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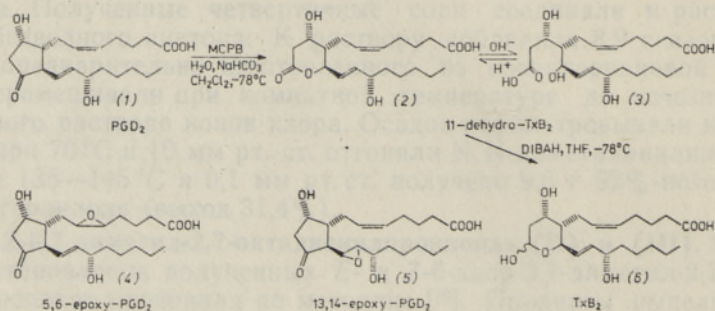
A SHORT WAY TO 11-DEHYDRO-TxB₂ AND TxB₂ FROM PGD₂

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The most common approach in the studies aimed at measuring the thromboxane A₂ production *in vivo* is to monitor the stable hydrolysis product TxB₂ in plasma. However, the measured levels of TxB₂ in plasma vary greatly, even in the studies based on identical assay methods. To circumvent this problem, a prominent TxB₂ metabolite in the circulation as well as urine 11-dehydro-TxB₂ is recommended to use [1].

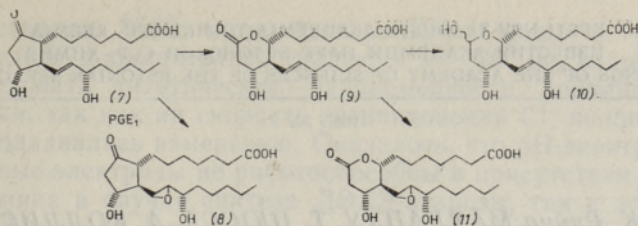
In order to synthesize 11-dehydro-TxB₂ we propose the Baeyer-Williger oxidation which converts PGD₂ (1) directly to the corresponding δ -lactone (2). The possible by-products are monoepoxides (4) and (5), diepoxide and lactone epoxides.



The yield of 11-dehydro-TxB₂ using *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid (MCPBA) as an oxidant was up to 30%, whereas the content of the open dicarboxylic acid form (3) did not exceed 2%. The total amount of PGD₂ epoxides was 8%. About 60% of the initial PGD₂ remained nonconsumed and was recovered in the course of separation of the reaction mixture by preparative normal-phase HPLC.

Attempts to oxidize PGD₂ with other reagents such as hexafluoroacetone/H₂O₂ or CH₃COOH/H₂O₂/alkali were unsuccessful.

The Baeyer-Williger oxidation of PGE₁ and PGE₂ as model compounds led to similar products with the exception of a complete lack of acyclic diacid form of lactones.



The oxidation of PGE₁ (7) with MCPB in dry acetonitrile afforded epoxide (8) in 80% yield. When the reaction was carried out in the acetonitrile-water mixture in the presence of NaHCO₃, the main product was lactone (9), 40%.

The δ -lactones obtained were easily reduced with diisobutylaluminium-hydride (DIBAH) into TxB₂ (6) or its analogs (10) derived from E-type prostaglandins.

The synthesized compounds were identified by ¹³C NMR spectra at the Institute of Chemical Physics and Biophysics by T. Pehk.

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