ADDITION OF AMINES TO ETHYL α -FLUOROACRYLATE AND PHENYL α -FLUOROVINYL KETONE

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The ester of α -chloro- and α -bromoacrylic acids react with amines to give mainly the addition products of the amines to the double bond [1]; the reaction of ethyl α -fluoroacrylate (I) with NH $_3$ and ethylamine leads only to the corresponding α -fluoroacrylic acid amides [2]. It proved that (I) reacts with diethylamine, piperidine, ethylenimine, and cyclohexylamine to give the ethyl esters of N-substituted α -fluoro- β -alanines R 1 R 2 NH + CH $_2$ = CF · COOC $_2$ H $_5$ \rightarrow R 1 R 2 NCH $_2$ CHFCOOC $_2$ H $_5$. The formation of α -fluoro-acrylic acid amides was not observed.

$$R^1 \ R^2 \ = (C_2 H_5)_2 \ (a); \ (CH_2)_5 \ (b); \ (CH_2)_2 \ (c); \ R^1 \ = H, \ R^2 = \text{cyclo-} C_6 H_{11} \ (d)$$

Ethylenimine also adds easily to phenyl α -fluorovinyl ketone. The addition product (III) reacts with HBr with an opening of the ring.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} CH_2 & CH_2 \\ \hline \\ CH_2 & NH + CH_2 = CFCC_0H_5 \rightarrow \\ \hline CH_2 & CH_2 & NCH_2CHFCC_0H_5 & \xrightarrow{HBr} BrCH_2CH_2NHCH_2CHFCC_0H_5 \\ \hline \\ CH_2 & (III) & O & (IV) & O \end{array}$$

In the NMR spectra of the addition products of the amines to the α -fluorovinyl group the ¹⁹F signal represents a doublet of triplets; the spin – spin coupling constant (SSCC) with the geminal proton is ~50 Hz, and with the vicinal protons it is ~30 Hz. The diastereotopicity of the vicinal protons is not manifested in the spectra.

EXPERIMENTAL

The GLC determination conditions were: Tswett 4-67 chromatograph, detector based on the heat conductivity, carrier gas = helium, adsorbent = Chromosorb W, and liquid phases = Rheoplex-400 (30%) and SE-30 (15%).

The IR spectra were obtained on an IRS-14 instrument; the ¹⁹F NMR spectra were recorded on a Hitachi H-60 instrument at an operating frequency of 56.4 MHz for ¹⁹F, and CF₃COOH as the external standard.

Ethyl Ester of α -Fluoro- β -diethylaminopropionic Acid (IIa). With cooling in water, to a solution of 5.9 g (0.05 mole) of (I) [3] in 10 ml of abs. ethanol was added 3.65 g (0.05 mole) of diethylamine in 10 ml of abs. ethanol, and the mixture was refluxed for 3 h. After distilling off the alcohol we obtained 5.7 g (60%) of (IIa), bp 86-88° (5 mm); n_D^{20} 1.4220. Found: C 56.64; H 9.11; N 7.74%. C₉H₁₈FNO₂. Calculated: C 56.76; H 9.45; N 7.29%. Infrared spectrum (ν , cm⁻¹): 1729, 1753 (C=O). ¹⁹F NMR spectrum: δ 115.4 ppm; JF-H(gem) = 48.6, JF-H(vic) = 25.9 Hz.

Ethyl Ester of α-Fluoro-β-pentamethyleneiminopropionic Acid (IIb). Obtained in a similar manner from 5.2 g (0.04 mole) of (I) and 3.7 g (0.04 mole) of piperidine. Yield 4.7 g (53.1%); bp 96° (13 mm); n_D^{20} 1.4470. Found: C 59.86; H 8.39; N 7.25%. C₁₀H₁₈FNO₂. Calculated: C 59.11; H 8.86; N 6.89%. Infrared spectrum (ν, cm⁻¹): 1729, 1753 (C=O). ¹⁹F NMR spectrum: δ 114.0 ppm; $J_{F-H}(gem) = 48.6$, $J_{F-H}(vic) = 25.9$ Hz.

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Ethyl Ester of α -Fluoro- β -ethyleniminopropionic Acid (IIc). A solution of 11.8 g (0.1 mole) of (I) and 6 ml of ethylenimine in 30 ml of abs. ether was refluxed for 4 h. Distillation gave 2.6 g (30%) of (IIc), bp 81-82° (10 mm); n_D^{20} 1.4317; d_4^{20} 1.019. Found: F 10.00; N 8.73%. $C_7H_{12}FNO_2$. Calculated: F 10.78; N 8.69%. Infrared spectrum (ν , cm⁻¹): 1755 (C=O). ¹⁹F NMR spectrum: δ 118.0 ppm; $J_{F-H}(gem)$ = 48.6, $J_{F-H}(vic)$ = 25.9 Hz. Oxalate, mp 162-163° (decomp.). Found: N 6.02%. $C_9H_{14}FNO_6$. Calculated: N 5.57%.

Ethyl Ester of α-Fluoro-β-cyclohexylaminopropionic Acid (IId). From 5.9 g (0.05 mole) of (I) and 5 g (0.05 mole) of cyclohexylamine in 20 ml of abs. ethanol (3 h under reflux) we obtained 4.5 g (41%) of (IId), bp 113° (7 mm); n_D^{20} 1.4570. Found: C 60.20; H 9.09; N 7.05%. $C_{11}H_{20}FNO_2$. Calculated: C 60.83; H 9.21; N 6.45%; IR spectrum (ν , cm⁻¹): 1729, 1753 (C=O). ¹⁹F NMR spectrum: δ 120.0 ppm; $J_{F-H}(gem) = 48.6$, $J_{F-H}(vic) = 25.9$ Hz.

 α -Fluoro- β -ethyleniminopropiophenone (III). A solution of 8.5 g (0.05 mole) of phenyl α -fluorovinyl ketone [4] and 3.3 g of ethylenimine in 30 ml of abs. ether was refluxed for 1 h and then left to stand overnight, after which the ether was distilled off and the residue was vacuum distilled. We obtained 10.4 g (95.4%) of (III), bp 128-130° (3.5 mm); n_D^{20} 1.4860. Found: C 68.76; H 6.23; N 6.78%. $C_{11}H_{12}FNO$. Calculated: C 68.73; H 6.25; N 7.25%. Infrared spectrum (ν , cm⁻¹): 1895 (C=O). ¹⁹F NMR spectrum: δ 113.1 ppm; $J_{F-H(gem)} = 50.2$, $J_{F-H(vic)} = 27.5$ Hz. Oxalate, mp 120°. Found: N 5.23%. $C_{13}H_{14}FNO_5$. Calculated: N 4.94%.

The reaction of (III) with HBr in ether gives compound (IV), mp 127° (from ethyl acetate). Found: Br 22.24; F 5.93; N 3.89%. C₁₁H₁₃BrFNO. Calculated: Br 22.50; F 5.35; N 3.94%.

CONCLUSIONS

The reaction of diethylamine, piperidine, ethylenimine, and cyclohexylamine with ethyl α -fluoro-acrylate, and also of ethylenimine with phenyl α -fluorovinyl ketone, leads to the addition of the amines to the α -fluorovinyl group with the formation of α -fluoro- β -aminopropionic acid derivatives.

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