

REACTIONS OF GROUP IV ORGANOMETALLIC COMPOUNDS IX
ADDITION AND SUBSEQUENT β -ELIMINATION REACTIONS OF
TRIMETHYLSILYL- AND STANNYLAMINES WITH CHLORAL

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Simple insertion reactions of group IV organometallics have been investigated for various unsaturated systems¹. When insertion products were unstable, subsequent β -elimination from them were predicted for the reaction of chloral with Sn-O² or Pb-O³ compounds and for that of C=S compounds with N-methylhexamethyldimetallazane^{4,5}. In this publication which takes chloral as an addendum, steric requirement on nitrogen atom in trimethylsilyldialkylamine is found to influence predominantly the stability of the insertion products. However, β -elimination products were only obtained for trimethylstannyldimethyl- and diethylamine in the analogous way as Sn-O or Pb-O compounds.

When chloral (10 millimoles) were added to the same molar amounts of trimethylsilyldimethylamine at 0°, exothermic reaction took place. Distillation of above reaction mixture (b.p. 0.6 71°) gave exclusively α -dimethylamino- β,β,β -trichloroethoxytrimethylsilane I_a, in 75% yield. Isolated insertion product I_a was identified as follows; Anal. Calcd. for C₇H₁₀Cl₃NOSi Cl 40.19, Found 40.09, nmr; τ 9.80(9H) for CH₃-Si, τ 7.51(6H) for CH₃-N, and τ 5.51(1H) for C-H.

However, distillate for seven other trimethylsilyldialkylamines was the mixture of similar insertion products as I_a and N,N-dialkylformamide II_{b-h}. Formation of II and trimethylsilyltrichloromethide, which was identified by comparison its infra-red and nmr spectra with authentic material⁶ and by the

TABLE I

Relative Ratio of α -Dialkylamino- β,β -trichloroethoxytrimethylsilane (I) and N,N-Dialkylformamide(II) for the Reaction of $\text{Me}_3\text{Si-NRR}'$ with Chloral^a

Run	R	R'	α -Dialkylamino- β,β -trichloroethoxytrimethylsilane (I)		N,N-Dialkylformamide(II)		$\frac{\text{I}}{\text{II}}$	pK_a of RR'NH
			Yield (%)	Chemical Shift (τ)	Yield (%)	Chem. Shift (τ)		
			(CH_3) ₃ Si	C-H		H-CO-		
a	Me	Me	66.3	9.80	5.51	0	0.00	10.87
b	Et	Et	43.8	9.78	5.44	39.5	0.90	10.98
c	nPr	nPr	23.0	9.78	5.45	69.9	3.04	11.00
d		-(CH ₂) ₄ -	37.4	9.80	5.30	25.0	0.67	11.29
e		-(CH ₂) ₅ -	33.0	9.79	5.59	39.5	1.19	11.22
f		-CH ₂ CH ₂ -O-CH ₂ CH ₂ -	44.3	9.75	5.62	51.8	1.17	8.36
g	Me	Cyclohexyl	23.8	9.77	5.40	70.6	2.97	-
h	Et	Cyclohexyl	17.4	9.77	5.35	60.5	3.47	-

^a Reactions were carried out by treating 10.0 millimoles of chloral with 10.0 millimoles of trimethylsilyldialkylamine at 0°, and agitating at 78±2° for 20 hours in a sealed tube, then distilling below 100°/0.1 mmHg.

-OMe(-0.78), larger mesomeric effect of dialkylamino group would favor elimination of trichloromethide group. Stability of insertion product for Sn-N compounds was therefore depressed compared with that of Sn-O compounds.

Extremely large stability of Si-O bond due to (p-d) π overlap in the insertion product I from the reaction of Si-N compounds with chloral made β -elimination more difficult.

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