

**704. Infrared Absorption of Heteroaromatic, Five-membered, Monocyclic Nuclei. Part II.<sup>1</sup> 2-Monosubstituted Thiophens.**

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The positions and intensities of nine characteristic bands are recorded and discussed for thirteen 2-monosubstituted thiophens.

2-MONOSUBSTITUTED furans show characteristic absorption bands which could be assigned to specific normal vibrations of the furan nucleus.<sup>1</sup> We have now extended this work to the corresponding thiophens. In the region of the spectrum investigated, 2000—800  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , absorption corresponding to the modes (I—XI) might be found. As before,<sup>1</sup> the positions of the ring stretching modes (I—IV) and the ring breathing mode (VIII) should be similar to those in thiophen itself, and the positions of the CH-in-plane (IV—VII) and the CH-out-of-plane deformation modes (IX—XI) to those of vicinal trisubstituted benzenes.

*Ring Stretching Frequencies at 1600—1300  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .*—Thiophen shows bands at 1591  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (8), 1409  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (32), and 1255  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (43) \* in the infrared and an additional band at 1358  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in the Raman spectrum,<sup>2</sup> which were assigned to vibrations (I)—(IV) respectively. The bands shown by the substituted thiophens at 1537—1509 [ $1523 \pm 9$ ], † 1444—1402 [ $1422 \pm 12$ ], 1365—1339 [ $1354 \pm 7$ ], and 1258—1220  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (30—155) [ $1231 \pm 10 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (80  $\pm$  30)] (Table, cols. 1—4) are therefore assigned to modes (I)—(IV), respectively. The intensities of the first three bands are less when the ring is attached to weakly electron-accepting substituents {for Nos. 1—8 the intensities are respectively (3—30) [(15  $\pm$  5)], (20—115) [(75  $\pm$  35)], and (15—60) [(25  $\pm$  20)]} than when the ring is attached to strong electron acceptors {for Nos. 9—13, intensities are (50—110) [(85  $\pm$  30)], (120—280) [(190  $\pm$  60)], and (45—150) [(95  $\pm$  35)]}. This pattern of intensity variation is expected, for the thiophen ring is a strong electron donor and large interactions between ring and substituent are known to intensify ring stretching bands.<sup>1,3</sup>

*Hydrogen In-plane Deformations at 1250—1000  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .*—The bands at 1086—1077  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (5—20) [ $1081 \pm 3 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (10  $\pm$  5)], and 1053—1031  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (5—110) [ $1043 \pm 7 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (55  $\pm$  40)] (Table, cols. 5—6) probably correspond to the modes (VI) and (VII). In vicinal trisubstituted benzenes<sup>4</sup> the corresponding modes absorb near 1160 and 1073  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , and in 2-substituted furans<sup>1</sup> near 1158 and 1076  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The mode (V) probably occurs near 1200  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (cf. vicinal benzenes) and is possibly obscured by mode (IV).

*Hydrogen Out-of-plane Deformations below 1000  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .*—The bands at 938—905  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (5—20) [ $925 \pm 8 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (10  $\pm$  5)] and 863—841  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (45—110) [ $853 \pm 7 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (75  $\pm$  25)] probably correspond to modes (IX) and (X); mode (XI) is probably obscured by solvent absorption below 800  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The corresponding bands for vicinal trisubstituted benzenes<sup>4</sup> absorb near 958, 893, and 770  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  and for 2-substituted furans<sup>1</sup> near 925, 884, and below 800  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

*Ring Breathing Frequency.*—The band at 831  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (95) for thiophen has been assigned to mode (VIII).<sup>2</sup> The 2-substituted derivatives all show a band at 839—790  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (25—85) [ $823 \pm 20 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (50  $\pm$  20)] (Table, col. 9) which is accordingly assigned to this mode.

\* Measured in  $\text{CHCl}_3$  solution at 0.700m.

† Apparent extinction coefficients are in parentheses and arithmetic means and standard deviations in brackets. The intensities of shoulders and superimposed bands and the positions of shoulders are not treated statistically.

<sup>1</sup> Part I, Katritzky and Lagowski, *J.*, 1959, 657.

<sup>2</sup> (a) Thompson and Temple, *Trans. Faraday Soc.*, 1945, **41**, 27; (b) Waddington *et al.*, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1949, **71**, 797; (c) Lecomte, *Bull. Soc. Chim. France*, 1946, 415; (d) Hidalgo, *J. Phys. Radium*, 1955, **16**, 366.

<sup>3</sup> Katritzky, *J.*, 1958, 4162.

<sup>4</sup> Randle and Whiffen, Paper No. 12, Report of the Conference of Molecular Spectroscopy, 1954. Institute of Petroleum.

| No. | Subst.                   | (I)              | (II)             | (III)            | (IV)                    | (V)                      | (VI)             | (VII)            | (VIII)            | (IX)              | (X)              | (XI)       | 10  | 11   | 12   |
|-----|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------|-----|------|------|
|     |                          | $\nu\text{C-C}$  | $\nu\text{C-C}$  | $\nu\text{C-C}$  | $\nu\text{C-C}$         | $\nu\text{C-C}$          | $\beta\text{CH}$ | $\beta\text{CH}$ | $B_2$             | $A_2$             | $A_1$            | B. p.      |     |      | Ref. |
|     |                          | $\epsilon_A$     | $\epsilon_A$     | $\epsilon_A$     | $\epsilon_A$            | $\epsilon_A$             | $\epsilon_A$     | $\epsilon_A$     | $\gamma\text{CH}$ | $\gamma\text{CH}$ | ring             | B. p.      |     |      |      |
|     |                          | $\text{cm}^{-1}$ | $\text{cm}^{-1}$ | $\text{cm}^{-1}$ | $\text{cm}^{-1}$        | $\text{cm}^{-1}$         | $\text{cm}^{-1}$ | $\text{cm}^{-1}$ | $\text{cm}^{-1}$  | $\text{cm}^{-1}$  | $\text{cm}^{-1}$ |            |     |      |      |
| 1   | Me*                      | 1537             | 3 1444           | 45               | 1239                    | 40 1078                  | 15 1043          | 12 938           | 5 846             | 50 817            | 45               | 112-113°   | 760 | a    |      |
| 2   | Ph*                      | 1533             | 15 1433          | 20 1353          | 5 1258                  | 30 1081                  | 15 1047          | 5 905            | 10 849            | 75 826            | 30               | 37-39°     | b   | a    |      |
| 3   | Cl                       | 1518             | 30 1415          | 115 1347         | 10 1220                 | 95 1085                  | 10 1052          | 80 923           | 5 842             | 85 819            | 60               |            |     | c    |      |
| 4   | Br                       | 1509             | 20 1405          | 95 1339          | 10 1220                 | 80 1080                  | 5 1044           | 25 926           | 5 841             | 85 819            | 55               | 56°        | 26  | d    |      |
| 5   | CH:CH-CO <sub>2</sub> Me | 1518             | 15 1428          | 110 1365         | 60 1230                 | 100 1078                 | 5 1043           | 90 923           | 20 855            | 110 827           | 85               | 47-48°     | b   | e    |      |
| 6   | CH:CH-CO <sub>2</sub> Et | 1517             | 15 1428          | 60 (-)           | 1230 115                | (-)                      | 1042†            | 160 926          | 5 855             | 110 828           | 90               | 109-111°   | 1-3 | f    |      |
| 7   | CMe:NOH                  | 1532             | 15 1433          | 55 1352          | 25 (CHCl <sub>3</sub> ) | 1086                     | 20 1036†         | 20 (-)           | 850               | 65 828            | 50               | 117.5-118° | b   | g    |      |
| 8   | CH:NOH                   | 1514             | 15 1424          | 90 1352          | 30 1230                 | 55 1077                  | 5 1053           | 55 (-)           | 856               | 45 825            | 30               | 132.5-134° | b   | h, i |      |
| 9   | CO <sub>2</sub> Me       | 1527             | 110 1418         | 120 1362         | 150 1225                | 60 (-)                   | 1040             | 20 929           | 20 857            | 90 786            | 50               | 89-90°     | 17  | j    |      |
| 10  | CO <sub>2</sub> Et       | 1528             | 110 1422         | 220 1357         | 75 1225                 | 75 (-)                   | 1042             | 40 923           | 5 859             | 55 810            | 25               | 101-102°   | 17  | k    |      |
| 11  | CHO                      | 1517             | 50 1422          | 190 1358         | 45 1230                 | 155 1082                 | 10 1047          | 110 925          | 10 863            | 45 839            | 40               | 84°        | 17  | l    |      |
| 12  | COMe                     | 1514             | 70 1415          | 280 1356         | 110 1230                | 80 1082                  | 20 1032          | 35 932           | 50 858            | 95 839            | 35               | 57-58°     | 0-7 | t    |      |
| 13  | NO <sub>2</sub>          | 1532             | 220†             | 1402 130         | 1365†                   | 200 (CHCl <sub>3</sub> ) | 1083             | 5 1031           | 110 924           | 10 857            | 75 834           | 43°        | b   | m    |      |

\* Measured in 0.700M solution. † Shoulder. ‡ Intensity of peak materially raised by overlap with another band. — Absence of absorption. (—) Band masked by stronger absorption. †† Peak considered to be the result of the superimposition of two bands.

The approximate symmetry type is given beneath the column number, those in cols. 1-3 and 9 by analogy with unsubstituted thiophen, and those in cols 5-8 by analogy with vicinal trisubstituted benzenes; see text.

Compounds were prepared by the methods indicated in the references (except for Nos. 3, 4, 11, 12, and 13 which were commercial products and Nos. 5 and 6 which were prepared as indicated in footnote e). The physical constants quoted (cols. 10-11) were in agreement with literature values as also were refractive indices of the liquid compounds.

<sup>a</sup> Kues and Paal, *Ber.*, 1886, **19**, 556, 3142. <sup>b</sup> M. p. <sup>c</sup> Weitz, *Ber.*, 1884, **17**, 794. <sup>d</sup> Krause and Renwanz, *Ber.*, 1929, **62**, 1710. <sup>e</sup> 3-(2-Thienyl)-acrylic acid (1.0 g.) was refluxed for 6 hr. with methanol (25 c.c.) and sulphuric acid (2.5 c.c.). The cooled mixture was poured into water (150 c.c.) and extracted with ether. Drying (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), evaporation of solvents, and distillation gave the *methyl ester* (b. p. ca. 100°/0.1 mm.; 0.7 g., 65%) which solidified on cooling, and after four crystallisations from light petroleum (b. p. 60-80°) had m. p. 47-48° (Found: C, 57.3; H, 5.2. C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S requires C, 57.1; H, 4.8%). <sup>f</sup> King and Nord, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1949, **14**, 405. <sup>g</sup> Peter, *Ber.*, 1884, **17**, 2644. <sup>h</sup> Biedermann, *Ber.*, 1886, **19**, 1854. <sup>i</sup> Goldschmidt and Zanoli, *Ber.*, 1892, **25**, 2588. <sup>j</sup> Weinstein, *J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1955, **77**, 6709. <sup>k</sup> Biedermann, *Ber.*, 1886, **19**, 638. <sup>l</sup> Johnson and May, *Org. Synth.*, 1938, **18**, 1. <sup>m</sup> Meyer and Stadler, *Ber.*, 1884, **17**, 2648.

*Substituent Bands.*—Most of the remaining bands with  $\epsilon_A > 10$  could be assigned to substituent absorption, but the bands shown by No. 1 at 1163  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (30), by No. 2 at 955  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (15), by No. 12 at 1016  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (20), and by No. 13 at 1433  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (25) were anomalous.

*Previous Work.*—Hidalgo<sup>2d</sup> measured six 2-substituted thiophens (as liquid films) (substituents; Me, Et, Br, Cl, Ac,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ) and recorded twelve bands as characteristic of the nucleus. Three of these occur below 800  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; eight of the remaining nine correspond to those given in the Table, cols. 1—6, 8—9. There is good overall agreement between results, but the frequency ranges quoted by Hidalgo are mostly considerably greater than ours. We have not found the band quoted<sup>2d</sup> at 1355—1236  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; Hidalgo does not report the band that we find at 938—923  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

Hochgesang,<sup>5</sup> who summarises early work, recorded the spectra of ten 2-substituted thiophens (Me, Et,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ ,  $\text{Pr}^n$ ,  $\text{Bu}^n$ ,  $\text{Bu}^t$ , Cl, Br, Ac, and SH), mainly as liquid films. The positions agree well with those in this paper; no precise intensities were quoted. The generalisations made are, as far as they go, in accord with the present results.

*Experimental.*—See Ref. 1 for conditions of measurement.

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<sup>5</sup> Hochgesang, in Hartough, "Thiophene and its Derivatives," Interscience Inc., 1952.

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