

## HÜCKEL MO CALCULATIONS FOR THE PRODUCTS OF THE OXIDATIVE DESULFURATION OF THIOBENZANILIDE TO BENZANILIDE

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The oxidation of thiobenzanilide proceeds by its desulfuration and formation of benzanilide. The first stage of this reaction goes through the formation of thiobenzanilide-S-oxide, a stable intermediate which can be further oxidized to thiobenzanilide-S,S-dioxide, an unstable intermediate which decomposes to benzanilide<sup>1,2</sup>.

The aim of this paper is to report the results of the Hückel MO calculations for thiobenzanilide, thiobenzanilide-S-oxide, thiobenzanilide-S,S-dioxide and benzanilide and determine their reactivity and stability in this reaction.

The values for the Coulomb integrals  $\alpha_X$  and resonance integrals  $\beta_{XY}$  were calculated from<sup>3,4</sup>,

$$\alpha_X = \alpha_0 + h_X$$

$$\beta_{XY} = K_{XY} \beta_0$$

The values of the Hückel MO parameters  $h_X$  and  $K_{XY}$  are given in table 1.

The  $\pi$ -electronic energy levels as well as the energy difference between HOMO — LUMO for thiobenzanilide, thiobenzanilide-S-oxide, thiobenzanilide-S,S-dioxide and benzanilide are shown in Figure 1.

Table 1. Hückel's MO Parameters<sup>3,4</sup>

atom type	no. of elektrons	$h_X$ for $\alpha_X = \alpha_0 + h_X$	$K_{XY}$ for $\beta_{XY} + K_{XY} \beta_0$
G	1	0,00	$K_{\dot{C}-\dot{C}} = 1,00$
N	2	1,40	$K_{\dot{C}-\dot{N}} = 0,90$
O	1	1,00	$K_{\dot{C}-\dot{O}} = 1,06$
S	1	0,46	$K_{\dot{C}-\dot{S}} = 0,81$
S	2	1,10	$K_{\dot{C}-\dot{S}} = 0,69$ $K_{\dot{S}-\dot{O}} = 0,85$

It can be seen from Fig. 1. that benzanilide is the most stable among these compounds. It is the final product of the oxidation and cannot be further oxidized under the given experimental conditions<sup>1,2</sup>. The calculated stability decreases in the following order: thiobenzanilide, thiobenzanilide-S-oxide and thiobenzanilide-S,S-dioxide, which is in agreement with the experimental results<sup>1,2</sup>. Thiobenzanilide-S,S-dioxide is the least stable compound and cannot be isolated as it easily decomposes to benzanilide.

Figure 2 shows the calculated  $\pi$ -charge densities,  $\pi$ -bond order and free valencies for thiobenzanilide, thiobenzanilide-S-oxide, thiobenzanilide-S,S-dioxide and benzanilide. The MO diagram for thiobenzanilide-S,S-dioxide, where the  $\pi$ -electron order is smaller (0,278) compared to thiobenzanilide (0,720) and thiobenzanilide-S-oxide (0,595), predicts the instability of the C — S bond.

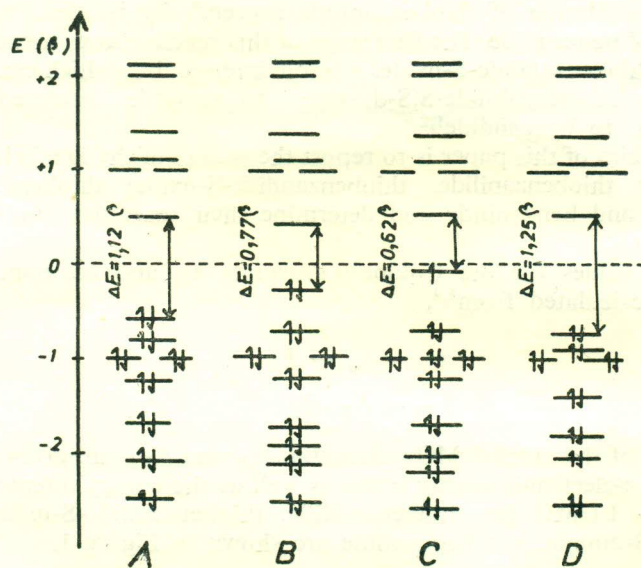


Figure 1. — Electron energy levels and HOMO — LUMO separations for Thiobenzanilide (A), Thiobenzanilide-S-oxide (B), Thiobenzanilide-S,S-dioxide (C) and Benzanilide (D).

Also, the greater positive charges of the carbon sulfur atoms in the C — S bond of thiobenzanilide-S,S-dioxide than those of thiobenzanilide and thiobenzanilide-S-oxide, lead to the same conclusions.

Finally, the value of the free valence of the carbon atom in the C — S bond for thiobenzanilide (0,146) as compared to benzanilide-S,S-dioxide (0,357) points out that the latter is more reactive and the SO<sub>2</sub> group is easily replaced by oxygen in the oxidation reaction yielding benzanilide.



## НУСКЕЛ МО ПРЕСМЕТУВАЊА НА ПРОДУКТИТЕ НА ОКСИДАТИВНОТО ДЕСУЛФУРИРАЊЕ НА ТИОБЕНЗАНИЛИД ДО БЕНЗАНИЛИД

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Според Нускел-овата МО теорија, со помош на стандарден компјутерски програм, пресметани се за тиобензанилид, тиобензанилид-S-оксид, тиобензанилид-S,S-диоксид и бензанилид  $\pi$ -електронски ред на врските,  $\pi$ -електронски полнеж на одделните атоми и индексите на слободните валенции (Сл. 2.). Пресметани се исто така и НМО енергетски нивоа за споменатите молекули (Сл. 1.). Пресметувањата укажуваат на големата нестабилност на тиобензанилид-S,S-диоксидот, во споредба со тиобензанилид, тиобензанилид-S-оксид и бензанилид, што е во согласност со експерименталните резултати.