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K. G. DAS, M. MALLAIAH, K. P. MADHUS UDHANAN and A. P. BRUINS: Gas phase reactions induced by OH^- ion. *Tetrahedron* **38**, 2285 (1982).

The above paper, describing negative ion mass spectra recorded in Groningen, was submitted without my permission. In view of the following arguments, I wish to dissociate myself from the paper:

1. Presentation of ion intensities as percentage of the total ion current from m/z 90 upwards, excludes the very abundant NO_2^- and CN^- ions. The relative abundance of NO_2^- and CN^- was strongly dependent on the stereochemistry and also dependent on the temperature of the direct insertion probe.

2. The amino compound labelled in the amino group (ND_2) showed a poor deuterium incorporation. D-H exchange may have taken place during mailing and storage, but also in the ion source [D. F. Hunt and S. K. Sethi, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **102**, 6953 (1980), J. J. Grabowski, C. H. de Puy and V. M. Bierbaum, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **105**, 2565 (1983)]. The statement that the ND_2 compound "showed only (M-D)⁻ ion" is therefore not justified.

Moreover, I have recorded a spectrum of the partially labelled endo amine only. *I have neither received the ND_2 labelled exo isomer, nor recorded its spectrum, although data are given in Table III.*

3. Finally, the presentation of ion intensities in four figures is not justified, as the spectra were single recordings, presented by the computer in bar graph form.

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A. S. RAO, S. K. PAKNIKAR and J. G. KIRTANY: Recent advances in the preparation and synthetic applications of oxiranes. *Tetrahedron* **39**, 2323 (1983).

The last named author should have appeared as J. G. KIRTANY (not KIRTANE)