ture was stirred at room temperature for 10 min. The reaction mixture was poured into cold water (50 cm<sup>3</sup>). Precipitated 2-aminobenzimidazole was filtered off, dried and crystallized from the ethanol—water mixture. Yield 75 mg (93 %), m.p. = 233-235 °C. The properties of obtained product are identical with an authentic sample [7, 8].

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# Synthesis and the <sup>13</sup>C NMR Spectra of *N*,*N*<sup>2</sup>-Disubstituted Benzoylthioureas and Their Seleno and Oxo Analogues

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The influence of substituents on the <sup>13</sup>C NMR chemical shift values of the aromatic ring carbons and -CO-NH-C(=X) groups (X = S, Se, O) of a series of 27 *N*-benzoyl-*N*'-(Y-aryl) and -*N*'-alkylthioureas, selenoureas, ureas, thiourethanes and isothioureas was investigated. As found, the substituents in *N*-benzoyl-*N*'-(4-Y-phenyl)thio(seleno)ureas do not considerably influence the <sup>13</sup>C NMR chemical shifts of C=X and C=O carbons; the marked substituent effect is observed for the aromatic ring carbons only. This conclusion was also confirmed by correlations with  $\chi_s$  and  $\sigma_p^+$  constants of substituents. Differences between the benzoyl  $\delta$ (CO) values of *N*'-monosubstituted and *N'*,*N*'-disubstituted thioureas indicate the existence of an intramolecular hydrogen bond in the acylthiourea grouping, namely between the benzoyl-*N*'-(4-Y-phenyl)selenoureas are higher than those of the analogous C=S carbons of the corresponding thioureas. The <sup>13</sup>C spectral chemical shift increments  $\Delta\delta$  of —NHCSNHCOPh and —NHCSeNHCOPh groupings on the benzoen ring were calculated.

Acylthioureas are known precursors of nitrogen or sulfur-containing heterocycles because of their reactive —CONHCSNH— grouping. Cyclization of acylthioureas can be well observed by <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectroscopy. This paper presents the study concerning the influence of substituents of the ---CONHC(=-X)NH--- grouping (X = S, Se, O) on the chemical shift values of C=-X and C=-O groups and aromatic ring carbons in the *N*-benzoyl-*N*'-substituted thioureas *I*, *II*, selenoureas *III*, and isothioureas *V*.

The analogous *N*-benzoyl-*N*'-(4-Y-phenyl)ureas — excepting the 4-methoxy and 4-methyl derivatives *IVa, IVb* — are only little soluble in both deutero-chloroform and hexadeuterodimethyl sulfoxide and therefore, their <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra could not be measured.

*Pytela* and coworkers [1] reported a relatively weak transmission of the substituent effect in their <sup>13</sup>C NMR study with a series of *N*-(4-Y-benzoyl)-*N*'-phenyl- and -*N*'-methylthioureas except for the benzoyl system. *Jirman* and *Lyčka* [2] compared the <sup>15</sup>N NMR signals of mono- and diacylated ureas and thioureas and found a better transmission of the electron-accepting effect of the N-1 acyl on N-2 through the C=S group of thioureas than through the C=O group of ureas. This fact was rationalized by a greater capability of the C=S group to lower the electron density at both nitrogen atoms in relation to the CO group of ureas.

#### **EXPERIMENTAL**

The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of samples in deuterochloroform containing tetramethylsilane were measured with a Tesla BS 567 spectrometer (25.156 MHz) at 27 °C. Compounds IVa, IVb were recorded in hexadeuterodimethyl sulfoxide at 70 °C and 110 °C; the  $\delta$  scale was calibrated against the highest peak of the solvent ( $\delta$  = 39.39). Concentration of the samples was approximately 0.35 mol dm<sup>-3</sup>. The broadband decoupled and the off-resonance spectra were run with each compound; moreover, proton-coupled spectra were taken with several compounds to identify and ascribe the respective signals. Digital resolution of the transformed spectrum was 0.93 Hz per point, *i.e.*  $\delta$  = 0.0369 per point. Measuring parameters: 3 µs (30°) pulse width, 3 s acquisition time, 1500 to 3000 accumulations, 7.6 kHz spectral width. 8K and 16K data memory size and 7 W decoupling power. Carbons in Tables 1 to 5 are numerated in accordance with formula I.

The compounds synthesized were characterized by comparing their melting points with those reported; new substances were identified by elemental analyses (C, H, N) — the results agreed with those calculated within  $\pm 0.3$  mass %.

## N-Benzoyl-N'-R-thioureas la-lh, lla-llg

The appropriate amine (0.15 mol) in dry acetone (15 cm<sup>3</sup>) was added during 3 min to the stirred solution of benzoyl isothiocyanate (0.1 mol) [3] in dry acetone (15 cm<sup>3</sup>). The required thioureas, separating on standing, were filtered off and crystallized from ethanol. This procedure was applied for obtaining compounds *la* (m.p. = 170–173 °C, 78 %), *lb–le* 

(melting points correspond to those given in [4–6]), *If* (m.p. = 145–147 °C, 65 %), *Ig* (m.p. = 159–160 °C, 82 %), *Ih* [7], *IIa* [8], *IIb* [9], *IIc* (m.p. = 121–122 °C, 43 %), *IId*, *IIe* [10], *IIf* [11], *IIg* (m.p. = 134–136 °C, 76 %).

*N*-(4-Methylbenzoyl)-*N*'-phenylthiourea (*Ii*) was synthesized from 4-methylbenzoyl isothiocyanate and aniline according to [12]. *N*-Benzoyl-O-methylthiourethane (*IIh*) [13] and *N*-benzoyl-O-methylthiourethane (*IIi*) [13] were obtained from benzoyl isothiocyanate (20 mmol) and an equimolar amount of the respective alcohol by a 6 h reflux in dioxane (10 cm<sup>3</sup>). The precipitate, filtered after cooling, was dried and crystallized from hexane. Compound *IIj* was synthesized according to [14].

#### N-Benzoyl-N'-(4-Y-phenyl)selenoureas Illa—Illd [15]

Benzoyl chloride (0.2 mol) in dry acetone (5 cm<sup>3</sup>) was added dropwise to the stirred solution of KSeCN (0.2 mol) in dry acetone (30 cm<sup>3</sup>) and the precipitated KCl was removed after 10 min. The respective amine (0.2 mol) in acetone (30 cm<sup>3</sup>) was added to the filtrate with stirring and after 30 min the solution was poured into water (50 cm<sup>3</sup>). The precipitate was filtered off, washed with water and crystallized three times from ethanol. *Illa*: m.p. = 159–161 °C, yield 71 %; *Illb*: 139–141 °C, 73 %; *Illc*: 150–152 °C, 76 %; *Illd*: 164–166 °C, 83 %.

# *N*-Benzoyl-*N*<sup>'</sup>-(4-methoxyphenyl)urea (*IVa*) and -*N*<sup>'</sup>-(4-Methylphenyl)urea (*IVb*)

The title compounds were synthesized by reacting benzoyl isocyanate [16] and 4-anisidine or 4toluidine employing the procedure described for preparation of substances Ia-Ih. Other derivatives of urea *IV* (Z = O, Y = OH, H, Br, NO<sub>2</sub>) were not sufficiently soluble for the NMR measurements.

## *N*-Benzoyl-*N*<sup>'</sup>-(4-dimethylaminophenyl)-S-ethylisothiourea (*Va*) and -*N*<sup>'</sup>-phenyl-S-ethylisothiourea (*Vb*)

Thiourea *la* or *le* (5 mmol) was added slowly to LiH (6 mmol) suspended in dimethylformamide (50 cm<sup>3</sup>). The mixture was heated at 50 °C till the thiourea dissolved and then stirred till the liberation of hydrogen ceased (approx. 1 h); afterwards, ethyl iodide (5 mmol) was added, the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h, filtered and poured slowly in an ice-cold water (100 cm<sup>3</sup>). The precipitate was filtered off, washed with water and dried. Yield of *Va* (m.p. = 153–155 °C) was 47 % and that of *Vb* (m.p. = 67–68 °C) 36 %.

#### **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

Derivatives of general formulas /-/V obtained by addition of amines or alcohols to benzoyl iso(thio, seleno)cvanates, soluble in CDCl<sub>2</sub> (with the exception of N-benzovl-N'-(4-Y-phenvl)ureas) are well crystallizing compounds. Thioureas I, II and ureas IVa, IVb were prepared from the relatively stable benzovl iso(thio)cvanates, the selenoureas Illa-IIId. obtained from the crude benzovl isoselenocvanate. have to be purified by a multiple crystallization. The attempts to S-alkylate thiourea Ih to the corresponding isothiourea failed, because cleavage of the starting N-benzoyl-N'-(4-nitrophenyl)thiourea (Ih) took place under the given reaction conditions.

The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectral data of compounds prepared are listed in Tables 1 to 3. The chemical shift values were ascribed to the proper carbons according to signal multiplicities in the proton-coupled and offresonance spectra, as well as by comparing them with the values calculated by the increment method on the basis of empiric constants of substituents [17] and spectral chemical shift (SCS) constants of the --CONHCSNH--- grouping as obtained from the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound le. The chemical shifts of aliphatic carbons were assigned by analogy with the data reported in Ref. [18].

Compounds I---III with the not substituted N-benzoyl fragment reveal a typical tetrad of C-3 to C-6 signals in their <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra; signal positions are - with the exception of C-6 - virtually independent of the replacement of C-S for C-Se and also of the change of the substituent at N'. The C-4 and

IVb

CH<sub>3</sub>

C-5 signals could be distinguished unambiguously from the doublet-triplet signal for C-4 carbons and the doublet-doublet signal for C-5 carbons in the proton-coupled spectra. Comparison of <sup>13</sup>C NMR shifts of carbons C=S, C-7 to C-10 of N-benzoyl-N'-(4-Y-phenvl)thioureas *la-lh* shows that the substituent effect of Y in position 4 is virtually restricted to <sup>13</sup>C NMR shifts of aromatic carbons only and influences very little the C=S chemical shifts ( $\delta$  = 177.83 for la in respect of  $\delta$  = 178.05 to 178.80 for *lb*—*lh*). Similar observation also holds for the series of selenoureas IIIa-IIId, where the substituent effect is seen with carbons C-7 to C-10, whilst the position of C—Se is almost constant ( $\delta$  = 180.15 to 180.37) except for IIIa ( $\delta$  = 179.02 — a little lower - analogous with la). The close range of <sup>13</sup>C NMR shifts of the C=S carbons of thiourea derivatives / (177.83 to 178.80) and C-Se carbons of selenourea derivatives III (179.02 to 180.37) indicates their chemical similarity. A little higher shift values  $\delta$ (C—Se) are associated probably with the higher polarity of the C-Se bond and the less perfect compensation of the partial positive charge at the C-Se carbon by the remaining moiety of the molecule [19, 20].

The <sup>13</sup>C NMR chemical shifts of aromatic C-7 carbons in the para position with respect to the substituent Y with compounds *la-lh* displayed a Hammet correlation dependence on the  $\sigma_{p}^{+}$  constants of substituents Y ( $\rho$  = 6.84, r = 0.966). This series also revealed an increasing trend of C-10 (ipso) shifts with rising electronegativity of the substituent  $\chi_s$  [21, 22]. The correlation parameters of eight compounds la-Ih ( $\rho = 18.94$ , r = 0.719) improved when the chemi-

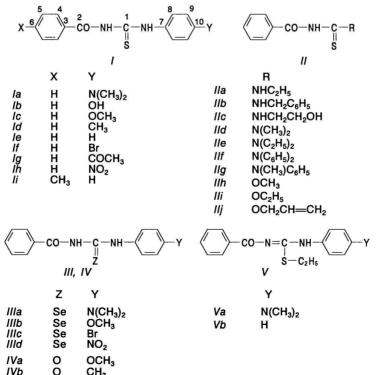


Table 1. <sup>13</sup>C NMR Chemical Shift  $\delta$  Values for (4-Y-phenyl)isothioureas Va, Vb

es for N-Benzoyl-N'-(4-Y-phenyl)thioureas /a-/ and S-Ethyl-N-benzoyl-N'-

0	J V					δ						1.10/06/2
Compound	Y	C-1	C-2	C-3	C-4	C-5	C-6	C-7	C-8	C-9	C-10	C-Y
la	N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	177.83	166.78	131.84	127.43	129.08	133.48	126.84	125.27	112.13	149.31	40.46
lb	OH	178.80	167.00	131.76	127.51	129.30	133.78	130.79	126.16	115.71	154.46	
lc	OCH <sub>3</sub>	178.48	166.91	131.67	127.49	129.14	133.61	130.63	125.78	114.06	158.17	55.46
ld	CH <sub>3</sub>	178.35	166.93	131.69	127.51	129.15	133.63	135.12°	124.08	129.45	136.77°	21.13
le	н	178.27	166.93	131.62	127.51	129.15	133.63	137.66	124.00	128.85	126.84	
lf	Br	178.33	166.98	131.45	127.49	129.21	133.84	136.68	125.48	131.97	119.96	
lg	COCH <sub>3</sub>	178.05	167.08	131.47	127.58	129.23	133.93	141.77	123.03	129.23	134.97	196.79, 26.58
lĥ	NO <sub>2</sub>	178.20	167.15	131.24	127.58	129.38	134.15	143.26	124.60	123.18	145.17	
li	Hª	178.42	166.85	128.92	127.51	129.90	144.76	137.66	124.08	128.85	126.84	21.65
Va	N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> <sup>b</sup>	174.39	176.26	137.96	129.60°	128.03°	131.69	125.20	127.44	112.21	149.91	40.39
Vb	Hď	173.20	176.48	137.66	129.60°	128.11°	131.91	136.69	126.09	129.23°	127.66	

a) X = CH<sub>3</sub>; b) 25.98 and 14.63 (SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>); c) the values can be interchanged; d) 25.98 and 14.56 (SCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>).

Table 2. <sup>13</sup>C NMR Chemical Shift  $\delta$  Values for Substituted N-Benzoyl-N'-Alkylthioureas *IIa—IIg* and Substituted N-Benzoyl-Oalkylthiourethanes *IIh—IIj* 

Com-	R					δ							
pound	n	C-1	C-2	C-3	C-4	C-5	C-6	C-7	C-8	C-9	C-10	CH <sub>2</sub>	CH3
ila	NHC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	179.62	167.00	131.91	127.51	129.08	133.41					40.69	13.59
IIb	NHCH <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	180.07	166.85	131.77	127.51	129.08	133.48	136.24	127.88	128.85	127.88	49.79	
llc	NHCH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH	180.89	166.93	132.06	127.58	129.15	133.48					48.00	
												60.69	
lld	N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	180.22	163.57	132.36	127.96	128.70	132.89						43.00
													44.12
lle	$N(C_2H_5)_2$	179.69	164.09	132.73	127.88	128.70	132.73					47.70	11.57
												47.70	13.14
llf	$N(C_6H_5)_2$	182.75	162.60	132.81	127.81	128.78	132.81	145.80	126.99	129.30	127.51		
llg	N(CH <sub>3</sub> )C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	180.66	162.90	132.81	127.58	128.63	132.59	145.20	125.49	129.38	127.81		45.54
IIĥ	OCH <sub>3</sub>	190.29	162.60	132.81	127.73	128.93	133.18						59.43
lli	OC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	189.40	163.05	132.88	127.81	128.85	133.03					69.21	13.66
llj <sup>a</sup>	O-allyl	188.88	163.19	132.81	127.88	128.63	132.96					72.79	

a) 130.42 and 119.30 (CH=CH<sub>2</sub>).

Table 3. <sup>13</sup>C NMR Chemical Shift δ Values for *N*-Benzoyl-*N*'-(4-Y-phenyl)selenoureas *IIIa—IIId* and *N*-Benzoyl-N'-(4-Y-phenyl)ureas *IVa*, *IVb* 

<b>0</b>							δ					
Compoun	a r	C-1	C-2	C-3	C-4	C-5	C-6	C-7	C-8	C-9	C-10	C-Y 40.46 55.47 54.92
Illa	N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	179.02	166.85	131.46	127.51	129.23	133.71	127.51	125.57	111.98	149.68	40.46
IIIb	OCH <sub>3</sub>	180.15	166.93	131.47	127.59	129.16	133.79	131.32	126.17	114.15	158.65	55.47
IIIc	Br	180.37	167.08	131.47	127.66	129.30	134.01	137.74	126.09	132.21	120.79	
IIId	NO <sub>2</sub>	180.37	167.15	130.94	127.66	129.45	134.38	143.76	124.67ª	124.08ª	145.88	
IVa°	OCH <sub>3</sub>	150.63	168.17	132.12	127.71 <sup>ª</sup>	128.01*	132.34	130.25	121.22	113.83	155.48	54.92
IVb°	CH <sub>3</sub>	150.33	168.10	132.12 <sup>b</sup>	127.64ª	127.93ª	132.41	134.65	119.50	128.76	132.26 <sup>b</sup>	19.76

a, b) The values can be interchanged; c) in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>.

cal shift value for C-10 of the derivative *lf* (Y = Br) ( $\rho$  = 16.38, *r* = 0.844) was omitted. This improvement was rationalized [22] by the fact that bromine belongs to another period than the remaining seven substituents Y.

The chemical shift values of carbonyl carbons C-2 of derivatives *Ia—Ii*, *IIa—IIc*, and *IIIa—IIId* were almost identical (166.78 to 167.15); on the other hand, these values for thioureas and thiourethanes (*IId—IIj*) were found to be by 2 to 4 lower (162.60 to

164.09), which evidences clearly the existence of an intramolecular hydrogen bond between the C-2 carbonyl and the N'—H of the *N*-benzoyl-N'-monosubstituted thioureas Ia-Ii, IIa-IIc and selenoureas IIIa-IIId. The <sup>13</sup>C NMR chemical shift values  $\delta$ (C=S) of N'-alkyl-, dialkyl-, diaryl-, and alkylarylthioureas IIa-IIg showed a greater variability (179.62 to 182.75) than compounds Ia-Ii. As anticipated, the chemical shifts of C-1 carbons of thiourethanes IIh-IIj (188.88 to 190.29), ureas IVa, IVb (150.33 to

**Table 4.** <sup>13</sup>C SCS Increments  $\Delta \delta$  of the C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>—CO—NH—C(=Z)—NH (Z = S, Se, O) Grouping on the Benzene Ring and the Standard Deviation s

	$\Delta\delta$											
х	C <sub>6</sub> H₅—CO—N	C <sub>6</sub> H₅—	-CO-N	H—CSe	e—NH—	C <sub>6</sub> H₅—CO—NH—CO—NH—						
	i o	m p		0	т	ρ	1	0	т	p		
N(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	10.1 - 4.0	- 0.7 - 1.6	10.8	- 3.7	- 0.8	- 1.2						
OH	9.6 - 3.7	- 0.1 - 0.9										
OCH <sub>3</sub>	10.2 - 3.6	0.3 - 0.5	10.9	- 3.2	0.4	- 0.1	9.9	- 8.2	0.0	- 3.2		
CH <sub>3</sub>	9.7 - 4.4	0.3 - 1.0					9.3	- 9.0	- 0.3	- 5.5		
н	9.2 - 4.5	0.4 – 1.7										
Br	9.2 - 5.2	0.2 - 3.1	10.2	- 4.6	0.4	- 2.3						
COCH <sub>3</sub>	9.1 - 5.7	0.5 – 2.8										
NO <sub>2</sub>	8.8 - 4.7	0.0 - 2.9	9.3	- 4.6	0.9	- 2.2						
Mean values	9.5 - 4.5	0.1 - 1.8	10.3	- 4.0	0.2	- 1.4	9.6	- 8.6	- 0.2	- 4.4		
S	0.5 0.7	0.4 1.0	0.8	0.7	0.7	1.1	0.4	0.6	0.3	1.6		

i - ipso, o - ortho, m - meta, p - para, s - standard deviation.

**Table 5.** <sup>13</sup>C SCS Increments  $\Delta\delta$  of the —CO—NH—C(=Z)— NH—R (Z = S, Se, O) Grouping on the Benzene Ring and the Standard Deviation *s* 

7	-	ipso		ort	ho	me	ta	para	
Z	R	$\Delta\delta$	s	$\Delta\delta$	s	$\Delta\delta$	s	$\Delta\delta$	S
s	Aryl	3.1	0.2	- 1.0	0.0	0.7	0.1	6.3	0.2
S	Alkyl	3.9	0.4	- 0.8	0.2	0.4	0.2	4.6	0.4
Se	Aryl	2.8	0.3	- 0.9	0.1	0.8	0.1	5.5	0.3
0	Aryl	3.6	0.0	- 0.8	0.0	- 0.5	0.1	3.9	0.0

150.63), and isothioureas *Va*, *Vb* (173.20 to 174.39) differ considerably, but only the chemical shift values for C-2 of thioureas (176.26 to 176.48) were quite different from those of compounds *I*—*IV* (162.26 to 167.15). The probable reason for this enhancement is the existence of a conjugated isothiourea system  $C_6H_5$ — $C(=O)N=C(SC_2H_5)$ —NH— $C_6H_4$ —Y deshielding the carbonyl carbon [23].

The <sup>13</sup>C NMR chemical shifts of compounds under study served for calculation of <sup>13</sup>C SCS increments  $\Delta\delta$  of the C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>--CO--NH--C(=Z)--NH--(Z = S, Se, O, Table 4) and -CO-NH-C(=Z)-NHR (Z = S, R = alkyl, aryl; Z = Se, R = aryl; Z = O, R = aryl, Table 5) groupings on the benzene ring. The results obtained showed similar SCS increments  $\Delta\delta$  of the carbonylthiourea and carbonylselenourea groupings on the benzene ring as did C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>---CO---NH-C(=Z)-NH-(Z = S, Se) and -CO-NH-C(=Z)-NHR (Z = S, Se) substituents. Nonetheless, the carbonyl urea grouping C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>—CO—NH—CO-NH- is characterized by a relatively strong shielding effect on the ortho (- 8.6) and para (- 4.4) carbons in the benzene ring when compared with that of thio and seleno analogues (Table 4); this finding is in accordance with the higher electron density observed at both benzoylurea nitrogens in regard to benzoylthioureas [2, 24].

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