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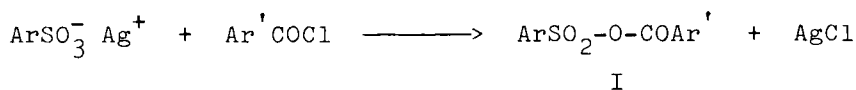
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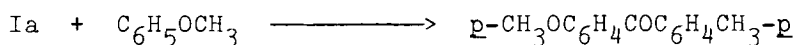
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Mixed sulfonic-carboxylic anhydrides have previously been shown to be excellent acylating agents.² In this paper the preparation of several new anhydrides is reported.



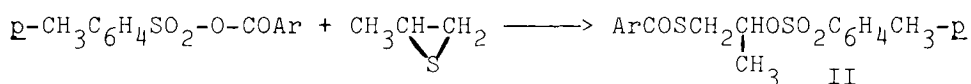
- a) Ar = Ar' = p-CH₃C₆H₄
 b) Ar = p-CH₃C₆H₄, Ar' = p-ClC₆H₄
 c) Ar = Ar' = p-ClC₆H₄

As anticipated, each was found to be an active acylating agent. Aniline and phenol, for example, reacted with Ia to give p-methylbenzanilide and phenyl p-toluate in 95% and 81% yields respectively. In addition, aromatic substitution occurred with anisole in the presence of triethylamine affording 4-methyl-4'-methoxybenzophenone in 62% yield.



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With propylene sulfide, several thioethyl *p*-toluenesulfonates(II) were obtained in moderate yield.



The benzoylation of *l*-menthol in dioxane was followed polarimetrically and second order rate constants of 6.11 and 2.44×10^{-4} l/m min. at 29.90° and 21.40° respectively were calculated. From this, $E_a = 19.2$ Kcal. and $S^\ddagger = -20.2$ eu.

Experimental³

p-Toluyyl *p*-Toluenesulfonate (Ia). To a solution of 27.9 g (0.1 mole) of silver *p*-toluenesulfonate in 200 ml of acetonitrile there was added dropwise and with stirring 15.1 g (0.1 mole) of *p*-toluyyl chloride in 50 ml of acetonitrile. Stirring at room temperature was continued for 3 hr. after which time the solvent was removed under vacuum. The residual solid was extracted several times with ether. Cooling the ether extracts below 0° afforded 11.6 g (40%) of Ia, m.p. 80-82°. Some softening before melting was observed for this and the other anhydrides. Infrared absorption was exhibited at 1780 cm^{-1} .

Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_4\text{S}$: C, 62.05; H, 4.86; S, 11.05. Found: C, 62.27; H, 5.01; S, 10.91.

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p-Chlorobenzoyl p-Toluenesulfonate (Ib). This compound was prepared as described above. From 27.9 g (0.1 mole) of silver p-toluenesulfonate and 17.5 g (0.1 mole) of p-chlorobenzoyl chloride, there was obtained 13.5 g (43%) of Ib, m.p. 111-113°.

Anal. Calcd. for $C_{14}H_{11}ClO_4S$: C, 54.10; H, 3.57; Cl, 11.41; S, 10.32. Found: C, 53.82; H, 3.83; Cl, 11.70; S, 10.22.

p-Chlorobenzoyl p-Chlorobenzenesulfonate (Ic). This compound was prepared as described above except that benzene was used instead of ether for the extraction of the anhydride. From 26.8 g (0.1 mole) of silver p-chlorobenzenesulfonate and 17.1 g (0.1 mole) of p-chlorobenzoyl chloride, there was obtained 12.7 g (38%) of Ic, m.p. 135-137°.

Anal. Calcd. for $C_{13}H_8Cl_2O_4S$: C, 47.14; H, 2.43; Cl, 21.41; S, 9.68. Found: C, 46.95; H, 2.63; Cl, 21.20; S, 9.69.

Reaction of Ia with Anisole. To 10.0 g (0.034 mole) of Ia and 3.5 g (0.034 mole) of triethylamine in 100 ml of ether, there was added 3.7 g (0.034 mole) of anisole. After a reflux period of 12 hr. the solution was extracted first with dilute hydrochloric acid and then with a saturated solution of sodium carbonate. Evaporation of the ether afforded a brown solid which was recrystallized from ethanol-water to give 4.8 g (62%) of 4-methyl-4'-methoxybenzophenone, m.p.

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93-94° (lit.⁴ m.p. 92°). The infrared spectrum exhibited a strong band at 1675 cm⁻¹.

Reaction of Ia with Aniline. To 6.25 g (0.022 mole) of Ia in 150 ml of ether there was added 4.1 g (0.044 mole) of aniline. Precipitation occurred immediately. The ether was evaporated to dryness and the residual solid treated with a saturated solution of sodium carbonate. The water insoluble material was recrystallized from ethanol-water, affording 4.3 g (95%) of *p*-methylbenzanilide, m.p. 143-144° (lit.⁵ m.p. 144-145°). The infrared spectrum was identical to that of an authentic sample.

Reaction of Ia with Phenol. To 5.0 g (0.017 mole) of Ia in 100 ml of ether there was added 1.6 g (0.017 mole) of phenol. The solution was stirred overnight and then extracted with a saturated solution of sodium carbonate. After evaporation of the ether, the residual solid was recrystallized from ethanol-water, affording 2.7 g (81%) of phenyl *p*-toluate, m.p. 73-74° (lit.⁶ m.p. 75-76°). The infrared spectrum was identical to that of an authentic sample.

1-Methyl-2-Benzoylthioethyl *p*-Toluenesulfonate. Benzoyl chloride (14.1 g; 0.1 mole) was added dropwise to silver *p*-toluenesulfonate (27.9 g; 0.1 mole) in 200 ml of acetonitrile. Silver chloride precipitated but was not removed. After 0.5 hr., propylene sulfide (11.1 g; 0.19 mole) was added to the mixture while the temperature was maintained

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between 20-30°. After a reflux period of 1 hr. the solvent was removed and the residual solid extracted with benzene. The benzene solution was washed with a saturated solution of sodium carbonate and then evaporated to dryness. The residual solid was recrystallized from hexane, affording 7.9 g (22%) of 1-methyl-2-benzoylthioethyl *p*-toluenesulfonate, m.p. 90.5-92°. Infrared absorption was exhibited at 1665, 1185, and 1020 cm^{-1} . The H^1 nmr spectrum showed a multiplet for the aromatic protons (τ 2.0-2.8), a multiplet for the methine proton (τ 5.2), a multiplet for the methylene protons (τ 6.75), a singlet for the methyl group attached to the aromatic ring (τ 7.7), and a doublet for the remaining methyl group (τ 8.5). The integrated intensities were in accord with the proposed structure.

Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_4\text{S}_2$: C, 58.26; H, 5.18; S, 18.30. Found: C, 58.11; H, 5.21; S, 18.39.

1-Methyl-2-*p*-Nitrobenzoylthioethyl *p*-Toluenesulfonate.

Propylene sulfide (1.6 g; 0.021 mole) was slowly added to *p*-nitrobenzoyl *p*-toluenesulfonate² (5.7 g; 0.017 mole) in 100 ml of acetonitrile. After a reflux period of 2 hr. the solvent was removed and the residual solid recrystallized from methanol, affording 2.8 g (42%) of 1-methyl-2-nitrobenzoylthioethyl *p*-toluenesulfonate, m.p. 130-131°. Infrared absorption was exhibited at 1665, 1540, and 1350 cm^{-1} .

Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_6\text{S}_2$: C, 51.63; H, 4.33; S, 16.21. Found: C, 51.21; H, 4.16; S, 16.23.

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1-Methyl-2-Acetylthioethyl p-Toluenesulfonate. Acetyl chloride (9.8 g; 0.12 mole) was added to silver p-toluenesulfonate (27.9 g; 0.1 mole) in 150 ml of acetonitrile. Silver chloride precipitated but was not removed. After stirring the mixture for 15 min., propylene sulfide (8.1 g; 0.11 mole) was added dropwise while the temperature was maintained between 20-30°. After an additional 0.5 hr., the mixture was filtered and the solvent evaporated, affording a red oil which crystallized after washing with sodium carbonate solution. The solid was extracted with boiling hexane which on cooling afforded 5.78 g (20%) of 1-methyl-2-acetylthioethyl p-toluenesulfonate, m.p. 58-59°. Infrared absorption was exhibited at 1690, 1185, and 1025 cm^{-1} .

Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_4\text{S}_2$: C, 50.31; H, 5.55; S, 22.24. Found: C, 49.94; H, 5.59; S, 22.23.

Kinetic Results.⁷ The reaction of benzoyl p-toluenesulfonate² and l-menthol, $[\alpha]_D^{21.4} -49.4$ (methanol), was followed by observing the change in optical rotation attending the disappearance of l-menthol and the appearance of l-menthyl benzoate. Rotations were measured on a Rudolph Photoelectric Polarimeter, model 200S-340-8026. The concentration of alcohol and ester were determined by reference to a previously prepared plot of optical rotation versus composition of various mixtures of l-menthol and l-menthyl benzoate. At the completion of each run, the solvent, dioxane, was removed in vacuo and the residual material dissolved in ethanol. Cooling of the ethanol afforded l-menthyl benzoate, m.p. 54-55°, $[\alpha]_D^{21.4} -86.6$ (chloroform).

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Table I

Variation in Optical Rotation During the Reaction of ℓ -Menthol
and Benzoyl *p*-Toluenesulfonate in Dioxane^{a,b}

| Run | $[-\alpha]$ (deg.) | Time (min.) | ℓ -Menthol M | Anhydride M | $k \times 10^4$ l/m min. |
|-----|-----------------------|----------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. | 12.66 | 316 | 0.3575 | 0.3575 | 6.11 |
| | 15.84 | 1125 | 0.3030 | 0.3030 | 6.19 |
| | 16.29 | 1279 | 0.2949 | 0.2949 | 6.15 |
| | 16.58 | 1380 | 0.2899 | 0.2899 | 6.13 |
| | 17.20 | 1624 | 0.2792 | 0.2792 | 6.02 |
| 2. | 13.50 | 1240 | 0.6940 | 0.3059 | 2.50 |
| | 13.70 | 1374 | 0.6835 | 0.2990 | 2.50 |
| | 13.96 | 1558 | 0.6751 | 0.2906 | 2.48 |
| | 15.83 | 2905 | 0.6121 | 0.2276 | 2.64 |
| | 18.85 | 7032 | 0.5092 | 0.1247 | 2.64 |

a. The initial concentrations were: Run 1: ℓ -menthol 0.3840 M; anhydride 0.3840 M; Run 2: ℓ -menthol 0.7680 M; anhydride 0.3835 M.

b. Data obtained at a wavelength of 589 m μ : Run 1 temp. 29.90°, pathlength 4 decimeters; Run 2 temp. 21.40°, pathlength 2 decimeters.

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