$^{1}J_{C(3)}H$  = 176,  $^{3}J_{C0,3-H}$  = 2, and  $^{3}J_{C(5),3-H}$  = 9 Hz. The results of elementary analysis of II and III were in agreement with the calculated values.

 $\frac{2-\text{Formylpyrrole (I).}}{6.18 \text{ ppm (4-H); }^3 J_{34} = 3.6}, \, ^3 J_{45} = 2.4, \, ^4 J_{35} = 1.4, \, ^5 J_{5-H, CHO} = 1 \, \text{Hz.} \, ^{13} \text{C NMR spectrum (CD_3OD), } \delta: \, 180.8 \, (\text{CO}), \, 134.2 \, [\text{C(2)}], \, 128.3 \, [\text{C(5)}], \, 122.5 \, [\text{C(3)}], \, \text{and } 111.9 \, \text{ppm [C(4)];} \, ^{13} \text{CHO} = 170, \, ^{13} \text{C(5)} \text{H} = 182, \, ^{13} \text{C(3)} \text{H} = 168, \, ^{13} \text{C(4)} \text{H} = 170, \, ^{13} \text{C(5)}, \, _{3-H} = 4, \, ^{3} \text{JC(3)}, \, _{5-H} = 6, \, ^{23} \text{C(4)}, \, _{3-} \text{or } \, _{5-H} = 7.5, \, ^{23} \text{C(4)}, \, _{5-} \text{or } \, _{3-H} = 3.5, \, ^{23} \text{C(5)}, \, _{4-H} = 8, \, \text{and} \, ^{3} \text{JC(5)}, \, _{3-H} = 8 \, \text{Hz.}$ 

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RECYCLIZATION OF 4-CYANOBENZO[c]PYRYLIUM SALTS UPON REACTION WITH HYDRAZINE

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In a study of the reaction of benzo[c]pyrylium salt I with hydrazine we observed that the previously undescribed 5-methyl-7,8-dimethoxy-1-phenylpyrazolo[5,4-c]isoquinoline (II) is formed in 40% yield as a result of the reaction. The conversion of perchlorate I to pyrazoloisoquinoline II evidently includes the formation of intermediate 5-aminopyrazole derivative III.

Pyrylium Salt I. This salt, with mp 210-212°C (dec.), was obtained by treatment of  $\alpha$ -benzoylhomoveratronitrile with acetic anhydride in the presence of an equimolar amount of perchloric acid. IR spectrum (in Nujol): 1100 (C104°), 1605 (pyrylium cation), and 2250 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=N). PMR spectrum (60 MHz, CF<sub>3</sub>COOH),  $\delta$ : 3.20 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.97 (3H, s, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.13 (3H, s, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 7.30 (5H, s, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), and 7.67 and 7.80 ppm (each 1H, s, 5- and 7-H).

Compound II. This compound had mp 272-273°C (from xylene). IR spectrum (in Nujo1):  $\frac{1620 \text{ cm}^{-1} \text{ (ring C=N)}}{\text{cm}^{-1} \text{ (ring C=N)}}$ . PMR spectrum (60 MHz, CF<sub>3</sub>COOH),  $\delta$ : 3.23 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.80 (3H, s, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.07 (3H, s, OCH<sub>3</sub>), and 7.67 ppm (7H, s, H<sub>arom</sub>).

The results of elementary analysis of the compounds were in agreement with the calculated values.

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