

## O-ACYLATION OF KETOXIMES OF THE FURAN AND THIOPHENE SERIES IN THE LIQUID-SOLID BODY SYSTEM UNDER INTERPHASE CATALYSIS CONDITIONS

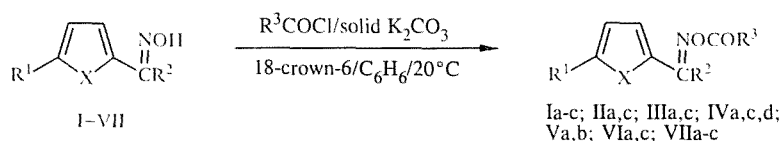
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*The acylation of 2-furyl- and 2-thienylalkylketoximes by acyl chlorides in a two-phase catalytic system (solid  $K_2CO_3-C_6H_6-18\text{-crown-6}$ ) at room temperature leads to a selective formation of the corresponding O-acetylketoimes in the form of a mixture of E- and Z-isomers.*

O-Acylated derivatives of furan- and thiophenealdoximes and ketoximes exhibit antibacterial [1, 2], antifungal [2], and also insecticidal [1, 3], acaricidal [1, 3], fungicidal [4], herbicidal [5], pesticidal [6], and plant-regulating [7] activities. 2-Acetylfuran O-acetyloxime causes coagulation of thrombocytes in rabbits and guinea pigs [8]. Acylaldoximes are used in petrochemistry as additives to lead-containing benzines to increase the octane number [9]. Compounds of this series were less studied than the corresponding O-ethers [10].

The O-acyl derivatives of oximes of the furan and thiophene series are usually obtained by the acylation of the corresponding oximes by acyl chlorides in the presence of pyridine [5, 11-15] or triethylamine [4]. The furan-containing aldoximes are acylated by acetic anhydride in the presence of pyridine, but the reaction is accompanied by a Beckmann rearrangement [16, 17].

We have carried out the acylation of 2-furyl- and 2-thienylalkylketoximes I-VII by carboxylic acid chlorides ( $R^3COCl$ ) in a two-phase catalytic system (solid  $K_2CO_3-C_6H_6-18\text{-crown-6}$ ) at room temperature. Under these conditions the acylation of oximes leads readily and selectively to the formation of O-acyl derivatives isolated by crystallization or by distillation *in vacuo* in yields of 42-95% in the form of a mixture of E- and Z-isomers.



I X = O, R<sup>1</sup> = H, R<sup>2</sup> = CH<sub>3</sub>; II X = O, R<sup>1</sup> = H, R<sup>2</sup> = *i*-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>; III X = O, R<sup>1</sup> = CH<sub>3</sub>, R<sup>2</sup> = *i*-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>; IV X = S, R<sup>1</sup> = H, R<sup>2</sup> = CH<sub>3</sub>; V X = S, R<sup>1</sup> = H, R<sup>2</sup> = *i*-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>; VI X = S, R<sup>1</sup> = Br, R<sup>2</sup> = CH<sub>3</sub>; VII X = S, R<sup>1</sup> = Br, R<sup>2</sup> = C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>; a R<sup>3</sup> = CH<sub>3</sub>; b R<sup>3</sup> = C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>; c R<sup>3</sup> = C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>; d R<sup>3</sup> = 2-thienyl; e R<sup>3</sup> = *t*-C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub>

The formation of nitrones and Beckmann rearrangement products does not occur under these conditions. The O-acylation method that has been developed does not require boiling the reaction mixture to complete the reaction.

The starting ketoximes I-VII were obtained by the reaction of the corresponding ketones with hydroxylamine hydrochloride in ethanol [18]. Ketoximes II-IV, VI, VII are mixtures of E- and Z-isomers [1]. We succeeded in isolating compound I in the form of an E-isomer, and oxime V as in Z-isomer.

TABLE 1. Acylation Conditions of Furyl- and Thienylalkylketoximes I-VII and Physicochemical Characteristics of O-Acyl Derivatives Obtained

Oxime (ratio of E- and Z-isomers)*	Acyl chloride	Duration of reaction, h	Reaction product	mp or bp	Yield, %
I (100 : 0)	CH <sub>3</sub> COCl	2	Ia	67...87 <sup>*2</sup>	70
	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> COCl	1,5	Ib	104...105	72
	PhCOCl	3,5	Ic	98...99 <sup>*3</sup>	84
	(2-thienyl)COCl	2	Id	69...75	82
	(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> CCOCl	1,5	Ie	72...76	72
II (20 : 80)	CH <sub>3</sub> COCl	1,5	IIa	53...59	42
	PhCOCl	2	IIc	Oil	79
III (45 : 55)	CH <sub>3</sub> COCl	1,5	IIIa	142...143/10	69
	PhCOCl	2	IIIc	142...143/0,5	72
IV (40 : 60)	CH <sub>3</sub> COCl	2	IVa	115...123	77
	PhCOCl	1,5	IVc	66...70	80
	(2-thienyl)COCl	2,5	IVd	53...56	65
V (0 : 100)	CH <sub>3</sub> COCl	2,5	Va	115...117/1,5	51
	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> COCl	2,5	Vb	123...125/1	57
VI (25 : 75)	CH <sub>3</sub> COCl	1,5	VIa	69...77	94
	PhCOCl	3	VIc	103...111	59
VII (35 : 65)	CH <sub>3</sub> COCl	1,5	VIIa	51...55	95
	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> COCl	1,5	VIIb	46...48	77
	PhCOCl	3	VIIc	55...59	77

\*The ratio of E and Z-isomers in oximes I-V and VII was established by PMR spectroscopy; the procedure has been described previously in [1].

<sup>\*2</sup>According to the literature data, mp 75°C (Z-isomer); 95°C (E-isomer) [13].

<sup>\*3</sup>According to the literature data, mp 84°C (Z-isomer); 97-98°C (E-isomer) [13].

The structure of the O-acyl derivatives of oximes obtained was confirmed by PMR spectroscopy. In the PMR spectra of the O-acyloximes there are two sharply differing groups of resonance signals. In the 6.1-8.3 ppm range multiplets are observed with chemical shifts and SSCC characteristic for three or two protons of the heterocyclic ring and also of the benzene and thiophene rings in the R<sup>3</sup> substituent. The protons of the alkyl substituents of groups R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> were recorded in the 1.2-3.6 ppm range. The oxime group has a descreening effect [19], and therefore the weak-field signals of the α-protons of the R<sup>2</sup> substituent appearing at 1.2-3.6 ppm are assigned to the E-isomer, while the similar multiplets in stronger fields are assigned to the Z-isomer. Since the ratio of the E- and Z-isomers in the initial ketoximes and in the acylation reaction products does not coincide in most cases, a partial E/Z-isomerization probably takes place.

Thus, the acylation method of 2-furyl- and 2-thienylalkylketoximes that has been developed is convenient, mild and selective for the synthesis of the corresponding O-acyl derivatives.

## EXPERIMENTAL

The mass spectra were studied using solutions in CDCl<sub>3</sub> on a Bruker WH-90/DS spectrometer, using TMS as a standard. The mass spectra were recorded on a Kratos MS-25 chromatomass spectrometer (70 eV) and on a MS-50 mass spectrometer (AEI) at an ionizing voltage of 70 eV, and the temperature of the ionizing chamber of 200°C. The GLC analysis was carried out on a Chrom-5 chromatograph with a flame-ionization detector and using a glass column filled with a 5% OV-17 on a Chromosorb W-HP (80-100 mesh), at a thermostat temperature of 160-230°C. The melting points were determined on a Boetius type stage and are given uncorrected. 2-Bromothiophene, 18-crown-6 and pivaloyl chloride were products from the firm Fluka. The acetyl, propionyl and benzoyl chlorides were produced by Reakhim. 2-Thiophenecarbonyl chloride was

TABLE 2. Chemical Shifts ( $\delta$ , ppm) of Protons of E- and Z-Isomeric O-Acylketoximes\*

Reaction product	Stereo-isomers, %	The furan and thiophene ring protons			Protons of substituents R <sup>2</sup> and R <sup>3</sup>
		3-H	4-H	5-H (CH <sub>3</sub> )	
1	2	3	4	5	6
Ia	65 (E)	6.91	6.49	7.54	2.25 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 2.31 (COCH <sub>3</sub> )
	35 (Z)	7.36	6.59	7.55	2.28 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 2.40 (COCH <sub>3</sub> )
Ib	100 (E)	6.92	6.49	7.54	1.26 (CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ); 2.31 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 2.54 (CH <sub>2</sub> )
Ic	100 (E)	7.00	6.52	7.58	2.45 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 7.4...7.7 & 8.0...8.2 (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> )
Id	70 (E)	6.98	6.51	7.57	2.43 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 7.16 (4'-H); 7.63 (5'-H); 7.94 (3'-H)
	30 (Z)	7.50	6.62	7.58	2.48 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 7.19 (4'-H); 7.65 (5'-H); 7.98 (3'-H)
Ie	100 (E)	6.93	6.49	7.54	1.33 (CMe <sub>2</sub> ); 2.31 (CH <sub>3</sub> )
IIa	90 (E)	6.90	6.47	7.53	1.34 (CHMe <sub>2</sub> ); 2.24 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 3.51 (CH)
	10 (Z)	7.35	6.57	*2	1.32 (CHMe <sub>2</sub> ); 2.28 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 3.51 (CH)
IIc	15 (E)	6.98	6.50	*2	1.42 (CHMe <sub>2</sub> ); 3.56 (CH); 7.3...7.8 & 8.0...8.3 (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> )
	85 (Z)	7.32	6.59	7.59	1.39 (CHMe <sub>2</sub> ); 3.40 (CH); 7.3...7.8 & 8.0...8.3 (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> )
IIIa	40 (E)	6.79	6.08	(2,35)	1.34 (CHMe <sub>2</sub> ); 2.24 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 3.41 (CH)
	60 (Z)	7.26	6.19	(2,37)	1.31 (CHMe <sub>2</sub> ); 2.27 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 3.31 (CH)
IIIc	100 (Z)	7.21	6.19	(2,39)	1.38 (CHMe <sub>2</sub> ); 3.37 (CH); 7.3...7.6 & 8.0...8.2 (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> )
IVa	65 (E)	7.44	7.07	7.42	2.26 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 2.40 (COCH <sub>3</sub> )
	35 (Z)	7.58	7.15	7.67	2.32 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 2.50 (COCH <sub>3</sub> )
IVc	80 (E)	7.50	7.09	7.44	2.53 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 7.4...7.6 & 8.1...8.3 (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> )
	20 (Z)	7.61	7.17	7.68	2.59 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 7.4...7.6 & 8.1...8.3 (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> )
IVd	70 (E)	7.49	7.09	7.44	2.51 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 7.16 (4'-H); 7.62 (5'-H); 7.94 (3'-H)
	30 (Z)	7.63	7.17	7.67	2.57 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 7.19 (4'-H); 7.69 (5'-H); 8.08 (3'-H)
Va	100 (Z)	7.59	7.14	7.62	1.36 (CHMe <sub>2</sub> ); 2.29 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 3.28 (CH)
Vb	100 (Z)	7.58	7.14	7.62	1.27 (CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ); 1.37 (CHMe <sub>2</sub> ); 2.59 (CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ); 3.28 (CH)
VIa	40 (E)	7.15	7.02	—	2.25 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 2.33 (COCH <sub>3</sub> )
	60 (Z)	7.29	7.13	—	2.33 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 2.45 (COCH <sub>3</sub> )
VIc	30 (E)	7.21	7.05	—	2.46 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 7.4...7.6 & 8.0...8.3 (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> )
	70 (Z)	7.34	7.14	—	2.54 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 7.4...7.6 & 8.0...8.3 (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> )
VIIa	60 (E)	7.16	7.13	—	1.32 (CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ); 2.33 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 2.85 (CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> )
	40 (Z)	7.31	7.04	—	1.21 (CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ); 2.25 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 2.78 (CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> )

\*The SSCC of the ring protons differ little for the E- and Z-isomers and are practically independent from the substituents R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup>: J<sub>3,4</sub> = 3.4, J<sub>3,5</sub> = 0.8 and J<sub>4,5</sub> = 1.8 Hz (for furan rings); J<sub>3,4</sub> = 3.9, J<sub>3,5</sub> = 1.2 and J<sub>4,5</sub> = 5.0 Hz (for thiophene rings).

\*2The signal is masked by the signals of the second isomer.

TABLE 2 (continued)

Reaction product	Stereo-isomers, %	The furan and thiophene ring protons			Protons of substituents R <sup>2</sup> and R <sup>3</sup>
		3-H	4-H	5-H (CH <sub>3</sub> )	
1	2	3	4	5	6
VIIb	100 (Z)	7,30	7,13	—	1,30 (CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ); 1,32 (COCH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ); 2,61 (CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ); 2,85 (COCH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> )
VIIc	40 (E)	7,22	7,06	—	1,33 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 2,90 (CH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,4...7,7 & 8,0...8,3 (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> )
	60 (Z)	7,36	7,15	—	1,37 (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 2,94 (CH <sub>2</sub> ); 7,4...7,7 & 8,0...8,3 (C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> )

TABLE 3. Mass Spectral Data of O-Acylketoximes\*

Compound	m/z (I <sub>rel.</sub> %)
Ia	167 (9, M <sup>+</sup> ), 125 (68), 108 (16), 93 (15), 68 (26), 53 (9), 43 (100), 39 (58)
Ib	181 (4, M <sup>+</sup> ), 125 (51), 109 (42), 94 (100), 68 (12), 64 (24), 57 (82), 37 (69)
Ic <sup>*2</sup>	229 (18, M <sup>+</sup> ), 122 (18), 105 (100), 77 (60), 51 (60), 39 (60)
Id <sup>*2</sup>	235 (13, M <sup>+</sup> ), 210 (2), 111 (100), 93 (4), 83 (5), 66 (5), 57 (5), 39 (27)
Ie	209 (5, M <sup>+</sup> ), 125 (16), 108 (7), 94 (14), 85 (15), 68 (6), 57 (100), 41 (25)
IIa	195 (7, M <sup>+</sup> ), 153 (38), 138 (17), 125 (30), 93 (52), 78 (14), 64 (26), 43 (100)
IIc <sup>*2</sup>	257 (16, M <sup>+</sup> ), 226 (3), 198 (12), 122 (42), 105 (100), 94 (59), 77 (61), 65 (18), 51 (59), 43 (60), 39 (60), 27 (60)
IIIa	209 (10, M <sup>+</sup> ), 167 (38), 152 (14), 139 (27), 107 (62), 78 (40), 60 (16), 52 (43), 43 (100)
IIIc <sup>*2</sup>	271 (4, M <sup>+</sup> ), 198 (3), 122 (11), 105 (100), 77 (45), 51 (22), 43 (7)
IVa	183 (3, M <sup>+</sup> ), 139 (45), 123 (46), 108 (100), 95 (7), 82 (27), 67 (9), 56 (11), 41 (50)
IVc <sup>*2</sup>	245 (2, M <sup>+</sup> ), 122 (5), 110 (6), 105 (100), 77 (38), 51 (13), 39 (13)
IVd <sup>*2</sup>	251 (8, M <sup>+</sup> ), 210 (2), 128 (5), 124 (5), 110 (100), 83 (7), 57 (6), 45 (6), 39 (25)
Va <sup>*2</sup>	211 (9, M <sup>+</sup> ), 168 (67), 151 (33), 140 (25), 109 (38), 96 (11), 77 (9), 42 (100), 38 (24)
Vb	225 (2, M <sup>+</sup> ), 169 (20), 152 (8), 109 (60), 57 (100), 45 (46), 39 (34)
VIa	261 (3, M <sup>+</sup> ), 221 (19), 203 (30), 188 (43), 164 (9), 109 (15), 82 (20), 60 (15), 43 (100)
VIc <sup>*2</sup>	323 (11, M <sup>+</sup> ), 202 (4), 187 (10), 122 (13), 105 (100), 82 (46), 77 (60), 65 (24), 51 (61), 39 (18)
VIIa	275 (7, M <sup>+</sup> ), 233 (44), 216 (29), 190 (100), 138 (48), 109 (29), 82 (48), 64 (45)
VIIb <sup>*2</sup>	289 (4, M <sup>+</sup> ), 232 (22), 215 (5), 187 (7), 122 (5), 82 (7), 57 (100), 45 (6), 29 (42)
VIIc <sup>*2</sup>	337 (11, M <sup>+</sup> ), 187 (25), 122 (41), 105 (100), 82 (55), 77 (60), 51 (58), 45 (34), 39 (26)

\*The mass spectra of the E- and Z-isomers are identical.

\*<sup>2</sup>The mass spectra were run on a MS-30 apparatus (AEI).

obtained by the reaction of the corresponding acid with thionyl chloride according to a method described in [20]. The oximes of 2-acetylfuran (I), 2-methyl-1-(2-furyl)-1-propanone (II), 2-methyl-1-(5-methyl-2-furyl)-1-propanone (III), 2-acetylthiophene (IV), 2-methyl-1-(2-thienyl)-1-propanone (V), and 1-(5-bromo-2-thienyl)-1-propanone (VII), were obtained by the reaction of the corresponding ketones with hydroxylamine hydrochloride in the presence of KOH in ethanol [10]. 5-Bromo-2-acetylthiophene was obtained by the acylation of 2-bromothiophene with acetyl chloride according to Friedel-Crafts [21]. The oxime of 5-bromo-2-acetylthiophene (VI) was obtained by the reaction of the ketone with NH<sub>2</sub>OH·HCl/KOH in ethanol [18]. Oxime VI was isolated in a yield of 60% in the form of a mixture of E- and Z-isomers (the E/Z ratio 25:75 according to the PMR spectroscopy data).

The results of the elemental analysis of the synthesized compounds correspond to the calculated data.

**General Method of Acylation of Oximes I-VII by Acyl Chlorides under an Interphase Catalysis Condition** (on the example of the acylation of 2-acetylfuran oxime (I) with acetyl chloride). A 4.15 g (30 mmoles) portion of a powdered

$K_2CO_3$  was added to a solution of 1.25 g (10 mmoles) of oxime 1 and 0.26 g (1 mmole) of 18-crown-6 in 30 ml of anhydrous benzene, and then a solution of 1.42 ml (20 mmoles) of acetyl chloride in 5 ml of benzene was added dropwise in the course 30 min. The mixture obtained was stirred at room temperature for another 1.5 h (GLC control, 180°C). At the end of the reaction, the mixture was washed with water, the organic layer was separated, dried over  $CaCl_2$ , and filtered, benzene was evaporated at a reduced pressure, and the residue was crystallized from hexane. Yield, 1.1 g (70%) of compound Ia, mp 67-68°C in the form of a mixture of E- and Z-isomers (the E/Z ratio 65:35). The O-acylketoximes Ib-e, IIa, IVa, c, d, VIa, c and VIIa-c were obtained in a similar way. Compounds IIIa, c and Va, b were isolated by distillation *in vacuo*. The characteristics of the compounds obtained are listed in Tables 1-3.

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