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\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{\mathrm{O}} \xrightarrow{-\mathrm{CO}_{2}} \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CHCH}_{2} \\
& \mathrm{~S}_{\mathrm{O}} \xrightarrow{-\mathrm{CO}} \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{~S}+\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{4}
\end{aligned}
$$

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1317 Kinetic acidity of carbon acids: the hydroxide ion-catalysed ionization of chloroform and acetophenone in aqueous hexamethylphosphoric triamide

Markku Lahti, Alpo Kankaanperä and Pasi Virtanen

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\begin{gathered}
\mathrm{R}^{-}-\mathrm{H}^{3}+\mathrm{HO}^{-} \frac{\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}}{\left[\left(\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{P}=\mathrm{O}\right.\right.} \mathrm{R}^{-}+\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} \\
\mathrm{R}=\mathrm{Cl}_{3} \mathrm{C}-\text { or } \mathrm{PhCOCH}_{2}-
\end{gathered}
$$





Jacek Michalak, Jerzy Gębicki and Thomas Bally


The equilibrium between closed colourless form $\mathbf{C}$ and open coloured form $C^{\prime}$ of spiro[indole-oxazines] 5 and 6 has been studied versus solvent with or without flash photolysis

Jean-Luc Pozzo, André Samat, Robert Guglielmetti and Denis De Keukeleire
$\mathrm{I}^{-}, \mathrm{N}_{3}{ }^{-}, \mathrm{CN}^{-}$,


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\mathrm{p}-\mathrm{NC}-\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{4}-\mathrm{O}^{-} . \mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{~N} \overline{\mathrm{CHCO}}{ }_{2} \mathrm{Et}
$$

The irreversible anodic peak potential of anionic nucleophiles has been shown to be linearly correlated with various measures of their nucleophilic reactivity, including rates of $S_{N} 2$ and $S_{N} A r$ reactions as well as addition to Michael acceptors

Murat E. Niyazymbetov and Dennis H. Evans


A kinetic study of the title reaction has shown the occurrence of an uncatalysed ( $\mathrm{p} S^{+}$-independent) and of a catalysed ( $\mathrm{p} S^{+}$-dependent
Consiglio, Domenico Spinelli and Elisabetta Mezzina
and then $\mathrm{p} S^{+}$-independent) range



The $\mathrm{R}^{4}$-side chain preferentially interacts with the $\mathrm{G}^{6}$-carboxylate group, in contrast to the $\mathrm{R}^{1}$-side chain

Vassilios Tsikaris, Mahn Thong Cung, Eugenia Panou-Pomonis, Constantinos Sakarellos and Maria Sakarellos-Daitsiotis
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1387 Silyl-substituted diazoacetic esters in superacid media-a stable ion and solvolysis study

Kenneth K. Laali, Gerhard Maas and Monika Gimmy

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\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{C}\left(\mathrm{~N}_{2}\right) \mathrm{CO}_{2} \mathrm{Me} \text { 1: } \mathrm{R}= \\
&\text { 2: } \left.\mathrm{Ri}=\mathrm{SiMr}^{\mathrm{i}}\right)_{3} \\
& \text { 2: } \mathrm{SiMe}_{3}
\end{aligned}
$$

Protonation and subsequent chemistry of 1 and 2 in superacid media $\left[\mathrm{FSO}_{3} \mathrm{H} \cdot \mathrm{SbF}_{5}(1: 1), \mathrm{FSO}_{3} \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CF}_{3} \mathrm{SO}_{3} \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{HF}\right]$ have been studied
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