

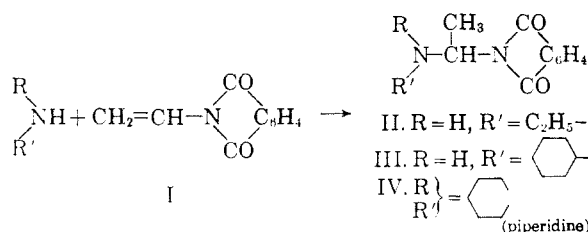
Reactions of *N*-Vinylimides with Amines

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The reactions of *N*-vinylimides with inorganic compounds, such as halogen, hydrogen halide, and hydrogen are well known, but nothing is known about the reaction of *N*-vinylphthalimide, *N*-vinylsuccinimide and *N*-vinylsulfobenzimide with organic compounds. I have studied the reactions of *N*-vinylimides, described above, with amines, and addition reactions and imido interchange reactions were found.

Amines whose dissociation constants are larger than 10^{-4} , such as ethylamine¹ ($K = 5.6 \times 10^{-4}$), cyclohexylamine² ($K = 1.58 \times 10^{-4}$), piperidine¹ ($K = 1.6 \times 10^{-3}$) were allowed to react with *N*-vinylphthalimide (I) to yield the adducts, *N*-(1-ethylaminoethyl)phthalimide (II), *N*-(1-cyclohexylaminoethyl)phthalimide (III) and *N*-(1-piperidinoethyl)phthalimide (IV).



The position of the addition is presumed to be α in the vinyl group, because, for example, the melting point of *N*-(2-piperidinoethyl)phthalimide³ is 91° but the melting point of the present adduct is 126–127°. The results are shown in Table I.

TABLE I
THE ADDUCTS OF *N*-VINYLIMIDES WITH AMINES

Adduct	M.P.	Yield, %	Formula	Analysis (%)					
				Carbon		Hydrogen		Nitrogen	
				Calcd.	Found	Calcd.	Found	Calcd.	Found
II ^a	146–147	84	C ₁₅ H ₁₄ N ₂ O ₂	66.03	66.22	6.47	6.28	12.84	12.84
III ^b	183–184	95	C ₁₆ H ₂₀ N ₂ O ₂	70.56	70.25	7.40	7.27	10.29	9.98
IV ^c	126–127	96	C ₁₅ H ₁₃ N ₂ O ₂	69.79	69.88	7.02	7.22	10.85	10.94
X ^c	187–188	70	C ₈ H ₁₄ N ₂ O ₂	56.45	56.43	8.29	8.29	16.46	16.42
XI ^d	138.5–139.5	94	C ₈ H ₁₄ N ₂ O ₃	51.60	51.71	7.58	7.78	15.04	15.06
XII ^e	202.5–203.5	90	C ₁₂ H ₂₀ N ₂ O ₂	64.25	64.25	8.99	9.04	12.49	12.37
XIII ^e	88.5–89.5	93	C ₁₁ H ₁₈ N ₂ O ₂	62.83	62.72	8.63	8.69	13.32	13.39

^a Recrystallized from benzene. ^b Recrystallized from ethanol–water or ethanol–ethyl acetate. ^c Recrystallized from ethanol. ^d Recrystallized from ethanol–benzene. ^e Recrystallized from ethyl acetate–petroleum ether.

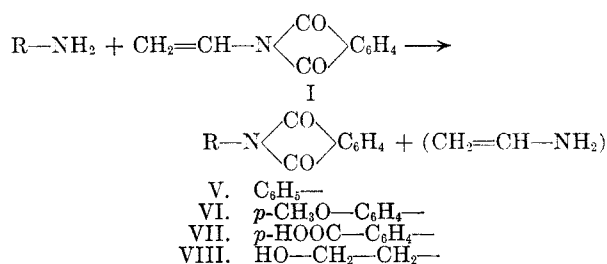
Amines whose dissociation constants are smaller than 10^{-5} , namely, aniline¹ ($K = 3.83 \times 10^{-10}$), *p*-

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anisidine⁴ ($K = 1.47 \times 10^{-9}$), *p*-aminobenzoic acid⁵ ($K = 3.6 \times 10^{-12}$) and ethanolamine¹ ($K = 2.77 \times 10^{-5}$) were allowed to react with *N*-vinylphthalimide to cause imido interchange reactions and yield *N*-phenylphthalimide (V), *N*-4-methoxyphenylphthalimide (VI), *N*-4-carboxyphenylphthalimide (VII), and *N*-2-hydroxyethylphthalimide (VIII). The reactions were accelerated by organic acids.



The effect of some organic acids in the reaction of *N*-vinylphthalimide with aniline are summarized in Table II. The yields were poor in the absence of organic acid but better in the presence of it.

TABLE II
THE EFFECTS OF ORGANIC ACIDS IN THE REACTION OF *N*-VINYLPHthalIMIDE WITH ANILINE

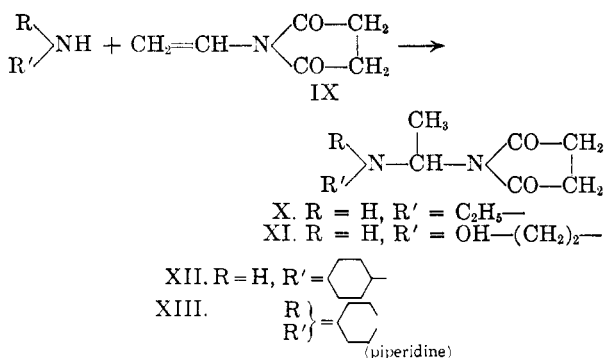
Organic Acid	Dissociation Constant (25°)	Yield, %
Acetic acid	1.753×10^{-5}	3
Benzoic acid	6.30×10^{-5}	85
Phenol	1.3×10^{-10}	64
<i>p</i> -Toluene		17
Sulfonic acid		19

N-vinylsuccinimide (IX) was allowed to react with ethylamine, ethanolamine, cyclohexylamine, and piperidine to yield *N*-(1-ethylaminoethyl)succinimide (X), *N*-(1,2-hydroxyethylaminoethyl)-

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succinimide (XI), *N*-(1-cyclohexylaminoethyl)succinimide (XII) and *N*-(1-piperidinoethyl)succinimide (XIII) by the addition reaction. The results are shown in Table I.



N-vinylsulfobenzimide (XIV) was allowed to react with cyclohexylamine and aniline to yield products with empirical formula which correspond to *N*-cyclohexyl-*o*-sulfamoylbenzamide (XV) and *o*-sulfamoylbenzanilide (XVI), respectively. That is to say, neither addition reaction nor imido interchange reaction occurs in the case of *N*-vinylsulfobenzimide.

EXPERIMENTAL

Materials. *N*-vinylphthalimide,⁶ *N*-vinylsuccinimide,⁷ and *N*-vinylsulfobenzimide⁸ were prepared by the pyrolysis of *N*-2-acetoxyethylphthalimide, *N*-2-acetoxyethylsuccinimide, and *N*-2-acetoxyethylsulfobenzimide, respectively.

Addition reactions of *N*-vinylphthalimide. A mixture of 5 g. of V.P.I. (*N*-vinylphthalimide) and 10 g. of ethylamine (33% water solution), a mixture of 5 g. of V.P.I. and 5.72 g. of cyclohexylamine, and a mixture of 4 g. of V.P.I. and 2.2 g. of piperidine in 15 ml. of benzene, were individually kept at room temperature for 3 hr. The precipitate was filtered and recrystallized. The results are summarized in Table I.

Imido interchange reactions of *N*-vinylphthalimide. A mixture of 5 g. of V.P.I., 3 g. of aniline, and 1 g. of acetic acid; a mixture of 5 g. of V.P.I., 3.56 g. of *p*-anisidine, and 1 g. of acetic acid; a mixture of 6 g. of V.P.I., 4.8 g. of *p*-aminobenzoic acid, and 1 g. of acetic acid; and a mixture of 4 g. of V.P.I., 1.6 g. of ethanolamine and 1 g. of acetic acid were individually heated at 100° for 4.5, 4, 5, and 10 hr., respectively. The resinous reaction products were rinsed with methanol and recrystallized from benzene and then *N*-phenylphthalimide, *N*-(4-methoxyphenyl)phthalimide, *N*-(4-carboxyphenyl)phthalimide, and *N*-(2-hydroxyethyl)phthalimide were obtained.

N-phenylphthalimide: yield 85%, m.p. 209–210°.

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₄H₉NO₂: C, 75.32; H, 4.06; N, 6.28. Found: C, 75.61; H, 4.06; N, 6.54.

N-(4-methoxyphenyl)-phthalimide: yield 71%, m.p. 160–161°.

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₆H₁₁NO₃: C, 71.14; H, 4.37; N, 5.53. Found: C, 71.39; H, 4.55; N, 5.59.

N-(4-carboxyphenyl)-phthalimide: yield 80%, m.p. 261–262° (uncorr.).

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(8) This is a new compound, m.p. 131–132° (from ethanol). *Anal.* Calcd. for C₉H₇NO₃: C, 51.67; H, 3.37; N, 6.70. Found: C, 51.61; H, 3.36; N, 6.64.

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₆H₉NO₄: C, 67.41; H, 3.39; N, 5.24. Found: C, 67.18; H, 3.72; N, 5.13.

N-(2-hydroxyethyl)phthalimide: yield 70%, m.p. 128–129°.

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₀H₉NO₃: C, 62.82; H, 4.75; N, 7.33. Found: C, 63.06; H, 4.91; N, 7.12.

Addition reactions of *N*-vinylsuccinimide. A mixture of 6 g. of V.S.I. (*N*-vinylsuccinimide) and 12 g. of ethylamine (33% water solution), a mixture of 4 g. of V.S.I. and 2.2 g. of ethanolamine in 15 ml. of benzene, a mixture of 4 g. of V.S.I. and 7.5 g. of cyclohexylamine, and a mixture of 4 g. of V.S.I. and 3 g. of piperidine were individually kept at room temperature for 2, 0.5, 18 and 18 hr., respectively. The precipitates were filtered and recrystallized. The results are summarized in Table I.

***N*-cyclohexyl-*o*-sulfamoylbenzamide.** A mixture of 4.5 g. of *N*-vinylsulfobenzimide and 6 g. of cyclohexylamine was stirred at room temperature. After 17 hr., the precipitate was rinsed with benzene to remove the resinous matter from it. Recrystallization from benzene gave *N*-cyclohexyl-*o*-sulfamoylbenzamide, yield 60%, m.p. 201–202.5°.

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₈N₂O₃S: C, 55.31; H, 6.53; N, 9.93. Found: C, 55.23; H, 6.51; N, 9.81.

***o*-Sulfamoylbenzanilide.** A mixture of 5.2 g. of *N*-vinylsulfobenzimide, 6 g. of aniline, and 2 ml. of acetic acid was heated at 100° for 3 hr. The reaction product was rinsed with benzene to remove the resinous matter. Recrystallization from ethanol gave 4.92 g. of *o*-sulfamoylbenzanilide, m.p. 189–190°.

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₃H₉N₂O₃S: C, 56.52; H, 4.83; N, 10.14. Found: C, 56.38; H, 4.51; N, 10.17.

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Hydroxyethylation of Imides

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Several methods of preparing *N*-2-hydroxyethyl-imides are known.^{1–3} The present paper describes a new method of hydroxyethylation of imides by ethylene carbonate, which is used not only as solvent but also as reagent.^{4–7}

Though monocarboxylic amides showed no reaction, dicarboxylic imides and saccharin were easily hydroxyethylated in good yield by heating the mixture of imide and ethylene carbonate. Aromatic dicarboxylic imides reacted easily with-

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