



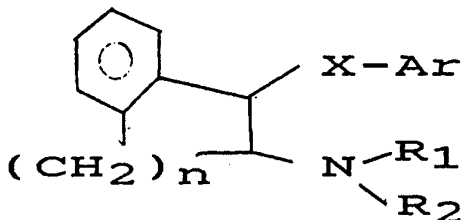
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION PUBLISHED UNDER THE PATENT COOPERATION TREATY (PCT)

(51) International Patent Classification ⁶ : C07C 211/53, A61K 31/135, C07C 217/52, 323/52, 323/30, 255/54, C07D 307/79		A1	(11) International Publication Number: WO 95/04028 (43) International Publication Date: 9 February 1995 (09.02.95)
(21) International Application Number: PCT/EP94/02409 (22) International Filing Date: 21 July 1994 (21.07.94) (30) Priority Data: 9315566.1 28 July 1993 (28.07.93) GB		(81) Designated States: AM, AT, AU, BB, BG, BR, BY, CA, CH, CN, CZ, DE, DK, ES, FI, GB, GE, HU, JP, KE, KG, KP, KR, KZ, LK, LT, LU, MD, MG, MN, MW, NL, NO, NZ, PL, PT, RO, RU, SD, SE, SI, SK, TJ, TT, UA, US, UZ, VN, European patent (AT, BE, CH, DE, DK, ES, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, NL, PT, SE), OAPI patent (BF, BJ, CF, CG, CI, CM, GA, GN, ML, MR, NE, SN, TD, TG), ARIPO patent (KE, MW, SD).	
(71) Applicant (for all designated States except US): SMITHKLINE BEECHAM PLC [GB/GB]; New Horizons Court, Brentford, Middlesex 9EP TW8 (GB). (72) Inventors; and (75) Inventors/Applicants (for US only): HARLING, John, David [GB/GB]; SmithKline Beecham Pharmaceuticals, Coldharbour Road, The Pinnacles, Harlow, Essex CM19 5AD (GB). ORLEK, Barry, Sidney [GB/GB]; SmithKline Beecham Pharmaceuticals, Coldharbour Road, The Pinnacles, Harlow, Essex CM19 5AD (GB). (74) Agent: WATERS, David, M.; Corporate Intellectual Property, SmithKline Beecham, Mundells, Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire AL7 1EY (GB).		Published <i>With international search report.</i> <i>Before the expiration of the time limit for amending the claims and to be republished in the event of the receipt of amendments.</i>	

(54) Title: INDANE AND TETRAHYDRONAPHTHALENE DERIVATIVES AS CALCIUM CHANNEL ANTAGONISTS

(57) Abstract

This invention describes the use of aminoindane and amino-tetrahydronaphthalene derivatives of general formula (I) in which Ar, X, R₁, R₂ and n are defined in claim 1, for the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of disorders in which a calcium channel antagonist is indicated. Novel compounds falling within formula (I) are also claimed.



FOR THE PURPOSES OF INFORMATION ONLY

Codes used to identify States party to the PCT on the front pages of pamphlets publishing international applications under the PCT.

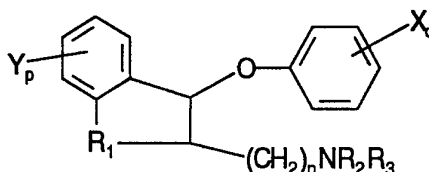
AT	Austria	GB	United Kingdom	MR	Mauritania
AU	Australia	GE	Georgia	MW	Malawi
BB	Barbados	GN	Guinea	NE	Niger
BE	Belgium	GR	Greece	NL	Netherlands
BF	Burkina Faso	HU	Hungary	NO	Norway
BG	Bulgaria	IE	Ireland	NZ	New Zealand
BJ	Benin	IT	Italy	PL	Poland
BR	Brazil	JP	Japan	PT	Portugal
BY	Belarus	KE	Kenya	RO	Romania
CA	Canada	KG	Kyrgyzstan	RU	Russian Federation
CF	Central African Republic	KP	Democratic People's Republic of Korea	SD	Sudan
CG	Congo	KR	Republic of Korea	SE	Sweden
CH	Switzerland	KZ	Kazakhstan	SI	Slovenia
CI	Côte d'Ivoire	LI	Liechtenstein	SK	Slovakia
CM	Cameroon	LK	Sri Lanka	SN	Senegal
CN	China	LU	Luxembourg	TD	Chad
CS	Czechoslovakia	LV	Latvia	TG	Togo
CZ	Czech Republic	MC	Monaco	TJ	Tajikistan
DE	Germany	MD	Republic of Moldova	TT	Trinidad and Tobago
DK	Denmark	MG	Madagascar	UA	Ukraine
ES	Spain	ML	Mali	US	United States of America
FI	Finland	MN	Mongolia	UZ	Uzbekistan
FR	France			VN	Viet Nam
GA	Gabon				

INDANE AND TETRAHYDRONAPHTHALENE DERIVATIVES AS CALCIUM CHANNEL ANTAGONISTS

The present invention relates to carbocyclic derivatives, processes for their preparation, pharmaceutical compositions containing them and their use in therapy, in particular as calcium channel antagonists, e.g. for the treatment of ischaemic stroke.

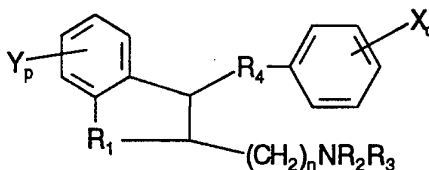
Stroke is reportedly the third most common cause of death in the developed world. Current therapies for ischaemic stroke are limited and have a number of disadvantages, such as the risk of exacerbating haemorrhage. There is therefore a need for new and improved treatments for ischaemic stroke.

EPA 303961 describes compounds of the formula



wherein R_1 is C_{1-3} alkylene, n and p are each *inter alia* zero, R_2 and R_3 represent *inter alia* hydrogen or lower alkyl, X is *inter alia* lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, CF_3 or halogen and q is zero, 1 or 2. The compounds are said to be useful as antidepressants and as inhibitors of synaptic norepinephrine and serotonin uptake.

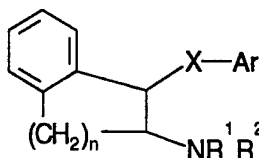
EPA 371508 describes similar compounds of the formula:



wherein R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , n , p , q and X may have the values recited hereinabove and R_4 is oxy or thio, which compounds are said to be useful for the treatment of drug-resistant malaria and other drug-resistant protozoal infections.

We have now found that certain carbocyclic derivatives, such as indanes and tetralins, exhibit activity as calcium channel antagonists.

The present invention therefore provides in a first aspect the use of a compound of formula (I) :



Formula (I)

wherein

X represents O, S or NH;

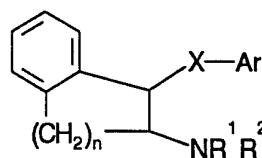
R^1 and R^2 each independently represent hydrogen, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, or C_{1-4} alkyl- C_{3-6} cycloalkyl;

n is 1,2 or 3; and

Ar represents phenyl optionally substituted by 1 to 3 substituents selected from :

- 5 halo, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, C_{1-2} alkylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, CN, NO_2 , amino, mono- or di-alkylamino, optionally substituted benzoyl and $Ph(CH_2)_rY(CH_2)_s$ - where Ph is optionally substituted phenyl, Y is oxygen or a bond and r and s each independently represent 0-4 provided that the sum of $r+s$ is not greater than 4, or
- 10 Ar represents an optionally substituted unsaturated monocyclic heteroaryl ring system containing 5 or 6 ring members, or an optionally substituted, unsaturated or partially saturated bicyclic aryl or heteroaryl ring system containing 8-10 ring members, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, in the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of disorders wherein a calcium channel antagonist is indicated.

15 The invention also provides novel compounds of formula (IA):



Formula (IA)

wherein

X represents O, S or NH;

- 20 R^1 and R^2 each independently represent hydrogen or C_{1-6} alkyl; n is 1,2 or 3; and

Ar represents phenyl optionally substituted by 1 to 3 substituents selected from :

- halo, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, C_{1-2} alkylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, CN, NO_2 , amino, mono- or di-alkylamino, optionally substituted benzoyl and
- 25 $Ph(CH_2)_rY(CH_2)_s$ - where Ph is optionally substituted phenyl, Y is oxygen or a bond and r and s each independently represent 0-4 provided that the sum of $r+s$ is not greater than 4, or
- Ar represents an optionally substituted unsaturated monocyclic heteroaryl ring system containing 5 or 6 ring members, or an optionally substituted, unsaturated or partially
- 30 saturated bicyclic aryl or heteroaryl ring system containing 8-10 ring members, with the proviso that when X is O or S then Ar is not an unsubstituted phenyl group or phenyl substituted by lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, trifluoromethyl or halogen; and salts thereof.

In the compounds of formula (I) and formula (IA) when Ar represents phenyl this
35 is advantageously substituted by optionally substituted benzoyl group or a group

Ph(CH₂)_rY(CH₂)_s- and preferably the group is in the 4- or 3-position, particularly the 4-position. Preferably r and s independently represent zero or 1, such that the sum of r and s does not exceed 1. Suitable substituents for the group Ph and for benzoyl include halogen, C₁₋₄alkoxy, C₁₋₄alkyl, trifluoromethyl and trifluoromethoxy. Preferably the substituents would be 4-fluoro, 4-chloro, 3-fluoro, 3-chloro or 3,4-dichloro; 4-fluoro is a particularly preferred substituent because this blocks metabolic hydroxylation of the phenyl group. In this sub-group preferably Ar represents phenyl substituted by optionally substituted benzyl, benzyloxy, phenoxy or benzoyl, and preferably the substituent is at the 4- position of the phenyl group. Additionally, in the compounds of formula (I) and the compounds of formula (IA) in which X is nitrogen, Ar is preferably 3,4-dichlorophenyl.

When Ar represents a bicyclic aryl suitable groups include naphthyl.

When Ar represents monocyclic heteroaryl, suitable groups include pyridyl, thienyl and furyl.

When Ar represents bicyclic heteroaryl, suitable groups include benzofuranyl e.g. 5-benzo[b]furanyl.

Suitable substituents for bicyclic aryl and monocyclic and bicyclic heteroaryl groups include halogen, C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, phenyl, phenylC₁₋₄alkyl and phenyl C₁₋₄alkoxy.

In a sub-class of compounds at least one of R¹ and R² represents C₁₋₆alkyl. Preferably R¹ is methyl, isopropyl or hydrogen, particularly preferably methyl. Preferably R² is hydrogen or methyl, particularly preferably hydrogen, so -NR¹R² is preferably amino, methylamino or isopropylamino.

Preferably X is O or NH, particularly preferably O.

Alkyl groups present in the compounds of formulas (I) and (IA), alone or as part of another group, can be straight or branched. Thus, a C₁₋₆alkyl group may be for example methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, n-butyl, n-pentyl, n-hexyl or any branched isomer thereof such as isopropyl or t-butyl. Preferred meanings of C₃₋₆cycloalkyl are cyclopropyl and cyclohexyl, and preferred meanings of C₁₋₄alkyl-C₃₋₆cycloalkyl are cyclopropylmethyl and cyclohexylmethyl.

It will be appreciated that for use in medicine a salt of a compound (I) should be pharmaceutically acceptable. Examples of pharmaceutically acceptable salts include inorganic and organic acid addition salts such as hydrochloride, hydrobromide, sulphate, phosphate, acetate, fumarate, maleate, citrate, lactate, tartrate, oxalate, methanesulphonate or similar pharmaceutically acceptable inorganic or organic acid addition salts. Other non-pharmaceutically acceptable salts may be used for example in the isolation of final products and are included within the scope of this invention.

It will be appreciated that the compounds of formula (I) contain two or more asymmetric centres. Such compounds will exist as optical isomers (enantiomers). Both

the pure enantiomers, racemic mixtures (50% of each enantiomer) and unequal mixtures of the two are included within the scope of the invention. Further, all diastereomeric forms possible (pure enantiomers and mixtures thereof) are within the scope of the invention. In particular it will be appreciated that the substituents on the carbocyclic (e.g. indane)

- 5 nucleus may both lie on the same side with respect to the plane of the ring (*cis*-configuration) or on opposite sides (*trans*-configuration). Both forms and all mixtures thereof are included within the scope of this invention.

Preferably the compounds of formula (I) are of the *cis*-configuration.

- In accordance with convention the (+) and (-) designations used herein indicate
10 the direction of rotation of plane-polarised light by the compounds. The prefix (+) indicates that the isomer is dextrorotatory (which can also be designated d) and the prefix (-) indicates the levorotatory isomer (which can also be designated l).

Particular preferred compounds of the formula (I) include:

- (±) *trans* 1-(2-benzylanilino)-2-methylaminoindane,
15 (±) *trans* 1-(3,4-dichlorophenylthio)-2-methylaminoindane,
(±) *cis*-1-(4-benzyloxyphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
(+) *cis*-1-(4-benzyloxyphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
(-) *cis*-1-(4-benzyloxyphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
(±) *cis*-1-[(4-phenoxy)phenoxy]-2-methylaminoindane,
20 (±) *trans*-1-(4-benzyloxyphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
(±) *cis*-1-(4-benzylphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
(±) *cis* 2-amino-1-(4-benzoylphenoxy)indane,
(±) *cis* 1-(4-benzoylphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
(±) *cis* 2-amino-1-(3,4-dichlorophenoxy)indane,
25 (±) *cis* 1-(3,4-dichlorophenoxy)-2-dimethylaminoindane,
(±) *cis* 1-(3,4-dichlorophenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
(±) *cis* 1-[4-(4-fluorophenoxy)phenoxy]-2-methylaminoindane,
(±) *cis*-1-(4-phenylphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
(±) *cis*-1-(3-phenylphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
30 (±) *cis*-1-(4-tert-butylphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
(±) *cis* 2-amino-1-[4-(4-fluorophenoxy)phenoxy]indane,
(±) *cis*-2-amino-1-[4-(4-fluorobenzoyl)phenoxy]indane,
(±) *cis*-1-[4-(4-fluorobenzoyl)phenoxy]-2-methylaminoindane,

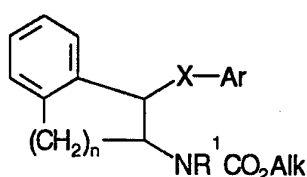
(±) *cis* 1-[4-(4-fluorophenoxy)phenoxy]-2-isopropylaminoindane,
and salts thereof.

The above compounds are believed to be novel and as such represent further embodiments of the invention.

- 5 The compounds of the present invention can be prepared by processes analogous to those known in the art. The present invention therefore provides in a further aspect, a process for the preparation of novel compounds of formula (I) which comprises :

(a) to prepare a compound of formula (I) wherein R² is methyl, reduction of a compound of formula (II)

10

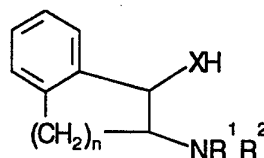


Formula (II)

wherein n, R¹, Ar and X are as hereinbefore defined and Alk is a C₁₋₄alkyl group;

(b) to prepare a compound of formula (I) wherein at least one of R¹ and R² is hydrogen, deprotection of a compound of formula (II);

- 15 (c) reaction of compound of formula (III)

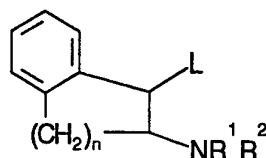


Formula (III)

wherein R¹, R², X and n are as hereinbefore defined with a compound F-Ar, wherein Ar is as hereinbefore defined. This reaction proceeds most readily when the aryl group contains electron-withdrawing substituents e.g. -CF₃, 3,4-dichloro, -benzoyl.

20

(d) reaction of a compound formula (IV):



Formula (IV)

wherein R¹, R² and n are as hereinbefore defined and L is a group displaceable by a nucleophile, with a compound HXAr;

25

(e) interconversion of a compound of formula (I) to a different compound of formula (I), e.g.

(i) where one of R^1 and R^2 is hydrogen and the other is alkyl, conversion to a compound of formula (I) wherein R^1 and R^2 are both alkyl, or

5 (ii) where R^1 and R^2 are both hydrogen, conversion to a compound of formula (I) where at least one of R^1 and R^2 represent alkyl;

(iii) conversion of a benzoyl substituent in the group Ar to benzyl;

and optionally after any of the above processes, forming a salt of formula (I).

Reduction according to process (a) may be effected using a suitable reducing
10 agent such as lithium aluminium hydride, preferably in an inert solvent such as tetrahydrofuran or diethyl ether.

Deprotection according to process (b) may be carried out by conventional methods. Thus for example an ethoxycarbonyl group may be removed by hydrolysis under basic conditions. A *tert*-butoxycarbonyl group may be cleaved using trifluoroacetic
15 acid.

In process (c) the reaction between a compound of formula (III) and F-Ar is preferably effected in the presence of a strong base such as sodium hydride, and in a polar organic solvent such as dimethylsulphoxide or dimethylformamide. The aryl group is preferably substituted by an activating group such as benzoyl, or CF_3 . If necessary during
20 process (c) the nitrogen atom may be protected by methods well known in the art, e.g. a carbamate, which may be removed for example as described in process (b).

Process (d) preferably employs a compound of formula (IV) wherein R^1 and R^2 are both alkyl, and the reaction with HXAr can take place under conditions which depend on the nature of L and X. For example when L is hydroxy, and X is oxygen or sulphur
25 the reaction is carried out in the presence of diethyl azodicarboxylate and triphenyl phosphine. Such a reaction is known as the Mitsunobu reaction (as described in Synthesis 1981, 1; and J. Org. Chem. 1991, 56, 670-672). Alternatively the leaving group L may be for example a halogen atom or a sulphonyloxy group eg. methane-sulphonyloxy or p-toluene sulphonyloxy, in which case the reaction may be effected using standard
30 conditions in the presence or absence of solvent.

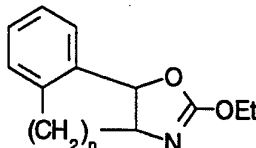
Interconversions according to process (e) may be effected by alkylation of a compound (I) wherein one of R^1 and R^2 is hydrogen and the other is alkyl or where R^1 and R^2 are both hydrogen, using an appropriate alkylating agent such as an alkyl halide e.g. an alkyl bromide or iodide, in the presence of a base, such as potassium carbonate.
35 The reaction may be carried out in a suitable solvent such as acetone. Alternatively said compound of formula (I) may first be acylated, using for example an alkylhaloformate such as ethyl chloroformate, preferably in the presence of a tertiary amine such as

triethylamine, to provide a compound of formula (II) followed by reduction as described above. In a further method the compound of formula (I) may be subjected to reductive alkylation using an appropriate aldehyde (e.g. formaldehyde) or ketone, and a reducing agent such as sodium cyanoborohydride. Reduction of a benzoyl substituent to benzyl may be effected using e.g. sodium borohydride in trifluoroacetic acid.

It will be appreciated that when any of the processes described herein involve a reduction step it will generally be desirable to employ reducing agents and conditions which do not affect or disturb substituents which are intended to be retained in the final product. The choice of appropriate reducing agents and conditions will be readily apparent to the skilled practitioner. Thus for example when Ar represents 3,4-dichlorophenyl it is preferable to avoid the use of lithium aluminium hydride under forcing (e.g. reflux) conditions.

Processes (a), (b), (c) and (e) generally proceed with retention of the *cis* or *trans* configuration of the starting material. Thus the stereochemistry of the final product is usually determined by the configuration of formula (II) which in turn is governed by its method of preparation. For the preparation of *trans* isomers a compound of formula (II) in which Alk is ethyl is preferably used, and to prepare *cis* isomers a compound (II) wherein Alk is t-butyl is advantageously employed.

Thus, a *trans*-compound of formula (II) wherein R¹ is hydrogen and Alk is ethyl may be prepared by reacting a compound of formula (V) :

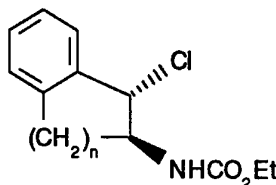


Formula (V)

(wherein n is as hereinbefore defined) with an aryl compound of formula HXAr.

This reaction may conveniently be effected in a solvent such as toluene and in the presence of a catalytic amount of p-toluenesulphonic acid. Compounds of formula HXAr are commercially available or may be prepared by standard methods.

A compound (V) may be prepared from a compound of formula (VI) :



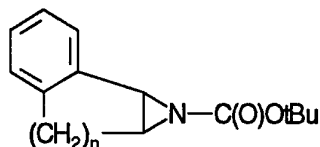
Formula (VI)

by reaction with potassium carbonate or bicarbonate in aqueous ethanol.

Compounds of formula (VI) are known from the literature; see for example J.C.S. Chem Commun. 1980, 462 and European Application No. 88575.

Alternatively a *trans*-compound of formula (II) wherein X is NH may be prepared directly from a compound of formula (VI) by reaction with a compound Ar-NH₂.

- 5 A *cis*-isomer of formula (II) wherein R¹ is hydrogen and Alk is *tert*-butyl may be prepared by reaction of a compound of formula (VII) :

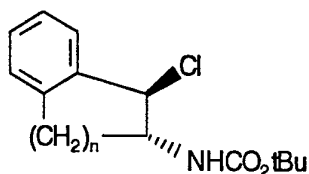


Formula (VII)

with a compound HXAr as defined above. In this reaction X is preferably oxygen.

- 10 Compounds of formula (II) (both *cis* and *trans* forms) wherein R¹ is alkyl may be prepared by alkylation of formula (II) wherein R¹ is hydrogen for example using an alkyl halide in the presence of a base such as sodium hydride and in a suitable solvent e.g. dimethylformamide. Alternatively a compound (II) wherein R¹ is hydrogen may be reduced as described in process (a) above and subsequently acylated using an
- 15 alkylhaloformate as described for process (e) above.

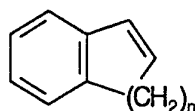
A compound of formula (VII) may be prepared by cyclisation of a compound of formula (VIII) :



Formula (VIII)

- 20 using sodium hydride in a suitable solvent for example an ether such as tetrahydrofuran optionally containing a crown ether such as 15-crown-5; or dimethyl formamide.

Compounds of formula (VIII) may be prepared in a similar manner to compounds of formula (VI), by addition of N,N-dichloro-*t*-butylcarbamate to an olefin of formula (IX):



25

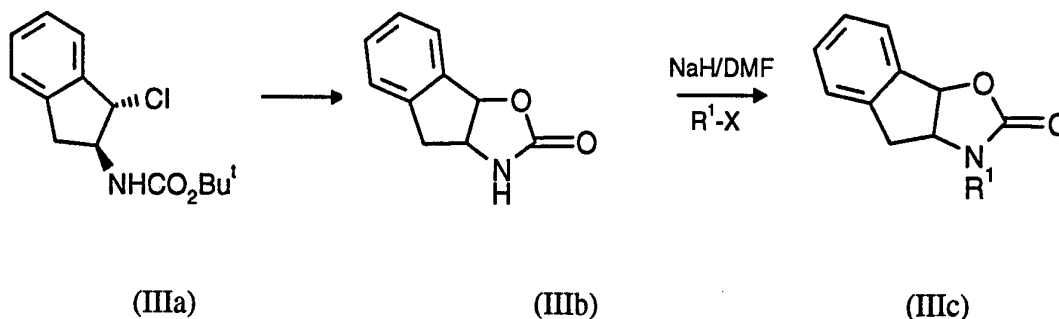
Formula (IX)

Trans - isomers of formula (III) wherein X is oxygen may be prepared as described in the literature e.g. Chem. Pharm. Bull. 1977, 25, 1060. Corresponding *cis*-isomers may be obtained by oxidation of the *trans*-isomer using Jones reagent to give a

ketone followed by reduction with lithium tri-O-isobutyl borohydride (L-Selectride®, Aldrich). Reduction of the ketone using sodium borohydride regenerates the *trans*-isomer.

Cis-isomers of Formula (III) in which X is oxygen can be prepared according to the following methods:

5



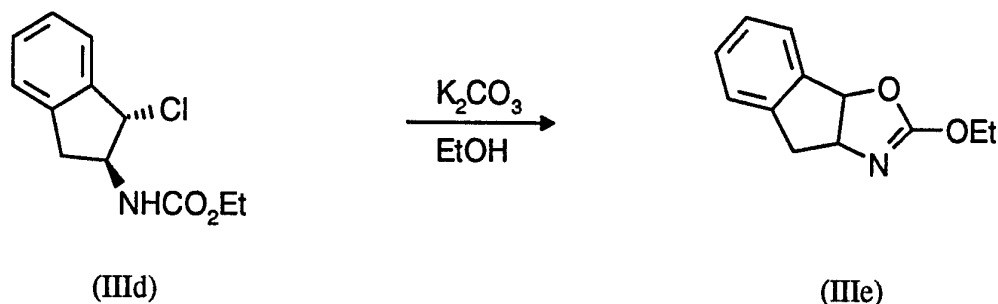
A compound of Formula (IIIa) can be converted into a compound of Formula (IIIb) for example by heating under reflux in chloroform, and the product can be alkylated e.g. by reaction with an alkyl halide and sodium hydride in a suitable dipolar aprotic solvent.

10

The compounds of Formula (IIIc) can be reduced by lithium aluminium hydride to give compounds of Formula (III) in which R² is methyl. Compounds of Formula (IIIb) or (IIIc) can be treated with sodium hydroxide to give compounds of Formula (III) in which R² is hydrogen.

15

Compounds of Formula (III) in which R¹ is methyl and R² is hydrogen can be prepared by reducing an oxazoline of Formula (IIIe) e.g. with lithium aluminium hydride, which can be prepared from a compound of Formula (IIId):



20

Compounds of formula (III) wherein X is S or NH may be prepared from the corresponding sulphonyloxy compound e.g. a mesylate and an appropriate amino or thiol reagent using standard methods. The sulphonyloxy derivative may itself be prepared from the corresponding alcohol in conventional manner.

Some individual enantiomers of formula (III) are known, e.g. the compound in which X is oxygen, n is 1 and R¹ and R² are both hydrogen (E.J.Corey et al., Tet. Lett. 34,

25

8399 (1993), G. DeSimoni et al. *Gazz. Chim. Ital.* **122**, 269 (1992), and analogues can be made by appropriate modifications, or by asymmetric synthesis (e.g. see D.E. McClure et al., *J.Org.Chem.* **48**, 2675 (1983)). The use of a resolved enantiomer of Formula III should give rise to a resolved enantiomer of formula (I).

5 Compounds of formula (IV) wherein L is OH may be prepared as described for the compounds of formula (III). When L is halogen or a sulphonyloxy group such compounds may be prepared from the corresponding alcohol in conventional manner.

 When a compound of formula (I) is obtained as a mixture of enantiomers, these may be separated by conventional methods such as crystallisation in the presence of a
10 resolving agent, or chromatography, for example using a chiral HPLC column.

 Preferably the compounds of formula (I) are resolved by conversion to a mixture of diastereomeric amides, which are separated by conventional methods and then reconverted into resolved compounds of formula (I). Preferably the amides are formed with S(+)- α -methoxyphenylacetic acid, and the separated amides can be converted into the
15 resolved amines by treatment with an excess of methyllithium, or by treatment with an excess of potassium t-butoxide in wet tetrahydrofuran as generally described in U.S. 5,149,714.

 Compounds of formula (I) have been found to exhibit high calcium influx blocking activity for example in neurons. As such the compounds are expected to be of
20 use in therapy in treating conditions and diseases related to an accumulation of calcium in the brain cells of mammals, in particular humans. For example, the compounds are expected to be of use in the treatment of anoxia, ischaemia including for example stroke, migraine, visceral pain, epilepsy, traumatic head injury, AIDS-related dementia, neuro-degenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's disease and age-related memory disorders,
25 mood disorders and drug addiction withdrawal such as ethanol addiction withdrawal.

 In a further aspect of the invention there is therefore provided a method of treatment of conditions or diseases related to (e.g. caused or exacerbated by) the accumulation of calcium in the brain cells of mammals which comprises administering to a subject in need thereof an effective amount of a compound of formula (I) or a
30 pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof. Thus, for example, the present invention provides a method of treatment of anoxia, ischaemia including for example stroke, migraine, visceral pain, epilepsy, traumatic head injury, AIDS-related dementia, neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's disease, and age-related memory disorders, mood disorders and drug addiction withdrawal such as ethanol addiction
35 withdrawal, which comprises administering to a subject in need thereof, an effective amount of a compound of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

 The present invention also provides the use of a compound of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof in the manufacture of a medicament for the

treatment of a condition or disease related to the accumulation of calcium in the brain cells of a mammal.

For use in medicine, the compounds of formula (I) are usually administered in a standard pharmaceutical composition. The present invention therefore provides in a further aspect pharmaceutical compositions comprising a novel compound of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or excipient.

The compounds of formula (I) may be administered by any convenient method for example by oral, parenteral, buccal, rectal or transdermal administration and the pharmaceutical compositions adapted accordingly.

The compounds of formula (I) and their pharmaceutically acceptable salts which are active when given orally can be formulated as liquids or solids, for example syrups, suspensions or emulsions, tablets, capsules and lozenges.

A liquid formulation will generally consist of a suspension or solution of the compound or pharmaceutically acceptable salt in a suitable liquid carrier(s) for example, ethanol, glycerine, non-aqueous solvent, for example polyethylene glycol, oils, or water with a suspending agent, preservative, flavouring or colouring agent.

A composition in the form of a tablet can be prepared using any suitable pharmaceutical carrier(s) routinely used for preparing solid formulations. Examples of such carriers include magnesium stearate, starch, lactose, sucrose and cellulose.

A composition in the form of a capsule can be prepared using routine encapsulation procedures. For example, pellets containing the active ingredient can be prepared using standard carriers and then filled into a hard gelatin capsule; alternatively, a dispersion or suspension can be prepared using any suitable pharmaceutical carrier(s), for example aqueous gums, celluloses, silicates or oils and the dispersion or suspension then filled into a soft gelatin capsule.

Compounds of the invention may also be administered parenterally, by bolus injection or continuous infusion. Typical parenteral compositions consist of a solution or suspension of the compound or pharmaceutically acceptable salt in a sterile aqueous carrier or parenterally acceptable oil, for example polyethylene glycol, polyvinyl pyrrolidone, lecithin, arachis oil or sesame oil. Alternatively, the solution can be lyophilised and then reconstituted with a suitable solvent just prior to administration.

Both liquid and solid compositions may contain other excipients known in the pharmaceutical art, such as cyclodextrins.

Preferably the composition is in unit dose form such as a tablet, capsule or ampoule.

Each dosage unit for oral administration contains preferably from 1 to 250 mg (and for parenteral administration contains preferably from 0.1 to 60 mg) of a compound of the formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof calculated as the free base.

The daily dosage regimen for an adult patient may be, for example, an oral dose of between 1 mg and 500 mg, preferably between 1 mg and 250 mg, e.g. 5 to 200 mg or an intravenous, subcutaneous, or intramuscular dose of between 0.1 mg and 100 mg, preferably between 0.1 mg and 60 mg, e.g. 1 to 40 mg of the compound of the formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof calculated as the free base, the compound being administered 1 to 4 times per day. Alternatively the compounds of the invention may be administered by continuous intravenous infusion, preferably at a dose of up to 400 mg per day. Thus, the total daily dosage by oral administration will be in the range 1 to 2000 mg and the total daily dosage by parenteral administration will be in the range 0.1 to 400 mg. Suitably the compounds will be administered for a period of continuous therapy, for example for a week or more.

15

BIOLOGICAL DATA

Ca²⁺ Current Measurement

20 Cell preparations

Sensory neurons from dorsal root ganglia were dissociated from 1 day old rat pups (Ford et al, Developmental Brain Research, 22 (1985), 55-65). Cells were plated out onto glass coverslips and used within 3 days to permit effective voltage clamp of Ca²⁺ currents.

25

Superior cervical ganglion neurons were isolated and cultured following a method modified from Marrion *et al*, Neurosci. Lett., 77, 55-60 (1987). Cells were plated onto laminin coated plastic tissue culture dishes and incubated at 37°C until just prior to recording. Electrophysiological recordings were performed from 2 to 9 days after dissociation.

30

Solutions

35 The pipette (internal solution) contained in mM: CsCl, 130; HEPES, 10; EGTA, 10; MgCl₂, 4; ATP, 2; buffered to pH 7.2 with CsOH. Cells were bathed in a normal Tyrodes solution before establishment of whole cell recording when the bathing solution was changed to one allowing isolation of Ca²⁺ currents. The external solution for recording Ca²⁺ channel currents contained in mM: BaCl₂, 10; TEA-Cl, 130; glucose, 10; HEPES, 10; MgCl₂, 1; buffered to pH 7.3 with TEA-OH. Barium was used as the charge carrier as

40

this assists in current isolation and calcium dependent inactivation of current is avoided. Compounds were dissolved in DMSO to make a 20mM stock solution. At the highest drug concentration used the vehicle (0.1%) had no significant effect on Ca^{2+} currents. All experiments were performed at 21 to 24°C. Whole cell currents were recorded using List
5 EPC-7 amplifiers and stored, digitised for later analysis using PC based software similar to that described previously (Benham & Tsien, Journal of Physiology (1988), 404, 767-784).

Results

10 Ca^{2+} currents

Peak voltage gated Ca^{2+} channel currents of up to 10 nA were recorded using 10mM Ba^{2+} as charge carrier. Currents were evoked from a holding potential of -80mV to a test potential of 0 or +10mV every 15 seconds. This test potential was at the peak of the current voltage relationship and assessing block at this point reduced any errors due to
15 drifting holding potential. Some cells showed slow rundown of current as is commonly seen when recording Ca^{2+} currents. The rundown rate was measured in control conditions and extrapolated through the time of drug application to derive a rundown corrected control value.

20 Dorsal Root Ganglion Cells

Block by 20 μM drug was assessed 3 minutes after drug application. Compounds of the invention described in the specific examples gave percentage inhibition of plateau Ca^{2+} current in the range 21-99%.

25 Superior Cervical Ganglion Cells

Once a constant calcium current had been recorded for 4 successive pulses (1 minute) 10 μM Nimodipine, a dihydropyridine, was applied to the cell to block L type calcium
30 current. After three minutes 5 μM drug was coapplied with 10 μM Nimodipine for three minutes. Such drug application tested the block of the remaining, predominantly N type, calcium current.

Compounds of the invention described in the specific examples gave percentage inhibition
35 of plateau Ca^{2+} current in the range 11 to 98 % at 5 μM .

PHARMACEUTICAL FORMULATIONS

The following represent typical pharmaceutical formulations according to the present invention, which may be prepared using standard methods.

5

IV Infusion

Compound of formula (I)	1-40 mg
Buffer	to pH ca 7
Solvent/complexing agent	to 100 ml

10

Bolus Injection

Compound of formula (I)	1-40 mg
Buffer	to pH ca 7
Co-Solvent	to 5 ml

15

Buffer : Suitable buffers include citrate, phosphate, sodium hydroxide/hydrochloric acid.

20

Solvent : Typically water but may also include cyclodextrins (1-100 mg) and co-solvents such as propylene glycol, polyethylene glycol and alcohol.

Tablet

Compound	1 - 40 mg
Diluent/Filler *	50 - 250 mg
25 Binder	5 - 25 mg
Disintegrant *	5 - 50 mg
Lubricant	1 - 5 mg
Cyclodextrin	1 - 100 mg

30 * may also include cyclodextrins

Diluent : e.g. Microcrystalline cellulose, lactose, starch

Binder : e.g. Polyvinylpyrrolidone, hydroxypropymethylcellulose

Disintegrant : e.g. Sodium starch glycollate, crospovidone

35 Lubricant : e.g. Magnesium stearate, sodium stearyl fumarate.

Oral Suspension or Solution

	Compound	1 - 40 mg
	Suspending or Solubilising Agent	0.1 - 10 mg
	Diluent	20 - 60 mg
5	Preservative	0.01 - 1.0 mg
	Buffer	to pH ca 5 - 8
	Co-solvent	0 - 40 mg
	Flavour	0.01 - 1.0 mg
	Colourant	0.001 - 0.1 mg
10	Suspending agent :e.g. Xanthan gum, microcrystalline cellulose	
	Solubilising agent: e.g. cyclodextrin	
	Diluent :	e.g. sorbitol solution, typically water
	Preservative :	e.g. sodium benzoate
15	Buffer :	e.g. citrate
	Co-solvent :	e.g. alcohol, propylene glycol, polyethylene glycol

The invention is further illustrated by the following non-limiting Preparations and Examples:

Preparation 1**(+)*cis*-2-Ethoxy-3a,8b-dihydro-4H-indeno[2,1-d]oxazole**

A solution of (+) *trans*-1-chloro-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane (B.J. Walker and P.J. Wrobel, J. Chem. Soc. Chem. Commun., **1980**, 462)(4.0g, 0.017mol) in ethanol (125ml) was treated with K₂CO₃ (2.4g, 0.018mol) and diluted with water (50ml). After stirring at room temperature for 20h, the reaction was concentrated under high vacuum to approximately one quarter the original volume, then diluted with water (25ml) and extracted into diethyl ether (3x50ml). The combined extracts were washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo* to give the **title compound** as a low melting solid (3.3g), m.p 53-54°C (from diethyl ether/ n-pentane).
¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ: 1.30 (3H, t, J=7Hz), 3.14 (1H, dd, J=17Hz and J=2Hz), 3.37 (1H, dd, J=17Hz and J=7Hz), 4.20 (1H, dq, J=12Hz and J=7Hz), 4.22 (1H, dq, J=12Hz and J=7Hz), 4.88 (1H, dt, J=7Hz and J=2Hz), 5.93 (1H, d, J=7Hz), 7.20-7.50 (4H, m).

Preparation 2

(±) *cis*-2-Ethoxy-3a,4,5,9b-tetrahydronaph[2,1-d]oxazole

A solution of (±) *trans*-1-chloro-2-ethoxycarbonylamino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene (L.M. Gaster and B.S. Orlek, EP 88575)(1.0g, 4.0mmol) in ethanol (100ml) was treated dropwise with a solution of KHCO₃ (0.44g, 4.4mmol in 30ml water) over a period of 3h. After stirring for a further 30min the reaction was concentrated under high vacuum to approximately one quarter the original volume, then diluted with water and extracted into diethyl ether (3x100ml). The combined extracts were washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography on silica gel using petroleum ether 60/80-ethyl acetate as eluant, followed by distillation in a kugelrohr (b.p. 180°C at 0.4mmHg) afforded the **title compound** as a colourless oil (0.69g).

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃): 1.33 (3H, t, J=7Hz), 1.95 (2H, m), 2.55 (1H, ddd, J=15.5Hz, J=5Hz and J=5Hz), 2.84 (1H, ddd, J=15.5Hz, J=7Hz and J=7Hz), 4.26 (2H, q, J=7Hz), 4.47 (1H, m), 5.60 (1H, d, J=9Hz), 7.05-7.45 (4H, m).

Preparation 3

(±) 1-Anilino-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane

Method A

A solution of (±) *trans* 1-chloro-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane (4.0g, 0.166mol) in aniline (25ml) was heated under nitrogen at 50°C for 4h. The reaction was concentrated *in vacuo* using azeotropic distillation with xylene to remove final traces of aniline. Purification on a silica gel column using a graded eluant of 10-16% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether 40/60 afforded the **title compound** as colourless solid (3.91g), m.p. 128-130°C (from n-pentane/diethyl ether).

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ: 1.27 (3H, t, J=7Hz), 2.83 (1H, dd, J=16Hz and J=7Hz), 3.40 (1H, dd, J=16Hz and J=7Hz), 4.12 (3H, m, overlapping signals), 4.36 (1H, m), 4.77 (1H, d, J=6Hz), 5.00 (1H, br s), 6.80 (3H, m), 7.29 (6H, m).

Method B

A solution of (±) *cis*-2-ethoxy-3a,8b-dihydro-4H-indeno[2,1-d]oxazole (0.41g, 2.0mmol) in dry toluene (2ml) was treated with aniline (0.205g, 2.2mmol) and a catalytic amount of p-toluenesulfonic acid monohydrate (10mg). The mixture was heated under nitrogen at 50°C for 50min. The reaction was diluted with diethyl ether (25ml) and washed with water (3x10ml) followed by brine (10ml). The organic phase was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo* to give the **title compound** (0.55g).

Preparation 4**(±) *trans* 1-Anilino-2-methylaminoindane**

To a stirred suspension of LiAlH_4 (1.35g, 0.035mol) in dry tetrahydrofuran (25ml) under nitrogen was added dropwise a solution of (±) *trans*-1-anilino-2-ethoxycarbonyl-aminoindane (3.50g, 0.012mol) in dry tetrahydrofuran (25ml). The mixture was heated under reflux for 3.25h. After cooling in ice, wet diethyl ether was added to quench excess LiAlH_4 , followed by a minimum amount of water. The precipitate was removed by filtration, and the filtrate was concentrated *in vacuo* to give a cream coloured solid (2.64g) which was purified by recrystallisation to give the **title compound** as a colourless solid, m.p.121-122°C (from diethyl ether).
 ^1H Nmr (CDCl_3) δ : 2.0 (1H, br s), 2.53 (3H, s), 2.74 (1H, dd, $J=16\text{Hz}$ and $J=7\text{Hz}$), 3.15-3.40 (2H, m, overlapping signals), 3.92 (1H, br s), 4.81 (1H, br s), 6.75 (3H, m), 7.20 (6H, m).

Preparation 5**(±) *trans* 1-(2-Benzylanilino)-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane**

A solution of (±) *cis*-2-ethoxy-3a,8b-dihydro-4H-indeno[2,1-d]oxazole (2.0g, 0.01mol) in dry toluene (15ml) was treated with 2-benzylaniline (1.83g, 0.01mol) and a catalytic amount of p-toluenesulfonic acid monohydrate (50mg), and the mixture was heated at 60°C for 1.5h. The reaction was diluted with diethyl ether, and washed with water followed by brine. The organic phase was dried over Na_2SO_4 and concentrated *in vacuo* to give the **title compound** as a brown foam (3.37g) which was used in the next stage without purification.

^1H Nmr (CDCl_3) δ : 1.20 (3H, t, $J=7\text{Hz}$), 2.71 (1H, dd, $J=16\text{Hz}$ and $J=6\text{Hz}$), 3.13 (1H, dd, $J=16\text{Hz}$ and $J=7\text{Hz}$), 3.82 (2H, s), 3.93 (1H, br s), 4.00-4.28 (3H, m), 4.65 (1H, br s), 4.83 (1H, br s), 6.76 (1H, t, $J=8\text{Hz}$), 6.90-7.32 (12H, m).

Preparation 6**(±) *trans* 1-(Phenoxy)-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane**

A solution of (±) *cis*-2-ethoxy-3a,8b-dihydro-4H-indeno[2,1-d]oxazole (1.0g, 0.005mol) in dry toluene (7.5ml) was treated with phenol (0.47g, 0.005mol) and a catalytic amount of p-toluenesulfonic acid monohydrate (25mg). The mixture was heated at 60°C for 1.5h and then at 100°C for 2h. The reaction was diluted with diethyl ether and washed with saturated NaHCO_3 (10ml) followed by brine (10ml). The organic phase was dried over Na_2SO_4 and concentrated *in vacuo* to give a brown oil (1.47g) which was purified on a silica gel column using CH_2Cl_2 as eluant. Pooling of pure fractions afforded the **title**

compound as a colourless solid (0.25g). Fractions contaminated with phenol were dissolved in diethyl ether and washed with 10%NaOH to give a further 0.25g of the **title compound**.

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ: 1.22 (3H, t, J=7Hz), 2.83 (1H, dd, J=17Hz and J=4.5Hz), 3.50 (1H, dd, J=17Hz and J=7Hz), 4.10 (2H, q, J=7Hz), 4.50 (1H,m), 4.88 (1H, br s), 5.56 (1H, m), 6.93-7.47 (9H, m).

Preparation 7

(±) *trans* 1-(Phenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane

To a stirred suspension of LiAlH₄ (0.22g, 5.7mmol) in dry diethyl ether (5ml) under nitrogen was added a solution of (±) *trans* 1-(phenoxy)-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane (0.34g, 1.14mmol) in diethyl ether (10ml). After stirring overnight at room temperature the reaction was worked up as described in Preparation 4 to give the **title compound** as a brown oil (0.25g) which was used in the next stage without further purification.

Preparation 8

(±) *trans* 1-(Phenylthio)-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane

A solution of (±) *cis*-2-ethoxy-3a,8b-dihydro-4H-indeno[2,1-d]oxazole (1.0g, 0.005mol) in dry toluene (5ml) was treated with thiophenol (0.55g, 0.005mol) and a catalytic amount of p-toluenesulfonic acid monohydrate (25mg). The mixture was heated at 60°C for 2h and then at 80°C for a further 5h. The reaction was diluted with diethyl ether and washed with 5% NaOH (3x10ml) followed by water (10ml) and brine (10ml). The organic phase was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo* to give an oil (1.4g) which was purified on a silica gel column using CH₂Cl₂ as eluant. Pooling of fractions containing the major slower running component afforded the **title compound** as a colourless solid (0.74g), m.p. 60.5-62°C (from n-pentane/diethyl ether).

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ: 1.20 (3H, t, J=7Hz), 2.75 (1H, dd, J=17Hz and J=4Hz), 3.42 (1H, dd, J=17Hz and J=6Hz), 4.08 (2H, q, J=7Hz), 4.42 (1H, br s), 4.53 (1H, br s), 4.85 (1H, br s), 7.18-7.50 (9H, m).

Preparation 9

(±) *trans* 1-(Phenylthio)-2-methylaminoindane

To a stirred suspension of LiAlH₄ (0.22g, 5.7mmol) in dry diethyl ether (10ml) under nitrogen was added a solution of (±) *trans* 1-(phenylthio)-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane (0.36g, 1.15mmol) in diethyl ether (15ml). After stirring overnight at room temperature

the reaction was worked up as described in Preparation 4 to give the **title compound** as a brown oil (0.27g) which was used in the next stage without purification.

Preparation 10

5 **(±) *trans* 1-(3,4-Dichlorophenylthio)-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane**

A solution of (±) *cis*-2-ethoxy-3a,8b-dihydro-4H-indeno[2,1-d]oxazole (0.61g, 3.0mmol) in dry toluene (15ml) was treated with 3,4-dichlorothiophenol (0.59g, 3.3mmol) and a catalytic amount of p-toluenesulfonic acid (0.15ml of an anhydrous 0.1M solution of p-toluenesulfonic acid in benzene). The mixture was heated under nitrogen at 70-75°C for
10 3.5h. The reaction was diluted with diethyl ether and washed with 5% NaOH (3x10ml) followed by water (10ml) and brine (10ml). The organic phase was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo* to give a solid (1.0g). Purification on a silica gel column using CHCl₃ as eluant afforded the **title compound** as a colourless solid (0.81g).

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ: 1.21 (3H, t, J=7Hz), 2.77 (1H, dd, J=17Hz and J=4Hz), 3.42 (1H, dd,
15 J=17Hz and J=6.5Hz), 4.10 (2H, q, J=7Hz), 4.42 (1H, br s), 4.59 (1H, s), 4.87 (1H, br s), 7.20-7.40 (6H, m), 7.56 (1H, d, J=2Hz).

Preparation 11

(±) *trans* 1-(2-Benzylanilino)-2-(N-methyl-N-ethoxycarbonylamino)indane

20 A solution of (±) *trans* 1-(2-benzylanilino)-2-methylaminoindane (Example 2)(0.66g, 2.0mmol) in dry diethyl ether (25ml) was treated with triethylamine (0.55ml, 4.0mmol) and ethyl chloroformate (0.21ml, 2.2mmol). After stirring at room temperature for 1h, the reaction was concentrated *in vacuo* and the residue was partitioned between chloroform (25ml) and water (25ml). The organic layer was washed with water (3x25ml) followed by
25 brine (25ml), and then concentrated *in vacuo* to give a brown oil (0.73g) which crystallised on cooling and was used in the next stage without purification.

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) (57°C) δ: 1.19 (3H, br t, J=7Hz), 2.80 (3H, s), 3.02 (2H, m), 3.86 (2H, ABq, J=16Hz), 3.93 (1H, br s), 4.10 (2H, q, J=7Hz), 4.58 (1H, m), 5.02 (1H, br t), 6.70-
30 7.28 (13H, m).

Preparation 12

(±) *trans* 1-(2-Naphthalenethio)-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane

A solution of (±) *cis*-2-ethoxy-3a,8b-dihydro-4H-indeno[2,1-d]oxazole (0.41g, 2.0mmol) in dry toluene (15ml) was treated with 2-naphthalenethiol (0.35g, 2.2mmol) and a catalytic
35 amount of p-toluenesulfonic acid (0.1ml of an anhydrous 0.1M solution of p-toluenesulfonic acid in benzene). The mixture was heated under nitrogen at 75°C for 3h and

then at 80-90°C for 12h. The reaction was worked up as described in Preparation 10 to give an oil (0.7g). Purification on a silica gel column using 20% diethyl ether in petroleum ether 40/60 as eluant afforded the **title compound** as a gum (0.42g) which was triturated with n-pentane /diethyl ether to give a colourless solid, m.p. 85-86.5°C.

- 5 ¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ: 1.18 (3H, br s), 2.76 (1H, dd, J=16Hz and J=3Hz), 3.43 (1H, dd, J=16Hz and J=6Hz), 4.05 (2H, br q), 4.52 (1H, br s), 4.69 (1H, br s), 4.89 (1H, br s), 7.15-8.10 (11H, m).

Preparation 13

- 10 **(±) trans 1-(4-Benzoylanilino)-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane**

A solution of (±) *cis*-2-ethoxy-3a,8b-dihydro-4H-indeno[2,1-d]oxazole (2.50g, 0.012mol) in dry toluene (40ml) was treated with 4-aminobenzophenone (2.43g, 0.012mol) and a catalytic amount of p-toluenesulfonic acid (0.25ml of an anhydrous 0.1M solution of p-toluenesulfonic acid in benzene). The mixture was heated under nitrogen at 80°C

- 15 overnight. The reaction was worked up as described in Preparation 5. Purification on a silica gel column using a graded eluant of 5-40% ethyl acetate in petroleum ether 40/60 afforded the **title compound** as a yellow foam (3.65g).

- ¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ: 1.20 (3H, t, J=8Hz), 2.85 (1H, dd, J=17Hz and J=7Hz), 3.37 (1H, dd, J=17Hz and J=7Hz), 4.11 (2H, q, J=8Hz), 4.37 (1H, m), 4.82 (1H, d, J=6Hz), 5.03 (1H, br
20 d, J=7Hz), 6.81 (2H, d, J=8Hz), 7.15-7.90 (12H, m).

Preparation 14

- (±) trans 1-(3,4-Dichloroanilino)-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane**

A solution of (±) *cis*-2-ethoxy-3a,8b-dihydro-4H-indeno[2,1-d]oxazole (1.0g, 0.005mol) in dry toluene (20ml) was treated with 3,4-dichloroaniline (0.81g, 0.005mol) and a
25 catalytic amount of p-toluenesulfonic acid (5ml of an anhydrous 0.1M solution of p-toluenesulfonic acid in benzene). The mixture was heated under nitrogen at 60°C for 3h.

The reaction was worked up as described in Preparation 5. Purification on a silica gel column using 1% ethanol in chloroform as eluant afforded the **title compound** as a solid

- 30 (1.33g).

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ: 1.20 (3H, t, J=7Hz), 2.80 (1H, dd, J=16Hz and J=6Hz), 3.33 (1H, dd, J=16Hz and J=6Hz), 4.11 (2H, q, J=7Hz), 4.29 (2H, m), 4.67 (1H, t, J=6Hz), 4.93 (1H, br
d), 6.63 (1H, m), 6.88 (1H, d, J=3Hz), 7.23 (5H, m).

Preparation 15**(±) *trans* 1-(2-Benzylanilino)-2-ethoxycarbonylamino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene**

A solution of (±) *cis*-2-ethoxy-3a,4,5,9b-tetrahydronaph[2,1-d]oxazole (1.90g, 8.76mmol) in dry toluene (15ml) was treated with 2-benzylaniline (1.60g, 8.76mmol) and a catalytic amount of p-toluenesulfonic acid (0.5ml of an anhydrous 0.1M solution of p-toluenesulfonic acid in benzene). The mixture was heated at 50°C for 1.5h. The reaction was worked up as described in Preparation 5. Trituration with n-pentane afforded the **title compound** as a pale yellow solid (2.47g).

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ: 1.20 (3H, br m), 1.73 (2H, m), 2.72 (2H, m), 3.73 (1H, m), 3.76 (2H, s), 4.10 (3H, m), 4.39 (1H, br s), 4.65 (1H, br d), 6.73 (1H, t, J=7Hz), 6.92-7.33 (12H, m).

Preparation 16**(±) *trans*-1-Chloro-2-tert-butoxycarbonylaminoindane**

To a solution of indene (32.58g, 0.28 mol) in toluene (350 ml) under nitrogen was added dropwise a solution of N,N-dichloro-t-butylcarbamate (60g, 0.323 mol) in toluene (200 ml). The solution was then stirred at 50°C for 5 h. Saturated aqueous sodium metabisulfite (500 ml) was then added with cooling from an external ice/water bath. The two phase mixture was then vigorously stirred at room temperature for 3 h. The phases were then separated and the aqueous phase extracted with diethyl ether (3 x 100 ml). The organic phases were then combined and washed successively with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate, water and brine. After drying over Na₂SO₄, solvents were removed *in vacuo* to afford the **title compound** as a white solid (71.60g).

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ: 1.47 (9H, s), 2.80 (1H, dd, J=7,15Hz), 3.52 (1H, dd, J=7,15Hz), 4.47 (1H, m), 4.78 (1H, m), 5.19 (1H, br. s), 7.27 (3H, m), 7.42 (1H, m).

Preparation 17**(±) N-tert-butoxycarbonyl-1,2-iminoindane**

To a suspension of NaH (80% disp. in oil, 2.016g, 67.2 mmol) in dry tetrahydrofuran (300 ml) was added (±) *trans*-1-chloro-2-tert-butoxycarbonylaminoindane (15g, 56 mmol) and 15-crown-5 (50µl). The mixture was then warmed at 50°C under nitrogen for 18 h after which it was poured into water (700ml) and extracted with diethyl ether (3x150ml). The combined organic extracts were dried (Na₂SO₄) and solvents were removed *in vacuo* to afford the title compound as a brown solid (12.67g).

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ: 1.08 (9H, s), 3.04 (1H, dd, J=5,18Hz), 3.50 (2H, m), 3.84 (1H, m), 7.20 (3H, d, J=4Hz), 7.46 (1H, m).

Preparation 18**(±)cis-1-(2-Benzylphenoxy)-2-tert-butoxycarbonylaminoindane**

- A solution of (±) N-tert-butoxycarbonyl-1,2-iminoindane (2.33g, 10 mmol), 2-hydroxy diphenylmethane (1.84g, 10 mmol) and pyridinium p-toluenesulfonate (50mg) in chloroform (100ml) was heated at reflux for 3 h. On cooling, the solution was washed sequentially with aq. NaHCO₃, water and then brine. After drying over Na₂SO₄, solvents were removed *in vacuo* and the resultant brown oil subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 10% diethyl ether in hexanes to afford a pale yellow oil which was a mixture of the desired adduct and the starting phenol. This mixture was taken up in 1:1 diethyl ether:pentane (200ml) and washed three times with a 1:1 mixture of methanol and 10% aq. NaOH. After washing with water then brine, the organics were dried over Na₂SO₄ and then concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was recrystallised to afford the **title compound** as a white solid (1.03g) m.p. 113-114.5°C. (from diethyl ether-pentane).
¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ : 1.38 (9H, s), 2.87 (1H, dd, J=7,15Hz), 3.18 (1H, dd, 7,15Hz), 3.72 (1H, d, 15Hz), 3.81 (1H, d, 15Hz), 4.60 (1H, m), 4.80 (1H, d, 9Hz), 5.59 (1H, d, 5Hz), 6.88-7.34 (13H, m).

Preparation 19**(±)cis-1-(2-Benzylphenoxy)-2-(N-methyl-N-tert-butoxycarbonylamino)indane**

- To a suspension of sodium hydride (80% disp. in oil, 43mg, 1.4mmol) in dry N,N-dimethylformamide (2ml) under nitrogen was added dropwise a solution of (±)cis-1-(2-benzylphenoxy)-2-tert-butoxycarbonylaminoindane (492mg, 1.2mmol) in dimethylformamide (5ml). After stirring the mixture for 45 minutes at room temperature, iodomethane (88μl, 1.4mmol) was added dropwise and stirring continued for a further 45 minutes. The reaction mixture was then poured into a large excess of water and extracted with diethyl ether (3 x 30ml). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 10% diethyl ether in hexanes to afford the **title compound** as a colourless oil (477mg).
¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ : 1.37 (9H, s), 2.45+2.57 (3H, br.s + br. s, rotamers), 3.16 (2H, d, J=6Hz), 3.86 (2H, d, 6Hz), 5.13+5.35 (1H, m+m, rotamers), 5.22 (1H, d, J=7Hz), 6.82-7.37 (13H, m).

Preparation 20**(±)cis-1-(4-Benzyloxyphenoxy)-2-tert-butoxycarbonylaminoindane**

The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Preparation 18 from (±) N-tert-butoxycarbonyl-1,2-iminoindane (5g, 21.6 mmol), 4-benzyloxyphenol (4.3g, 21.6 mmol), pyridinium p-toluenesulfonate (100mg) and chloroform (150ml). After a reaction time of 3 h, the reaction was diluted with chloroform (100ml) then washed sequentially with water and brine. After drying over sodium sulfate, volatiles were removed *in vacuo* and the residue subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 10% diethyl ether in hexanes to afford a light brown solid which was recrystallised to afford the **title compound** (3.6g) as a white solid. (from diethyl ether-hexanes).

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ : 1.44 (9H, s), 3.04 (1H, dd, 7,15Hz), 3.27 (1H, dd, J=7,15Hz), 4.63 (1H, m), 5.03 (2H, s), 5.29 (1H, d, J=9Hz), 5.43 (1H, d, J=6Hz), 6.91 (4H, m), 7.13-7.46 (9H, m).

Preparation 21**(±)cis-1-(4-Benzyloxyphenoxy)-2-(N-methyl-N-tert-butoxycarbonylamino)indane**

The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Preparation 19 from sodium hydride (80% disp. in oil, 83mg, 2.76mmol) in dry N,N-dimethylformamide (5ml), (±)cis-1-(4-benzyloxy phenoxy)-2-tert-butoxycarbonylaminoindane (1g, 2.3mmol) in N,N-dimethylformamide (5ml) and iodomethane (175μl, 2.76mmol). Column chromatography on silica gel eluting with a gradient of 10-15% diethyl ether in hexanes afforded the **title compound** (968mg) as a colourless oil.

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ : 1.36 (9H,s), 2.72 (3H, br. s), 3.21 (2H, m), 5.03 (2H, s), 5.27 (1H, s), 5.63 (1H, m), 6.93 (4H, m), 7.17-7.51 (9H, m).

Preparation 22**(±)cis-1-[5-(2-Phenylbenzo[b]furanyloxy)]-2-tert-butoxycarbonylaminoindane**

The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Preparation 18 from (±)N-tert-butoxycarbonyl-1,2-iminoindane (2.77g, 12 mmol), 5-hydroxy-2-phenylbenzo[b]furan (2.5g, 11.9 mmol), pyridinium p-toluenesulfonate (50mg) and chloroform (100ml). After a reaction time of 2.5 h, the reaction was diluted with chloroform (100ml) then washed sequentially with saturated aq. sodium bicarbonate, water and brine. After drying over Na₂SO₄, volatiles were removed *in vacuo* and the residue subjected to column chromatography on neutral alumina eluting with dichloromethane to afford the **title compound** (2.44g) as an oil.

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ : 1.44 (9h, s), 3.09 (1H, dd, J=7,15Hz), 3.30 (1H, dd, 6,15Hz), 44.69 (1H, m), 5.33 (1H, d, J=9Hz), 5.56 (1H, d, J=6Hz), 6.92 (2H, m), 7.11-7.51 (9H, m), 7.84 (2H, d, J=8Hz).

5 Preparation 23

(±)*cis*-1-[(4-Phenoxy)phenoxy]-2-*tert*-butoxycarbonylaminoindane

The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Preparation 18 from (±) N-*tert*-butoxycarbonyl-1,2-iminoindane (3g, 13 mmol), 4-phenoxyphenol (2.42g, 13 mmol) , pyridinium p-toluenesulfonate (50mg) and chloroform (100ml). After a reaction time of 3
10 h, the reaction was diluted with chloroform (100ml) then washed sequentially with saturated aq. sodium bicarbonate, water and brine. After drying over Na₂SO₄, volatiles were removed *in vacuo* and the residue subjected to column chromatography on neutral alumina eluting with 10% diethyl ether in hexanes to afford the **title compound** (2.16g) as a foam.

15 ¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ : 1.44 (9H, s), 3.06 (1H, dd, J=7,15Hz), 3.29 (1H, dd, 6,15Hz), 4.66 (1H, m), 5.25 (1H, d, J=9Hz), 5.52 (1H, d, J=6Hz), 6.90-7.42 (13H, m).

Preparation 24

(±)*trans*-1-(4-Benzoyloxyphenoxy)-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane

20 (±) *cis*-2-Ethoxy-3a,8b-dihydro-4H-indeno[2,1-d]oxazole (2.2g, 10.8 mmol), 4-benzoyloxyphenol (2.17g, 10.8 mmol), p-toluenesulfonic acid (40mg) were dissolved in toluene (50ml) and heated at 60°C for 5 h, then 2 h at reflux under nitrogen. On cooling, the reaction mixture was diluted with diethyl ether (150ml) and washed sequentially with 10% aq. sodium hydroxide, water and brine. After drying over sodium sulfate, solvents
25 were removed *in vacuo* and the residue subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 20% diethyl ether in hexanes to afford the **title compound** (1.17g) as a foam.

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ : 1.22 (3H, t, J=7Hz), 2.80 (1H, dd, J=7,16Hz), 3.50 (1H, dd, J=7,16Hz), 4.12 (2H, q, J=7Hz), 4.50 (1H, m), 4.78 (1H, m), 5.02 (2H, s), 5.45 (1H, br. s),
30 6.88-7.49 (13H, m).

Preparation 25

(±)*cis*-1-(4-Benzylphenoxy)-2-*tert*-butoxycarbonylaminoindane

The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Preparation 18 from (±)N-*tert*-butoxycarbonyl-1,2-iminoindane (2g, 8.7 mmol), 4-benzylphenol (1.59g, 8.7 mmol) , pyridinium p-toluenesulfonate (30mg) and chloroform (50ml). After a reaction time of 3 h,
35

the reaction was diluted with chloroform (50ml) then washed sequentially with saturated aq. sodium bicarbonate, water and brine. After drying over Na₂SO₄, volatiles were removed *in vacuo* and the residue subjected to column chromatography on neutral alumina eluting with 10% diethyl ether in hexanes to afford the **title compound** (1.4g) as a foam

5 ¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ: 1.40 (9H, s), 3.04 (1H, dd, J=7,15Hz), 3.26 (1H, dd, 7,15Hz), 3.93 (2H, s), 4.63 (1H, m), 5.21 (1H, d, J=9Hz), 5.55 (1H, d, J=6Hz), 6.93 (2H, d, J=9Hz), 7.10 (2H, d, J=9Hz), 7.13-7.35 (9H, m).

Preparation 26

10 2-Phenyl-5-hydroxybenzo[b]furan

A solution of 2-phenyl-5-methoxybenzo[b]furan (K K Thomas and M M Bokadia, J Indian Chem. Soc. 1966, 43, 713) (0.5g, 2.23 mmol) in absolute chloroform (4 ml) was treated with trimethylsilyl iodide (0.44 ml, 3.09 mmol) and warmed at 50°C for 48h. A further quantity (0.22ml) of trimethylsilyl iodide was added during this period. The reaction

15 mixture was diluted with methanol (20 ml), treated with brine (40 ml) and extracted into diethyl ether (2x40ml). The combined extracts were washed with aqueous sodium metabisulphite, followed by brine (40ml) and dried over sodium sulphate. After concentration *in vacuo* the residue was distilled to give the **title compound** as a colourless solid (0.41g, 88%) b.p. 250°C, 0.1 mm Hg (Kugelrohr).

20

Preparation 27

(±) cis 3,3a,4,8b-Tetrahydroindeno[2,1-d]oxazol-2-one

A solution of (±) *trans*-1-chloro-2-tert-butoxycarbonylaminoindane (10.0g, 0.037mol) in chloroform (200ml) was heated under reflux in an argon atmosphere for 23h. The mixture

25 was concentrated *in vacuo* to give a brown solid. Trituration with diethyl ether afforded the **title compound** as a beige solid (6.0g, 92%) m.p. 205-206 °C which was used without further purification.

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ: 3.10 (1H, d, J=17Hz), 3.30 (1H, dd, J=17Hz and J=6.4Hz), 4.68 (1H, t, J=6.4Hz), 5.98 (1H, d, J=7.5Hz), 6.15 (1H, br s), 7.22-7.48 (3H, m), 7.50 (1H, d,

30 J=7Hz).

Preparation 28

(±) cis 2-Amino-1-indanol

A suspension of (±) cis 3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydroindeno[2,1-d]oxazol-2-one (Preparation 27)

35 (5.73g, 0.033mol) in a mixture of ethanol (100ml) and water (20ml) was treated with sodium hydroxide pellets (8.0g, 0.2mol). After stirring at room temperature until the

sodium hydroxide pellets had dissolved the mixture was heated under reflux in an argon atmosphere for 5h. The solution was concentrated *in vacuo* to approximately one quarter the original volume then diluted with brine (50ml) and extracted into chloroform (3x100ml). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and then concentrated *in vacuo* to give a brown solid (4.74g) which was crystallised from i-propanol- diethyl ether to give the **title compound** as a colourless solid (3.5g, 72%) m.p. 104.5-106 °C. Mother liquors afforded a further 0.41g, m.p. 103.5-105 °C.

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃): 2.28 (3H, br s), 2.75 (1H, dd, J=15.8Hz and J=5.1Hz), 3.12 (1H, dd, J=15.8Hz and J=6.6Hz), 3.70 (1H, br m), 4.80 (1H, d, J=5.4Hz), 7.20 (3H, m), 7.40 (1H, m).

Preparation 29

(±) *cis* 2-Methylamino-1-indanol

Method A

To a suspension of (±) *cis* 3,3a,4,8b-tetrahydroindeno[2,1-d]oxazol-2-one (Preparation 27) (3.80g, 21.71mmol) in dry tetrahydrofuran (25ml) was added a solution of LiAlH₄ (2.28g, 60mmol) in dry tetrahydrofuran. The mixture was heated under reflux for 5.5h in an argon atmosphere. The reaction was quenched with wet diethyl ether followed by a minimum amount of water. After filtration through Kieselguhr the precipitate was washed with 5% methanol in diethyl ether. The combined filtrate and washings were concentrated *in vacuo* to give a brown oil (3.35g). Purification on a short alumina column eluting with 2-30% methanol in chloroform afforded the **title compound** as an oil (1.87g) which crystallised on standing.

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ: 2.48 (3H, s), 2.80 (overlapping signals: 1H, dd, J=15.5Hz and 6.7Hz; 1H, br s, exchanges with D₂O), 3.05 (1H, dd, J=15.5Hz and 6.9 Hz), 3.30 (1H, q, J=6.8Hz), 4.85 (1H, d, J=5.5Hz), 7.22 (3H, m), 7.45 (1H, m).

Method B

To a suspension of LiAlH₄ (4.56g, 0.12mol) in dry tetrahydrofuran (50ml) was added a solution of (±) *cis*-2-ethoxy-3a,8b-dihydro-4H-indeno[2,1-d]oxazole (8.12g, 0.04mol) (Preparation 1) in dry tetrahydrofuran (100ml). The reaction was stirred at room temperature under an argon atmosphere for 24h. The reaction was quenched with wet diethyl ether followed by a minimum amount of water. After filtration through Kieselguhr the precipitate was washed with 5% methanol in diethyl ether. The combined filtrate and washings were concentrated *in vacuo* to give the **title compound** as a brown solid (6.18g, 95%) which was used without further purification.

Preparation 30**(±)cis-1-Phenoxy-2-tert-butoxycarbonylaminoindane**

The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Preparation 18 from (±) N-tert-butoxycarbonyl-1,2-iminoindane (3g, 13 mmol), phenol (1.22g, 13 mmol) , pyridinium p-toluenesulfonate (50mg) and chloroform (100ml). After a reaction time of 3 h, the reaction was diluted with chloroform (100ml) then washed sequentially with saturated aq. sodium bicarbonate, water and brine. After drying over sodium sulfate, volatiles were removed *in vacuo* and the residue subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 10% diethyl ether in hexanes to afford a light brown solid which was recrystallised to afford the **title compound** (3.6g) as a white solid m.p. 99-101°C. (from diethyl ether-hexanes).

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ : 1.41 (9H, s), 3.06 (1H, dd, J=7 and J=15Hz), 3.28 (1H, dd, J=6Hz and J=15Hz), 4.68 (1H, m), 5.23 (1H, m), 5.60 (1H, d, J=6Hz), 7.00 (3H, m), 7.19 (1H, m), 7.38 (5H, m).

Preparation 31**(±)cis-1-(4-Phenylphenoxy)-2-tert-butoxycarbonylaminoindane**

A solution of (±) N-tert-butoxycarbonyl-1,2-iminoindane (5g, 22 mmol), 4-phenylphenol (3.73g, 22 mmol) and pyridinium p-toluenesulfonate (108mg) in chloroform (150ml) was heated at reflux for 2 h. On cooling, the solution was washed sequentially with 10% aq. NaOH, water and then brine. After drying over MgSO₄, solvents were removed *in vacuo* and the resultant brown oil subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 20% diethyl ether in hexanes to afford the **title compound** (2.95g).

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ : 1.43 (9H, s), 3.07 (1H, dd, J=7,15Hz), 3.29 (1H, dd, 7,15Hz), 4.70 (1H,m), 5.25 (1H, d, J=9Hz), 5.65 (1H, d, J=7Hz), 7.10 (2H, d, J=9Hz), 7.17-7.58 (11H, m).

Preparation 32**(±)cis-1-(3-Phenylphenoxy)-2-tert-butoxycarbonylaminoindane**

A solution of (±) N-tert-butoxycarbonyl-1,2-iminoindane (5g, 22 mmol), 3-phenylphenol (3.75g, 22 mmol) and pyridinium p-toluenesulfonate (114mg) in chloroform (150ml) was heated at reflux for 2 h. On cooling, the solution was washed sequentially with 10% aq. NaOH, water and then brine. After drying over MgSO₄, solvents were removed *in vacuo* and the resultant brown oil subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 20% diethyl ether in hexanes to afford the **title compound** (3.11g).

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ : 1.40 (9H, s), 3.07 (1H, dd, J=7,15Hz), 3.30 (1H, dd, J=7,15Hz), 4.70 (1H, m), 5.26 (1H, d, J=9Hz), 5.67 (1H, d, J=7Hz), 7.02-7.13 (1H, m), 7.20-7.46 (10H, m), 7.59 (2H, d, J=7Hz).

Preparation 33**(±)cis-1-(4-tert-Butylphenoxy)-2-tert-butoxycarbonylaminoindane**

A solution of (±) N-tert-butoxycarbonyl-1,2-iminoindane (5g, 22 mmol), 4-tert-butylphenol (3.34g, 22 mmol) and pyridinium p-toluenesulfonate (109mg) in chloroform (150ml) was heated at reflux for 2 h. On cooling, the solution was washed sequentially with 10% aq. NaOH, water and then brine. After drying over MgSO₄, solvents were removed *in vacuo* and the resultant brown oil subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 20% diethyl ether in hexanes to afford the **title compound** (1.42g).
¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ : 1.31 (9H, s), 1.41 (9H, s), 3.06 (1H, dd, J=7,15Hz), 3.28 (1H, dd, J=7,15Hz), 4.68 (1H, m), 5.24 (1H, d, J=9Hz), 5.59 (1H, d, J=7Hz), 6.97 (2H, d, J=9Hz), 7.18-7.36 (6H, m).

Example 1**(±) trans 1-Anilino-2-(N-methyl-N-pentylamino)indane Hydrochloride (E1)**

A solution of (±) trans 1-anilino-2-methylaminoindane (0.30g, 1.26mmol) in acetone (10ml) containing K₂CO₃ (0.19g, 1.39mmol) was treated with 1-bromopentane (0.17ml, 1.39mmol) and refluxed for 4 days. During this period a further portion of 1-bromopentane (0.17ml) was added. After evaporation of solvent the residue was treated with water and extracted into diethyl ether. The organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification on a silica gel column using 1% methanol in chloroform as eluant afforded an oil (0.27g) which was extracted into n-pentane and treated with ethereal hydrogen chloride to give the **title compound** as a colourless solid, m.p. 202-204°C (from methanol/diethyl ether).
¹H Nmr (free base)(CDCl₃) δ: 0.88 (3H, t, J=7Hz), 1.28 (4H, m), 1.48 (2H, m), 2.28 (3H, s), 2.50 (2H, t, J= 7Hz), 2.93 (1H, dd, J=16Hz and J=8Hz), 3.02 (1H, dd, J=16Hz and J=7Hz), 3.95 (1H, br d, J=7Hz), 4.90 (1H, t, J=7Hz), 6.76 (3H, m), 7.10-7.35 (6H, m).

Example 2**(±) trans 1-(2-Benzylanilino)-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E2)**

To a suspension of LiAlH₄ (1.6g, 42.75mmol) in dry diethyl ether (100ml) was added a solution of (±) trans 1-(2-benzylanilino)-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane (3.3g, 8.55mmol) in diethyl ether (50ml). After stirring at room temperature for 22h, the reaction was quenched with wet diethyl ether followed by a minimum amount of water. The reaction was filtered and then concentrated *in vacuo* to give an oil which crystallised on cooling. After purification on a silica gel column, using diethyl ether as eluant, the product was

extracted into pentane and treated with ethereal hydrogen chloride to give the **title compound** as a colourless solid, m.p. 203-205°C (dec.)(from methanol/diethyl ether).
¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ: 2.45 (3H, s), 3.14 (1H, dd, J=16Hz and J=9Hz), 3.35 (1H, dd, J=16Hz and J=7Hz), 3.88-4.05 (3H, m, overlapping signals), 5.55 (1H, t, J=8Hz), 5.63
5 (1H, d, J=8Hz), 6.60 -7.35 (13H, m), 9.68 (1H, br s).

Example 3

(±) *trans* 1-(2-Benzylanilino)-2-(N-methyl-N-pentylamino)indane Hydrochloride (E3)

A solution of (±) *trans* 1-(2-benzylanilino)-2-methylaminoindane (0.98g, 3.0mmol) in
10 acetone (30ml) was treated with 1-iodopentane (0.4ml, 3.0mmol) and K₂CO₃, and
refluxed for 32h. During this period a further portion of 1-iodopentane (0.1ml) was added.
The reaction was worked up as described for Example 1 and purified on a silica gel column
using 0-1% ethanol in chloroform as eluant to give an oil (0.93g). The product was
15 extracted into n-pentane and treated with ethereal hydrogen chloride to give the **title compound** as a colourless solid, m.p. 173-175°C (from methanol/diethyl ether).
¹H Nmr (free base)(CDCl₃) δ: 0.88 (3H, t, J=7Hz), 1.25 (4H, m), 1.40 (2H, m), 2.10 (3H, s), 2.36 (2H, m), 2.90 (2H, d, J=8Hz), 3.20 (2H, q, J=6Hz), 3.82 (3H, m, overlapping signals), 4.82 (1H, t, J=6Hz), 6.65-7.30 (13H, m).

20 Example 4

(±) *trans* 1-Phenoxy-2-(N-methyl-N-pentylamino)indane Hydrochloride (E4)

A solution of (±) *trans* 1-phenoxy-2-methylaminoindane (0.25g, 1.0mmol) in dry acetone
(10ml) containing K₂CO₃ (0.14g, 1.0mmol) was treated with 1-iodopentane (0.2ml,
1.5mmol) and refluxed overnight. The reaction was worked up as described for Example 1
25 and then purified on a silica gel column using 0.5% ethanol in dichloromethane as eluant
to give an oil (0.15g). The product was extracted into n-pentane and treated with ethereal
hydrogen chloride to give the **title compound** as a colourless solid, m.p. 134-136°C (from
acetone/diethyl ether).
¹H Nmr (free base)(CDCl₃) δ: 0.87 (3H, t, 7Hz), 1.26 (4H, m), 1.50 (2H, m), 2.27 (3H,
30 s), 2.49 (2H, t, J=7Hz), 2.96 (1H, dd, J=16Hz and J=7Hz), 3.15 (1H, dd, J=16Hz and
J=7Hz), 3.63 (1H, m), 5.72 (1H, d, J=5Hz), 6.95-7.40 (9H, m).

Example 5

(±) *trans* 1-(Phenylthio)-2-(N-methyl-N-pentylamino)indane Hydrochloride (E5)

35 A solution of (±) *trans* 1-(phenylthio)-2-methylaminoindane (0.27g, 1.05mmol) in dry
acetone (10ml) was treated with 1-iodopentane (0.17ml, 1.27mmol) and K₂CO₃ (0.15g,

1.05mmol), and refluxed under nitrogen for 22h. The reaction was worked up as described for Example 1, and the crude product was purified on a silica gel column using 0.5% ethanol in chloroform as eluant to give an oil (0.14g). The product was extracted into n-pentane and treated with ethereal hydrogen chloride to give the **title compound** as a colourless solid, m.p. 164-165.5°C (from acetone/diethyl ether).

¹H Nmr (free base)(CDCl₃) δ: 0.88 (3H, t, J=7Hz), 1.10-1.47 (6H, m), 2.06 (3H, s), 2.30 (2H, m), 2.88 (1H, dd, J=16Hz and J=3Hz), 3.11 (1H, dd, J=16Hz and J=7Hz), 3.68 (1H, m), 4.67 (1H, d, J=3Hz), 7.12-7.50 (9H, m).

10 Example 6

(±) trans 1-(3,4-Dichlorophenylthio)-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E6)

To a suspension of LiAlH₄ (0.34g, 9.05mmol) in dry diethyl ether under nitrogen was added a solution of (±) trans 1-(3,4-dichlorophenylthio)-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane (0.69g, 1.81mmol) in diethyl ether. After stirring at room temperature overnight, the reaction was worked up as described for Example 2, and then purified on a silica gel column using 1% ethanol in chloroform as eluant. The resulting oil (0.26g) was extracted into n-pentane and treated with ethereal hydrogen chloride to give the **title compound** as a colourless solid, m.p. 143-144°C (from methanol/diethyl ether).

¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ: 2.62 (3H, s), 3.15-3.45 (2H, m), 3.97 (1H, m), 5.41 (1H, m), 7.30-7.90 (7H, m), 9.80 (2H, br s).

Example 7

(±) trans 1-(2-Benzylanilino)-2-N,N-dimethylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E7a) and (±) cis 1-(2-Benzylanilino)-2-N,N-dimethylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E7b)

25 Method A

To a suspension of LiAlH₄ (0.26g, 6.88mmol) in dry diethyl ether (20ml) under nitrogen was added a solution of (±) trans 1-(2-benzylanilino)-2-(N-methyl-N-ethoxycarbonylamino)indane (0.55g, 1.38mmol) in dry tetrahydrofuran (10ml). After stirring at room temperature overnight, the reaction was worked as described for Example 2. The resulting brown oil contained two basic products as judged by thin layer chromatography (silica gel: 1% ethanol in chloroform). The mixture was separated on a silica gel column using 0.5-1% ethanol in chloroform as eluant. Pooling of fractions containing the more mobile component afforded a pale yellow oil (0.13g) which was extracted into n-pentane and treated with ethereal hydrogen chloride to give (±) cis 1-(2-benzylanilino)-2-N,N-dimethylaminoindane hydrochloride (E7a) as a colourless solid, m.p. 267-270°C (dec)(from methanol/diethyl ether).

¹H Nmr (free base)(CDCl₃) δ: 2.00 (6H, s), 2.80-3.10 (3H, m, overlapping signals), 3.86 (2H, ABq, J=15.5Hz), 4.62 (1H, br d), 5.38 (1H, br s), 6.70 (1H, t, J=7Hz), 6.95-7.50 (12H, m).

- 5 Pooling of fractions containing the less mobile component afforded a pale yellow oil (0.15g) which was treated with ethereal hydrogen chloride to give **(±) trans 1-(2-benzylanilino)-2-N,N-dimethylaminoindane hydrochloride (E7b)** as a colourless solid m.p. 222-223°C (dec)(from methanol/diethyl ether).

¹H Nmr (free base)(CDCl₃) δ: 2.13 (6H, s), 2.80-3.07 (3H, m, overlapping signals), 3.84 (3H, m, overlapping signals), 4.86 (1H, t, J=7Hz), 6.73 (1H, t, J=8Hz), 6.90-7.30 (12H, m).

Method B

- A solution of **(±) trans 1-(2-benzylanilino)-2-methylaminoindane** (0.10g, 0.30mmol) in dry acetone (4ml) was treated with iodomethane (47mg, 0.33mmol) and K₂CO₃ (41mg, 0.30mmol), and stirred overnight at room temperature. A further portion of iodomethane (24mg) was added, and stirring was continued overnight. The reaction was concentrated *in vacuo*, and the residue was partitioned between diethyl ether and water. The aqueous layer was further extracted with diethyl ether, and the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated *in vacuo* to give an oil (50mg) which was shown by ¹H Nmr to be identical to **(±) trans 1-(2-benzylanilino)-2-N,N-dimethylaminoindane (E7b)** obtained in Method A.

Example 8

- 25 **(±) trans 1-(2-Benzylanilino)-2-(N-methyl-N-ethylamino)indane hydrochloride (E8)**

A solution of **(±) trans 1-(2-benzylanilino)-2-methylaminoindane** (0.275g, 0.84mmol) in dry acetone was treated with iodoethane (0.16g, 1.0mmol) and K₂CO₃ (0.14g, 1.0mmol), then refluxed for 18h. During this period a further portion of iodoethane (0.026g) was added. The reaction was concentrated *in vacuo*, diluted with water and extracted with a mixture of ethyl acetate and diethyl ether. Purification by chromatography on a silica gel column using 1% ethanol in chloroform as eluant afforded a gum (0.29g) which was extracted into n-pentane and treated with ethereal hydrogen chloride to give the **title compound** as a colourless solid, m.p. 186-187.5°C (from methanol/diethyl ether).

¹H Nmr (free base)(CDCl₃) δ: 0.98 (3H, t, J=7Hz), 2.09 (3H, s), 2.40 (2H, m), 2.91 (2H, m), 3.17 (1H, q, J=7Hz), 3.83 (3H, m, overlapping signals), 4.86 (1H, t, J=7Hz), 6.70-7.30 (13H, m).

Example 9**(±) *trans* 1-(2-Naphthylthio)-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E9)**

- (±) *trans* 1-(2-Naphthylthio)-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane (0.31g, 0.86mmol) was reduced with LiAlH₄ (0.33g, 8.6mmol) as described for Example 2. After stirring at room temperature for 24h, the reaction was worked up as described for Example 2. Purification on a silica gel column using 1% ethanol in chloroform as eluant afforded an oil (0.14g) which was extracted into n-pentane and treated with ethereal hydrogen chloride to give the **title compound** as a colourless solid, m.p. 196-197.5°C (dec.)(from methanol/diethyl ether).
- ¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ: 2.51 (3H, s), 3.17 (1H, dd, J=18Hz and J=5Hz), 3.32 (1H, dd, J=18Hz and J=7Hz), 3.90 (1H, m), 5.38 (1H, d, J=5Hz), 7.20-8.25 (11H, m), 9.73 (2H, s).

Example 10**(±) *trans* 1-(4-Benzylanilino)-2-methylaminoindane (E10)**

- (±) *trans* 1-(4-Benzoylanilino)-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane (1.0g, 2.50mmol) was reduced with LiAlH₄ (0.95g, 25.0mmol) as described for Example 2. After stirring at room temperature for 2 days, the reaction was worked up as described for Example 2. Purification on a silica gel column using 0-2% ethanol in chloroform as eluant afforded a solid (0.58g) which was recrystallised to give the **title compound** as a colourless solid, m.p. 137-138°C (from methanol/diethyl ether/n-pentane).
- ¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ: 1.60 (1H, br s), 2.52 (3H, s), 2.72 (1H, dd, J=15Hz and J=6Hz), 3.25 (2H, m, overlapping signals), 3.82 (1H, br d), 3.90 (2H, s), 4.78 (1H, br m), 6.69 (2H, d, J=8Hz), 7.02 (2H, d, J=8Hz), 7.10-7.36 (9H, m).

Example 11**(±) *trans* 1-(3,4-Dichloroanilino)-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E11)**

- (±) *trans* 1-(3,4-Dichloroanilino)-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane (0.73g, 2.0mmol) was reduced with LiAlH₄ (0.38g, 10.0mmol) as described for Example 2. After stirring at room temperature for 24h, the reaction was worked up as described for Example 2. Purification on silica gel using 0-2% ethanol in chloroform afforded a solid (0.23g) which was treated with ethereal hydrogen chloride to give the **title compound** as a colourless solid, m.p. 189-191°C (from acetone/diethyl ether).
- ¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ: 2.76 (3H, s), 3.23 (1H, dd, J=15.5 and J=7Hz), 3.50 (1H, dd, J=15.5Hz and J=7Hz), 3.92 (1H, m), 5.57 (1H, t, J=7Hz), 6.80-7.60 (8H, m), 9.84 (2H, br s).

Example 12**(±)cis-1-(2-Benzylphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E12)**

To a solution of LiAlH₄ (436mg, 12mmol) in dry tetrahydrofuran (30 ml) under nitrogen was added dropwise a solution of (±)cis-1-(2-benzylphenoxy)-2-tert-butoxycarbonyl-aminoindane (500mg, 1.2mmol) in dry tetrahydrofuran (10ml). The reaction was heated at reflux for 2 h then cooled with an ice/water bath and quenched with the minimum of water. The reaction was filtered and dried over Na₂SO₄. Solvents were removed *in vacuo* and the residue subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 5% ethanol in chloroform to afford a colourless oil (356mg,) which was converted to the HCl salt and crystallised to afford the **title compound** as a white solid. m.p. 191-193°C (from acetone-diethyl ether).

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ : 2.57 (3H,s), 3.25 (2H, d, J=8Hz), 3.66 (1H, d, J=15Hz), 3.83 (1H, m) 3.90 (1H, d, J=15Hz), 5.88 (1H, d, J=6Hz), 6.80-7.40 (13H, m), 9.31 (1H, br. s), 9.67 (1H, br. s)

Example 13**(±)cis-1-(2-Benzylphenoxy)-2-dimethylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E13)**

The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Example 12 from LiAlH₄ (401mg, 10.6mmol), cis-1-(2-benzylphenoxy)-2-(N-methyl-N-tert-butoxycarbonyl-amino)indane (453mg, 1.06mmol) and tetrahydrofuran (50ml). After a reaction time of 3 h the reaction was worked up as previously described and subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 5% ethanol in chloroform to afford a pale green oil (331mg) which was converted to the HCl salt and crystallised to afford the **title compound** as a white solid. m.p. 222-225°C (from methanol-diethyl ether).

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ : 2.52+2.55 (3H, s+s, mixture of protomers), 2.75+2.77 (3H, s+s, mixture of protomers), 3.32 (1H, dd, J=7,16Hz), 3.57 (1H, dd, J=7,16Hz), 3.68 (1H, d, J=15Hz), 3.92 (1H, d, J=15Hz), 4.05 (1H, m), 5.93 (1H, d, J=7Hz), 6.85 (2H, m), 6.94-7.38 (11H, m), 12.57 (1H, br. s).

Example 14**(±)cis-1-(4-Benzyloxyphenoxy)-2-Methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E14)**

The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Example 12 from LiAlH₄ (760mg, 20mmol), (±) cis-1-(4-benzyloxyphenoxy)-2-tert-butoxycarbonylaminoindane (1g, 2.3mmol) and tetrahydrofuran (50ml). After a reaction time of 4 h the reaction was worked up as previously described and subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 5% ethanol in chloroform to afford a pale yellow oil (765mg) which was

converted to the HCl salt and crystallised to afford the **title compound** as a white solid.
m.p. >195°C dec.(from methanol-diethyl ether).

¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ : 2.78 (3H, s), 3.39 (2H, m), 4.14 (1H, m), 5.15 (2H, s), 5.96 (1H, d, J=7Hz), 7.07 (2H, d, J=9Hz), 7.20 (2H, d, J=9Hz), 7.25-7.63 (9H,m), 9.70 (2H, br. s)

5

Example 15

(±)*cis*-1-(4-Benzoyloxyphenoxy)-2-dimethylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E15)

The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Example 12 from LiAlH₄ (769mg, 20.2mmol), *cis*-1-(4-benzoyloxyphenoxy)-2-(N-methyl-N-*tert*-butoxycarbonyl-
10 amino)indane (900mg, 2.02mmol) and tetrahydrofuran (50ml). After a reaction time of 3 hours the reaction was worked up as previously described and subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 5% ethanol in chloroform to afford a pale green oil (640mg) which was converted to the HCl salt and crystallised to afford the **title compound** as a white solid. m.p. 215-216°C dec. (from methanol-diethyl ether).

15 ¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ : 2.93 (6H, s), 3.36 (4H, m), 4.17 (1H, br. s), 5.06 (2H, m), 5.86 (1H,d, J=7Hz), 6.96 (1H, d, J=9Hz), 7.02 (1H, d, J=9Hz), 7.05-7.54 (9H, m), 10.50 (1H, br. s)

Example 16

20 (±)*cis*-1-[5-(2-Phenylbenzo[b]furanyloxy)]-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E16)

The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Example 12 from LiAlH₄ (646mg, 17mmol), (±) *cis*-1-[5-(2-phenylbenzo[b]furanyloxy)]-2-*tert*-
butoxycarbonylaminoindane (750mg, 1.7mmol) and tetrahydrofuran (40ml). After a
25 reaction time of 3 h the reaction was worked up as previously described and subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 2% ethanol in chloroform to afford a colourless oil (556mg) which was converted to the HCl salt and crystallised to afford the **title compound** as a white solid. m.p. >230°C dec. (from methanol-diethyl ether).

30 ¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ : 2.73 (3H, s), 3.38 (2H, m), 4.13 (1H, q, J=7Hz), 5.87 (1H, d, J=7Hhz), 7.05-7.66 (11H, m), 7.93 (2H, d, J=8Hz), 9.14 (2H, br. s).

Example 17

(±)*cis*-1-[(4-Phenoxy)phenoxy]-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E17)

The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Example 12 from LiAlH₄ (760mg, 20mmol), (±)*cis*-1-[(4-phenoxy)phenoxy]-2-*tert*-butoxycarbonylaminoindane
35 (1.39mg, 3.3mmol) and tetrahydrofuran (40ml). After a reaction time of 3 h the reaction

was worked up as previously described and subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 2% ethanol in chloroform to afford a pale pink oil (951mg) which was converted to the HCl salt and crystallised to afford the **title compound** as a white solid. m.p. 188-190°C (from methanol-diethyl ether).

- 5 ^1H Nmr (DMSO- d_6) δ : 2.67 (3H, s), 3.31 (2H, m), 4.09 (1H, q, $J=7\text{Hz}$), 5.86 (1H, d, $J=7\text{Hz}$), 6.90-7.47 (13H, m), 9.59 (2H, br. s)

Example 18

(+)*trans*-1-(4-Benzyloxyphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E18)

- 10 The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Example 12 from LiAlH_4 (190mg, 5mmol), *trans*-1-(4-benzyloxyphenoxy)-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane (750mg, 1.7mmol) and tetrahydrofuran (50ml). After a reaction time of 18 h at room temperature and a further hour at reflux, the reaction was worked up as previously described and subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 2% ethanol in chloroform to afford a pale yellow oil (290mg) which was converted to the HCl salt and crystallised to afford the **title compound** as a white solid. m.p. 185-187°C (from methanol-diethyl ether).

- 15 ^1H Nmr (DMSO- d_6) δ : 2.61 (3H, s), 3.11 (1H, dd, $J=7,15\text{Hz}$), 3.41 (1H, dd, $J=7,15\text{Hz}$), 4.00 (1H, q, $J=7\text{Hz}$), 5.09 (2H, s), 6.18 (1H, d, $J=7\text{Hz}$), 6.96-7.52 (13H, m), 9.80 (2H, br. s).

20

Example 19

(+)*cis*-1-(4-Benzylphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E19)

- The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Example 12 from LiAlH_4 (320mg, 8.4mmol), *cis*-1-(4-benzylphenoxy)-2-tert-butoxycarbonylaminoindane (700mg, 1.7mmol) and tetrahydrofuran (40ml). After a reaction time of 2.5 h the reaction was worked up as previously described and subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 2% ethanol in chloroform to afford a colourless oil (438mg) which was converted to the HCl salt and crystallised to afford the **title compound** as a white solid. m.p. 222°C dec. (from methanol-diethyl ether).

- 25 ^1H Nmr (DMSO- d_6) δ : 2.65 (3H, s), 3.29 (2H, m), 3.88 (2H, s), 4.07 (1H, q, $J=7\text{Hz}$), 5.88 (1H, d, $J=7\text{Hz}$), 7.04-7.47 (13H, m), 9.48 (2H, br. s)

Example 20**(±) *trans* 1-(2-Benzylanilino)-2-methylamino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene Hydrochloride (E20)**

- (±) *trans* 1-(2-Benzylanilino)-2-ethoxycarbonylaminoindane (2.47g, 6.2mmol) was reduced with LiAlH₄ (1.18g, 31.0mmol) as described for Example 2 employing a reaction time of 18h. The reaction was worked up as described for Example 2. Crystallisation from diethyl ether/n-pentane afforded a colourless solid (1.52g) which was treated with ethereal hydrogen chloride to give the **title compound** as a colourless solid, m.p. 178-180°C (from acetone/diethyl ether).
- ¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ: 2.15 (1H, m), 2.32 (1H, m), 2.64 (3H, s), 3.00 (2H, m), 3.63 (1H, m), 4.03 (2H, ABq, J=17Hz), 5.13 (1H, t, J=8Hz), 5.52 (1H, d, J=8Hz), 6.68 (1H, t, J=7Hz), 6.88-7.48 (12H, m), 9.25 (2H, br s).

Example 21**(±) *cis* 2-Amino-1-(4-cyanophenoxy)indane Hydrochloride (E21)**

- A solution of (±) *cis* 2-amino-1-indanol (0.745g, 5.0mmol) in dry dimethyl sulfoxide (15ml), was treated with sodium hydride (0.18g of an 80% dispersion in oil; 6.0mmol). After stirring for 3h at room temperature under argon 4-fluorobenzonitrile (0.73g, 6.0mmol) was added in one portion. The mixture was warmed slowly to 40-50°C and held at this temperature for 2h. The reaction was quenched at ice temperature with glacial acetic acid (0.34ml, 6.0mmol) and then concentrated *in vacuo* using co-distillation with xylene. The residue was partitioned between water (30ml) and diethyl ether (60ml). The aqueous layer was basified with potassium carbonate and further extracted with diethyl ether (4x60ml). The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and then concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification by chromatography on silica gel eluting with 5-7.5% ethanol in diethyl ether afforded an oil (1.28g). Extraction into a mixture of pentane and diethyl ether followed treatment with ethereal HCl afforded the hydrochloride salt which was recrystallised to give the **title compound** as a colourless solid (1.14g), m.p. 230-231 °C (from methanol/diethyl ether).
- ¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ: 3.38 (2H, m), 4.30 (1H, q, J=6Hz), 6.18 (1H, d, J=6Hz), 7.30-7.63 (4H, m), 7.94 (2H, d, J=7Hz), 8.83 (3H, br s).

Example 22**(±) *cis* 1-(4-Cyanophenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E22)**

- The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Example 21 from (±) *cis* 2-methylamino-1-indanol (0.815g, 5.0mmol), sodium hydride (0.18g of an 80% dispersion

in oil; 6.0mmol) and 4-fluorobenzonitrile (0.73g, 6.0mmol). The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica eluting with 0-4% ethanol in diethyl ether. Extraction of the resulting pale brown oil (1.33g) into a mixture of pentane and diethyl ether followed by treatment with ethereal HCl afforded the hydrochloride salt which was recrystallised to give the **title compound** as a colourless solid (1.15g), m.p. 221-223 °C (from methanol/acetone/diethyl ether).

¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ: 2.67 (3H, s), 3.38 (2H, m), 4.13 (1H, m), 6.15 (1H, d, J=6Hz), 7.20-7.55 (6H, m), 7.83 (2H, d, J=7Hz), 9.68 (2H, br s).

10 Example 23

(±) *cis* 2-Methylamino-1-(4-trifluoromethylphenoxy)indane Hydrochloride (E23)

The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Example 21 from (±) *cis* 2-methylamino-1-indanol (0.49g, 3.0mmol), sodium hydride (0.11g of an 80% dispersion in oil; 3.6mmol) and 4-fluorobenzotrifluoride (0.59g, 3.6mmol). The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica eluting with 0-2% ethanol in diethyl ether. The resulting pale brown oil (0.77g) was dissolved in a mixture of hexane and diethyl ether and treated with ethereal HCl to give the hydrochloride salt. Recrystallisation afforded the **title compound** as a colourless solid (0.7g), m.p. 221-223 °C (from methanol/acetone/diethyl ether).

¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ: 2.78 (3H, s), 3.47 (2H, m), 4.23 (1H, m), 6.22 (1H, d, J=6Hz), 7.30-7.65 (6H, m), 7.82 (2H, d, J=7.5Hz), 9.80 (2H, br s).

Example 24

(±) *cis*-1-Phenoxy-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E24)

The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Example 12 from LiAlH₄ (250mg, 6.5 mmol), (±) *cis*-1-phenoxy-2-*tert*-butoxycarbonylaminoindane (425mg, 1.3mmol) and tetrahydrofuran (30ml). After a reaction time of 2 h the reaction was worked up as previously described and subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 5% ethanol in chloroform to afford a colourless oil (290mg) which was converted to the HCl salt and crystallised to afford the **title compound** as a white solid. m.p. >215°C dec. (from methanol-diethyl ether).

¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ: 2.72 (3H, s), 3.40 (2H, m), 4.15 (1H, m), 6.00 (1H, d, J=6Hz), 7.06 (1H, t, J=7Hz), 7.27 (2H, m), 7.41 (5H, m), 9.54 (2H, br. s).

Example 25**(±) *cis* 2-Amino-1-(4-trifluoromethylphenoxy)indane Hydrochloride (E25)**

The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Example 21 from (±) *cis* 2-amino-1-indanol (0.45g, 3.0mmol), sodium hydride (0.11g of an 80% dispersion in oil; 3.6mmol) and 4-fluorobenzotrifluoride (0.59g, 3.6mmol). The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica eluting with 0-2% ethanol in diethyl ether. The resulting oil (0.49g) was dissolved in a mixture of hexane and diethyl ether and treated with ethereal HCl to give the hydrochloride salt. Recrystallisation afforded the **title compound** as a colourless solid (0.44g), m.p. 231 °C (dec) (from ethyl acetate/diethyl ether).

10

¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ: 3.33 (2H, m), 4.28 (1H, q, J=6Hz), 6.14 (1H, d, J=6Hz), 7.30-7.62 (6H, m), 7.80 (2H, d, J=7Hz), 8.67 (3H, br s).

Example 26**(±) *cis* 2-Amino-1-(4-Benzoylphenoxy)indane Hydrochloride (E26)**

The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Example 21 from (±) *cis* 2-amino-1-indanol (0.20g, 1.34mmol), sodium hydride (48mg of an 80% dispersion in oil; 1.61mmol) and 4-fluorobenzophenone (0.32g, 1.61mmol). The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica eluting with 0-5% ethanol in diethyl ether. The resulting orange oil (0.34g) was extracted into pentane and treated with ethereal HCl to give the hydrochloride salt. Recrystallisation afforded the **title compound** as a colourless solid, m.p. 175 °C (dec) (from methanol/diethyl ether).

20

¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ: 3.30 (2H, m), 4.20 (1H, m), 6.08 (1H, d, J=6Hz), 7.15-7.95 (13H, m), 8.70 (3H, br s).

25

Example 27**(±) *cis* 1-(4-Benzoylphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E27)**

A solution of (±) *cis* 2-methylamino-1-indanol (0.34g, 2.1mmol) in dry dimethyl sulfoxide (15ml) was treated with sodium hydride (75mg of an 80% dispersion in oil; 2.5mmol). After stirring for 2.5h at room temperature under argon 4-fluorobenzophenone (0.50g, 2.5mmol) was added in one portion. The mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature and then worked up as described in Example 21. The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica eluting with 0-4% ethanol in diethyl ether. The resulting pale brown oil (0.61g) was extracted into a mixture of hexane and diethyl ether and treated with ethereal HCl to give the hydrochloride salt. Recrystallisation afforded the

35

title compound as a colourless solid (0.53g), m.p. 225°C (dec) (from methanol/acetone/diethyl ether).

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ: 2.72 (3H, s), 3.40 (1H, dd, J=15Hz and J=7Hz), 3.58 (1H, dd, J=15Hz and J=7Hz), 3.93 (1H, m), 6.00 (1H, d, J=6Hz), 7.10-7.88 (13H, m), 10.18 (2H, br s).

5

Examples 28 and 29

(+)-*cis*-1-(4-Benzyloxyphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E28)

(-)-*cis*-1-(4-Benzyloxyphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E29)

To a solution of S-(+)-α-methoxyphenylacetic acid (5g, 30mmol) in dichloromethane (250ml) was added thionyl chloride (37.5ml) and the mixture heated at reflux for 90 minutes. On cooling, the mixture was concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was then dissolved in dichloromethane (125ml) and added to a mixture of (±)-*cis*-1-(4-benzyloxyphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane (10.29g, 30mmol), dichloromethane (125ml) and 1M aq. sodium hydroxide (250ml). The two phase mixture was then stirred vigorously for 1h. The layers were then separated and the aqueous phase extracted with dichloromethane. The combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried over sodium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*

to afford a 50:50 mixture of two diastereomers which were readily separated by column chromatography on silica gel, eluting with 50% ether in petrol.

The more polar diastereomer (7g, 14mmol) was then dissolved in dry tetrahydrofuran (150ml) under argon and treated with methyl lithium (1.4M in diethyl ether, 40ml, 57mmol). After 30 minutes at room temperature the reaction was quenched with glacial acetic acid (5ml), poured into aqueous potassium carbonate (500ml) and extracted with diethyl ether. The combined organic extracts were dried over sodium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 5% ethanol in chloroform to afford a brown oil (1.51g) which was converted to the HCl salt and crystallised to afford (-)-*cis*-1-(4-benzyloxyphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane hydrochloride as a white solid. m.p. >220 °C dec. (from methanol-diethyl ether).

Specific optical rotation = -178° (chloroform, c=1, 20°C)

The less polar diastereomer (6.5g, 13mmol) was then dissolved in dry tetrahydrofuran and treated with potassium *tert*-butoxide (65g), and water (1.1ml). The mixture was then stirred vigorously for 90 minutes. After filtering off the solid material, the mixture was poured into water (400ml) and extracted with diethyl ether. The combined organic extracts were dried over sodium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford a yellow oil which was converted to the HCl salt and crystallised to afford (+)-*cis*-1-(4-benzyloxyphenoxy)-

2-methylaminoindane hydrochloride (3g) as a white solid. m.p. >205 °C dec. (from methanol-diethyl ether).

Specific optical rotation = +177° (chloroform, c=1, 20°C)

5 Example 30

(±) *cis* 2-Amino-1-(3,4-dichlorophenoxy)indane Hydrochloride (E30)

The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Example 26 from (±) *cis* 2-amino-1-indanol (2.24g, 15.0mmol), sodium hydride (0.54g of an 80% dispersion in oil; 18.0mmol) and 1,2-dichloro-4-fluorobenzene (2.97g, 18.0mmol). The crude product was
10 purified by chromatography on silica eluting with 0-4% ethanol in diethyl ether. The resulting light brown oil (3.89g) was extracted into a mixture of hexane and diethyl ether and treated with ethereal HCl to give the hydrochloride salt. Recrystallisation afforded the **title compound** as a colourless solid, m.p. 214-215 °C (dec) (from methanol/ethyl acetate/diethyl ether).

15 ¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ: 3.23 (2H, m), 4.15 (1H, m), 5.91 (1H, d, J=6Hz), 7.15-7.60 (7H, m), 8.48 (3H, br s).

Example 31

(±) *cis* 1-(3,4-Dichlorophenoxy)-2-dimethylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E31)

20 A solution of (±) *cis* 2-amino-1-(3,4-dichlorophenoxy)indane (0.88g, 3.0mmol) in acetonitrile (40ml) was treated with formaldehyde (2ml of a 37% aqueous solution, 26mmol) followed by sodium cyanoborohydride (0.38g, 6.0mmol). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6 days while maintaining the pH at 5-7 by the addition of glacial acetic acid. The reaction mixture was diluted with diethyl ether and washed with
25 1M sodium hydroxide followed by brine. The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated *in vacuo*. Passage through a short column of neutral alumina eluting with 0.5-1% ethanol in chloroform afforded a colourless oil which was converted into the hydrochloride salt and recrystallised to give the **title compound** as a colourless solid (0.6g), m.p. 219-220 °C (from methanol/ethyl acetate/diethyl ether).

30 ¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ: 2.90 and 2.95 (each 3H, d, J=2Hz, protomers), 3.45 (2H, m), 4.25 (1H, m), 6.16 (1H, d, J=6Hz), 7.20-7.70 (7H, m), 10.91 1H, br s).

Example 32

(±) *cis* 1-(3,4-Dichlorophenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E32)

35 The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Example 26 from (±) *cis* 2-methylamino-1-indanol (0.815g, 5.0mmol), sodium hydride (0.18g of an 80% dispersion

in oil; 6.0mmol) and 1,2-dichloro-4-fluorobenzene (0.99g, 6.0mmol). The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica eluting with 0-3% ethanol in diethyl ether. The resulting brown oil (1.3g) was dissolved in hexane and treated with ethereal HCl to give the hydrochloride salt. Recrystallisation afforded the **title compound** as a colourless solid
5 , m.p. 238-239 °C (dec) (from methanol/diethyl ether).

¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ: 2.65 (3H, s), 3.31 (2H, m), 4.10 (1H, m), 6.02 (1H, d, J=6Hz), 7.20-7.65 (7H, m), 9.65 (2H, br s).

Example 33

10 (±) *cis* 1-[4-(4-Fluorophenoxy)phenoxy]-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E33)

A solution of (±) *cis* 2-methylamino-1-indanol (0.815g, 5.0mmol) in dry dimethyl sulfoxide (20ml) was treated with sodium hydride (0.18g of an 80% dispersion in oil; 6.0mmol). After stirring for 3h at room temperature under argon bis-(4-fluorophenyl)-ether (2.06g, 10.0mmol) was added and the mixture was heated at 60 °C for 18h. The
15 reaction was worked up as described in Example 21 and the crude product was purified by chromatography on silica eluting with 0-4% ethanol in diethyl ether. The resulting light brown oil (0.78g) was extracted into hexane and treated with ethereal HCl to give the hydrochloride salt. Recrystallisation afforded the **title compound** as a colourless solid (0.67g), m.p. 198-200 °C (from methanol/acetone/diethyl ether).

20 ¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ: 2.70 (3H, s), 3.35 (2H, m), 4.10 (1H, m), 5.88 (1H, d, J=6Hz), 6.90-7.50 (12H, m), 9.60 (1H, br s).

Example 34

(±)*cis*-1-(4-Phenylphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E34)

25 To a solution of LiAlH₄ (1.39g, 37mmol) in dry tetrahydrofuran (50 ml) under argon was added dropwise a solution of (±)*cis*-1-(4-phenylphenoxy)-2-tert-butoxycarbonyl-aminoindane (2.38g, 6mmol) in dry tetrahydrofuran (100ml). The reaction was heated at reflux for 2h then cooled with an ice/water bath and quenched with the minimum of water. The reaction was filtered and dried over MgSO₄. Solvents were removed *in vacuo* and the
30 residue subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 5% ethanol in chloroform to afford a colourless oil (980mg), which was converted to the HCl salt and crystallised to afford the **title compound** as a white solid. m.p. >242°C dec. (from methanol- diethyl ether).

35 ¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ : 2.75 (3H, s), 3.41 (2H, m), 4.20 (1H, q, J=7Hz), 6.09 (1H, d, J=7Hz), 7.30-7.55 (9H, m), 7.72 (4H, m), 9.68 (2H, br.s).

Example 35**(±)cis-1-(3-Phenylphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E35)**

To a solution of LiAlH_4 (1.53g, 40mmol) in dry tetrahydrofuran (50 ml) under argon was added dropwise a solution of (±)cis-1-(3-phenylphenoxy)-2-tert-butoxycarbonyl-aminoindane (3.08g, 8mmol) in dry tetrahydrofuran (150ml). The reaction was heated at reflux for 3h then cooled with an ice/water bath and quenched with the minimum of water. The reaction was filtered and dried over MgSO_4 . Solvents were removed *in vacuo* and the residue subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 5% ethanol in chloroform to afford a colourless oil (1.38g,) which was converted to the HCl salt and crystallised to afford the **title compound** as a white solid. m.p. $>185^\circ\text{C}$ dec. (from methanol- diethyl ether).

^1H Nmr (CDCl_3) δ : 2.68 (3H, s), 3.26-3.43 (2H, m), 4.13 (1H, q, $J=7\text{Hz}$), 6.07 (1H, d, $J=7\text{Hz}$), 7.25 (2H, t, $J=7\text{Hz}$), 7.33-7.51 (9H, m), 7.70 (2H, d, $J=7\text{Hz}$), 9.57 (2H, br.s).

Example 36**(±)cis-1-(4-tert-Butylphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E36)**

To a solution of LiAlH_4 (730mg, 19mmol) in dry tetrahydrofuran (30 ml) under argon was added dropwise a solution of (±)cis-1-(4-tert-butylphenoxy)-2-tert-butoxycarbonyl-aminoindane (1.4g, 3.7mmol) in dry tetrahydrofuran (60ml). The reaction was heated at reflux for 3h then cooled with an ice/water bath and quenched with the minimum of water. The reaction was filtered and dried over MgSO_4 . Solvents were removed *in vacuo* and the residue subjected to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 5% ethanol in chloroform to afford a colourless oil (618mg,) which was converted to the HCl salt and crystallised to afford the **title compound** as a white solid. m.p. $>218^\circ\text{C}$ dec. (from methanol- diethyl ether).

^1H Nmr (CDCl_3) δ : 1.26 (9H, s), 2.64 (3H, s), 3.27-3.33 (2H, m), 4.08 (1H, q, $J=7\text{Hz}$), 5.99 (1H, d, $J=7\text{Hz}$), 7.13 (2H, d, $J=9\text{Hz}$), 7.23 (1H, m), 7.32-7.40 (5H, m), 9.49 (2H, br.s).

Example 37**(±) cis-2-Amino-1-[4-(4-fluorophenoxy)phenoxy]]indane Hydrochloride (E37)**

A solution of (±) cis-2-amino-1-indanol (0.745g, 5.0mmol) in dry dimethyl sulfoxide (20ml) was treated with sodium hydride (0.18g of an 80% dispersion in oil; 6.0mmol). After stirring for 3h at room temperature under argon bis-(4-fluorophenyl)-ether (2.06g, 10.0mmol) was added in one portion. The mixture was heated at 60°C for 24h. After quenching with glacial acetic acid (0.32ml) the reaction was worked up as described in Example 21. The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica eluting with 0-5% ethanol in diethyl ether. The resulting dark oil was extracted into a mixture of hexane

and diethyl ether and insoluble impurities were removed by filtration. The filtrate was treated with ethereal HCl to give the hydrochloride salt. Recrystallisation afforded the **title compound** as a colourless solid (0.69g), m.p. 225°C (dec) (from methanol/acetone/diethyl ether).

- 5 ¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ: 3.23 (2H, m), 4.13 (1H, q, J=7Hz), 5.78 (1H, d, J=7Hz), 7.00 (4H, m), 7.20 (5H, m), 7.38 (3H, m), 8.65 (3H, br s).

Example 38

(±) *cis*-2-Amino-1-[4-(4-fluorobenzoyl)phenoxy]indane Hydrochloride (E38)

- 10 A solution of (±) *cis*-2-amino-1-indanol (0.745g, 5.0mmol) in dry dimethyl sulfoxide (20ml) was treated with sodium hydride (0.18g of an 80% dispersion in oil; 6.0mmol). After stirring for 2.5h at room temperature under argon 4,4'-difluorobenzophenone (1.31g, 6.0mmol) was added in one portion. The mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature. After quenching with glacial acetic acid (0.32ml) the reaction was worked up as described in Example 21. The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica eluting with 0-5% ethanol in diethyl ether. The resulting oil (1.0g) was extracted into a mixture of hexane and diethyl ether and insoluble impurities were removed by filtration. The filtrate was treated with ethereal HCl to give the hydrochloride salt. Recrystallisation afforded the **title compound** as a colourless solid (0.97g), m.p. 119-122°C (from
- 15 methanol/diethyl ether).
- 20 ¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ: 3.28 (2H, m), 4.20 (1H, q, J=7Hz), 6.10 (1H, d, J=7Hz), 7.20-7.58 (8H, m), 7.80 (4H, m), 8.70 (3H, br s).

Example 39

- 25 (±) *cis*-1-[4-(4-Fluorobenzoyl)phenoxy]-2-methylaminoindane Hydrochloride (E39)

- A solution of (±) *cis* 2-methylamino-1-indanol (0.815g, 5.0mmol) in dry dimethyl sulfoxide (20ml) was treated with sodium hydride (0.18g of an 80% dispersion in oil; 6.0mmol). After stirring for 2.5h at room temperature under argon 4,4'-difluorobenzophenone (1.31g, 6.0mmol) was added in one portion. The mixture was
- 30 stirred overnight at room temperature. After quenching with glacial acetic acid (0.32ml) the reaction was worked up as described in Example 21. The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica eluting with 0-5% ethanol in diethyl ether. The resulting oil was extracted into a mixture of hexane and diethyl ether and insoluble impurities were removed by filtration. The filtrate was treated with ethereal HCl to give the hydrochloride salt. Recrystallisation afforded the **title compound** as a colourless solid, m.p. 229-230°C (dec.) (from methanol/diethyl ether).
- 35 ¹H Nmr (DMSO-d₆) δ: 2.66 (3H, s), 3.32 (2H, m), 4.12 (1H, br. m), 6.15 (1H, d, J=7Hz), 7.25 (1H, m), 7.40 (6H, m), 7.58 (1H, d, J=7Hz), 7.82 (4H, m).

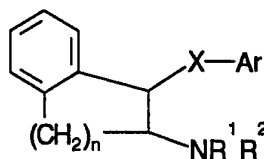
Example 40**(±) cis-1-[4-(4-Fluorophenoxy)phenoxy]-2-isopropylaminoindane (E40)**

The title compound was prepared in a similar manner to Example 31 from (±) cis-2-amino-1-[4-(4-fluorophenoxy)phenoxy]indane (70 mg, 0.2mmol), sodium cyanoborohydride (25mg, 0.4mmol), acetone (0.29ml, 4mmol) and acetonitrile (10ml). After subjecting the crude product to column chromatography on silica gel eluting with 5% ethanol in chloroform, residual boron impurities were removed by dissolving the product in hexanes and filtering. Removal of the hexanes *in vacuo* afforded the **title compound** (40mg) as a colourless oil.

¹H Nmr (CDCl₃) δ : 1.05 (3H, d, J=6Hz), 1.13 (3H, d, J=6Hz), 1.85 (1H, br. s), 3.00 (2H, m), 3.15 (1H, dd, J=7,15Hz) 3.71 (1H, m), 5.46 (1H, d, J=5Hz), 6.86-7.42 (12H, m).

Claims

1. The use of a compound of formula (I) :



Formula (I)

wherein

X represents O, S or NH;

R¹ and R² each independently represent hydrogen, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₃₋₆cycloalkyl, or C₁₋₄alkyl-C₃₋₆cycloalkyl;

n is 1,2 or 3; and

Ar represents an phenyl optionally substituted by 1 to 3 substituents selected from :

halo, C₁₋₄alkyl, C₁₋₄alkoxy, C₁₋₂alkylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, CN, NO₂, amino, mono- or di-alkylamino, optionally substituted benzoyl and

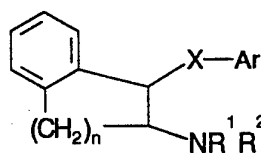
Ph(CH₂)_rY(CH₂)_s- where Ph is optionally substituted phenyl, Y is oxygen or a bond and r and s each independently represent 0-4 provided that the sum of r+s is not greater than 4, or

Ar represents an optionally substituted unsaturated monocyclic heteroaryl ring system containing 5 or 6 ring members, or an optionally substituted, unsaturated or partially saturated bicyclic aryl or heteroaryl ring system containing 8-10 ring members, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, in the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of a disorder wherein a calcium channel antagonist is indicated.

2. Use according to claim 1 wherein the disorder is a condition or disease related to an accumulation of calcium in the brain cells of a mammal.

3. Method of treatment of a condition or disease related to the accumulation of calcium in the brain cells of a mammal which comprises administering to a subject in need thereof an effective amount of a compound of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

4. A compound of formula (IA):



Formula (IA)

wherein

X represents O, S or NH;

- 5 R^1 and R^2 each independently represent hydrogen, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, or C_{1-4} alkyl- C_{3-6} cycloalkyl;

n is 1,2 or 3; and

Ar represents phenyl optionally substituted by 1 to 3 substituents selected from :

- 10 halo, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, C_{1-2} alkylenedioxy, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, CN, NO_2 , amino, mono- or di- alkylamino, optionally substituted benzoyl and $Ph(CH_2)_rY(CH_2)_s-$ where Ph is optionally substituted phenyl, Y is oxygen or a bond and r and s each independently represent 0-4 provided that the sum of r+s is not greater than 4, or

Ar represents an optionally substituted unsaturated monocyclic heteroaryl ring system

- 15 containing 5 or 6 ring members, or an optionally substituted, unsaturated or partially saturated bicyclic aryl or heteroaryl ring system containing 8-10 ring members, with the proviso that when X is O or S then Ar is not an unsubstituted phenyl group or phenyl substituted by lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, trifluoromethyl or halogen; or a salt thereof.

20

5. A compound according to claim 4 wherein Ar represents phenyl substituted by optionally substituted benzoyl or a group $Ph(CH_2)_rY(CH_2)_s-$.

- 25 6. A compound according to claim 5 wherein r and s independently represent zero or 1, such that the sum of r and s does not exceed 1.

7. A compound according to any of claims 4 to 6 wherein n represents 1 or 2.

- 30 8. A compound according to any of claims 4 to 7 wherein at least one of R^1 and R^2 represents C_{1-6} alkyl.

9. A compound according to any of claims 4 to 8 wherein R^1 is methyl or isopropyl.

35

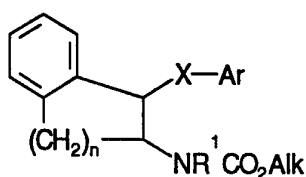
10. A compound according to any of claims 4 to 9 wherein R^2 is hydrogen.
11. A compound according to any of claims 4 to 10 wherein X is O.
- 5 12. A compound according to any of claims 4 to 12 in which the optionally substituted benzoyl group or the $\text{Ph}(\text{CH}_2)_r\text{Y}(\text{CH}_2)_s$ group is in the 4-position.
13. A compound according to any of claims 4 to 12 wherein $\text{Ph}(\text{CH}_2)_r\text{Y}(\text{CH}_2)_s$ is optionally substituted benzyloxy, benzyl, or phenoxy, where the
 10 optional substituents are halogen, C_{1-4} alkoxy, C_{1-4} alkyl, trifluoromethyl or trifluoromethoxy.
14. A compound according to any of claims 4 to 13 wherein the substituents on optionally substituted benzoyl, benzyloxy, benzyl, or phenoxy is 4-fluoro, 4-chloro, 3-fluoro, 3-chloro or 3,4-dichloro.
- 15 15. A compound of formula (I) selected from :
- ($\pm$) *trans* 1-(2-benzylanilino)-2-methylaminoindane,
 ($\pm$) *trans* 1-(3,4-dichlorophenylthio)-2-methylaminoindane,
 ($\pm$) *cis*-1-(4-benzyloxyphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
 (+) *cis*-1-(4-benzyloxyphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
 20 (-) *cis*-1-(4-benzyloxyphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
 ($\pm$) *cis*-1-[(4-phenoxy)phenoxy]-2-methylaminoindane,
 ($\pm$) *trans*-1-(4-benzyloxyphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
 ($\pm$) *cis*-1-(4-benzylphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
 ($\pm$) *cis* 2-amino-1-(4-benzoylphenoxy)indane,
 25 ($\pm$) *cis* 1-(4-benzoylphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
 ($\pm$) *cis* 2-amino-1-(3,4-dichlorophenoxy)indane,
 ($\pm$) *cis* 1-(3,4-dichlorophenoxy)-2-dimethylaminoindane,
 ($\pm$) *cis* 1-(3,4-dichlorophenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
 ($\pm$) *cis* 1-[4-(4-fluorophenoxy)phenoxy]-2-methylaminoindane,
 30 ($\pm$) *cis*-1-(4-phenylphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
 ($\pm$) *cis*-1-(3-phenylphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
 ($\pm$) *cis*-1-(4-tert-butylphenoxy)-2-methylaminoindane,
 ($\pm$) *cis* 2-amino-1-[4-(4-fluorophenoxy)phenoxy]indane,

(±) *cis*-2-amino-1-[4-(4-fluorobenzoyl)phenoxy]indane,
 (±) *cis*-1-[4-(4-fluorobenzoyl)phenoxy]-2-methylaminoindane,
 (±) *cis* 1-[4-(4-fluorophenoxy)phenoxy]-2-isopropylaminoindane,
 or a salt thereof.

5

16. A process for the preparation of a novel compound of any of claims 4 to 15 which comprises :

(a) to prepare a compound of formula (I) wherein R² is methyl, reduction of a compound of formula (II)



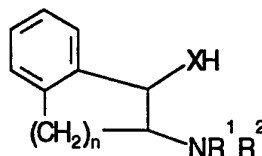
10

Formula (II)

wherein n, R¹, Ar and X are as hereinbefore defined and Alk is a C₁₋₄alkyl group;

(b) to prepare a compound of formula (I) wherein at least one of R¹ and R² is hydrogen, deprotection of a compound of formula (II);

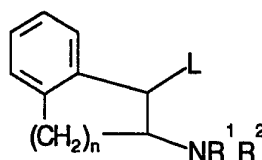
15 (c) reaction of compound of formula (III)



Formula (III)

wherein R¹, R², X and n are as hereinbefore defined with a compound F-Ar, wherein Ar is as hereinbefore defined.

20 (d) reaction of a compound formula (IV):



Formula (IV)

wherein R¹, R² and n are as hereinbefore defined and L is a group displaceable by a nucleophile, with a compound HXAr;

(e) interconversion of a compound of formula (I) to a different compound of formula (I);

and optionally after any of the above processes, forming a salt of formula (I).

5 17. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of any of claims 4 to 15 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or excipient.

10 18. Use according to claim 1 or 2 in which the compound of formula (I) is in the form of a resolved enantiomer, substantially free from the other enantiomer.

 19. A compound according to any of claims 4 to 15 in the form of a resolved enantiomer, substantially free from the other enantiomer.

15

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International Application No
PCT/EP 94/02409

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC 6 C07C211/53 A61K31/135 C07C217/52 C07C323/52 C07C323/30
C07C255/54 C07D307/79

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

IPC 6 C07C A61K C07D

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
Y	EP,A,0 303 961 (MERRELL DOW) 22 February 1989 cited in the application see claims; examples ---	1-4
Y	WO,A,92 20661 (MERCK & CO.) 26 November 1992 see page 2, line 1 - line 25; claims; examples --- -/--	1-4



Further documents are listed in the continuation of box C.



Patent family members are listed in annex.

* Special categories of cited documents :

- "A" document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance
- "E" earlier document but published on or after the international filing date
- "L" document which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified)
- "O" document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means
- "P" document published prior to the international filing date but later than the priority date claimed

"T" later document published after the international filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the invention

"X" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone

"Y" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such documents, such combination being obvious to a person skilled in the art.

"&" document member of the same patent family

Date of the actual completion of the international search

28 November 1994

Date of mailing of the international search report

- 6. 12. 94

Name and mailing address of the ISA

European Patent Office, P.B. 5818 Patentlaan 2
NL - 2280 HV Rijswijk
Tel. (+ 31-70) 340-2040, Tx. 31 651 epo nl,
Fax: (+ 31-70) 340-3016

Authorized officer

Helps, I

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International Application No

PCT/EP 94/02409

C.(Continuation) DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
Y	CHEMICAL ABSTRACTS, vol. 118, no. 23, 7 June 1993, Columbus, Ohio, US; abstract no. 224760r, O. PUCILOWSKI 'Psychopharmacological properties of calcium channel inhibitors.' page 6 ;column 2 ; see abstract & PSYCHOPHARMACOLOGY (BERLIN), vol.109 page 12-29 -----	1-4

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

Information on patent family members

International Application No

PCT/EP 94/02409

Patent document cited in search report	Publication date	Patent family member(s)	Publication date
EP-A-0303961	22-02-89	AU-B- 606444	07-02-91
		AU-A- 2057988	16-02-89
		AU-B- 624278	04-06-92
		AU-A- 6598990	24-01-91
		CA-A- 1327795	15-03-94
		DE-D- 3889032	19-05-94
		DE-T- 3889032	11-08-94
		ES-T- 2054747	16-08-94
		FI-B- 91852	13-05-94
		JP-A- 1066151	13-03-89
		US-A- 5149714	22-09-92

WO-A-9220661	26-11-92	US-A- 5292726	08-03-94
