UNEXPECTED FORMATION OF DERIVATIVES OF 1-AZA-5,7-DIOXATRICYCLO[4.3.1.-0^{4.8}]-DECANE IN THE INTRAMOLECULAR CYCLIZATION OF 1-(2-OXOALKYL)-

4-PIPERIDONES

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It is known that N-acetonyl(phenacyl)substituted arylpyridines are cyclized in acid media with the formation of benzo[a]quinolizinium salts [1]. We have established that 3-hydroxy-4-piperidones Ia,b on keeping in 80% H₂SO₄ for 48 h at 20°C are converted into 1-aza-5,7-dioxatricyclo[4.3.1.0^{4.5}]decanes IIa, b.

6β,8α-Dimethyl-2α-phenyl-l-aza-5,7-dioxatricyclo[4.3.10 4 · 5]decan-4α-o1 (IIa). mp 114-116°C; yield 84%. IR spectrum (CHCl₃): 3590 cm $^{-1}$. PMR spectrum (CDCl₃): 1.17 (s, 8-CH₃); 1.41 (s, 6-CH₅); 1.89 (d. d, J = 13.4 and 9.6 Hz, 3α-H); 2.70 (d, J = 13.8 Hz, 9β-H); 2.78 (d.d, J = 13.4 and 7.8 Hz, 3β-H); 2.79 (d, J = 13.5 Hz, 10α-H); 2.94 (d, J = 13.5 Hz, 10β-H); 3.20 (d, J = 13.8 Hz, 9α-H); 4.39 (d. d, J = 9.6 and 7.8 Hz, 2β-H); 7.22-7.46 ppm (m, 5H).

8α-Methyl-2α,6β-diphenyl-l-aza-5,7-dioxatricyclo[4.3.1.0 $^{4.5}$]decan-4α-ol (IIb). mp 122-123°C; yield 94%. IR spectrum (CHCl₃): 3580 cm⁻¹. PMR spectrum (CDCl₃); 1.21 (s, 8-CH₃); 1.96 (d. d. J = 13.4 and 9.6 Hz, 3α-H); 2.74 (d, J = 13.8 Hz, 9β-H); 2.87 (d.d, J = 13.4 and 7.8 Hz, 3β-H); 2.95 (d, J = 13.4 Hz, 10α-H); 3.08 (d, J = 13.4 Hz, 10β-H); 3.34 (d, J = 13.8 Hz, 9α-H); 4.50 (d.d, J - 9.6 and 7.8 Hz, 2β-H); 7.19-7.56 ppm (m, 10H).

The initial previously unknown, piperidones Ia (mp $89-91^{\circ}$ C) and Ib (mp $77-79^{\circ}$ C) were prepared by heating a mixture of 3-hydroxy-3-methyl-6-phenylpiperidone [2] with an equimolar quantity of bromoacetone or phenacyl bromide and a 20% excess of disopropylethylamine at bp in CH₃CN for 10 min.

Elemental analyses of all the compounds prepared were in agreement with those calculated.

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