181	612, 814
 		b.p.: 170-178/0.08	806
 (CH ₂) ₂ CON		Picrate: 108	806
-C ₆ H ₄ (CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ H-4)		N/A	588
CH ₂ CO ₂ H	1-(C ₆ H ₅ NHCH ₃ -2-Cl-5)	115-122	760
		N/A	892
CH ₂ CO ₂ H	1-(C ₆ H ₅ NHCH ₃ -2-NO ₂ -5)	155	760
CH ₂ CONHC ₆ H ₅	1-CH ₃	HCl: 184-187	436, 513
-CH(CH ₃)CONHC ₆ H ₅		101	633
CH ₂ CO ₂ H	1-(C ₆ H ₄ NHCH ₃ -2)	125	760
CH ₂ CH=CHCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	b.p.: 197-200/1.5	532
		b.p.: 181-184/0.7	532
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-O ₂ CH ₂	Oil. ^{a,b}	80
(CH ₂) ₂ CON(C ₂ H ₅) ₂		b.p.: 154-163/0.12	819
(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	b.p.: 180-190/203	601
(CH ₂) ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	3-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	b.p.: 178/0.06	573
(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HBr: 164-165	509
CH ₂ CH=CHCONHC ₆ H ₅		169-172	612
		HCl: 195-198	612
CH ₂ CH ₂ CN	3-CH ₃ -4-C ₆ H ₅	132-133	670
-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ H	1-(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -3)-7-Cl	HCl: 204-206	826
-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ H	1-(C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -3)	HCl: 202	826
CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-(C ₆ H ₅ NH ₂ -2-Cl-5)	N/A	760
CH ₂ CO ₂ H	1-(C ₆ H ₅ NHCH ₃ -2-Cl-5)-4-CH ₃	260-266	606, 760
-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ H	1-(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -3)	HCl: 204-206	826
C ₆ H ₄ CO ₂ H-4	3-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	220-223	582
CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-(C ₆ H ₅ NH ₂ -2-NO ₂ -5)	150	760
CH ₂ CH ₂ CONH ₂	3-CH ₃ -4-C ₆ H ₅	102-103	670
CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-(C ₆ H ₄ NH ₂ -2)	100-103	761

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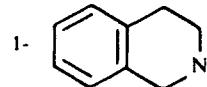
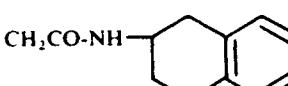
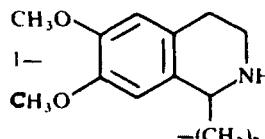
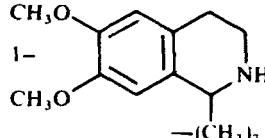
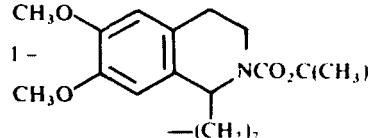
R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
CH ₂ CO ₂ H	1-(C ₆ H ₄ NH ₂ -2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	181-183	608
CH ₂ CONHNH ₂	1-(C ₆ H ₄ NH ₂ -2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	174-176	827
CH ₂ CH=CHCONHC ₆ H ₅		183-185	612
		HCl: 181-183	612
(CH ₂) ₄ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	b.p.: 169-170/0.1	614
(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6-OCH ₃	b.p.: 200/2	88
CH ₂ CH=CHCON(C ₃ H ₇ -n) ₂		HCl: 128.5-130	612, 814
CH ₂ CONH ₂	1- 	Cl ⁻	N/A
			510
CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	4-NHCOC ₆ H ₅	99 ^a	126
-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ H	1-(C ₆ H ₃ (CH ₃) ₂ -3,5)	HCl: 203	826
-C ₆ H ₄ (CH(CH ₃)CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -4)		N/A	588
CH ₂ CO ₂ H	1-(C ₆ H ₃ NHCH ₃ -2-Cl-5)-4,4-(CH ₃) ₂	212-216	760
CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃	1-(C ₆ H ₃ NHCH ₃ -2-Cl-5)-4-CH ₃	111-113	606, 760
		99-102	760
CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-(C ₆ H ₃ NHCH ₃ -2-Cl-5) (+)	113-114	760
	(-)	112-113	760
		83-84	760
		155	825
		N/A	824
-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ H	1-(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -2,3)	HCl: 118-120	826
CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ H	1-(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,5)	HCl: 202-204	826
CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-(C ₆ H ₃ NHCH ₃ -2-NO ₂ -5)	119-120	760
CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-(C ₆ H ₄ NHCH ₃ -2)	98-100	760
CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-(2-pyridyl)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	155-157	668
(CH ₂) ₅ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	b.p.: 174-176/0.3	614
(CH ₂) ₃	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	b.p.: 220-230/0.05	683
(CH ₂) ₅ CO ₂ (CH ₂) ₂ N ⁺ -(CH ₃) ₃ I ⁻	(N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻)	135-137	828
(CH ₂) ₄ CO ₂ (CH ₂) ₃ N ⁺ -(CH ₃) ₃ I ⁻	(N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻)	124-130	828
CO-C ₆ H ₄ CO ₂ CH ₃ -2	1,1=CH ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	136-138 ^a	829
CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	1-(C ₆ H ₃ NHCH ₃ -2-CF ₃ -5)	80-82	759, 761
		81-83	760
CH ₂ CN	1-(C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -3)-6,7-(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂	124	615
CH ₂ CO-NH 		b.p.: 190-220/0.1 85	806 806

TABLE III.10. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolinium Salts with Acidic Function on Side Chain in 2 Position (Continued)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
$\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3$	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_3\text{NHCH}_3$ -2-Cl-5)-4,4-(CH_3) ₂	111-113	760
$\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$ -4	3- CH_3 -6,7-(OCH_3) ₂	139-141	582
- $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_2(\text{OCH}_3)_3$ -3,4,5)	HCl: 232-233	826
- $\text{CH}_2\text{CONHCH}(\text{CH}_3)$ - $\text{CH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$	3- CH_3	b.p.: 197-203/0.5	536
$\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{NH}_2$ -2)-6,7-(OCH_3) ₂	99-102	827
$\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$	1-(2-piperidyl)-6,7-(OCH_3) ₂	diHBr: 218-220	668
$\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{10}$ (1-menthyl)	($\text{N}^+\text{CH}_3\text{I}^-$)	130-131	830
	($\text{N}^+\text{C}_4\text{H}_9\text{I}^-$)	155-156	830
		140-141	820
	($\text{N}^+\text{C}_3\text{H}_7-i\text{-I}^-$)	146-148	830
		161-163	830
	($\text{N}^+\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2\text{I}^-$)	138-140	830
	($\text{N}^+\text{C}_5\text{H}_{11}\text{I}^-$)	156-158	830
	($\text{N}^+\text{C}_7\text{H}_{17}\text{I}^-$)	169-170	830
$\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCON}(\text{C}_4\text{H}_9-n)_2$		95-98	814
		HCl: 95-98	612
CH_2CN	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{OCH}_3$ -2)-6,7-(OC_2H_5) ₂	131	615
$\text{CH}_2(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$ -2)	1- $\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$	92.5-93.5 ^{a,c}	481
$\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2(\text{C}_6\text{H}_2(\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_2)_2$ -3,4-OH-4)		N/A	831
$\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{CO}_2\text{H}$ -4	3- CH_3 -7-OCH ₃ -6-O ₂ CC ₆ H ₅	212-215	582
$\text{CH}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)\text{CONHC}_6\text{H}_5$	6,7-(OCH_3) ₂	194 ^a	526
CH_2CN	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_3(\text{OC}_2\text{H}_5)_2$ -3,4)-6,7-(OC_2H_5) ₂	137	615
$\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_3(\text{OC}_2\text{H}_5)_2$ -3,4)-6,7-(OC_2H_5) ₂	116-117	615
CH_2CONH_2	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_3(\text{OC}_2\text{H}_5)_2$ -3,4)-6,7-(OC_2H_5) ₂	184-185	615
$\text{CH}_2\text{CONHN}=\text{CHC}_6\text{H}_4\text{-NO}_2$ -2	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{NH}_2$ -2)-6,7-(OCH_3) ₂	163-166	827
$\text{CH}_2\text{CONHN}=\text{CHC}_6\text{H}_4\text{-NO}_2$ -4	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{NH}_2$ -2)-6,7-(OCH_3) ₂	205-207	827
$\text{CH}_2\text{CONHN}=\text{CHC}_6\text{H}_5$	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{NH}_2$ -2)-6,7-(OCH_3) ₂	225-227	827
$\text{CH}_2\text{CONHN}=\text{CHC}_6\text{H}_4\text{OH}$ -2	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{NH}_2$ -2)-6,7-(OCH_3) ₂	223-225	827
$\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5)_2$ -		100-102	820
$\text{CH}_2\text{CONHN}=\text{CHC}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}_3$ -2	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{NH}_2$ -2)-6,7-(OCH_3) ₂	212-214	827
$\text{CH}_2\text{CONHN}=\text{CHC}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}_3$ -3	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{NH}_2$ -2)-6,7-(OCH_3) ₂	210-213	827

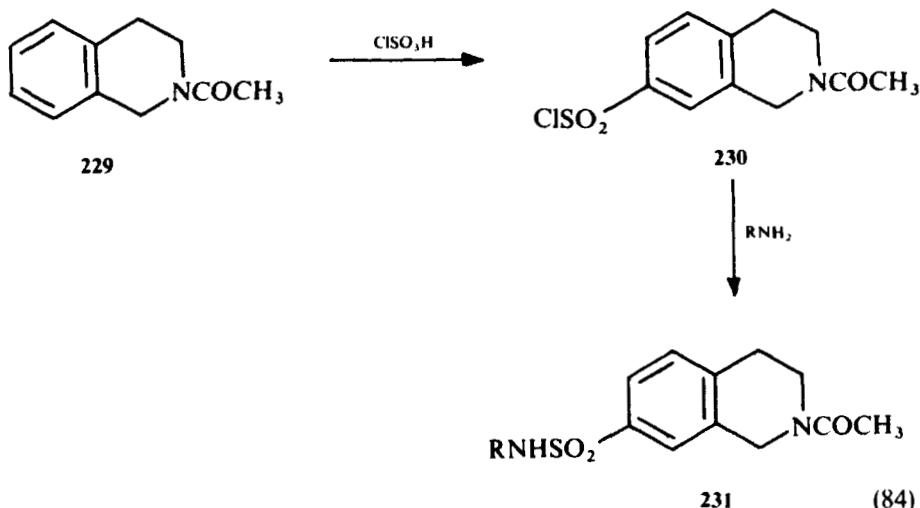
TABLE III.10. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolinium Salts with Acidic Function on Side Chain in 2 Position (Continued)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.	
CH_2CONHN $=\text{CHC}_6\text{H}_4\text{OCH}_3\text{-}2$	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{NH}_2\text{-}2$)-6,7-($\text{OCH}_3)_2$	191-194	827	
CH_2CONHN $=\text{CHC}_6\text{H}_4\text{OCH}_3\text{-}3$	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{NH}_2\text{-}2$)-6,7-($\text{OCH}_3)_2$	200-201	827	
CH_2CONHN $=\text{CHC}_6\text{H}_3\text{OH}\text{-}4\text{-OCH}_3\text{-}3$	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{NH}_2\text{-}2$)-6,7-($\text{OCH}_3)_2$	164-168	827	
CH_3CONHN $=\text{CHC}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}_3\text{-}4$	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{NH}_2\text{-}2$)-6,7-($\text{OCH}_3)_2$	220-224	827	
CH_2CONHN $=\text{CHCH=CHC}_6\text{H}_3$	1-($\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{NH}_2$)-6,7-($\text{OCH}_3)_2$	196-198	827	
$(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{CONH}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{-}$ $(\text{C}_6\text{H}_3(\text{OCH}_3)_2\text{-}3,4)$	1-C ₃ H ₇ -6,7-($\text{OCH}_3)_2$	HCl: 198-199	804	
$(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{CONH}(\text{CH}_2)_2(\text{C}_6\text{H}_3(\text{OCH}_3)_2\text{-}3,4)$	1-CH ₃ -6,7-($\text{OCH}_3)_2$	Picrate: 116.5-117	832	
$(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CO}_2\text{Na}$		6,7-($\text{OCH}_3)_2$	N/A	678
$\text{COCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$		6,7-($\text{OCH}_3)_2$	HCl: N/A	525
$\text{COCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5$		6,7-($\text{OCH}_3)_2$	N/A	525
$\text{COC}_6\text{H}_4\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3\text{-}2$		6,7-($\text{OCH}_3)_2$	N/A	525

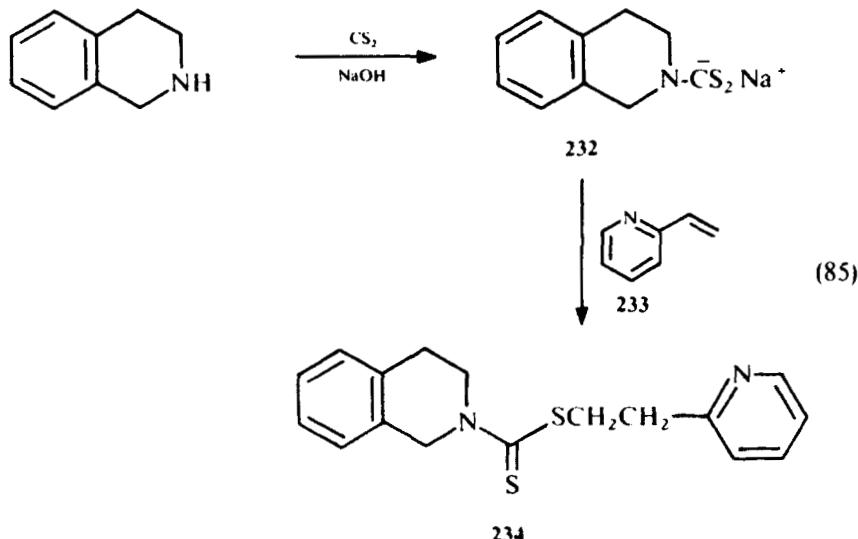
^aIR in paper.^bNMR in paper.^cUV in paper.

(iv) Sulfur-Containing Acid Derivatives

Reaction of chlorosulfonic acid with 2-acetyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (**229**) gives **230**, which has been converted to **231**⁸³³ (Eq. 84).

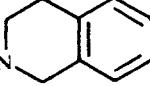
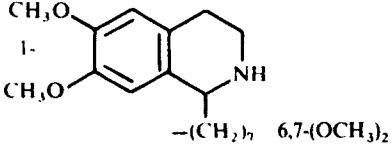
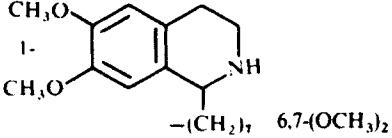


Tetrahydroisoquinoline reacts with carbon disulfide and sodium hydroxide to give **232**,⁸³⁴ which affords **234** when treated with 2-vinylpyridine (**233**)⁸³⁶ (Eq. 85).

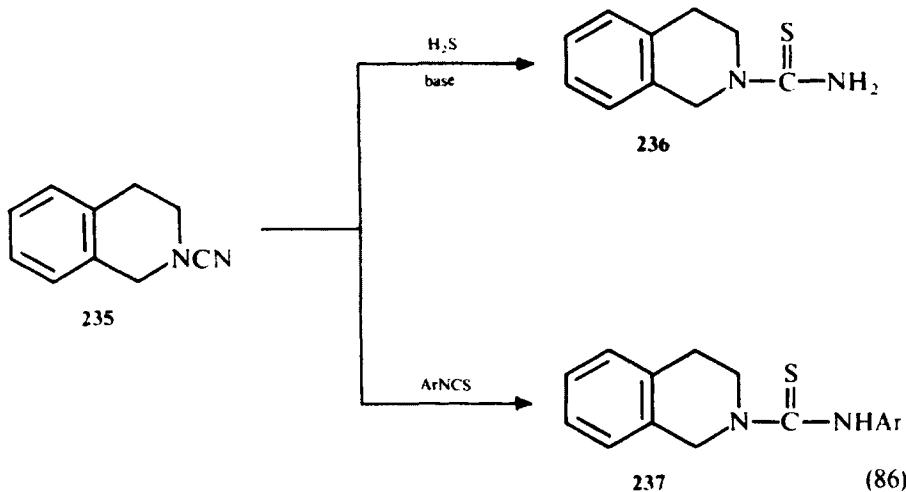


The reaction of 2-cyano-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (**235**) with hydrogen sulfide and base gives **236**,⁷¹⁹ while the reaction with aryl isothiocyanates provides **237**⁷⁶⁴ (Eq. 86).

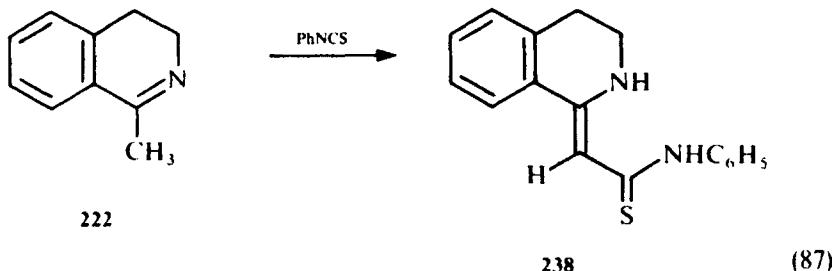
TABLE III.11. Sulfur-Containing Acidic Functional Groups

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
SO ₂ NH ₂		157–159	838
CS ₂	Tetrahydroisoquinoline salt	172–174	54, 837, 839–40
		178	836
CS ₂ Na		199–200	834
CS ₂ Zn		251–252	834
CSNH ₂		165–167	719
		160–161	841
COCH ₃	7-CO ₂ Cl	N/A	842
COCH ₃	7-CO ₂ NH	N/A	842
CH ₂ CH(CO ₂ H)SO ₃ ⁻		265 ^a	812
CSNH ₂	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	171–172	719
CSNH ₂	1-CH ₃ -6-OH-7-OCH ₃	172–174	719
CH ₂ CH(CO ₂ CH ₃)SO ₃ ⁻		265 ^a	812
CSNH ₂	1-CH ₃ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	138–140	719
C ₆ H ₄ SO ₃ H-4		236–237	843
C ₆ H ₄ SO ₂ NH ₂ -4		182–184	843
SO ₂ NH ₂	1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	135–137	838
CS ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ - 		76	836
CSNH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	1-CO ₂ CH ₃	133–135	661
COCH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	7-SO ₂ NH ₂	N/A	842
H	1,1=CHCSNHC ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	815	661
CS ₂ CH ₂ - 		98–99	844
CSNH(C ₆ H ₄ F-3)	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	169–170	764
CSNH(C ₆ H ₄ -N(CH ₃) ₂ -4)	1-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	140–142	764
COCH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	7-SO ₂ NHCONHC ₆ H ₁₁	N/A	842
COCH(CH ₃)C ₆ H ₅	7-SO ₂ NHCONHC ₆ H ₁₁	N/A	845, 846
SO ₃ Na		N/A	678
(CH ₂) ₂ SO ₃ H		HCl:N/A	678

^aNMR in paper.



The reaction of 1-methyl-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline (**222**) with phenyl isothiocyanate gives **238**⁶⁶¹ (Eq. 87).



(c) 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-one Derivatives

(i) 1-Ones

This section covers compounds of the general type **167**, which contain acidic functional groups.

A variety of methods have been used to synthesize compounds in this series. Introduction of a carboxylic acid into the 3-position has involved cyclizations starting from **239** to give **240**^{428, 656} (Eq. 88).

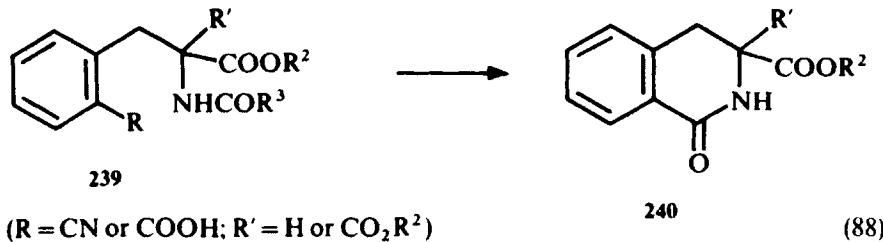
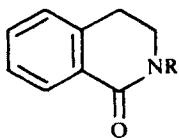


TABLE III.12. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-1-One Derivatives



R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
<i>Esters</i>				
H	3-CO ₂ CH ₃	DL 115-116.5 DL 114-115 D 88-89.5 D 90-91 D 87-89 L 88-89.5 L 76 159-160		428 656 428 367 656 428 656 422
H	5-CO ₂ CH ₃	126-127	IR	395
CH ₃	3-CO ₂ CH ₃	56-57	IR	758
		D Oil		860
		N/A	NMR	857
H	3-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-CH ₃	RS 181-183 S+ 104.5-105.5 R- 104.5-105.5	IR, NMR	847 847 847
H	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	N/A	NMR	857
H	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	106	IR	848, 849
H	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6-OH	Oil		849
H	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3-CO ₂ H	297-298		422
H	3-CO ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂ -7-OCH ₃ -8-OH	123-124		649a
H	3-CO ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂ -7,8(OCH ₃) ₂	116-117		649a
CH ₃	3-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃	b.p.: 163-165/0.3	IR, NMR	855
H	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6-CH ₃ O	160	IR	848, 849
H	3-(CO ₂ C ₆ H ₅ NO ₂) ₄	D 195-198		856
H	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-C ₆ H ₅ , <i>trans</i>	156-157	IR, NMR	852
H	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-(C ₆ H ₅ O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)- <i>trans</i>	199-200	IR, NMR	852
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-C ₆ H ₅ , <i>trans</i>	107-108	IR, NMR	852
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-O ₂ CH ₂ , <i>trans</i>	151-152	IR	559, 852
C ₂ H ₅	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-C ₆ H ₅ , <i>trans</i>	103-104	IR, NMR	852
CH ₃	3-(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -2)-4-CO ₂ CH ₃ , <i>trans</i> - <i>cis</i>	144-145 150-151	IR, NMR	851 851
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-(C ₆ H ₃ O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(CH ₂ O ₂)- <i>trans</i>	181-182	IR, NMR	852
C ₃ H ₇ - <i>n</i>	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-C ₆ H ₅ , <i>trans</i>	164-165	IR, NMR	852
C ₃ H ₇ - <i>i</i>	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-C ₆ H ₅ , <i>trans</i>	118-119	IR, NMR	852
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)- <i>trans</i>	111-112	IR, NMR	852
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ , <i>trans</i>	155-156	IR, NMR	559, 852
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-(C ₆ H ₃ O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ , <i>trans</i>	194-195	IR	559

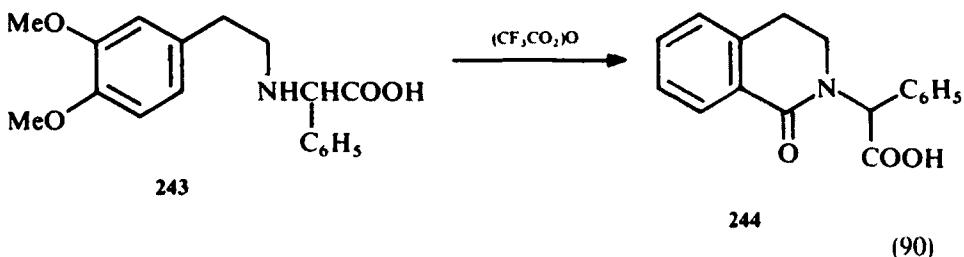
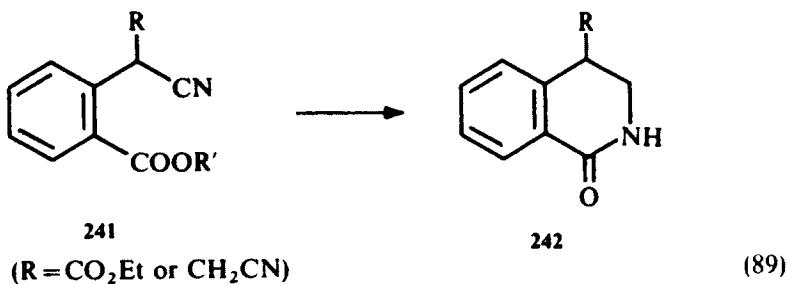
TABLE III.12. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-1-One Derivatives (*Continued*)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
CH(C ₆ H ₅) CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	88		598
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-(C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)- 6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -trans	62-63	IR	559
C ₆ H ₅	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-C ₆ H ₅ -trans	162-163	IR, NMR	852
CO ₂ CH ₃		155-157		508a
CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ CO ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂	7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	101-103 88-90		779a 649a
<i>Acid Derivatives (Other than Esters)</i>				
H	3-CO ₂ H	DL 238.5-240.5 DL 235-237 D 232.5-234 D 241-242 D 234-236.5 L 236-238 320.5-321.5		428 656 428 367 656 428, 656 422
CH ₂ CO ₂ H		187		510
		Picrate: 174		510
H	3-CO ₂ H-3-CH ₃	R 197-198		847
CH ₃	3-CH ₂ CN	b.p.: 170/0.4 82-83	IR	758
H	3-CO ₂ H-4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	297-298		422
(CH ₂) ₂ CO ₂ H	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	174-175		861
H	4-CO ₂ H-3-C ₆ H ₅ -trans	189-190	IR, NMR	852
H	4-CO ₂ H-3-(C ₆ H ₅ O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)- -trans	247-248	IR	852
CH ₃	3-C ₆ H ₅ -4-CO ₂ H-trans	207	IR, NMR	851
		205-206	IR, NMR	852
CH ₃	3-C ₆ H ₅ -4-CO ₂ H-cis	201-202	IR, NMR	851
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ H-3-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(CH ₂ O ₂) -trans	225-227	IR	852
C ₂ H ₅	4-CO ₂ H-3-C ₆ H ₅ -trans	205-206	IR	852
CH ₃	3-(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -2)-4-CO ₂ H-trans -cis	231-232 228-229	IR, NMR IR, NMR	851
C ₃ H _{7-n}	4-CO ₂ H-3-C ₆ H ₅ -trans	167-168	IR	852
C ₃ H _{7-i}	4-CO ₂ H-3-C ₆ H ₅ -trans	184-185	IR	852
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ H-3-C ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -trans	225-226	IR	852
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ H-3-(C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4) -trans	193-194	IR	852
CH(C ₆ H ₅) CO ₂ H	6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	206 N/A		598 526

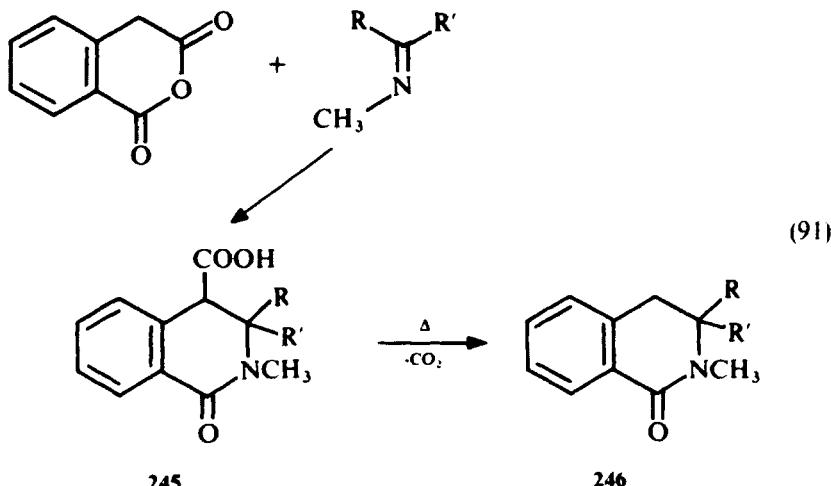
TABLE III.12. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-1-One Derivatives (Continued)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ H-3-(C ₆ H ₅ O ₂ CH ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ - <i>trans</i>	228-229 204-205	IR IR	852 559
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ H-3-(C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ - <i>trans</i>	118-119	IR	559
C ₆ H ₅	4-CO ₂ H-3-C ₆ H ₅ - <i>trans</i>	203-204	IR, NMR	852
N=CHC ₆ H ₅	3-C ₆ H ₅ -4-CO ₂ H- <i>trans</i> - <i>cis</i>	206 206	IR, NMR IR, NMR	851 851
CH ₃	3,3-(C ₆ H ₅) ₂ -4-CO ₂ H	253-255	IR, NMR	851
CH(C ₆ H ₅)	6,7-(OC ₆ H ₅) ₂	234		598
CO ₂ H	3-CO ₂ H-7-OCH ₃ -8-OH	250-251		649a

Compounds of the type **240** have also been prepared from methyl phenylalaninates by reaction with phosgene followed by aluminum chloride.^{367, 847} Cyclization of compounds of the type **241** leads to **242**⁸⁴⁸⁻⁸⁵⁰ (Eq. 89). Treatment of **243** with trifluoroacetic anhydride yields **244**⁵⁹⁸ (Eq. 90).

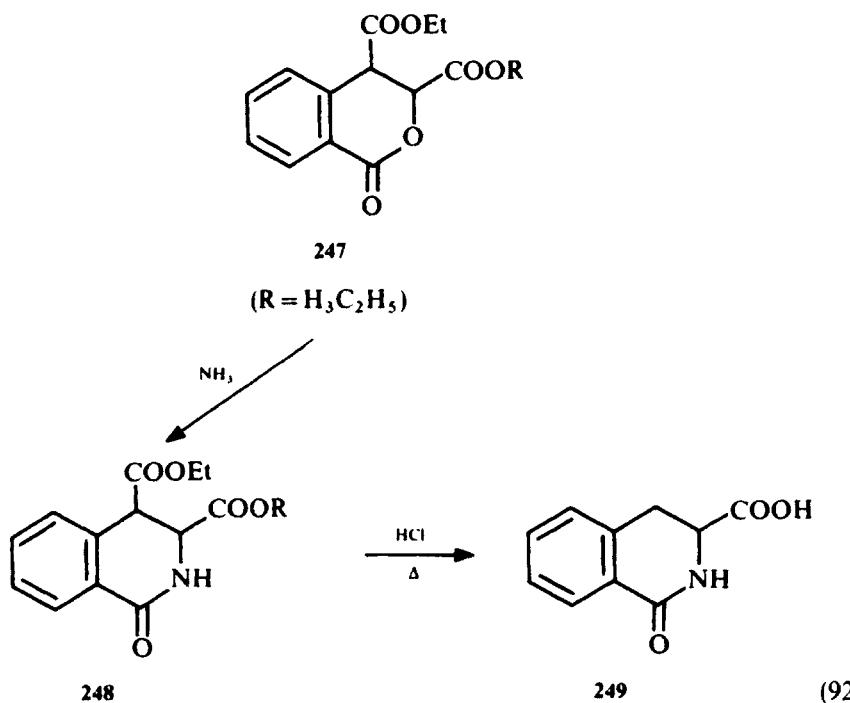


The condensation of a variety of aldimines and ketimines with homophthalic anhydride gives rise to **245**.^{851, 852} In one case trans products were obtained,⁸⁵² but in another cis and trans isomers were isolated from this reaction and the effect of reaction conditions on isomer ratios were studied.⁸⁵¹ Heating **245** (R = H; R' = C₆H₅) results in a decarboxylation to afford **246**⁸⁵¹ (Equation 91).



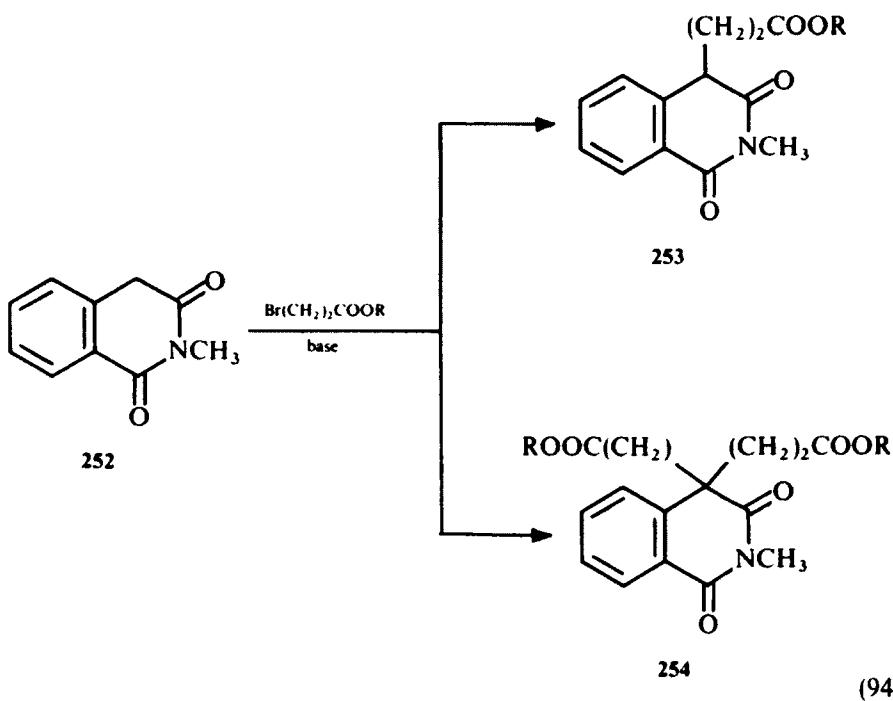
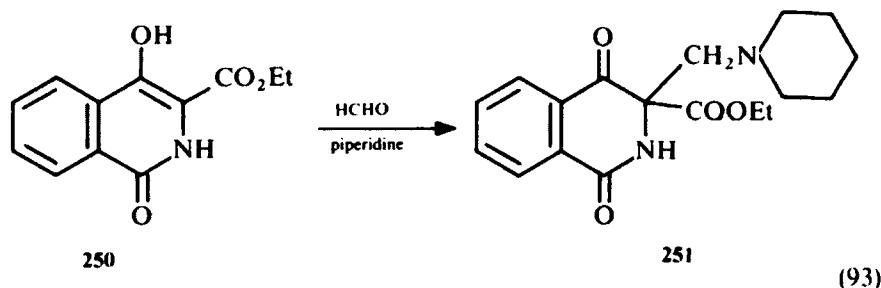
Potassium permanganate oxidates of some 4-carbomethoxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines gave the methyl esters of **245**.⁸⁵²

The isocoumarin **247** reacts with ammonia to give **248**. Heating of **248** with hydrochloric acid affords the 3-carboxylic acid **249**⁴²² (Eq. 92).



Oxidation of series of 4-carbomethoxy-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines with potassium permanganate leads to compounds in this series,⁵⁵⁹ as does reduction of a 3,4 double bond by catalytic hydrogenation.³⁹⁵

The Mannich condensation of **250** with formaldehyde and piperidine leads to **251**⁸⁵³ (Eq. 93). Base-catalyzed alkylation of **252** with a series of ω -bromoesters affords the 4- and 4,4-disubstituted compounds **253** and **254**, respectively⁸⁵⁴ (Eq. 94).



Compound **253** can be alkylated with methyl iodide to give the 4-methyl analog.⁸⁵⁴ Similar reactions have been used to convert ring NH to *N*-methyl.⁷⁵⁸

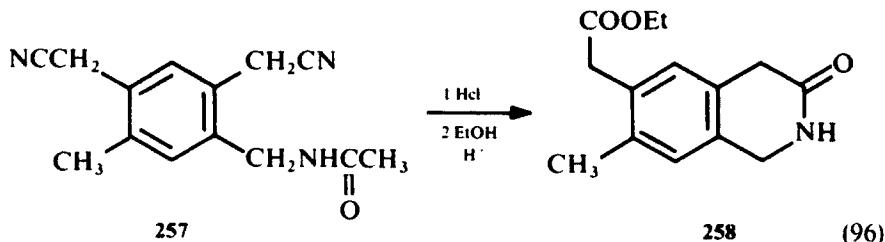
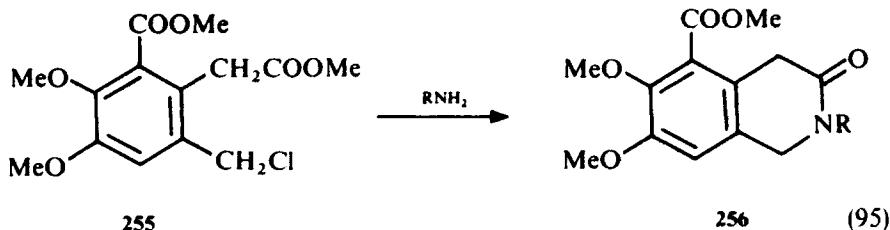
Various esterification^{367, 422, 598, 656, 847, 851, 852} and ester-hydrolysis^{559, 854} reactions have been carried out in this series. 3-Chloromethyl groups have been

reacted with cyanide ion to introduce cyano groups⁷⁵⁸ and cyano groups have been hydrolyzed to esters.⁸⁵⁵

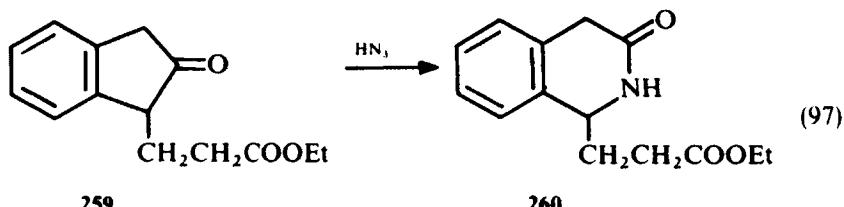
A substantial amount of work has been done in studies of α -chymotrypsin with esters of compounds of the type **240**. α -Chymotrypsin hydrolysis of the DL esters of **240**, for example, yields the D acid and L ester.^{428, 847, 856} The kinetics of this hydrolysis have been studied,⁴²⁸ as have the effects of conformation.^{857, 858} The compounds **240** are considered as cyclic analogs of *N*-acetyl-L-phenylalanine and the usefulness and limitations of such cyclized substrates has been discussed.^{367, 847, 856, 859}

(ii) 3-Ones

A number of compounds **256** with esters in the aromatic ring have been prepared by the condensation of **255** with primary amines^{862, 863} (Eq. 95). Reaction of **257** with hydrochloric acid followed by esterification provides **258**⁶⁹ (Eq. 96).

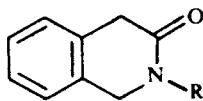


Ring expansion of ethyl β -2-oxindenylpropionate (**259**) by reaction with hydrazoic acid affords **260**⁸⁶⁴ (Eq. 97).



Reaction of compounds of the type **256** with ethyl chloroacetate and ethoxide introduces a 2-ethoxy-carbonylmethyl group which has been hydrolyzed to an acid and converted to an amide.⁸⁶⁵

TABLE III.13. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-3-one Derivatives



R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.	
H	6-CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ , 7-CH ₃	164–166 ^a	69	
H	1-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	N/A	864	
C ₃ H ₇ -n	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ , 6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	86–87	862	
CH ₂ CO ₂ H	4,4-(C ₆ H ₅) ₂	229–230	865	
CH ₂ CH ₂		5-CO ₂ CH ₃ , 6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	170–171	863
CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ (OCH ₃) ₂	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ , 6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	140	862	
CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	4,4-(C ₆ H ₅) ₂	147–148	865	
CH ₂ CONHCH ₂ CH ₂ N(CH ₃) ₂	4,4-(C ₆ H ₅) ₂	188–189	865	
CH ₂ CONHC ₆ H ₅	4,4-(C ₆ H ₅) ₂	206–207	865	
CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ N(C ₂ H ₅) ₂	4,4-(C ₆ H ₅) ₂	210	865	
NHCOC ₂ H ₅	1-CO ₂ CH ₃	178–180	865a	
NHCOC ₆ H ₅	1-CO ₂ CH ₃	173–175	865a	
NHCOC ₆ H ₂ -3,4,5(OCH ₃) ₃	1-CO ₂ CH ₃	247–248	865a	
NHCOC ₂ H ₅ -C ₆ H ₄ -4-F	1-CO ₂ CH ₃	157–159	865a	
NH ₂	1-CO ₂ CH ₃	183–185	865a	
NHCOC ₂ H ₅	1-CONH ₂	248–250	865a	
NHCOC ₆ H ₅	1-CONH ₂	281–282	865a	

^aIR and NMR in paper.

(iii) 4-Ones

A number of compounds **262** have been prepared by base-catalyzed cyclization **261**.^{82, 83, 111, 866} Hydrolysis of the ester group in **262** leads to decarboxylation^{111, 866} to afford **263**. Reaction of **262** with cupric acetate leads to the 4-hydroxyisoquinoline derivative **264**¹¹¹(Eq. 98).

(iv) 1,3-Diones

Treatment of 2-methylisoquinoline-1,3-(2H, 4H)-dione (**265**) with aryl isocyanates provides the 4-carboxyanilide **267**,^{867–869} which may also be prepared from the aminolysis of **266**^{867, 869} (Eq. 99).

Some of these compounds have antiinflammatory action.^{867, 870} A study of the keto–enol tautomerization of **267** has shown that the enol tautomer makes little or no contribution.⁸⁶⁹

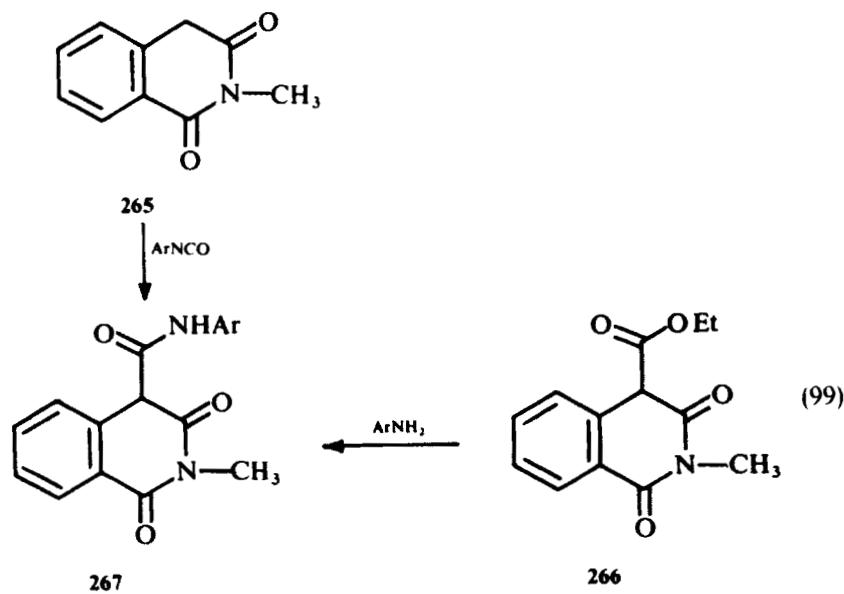
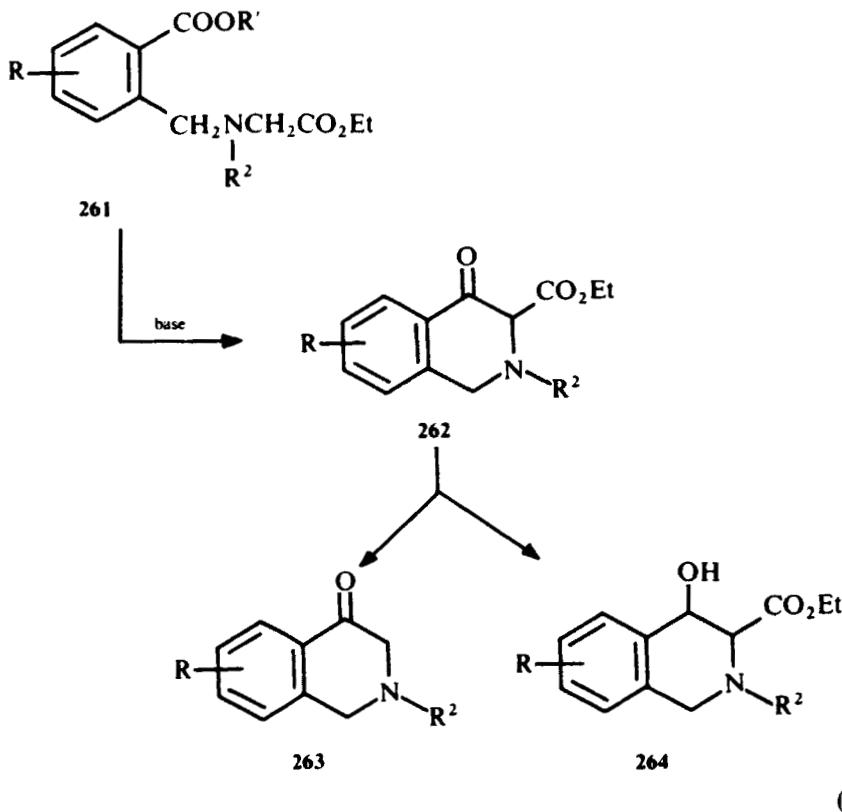
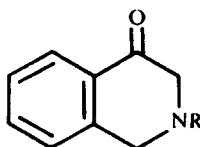


TABLE III.14. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-4-One Derivatives



R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Spectroscopy	Ref.
CH ₃	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	b.p. 130/0.65 Picrate: 128–129 HCl: 137 HBr: 172 chloroplatinate: 176–177		111 111 111 111 111
CH ₃	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 131 HCl: 105–152	IR, UV, NMR	82 83
C ₆ H ₅	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	132–134		866
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -7-Cl	91–93 HBr: 154–157 HBr: 146–151		82, 83 82 83
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	HBr: 144	IR, UV, NMR	866
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -7-OCH ₃	103–107 101–107 HCl: 170–174	IR, UV	83 82 82, 83
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 166–167 HCl: 153–156	IR, UV, NMR	82 83
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -7,8-(OCH ₃) ₂	HCl: 134–135	IR, UV, NMR	83

B. 5,6,7,8-Tetrahydroisoquinoline Derivatives

The major entry into derivatives of the 5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinolines has involved base-catalyzed ring-closure reactions of which the following are typical:

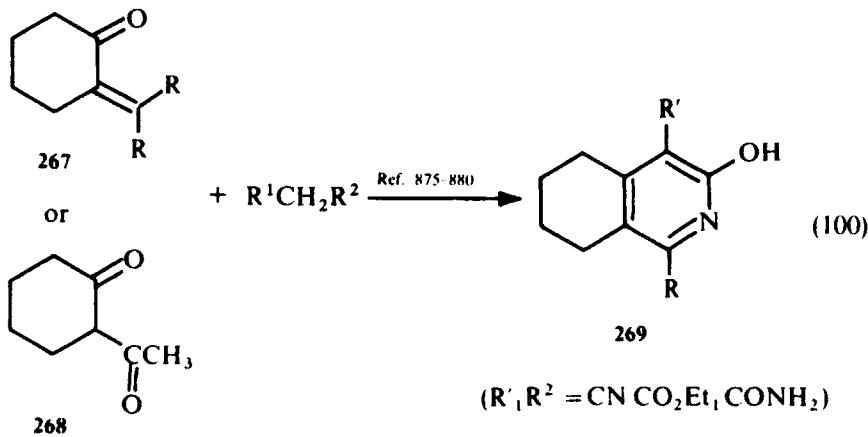


TABLE III.15. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-Dione Derivatives

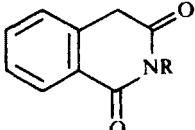
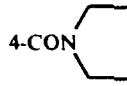
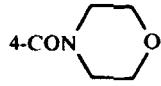
R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
<i>1,3-Dione</i>			
			
H	4-CONHCH ₃	254-255	867
CH ₃	4-CONH ₂	214-215	867
H	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	238-240	867
H	4-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃	185.5-187 ^{a,b}	850
CH ₃	4-CH ₂ CO ₂ H	164	854
H	4-CONHC ₂ H ₅	252-253	867
CH ₃	4-CONHCH ₃	250-251	867
		160-162	867
H	4-CONHC ₂ H ₅ -7-Cl	237-238	867
CH ₂ CH=CH ₂	4-CONH ₂	205-206	867
CH ₃	4-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ H	122-123 ^{a,c}	872
		127	854
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	113-115	867, 868
CH ₃	4-CONHC ₂ H ₅	230-231	867
CH ₃	4-CONHC ₂ H ₅ -7-Cl	218-219	867
CH ₃	4,4-(CH ₂ CO ₂ H) ₂	212	854
CH ₃	4-CONHCH ₂ -CH=CH ₂	206-207	867
CH ₃	4-CONHC ₃ H ₇	209-210	867
H	4-CONHC ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	255-257	867
CH ₃	4-CON 	182-184	867
CH ₂ -CH=CH ₂	4-CONHC ₂ H ₅	189-191	867
C ₃ H ₇ -i	4-CONHC ₂ H ₅	173-174	867
CH ₃	4-CON 	160-161	867
CH ₃	4-CONH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	180-182	867
CH ₃	4-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	Oil	854
CH ₃	4-CONHC ₄ H ₉	176-177	867
CH ₃	4-CONHC ₂ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	250-251	867
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)-7-Cl	240-241	867
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ Cl ₂ -2,5)	242-243	867
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ Cl ₂ -3,4)	239-241	867

TABLE III.15. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-Dione Derivatives (*Continued*)

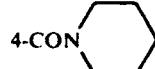
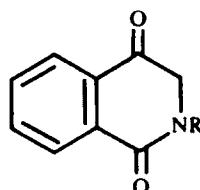
R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ Br-4)	246-248	867
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-2)	223-224	867
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-3)	232-234	867
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)	243-245	867
H	4-CONHC ₆ H ₅ -6-Cl	224-226	867
C ₆ H ₄ Cl-3	4-CONH ₂	227-229	867
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ F-4)	242-244	867
H	4-CONHC ₆ H ₅	249-250	867
C ₆ H ₅	4-CONH ₂	192-194	867
CH ₃	4,4-(CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ H) ₂	200	854
H	4-CONHC ₆ H ₁₁	223-225	867
CH ₃	4-CON 	164-165	867
CH ₃	4-CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -4-CH ₃	77	854
CHRCONR ¹ R ²	4,4-(CH ₃) ₂	N/A	607
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ CF ₃ -4)	250-251	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ Cl ₂ -2,4)	222-225	867
		204-205	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ Cl ₂ -3,4)	219-220	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ Cl ₂ -2,3)	217-219	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ Cl ₂ -3,5)	228-229	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ Br-4)	227-228	867
		228-229	869
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-2)	212-213	868
		211-213	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-3)	203-205	867
		206-208	869
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)	213-214	867, 869
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ F-3)	217	869
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ F-4)	222-224	867, 869
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)-7-OCH ₃	280-282	867
		221-222	867
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -2)	242-243	867
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -3)	232-233	867
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4)	236-237	867
CH ₃	4-CONHC ₆ H ₅	246-247	867
		243-244	868, 869
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	4-CONH ₂	222-223	867
CH ₃	4-CONHC ₆ H ₅ -7-Cl	238-239	867
H	4-CONHC ₆ H ₅ -7-OCH ₃	271-273	867

TABLE III.15. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-Dione Derivatives (*Continued*)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -2)	210-211	867
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)	237-238	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ SO ₂ NH ₂ -4)	231-232	869
CH ₂ CONH ₂	4,4-(CH ₂ CH=CH ₂) ₂	N/A	871
CH ₃	4-CONHC ₆ H ₁₁	221-223	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ Cl-2-CF ₃ -5)	205-206	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ CF ₃ -3)	188-189	869
		188-190	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ CF ₃ -4)	210-211	867, 869
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -2)	235-236	868
CH ₃	4-CONHCH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ Cl ₂ -3,4)	224-225	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ Cl ₂ -2,4)-7-OCH ₃	210-211	867
CH ₃	4-CON(CH ₃)(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)	156-158	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ Cl-2-CH ₃ -4)	202.5-204	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ Cl-3-CH ₃ -4)	213-214	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ Cl-3-CH ₃ -2)	240-240.5	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ CH ₃ -2-Cl-4)	237-238	867
C ₆ H ₄ Cl-3	4-CONHC ₆ H ₅	211-212	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -2-Cl-5)	208.5-209.5	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)-7-OCH ₃	222	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-2)-7-OCH ₃	216.5-217	867
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	260-261	867
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ (CH ₃) ₂ -3,4)	245-246	867
CH ₃	4-CONHCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	171-173	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -2)	224-225	867
		221-223	868
CH ₃	4-CON(CH ₃)C ₆ H ₅	160-162	869
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -3)	224-225	867, 869
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4)	232-234	867, 869
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ OC ₂ H ₅ -2)	203-205	867
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ OC ₂ H ₅ -4)	232-233	867
CH ₃	4-CONHC ₆ H ₅ -7-OCH ₃	223-225	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -2)	197-198	867, 868
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -3)	206-207	869
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)	222-224	867, 869
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -2,4)	223-225	867
H	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -2,5)	197-198	867
H	4-CONHC ₆ H ₅ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	251-252	867
CH ₃	4,4-(CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅) ₂	118	854
CH ₃	4,4-(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ H ₂	144	854
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ COCH ₃ -3)	117-178	867, 869

TABLE III.15. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-Dione Derivatives (*Continued*)

R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
C ₆ H ₄ Cl-3	4-CONHC ₃ H ₇	195-197	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	247-249	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	227-228	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ (CH ₃) ₂ -3,5)	253-254	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ (CH ₃) ₂ -3,4)	214-216	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ (CH ₃) ₂ -2,4)	227-228	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ (CH ₃) ₂ -2,5)	243.5-244	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ (CH ₃) ₂ -2,6)	250	867
CH ₃	4-CONHCH ₂ CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	201-202	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -2-CH ₃ -5)	212.5-214	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃ -4-CH ₃ -2)	213.5-214	867
CH ₃	4-CONHCH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)	172-176	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ OC ₂ H ₅ -2)	220-221	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ OC ₂ H ₅ -4)	212-214	867
		210-211	869
CH ₃	4-CONHC ₆ H ₄ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	237-238	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)-7-OCH ₃	222-224	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -2)-7-OCH ₃	192-194	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -2,4)	203-204	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -2,5)	183-184	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,5)	209-210	867
C ₆ H ₄ Cl-3	4-CONHCH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	174-175	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -2)	128-130	867
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -4)	229-230	867, 869
CH ₃	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -2)-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	242-243	867
CH ₃	4,4-(CH ₂ CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅) ₂	89-90 ^{a,c}	872
		89	854
CH ₃ C(CH ₃)(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅) ₂	4,4-(CH ₃) ₂	101-102	873
C ₆ H ₄ Cl-3	4-CONH(C ₆ H ₃ Cl ₂ -2,5)	222-223	867
	CH ₂ C(C ₆ H ₅)(CN)COCH ₃ 4,4-(CH ₃) ₂	104-105	873
C ₆ H ₄ Cl-3	4-CONHC ₆ H ₁₁	237-238	867
CH ₃	4,4-((CH ₃ CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅) ₂	65	854
C ₆ H ₄ Cl-3	4-CONHCH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	201-203	867

1,4-Diones

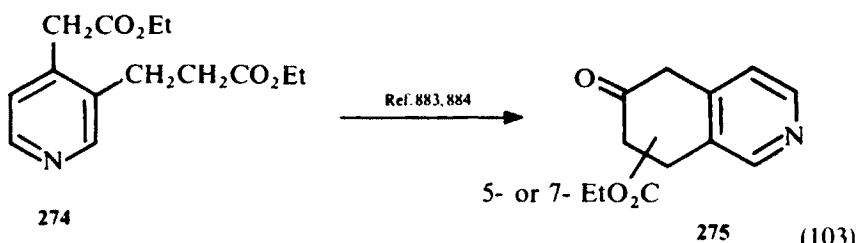
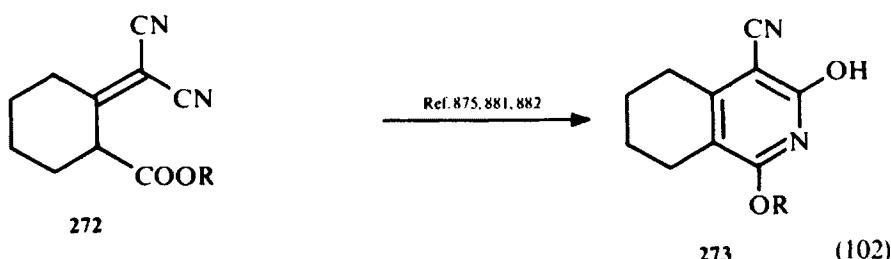
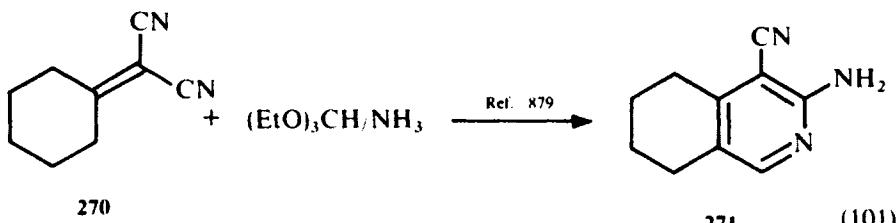
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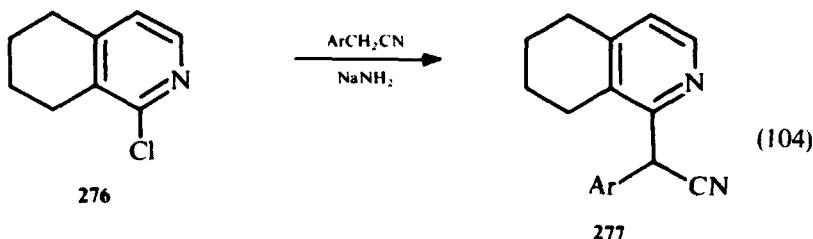
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TABLE III.15. 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline-Dione Derivatives (*Continued*)

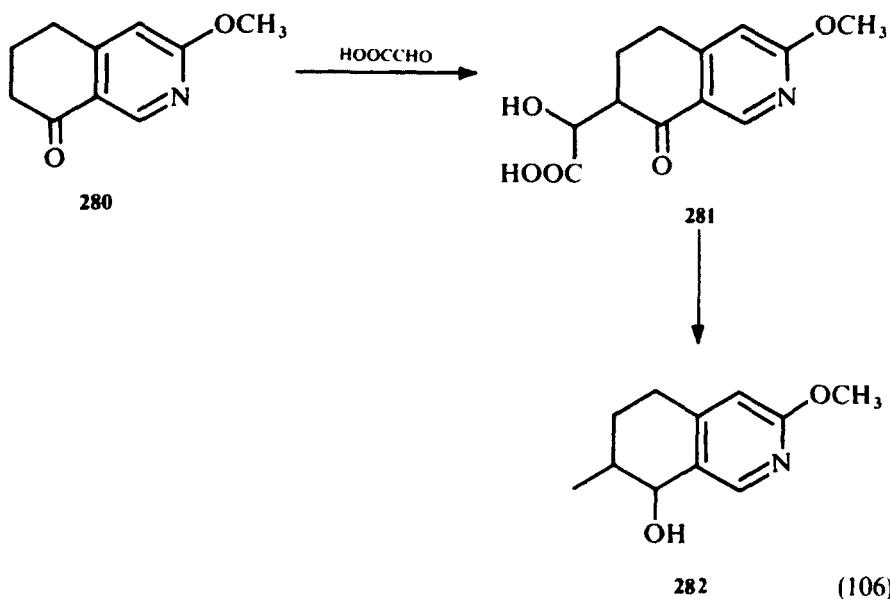
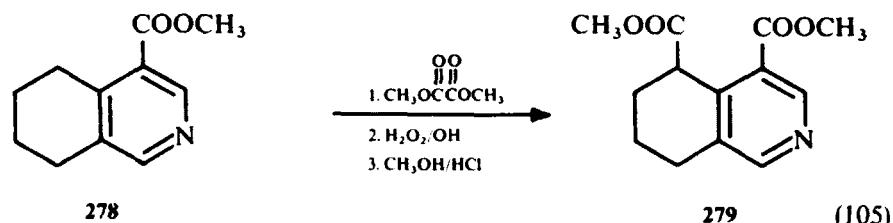
R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
H	3,6-(CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅) ₂	184–185	874
H	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3-CH ₂ -N 	118 Picrate: 161–162	854 853

^a IR in paper.^b UV in paper.^c NMR in paper.

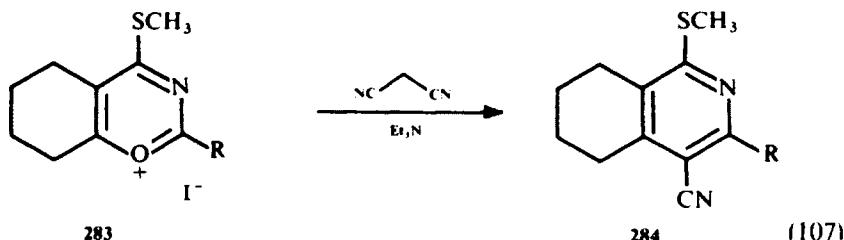
1-Chloro-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline (276) has been converted to 277 by reaction with benzyl cyanides and sodium amide^{855–890} (Eq. 104). This nitrile has been hydrolyzed to the amide, as have other nitriles in the tetrahydro series.^{135, 891} The reaction of methyl 5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline-4-



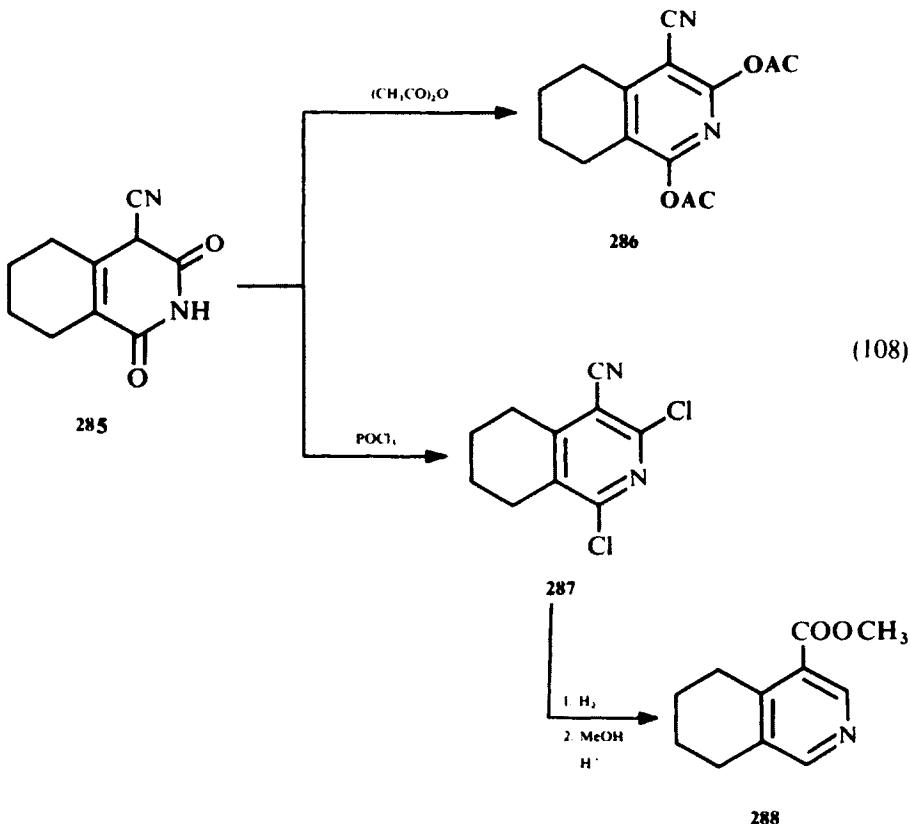
carboxylate (**278**) with methyl oxalate, followed by hydrogen peroxide oxidation and esterification, yields **279**⁸⁹ (Eq. 105), while reaction of 3-methoxy-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline-8-one (**280**) with glyoxylic acid gives **281**,⁷¹ which undergoes dehydration, reduction, esterification, and reduction to afford **282**⁷¹ (Eq. 106).



The reaction of the salt **283** with malononitrile and triethylamine affords 1-methylthio-4-cyano-3-substituted-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinolines **284**⁸⁹² (Eq. 107).



Treatment of **285** with acetic anhydride⁸⁹³ or phosphorus oxychloride⁸⁹⁴ gives the 1,3-diacetate **286** or 1,3-dichloro **287** derivatives, respectively. The chlorines can be removed by hydrogenolysis to give the 4-cyano compound, which can be further hydrolyzed to methyl ester **288**⁸⁹⁴ (Eqn. 108). Treatment of thiones such as **289** or **290** with methylsulfate or methyliodide affords 4-cyano-1- or -3-thiomethyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinolines **291** or **292**^{895, 896} (Eq. 109). Decarboxylation of **295** affords 4-cyano-3-ethoxy-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline (**296**)⁸⁷⁸ (Eq. 110). Reaction of **297** with vinyl magnesium bromide and then condensation with 2-methylcyclopentane-1,3-dione provides the azasteroid precursor **298**⁸⁹⁷ (Eq. 111). Reaction of **299** with guanidine carbonate



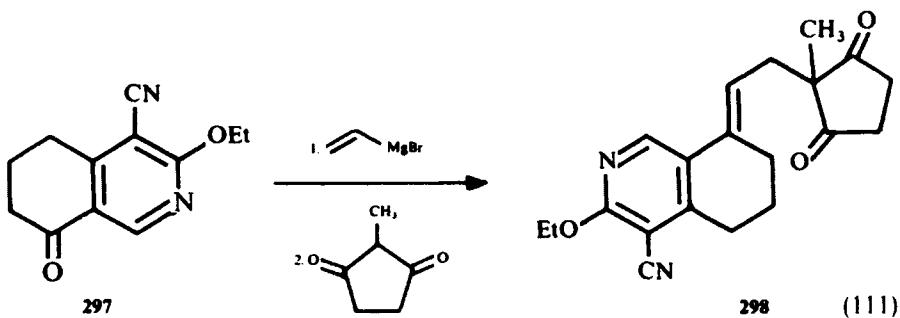
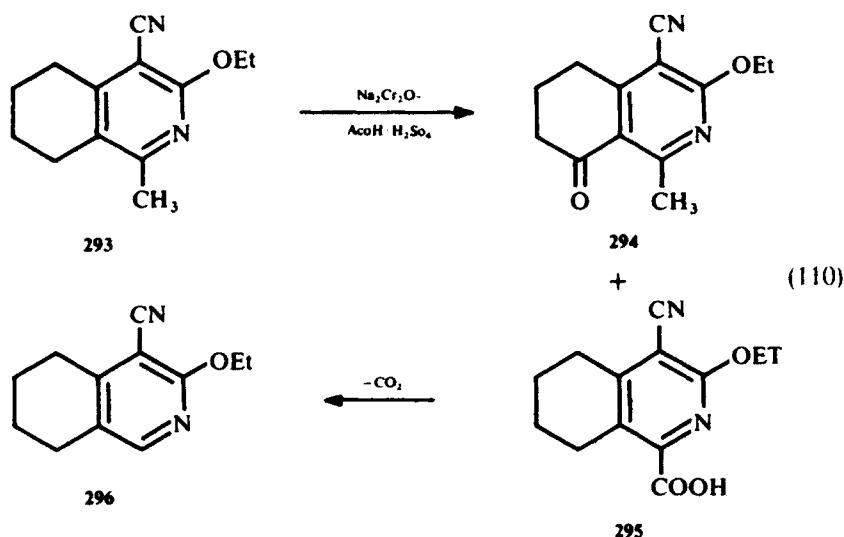
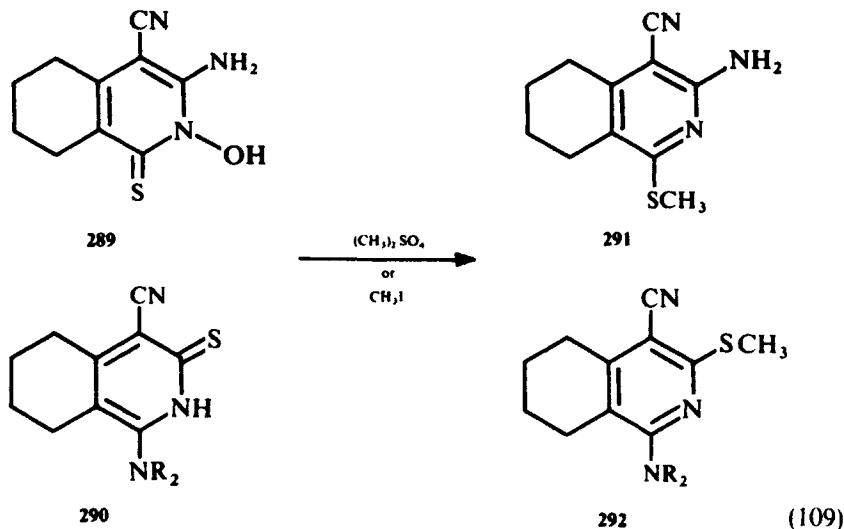


TABLE III.16. 5,6,7,8-Tetrahydroisoquinolines with Acid-Type Functional Groups

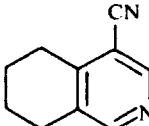
Substituent		m.p. (°C)	Ref.
4—cyano Derivatives			
			
1,3-Cl ₂		74-75	894
3-Cl		132-134	879
H		38-40	894
3-OH		256-258	879
1,3-(OH) ₂		N/A	882
		280-283	881
		278-287	875
3-NH ₂		194-196	879
1-CH ₃ -3-Cl		98-99	879
		100-100.5 ^{a,b}	876
1-CH ₃ -3-OH		> 360	879
		357-359 ^{a,c}	876
		> 320 ^{a,c}	875
1-OCH ₃ -3-OH		172-174 ^{a,c}	875
1-SCH ₃ -3-NH ₂	[N ⁺ Oxide ⁻] [N ⁺ C ₆ H ₅ ¹¹ CH ₃ SO ₄ ⁻]	209-212 172-173	895 896
1-OH-3-OC ₂ H ₅ ,		178-179	896a
1-C ₂ H ₅ -3-Cl		77-79	879
3-OC ₂ H ₅		82-83	878
1-C ₂ H ₅ -3-OH		325-328	879
1-OC ₂ H ₅ -3-OH		196-198	881
		196-197 ^{a,c}	875
		N/A	882
1-OH-3-OC ₂ H ₅		179-180 ^{a,c}	878
1-CO ₂ H-3-OC ₂ H ₅		139-140 ^c	878
1-CH ₃ -3-OC ₂ H ₅ -8,8=0		91-92 ^{a,c}	878
		N/A	897
1-CH ₃ -3-OC ₂ H ₅		114-115 ^{a,c}	878
1,3-(OCOCH ₃) ₂		78-80	893
1-COCH ₃ -3-OC ₂ H ₅		Oil ^{a,c}	878
1-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-OC ₂ H ₅		90-91 ^{a,c}	878
1-OCOCH ₃ -3-OC ₂ H ₅		101-102 ^{a,c}	878
1-OC ₂ H ₅ -3-OCOCH ₃		92-93 ^{a,c}	878
1,3-(OC ₂ H ₅) ₂		N/A	882
1-CH ₃ -3-OC ₂ H ₅ -8-OH-8-CH=CH ₂		N/A	897

TABLE III.16. 5,6,7,8-Tetrahydroisoquinolines with Acid-Type Functional Groups (*Continued*)

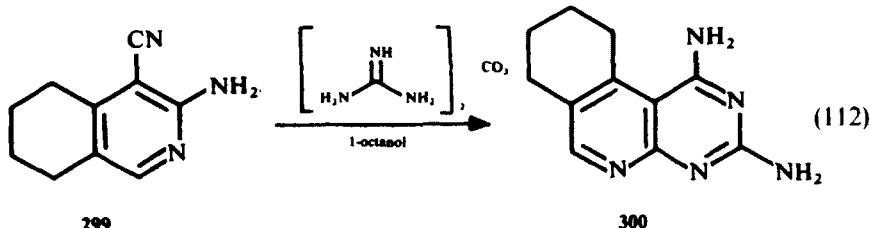
Substituent		m.p. (°C)	Ref.
		174–175	895
1-(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)-3-Cl		108–109	879
1-C ₆ H ₅ -3-Cl		172–174	879
1-(C ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)-3-OH		325–328	879
1,3-(OH) ₂		280–285	897a
1-C ₆ H ₅ -3-OH		335–338	879
1-NHNH ₂ -3-NHC ₆ H ₅		230–232 ^{a,c}	896
1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -3-Cl		73–74	879
1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -3-OH		253–255	879
1-NHCH ₃ -3-NHC ₆ H ₅		186–187 ^{a,c}	896
1-SCH ₃ -3-(NHCOC ₆ H ₄ Cl-4)		220	892
1-SCH ₃ -3-NHCOC ₆ H ₅		226–227	892
1-SCH ₃ -3-(NHCOC ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4)		243	892
		N/A	897
<i>Acid Type Groups Other than 4-Cyano</i>			
1-CO ₂ H-3-OC ₂ H ₅ -4-CN		139–140 ^c	878
1-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-OC ₂ H ₅ -4-CN		90–91 ^{a,c}	878
1-(<i>o</i> -C ₆ H ₄ CO ₂ H-4)		N/A	898
1-CH(C ₆ H ₅)CN		100	890
	b.p.; 160–170/0.003	886, 887	
	140–142	886, 887	
1-CH(C ₆ H ₅)CONH ₂		149–151	890
(N ⁺ CH ₃ I ⁻)		208–210	890
	142–143	886, 887	
1-CH(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)CN	Picrate: 218	885, 888, 889	
1-CH(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)CONH ₂	136–137	885, 888, 889	
1-CH(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)CN	Oil	885	
1-CH(C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)CONH ₂	228	885	
2-CH ₂ CN	Cl ⁻	N/A	899
2-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃	Br ⁻	133–135	899
3-SO ₃ H		350	891
3-CN		65–66	891

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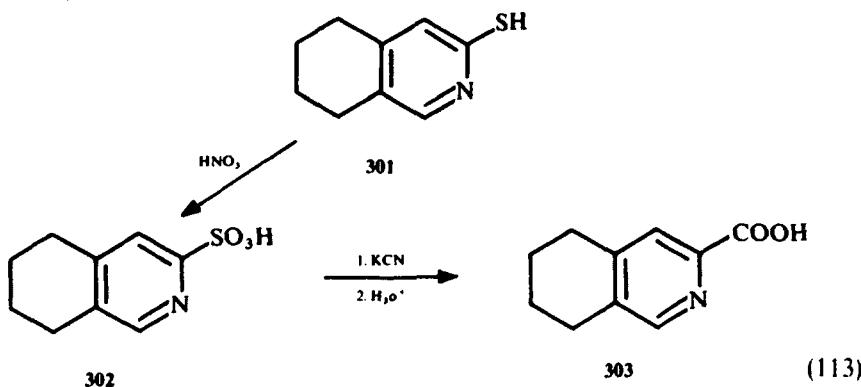
Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
3-CO ₂ H	207.5–208 209–210 206	891 900 901
3-CONH ₂	195–196	135
3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	b.p.: 115/2 Picrate: 150–151	900 900
4-CONH ₂ -3-OH	294	891
4-CO ₂ H-1-CH ₃ -3-OH	259–260 ^a	876
4-CO ₂ CH ₃	b.p.: 116–118/0.3	894
4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3-OH	164–166	877
4,5-(CO ₂ CH ₃) ₂	(N ⁺ Oxide) 115–116 ^{a,b} 119–120 ^{a,b}	89 89
4-CO ₂ C ₄ H ₉ -t	b.p.: 128–130/0.7	894
4-CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-CH ₃	205–206	901a
	190–191	894
4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3,8-(CH ₃) ₂ -5-C ₃ H ₇ -i 5- or 7-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6,6=0	Picrate: 113–114 ^b 192 Picrate: 179 HCl: 160	880 883, 884 883, 884 883, 884
7,7=CHCO ₂ H-3-OCH ₃ -8,8=0	221–222	71
7-CH ₂ CO ₂ H-3-OCH ₃ -8,8=0	174–176	71
7-CH(OH)CO ₂ H-3-OCH ₃ -8,8=0	165–166	71
7,7=CHCO ₂ CH ₃ -3-OCH ₃ -8,8=0	111–112	71
7-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-OCH ₃ -8,8=0	107–108.5	71
7,7=CHCO ₂ CH ₃ -3-OCH ₃ -8-OH	N/A	71
7-CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃ -3-OCH ₃ -8-OH	92–96	71
3-CH ₃ O-7=CHCO ₂ H=0	221–222	71a
3-CH ₃ O7=CHCO ₂ CH ₃ 8=0	111–112	71a
3-CH ₃ O7=CHCO ₂ CH ₃ 8-OH	141–142	71a
4-CN-1-CH ₃ -3=0	357	884a
4-CN-1-CH ₃ -3=C(CN) ₂	310	884a

^a IR in paper.^b NMR in paper.^c UV in paper.

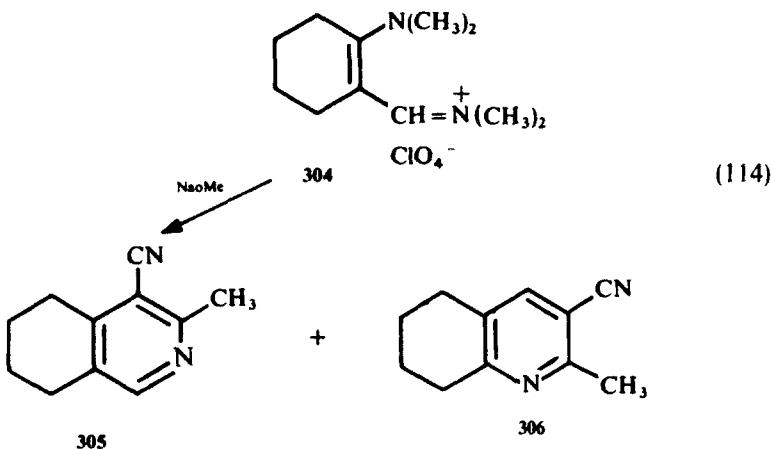
yields 1,3-diamino-7,8,9,10-tetrahydropyrimido[4,5-6]isoquinoline (**300**)⁸⁷⁹ (Eq. 112).



3-Mercapto-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline (**301**) has been oxidized with nitric acid to the corresponding sulfonic acid **302**,⁸⁹¹ which upon treatment with potassium cyanide gives the 3-cyano compound, which can be hydrolyzed to the 3-carboxylic acid **303**⁸⁹¹ (Eq. 113). The 3-acid has also been obtained through a sequence involving reaction of the 3-chloro compound with cuprous cyanide–potassium cyanide.⁹⁰⁰



The reaction of **304** with sodium methoxide gives **305** and **306**^{901a} (Eq. 114).



IV. HEXAHYDROISOQUINOLINES

A. 1,2,5,6,7,8-Hexahydroisoquinolines

Reaction of **307** with base gave **309** ($R = C_6 H_5$)⁸⁹⁵ which was also obtained by reaction of **308** with phenyl isothiocyanate⁸⁹⁶ (Eq. 115). A group of compounds **311–313** were obtained by reacting **310** with methylamine, hydrazine, and hydroxylamine,⁸⁹⁵ respectively (Eq. 116). The oxo analog **315** was obtained by the action of base **314**⁸⁹⁶ (Eq. 117).

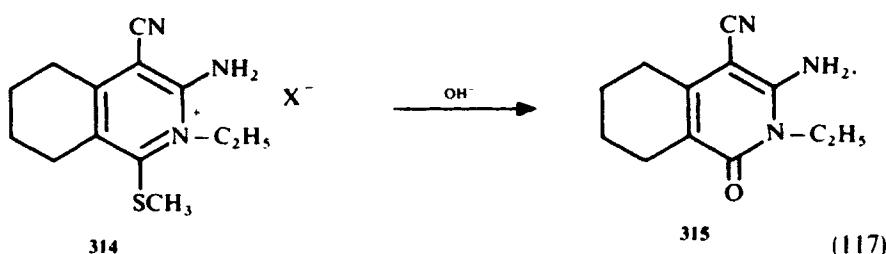
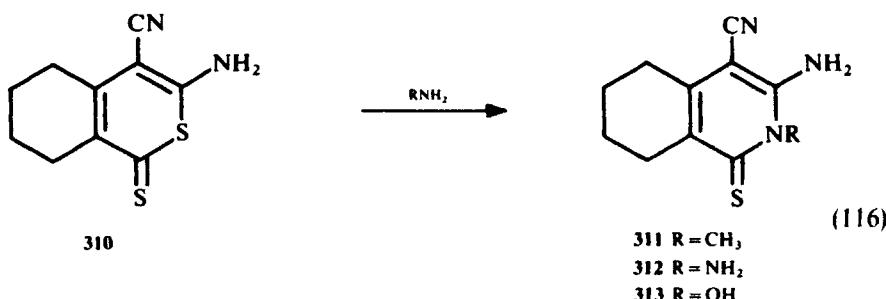
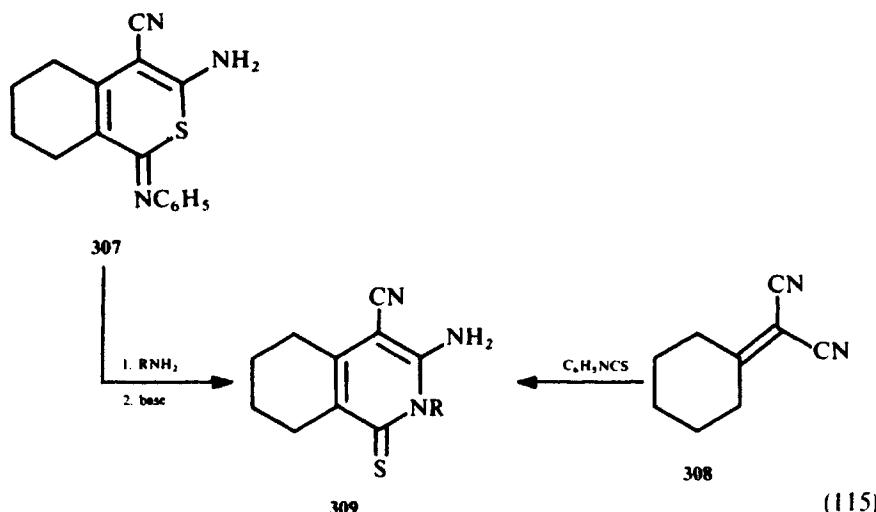
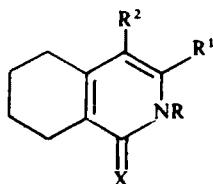


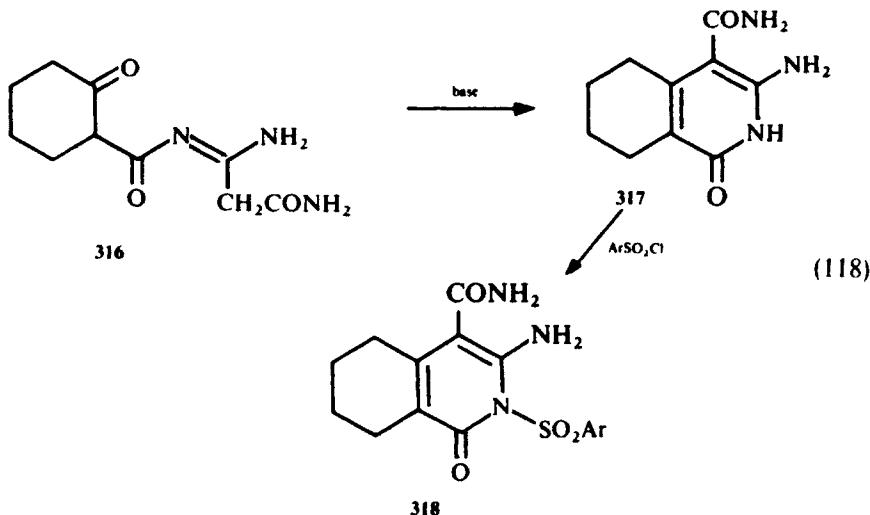
TABLE IV.1. 1,2,5,6,7,8-Hexahydroisoquinolines



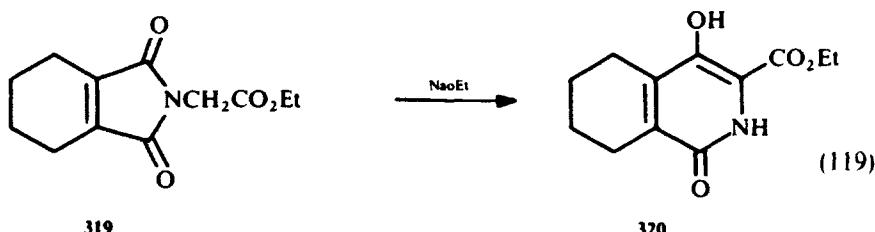
X	R	R ¹	R ²	m.p.(°C)	Ref.
S	OH	NH ₂	CN	132-134	895
S	NH ₂	NH ₂	CN	245-247 ^a	895
O	H	NH ₂	CONH ₂	200	902
S	CH ₃	NH ₂	CN	243-245 ^a	895
O	H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	OH	222	429
O	C ₂ H ₅	NH ₂	CN	278 ^{a,b}	896
S	C ₆ H ₅	NH ₂	CN	266-268 269-270 ^a	895 896
O	H	NHSO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ NHCOCH ₃ -4	CONH ₂	400	902
O	H	OC ₂ H ₅	CN	129-130	896a
O	H	OCH ₃	CN	162-163	896a

^aUV in paper.^bIR in paper.

The oxo analog **317** was obtained from **316**. Further reaction of the amine group with arylsulfonyl chlorides provides **318**⁹⁰² (Eq. 118).



Compound **320** has been obtained through the action of sodium ethoxide on **319**⁴²⁹ (Eq. 119).



B. 1,2,3,4,5,8-Hexahydroisoquinolines

The reaction of **321** with methyl chloroformate, followed by hydrolysis⁹⁰³ and reaction with diazomethane⁹⁰⁴ affords **322** (Eq. 120).

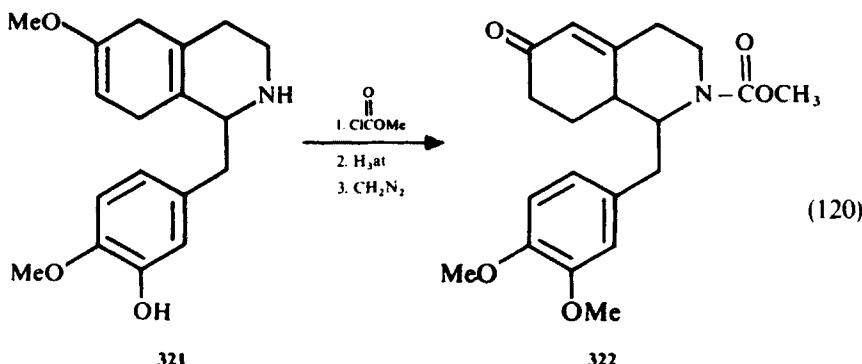
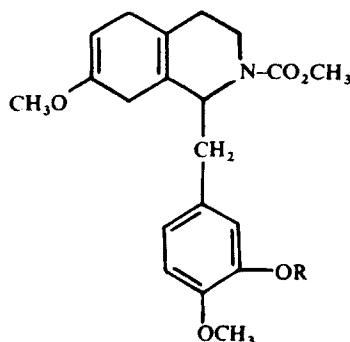


TABLE IV.2. 1,2,3,4,5,8-Hexahydroisoquinolines



R	m.p.(°C)	Ref.
H	144	903
CH ₃	115-116	904
CO ₂ CH ₃	134-136	903

C. 2,3,5,6,7,8-Hexahydroisoquinolines

These compounds, listed in Table IV.3, have been prepared primarily by paths involving cyclization reactions such as

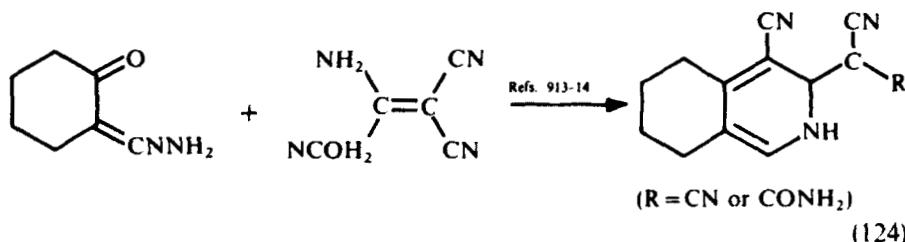
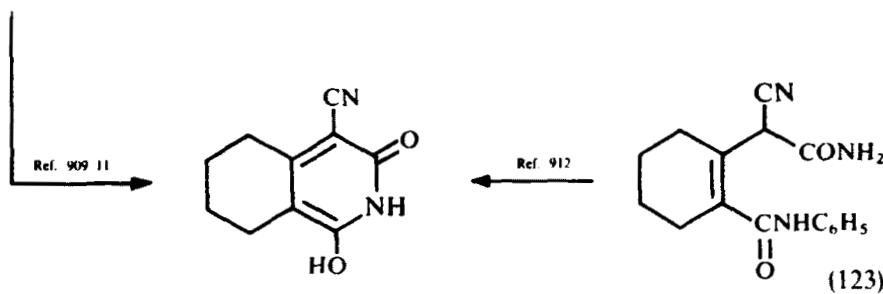
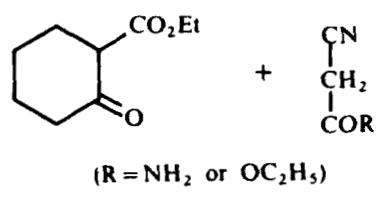
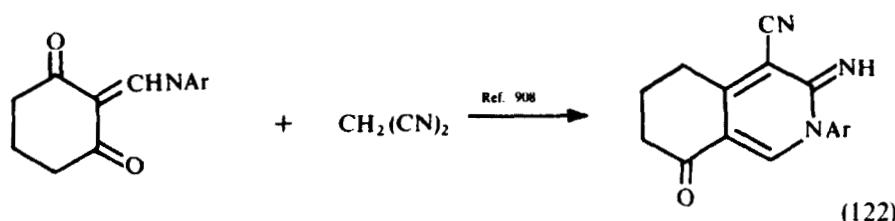
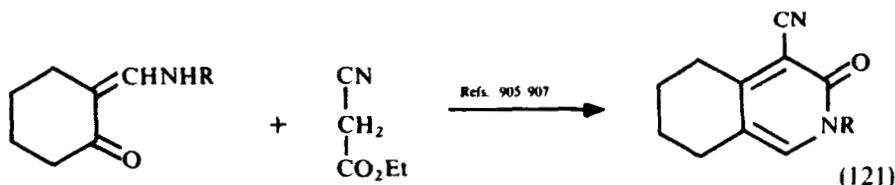
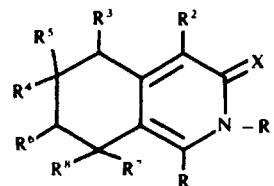


TABLE IV.3. 2,3,5,6,7,8-Hexahydroisoquinolines



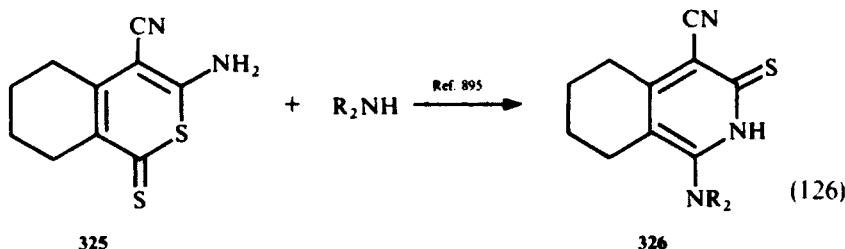
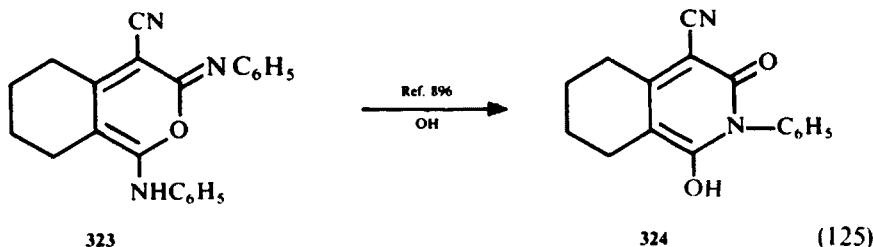
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O	H	H	CN	H	H	H	H	H	H	223	905
O	HO	H	CN	H	H	H	H	H	H	278-280 ^a	912
										N/A	911
										278	910
O	H	H	CO ₂ H	H	H	H	H	H	H	224	905
O	HO	H	CONH ₂	H	H	H	H	H	H	184-185 ^a	912
										183-184	909
O	NH ₄ OH		CN	H	H	H	H	H	H	320-321	912
O	H	CH ₃	CN	H	H	H	H	=O		N/A	906
O	H	H	CN	CH ₃	H	H	H	H	H	118	905
										188 ^a	32
O	H	H	CN	H	CH ₃	H	H	H	H	228	905
O	H	H	CN	H	H	H	CH ₃	H	H	233	905
O	H	H	CO ₂ H	CH ₃	H	H	H	H	H	284	905
O	H	H	CO ₂ H	H	CH ₃	H	H	H	H	235	905
O	H	H	CO ₂ H	H	H	H	CH ₃	H	H	216	905
O	H	H	CONH ₂	CH ₃	H	H	H	H	H	269-270	32
=CH(CN) ₂	H	H	CN	H	H	H	H	H	H	253	913
O	H	H	CN	H	H	H	H	=O		>290	913 ^a
=C(CN)CONH ₂	H	H	CN	H	H	H	H	H	H	310	914
O	H	CH ₃	CN	H	CH ₃	CH ₃	H	=O		213-215	907
S											
	H	CN		H	H	H	H	H	H	216-218	895
S											
	H	CN		H	H	H	H	H	H	216-218	895
O	H	C ₆ H ₅	CN	H	H	H	H	H	H	N/A	906
										233-235	907
O	OH	C ₆ H ₅	CN	H	H	H	H	H	H	253 ^{a,b}	896
O	CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	H	CN	H	H	H	H	H	H	245-248	915

TABLE IV.3. (Continued)

X	R	R ¹	R ²	R ³	R ⁴	R ⁵	R ⁶	R ⁷	R ⁸	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
O	OCH ₃	C ₆ H ₅		CN	H	H	H	H	H	137 ^{a,b}	896
=NH	H	C ₆ H ₅ Cl ₂ -3,5		CN	H	CH ₃	CH ₃	H	=O	270 ^c	908
=O	H	C ₆ H ₅		CN	H	CH ₃	CH ₃	H	=O	241–244	907
=NH	H	C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -4		CN	H	CH ₃	CH ₃	H	=O	280 ^a	908
=NH	H	C ₆ H ₅		CN	H	CH ₃	CH ₃	H	=O	230 ^{a,c}	908
=NH	H	C ₆ H ₅		CO ₂ H	H	CH ₃	CH ₃	H	=O	330 ^{a,c}	908
=NH	H	C ₆ H ₄ CH ₃ -4		CN	H	CH ₃	CH ₃	H	=O	210 ^a	908
=O	H	C ₆ H ₅		CN	H	C ₆ H ₅	H	H	=O	242–244	907

^aIR in paper.^bUV in paper.^cNMR in paper.

Transformation of the heterocyclic systems 323 and 325 have led to the 4-cyano-2,3,5,6,7,8-hexahydroisoquinolines 324 and 326, respectively (Eqs. 125 and 126).

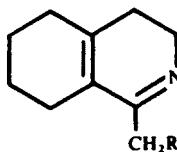


The cyano group in a number of these compounds has been hydrolyzed to a carboxylic acid^{905, 908} or an amide^{32, 912}. Decarboxylation has also been observed^{32, 905}.

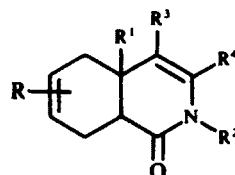
D. Miscellaneous Hexahydroisoquinolines

A number of 3,4,5,6,7,8- and 1,2,5,8,9,10-hexahydroisoquinolines are shown in Table IV.4. The reaction of 327 with sodium ethoxide gives ring expansion to

TABLE IV.4. Miscellaneous Hexahydroisoquinolines

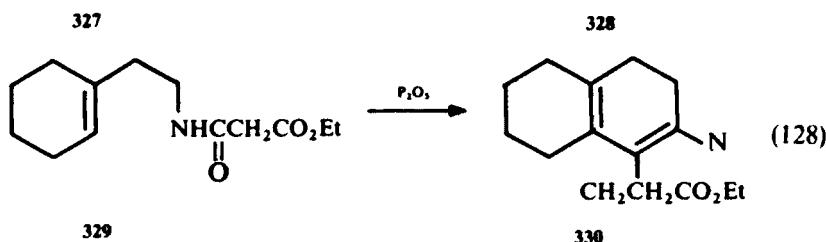
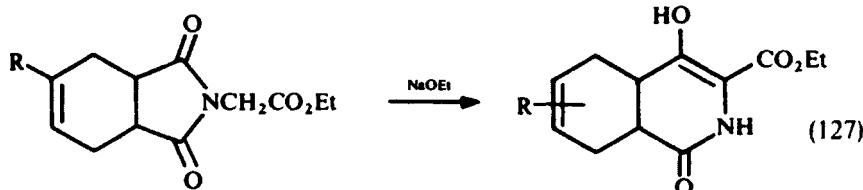


R	m.p.(°C)	Ref.
CN	Perchlorate: 134–134.5	500
CNOH ₂	Hydrochloride: 153.5–155	500
CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	b.p.: 125–130/0.01	916

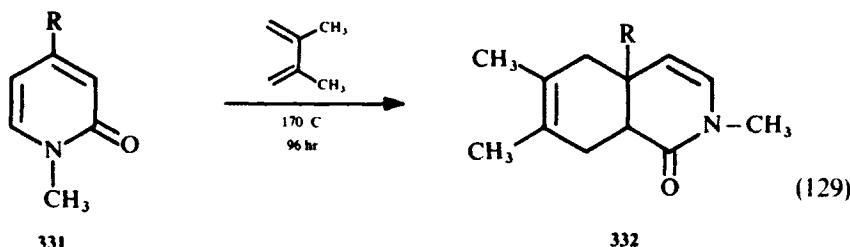


R ⁴	R ³	R	R ¹	R ²	m.p.(°C)	Ref.
CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	OH	6- or 7-Cl	H	H	193–195	429
CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	OH	H	H	H	148–150	429
CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	OH	6- or 7-CH ₃	H	H	168–169	429
H	H	6,7(CH ₃) ₂	cis-CN	CH ₃	79–81	916a,b
H	H	6,7(CH ₃) ₂	cis-CO ₂ CH ₃	CH ₃	b.p. 151/3	916a,b
H	H	6,7(CH ₃) ₂	trans-CO ₂ CH ₃	CH ₃	107–108	916a,b
H	H	6,7(CH ₃) ₂	trans-CN	CH ₃	154–156	916a,b

328^{4,29} (Eq. 127). Phosphorus pentoxide-catalyzed cyclization of **329** provides **330**^{9,16} (Eq. 128).



The condensation of 4-cyano- or 4-methoxycarbonyl-1-methyl-2(1H)pyridone **331a** or **331b** with 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene affords **332**^{91,6a,b} (Eq. 129).



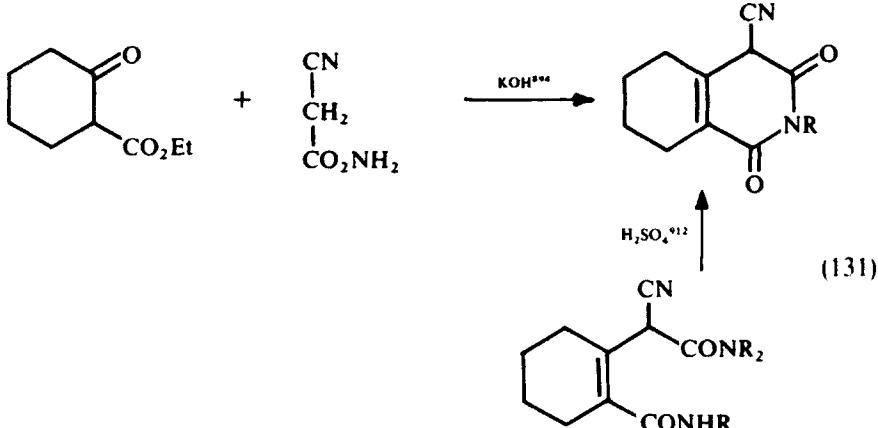
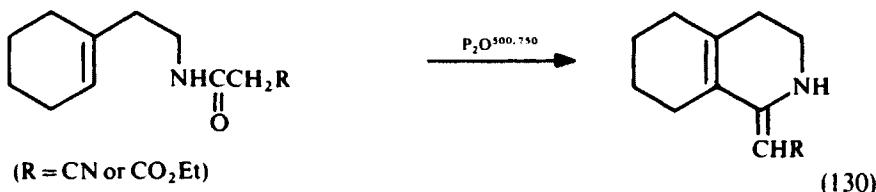
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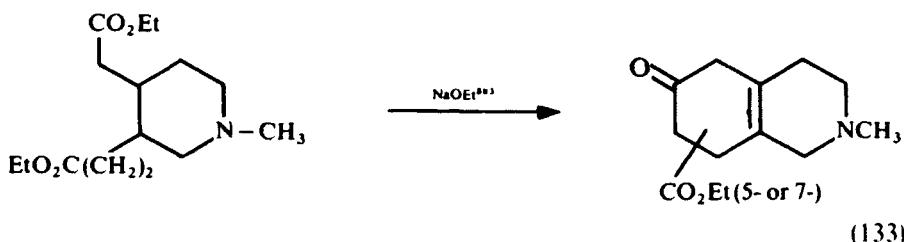
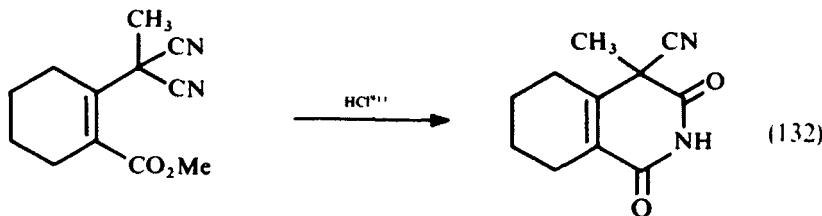
b R = CO₂Et

V. OCTAHYDROISOQUINOLINES

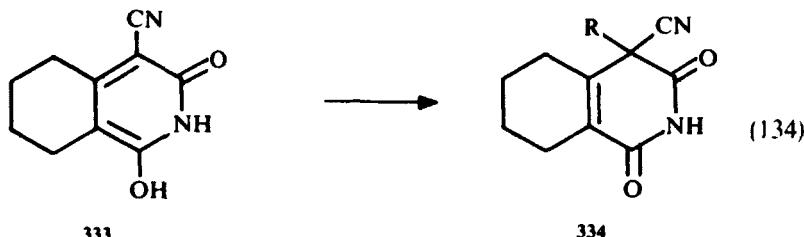
A. 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8-Octahydroisoquinolines

A number of cyclization reactions have been used to prepare compounds in this series, for example,



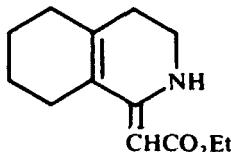


The hexahydroisoquinoline 333 has been alkylated to give 334⁹¹¹ which can then be alkylated on the ring nitrogen (Eq. 134).



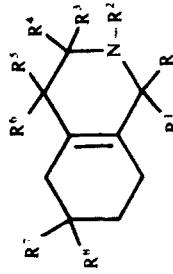
Other compounds in this series have been prepared by catalytic hydrogenation of 3,4,5,6,7,8-hexahydroisoquinolines⁹¹⁶ and by the action of sodium borohydride on 5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinolium salts⁸⁹⁹. Methyl chloroformate has been used to introduce an *N*-carbomethoxy group.⁹¹⁷

Cyano groups have been hydrolyzed to amides^{500, 912} and esters to carboxylic acids⁴⁴⁵ in this series. Carboxylic acids have been reduced to alcohols.⁹¹⁶ Spectral and deuterium labeling studies of 335 indicate that the carbonyl group is hydrogen bonded to the NH.⁷⁵⁰



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TABLE V.1. 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8-Octahydroisoquinoline



R	R'	R ²	R ³	R ⁴	R ⁵	R ⁶	R'	R'	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
=O	H	H	=O	CN	H	H	H	H	280-282	894
=O	H	H	=O	CN	CH ₃	H	H	H	205-206 ^a	912
=CHCN	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	158-159 ^{a,b}	911
H	CH ₂ CN	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	120-121.5	500
=CHCONH ₂	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	Oxalate:144-145	899
H	CH ₂ CO ₂ H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	146-147	500
									229	445
									hydrochloride: 218-219	445
H	H	CH ₂ CONH ₂	H	H	H	H	H	H	149-150	899
H	H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	H	H	H	H	H	H	hydrochloride: 134-136	899
H	H	CH ₂ CO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	H	H	H	H	96/0.1	918, 919
									102-105/0.15	918, 919
=O	H	H	=O	CN	CH ₂ CH=CH ₂	H	H	H	Oxalate:147-150	899
=O	C ₂ H ₅	H	=O	CN	CH ₃	H	H	H	109-112 ^{a,b}	911
=CHCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅									65-66 ^{a,b}	911
									55-56 ^{a,c}	750
=CDCO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	D	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	120-125/0.02	750
									picrate:96-97	750
									48-50 ^a	750

H	CH ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	90-100/0.01	445
H	H	CH ₃	H	H	H	H	=O	Oil		883
H	(CH ₂) ₂ CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	H	H	H	H	(5 or 7 CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅)				
=O										
=O	C ₂ H ₅	=O		CN		CH ₂ CH=CH ₂	H	H	Oil ^{a,b}	911
=O	C ₆ H ₅	=O		CN	H		H	H	266-268 ^c	912
H	H	C ₆ H ₅	C ₂ H ₅	C ₆ H ₅	H	CONH ₂	H	H	206-208 ^c	912
H								H	147-150/0.07	918, 919,
H	CH ₃ C ₆ H ₅ Br-2-OCH ₃ -4-OH-5)	CO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	H					919a
H	CH ₃ (C ₆ H ₃ OH-3-OCH ₃ -4)	CO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	H		OH	H	179-181.5	917
H	CH(C(=O)NH ₂)(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)	CO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	H		OH	H	Foam ^c	917
H	CH ₂ C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂	CO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	H		H	H	picrate: 126-128	888, 889
							=O		106-108	904

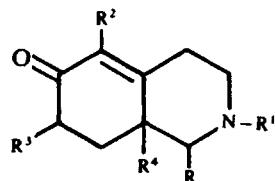
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B. 1,2,3,4,6,7,8,9-Octahydroisoquinolines

Octahydroisoquinolines of the type **338** have been synthesized either by dehydration of a 10-hydroxydecahydroisoquinoline⁹²⁰⁻⁹²³ or by reaction of *N*-substituted-3-carboalkoxy-4-piperidones **336** with **337**⁹²⁴⁻⁹²⁷ (Eq. 135).

TABLE V.2. 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9-Octahydroisoquinoline

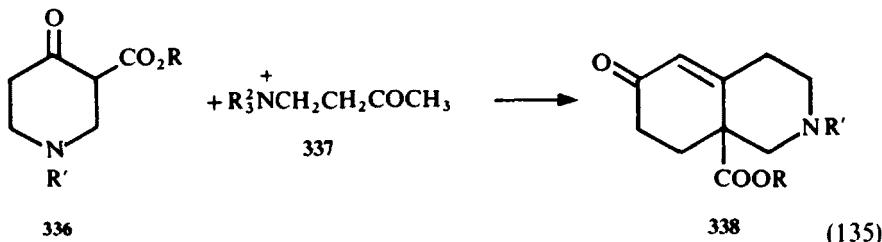


R	R¹	R²	R³	R⁴	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
H	CH ₃	CO ₂ CH ₃	H	H	Oil ^{a,b}	929
H	CH ₃	H	H	CO ₂ CH ₃	Oil	925
H	CH ₃	H	H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	135-145/760 135-135/5 130-135/0.1 92-94 90-92 88-90	927 926 930 927 926 930
					Hydrochloride: 187-188 Picrate: 181-183 Picrate: 185-186	927 926 927
H	CH ₃	CH ₃	H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	140-150/4	926
H	CH ₃	H	CH ₃	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	Picrolonate: 185-186 140-150/4	926
H	C ₂ H ₅	H	H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	Picrolonate: 169-175 153-155/0.8	926 924
CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₅ Br-2- OCH ₃ -4-OH-5) C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂	COCH ₃	H	H	CO ₂ H	Picrate: 170-171 ^c 165 ^{a,c}	923 917 922 923 152-154 920, 921
C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4-H	COCH ₃	H	H	CO ₂ CH ₃	148-151 ^{a,b}	920
	CH ₃	-O-C ₆ H ₃ CN-5-OCH ₃ -1		CO ₂ CH ₃	149-150 150-152 171-172	922 923 928
C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4	COCH ₃	H	H	CO ₂ CH ₃	173.5-174.5	920

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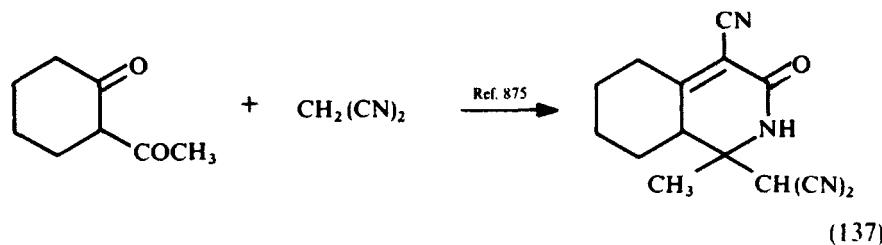
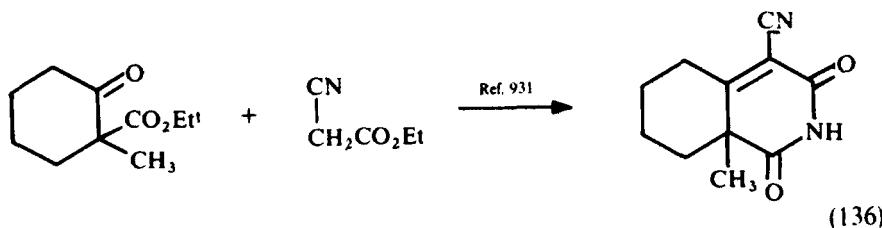
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Similar reactions involving vinyl ketones have also been used.^{928–930} Hydrolysis of carboxylates and esterification of carried out in this series.⁹²³ In the case of a 5-aryloxy compound, irradiation yields a tetracyclic product.⁹²⁸

C. 1,2,3,5,6,7,8,9-Octahydroisoquinolines

Reaction of cyclohexanone derivatives with active methylene compounds has been used as a synthetic route to octahydroisoquinolines:



Allylic rearrangements⁹¹¹ may also accompany the cyclization reaction (Eq. 138)

Dehydration of the appropriately substituted 10-hydroxydecahydroisoquinolines also leads to this series.⁸⁹³

D. Miscellaneous Octahydroisoquinolines

A number of octahydroisoquinolines not included in Tables V.1–V.3 are discussed here and included in Table V.4.

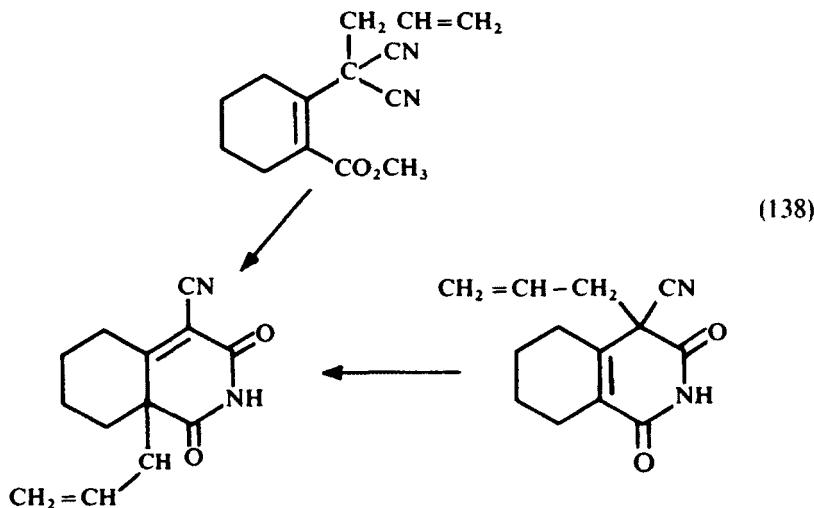
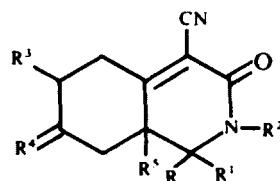


TABLE V.3. 1,2,3,5,6,7,8,9-Octahydroisoquinoline



R	R ¹	R ²	R ³	R ⁴	R ⁵	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
=O	H	H	H ₂	Br		154-155 ^a	932
=O	H	H	H ₂	CH ₃		232-233	893
						230-231	931
=O	H	H	H ₂	C ₂ H ₅		244-246	893
=O	H	H	H ₂	CH ₂ CH=CH ₂		190-191 ^{a,b}	911
=O	CH ₃	H	H ₂	C ₂ H ₅		125-127	893
CH ₃	CH(CN) ₂	H	H	H	H ₂	>320 ^b	875
=O	CH ₃		CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	O	H	235-237	893
=O	C ₂ H ₅	H	H ₂	CH ₂ CH=CH ₂		92-94 ^{b,c}	911

^aMass spectroscopy and X ray in paper.^bIR in paper.^cNMR in paper.^dUV in paper.

The reaction of **339** with maleic anhydride affords 2-methyl-7-phenyl-1,2,3,4,5,6,7,10-octahydroisoquinoline-5,6-dicarboxylic acid **340**⁹³³ (Eq. 139).

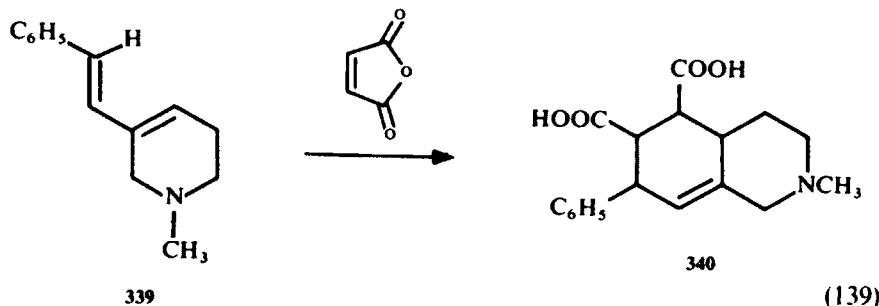
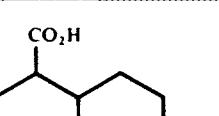
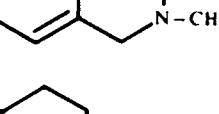
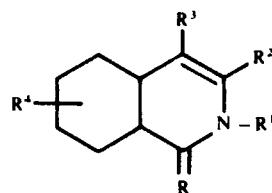
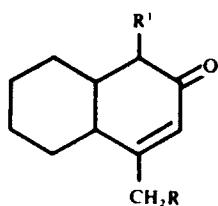


TABLE V.4. Miscellaneous Octahydroisoquinolines

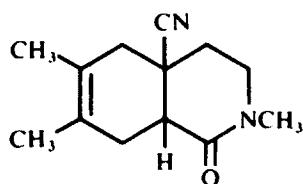
	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
	N/A	933
	b.p.: 120/12	937



R	R ¹	R ²	R ³	R ⁴	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
O	H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	HO	H	155-157	429
O	H	CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	HO	6- or 7-CH ₃	154-155	429
H ₂	CH ₂ CH ₂	H	CO ₂ C ₄ H _{9-t}	H	133-134	894

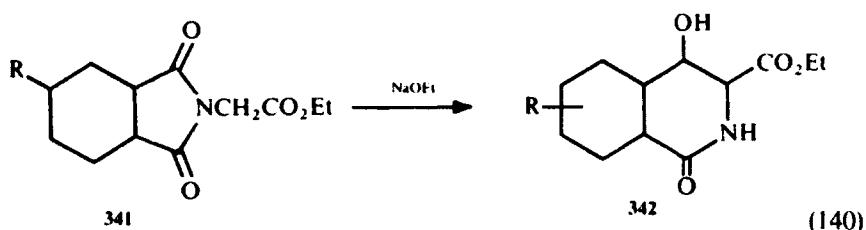
TABLE V.4. Miscellaneous Octahydroisoquinolines (*Continued*)

R	R ¹	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
H	CN	358-360	938
C ₆ H ₅	CN	245-248	935, 936
C ₆ H ₅	CO ₂ H	206-207	934
C ₆ H ₅	CONH ₂	257-258	934



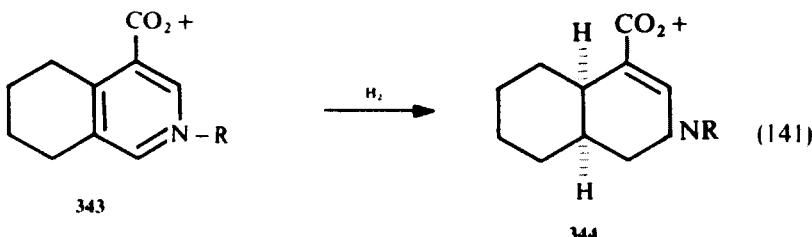
	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
cis	53-55	916a
trans	110-111	916a

Treatment of **341** with sodium ethoxide gives rise to **342**⁴²⁹ (Eq. 140).

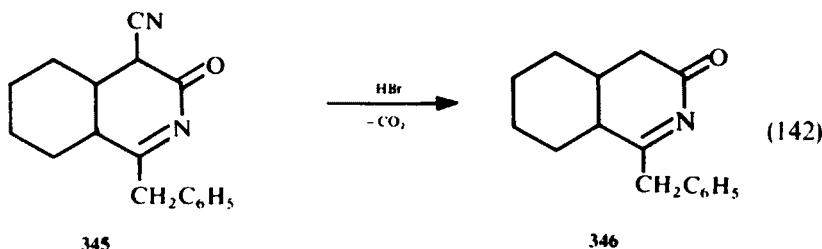


The *cis*-1,2,5,6,7,8,9,10-octahydroisoquinoline **344** has been obtained by the catalytic hydrogenation of the corresponding 5,6,7,8-tetrahydro compound **343**⁸⁹⁴ (Eq. 141).

Base-catalyzed condensations and ring closure have also been used to obtain the 3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10-octahydroisoquinolines. Hydrolysis of an amide in this series

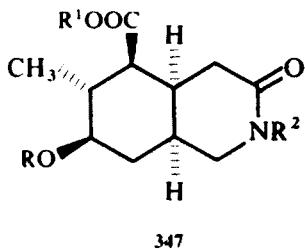


leads to a carboxylic acid which can be decarboxylated at 210°C.⁹³⁴ Treatment of cyano compound 345 with HBr results in hydrolysis and decarboxylation to afford 346^{935, 936} (Eq. 142).



VI. DECAHYDROISOQUINOLINES

The decahydroisoquinolines with acid-type functional groups are included in Tables VI.1–VI.6. Table VI.1 lists compounds without a ring carbonyl, while the other tables include various decahydroisoquinoline-ones. Of particular note are Tables VI.3–VI.5, which include a variety of 3-ones, such as 347, which have been used in the synthesis of analogs of reserpine.



A number of isoquinolinium salts,¹¹ 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines,^{1, 939} 5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinolines,⁸⁸⁵ and other partially reduced isoquinolines^{940, 941} have been reduced to decahydroisoquinolines. Various cyclohexene^{942, 943} and tetrahydropyridine⁸⁴⁹ derivatives have been used in condensation reactions. For example, the condensation of cyclohexanone with formaldehyde and CH₃NHCH₂CH₂CN affords 348⁹⁴⁴ (Eq. 143).

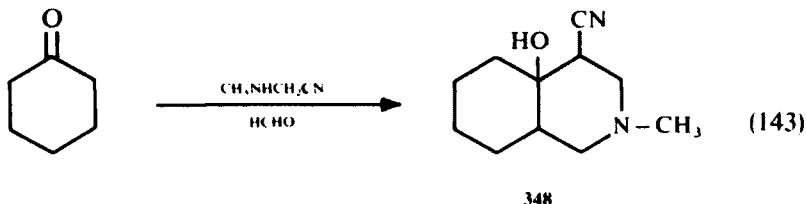
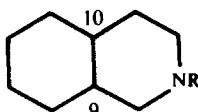


TABLE VI.1. Decahydroisoquinoline Derivatives Without Ring Carbonyl



R	Substituent		m.p. (°C)	Ref.
H	3-CO ₂ H	cis	256-257 HCl: 235-236	939 939
H	4-CO ₂ H-3-OH		221	135
CH ₃	1-CO-O-10 (lactone)		120-130/0.007 122	347 943
		Picrate:	234	943
CH ₃	9-CO-O-6 (lactone)		146-148/4 Picrate: 206-208 HCl: 278-280	940, 941 940, 941 940, 941
CH ₂ CN			164-170/25	947, 948
CH ₃	4-CN-10-OH		167-168 N/A	948a 944
H	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-OH	trans, cis	159-160 ^a 139-144 ^a	929 945, 946
		trans,trans	153-155 ^a	929
COCH ₃	1-CO ₂ H-5,5=O		172-173 ^a	1
CN	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-OH	trans,cis	125.5-127	929
		trans,trans	152-153.5	929
CH ₂ CN	3-CH ₃		146-162/20	947, 948
H	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅		166-168	939
H	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3-OH		168	135
CH ₃	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-OH		N/A	929
CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	6-O-C=4 (lactone)		190-200/1 40-41 ^a	849 849
CH ₂ CH ₂ CN	3-CH ₃		122-134/0.4	947, 948
CH ₃	9-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅		98-102/4	941, 976
		HCl:	182-183	976
C ₂ H ₅	5-CO ₂ CH ₃		168-169	11

TABLE VI.1. Decahydroisoquinoline Derivatives Without Ring Carbonyl (Continued)

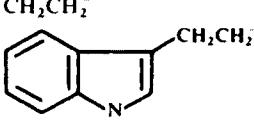
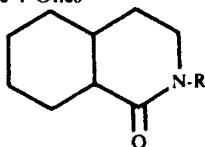
R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.	
C ₂ H ₅	7-CO ₂ CH ₃	205.4-206	11	
CH ₃	1-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -10-OH	110-140/0.006	943	
CH ₃	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -10-OH	142-143/4	948a	
		59-60	948a	
		HCl: 198-199	948a	
		Picrate: 173-174	948a	
CH ₃	9-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6-OH	152-153/4	940, 941	
CN	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-OCOCH ₃	trans,cis trans,trans	105-106 ^b 118-120 ^b	929 929
COCH ₃	1-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -5,5=O	175/0.1 ^a	1	
COCH ₃	1-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -5-OH	200/0.4	1	
H	1-CO-O-10 (lactone) 1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	135/0.04 96	942 942	
		Picrate: 218-220	942	
CH ₃	4-CN-10-OCOC ₆ H ₅	164-166	948a	
CH ₃	1-CO-O-10 (lactone) 1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	86	942	
		Picrate: 220-222	942	
(CH ₂) ₃ CO ₂ -				
C ₂ H ₅	3-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	168-172/0.75	939	
COCH ₃	9-CO-O-6 (lactone) 1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -10-OH	214-216	922	
COCH ₃	9-CO ₂ H-10-OH-1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	255	923	
COCH ₃	9-CO ₂ H-6,10-(OH) ₂ -1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	axial 249-252	922	
CH ₃	1-CH(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -3,4)-CONH ₂	Picrate: 126-128	885	
COCH ₃	9-CO-O-CH ₂ -O-10-1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	240-242	922	
COCH ₃	1-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -5,5=NNH(C ₆ H ₃ (NO ₂) ₂ -2,4)	90-92	1	
CH ₃	9-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6-O-CO(C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂)-4	109	940, 941	
COCH ₃	9-CO ₂ CH ₃ -10-OH-1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	173 ^a	923	
COCH ₃	9-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6,10-(OH) ₂ -1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	axial 196-198 ^a	922	
CH ₃	1-CH(C ₆ H ₃ OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-CONH ₂	Picrate: 192	885	
COCH ₃	9-CO ₂ H-10-OH-1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6,6-SCH ₂ CH ₂ S	260-262/0.01	923	
CH ₂ CH ₂				
				
	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-OH	trans	114-116	945
			117-118 ^{a,c}	946
		Perchlorate:	205-208	945, 946
		17 α	143-144	929
		17 β	78-84	929
COCH ₃	9-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -10-OH-6,6-O(CH ₂) ₂ O		163-166	920

TABLE VI.1. Decahydroisoquinoline Derivatives Without Ring Carbonyl (*Continued*)

R	Substituent		m.p. (°C)	Ref.
	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-OCOCH ₃	trans	88-91 ^{a,b}	946
		17 α	167-169 ^b	929
		17 β	153-154 ^b	929
COCH ₃	9-CO ₂ H-10-OH-1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -6,6=NNH(C ₆ H ₃ (NO ₂) ₂ -2,4)		232-234	923
COCH ₃	9-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -10-OH-6,6=NNH(C ₆ H ₃ (NO ₂) ₂ -2,4)		244-246	920
CO ₂ C ₆ H ₅	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-OCH ₃ -7-OCOC ₆ H ₂ -3,4,S(OCH ₃) ₃		97	946a

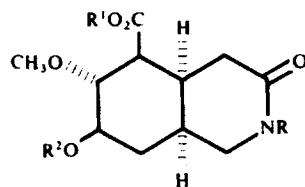
^aIR in paper.^bNMR in paper.^cUV in paper.

TABLE VI.2 Decahydroisoquinoline-1-Ones



R	Substituent		m.p. (°C)	Ref.
H	4-CN-3,3=O-7,7=O-10-OH		220	893
H	4-CO ₂ H (2 isomers)		225	949
			188-189	949
H	4-CN-3,3=O-9-CH ₃ -10-OH		282-285	893
CH ₃	4-CN-3,3=O-10-OH		190-192	893
H	4-CO ₂ CH ₃ (4 isomers)		220-221	949
			141-142	949
			160-161	949
			205-206	949
H	4-CN-3,3=O-9-C ₂ H ₅ -10-OH		232-234	893
H	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ (4 isomers)		182 ^a	849, 949
			158 ^a	849, 949
			136 ^a	849, 949
			82 ^a	849, 949
H	4-CN-6-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -3,3=O-7,7=O-10-OH		214-216	893
CH ₃	7-CO ₂ C ₄ H ₉ -t-6,6=O-10-C ₆ H ₅ -trans		155-158 ^{b,c}	950
CH ₃	7-CO ₂ C ₄ H ₉ -t-6,6=O-10-(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -3)-trans	cis	159-161 ^{a,c}	951
			Oil	951

^aIR in paper.^bNMR in paper.^cUV in paper.

TABLE VI.3. Decahydroisoquinoline-3-Ones: *Cis*-Junction-6-Methoxy with 7-Oxygen Function and 5-Acid Function

R^c	R^1	R^2	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
$C_6H_5CH_2CH_2$	H	CH_3	178-181	977
			184	978
4-Br-IndEt	H	H	248-250	979
6-Br-IndEt	H	H	166-170	979
4-Cl-IndEt	H	H	140-145	979
5-Cl-IndEt	H	H	180-190	980, 981
6-Cl-IndEt	H	H	160-165	980
			130-133	979
IndEt	H	H (\pm)	243-247	964
		(+)	139-141	964
		(-)	139-140	964
			155	982
3- $CH_3OC_6H_4CH_2CH_2$	H	CH_3	148-149 ^a	983
4- $CH_3OC_6H_4CH_2CH_2$	H	CH_3	168	977, 978
3,4-($OCH_3)_2C_6H_3CH_2CH_2$	H	H	209-210	977
3,4- $CH_2O_2C_6H_4CG_2CH_2$	H	CH_3	180-181	984, 985
4,7-Cl ₂ -IndEt	H	CH_3	127	961, 980
6,7-Cl ₂ -IndEt	H	CH_3	230	980
			240	957, 961
5,6- CH_2O_2 -IndEt	H	H (+)	154-155	979
		(-)	151-153	979
	H	CH_3	199-201	986
			199-201 ^a	987
5-Cl-IndEt	H	CH_3	185	988
5-F-IndEt	H	CH_3	190-193	989
			193 ^b	970
			193	990
5- CH_3O -7-Cl-IndEt	H	H	211-212	991
$C_6H_5CH_2CH_2$	COCH ₃	CH_3	124	972, 977
IndEt	H	CH_3	192.5-193.5	992
			223	990, 993

TABLE VI.3. Decahydroisoquinoline-3-Ones: *Cis*-Junction-6-Methoxy with 7-Oxygen Function and 5-Acid Function (Continued)

R ^c	R ¹	R ²	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
4-CH ₃ -IndEt	H	H	155-160	955
6-CH ₃ -IndEt	H	H	153-155	955, 994
4-CH ₃ O-IndEt	H	H	235-237	979
5-CH ₃ O-IndEt	H	H	136-153	994
			280	995
			162	980
			153	996
			162	961
6-CH ₃ O-IndEt	H	H	150	962, 997, 998
			140-150	960
7-CH ₃ O-IndEt	H	H	145-147	979
6-CH ₃ S-IndEt	H	H	153-155	955
3,4-(OCH ₃) ₂ C ₆ H ₃ CH ₂ CH ₂	H	CH ₃	112	977, 978
5-Cl-Ind-CH(C ₂ H ₅)CH ₂	H	H	185	999
6-CH ₃ O-7-Cl-IndEt	H	CH ₃	244	961, 980
	COCH ₃	CH ₃	N.A	1000
3-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄ CH ₂ CH ₂	COCH ₃	CH ₃	101-103 ^a	983
5-CH ₃ -IndEt	H	CH ₃	202-203	989-990, 1001
6-CH ₃ -IndEt	H	CH ₃	218	980, 1002
7-CH ₃ -IndEt	H	CH ₃	180	961, 980
IndEt	H	CH ₃ , 8-CH ₃	148-151	1003
			161-162	1020
5-CH ₃ O-IndEt	H	CH ₃	190.5-191.5	990, 1004, 100
			190	961, 980
6-CH ₃ O-IndEt	H	CH ₃	233	1006
			(±)175, 198-200	992
			(+)188-189	992
			188	1007
			193	990
			191-193	752
7-CH ₃ O-IndEt	H	CH ₃	125	961, 980
6-C ₂ H ₅ O-IndEt	H	H	152-154	979
6-CH ₃ O-Ind(CH ₂) ₃	H	H	238	1008
6-CH ₃ O-Ind-CH ₂ -CH(CH ₃)	H	H	N.A	1009
5-CH ₃ S-IndEt	H	CH ₃	190-191	989, 1001
			183-186	990
7-CH ₃ S-IndEt	H	CH ₃	174-175	1010

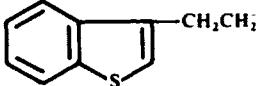
TABLE VI.3. Decahydroisoquinoline-3-Ones: *Cis*-Junction-6-Methoxy with 7-Oxygen Function and 5-Acid Function (Continued)

R ^c	R ¹	R ²	m.p. (C)	Ref.
6-C ₂ H ₅ S-IndEt	H	H	160-164	955
5,6-(OCH ₃) ₂ -IndEt	H	H	128-130	979
4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄ CH ₂ CH ₂	COCH ₃	CH ₃	147	972, 977
			N/A	1011
3,4,5-(CH ₃ O) ₃ C ₆ H ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂	H	CH ₃	149-151	971, 1012
4,7-Cl ₂ -IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	210	961, 980, 1013
			242	1014
6,7-Cl ₂ -IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	180	957, 961, 980
4-Cl-IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	130	980
4-Cl-IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	198	988
			218	1015
7-Cl-IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	130	961
5-F-IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	200-202	989
			200-202 ^a	970
			202	1016
IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	180.5	992
			215-217	752, 993
6-CH ₃ O-Ind-CH ₂ -CH(CH ₃)	H	CH ₃	N/A	1009
6-CH ₃ O-Ind-C(CH ₃) ₂ CH ₂	H	H	N/A	1017
5-C ₂ H ₅ O-IndEt	H	CH ₃	199.5-201	989, 990, 1001
6-n-C ₃ H ₇ O-IndEt	H	H	160-162	979
6-i-C ₃ H ₇ O-IndEt	H	H	158-161	979
3,4-(OCH ₃) ₂ C ₆ H ₃ CH ₂ CH ₂	COCH ₃	CH ₃	152-153	977
			152	972
6-CH ₃ -7-Cl-IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	125-130	961, 980
5-Cl-6-CH ₃ O-IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	232	961, 980
6-Cl-7-CH ₃ O-IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	188	957, 961, 980, 1018
5-CH ₃ O-7-Cl-IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	204-205	991
5-CH ₃ -IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	184-185	989, 1001
			N/A	1019
7-CH ₃ -IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	226	961, 980
IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃ , 8-CH ₃	208-210	1003, 1020
5-CH ₃ S-IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	148-150	989, 1001
5-CH ₃ O-IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	141-142	961, 980
			181-182	1004, 1005
6-CH ₃ O-IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	239-240	1021
			238-240	752
			184	963, 1022
			178-183	960
			239-240	959

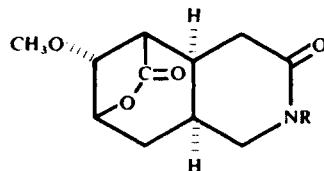
TABLE VI.3. Decahydroisoquinoline-3-Ones: *Cis*-Junction-6-Methoxy with 7-Oxygen Function and 5-Acid Function (Continued)

R ^c	R ¹	R ²	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
			184	1007
			200	1006
			162–184	997, 998
7-CH ₃ O-IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	180	961, 980
3,4,5-(CH ₃ O) ₃ C ₆ H ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂	CO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃	N/A	971, 1012
6-i-PrO-IndEt	H	CH ₃	110	1023
6-C ₄ H ₉ O	H	H	136	979
4,5-Benzo-IndEt	H	CH ₃	237	1024
5,7-(CH ₃) ₂ -IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	200	1025
Ind-C(CH ₃) ₂ CH ₂	COCH ₃	CH ₃	N/A	1026
6-CH ₃ O-Ind(CH ₂) ₃	COCH ₃	CH ₃	175	1008
6-CH ₃ O-IndCH(CH ₃)CH ₂	COCH ₃	CH ₃	208	1027, 1028
			N/A	966
5,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ -IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	212	968
6-(CH ₃) ₂ N-IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	N/A	1029
5-BuO-IndEt	H	CH ₃	158	1023
6-BuO-IndEt	H	CH ₃	212	1023
7-BuO-IndEt	H	CH ₃	175–180	1023
3,4,5-(CH ₃ O) ₃ C ₆ H ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂	COCH ₃	CH ₃	137.5–138.5	954, 971
7-C ₃ H ₇ -IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	200	1030
Ind-CH(C ₃ H ₇ -n)CH ₂	COCH ₃	CH ₃	N/A	1031
Ind-CH(C ₃ H ₇ -i)CH ₂	COCH ₃	CH ₃	N/A	1032
			146, 204	969
6-CH ₃ O-Ind-C(CH ₃) ₂ CH ₂	COCH ₃	CH ₃	N/A	1017
6-i-PrO-IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	190–200	1023
4,5,6-(OCH ₃) ₃ -IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	230	956, 961, 965, 980
4,5-Benzo-IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	262	1024
5-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ O-IndEt	H	H	125–128	979
6-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ O-IndEt	H	H	159–165	979
6-BuO-IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	159	1023
7-BuO-IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	150	1023
IndEt	CO(C ₆ H ₄ NO ₂ -4)	CH ₃	143–145	958
6-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ O-IndEt	H	CH ₃	224	1023
Ind	CO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃	130	962
C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ CH ₂	CO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃	154–156	977, 1033
6-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ O-IndEt	COCH ₃	CH ₃	175	1023
3-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄ CH ₂ CH ₂	CO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃	128–129 ^a	983
3,4-CH ₂ O ₂ C ₆ H ₄ CH ₂ CH ₂	CO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃	157–158.5	985
			157–158.5 ^b	984

TABLE VI.3. Decahydroisoquinoline-3-Ones: *Cis*-Junction-6-Methoxy with 7-Oxygen Function and 5-Acid Function (Continued)

R ^c	R ¹	R ²	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
4-CH ₃ O-C ₆ H ₄ CH ₂ CH ₂	CO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃	95-100 100	977 1033
	CO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃	177-179 177-179 ^b	986 987
5-Cl-IndEt	CO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃	249	961
5-F-IndEt	CO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃	208 208 ^b	989, 1016 970
IndEt	CO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃	219-220 130	958, 993 992
3,4-(OCH ₃) ₂ C ₆ H ₃ CH ₂ CH ₂	CO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃	103-105 105	977 1033
5-CH ₃ -IndEt	CO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃	215-217	989, 1001
7-CH ₃ -IndEt	CO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃	186	961
IndEt	CO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃ , 8-CH ₃	223-224	1003, 1020
5-CH ₃ S-IndEt	CO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃	149-151	989, 1001
7-CH ₃ S-IndEt	CO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃	153-155	1010
5-CH ₃ O-IndEt	CO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃	240	961, 980
6-CH ₃ O-IndEt	CO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃ (±) (-)	178 126-129 126-129	992 992 962, 1007
6-CH ₃ O-IndEt	COCH=CH(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5) CH ₃ (+)	CH ₃	123-125	992
5-C ₂ H ₅ O-IndEt	CO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃	113-114	989, 1001
IndEt	COCH=CHC ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃	164-166	958
6-CH ₃ O IndEt	COCH=CH(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)	CH ₃	120 217-218	962 958
5-CH ₃ O Ind CH(C ₂ H ₅)CH ₂	COCH ₃	CH ₃	145	967

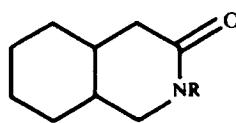
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TABLE VI.4. Decahydroisoquinoline-3-Ones: *Cis*-Junction-5,7-Lactones-6-Methoxy

R ^c	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
4-Br-IndEt	225-226	1034
6-Br-IndEt	168-171	1034
4-Cl-IndEt	209-210	1034
6-Cl-IndEt	145-147	1034
IndEt	177-178	964
	178	982
3,4-(CH ₃ O) ₂ C ₆ H ₃ CH ₂ CH ₂	Amorphous	977, 1035
5,6-CH ₂ O ₂ -IndEt	219-220	1034
5-CH ₃ O-7-Cl-IndEt	196-198	991
4-Cl-7-CH ₃ O-IndEt	190	956, 957, 1036
6-CH ₃ -IndEt	169-171	994
Ind CH ₂ CH(CH ₃)	D 193-194 L 126-128	1034
IndEt -8-CH ₃	248-250	1003
4-CH ₃ O-IndEt	175-177	1034
5-CH ₃ O-IndEt	198-200	995
	178-180	994, 996, 1034
6-CH ₃ O-IndEt	175	963, 997, 998
	170-171	740
	169-171	1034
	185.5 ^a	752
7-CH ₃ S-IndEt	203-205	1010
5-Cl-Ind-CH(C ₂ H ₅)CH ₂	198	999
6-CH ₃ -Ind-CH ₂ CH(CH ₃)	L 227-229	1034
6-CH ₃ O-Ind-CH(CH ₃)CH ₂	N/A	966
6-CH ₃ O-Ind-CH ₂ CH(CH ₃)	230	1009
6-C ₃ H ₇ O-IndEt	N/A	1034
6-CH ₃ O-Ind-C(CH ₃) ₂ CH ₂	N/A	1017
4,5,6-(OCH ₃) ₃ -IndEt	185	965
6-C ₄ H ₉ O-IndEt	117	1034
5-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ O-IndEt	198-200	1034
6-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ O-IndEt	203	1034

^a IR in paper.

TABLE VI.5. Other 3-One Derivatives



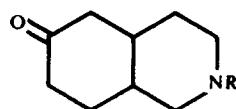
R ^c	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
H	4-CN-1,1=O-7,7=O-10-OH	220	893
H	4-CO ₂ H- <i>trans</i>	113-115	231
H	4-CN-1,1=O-9-CH ₃ -10-OH	282-285	893
CH ₃	4-CN-1,1=O-10-OH	190-192	893
H	4-CN-1,1=O-9-C ₂ H ₅ -10-OH	232-234	893
H	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ,	160-185/0.4	231
	- <i>trans</i>	114-115	231
	- <i>cis</i>	136-140/0.022	231
H	4-CN-6-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ ,-1,1=O-7,7=O-10-OH	214-216	893
H	4-CO ₂ H-6-C(CH ₃) ₃ - <i>trans</i>	133-135	952
		133-135 ^a	953
	- <i>cis</i>	178	952
H	9-CO ₂ H-6-C(CH ₃) ₃ - <i>cis</i>	> 300	952, 953
H	4-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6-C(CH ₃) ₃ - <i>trans</i>	92-93	952
		92.5-93.5 ^{a, b}	953
H	- <i>cis</i>	138-140	952
		138-140 ^{a, b}	953
H	9-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅ -6-C(CH ₃) ₃ - <i>cis</i>	99-100.5 ^a	952, 953
IndEt	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7-OH- <i>trans, trans</i>	215	1037, 1038
IndEt	- <i>trans, cis</i>	216-217	1037, 1038
IndEt	- <i>cis, trans</i>	92-94	1037, 1038
IndEt	- <i>cis</i>	93-95 ^a	1039
CH ₂ CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-CH ₃ -7-OH- <i>cis</i>	219-220	1040, 1041
6-CH ₃ O-IndEt	5-CO-O-7-(lactone)-6-CH ₃ - <i>cis</i>	186-188 ^a	1042
6-CH ₃ O-IndEt	- <i>trans</i>	201.5-203	1042
6-CH ₃ O-IndEt	5-CO-O-7-(lactone)-6-OCH ₃ - <i>trans</i>	184.5-185.5	1043
6-CH ₃ O-IndEt	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-CH ₃ - <i>cis</i>	222-224 ^a	1042
CH ₂ CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-C ₂ H ₅ -7-OH- <i>cis</i>	216-216.5	1040, 1044
6-CH ₃ O-IndEt	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-CN-7-OH- <i>cis</i>	233	1045
IndEt	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7-OCOCH ₃ - <i>cis</i>	185-186 ^a	1039
6-CH ₃ O-IndEt	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-CH ₃ - <i>cis</i>	190-192	1042
6-CH ₃ O-IndEt	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-CH ₃ -7-OH- <i>trans, trans</i>	171-172	1042
	- <i>trans, cis</i>	211-212	1042
IndEt	5-CO-O-7-(lactone)- <i>trans</i>	113-114	1037, 1038
		222-223	1037, 1038
6-CH ₃ O-IndEt	5-CO ₂ H-6-OC ₃ H ₇ - <i>i</i> -7-OH- <i>cis</i>	139	979
CH ₂ CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-C ₂ H ₅ -7-OCOCH ₃ - <i>cis</i>	248-250	1040

TABLE VI.5. Other 3-One Derivatives (*Continued*)

R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
6-CH ₃ O-IndEt	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-CN-7-OCOCH ₃ - <i>cis</i>	200	1045
6-CH ₃ O-IndEt	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-CH ₃ -7-OCOCH ₃ - <i>cis</i>	165-167	1042
CH ₂ CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-CH ₃ -7-OCO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)- <i>cis</i>	219-222	1040, 1041
IndEt	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -7-OCO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)- <i>cis</i>	174-175 ^a	1039
CH ₂ CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ -6-C ₂ H ₅ -7-OCO(C ₆ H ₂ (OCH ₃) ₃ -3,4,5)- <i>cis</i>	230-232	1040, 1044

^aIR in paper.^bNMR in paper.

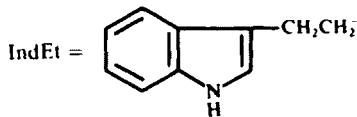
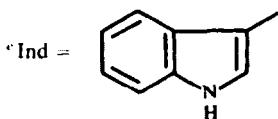
TABLE VI.6. Decahydroisoquinoline-6-Ones



R	Substituent	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
CH ₃	5-CO ₂ CH ₃ - <i>trans</i>	73-74 ^a	929
CH ₃	9-CO ₂ CH ₃ -10-OH	143-150/0.9	973
		Picrate: 185-186.5	973
CH ₃	9-CO ₂ C ₂ H ₅	151-153/8	941
		Picrolonate: 184-186	941
COCH ₃	9-CO ₂ H-1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -10-OH	(±) 215-217 ^a	923
		(+) 132-133,	
		208-214	922
		(-) 140, 204-210	922
		(+) Strychnine salt: 248-251	922
		(-) Strychnine salt: 162-166	922
COCH ₃	9-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -10-OH	(±) 224	920, 921
		(±) 222-224	923
		(+) 166-168	922
		(-) 166-168	922
COCH ₃	9-CO ₂ H-1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)-10-OH	179-181 ^a	923
CH ₃	7-CO ₂ C ₄ H ₉ -1-1,1=O-10-C ₆ H ₅ - <i>trans</i>	155-158 ^{b,d}	950
COCH ₃	9-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅ -5-CH ₃ -10-OH	175-176	920
COCH ₃	9-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -4)-10-OH	156-158	920, 923
COCH ₃	9-CO ₂ H-1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-10-OH	206-209 ^a	923

TABLE VI.6. Decahydroisoquinoline-6-Ones (*Continued*)

R	Substituents	m.p. (°C)	Ref.
CH ₃	7-CO ₂ C ₄ H ₉ -1,1=O-10-(C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃ -3)- <i>trans</i> - <i>cis</i>	159-161 ^{a,b,d}	951
COCH ₃	9-CO ₂ CH ₃ -1-CH ₂ (C ₆ H ₃ (OCH ₃) ₂ -3,4)-10-OH	165-166	920, 923

^a IR in paper.^b NMR in paper.^c UV in paper.^d Mass-spectroscopy in paper.

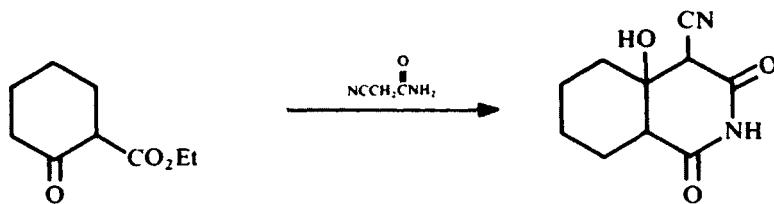
Reduction of yohimbine oxindole iminoether also gives rise to compounds in this series, which can be reconverted into yohimbine derivatives.^{945-946a}

Acid-type functional groups have been introduced into the 2 position by the usual alkylation reactions.^{929, 939, 947, 948} Ester hydrolysis^{1, 135} esterification,^{923, 939} and lactone formation⁹⁴³ have also been observed.

1-One derivatives have generally been prepared by condensation reactions. The condensation of ethyl cyclohexanone-2-carboxylate (349) with cyanoacetamide,⁸⁹³ or the treatment of 351 with base^{950, 951} affords the diones 350 or 352 (Eqs. 144 and 145).

An NMR study of the stereochemistry^{952, 953} of the cyclization²³¹ of diethyl 2-cyanocyclohexylmalonate to 4-ethoxycarbonyldecahydroisoquinoline-3-one has been studied. Thus, the reduction of 353, 354, and 355 gives 356, 357, and 358, respectively.^{952, 953} (Scheme 7).

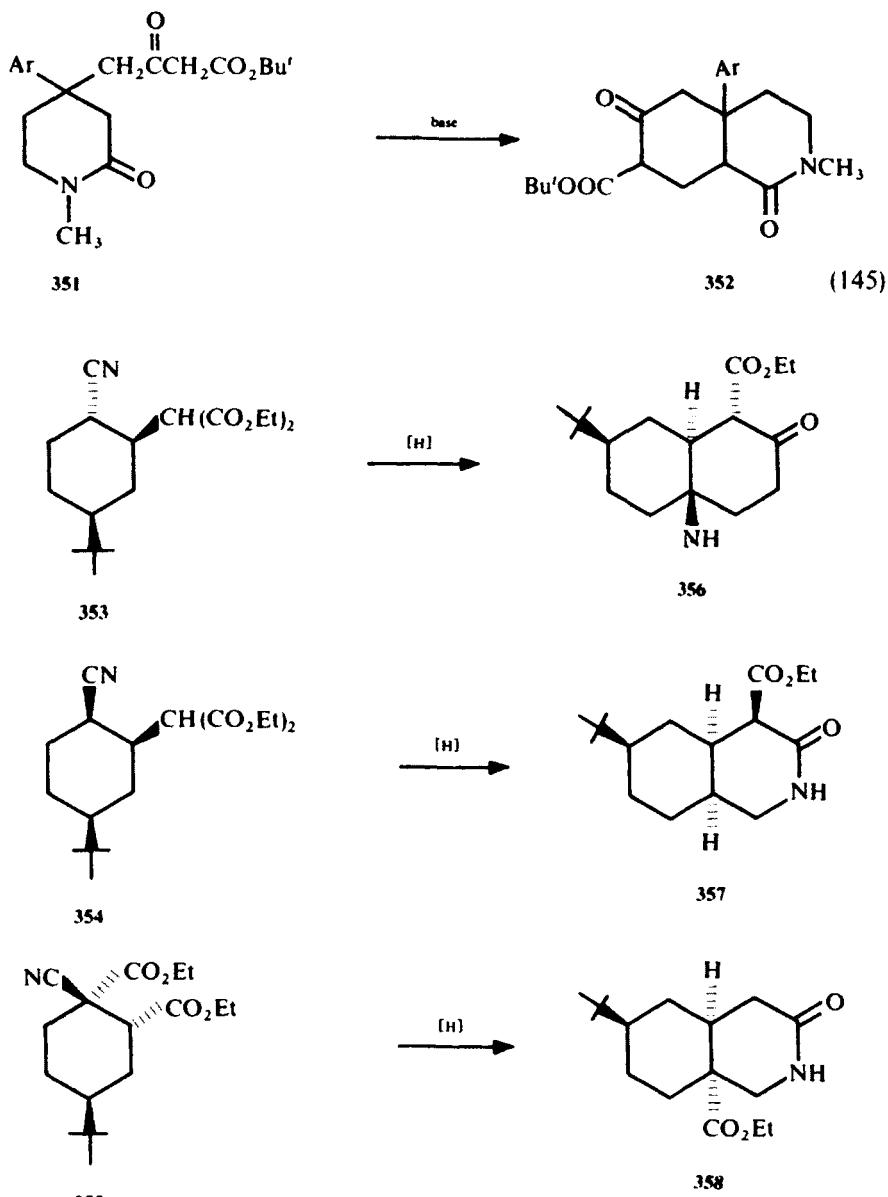
While all three esters can be hydrolyzed to the corresponding acids, only the acids derived from 356 and 357 undergo decarboxylation.



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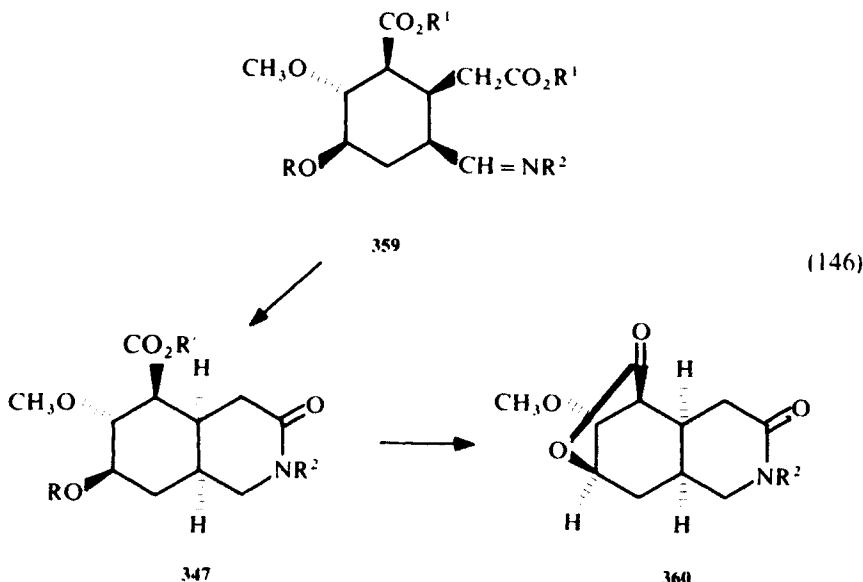
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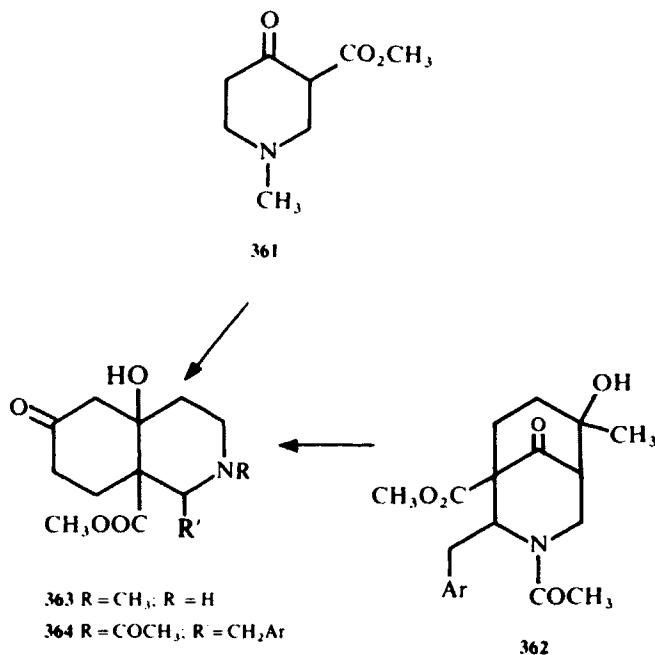
Scheme 7

A large number of compounds of the type **347** have been prepared in connection with studies of reserpine analogs. Table VI.3 should be consulted for reference to specific cases. In general, a compound of the type **359** is reduced and cyclized to **347**.⁹⁵⁴⁻⁹⁵⁹ Ester hydrolysis,^{960, 961} esterification,⁹⁶² and lactone formation to **350**^{956, 957, 963-966} have been extensively used in this series (Eq. 146).



The sequence is generally completed by cyclization of 347 or 360 to reserpine analogs.⁹⁶⁷⁻⁹⁷²

The condensation of methyl vinyl ketone with 361⁹⁷³ or treatment of 362 with alkoxide^{920, 923} gives rise to either 363 or 364, respectively (Eq. 147).



Esterification and ester hydrolysis take place with **364**.^{922, 923} Sulfuric acid causes dehydration of **364**,^{922, 923} while treatment of **363** with hydrochloric acid⁹⁷³ or **364** with phosphoric acid⁹²³ results in dehydration and decarboxylation. The 6-oxo group in **347** greatly increases hydrolysis of the ester, as well as the acidity of the corresponding acid as compared to the corresponding compound lacking the 6-oxo group, which is more stable to treatment with base. The kinetics^{974, 975} and stereochemistry⁹²² of this facile-base hydrolysis have been studied.

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CHAPTER III

Isoquinolines Containing Basic Functions at the Ring and Their Hydrogenated Derivatives

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I. INTRODUCTION

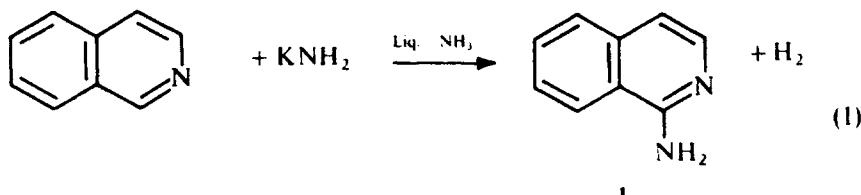
In view of the wide distribution of naturally occurring, basically substituted isoquinolines, the importance of these compounds, many of which are pharmacologically active, as intermediates in the field of natural product and medicinal chemistry is obvious. This chapter reviews the literature associated with all types of isoquinolines bearing basic substituents directly at the ring position. Sufficiently significant unusual reactions or properties are discussed.

II. PREPARATION OF ISOQUINOLINES HAVING A BASIC GROUPING AT POSITION 1

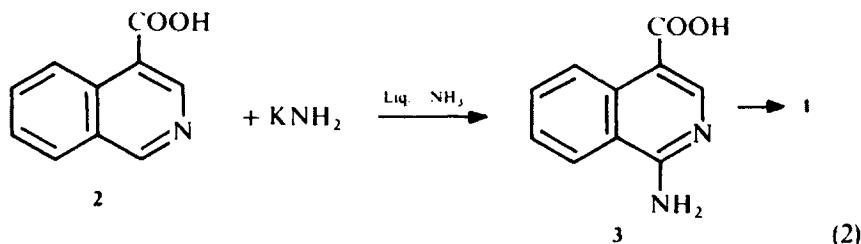
The introduction of basic groupings at position 1 of the isoquinoline nucleus may be effected either by ring-closure reactions, in which the basic grouping is already present in the noncyclized precursor; by replacement of existing substituents at the 1 position, most commonly halogen, but methyl sulfinyl and methyl sulfonyl have been reported; or by direct nucleophilic substitution. Ring-closure reactions most commonly are reported for the preparation of partially hydrogenated isoquinolines having basic substituents with the alternate methods (substitution or replacement of existing substituents) being primarily used in the formation of basically substituted unsaturated isoquinolines.

A. 1-Aminoisoquinolines

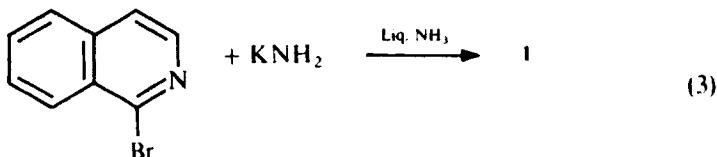
1-Aminoisoquinoline **1** has been prepared by Bergstrom¹ utilizing a Chichibabin reaction of potassium amide on isoquinoline under low-temperature conditions in liquid ammonia (Eq. 1).



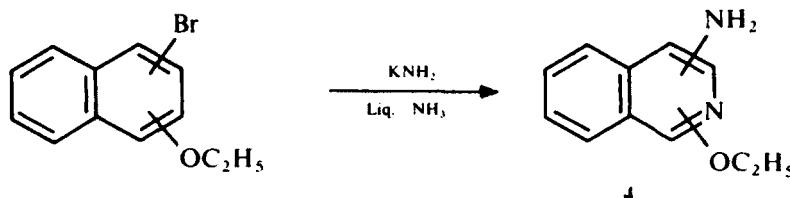
Alternate aminating reagents may be used, including barium amide, sodium amide, and fused eutectic mixtures of sodium and potassium amide.² Although yields are not improved (approximately 60–70%), the use of alternate solvents and higher temperatures, such as that of boiling xylene, are allowed if eutectic mixtures are employed. The use of *N,N,N',N'*-tetramethylethylenediamine and sodium amide in xylene for the synthesis of 1-aminoisoquinoline 1 has been reported to produce good yields by Giorgi-Renault.³ Addition of potassium nitrate to the reaction medium produces no increase in product yield, but results in the production of less hydrogen.¹ Application of this methodology for the synthesis of 3-methyl-1-aminoisoquinoline has demonstrated that improved yields may be obtained when potassium nitrate is included in the reactants, but only very low yields are obtained using potassium amide in the absence of potassium nitrate.⁴ Amination of isoquinoline 4-carboxylic acid 2, using potassium amide in liquid ammonia to yield the corresponding 1-amino derivative, has been reported by Bergstrom and Rodda.⁵ Subsequent decarboxylation of 3 by heating yields 1 (Eq. 2).



The amination of 1-bromoisoquinoline by potassium amide in liquid ammonia proceeds in high yield to 1 by an addition–elimination mechanism⁶ (Eq. 3).



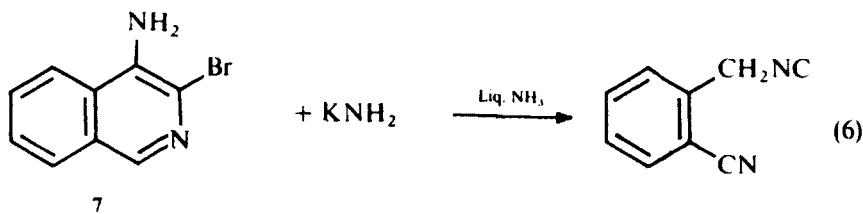
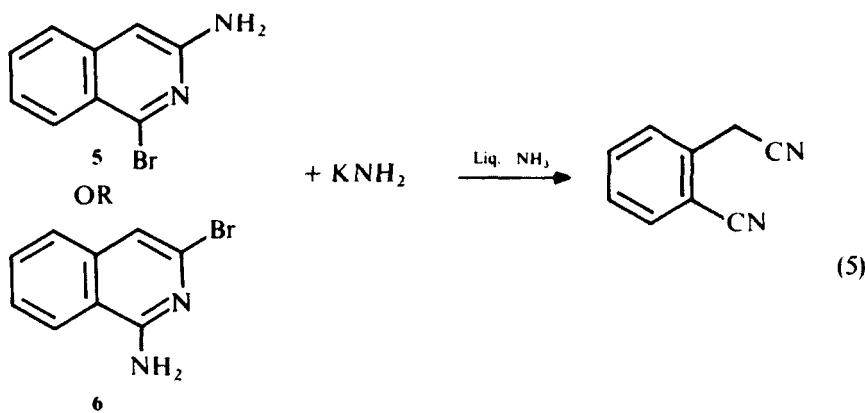
Several 1- and 3-aminoethoxyisoquinolines 4 may be prepared by displacement of bromide by the amide ion⁷ (Eq. 4).



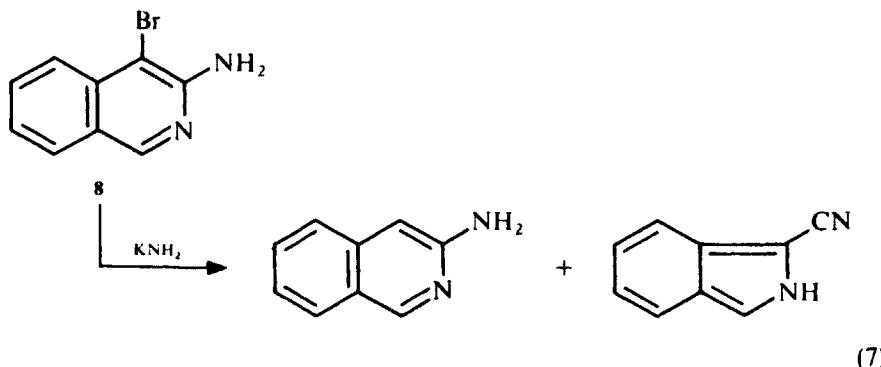
- 1-Br, 4-OC₂H₅
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 3-Br, 1-OC₂H₅
 1-Br, 3-OC₂H₅
 3-Br, 4-OC₂H₅
- (4)

4-Bromo-3-ethoxyisoquinoline does not yield the corresponding aminoisoquinoline, but produces a complex mixture of products.⁷

Treatment of 3-amino-1-bromoisoquinoline **5** (and other analogs **6** and **7**) with potassium amide in liquid ammonia for extended periods of time (24 h) produces high yields of ring-fission product⁸ (Eqs. 5 and 6).

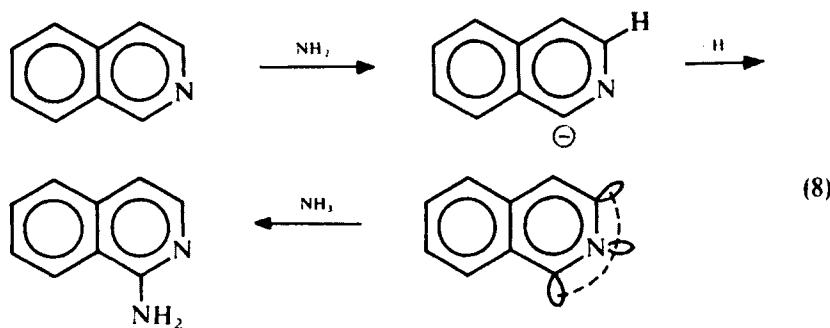


3-Amino-4-bromoisoquinoline **8** (a positional isomer of **5**) unexpectedly undergoes a novel ring transformation when similarly treated; 3-cyanoisoindole and 3-aminoisoquinoline are isolated. The proposed mechanism involves a Wolff-type rearrangement (Eq. 7).

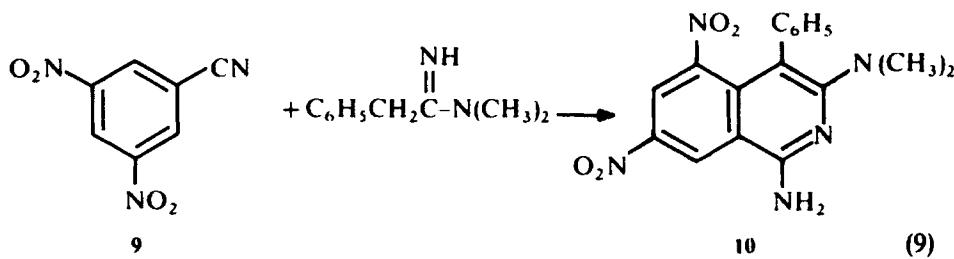


This unprecedented ring transformation does not occur with 1-amino-4-bromoisoquinoline under similar conditions over a 6-h period.⁸

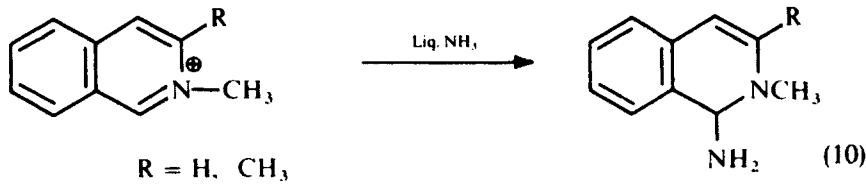
The exclusive formation of 1-aminoisoquinoline in the Chichibabin reaction is not unexpected from examination of the charge densities of the isoquinoline nucleus. The formation of a 1,3-aryne intermediate resulting from hydride-ion elimination from the 3 position has been proposed⁹ (Eq. 8).



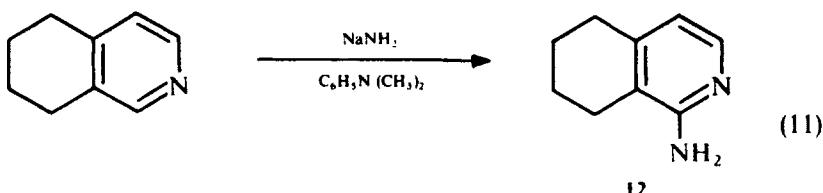
More recent work by Zoltewicz and co-workers¹⁰ provides spectral (NMR) evidence for the formation of Meisenheimer-type complexes, (anionic σ complexes) which have been long postulated, but largely uncharacterized, during the reaction of amide ions with heterocycles in liquid ammonia. During a study of Meisenheimer complexes, Strauss and Bard¹¹ observed the formation of the 1-aminoisoquinoline **10** in good yield from the 3,5-dinitrobenzonitrile **9** (Eq. 9).



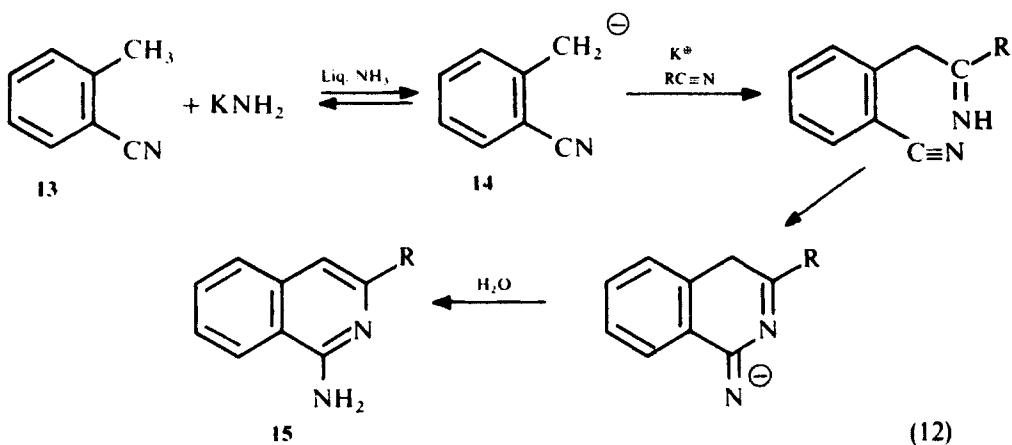
Quaternized isoquinolines, on treatment with liquid ammonia in the absence of amide ion, have been shown to give 1-amino-1,2-dihydroisoquinolines **11**¹² (Eq. 10). Remarkably, this covalent amination occurs in minutes below 0 °C and no starting material is detectable in the reaction mixture by NMR spectroscopy.



Adaptation of the Chichibabin reaction for the synthesis of 1-amino-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline **12** has been reported using dimethylaniline as the solvent and sodium amide as the aminating reagent.¹³ Excellent yields (85%) of the product are obtained (Eq. 11).

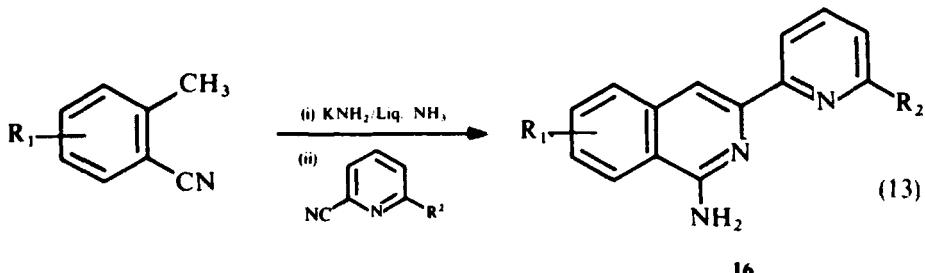


Benzonitriles have been employed in a novel synthesis of 3-substituted 1-aminoisoquinolines using a ring-closure procedure.¹⁴ 2-Methylbenzonitrile **13** was converted to its carbanion by treatment with potassium amide in liquid ammonia. Reaction of the carbanion with varying aryl or alkyl nitriles yields the corresponding imine, which undergoes intramolecular cyclization; hydrolysis of the cyclized product gives the target compounds **15** in poor to moderate yields, depending on the 3 substituent (Eq. 12).



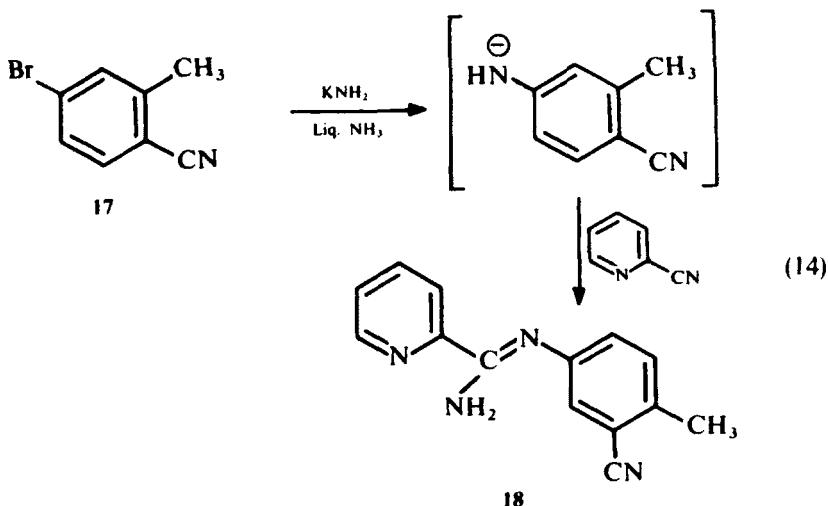
For this reaction to be successful, addition of the base to the nitrile group of **13** should not occur, although the base must be strong enough to form the carbanion **14**.

A large series of antimycoplasmal 1-amino-3-(2-pyridyl) isoquinolines **16** have been synthesized by Pijper and co-workers¹⁵ utilizing basic reaction conditions and a variety of starting materials (Eq. 13).



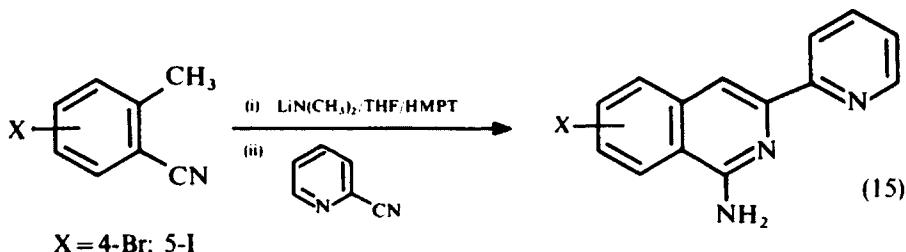
$R_1 = 5\text{-CH}_3; 6\text{-CH}_3; 8\text{-CH}_3; 7\text{-C}_2\text{H}_5; 8\text{-C}_2\text{H}_5; 6,7\text{-(OCH}_3)_2; 5\text{-Cl}; 6\text{-Cl}; 7\text{-Cl}; 8\text{-Cl}; 6\text{-Br}; 7\text{-I}$
 $R_2 = \text{CH}_3; \text{C}_2\text{H}_5$

The 4-bromo compound **17** yields an unexpected product **18**, as explained by Eq. 14.¹⁵

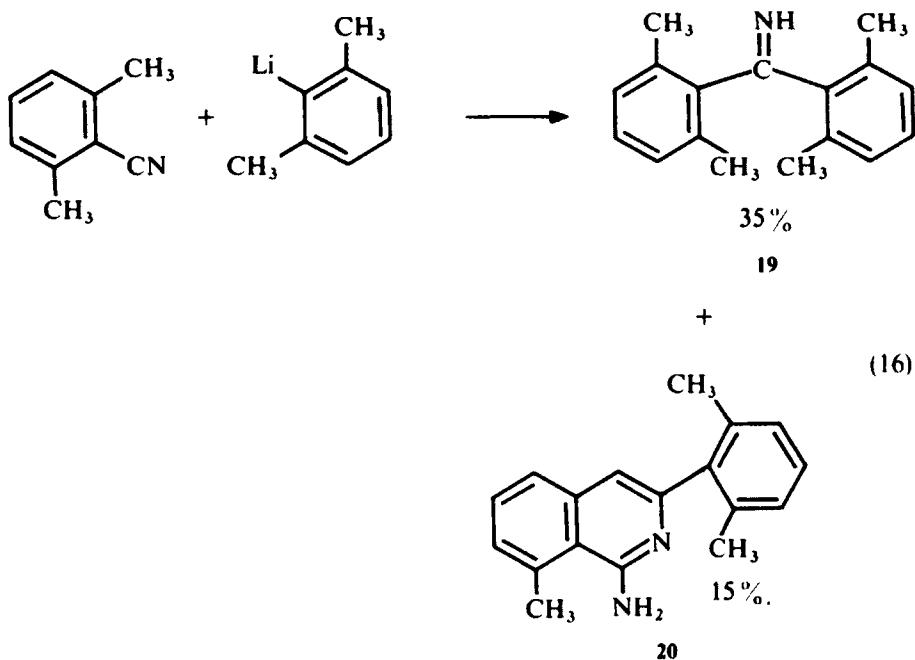


Changing reaction conditions to those of Eq. 13 causes the desired reaction for the 4-bromo compound **17** to take place¹⁵ (Eq. 15).

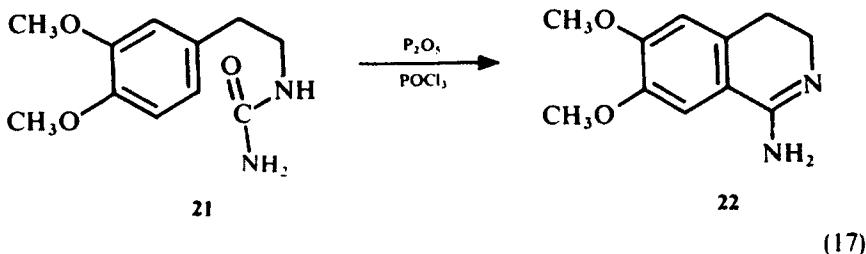
The preparation of a 3-aryl-1-aminoisoquinoline has been reported by Van der Goot¹⁶ during some studies of the reaction of 2,6-dimethylphenyllithium on 2,6-dimethylbenzonitrile (Eq. 16). In addition to the desired product (**19**), a small



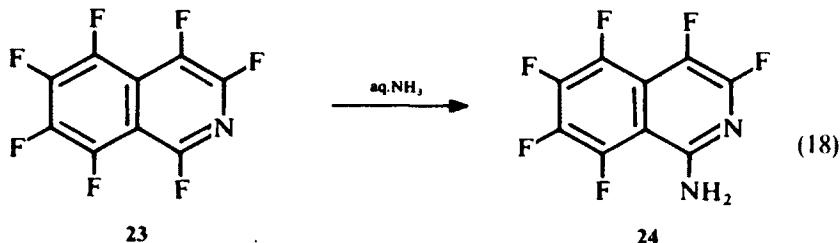
amount (15%) of the 1-aminoisoquinoline **20** is formed. Replacement of the base (phenyllithium) by lithium diisopropylamide gives the preferential production of a 1-aminoisoquinoline (80% yield).



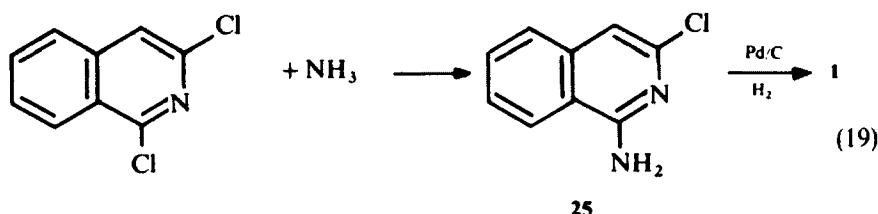
The Bischler–Napieralski ring closure of *N*-(3,4-dimethoxyphenylethyl) urea **21** to 6,7-dimethoxy-1-amino-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline **22** has been reported in good yields (70%)¹⁷ (Eq. 17).



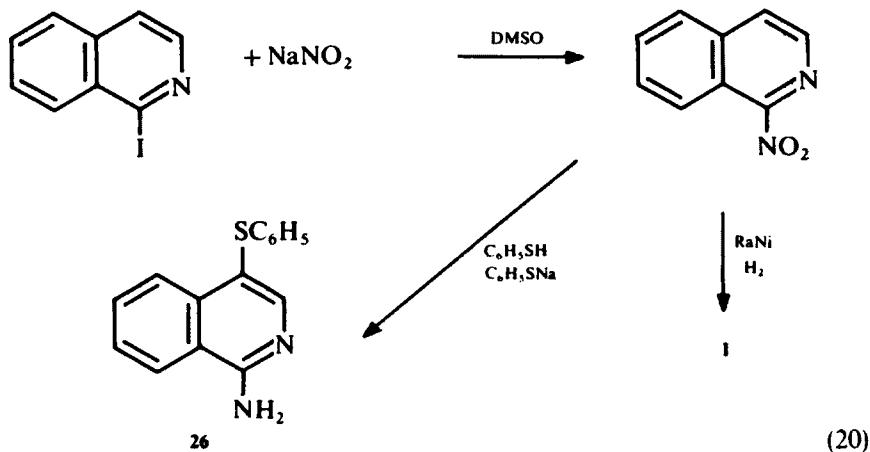
The lability of the halogen atoms substituted at the 1 position of isoquinoline has been extensively used as a means of introducing various basic groupings into that position. For example, perfluoroisoquinoline **23** can be readily transformed into its 1-amino derivative **24** by treatment with aqueous ammonia¹⁸ (Eq. 18).



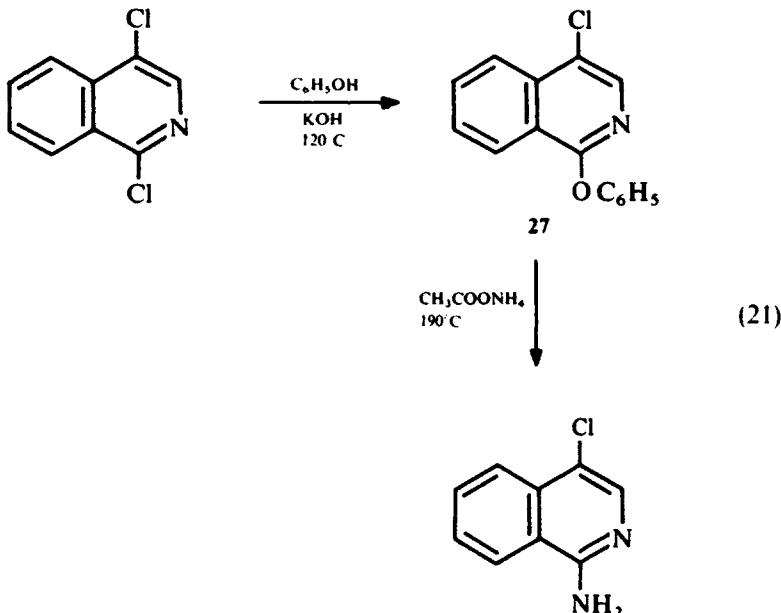
Monoamination of 1,3-dichloroisoquinoline occurs preferentially at the reactive 1 position on treatment with ammonia.¹⁹ Dehalogenation of the resulting 1-amino-3-chloroisoquinoline **25** over palladium catalyst yields **1** (Eq. 19).



As an alternative for the synthesis of **1** using this approach, 1-nitroisoquinoline may be prepared from 1-iodoisooquinoline by treatment with sodium nitrate.²⁰ Reduction of the nitro grouping over Raney nickel or by sodium phenyl sulfide in benzenethiol, produces the amine. Concurrent substitution at the 4 position (**26**) occurs in the latter reduction (Eq. 20).



Selective amination into the 1 position of 1,4-dichloroisoquinoline may be accomplished through the 1-phenoxy-4-chloro derivative **27**²¹ (Eq. 21),



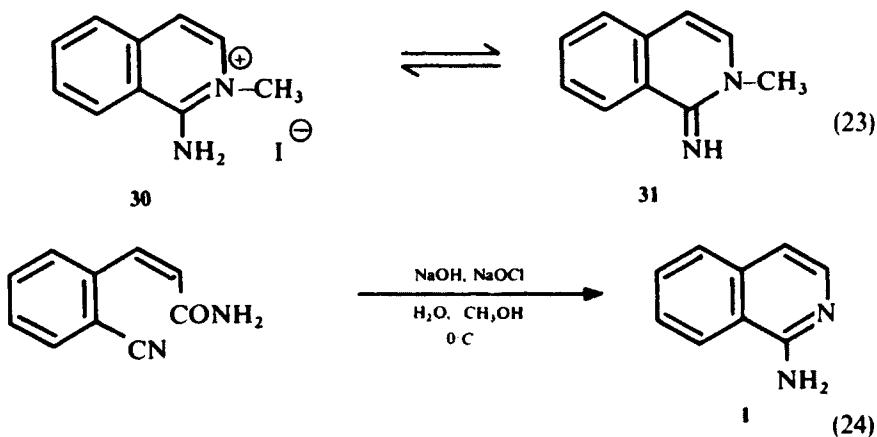
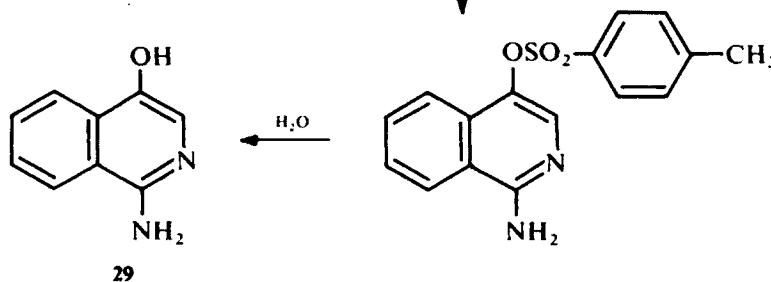
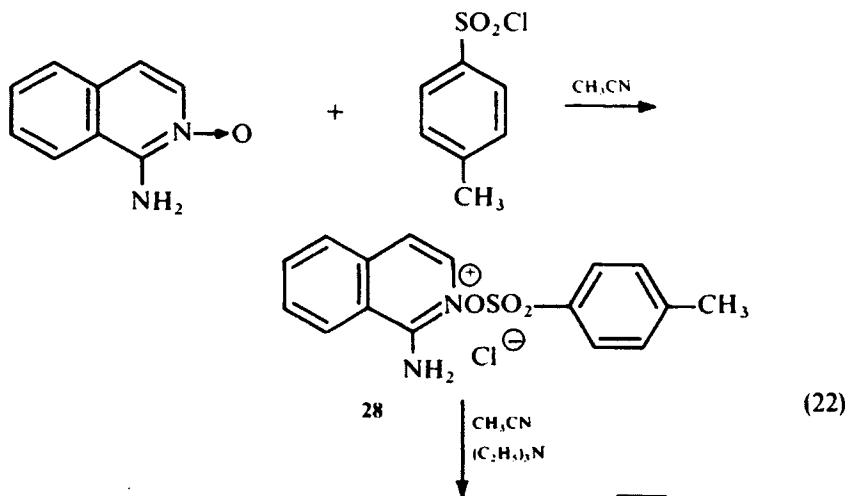
Hydroxylation of the *N*-oxide of **1**²² at the 4 position has been achieved by treatment with arenesulfonyl chlorides.²³ Migration of the *O*-tosyl grouping from the intermediate salt **28** occurs in acetonitrile containing triethylamine, which on hydrolysis yields the 1-amino-4-hydroxyisoquinoline **29** (Eq. 22). Significant differences appear to exist on similar treatment of the analogous 2-aminoisoquinoline *N*-oxide, migration of the *O*-tosyl grouping taking place to distant positions (e.g., position 6) in the nonheterocyclic ring.

The tautomerism of 1-aminoisoquinolines has been the center of several studies concerning the aromaticity of isoquinolinoid forms **30** as opposed to the isoquinolonoid form **31**.

It appears that there is much less difference between these tautomers than between the pyridine and pyridone analogs.²⁴ Assignment of an imine structure to these isoquinolines substituted at the α -position has been confirmed by physical and spectral studies. Ultraviolet spectral characteristics,²⁵ as well as ionization constants,²⁶ confirm that protonation first occurs at the heterocyclic nitrogen and that indeed an imine structure prevails (**31**).

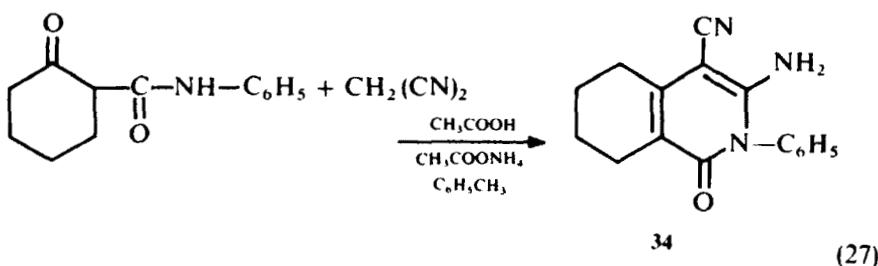
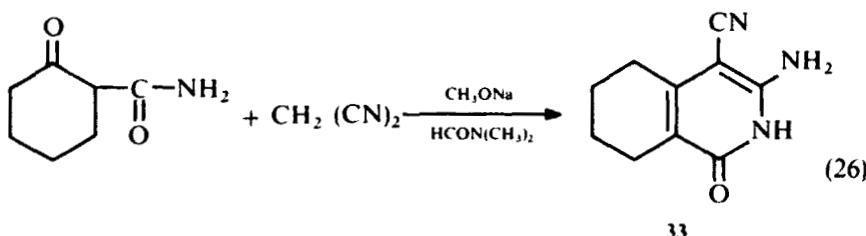
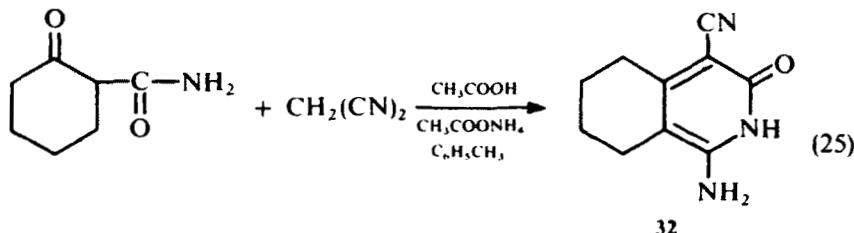
A mild synthesis for 1-aminoisoquinoline **1** has recently been described by Brettle and Mosedale.²⁷ Hypochlorite treatment of the carboxamide (Eq. 24) under basic conditions facilitates ring closure to yield 1-aminoisoquinoline.

Bischoff²⁸ has found that condensation of malonodinitrile with cyclohexanone-2-carboxamide under Knoevenagel condensation conditions yields 1-amino-4-cyano-2,3,5,6,7,8-hexahydroisoquinolin-3-one **32**. The reaction occurs



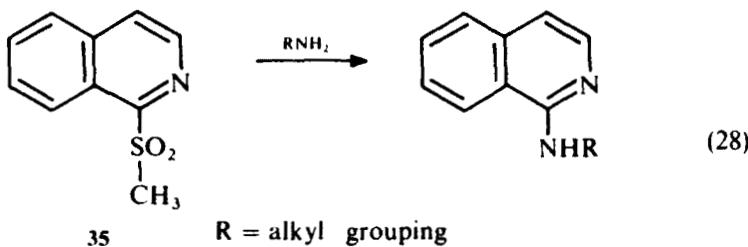
through a nitrile–carboxamide rearrangement (Eq. 25). A similar reaction under basic conditions yields 3-amino-4-cyano-1,2,5,6,7,8-hexahydroisoquinolin-1-one 33 (Eq. 26).

Under the Knoevenagel conditions of Eq. 25, *N*-phenylcyclohexanone-2-carboxamide yields 3-amino-4-cyano-2-phenyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinolin-1-one 34²⁸ (Eq. 27).

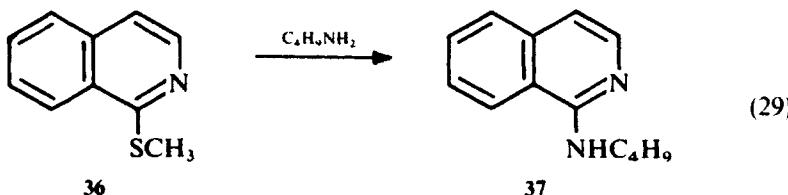


B. 1-Alkylaminoisoquinolines

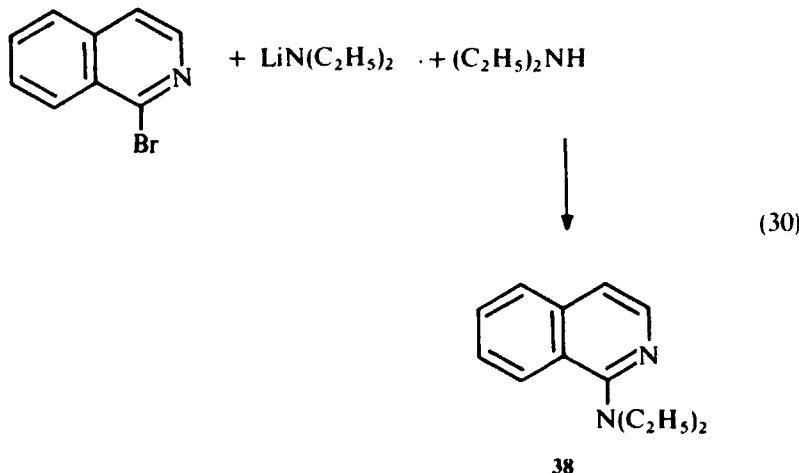
In addition to standard reactions for the alkylation of aromatic amines, substituted 1-aminoisoquinolines have been prepared by several alternate procedures. Barlin and Brown²⁹ reported that 1-methylsulfonylisouinoline 35 is quite reactive toward nucleophiles and that high yields of 1-methylamino and 1-propylaminoisoquinolines can be obtained by treatment of the sulfonyl compound with the appropriate amine (Eq. 28).



Additional studies have demonstrated that 1-methylsulfinylisoquinoline **36** also gives excellent yields of 1-butylaminoisoquinoline **37**³⁰ (Eq. 29).



The formation of 1-diethylaminoisoquinoline **38** from 1-bromoisoquinoline has been reported by Kauffmann et al.³¹ Diethyl lithium amide and diethylamine replaces the bromine atom by an addition-elimination type mechanism to give good yields of the product (Eq. 30).

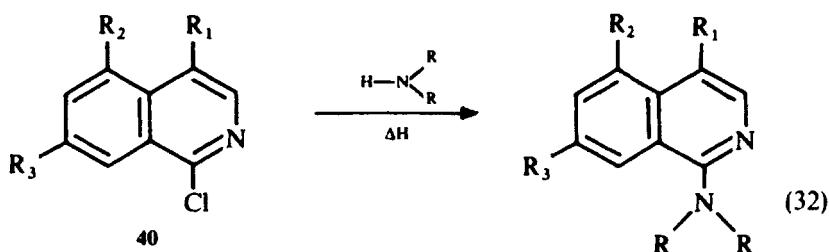
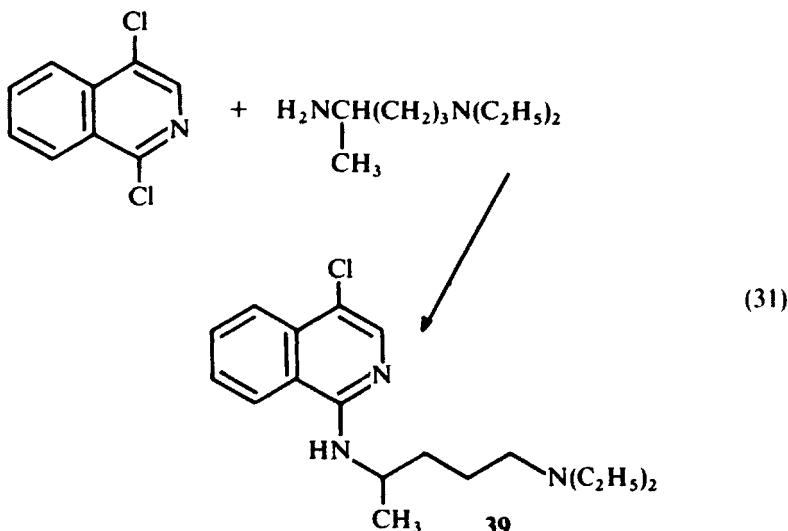


Alkylation of 1-aminoisoquinoline to give dialkylated products in high yields has been achieved by treatment with alkyl halides in the presence of sodium amide in liquid ammonia.^{32, 33}

The lability of the halogen at position 1 of isoquinoline has been utilized in the synthesis of several 1-aminoalkylaminoisoquinolines,³⁴ as well as several halogenated 1-methylbutylaminoisoquinolines³⁵ (e.g., **39**). A typical preparation is shown in Eq. 31 for those compounds that possess antimalarial properties.

Antiinflammatory 1-alkylamino and 1-alkylpiperazinylisoquinolines **41** may be synthesized from the 1-chloroisoquinolines **40**, as shown in Eq. 32.³⁶

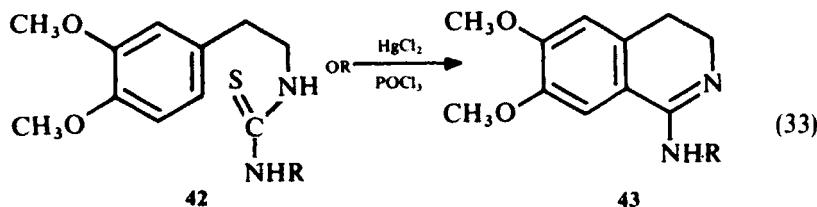
Dealkylation of 1-dialkylaminoisoquinolines under varying strengths of hydrobromic acid to give either monoalkylamino or totally dealkylated products has been described.³⁷ Some alkylamino 3,4-dihydroisoquinolines **43** were prepared during extensive studies by Roushdi et al.^{38, 39} on mercuric chloride and Bischler-Napieralski type cyclodesulphurizations of thioureas **42**, as shown in Eq. 33.



$R_1 = H; C_6H_5; 4-OCH_3C_6H_4; 4-Cl-C_6H_4; o\text{-tolyl}$

$R_2 = H; CH_3$

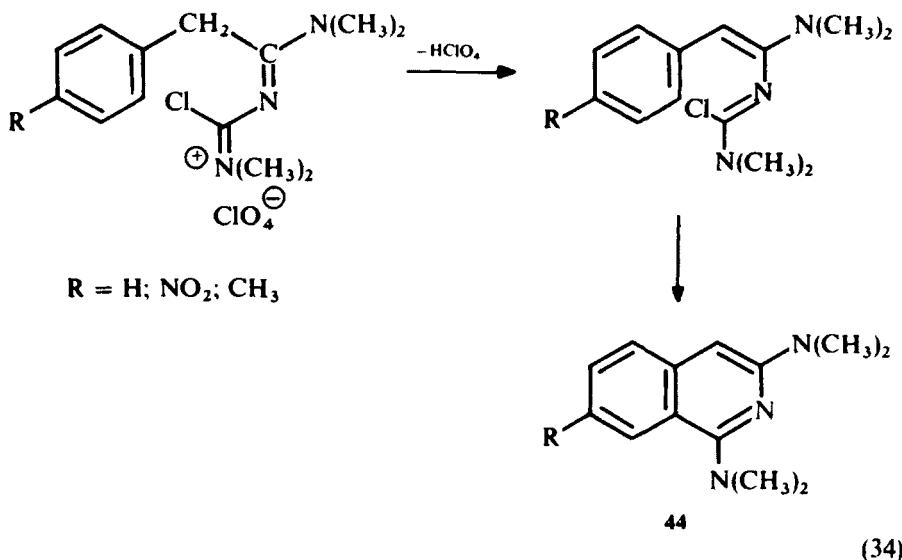
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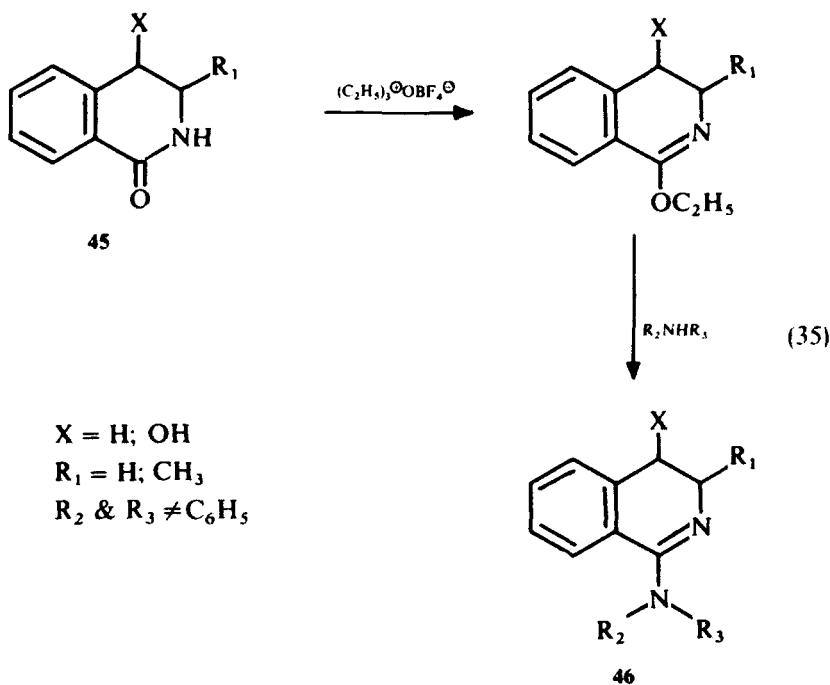
$R = \text{alkyl, aryl grouping}$

While in general aromatic moieties are used for R (Eq. 33), *n*-butyl, isopropyl, and benzyl functions give good yields of the corresponding dihydroisoquinoline of the type 43.

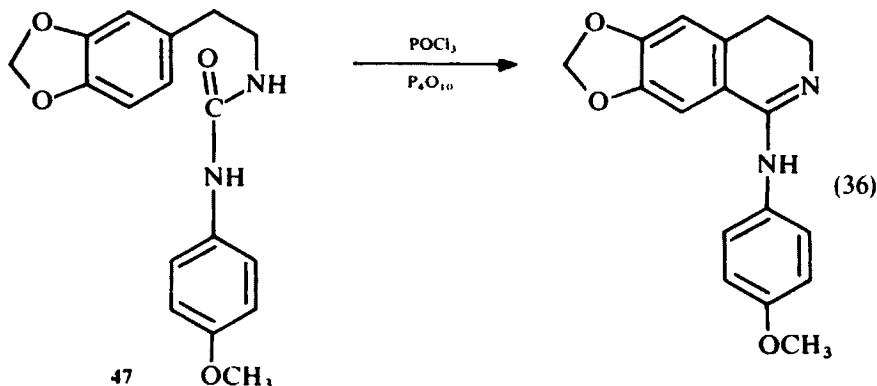
The preparation of 1-alkylaminoisoquinolines through ring-closure methods is shown by the synthesis of variously 7-substituted 1,3-bis(dimethyl) aminoisoquinolines 44. The terminating steps in the process are shown in Eq. 34.⁴⁰



1-Alkylaminoisoquinolines **46** may also be prepared from the corresponding 1-isoquinolones **45**⁴¹ (Eq. 35).



However, *N*-aryl amines did not react in the second step and the *N*-arylisooquinoline could only be obtained by cyclization of the appropriate urea **47**⁴¹ (Eq. 36).



C. 1-Arylaminoisoquinolines

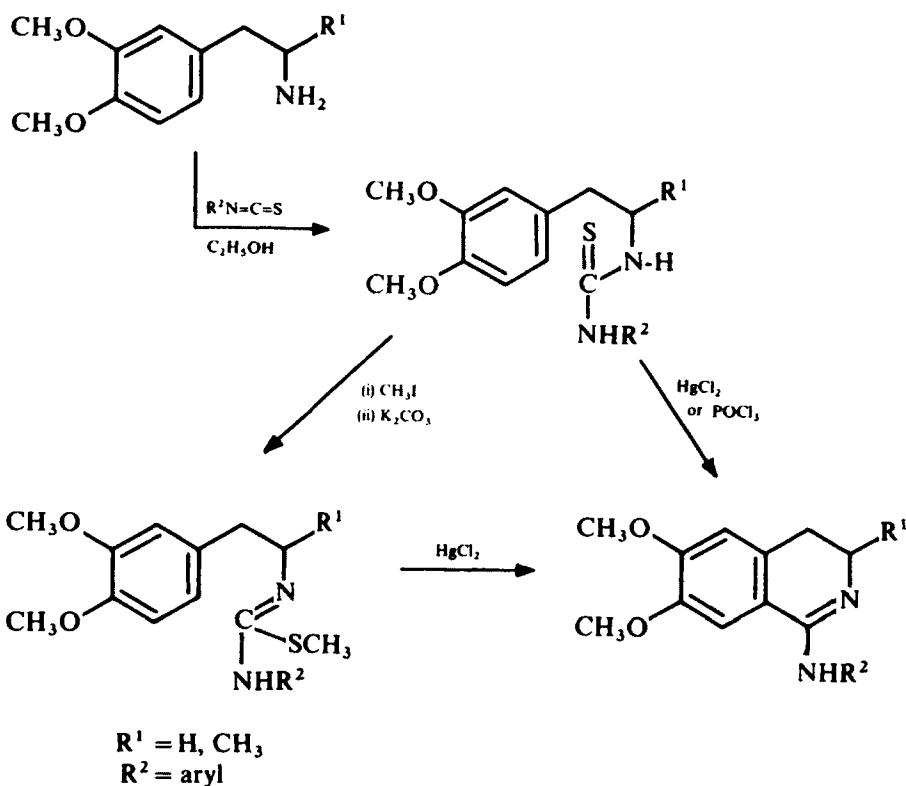
Isoquinolines of this type have been prepared by ring-closure reactions most notably of the Bischler-Napieralski type. Several reports of the synthesis of arylamino- and substituted arylaminoisoquinolines are available.^{38, 39, 42-44} The cyclodesulfurization of thioamides and thioureas (previously noted) with mercuric chloride^{38, 39} gives excellent yields (75-80%) of several arylamino-3-methyl-3,4-dihydroisoquinolines. Optimal conditions necessitate the use of 5 moles of the mercuric compound in refluxing chloroform.³⁹ Poor yields (23-75%) are obtained using phosphorus oxychloride. The absence of the 3-methyl group in the noncyclized precursor allows good yields of the cyclic product, using phosphorus oxychloride as the cyclizing agent, although polyphosphoric acid is not too effective. The general preparations are shown in Scheme 1.

As already noted, Bischler-Napieralski ring closures have most commonly been reported for the synthesis of compounds in this group. Appropriately substituted phenylethyl ureas **48** (prepared from the action of phenylethylisocyanates with various anilines), on ring closure with phosphorus oxychloride, yield the corresponding 1-substituted anilino-3,4-dihydroisoquinolines **49**.⁴⁵ These substituted isoquinolines are amidines and thus exhibit the expected tautomerism **49**=**50**, as shown in Eq. 37.

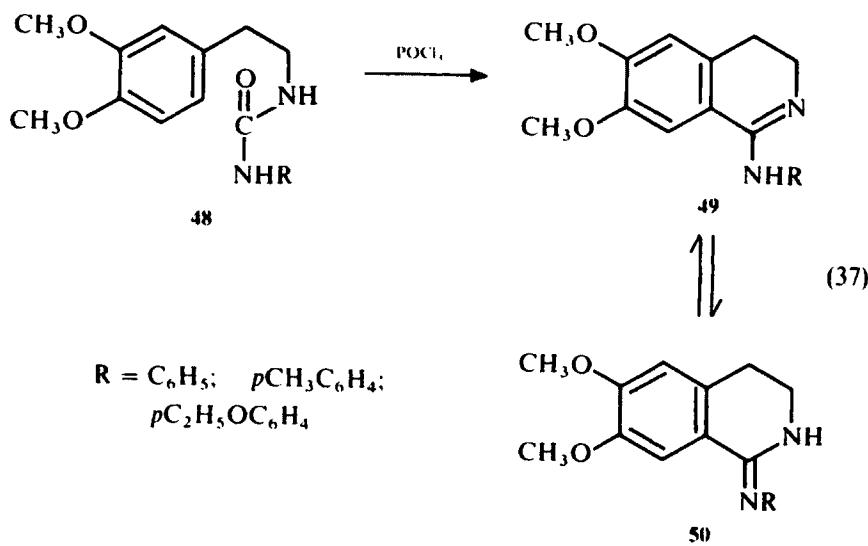
Metal reductions (e.g., Al/Hg) of **51** yield the corresponding tetrahydroisoquinoline derivative **52**⁴⁵ (Eq. 38).

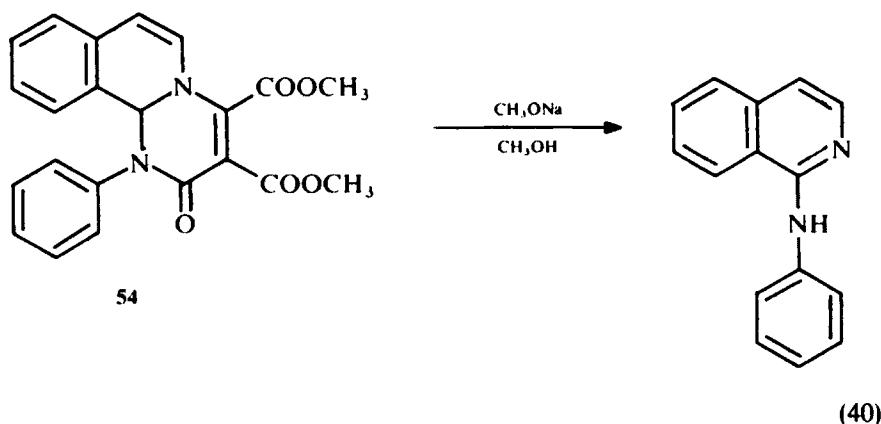
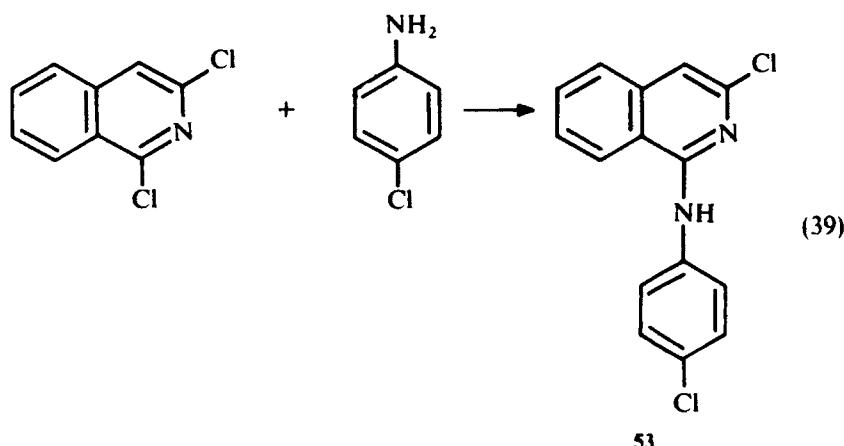
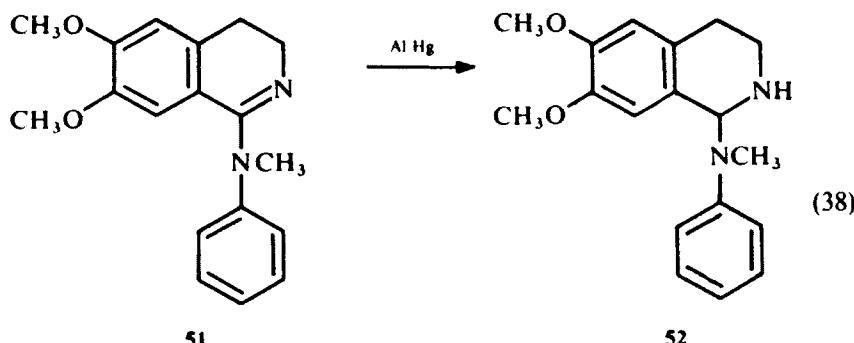
In the course of investigations toward some synthetic antimalarial agents, the reaction of substituted anilines with 1,3-dichloro- and 1-chloroisoquinoline has been studied.^{46, 47} As anticipated, replacement of the labile 1-halogen readily occurs, yielding the desired 1-anilinoisoquinoline **53** (Eq. 39).

The isolation of 1-anilinoisoquinolines in good yields from the base-catalyzed ring opening of pyridino-2:1(a)-isoquinolines **54** has also been reported⁴⁸ (Eq. 40).



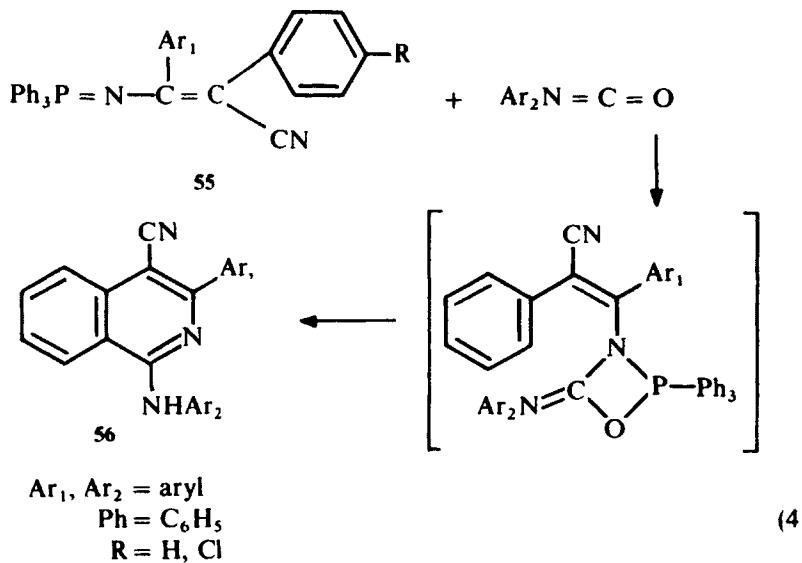
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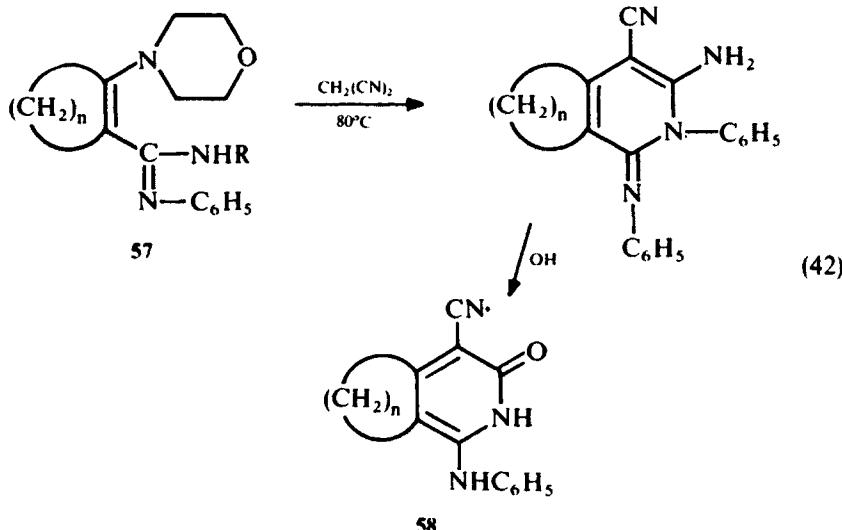


Several arsonoanilinoisoquinolines have been synthesized during some studies on potential trypanocidal and spirocheticidal isoquinolines.⁴⁹ 1-Chloroisooquinolines, on heating with the appropriate anilinoarsonic acid, give varying yields of the desired product, depending on the arsonic acid used.⁴⁹ The

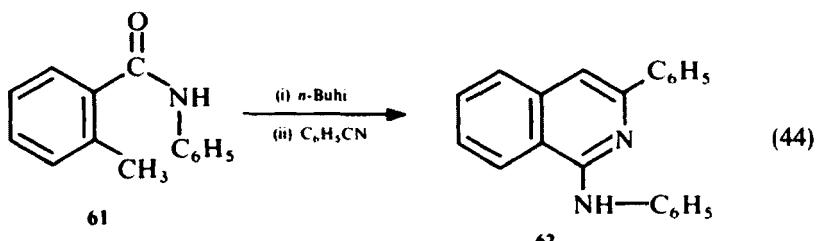
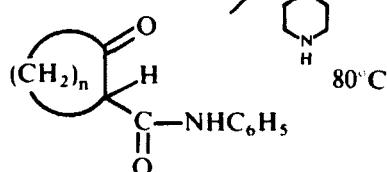
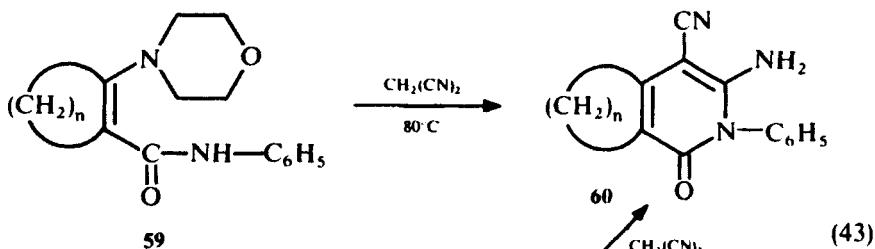
cyclization of *N*-substituted phosphine imides **55** on treatment with aryl isocyanates yields variously substituted 1-arylaminoisoquinolines **56**⁴⁴ (Eq. 41).



Derivatives of cyclohexanone and cycloheptanone 2-carboxylic acids **57** (and **59**) may be transformed using malonitrile into 1- (and 3)-aminoisoquinolines **58** (and **60**)⁵⁰ (Eqs. 42 and 43).

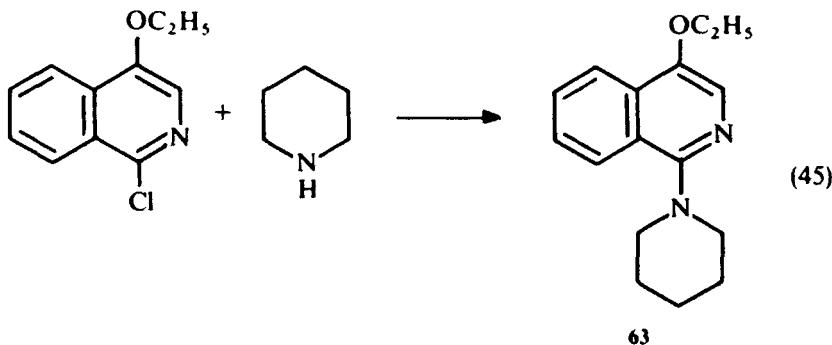


2-Methyl-*N*-phenylbenzamide **61** has been converted to *N*, 3-diphenyl-1-aminoisoquinoline **62** by a ring-closure reaction using *n*-butyllithium followed by addition of benzonitrile⁵¹ (Eq. 44).

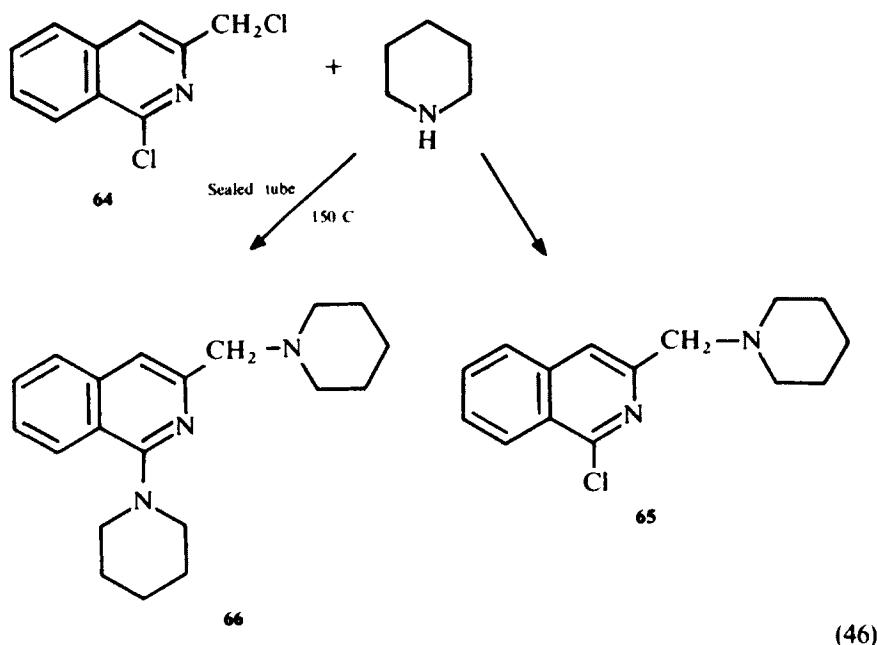


D. 1-Piperidylisoquinolines

The preparation of isoquinolines having heterocyclic substitutions with the heteroatom directly at the isoquinoline ring has been approached by several alternate methods. The most obvious route is by way of the replacement of the labile chlorine atom of 1-chloroisoquinolines; various secondary bases including piperidine, pyrrolidine, morpholine, and piperazine have been used⁵²⁻⁵⁴ (e.g., Eq. 45). Good yields of the products (e.g., 63) are obtained in both polar and nonpolar solvents.

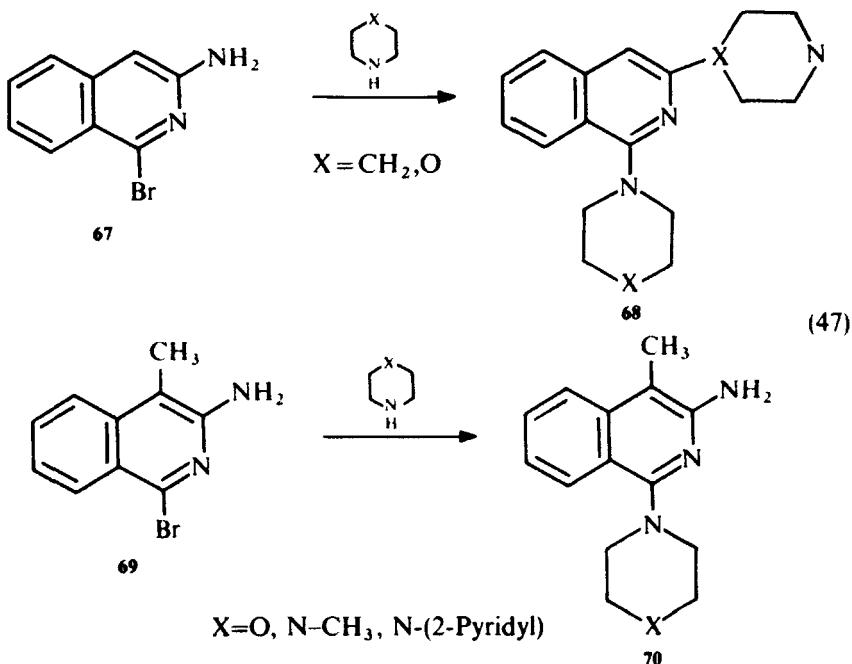


Displacement of the 1-chloro grouping of 1-chloro-3-chloromethylisoquinoline **64** by several heterocyclic secondary amines, as well as by some aliphatic amines, has been accomplished.⁵⁴ Under mild conditions, amination of the chloromethyl grouping occurs (**65**), but under more severe conditions (sealed tube, 150 °C), disubstitution at both the side chain and the ring takes place (**66**). Yields of the disubstituted compounds are in the range 35–80% (Eq. 46).



Nitration of **64** occurs at the 5 position; similar mild treatment of the nitrated product with various heterocyclic secondary amines (as in Eq. 46) may yield the monosubstituted or the disubstituted product, depending on the secondary base used.^{53, 54} 1-(and 3-)Aminoisoquinolines **68** and **70** may be synthesized by heating 1-bromo-3-aminoisoquinoline **67** or 1-bromo-3-amino-4-methylisoquinoline **69** with various *N*-heterocycles (Eq. 47).⁵⁵

A similar route to that outlined in Eq. 30 may be used for the preparation of 1-piperidylisoquinoline;³¹ piperidine and its *N*-lithium derivative displace the halogen of 1-bromoisoquinoline to give the product in good yield. Displacement of the halogen of 1-chloro-4-carboxylic acid esters of isoquinoline occurs in a manner similar to that shown in Eq. 46.⁵⁶ Lithiated pyridines **71** have been used in the synthesis of 1-piperidinyl and 1-pyrollidinyl-5,8-epoxydihydroisoquinolines by Berry and co-workers.⁵⁷ Reduction of the 5,8-epoxide **72**, followed by aromatization and dehalogenation of the chlorine atoms substituted at the 3 and 4 positions of the isoquinoline ring yields, in the case of the use of the piperidyl derivative, 1-piperidinoisoquinoline **74** and, under alternate reducing conditions, its 4-chloro analog **73**. The general procedure is shown in Eq. 48.

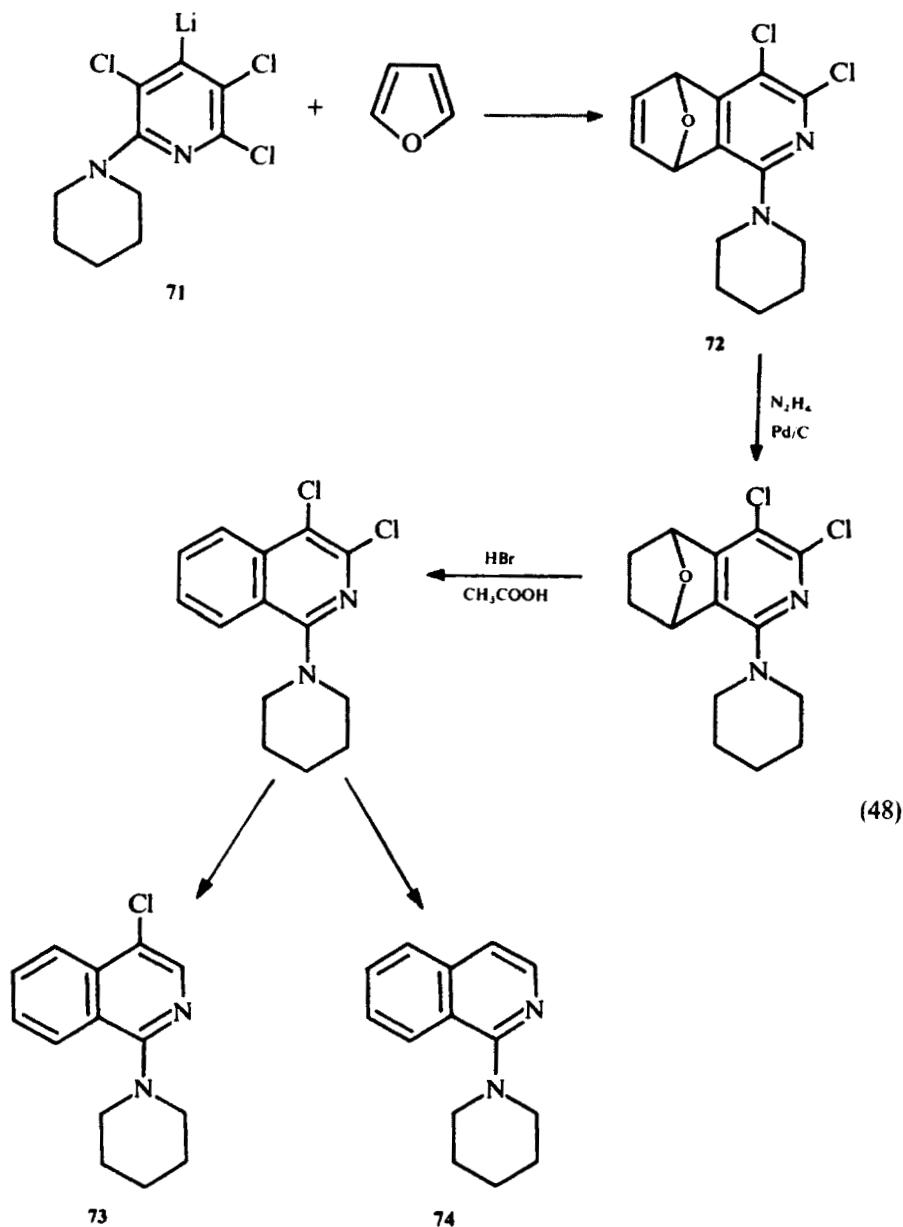


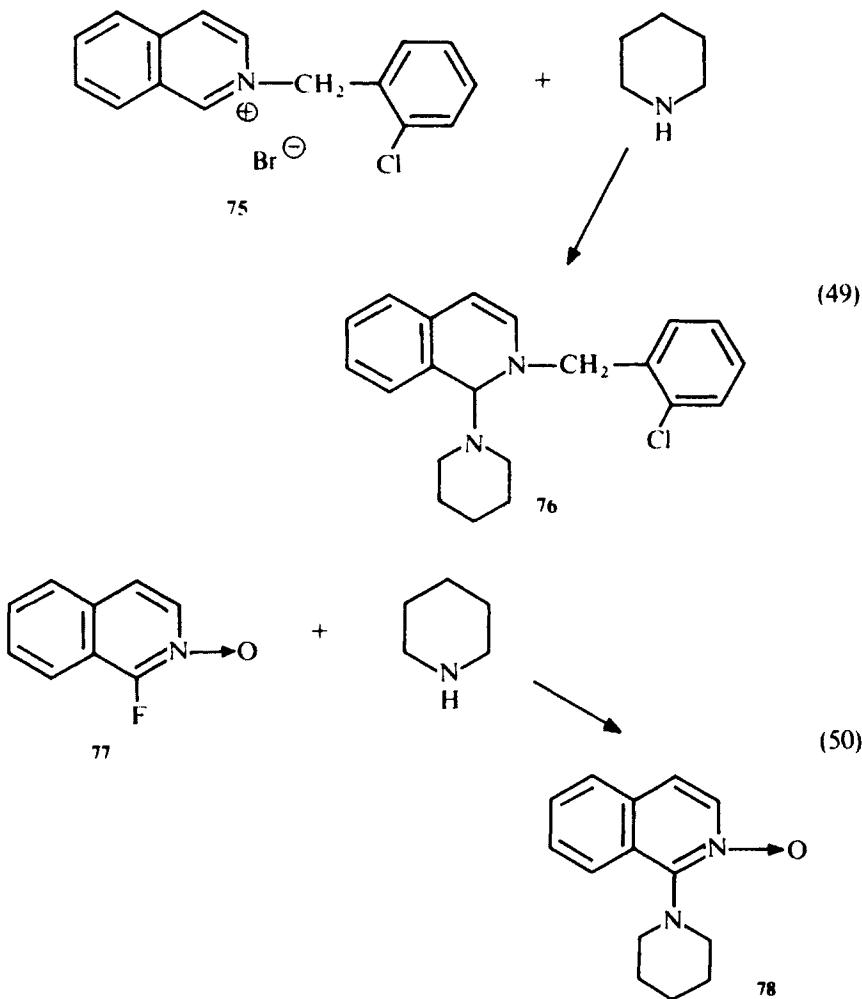
Piperidine adducts of 2-substituted isoquinolines **75** yield 1-piperidino-1,2-dihydroisoquinolines **76**.⁵⁸ Various aralkyl substitutions at the 2 position have been employed (Eq. 49).

Monofluorinated isoquinoline *N*-oxides (e.g., **77**) have been used for the preparation of piperidyl (and hydrazino) isoquinolines (**78**) by Bellas and Suschitzsky (Eq. 50).⁵⁹ Treatment of the fluoro compound with the nucleophile gives the substituted product in good yield. The studies of these workers indicate that the nucleophilic reactivity of isoquinoline *N*-oxides, based on fluorine mobility, is $1 \gg 3 > 4 > 6 > 8$.

E. 1-Hydroxyaminoisoquinolines

The synthesis and rearrangements of 1-aryl-1-hydroxyamino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines **80** have been the subject of several comprehensive studies by Gardent et al.⁶⁰⁻⁶³ 1-Aryl-3,4-dihydroisoquinolines **79** prepared by Bischler-Napieralski ring closures, on treatment with hydroxylamine hydrochloride, yield **80** by addition across the 1,2 double bond.^{61, 62} Several variations have been made in the nature of aryl grouping. Isoquinolones **81** are produced from the phosphorous-pentoxide-catalyzed Beckmann rearrangement when the isoquinoline nitrogen is unsubstituted, and ring cleavage products **84** when the heteroatom is ethylated (**82, 83**) (Scheme 2).^{61, 62}

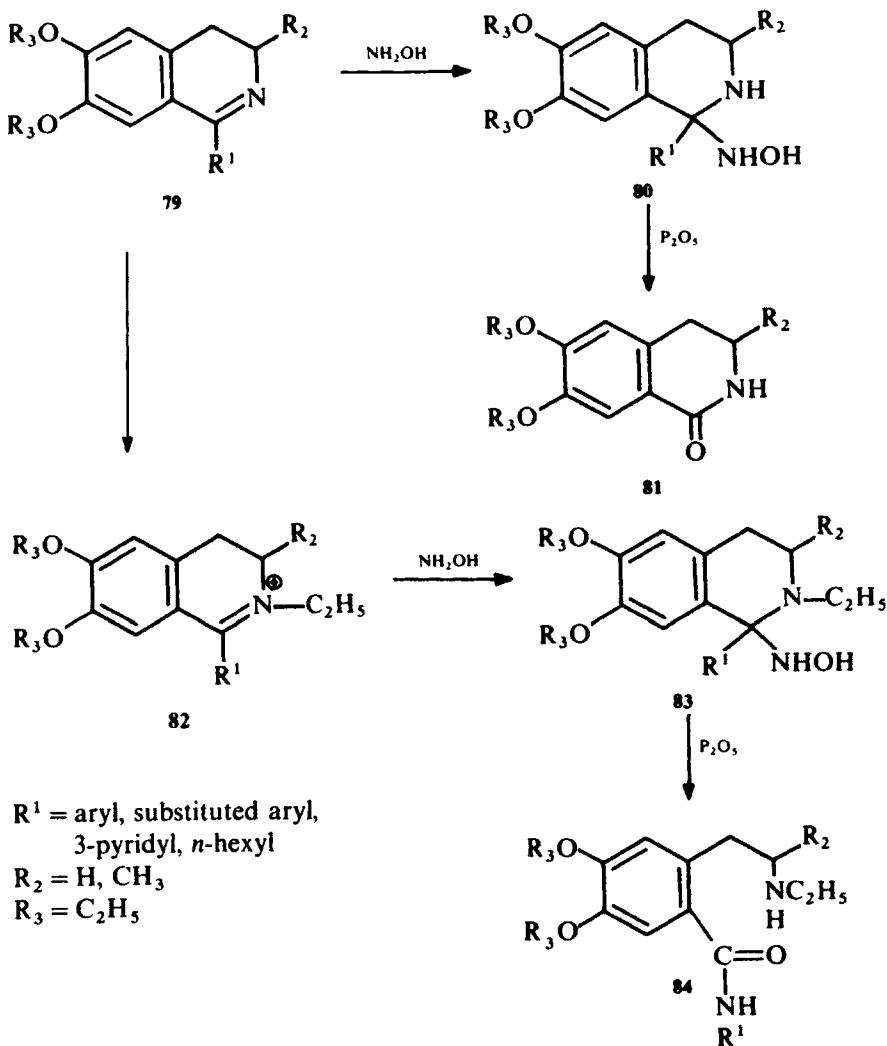




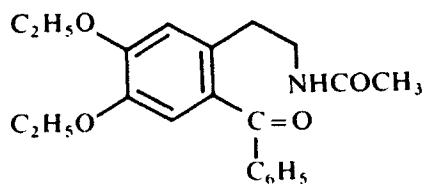
Additional investigations⁶³ have shown that upon treatment with acetic anhydride, **79** produces a complex mixture. Fractionation of this mixture yields a major product, **85**, which on reaction with hydroxylamine hydrochloride recyclizes to produce a compound of general formula **80**.

F. 1-Hydrazinoisoquinolines

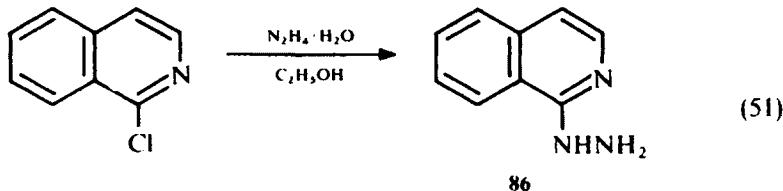
Three general approaches for the synthesis of 1-hydrazinoisoquinolines are available. The most commonly used method takes advantage of the lability of halogens at the 1-position of isoquinoline.



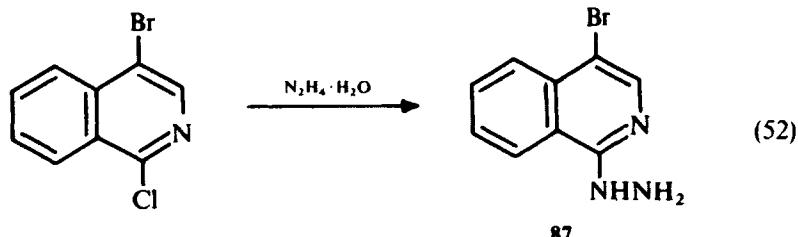
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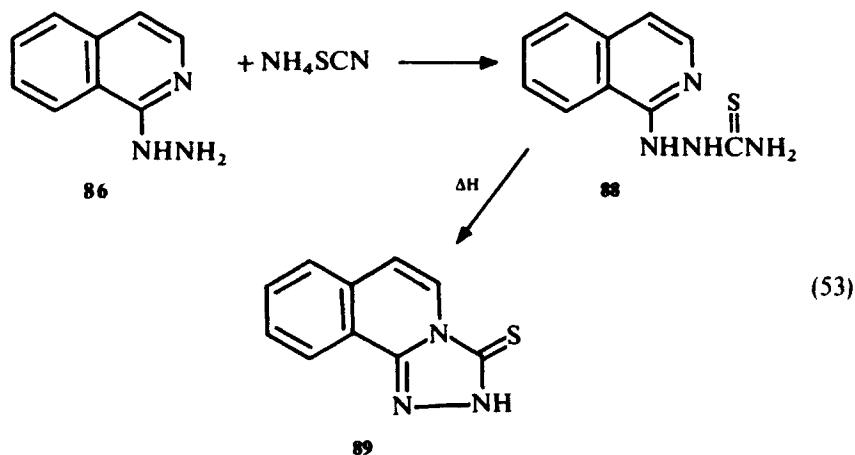
1-Chloroisooquinolines, on treatment with hydrazine hydrate in ethanol, gives good yields of the hydrazine compound **86**^{52, 64} (e.g., Eq. 51).



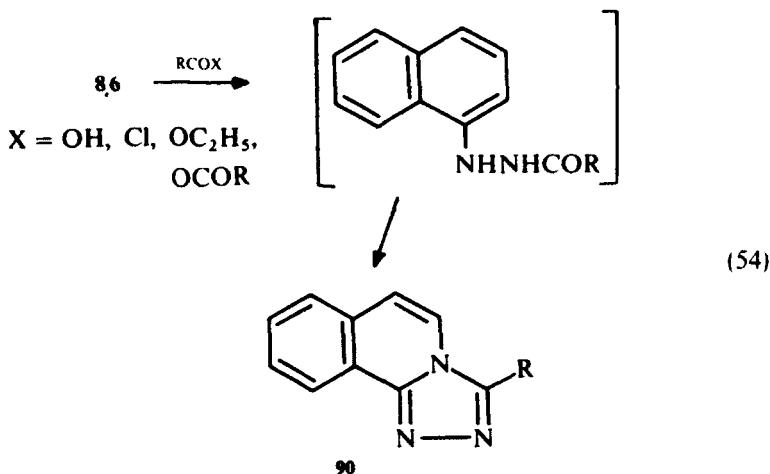
Excellent yields of variously substituted 1-hydrazinoisooquinolines (e.g., **87**) may be obtained⁶⁵ using the same approach as in Eq. 51. Various substituents (methoxyl and methyl) at several positions have been studied, including 1,4-dichloro- and 1-chloro-4-bromo analogs (see Eq. 52), with high yields (50–95%) in all cases.



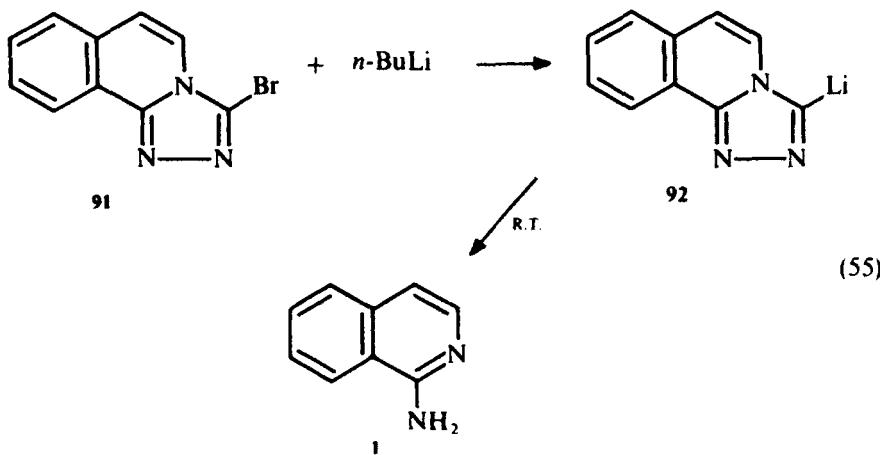
Subsequent substitution of the hydrazino grouping with ammonium thiocyanide (or ethylchloroformate) yields the thiosemicarbazide **88** (or urethane), which on thermal treatment produces the triazoloisoquinoline **89** (Eq. 53). Mechanisms for the ring formation have been proposed.⁶⁵



Alternate preparations of triazoloisoquinolines **90** from **86** have been reported by the treatment of **86** with carboxylic acid derivatives⁶⁹ (Eq. 54).



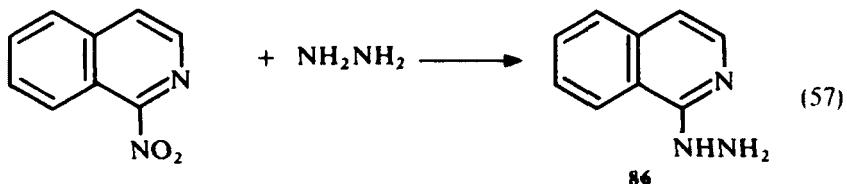
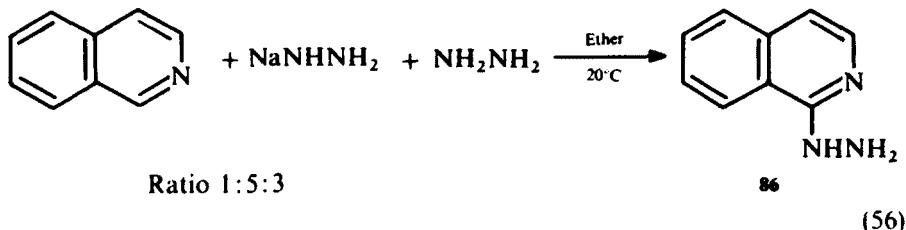
The 3-bromo analog of these *s*-triazoloisoquinolines **91** on treatment with *n*-butyllithium yields the lithiated derivative **92**. This compound is stable at low temperatures (-70°C), but decomposes to yield 1-aminoisoquinoline **1** at room temperature⁶⁶ (Eq. 55).



Heptafluoroisoquinoline, on treatment with hydrazine hydrate, similarly yields 1-hydrazinohexafluoroisoquinoline, from which the hydrazone may be readily obtained.¹⁸ The direct introduction of the hydrazine grouping into isoquinoline has been achieved using controlled mixtures of sodium hydrazide and hydrazine^{67, 68} (Eq. 56).

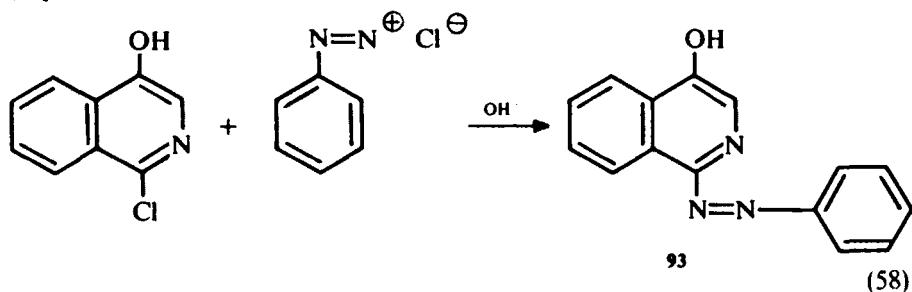
Modifications of this methodology are available for the introduction of alkylated (CH_3) hydrazide moieties.⁷⁰

As an alternate route, the treatment of 1-nitroisoquinoline with hydrazine hydrate gives good yields of **86**²⁰ (Eq. 57).

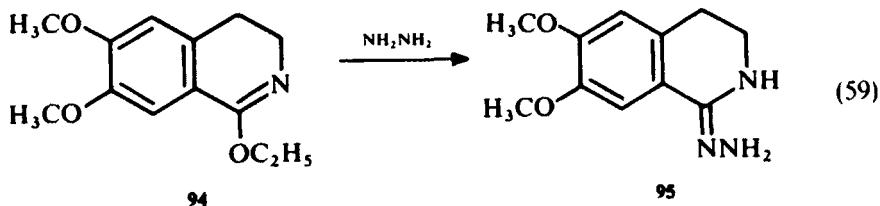


1-Hydrazinoisoquinolines have been shown to possess properties that lower blood pressure.⁷¹

Isoquinolines substituted at the 1 position with diazonium groupings **93** may be prepared by displacement of the halogen at position 1 by diazonium salts⁷² (Eq. 58).



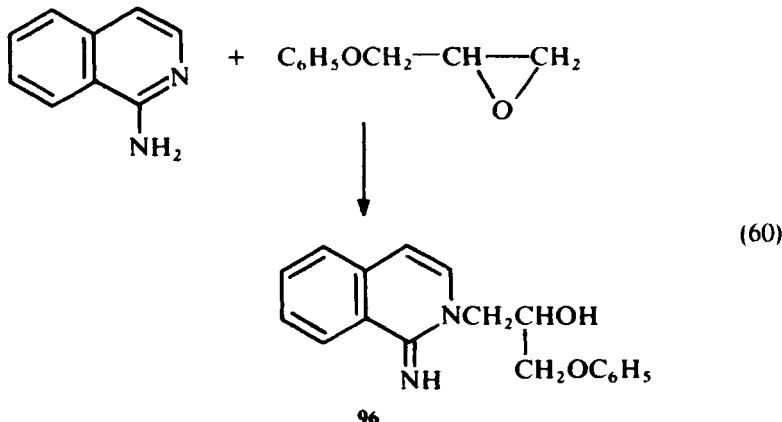
1-Hydrazonoisoquinoline **95** may be prepared from lactim ether **94**⁷³ by direct reaction with hydrazine (Eq. 59).



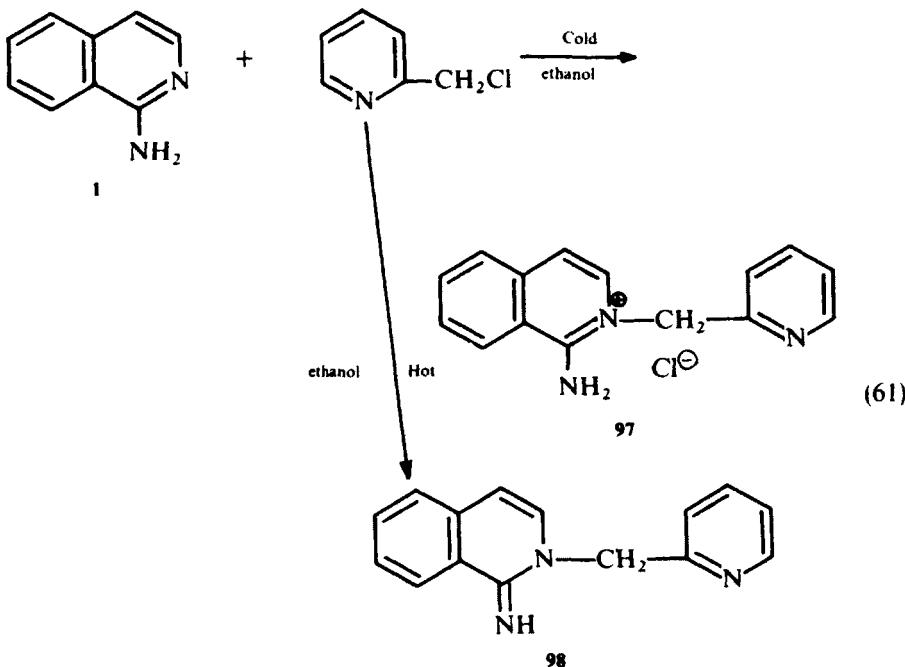
G. 1-Iminoisoquinolines

As noted in Section I. A, studies on the tautomerism of 1-aminoisoquinoline **1** show that an imine structure prevails and, thus, it is not surprising that **1** has

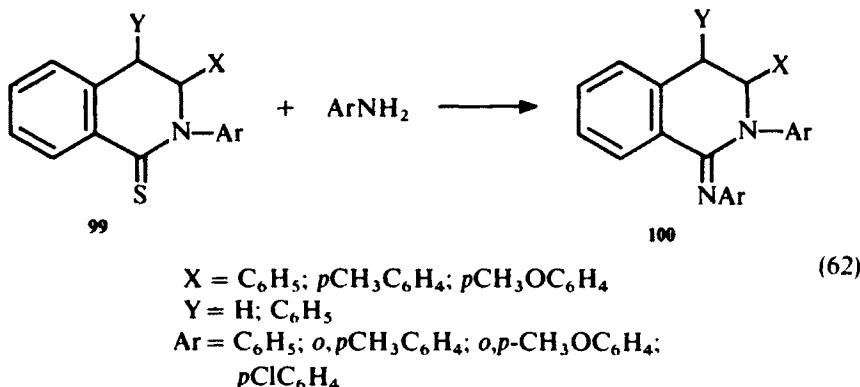
been used in the synthesis of various 1-iminoisoquinolines. *N*-(2-Hydroxy-3-phenoxypropyl)-1-imino-1,2-dihydroisoquinoline **96** may be isolated from the treatment of **1** with phenoxypropylene oxide in methanol⁷⁴ (Eq. 60). Base hydrolysis of **96** readily yields the corresponding 1-isoquinolone.



The formation of 1-imino-2-(2-pyridylmethyl)-1,2-dihydroisoquinoline **98** occurs on reaction of **1** with 2-chloromethylpyridine in boiling ethanol, whereas quaternization of the heterocyclic nitrogen of **1** takes place in cold ethanol, resulting in **97**⁷⁵ (Eq. 61).

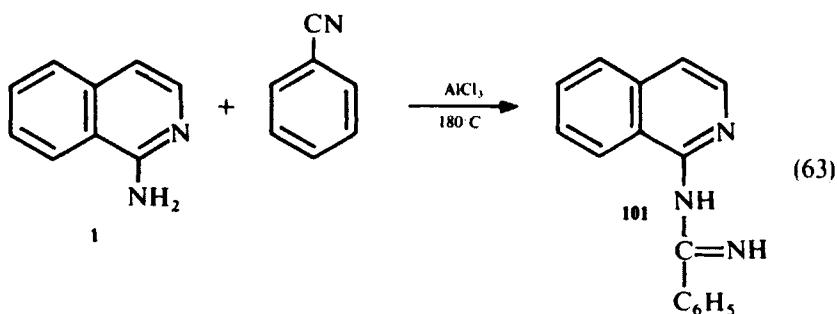


Several 1-phenyliminoisoquinolines (e.g., **100**) have been prepared by a facile procedure described by Legrand and Lozac'h⁷⁶ (Eq. 62). 1-Isoquinolinethiones **99**, on treatment with primary aromatic amines in the absence of strong acids, yield products such as **100**. Hydrolysis readily affords the corresponding 1-isoquinolone.

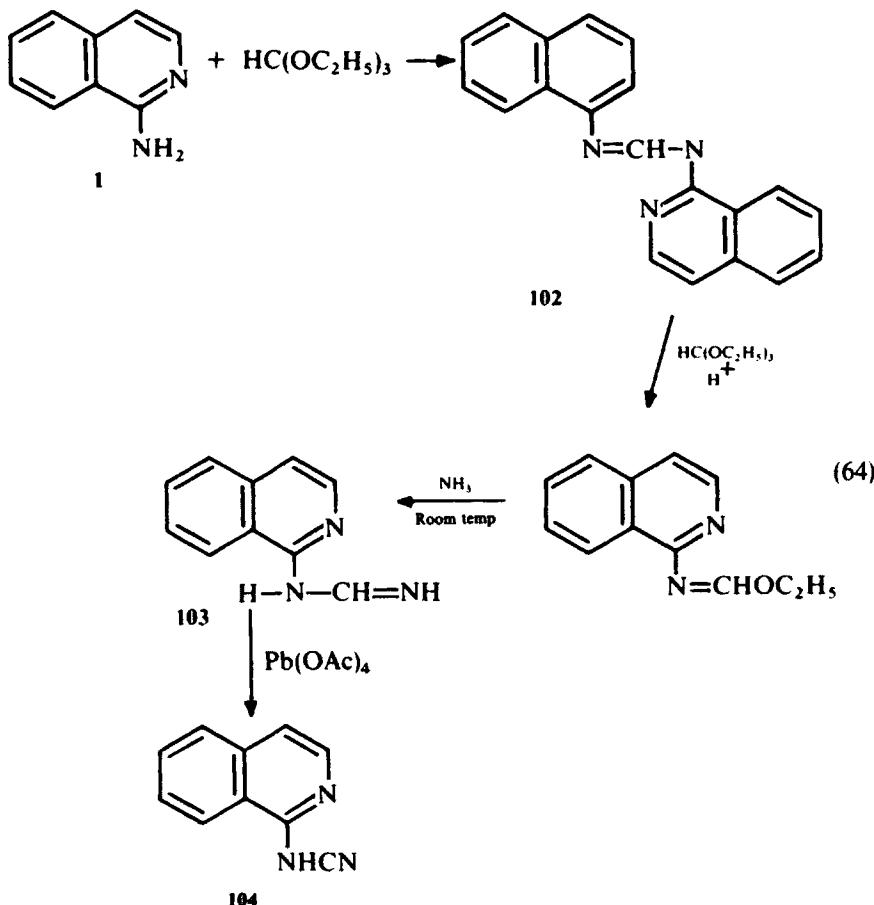


H. 1-Amidinoisoquinolines

The preparation of 1-isoquinolylbenzamidines **101** may be effected by the treatment of 1-aminoisoquinoline **1** with benzonitrile in the presence of a Lewis acid⁷⁷ (Eq. 63).



The preparation of the analogous formamidine **103** necessitates the use of orthoformic ester, followed by hydrolysis and amination of the initially formed diisoquinolinyl formamidine **102** (Eq. 64).

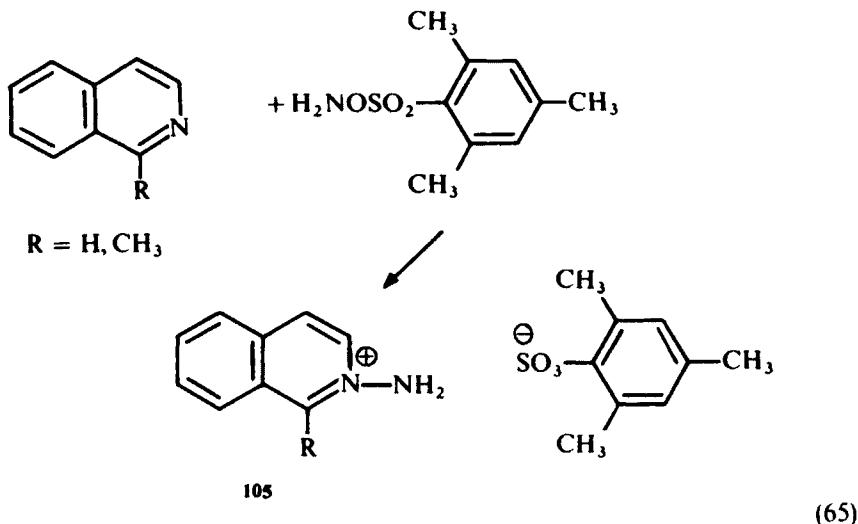


III. PREPARATION OF ISOQUINOLINES HAVING A BASIC GROUPING AT POSITION 2

A. 2-Aminoisoquinolines

2-Aminoisoquinolines may be considered to be hydrazines in which one of the nitrogens has been incorporated into the isoquinoline ring structure. Thus, derivatives (particularly acyl derivatives) have been the subject of several studies in the formation of polycyclic tetrazines and several rearrangement reactions.

Isoquinoline (or its 1-methyl analog) has been converted to its 2-amino derivative **105** by treatment with *O*-mesitylenesulfonyl hydroxylamine⁷⁸ or hydroxylamine *O*-sulfonic acid.^{79, 80} The product **105** may be isolated as its mesitylene sulfonate salt⁷⁸ (Eq. 65) or converted to a suitable halide salt by treatment with the hydrohalide.^{79, 81}



Several ring-substituted isoquinolines may be used as substrates to prepare the corresponding *N*-aminoisoquinolinium salts (e.g., R = 3-Me; R = 6-Me; R = 8-Me; R = 7-OMe)^{82, 83} (e.g., 2-COOC₂H₅)^{84, 85} (Eq. 65).

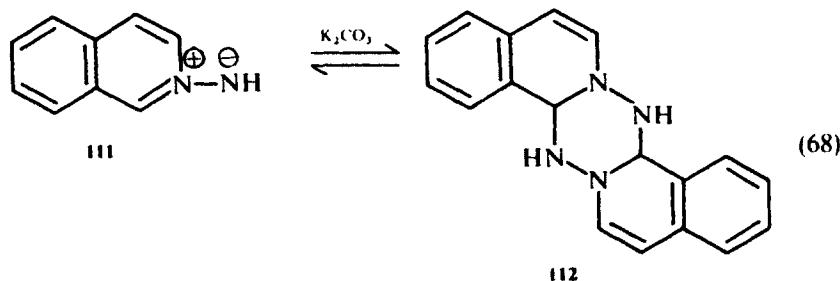
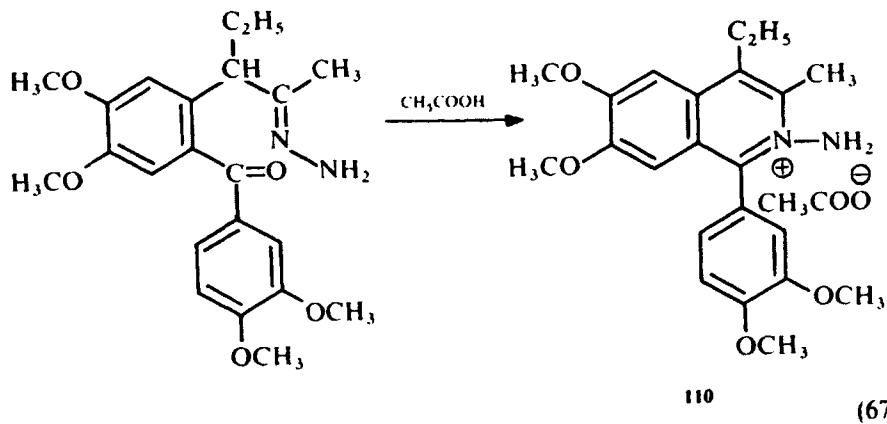
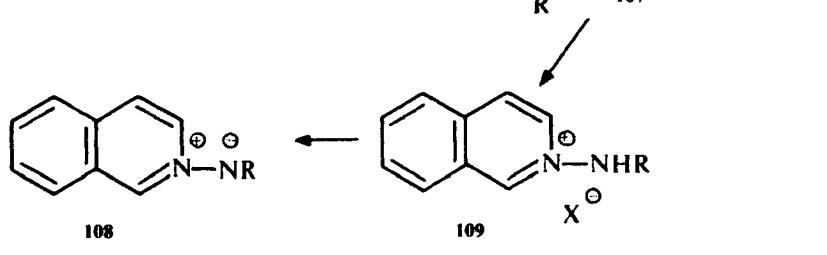
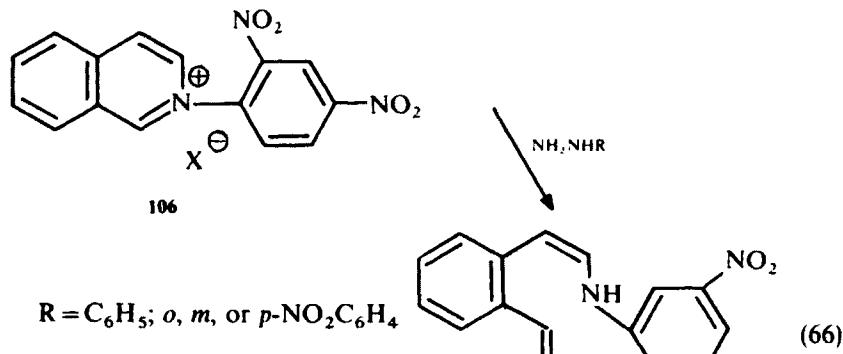
Interestingly, acyl ylides of 2-aminoisoquinoline undergo a photochemical 1,2-migration leading to the formation of 1-acylaminoisoquinolines.^{78, 81, 86} This contrasts with comparable studies utilizing pyridinium betaines in which ring expansion occurs to yield diazepines. The 1,2-migration in the isoquinoline series is proposed to occur by way of a diaziridine intermediate.⁷⁸

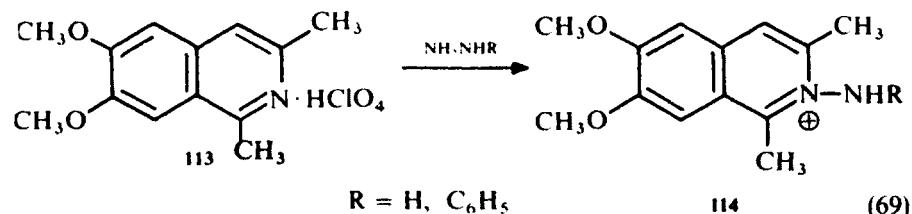
While less relevant to the discussion of compounds in this group of isoquinolines, the "reverse migration" has been observed during the synthesis of a large number of 2-arylaminooisoquinolines, the migration occurring by way of a ring-opening followed by recyclization. 2,4-Dinitrophenylisoquinolinium salts **106**, on treatment with variously substituted arylhydrazines, undergo cleavage of the 1,2 bond of the isoquinoline ring to give an arylhydrazine **107**. Subsequent recyclization yields the 2-arylaminooisoquinolinium salt **109**, from which *N*-substituted iminoisoquinolinium betaines **108** are obtained^{86, 135} (Eq. 66).

The synthesis of 2-amino-1-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-6,7-dimethoxy-4-ethyl-3-methylisoquinolinium salts **110**, using a wide variety of ring-closing media, has been reported by Korosi⁸⁷ (Eq. 67).

Dimerization of 2-aminoisoquinolinium betaine **111** in the presence of potassium carbonate and in dimethylformamide occurs, yielding the tetrazine derivative **112**⁸⁸ (Eq. 68).

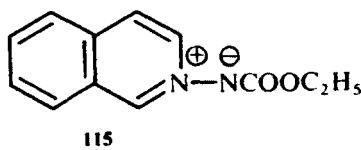
Dimers similar to **112** have been reported from the treatment of 2-aminoisoquinolinium chloride with phenyl isocyanate or phenyl isothiocyanate.⁸⁹ 1,3-Dimethyl-6,7-dimethoxyisoquinoline perchlorate **113**, on treatment with hydrazine hydrate or phenylhydrazine, produces the 2-amino derivative **114** in high yield⁹⁰ (Eq. 69).





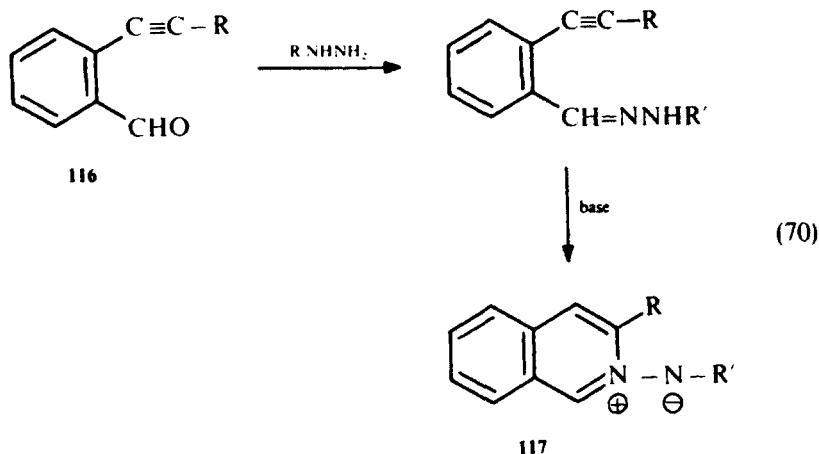
N-Acylimino- and *N*-sulfonyl-aminoisoquinolinium chlorides and their dipolar bases have been synthesized by

- (1) ring closure of compounds of the type 107 where R is an acyl or sulfonyl grouping,⁸⁹
- (2) acylation of 2-aminoisoquinolinium chloride,⁸⁹
- (3) transacylations of *N*-(2-isoquinoliny)-ethoxy carbonylamide 115⁸⁹



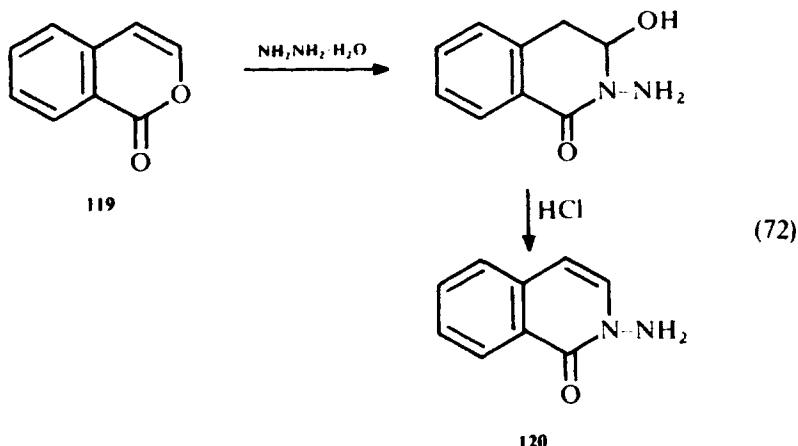
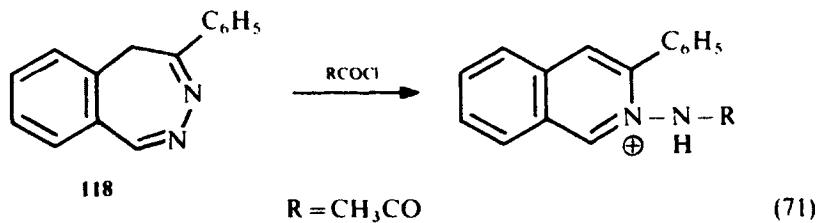
- (4) treatment of isoquinolinium salts with acylhydrazines.⁹¹

2-Iminoisoquinolines 117 have been reported as a result of the unanticipated base-induced cyclization of 2-ethynylbenzaldehyde 116 during an attempted synthesis of benzodiazepines⁹² (Eq. 70).

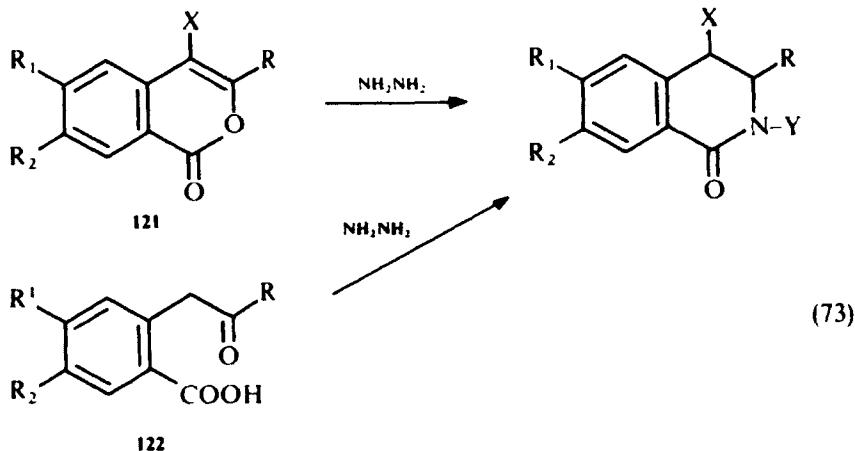


The acyl halide treatment of the benzodiazepine 118 results in the unexpected production of isoquinoline imine salts in good yield⁹³ (Eq. 71).

Treatment of isocoumarins with hydrazines may be used to form 2-aminoisoquinolones.⁹⁴ The reaction of isocoumarin 119 with hydrazine produces high yields of 2-amino-1(2H)-isoquinolone 120⁹⁵ (Eq. 72).



This reaction has been developed for the synthesis of a large variety of substituted analogs of **120** from substituted isocoumarins **121** or 2-carboxybenzylalkyl ketones **122**⁹⁵ (Eq. 73).



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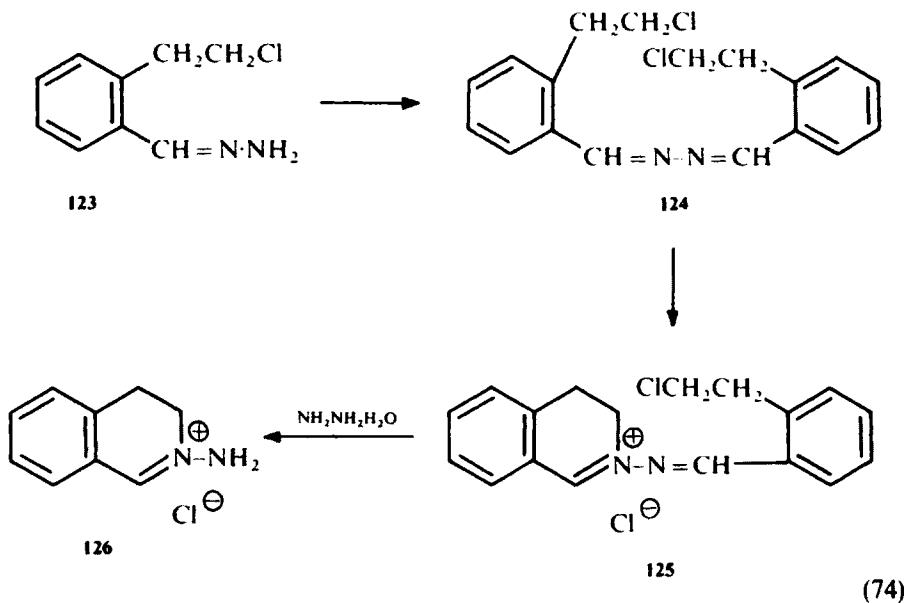
$\text{R}_1\text{R}_2 = \text{H}; \text{CH}_3; \text{C}_2\text{H}_5; \text{C}_3\text{H}_7; \text{OCH}_3$

$\text{X} = \text{H}; \text{COOH}$

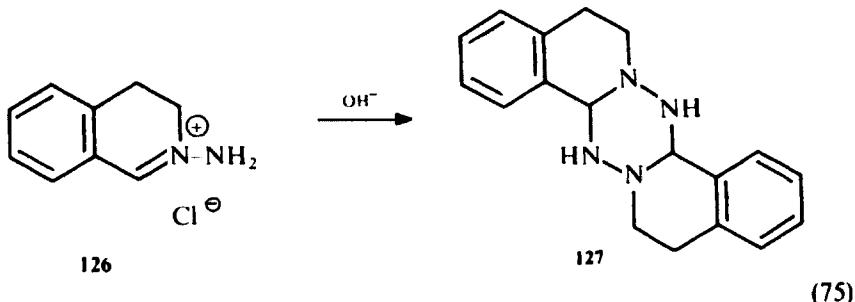
$\text{Y} = \text{NH}_2; \text{NHCOCH}_3; \text{N} = \text{CHC}_6\text{H}_5$

B. 2-Amino-3,4-Dihydroisoquinolines

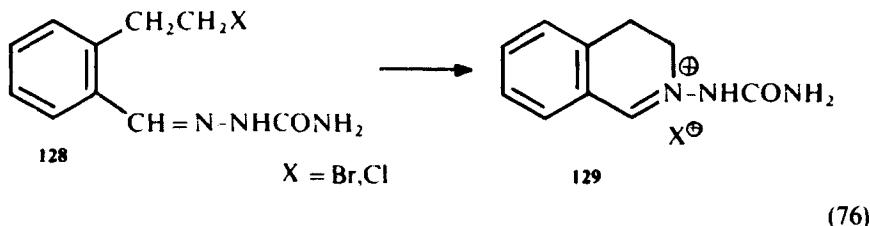
Ring-closure reactions may be employed for the synthesis of the title compounds of this group. 2(2-Chloroethyl)-benzaldimes 123 yield a dimer 124, which in methanol cyclizes to produce a 2-benzylideneamino-3,4-dihydroisoquinolinium salt 126.⁹⁶ Reduction with hydrazine hydrate readily produces the 2-amino-3,4-dihydroisoquinolinium salt 125.⁹⁶



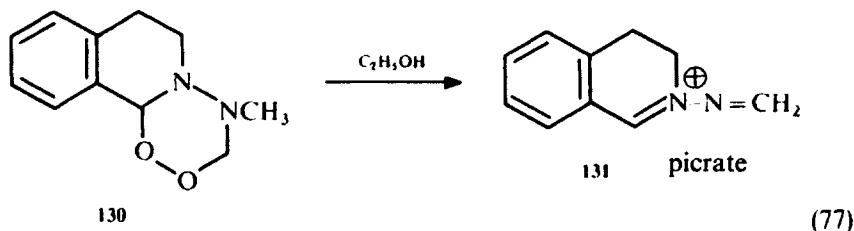
Dimerization of 126 under basic conditions has been used for the synthesis of the tetrazine derivative 127⁹⁶ (Eq. 75).



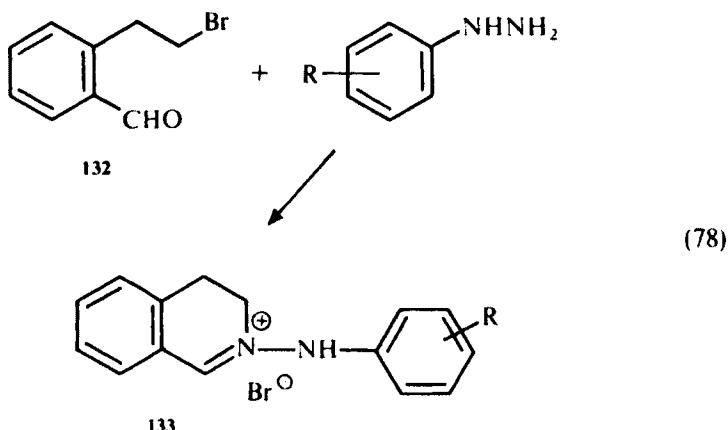
The careful heating of the carboxamidine 128, in a reaction analogous to Eq. 74, results in cyclization, yielding the 3,4-dihydroisoquinolinium derivative 129⁹⁶ (Eq. 76).



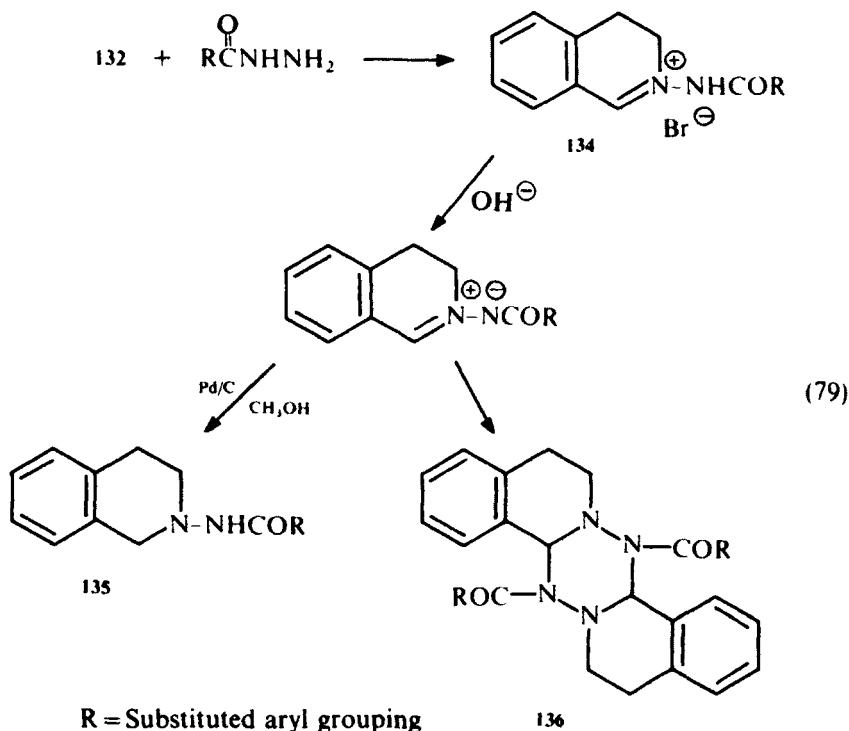
In a related study, dioxadiazines of the type 130 rapidly decompose in high yield to produce 131 at a rate dependent on solvent and the addition of acids or bases, indicative of a polar fragmentation⁹⁷ (Eq. 77).



2-Arylamino-3,4-dihydroisoquinolines 133 have been synthesized by the treatment of the benzaldehyde derivative 132 with phenyl hydrazines⁹⁷ (Eq. 78).

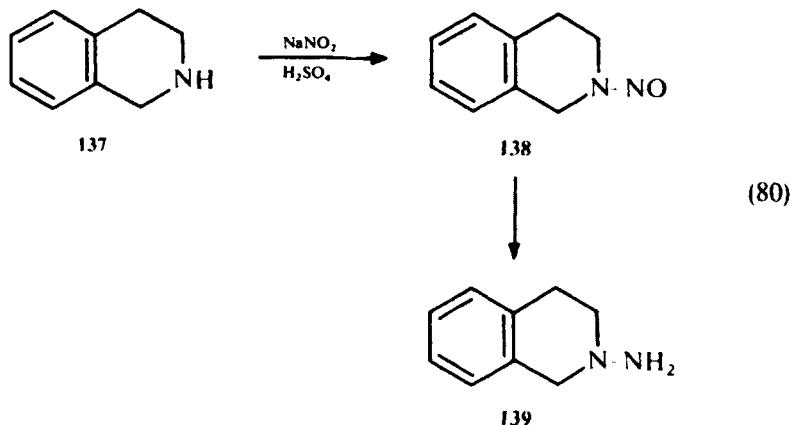


Compounds of type 132, on treatment with alkenes, alkynes, and nitriles yield pentacyclic tetrazines,^{98, 99} similar treatment of 133 with carbonyl compounds yields oxadiazolidines.¹⁰⁰ Benzoylhydrazine treatment of 132 provides an efficient synthesis of *N*-acylimino-3,4-dihydroisoquinolinium betaines 134, which are converted to tetrazines 136 analogous to Eq. 75, as well as to the 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline analog 127⁹⁹ (Eq. 79).



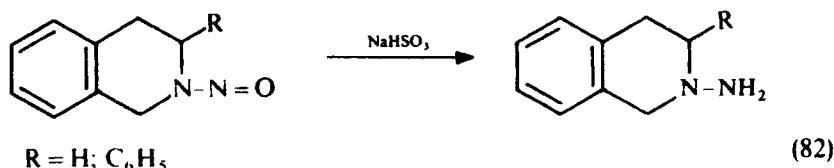
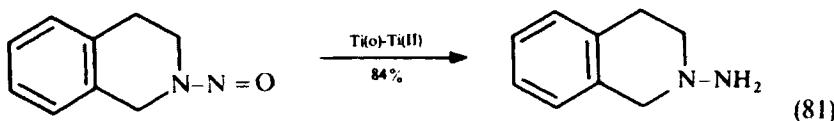
C. 2-Amino-1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolines

Diazotization of 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline **137** yields the *N*-nitroso derivative **138**, which on reduction with lithium aluminum hydride gives excellent yields (75%) of the corresponding 2-amino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines **139**¹⁰¹ (Eq. 80). Alternate reductions, including hydrazine hydrate,¹⁰² zinc

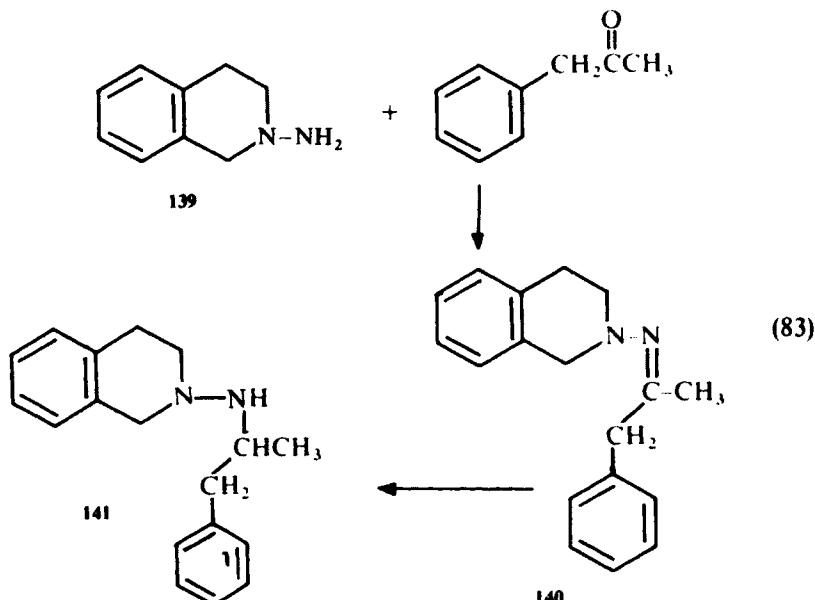


amalgam,¹⁰³ or zinc and acetic acid¹⁰⁴ have been conducted with several substituted derivatives of 137.

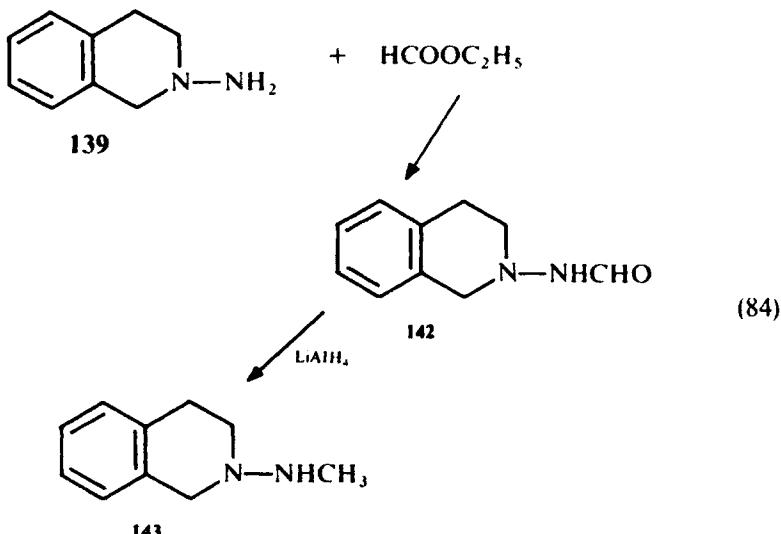
Reports have appeared indicating that low-valent titanium reagents¹⁰⁵ (Eq. 81) and sodium bisulfite¹⁰⁶ (Eq. 82) may be used as alternate reducing agents. The uniqueness of the titanium reagent in its selectivity for the *N*-nitroso function enables many other reducible groups to be included in the molecule and be unaffected.



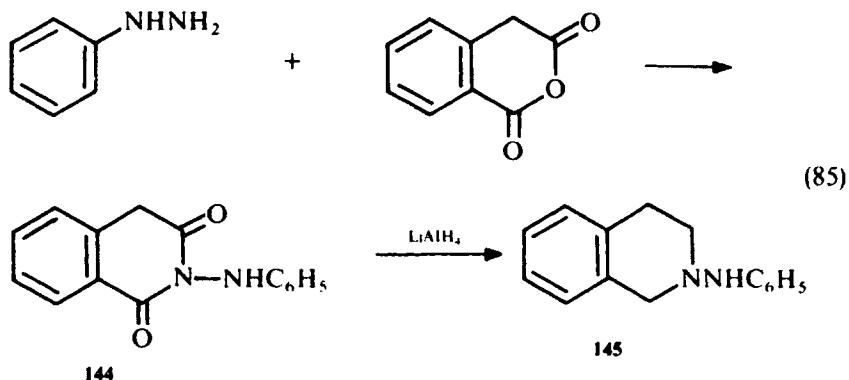
Condensation of 2-amino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline 139 with various aldehydes or ketones to yield the Schiff's base 140 has been used as a route for the synthesis of 2-alkylamino analogs 141^{103, 107, 108} (e.g., Eq. 83).



Intermediates of the type 140 have been studied for both antihypertensive¹⁰⁷ and anticancer¹⁰⁸ activity. Formic ester treatment of 139 followed by lithium aluminum hydride reduction of the *N*-formyl intermediate 142 gives 2-methylamino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline 143¹⁰⁷ (Eq. 84).

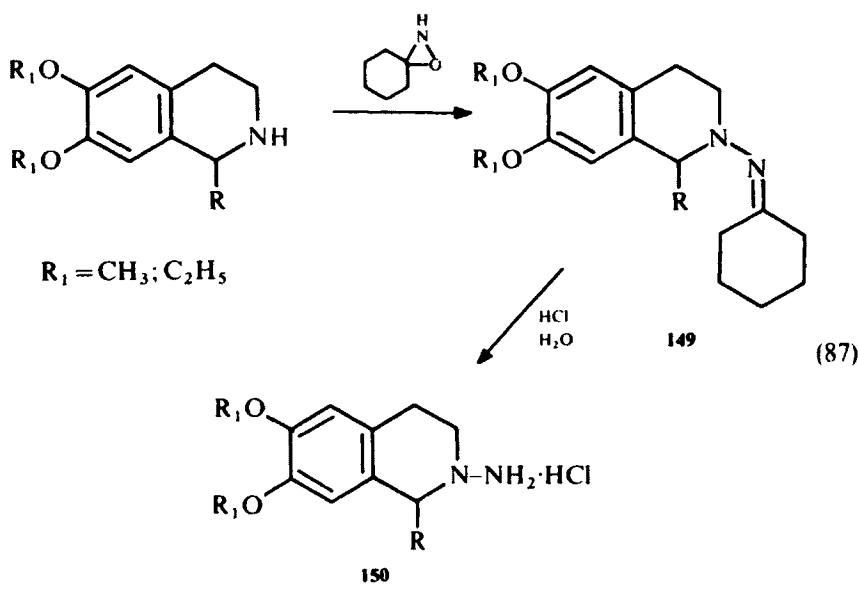
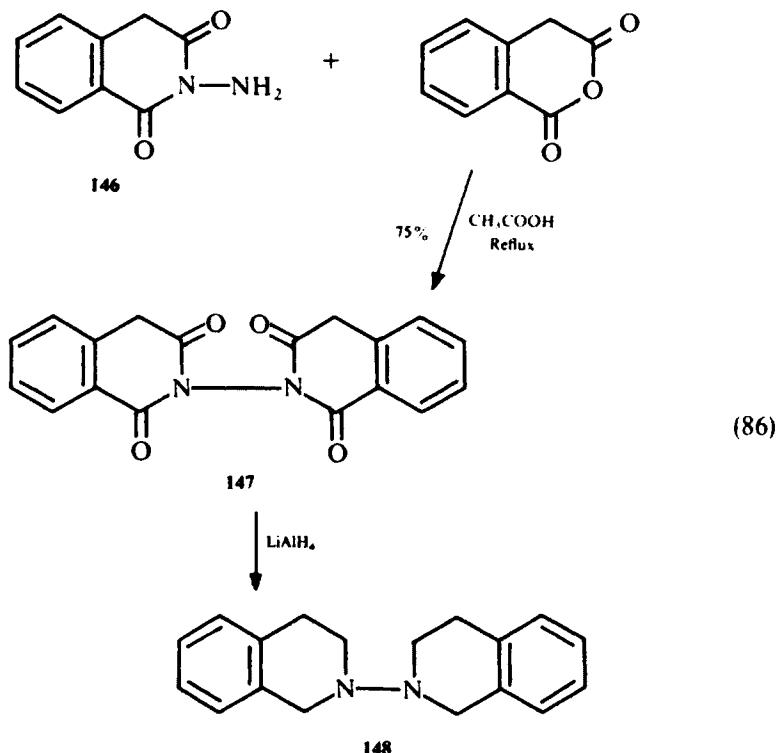


Isoquinolones may be used in the synthesis of 2-arylamino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines. In an attempted preparation of diazepines by the action of phenylhydrazine on homophthalic anhydride, the isoquinolinedione **144** was isolated. Lithium aluminum hydride reduction of **144** afforded the 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline **145**¹⁰⁹ (Eq. 85).

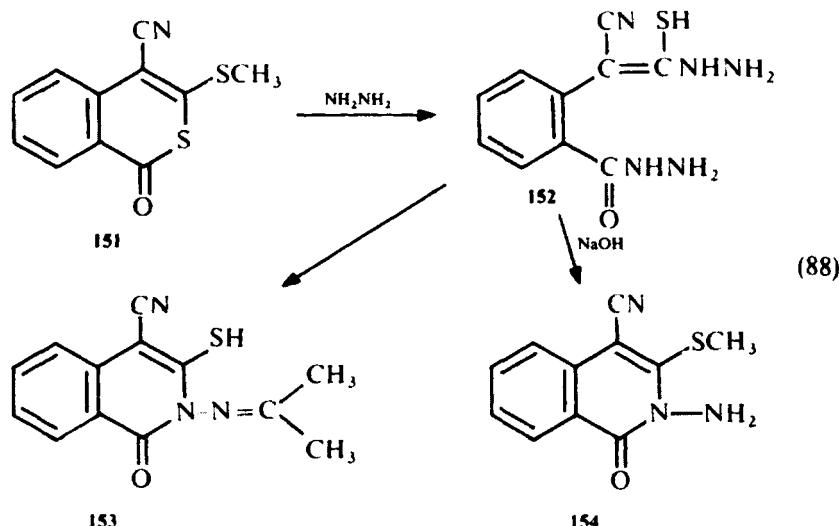


In an analogous reaction, homophthalic anhydride treatment of the isoquinolinedione **146** results in the formation of an isoquinolinedione dimer **147**, which on reduction yields the 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline dimer **148**¹⁰⁹ (Eq. 86).

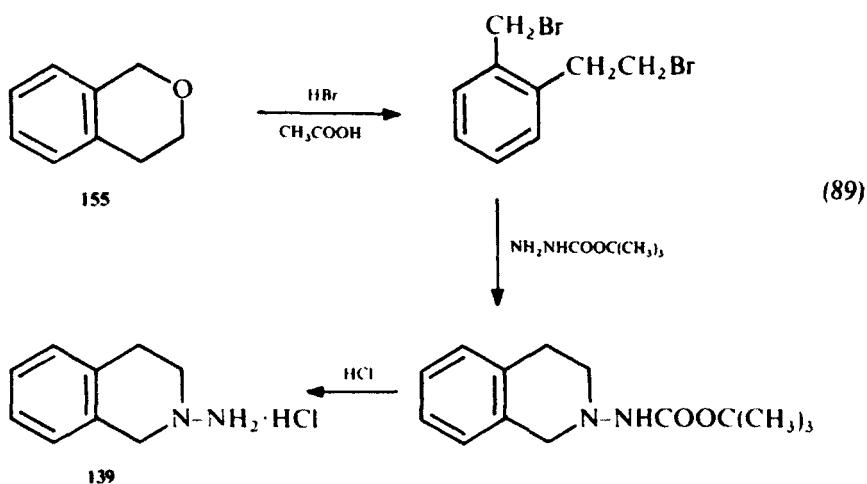
N-Amination of variously substituted 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines occurs on treatment with 3,3-pentamethylene oxaziridine. The resulting hydrazones **149** may be converted to the corresponding 2-aminoisoquinolines **150** by hydrolysis¹¹⁰ (Eq. 87).



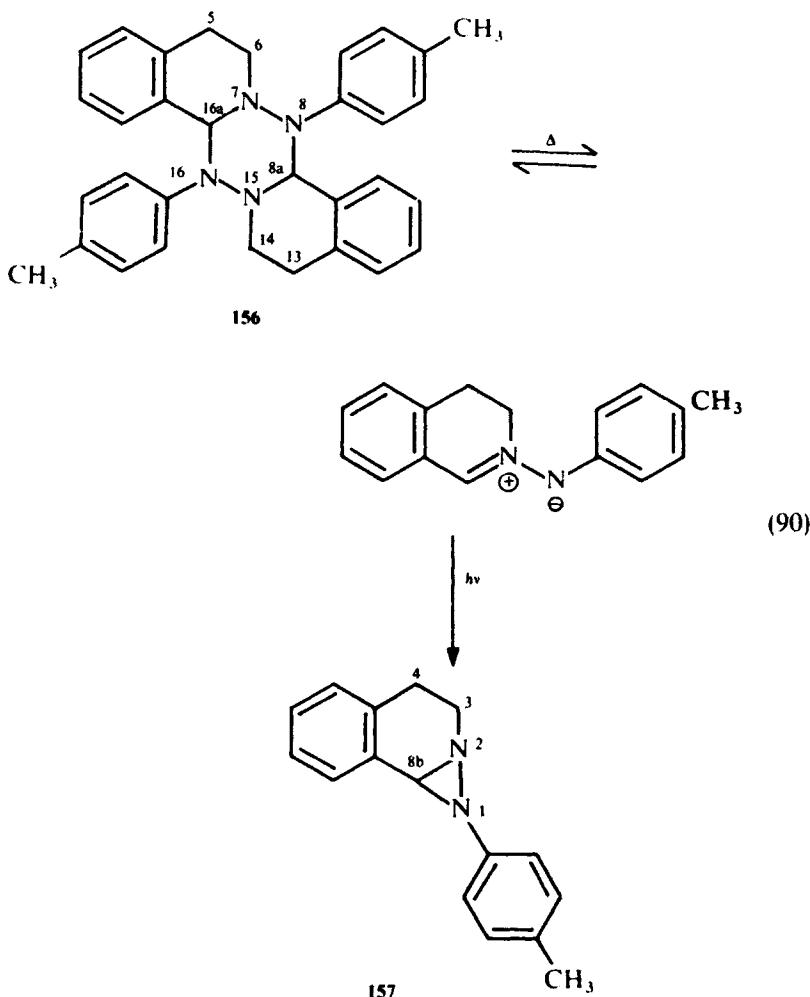
Some studies of 3-methylthio-4-cyanothioisocoumarins **151** yielding 2-amino-1-isoquinolones have been reported¹¹¹ (Eq. 88). Treatment of **151** with hydrazine results in ring cleavage to form **152**, which may be recyclized with base to the 2-aminoisoquinolone **154** or with acetone to give the 2-iminoisoquinolone **153**¹¹¹ (Eq. 88).



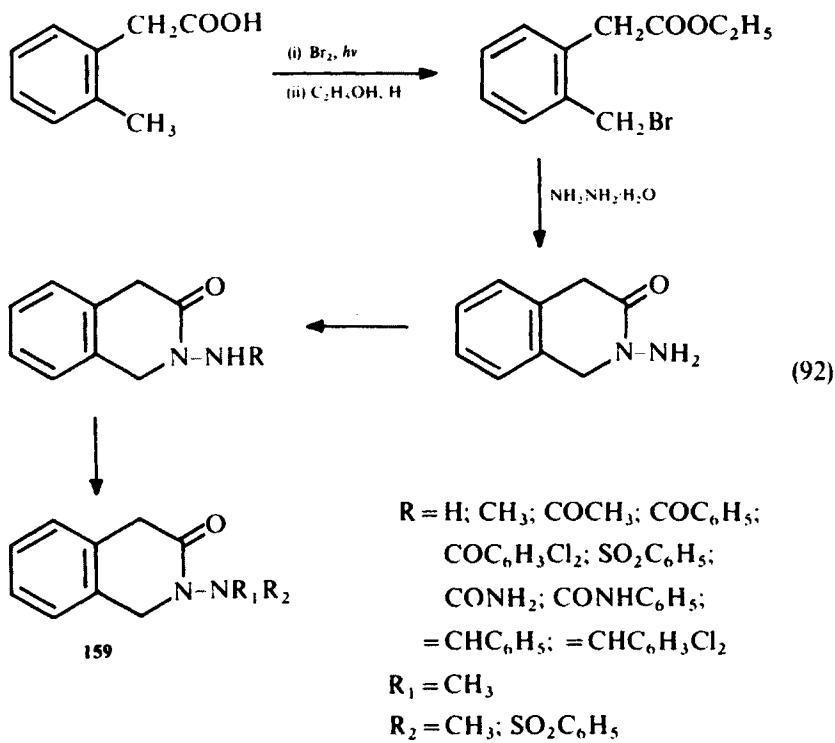
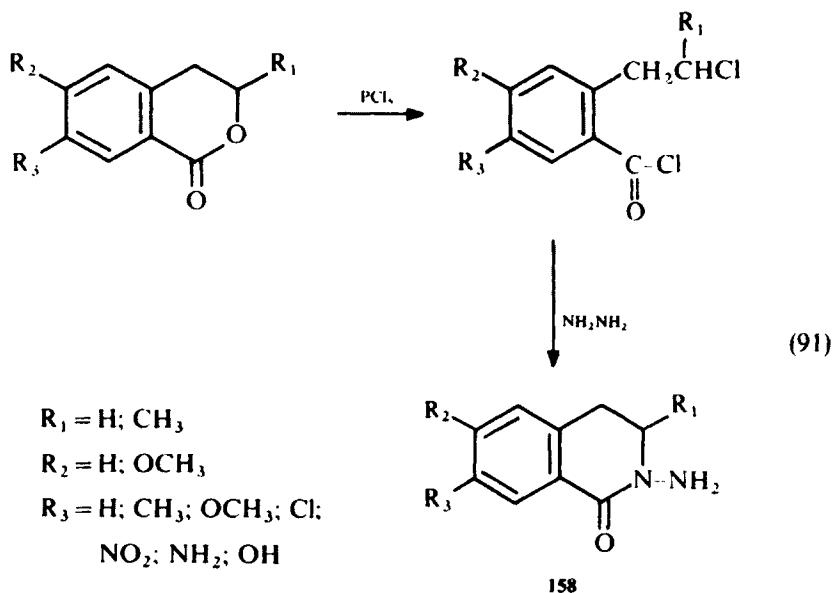
A novel synthesis of 2-amino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline hydrochloride from isochroman has been reported. The acid-catalyzed ring opening of the chroman **155**, followed by treatment of the carboxylate ester of hydrazine, yields an intermediate which readily hydrolyzes to 2-amino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline **139**¹¹² (Eq. 89).

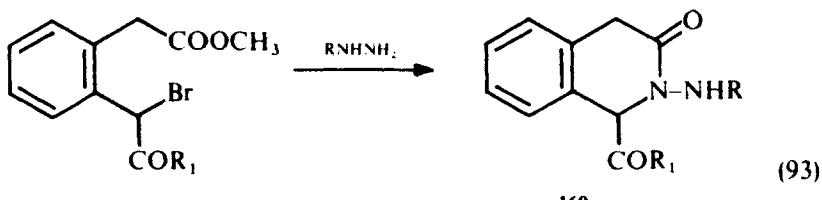


A unique isoquinoline derivative having a basic nitrogen bonded to both the 1 and 2 positions of 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline [8bH-3,4-dihydro-1-(4-methylphenyl)-diazirino-[3,1-a]isoquinoline] **157** has been synthesized in high yield from the irradiation of 5,6,8a,13,14,16a-hexahydro-8,16-di-(4-methylphenyl)s-tetrazino [6,1-a:3,4-a] diisoquinoline **156**¹¹³ (Eq. 90).



The synthesis of several 2-amino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolones has been achieved involving hydrazine or phenylhydrazine as a ring-closing reagent. Some 1- (**158**) and 3- (**159**, **160**) isoquinolones and 1,3-diisoquinolones (**161**) are shown as examples (Eqs. 91-94¹¹⁴⁻¹¹⁷).

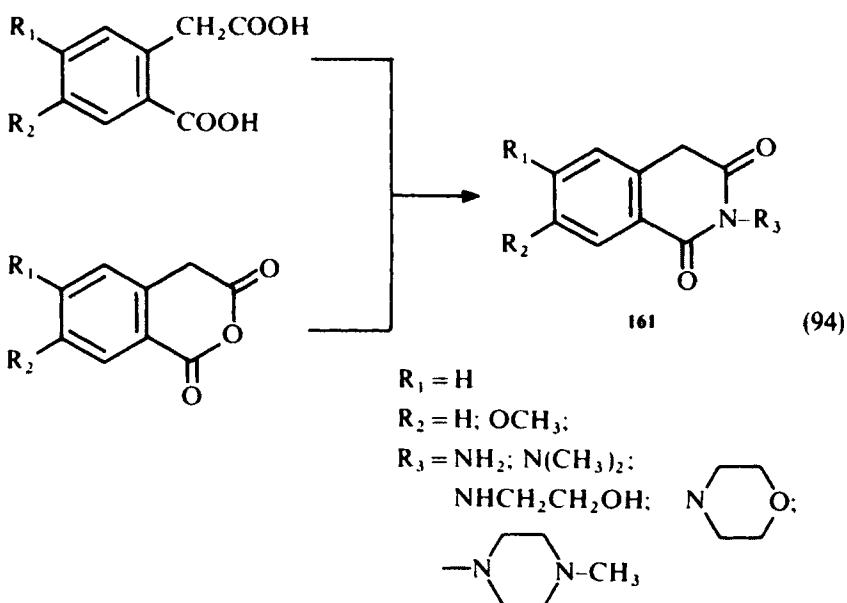




$R = H; C_6H_5$

$R_1 = OCH_3; NH_2$

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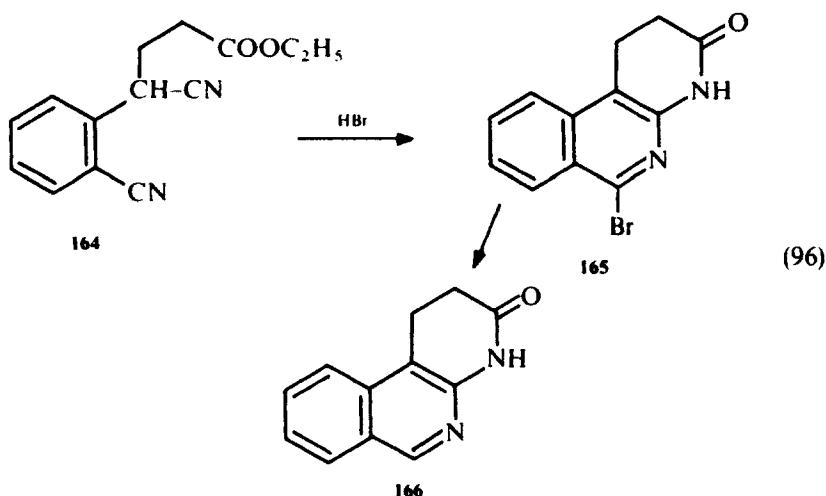
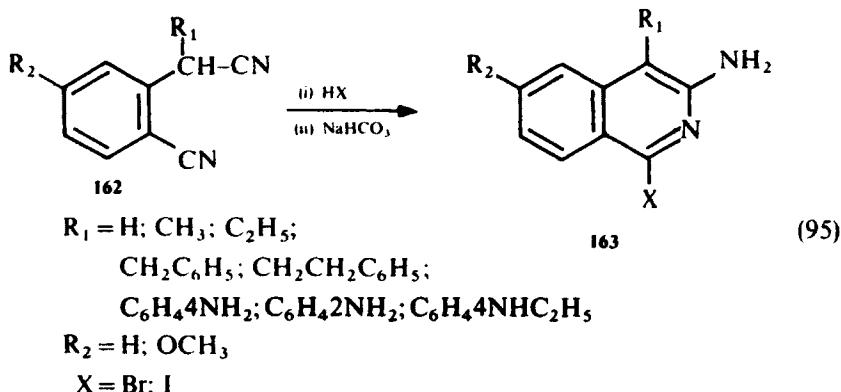


IV. PREPARATION OF ISOQUINOLINES HAVING A BASIC GROUPING AT POSITION 3

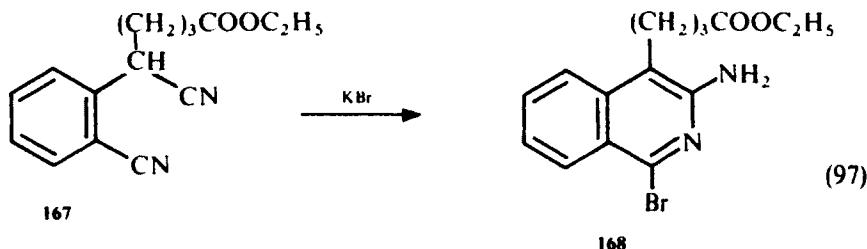
A. 3-Aminoisoquinolines

Treatment of dinitriles of the type **162** under anhydrous conditions with hydrogen bromide or hydrogen iodide results in a high-yielding cyclization to produce 3-aminoisoquinolines **163**¹¹⁸ (Eq. 95). The use of HCl in this procedure does not give the ring-closed product. Adaptation of this excellent synthesis to the preparation of a wide variety of 3-aminoisoquinolines has been reported¹¹⁸⁻¹²¹ (Eq. 95).

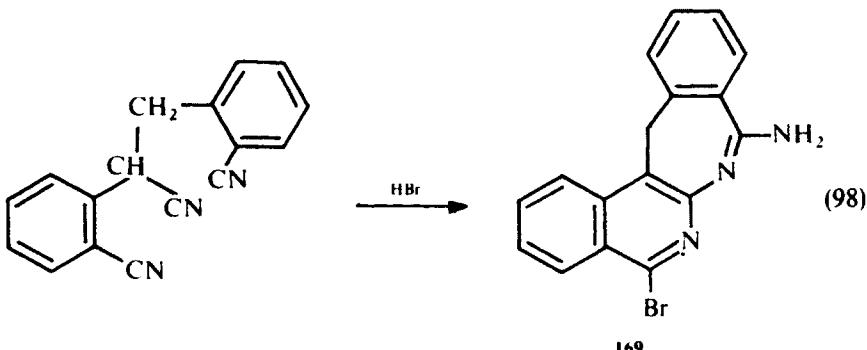
If R_1 in Eq. 95 is a propionic ester moiety **164**, a 1,8-naphthyridine derivative **165** is obtained, from which the bromine can be readily removed by hydrogenation to **166**¹¹⁸ (Eq. 96).



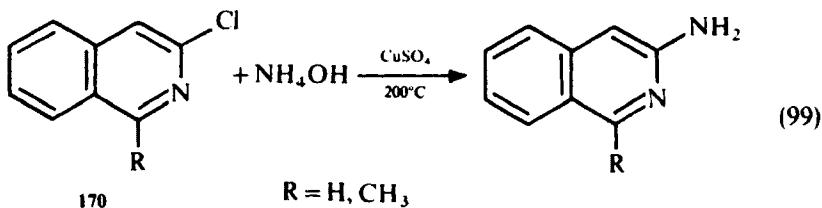
In view of this, it is surprising that the successful closure (**168**) of butyrate esters at position R_1 (**167**) has been reported¹²¹ (Eq. 97).



This synthesis has been adapted for the preparation of the benzoisoquinoline azepine derivative **169**¹¹⁸ (Eq. 98).



The amination of 3-chloroisoquinolines (Eq. 99) over copper catalysts may be used as an approach for the synthesis of 3-aminoisoquinolines.¹²² This procedure has also been adopted for the preparation of ¹⁵N analogs.¹²³

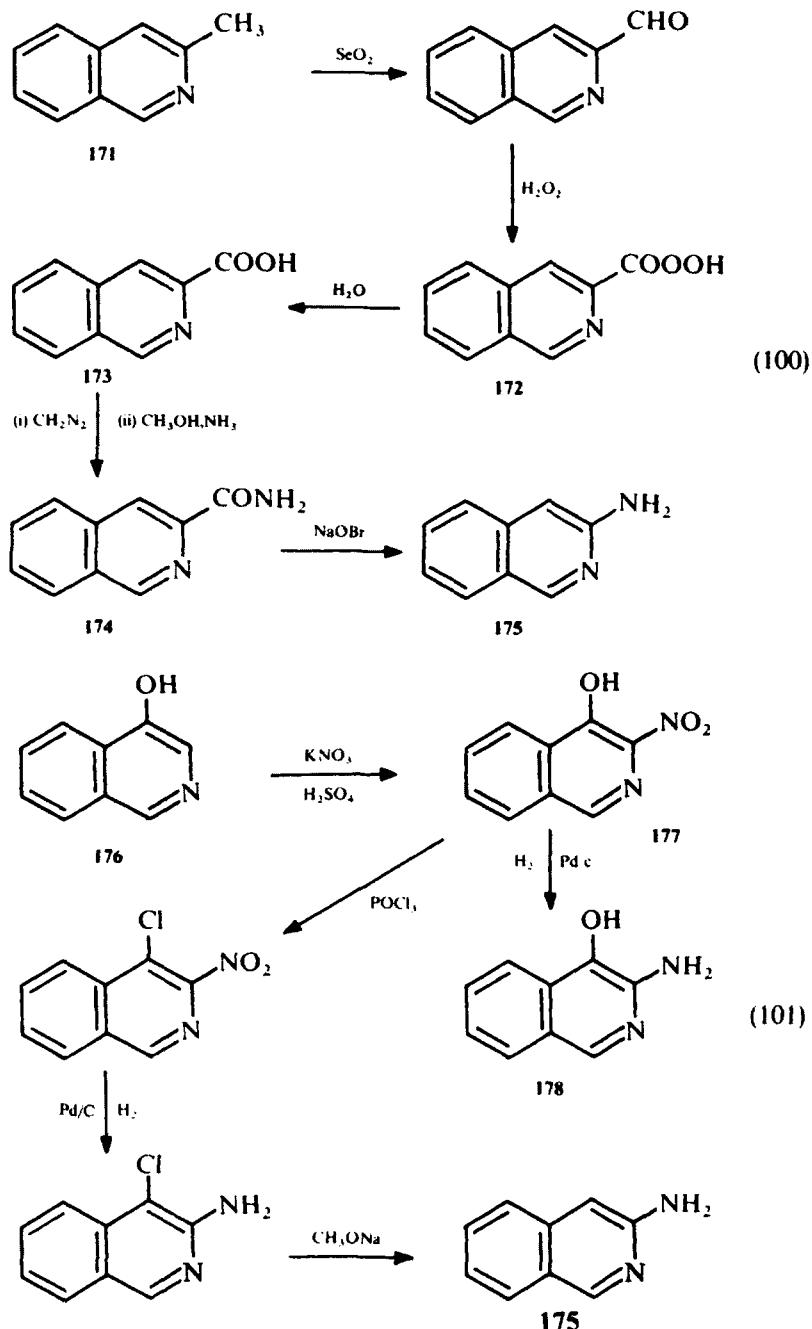


1-Methyl-3-aminoisoquinoline is unexpectedly obtained when R grouping in 170 is —CH₂CONHR.¹²² The amination of 3-chloroisoquinoline (170, R=H), using potassium amide in liquid ammonia, gives satisfactory yields of 93 (R = H). The amination occurs by addition of the nucleophile and ring-opening and ring-closure mechanisms (ANRORC).⁶

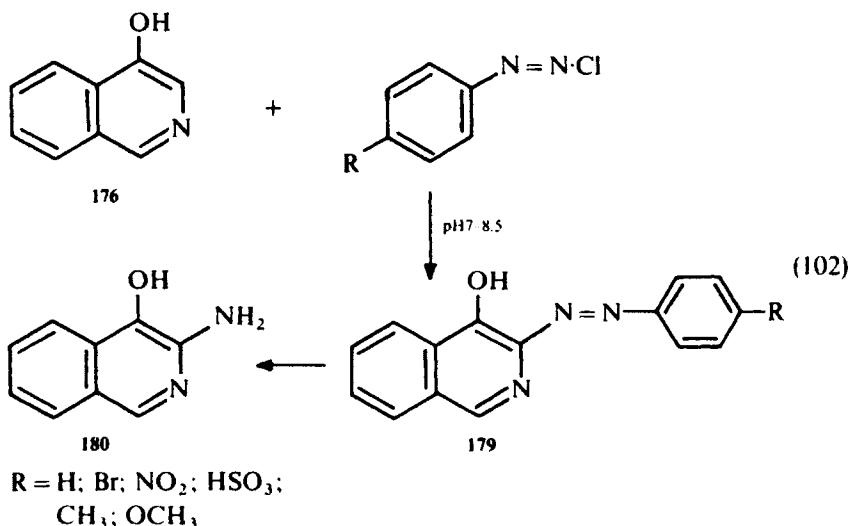
Prior to the development of Johnson's procedure,¹¹⁸ several indirect routes to the 3-aminoisoquinolines were used. 3-Methyliisoquinoline 171, for example, may be oxidized in two stages to the peracid 172, from which isoquinoline-3-carboxylic acid 173 is obtained. Formation of the amide 174 is followed by Hofmann degradation to produce the desired 3-aminoisoquinoline 175^{124, 125} in fair overall yield (Eq. 100).

Nitration of 4-hydroxyisoquinoline 176 occurs very readily at the 3 position of the isoquinoline ring (177), probably due to the + tautomeric effect of the hydroxyl group. Reduction of the 3-nitro grouping readily produces the amine 177 (Eq. 101), which itself is not stable, but can be isolated in a stable form as the salt or the triacetyl derivative.¹²⁶ Chlorination (POCl₃) of 177 readily occurs at the 4 position, which on subsequent reduction and boiling with sodium methoxide removes the 4-hydroxyl grouping, yielding 3-aminoisoquinoline 175¹²⁶ (Eq. 101).

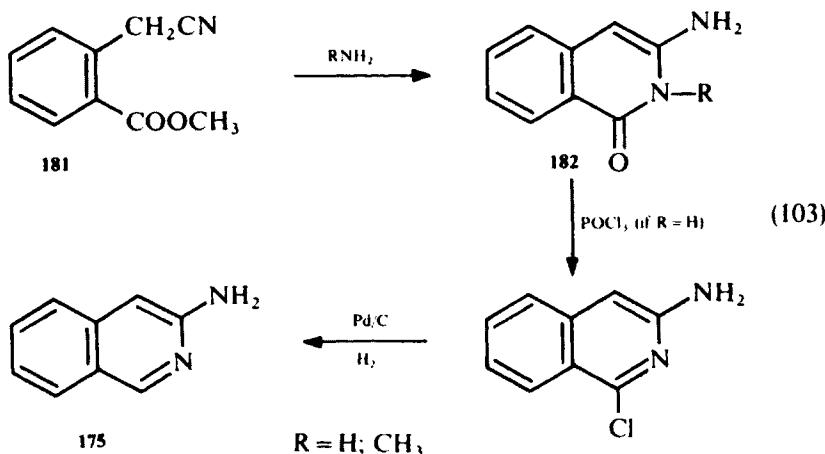
4-Hydroxyisoquinoline 176 has been employed in an alternate synthesis of 3-aminoisoquinolines by coupling with several *p*-substituted phenyl diazonium salts to yield the corresponding 3-diazonium isoquinoline 179¹²⁷ (Eq. 102).



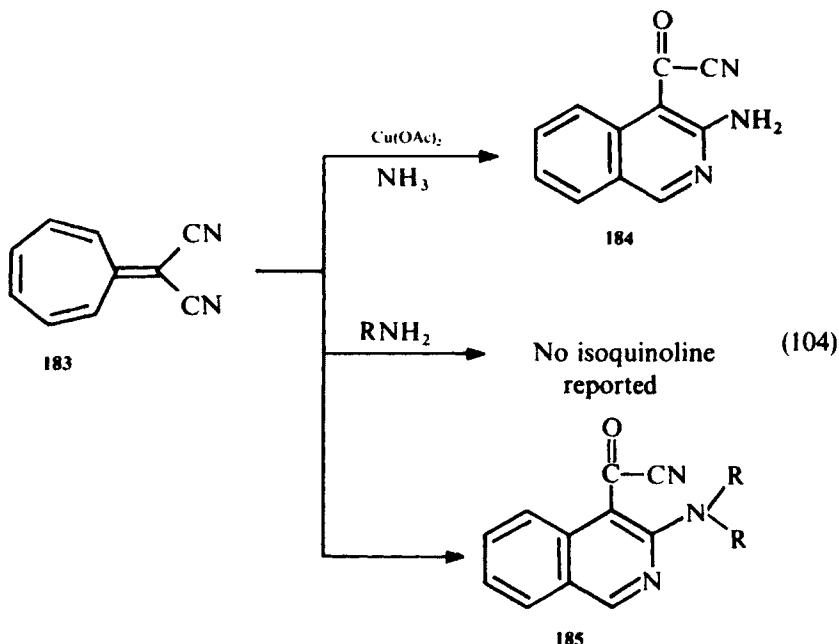
Stannous-chloride reduction readily affords the 3-aminoisoquinoline 180. A two-molar quantity of the diazonium salt (Eq. 102) results in substitution at both the 1 and 3 positions of the 4-hydroxyisoquinoline.



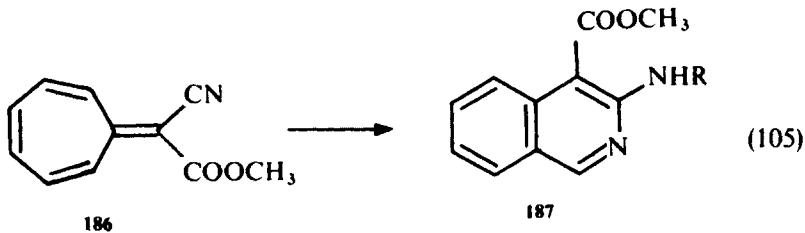
The ring closure of methyl *o*-cyanomethylbenzoates **181** on treatment with primary amines yields 3-aminoisoquinolin-1-ones **182**.¹⁹ Subsequent chlorination with phosphorus oxychloride and dehalogenation over palladium on charcoal provides **175** (Eq. 103).



Oxidative aminations of substituted heptafulvenes to yield 3-aminoisoquinolines have been reported by Kikuchi.¹²⁸ The reaction of 8,8-dicyanoheptafulvene **183** with ammonia in the presence of copper(II) acetate, and with dimethylamine and various *N*-heterocyclic secondary amines with copper(II) acetate, yields the corresponding 3-aminoisoquinoline-4-carbonitriles **184** and **185** (Eq. 104). However, similar reactions with primary amines yield substituted cycloheptapyrroles.

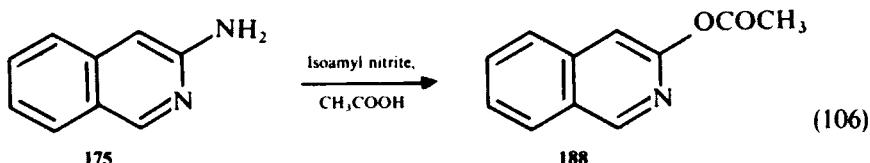


Substituted 3-aminoisoquinolines 187 may be obtained in 20–50% yield from primary amines under similar conditions, using 8-cyano-8-methoxycarbonylheptafulvene 186 (Eq. 105).

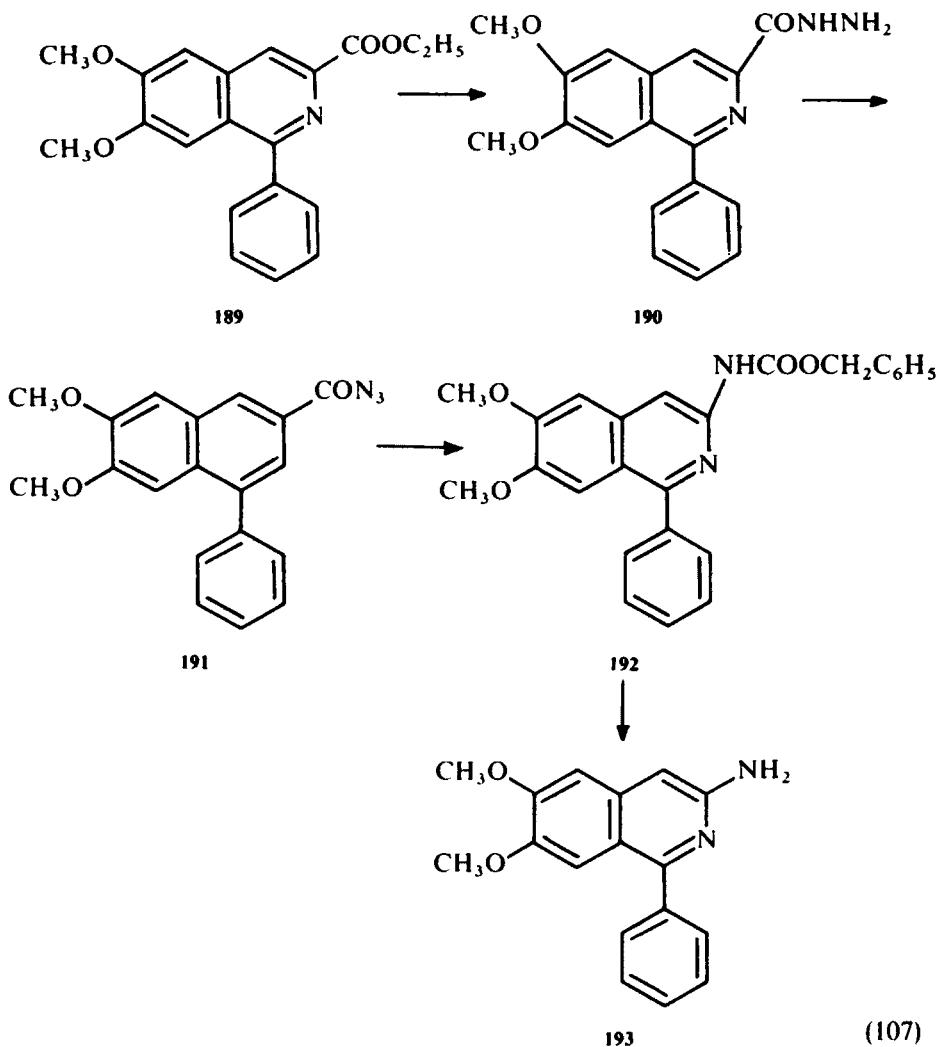


The 3-aminoisoquinoline cation (pK_a 5.05) has been shown by UV studies to essentially correlate with the neutral species of 3-isoquinolone.¹²⁹ Bromination and thiocyanation of 3-aminoisoquinoline occurs readily at the 4 position.^{118,130} Diazotization of the 3-amino grouping of 175 occurs as expected, from which the 3-haloisoquinoline can be obtained in moderate yields by the usual procedures.^{131–133} Isolation of 3-acetoxyisoquinoline 188 in good yield occurs by treatment of 175 with isoamyl nitrite in acetic acid, a rare example of the transformation of an aryl diazonium acetate (or its tautomer) to the corresponding phenol acetate¹³³ (Eq. 106).

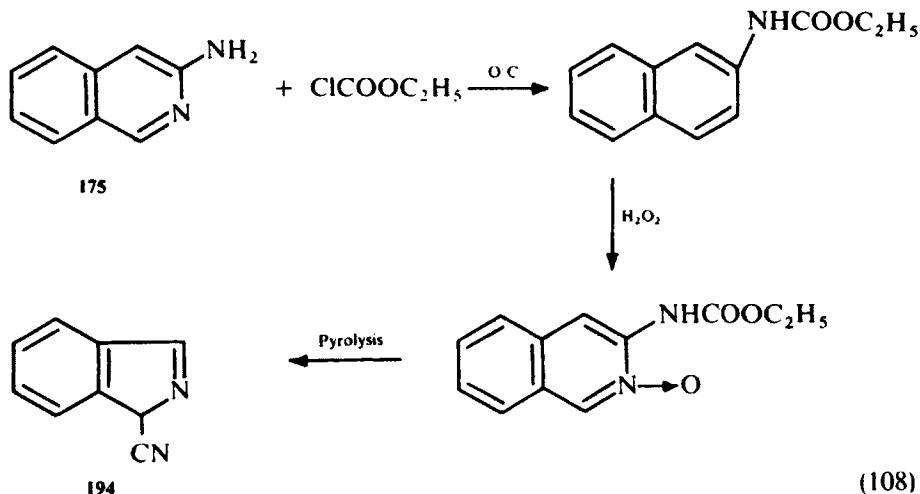
The substituted 3-aminoisoquinoline 193 may be prepared from the corresponding 3-isoquinoline ethyl carboxylate 189 by formation of the hydrazide 190 and azide 191, which is converted by Curtius degradation to the benzylurethane



192. The amine **193** may be obtained from **192** by acid hydrolysis or catalytic hydrogenation over palladium on charcoal¹³⁴ (Eq. 107).

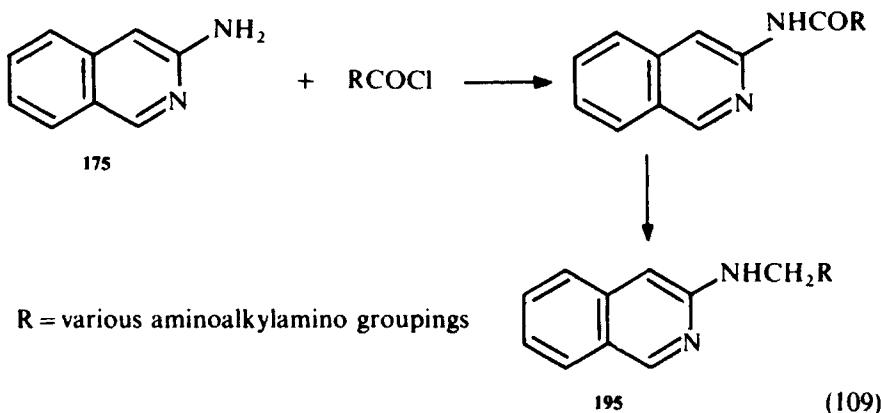


The ethoxycarbonylation of **175**, by way of ethylchloroformate treatment, has been studied by Brown and Smith¹³⁶ during some investigations on heteroaryl nitrenes; ring contraction to form 1-cyanoisoindoles **194** occurs on pyrolysis (Eq. 108).



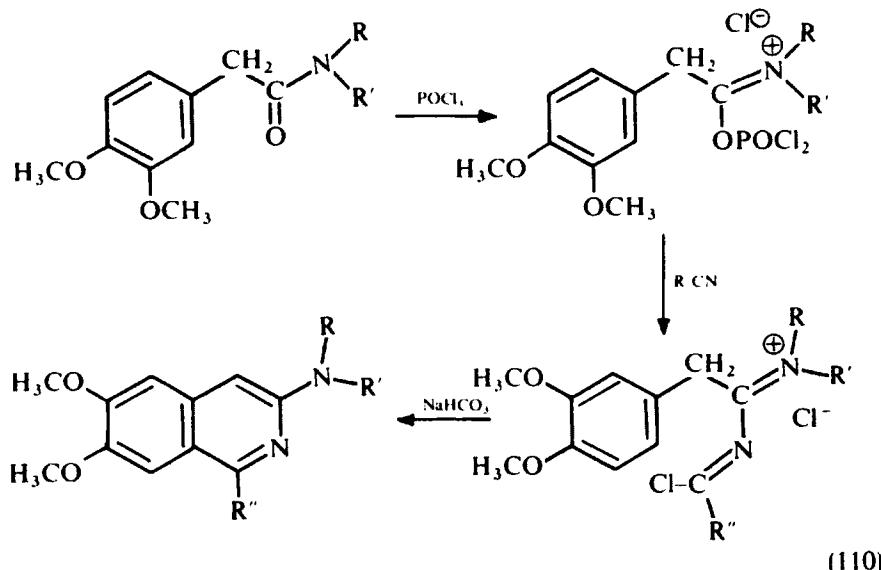
B. 3-Alkylaminoisoquinolines

A series of variously substituted 3-alkylaminoisoquinolines **195** as potential antimalarials have been prepared by the treatment of 3-aminoisoquinoline with the appropriate acyl halide, followed by reduction (lithium aluminum hydride, diborane)¹¹⁹ (Eq. 109). In most instances, additional heteroatoms were incorporated in the alkyl side chain.

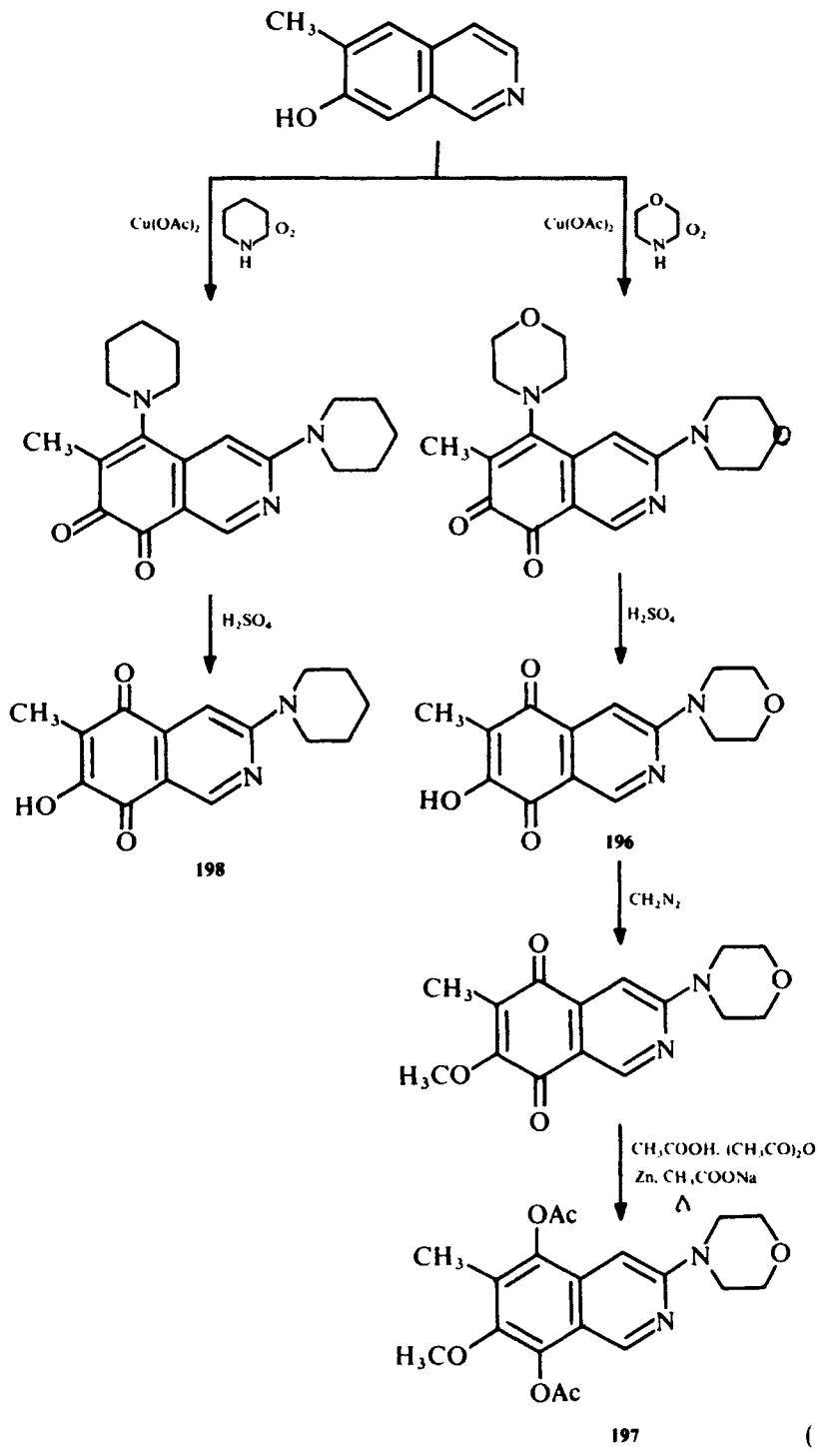


The reactions outlined in Eq. 110 facilitate the synthesis of several variations in substitution of the 3-amino function.¹³⁷ Table IV. 1 summarizes some examples that have been prepared.

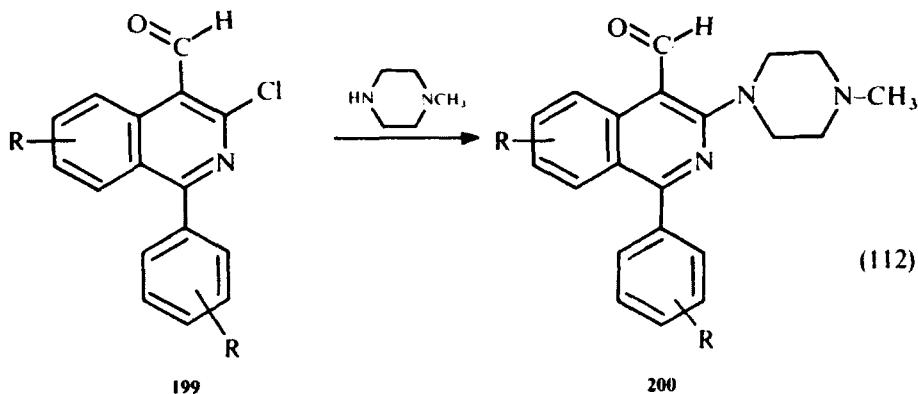
3-Morpholino- (**196**, **197**) and 3-piperidinoisoquinolines (**198**) may also be prepared from the parent isoquinoline under the oxidative conditions shown in Eq. 111.¹³⁸

TABLE IV.1 8-3-Alkylaminoisoquinolines Prepared According to Eq. 110¹³⁷

R_1	R_2	R_3
CH_3	$R(CH_3)CH_2CH_2OH$	H
CH_3	$N(CH_3)_2C_6H_5$	H
$(CH_2)_4Cl$	Morpholino	H
CH_3	Morpholino	H
	Morpholino	H
CH_2CH_3	Morpholino	C_6H_5
$N(CH_3)_2$	Pyrrolidyl	H
CH_2CH_2Cl	Morpholino	H
$CH_2C_6H_5$	Morpholino	H
CH_3	$N(CH_3)_2$	H
CH_2CH_2Cl	$N(CH_3)_2$	H

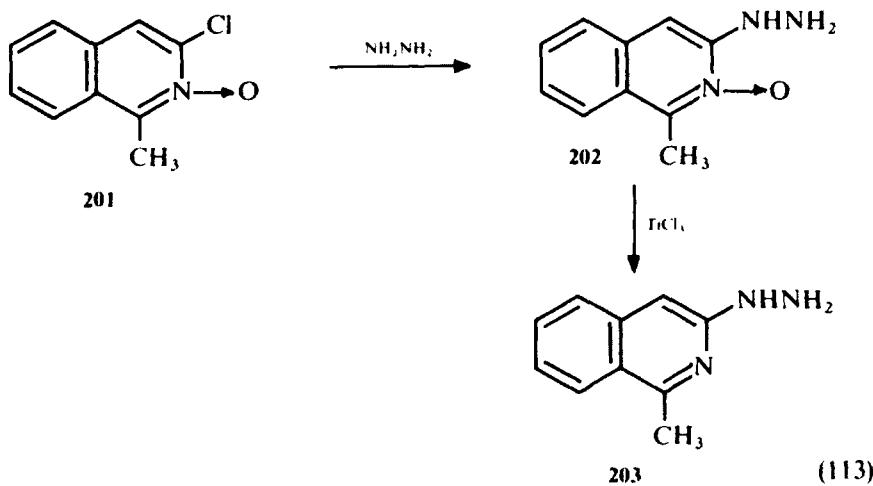


3-Piperazinoisoquinolines **200** may be prepared directly from the corresponding 3-chloroisoquinolines **199**¹³⁹ (Eq. 112).

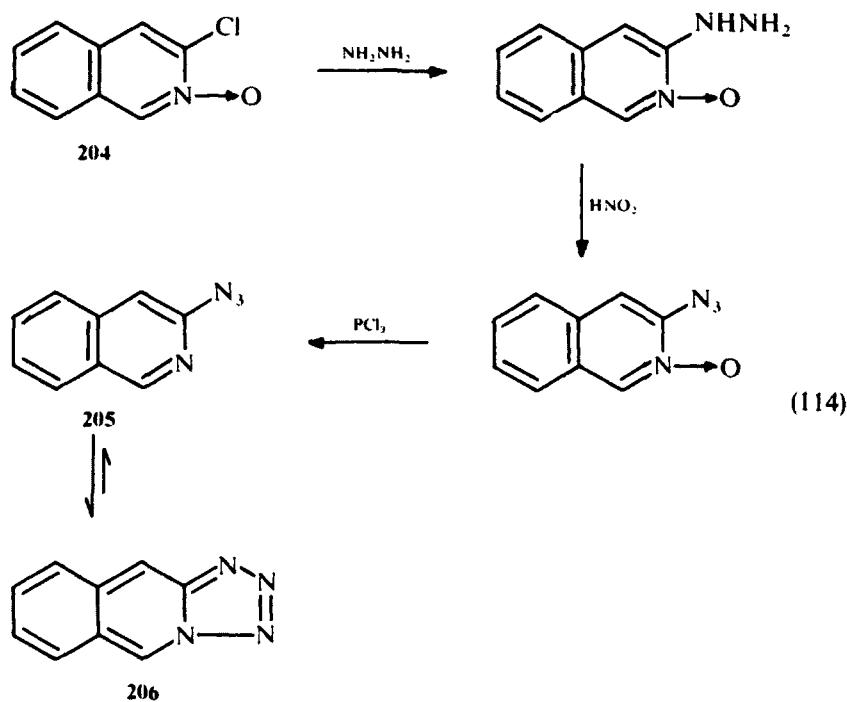


C. 3-Hydrazinoisoquinolines

The synthesis of the 3-hydrazinoisoquinoline **203** may be accomplished by the reaction of hydrazine with the corresponding 3-chloroisoquinoline *N*-oxide **201**¹⁴⁰ via the intermediary hydrazino *N*-oxide **202** (Eq. 113).

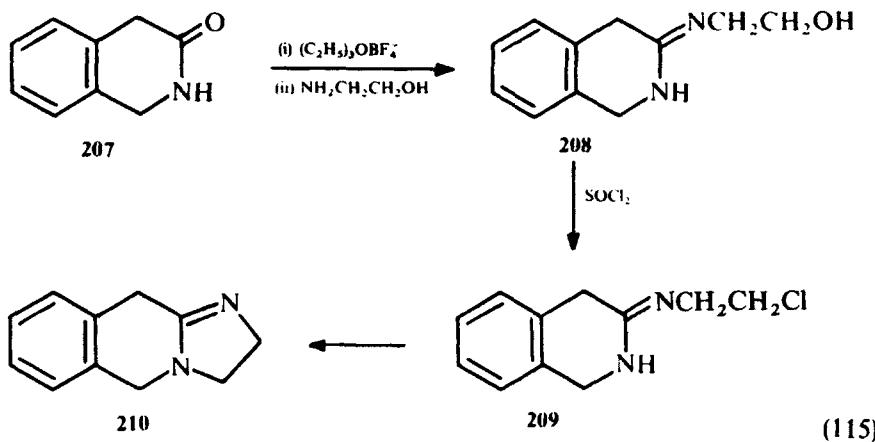


During a study of the preparation of 3-azidoisoquinoline **205** from 3-chloroisoquinoline *N*-oxide **204** (via its 3-hydrazino derivative), it was shown that the azido form **205** is dominant in solution, whereas the cyclic tetrazolo form **206** is dominant in the crystalline state. Nitrous acid treatment of 3-hydrazinoisoquinoline yields the corresponding azide¹⁴⁰ (Eq. 114).



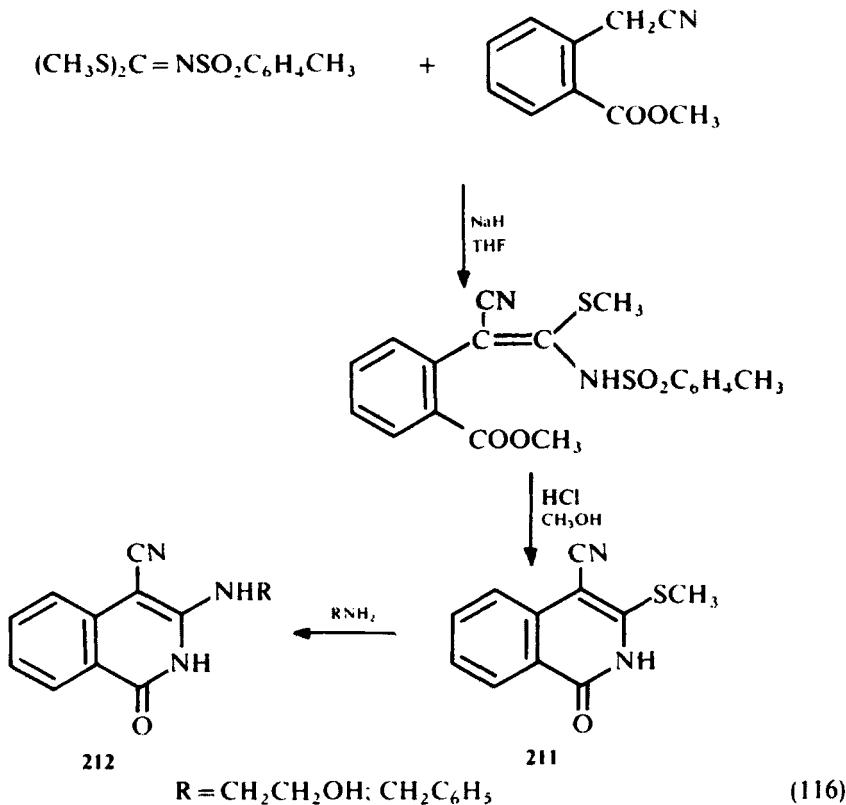
D. 3-Aminodihydroisoquinolines

1,4-Dihydroisoquinoline-3-one has been used for the synthesis of a 3-imino-isoquinoline **208** (Eq. 115) during the course of some studies on potential antihypertensive agents.¹⁴¹ Treatment of the isoquinolin-3-one with triethyl-oxonium tetrafluoroborate, followed by ethanolamine, yields the 3-imino com-



pound **208**. Conversion to the chloro analog **209** by reaction with thionyl chloride gives a product which may be cyclized to an imidazoisoquinoline derivative **210**.

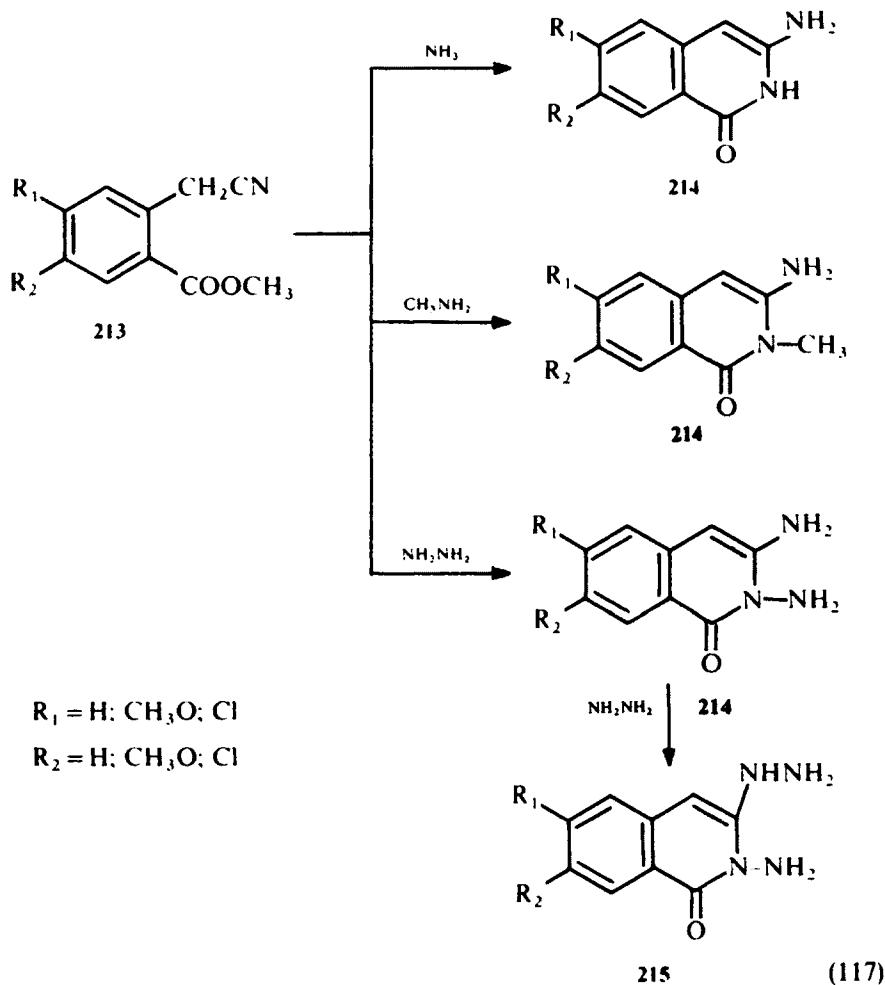
Tominaga¹⁴² has described the synthesis of some substituted 3-amino-1,2-dihydroisoquinolinones 212 by replacement of the 3-thiomethyl grouping of the corresponding isoquinolone 211 (Eq. 116).



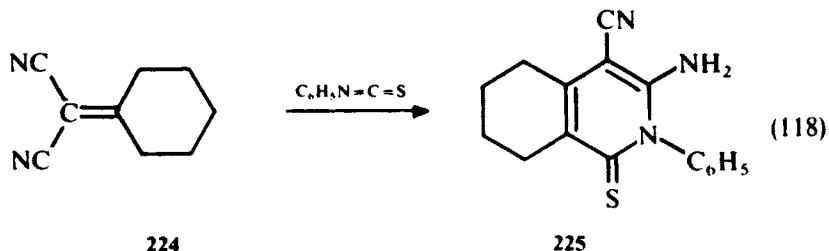
Methyl (2-cyanomethyl) benzoates²¹² may be reacted with aqueous ammonia, hydrazine, methylamine, or other substituted primary or secondary amines to yield the corresponding 3-amino **214** (or 3-hydrazino **215**) 1-isoquinolones¹⁴³ (Eq. 117).

E. 3-Amino-5,6,7,8-Tetrahydroisoquinolines

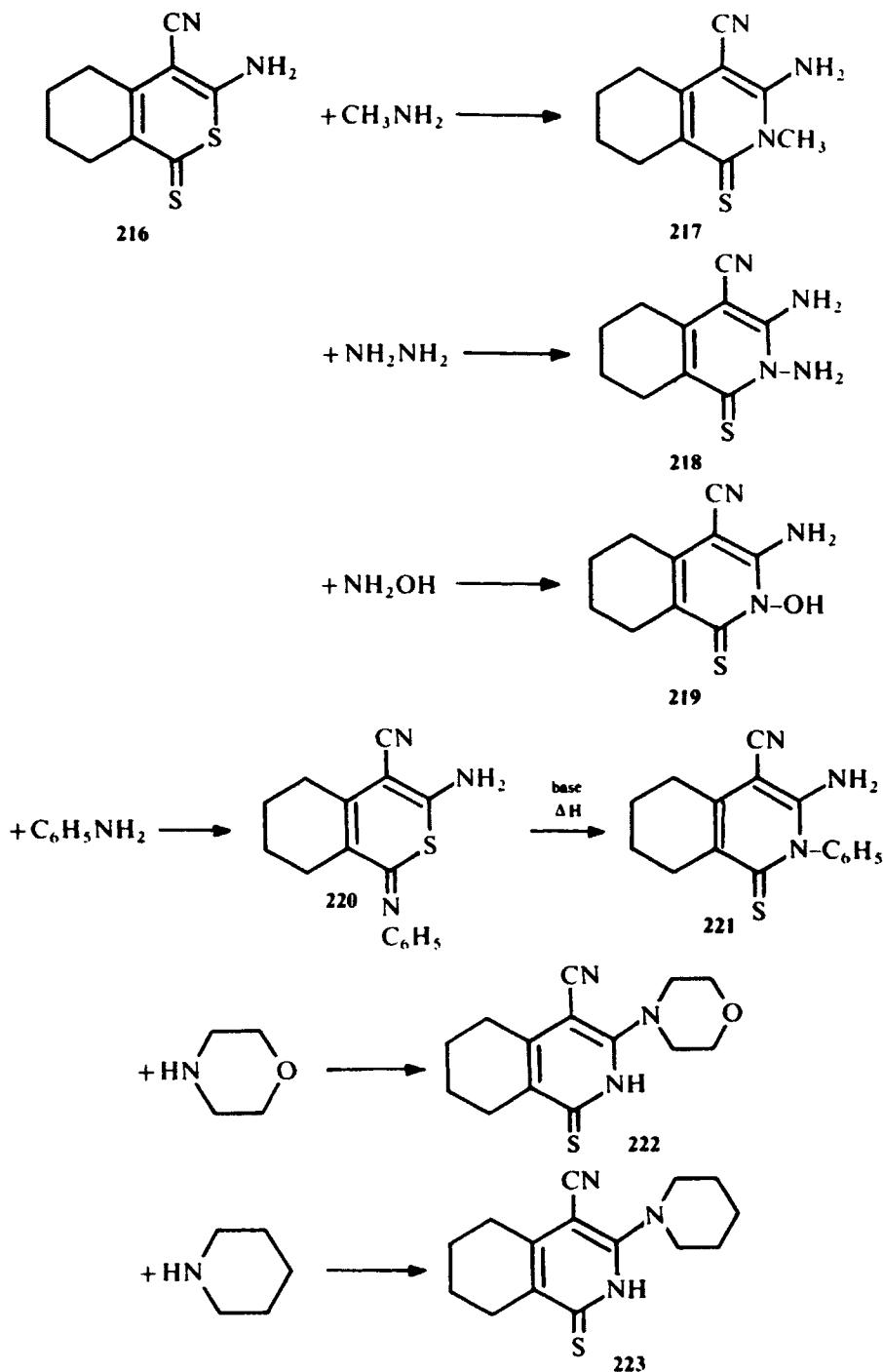
A series of reactions of a 6-amino-thiopyranthione **216** with several bases has been reported by Gewald et al.¹⁴⁴ The corresponding 3-aminoisoquinoline derivatives (**217–223**) are obtained as products (Scheme 3). The treatment of



variously substituted alkylidenemalononitriles **224** with phenyl isothiocyanate yields a 3-aminoisoquinolin-1-thione **225** (Eq. 118).¹⁴⁵

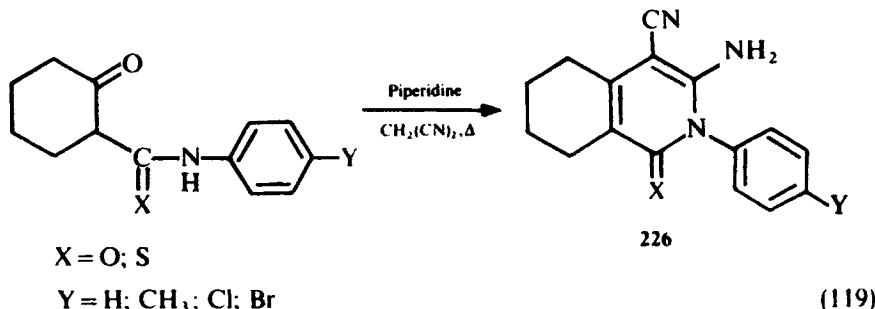


Several modifications of the 1-thione grouping have been made, in addition to a similar study with the oxygen analog of **225** (prepared by employing phenylisocyanate in Eq. 118 in place of the isothiocyanate¹⁴⁵).

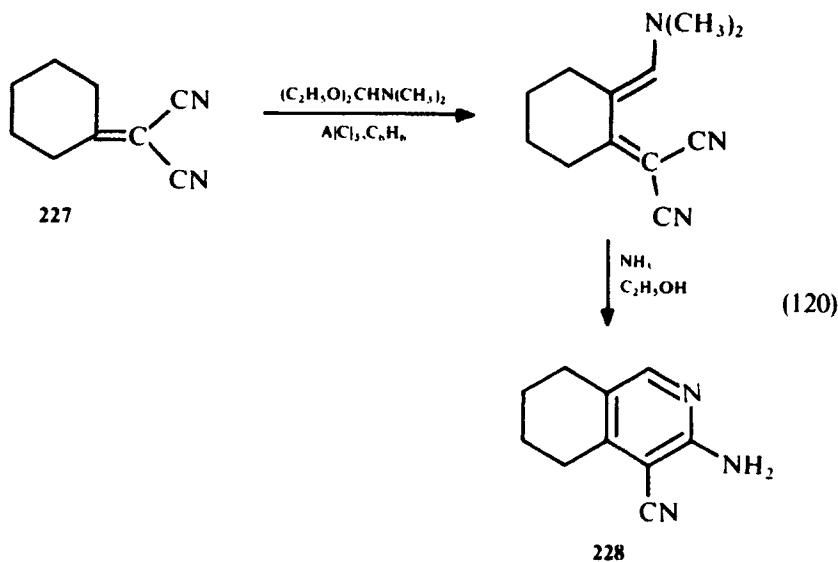


Scheme 3

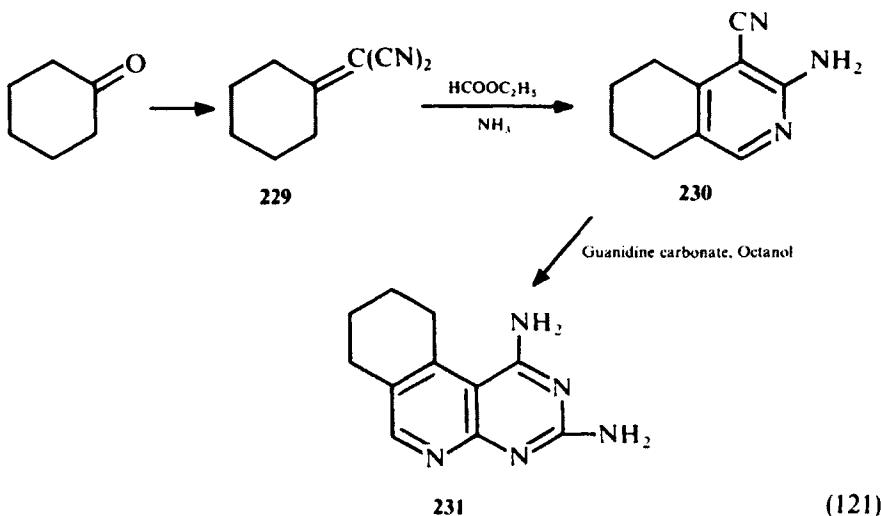
A route for the synthesis of 1-oxo-(or thio)-2-phenyl-3-amino-4-cyano-1,2,5,6,7,8-hexahydroisoquinolines **226** has been reported by Bogdanowicz-Szured.¹⁴⁶ The reaction is believed to involve enamine formation, reaction of the enamine with malononitrile, elimination of the amine, and cyclization. The reaction may be carried out in one step (Eq. 119).



3-Amino-4-cyano-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline **228** may be synthesized from dinitrile **227** according to procedures outlined by Granik et al.¹⁴⁷ (Eq. 120).

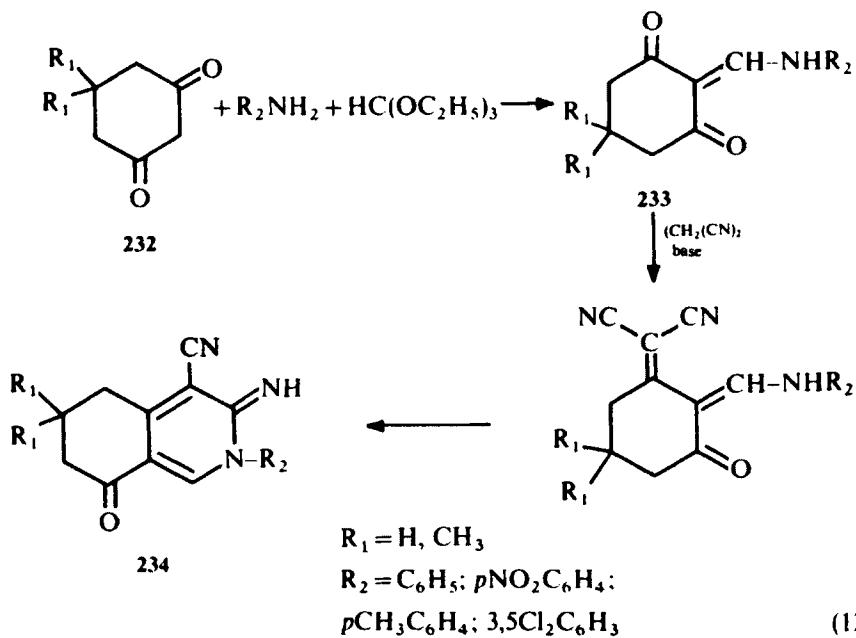


A novel approach to the preparation of isoquinolines substituted at the 3 position with basic groupings is reported in recent studies of the synthesis of 3-imino- and 3-aminoisoquinolines, saturated in the nonheterocyclic ring, from various cyclohexanones. Cyclohexylidene malononitrile **229** (produced by treating cyclohexanone with malononitrile), cyclizes on exposure to ethyl formate and ammonia, yielding the 3-amino-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline derivative **230**¹⁴⁸ (Eq. 121).

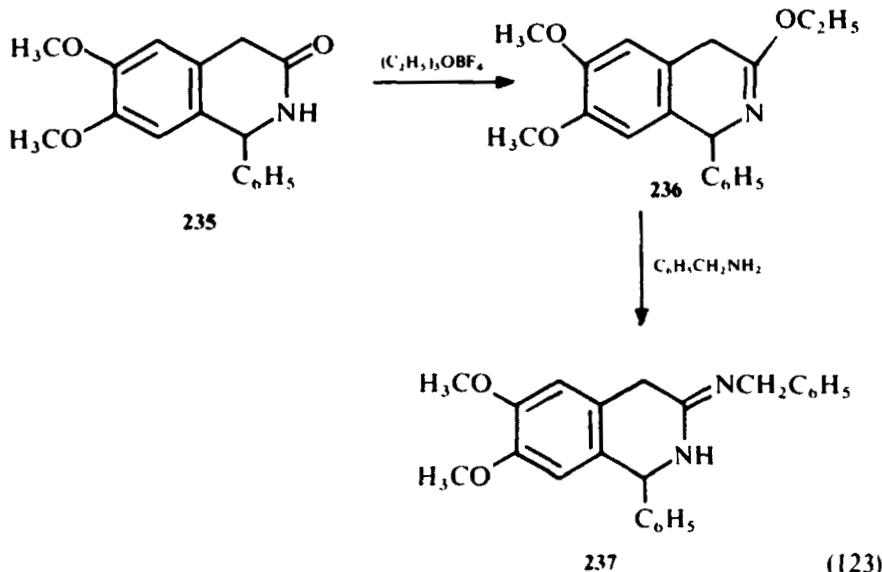


Direct annelation of **230** with guanidine carbonate in octanol produces the pyrimidine derivative **231**, a potential folate antagonist.¹⁴⁸

An alternate procedure for the preparation of substituted 3-iminohexahydroisoquinolines **234** utilizes the reaction of 1,3-cyclohexanediones **232** with aromatic amines and triethyl formate. The intermediary enaminoketone **233** is treated with malononitrile and either piperidine or potassium hydroxide; cyclization then occurs to produce the 3-imino-2,3,5,6,7,8-hexahydroisoquinoline **234**¹⁴⁹ (Eq. 122).



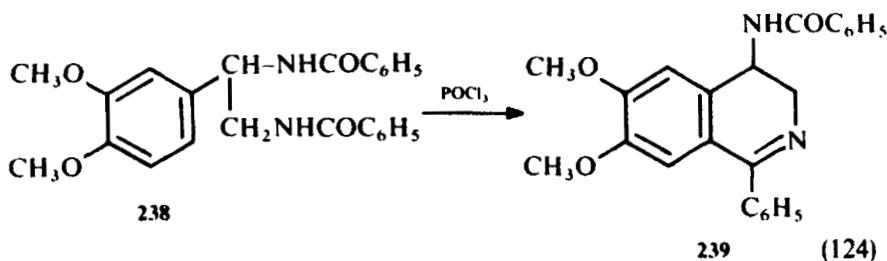
The 3-iminoisoquinoline derivative **237** may be prepared from the isoquinolone **235** via the lactim ether **236**. Treatment of the lactim ether with a primary amine enables substitution of the corresponding imine at the 3 position⁷³ (Eq. 123).



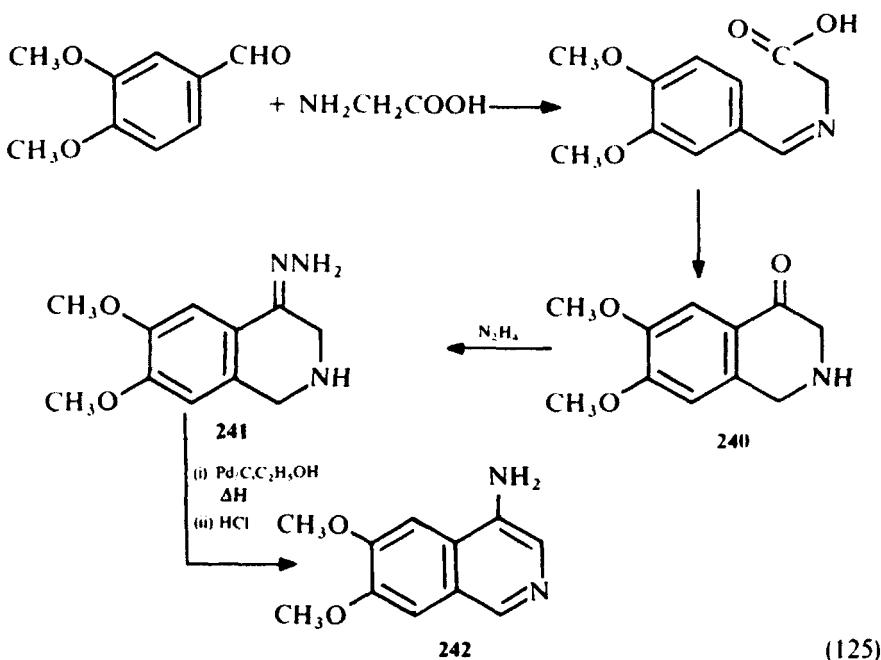
V. PREPARATION OF ISOQUINOLINES HAVING A BASIC GROUPING AT POSITION 4

A. 4-Aminoisoquinolines

Ring-closure reactions of the Bischler-Napieralski type may be used to prepare the difficult to access isoquinoline derivatives of this group. Substituted benzoyl urethanes **238**, on treatment with phosphorus oxychloride, ring close to produce 3,4-dihydroisoquinolines substituted at the 4 position with an amino function (**239**)¹⁵⁰ (Eqn. 124).



The use of phosphorus pentoxide does not proceed as smoothly as does the phosphorus-oxychloride-catalyzed closure.¹⁵⁰ As an alternate procedure, the preparation of 4-isooquinolones **240**, followed by treatment with hydrazine hydrate, aromatization, and hydrolysis of the intermediary hydrazone **241**, results in good yields of the 4-aminoisoquinoline **242**¹⁵¹ (Eq. 125).

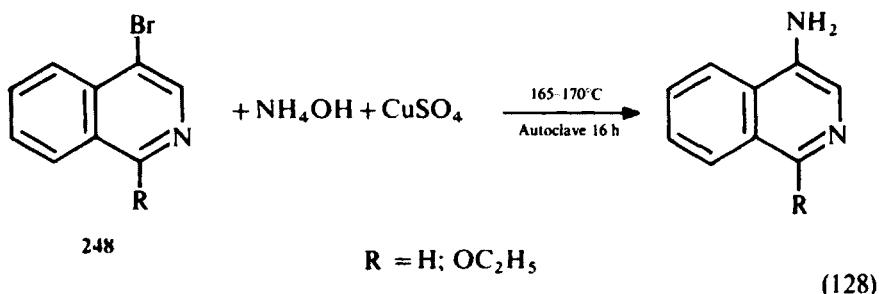
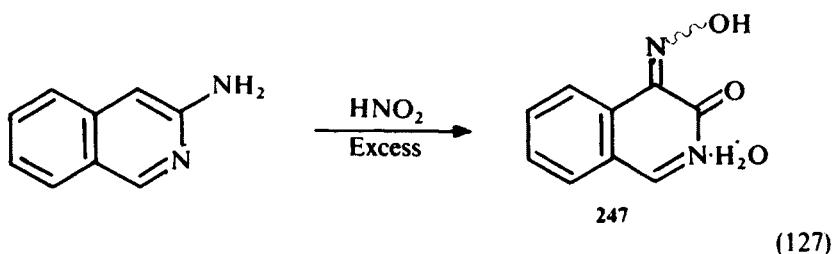
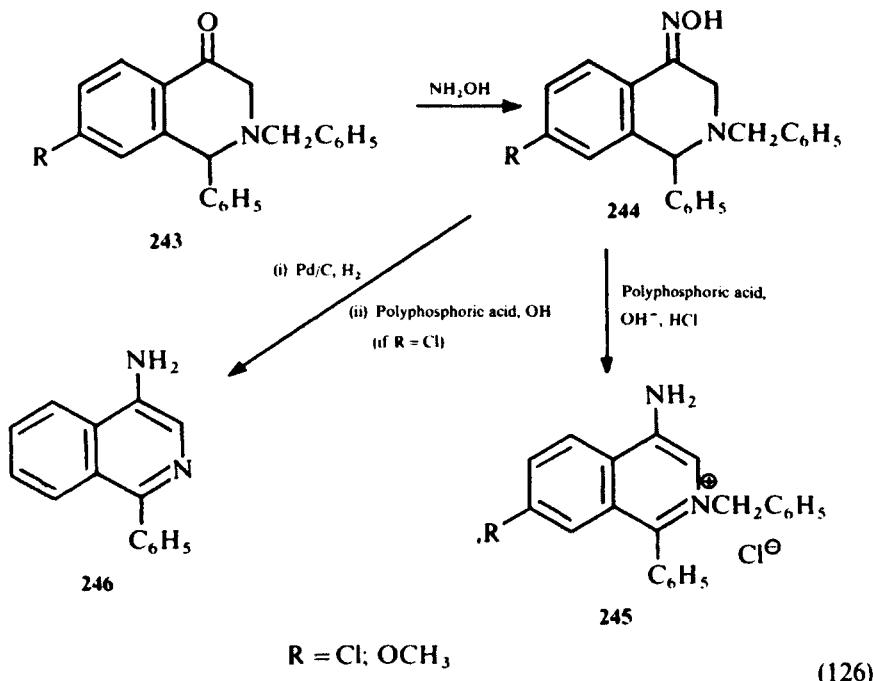


The polyphosphoric acid ring closure of the condensation product of glycine and 3,4-dimethoxybenzaldehyde provides an example of one approach for the synthesis of 4-isooquinolone **240**.¹⁵¹ The use of 4-isooquinolones to prepare 4-aminoisoquinolines has also been reported by Fryer et al.¹⁵² during studies on ring-expansion products (benzodiazepines) of isoquinolones. The oxime **244** of the 4-isooquinolone **243**, on treatment with polyphosphoric acid, gives the Schroeter rearranged product, as 4-aminoisoquinoline derivative **245** (Eq. 126). An alternate route yields **246** from **244**.

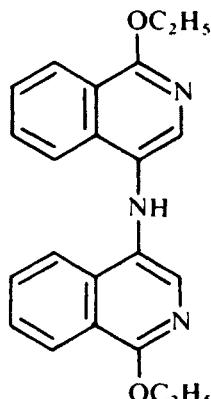
The treatment of 3-aminoisoquinoline with a threefold excess of nitrous acid yields 3,4-isooquinolinedione-4-oxime hydrate **247**¹⁵³ (Eq. 127). The potential of this oxime for conversion to the amine is apparent.

The most widely reported method for the synthesis of 4-aminoisoquinolines involves the treatment at high temperatures of 4-haloisoquinolines (**248**) (usually bromo) with ammonium hydroxide in the presence of cupric sulfate^{1, 5, 154 – 158} (Eq. 128).

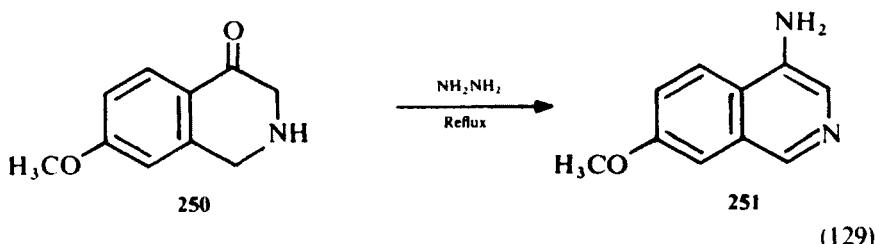
A small amount of the bisisoquinoline derivative **249** has been isolated in the case of the 1-ethoxy derivative.¹⁵⁵



Hydrazine may be used to aromatize the 4-isoquinolone **250** and simultaneously introduce an amino grouping at the 4 position, producing fair yields of 4-amino-7-methoxyisoquinoline **251**¹⁵⁹ (Eq. 129).

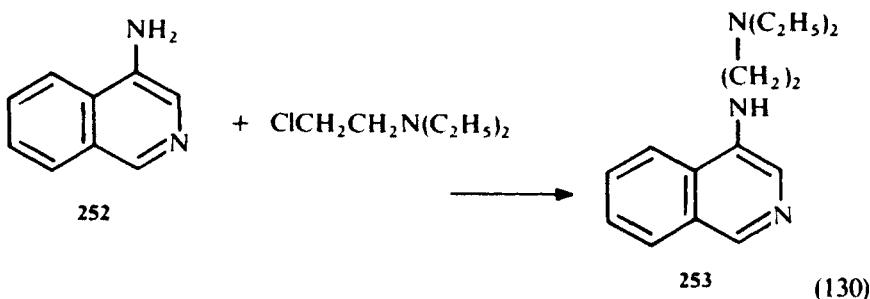


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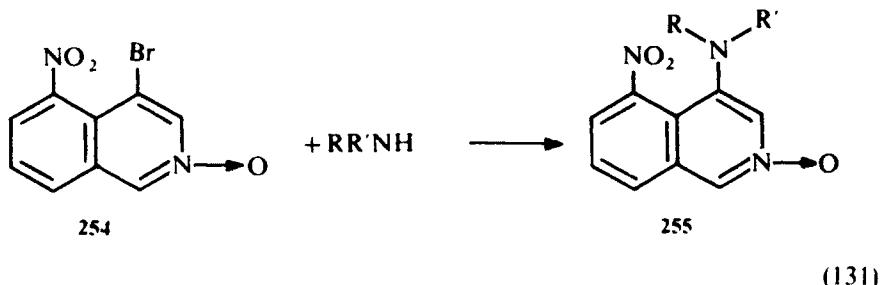


B. 4-Alkylaminoisoquinolines

Substitution of the 4-amino grouping of **252** to form secondary amines proceeds normally on contact with alkyl halides; for example, high yields of 4[[2-(diethylamino)ethyl]amino]-isoquinoline **253** have been obtained¹⁶⁰ (Eq. 130).



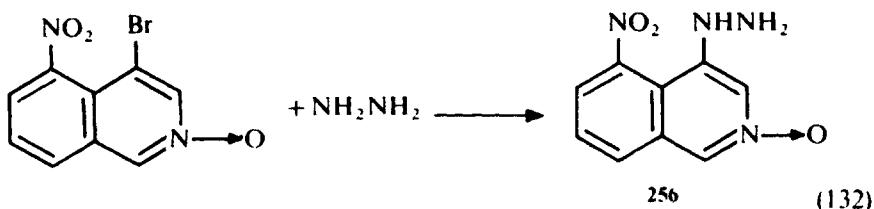
Various heterocyclic and aliphatic amines react exothermically with 5-nitro-4-bromoisoquinoline *N*-oxide (**254**) in ethanol to give poor to moderate yields, depending on the base used, of the corresponding 4-aminoisoquinoline **255**⁵³ (Eq. 131). Under more drastic conditions (absence of solvent and heating under reflux), 5-nitro-1,4-diaminoisoquinolines result.⁵³



Several heterocyclic secondary amines may be used in Eqs. 131 and 132, including piperidine, pyrrolidine, morpholine, and *N*-methylpiperazine.⁵³

C. 4-Hydrazinoisoquinolines

Under the mild conditions noted for the general preparation of 4-alkylaminoisoquinolines, the reaction of hydrazine with 5-nitro-4-bromoisoquinoline *N*-oxide **254** produces the 4-hydrazine analog **256** in fair yields (62%)⁵³ (Eq. 132).

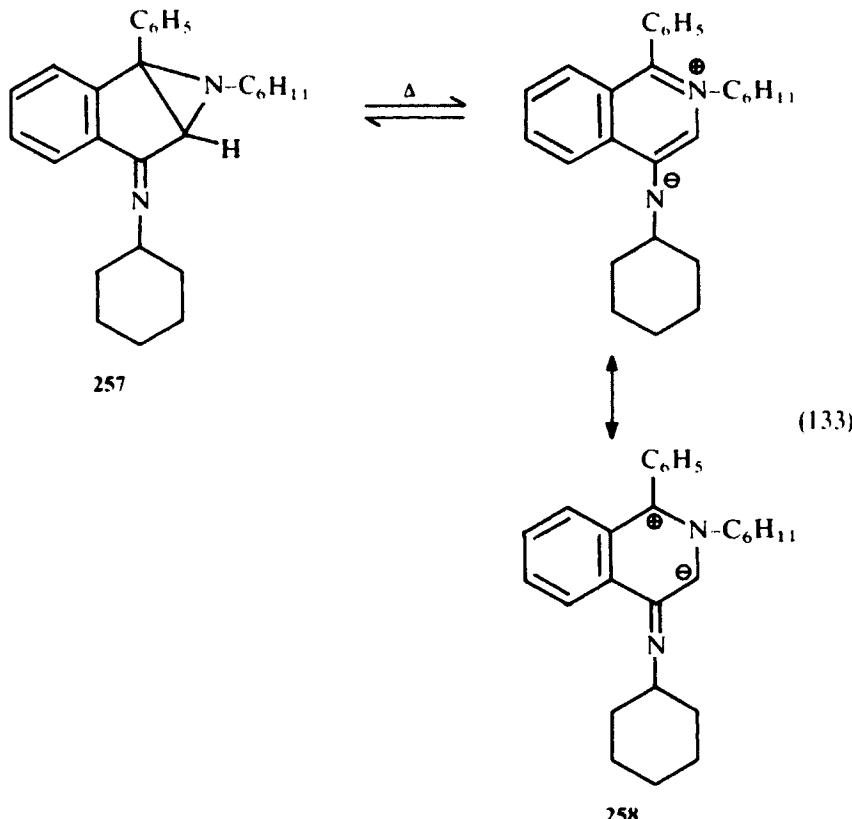


Diazotization of **252**, followed by stannous-chloride reduction of the diazonium salt, provides a straightforward synthesis of 4-hydrazinoisoquinoline.¹⁶¹

D. 4-Iminoisoquinolines

4-Iminoisoquinolines have been studied during some thermally disallowed valence tautomerizations of 1-cyclohexyl-6(cyclohexylimino)-1a-phenylindano [1, 2-b] aziridine (**257**) to yield the isoquinolinium 4-imine **258**¹⁶² (Eq. 133). Solutions of the aziridine (**257**) in xylene or toluene at 135°C produce an intense purple color, due to the imine **258**, which fades upon exposure to sunlight or in the presence of oxygen, peroxides, halogens, acids, or bases.

Although thermally forbidden, the valence tautomerization is aided by relief of the ring strain of the aziridine **257** and a gain in resonance energy by the imine **258**.



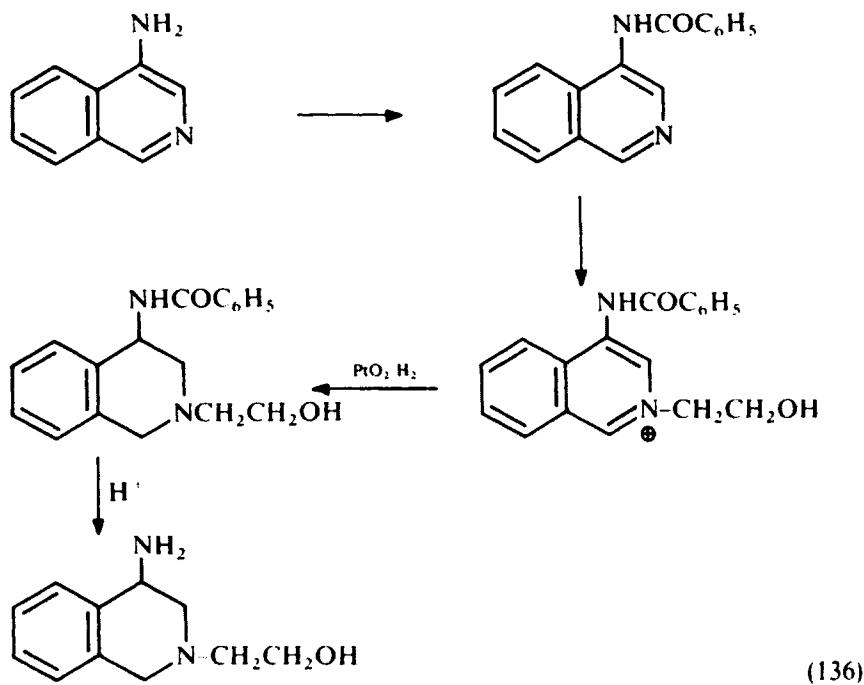
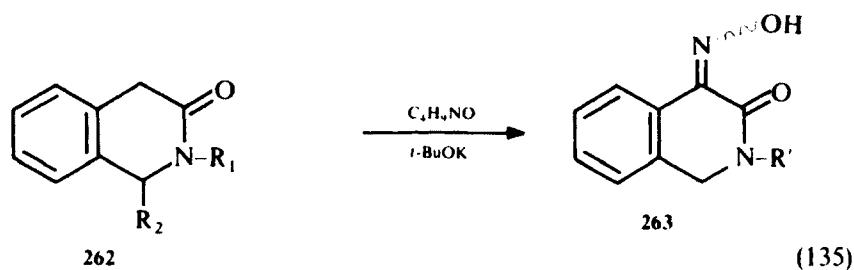
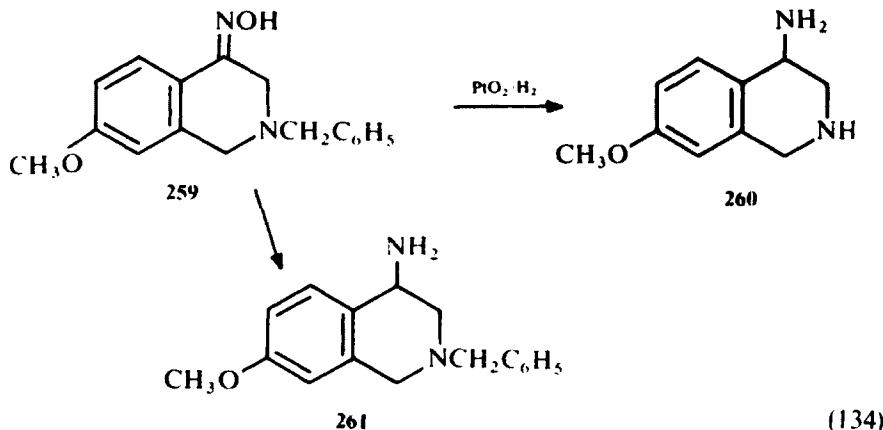
E. 4-Amino-1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolines

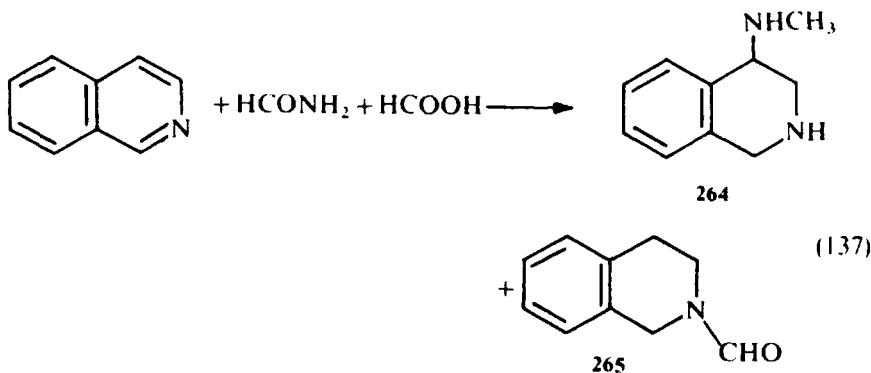
The reduction of hydroxyimines (oximes) (e.g., 259) over platinum oxide readily provides an approach for the synthesis of the corresponding amino derivatives, for example, 260.¹⁵² An alternate reduction of oxime 259 with lithium aluminum hydride allows the retention of the *N*-benzyl grouping, yielding 4-amino-2-benzyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-7-methoxyisoquinoline 261¹⁵² (Eq. 134).

4-Hydroxyimino-1,4-dihydro-3(2H)-isoquinolinones 263 may be prepared by a one-step reaction of the corresponding 3-isoquinolone 262 with butyl nitrite in the presence of base^{163,164} (Eq. 135).

Catalytic hydrogenations over platinum oxide, of various 4-aminoisoquinoline derivatives, have been used as a general procedure for the synthesis of the corresponding tetrahydro derivatives (Eq. 136).

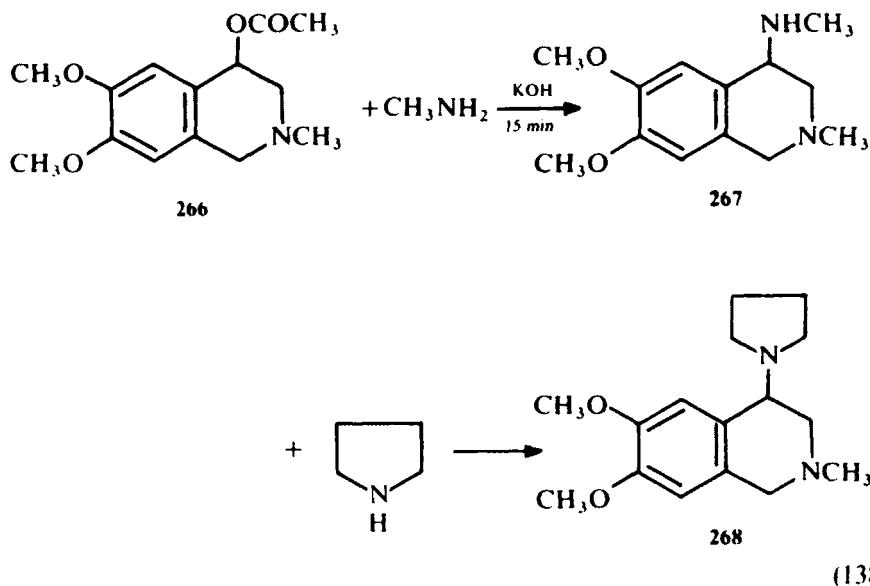
A one-stage reductive formylation of isoquinoline to 4-methylamino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (264) has been reported by Baxter and co-workers¹⁶⁵





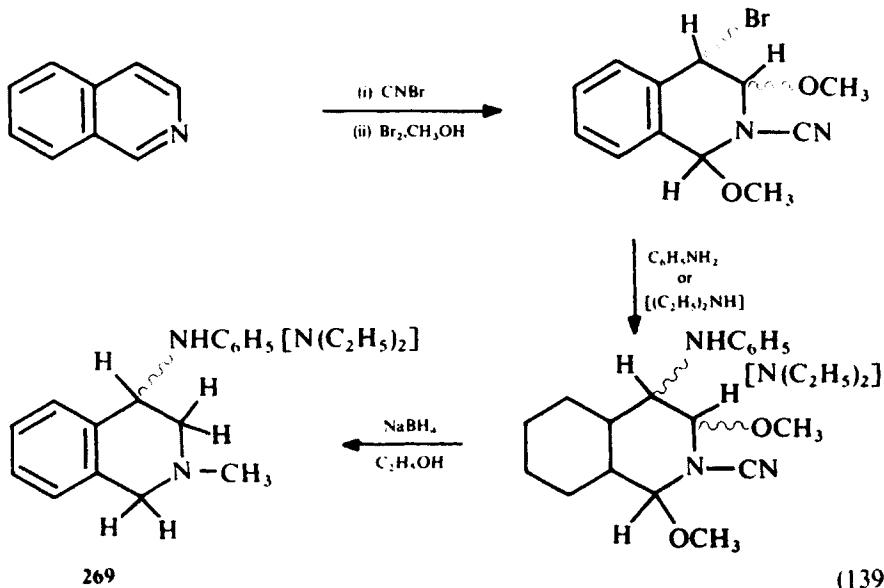
(Eq. 137). The anticipated *N*-formyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline **265** is isolated in addition to the desired **264**.

The attack of nucleophiles on 4-acetoxy-6,7-dimethoxy-2-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines (**266**) results in the rapid displacement of the 4-acetoxy grouping.¹⁶⁶ The synthesis of 4-methylamino- **267** and 4-pyrrolidinyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines **268** can be effected by this procedure¹⁶⁷ (Eq. 138).

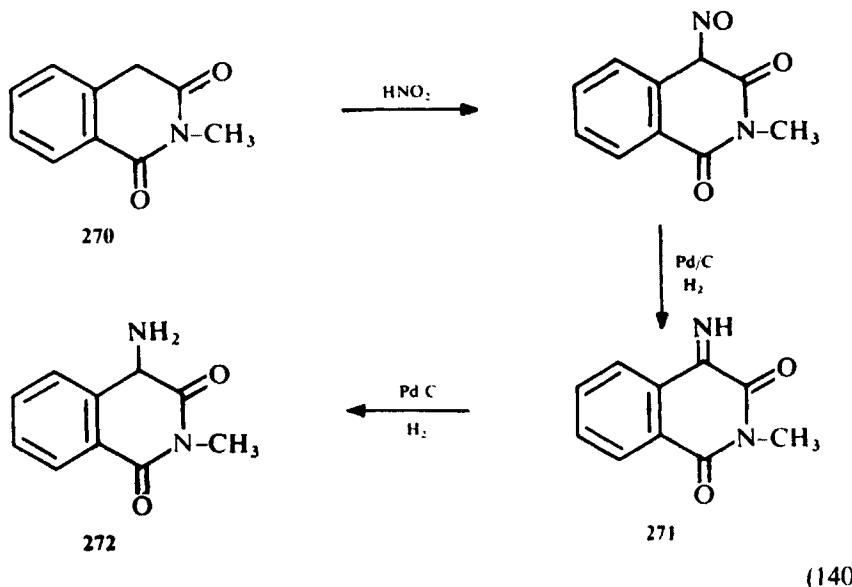


A facile method for producing 4-anilino- (or diethylamino)-2-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines **269** in high yield from isoquinoline has been described by Sugiura and Hamada¹⁶⁸ (Eq. 139).

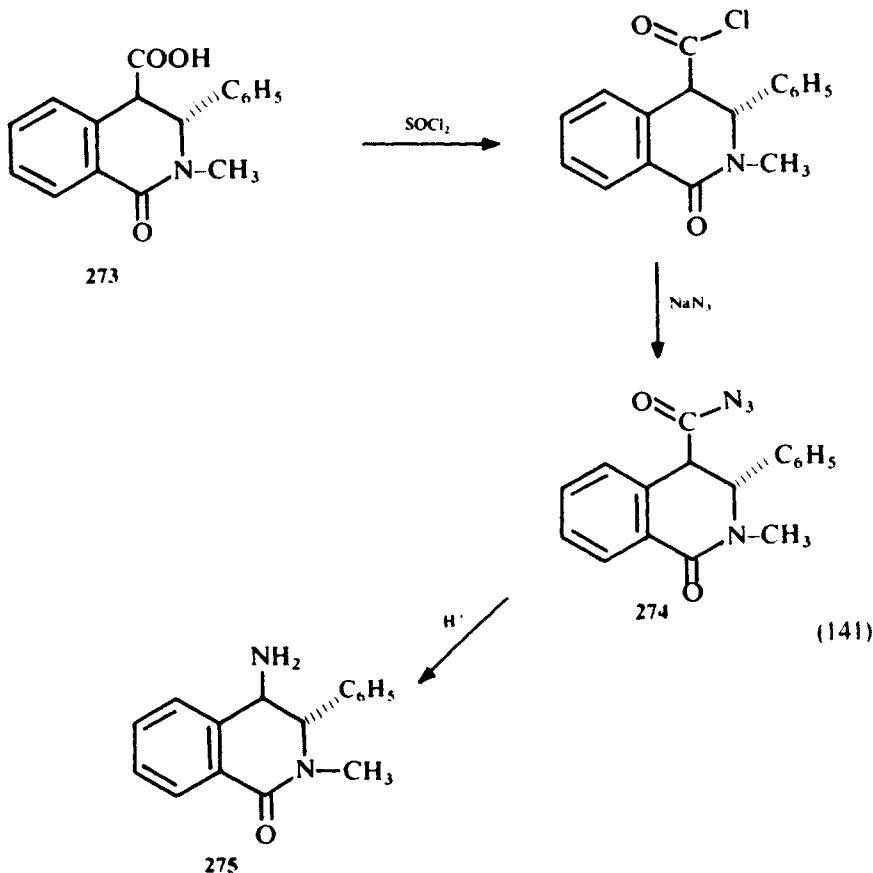
Nitrosation of the isoquinoline dione **270**, followed by careful catalytic reduction, yields 4-imino-2-methylisoquinoline-1,3(2H,4H)-dione **271**. This



imino derivative provides ready access to the 4-amino compound **272** by hydrogenation¹⁶⁹ (Eq. 140).



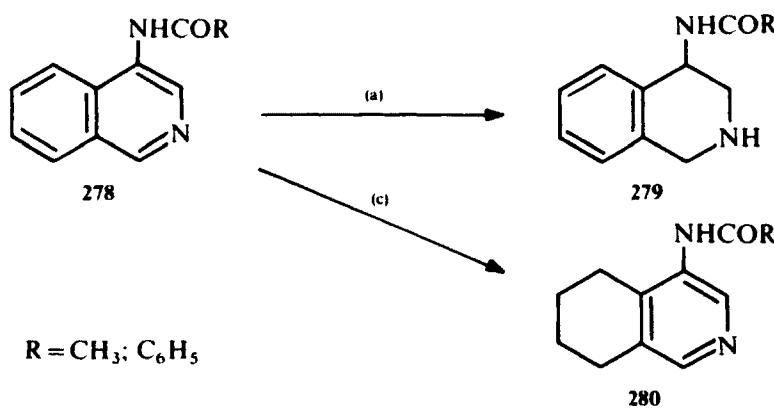
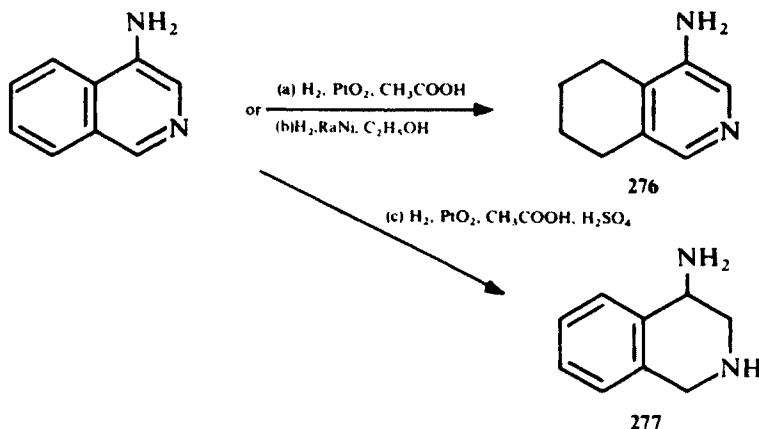
The 3,4-dihydroisoquinolone-4-carboxylic acid **273** may be converted to the corresponding 4-aminoisoquinolone **275** through a Curtius rearrangement of the intermediate azide **274**, as shown in Eq. 141.¹⁷⁰



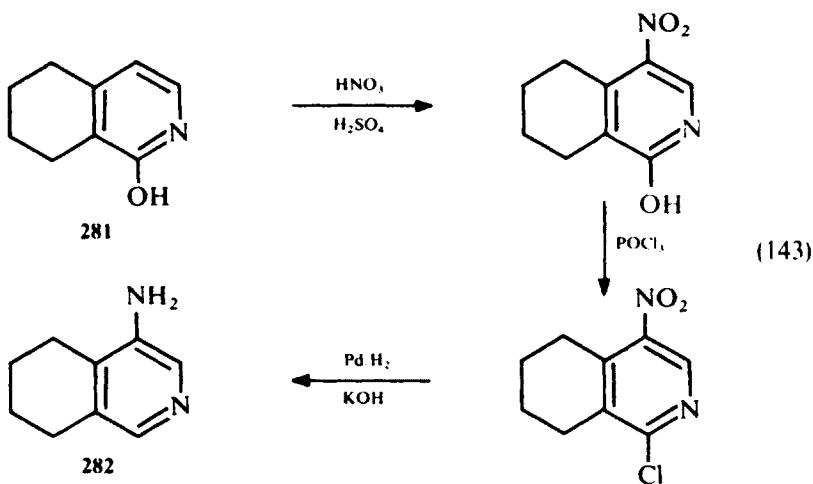
F. 4-Amino-5,6,7,8-Tetrahydroisoquinolines

The catalytic hydrogenation of 4-aminoisoquinoline (**252**) over either platinum oxide in acetic acid or Raney nickel in ethanol yields 4-amino-5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline **276**^{171,172} or **277** (Eq. 142). The hydrogenation of 4-benzamido or 4-acetamidoisoquinoline **278** under similar conditions yields the normally expected 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines **279** (Eq. 142). However, the reduction of the amidoisoquinolines **278** over platinum oxide in acetic acid containing a small amount of 50% sulfuric acid produces the corresponding 5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline **280**¹⁷² (Eq. 142).

The hydrogenation of 1-ethoxy-4-aminoisoquinoline over platinum oxide in acetic acid yields, as expected, the corresponding 5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisoquinoline analog.¹⁷¹ Nitration of 5,6,7,8-tetrahydroisocarbostyryl **281** to the 4-nitro derivative provides an additional route of synthesis of the 4-amino compound **282**¹⁷¹ (Eq. 143).



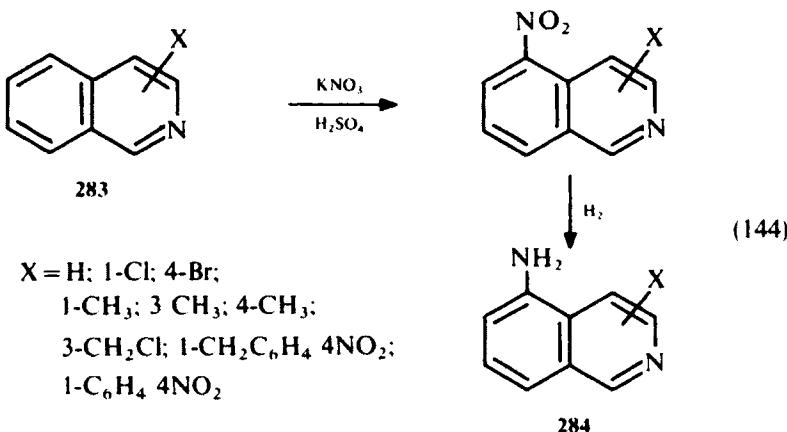
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VI. PREPARATION OF ISOQUINOLINES HAVING A BASIC GROUPING AT POSITION 5

A. 5-Aminoisoquinolines

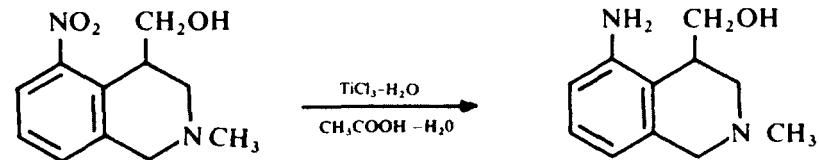
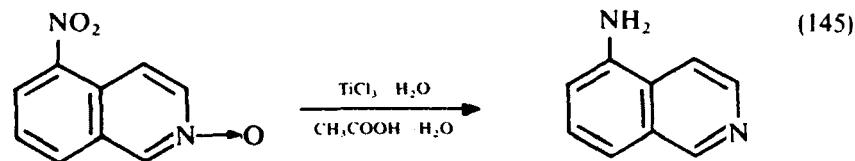
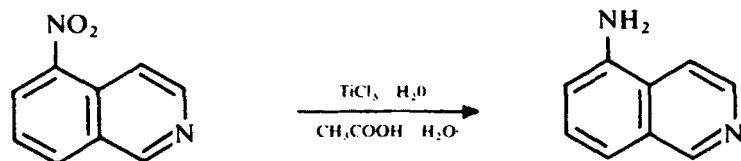
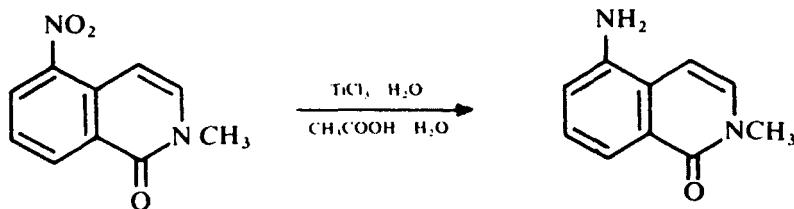
The nitration of isoquinoline, preferentially at the 5-position, has been used almost exclusively for the synthesis of 5-aminoisoquinolines. Incorporation of various substituents into the heterocyclic ring of **283** does not affect the ability to introduce the nitro grouping at the 5 position. Several reductive procedures are available for conversion of the nitro group to an amine (**284**), including hydrogenations over Raney nickel,^{34,49,154,173} platinum oxide,^{174,175} palladium on charcoal,¹⁷⁶ stannous chloride and hydrochloric acid,^{4,177,178,179} hydrazine hydrate and Raney nickel,¹⁸⁰ iron and hydrochloric acid,¹⁸¹ and titanium(III) chloride,¹⁸² as well as electrolytic reductions.^{183,184} A summary of the reactions studied is shown in Eq. 144.



To optimize yields in the reduction step it is desirable to purify the nitro compound.¹⁷⁸ In some investigator's experiences, the stannous chloride reduction is a more consistent procedure for optimal yields of the amine.^{178,179} The use of titanium(III) chloride in aqueous acetic acid conditions at room temperature is reported to be an improved method; several 5-nitroisoquinolines have been prepared in support of this¹⁸² (Eq. 145).

As an alternative, isoquinoline-*N*-oxide **287** may be nitrated with the production of both the 5- (**288**) and 8-nitro (**289**) analogs.¹⁸⁵ Selective reductions of the nitro group may be used to yield either mixtures of the 5-aminoisoquinoline **290** and its tetrahydro derivative **291** (palladium on charcoal in an acidic medium) or mixtures of 5-aminoisoquinoline **290** and its *N*-oxide **292** (palladium on charcoal in a neutral medium) (Eq. 146).

Treatment of the *N*-oxide **288** with tosyl chloride in the presence of base introduces the tosyloxy grouping at the 4 position. Hydrogenation over Raney



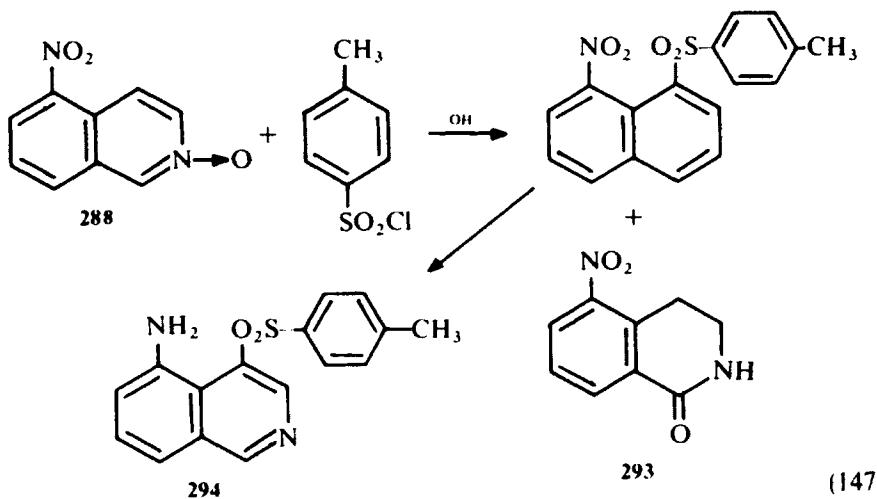
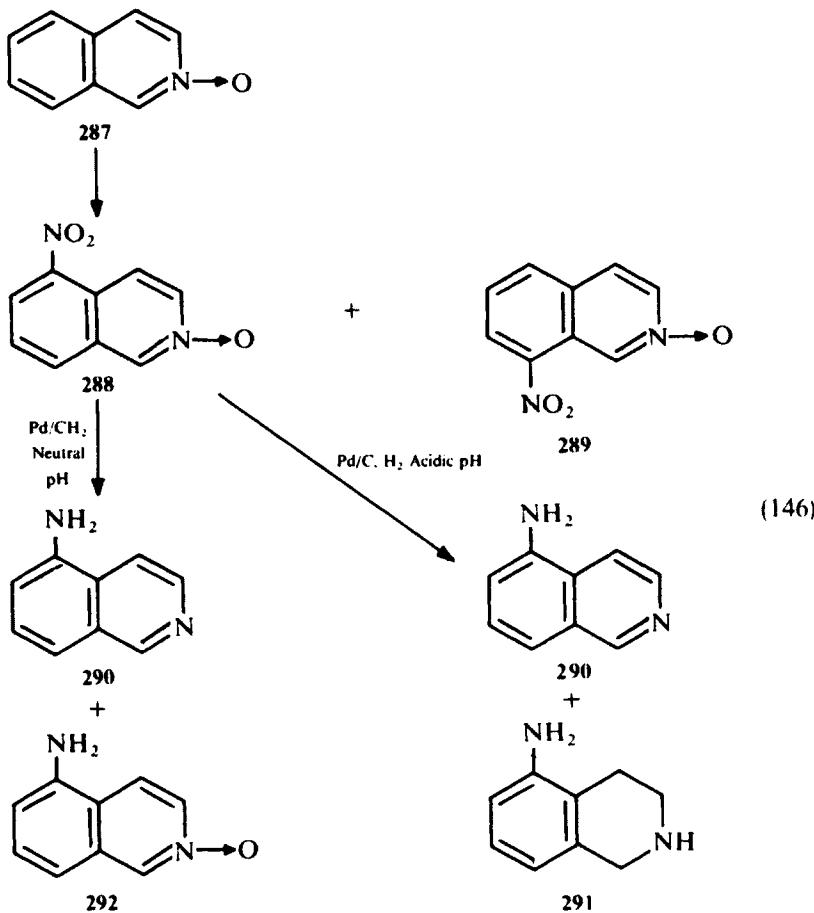
nickel yields the corresponding 5-amino-4-tosyloxyisoquinoline **294**¹⁸⁶ (Eq. 147). 5-Nitro-1-isoquinolone **293** is produced as an additional product from the tosylation step.¹⁸⁶

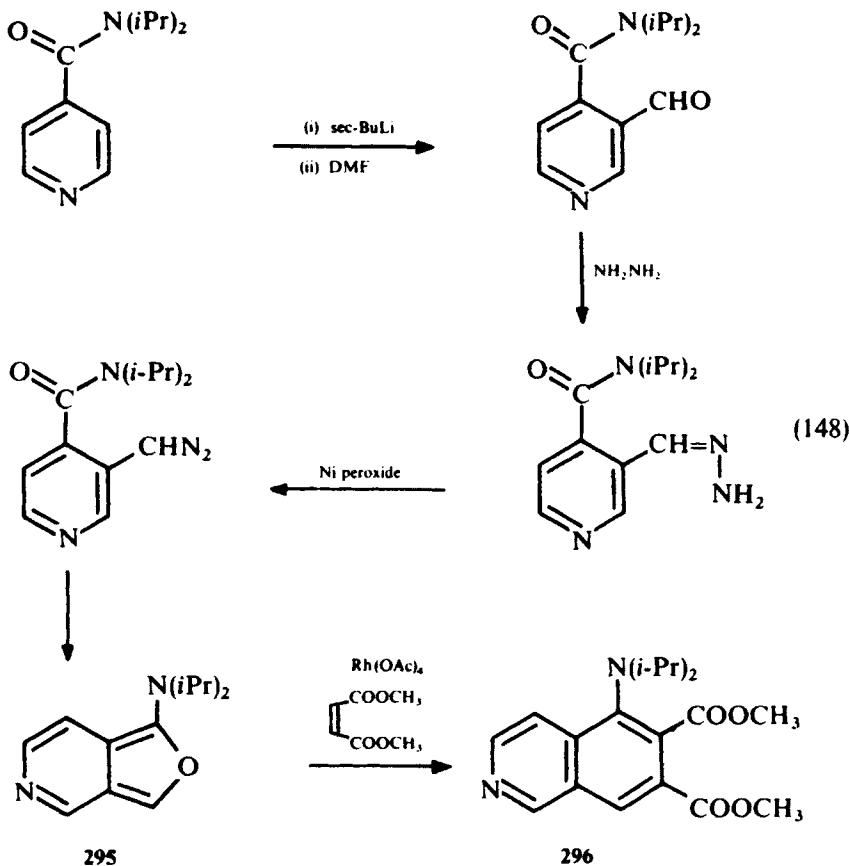
Studies carried out by Taurins¹⁸⁷ during an attempt to introduce the thiocyanate grouping into 5-aminoisoquinoline reveal that thiocyanation occurs solely at the 8 position and not at the anticipated 6 position. The implication of this finding, in connection with the synthesis of various thiazoloisoquinolines, is considered in more detail in Section IX.A, Eq. 183.

Methodology for the annelation of aromatic rings in the synthesis of 5-aminoisoquinolines **296** has been reported (Eq. 148).¹⁸⁸ The last step includes a furan intermediate **295**, which undergoes a Diels-Alder type reaction.

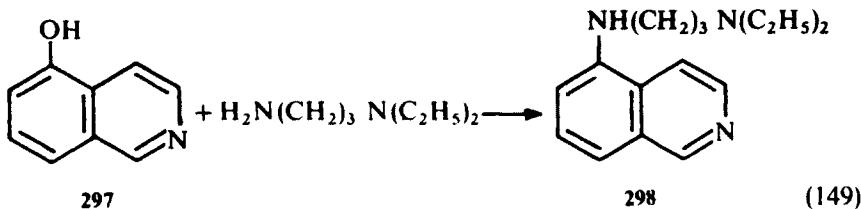
B. 5-Alkylaminoisoquinolines

Since neither the alkylation of 5-aminoisoquinoline nor the treatment of 5-halogen-substituted isoquinolines with amines proceeds smoothly, alternate



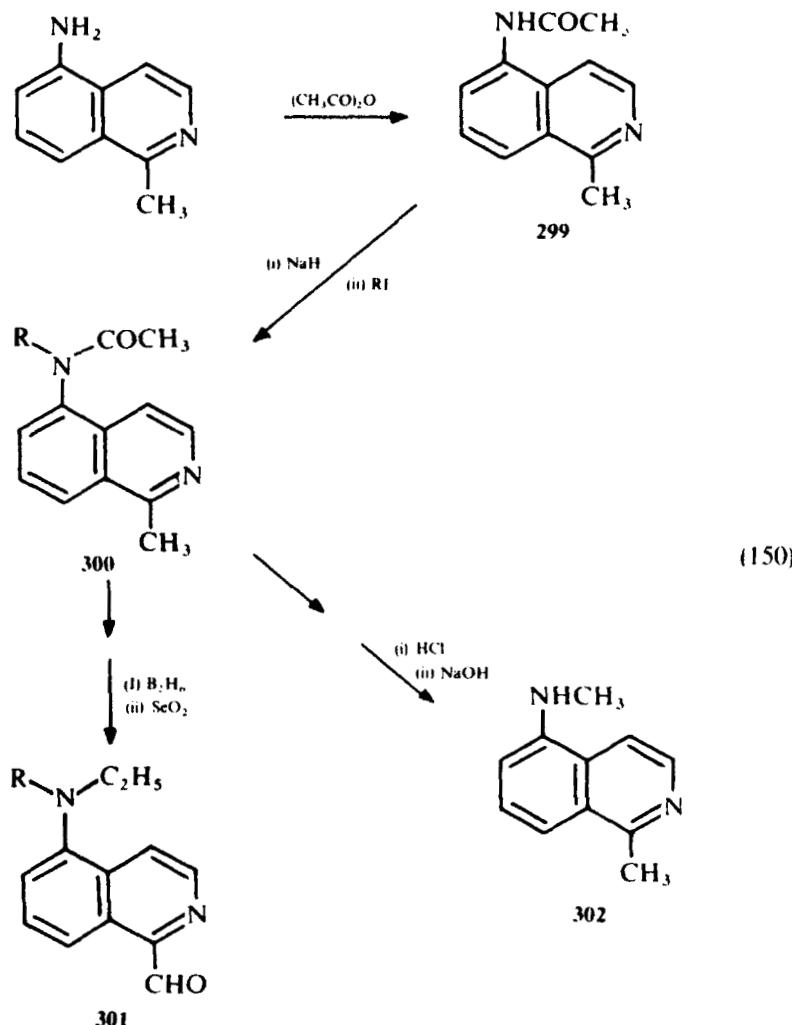


methods for the synthesis of these derivatives must be used.¹⁸⁹ Alkylation of the 5-amino grouping by the standard procedures results in the preferential quaternization of the heterocyclic nitrogen.¹⁸⁹ Bucherer treatment of 5-hydroxyisoquinoline **297** enables the introduction of alkylamino groups at the 5 position **298**¹⁸⁹ (e.g., Eq. 149).



As an alternate procedure, the indirect alkylation of 5-aminoisoquinoline has been accomplished.¹⁹⁰ 5-Acetamido-1-methylisoquinoline (**299**), on treatment with sodium hydride followed by an alkyl iodide, yields the alkylated amide **300**. Borohydride reduction produces the tertiary amine **301**. Acid-base mani-

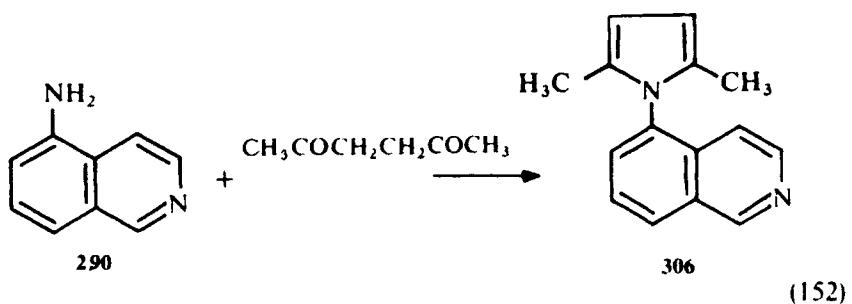
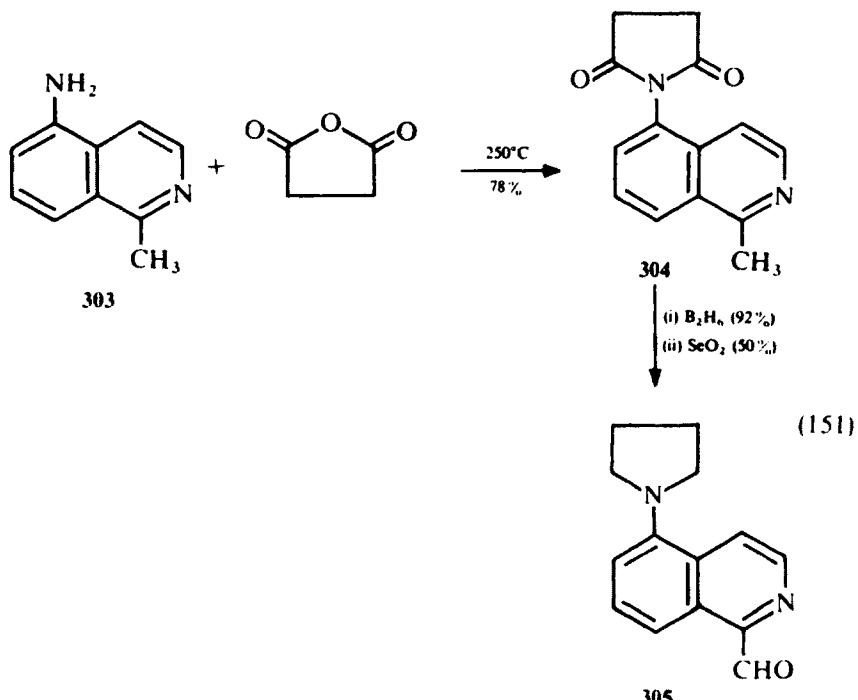
pulation of **300** yields the secondary amine **302**. A summary of these procedures is shown in Eq. 150.



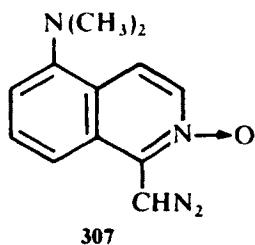
During the course of the work cited in Eq. 150, the synthesis of 5-pyrrolidylisoquinolines from 5-amino-1-methylisoquinoline (**303**) was reported.¹⁹⁰ Contact of **303** with succinic anhydride yields the imide **304**, which on reduction with diborane produces the pyrrolidinyl derivative **305** (Eq. 151).

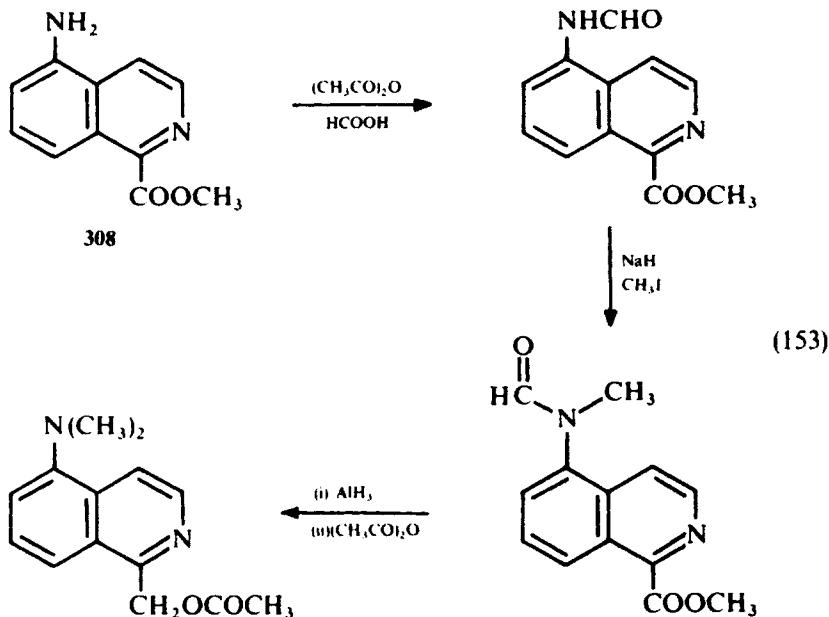
A similar procedure may be used for the preparation of the 2,5-dimethylpyrrolidinyl analog **306**¹⁵⁶ (Eq. 152), acetonylacetone replacing the succinic anhydride of Eq. 151.

During the course of the synthesis of a novel fluorescent labeling agent, 5-dimethylamino-2-oxidoisoquinolin-1-yl diazomethane **307**, an alternative alkyl-



ation of the 5-aminoisoquinoline 308 has been achieved using the methods shown in Eq. 153.¹⁹¹





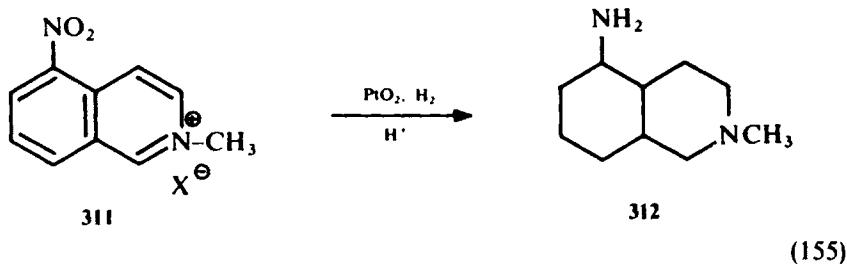
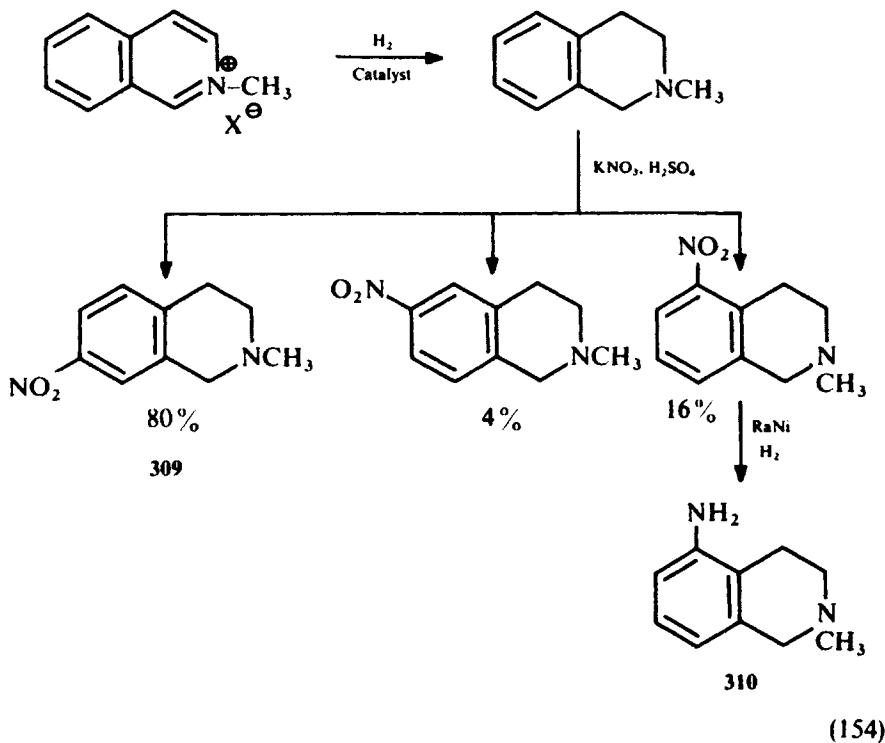
C. 5-Amino-1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolines

While it is a relatively simple procedure to prepare these derivatives by catalytic hydrogenation of either the 5-nitro or 5-aminoisoquinolines,¹⁹²⁻¹⁹⁴ the nitration of 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline (as an initial step in their synthesis) has been reported.¹⁹⁵ Although this approach is of primary benefit in the synthesis of 7-aminotetrahydroisoquinolines 309, a significant amount of substitution occurs at the 5 position during the nitration step. This provides an alternate route for the synthesis of 5-amino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines 310 (Eq. 154).

D. 5-Aminodecahydroisoquinolines

The low-pressure hydrogenation of 5-nitroisoquinolinium salts 311 over platinum oxide in acidic media gives good yields of the fully reduced amine 312¹⁷⁴ (Eq. 155). Separation of two of the four possible diastereoisomeric amines has been achieved by fractional recrystallization of the acetamides, followed by hydrolysis of the purified amides. Conversion of the amines to the known alcohols by deamination with nitrous acid, coupled with spectral data, confirmed evidence for the stereochemical assignments.

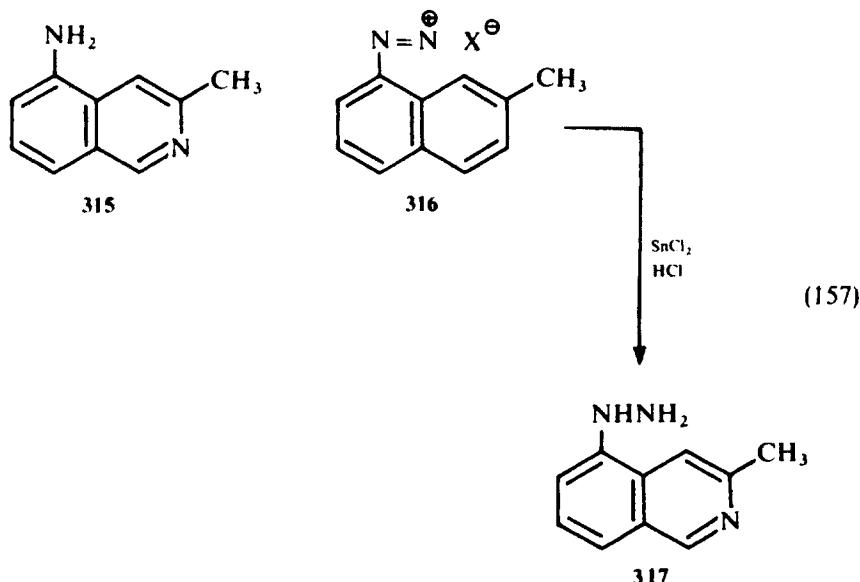
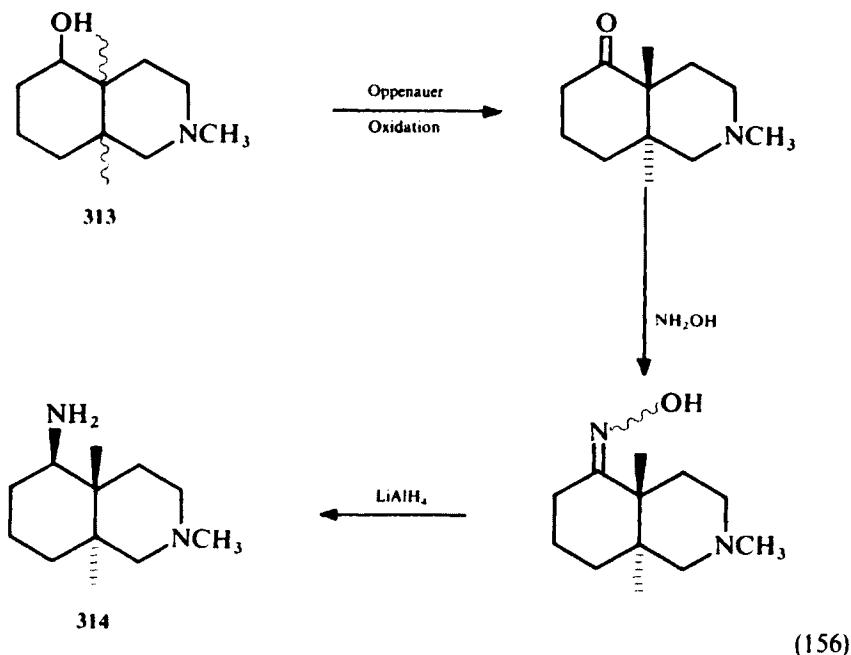
Alternate high-pressure hydrogenations of the 5-nitroisoquinolinium salt 311 over Raney nickel at elevated temperatures also yields the fully reduced product



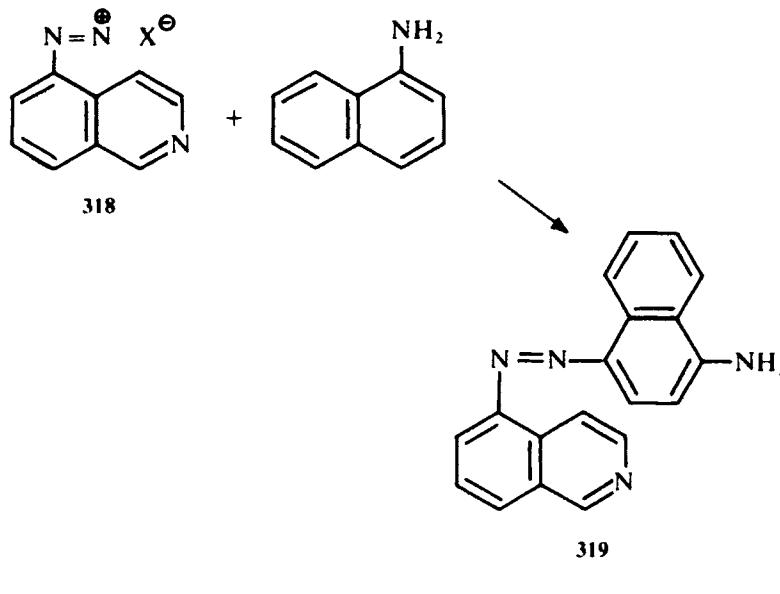
312.¹⁹⁶ The stereoselective synthesis of 5-amino-2-methyl-*trans*-decahydroisoquinoline **314** may be accomplished from the isomeric 5-hydroxy compounds **313**, as shown in Eq. 156.

E. 5-Hydrazinoisoquinolines

Diazotization of the amino group of 5-aminoisoquinolines (e.g., **315**), followed by reduction of the diazonium salt **316** with stannous chloride and hydrochloric acid, produces yields of the hydrazine derivative **317**¹⁹⁸ (Eq. 157).

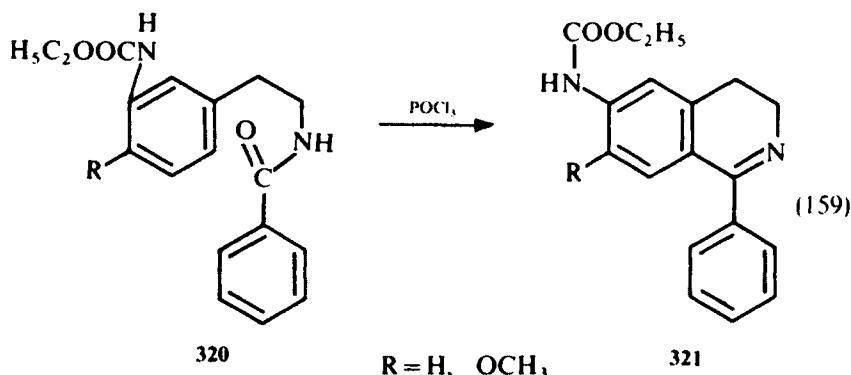


The electrophilic substitution of 1-naphthylamine by the diazonium salt of 5-aminoisoquinoline (318) has been reported for the synthesis of some antischistosomicidal azoisoquinolines 319¹⁸¹ (Eq. 158).



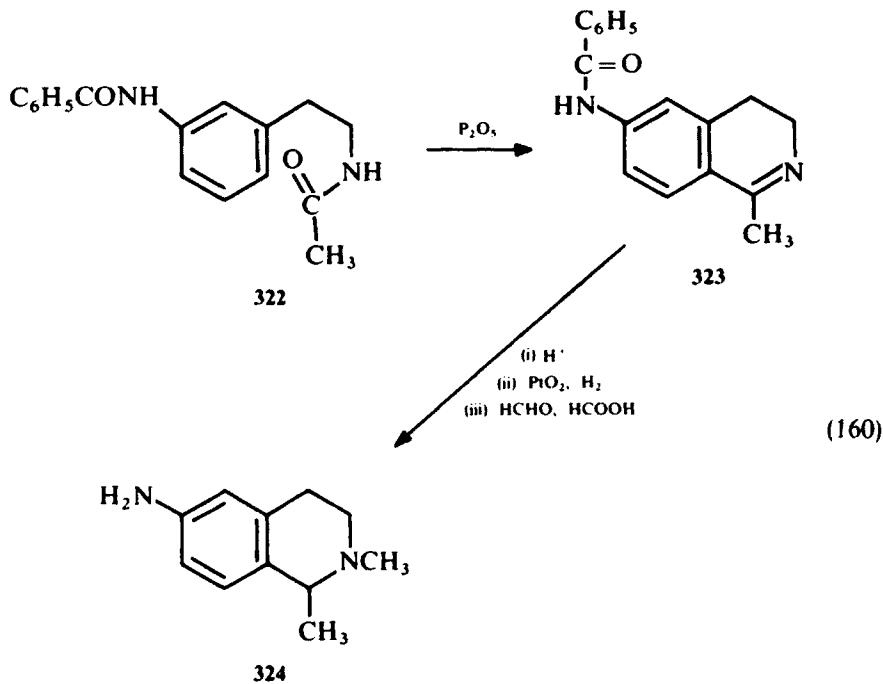
VII. PREPARATION OF ISOQUINOLINES HAVING A BASIC GROUPING AT POSITION 6

The synthesis of derivatives of this group by Bischler-Napieralski ring-closure reactions is the most commonly reported procedure. Several studies by Ishiwata and his co-workers^{200,201} have been reported, incorporating the phosphorus oxychloride closure of 3-phenylethylamides bearing *m*-acylamido groupings 320. Ring closure occurs para to the acylamido grouping, thus yielding derivatives of 6-amino-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline 321²⁰⁰ (Eq. 159).

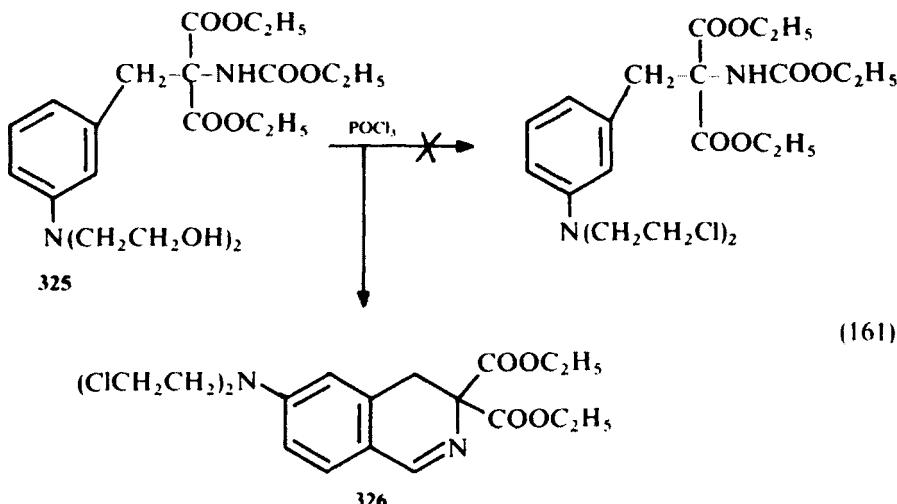


The ability to ring-close compounds not bearing activating methoxyl groupings provides a significant improvement over the previously used procedures involving the nitration of isoquinolines and subsequent reduction to the amine. The combination of the inherent low-yield nitration and the formation of alternate positions of substitution by the nitro grouping results in extremely low-yield reaction. The ethoxycarbamido grouping appears to be an excellent nitrogen-containing substituent for accelerating the Bischler-Napieralski closure, presumably as a result of its increasing electron density at the position of closure. Originally, it was thought that the closure was extremely position-specific,²⁰⁰ however, more detailed studies have revealed that the ratio of ortho to para closure is 1:3.5, thereby yielding 8-amino-3,4-dihydroisoquinolines in preference to the 6-positional analog.²⁰² Subsequent reduction of the 1,2-double bond of the dihydroisoquinoline 321 with sodium borohydride readily produces the corresponding tetrahydroisoquinoline, which on hydrolysis affords the free 6-amino grouping. Reactions of this type are utilized in the synthesis of cularine alkaloids (6,7-dioxygenated benzylisoquinolines).^{199,203} In this work, the purpose of these reactions is to allow the ring closure of normally difficult to close systems. The presence of the 6-amino substituent (in the form of the acylamido grouping) facilitates ring closure and allows manipulation to the desired oxygen functions.

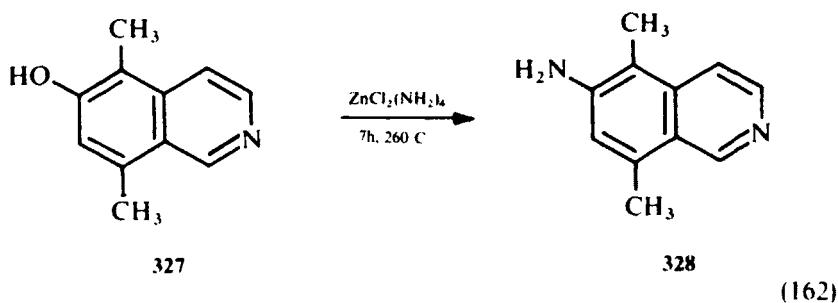
Alternate Bischler-Napieralski ring closures utilize *p*-benzamido α -phenylethylamides 322 as substrate and phosphorous pentoxide as the Lewis acid²⁰⁵ (Eq. 160).



Hydrolysis of the amide (323), followed by formylation and hydrogenation of the double bond, yields the 6-amino-1,2-dimethyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline 324. Attempts to chlorinate some *N,N'*-dihydroxyalkylated anilines (325) with phosphorus oxychloride leads to a Bischler-Napieralski closed product 326²⁰⁷ (Eq. 161).

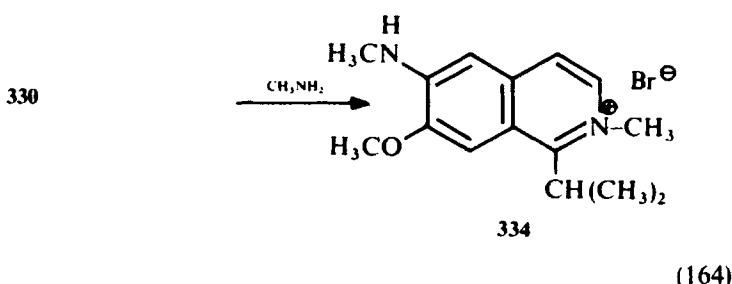
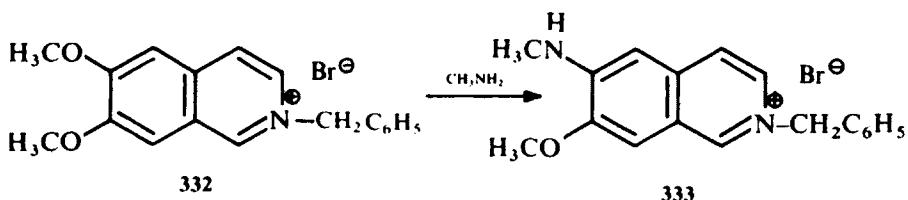
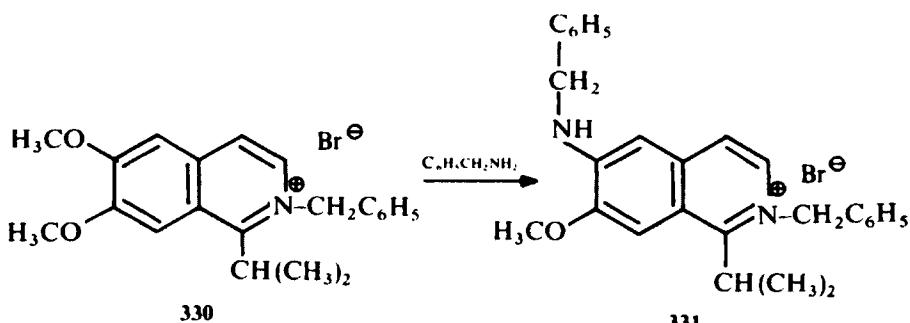
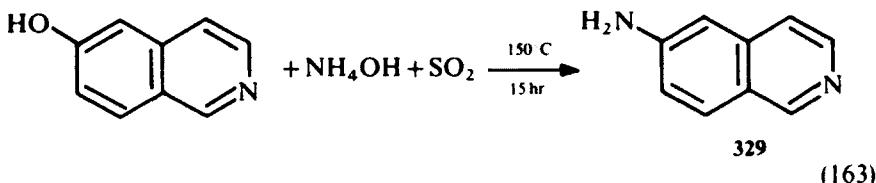


Displacement of the hydroxyl group of 6-hydroxyisoquinoline 327 has been utilized as a synthesis for the 6-aminoisoquinoline 328 in good yields (68%)²⁰⁶ (Eq. 162).



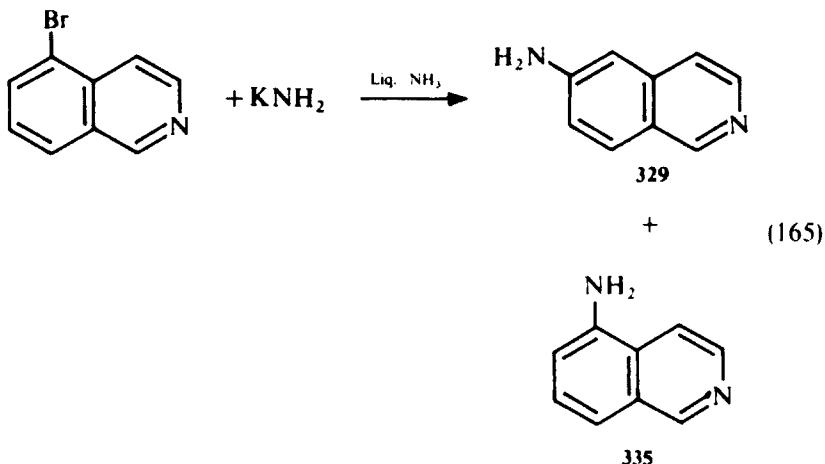
The Bucherer reaction has also been utilized in the synthesis of 6-aminoisoquinoline 329 as an intermediate for pyridocarbazole synthesis²⁰⁷ (Eq. 163).

The 6-methoxy group of certain isoquinolinium salts (330, 332) may be replaced by nucleophilic substitution to yield 6-methylamino or 6-benzylamino-isoquinolines 331 and 333. However, when 1-isopropyl-6,7-dimethoxy-2-benzylisoquinolinium bromide 330 is reacted with methylamine, displacement of the 6-methoxy group occurs as expected; in addition, replacement of the 2-benzyl group by methyl occurs (334)²⁰⁸ (Eq. 164).

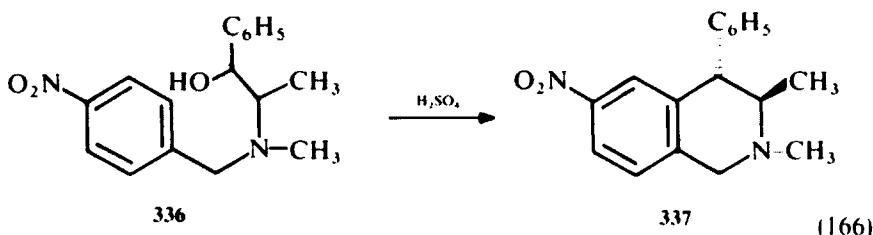


Amination of 5-bromoisoquinoline may be accomplished with potassium amide in liquid ammonia.²⁰⁹ The preferential production of 6-aminoisoquinoline (47%) **329** over the 5-amino compound (21%) **335** occurs (Eq. 165).

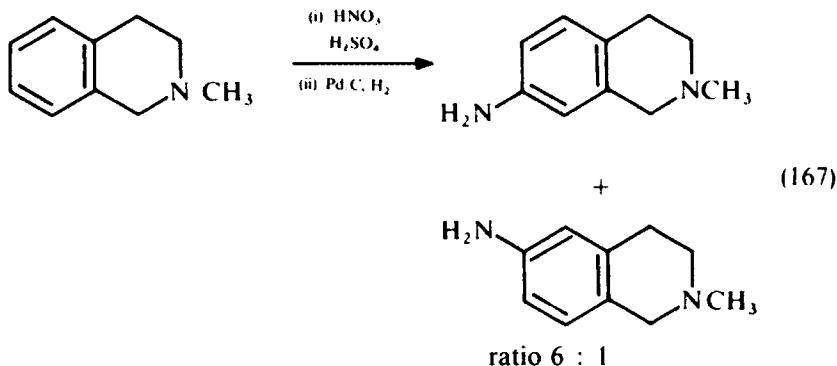
An efficient synthesis for 6-nitro-3,4-disubstituted 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines (and thus the amino analogs) has been reported by Trepanier and Sunder.²¹⁰ These previously difficult to prepare compounds do not possess activating groups (i.e., OCH_3), and thus are poor products for synthesis by Bischler-Napieralski, Pictet-Spengler, or Pomeranz-Fritsch ring closures. *N*-



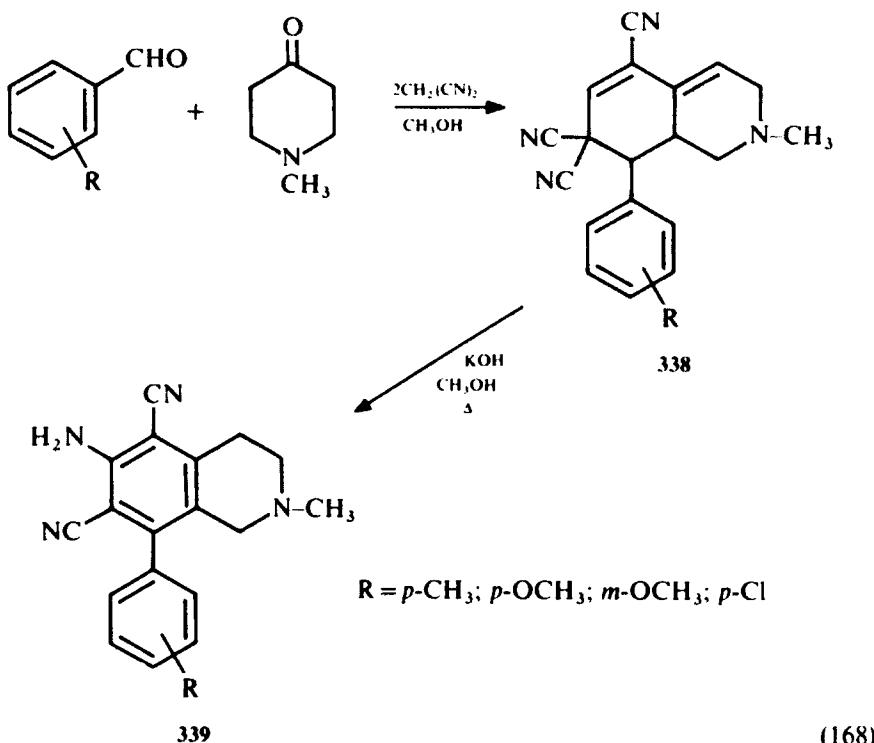
Benzylephedrine 336 may be cyclodehydrated by sulfuric acid for 1 h to give the 6-nitro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline derivatives 337 (Eq. 166).



The nature and position of the substituent on the aromatic ring does not appear to influence the success of the ring closure in this reaction. However, *N*-substituted benzylephedrines do not cyclodehydrate. As an alternative procedure, the nitration of 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines has been reported to yield the 6-nitro analog as the minor product, from which the amine may be obtained by reduction²¹¹ (Eq. 167). Additional studies on the nitration of 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines are shown in Eq. 154.



The reaction of 1-methyl-4-piperidone with a substituted benzaldehyde under reaction conditions outlined by Andresen and Pedersen²¹² yields an isoquinoline ring system bearing a 6-amino group. The initial product **338** may be converted to a 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline **339** by treatment with base (Eq. 168).

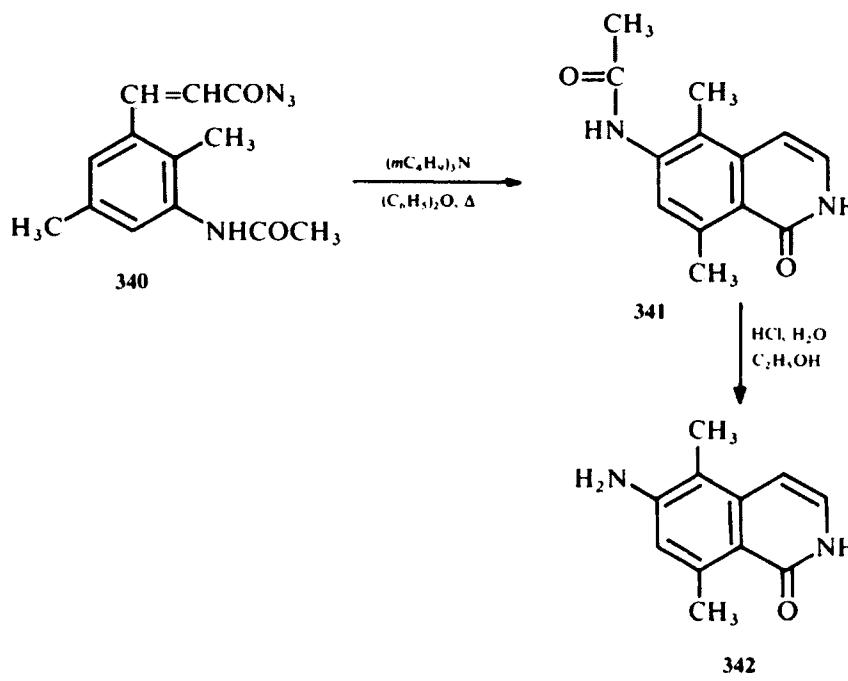


The base-catalyzed cyclization of the cinnamic acid azide **340** results in the 6-acetamido isoquinoline **341**. Hydrolysis of the intermediary acetamide yields 6-amino-5,8-dimethylisoquinolin-1 (2H)-one **342**^{213,214} (Eq. 169).

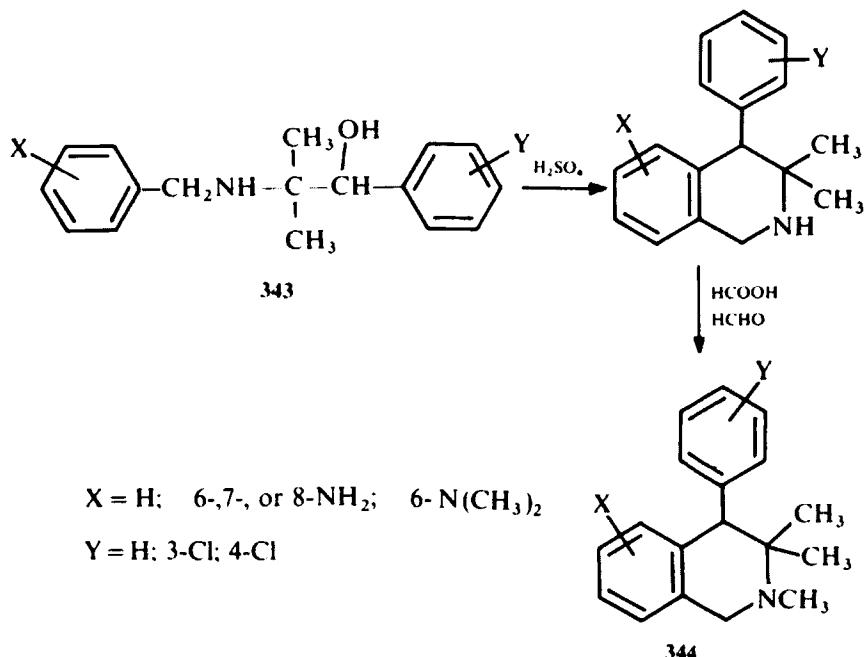
Cyclization of appropriately substituted tertiary alcohols (e.g., **343**) with concentrated sulfuric acid has been used in the synthesis of 6-(or 7- or 8-)amino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines **344**²¹⁵ (Eq. 170).

The synthesis and elucidation of the stereochemistry of some diastereoisomers of 6-amino-2-methyldecahydroisoquinoline **347** has been described.²¹⁶ The synthesis of 6-amino-2-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline **346** was achieved by nitration of 7-bromo-2-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline **345** (Eq. 171) followed by reduction and dehalogenation.

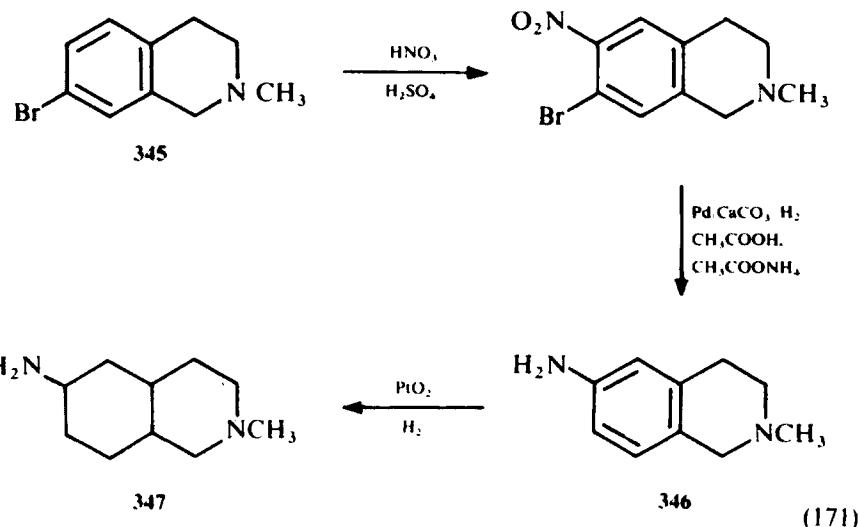
Spectral and chemical evidence (deamination with nitrous acid to the known hydroxy compounds) confirmed the major isomers isolated to be 6β -amino-2-methyl-*cis*-(4*a* α ,8*a* α) and 6α -amino-2-methyl-*trans*-(4*a* β ,8*a* α)-decahydroisoquinoline. A small amount of the 6β -amino-2-methyl-*cis*-(4*a* β ,8*a* β)-



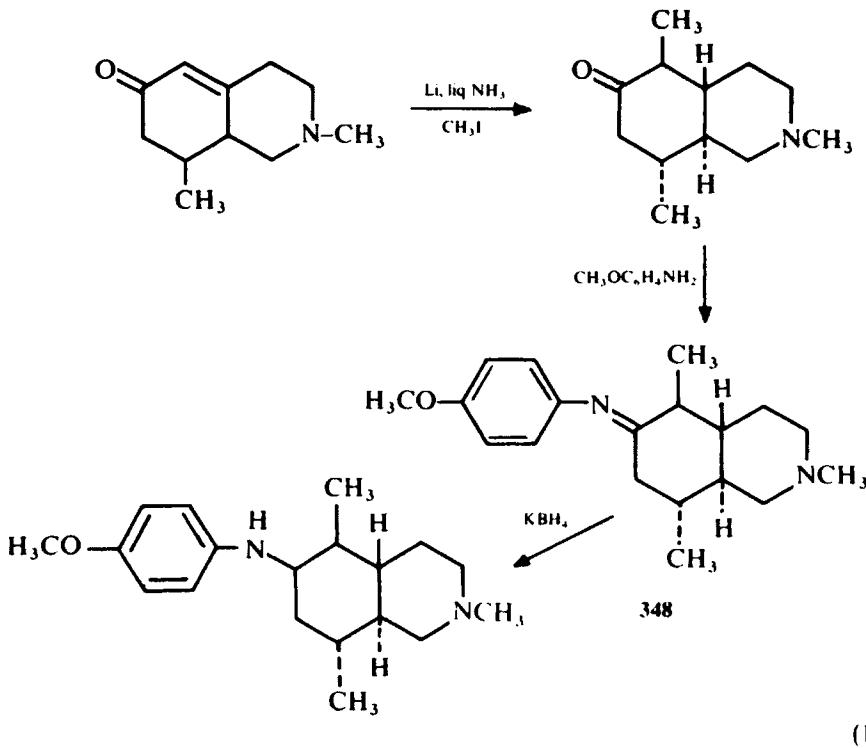
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 $X = H; 6-, 7-, \text{ or } 8-NH_2; 6-N(CH_3)_2$ $Y = H; 3-Cl; 4-Cl$

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decahydroisoquinoline was isolated. Introduction of a substituted 6-amino grouping into the decahydroisoquinoline nucleus has been achieved from the corresponding 6-isooquinolone 348 using *p*-methoxyaniline followed by a borohydride reduction²¹⁷ (Eq. 172).



VIII. PREPARATION OF ISOQUINOLINES HAVING A BASIC GROUPING AT POSITION 7

In general, three procedures are available for the preparation of derivatives of this group of isoquinolines:

- (1) Nitration of existing substituted reduced isoquinolines, followed by reduction of the nitro grouping.
- (2) Condensation of nitroaralkyl halides with appropriate amines, again followed by reduction of the nitro group.
- (3) Replacement of existing substituents at the 7 position by contact with organic bases.

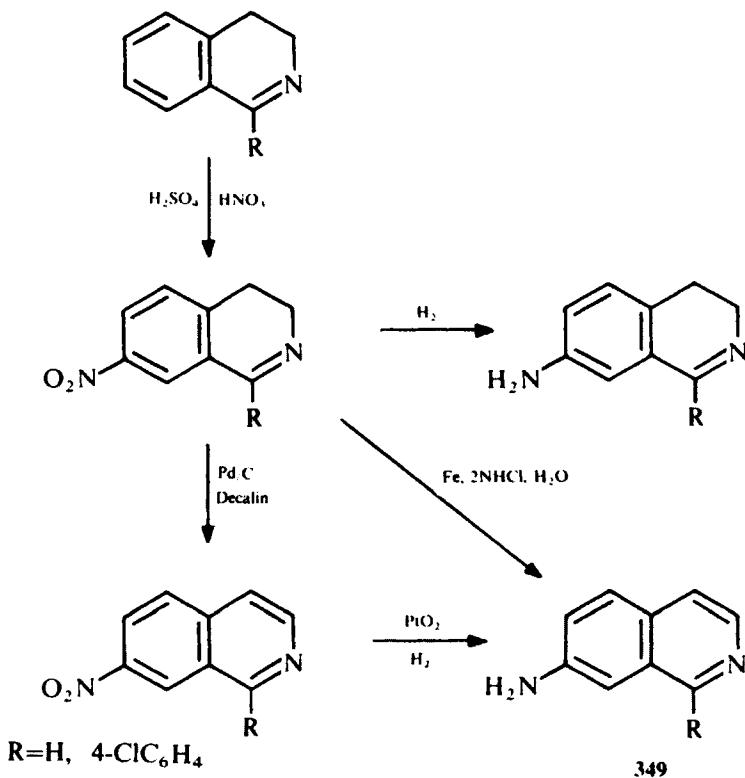
A. Nitration of Partially Reduced Isoquinolines

Direct nitration has been carried out most frequently with 3,4-dihydro²¹⁹ and 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines^{212, 217, 220} as the substrates. The nitrated products are generally obtained in low yields, owing to the generally poor yields of nitration and substitution occurring at alternate positions on the benzenoid ring of the reduced isoquinoline (Eq. 154). While these studies utilized low-yield nitration procedures, experiences in the authors' laboratories have shown that the use of trifluoromethane sulfonic acid-nitric acid mixtures²²¹ is far superior. No differences in the position of substitution (7 ≫ 5 ≫ 6) are obtained and overall yields of the nitrated products are significantly improved (70%, compared with approximately 30% for the classical nitrations).

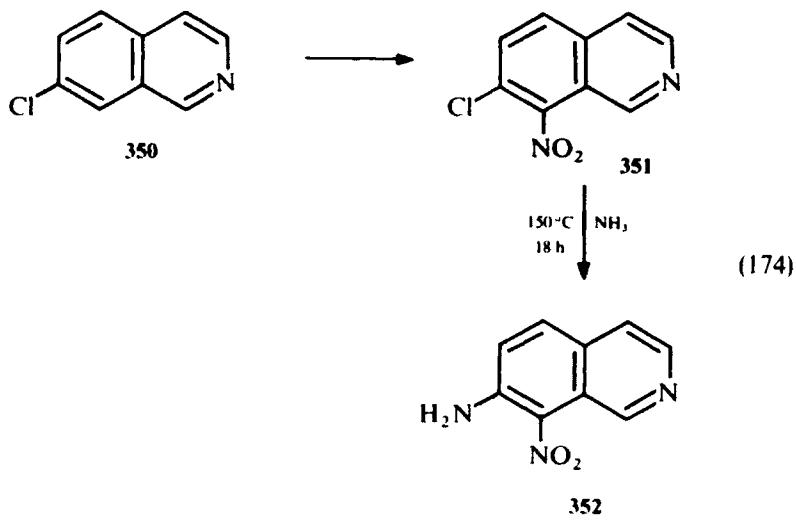
Several catalytic methods for reduction of the nitro grouping are available, including palladium on charcoal,²¹² platinum oxide,^{217, 219} and iron and HCl.²²⁰ In some instances, the preparation of the fully unsaturated 7-aminoisoquinoline was accomplished using the last catalyst. In general, the synthesis of the unsaturated compound from the partially reduced isoquinolines is achieved by aromatization of the heterocyclic ring of the nitrated product with palladium on charcoal in decalin.²¹⁹ Subsequent reduction of the nitro grouping over palladium catalyst, as previously noted, yields the desired compound **349**.²¹⁹ In summary, the pathways to 7-aminoisoquinolines by these approaches are shown in Eq. 173.

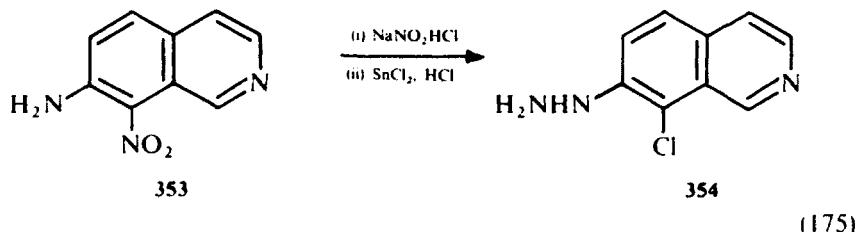
The nitration of 7-chloroisoquinoline **350** to yield the 8-nitro derivative **351** has been utilized in the preparation of 7-amino-8-nitroisoquinoline **352**¹⁹⁹ (Eq. 174).

Formation of the diazonium salt of the 7-amino grouping of **352** labilizes the 8-nitro grouping such that treatment with hypophosphorous acid in the presence of HCl produces 8-chloroisoquinoline.^{199, 222} In a similar manner, 7-amino-8-nitroisoquinoline **352** may be used to prepare 7-hydrazino-8-chloroisoquinoline **353**¹⁹⁹ (Eq. 175).

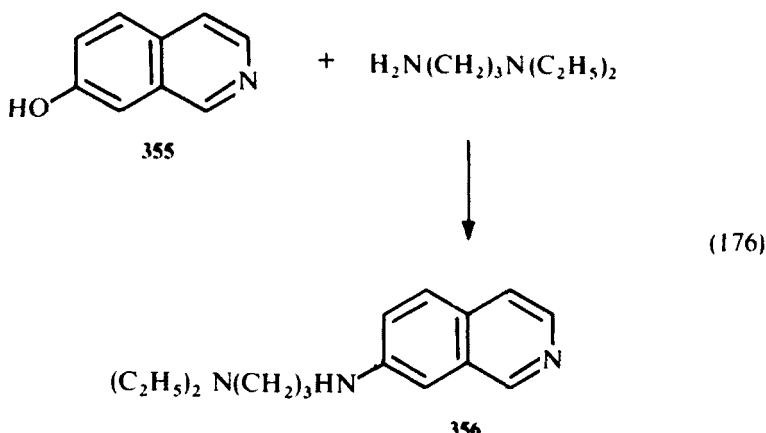


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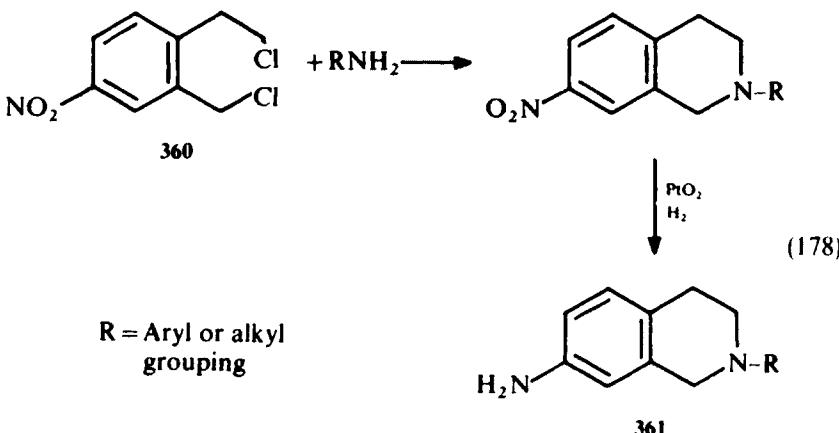
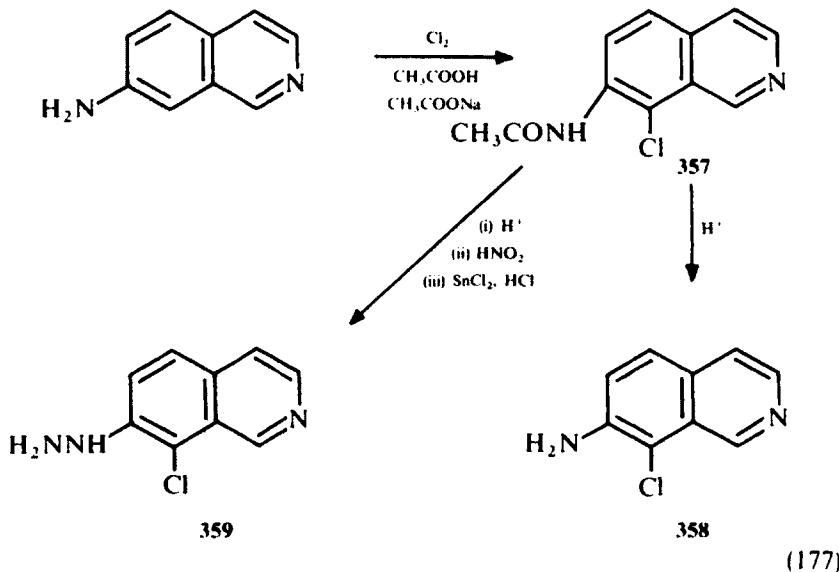
Attempts to prepare 7-amino-8-chloroisooquinoline **358** by the Bucherer reaction of 7-hydroxy-8-chloroisooquinoline have not been successful; however, 7-aminoisoquinoline is obtained.¹⁹⁹ 7-Hydroxyisoquinoline **355** also successfully yields 7-dialkylaminoalkylaminoisoquinoline **356** according to Bucherer procedures using dialkylaminoalkylamines²³³ (Eq. 176).



Treatment of 7-aminoisoquinoline with chlorine in sodium acetate-acetic acid produces 7-acetamido-8-chloroisooquinoline **357**, from which **358** may be obtained by hydrolysis. Diazotization of the 7-amino group of **358**, followed by reduction with stannous chloride, provides an alternate synthesis for the hydrazine **359**¹⁹⁹ (Eq. 177).

B. Condensation of Amines with Nitroaralkyl Halides

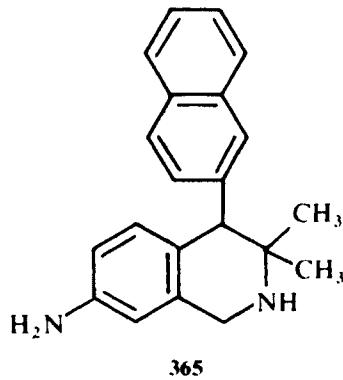
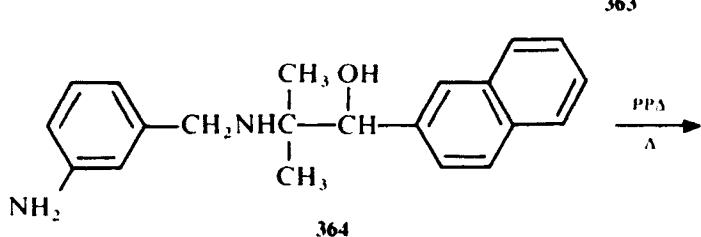
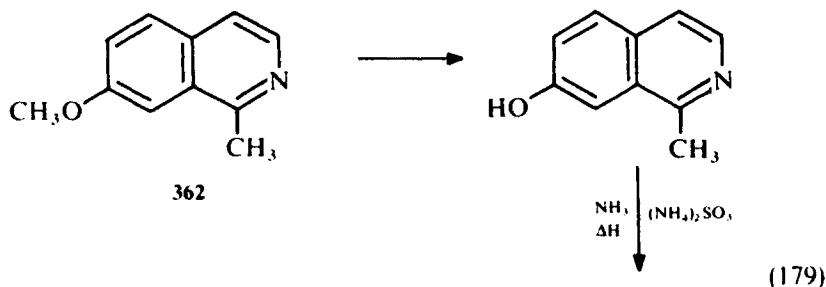
The preparation of 7-amino-2-substituted 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines **361** has been accomplished by the condensation of a variety of aryl²²⁴ or alkylamines^{224, 225} with nitroaralkyl halides **360** (Eq. 178). Reduction of the nitro grouping over platinum catalyst provides the desired amino compounds (**361**).



C. Replacement of Existing Groupings at the 7 position

While it is feasible to approach the synthesis of 7-aminoisoquinoline as described in Section VIII.A and B, alternate procedures are also available.²²⁶ Demethylation of 7-methoxyisoquinolines **362**, followed by amination using Bucherer reaction conditions, gives high yields of the 7-amino compound **363** (Eq. 179).

The polyphosphoric acid cyclization of tertiary alcohols **364** has been reported as a method for the preparation of 7-amino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines **365**²²⁷ (Eq. 180).

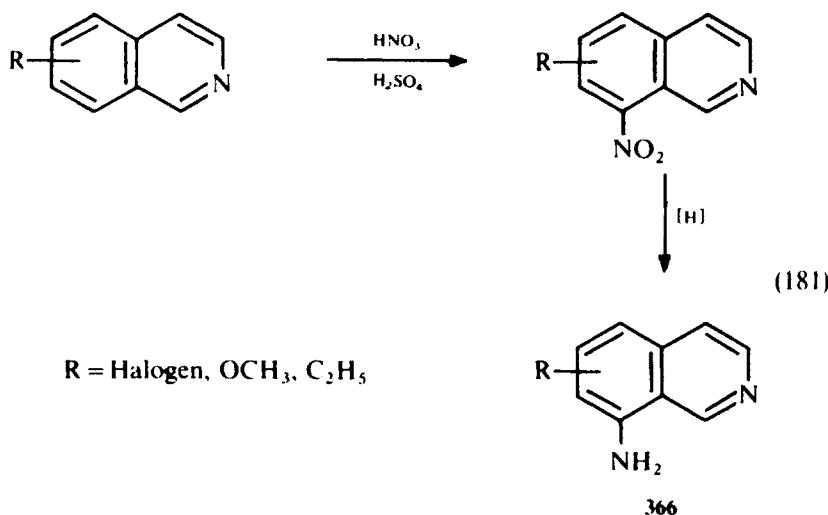


IX. PREPARATION OF ISOQUINOLINES HAVING A BASIC GROUPING AT POSITION 8

A. 8-Aminoisoquinolines

The synthesis of these derivatives is commonly reported in the literature, primarily because of the ease with which it is possible to introduce nitrogen-

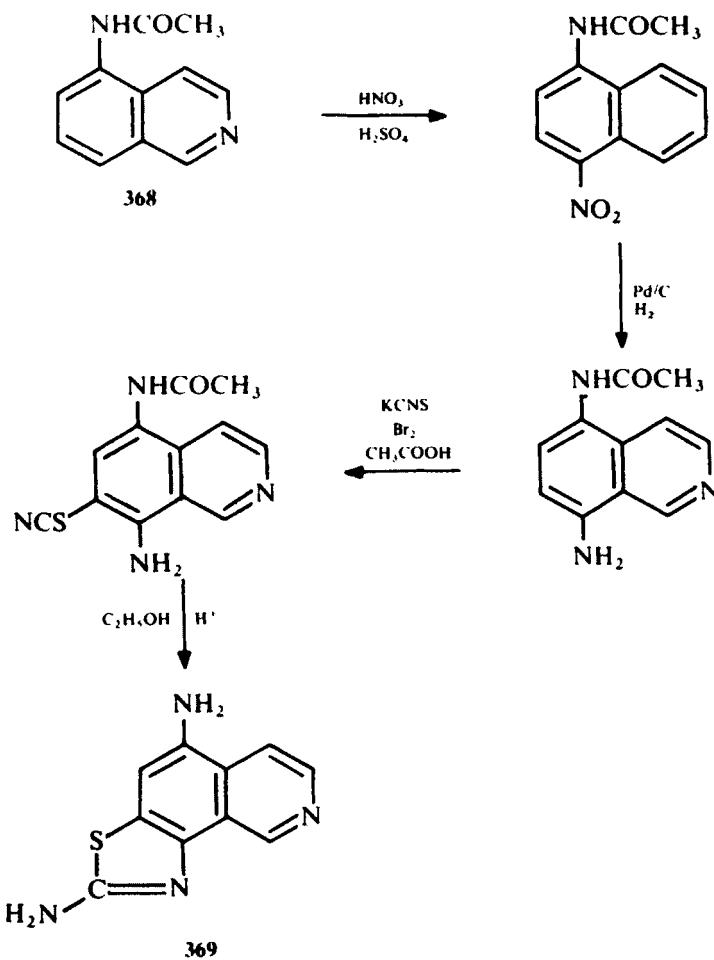
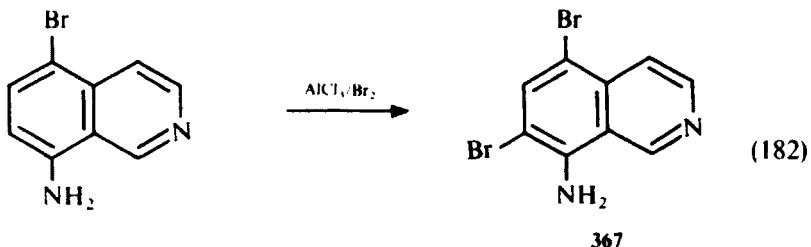
containing substituents (in the form of nitro groupings) directly at the 8 position of isoquinoline by electrophilic substitution. The use of methoxyl, chloro, and other halogen substituents to direct the course of nitration into the 8 position has been extensively described. 7-Methoxy,²²⁷ 5-acetamido,¹⁸⁷ 5-chloro^{198,225} and 5-bromo isoquinolines,²²⁸ and 5,6-dimethoxy-2-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline²³² all give good yields of the 8-nitro analog. Reduction with palladium on charcoal and hydrazine hydrate^{229,230} or stannic chloride,²²⁹ or by hydrogenation over palladium on charcoal,^{187,228} calcium carbonate,²²⁵ or Raney nickel²³¹ gives excellent yields of the amine **366** (Eq. 181). In the case of the halogenated compounds, the halogen may be retained in the reduction step by an appropriate choice of reducing conditions (palladium on charcoal²²⁹ or Raney nickel²³¹).



The nitration of unsubstituted isoquinoline at 0°C produces the expected 5 and 8 positional isomers in the ratio of 90:10. When the temperature is raised to 100°C, the amount of the 8-nitro compound in the ratio increases to 85:15. The nitration of isoquinoline *N*-oxide yields the 8-nitro compound as a secondary product (as previously noted, Eq. 146¹⁸⁵). Catalytic hydrogenation over palladium on charcoal provides excellent yields of 8-aminoisoquinoline.¹⁸⁵

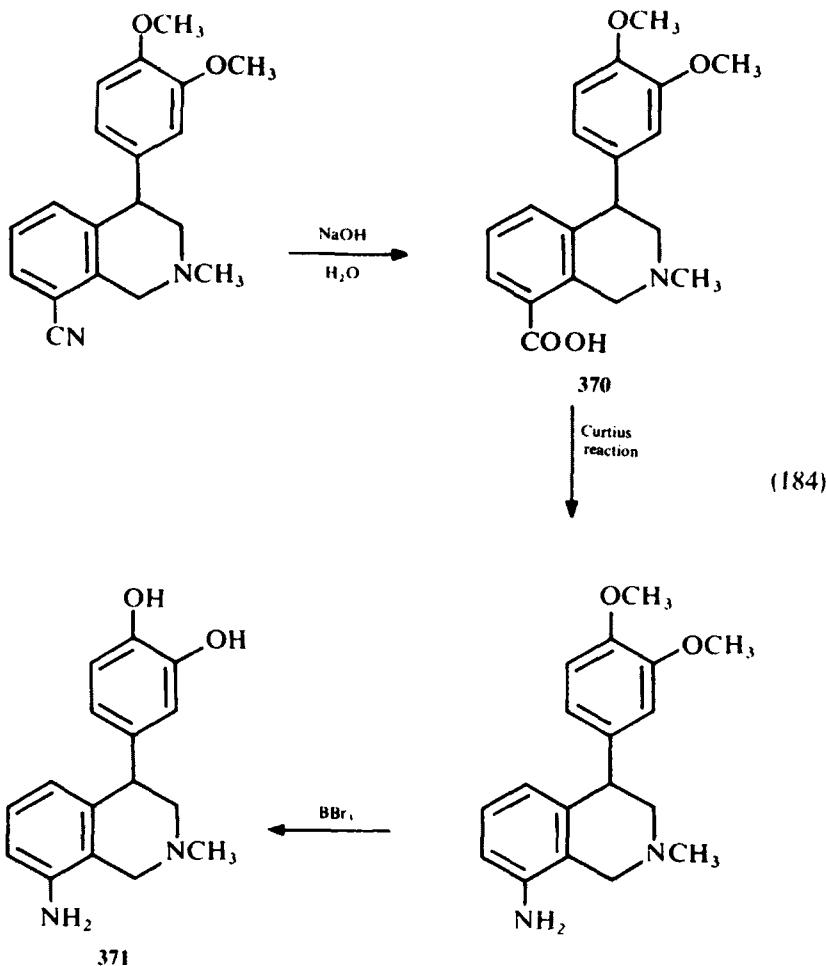
The halogenation of 8-aminoisoquinolines using the "swamping catalyst" technique²²⁸ enables the introduction of the halogen at the 7 position **367**, providing a grouping for further manipulation (Eq. 182). The formation of an aluminum-chloride complex with the heteroatom deactivates the ring such that substitution occurs only in the benzenoid ring.

8-Aminoisoquinolines may be utilized as precursors for the synthesis of thiazolo-[4,5-*h*]-isoquinolines **369**.¹⁸⁷ The nitration of the 5-acetamidoisoquinoline **368** at the 8 position provides the basis for the construction of the 4,5-thiazoline ring system at the *h* bond of isoquinoline (Eq. 183).



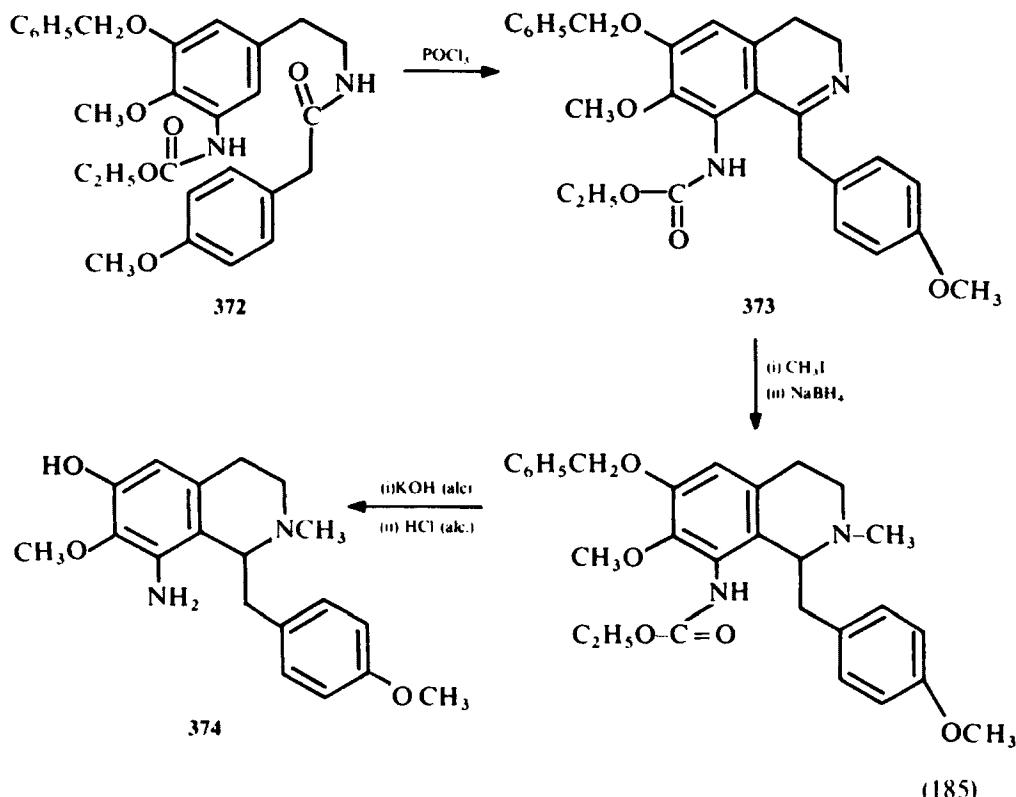
The Bucherer reaction of 8-hydroxyisoquinoline has been successfully used for the synthesis of both 8-aminoisoquinoline and its 8-aminopropylidethylamino derivative.²²²

The synthesis of the 8-amino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline 371 may be accomplished from the 8-substituted isoquinoline carboxylic acid 370 using a Curtius reaction (Eq. 184).^{232,233}



The synthesis of 8-aminoisoquinoline may also be accomplished by ring-closure reactions using either sulfuric acid²³⁴ or Bischler-Napieralski conditions.²³⁵⁻²³⁸ The incorporation of *m*-acylamido groupings in various phenylethylamides (as described for the preparation of the 6-substituted compounds) is well documented.²³⁵⁻²³⁸ The addition of a *m*-benzyloxy grouping (372) to these *m*-acylamidophenylethylamides allows only one position of closure and gives a single product—a 1,6,7-trisubstituted 8-acylamido-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline 373 (Eq. 185). Subsequent reduction and hydrolysis yields the corresponding 8-amino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline 374, a general structure important in the elucidation of the homolinearisine alkaloids.²³⁶⁻²³⁸

Appropriately substituted *o*-toluidine derivatives 375 and 377 may be ring-closed using sulfuric acid to yield 8-amino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines 376 and 378²³⁹ (Eq. 186).

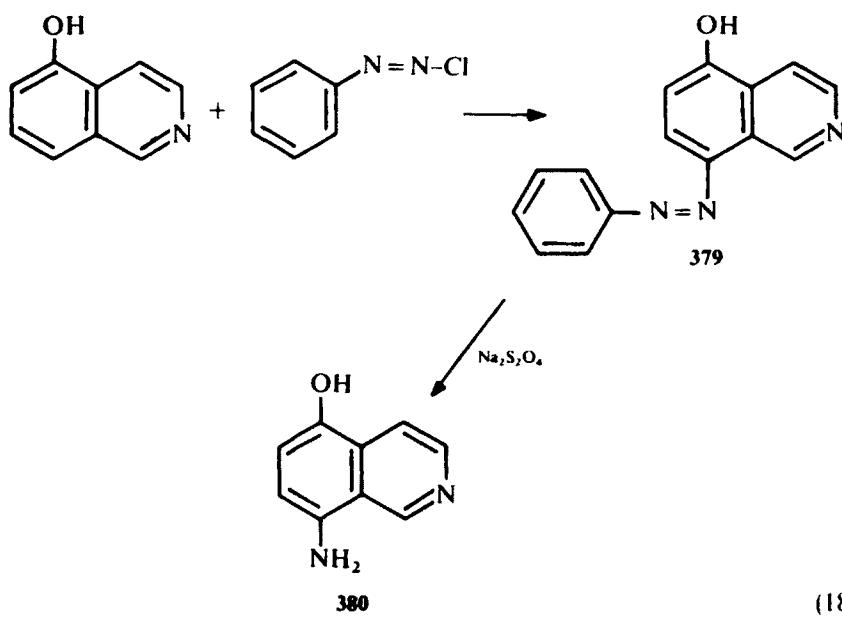
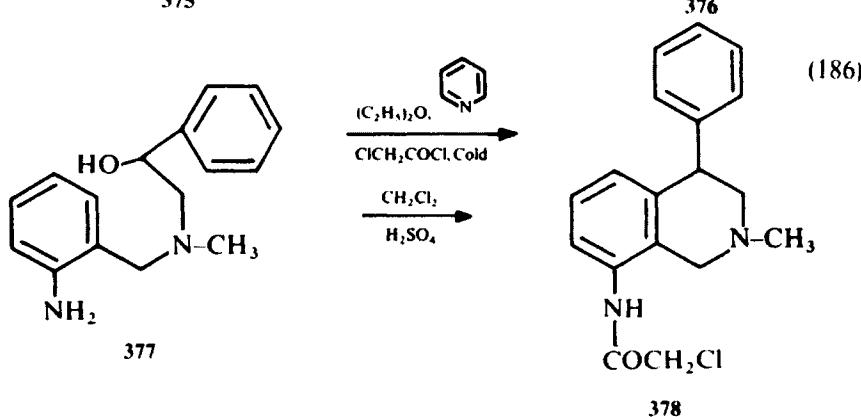
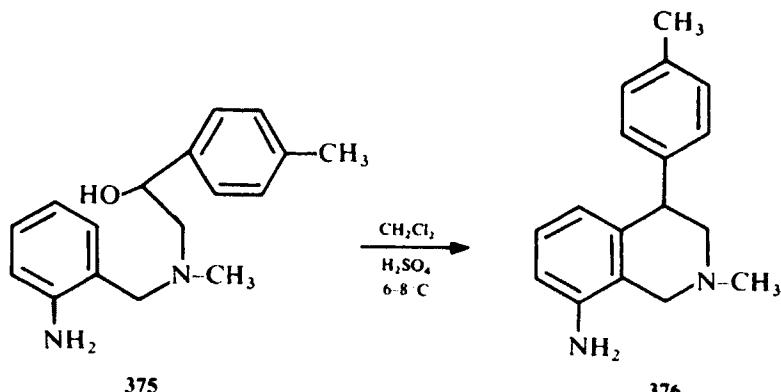


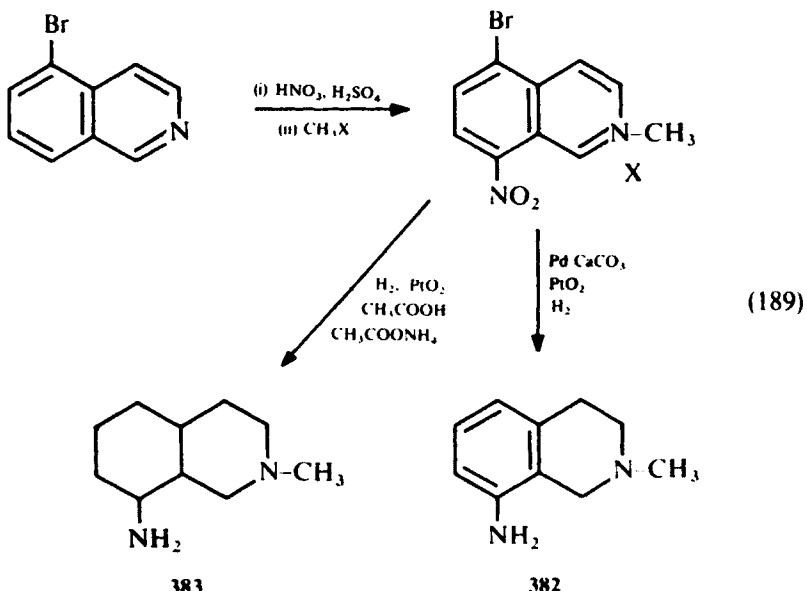
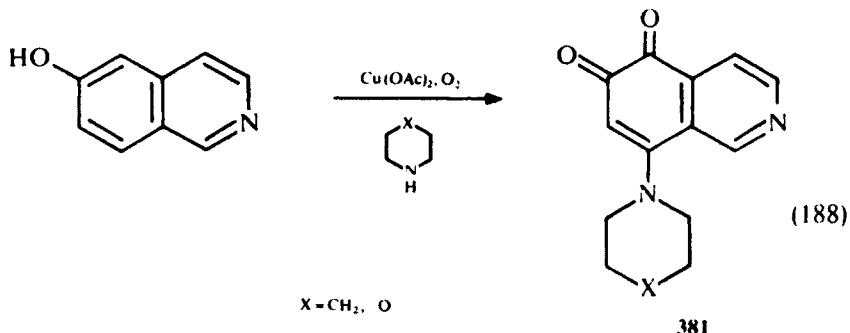
An unusual synthesis of 5-hydroxy-8-aminoisoquinoline 380 has been reported by Fieser,¹⁸³ involving the electrophilic substitution of 5-hydroxisoquinoline with benzene diazonium chloride in the presence of base with subsequent reduction of the intermediate 8-diazonium isoquinoline compound 379 (Eq. 187).

In a study related to Fieser's,¹⁸³ pursuant to the investigation of some arsonoarylaminooisoquinolines, a series of 8-azobenzeneearsonic acids have been prepared.⁴⁹ Coupling of various 5-aminoisoquinolines with several diazotized anilinoarsonic acids results in the introduction of the azobenzene arsonic acid grouping at the 8 position, comparable to structure 379 (Eq. 187).

The copper acetate oxidation of 6-hydroxyisoquinoline, in the presence of piperidine or morpholine, produces the 8-piperidino- (or morpholino-) isoquinoline-5,6-dione 381²⁴⁰ (Eq. 188).

The swamping-catalyst technique²²⁸ for the synthesis of 5-bromo-8-nitroisoquinoline was employed to produce three diastereoisomeric 8-amino-2-methyldecahydroisoquinolines.²⁴¹ Depending on the reducing conditions, subsequent quaternization, followed by selective concurrent catalytic hydrogenation and dehalogenation, enabled the isolation of 8-amino-2-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline 382 or three of the possible four diastereoisomeric 8-amino-2-methyldecahydroisoquinolines 383 (Eq. 189).

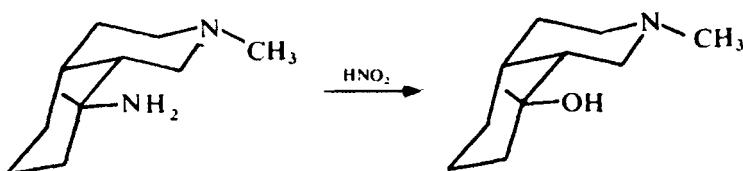
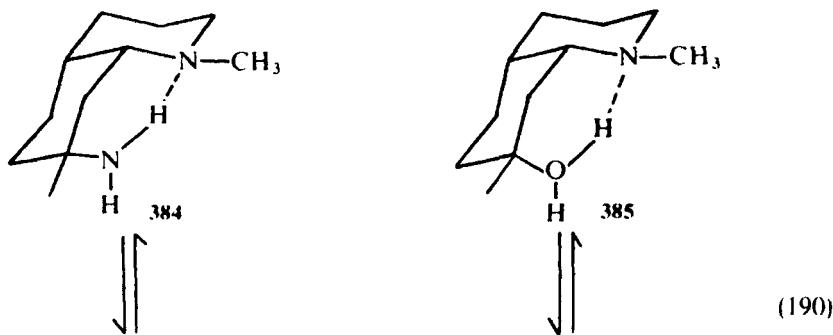




One of the cis ring-junction isomers demonstrated intra molecular hydrogen bonding, the axial amino group forming a bond with the heteroatom. Proof of the stereochemistry of the three isomers was obtained from both spectral data and deamination with nitrous acid to the known alcohols. Unexpectedly, the axial amine **384** gives high yields of the axial alcohol **385**, which is not in conflict with the established high-yield conversions of equatorial amines due to the conformational equilibrium of the axial amine (Eq. 190).

B. 8-Hydrazinoisoquinolines

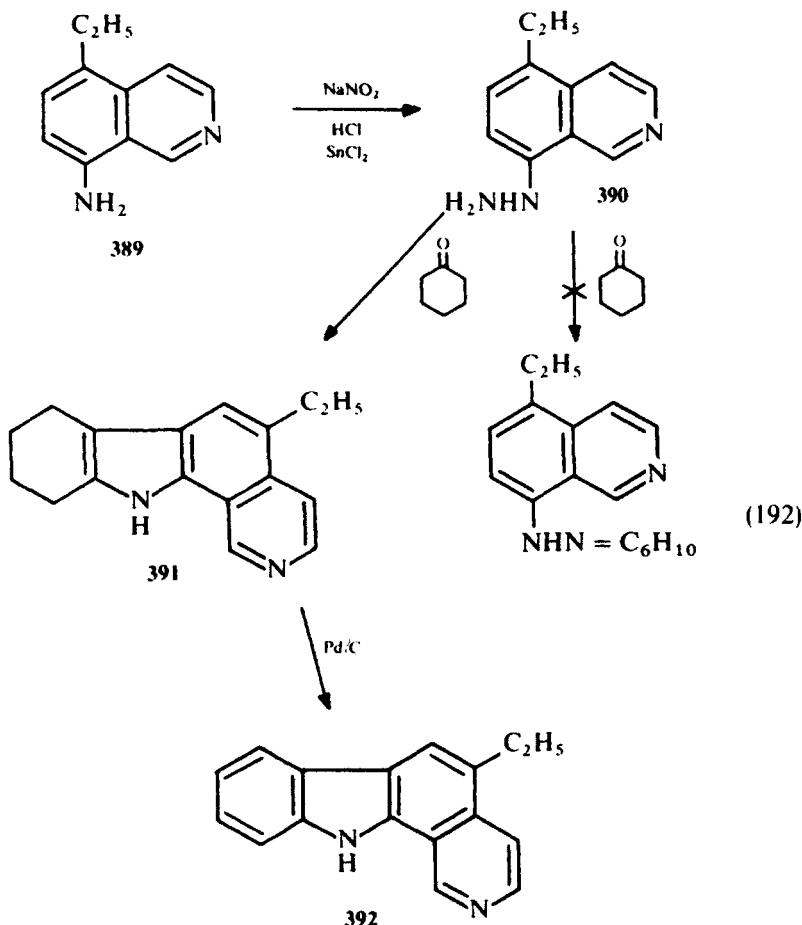
8-Aminoisoquinolines **386** have been employed in the synthesis of the hydrazine analogs **388** by way of the formation of the diazonium salt **387**, followed by reduction using stannous chloride in HCl^{198,242} (Eq. 191). Yields on



$\text{X} = \text{H}, \text{Cl}$

the order of 80% are obtained.¹⁹⁸ These hydrazines may be utilized as intermediates for the preparation of 1-*H*-pyrrolo-[3,4-*h*]-isoquinolines.²⁴²

Treatment of the 8-aminoisoquinoline 389 with sodium nitrite in hydrochloric acid also yields the 8-hydrazinoisoquinoline derivative 390²⁴³ (Eq. 192). Attempts to prepare its *N*-cyclohexyl hydrazide derivative by reaction of 390 with cyclohexanone does not proceed smoothly; Fisher indolization occurs to yield the pyridocarbazole derivative 391. Dehydrogenation of 391 over palladium on charcoal readily affords the aromatized analog 392 (Eq. 192).

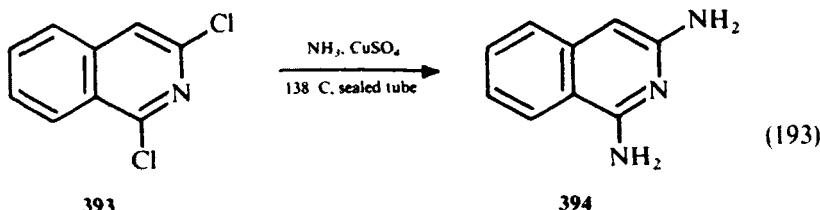


X. PREPARATION OF ISOQUINOLINES HAVING BASIC GROUPINGS AT TWO POSITIONS

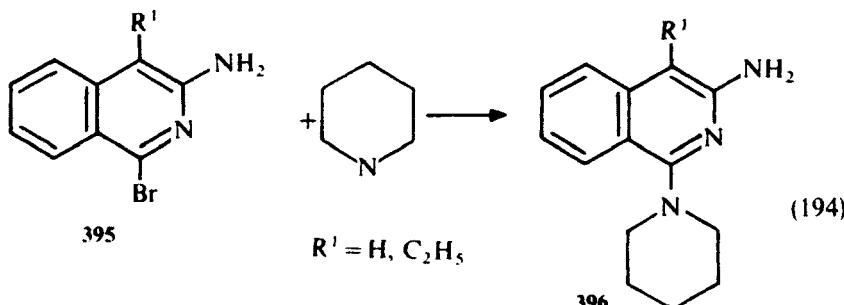
A. 1,3-Diaminoisoquinolines

Two procedures are available for the synthesis of these disubstituted isoquinolines. 1,3-Dichloroisoquinoline 393, on treatment with ammonia and copper sulfate in a sealed vessel at elevated temperature, gives good yields (60%) of the desired 1,3-diaminoisoquinoline 394²⁴⁴ (Eq. 193). The omission of the copper salt from the reaction results in amination at the 1 position only.²⁴⁴

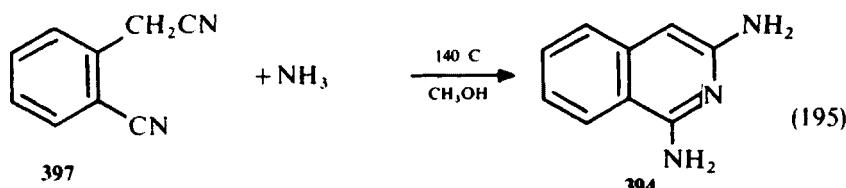
The amination of unsubstituted isoquinoline using sodamide in dimethyl-aniline yields only small quantities of 1,3-diaminoisoquinoline (9%).²⁴⁴



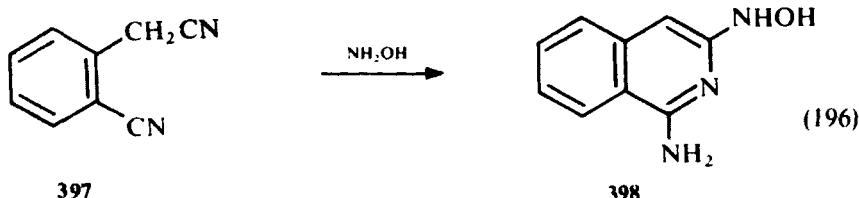
1-Halo-3-aminoisoquinolines, the typical products of the Johnson and Nasutavicus¹¹⁸ synthesis of 3-aminoisoquinolines, have been used for the preparation of 1,3-diamino compounds, making use of the previously noted lability of halogens substituted at the 1 position of isoquinoline.²⁴⁵ 1-Piperidino and (1-*N*-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolinyl)-3-aminoisoquinolines **396** are produced by the reaction of the corresponding secondary amines with the haloaminoisoquinoline **395** in moderate yields²⁴⁵ (Eq. 194).



The alternative procedure to the methods already described involves treatment of *o*-cyanobenzyl cyanides **397** with ammonia at high temperature,²⁴⁶ resulting in yields on the order of 70% (Eq. 195).

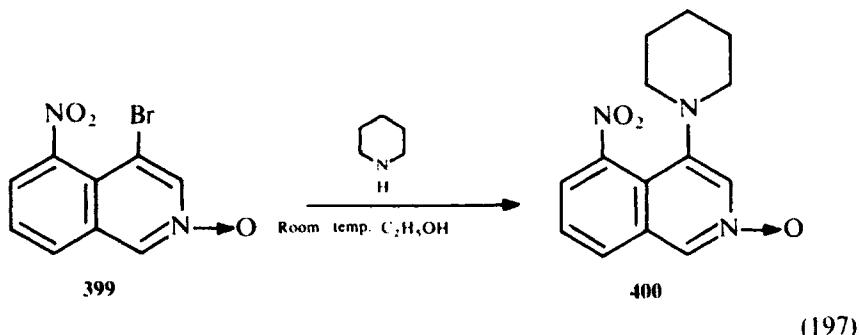


Nitrosation has been shown to occur at the 4 position of 1,3-diaminoisoquinolines.²⁴⁶ The addition of hydroxylamine to *o*-cyanobenzylcyanide **397** has been shown to give high yields of 1-amino-3-hydroxyaminoisoquinoline **398**²⁴⁷ (Eq. 196).



B. 1,4-Diaminoisoquinolines

As noted with the 4-aminoisoquinolines, the 1,4-diaminoisoquinolines are similarly difficult to prepare; however, isoquinoline *N*-oxides can provide a basis for a route of synthesis. 5-Nitro-4-bromoisoquinoline *N*-oxide (**399**), on treatment with secondary bases (e.g., piperidine, piperazine, morpholine, or diethylamine) in ethanol, readily affords the 4-amino-substituted analog **400** in yields dependent on the amine⁵³ (Eq. 197). Reduction of the *N*-oxide followed by chlorination of the resulting 4-amino-substituted isoquinoline with phosphorus oxychloride at the 1 position gives a product **401** from which the 1,4-diamine **402** may be obtained by a second exposure to secondary amine. As an alternative, if the same basic groupings at both the 1 and 4 positions are desired, **399** may be treated with the secondary amine under reflux in the absence of solvent⁵³ (Eq. 197).



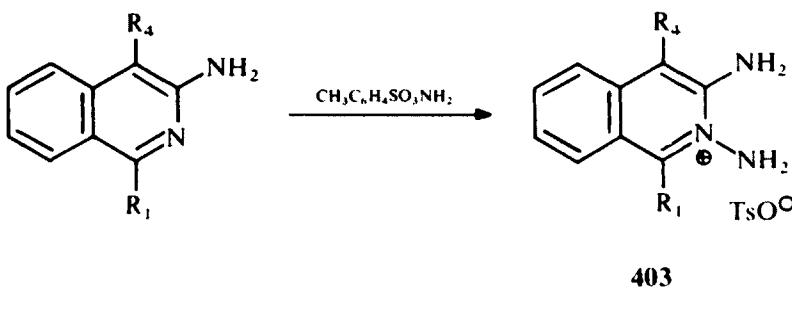
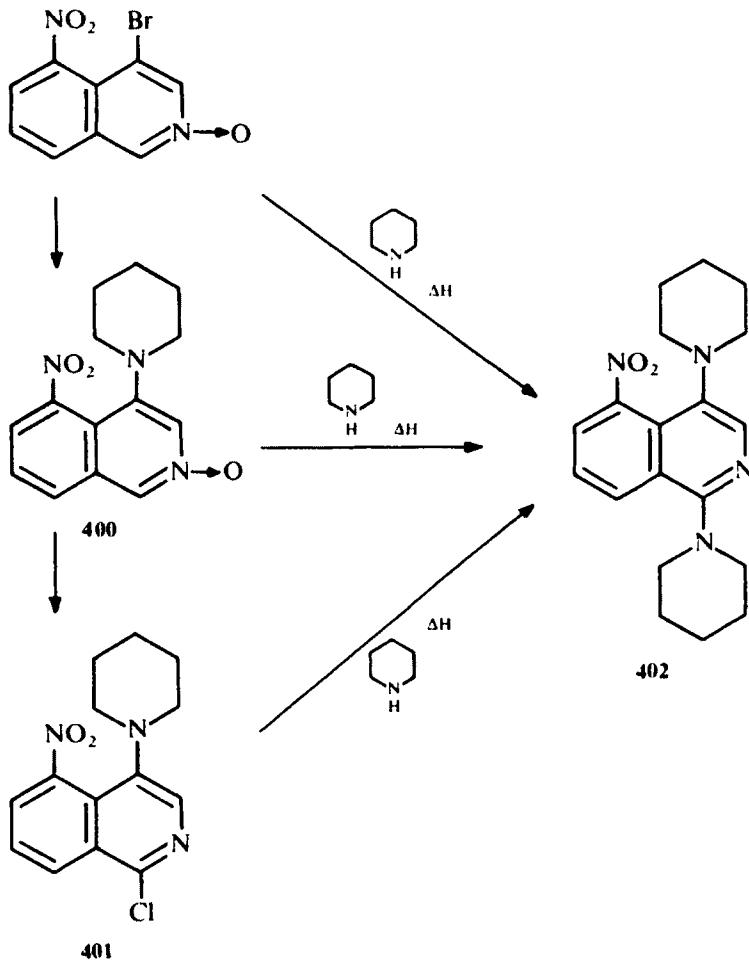
As a logical extension of these findings, the refluxing of 4-bromoisoquinoline *N*-oxide with secondary amines in the absence of solvent to yield the 1,4-diaminoisoquinoline is possible.⁵³ A summary of the routes available to the 1,4-dipiperidinoisoquinolines is shown in Eq. 198.

C. 2,3-Diaminoisoquinolines

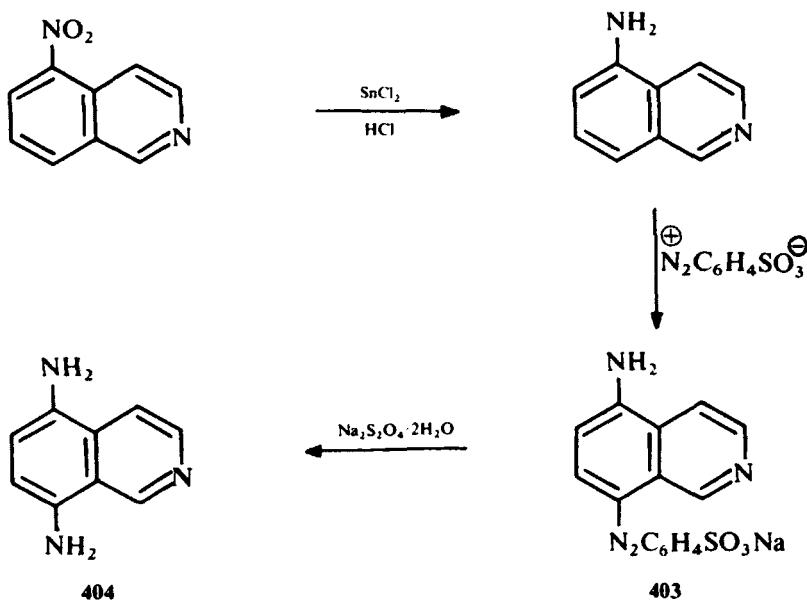
2,3-Diaminoisoquinolines **403** may be prepared from the corresponding 3-aminoisoquinolines by treatment with *p*-toluenesulfonamide²⁴⁸ (Eq. 200).

D. 5,8-Diaminoisoquinolines

The nitration of isoquinoline provides a route for the inclusion of basic groupings at both the 5 and 8 positions. Reduction of 5-nitroisoquinoline to the amine, followed by treatment with diazotized sulfanilic acid, results in the introduction of the diazosulfanilic acid grouping at the 8 position (**404**).¹⁷⁸



Sodium hydrosulfite reduction of the diazo grouping of **403** to the amine affords the 5,8-diamine **404**¹⁷⁸ (Eq. 201). These compounds provide an excellent route to isoquinoline-5,8-diones.



(201)

3-Methylisoquinoline and 7-methoxyisoquinoline have been aminated a similar manner.¹⁸⁴ In the case of 7-methoxyisoquinoline, the initial nitration occurs at the 8-position, with the diazosulfanilic acid grouping attacking the 5 position of the subsequently prepared 7-methoxy-8-aminoisoquinoline.¹⁸⁴

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CHAPTER IV

Isoquinolines Containing Oxidized Nitrogen Functions and Their Hydrogenated Derivatives

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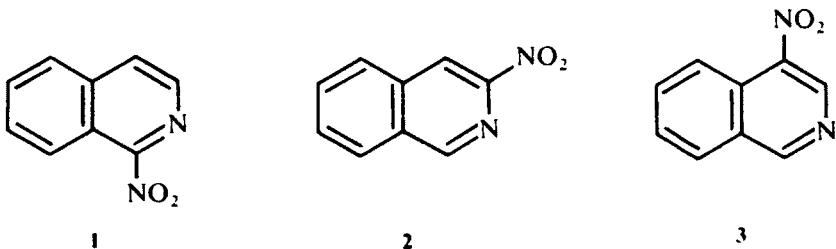
I. INTRODUCTION

The literature survey for this chapter covered all papers abstracted in Volumes 1–105 of *Chemical Abstracts*. The nitroisoquinolines represent the largest class of isoquinoline derivatives containing oxidized nitrogen functionalities. These derivatives are discussed in Section II, which includes a consideration of nitro derivatives of all oxidation states of the isoquinoline ring system. The few examples known of nitrosoisoquinolines are discussed in Section III. Sections IV–VIII treat the chemistry of the various diaza- and triaza-functionalized isoquinoline derivatives.

II. NITROISOQUINOLINES

Approximately 50% of all known nitroisoquinolines are derivatives of 5-nitroisoquinoline, while approximately 25% bear 7-nitro substituents. The high proportion of isoquinoline derivatives with the nitro group at one of these two sites is a direct reflection of the predominant C-5 nitration of aromatic isoquinolines [Section II.A (b)] and C-7 nitration of both 3,4-dihydroisoquinolines [Section II.A (d)] and 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines [Section II.A (e)]. There are few known dinitroisoquinoline derivatives, and apparently no examples of isoquinolines bearing three or more nitro groups as substituents on ring atoms.

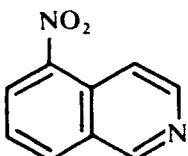
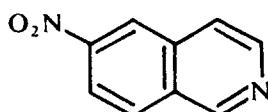
The parent 1-nitroisoquinoline (**1**) appears to be the only example known of an isoquinoline bearing a 1-nitro substituent. This compound has been prepared by treating¹ 1-iodoisooquinoline with sodium nitrite in dimethyl sulfate (?) at 100°C, and also by the oxidation of the unstable 1-nitrosoisoquinoline with ozone.²



The parent 3-nitroisoquinoline (**2**) appears to be unknown, although a number of more highly substituted 3-nitroisoquinoline derivatives have been reported.^{3–6}

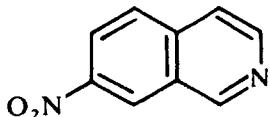
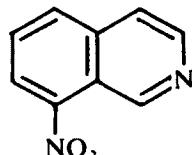
4-Nitroisoquinoline (**3**) is available in low yield from the nitration of isoquinoline in acetic anhydride,⁷ or via two different multistep routes. The C-4 nitro group has been introduced by nitrite attack after diazotization of 4-aminoisoquinoline,⁸ or by nitration of 1-aminoisoquinoline followed by the removal of the amino group in several steps.⁹

5-Nitroisoquinoline (**4**) is the major product from the mixed-acid ($\text{HNO}_3 - \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$) nitration of isoquinoline¹⁰⁻¹⁷ [Section II.A (a)]. It is also available from the deoxygenation of 5-nitroisoquinoline-*N*-oxide,¹⁰ and the decarboxylation of 5-nitroisoquinoline-1-carboxylic acid.¹⁸ This latter route has also been used¹⁹ for the preparation of 1-deutero-5-nitroisoquinoline from the deuterated carboxylic acid.

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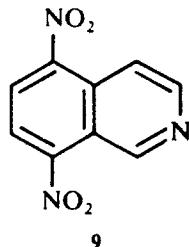
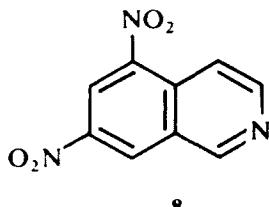
6-Nitroisoquinoline (**5**) is available²⁰ in good yields in a one-pot synthesis from the ozonolysis of 6-nitroindene to the nitro-substituted homophthalaldehyde, which is subsequently ring-closed to 6-nitroisoquinoline with ammonia. This compound has also been made by the mercuric acetate oxidation of its 1,2,3,4-tetrahydro derivative,^{21,22} and also from deoxygenation of its *N*-oxide.^{22,23} However, these latter routes are of no synthetic interest, since these precursors are only available in trace amounts from nitration reactions.

7-Nitroisoquinoline (**6**) is available from the aromatization of either its 3,4-dihydro derivative²⁴ or its 1,2,3,4-tetrahydro derivative.^{21,25} These latter species are each obtained in good yields in the nitration of the corresponding partially reduced isoquinolines. 7-Nitroisoquinoline is also available²⁰ from 5-nitroindene in a manner analogous to that described above for its 6-nitro isomer.

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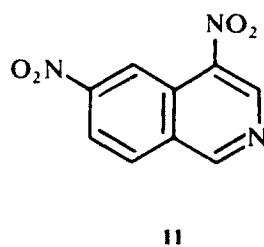
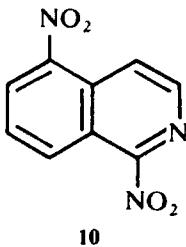
8-Nitroisoquinoline (**7**) is the minor product (10–15%) in the nitration of isoquinoline in mixed-acid media^{10,14} [Section II.A(a)]. It has also been made via deoxygenation of its *N*-oxide,^{10,26} and via decarboxylation of its 3-carboxylic acid derivative.²⁷

There seem to be only three known dinitroisoquinolines lacking further substituents, and even in one of these, the orientation of the two nitro groups has not been definitely established. In 1893, Claus and Hoffmann¹¹ reported a dinitroisoquinoline (m.p. 238.5°C) from the “high-temperature” nitration ($\text{KNO}_3 - \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$) of isoquinoline. Gensler²⁸ suggested that this product is 5,7-dinitroisoquinoline (**8**), apparently assuming that it was formed via the nitration of 5-nitroisoquinoline, and that the introduction of the second nitro group was



controlled by the meta-directing effect of the 5-nitro group. However, in the patent literature,^{29,30} Serban reports the nitration of 5-nitroisoquinoline in $\text{KNO}_3\text{-H}_2\text{SO}_4$ at 180°C to give a product (m.p. 241–242°C) in 10% yield which “nuclear magnetic resonance spectra confirmed” to be 5,8-dinitroisoquinoline (9), although the spectral data do not seem to have been reported. This is almost certainly the same product reported by Claus and Hoffmann, given the similar nitration conditions and melting points of the products. A definitive structural proof seems to be required, and should probably include an investigation of the products of nitration of both 7- and 8-nitroisoquinolines.

1,5-Dinitroisoquinoline (10) (m.p. 195–200°C) was also reported by Serban^{29,30} as the product from the nitration of 1-nitroisoquinoline, although a structural proof was not given. 4,6-Dinitroisoquinoline (11) (m.p. 182–183°C), which appears to be the only dinitroisoquinoline for which an unambiguous structural proof is available, was obtained³¹ in good yield from the mixed-acid nitration of bis-1,1’-(2-acetyl-1,2-dihydroisoquinoline) [Section II.A(c)].



Several dinitro derivatives of 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline^{32,33} [Section II.A(e)], dinitro 1(2H)-isoquinolinones^{34–36} [Sections II.A(f) and II.C], and a dinitro 1,3-isoquinolinediamine³⁷ (Section II.C) are also known. A dinitro derivative of undetermined structure was also reported³⁸ from the nitration of isoquinoline-*N*-oxide with concentrated nitric acid in the presence of P_2O_5 .

A. Nitration of Isoquinolines

Nitration of the appropriately substituted isoquinoline ring system is by far the commonest route used for the introduction of a nitro group as a substituent on a ring-carbon atom.

(a) *Isoquinoline and Isoquinolinium Cations*

The nitration of isoquinoline in a mixture of nitric and sulfuric acids (or the equivalent KNO_3 in H_2SO_4) gives a mixture of 5- and 8-nitroisoquinolines. The ratio of these isomeric products is relatively temperature-insensitive,¹⁰ with the 9:1 ratio in favor of C-5 nitration at 0°C changing only to 85% of the 5-nitro isomer and 15% of the 8-nitro isomer at 100°C. Under these mixed-acid nitration conditions, nitration gives a product distribution typical of other electrophilic substitution reactions upon isoquinoline.³⁹ Competition experiments indicated¹⁰ that mixed-acid nitration of isoquinoline occurs 25 times faster than the nitration of quinoline, although kinetic data under similar conditions suggest only a 14-fold difference in the reactivities of these two heterocycles during nitration.⁴⁰ The standardized rate constants developed by Katritzky and co-workers⁴¹ suggest an even smaller difference in the rates of nitration, with the isoquinolinium cation reacting four- to six-fold faster than the quinolinium cation. These standardized rate constants also indicate that the isoquinolinium cation is nitrated more than 10^7 -fold more slowly than is naphthalene under the same conditions.

The kinetics of the nitration of isoquinoline have been investigated by Moodie and co-workers^{40,42,43} in 67.7–83.7% sulfuric acid at 25 and 80°C, and activation parameters have been determined in 81.3% sulfuric acid. Over this acidity range, the rates of nitration of isoquinoline and the *N*-methyl isoquinolinium cation are very similar, and plots of $\log k_{\text{obs}}$ v. ($H_R + \log a_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}$) are linear and parallel for these two substrates. This is a clear indication that under these acidic conditions nitration occurs on the isoquinolinium cation rather than the neutral isoquinoline molecule. The observed acidity dependence is also consistent with nitronium cation (NO_2^+) being the active nitrating species. Partial rate factors relative to benzene for the nitration of the isoquinolinium cation at C-5 and C-8 are 9×10^{-6} and 1×10^{-6} , respectively, in these acidic solutions (assuming a 9:1 isomer distribution in the product¹⁰).

Nitration of isoquinoline-*N*-oxide also gives approximately 90% nitration at C-5 and 10% nitration at C-8 in $\text{HNO}_3-\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ mixtures.¹⁰ The acidity dependence of the rate of nitration of this *N*-oxide also parallels the data for isoquinoline and both the *N*-methyl and *N*-methoxyisoquinolinium cations.⁴² Thus, the *N*-oxide also reacts in its protonated form (the *N*-hydroxyisoquinolinium cation) in these highly acidic nitration media. The relative reactivities of these four isoquinolinium cations (12) toward nitration are summarized in Table II.1.

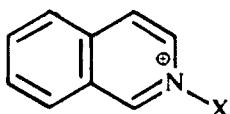
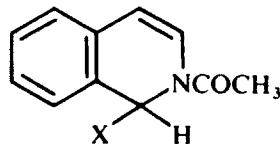


TABLE II.I. Relative Rates of Nitration of Isoquinolinium Cations (12)

X	Rel. Rate ^a	$-d(\log k_{\text{obs}})/d(H_R + \log a_{H_2O})^a$	$\log k_2^0(M^{-1}s^{-1})^b$
H	1.0	1.01	-5.16
CH ₃	1.0	1.01	-4.93
OH	0.47	0.96	-5.58
OCH ₃	0.13	0.98	-6.13

^aIn 76.3% H₂SO₄ at 25°C; data from references 40, 42, 43.^bStandardized rate constants at $H_0 = -6.6$ and 25°C from reference 41.

Nitration conditions other than the mixed-acid media discussed above have occasionally been used, with nitro isomer distributions other than the usual C-5 (major) and C-8 (minor) nitration products being found. Yields in these alternative nitrations are usually quite low. 4-Nitroisoquinoline has been isolated in 14% yield from the nitration of isoquinoline with nitric acid in acetic anhydride.⁷ This reaction presumably proceeds via nitration of a 1,2-dihydroisoquinoline intermediate such as 13 (X = ONO₂ or OCOCH₃) [cf. nitration of bis-1,1'-(2-acetyl-1,2-dihydroisoquinoline) in Section II.A(c)]. Electrophilic attack at C-4 of such 1,2-dihydroisoquinoline enamines is known to be quite facile.⁴⁴⁻⁴⁶ Such a mechanism is analogous to that proposed for the bromination of isoquinoline to give 4-bromoisoquinoline in the absence of Lewis acid catalysts.⁴⁷



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Nitration of isoquinoline-*N*-oxide with fuming nitro acid is reported²² to give very low yields of a mixture of the 5-, 6-, and 8-nitro *N*-oxides, with the unusual C-6 nitration product predominating (maximum yield $\approx 7\%$) under certain conditions.

(b) Substituted Isoquinolines*

Numerous substituted isoquinolines have been nitrated in mixed nitric-sulfuric acids, with the conditions of Le Fevre and Le Fevre¹² being most commonly used. Reaction products isolated in the cases investigated to date are

* Isoquinolinones are discussed separately in Section II.A (f).

collected in Table II.2. In most cases these nitrations were performed as part of a synthetic procedure, and the major product was isolated and purified without any attempt being made to isolate any minor nitration products which may have been present. Careful studies^{27,48,49} of the nitration of 3-methylisoquinoline have revealed that 3-methyl-5-nitroisoquinoline predominates over its 8-nitro isomer in the ratio 5:1.

From a perusal of Table II.2 it is clear that most substituents do not alter the preference of the isoquinoline system for nitration at C-5 and C-8. The only clear exceptions in the table to this generalization are the 1-amino and 4-hydroxy isoquinolines which apparently nitrate at C-4 and C-3, respectively,^{9,3} although the nitration of 1-aminoisoquinoline is said to give a sulfur-containing product of uncertain structure.⁹ Thus, the activating effect of these two substituents upon the pyridine ring apparently outweighs the normal deactivation of such rings by the ring-nitrogen atom.

TABLE II.2. Nitration of Isoquinolines in HNO₃—H₂SO₄

Substituent(s)	Products(s) ^a	Ref.
H	5-NO ₂ ,8-NO ₂	10-17
1-CH ₃	5-NO ₂	50, 51
1-(CH ₂) ₄ CH ₃	5-NO ₂	29, 30
1-C ₆ H ₅	1-(3-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄)-5-NO ₂	52
1-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	1-(4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ CH ₂)-5-NO ₂	53, 54
1-(4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ CH ₂)	5-NO ₂	52, 55
1-CO ₂ H	5-NO ₂	18
1-Cl	5-NO ₂	56-58
1-NH ₂	4-NO ₂ '	9
1-NO ₂	1,5-(NO ₂) ₂	29, 30
2-oxide	5-NO ₂ ,8-NO ₂	10, 26, 38, 59
3-CH ₃	5-NO ₂ ,8-NO ₂	15, 27, 29, 30, 48
3-Cl	5-NO ₂	29, 30, 60
4-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	4-(4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ CH ₂), 4-(4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄ CH ₂)-5(or 8)-NO ₂	61, 62
4-Br	5-NO ₂ ,8(?)NO ₂	29, 30, 63, 64
4-OH	3-NO ₂	3
4-OTs	3-NO ₂ -4-OH	3
5-CH ₂ CH ₃	8-NO ₂	65
5-Br	8-NO ₂	66-68
5-Cl	8-NO ₂	69
5-NHCOCH ₃	8-NO ₂	70
5-NO ₂	5,8-(NO ₂) ₂ (?)	29, 30
7-Cl	8-NO ₂	69
7-OH	8-NO ₂	71
7-OCH ₃	8-NO ₂	72
1-CN-2-oxide	5-NO ₂ ,6-NO ₂ ,8-NO ₂	22, 23
1-Br-3-NHCOCH ₃	5(?)NO ₂	73
1-Cl-3-CH ₂ CH ₃	5-NO ₂	58
1,3-Cl ₂	5-NO ₂	74, 75

TABLE II.2. Nitration Isoquinolines in $\text{HNO}_3-\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ (Continued)

Substituent(s)	Products(s) ^a	Ref.
1,4-(CH ₃) ₂	5-NO ₂	76
1-OCH ₂ CH ₃ -4-CO ₂ H	5-NO ₂	79
1-CH ₃ -5-CH ₂ CH ₃	8-NO ₂	65
1-CH ₃ -5-Cl	8-NO ₂	77
3-CH ₃ -4-OAlkyl	5(?)NO ₂	78
1-Cl-3-CH ₂ Cl-4-CH ₃	5-NO ₂	80
1-(3,4-(OCH ₃) ₂ C ₆ H ₃ CH ₂) -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂ ^d	1-(4,5-(OCH ₃) ₂ -2-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₂ CH ₂)	81-83
5,8-(CH ₃) ₂ -6-OH	14	84
5,8-(CH ₃) ₂ -6-OCH ₃	14	84
1-(2-BrC ₆ H ₄ CH ₃) -3-OH-6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	4-NO ₂	121
1,1'-Biisoquinoline	5-NO ₂ ,5,5'-(NO ₂) ₂	31

^a Site of nitration is shown; all other substituents are the same as in the starting material unless indicated otherwise.

^b Nitration at room temperature with $\text{KNO}_3-\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ gave an unidentified sulfur-containing compound (m.p. 250°C). The presence of the 4-nitro substituent in this product was established by deamination.

^c See text [Section II.A(a)].

^d Nitration of papaverine with concentrated HNO_3 .

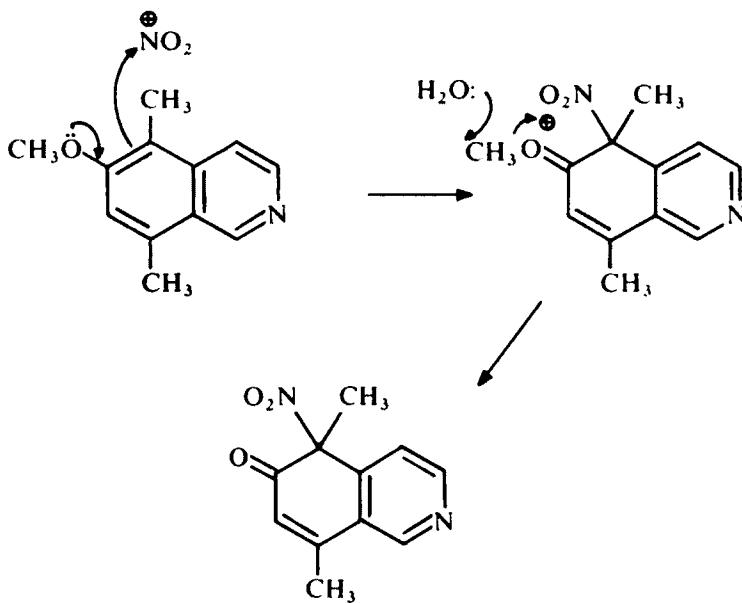
The presence of another aromatic ring in the molecule, from a pendant phenyl or benzyl substituent, usually leads to initial nitration in this substituent ring, followed by nitration upon the isoquinoline ring system.

When nitration at C-5 is blocked by a prior substituent at this site, complete nitration usually occurs at the secondary C-8 site. The presence of an ortho/para directing group at C-7 also appears to lead to predominant C-8 nitration, irrespective of whether this substituent is activating (OH, OCH₃) or deactivating (Cl). With the exception of the 1-NH₂ and 4-OH cases mentioned above, the presence of a variety of substituents upon the pyridine ring does not alter the preference for predominant C-5 nitration. The 4-tosyloxy derivative is presumably (although not necessarily) detosylated before nitration, since it gives the same product as is obtained in the nitration of 4-hydroxyisoquinoline.

Mixed-acid nitration of 1-cyanoisoquinoline-*N*-oxide gives low yields of the 5-nitro and 6-nitro derivatives, with the latter isomer predominating under some conditions.^{22,23} However, nitration of this species with fuming nitric acid gives a mixture of mainly the 6- ($\approx 50\%$ yield) and 8-nitro ($\approx 10\%$ yield) derivatives, although some deoxygenation also occurs. The related result for isoquinoline-*N*-oxide itself was commented upon in Section II.A(a).

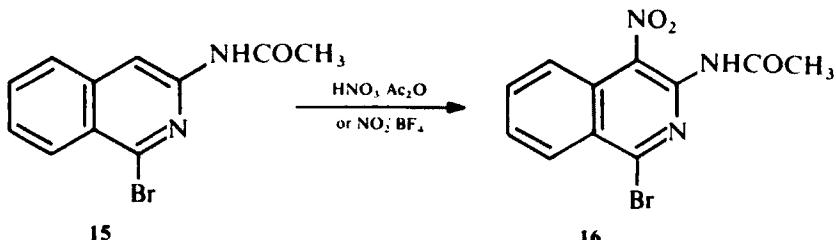
The mixed-acid nitration of 5,8-dimethyl-6-methoxyisoquinoline is unusual⁸⁴ and interesting because both of the usual C-5 and C-8 nitration sites are blocked. The product (14) clearly results from the combination of the usual directing effect

of the ring-nitrogen atom with the directing effects of the 6-OCH₃ and 8-CH₃ substituents. Attack at C-7 is precluded by the necessity for complete disruption of aromatic character in the σ -complex intermediate for which Kekulé resonance contributions are not possible when the positive charge is located on oxygen. A simple mechanism for this nitration requires demethylation following formation of the C-5 σ -complex intermediate. The same product (**14**) has also been obtained from the nitration of 5,8-dimethyl-6-hydroxyisoquinoline with nitric acid in acetic anhydride.⁸⁴ These reactions are quite analogous to the nitrations of 1-methyl-2-naphthol and 1,4-dimethyl-2-naphthol to give 1-methyl-1-nitro-2-oxonaphthalene derivatives.

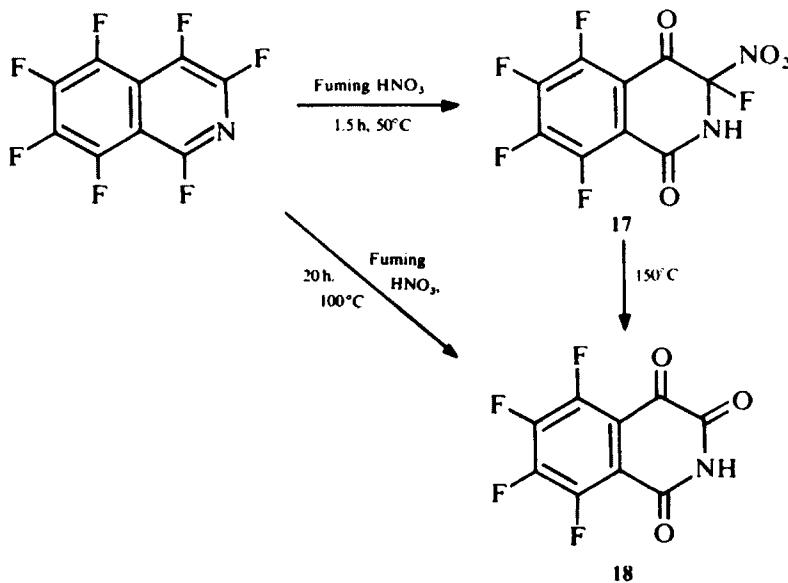


Nitration of 3-acetamido-1-bromoisoquinoline with nitric acid in acetic anhydride at room temperature occurs at C-4 in 50% yield,⁷³ and this same product is also obtained upon nitration with nitronium tetrafluoroborate in a mixture of tetramethylene sulfone and nitromethane.⁷³ The usual nitric-sulfuric acid nitration of **15** occurs in the homocyclic ring⁷³ and presumably gives the 5-nitro isomer of **16**, although the structure of this product was not definitely established. The reaction via the nitronium salt must involve the neutral molecule of **15** in which the activating effect of the acetamido group is apparently sufficiently great to offset the deactivating effects of the bromine and ring-nitrogen atoms, and allow electrophilic attack in the heterocyclic ring. Even though the same electrophile is involved in the mixed-acid nitration, the isoquinoline is present essentially completely as the isoquinolinium cation under these conditions, and the additional deactivation of the heterocyclic ring as a

result of the positive charge results in electrophilic attack in the less-deactivated homocyclic ring.



Nitration of perfluoroisoquinoline in fuming nitric acid at 50°C gives 17 in 78% yield.⁶ This 3-nitroisoquinoline derivative undergoes a thermal decomposition to 18 at 150°C . This same 1,3,4-isoquinoline-trione is also obtained upon extended nitration of perfluoroisoquinoline at 100°C .



(c) 1,2-Dihydroisoquinolines

1,2-Dihydroisoquinolines are enamines and, consistent with this functionality, they are observed⁴⁴ to undergo electrophilic attack at C-4, which is the β -carbon atom of the enamine moiety. In principle, nitration at C-4 of these species should therefore be possible, although in acidic solutions such nitration must compete with protonation at this β -carbon atom. There are relatively few examples of the nitration of 1,2-dihydroisoquinolines. This is probably attributable in large part

to the relative instability of these partially reduced isoquinoline derivatives.⁴⁴ However, it should be noted that the few successful 1,2-dihydroisoquinoline nitrations discussed below each occur on an *N*-acylated derivative, in which C-4 protonation is relatively unfavorable.

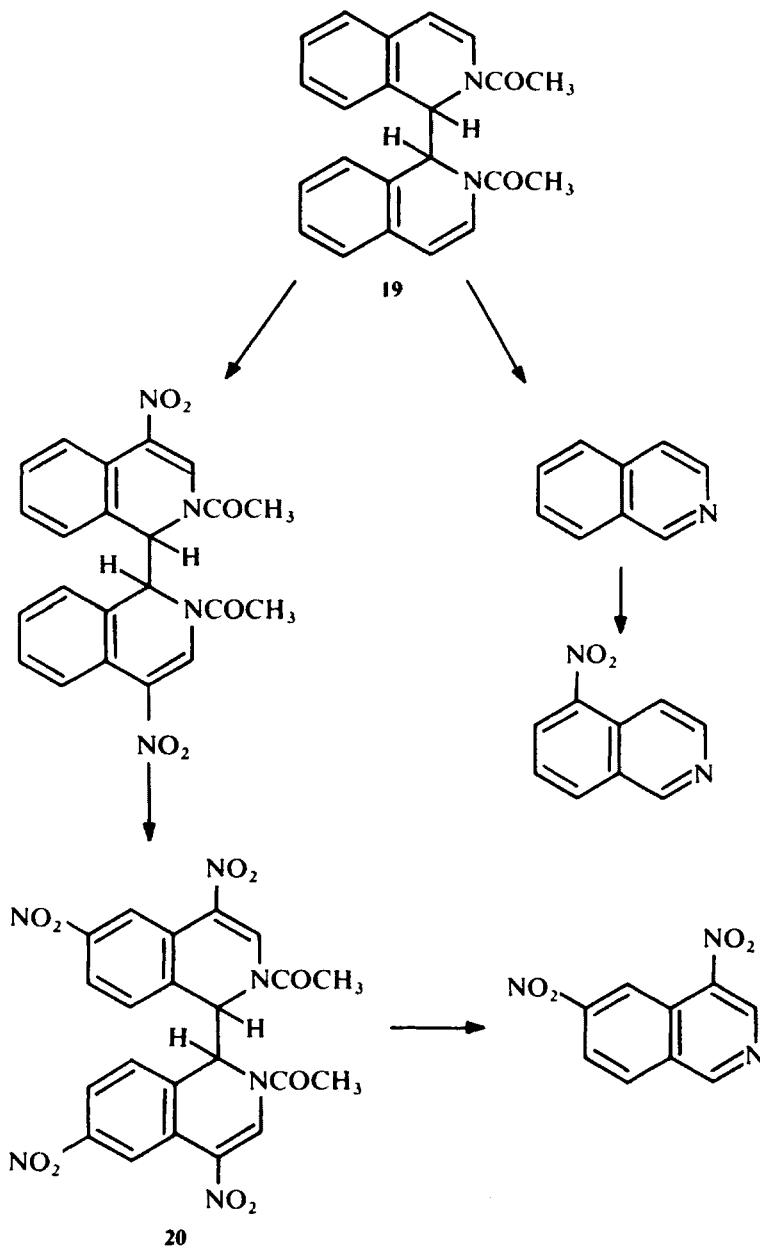
The C-4 nitration of isoquinoline in acetic anhydride was discussed above [Section II.A (a)] in terms of electrophilic attack upon the 1,2-dihydroisoquinoline derivative 13. In a similar reaction, the nitration of several 1-benzyl-2-benzoyl-1,2-dihydroisoquinolines in nitric and acetic acids at 90°C gives good yields of the corresponding 4-nitro derivatives.⁸⁵

The nitration of bis-1,1'-(2-acetyl-1,2-dihydroisoquinoline) (19) in HNO₃—H₂SO₄ gives³¹ a mixture of 5-nitroisoquinoline (37%) and 4,6-dinitroisoquinoline (63%). The reaction conditions are known to lead to cleavage of the C(1)—C(1') bond and deacetylation. The 5-nitroisoquinoline presumably arises from the nitration of isoquinoline produced by the oxidation and deacetylation of 19. The dinitration reaction can best be understood as an initial facile electrophilic attack at C-4 of the enamine moiety of each dihydroisoquinoline ring in 19. Further nitration of the 4-nitro-1,2-dihydroisoquinoline derivative at C-6 is consistent with the expected directing effects upon the homocyclic ring in this species. Subsequent oxidation and deacetylation of the 1,1'-bis-(2-acetyl-1,2-dihydro-4,6-dinitroisoquinoline) (20) would then lead to 4,6-dinitroisoquinoline. This sequence of events is indicated because no 4-nitroisoquinoline was observed among the reaction products (although it should be noted that not all the starting material is accounted for) and, if formed, such a doubly deactivated heteroaromatic system would be unlikely to be nitrated under the reaction conditions. The observed products also suggest that the 4-nitro substituent hinders the oxidation of the bis-(dihydroisoquinoline) system relative to the parent compound.

The good yield of 4,6-dinitroisoquinoline obtained in this reaction suggests that the nitration of *N*-acyl 1,2-dihydroisoquinolines bearing suitable protecting groups at C-4 may be a useful route to substituted 6-nitroisoquinolines, which may not otherwise be readily accessible.

In principle, all 1,2-dihydronitroisoquinolines are accessible via reduction of the corresponding nitroisoquinolinium cations⁸⁶ (hydride ion addition), although the only significant work of this type seems to be devoted to 1,2-dihydro-5-nitroisoquinolines. Thus, 5-nitroisoquinoline⁸⁷ and the 2-methyl-5-nitroisoquinolinium cation⁸⁸ have each been reduced by sodium borohydride in aqueous methanol to 1,2-dihydro-5-nitroisoquinoline and its *N*-methyl derivative, respectively. 5-Nitroisoquinolinium cations have also been reduced to their 1,2-dihydro derivatives using 1,4-dihydronicotinamides.^{89, 90}

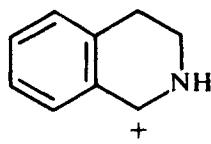
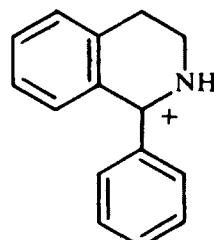
Various C-1-substituted 1,2-dihydronitroisoquinolines are also available from nucleophilic additions to nitroisoquinolinium cations. The acetone enolate ion has been demonstrated to readily add to 5-nitroisoquinolinium cations.^{91–93} 5-Nitroisoquinoline and 8-nitroisoquinoline give only poor yields of the Reissert compounds under the usual reaction conditions, although 3-methyl-5-nitroisoquinoline does give a reasonable yield of the Reissert C-1 cyanide



adduct.^{94, 95} It has been shown that these poor yields are attributable to the preference for hydroxide ion addition to C-1 of the *N*-acyl isoquinolinium cations in these reactions.⁹⁵ Good yields of the 5-nitroisoquinoline Reissert compounds are accessible when the reaction is performed in a two-phase system in the presence of a phase-transfer catalyst.¹²²

(d) 3,4-Dihydroisoquinolines

Mixed-acid nitration of 3,4-dihydroisoquinolines results in substitution at C-7 (unless this site is blocked by another substituent) and/or on a pendant phenyl ring of a substituent. All cases reported to date are collected in Table II.3. Predominant C-7 nitration is consistent with the expected directing effects from the alkyl unit and the carbocation in electrophilic attack on the resonance contributor **21** of the 3,4-dihydroisoquinolinium cation, which is the major species in solution under acidic nitrating conditions. The directing effect of the carbocationic center in **22** is also seen in the meta nitration of the substituent phenyl ring in 1-phenyl-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline.⁵² These theoretical considerations also suggest that C-5 is the most likely alternative nitration site if C-7 is blocked. The only example⁹⁶ of such a reaction is the nitration of 3,4-dihydro-6-methoxy-7-isoquinolinol, which undergoes nitration at C-8, although this example is complicated by the conflicting directing and steric effects of the hydroxy and methoxy substituents.

**21****22**TABLE II.3. Nitration of 3,4-Dihydroisoquinolines in HNO₃ - H₂SO₄

Substituent(s)	Product(s) ^a	Ref.
H	7-NO ₂	24
1-CH ₃	7-NO ₂	98
1-C ₆ H ₅	7-NO ₂ 1-(3-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄)-7-NO ₂ ^b	99 52
1-(4-ClC ₆ H ₄)	7-NO ₂ 1-(4-Cl-3-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₃)-7-NO ₂	97 97
1-(3-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄)	7-NO ₂	52
1-(4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄)	7-NO ₂	53, 55
1-(4-Cl-3-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₃)	7-NO ₂	97
1-(3,4-(CH ₃ O) ₂ C ₆ H ₃)	1-(4,5-(CH ₃ O) ₂ -2-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₂)	100
6-OCH ₃ -7-OH	8-NO ₂ ^c	96
3,4-(CH ₃) ₂ -1-(4-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₄)	7-NO ₂	52

^aSite of nitration is shown; all other substituents are the same as in the starting material unless otherwise indicated.

^bNitration with concentrated HNO₃.

^cNitration with 40% HNO₃ with a catalytic amount of NaNO₂.

Dehydrogenation of 3,4-dihydro-7-nitroisoquinolines over palladium black is a useful route^{24, 52, 97} to fully aromatic 7-nitroisoquinolines.

(e) *1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolines*

The mixed-acid nitration of a 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline gives the 7-nitro derivative as the major product when C-7 is initially unsubstituted (Table II.4). However, minor amounts of the 5- and 6-nitro derivatives are also obtained in these reactions. The products from the nitration of 2-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline have been carefully investigated by three groups of workers. Durand-Henchoz and Moreau¹⁰¹ and Mathison and Tidwell³² each report the formation of the *N*-methyl 7-, 5-, and 6-nitro products in the ratio 20:4:1. Ochiai and Nakagome²¹ originally reported the 6-nitro derivative as the predominant minor product, but this assignment was subsequently challenged.¹⁰¹ Confusion arises in the assignment of the position of the nitro group via reduction to the amine and then diazotization to the phenol, because the 5-hydroxy and 6-hydroxy derivatives of 2-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline have the same melting point. It seems likely that the French workers' structural assignments are correct, and this then further suggests that the minor product reported by Ochiai and Nakagome²¹ as the 6-nitro derivative in the nitration of 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline is probably also the 5-nitro isomer. The assign-

TABLE II.4. Nitration of 1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolines

Substituent(s)	Product(s) ^a	Ref.
H	7-NO ₂ , 6(?)NO ₂ ^b	21, 24, 33
2-CH ₃	7-NO ₂ , 5-NO ₂ , 6-NO ₂	21, 32, 101
2-(CH ₃) ₂ CH ₃	7-NO ₂	24
2-CH ₂ C ₆ H ₅	7-NO ₂	24
2-COCH ₃	7-NO ₂ , 7-NO ₂ -1-oxo	21
7-NO ₂	5,7-(NO ₂) ₂	33
2-CH ₃ -5-CN	7-NO ₂	103
2-CH ₃ -7-Br	6-NO ₂ , 8-NO ₂ , 6,8-(NO ₂) ₂	32
1-(3,4-(CH ₃ O) ₂ C ₆ H ₃ CH ₂)- 6,7-(OCH ₂ O) ^c	1-(4,5-(CH ₃ O) ₂ -2-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₂ CH ₂)	100, 104
1-(4-C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ O)C ₆ H ₄ CH ₂)- 2-CH ₃ -6-OCH ₃ -7-OH ^d	8-NO ₂	105
1-(3,4-(OCH ₂ O) ₂ C ₆ H ₃ CH ₂)- 2-CH ₃ -6-OCH ₃ -7-OCH ₂ CH ₃ ^e	1-(4,5-(OCH ₂ O)-2-NO ₂ C ₆ H ₂ CH ₂)	106
2,3-(CH ₃) ₂ -6,7-(OCH ₃) ₂	8-NO ₂	107

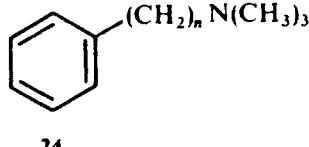
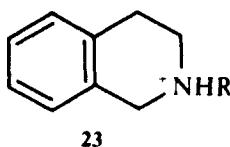
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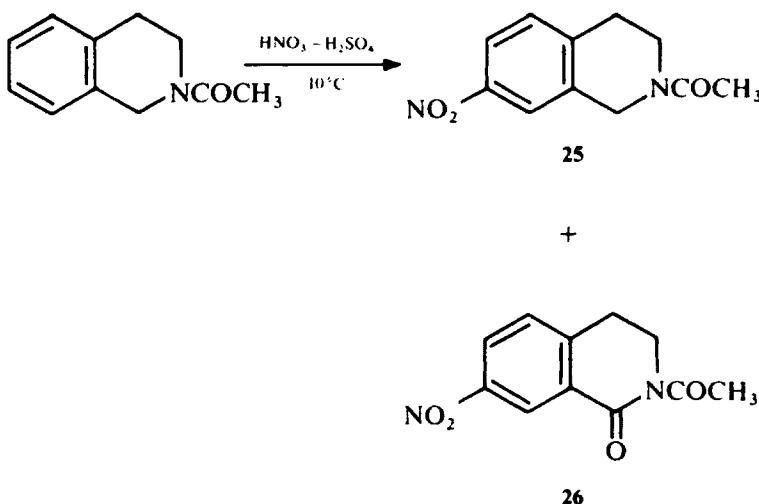
^cNitration with nitric acid in acetic acid.

^dNitration with sodium nitrite in concentrated HNO₃.

ment of the 7- and 5-nitro derivatives as the main nitration products of the cation **23** is consistent with the ammoniomethyl substituent on the aromatic ring being meta-directing and the 2-ammonioethyl substituent being ortho-para-directing; in the nitration of the ammonium cations **24**, $n=1$ leads to 88% meta nitration, whereas only 19% meta nitration is observed¹⁰² for $n=2$.



Nitration of 2-acetyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline is unusual. In addition to the expected C-7 nitration product, some oxidation of the C-1 methylene group of this nitration product is also observed.²¹ Yields of 24 and 10% were reported for **25** and **26**, respectively. Oxidation at C-1 may occur either before or after nitration. A number of examples are known in which C-7 nitration occurs in a 1-isoquinolinone having C-4 blocked [Section II.A(f)].



The products obtained from the nitration of 7-bromo-2-methyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline are very sensitive to the reaction conditions.³² When a 1:1 mole ratio of KNO_3 and the isoquinoline derivative is used in concentrated H_2SO_4 at 0–5°C, a mixture of the 6- (86%) and 8-nitro (14%) derivatives is obtained. The use of larger amounts of KNO_3 at room temperature leads to a reasonable yield of the 6,8-dinitro product. 5,7-Dinitro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline has also been reported among the nitration products from 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline under mild conditions.³³

2-Acetyl-6-nitro-7-isoquinolinol has been reported³³ among the reaction products in the diazotization of 2-acetyl-7-amino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-

isoquinoline. This is presumably formed via the nitration of the 7-hydroxy derivative.

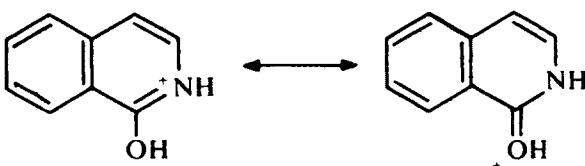
2-Methyl-5-nitro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines have been prepared^{88, 108} by the reduction of the isoquinolinium cations with excess sodium borohydride in methanolic solution. This method should also be a general route to other 1,2,3,4-tetrahydronitroisoquinolines.

The dehydrogenation of 7-nitro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines to the aromatic 7-nitroisoquinolines is possible using either iodine and potassium acetate²⁵ or mercuric acetate,²¹ and should also be applicable to the aromatization of other 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines.

(f) 1(2H)-Isoquinolinones

Nitration of 1(2H)-isoquinolinone (isocarbostyryl) with potassium nitrate in sulfuric acid at room temperature was reported to yield approximately equal amounts of the 5- and 7-nitro derivatives plus another minor nitration product (m.p. 234–236°C) of undetermined structure.¹⁰⁹ This latter product was later suggested¹¹⁰ to be 4-nitro-1(2H)-isoquinolinone. Nitration of 2-methyl-1(2H)-isoquinolinone under these conditions also gave approximately equal amounts of the 5- and 7-nitro derivatives, as well as minor amounts of the 4-nitro and 4,7-dinitro derivatives.³⁶ Nitration occurs at C-7 in low yield when 4-bromo-2-methyl-1(2H)-isoquinolinone is treated with KNO₃ in concentrated H₂SO₄ at room temperature.³⁶

In these strongly acidic conditions, the isoquinolinone would exist predominantly as its conjugate acid (27) ($pK_a = -1.2$),¹¹² and so one might predict predominant C-5 nitration as occurs with the cations of other substituted isoquinolines [Section II.A.(b)]. The presence of appreciable amounts of the 7-nitro derivative is unknown in the nitration of other isoquinolinium cations and, in particular, 1-ethoxyisoquinoline is reported to give only the 5-nitro derivative under similar conditions.⁹



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Nitration at C-4 is expected in the neutral 1(2H)-isoquinolinone molecule by analogy with¹¹³ other electrophilic substitutions at C-4 in this species. Accordingly, 4-nitro-1(2H)-isoquinolinone is the sole product isolated (in 65% yield) upon treatment of 1(2H)-isoquinolinone with acetyl nitrate.¹¹¹ Nitration at C-4 is also observed in good yield when either 1(2H)-isoquinolinone or its 2,3-

dimethyl derivative is treated with concentrated nitric acid near room temperature.³⁶ 2-Methyl-5-nitro-1(2H)-isoquinolinone is also converted to its 4,5-dinitro derivative under these conditions.³⁶ Nitration of 3-phenyl-1(2H)-isoquinolinone in acetic acid is reported¹¹⁴ to occur at C-4, and only the C-4 nitrated product has been isolated from the nitration of 2-methyl-1(2H)-isoquinolinone with either nitric acid in acetic anhydride or nitrous acid in acetic acid.¹¹⁰

It seems clear that all of these C-4 nitration reactions in nitric-acid solutions are occurring via the small concentrations of the neutral 1(2H)-isoquinolinone species that is present in these acidic media. The relative rates of hydrogen exchange on 1(2H)-isoquinolinone in acidic solutions are found¹⁰⁹ to be C-4 > C-5 ≈ C-7 > C-3,6,8 so that predominant C-4 nitration is consistent with this observation. All of these data suggest that the conjugate acid **27** is drastically deactivated toward electrophilic attack relative to its neutral conjugate base. Only in concentrated sulfuric acid solutions, where there is no significant amount of neutral species present, does the nitration occur via the cation **27**, resulting in approximately equal amounts of C-5 and C-7 nitration,^{36, 109} which is also consistent with the observed equal rates of proton exchange at these two sites.¹⁰⁹

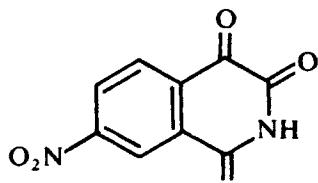
Nitration of 5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1(2H)-isoquinolinone with HNO₃—H₂SO₄ gives the expected 4-nitro derivative.⁹ Treatment of 3,4-dihydro-1(2H)-isoquinolinone with 1 equivalent of nitric acid in sulfuric acid at 0°C gives the 7-nitro derivative in 95% yield.¹¹⁵ However, in concentrated HNO₃, this substrate gives a 1:1 mixture of the 7-nitro and 2,7-dinitro derivatives.¹¹⁵ This latter product is a rare example of an *N*-nitro isoquinoline derivative.

Nitration of 6,7-dimethoxy-2-methyl-1(2H)-isoquinolinone is claimed¹¹⁶ to give the 5- (or 8-) nitro derivative; however, the evidence against C-4 nitration seems to be based simply upon the observation that the 3,4-dihydro derivative gives the same nitration product. Thus dehydrogenation of the C(3)—C(4) bond occurs in the nitration medium, but it is not clear whether this oxidation precedes or follows nitration. If the oxidation were to precede nitration, the C-4 nitration product cannot be ruled out on the basis of the available evidence. On the other hand, a 5- (or 8-) nitro product would be consistent with the dimethoxy benzene ring being more highly activated toward electrophilic attack than the *N*-methylpyridinone ring. A similar nitration of the 6,7-methylenedioxy derivative has also been reported^{116, 117}.

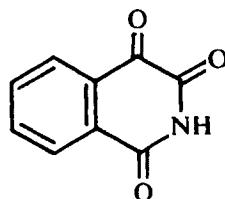
Oxidation accompanying nitration has also been found^{118, 119} for the reaction of homophthalimide [1,3(2H,4H)-isoquinolinedione] with nitric acid in acetic acid. Both the 7-nitro oxidation product (**28**) and the nonnitrated oxidation product (**29**) were isolated. This suggests that nitration precedes oxidation in this case, and C-7 oxidation of **30** is consistent with the observed site of nitration of 3,4-dihydroisoquinolinium cations [Section II.A(d)].

Consistent with this interpretation, nitration of **31** in which the C-4 oxidation site is blocked also leads to the C-7 nitration product.⁸⁰

N-Alkyl 1(2H)-isoquinolinones are available from the corresponding *N*-alkyl isoquinolinium cations via oxidation of their C-1 hydroxide ion adducts (pseudobases) in aqueous base. Ferricyanide ion (Decker oxidation) has been



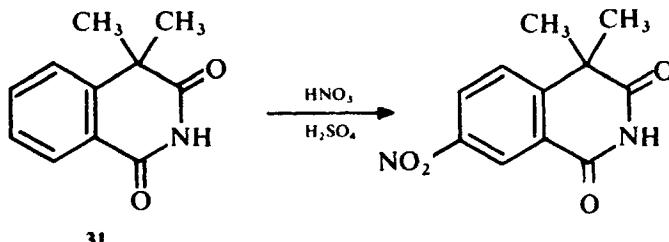
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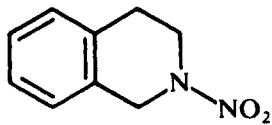
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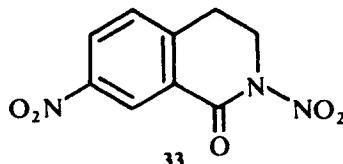
shown to cleanly oxidize 5-nitroisoquinolinium cations in this way^{19, 123, 124}, as does the *N*-methyl isoquinolinium cation.¹²⁵ These reactions should be equally applicable to other nitroisoquinolinium cation oxidations. The oxidation of any *N*-alkyl 1,2-dihydroneuroisoquinoline which is unsubstituted at C-1 should also give the corresponding 1(2H)-isoquinolinone.

(g) *N*-Nitration

1,2,3,4-Tetrahydro-2-nitroisoquinoline (32) has been prepared by heating 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolinium nitrate with zinc chloride in acetic anhydride.¹²⁰ 3,4-Dihydro-2,7-dinitro-1(2H)-isoquinolinone (33) is one of the products from the nitration of 3,4-dihydro-1(2H)-isoquinolinone in fuming nitric acid.¹¹⁵



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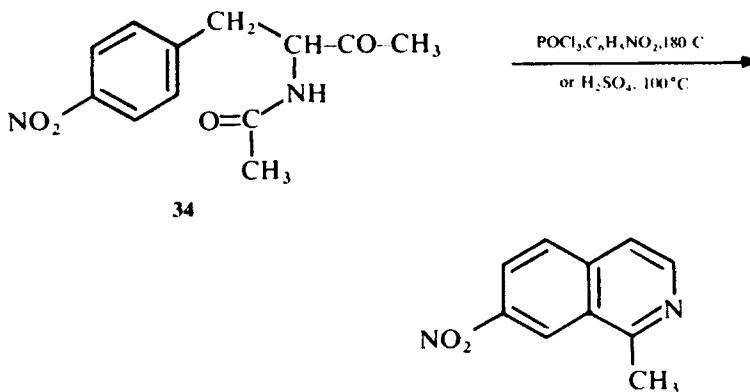
B. Nitroisoquinolines via Nucleophilic Substitution

1-Nitroisoquinoline has been made¹ by treating 1-iodoisooquinoline with sodium nitrite at 100°C.

4-Nitroisoquinoline has been synthesized⁸ by diazotizing 4-aminoisoquinoline and then displacing the diazonium substituent with excess nitrite ion.

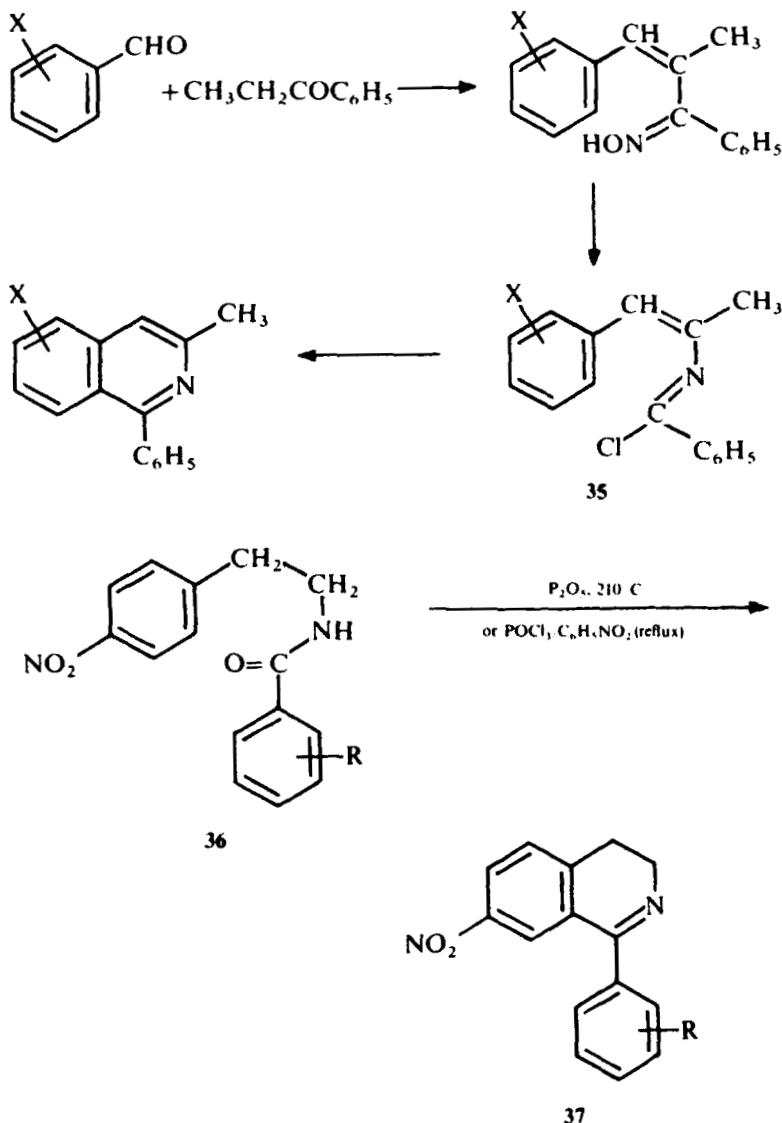
C. Nitroisoquinolines from Ring-Closure Reactions

The classical synthetic routes to isoquinolines (Bischler–Napieralski, Pictet–Spengler, Pictet–Gams, and Pomeranz–Fritsch) involve ring-closure of the pyridine ring via electrophilic attack of a suitably activated side chain on the homocyclic ring.¹²⁶ The presence of a nitro group as a substituent on the homocyclic ring is expected to drastically hinder such ring-closures by virtue of the strong deactivating effect of this substituent on electrophilic aromatic substitution reactions. The most successful nitroisoquinoline synthesis via such an electrophilic ring-closure seems to be the synthesis of 1-methyl-7-nitroisoquinoline by Ghosh and Dutta¹²⁷ using a modified Bischler–Napieralski synthesis. Thus, the precursor **34** was closed in 72% yield using POCl₃ in nitrobenzene at 180°C, or in 40% yield using concentrated sulfuric acid at 100°C.



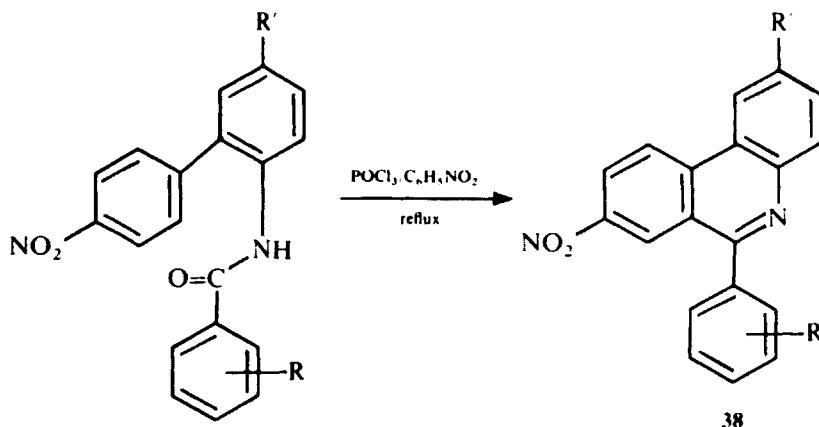
A related reaction is the ring-closure of an *N*-(β -methylstyryl)-benzimidoyl chloride (**35**) with P₂O₅ to the corresponding 3-methyl-1-phenylisoquinoline.¹²⁸ The 5- and 7-nitro derivatives have been prepared via this route in reasonable yields from 2- and 4-nitrobenzaldehydes, respectively.

The only successful 3,4-dihydronitroisoquinoline syntheses via the Bischler–Napieralski procedure appear to be those recorded by McCoubrey and Mathieson.^{52,55} Thus, treatment of the *N*-(4-nitrophenethyl)amides **36** with either P₂O₅ at 210°C or POCl₃ in refluxing nitrobenzene (180°C) gave poor yields of the 3,4-dihydro-7-nitroisoquinolines **37** (R = 4-NO₂, 13% yield;

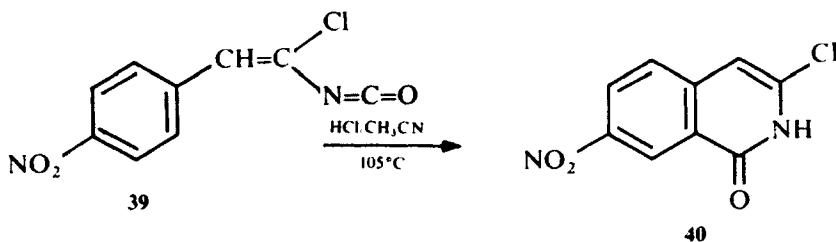


R = 3-NO₂, 2% yield; R = H, 2% yield). The identity of the latter product has subsequently been challenged.⁹⁹

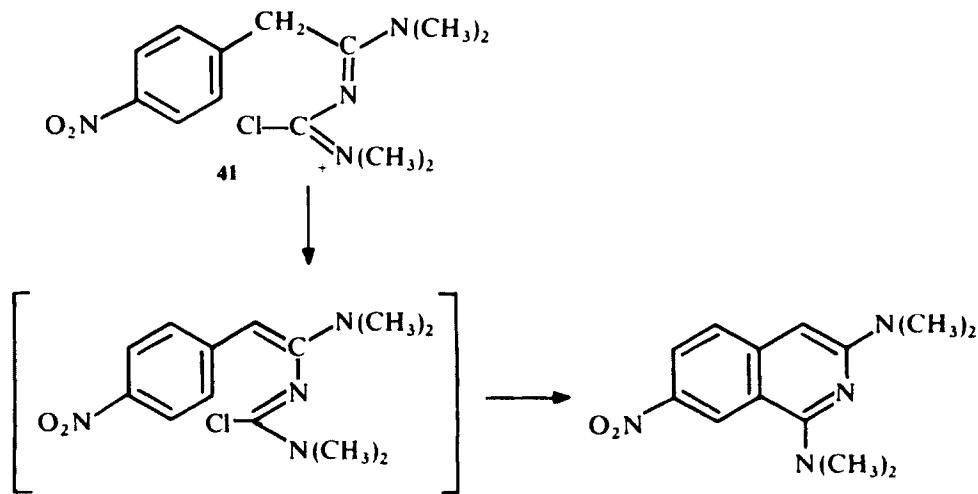
The poor yields in these reactions are in sharp contrast to the generally excellent yields obtained in the synthesis of the nitrophenanthridines (**38**) by ring-closure of their precursors with POCl₃ in refluxing nitrobenzene.^{129, 130} This phenanthridine synthesis may alternatively be considered as a special case of the Pictet-Gams synthesis for which there appear to be no examples of the successful preparation of nitroisoquinolines.



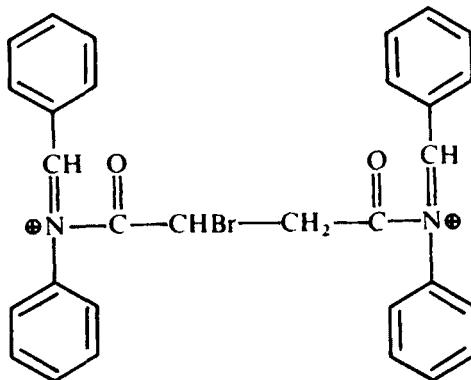
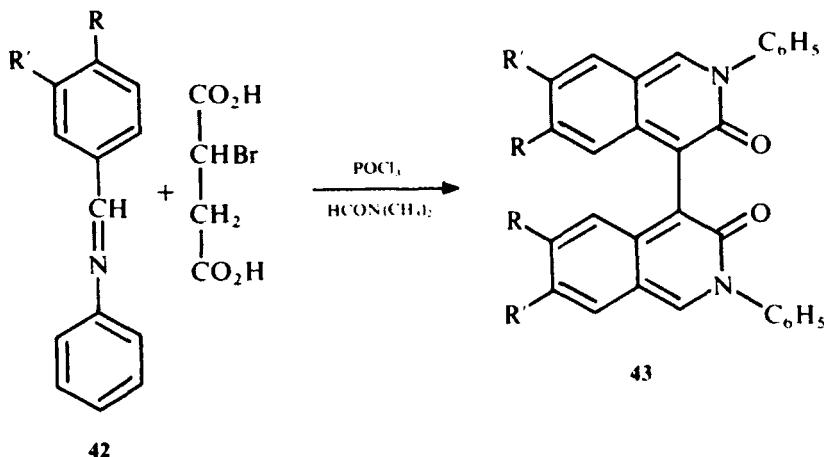
Ohoka and co-workers¹³¹ obtained trace amounts of **40** from the ring-closure of **39** using hydrogen chloride in acetonitrile at 105°C for 140 h.



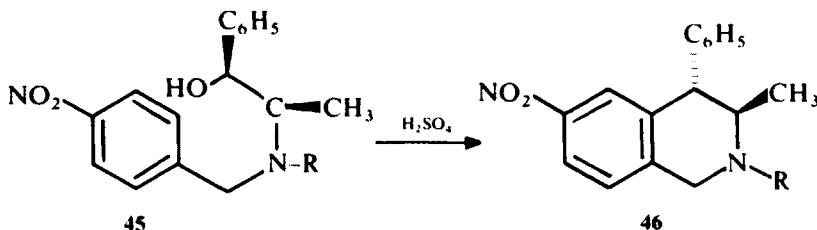
Boyd and co-workers¹⁵¹ obtained high yields of 1,3-bis(dimethylamino)-7-nitroisoquinoline from the cyclization of the azapropenyl cation **41** in aqueous sodium carbonate solution.



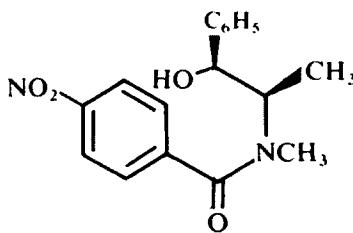
The 4,4'-bisisoquinoline derivatives **43**: R = H, R' = NO₂ and **43**: R = NO₂, R' = H have been obtained¹³² in low yields (10 and 3%, respectively) by treatment of the appropriate nitrobenzylideneaniline (**42**) with bromosuccinic acid and POCl₃ in dimethyl formamide. In the case of the unsubstituted benzylideneaniline, the dication, **44**, was established as an intermediate in this reaction; however, the mechanism of the subsequent ring-closure steps was not investigated.



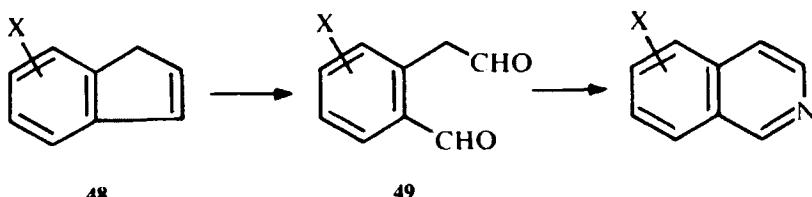
The 6-nitro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline derivative, **46**: R = CH₃, has been obtained¹³³ in 79% yield by the ring-closure of *erythro*-N-(4-nitrobenzyl)ephedrine (**45**: R = CH₃) in concentrated sulfuric acid at room temperature. This reaction owes its facility to the ready formation of a benzylic carbocation which acts as the electrophile in a subsequent attack upon the nitrophenyl ring.



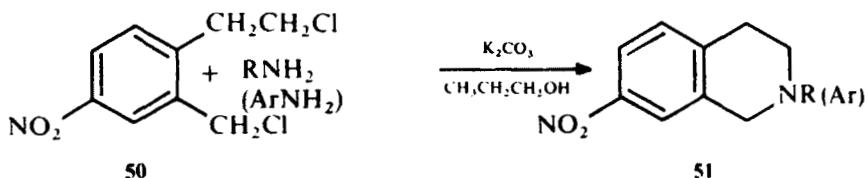
The corresponding 4-nitrobenzoyl derivative **47** does not give the 3,4-dihydro-6-nitro-1(2H)-isoquinolinone under these conditions, although the corresponding reaction does occur in the absence of the nitro group. Ring-closure of **45**: R = H in polyphosphoric acid gives only a 9% yield of **46**: R = H, while attempted ring-closure in concentrated hydrobromic acid gave only degradation products.¹³⁴

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A number of successful nitroisoquinoline syntheses involve ring-closure to form the pyridine ring on a nitrobenzene derivative that bears suitably activated carbon substituents. These substituents ultimately become C-1 and C-4 of the isoquinoline ring system. Miller and Frincke²⁰ developed a general isoquinoline synthesis of this type starting from an appropriately substituted indene. In a one-pot synthesis, the indene (**48**) is ozonolyzed to the homophthalaldehyde (**49**), which is then treated with ammonia to give the isoquinoline upon ring-closure. They showed that this route is applicable to the preparation of 6-nitroisoquinoline (from 6-nitroindene) and also 7-nitroisoquinoline (from 5-nitroindene) in >60% yields.

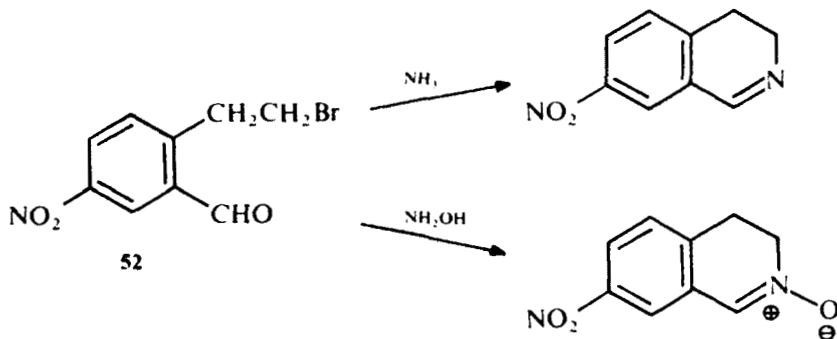


Beeby and Mann^{135, 136} synthesized a variety of *N*-substituted 7-nitro-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines in good yields by refluxing 2-(2-chloroethyl)-5-nitrobenzyl chloride (**50**) with the appropriate amine or aniline in propanol in the

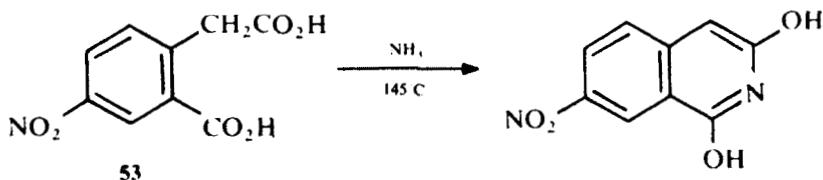


presence of potassium carbonate. McCoubrey and Mathieson²⁴ also used a similar reaction for the preparation of **51**: $\text{R} = \text{CH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$, while Lusinchi and co-workers¹³⁷ have prepared **51**: $\text{R} = \text{CH}_3$ in this way.

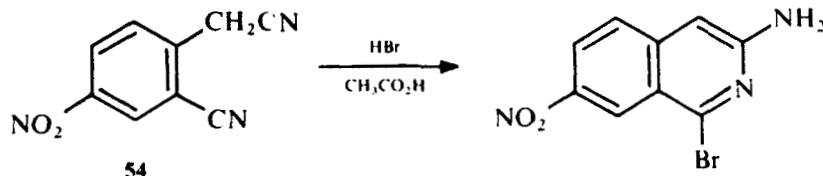
Schmitz¹³⁸ treated 2-(2-bromoethyl)-5-nitrobenzaldehyde (**52**) with ammonia to give 7-nitro-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline in 43% yield, while use of hydroxylamine in this reaction gave the corresponding *N*-oxide in 75% yield.¹³⁹



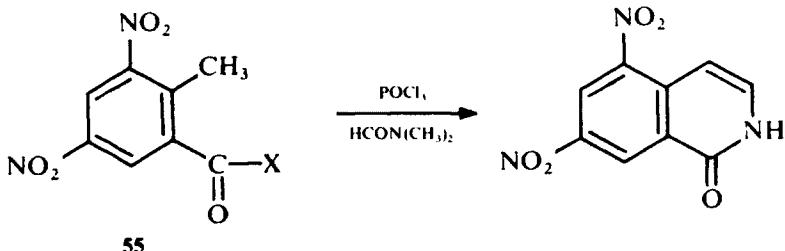
Treatment of 4-nitrophthalic acid (**53**) with ammonia in 1,2-dichlorobenzene at 145°C gives quantitative yields of 7-nitro-1,3-isoquinolinediol.^{66, 140}



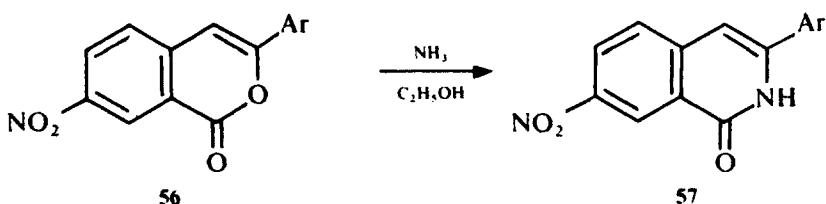
The reaction of 2-cyano-4-nitrobenzyl cyanide (**54**) with 30% HBr in acetic acid gives good yields of 3-amino-1-bromo-7-nitroisoquinoline.^{73, 141}



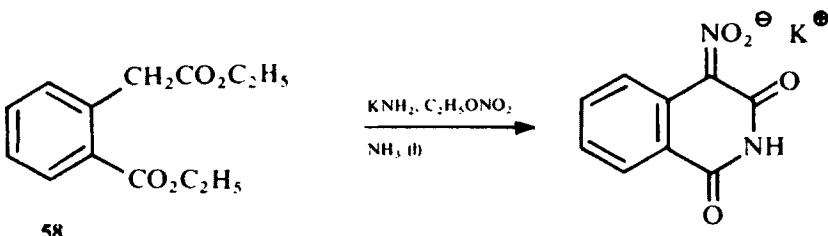
Zbarskii and co-workers³⁵ reported the reaction of **55** ($\text{X} = \text{Cl}$ or OH) with POCl_3 and dimethylformamide to give 5,7-dinitro-1(2*H*)-isoquinolinone.



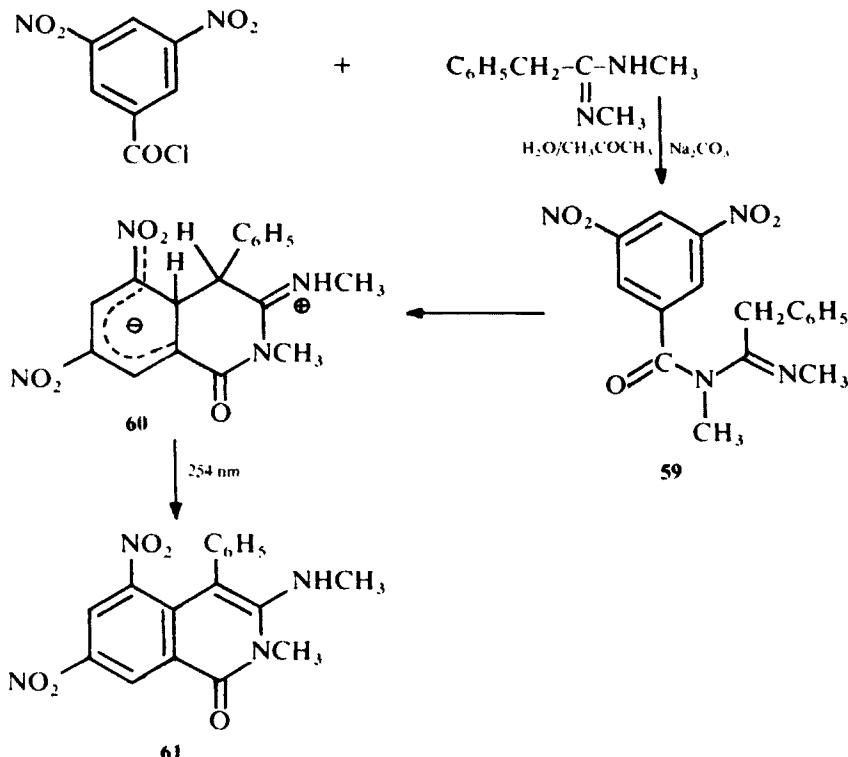
Related to these ring-closure reactions is the synthesis of the 7-nitro-1(2H)-isoquinolinones **57** by treatment of the corresponding 7-nitroisocoumarins (**56**) with ammonia in refluxing aqueous ethanol.¹⁴² Yields of 60% are reported for six phenolic substituents at C-3 in **56**. This reaction presumably involves opening of the lactone ring to give the amide, followed by ring-closure to the isoquinolinone. In a similar reaction, 2-methyl-5-nitro-1(2H)-isoquinolinone has been prepared¹⁴³ from the reaction between 5-nitroisocoumarin and methylamine.



An unusual combined nitration and ring-closure has been reported by Feuer and Monter.¹⁴⁴ Treatment of diethyl homophthalate (**58**) with ethyl nitrate and potassium amide in liquid ammonia gave the potassium salt of 4-nitro-1,3(2H,4H)-isoquinolinedione in 19% yield. The nitration step in this reaction presumably occurs via nucleophilic attack of the carbanion on the nitrogen atom of ethyl nitrate. Ring-closure by successive intermolecular and intramolecular ester aminolyses may either precede or follow the nitration step.



Kaito and Kasuya³⁴ reported an unusual synthesis of the 5,7-dinitro-1(2H)-isoquinolinone derivative **61**. Condensation of 3,5-dinitrobenzoyl chloride with *N,N'*-dimethylbenzylamidine in basic solution gives the zwitterionic species **60** via the intermediate amide **59**. Photolysis of **60** at 254 nm, or merely exposure to sunlight, converts **60** to **61**.

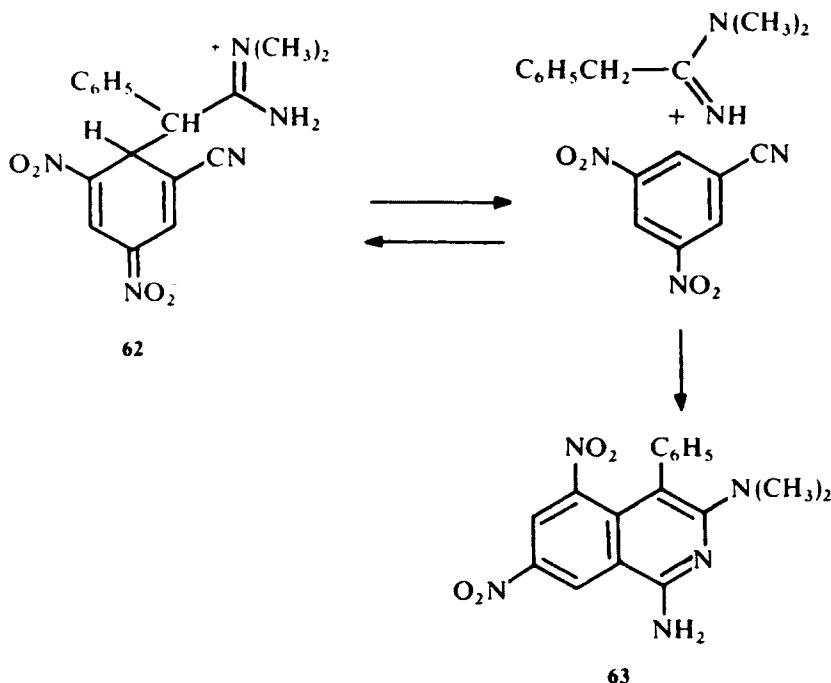


In a reaction that is apparently closely related to the previous example, Strauss and Bard³⁷ observed the facile reaction between 3,5-dinitrobenzonitrile and α -phenyl-*N,N*-dimethylacetamide in dimethylsulfoxide at 50–60°C to give 1-amino-3-dimethylamino-5,7-dinitro-4-phenylisoquinoline (63). No intermediates were observed when this reaction is followed by ^1H NMR spectroscopy, although an apparently nonproductive σ -complex (62) is formed immediately upon mixing the reagents. This complex is suggested³⁷ to rearrange to 63 via dissociation to starting materials.

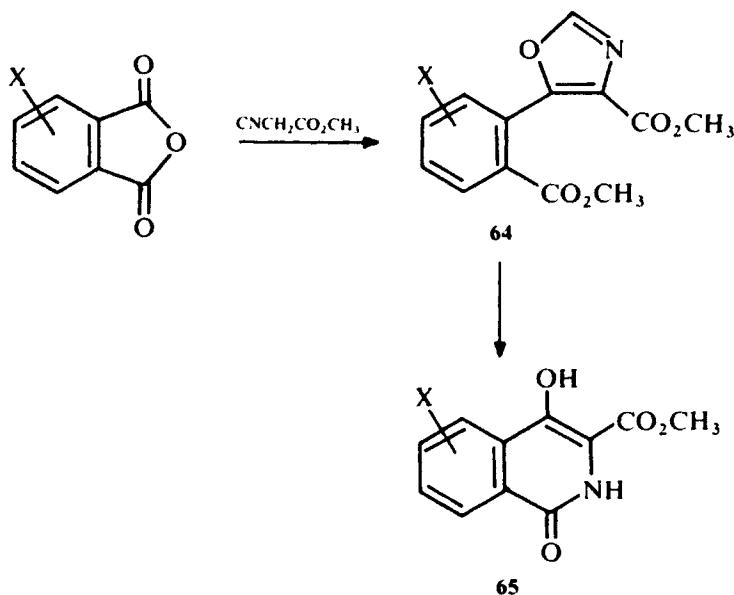
D. Nitroisoquinolines via Rearrangements

There are a number of examples of the synthesis of nitroisoquinolines via the rearrangement of the nitro derivatives of other bicyclic ring systems. The indene to isoquinoline²⁰ and the isocoumarin to isoquinolinone^{142, 143} rearrangements mentioned above (Section II.C) are formally examples of this class of reaction.

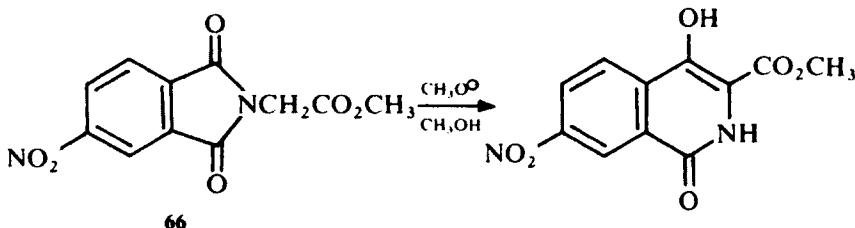
Nunami and co-workers^{145, 146} have developed a general synthesis of 1,2-dihydro-4-hydroxy-1-oxo-3-isoquinolinecarboxylate esters (65) from appropriate ring-substituted phthalic anhydrides. The anhydride is converted to the oxazole derivative 64, using methyl isocyanoacetate in a base-catalyzed process.



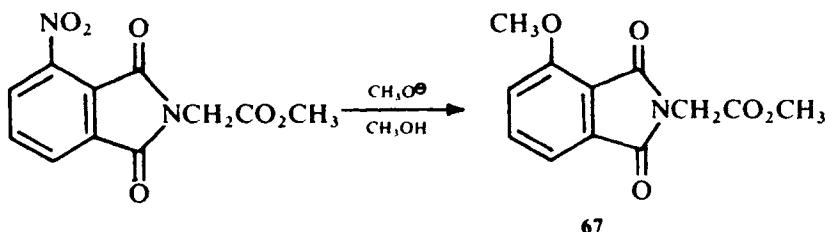
This oxazole can then be converted to the substituted 1(2*H*)-isoquinolinone with methanolic 2*N* HCl. 3-Nitrophthalic anhydride gives both the 5- and 8-nitro isoquinoline derivatives after separation of the isomeric nitrophenyl oxazoles, while 4-nitrophthalic anhydride gives the 6- and 7-nitro isoquinoline derivatives.



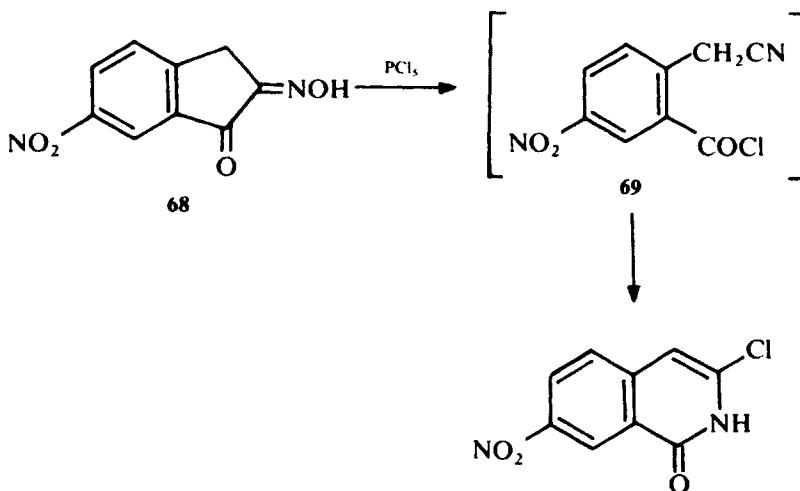
An example of the Gabriel-Colman rearrangement has been reported by Caswell and Kao¹⁴⁷ for the synthesis of 7-nitro-1(2H)-isoquinolinone (in 15% yield) by the reaction of methyl 4-nitrophthalimido-acetate (**66**) in basic methanolic solution.



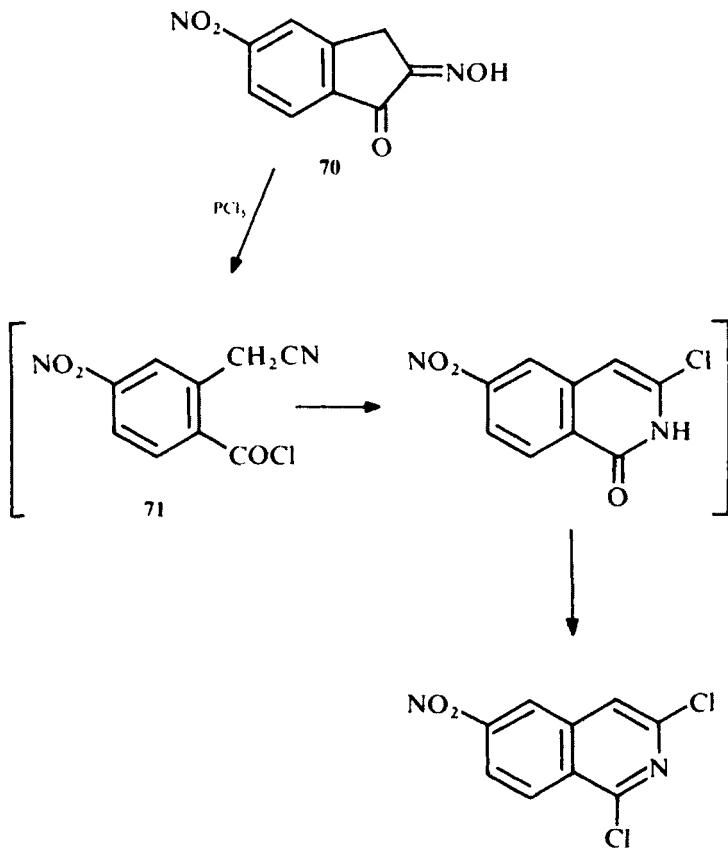
It should be noted that under the same conditions, the 3-nitro isomer of **66** gives the substitution product **67**, rather than undergoing rearrangement to the corresponding nitroisoquinolinone.



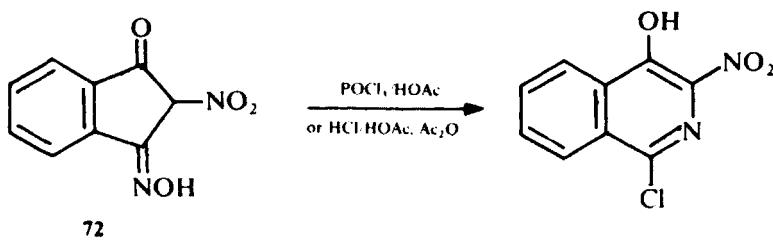
Simchen and Kramer¹⁴⁸ report the conversion of the 2-oxime (**68**) of 6-nitro-1,2-indandione to 3-chloro-7-nitro-1(2H)-isoquinolinone in quantitative yield upon treatment with PCl_5 .



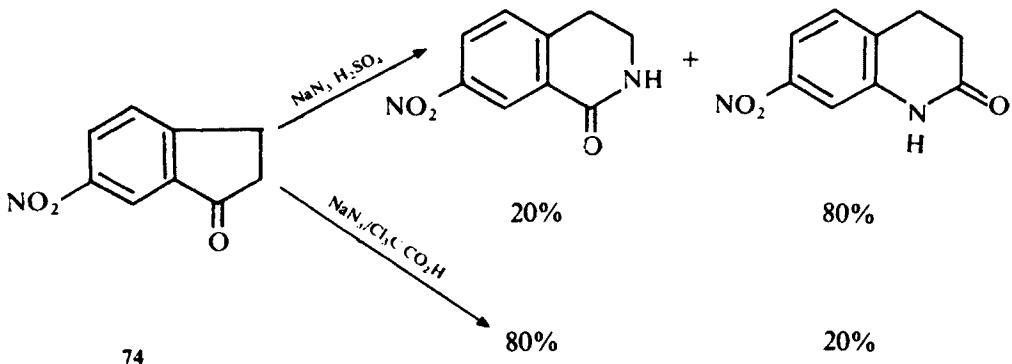
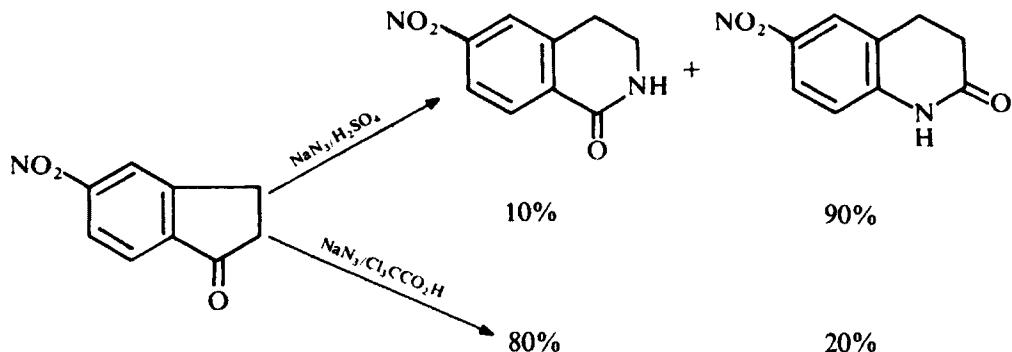
Under similar conditions, the isomeric 5-nitro 2-oxime (70) is converted to 1,3-dichloro-6-nitroisoquinoline in 64% yield.¹⁴⁹ The ring-opened intermediates 69 and 71 are proposed in these reactions.



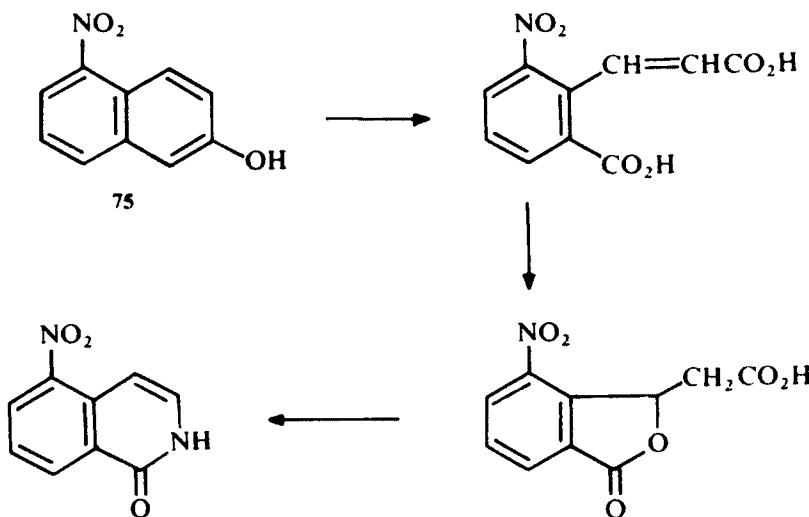
The Beckman rearrangement of 2-nitro-1,3-indandione oxime (72) to 1-chloro-3-nitro-4-isoquinolinol has been reported by Vanags and Vitols,⁴ using either POCl_3 in acetic acid (85% yield) or HCl in an acetic acid–acetic anhydride mixture (67% yield). This represents one of the few available routes for the introduction of a 3-nitro substituent onto the isoquinoline ring system.



Tomita and co-workers¹⁵⁰ have studied the Schmidt reaction of the 5- and 6-nitro-1-indanones (73 and 74). For both isomers, the use of sulfuric acid as the reaction medium results in predominant aryl migration to give the quinolinones as the major products and only small amounts (10–20%) of the isoquinolinones via alkyl group migration. However, in trichloroacetic acid, alkyl migration predominates and the 6- and 7-nitro-3,4-dihydro-1(2H)-isoquinolinones constitute 80% of the rearrangement products.



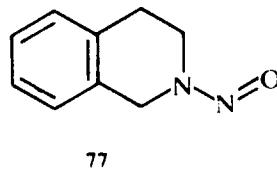
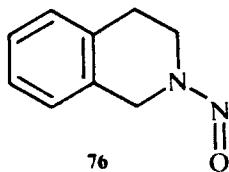
Petrova and Sazonova¹⁵⁶ report a five-step synthesis of 5-nitro-1(2H)-isoquinolinone from 5-nitro-2-naphthol. This route involves oxidative cleavage of the naphthol to 2-carboxy-5-nitrocinnamic acid, which is then closed to a lactone via an intramolecular Michael addition. Elaboration of this lactone to an amide, followed by treatment with hypochlorite, gave the observed product. This route should also be applicable to other nitro-1(2H)-isoquinolinone derivatives, provided a source of the appropriate *o*-carboxycinnamic acids can be found.



III. NITROISOQUINOLINES

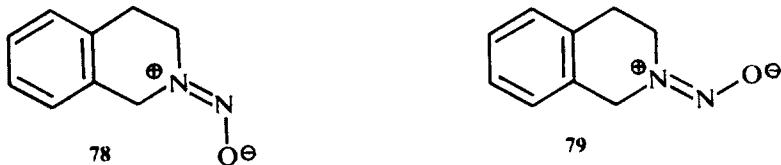
A. *N*-Nitroso Derivatives

1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinolines, like acyclic secondary amines, are converted to their *N*-nitroso derivatives upon treatment with nitrous acid (i.e., NaNO₂ in mineral acid). Nitrosation of the parent 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline in this way,^{152–154} or with amyl nitrite,¹⁵⁵ gives the 2-nitroso derivative, which exists in organic solvents as an equilibrium mixture of geometric isomers [76 (syn) and 77 (anti)]. ¹H NMR spectral analyses of this equilibrium mixture indicate that in both benzene¹⁵² and deuteriochloroform^{153, 155} the syn isomer (76) predominates (70%) over the anti isomer (77) (30%).



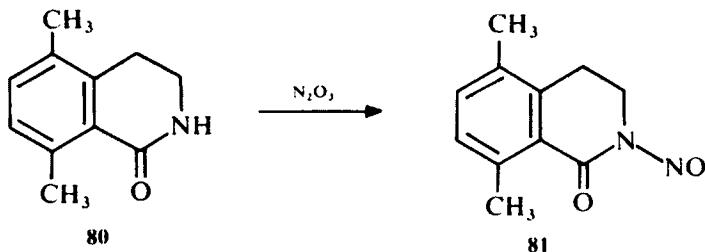
This observation of both stereoisomers in an equilibrium mixture by ¹H NMR spectroscopy clearly indicates that restricted rotation exists about the N—N bond, and this presumably arises from a major contribution from the resonance contributors 78 and 79 to the electronic structures of these *N*-nitroso species.

Similar stereoisomerism has also been reported¹⁵⁵ for 1-methyl-2-nitroso-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline, and although such isomerism does not appear to have been reported for other substituted *N*-nitroso 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinol-

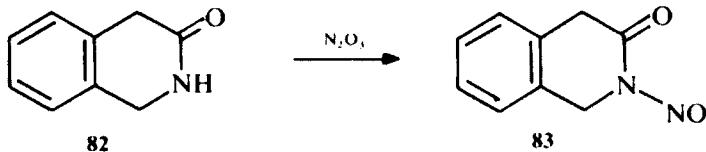


ines, it clearly must be considered in assigning structures to all such derivatives. In particular, the possibility that solid 2-nitroso-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines may exist as mixtures of stereoisomers makes the use of melting points quite unreliable for the characterization of such *N*-nitroso derivatives. Characterization of these species in this way was often attempted¹⁵⁷⁻¹⁶⁶ before the availability of modern spectroscopic techniques.

Nitrosation with N₂O₃ has also occasionally been used for the formation of *N*-nitroso isoquinoline derivatives. Good yields (88%) of **81** may be obtained¹⁶⁷ from the treatment of **80** with N₂O₃ in an acetic acid-acetic anhydride-pyridine mixture, although such 3,4-dihydro-1(2H)-isoquinolinones have also been nitrosated with nitrous acid.¹⁶⁸

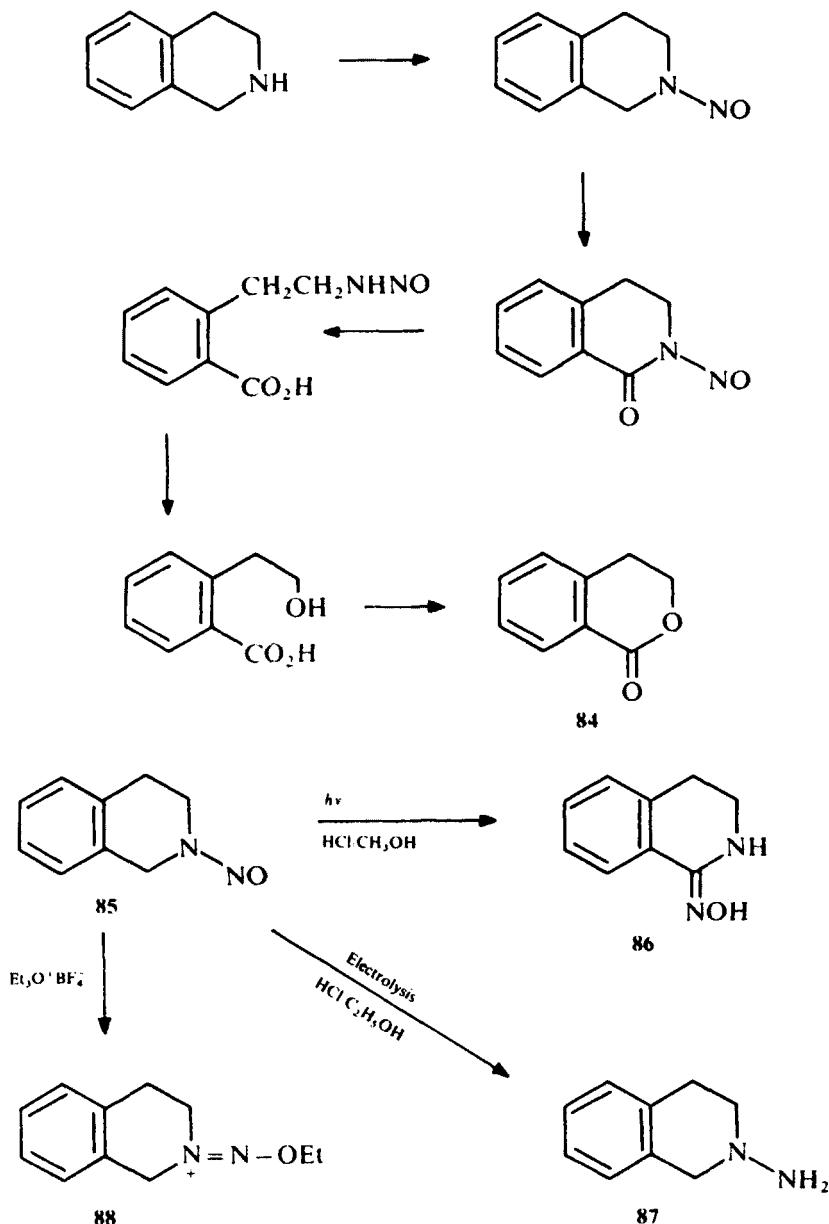


Treatment of **82** with N₂O₃ in acetic acid-acetic anhydride at 0°C gave **83** in 75% yield.¹⁶⁹ Nitrosation of a 1,4-dihydro-3(2H)-isoquinolinone has also been reported by White and co-workers,¹⁷⁰ but the reaction conditions were not specified.



The reaction of 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline with N₂O₃ in acetic acid at 80°C produces phthalic acid and the lactone **84**, which has been suggested¹⁷¹ to arise via the route indicated. The 2-benzoyl and 2-isoamyl derivatives of 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline also suffer ring-cleavage reactions under these same reaction conditions.¹⁷¹

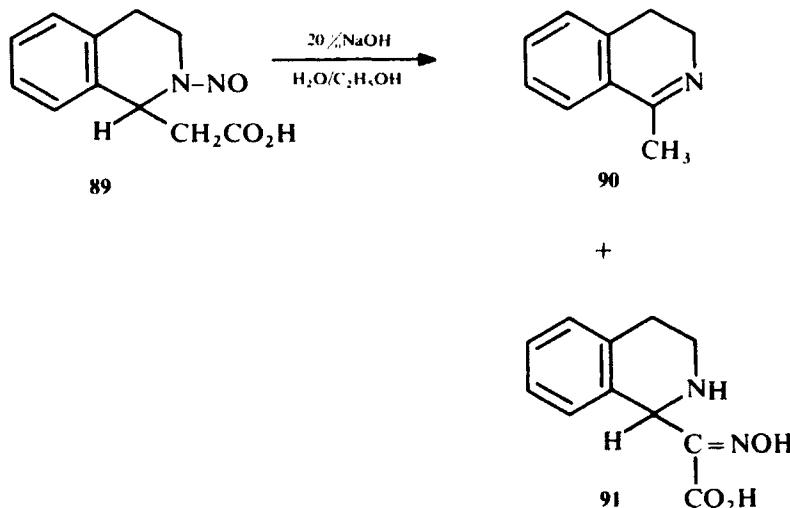
Several reactions which are potentially synthetically useful have been briefly reported for *N*-nitroso 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinolines. Photolysis of **85** in acidic methanol gives¹⁷² the 1-oxime **86**, while electrolysis¹⁷³ in acidic ethanol gave the



N-amino derivative **87**. The *O*-ethylation¹⁵³ of **85** with triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate gave **88**. The ESR spectrum of the radical anion of 2-nitroso-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline has been briefly reported.¹⁷⁴

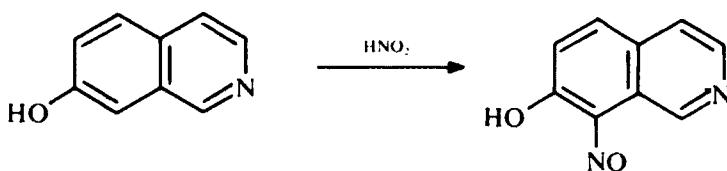
When 2-nitroso-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroisoquinoline is refluxed in 20% NaOH in aqueous ethanol, it is converted¹⁵⁵ to 3,4-dihydroisoquinoline. The 1-methyl

derivative behaves similarly; however, under the same conditions, 2-nitroso-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-1-isoquinolineacetic acid, **89**, gives¹⁵⁵ a 20% yield of the elimination-decarboxylation product (**90**) and 70% yield of the oxime rearrangement product (**91**).



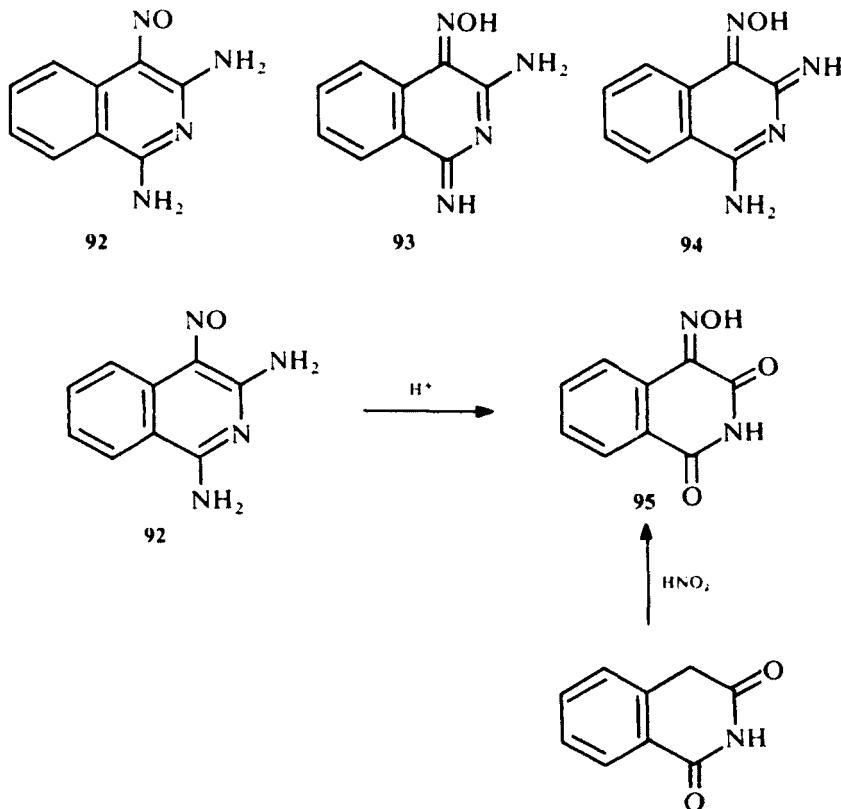
B. C-Nitroso Derivatives

There are few examples of *C*-nitroso isoquinoline derivatives in the chemical literature. 1-Nitrosoisoquinoline is the only unsubstituted derivative that has been reported,² and it was found to be too unstable to allow its isolation. Treatment of 7-isoquinolinol with nitrous acid is reported¹⁷⁵ to yield its 8-nitroso derivative in 92% yield.



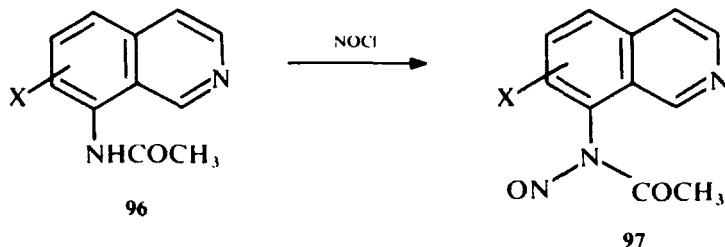
1,3-Diaminoisoquinoline undergoes¹⁷⁶ nitrosation at C-4. The product of this reaction is potentially a tautomeric mixture of **92**, **93**, and **94**. The nitroso tautomer **92** is favored on the basis of spectral properties over either of the two hydroxylimino tautomers.

Prolonged acid treatment of **92** converts¹⁷⁶ it into **95**, which is identical with the product of nitrosation of homophthalimide.^{176, 177} Spectral properties suggest that the oxime **95** is the major tautomer in this case, rather than any of the possible 4-nitroso tautomers.



C. *N*-Nitrosoamido Derivatives

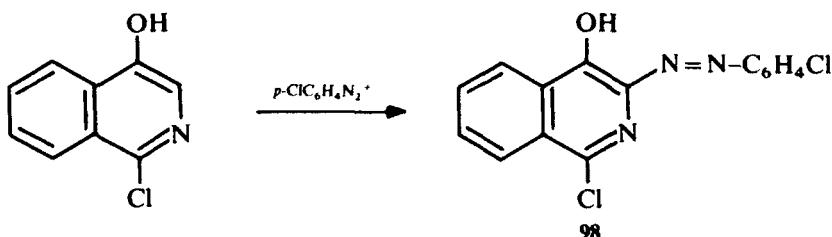
The 8-acetamidoisoquinolines (**96**: X = H, 5-Cl, 7-OCH₃) have been converted to the corresponding *N*-nitrosoacetamido derivatives **97** by treatment with nitrosyl chloride.¹⁷⁸



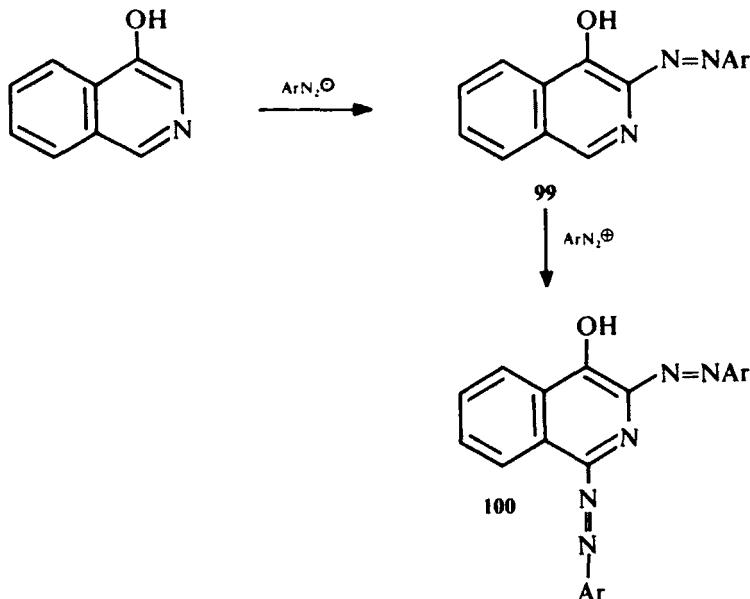
IV. AZOISOQUINOLINES

A. By Coupling Isoquinolines with Diazonium Cations

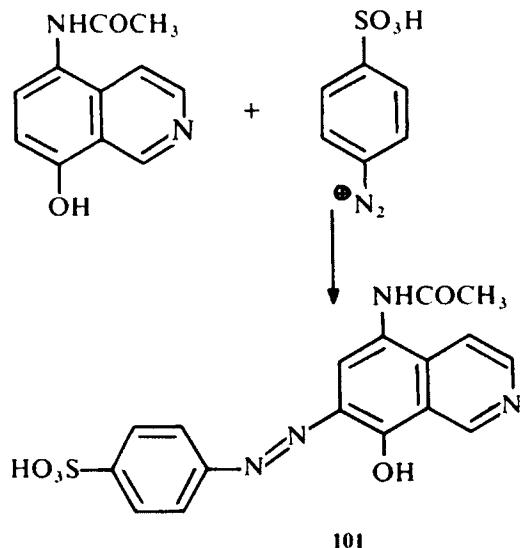
Isoquinolines activated to electrophilic attack by the presence of a hydroxyl substituent in either the homocyclic or heterocyclic ring have been coupled with aryl diazonium ions. The azo substituent is introduced either ortho or para to the hydroxyl substituent of the isoquinoline. Thus, 1-chloro-4-isoquinolinol has been coupled¹⁷⁹ with the 4-chlorophenyl diazonium ion to give the 3-(4-chlorophenylazo) derivative (**98**).



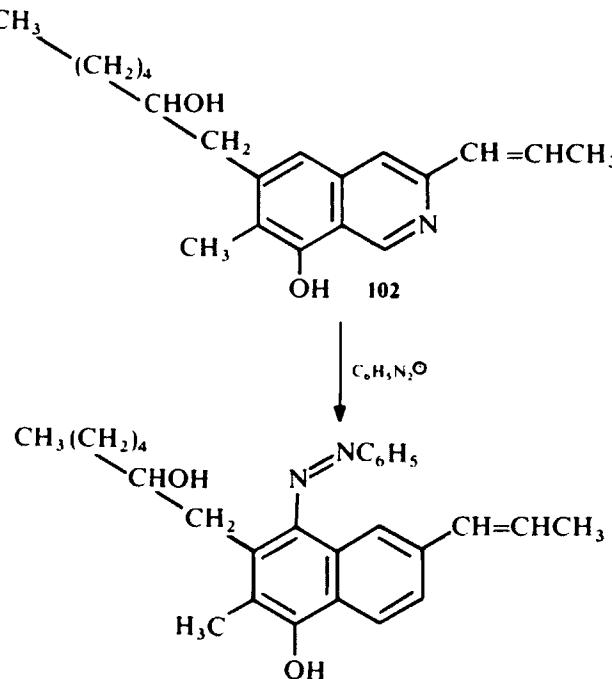
4-Isoquinolinol has been coupled with a variety of para-substituted phenyl diazonium ions (H , NO_2 , Br , SO_3H , OCH_3 , CH_3) to give both the 3-arylazo (**99**) and 1,3-bis(arylazo) (**100**) coupling products in good yields.¹⁸⁰



5-Acetamido-8-isoquinolinol has been coupled¹⁸¹ with the diazonium ion from 4-aminobenzenesulfonic acid to give the 7-azo derivative **101**.

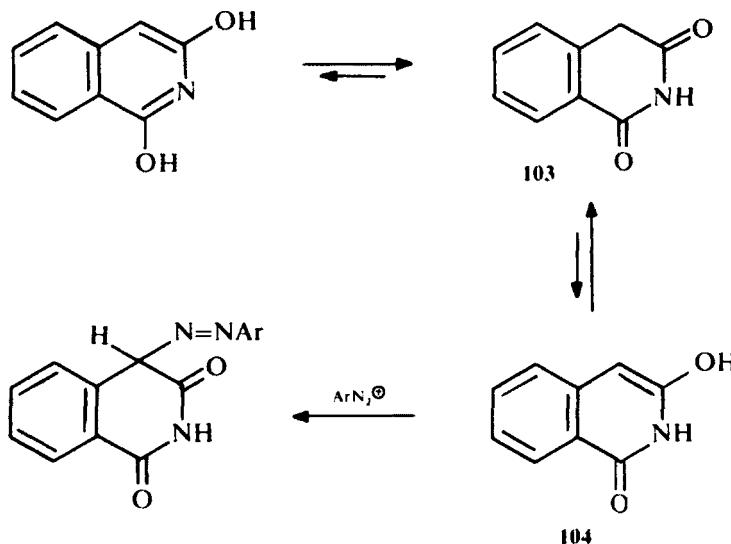
**101**

The 8-isoquinolinol derivative **102** couples at the vacant C-5 position with the phenyl diazonium cation.¹⁸²

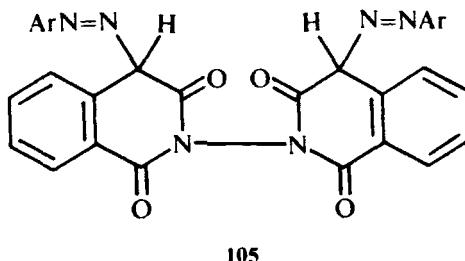
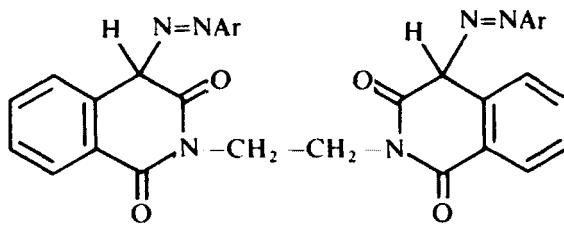


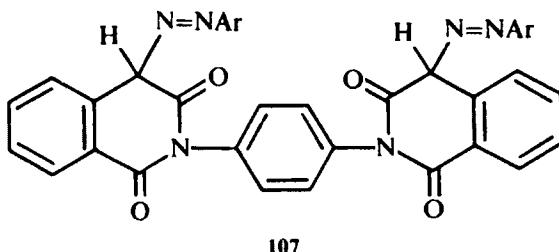
5-Isoquinolinol has been coupled with the 4-sulfonamidophenyl diazonium ion to give the 6- (or 8-) azo derivative.¹⁸³

The largest group of azoisooquinoline derivatives has been made¹⁸³⁻¹⁹⁷ by coupling aromatic diazonium ions with homophthalimide [1,3(2H,4H)-isoquinolinedione, **103**], which is the predominant tautomeric form of 1,3-isoquinolinediol. Diazo coupling with **103** or any of its *N*-substituted derivatives invariably occurs at C-4, presumably via reaction of the diazonium cation with the enol tautomer (**104**).

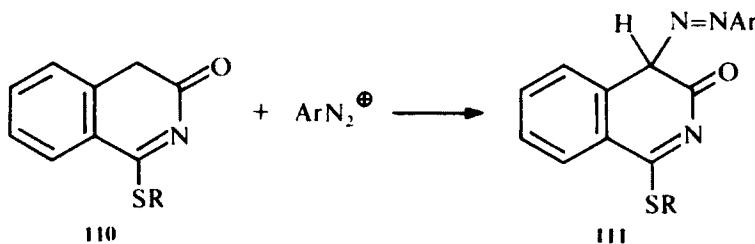
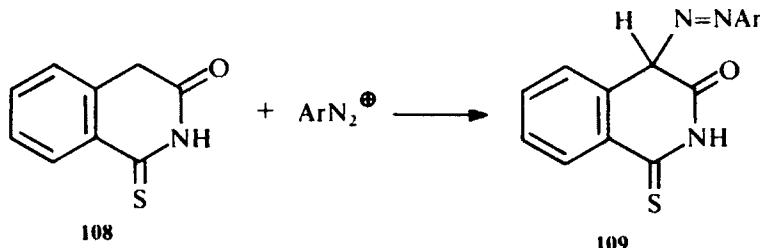


A number of bis(4-azohomophthalimides) of the general formula of **105-107** have been similarly prepared.¹⁹⁸

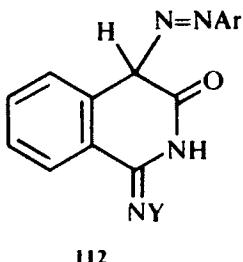
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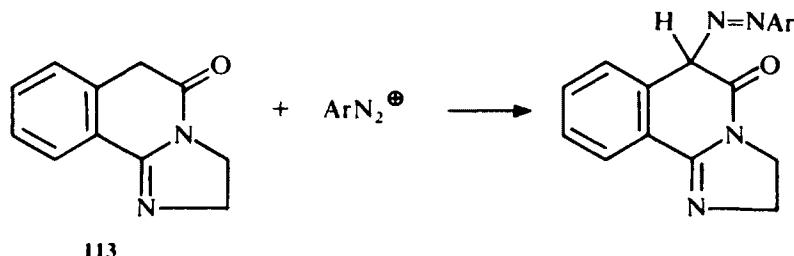
The azo coupling of 1-thiohomophthalimides (**108**) with a series of para-substituted phenyl diazonium ions has been reported,¹⁹⁹ and the corresponding methylthio (**110**: R = CH₃) and benzylthio (**110**: R = CH₂C₆H₅) derivatives have also been coupled²⁰⁰ to give **111**.



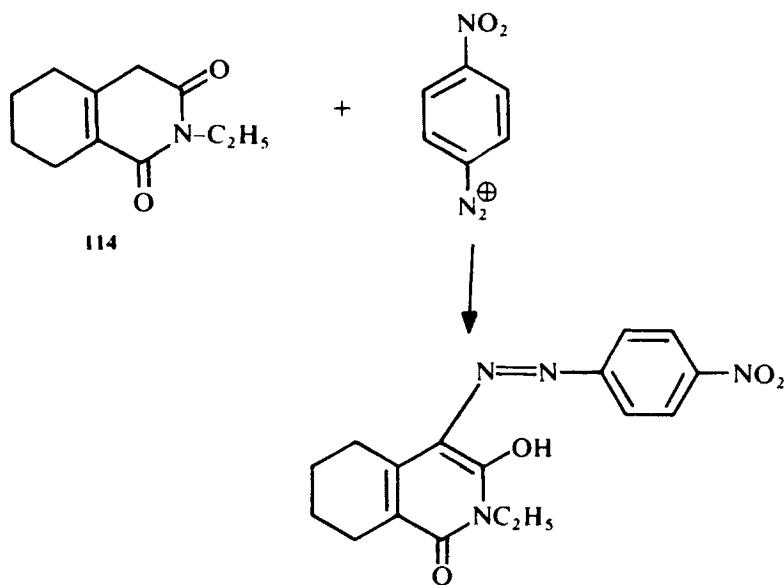
Both **109** and **111** react^{199, 200} with phenylhydrazine to give the phenylhydrazone **112**: Y = NHC₆H₅, while **111** has also been treated with hydroxylamine to give the oxime **112**: Y = OH, and with aniline to give **112**: Y = C₆H₅.



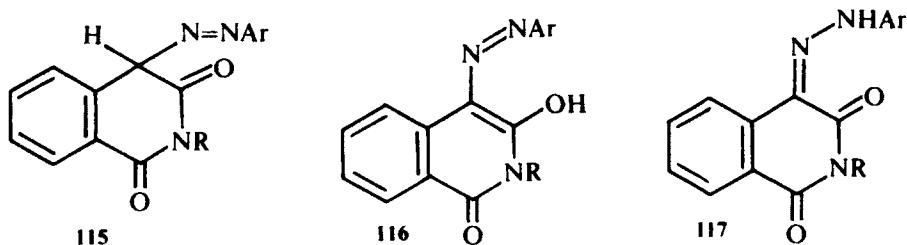
The coupling of **113** with a series of substituted phenyl diazonium ions has been reported.²⁰¹



N-Ethyl tetrahydronaphthalimide (**114**) has been coupled with the 4-nitrophenyl diazonium cation.²⁰²

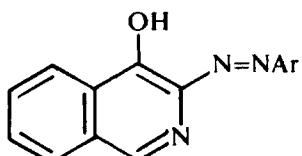
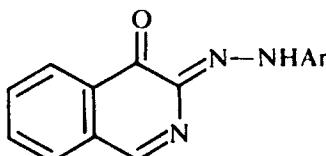


All the 4-azohomophthalimide derivatives mentioned above can potentially exist in a number of tautomeric forms. Various hydroxy tautomers (e.g., **116**) and also the hydrazone tautomer **117**, are possible in addition to the 4-azoh-

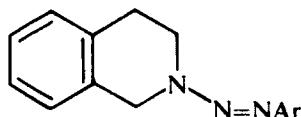


1,3(2H,4H)-isoquinolinedione tautomer **115**, which is usually indicated as the structure of the product from the reactions mentioned above.

There does not appear to have been a spectroscopic investigation designed to establish the major component of the tautomeric mixture for any of the 4-azohomophthalimide derivatives mentioned in this section. The designation of these compounds as the **115** species may be incorrect, since α -azoketones in other systems have been shown^{203–205} spectroscopically to exist predominantly in the hydrazone tautomeric forms. In particular, IR and electronic spectral data have been interpreted²⁰⁵ to indicate that 3-phenylazo-4-isoquinolinols (**118**) exist predominantly in the quinone-hydrazone tautomeric form **119**. This interpretation is also claimed to be supported by theoretical calculations.²⁰⁶

**118****119**

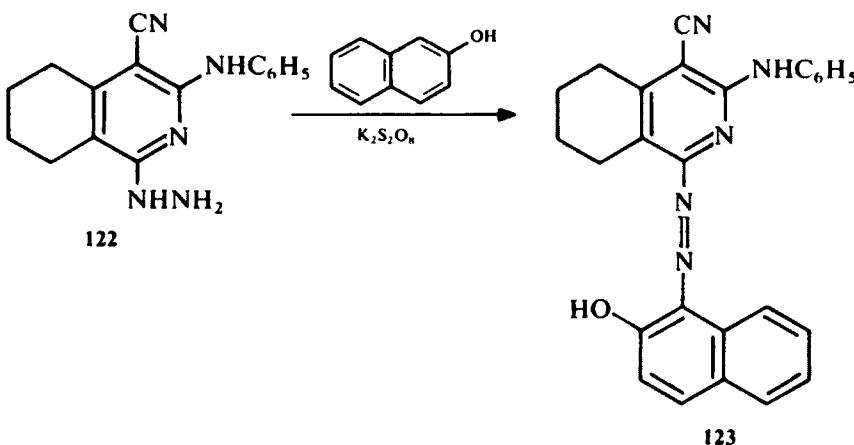
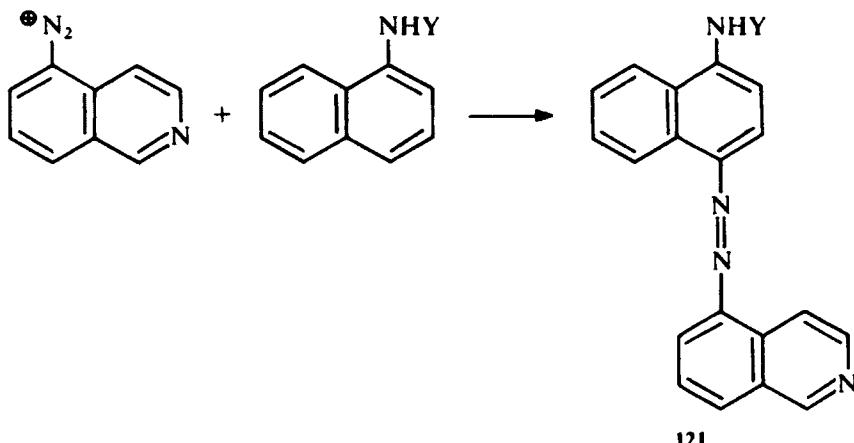
1,2,3,4-Tetrahydroisoquinoline couples^{207, 208} with diazonium cations at the ring-nitrogen atom to give *N*-azoisoquinoline derivatives of the type **120**.

**120**

B. From Isoquinolinediazonium Cations

In addition to forming azoisoquinolines by coupling activated isoquinolines with aryl diazonium cations, as discussed in the previous section, this same class of compounds can also be made by coupling isoquinoline diazonium cations with suitably activated aromatic molecules. There are several examples of this route in the literature. Thus, 5-aminoisoquinoline has been diazotized and then coupled^{209, 210} with 1-naphthylamine and several of its *N*-substituted derivatives to give the 5-naphthylazoisoquinolines **121**: Y = H, $(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)_2$, $(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)_2$. Similarly, the 4-, 5-, and 7-aminoisoquinolines have been coupled via their diazonium cations to the para position of *N,N*-dimethylaniline.²¹¹

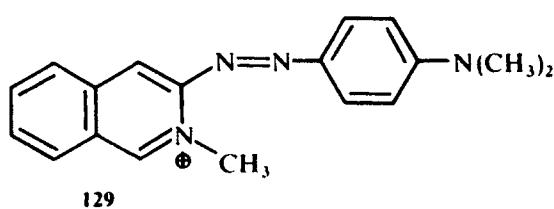
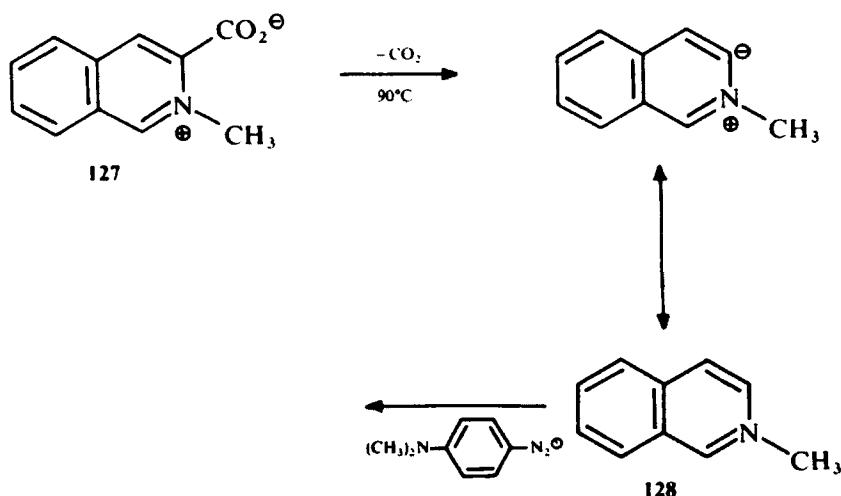
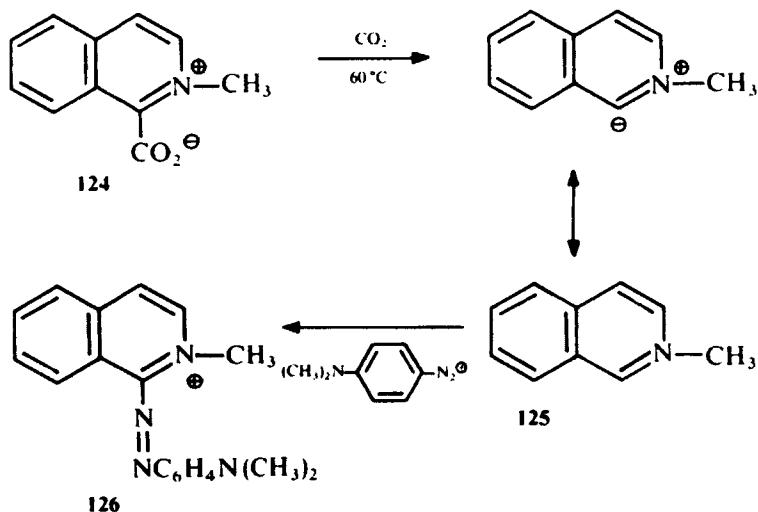
Treatment of the 1-hydrazinoisoquinoline derivative **122** with potassium persulfate in acid solution in the presence of 2-naphthol gave²¹² the azo derivative **123**, which is presumably formed via persulfate oxidation of the hydrazino group to the diazonium cation, which then couples with the naphthol.

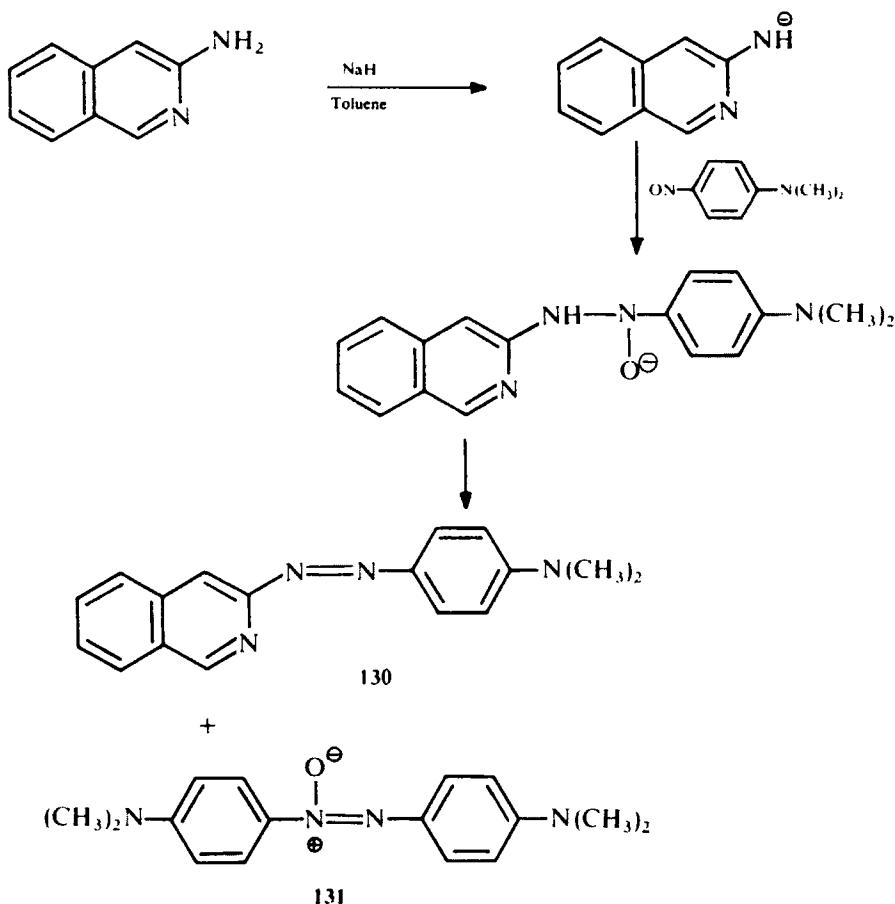


C. Other Azoisoquinoline Syntheses

The zwitterions 124 and 127 decarboxylate upon heating to give the ylide-carbenes 125 and 128, respectively. In the presence of diazonium ions, azo-coupling products are formed. Thus, heating 124 in *N*-methylpyrrolidone at 60°C in the presence of the 4-dimethylaminophenyl diazonium cation gave 126 in 89% yield,^{213, 214} while 127 was converted into 129 at 90°C in similar yield.²¹⁴

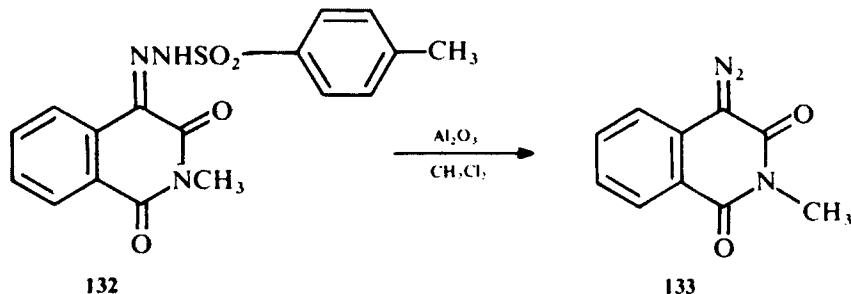
3-(4-Dimethylaminophenylazo)isoquinoline 130 has been made²¹⁴ by generating the amide conjugate base of 3-aminoisoquinoline using sodium hydride in toluene, and then treating this anion with *N,N*-dimethyl-4-nitrosoaniline. A significant amount of 4,4'-azoxybis(*N,N*-dimethylaniline) 131 is also produced in this reaction.



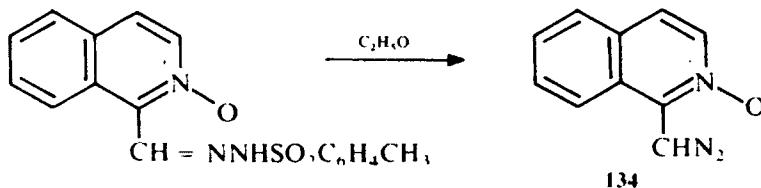


V. DIAZOISOQUINOLINES

The derivative **133** appears to be the only known isoquinoline bearing a ring-diazo substituent. This compound was prepared²¹⁵ in 90% yield by treatment of the tosylhydrazone **132** with aluminum oxide in dichloromethane.



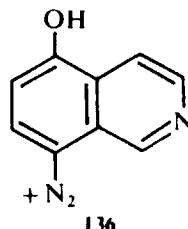
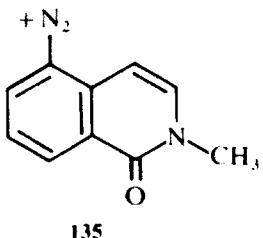
The *N*-oxide (134) of 1-isoquinolinylidiazomethane has been made by an analogous route.²¹⁶



VI. ISOQUINOLINE DIAZONIUM CATIONS

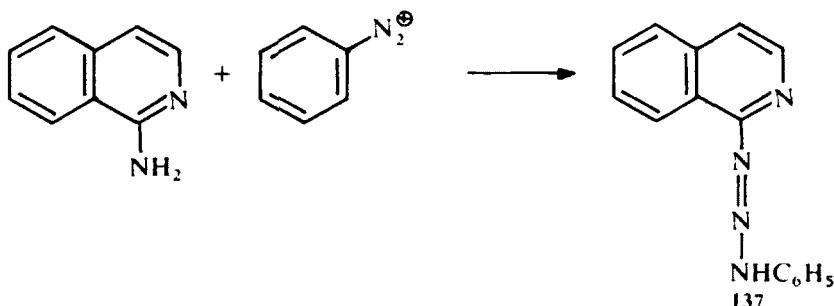
The replacement of the amino group of aminoisoquinolines by other substituents via diazotization and then nucleophilic displacement of molecular nitrogen from the diazonium cation has been routinely used for synthetic purposes in the isoquinoline series. The intermediate isoquinoline diazonium cations are usually generated in solution and then subsequently reacted without first being isolated. Other chapters in these volumes should be consulted for such synthetic applications of isoquinoline diazonium cations (also references 217 and 218). Examples of the coupling of these diazonium ions with suitably activated aromatic amines or phenols to produce arylazoisoquinolines are given in Section IV.B.

The tetrafluoroborate salts of the 1- and 5-isoquinoline diazonium cations have been isolated;²¹⁹ however, the corresponding 3- and 4-isoquinoline diazonium salts decompose at room temperature to the 3- and 4-fluoroisoquinolines, respectively.²¹⁹ 3-Chloro-5-isoquinolinediazonium tetrafluoroborate has been isolated and converted to 3-chloro-5-fluoroisoquinoline upon heating.^{29, 30} The tetrafluoroborate salt of the diazonium cation 135, and the metaphosphate salt of 136 have also been reported.^{220, 221}

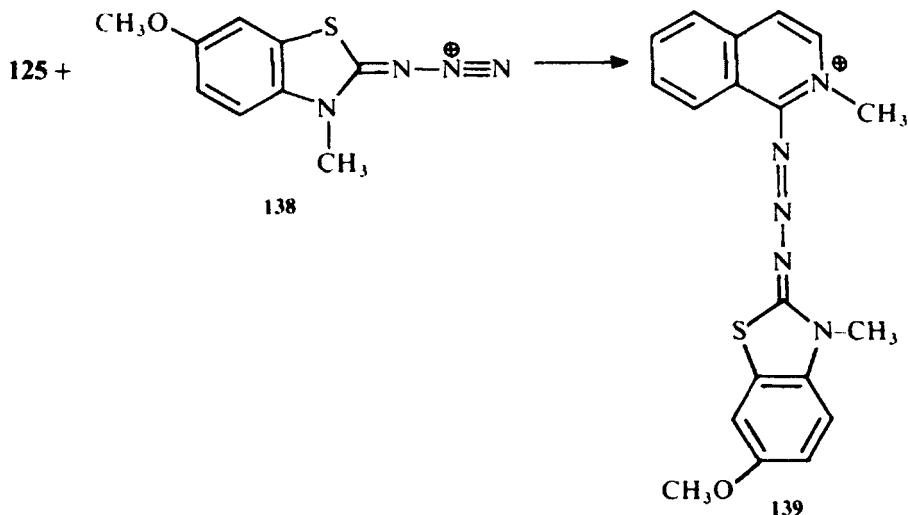


VII. TRIAZENOISOQUINOLINES

1-Aminoisoquinoline couples²²² with the phenyl diazonium cation to give 137.



The ylide (carbene) 125, formed by the decarboxylation of the zwitterionic 124 couples with electrophiles, for example, with the azidobenzothiazolium ion 138, to give^{213, 214} the triazenoisoquinolinium cation 139.



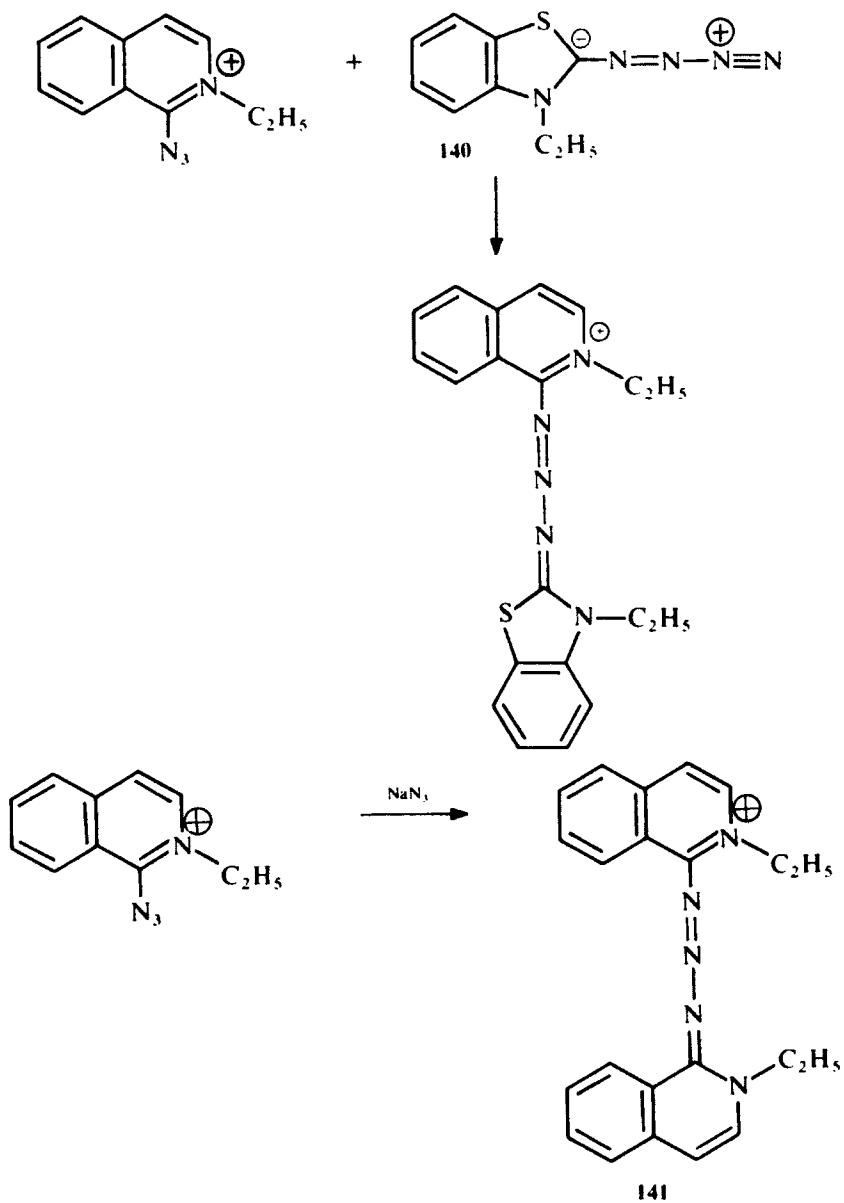
An *N,N'*-diethyl analog of 139 has also been reported²²³ from the reaction of the 1-azido-2-ethylisoquinolinium cation with the diazoazobenzothiazoline 140.

Treatment of the 1-azido-2-ethylisoquinolinium cation with sodium azide produces²²⁴ the bisisoquinoline triazene cation 141.

VIII. AZIDOISOQUINOLINES

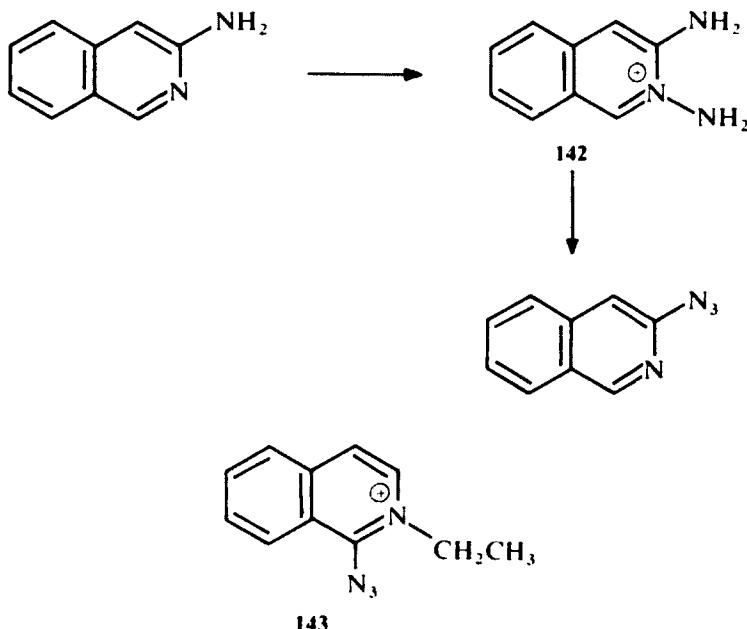
There are two general routes available for the synthesis of azidoisoquinolines.

1. The corresponding aminoisoquinoline is diazotized with nitrous acid to the diazonium cation, which is subsequently decomposed in the presence of sodium azide. This route has been successfully applied to give high yields of 4-azidoisoquinoline^{225–227} and its 4-methyl and 4-phenyl derivatives,²²⁷ 5-azidoisoquinoline²²⁶ and 8-azido-5-chloroisooquinoline.²²⁶



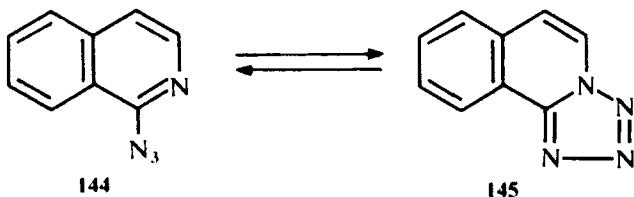
2. Diazotization of an hydrazinoisoquinoline also leads to the corresponding azidoisoquinoline. This route has been used for the preparation of 3-azidoisoquinoline and several of its substituted derivatives.^{228, 229}

3-Azidoisoquinolines have also been prepared²²⁹ by the diazotization of 2,3-diaminoisoquinolinium cations (142), which are available from the treatment of 3-aminoisoquinoline with *O*-tosyl hydroxylamine.

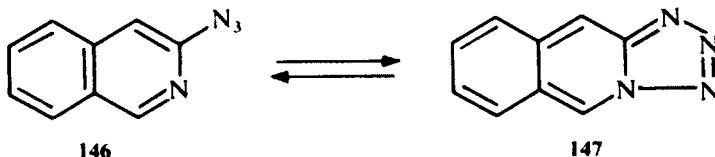


The 1-azido-2-ethylisoquinolinium cation **143** has been made by refluxing²³⁰ the corresponding 1-chloro cation with sodium azide in methanol.

The chemistry of the 1-azido and 3-azido isoquinolines, and their derivatives, is complicated by their ring-chain tautomerism with their tetrazoloisoquinoline isomers. For 1-azidoisoquinoline (**144**), this equilibrium heavily favors tetrazolo[1,5-a]isoquinoline (**145**), even in the solid state at room temperature.²³¹ The 1-azido species has been characterized spectrally at -196°C by sublimation of **145** at temperatures above 150°C , and collection of the gaseous **144** in a cold trap. The isomerization of **144** back to **145** is complete at temperatures above -10°C .



The equilibration of 3-azidoisoquinoline **146**, and its tetrazolo[1,5-b]isoquinoline isomer **147** is solvent-dependent, and equilibrium ratios of these two isomers, and several of their C-1 and C-2 substituted derivatives have been evaluated^{228, 229} by ^1H NMR spectroscopy. The equilibrium tetrazole:azide ratio is 1.5 in dimethyl sulfoxide, but only 0.15 in deuteriochloroform. C-Methyl substituents enhance the stability of the tetrazole form, whereas C-bromo



substitution favors the azido isomer. In trifluoroacetic acid solution, the protonated tetrazole is the predominant species.

A wide variety of 6-azido-decahydroisoquinoline derivatives have been reported in the patent literature.²³²⁻²³⁴

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