

near the end-point. The accepted value was the average of three analyses in which the maximum deviation between analytical results for any concentration was less than 0.07%.

Molal concentrations were then obtained and molal concentrations were calculated with the use of densities.

A saturated solution was prepared by allowing a warm concentrated copper sulfamate solution to cool to 25°, then permitting it to come to equilibrium with the solid phase which separated. Weighed samples of the supernatant liquid were analyzed as before. The solubility was found to be 74.73 (± 0.05) g. per 100 g. of water.

Treatment of Results.—The apparent molal volumes were calculated from the observed densities by means of the equation proposed by Gucker¹

$$\phi(V_2) = 1000/c - 1/d_1[1000d/c - M_2] \quad (1)$$

where $\phi(V_2)$ is the apparent molal volume, M_2 is the molecular weight of the copper sulfamate, d_1 and d are the densities of the solvent and solution, respectively, and c is the concentration (moles of solute per liter of solution). The absolute density of water was used as 0.99707 g./ml. The densities and the corresponding values of concentration and apparent and partial molal volumes are shown in Table I.

TABLE I

| Density | Concentration Molal | Concentration Molar | \bar{V}_2 | $\phi(V_2)$ | $d\phi(V_2)$ |
|---------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| 1.01340 | 0.08348 | 0.08283 | 59.86 | 58.77 | -0.30 |
| 1.02316 | .13394 | .13250 | 60.40 | 59.00 | -.10 |
| 1.10238 | .56471 | .54394 | 65.33 | 62.31 | +.02 |
| 1.18428 | 1.0484 | .97910 | 68.86 | 64.72 | +.18 |
| 1.22814 | 1.3315 | 1.2199 | 71.14 | 66.51 | -.27 |
| 1.28484 | 1.7130 | 1.5304 | 73.09 | 67.90 | -.13 |
| 1.36007 | 2.2627 | 1.9495 | 75.54 | 69.74 | -.05 |
| 1.44351 | 2.9221 | 2.4140 | 77.36 | 71.01 | +.38 |

(1) Gucker, *J. Phys. Chem.*, **38**, 307 (1934).

From the data a second order equation expressing $\phi(V_2)$ as a function of c was found. The value of the coefficients was obtained by the method of averages²

$$\phi(V_2) = 56.08 + 7.07c^{1/2} + 1.92c \quad (2)$$

In Column 6 are shown the deviations, $d\phi(V_2)$, of the observed values from those calculated from the equation.

Partial molal volumes were obtained using concentrations and calculated apparent molal volumes by the relation proposed by Gucker¹

$$\bar{V}_2 = \phi(V_2) + c^{1/2} \left[\frac{1000 - c\phi(V_2)}{2000 + c^{3/2} \frac{\partial\phi(V_2)}{\partial c^{1/2}}} \right] \frac{\partial\phi(V_2)}{\partial c^{1/2}} \quad (3)$$

where $\phi(V_2)$ is the apparent molal volume and

$$\partial\phi(V_2)/\partial c^{1/2} = 7.07 + 3.84c^{1/2} \quad (4)$$

as obtained from equation (2).

The partial molal volume of copper sulfamate at zero concentration was determined as 56.08 ml. per gram molecular weight by the evaluation of the first constant in equation (2).

Summary

1. Densities at 25 \pm 0.02° of copper sulfamate solutions ranging from 0.08 to 2.4 molar have been determined.

2. The solubility of copper sulfamate at 25° was determined: 74.73 g. per 100 g. of solvent.

3. The apparent and partial molal volumes of the solute have been calculated.

(2) Lipka, "Graphical and Mechanical Computation," John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, N. Y., 1921, pp. 126, 145.

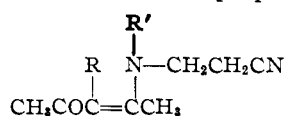
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Infrared Spectra of Amino-substituted α,β -Unsaturated Ketones

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A recent study of some cyclizations involved the preparation of 4-(2'-cyanoethyl)-amino-3-penten-2-one (I), 4-(2'-cyanoethyl)-amino-3-methyl-3-penten-2-one (II) and 4-N-(2'-cyanoethyl)-methylamino-3-penten-2-one (III) and the possibility of their ring closure by the aldol condensation. The properties of these substances



I, R = R' = H
II, R = CH₃, R' = H
III, R = H, R' = CH₃

have proved to be unusual and have prompted us to undertake a study of their infrared absorption

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spectra and those of a number of previously reported related compounds.

Preparation and Properties

Compounds I, II and III were readily prepared by condensation of the appropriate β -aminopropionitrile with acetylacetone or 3-methylacetylacetone. Assignment of the double bond in these structures to the position α,β to the carbonyl rather than β,γ between the carbon and nitrogen atoms, is based on their ultraviolet absorption maxima in the region characteristic of α,β -unsaturated carbonyl compounds and on a comparison of their infrared spectra with those of compounds VII through IX of known structure.

It is of interest that ammonia and β -amino-propionitrile fail to condense with 3,3-dimethylacetylacetone, a case in which the double bond of the product cannot take the position α, β to the carbonyl group.²

These amino ketones are structurally vinylogs of amides, and have been found to behave chemically more like amides than ketones. Our experiments performed mostly on 4-(2'-cyanoethyl)-amino-3-penten-2-one (I), show, for example, that they do not form phenylhydrazones; they fail to give a positive haloform reaction under the usual conditions; they fail to cyclize under conditions favorable for aldol condensation. Hydrolysis occurs in aqueous acid but not readily in water or aqueous alkali. Reaction with picric acid occurs only accompanied by cleavage to yield the picrate of the β -aminopropionitrile.

The preparation and properties of compounds IV,² V,³ VI,⁴ VII,⁵ VIII,⁵ IX,⁵ X,⁴ XI,^{6,8,9} XII,^{6,8,9} XIII,⁵ XIV⁷ and XV⁹ have been described previously as indicated by the references.

Experimental

β -Aminopropionitrile.—The method of Ford, Buc and Greiner¹⁰ was employed using 106 g. (2.00 moles) of acrylonitrile and 1 l. of 28% ammonium hydroxide. The yield was 81 g. (63%), b. p. 66–69° (5 mm.); n_D^{20} 1.4400. Its picrate had m. p. 178° (lit.,¹¹ 178°).

β -Methylaminopropionitrile.—The method of Whitmore and co-workers¹¹ for β -ethylaminopropionitrile was applied using 106 g. (2.00 moles) of acrylonitrile and 300 ml. of 35% aqueous methylamine (3.00 moles of amine), and gave 117.5 g. (70%) of product, b. p. 90° (30 mm.); n_D^{20} 1.4318.

4-(2'-Cyanoethyl)-amino-3-penten-2-one (I).—Addition of 13.5 g. (0.19 mole) of β -aminopropionitrile to 20.0 g. (0.20 mole) of acetylacetone resulted in an exothermic reaction. The product solidified on cooling to give a quantitative yield, 28.8 g.; m. p. 88°. An analytical sample was prepared by two recrystallizations from benzene-petroleum ether (3:1) to form white needles, m. p. 89.5–90°. These gave a purple color with ethanolic ferric chloride.

*Anal.*¹² Calcd. for $C_8H_{12}N_2O$: C, 63.16; H, 7.89. Found: C, 63.35; H, 7.68.

An alternative preparation involved the solution of 200 g. (2.00 moles) of acetylacetone in 150 ml. of 28% ammonium hydroxide, followed by addition of 106 g. (2.00 moles) of acrylonitrile. The mixture was refluxed for four hours and the excess water then removed under reduced pressure to yield several crops of crystals totaling 76 g. (25%), m. p. 88°.

The ultraviolet absorption spectrum was determined by Mrs. Calvin Brantley with a Beckman Model D spectrophotometer. A maximum occurs at 308 $m\mu$ with $\log \epsilon = 4.265$, where ϵ , the molecular extinction coefficient, is

given by $\log I_0/I = \epsilon \times c$ (moles/l.) $\times d$ (cm.). The solution employed contained 0.0006 g./l. in 95% ethanol.

Experiments designed to cyclize this compound to a dihydropyridine involved refluxing ethanolic solutions with piperidine, piperidine carbonate, sodium hydroxide, and sodium ethoxide; heating it with zinc chloride; heating it alone at temperatures up to 240°; and allowing it to stand with hydrochloric acid, acetic anhydride, and acetyl chloride. None of these attempts yielded a cyclized product. In most cases the starting material was recovered, although refluxing with 4% hydrochloric acid caused hydrolysis to β -aminopropionitrile hydrochloride.

Reaction with phenylhydrazine and with sodium hypiodite according to the directions of Shriner and Fuson^{13a,b} gave negative results. Reaction with picric acid^{13c} gave the picrate of β -aminopropionitrile, m. p. 178° (lit.,¹¹ 178°).

4-(2'-Cyanoethyl)-amino-3-methyl-3-penten-2-one (II).—Mixing of 7.0 g. (0.060 mole) of 3-methylacetylacetone and 4.0 g. (0.057 mole) of β -aminopropionitrile and cooling of the hot reaction mixture gave the solid product. Recrystallization from benzene gave 9.0 g. (92%) of colorless needles, m. p. 109–110°. The compound forms a red color with ethanolic ferric chloride.

Anal. Calcd. for $C_9H_{14}N_2O$: C, 65.03; H, 8.43. Found: C, 65.25; H, 8.36.

The ultraviolet absorption spectrum, measured as reported for the preceding compound, had a peak of 327 $m\mu$ ($\log \epsilon = 4.048$; concentration 0.0092 g./l. in 95% ethanol).

4-N-(2'-Cyanoethyl)-methylamino-3-penten-2-one (III).—Twenty grams (0.20 mole) of acetylacetone and 17.0 g. (0.20 mole) of β -methylaminopropionitrile were mixed and heated on a steam cone for one half-hour. White needles (32.5 g., 98%) formed on cooling, m. p. 69–70°. These gave a purple color with ethanolic ferric chloride.

Anal. Calcd. for $C_9H_{14}N_2O$: C, 65.03; H, 8.43. Found: C, 64.85; H, 8.61.

The ultraviolet absorption spectrum, measured as described for the preceding compounds, had a maximum at 306 $m\mu$ ($\log \epsilon = 4.357$; concentration 0.0006 g./l. in 95% ethanol).

Infrared Absorption Spectra

The infrared spectra of compounds I–XV were measured from 650 to 3800 cm^{-1} with a Perkin-Elmer model 12B recording infrared spectrometer employing a sodium chloride prism. Table I summarizes the results. The samples were in the form of Nujol mulls, so the strong bands of Nujol at 1378, 1458 and about 2920 cm^{-1} appear in all the spectra. Since these bands are due to aliphatic C–H bending and stretching vibrations,¹⁴ they would doubtless be present in the spectra of the compounds alone. They have therefore been included in the table and marked with an asterisk. Nujol also has a weak band at 720 cm^{-1} which probably would not be exhibited by the compounds. This has been observed in some of the spectra, and is also marked in the table. The accuracy of the wave length measurement is estimated to be ± 1 cm^{-1} at 1000 cm^{-1} , ± 4 cm^{-1} at 1500 cm^{-1} , ± 7 cm^{-1} at 2000 cm^{-1} , and ± 17 cm^{-1} at 3000 cm^{-1} .

(13) (a) Shriner and Fuson, "Systematic Identification of Organic Compounds," John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1948, p. 116; (b) p. 138; (c) p. 180.

(14) Rasmussen, *J. Chem. Phys.*, **16**, 712 (1948).

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(3) Cromwell and Witt, *This Journal*, **65**, 308 (1943).

(4) Cromwell, *ibid.*, **62**, 2897 (1940).

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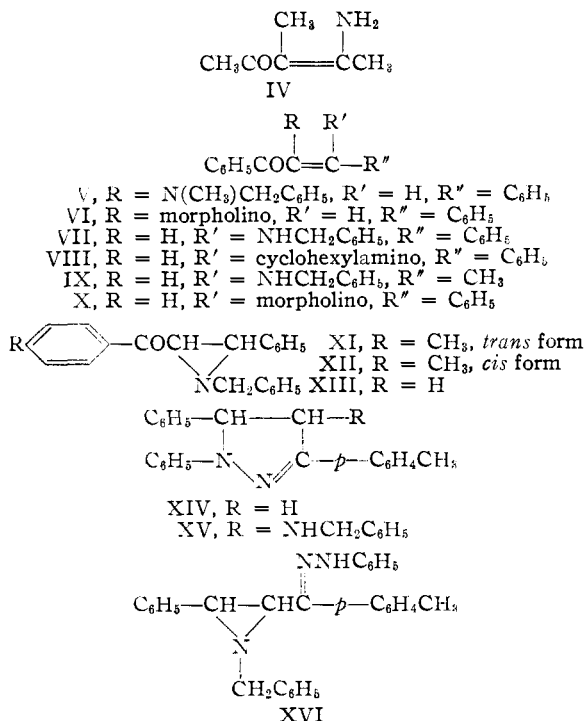
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(9) Cromwell and Hoeksema, *ibid.*, **71**, 716 (1949).

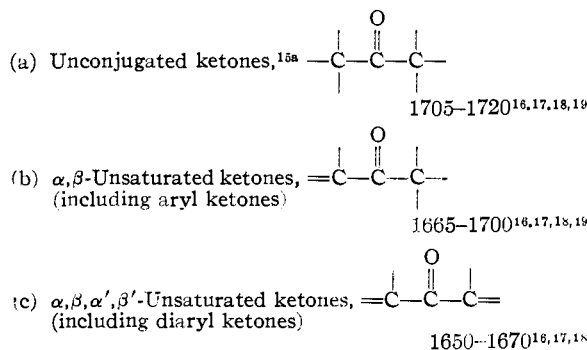
(10) Ford, Buc and Greiner, *ibid.*, **69**, 844 (1947).

(11) Whitmore, Mosher, Adams, Taylor, Chapin, Weisel and Yanko, *ibid.*, **66**, 725 (1944).

(12) Microanalyses were carried out by Misses Emily Davis and Theta Spoor.



Compounds I-X.—We shall consider first the 1500–1700 cm^{-1} region of the spectra of compounds I-X. Here one expects to find bands due to the phenyl group, the carbonyl group, to C=C bonds, and to the N-H bending of amines. The phenyl bands occur very nearly at 1500 and 1600 cm^{-1} .¹⁵ They are characteristic and are rather easily identified by their intensity and shape. The carbonyl stretching vibration in ketones is found quite consistently at the following wave numbers



(15) Barnes, Gore, Stafford and Williams, *Anal. Chem.*, **20**, 402 (1948).

(15a) The upper limit of this range should be increased to 1760 cm^{-1} if the carbonyl group is in a strained ring, such as a four- or five-membered one. See: (a) reference 19a; (b) Whiffen and Thompson, *J. Chem. Soc.*, 1005 (1946).

(16) Barnes, Gore, Liddel and Williams, "Infrared Spectroscopy," Reinhold Publishing Corporation, New York, N. Y., 1944, p. 21.

(17) Thompson and Torkington, *J. Chem. Soc.*, 640 (1945).

(18) Unpublished research of Agatha R. Johnson and Foil A. Miller.

(19) (a) Jones, Williams, Whalen and Dobriner, *THIS JOURNAL*, **70**, 2024 (1948); (b) Jones, Humphries and Dobriner, *ibid.*, **71**, 241

It is noteworthy that further extension of the conjugation to the γ,δ bond ($\text{O}=\text{C}-\text{C}=\text{C}-\text{C}=\text{C}-$) has little additional effect on the carbonyl frequency. The C=C band is to be expected at 1600–1625 cm^{-1} in these compounds since it is in every case conjugated with the carbonyl group, and in some cases is also conjugated with a phenyl group, and in some cases is also conjugated with a phenyl group.¹⁵ The intensity of this band is known to vary greatly from one compound to another. Primary amines exhibit an N-H bending absorption at 1580–1640 (usually only one band is observed).¹⁵ Little information seems to be available on secondary amines. Finally one often observes "extra" bands in this region which are due to combination tones and overtones. Their intensity may be enhanced by Fermi resonance so that they occasionally appear to be moderately intense.

Since our compounds I-X contain both keto and amino groups, it is convenient for discussion to classify them in several categories

| | Examples |
|---|---------------|
| (1) α -Amino- $\alpha,\beta,\alpha',\beta'$ -unsaturated ketones | |
| (a) N-Disubstituted | V, VI |
| (2) β -Amino- α,β -unsaturated ketones | |
| (a) N-Unsubstituted | IV |
| (b) N-Monosubstituted | I, II |
| (c) N-Disubstituted | III |
| (3) β -Amino- $\alpha,\beta,\alpha',\beta'$ -unsaturated ketones | |
| (a) N-Monosubstituted | VII, VIII, IX |
| (b) N-Disubstituted | X |

We now consider the bands which are observed experimentally in the double bond region. These are reproduced in Fig. 1 in the form of a line chart. The height of a line is a measure of the band intensity. The cross-hatched areas indicate the regions in which the carbonyl bands are expected to appear.

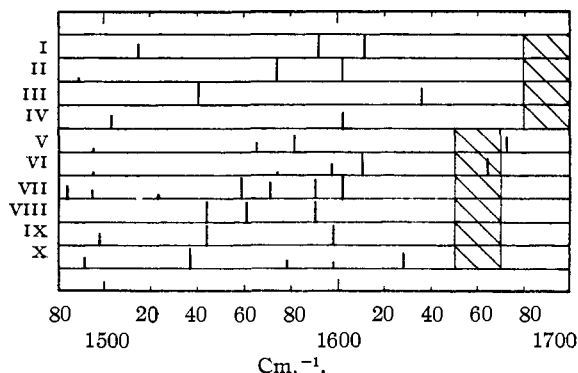


Fig. 1.—Infrared absorption spectra.

Only the two α -amino- $\alpha,\beta,\alpha',\beta'$ -unsaturated ketones (V and VI) have carbonyl bands in the expected range. The phenyl bands are rather (1949); (c) Rasmussen, Tunnicliff and Brattain, *ibid.*, **71**, 1068 (1949); (d) Hartwell, Richards and Thompson, *J. Chem. Soc.*, 1436 (1948).

TABLE I
INFRARED ABSORPTION SPECTRA

vw = very weak. w = weak. m = medium. s = strong. vs = very strong.

| I | II | III | IV | V | VI | VII | VIII | IX | X | XI | XII | XIII | XIV | XV |
|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| cm. ⁻¹ | I cm. ⁻¹ | I cm. ⁻¹ | I cm. ⁻¹ | I cm. ⁻¹ | I cm. ⁻¹ | I cm. ⁻¹ | I cm. ⁻¹ | I cm. ⁻¹ | I cm. ⁻¹ | I cm. ⁻¹ | I cm. ⁻¹ | I cm. ⁻¹ | I cm. ⁻¹ | I cm. ⁻¹ |
| 739 vw | 694 vw | 762 w | 878 w | 681 vw | 685 w | 670 vw | 683 vw | 677 vw | 674 vw | 688 w | 695 s | 652 vw | 678 vw | 687 vw |
| 760 s | 770 w | 769 vw | 974 vs | 692 m | 691 m | 680 vw | 692 s | 690 m | 691 s | 695 s | 699 s | 685 s | 689 m | 694 w |
| 796 vw | 813 m | 808 s | 1005 w | 697 w | 705 m | 692 s | 706 s | 696 s | 706 s | 700 s | 729 vs | 697 vs | 693 m | 704 w |
| 833 m | 855 vw | 904 vw | 1011 vw | 702 m | 734 w | 704 s | 745 s | 707 m | 735 m | 719* m | 753 s | 708 s | 712 vw | 717* vw |
| 874 vw | 920 vw | 953 s | 1092 vw | 725 m | 753 m | 733 s | 768 vw | 731 s | 770 s | 729 s | 778 w | 738 s | 743 s | 746 m |
| 905 vw | 932 vw | 998 m | 1224 s | 744 m | 777 vw | 748 s | 777 m | 751 s | 783 s | 751 s | 795 w | 748 vs | 757 m | 760 m |
| 934 vw | 975 s | 1021 vs | 1274 s | 800 m | 824 vw | 764 m | 794 vw | 793 s | 798 vw | 757 w | 813 m | 763 w | 790 vw | 759 w |
| 976 w | 988 w | 1050 s | 1352 s | 849 vw | 848 vw | 775 w | 811 w | 808 s | 809 vw | 795 w | 821 w | 775 m | 819 s | 819 w |
| 999 vw | 1009 vw | 1133 s | 1373* s | 894 vw | 876 m | 795 w | 842 vw | 833 w | 823 w | 802 w | 848 w | 819 vw | 841 vw | 823 vw |
| 1011 w | 1046 w | 1181 vs | 1460* m | 902 w | 889 m | 805 vw | 891 m | 849 vw | 840 vw | 821 m | 854 vw | 849 vw | 868 vw | 828 vw |
| 1021 vw | 1077 m | 1216 w | 1470 s | 908 vw | 894 w | 845 vw | 921 w | 878 vw | 847 vw | 849 vw | 871 vw | 857 w | 873 m | 842 vw |
| 1049 vw | 1088 m | 1250 w | 1503 vs | 912 vw | 909 w | 852 vw | 924 w | 897 vw | 862 vw | 858 vw | 882 m | 867 vw | 876 w | 869 vw |
| 1109 w | 1145 m | 1278 w | 1602 vs | 956 m | 935 m | 894 vw | 969 vw | 925 vw | 870 m | 865 m | 901 w | 906 w | 906 vw | 876 vw |
| 1206 m | 1223 m | 1355 s | 2920* | 971 vw | 980 s | 926 vw | 977 w | 974 m | 898 m | 871 vw | 924 w | 914 m | 944 vw | 944 vw |
| 1211 m | 1267 vs | 1377* vs | 3120 s | 991 m | 1000 m | 931 vw | 1000 w | 983 vw | 923 vs | 903 w | 957 vw | 920 m | 955 vw | 959 vw |
| 1242 w | 1298 s | 1388 s | 3265 vs | 1003 w | 1025 vw | 963 m | 1025 m | 1002 vw | 937 m | 911 vw | 988 w | 936 m | 996 w | 968 vw |
| 1274 m | 1359 s | 1419 vs | | 1026 vw | 1050 vw | 970 vw | 1050 w | 1016 vw | 972 vw | 926 w | 1007 vw | 950 vw | 1002 vw | 976 vw |
| 1298 s | 1376* m | 1459* vs | | 1071 vw | 1066 vw | 973 vw | 1060 m | 1028 m | 1001 w | 957 w | 1018 m | 971 vw | 1014 vw | 991 vw |
| 1356 m | 1429 m | 1541 vs | | 1078 vw | 1076 vw | 987 vw | 1070 w | 1066 m | 1019 s | 967 vw | 1027 s | 980 vw | 1021 vw | 1016 vw |
| 1377* m | 1459* s | 1636 s | | 1103 vw | 1120 vs | 1005 vw | 1085 m | 1090 w | 1034 s | 981 vw | 1038 m | 993 vw | 1026 vw | 1029 vw |
| 1435 m | 1471 s | 2255 w | | 1110 vw | 1164 m | 1025 m | 1145 m | 1105 vw | 1061 m | 1001 vw | 1074 w | 1001 vw | 1030 vw | 1034 vw |
| 1461* s | 1489 vw | 2920* | | 1153 vw | 1198 s | 1030 m | 1152 w | 1112 vw | 1068 w | 1008 w | 1099 vw | 1024 m | 1040 vw | 1076 w |
| 1515 s | 1574 vs | | | 1173 m | 1216 m | 1061 s | 1176 vw | 1155 vw | 1115 m | 1018 w | 1123 vw | 1030 m | 1071 vw | 1081 vw |
| 1592 vs | 1602 vs | | | 1187 m | 1222 m | 1078 vw | 1186 vw | 1177 vw | 1126 s | 1032 m | 1156 vw | 1052 s | 1078 vw | 1111 vw |
| 1612 vs | 2255 w | | | 1195 w | 1243 s | 1087 vw | 1225 m | 1227 vw | 1150 vw | 1057 s | 1184 s | 1059 vs | 1103 vw | 1138 m |
| 2250 w | 2920* | | | 1207 w | 1270 s | 1147 m | 1250 m | 1247 vw | 1174 vw | 1067 s | 1204 w | 1073 w | 1111 vw | 1160 vw |
| 2920* | | | | 1229 m | 1289 vw | 1157 w | 1277 vw | 1276 m | 1187 vw | 1092 m | 1215 vw | 1087 w | 1134 s | 1177 vw |
| 3090 w | | | | 1258 m | 1303 vw | 1177 vw | 1294 w | 1290 s | 1210 vs | 1096 m | 1224 vw | 1095 vw | 1148 vw | 1195 vw |
| 3145 w | | | | 1289 vw | 1315 vw | 1183 vw | 1306 vw | 1310 vs | 1227 s | 1113 w | 1241 s | 1153 vw | 1182 vw | 1220 vw |
| 3410 w | | | | 1312 w | 1338 vw | 1195 vw | 1335 vs | 1322 s | 1256 s | 1180 s | 1273 vw | 1174 m | 1201 vw | 1256 vw |
| | | | | 1358 w | 1345 vw | 1228 m | 1378* m | 1372* s | 1271 m | 1212 m | 1280 vw | 1182 w | 1240 vw | 1273 vw |
| | | | | 1367 m | 1378* m | 1251 m | 1459* s | 1439 s | 1305 vw | 1230 s | 1301 vw | 1213 w | 1270 vw | 1300 vw |
| | | | | 1376* w | 1401 w | 1270 m | 1473 s | 1454* vs | 1339 m | 1235 s | 1311 vw | 1224 vs | 1279 vw | 1327 w |
| | | | | 1414 m | 1449 s | 1286 m | 1544 vs | 1497 m | 1361 m | 1248 vw | 1346 s | 1232 s | 1300 vw | 1345 vw |
| | | | | 1424 m | 1459* s | 1311 m | 1561 vs | 1544 vs | 1379* s | 1263 w | 1362 vw | 1251 vw | 1304 vw | 1378* w |
| | | | | 1457* s | 1495 vw | 1338 s | 1590 vs | 1598 vs | 1412 s | 1285 w | 1378* m | 1300 w | 1327 s | 1394 s |
| | | | | 1470 m | 1574 vw | 1365 m | 1945 vw | 2920* | 1443 s | 1307 w | 1393 w | 1311 w | 1336 vw | 1458* s |
| | | | | 1495 w | 1597 s | 1379* w | 2920* | 3025 vw | 1459* s | 1313 vw | 1413 vw | 1357 m | 1345 vw | 1500 s |
| | | | | 1565 m | 1610 s | 1439 s | 3025 vw | 3060 vw | 1491 s | 1358 m | 1457* s | 1380* m | 1378* w | 1574 w |
| | | | | 1581 vs | 1664 vs | 1453* s | 3045 vw | 3190 vw | 1536 vs | 1378* m | 1496 m | 1418 w | 1395 s | 1597 m |
| | | | | 1672 s | 2920* | 1459 s | | | 1578 s | 1407 vw | 1608 s | 1452 s | 1413 w | 2920* |
| | | | | 2920* | 3055 vw | 1484 s | | | 1598 m | 1419 w | 1651 s | 1459* s | 1458* s | 3020 vw |
| | | | | 3010 vw | | 1495 m | | | 1628 vs | 1449 m | 2920* | 1497 m | 1502 vs | 3050 vw |
| | | | | 3050 vw | | 1523 w | | | 2920* | 1456* s | 3015 w | 1578 vw | 1554 vw | |
| | | | | | | 1559 vs | | | 3055 w | 1465 m | 3040 w | 1599 m | 1575 vw | |
| | | | | | | 1571 vs | | | | 3490 w | 1498 m | 1685 vs | 1599 s | |
| | | | | | | 1590 vs | | | | | 1605 s | 2920* | 1666 vw | |
| | | | | | | 1602 vs | | | | | 1678 vs | 3020 w | 2920* | |
| | | | | | | 2920* | | | | | 2920* | 3050 w | 3020 vw | |
| | | | | | | 3040 w | | | | | 3020 w | | 3060 vw | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | 3055 w | | | |

easily located in these two compounds, and the 1610 band in VI may well be due to the C=C vibration. The only puzzling questions are the explanation of 1565 cm.⁻¹ in V and the whereabouts of the C=C band in V.

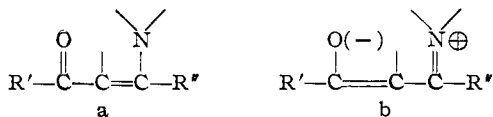
In all the remaining compounds (I-IV and VII-X) the highest band in the 1500-1700 cm.⁻¹ region, which is presumably the C=O band, is lower than expected by from 20 to 80 cm.⁻¹. It is well known^{19d} that hydrogen bonding will lower a carbonyl frequency. This effect can not be operative in III or X, however (nor in V or VI), because they are tertiary amines. One must therefore conclude that the substitution of an amino group in the beta position of these α,β -unsaturated ketones lowers the carbonyl fre-

quency. This is particularly striking when one compares VI and X, since these compounds are identical except for the position of substitution.

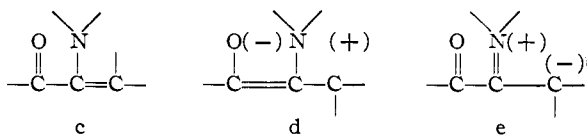
Compound III should possess a C=C band. The only band in the double bond region besides the carbonyl band is an intense one at 1541, which is 60 cm.⁻¹ lower than expected. It can scarcely be due to a combination tone because of its marked intensity. In X one finds an analogous band in nearly the same position, 1537 cm.⁻¹. There are in addition phenyl bands at 1491 and 1598, and an unexplained band at 1578.

Let us now consider why in compounds III and X the carbonyl band is low, why the C=C band is missing, and what may be the origin of the band near 1540. One possibility is that the high band

is not really due to the C=O group, but that it is due to C=C and that the C=O band is missing. This is unlikely because (a) the carbonyl band is almost invariably a strong band, and (b) the 1540 band must still be explained. Another possibility is that with the amino group substituted on the β carbon atom, the ionic resonance form (b) can contribute appreciably to the ground state.



This would have the effect of lowering the C=O frequency, lowering the C=C frequency, and raising the C-N frequency. Thus it does qualitatively fit the observed results. The 1540 band would then be explained as either the lowered C=C or the enhanced C-N frequency—probably the former. This explanation also makes it understandable that the α -amino ketones (V and VI) do not exhibit these anomalies, since the ionic resonance structures that one can write in this case (d and e) would be expected to contribute much less to the actual ground state of the molecule.²⁰

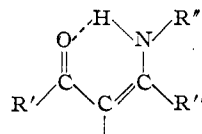


The remaining compounds (I, II, IV, VII, VIII and IX) are further complicated by hydrogen bonding. It has been shown²¹ that hydrogen bonding will lower a carbonyl frequency, and it has already been mentioned that this bonding cannot occur in compounds III, V, VI, nor X because they are tertiary amines. Now it is precisely in compounds III and X that the anomalous lowering of the carbonyl frequency is smallest. In the other β -amino ketones the effect of hydrogen bonding is apparently superimposed on this first effect. This is supported by the fact that no N-H stretching frequency is observed in the usual region around 3300 cm^{-1} . The N-H band has probably been broadened and lowered to around 3000 cm^{-1} where it is hidden by the C-H bands. The spectrum of II was measured in chloroform solution and no shift to higher frequencies was observed. The hydrogen bonding must therefore be largely intramolecular. It will

(20) Additional ionic resonance forms besides d and e are of course possible in the cases having phenyl groups attached to this system.

(21) The work of Thompson, *et al.*, reference 19d indicates that simple hydrogen bonding can lower the carbonyl frequency in some cases. Rasmussen, *et al.*, reference 19c, have found that intramolecular hydrogen bonding as in diacetone alcohol has almost no effect on the carbonyl vibrational frequency. On the other hand these latter authors state that "conjugated chelation" as in enolized beta-diketones produces a major shift of the carbonyl infrared band to about 1613 cm^{-1} with a considerable increase in intensity. The analogy between the structures of β -secondary or primary amino α,β -unsaturated ketones and the enols of β -diketones is obvious.

be noted that these compounds offer favorable opportunities for chelation.



In general the spectra of these remaining β -amino ketones show the same features as those of III and X except for having lower carbonyl bands. The phenyl bands can usually be found readily, and the C=C not at all if one assigns the highest frequency to C=O. Extra bands appear in many cases which may be due to the N-H bending vibration. And finally there is in nearly every case a strong band somewhere in the range 1500–1560 whose explanation is puzzling. We can think of no explanation for this other than the one already advanced.

When the spectra of compounds I-IV and VII-X were first measured, the compounds were suspected of being monosubstituted amides because of this strong band around 1540 cm^{-1} . Richards and Thompson²² give some general results for amides in the solid state

| | Band "B" | C=O |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| R-CO-NH ₂ | 1630 | 1655 |
| R-CO-NHR | 1530-1570 | 1640-1680 |
| R-CO-NR ₁ R ₂ | | 1650 |

Band "B" near 1540 cm^{-1} is so characteristic of monosubstituted amides that it, in conjunction with an N-H stretching band near 3270 cm^{-1} , serves as an excellent test for this class of compounds. We have already pointed out, however, that our compounds I-IV and VII-X are not amides but are vinylogs of amides.

The question now arises as to whether this 1540 cm^{-1} band might not have the same explanation in the monosubstituted amides and in the vinylogs. The origin of band "B" in amides is not settled. Richards and Thompson²² discuss four possible explanations and conclude that it is due to the N-H bending motion. This is supported by its absence in disubstituted amides. These authors have pointed out that deuteration experiments should provide a critical test of this explanation. Should it be disproved, a possible alternative is to explain band "B" as the C-N stretching frequency enhanced by a large contribution from the ionic form g



The analogy to the vinylogs (structures a and b) is evident, and affords some support for this idea. Nevertheless there are certain difficulties with this explanation. In the first place the ionic form must make a very important contribution

(22) Richards and Thompson, *J. Chem. Soc.*, 1248 (1947).

to the final ground state if the C-N stretching frequency is to be as high as 1540 cm.^{-1} . This should at the same time lower the carbonyl frequency markedly, since it acquires a large amount of single bond character. This frequency is indeed lower in amides than in aldehydes and unconjugated ketones, but by nowhere nearly the amount expected. Secondly one wonders why the 1540 cm.^{-1} band is found only in monosubstituted amides, whereas with the vinylogs the $1500\text{--}1560$ band appears regardless of whether the amine group is unsubstituted, monosubstituted, or disubstituted. We are therefore inclined to feel that the origin of the 1540 band is fundamentally different in the amides and in their vinylogs. Conversely if the origin is actually different, several of our unsaturated ketones might be expected to exhibit *two* bands between 1500 and 1600 cm.^{-1} (in addition to any phenyl bands) . . . namely the characteristic band at $1500\text{--}1560\text{ cm.}^{-1}$ due to the resonance effect already described, and a second band due to the N-H bending in a secondary amine. Two bands are found in compounds I, VII and VIII, although there is only one in II and IX.

Compounds XI-XV.—Compounds XI and XII have been indicated to be the *trans* and *cis* modifications, respectively, of 1-benzyl-2-phenyl-3-*p*-toluylethyleneimine,^{6,8,9} and it is of interest that while the *trans* form (XI) exhibits a carbonyl band in the normal region for α,β -unsaturated carbonyls (including aromatic unsaturation), the *cis* form (XII) has a band about 25 cm.^{-1} below this region. These spectra help settle the rela-

tionship of the configuration of structure XIII to that of XI, inasmuch as its band in the α,β -unsaturated carbonyl region, $1680\text{--}1700\text{ cm.}^{-1}$, resembles that of XI rather than XII.

Compound XV is the structure shown for the reaction product of phenylhydrazine with the ethyleneimine XII,⁹ but the possibility was considered that the correct structure might instead be represented by XVI. A comparison of its infrared spectrum with that of the other four compounds (XI-XIV) confirms the previous conclusion that it has the pyrazoline structure (XV) rather than the ethyleneimine form (XVI). Thus for example it has the moderately strong bands at 1138 and 1394 cm.^{-1} which have counterparts in XIV but not in XI, XII, nor XIII. Moreover it does not exhibit the strong bands at $1020\text{--}1060$, $1175\text{--}1185$, $1220\text{--}1240$ and $1325\text{--}1360\text{ cm.}^{-1}$ shown by each of XI, XII and XIII.

Summary

1. Certain β -amino α,β -unsaturated ketones have been shown to behave chemically more like amides, of which they are vinylogs, than like ketones or vinyl amines.

2. Infrared spectra of fifteen unsaturated amino ketones or derivatives thereof have been studied and their peculiarities discussed. The presence of an amino group (either substituted or unsubstituted) on the beta carbon atom of an α,β -unsaturated ketone lowers the carbonyl band by $20\text{--}80\text{ cm.}^{-1}$.

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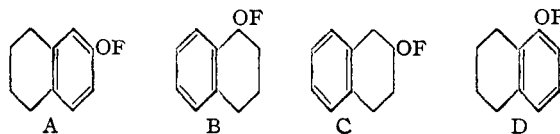
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The Catalytic Dehydrogenation of 2-Substituted Tetrahydronaphthalene Derivatives

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The following report describes a continuation of studies designed to obtain more information about the liquid phase dehydrogenation over palladium-on-charcoal of oxygenated hydroaromatic compounds. The previous reports,^{2,3} respectively, dealt with 6-substituted 1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalenes, A, and 1-substituted 1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalenes, B, where OF indicates the oxygenated function. Since the oxygenated functions of A and B differed both in their positions with respect to the point of ring fusion and in their relative positions with respect to the hydrogen to be removed, it is necessary to study compounds of type C and D before a complete

discussion can be attempted. In this paper we describe the behavior of 2-substituted-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalenes, C, under the above conditions.



In the discussion R will be used to designate the 1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-2-naphthyl radical and R', the 2-naphthyl radical. In Table I are summarized the results with the following compounds: RCOOCH_3 , I; RCH_2OH , II; $\text{RCH}_2\text{OCOCH}_3$,

III; RCHO , IV; $\text{RCHOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}$, V; RCOCH_3 , VI; $\text{RCH}_2\text{COCH}_3$, VII; and $\text{RCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{COCH}_3$, VIII.

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(2) Newman and Zahm, *THIS JOURNAL*, **65**, 1097 (1943).

(3) Newman and O'Leary, *ibid.*, **68**, 258 (1946).