Table IV—Elemental Analyses of Compounds I-III and Their Derivatives

Compound	Formula	——Analysi Calc.	s, %—— Found
I Free alcohol	$C_{29}H_{50}O$	C 83.99 H 12.15	84.26 12.33
I Acetate	$C_{31}H_{52}O_{2}$	C 81.52 H 11.48	81.72 11.55
II Free alcohol	$C_{30}H_{50}O$	C 84.40 H 11.80	84.92 11.78
II Acetate	$C_{32}H_{52}O_{2}$	C 81.99 H 11.18	81.95 11.26
Ш	$C_{30}H_{50}O\cdot H_2O$	C 81.02 H 11.79	81.26 11.80

of this fraction on silicic acid yielded  $\beta$ -sitosterol. TLC on alumina of several fractions eluted from the silicic acid column yielded cycloartenol. Acetylation of a fraction from the alumina column yielded, after preparative TLC,  $\beta$ -amyrin acetate. Examination of a petroleum ether extract of the plant which was not subjected to harsh saponification methods indicated that  $\beta$ -amyrin also occurs as the acetate.

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# Potential Antidiabetics XII:

# $N^1$ -Phenylcarbamoyl-4-arylazo(3- and/or 5-substituted) pyrazoles and Their Biological Activities

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Abstract  $\square$  The promising antidiabetic candidates  $N^1$ -phenylcarbamoyl-4-arylazo-3,5-dimethylpyrazoles,  $N^1$ -phenylcarbamoyl-4-arylazo-3,5-diphenylpyrazoles, and  $N^1$ -phenylcarbamoyl-4-arylazo-3,5-diphenylpyrazoles were prepared in 55-70% yield by the cyclization of 2,3,4-pentanetrione-2-arylhydrazones, 1-phenyl-2-arylhydrazono-1,2,3-butanetriones, and 1,3-diphenyl-2-arylhydrazono-1,2,3-propanetriones, respectively, with 4-phenylsemicarbazide. No significant antidiabetic effects were observed in pharmacological testing of these compounds except

for  $N^1$ -phenylcarbamoyl-4-(2,3-dimethylphenylazo)-3,5-dimethylpyrazole.

**Keyphrases**  $\square$  Antidiabetic agents, potential—synthesis and biological activity of  $N^1$ -phenylcarbamoyl-4-arylazo(3- and/or 5-substituted)pyrazoles  $\square$  Pyrazoles,  $N^1$ -phenylcarbamoyl-4-arylazo(3- and/or 5-substituted)—synthesis as potential antidiabetic agents, biological activity  $\square$   $N^1$ -Phenylcarbamoyl-4-arylazo(3- and/or 5- substituted)pyrazoles—synthesis as potential antidiabetic agents, biological activity

The facts that  $N^1$ -phenylcarbamoyl-3,5-dimethylpyrazole possesses hypoglycemic activity 20–30 times that of tolbutamide (1) and that certain arylazohydroxyquino-

lines are diabetogenic (2) led to the synthesis of  $N^1$ -phenylcarbamoyl-4-arylazo-3,5-dimethylpyrazoles,  $N^1$ -phenylcarbamoyl-4-arylazo-3-methyl-5-phenylpy-

Table I—N¹-Phenylcarbamoyl-3,5-dimethyl-4-arylazopyrazoles

Compound Number	R	Yield,	Melting Point	Colorª	Formula	Calc.	Found
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12	3-NO <sub>2</sub> 4-NO <sub>2</sub> 3-Cl 4-Cl 2-Br 4-Br 2-CH <sub>3</sub> 2-CH <sub>3</sub> O 4-CH <sub>3</sub> O 4-CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> O 2-Cl; 5-Cl 2-Br; 5-Br	58 60 63 60 55 60 63 56 55 66 60 66	155° 183° 214° 166° 117° 123–125° 108° dec. 138° 232° 169° 148° 167°	LtBN OP LtON YN DYP YN YP LtYP YN YN YN BN YP BP	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>16</sub> N <sub>6</sub> O C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>16</sub> N <sub>6</sub> O C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>16</sub> ClN <sub>6</sub> O C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>16</sub> ClN <sub>6</sub> O C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>16</sub> BrN <sub>5</sub> O C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>16</sub> BrN <sub>5</sub> O C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>19</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>19</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O <sub>2</sub> C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>19</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O <sub>2</sub> C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>19</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O <sub>2</sub> C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>21</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O <sub>2</sub> C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>21</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O <sub>2</sub> C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>15</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>15</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O	N 23.07 N 23.07 N 19.80 Cl 10.04 N 17.59 N 17.59 N 21.02 N 20.05 N 20.05 N 20.05 N 19.28 N 18.04 Cl 18.29 Cl 18.92 Br 33.54	22.80 22.78 19.53 9.84 17.28 17.31 20.68 20.24 19.82 19.83 19.02 17.74 18.09 18.19 33.2

a B, brown; D, dark; Lt, light; N, needles; O, orange; P, plates; and Y, yellow.

**Table II**—N¹-Phenylcarbamoyl-3-methyl-5-phenyl-4-arylazopyrazoles

Compound	n		Melting		- 1	Analysis, %——	
Number	R	%	Point	Color <sup>a</sup>	Formula	Calc.	Found
1	2-NO <sub>2</sub>	63	176°	ON	C <sub>23</sub> H <sub>18</sub> N <sub>6</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	N 19.90	19.58
2	4-NO <sub>2</sub>	65	174°	Ϋ́P	C <sub>23</sub> H <sub>18</sub> N <sub>6</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	N 19.90	19.49
3	3-Cl	58	293°	LtYP	C <sub>23</sub> H <sub>18</sub> ClN <sub>5</sub> O	Cl 8.54	8.23
4	2-Br	58 55	190-192°	LtYP	C23H18BrN5O	Br 17.39	17.03
5	2-CH <sub>3</sub>	55	296°	LtBP	$C_{24}H_{21}N_5O$	N 17.72	17.93
6	4-CH <sub>3</sub>	59	198° dec.	ΥP	$C_{24}H_{21}N_5O$	N 17.72	17.54
7	2-CH₃O	60	165°	YP	$C_{24}H_{21}N_5O_2$	N 17.03	17.12
8	3-CH₃O	58	243° dec.	OP	$C_{24}H_{21}N_5O_2$	N 17.03	17.31
9	2-CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> O	63	139°	YP	$C_{25}H_{23}N_5O_2$	N 16.47	16.18
10	2-Cl; 4-Cl	60	145°	LtBP	$C_{23}H_{17}Cl_2N_5O$	Cl 15.77	15.56
11	2-Br; 4-Br	63	183°	LtOP	$C_{23}H_{17}Br_2N_5O$	Br 29.68	29.52
12	2-Br; 5-Br	58	178°	YN	$C_{23}H_{17}Br_2N_5O$	Br 29.68	29.42
13	2-CH <sub>3</sub> ; 3-CH <sub>3</sub>	56	136°	DYP	$C_{25}H_{23}N_{6}O$	N 17.11	16.82
14	2-CH <sub>3</sub> ; 4-CH <sub>3</sub>	60	121°	ON	$C_{25}H_{23}N_5O$	N 17.11	16.91
15	2-CH <sub>3</sub> ; 5-CH <sub>3</sub>	59	146°	LtOP	$C_{25}H_{23}N_5O$	N 17.11	16.82
16	3-CH <sub>3</sub> ; 5-CH <sub>3</sub>	59	186°	DYP	$C_{25}H_{23}N_5O$	N 17.11	17.32

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razoles, and  $N^1$ -phenylcarbamoyl-4-arylazo-3,5-diphenylpyrazoles. These are obtained by the condensation of 4-phenylsemicarbazide with 2,3,4-pentanetrione-3-arylhydrazone (3), 1-phenyl-2-arylhydrazono-1,2,3-butanetriones (4), and 1,3-diphenyl-2-arylhydrazono-1,2,3-propanetriones (5), respectively.

The structural evidence obtained by IR spectroscopy is in complete agreement with their assignments. The most characteristic bands are in the regions of 1515–1520 (C=C-N=N-) (6), 1640–1660 (aryl C=C) (6), and 3000–3100 (-NH-) cm.<sup>-1</sup>.

### **PHARMACOLOGY**

These compounds were evaluated for their antidiabetic activity in mice. Doses of 0.25-1.5 mmoles/kg. of the compounds were administered in carboxymethyl cellulose suspensions. Controls

received an equal volume of the vehicle. The blood samples (0.05 ml.) obtained from retrobulbarplexuses at 0, 3, and 4 hr. after dosing were analyzed for blood sugar with the aid of an analyzing unit¹ using the modified method of Hoffman (7). No appreciable antidiabetic activity was observed for the following compounds: 4-(4-chlorophenylazo)-, 4-(4-methoxyphenylazo)-, and 4-(4-chloro2,5-dimethoxyphenylazo)-N¹-phenylcarbamoyl-3-methyl-5-phenylcarbamoyl-4-(2,3-dimethylphenylazo)-3,5-dimethylpyrazoles howed hypoglycemic activity in the single preliminary test.

# EXPERIMENTAL<sup>2</sup>

2,3,4-Pentanetrione 3-arylhydrazones (3), 1-phenyl-2-arylhydrazono-1,2,3-butanetriones (4), and 1,3-diphenyl-2-arylhydrazono-1,2,3-triones (5) were prepared according to literature routes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Technicon AutoAnalyzer,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Melting points were determined on Kofler hot-stage apparatus. IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer model 137 spectrometer.

Table III—N1-Phenylcarbamoyl-3,5-diphenyl-4-arylazopyrazoles

Compound Number R	Yield, %	Melting Point	Color <sup>a</sup>	Formula	——Analysi Calc.	s, %———Found
1 2-NO <sub>2</sub> 2 3-NO <sub>2</sub> 3 4-NO <sub>2</sub> 4 4-Cl 5 4-Br 6 2-CH <sub>3</sub> 7 3-CH <sub>3</sub> 8 4-CH <sub>3</sub> 9 3-CH <sub>3</sub> O 10 4-CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> O 11 4-SO <sub>2</sub> NH <sub>2</sub> 12 2-Cl; 4-Cl 13 2-Br; 4-Br 14 2-CH <sub>3</sub> ; 5-CH <sub>3</sub> 15 3-CH <sub>3</sub> ; 5-CH <sub>3</sub> 16 2-CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> O;	60 63 60 55 58 55 55 55 58 68 63 63 56 57 55 60 63	163–165° 184° 171° 166° 159° 175–176° 203° 197° 157–159° 199–201° 154°  172–174° 189° 151° 176° 192°	DYP LtON ON YN YP DYN BN ON DYP LtOP LtOP LtON YP LtYN OP	C28H20N6O3 C28H20N6O3 C28H20N6O3 C28H20CIN5O C28H20CIN5O C29H23N5O C29H25N5O2 C36H25N5O2 C36H25N5O2 C38H25N5O0 C39H25N5O	N 17.21 N 17.21 N 17.21 Cl. 7.43 Br 15.32 N 15.31 N 15.31 N 15.31 N 14.79 N 14.37 N 16.09 S 6.13 Cl 13.86 Br 26.62 N 14.83 N 14.86 N 13.18	17. 02 16.93 16.93 7.14 15.53 15.03 15.14 14.84 14.63 14.14 15.82 5.84 13.64 26.42 14.73 14.72

a B, brown; D, dark; Lt, light; N, needles; O, orange; P, plates; and Y, yellow.

 $N^1$ -Phenylcarbamoyl-4-phenylazo-3,5-dimethylpyrazole—To a hot solution of 2,3,4-pentanetrione 3-phenylhydrazone (0.005 mole) in ethano! (25 ml.) was added an aqueous ethanolic solution of 4-phenylsemicarbazide (0.005 mole). The contents were shaken well and left at room temperature for 1 hr. The yellow precipitate so obtained was recrystallized from ethanol to give light-yellow plates (63%), m.p. 269°.

Anal.—Calc. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O: C, 67.70; H, 5.32; N, 21.94. Found: C, 67.30; H, 5.02; N, 21.63.

The characteristics of other  $N^1$ -phenylcarbamoyl-4-arylazo-3,5-dimethylpyrazoles, prepared by a similar procedure, are given in Table I.

 $N^1$ -Phenylcarbamoyl-4-phenylazo-3-methyl-5-phenylpyrazole— An aqueous alcoholic solution of 4-phenylsemicarbazide (0.005 mole) was treated with 1-phenyl-2-phenylhydrazono-1,2,3-butanetrione (0.005 mole) in hot ethanol (25 ml.). The mixture was heated for 20 min. on a steam bath. The yellow crystals, which separated out on cooling, were filtered and washed with ethanol and recrystallized from ethanol to give yellow plates (58%), m.p. 194–195°.

Anal.—Calc. for  $C_{23}H_{19}N_{5}O$ : C, 72.44; H, 4.98; N, 18.37. Found: C, 72.22; H, 4.68; N, 18.29.

The characteristics of other  $N^1$ -phenylcarbamoyl-4-arylazo-3-methyl-5-phenylpyrazoles are given in Table II.

N'-Phenylcarbamoyl-4-phenylazo-3,5-diphenylpyrazole—A mixture of 1,3-diphenyl-2-phenylhydrazono-1,2,3-propanetrione (0.005 mole) in ethanol (30 ml.) and an aqueous solution of 4-phenylsemicarbazide (0.005 mole) was heated under reflux for 1 hr. on a steam bath. On cooling, the shining yellow crystals separated out and were recrystallized from ethanol (65%), m.p. 181°.

Anal.—Calc. for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O: C, 75.87; H, 4.74; N, 15.80. Found: C, 75.59; H, 4.49; N, 15.63.

The characteristics of other  $N^1$ -phenylcarbamoyl-4-arylazo-3,5-diphenylpyrazoles are given in Table III.

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