RING-CHAIN TAUTOMERISM OF ACETONE MERCAPTO-ACETYLHYDRAZONE

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The products of the reaction of acetone and hydrazides of lactic and α -aminopropionic acids have linear hydrazone structure [1, 2]. In contrast, previously unreported acetone mercaptoacetylhydrazone obtained upon the brief reaction of equimolar amounts of the hydrazide of thioglycolic acid (1) and acetone in water has 1,3,4-thiadiazine structure **2B** in the crystal state. This conclusion was indicated by the ^{13C}H NMR spectrum taken in the solid phase, which shows a typical signal for *sp*³-hybrid C₍₂₎ at 70 ppm.



A ring-chain tautomeric equilibrium between thiadiazine form **B** and hydrazone form **A** is found in solutions of **2**. Hydrazone form **A** is characterized by downfield shift of the methyl group signals in the ¹H NMR spectrum and finding of a signal at 150 ppm for C=N in the ¹³C NMR spectrum. In addition to the effect of ringchain tautomerism, doubling of the individual signals is found for hydrazone form **A** in the ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra due to hindered amide rotation of the mercaptoacetyl group relative to the C–N bond. The observed coexistence of the hydrazone and 1,3,4-thiadiazine forms in solution suggests a means for predicting more complex variants of tautomeric systems [3, 4] containing the mercaptoacetylhydrazone fragment with the involvement of additional cyclic forms in the equilibrium.

2,2-Dimethyl-2,3,5,6-tetrahydro-1,3,4-thiadiazin-5(4H)-one (2) was obtained in 75% yield; mp 69-71°C (hexane). ¹H NMR spectrum (pyridine-d₅), form **A** (major conformer, 40%), δ , ppm: 1.82 (s, CH₃); 2.92 (br. s, SH); 3.84 (s, CH₂); 10.35 (br. s, NH); form **A** (minor conformer, 15%): 1.97 (s, CH₃); 3.61 (s, CH₂); form **B** (45%): 1.68 (s, 2CH₃); 3.70 (s, 6-H); 6.55 (br. s, NH); 10.81 (br. s, NH). ¹³C NMR spectrum (solid phase), δ , ppm: 30.3 (2CH₃ and C₍₆), 67.9 (C₍₂), 172.0 (C₍₅)). ¹³C NMR spectrum (DMSO-d₆): form **A** (major conformer): 18.2 (CH₃), 25.5 (CH₂), 152.2 (C=N), 167.2 (C=O); form **A** (minor conformer): 17.8 (CH₃), 26.8 (CH₂), 157.2 (C=N), 172.4 (C=O); form **B**: 29.4 (C₍₆)), 30.5 (2CH₃), 69.1 (C₍₂)), 173.9 (C₍₅)). Found, %: C 41.13; H 6.94; N 19.09. C₅H₁₀N₂OS. Calculated, %: C 41.07; H 6.89; N 19.16. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were taken on Bruker CXP-100, AC-200, and AM-500 spectrometers.

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