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PREFACE

In Volume 38, the thirtieth in this series that has been edited by the Senior Editor, a discussion of the ^{13}C -nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy of polysaccharides is provided by P. A. J. Gorin (Saskatoon). This technique has opened up a major, new avenue for determination of the structure of these macromolecular carbohydrates, and has proved much more fruitful than ^1H -n.m.r. spectroscopy, a methodology discussed largely in the context of simple sugars, by B. Coxon in Volume 27 and L. D. Hall in Volume 29. R. W. Binkley (Cleveland) complements and updates the article by G. O. Phillips in Volume 18 on the photochemical reactions of carbohydrates, with particular emphasis on organic-chemical aspects. A comprehensive treatment of fluorinated carbohydrates is contributed by A. A. E. Penglis (Oxford); this is a subject touched upon briefly in previous articles (by L. J. Haynes and F. H. Newth in Vol. 10; T. G. Bonner, F. Micheel, and A. Klemer in Vol. 16; J. E. G. Barnett in Vol. 22; and H. Paulsen in Vol. 26). A review of the synthesis and reactions of the gulono-1,4-lactones and related derivatives is provided by T. C. Crawford (Groton). F. M. Unger (Vienna) contributes an article on the biological significance of 3-deoxy-D-manno-2-octulosonic acid (KDO) and the chemical approaches for synthesis of this important compound. J. Järnefelt and coworkers (Helsinki) have written a detailed description of the use of the time-honored methylation technique, as adapted for modern, micro-scale work in the structural analysis of glycoproteins by J. Montréal in Volume 37. A continuing article in the series of bibliographic surveys of crystal-structure work on carbohydrates, nucleosides, and nucleotides, covering the literature thereon for 1977–1978, is provided by G. A. Jeffrey (Pittsburgh) and M. Sundaralingam (Madison); these surveys not only present crystallographic results in a pictorial format readily comprehended by chemists and biochemists, but they correct errors found in the original-literature interpretations. H. S. El Khadem (Houghton) has written an interesting account of the life and work of Emil Hardegger, a Swiss sugar chemist whose work has been, perhaps, less well recognized than it might have been; a useful feature of this article is the citation of unpublished research that is available in doctoral dissertations.

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el 2 de enero de 1913 nació Eduardo Hardegger en la ciudad de Rosario, Argentina. De su infancia no quedan más que recuerdos de su hermano menor, el doctor Alfredo Hardegger, quien falleció en 1978. Su hermano mayor es el doctor Juan Hardegger, quien falleció en 1982. Los padres fueron el doctor Eduardo Hardegger y la señora María Antonia. Se casó con la señora Mercedes Gómez, con la cual tuvo tres hijos: Eduardo, María y Ana. Falleció el 22 de febrero de 1978.



E. Hardegger

1913 - 1978

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EMIL HARDEGGER*

1913-1978

Emil Hardegger was born on November 25, 1913, in St. Gallen, Switzerland, to Emil and Anna Hardegger, both of whom were teachers in that city's school system. Soon after Emil's birth, his father was elected to the National Assembly, and he occupied a seat there for many years; he was also elected to the City Council of St. Gallen. He died at the age of 93, only a year before his son's premature death. Young Emil attended primary school and then the Kantonschule in St. Gallen. After passing the Maturität examination in 1934, he went to London, and spent a year there, learning the English language.

Early in his youth, Emil Hardegger showed a great interest in chemistry; he used to conduct chemical experiments in the attic of his home, much to his parents' distress. During one such experiment, fortunately conducted in an open field, an explosion occurred that burnt his hair and narrowly missed his eyes. It was therefore no surprise to his parents when Emil decided to study chemistry at the Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule (ETH).

In 1936, two years before receiving therefrom the dégree of Diplom Ingenieur Chemiker, he met Olga Lüdi, the daughter of Albert and Marie Lüdi of Berne. They were married on February 16, 1940, after he had been named an assistant at the ETH. The Hardeggers lived in a furnished room until he received the doctorate in 1941, and then they rented a house on Toblerstrasse, overlooking the University. Their first son, Ivar, was born in 1947, and, three years later, they had a second son, Béat. As the house was "becoming too small," they rented another house, in Lufingen, 15 miles from Zürich. In 1948, after his Habilitation, he bought his first car, a small Volkswagen, which he would drive nonstop to Spain on vacations. Then, when Ivar started to attend school in Zürich, the Hardeggers bought a house in Gockhausen in order to be near his school. In 1968, they bought a country house in Toggenburg, near woods and meadows, and they spent all their week-ends and holidays there until Professor Hardeg-

* The author is indebted to Mrs. Emil Hardegger for her help and advice during the preparation of this article.

ger's sickness, Emil Hardegger loved to work on the land; he chopped wood and tilled the soil. Another hobby of his was collecting all types of engines. His pride and joy were two old Coronado jet-propulsion engines, which he used to operate in an abandoned factory-building on the property.

Emil Hardegger was very proud of his two sons. When they grew up, they used to visit him in Toggenburg on week-ends and holidays. At first, they came with their girl-friends; later, with their wives, and then, children. Ivar became a pharmaceutical wholesaler and married a bank employee, Marlys; they have two sons, Raoul and Gilles. Béat, who received a doctorate in pharmacy at the ETH, married Janine, a pharmacy student. They opened a pharmacy on Oberengstringen near Zürich, and have two daughters, Prisca and Andrea.

When Emil Hardegger enrolled as a student in the ETH, the most active research group in the Department of Chemistry was headed by Professor Leopold Ruzicka, who, at that time, was actively involved in the synthesis of sex hormones, work that earned him the Nobel Prize in 1939. It was not surprising that young Emil Hardegger was drawn to this group, and chose to work for Professor Ruzicka, both for his Diplomarbeit and his Doktorarbeit. His Diplomarbeit dealt with the synthesis of 1,10-dimethylpicene; it was published by Ruzicka and Hoffmann, and Hardegger's name appeared in the Experimental section.

After Hardegger received his degree of Diplom Ingenieur Chemiker in the Autumn of 1938, he joined Ruzicka's sex-hormone research-team. His doctoral thesis comprised two parts; the first dealt with the elimination products of anhydro-oxyprogesterone in human urine, and the second, with the preparation and reactions of Δ^4 -17,20-oxypregn-3-one: Despite lengthy interruptions in his research, caused by active duty during the war years, he finished his thesis in the winter of 1941, three years after he started it.

Hardegger, who had decided to make a career of teaching and research at the ETH, worked extremely hard to win an appointment at this prestigious institution and often stayed in the laboratory until 2 o'clock in the morning. The following three years were spent on research related to his doctoral work, carried out in collaboration with Professors Ruzicka and P. A. Plattner.

As Oberassistent, Hardegger supervised graduate students jointly with Professor Ruzicka. Klemens Scholz and Leo Blunschy were among his first graduate students, but Blunschy died before he could write his thesis.

Later, after Professor T. Reichstein moved to Basel, Dr. Emil Hardegger was asked to take charge of the carbohydrate research in the

ETH, and he moved to Reichstein's laboratory in the basement of the chemistry building. Among the first group of his graduate students working in the carbohydrate field were Montavon, DePasqual, El Heweih, and the present writer. This multinational group worked on a variety of topics, ranging from the partial *p*-toluenesulfonylation of D-glucose to 1,2-anhydrides, dithioacetals, and osazones. In 1948, Emil Hardegger presented his published work for the habilitation, and was appointed Privatdozent. At that time, Jucker, Robinet, Spitz, and Leemann joined his research group. Jucker worked on the *p*-toluenesulfonylation of D-glucose, continuing Montavon's project; Robinet, on the glycosides of steroids and triterpenes; and Spitz, on D-glucuronic acid; Leemann continued the work started by DePasqual on 1,2-anhydro sugars. Then, Schreier, Kreis, and Stöhr joined the group, and all three worked on anhydro-osazones, continuing the present writer's project.

The years 1945 to 1952 were mainly devoted to carbohydrate chemistry. During this period, Hardegger published some 25 papers, of which only two were on noncarbohydrate topics. In 1952, when Professor Plattner left the ETH, Emil Hardegger assumed part of his teaching responsibilities, and supervised research in the areas of alkaloids and antibiotics. The graduate students joining the Hardegger research group during the period from 1952 to 1966 were involved with such problems as the stereochemistry of tropine alkaloids, the synthesis of lysergic acid, and structural studies on plant and mushroom degradation-products, as, for example, lycomarasmine, muscarine, fusaric acid, and prostaglandins. A large team, composed of ten graduate students, was at one time working on the synthesis of the last-mentioned compounds. This period saw the promotion of Emil Hardegger to Ausserordentlich Professor in 1957, and to Ordentlich Professor in 1966.

During the following ten years, Emil Hardegger returned to his true love, the carbohydrates. He started to emphasize such topics as urea derivatives of 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glycosides, the synthesis of monosaccharides, thio sugars, the electrochemical oxidation and reduction of sugars, the oxidation of D-glucose with oxygen, and the epimerization of aldonic acids.

Emil Hardegger was a man of average height and build, 172 cm tall and weighing 68 kilograms. He had dark-brown eyes and hair, the latter turning gray in later years. He was a very humane person of great warmth and kindness, but was never affiliated formally with a particular church. In December, 1975, at the peak of his scientific productivity, Emil Hardegger's health suddenly deteriorated, and his condition was diagnosed as a cirrhosis of the liver. Diazomethane poisoning was

suspected; he had worked for several years with this toxic reagent, which must have affected his system. After a short recovery, he soon relapsed, and had to undergo surgery. Finally, his condition worsened, and he died on the 18th of May, 1978.

During his short, but fruitful⁶ academic career, from 1939 to 1975, Emil Hardegger published 123 papers and supervised 46 Doctoral dissertations. The results of some of his later students' work were never published, due to the decline of his health, and therefore the titles, authors, and year of doctoral theses he supervised are given in Appendix II.

Emil Hardegger always had a very good relationship with his many research students. They, in turn, admired not only his scientific knowledge, but also his overall warmth and human qualities. Emil Hardegger will long be remembered in the scientific community as one of the great carbohydrate and natural-products chemists.

HASSAN S. EL KHADEM

APPENDIX I

The following is a chronological list of the scientific publications of the late Professor Emil Hardegger.

"Umwandlung von 17-Aethinyl-androstendion-(3,17) in Pregnadienol-(3)," by L. Ruzicka, M. W. Goldberg, and E. Hardegger, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 22 (1939) 1294-1300.

"Über die bei Verabreichung von Anhydro-oxy-progesteron im Harn ausgeschiedenen Steroide," by M. W. Goldberg and E. Hardegger, *Schweiz. Med. Wochenschr.*, 71 (1941) 1041-1042.

"Oxydation von $\Delta^{4,17}$ -Pregnadienon-(3) mit Phthalmonopersäure," by L. Ruzicka, M. W. Goldberg, and E. Hardegger, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 25 (1942) 1297-1305.

"Die Umlagerung von Δ^4 -17,20-Oxido-pregnen-3-on durch Eisessig," by L. Ruzicka, M. W. Goldberg, and E. Hardegger, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 25 (1942) 1680-1689.

"17 α -Oxy-20-keto-Verbindungen der Pregnen- und der Allopregnан-Reihe," by M. W. Goldberg, R. Aeschbacher, and E. Hardegger, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 26 (1943) 680-686.

"Zur Kenntnis der unverseifbaren Lipoide aus arteriosklerotischen Aorten," by E. Hardegger, L. Ruzicka, and E. Tagmann, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 26 (1943) 2205-2221.

"Herstellung des β -(trans-p-Oxy-cyclohexyl)- $\Delta^{4,6}$ -butenolids," by E. Hardegger, P. A. Plattner, and F. Blank, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 27 (1944) 793-800.

"Über die $\Delta^{5,16}$ -3 β -Oxy-ätiocoladiensäure und einige ihrer Umwandlungsprodukte," by L. Ruzicka, E. Hardegger, and C. Kauter, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 27 (1944) 1164-1173.

"Über den sterischen Verlauf der Hydrierung von Doppelbindungen in 17,20-Stellung der Steroide," by P. A. Plattner, H. Bucher, and E. Hardegger, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 27 (1944) 1177-1184.

"Über zwei weitere Homologe der digitaloiden Aglucone," by P. A. Plattner, E. Hardegger, and H. Bucher, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 28 (1945) 167-173.

"Versuche zur Herstellung von 4,13-Dioxychrysen-Derivaten," by E. Hardegger, D. Redlich, and A. Gal, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 28 (1945) 628–637.

"Neue Derivate und Umwandlungsprodukte von Δ^2 -17-Aethinylandrosten-diol-($3\beta,17\alpha$) und Δ^5 -Pregn-20-on-diol-($3\beta,17\alpha$)," by E. Hardegger and C. Scholz, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 28 (1945) 1355–1360.

"Ueber Δ^2 -Androsten-dion-(6,17) und Δ^2 -Cholestenon-(6)," by L. Blunschy, E. Hardegger, and H. L. Simon, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 29 (1946) 199–204.

"Herstellung des β -(*cis*-*p*-Oxy-cyclohexyl)- $\Delta^{a,b}$ -butenolids," by E. Hardegger, H. Heusser, and F. Blank, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 29 (1946) 477–483.

"Herstellung weiterer Modell-Lactone für digitaloide Aglucone," by E. Hardegger, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 29 (1946) 1195–1198.

"Ueber die Herstellung von α - und β -Chinovose-tetraacetat aus Glucose," by E. Hardegger, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 29 (1946) 1199–1203.

"Versuche zur Herstellung von 3,4-Diacetyl-*d*-chinovosan- α -1,2;1,5," by E. Hardegger and R. M. Montavon, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 30 (1947) 632–638.

"Osotriazole aus *l*-Xylose-, *l*-Rhamnose- und *d*-Chinovose-phenylosazon," by E. Hardegger and H. El Khadem, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 30 (1947) 900–904.

"*p*-Tolylsotriazole einiger Monosaccharide," by E. Hardegger and H. El Khadem, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 30 (1947) 1478–1483.

"Glucoside und β -1,3,4,6-Tetraacetyl-glucose aus Triacetyl-glucosan- α -1,2;1,5," by E. Hardegger and J. de Pascual, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 31 (1948) 281–286.

"Herstellung und Hydrogenolyse von Benzhydrylestern," by E. Hardegger, Z. El Hewehi, and F. G. Robinet, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 31 (1948) 439–445.

"Di-tosylierung der Glucose," by E. Hardegger, R. M. Montavon, and O. Jucker, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 31 (1948) 1863–1867.

"Umwandlungsprodukte von α -1,3,4-Triacetyl-2,6-ditosyl-glucose," by E. Hardegger, O. Jucker, and R. M. Montavon, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 31 (1948) 2247–2251.

"Derivate der 3,6-Anhydro-glucose und des Glucose-6-jodhydrins," by E. Hardegger and O. Jucker, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 32 (1949) 1158–1162.

"Herstellung von Derivaten des α -Methyl-*d*-glucuro-pyranosids," by E. Hardegger and D. Spitz, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 32 (1949) 2165–2170.

"Herstellung und Derivate des β -Methyl-*d*-glucuro-pyranosids," by E. Hardegger and D. Spitz, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 33 (1950) 337–342.

" β -*D*-Quinovosides du cholesterol, de l'acide Δ^5 -hydroxy-3-cholenique et leurs produits d'hydrogenation," by E. Hardegger and F. G. Robinet, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 33 (1950) 456–462.

"Kristallisierte Mercaptale von *D*-Ribose, von *D*-Lyxose und Derivate des Galactose- und Glucose-dibenzyl-mercaptals," by E. Hardegger, E. Schreier, and Z. El Hewehi, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 33 (1950) 1159–1164.

" β -*D*-Quinovoside de l'acide oleanolique," by E. Hardegger and F. G. Robinet, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 33 (1950) 1871–1876.

"*D*-Arabohexose- β -naphthyl-osotriazol und *p*-Bromphenyl-osotriazole einiger Monosaccharide," by E. Hardegger, H. El Khadem, and E. Schreier, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 34 (1951) 253–257.

"Synthesen mit 3,4,6-Triacetyl-glucosan (Brügel-Anhydrid)," by E. Hardegger and H. Leeman, *Chimia*, 5 (1951) 108–109.

"Zur Kenntnis der *D*-, *L*- und *DL*-Erythron- und Threon-säurelactone," by E. Hardegger, K. Kreis, and H. El Khadem, *Helv. Chim. Acta*, 34 (1951) 2343–2348.

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