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# Reactions with 1-Benzotriazolecarboxylic Acid Chloride. V<sup>1</sup>. Synthesis of Sulfonylureas and Related Compounds

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Sulfonylureas and related compounds, with hypoglycemic activity were synthetized, starting from corresponding sulfonylamide salts and 1-carbamoylbenzotriazoles.

Usually, sulfonylureas I with hypoglycemic activity were prepared in two commonly used ways. The first is based on the reaction of arylsulfonyl isocyanates $^2$  or arylsulfonyl carbamates $^{3-6}$  with amines, and the second on the reaction of sulfonylamide salts with isocyanates $^{6-8}$  or amidocarbonic acid derivatives $^{2,6}$ .

As a part of our work on the application of 1-carbamoylbenzotriazole derivatives II in organic synthesis<sup>9</sup>, we have recently described it as a very useful reagent for preparing ureas<sup>1</sup> in the reaction with primary and secondary amines. The reaction proceeded by means of direct nucleophilic attack of the amino group on the carbonyl, activated by a benzotriazole substituent.

In order to test the generality of the observed behaviour of II in the reaction with amines, the reaction with sulfonylamides III was investigated. The reaction was found to be a convenient route to sulfonylureas I, with regard to the useful properties of carbamoylbenzotriazoles, stable solids, which could be handled more easily with safety than isocyanate or phosgene, and because of the high yields obtained.

Temperatures (about 100 °C) for the reaction of sulfonylamides III, at which there was no evidence of dissociation of II into benzotriazole and isocyanate (as checked by IR spectroscopy of II in dioxane solution at 80 °C) indicated a direct nucleophilic attack of the sulfonylamide amino group on carbonyl, following the mechanism proposed for the formation of ureas¹.

$$R^{1} \underbrace{\hspace{1cm} -\text{SO}_{2}\text{NH}_{2}}_{\text{O} = \text{C} - \text{NHR}^{2}} + \underbrace{\hspace{1cm} N \\ N \\ N \\ H} R^{1} \underbrace{\hspace{1cm} -\text{SO}_{2}\text{NHC} \text{NHR}^{2}}_{\text{N} + \text{N}}$$

The reaction was carried out in dioxane or dimethylformamide solution at elevated temperature for 1 to 5 h. The reaction mixture was evaporated to dryness at reduced pressure. Sulfonylureas I were isolated by acidification of the water solution of the residue.

TABLE
Preparation of Sulfonylureas Ia—Ie

lit. m.p./ºC	$170 - 172^{10}$	$127 - 129^{10}$	$170 - 173^{10}$	$188 - 189^{10}$	$126 - 128^{10}$	$115 - 116^{10}$	$158 - 159^{10}$		$168 - 172^{8}$		$189^{6^{\mathrm{b}}}$	1845	101	$171 - 173^{2}$	
m. p./ºC	168—170	122 - 126	167—169	186—190	128—130	115—117	155—157		168—172		190	186	001	168—171	
f <u>Yield</u>	29	62	93	62	65	88	62		92		80	ς Έ	2	65	
Method of isolation	A A	A	Α	A	A	A	В		д		Д	4	1	М	
temp./ºC	95	95	100	100	100	100	100		100		100	100	0	100	
Reaction conditions solvent/time/h	DMF / 1	DMF / 2	Dioxane / 1	Dioxane / 1	Dioxane / 4	Dioxane / 1	Dioxane / 1		Dioxane / 5		Dioxane / 4	Diovone / 1		Dioxane / 5	
$\mathbb{R}^2$	CH <sub>3</sub>	$n-C_4H_9$	$c$ - $C_6H_{11}$	$CH_3$	$n$ -C $_3$ H $_7$	$n\text{-}\mathrm{C}_4\mathrm{H}_9$	$c$ - $C_6H_{11}$		$c\text{-}\mathrm{C}_6\mathrm{H}_{11}$			T C	C-C61111		
$\mathbb{R}^1$	CH3	CH <sub>3</sub>	$CH_3$	CI	CI	U	CI	מ	-CNH(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> -	5	$CH_3 = \bigcup_{N=-CNH(CH_2)_{\mathfrak{d}^{-d}}}^{O}$	O	, OCH,	$CH_3$	
Compound	Ia 7	Ic	Id	Ie	If	Ig	Ih		Ii		Lj	Ė	4	П	3 1

#### EXPERIMENTAL

# Preparation of Sulfonulureas I: General Procedure

Sulfonylamide sodium salt III (5 mmol), 1-carbamoylbenzotriazole II (5 mmol) and an appropriate solvent (30 ml) were heated at 95-100 °C and the sulfonylurea thus formed was isolated by two methods:

Method A. — The solvent was evaporated in vacuo and 15% hydrochloric acid was added. After standing in a water bath at 60 °C for 0.5 h the product was filtered off.

Method B. — The insoluble part of the reaction mixture was filtered off, dissolved in 75 ml of water and the product was precipitated by the addition of 5% hydrochloric acid (to pH 3-4).

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### SAŽETAK

# Reakcije klorida 1-benzotriazolkarboksilne kiseline.V. Sinteza sulfonilurea i srodnih spojeva

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Opisana je priprava sulfonilurea i srodnih spojeva koji imaju hipoglikemijsko djelovanje. U sintezi se polazi od soli sulfonilamida i 1-karbamoilbenzotriazola.

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