# **THERMODYNAMICS OF THE DISSOCIATIONS OF ORTHO-,** *META-,*  **AND PARA-AMINOBENZENE SULPHONIC, GLUTAMIC AND SULPHAMIC ACIDS IN FORMAMIDE AT DIFFERENT TEMPERATURES**

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### **ABSTRACT**

**The thermodynamic dissociation constants of orthanilic, metanilic, sulphanilic, gluta**mic and sulphamic acids in formamide have been determined from 5 to 45<sup>o</sup>C at intervals **of 5'C. Electromotive force measurements in cells without liquid junction (using quin**hydrone and silver-silver chloride electrodes) were made. The thermodynamic quantities **associated with the ionization of these amino acids have been calculated. These quantities are discussed in relation to the structure of the acid and the orientation of formamide molecules by the ions.** 

#### **INTRODUCTION**

**In a previous communication [ 11, the pK values and associated thermodynamic quantities for the two dissociation steps of** *ortho-, meta-,* **and panz-aminobenzoic acids, ampholytes, in formam ;de were reported. The first dissociatibn step is an acid-base equilibrium of the charge type A'B' ,**  while the second is of the charge type  $A^{\pm}B^{-}$ . The effect of changing the sol**vent from water to formamide for the two dissociation steps of these ampholytes has also been examined. To extend the study on the behaviour of ampholytes, we now report the results of a determination of the pK values and associated thermodynamic constants for the dissociation steps of orthanilic, metanilic, sulphanilic, glutamic and sulphamic acids in formamide at nine different temperatures from 5 to 45°C. A comparison of these values of**   $pK$  and their associated thermodynamic quantities ( $\Delta G^0$ ,  $\Delta H^0$ , and  $\Delta S^0$ ) **in both water and formamide helps to explain the dipolar character of these acids in formamide.** 

### **EXPERIMENTAL**

**Orthanilic, metanilic, glutamic and sulphamic acids (C.P.'s) were recrystallized twice from hot conductivity water, and sulphanilic acid (B.D.H., L.R.)**  was recrystallized twice from boiling conductivity water, and were dried at **room temperature over calcium chloride in a vacuum desiccator. Hydrochlo-**  **326** 

**rides of the amino acids were prepared by the method similar to that described earlier [ 11. The purity of these acids was checked by titrations against a carbonate-free sodium hydroxide solution.** 

**Potassium salts of these acids were prepared by the method as described earlier [2,4]. The purification of formamide and drying of KC1 (B.D.H., AnalaR) have been described previously [4,5].** 

**The detailed description of the apparatus, preparation of the electrodes, design of the cells, preparation of the cell solutions and cell measurements have been discussed previously [3]. The reproducibility of the result was**  about  $\pm 0.2$  mV.

**RESULTS** 

**The pK, of orthanilic, metanilic, sulphanilic, and glutamic acids corresponds to the reaction represented by** 

 $HZ^+(zwittenion) = H^+ + Z^{\pm}$ 

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(1)
$$

where  $K_1$  is the first ionization constant, and was determined in formamide **by accurately measuring the EMF of cells of the type** 

$$
Ag-AgClIHZCl(m_2), Z^{\pm}(m_1), QH_2-QIPt
$$
 (A)

The second ionization constant  $(K_2)$  of these acids and the  $K$  of sulphamic **acid were found from measurements of the EMF of cells of the type** 

$$
Ag-AgClIKCl(m3), KZ(m2), Z±(m1), QH2-QlPt
$$
 (B)

whereas, the third ionization constant of glutamic acid  $(K_3)$  was obtained by **using a cell of the type** 

$$
Ag-AgClIKCl(m3), K2Z(m2), KHZ(m1), QH2-QlPt
$$
 (C)

where  $m_1$ ,  $m_2$ , and  $m_3$  are the stoichiometric molalities of each of the species **involved\_ The method used was very similar to the EMF procedure employed earlier [ 1,2]. Quinhydrone electrodes have been used instead of hydrogen electrodes [ 31.** 

**The EMF of cell (A) was measured with different solutions for each acid ranging from**  $m_1 = 0.224$  **and**  $m_2 = 0.048$  **up to**  $m_1 = 1.198$  **and**  $m_2 = 1.164$  **X**  $10^{-2}$  mol kg<sup>-1</sup>. For the solutions of cell (B),  $m_1$ ,  $m_2$ , and  $m_3$  were varied in the ranges 0.132-1.028, 0.110-2.784, and 1.196-9.945  $\times$  10<sup>-2</sup> mol kg<sup>-1</sup>, **respectively. Similarly, the EMF of cell (C) was measured with different solutions ranging from**  $m_1 = 0.686$ **,**  $m_2 = 0.211$  **and**  $m_3 = 1.438$  **up to**  $m_1 = 1.978$ **,**  $m_2 = 1.452$  and  $m_3 = 13.041 \times 10^{-2}$  mol kg<sup>-1</sup>.

**The "apparent" pK, of orthanilic, metanilic, sulphanilic and glutamic acids, designated pK;, was derived from the EMF, E, of cell (A), and the molalities of the cell solutions by the equation [1,6]** 

$$
pK'_{1} = (XF/2.303RT) + \log[m_{2}(m_{2} - m'_{H})/m_{1} + m'_{H})]
$$
  
- 2A $(Id_{0})^{1/2}/1 + Ba(Id_{0})^{1/2}$  (2)

and the 'apparent' hydrogen ion molality,  $m'_H$  was calculated by

$$
-\log m'_{\rm H} = (XF/2.303\;RT) + \log m_2 - 2A(Id_0)^{1/2}/1 + Ba(Id_0)^{1/2} \tag{3}
$$

where  $X = [E - E^0(Ag - AgCl) + E^0(QH_2 - Q)]$ , and "*a*" is the ion-size param**eter. The Debye-Hiickel constants** *A* **and B at different temperatures were available in the literature [7] or were calculated from the dielectric constant IS], density [9], etc. of formamide. The standard electrode potentials, E", of the silver-silver chloride and quinhydrone electrodes in formamide at different temperatures are available elsewhere [lo]. The ionic strength, 1, is**  equal to the molality,  $m_2$ , in the solutions of cell  $(A)$ . As before  $[11,12]$ , the **value of** *"a"* **for each acid was obtained. A linear extrapolation of pK; to**   $I = 0$  gave the  $pK_1$  values of the acids.

The second ionization constants,  $pK_2$ , of orthanilic, metanilic, and sulpha**nihc acids, and the ionization constant, pK, of sulphamic acid were obtained**  by linear extrapolation to zero ionic strength,  $I = 0$ , of the "apparent"  $pK_2$ , designated  $pK'_2$  ( $pK$  and  $pK'$ , respectively, for sulphamic acid) defined by **the equation [4]** 

$$
pK'_{2} = [2A(Id_{0})^{1/2}/1 + Ba(Id_{0})^{1/2}] - \log[m'_{H}(m_{2} + m'_{H})/(m_{1} - m'_{H})]
$$
(4)

where  $m'_H$  is the "apparent" hydrogen ion molality related to the EMF,  $E$ , **of cell (B) through the relation [4]** 

$$
-\log m'_{\rm H} = (XF/2.303 \, RT) + \log m_3 - 2A (Id_0)^{1/2} (1 + Ba (Id_0)^{1/2} \tag{5}
$$

**The ionic strength of the solutions of cell (B) for these acids is given by** 

$$
I = m_2 + m_3 + m'_H
$$
 (6)

As the hydrogen ion molality is negligible compared to  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  in the **case of the second ionization constant of glutamic acid, the following more simple equation was used [ 41** 

$$
pK'_{2} = (XF/2.303 \, RT) + \log(m_{1}m_{3}/m_{2}) \tag{7}
$$

**The ionic strength of the solutions of glutamic acid of cell (B) is given by** 

$$
I = m_2 + m_3 \tag{8}
$$

As expected,  $pK'_2$  varied linearly with  $I$  at each temperature; the intercept at  $I = 0$  is the value of  $pK_2$ .

Similarly,  $pK_3$  was obtained from the EMF of cell (C) by the extrapolation to  $I = 0$  of the "apparent" values of  $pK_3$  given by [2]

$$
pK_3' = (XF/2.303 \, RT) + \log(m_1 m_3/m_2) + 2A (Id_0)^{1/2}/1 + Ba (Id_0)^{1/2} \tag{9}
$$

**The ionic strength of the solutions of cell (C) is given by** 

$$
I = m_1 + 3m_2 + m_3 \tag{10}
$$

The values of  $pK$ ,  $pK_1$ ,  $pK_2$  and  $pK_3$  for the acids thus obtained are listed **in Table 1, together with their standard deviations. The standard deviations**  *were* **calculated by the method of least-squares fit of the point to a straight**  line for each acid at different temperatures. The values of  $\Delta G^0$ ,  $\Delta H^0$  and  $\Delta S^0$ **evaluated [l] at 25°C are presented in Table 2, along with their standard devrations.** 

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Ionization constants (pK) of sulphamic, orthanilic, metanilic, sulphanilic and glutamic acids in formamide at different temperatures (± denotes Ionization constants (pK) of sulphamic, orthanilic, mctanilic, sulphanilic and glutamic acids in formamide at different temperatures (+ denotes)

TABLE 1

# **TABLE** *2*

**Values of pK and thermodynamic functions for the ionization of orthanilic, metanilic,**  sulphanilic, sulphamic, glutamic, and glutaric acids in formamide and water at  $25^{\circ}$ C ( $\pm$ **denotes the standard deviation)** 



**\* From ref. 16.** 

## **TABLE 3**

Relative amounts  $(K_z)$  of zwitterion and neutral molecule coexisting in formamide for **orthanilic, metanilic, sulphanilic and glutamic acids** 



**\* Value calculated in water.** 

### **TABLE 4**

**Estimated values of r (A) of glutamic and glutaric acids in formamide at different temperatures** 



**\* Value calculated in water.** 

**The relative amounts K, of zwitterion and neutral molecule coexisting in the solution for orthanilic, metanilic, sulphanilic and glutamic acids calculated at 25" C by the equation [ 131** 

$$
K_{z} = [HZ_{+}]/[Z_{+}] = K_{1}/K_{2}
$$
\n(11)

*(11)* 

*are* **presented in Table 3 along with the values calculated in water.** 

The distance  $r(A)$  between the carboxylic groups of glutamic acid was cal**culated from the Bjerrum equation as described earlier [3,10]. The values**  have been presented in Table 4 with that of glutaric acid in formamide [2].

## **DISCUSSION**

**The effect of temperature on the pK values of acids shown in Table 1 is consistent with the behaviour of other acids studied in formamide [1,2,10, 141. As apparent in Table 2, the higher values of pK in formamide than in water 114,151 are in agreement with the general behaviour shown by weak**  acids in solvents of this class  $[1,4,10,14]$ . Comparing the  $pK_1$  and  $pK_2$  values **of** *ortho-, meta-,* **and paru-aminobenzene sulphonic acids in formamide with those available in water at 25" C, it is seen that these acids exhibit a similar order in their relative strengths in both formamide and water, pointing to the fact that the effect of the orientations on the strength of aminobenzene sulphonic acid is independent of the change of solvent.** 

**A glance at the corresponding pK values of glutamic and glutaric acids (Table 2) reveals that the alterations of acidic strength for both ionization steps brought about by amino substitution in glutaric acid are possibly to be attributed both to +I and +T effects of the amino group which is electrondonating in nature as it has a weak +I effect, and a strong +T effect. Enhancement of acidic strength in the second ionization step of glutamic acid in comparison with the first ionization of glutaric acid is probably due to the stabilization of monoglutamate anion by intramolecular hydrogen bonding between the far end carboxylate ion and the amino group. The**  change in  $pK_3$  is more pronounced than in  $pK_2$  in the case of glutamic acid as compared with the  $pK_2$  of glutaric acid. The decrease in acidic strength in **the third ionization of glutamic acid might be due to :;he transmission of the electrostatic effect of the negative charge of the monoglutamate ion to the centre of ionization at the remaining carboxylic group through the carbon chain through hydrogen bonding [3].** 

The values of the ion-size parameter,  $a$ , of the acids, orthanilic  $(4 \text{ Å})$ . metanilic  $(4 \text{ Å})$ , sulphanilic  $(4 \text{ Å})$ , glutamic  $(6 \text{ Å})$ , glutaric  $(6 \text{ Å})$  and sulpha**mic (5 A) in formamide show that the amino substituent at the ortho-,** *meta-,*  and *para*-positions of the benzene sulphonic acids and at the  $\alpha$ -position of **glutaric acid has no effect on the a values of the acids. This is consistent with**  the *ortho-, meta-, and para-substituted aminobenzoic acids.* 

From Table 2, it is evident that the increase in  $\Delta G^{\circ}$  values from the first **to the second or from the second to the third ionization step in formamide is due to an increase in the electrostatic free energies of the ions generated by the second or the third dissociation process of the corresponding acid. The**  increase in  $\Delta G^0$  on passing from water to formamide may be due to the fact **that the acids are more solvated in formamide than in water. The change in**   $\Delta H^{\rm o}$  values for the different ionization steps of the acids in formamide or in **changing the solvent from water to fonnamide indicates that the solvation pattern of the acids is not only altered significantly for different ionization steps but also for the change of solvent. It is of further interest to compare the results of the standard entropies of ionization for the acids in both**  formamide and water (Table 2). The more negative values of  $\Delta S^0$  in forma**mide than in water point to the fact that the degree of reorientation and partial immobilization of the formamide molecules by the acids is greater in formamide than in water, while the reverse occurs in the case of the higher AS0 values in formamide.** 

**It is of imerest to examine the relative amounts of the zwitterion in**  formamide and to compare the results in both formamide and water. From Table 3, it is seen that as the  $K_z$  values increase the dipolar character of the **acids increases in formamide with increase of temperature. As compared with the values in water (Table 3), it is evident that these ampholytes represent a mixture, in the structural sense, of the predominant neutral molecule species with a small portion of the dipolar species in formamide in comparison with that in water. However, in both solvents, the dipolar character of o-, m-, and p-aminobenzene sulphonic acids increases in the order meta 1** *para 1 ortho.* 

**As is apparent from Table 4, the values of r for glutamic acid show an irregularity with change of temperature\_ A comparison of the values of r in both formamide and water at 25°C shows the failure of the Bjerrum equation which is consistent with the behaviour of other acids studied in formamide [3,10]. Comparing the value of** *r* **of glutamic acid with that of glutaric acid in formamide, it is seen that the amino substituent at the a-position of glutaric acid decreases the distance between the carbosyl groups, supporting the view that the third ionization constant of glutamic acid is depressed more than the second in comparison with the corresponding ionization constant of glutaric acid [ 31.** 

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