

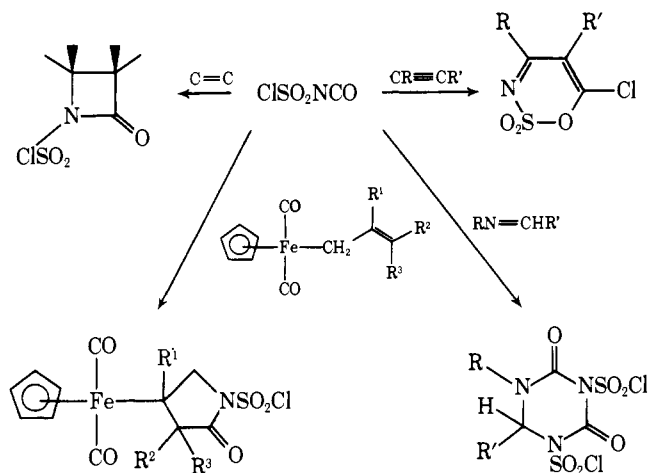
Electrophilic Addition of Chlorosulfonyl Isocyanate to Ketones. Reaction with Aromatic Ketones^{1a}

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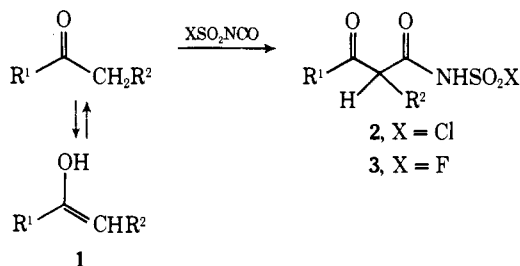
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Abstract: Electrophilic addition of chlorosulfonyl isocyanate (CSI) to "aromatic" ketones **1** ($R^1COCH_2R^2$, R^1 and/or $R^2 =$ aryl) was found to be a synthetically versatile reaction, producing 2*H*-1,3-oxazine-2,4(3*H*)-diones (**6**) when dichloromethane was the solvent and 1,2,3-oxathiazin-4(3*H*)-one 2,2-dioxides (**4**) as well (if $R' =$ aryl) in diethyl ether solvent. A number of additional products are observed in low yield. An examination of substituent effects and nmr studies indicates that the determining factor in the oxathiazine:oxazine ratio is the position of the keto-enol equilibrium in the intermediate *N*-chlorosulfonyl- β -keto-carboxamide, **2**. After the initial formation of **2**, the reaction takes one of the following routes. (1) A second electrophilic addition to the enol can occur to produce a malonamide derivative **23**, as evidenced by the isolation of **23a** and **23f** under appropriate conditions. In solution, **23** readily eliminates CSI to regenerate **2**. This sequence can serve as a synthetic route from ketones to malonamides and malononitriles. (2) CSI can act as a Lewis acid upon **2**, abstracting a chloride to eventually produce an *N*-sulfonylamine **15** which then cyclizes to **4**. (3) Reaction of CSI with the enol form of **2** can produce the enol carbamate **25**. Cyclization of this intermediate with loss of sulfamoyl chloride then leads to **6**. Evidence supporting the proposed overall mechanism is provided.

The remarkable electrophilicity of chlorosulfonyl isocyanate (CSI) has found numerous applications in synthetic organic chemistry.² Notable among these are 2 + 2 cycloadditions with a variety of olefins, leading to β -lactam derivatives. In some cases, especially with di- or polyolefinic substrates, rearrangements can occur to give heterocyclic products other than β -lactams. Reaction of CSI with acetylenes leads to 6-chloro-1,2,3-oxathiazine 2,2-dioxides.³ Metal assisted 3 + 2 cycloadditions have been reported with CSI⁴ and recently⁵ reactions with imines have been described.



We are now showing that ketones, **1**, likewise are capable of interaction with CSI, leading to a variety of products.⁶



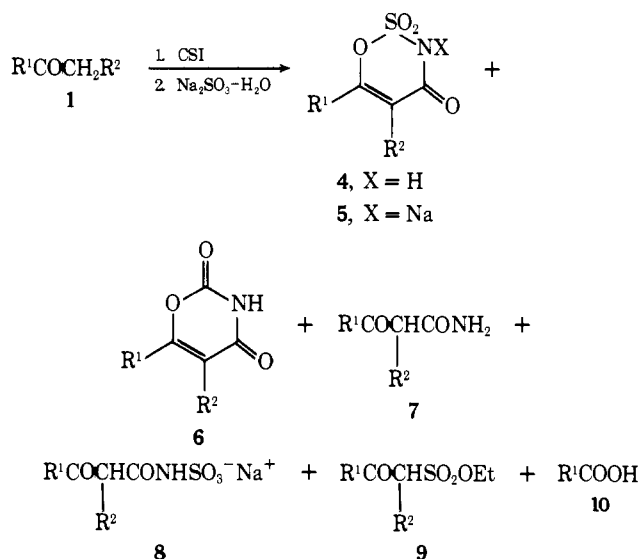
This reaction is initiated by electrophilic attack of CSI upon the enol tautomer of the ketone with subsequent formation of a β -keto-carboxamide **2**. The ability of this initial adduct to undergo further transformations is responsible for

the synthetic usefulness of this reaction.⁶ Analogously, fluorosulfonyl isocyanate (FSI) has been reported to yield **3**.⁷ The present paper elaborates upon the initial report^{6a} and describes a number of new findings which help establish mechanistically the events which occur subsequent to the initial electrophilic attack of CSI upon the enol.

Results and Discussion

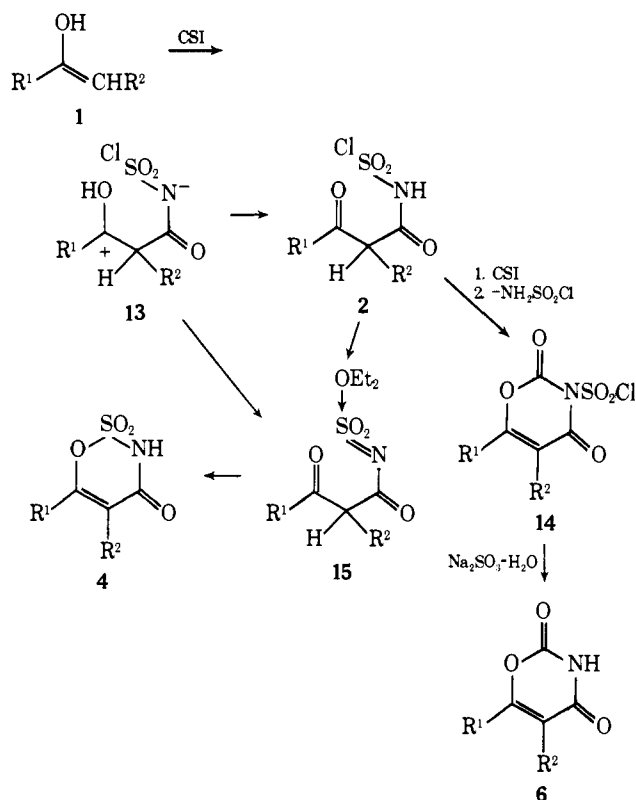
Reaction of CSI with Aromatic Ketones. Treatment of "aromatic" ketones (**1**, R^1 and/or $R^2 =$ aryl) with 2-3 equiv of CSI provided 1,2,3-oxathiazin-4(3*H*)-one 2,2-dioxides, **4**, and 2*H*-1,3-oxazine-2,4(3*H*)-diones, **6**, as the major products. Isolation of the products was carried out, after reductive hydrolysis with aqueous sodium sulfite,⁸ by extraction of the basic solution with ether. This provided the crude oxazines **6**. Acidification of the aqueous phase and reextraction gave oxathiazines **4**. In a number of cases, additional minor products were also observed (Scheme I).

Scheme I

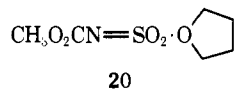


The basic extract often contained sulfonate esters **9**, whereas the acidic extract sometimes yielded carboxylic acids **10**. In certain instances β -keto-carboxamides **7** or their sulfonate salts **8** separated from the aqueous phase upon standing (Table I). Occasionally during the sodium sulfite work-up,

Scheme III



lowed by a proton transfer would then give **4**. Thus the initial results (Table I, entries 1-9) seem to be consistent with

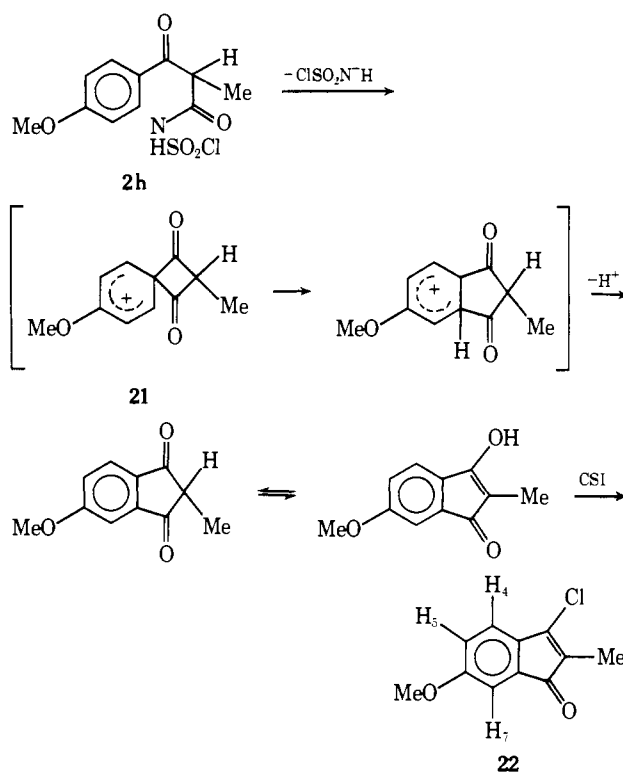


the idea that oxathiazine formation would occur only if R^1 was capable of supplying sufficient stabilization to the positive center of dipole **13** to allow its transformation into **15**. In an effort to obtain additional evidence, a study of substituent effects upon product distribution was undertaken utilizing substituted propiophenones (**1a, h-j**). The results are shown in Table I, entries 11-14.

Substituent Effects on Product Distribution. When *p*-methoxypropiophenone (**1h**) was allowed to react with CSI in ether, a new type of product was obtained from the basic extract. Spectral data and elemental analysis indicated that this compound was an indenone. The structure was firmly established as 3-chloro-6-methoxy-2-methylindenone (**22**) with the help of nmr chemical shifts induced by Sievers' reagent, $Eu(fod)_3$. Gradual addition of the shift reagent transformed the ABC pattern of the aromatic hydrogens into an AMX pattern, with $J_{AM} = 8$, $J_{AX} = 2$, and $J_{MX} \sim 0$ Hz. Assuming coordination of the europium reagent with the carbonyl oxygen,¹⁴ this result is consistent only with the methoxy group at position 6, with a 2-Hz meta coupling between H_5 and H_7 and an 8-Hz ortho coupling between H_4 and H_5 . A possible mechanism for the formation of **22** involves the spirocyclic intermediate¹⁵ **21** (Scheme IV). Rearrangement, loss of a proton, and eventual chlorination of the enol form by excess CSI leads to the observed product. CSI has recently been observed to act as a chlorinating agent.¹⁶ Preferential enolization occurs as shown due to the conjugative effect of the *p*-OMe group.

In addition to the indenone **22**, ethyl *p*-methoxypropiophenone- α -sulfonate (**9h**) was produced in about 40% yield along with low yields of oxathiazine **4h** and *p*-methoxybenzoic acid (**10h**). The reason for the high yield of sulfonate

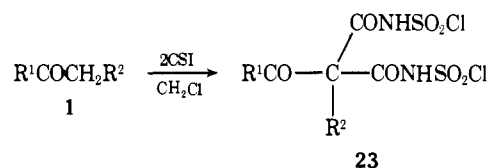
Scheme IV



ester in this case, as compared to the other examples studied is unclear. The sulfonate esters were obtained as oils which could not be rigorously purified. However, they were readily identified by comparison of their spectral properties with those of **9e**, isolated as the pure compound.

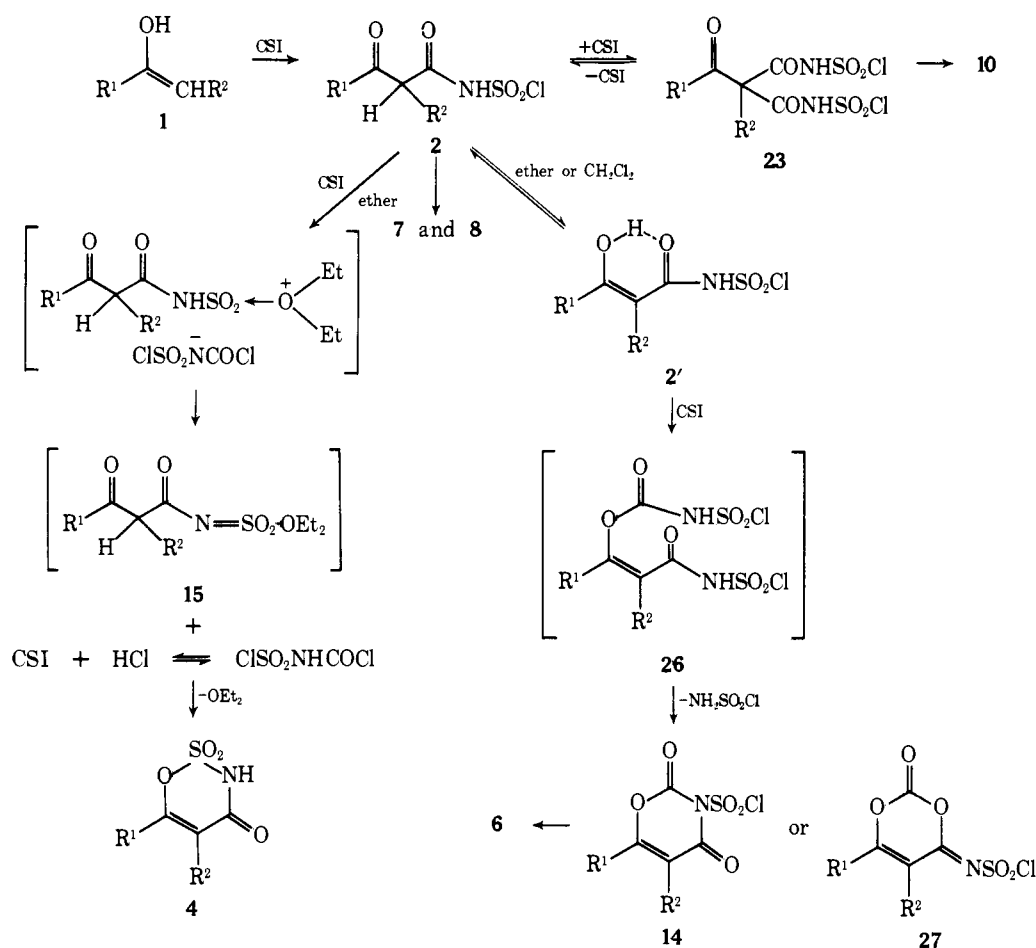
Comparison of the relative amounts of oxazines **6** to oxathiazines **4** as a function of the substituents (Table I, entries 11-14) is quite interesting. As the substituent constant σ becomes more positive, proportionately more oxazine **6** is produced. Surprisingly, however, the results correlate much better with σ than with σ^+ .

Concentration Effects. Malonamides and Malononitrile Synthesis. All room temperature reactions listed in Table I were carried out using 1 ml of solvent/mmol of ketone **1**. If, however, propiophenone (**1a**) was allowed to react with CSI in dichloromethane (0.5 ml/mmol of **1a**), a colorless precipitate unexpectedly formed as the reaction progressed. This very hygroscopic compound, obtained in 62.4% yield (average of several runs), was identified as *N,N'*-bis(chlorosulfonyl)benzoyl(methyl)malonamide (**23a**) on the basis of chemical reactions (see below) and spectral data. In a similar fashion, α -tetralone **1f** produced **23f** in 22% yield.

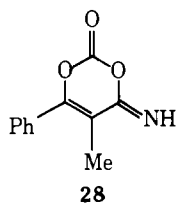


Reductive hydrolysis of **23a** with aqueous sodium sulfite produced benzoic acid **10a** in 95% yield, thus establishing the source of the acids **10** observed above. The other expected product, methyl malonamide, was undoubtedly lost due to high solubility in the aqueous phase. However, treatment of **23a** with excess dimethylformamide (DMF)¹⁷ followed by hydrolysis with aqueous bicarbonate allowed the isolation of methyl malononitrile (47%) and **10a** (83%). Treatment of **23f** with wet acetone provided malonamide **24** in 82% yield.

Scheme VIII



cm^{-1}). This material rearranged to **6c** on melting.



In conclusion, ketones **1** were found to react with CSI, the products being the oxazines **4** (that can serve as precursors to the biologically interesting uracils)^{6a} and/or oxathiazines **6** (potential artificial sweeteners)⁷ as well as α -cyano ketones^{6b} or malononitriles, depending upon the reaction conditions and the degree of enolization. A mechanistic rationale is presented that explains the multiple pathway available in this system and involves an isolable β -ketoamide intermediate.

Experimental Section

Melting points (taken on a Fisher-Johns block) are uncorrected. Infrared spectra were obtained using a Perkin-Elmer 457 instrument. Nmr spectra were recorded on a Varian A-60A or EM-360 spectrometer with TMS as an internal standard. Mass spectra were taken on a Varian M.A.T. CH-5 instrument. Elemental analyses were performed by Galbraith Laboratories, Inc., Knoxville, Tenn., or by Atlantic Microlab, Inc., Atlanta, Ga.

Reaction of "Aromatic" Ketones 1a-i with CSI. General Procedure. To a stirred solution (ambient temperature) of the ketone (10 mmol) in dry ether or CH_2Cl_2 (10 ml) was added 2.3 equiv of CSI by syringe. The reaction was protected from moisture, and monitored by nmr or ir spectroscopy. Upon completion of the reaction, the mixture was added dropwise to a mixture of ether and 25% aqueous sodium sulfite solution while the pH was maintained at

7-8 by NaOH addition. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer extracted twice more with ether. The combined organic layers were dried (Na_2SO_4) and evaporated *in vacuo* to give the crude "basic" extract. The aqueous layer was then acidified (H_2SO_4) to pH 1-2 and extracted three times with ether. These extracts were combined, dried (Na_2SO_4), and evaporated *in vacuo* to give the crude "acidic" extract. Recrystallization of the basic extract from acetone-Skellysolve "B" gave oxazines **6**. The mother liquor from **6** often consisted largely of sulfonate esters **9**. Recrystallization of the acidic extract from acetone-Skellysolve "B" gave oxathiazines **4** and in some cases, carboxylic acids **10**.

Variations in this procedure are noted under the appropriate ketones.

Propiophenone (1a, 4.00 g, 29.9 mmol) in 10 ml of CH_2Cl_2 was added dropwise to CSI (8.95 g, 63 mmol) in 15 ml of CH_2Cl_2 . The mixture was refluxed 4 days, then stirred at room temperature an additional 2 days, hydrolyzed with H_2O -ice, and extracted three times with CH_2Cl_2 . The extract was dried (Na_2SO_4) and evaporated *in vacuo* to yield 3.7 g of orange oil. This oil was triturated with boiling CCl_4 and filtered to give 2.9 g of orange-brown solid. Recrystallization from acetone- CCl_4 gave 2.6 g (43%) of 5-methyl-6-phenyl-2H-1,3-oxazine-2,4(3H)-dione (**6a**) as a pale yellow solid: mp 180-182° (an analytical sample was prepared by recrystallization from methanol, mp 184.5°); ir (KBr) 3140, 3055, 1775, 1740, 1700, 1670, 1635, 1450, and 1405 cm^{-1} ; nmr ($CDCl_3$) τ 7.93 (s, 3), 2.47 (br s, 5), and 1.37 (br s, 1); *m/e* (%) M^+ 203 (61.0), 160 (31.0), 132 (29.5), 105 (100), and 77 (72.0).

Anal. Calcd for $C_{11}H_9O_3N$: C, 65.02; H, 4.46; N, 6.89. Found: C, 64.92; H, 4.43; N, 6.83.

Propiophenone (1a, 2.00 g, 14.9 mmol, refluxing ether, 7 days) gave 860 mg (28%) of **6a** from the basic extract. The aqueous layer, upon standing overnight, deposited 1.395 g (36%) of 5-methyl-6-phenyl-1,2,3-oxathiazin-4(3H)-one 2,2-dioxide, sodium salt **5a**, as colorless needles: mp 285-287° dec; ir (KBr) 3575, 3500-3000, 1635, 1580, 1380, 1320, 1310, 1200, 1015, 810, 760, and 705 cm^{-1} ; nmr ($DMSO-d_6$) τ 8.16 (s, 3), 2.48 (s, 5). The aci-

dic extract gave 203 mg (6%) of 5-methyl-6-phenyl-1,2,3-oxathiazin-4(3*H*)-one 2,2-dioxide (**4a**) as a colorless solid: mp 122.5° (lit.^{7b} 123°); ir (KBr) 3080, 2720, 1680, 1650, 1630, 1420, 1365, 1205, 1155, 1070, 1005, 940, 840, 765, and 705 cm⁻¹; nmr (CDCl₃) τ 7.88 (s, 3), 2.42 (s, 5), and -0.01 (br s, 1); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 239 (43.0), 160 (4.1), 158 (5.0), 147 (19.0), 146 (41.8), 132 (32.2), 105 (100), and 77 (18.2).

Anal. Calcd for C₁₀H₉O₄NS: C, 50.21; H, 3.79; N, 5.86. Found: C, 50.07; H, 3.86; N, 5.79.

Butyrophenone (1b, 4.43 g, 29.9 mmol, refluxing ether, 7 days). Recrystallization of the crude basic extract gave 500 mg (8%) of 5-ethyl-6-phenyl-2*H*-1,3-oxazine-2,4(3*H*)-dione (**6b**) as colorless needles: mp 132–133°; ir (KBr) 3150, 3050, 1765, 1665, 1630, 1440, 1405, 1220, 1180, 775, 755, and 705 cm⁻¹; nmr (CDCl₃) τ 8.82 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3), 7.49 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2), 2.41 (s, 5), 0.26 (br s, 1); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 217 (41.0), 174 (13.2), 146 (41.2), 131 (9.5), 105 (100), and 77 (76.7).

Anal. Calcd for C₁₂H₁₁O₃N: C, 66.35; H, 5.10; N, 6.45. Found: C, 66.58; H, 5.16; N, 6.58.

Chromatography of the mother liquor of **6b** on neutral alumina (CHCl₃) gave several fractions containing small amounts of unidentifiable oils. Elution of the column with CH₃OH yielded a colorless oil, which upon trituration with CHCl₃ gave 338 mg (4%) of sodium butyrophenone- α -sulfonate monohydrate (**12**) as a colorless solid: mp 258–60° dec; ir (KBr) 3430, 1680, 1450, 1350, 1220, 1060, 990, 770, 735, 702, and 690 cm⁻¹; nmr (DMSO-*d*₆) τ 9.22 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3), 8.00 (m, 2), 5.45, and 5.35 (d of d, *J* = 8.5 and 6.0 Hz, 1), 2.28–2.58 (m, 3), 1.80–2.03 (m, 2).

Anal. Calcd for C₁₀H₁₁O₄SN₂H₂O: C, 44.76; H, 4.88; S, 11.95; N, 0.00. Found: C, 44.98; H, 4.23; S, 11.94; N, none or trace.

The acidic extract gave 3.11 g (41%) of 5-ethyl-6-phenyl-1,2,3-oxathiazin-4(3*H*)-one 2,2-dioxide (**4b**) as a colorless solid: mp 113–113.5°; ir (KBr) 3270, 3100, 2980, 2770, 1685, 1630, 1392, 1360, 1205, 1160, 875, 840, 770, and 700 cm⁻¹; nmr (CDCl₃) τ 8.83 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3), 7.45 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2), 2.40 (s, 5), 0.27 (br s, 1); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 253 (31.8), 238 (3.2), 188 (7.8), 173 (5.1), 172 (6.1), 161 (10.6), 160 (20.3), 146 (33.8), 105 (100), and 77 (49.3).

Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₁O₄NS: C, 52.17; H, 4.38; N, 5.53. Found: C, 52.30; H, 4.39; N, 5.63.

Butyrophenone (1b, 1.48 g, 10 mmol, CH₂Cl₂, 11 days). The basic extract gave 321 mg (15%) of **6b**. The acidic extract gave 345 mg of 2-benzoylbutyramide **7b**, mp 151–152° (lit.²⁰ 153–153.5°). Upon standing several days the aqueous layer deposited 314 mg more of **7b**, total 659 mg (34.5%).

Butyrophenone (1b, 740 mg, 5 mmol, CH₂Cl₂, 28 days) gave 494 mg (45.5%) of **6b** and 50 mg (5%) of **7b**.

Phenyl-2-propanone (1c, 2.0 g, 14.9 mmol, ether, 4 hr) produced 2.06 g (71%) of 6-methyl-5-phenyl-2*H*-1,3-oxazine-2,4(3*H*)-dione (**6c**) as a pale yellow solid. Recrystallization gave a few colorless needles: mp 144–145°; ir (KBr) 3150, 3050, 1830, sh on 1795, 1765, 1680, 1425, 1270, 1020, 860, 760, and 705 cm⁻¹. A sample of this material, melting at 144–145°, was allowed to cool and re-solidify, whereupon remelting occurred at 164–165°. The residue from the mother liquor was treated with activated carbon and recrystallized twice to give **6c** as colorless needles: mp 166.5°, ir (KBr) 3220, 1760, 1695, 1405, 1250, 1015, 790, 760, and 705 cm⁻¹; nmr (CDCl₃) τ 7.86 (s, 3), 2.40–2.83 (m, 5), and 0.44 (br s, 1); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 203 (40.3), 160 (74.6), 118 (100), 90 (34.6), 89 (24.2), and 43 (85.5).

Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₉O₃N: C, 65.02; H, 4.46; N, 6.89. Found: C, 64.94; H, 4.56; N, 6.69.

1,3-Diphenyl-2-propanone (1d, 2.10 g, 10 mmol, ether, 4 days) gave 1.70 g (61%) of 6-benzyl-5-phenyl-2*H*-1,3-oxazine-2,4(3*H*)-dione (**6b**) as colorless needles: mp 137–137.5°; ir (KBr) 3170, 3070, 1765, 1705, 1400, 820, 760, and 700 cm⁻¹; nmr (CDCl₃) τ 6.30 (s, 2), 2.37–2.98 (m, 10), 0.77 (br s, 1); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 279 (30.9), 236 (32.9), 145 (100), 117 (10.0), 91 (33.5), 89 (31.7), and 65 (12.4).

Anal. Calcd, for C₁₇H₁₃O₃N: C, 73.11; H, 4.69; N, 5.02. Found: C, 73.30; H, 4.82; N, 4.95.

Upon standing 3 days, the aqueous layer deposited 340 mg (10%) of 2,4-diphenyl-3-oxobutyramide-*N*-sulfonic acid, sodium salt (**8d**) as a colorless solid: mp 88–90°; ir (KBr) 3500, 3220, 1705, 1685, 1455, 1240, 1045, 765, and 700 cm⁻¹; nmr (DMSO-

*d*₆) τ 6.14 (s, 2), 4.90 (br s, 1), 2.60–3.00 (m, ~11), -0.33 (br s, 1). Upon attempted recrystallization from methanol-water, **8d** was converted into 2,4-diphenyl-3-oxobutyramide (**7d**): mp 165–167.5°; ir (KBr) 3490, 3185, 1700, 1625, 765, 755, 710, and 700 cm⁻¹; nmr (DMSO-*d*₆) τ 6.14 (s, 2), 5.06 (s, 1), 2.50–2.90 (m, ~11), 2.30 (br, 1); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 253 (69.8), 236 (37.0), 210 (6.7), 162 (62.2), 146 (47.0), 145 (100), 135 (67.3), 118 (26.9), 117 (15.1), 91 (95.8), 90 (18.5), 89 (26.1).

Deoxybenzoin (1e, 1.96 g, 10 mmol, ether, 7 days). During work-up a colorless solid appeared which was filtered and washed with water and ether: 365 mg (10%) of 5,6-diphenyl-1,2,3-oxathiazin-4(3*H*)-one 2,2-dioxide, sodium salt (**4e**), mp 237–241° dec; ir (KBr) 3500, 3415, 3250, 1660, 1625, 1565, 1385, 1295, 1185, 1170, 1045, 750, and 700 cm⁻¹; nmr (acetone-*d*₆) τ 2.77 and 2.73 (2s). Dissolution in water, acidification, and reextraction converted **4e** into 5,6-diphenyl-1,2,3-oxathiazin-4(3*H*)-one (**5e**). Recrystallization of the crude basic extract gave, as the first crop of pale yellow crystals, 361 mg (14%) of 5,6-diphenyl-2*H*-1,3-oxazine-2,4(3*H*)-dione (**6e**): mp 220–222°; ir (KBr) 3200, 3100, 1750, 1700, 1390, 1245, 775, 710, and 695 cm⁻¹; nmr (acetone-*d*₆) τ 2.69 and 2.63 (2 s, 10), -0.83 (br s, 1); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 265 (65.5), 222 (75.8), 165 (12.9), 105 (100), 89 (12.9), 78 (98.4), and 77 (84.6). An analytical sample was prepared by two more recrystallizations, colorless crystals, mp 222–223°.

Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₁₁O₃N: C, 72.44; H, 4.18; N, 5.28. Found: C, 72.28; H, 4.08; N, 5.16.

The mother liquor from **6e**, upon standing a short while, deposited 561 mg (19%) of ethyl deoxybenzoin- α -sulfonate (**9e**) as yellow crystals. The analytical sample (colorless needles) melted at 126–126.5°; ir (KBr) 1685, 1450, 1360, 1285, 1175, 995, 930, 920, 765, 735, 705, and 695 cm⁻¹; nmr (CDCl₃) τ 8.75 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3), 5.76 (q, *J* = 7 Hz, 2), 3.70 (s, 1), 2.19–2.75 (m, 8), and 1.90–2.12 (m, 2); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 304 (2.0), 195 (1.8), 167 (8.2), 166 (4.0), 165 (11.2), 152 (6.3), 118 (4.0), 106 (14.7), 105 (100), 90 (11.2), 89 (6.0), and 77 (40.7).

Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₁₆O₄S: C, 63.15; H, 5.30; S, 10.52. Found: C, 63.30; H, 5.42; S, 10.39.

The acidic extract gave 571 mg (19%) of **4e** as a colorless solid: mp 225° with prior softening; ir (KBr) 3400, 3100, 3000, 2770, 1685, 1395, 1365, 1195, 765, 755, 705, and 695 cm⁻¹; nmr (acetone-*d*₆) τ 2.60 (br s, 10) and 2.47 (br s, 1); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 301 (76.5), 222 (51.0), 165 (16.8), 105 (100), 89 (7.7), and 77 (35.6). An analytical sample melted at 233.5–234.5° after several recrystallizations.

Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₁₁O₄NS: C, 59.80; H, 3.68; N, 4.65. Found: C, 59.57; H, 3.53; N, 4.52.

Deoxybenzoin (1e, 1.96 g, 10 mmol, CH₂Cl₂, 7 days). During work-up a tan colored solid formed and was filtered: 1.98 g (58%) of 2-benzoyl-2-phenylacetamide-*N*-sulfonic acid, sodium salt (**8e**), mp 163–165°; ir (KBr) 3590, 3480, 3180, 1685, 1675, 1475, 1260, 1220, 1050, 765, and 700 cm⁻¹; nmr (DMSO-*d*₆) τ 4.27 (br s, 1), 4.13 (s, 1), 2.20–2.90 (m, 8), and 1.74–2.02 (m, 2).

The basic extract gave 125 mg (5%) of **6e**, and the acidic extract gave 60 mg of tan colored solid shown by nmr and ir to be mainly benzoic acid **10a**.

α -Tetralone (1f, 1.46 g, 10 mmol, ether, 4.5 days). The basic extract gave 653 mg (30%) of 1,2-dihydronaphtho[3,4-*e*]-2*H*-1,3-oxazine-2,4(3*H*)-dione (**6f**) as off-white needles: mp 253–255° dec (from MeOH); ir (KBr) 3190, 3070, 1750, 1685, 1650, 1410, 1160, 775, and 750 cm⁻¹; nmr (DMSO-*d*₆) τ 6.89–7.60 (m, 4), 2.45–2.70 (m, 3), 2.21–2.43 (m, 1), and -1.67 (br s, 1); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 215 (100), 172 (80.8), 144 (31.3), 118 (49.6), 116 (21.7), 115 (33.1), and 90 (23.9). Recrystallization twice from ethanol gave an analytical sample, colorless needles, mp 258.5–260° dec.

Anal. Calcd for C₁₂H₉O₃N: C, 66.97; H, 4.22; N, 6.51. Found: C, 67.10; H, 4.23; N, 6.67.

The acidic extract gave 500 mg (20%) of 1,2-dihydronaphtho[3,4-*e*]-1,2,3-oxathiazin-3*H*-one 2,2-dioxide (**4f**) as colorless crystals: mp 210–211° (lit.^{7b} 216°); ir (KBr) 3070, 2965, 2730, 1665, 1630, 1395, 1335, 1205, 1140, 795, and 765 cm⁻¹; nmr (acetone-*d*₆) τ 6.75–7.43 (m, 4), 2.35–2.67 (m, 3), 2.13–2.33 (m, 1), and 0.50 (br s, 1); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 251 (65.0), 172 (44.4), 170 (100), 144 (86.2), 118 (75.0), 116 (44.8), 115 (70.0), 90 (40.8), 89 (25.3), 78 (46.5), and 77 (16.7).

Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₉O₄NS: C, 52.59; H, 3.61; N, 5.58. Found: C, 52.75; H, 3.65; N, 5.47.

Dibenzoylmethane (1g), 1.0 g, 4.47 mmol, ether, 9.5 hr). The crude basic extract gave 241 mg of orange solid. Dissolution in a small amount of benzene and standing 24 hr allowed precipitation of 185 mg (11%) of 2-benzoyl-3-phenyl-3-oxopropionamide-*N*-sulfonic acid, sodium salt (**8g**): mp 247–249° dec; ir (KBr) 3400 (broad), 1660, 1595, 1250, 1230, 1060, 750, 695 cm⁻¹; nmr (D₂O) τ 2.13–2.33 (m, 2), 2.57–3.06 (m, 8). The mother liquor of **8g** gave 49 mg (5% recovery) of **1g** identified by nmr. The acidic extract yielded 635 mg of a pale yellow foam which resisted attempts at recrystallization. Finally it was dissolved in ether and placed in the freezer overnight. Upon warming to room temperature, the solution deposited colorless crystals, mp 195–198° dec. The mass spectrum indicated M⁺ 293 for the oxazine and its typical breakdown pattern but also showed *m/e* 329, M⁺ of the oxathiazine, probably present as a minor contaminant. Recrystallization from benzene-Skellysolve "B" gave 145 mg (11%) of 5-benzoyl-6-phenyl-2*H*-1,3-oxazine-2,4(3*H*)-dione (**6g**), mp 200–203°. Two recrystallizations from benzene gave an analytical sample: mp 202–203°; ir (KBr) 3170, 3060, 1785, 1700, 1660, 1390, 980, 910, 770, and 690 cm⁻¹; nmr (acetone-*d*₆) τ 2.22–2.68 (m, 8), 1.74–1.98 (m, 2), and –0.91 (br s, 1); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 293 (4.5), 250 (1.1), 249 (1.1), 222 (1.3), 105 (12.2), 79 (8.0), 78 (100), and 77 (24.9).

Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₁O₄N: C, 69.62; H, 3.78; N, 4.78. Found: C, 69.76; H, 3.88; N, 4.75.

Dibenzoylmethane (1g), 1.0 g, 4.47 mmol, CH₂Cl₂, 3 days). The basic extract furnished 128 mg (10%) of **6g** (from benzene). The acidic extract gave 629 mg of pale yellow foam which displayed an nmr similar to that of **6g**; however, it resisted all attempts at crystallization. Concentration of the aqueous layer allowed isolation of 520 mg (14%) of sulfonate salt **8g**.

Substituent Effects on Product Distribution. *p*-Methoxypropionophenone (1h), 3.28 g, 20 mmol, ether, 22.5 hr). The crude basic extract (a red oil) was dissolved in a small amount of ether and placed in the refrigerator overnight to deposit 306 mg (7%) of 3-chloro-6-methoxy-2-methylindene (**22**) as red-orange needles: mp 110–112°; ir (KBr) 1705, 1480, 1440, 1295, 1275, 1235, 1035, 980, and 830 cm⁻¹; nmr (CDCl₃) τ 8.13 (s, 3), 6.17 (s, 3), and 2.83–3.30 (m, 3); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 210 (35.3) and 208 (100), 195 (2.7), 193 (7.7), 173 (91.9), 145 (69.6), 130 (8.6), 102 (28.0), 101 (14.6), 76 (10.4), and 75 (16.7); an analytical sample melted at 112.5–113° (from ether).

Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₉ClO₂: C, 63.32; H, 4.36; O, 15.34. Found: C, 63.21; H, 4.50; O, 15.45.

The filtrate from **22** yielded 2.20 g of a red oil consisting almost entirely of ethyl *p*-methoxypropionophenone- α -sulfonate (**9h**) (crude yield 40.5%): nmr (CDCl₃) τ 8.67 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3), 8.27 (d, *J* = 7 Hz, 3), 6.09 (s, 3), 5.67 (q, *J* = 7 Hz, 2), 4.81 (q, *J* = 7 Hz, 1), 2.97 (d, *J* = 9 Hz, 2), and 1.95 (d, *J* = 9 Hz, 2). Chromatography on alumina (benzene) gave only polymeric materials. Alternatively, treatment of the crude sulfonate ester **9h** with hydroxylamine also produced polymer. The acidic extract gave 560 mg of yellow solid. Recrystallization yielded 145 mg (3%) of *p*-methoxybenzoic acid **10h**. Further recrystallization of the residue failed to purify the oxathiazine **4h** present.

***p*-Methoxypropionophenone (1h)** 6.56 g, 40 mmol, ether 44 hr). The crude basic extract was placed under high vacuum in an attempt to distill sulfonate ester **9h**. Even with heating up to 50°, no **9h** was obtained, the crude product polymerizing in the pot. The crude acidic extract was recrystallized from chloroform. The first crop gave 146 mg of *p*-methoxybenzoic acid (**10h**). The second and third crops yielded 373 mg of a colorless solid. Recrystallization gave 328 mg of colorless crystals determined by nmr to consist of 282 mg (3%) of 6-*p*-anisyl-5-methyl-1,2,3-oxathiazin-4(3*H*)-one 2,2-dioxide (**4h**) and 46 mg of acid **10h** (total yield, 192 mg, 3%). Repeated fractional recrystallization yielded an analytical sample of **4h**: mp 167.5–168°; ir (KBr) broad absorption 3200–2300, 1640, 1590, 1360, 1265, 1195, 1180, 850, 840, and 790 cm⁻¹; nmr (CDCl₃) τ 7.84 (s, 3), 6.08 (s, 3), 2.92 (d, *J* = 9 Hz, 2), 2.38 (d, *J* = 9 Hz, 2), and 2.00 (br mound, 1); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 269 (38.4), 190 (2.7), 177 (6.7), 176 (12.1), 162 (5.4), 146 (14.3), 136 (9.8), 135 (100), 107 (6.7), 92 (13.4), and 77 (17.0).

Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₁NO₅S: C, 49.07; H, 4.12. Found: C, 48.99; H, 4.10.

***p*-Methylpropionophenone (1i)**, 2.96 g, 20 mmol, ether, 7 days). During work-up, a colorless precipitate appeared, and was filtered and identified as 5-methyl-6-*p*-tolyl-1,2,3-oxathiazin-4(3*H*)-one

2,2-dioxide, sodium salt (**5i**): ir (KBr) 1630, 1585, 1375, 1335, 1200, 1190, and 1180 cm⁻¹. This salt was dissolved in water, acidified, and extracted with ether to give 1.30 g of 5-methyl-6-*p*-tolyl-1,2,3-oxathiazin-4(3*H*)-one 2,2-dioxide (**4i**): mp 159.5–160°; ir (KBr) 3090, 2980, 2760, 1680, 1615, 1395, 1365, 1215, 1210, 1200, 1160, 1080, 825, 775, 765, and 720 cm⁻¹; nmr (DMSO-*d*₆) τ 7.98 (s, 3), 7.58 (s, 3), 2.25–2.68 (m, 4), and –2.67 (s, 1), *m/e* (%) M⁺ 253 (26.1), 174 (3.0), 161 (3.7), 160 (13.5), 146 (19.4), 119 (100), and 91 (42.5).

Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₁NO₄S: C, 52.17; H, 4.38; N, 5.53. Found: C, 52.28; H, 4.40; N, 5.51.

The basic extract was recrystallized to yield 130 mg (3%) of 5-methyl-6-*p*-tolyl-2*H*-1,3-oxazine-2,4(3*H*)-dione (**6i**): mp 174–175°; ir (KBr) 3160, 3050, 1775, 1755, 1700, 1655, 1630, 1435, 1400, 1235, 1175, 1115, 835, and 770 cm⁻¹; nmr (acetone-*d*₆) τ 7.92 (s, 3), 7.55 (s, 3), 2.28–2.75 (m, 4, AA'BB'), and –0.23 (br s, 1); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 217 (27.0), 174 (8.0), 146 (10.2), 120 (8.9), 119 (100), and 91 (42.5).

Anal. Calcd for C₁₂H₁₁O₃N: C, 66.35; H, 5.10. Found: C, 66.49; H, 5.15.

The filtrate from **6i** consisted of ethyl *p*-methylpropionophenone- α -sulfonate (**9i**, crude yield 6–10%) plus polymer. The acidic extract yielded 376 mg of a pale yellow solid, determined by nmr to consist of 236 mg of oxathiazine **4i** (total yield 1.54 g, 30%) and 141 mg (5%) of *p*-toluic acid (**10i**).

Propiophenone (1a), 2.68 g, 20 mmol, ether, 8 days). Recrystallization of the crude basic extract gave 355 mg (9%) of oxazine **6a**. The mother liquor was evaporated, redissolved in ether, passed through a short column of silica gel, and evaporated to give 436 mg of a yellow oil, consisting largely of ethyl propiophenone- α -sulfonate (**2a**): ir (neat) 1685, 1450, 1355, 1180, 1010, and 925 cm⁻¹; nmr (CDCl₃) τ 8.70 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3), 8.28 (d, *J* = 7 Hz, 3), 5.68 (q, *J* = 7 Hz, 2), 4.74 (q, *J* = 7 Hz, 1), 2.28–2.67 (m, 3), and 1.80–2.05 (m, 2); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 242 (4.5), 105 (100), and 77 (31.0). The acidic extract gave 2.30 g of colorless solid, determined by nmr to be a mixture of 1.96 g (41%) of oxathiazine (**4a**) and 0.34 g (14%) of benzoic acid (**10a**).

***p*-Chloropropiophenone (1j)**, 3.37 g, 20 mmol, ether, 6 days). During work-up, a colorless precipitate appeared. It was filtered and identified as 6-(4'-chlorophenyl)-5-methyl-1,2,3-oxathiazin-4(3*H*)-one 2,2-dioxide, sodium salt (**5j**): ir (KBr) 1645, 1585, 1375, 1320, 1205, 1095, 1015, and 860 cm⁻¹. This salt was dissolved in water, acidified, and extracted with ether to give 830 mg of 6-(4'-chlorophenyl)-5-methyl-1,2,3-oxathiazin-4(3*H*)-one 2,2-dioxide (**4j**): mp 174–175°; ir (KBr) 3100, 2980, 2760, 1685, 1620, 1400, 1360, 1210, 1155, 1100, 1080, 1005, and 830 cm⁻¹; nmr (DMSO-*d*₆) τ 7.99, (s, 3), 2.28 (s, 4), and 1.70 (br s, 1); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 275 (10.2) and 273 (23.5), 196 and 194 (<1), 168 (5.2) and 166 (17.8), 141 (35.7) and 139 (100), 113 (11.5) and 111 (35.7).

Anal. Calcd for C₁₀H₈NO₄SCl: C, 43.89; H, 2.95. Found: C, 44.14; H, 3.09.

The crude basic extract was recrystallized to give 629 mg (13%) of 6-(4'-chlorophenyl)-5-methyl-2*H*-1,3-oxazine-2,4(3*H*)-dione (**6j**) as a colorless solid: mp 203–204°; ir (KBr) 3150, 3020, 2850, 1770, 1710, 1635, 1415, 1180, 1105, 1020, 840, 770, and 755 cm⁻¹; nmr (DMSO-*d*₆) τ 8.00 (s, 3), 2.39 (s, 4), and –1.38 (br s, 1); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 239 (11.7) and 237 (33.8), 196 (3.8) and 194 (13.0), 168 (7.0) and 166 (20.2), 141 (32.2) and 139 (100), 113 (10.6), and 111 (31.0).

Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₈O₃NCl: C, 55.59; H, 3.40. Found: C, 55.44; H, 3.45.

The filtrate from **6j** yielded 1.02 g of yellow oil, containing about 68% of ethyl *p*-chloropropiophenone- α -sulfonate (**9j**, crude yield 10–15%) by nmr, plus polymer.

The crude acidic extract was recrystallized to give 320 mg of yellow solid. Recrystallization from acetone gave 265 mg (9%) of *p*-chlorobenzoic acid (**10j**) as colorless crystals displaying an ir spectrum identical with Sadtler's. The mother liquor yielded 300 mg of oxathiazine (**4j**, total yield 1.13 g, 21%).

Conversion of Sulfonate Salts 8 into β -Ketocarboxamides 7. 2,4-Diphenyl-3-oxobutylamide-*N*-sulfonic acid, sodium salt (**8d**, 150 mg, 0.42 mmol), was refluxed in toluene (5 ml, 20 min) and filtered and the solvent was removed *in vacuo* to give 85 mg (90%) of 2,4-diphenyl-3-oxobutylamide (**7d**) as colorless needles.

2-Benzoyl-2-phenylacetamide-*N*-sulfonic acid, sodium salt (**8e**, 338 mg, 0.99 mmol), was dissolved in 15 ml of water, and 2 drops

of concentrated HCl were added. The mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for 2 hr, and solvent was removed *in vacuo*. The residue was triturated with acetone, filtered, treated with activated carbon, and refiltered and the solvent was removed to give 189 mg (80%) of 2-benzoyl-2-phenylacetamide (**7e**) as colorless needles: mp 171–173° (lit.¹⁹ 171.5–173.5°); ir (KBr) 3400, 3165, 1685, 1650, 1210, 1010, 855, 780, 755, 720, 705, and 695 cm⁻¹; nmr (acetone-*d*₆) τ 5.04 (br s, 2), 4.13 (s, 1), 2.28–2.78 (m, 8), and 1.76–1.95 (m, 2); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 239 (25.2), 222 (27.5), 196 (10.7), 165 (11.1), 152 (4.6), 118 (40.5), and 105 (100).

Preparation of Malonamides 23. The general procedure for the reaction of ketones **1** with CSI was used except that only 5 ml of dichloromethane was used per 10 mmol of **1**. The reaction was monitored by ir. The colorless malonamide **23** which had precipitated during the reaction was rapidly filtered and dried in a vacuum desiccator. The filtrate was worked up as usual with aqueous sodium sulfite.

Propiophenone (**1a**, 1.34 g, 10 mmol, 5 days) gave 2.61 g (62.4%, average of several runs) of *N,N'*-bis(chlorosulfonyl)benzoyl(methyl)malonamide (**23a**): mp 103–104° dec; ir (KBr) 3290, 3170, 1735, 1665, 1465, 1440, 1390, 1275, 1180, 1165, 1070, 890, 750, and 710 cm⁻¹; nmr (CD₃CN) τ 8.01 (s, 3), 2.08–2.50 (m, 5), and –0.12 (br s, 2); *m/e* (%) no M⁺, 239 (5.4), 143 (2.7), 141 (6.1), 122 (10.4), 106 (100), and 105 (81.8). Work-up of the filtrate with sodium sulfite gave 281 mg (14%) of oxazine **6a** from the basic extract. The acidic extract gave 115 mg (7%) of β -ketoamide **7a**, 56 mg (5%) of benzoic acid (**10a**), and 23 mg (1%) of oxathiazine **4a** as determined by nmr integration.

α -Tetralone (**1f**, 1.46 g, 10 mmol, 8 days) gave 974 mg (23%) of 2,2-bis(*N*-chlorosulfonylcarboxamido)-1-tetralone (**23f**): mp 93–94° dec; ir (KBr) 3190, 2850 with tailing to ~2300, 1710, 1670, 1600, 1455, 1425, 1390, 1310, 1235, 1200, 1120, 880, and 780 cm⁻¹; nmr (CD₃CN) τ 6.14–7.75 (m, 4), 2.30–2.78 (m, 3), 1.83–2.13 (m, 1), and 0.00 (br s, 2); *m/e* (%) no M⁺, 315 and 313 (<2), 289 and 287 (<2), 251 (15.4), 183 (10.1), 172 (16.6), 170 (16.3), 145 (34.4), 144 (37.9), 118 (41.7), 116 (17.4), 115 (34.0), 106 (77.0), 90 (21.0), and 80 (100). Work-up of the filtrate gave 225 mg (10%) of oxazine **6f**.

Reductive Hydrolysis of 23a. Malonamide **23a** (1.99 g, 4.76 mmol) was dissolved in ether and worked up with aqueous sodium sulfite in the normal manner. The acidic extract yielded 550 mg (95%) of benzoic acid **10a**, mp 120–122°, identified by comparison with an authentic sample.

Treatment of 23a with DMF. **23a** (2.78 g, 6.16 mmol) was suspended in 20 ml of CH₂Cl₂, and DMF (2.14 g, 29.3 mmol) was added slowly. The mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for about 1 hr, then the solvent was removed. Sodium bicarbonate (25 ml of a 5% aqueous solution) was added, followed by solid NaHCO₃ until the solution remained basic. The mixture was stirred for 2 hr, then extracted four times with ether. The combined organic layers were dried (Na₂SO₄), and the solvent was removed to give 231 mg (47%) of methyl malononitrile: mp 33–35° (lit.²² 36–37°); ir (KBr) 2275, 1455, 1390, 1265, 1130, 1070, 1025, and 810 cm⁻¹; nmr (CDCl₃) τ 8.26 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3) and 5.89 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 80 (11.2), 79 (50.0), 53 (100), 52 (34.8), 51 (17.1), and 41 (18.8). Acidification (H₂SO₄) and reextraction of the aqueous phase gave 623 mg (83%) of benzoic acid **10a**.

Hydrolysis of 23f. **23f** (246 mg, 0.57 mmol) was dissolved in 5 ml of acetone, a few drops of water were added, and the mixture was allowed to stand overnight. The colorless crystals which had separated were then filtered to give 109 mg (82%) of 2,2-bis(carboxamido)-1-tetralone (**24**): mp 219–222°; ir (KBr) 3365, 3195, 1715, 1675, 1645, 1300, 1225, 1100, 910, 795, 750, and 710 cm⁻¹; nmr (DMSO-*d*₆) τ 7.42 (m, 2), 7.03 (m, 2), 2.30–2.96 (m, 7) and 1.93–2.20 (m, 1); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 232 (3.8), 189 (34.6), 188 (100), 172 (5.4), 171 (32.7), 144 (30.8), 118 (40.4), 116 (19.2), 115 (42.3), and 90 (40.4).

Anal. Calcd for C₁₂H₁₂O₃N₂: C, 62.06; H, 5.21; N, 12.06. Found: C, 61.97; H, 5.23; N, 12.09.

Transformations of 23a in Solution. **A. 23a** (2.5 g, 5.98 mmol) was suspended in 20 ml of dry CH₂Cl₂ and stirred at ambient temperature. After 2 days a large amount of **23a** appeared to have dissolved. At this time the solution exhibited a strong isocyanate band (ν = 2160 cm⁻¹) in the ir region. After 4 days, all of **23a** had dissolved. At 5 days, nmr indicated the presence of only (>95%) mo-

noamide **2a**. At 8 days there was still 91% of the **2a** and at 11 days nmr indicated a 87:13 mixture of **2a**:oxazine **14a**. DMF (1.93 g, 26.4 mmol) was added and the mixture was stirred for 30 min, evaporated *in vacuo*, dissolved in ether, washed three times with water, dried (Na₂SO₄), and evaporated again to yield 668 mg of a pale yellow oil, determined by nmr (CDCl₃) to consist of 432 mg (46%) of 2-benzoylpropionitrile,^{6b} 141 mg (11%) of oxazine **6a**, and 95 mg (13%) of benzoic acid (**10a**); ir (neat) is essentially identical with that of 2-benzoylpropionitrile. **B. 23a** (2.7 g, 6.45 mmol) was dissolved in 10 ml of anhydrous ether, stirred at ambient temperature, and monitored by nmr, reaction time in days (% cyclic products): 2 (31%), 6 (40%), 8 (50%). At 9 days the mixture was worked up with Na₂SO₃ as usual. The crude basic extract gave 408 mg of a yellow oil shown by nmr to contain some oxazine **6a** along with a lot of polymer. The acidic extract gave 417 mg of a pale yellow oil containing mainly oxathiazine **4a** along with some benzoic acid (**10a**) and polymer. Recrystallization gave 324 mg (21%) of **4a**.

Preparation of 2-Benzoyl-*N*-chlorosulfonylbutyramide 2b. Butyrophenone (**1b**, 8.88 g, 60 mmol) was dissolved in 30 ml of dry CH₂Cl₂, and CSI (3.52 ml, 40 mmol) was added. The mixture was refluxed for 20 hr, then slowly concentrated *in vacuo* until it solidified. The solid was filtered and washed with CH₂Cl₂. Repetition of this process gave two more crops, total 8.63 g (74%) of **2b** as a colorless solid: mp 117.5–119°; ir (KBr) 3110, 1710, 1700, 1450, 1385, 1285, 1195, 1130, 895, 850, 780, and 700 cm⁻¹; nmr (CD₃CN) τ 8.98 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3), 8.00 (p, *J* = 7 Hz, 2), 5.57 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 1), 2.26–2.63 (m), and 1.84–2.12 (m) total of six; *m/e* (%) M⁺ 291 and 289 (<1), 261 (1.6), 253 (5.1), 175 (2.3), 160 (1.6), 146 (3.7), 130 (5.4), 106 (8.8), 105 (100), and 77 (45.8).

Reactions of 2b. A. 2b (1.45 g, 5 mmol) was dissolved in 20 ml of anhydrous ether and stirred at ambient temperature. Essentially no reaction could be detected up to 13 days by nmr. Removal of solvent gave a yellowish solid shown by nmr to consist mainly of **2b** along with some of the hydrolysis product **7b**. Repetition of the reaction in 10 ml of dry CH₂Cl₂ with addition of CSI (0.5 ml, 5.7 mmol) again showed no reaction up to 7 days.

B. 2b (1.45 g, 5 mmol) was placed in 10 ml of anhydrous ether and CSI (0.5 ml, 5.7 mmol) added. After 9 days, nmr indicated about 84% conversion to cyclic products. The reaction was stirred 2 more days, then worked up with Na₂SO₃ as usual. The basic extract yielded 300 mg of pale yellow oil shown by nmr and tlc to contain oxazine **6b** along with polymer. The acidic extract gave 910 mg (72%) of oxathiazine **4b**.

C. 2b (1.45 g, 5 mmol) was placed in 10 ml of anhydrous ether, 0.5 ml of BF₃ etherate was added, and the mixture was stirred at ambient temperature. After 15 days, nmr indicated >60% conversion to product, therefore work-up with Na₂SO₃ was accomplished as usual. The basic extract gave 283 mg of colorless solid. This was recrystallized (acetone–Skellysolve “B”) to give 63 mg (7%) of β -ketoamide **7b**. The residue from the filtrate was recrystallized from chloroform to give 209 mg (18%) of **25** as colorless needles: mp 162–163°; ir (KBr) 3455, 3360, 3285, 1660, 1510, 1480, 1215, 1105–1020, 770, and 710 cm⁻¹; nmr (DMSO-*d*₆) τ 9.07 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3), 7.73 (q, *J* = 7 Hz, 2), 2.45 (s, 5), 1.02 (br s, 1), and 0.50 (br s, 1); *m/e* (%) M⁺ 239 (54.3), 238 (26.5), 224 (80.3), 220 (15.6), 219 (16.3), 218 (28.5), 204 (6.8), 173 (6.1), 159 (10.2), 146 (6.1), 115 (20.4), and 105 (100). The acidic extract gave 688 mg (54%) of oxathiazine **4b**.

D. 2b (2.13 g, 735 mmol) was dissolved in 20 ml of ether and 2 ml of H₂O was added. The mixture was allowed to stand for 2 hr, and the precipitated product was then filtered, yield 1.24 g (89%) of 2-benzoylbutyramide (**7b**), mp 150–151°.

Nmr Studies of Keto–Enol Equilibria. 1,3-Diphenyl-2-propanone (**1d**, 2.10 g, 10 mmol) was dissolved in 5 ml of dry CCl₄, and CSI (0.85 ml, 9.8 mmol) was added. After 64 hr (no CSI left in solution) the mixture was diluted with 5 ml of CCl₄. The nmr at this time showed starting ketone **1d** (12%), β -ketoamide **2d** (33%; τ 6.45 (s, CH₂), 5.23 (s, CH), and –0.3 (br s, NH)), and enol amide **2'd** (55%); τ 6.75 (s, CH₂), 1.85 (br s, NH), and –2.16 (br s, OH). The enol **2'd** thus makes up 63% of the keto–enol mixture.

To phenyl-2-propanone (**1c**) (1.34 g, 10 mmol) in 10 ml of dry CCl₄ was added CSI (9.8 mmol). At 25 hr reaction time, the nmr showed **1c** (20%; amide **2c** (31%; τ 7.97 (s, CH₃), 5.25 (s, CH), and –0.30 (br s, NH)), and enol **2'c**, (49%; τ 8.18 (s, CH₃), 1.73 (br s, NH) and –2.90 (br s, OH)). Enol **2'c** was present to the ex-

tent of 61%. If the reaction was allowed to proceed further, the mixture began to separate into two phases and some decomposition set in.

To propiophenone (**1a**) (134 mg, 1 mmol) in 1 ml of dry CCl_4 in an nmr tube was added CSI (0.085 ml, 0.98 mmol). After 45 hr the mixture began separating into two phases. Nmr at 42 hr showed **1a** (43%), amide **2a**, (47%; τ 8.49 (d, $J = 7$ Hz, CH_3), 5.42 (q, $J = 7$ Hz, CH), and *ca.* -0.80 (NH)), and enol **2'a** (10%; τ 7.92 (s, CH_3), and -1.00 to -0.80 (OH and NH)). The enol form **2'a** was thus present to the extent of 18%.

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Unsaturated Carbenes from Primary Vinyl Triflates. II.¹ Spin Multiplicity via Stereochemistry of Addition to Olefins

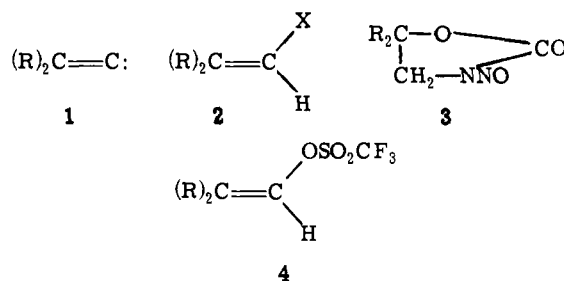
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Abstract: The stereochemistry of addition of isopropylidenecarbene, generated from primary vinyl triflates, to olefins was investigated. Addition was found to be more than 98% stereoselective to *cis*- and *trans*-2-methoxy-2-butene and stereospecific to *cis*- and *trans*-2-butene indicating that the nascent carbene is a singlet. Dilution experiments with *trans*-2-butene and perfluorocyclobutane as the inert diluent strongly suggest that the singlet is also the ground state of such unsaturated carbenes.

It is well known² that carbenes can exist in both the singlet and triplet state depending upon both the nature of the particular carbene as well as its mode of generation. Methylene itself has been shown³ to possess a triplet ground state in agreement with recent theoretical calculations.⁴

In recent years, besides continued developments in normal carbene chemistry,² there have been increasing reports and interest in unsaturated carbenes (**1**). Such species have been generated from primary vinyl halides⁵ (**2**) and RLi , base decomposition of *N*-nitrosooxazolidones⁶ (**3**), and most recently from primary vinyl triflates¹ (**4**) and *t*-BuOK. Despite this surge of interest in unsaturated carbenes, very little is known about their spin multiplicity. Recent theoretical calculations by Dewar and coworkers⁷ using the MINDO/2 procedure as well as earlier calculations by Gleiter and Hoffmann⁸ predict the singlet to be the ground state for methylenecarbene itself (**1**; R = H). However, outside of a brief mention by Newman^{6d} of the stereochemistry of addition of isopropylidenecarbene (**1**; R =



CH_3) as generated from nitrosooxazolidone to *cis*- and *trans*-4-methyl-2-pentene, with little or no experimental detail given, there are no experimental data on the spin multiplicity of these species. Therefore, we undertook and report in this paper a detailed investigation of the spin multiplicity of unsaturated carbenes (**1**) as generated¹ from primary vinyl triflates (**4**) and determined by the stereospecificity of addition to olefins.