Synthesis of  $^{14}$ C-labelled 4-chloro-3-sulfamoyl-N-(3a $\alpha$ ,4 $\alpha$ ,5,6  $^{7}$  $\alpha$ ,7a $\alpha$ -hexahydro-4,7-methano-isoindolin-2-yl)-benzamide.

Takaharu Nakamura, Sachiyuki Hamano and Tohru Horie
Research and Development Division
Eisai Co., Ltd., 4-chome, Koishikawa,
Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo, Japan.
Received January 17, 1977
Revised February 1, 1977

 $^{14}$ C-Labelled compound of antihypertensive 4-chloro-3-sulfamoyl-N-( $^{3}$ a $^{\alpha}$ , $^{4}$  $^{\alpha}$ , $^{5}$ , $^{6}$ , $^{7}$ a $^{\alpha}$ -hexahydro-4,7-methano-isoindolin-2-yl)-benzamide (IV) was synthesized for biotransformation studies in three steps with p-chlorobenzoic acid-carbonyl- $^{14}$ C (I) as the labelled starting material.

Key Words: Antihypertensive drug, 4-Chloro-3-sulfamoylbenzamide derivative, Carbon-14.

## INTRODUCTION

4-Chloro-3-sulfamoyl-N-(3a $\alpha$ ,4 $\alpha$ ,5,6,7 $\alpha$ ,7a $\alpha$ -hexahydro-4,7 -methano-isoindolin-2-yl)-benzamide (IV) has been found to be an effective antihypertensive drug<sup>(1)</sup>. This paper deals with the synthesis of  $^{14}$ C-labelled (IV) in order to study the pharmacological action and biotransformation behaviors of the compound.  $^{14}$ C-Labelled-(IV) was prepared from p-chlorobenzoic acid-carbonyl- $^{14}$ C (I) in three steps and in 13.9 % overall yield according to the method of Sturm et al.  $^{(2)}$  and Haele et al.  $^{(3)}$  with slight modifications as outlined in Fig. 1.

Fig. 1. Outline of synthesis of (IV).

Chlorosulfonation of  $^{14}$ C-(I) with chlorosulfonic acid followed by ammonolysis of the chlorosulfonyl intermediate with 28 % aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>OH gave 4-chloro-3-sulfamoylbenzoic acid-carbonyl- $^{14}$ C (II). Treatment of (II) with thionyl chloride afforded the corresponding acid chloride (III), which was then reacted with 2-amino-3a $\alpha$ ,4 $\alpha$ ,5,6,7 $\alpha$ ,7a $\alpha$ -hexahydro-4,7-methano-iso-indoline to give 4-chloro-3-sulfamoyl-N-(3a $\alpha$ ,4 $\alpha$ ,5,6,7 $\alpha$ ,7a $\alpha$ -hexahydro-4,7-methano-isoindolin-2-yl)-benzamide-carbonyl- $^{14}$ C (IV). The structure of  $^{14}$ C-(IV) was confirmed by comparison (UV spectrum and TLC) with unlabelled authentic specimen of (IV). The  $^{14}$ C-(IV) had a radiochemical purity of 95 % and a specific activity of 31.7  $\mu$ Ci per mg.

#### **EXPERIMENTAL**

Measurements of radioactivity were carried out using an Aloka LSC-652 type Liquid Scintillation Counter. The radiochromatograms were recorded using an Aloka Thin Layer Chromatogram Scanner Model TLC-2B and UV spectra on a Hitachi 124 type Spectrophotometer.

## 4-Chloro-3-sulfamoylbenzoic acid-carbonyl-14C (II)

To p-chlorobenzoic acid-carbony1- $^{14}$ C (I) (611 mg; 3.90 m moles, 46.8 mCi), chlorosulfonic acid (3 ml) was added and the reaction mixture was heated at 145-150° for 5 hr. The mixture was cooled and treated with ice-water (5 ml) to deposit a colorless solid. The solid was filtered off, washed twice with water (2 ml each) and treated with 28 % NH<sub>4</sub>OH (4 ml). A stream of nitrogen was passed through the reaction flask until excess NH<sub>3</sub> was removed.

To the solution was added 11.6

N HC1 (2 ml) to deposit 4-chloro
-3-sulfamoylbenzoic acid-carbonyl-<sup>14</sup>C (II) as a colorless
solid. The compound (II) was
filtered off, washed twice with
5 % HC1 (2 ml each) and dried
over anhydrous CaCl<sub>2</sub> <u>in vacuo</u>;
weighing 489 mg (53 % yield).

The radiochemical purity of (II) calculated from the radiochromatogram of the compound (Fig. 2) was 95 %.

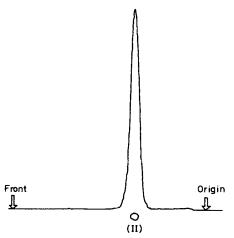


Fig. 2. Radioscans of (II) on TLC
 developed with benzene/
 methanol/acetic acid
 (16 : 4 : 1).

## 4-Chloro-3-sulfamoylbenzoyl chloride-carbonyl-14C (III)

To (II) (489 mg), thionyl chloride (5 ml) was added and the mixture was heated under reflux for 2 hr. Evaporation of the reaction mixture under reduced pressure afforded 4-chloro-3-sulfamoylbenzoyl chloride-carbonyl-<sup>14</sup>C (III) as a colorless solid.

# 4-Chloro-3-sulfamoyl-N-(3a $\alpha$ ,4 $\alpha$ ,5,6,7 $\alpha$ ,7a $\alpha$ -hexahydro-4,7-methano-isoindolin-2-yl)-benzamide-carbonyl- $^{14}$ C (IV)

To a suspension of (III) in dioxane (2 ml), a mixture of 2-amino-3a $\alpha$ , 4 $\alpha$ , 5, 6, 7 $\alpha$ , 7a $\alpha$ -hexahydro-4.7-methano-isoindoline (300 mg; 1.98 m moles) and triethylamine (0.2 ml) in dioxane (2 ml) was added. reaction mixture was heated at 50° for 10 min. and allowed to stand at room temperature for 2 days. The precipitated solid was filtered off, washed twice with 50 % aqueous methanol (2 ml each) and recrystallized from 50 % aqueous methanol to give  $^{14}$ C-(IV) as colorless needles (206 mg, 13.90 % yield from (I); specific activity 31.7  $\mu \text{Ci per mg, } \lambda_{\text{max}}^{\text{MeOH}} \text{ nm ($\epsilon$)}$  : 278 (2830), 287 (2450).

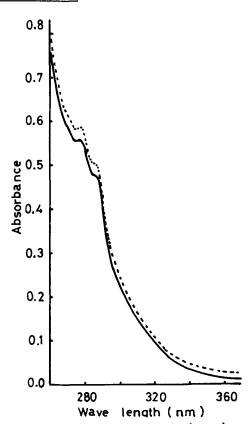


Fig. 3. UV spectra of (IV) and unlabelled authentic (IV).

--- : unlabelled (IV)

----: (IV)

(Fig. 3); Rf on TLC (Kieselgel'GF $_{254}$  (Merk)) developed with benzene/acetone (1:1, v/v): 0.75. On TLC of  $^{14}$ C-(IV), a single radioactive peak appeared at Rf coincident with that of a fluorescent spot due to unlabelled authentic specimen of (IV) detected under UV lamp (Fig. 4).

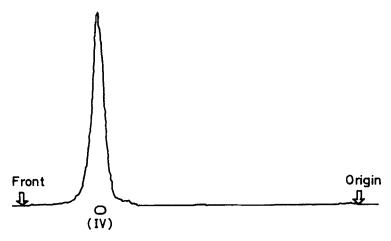


Fig. 4. Radioscans of (IV) on TLC developed with benzene/acetone (1:1).

### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The authors are grateful to Dr. S. Ohtake, director of the department of pharmacology and Mr. S. Toyoshima, director of the department of organic chemistry of our Research Laboratories for their advice and interest.

#### REFERENCE

- 1. Uchida K., Morimoto S., Takeda R., Minami M., Tomari T. and Seo M. Diagnosis and Treatment Lapan 64: 2158 (1976)
- 2' Sturm K., Siedel W., Weyer R. and Rushing H. Chem. Ber. 99: 328 (1966)
- 3. Hoefle M., Blouin T., DeWald H., Holmes A. and Williams D.J. Med. Chem. 11: 970 (1968)