

## Styrylphenylsulfone 유도체의 가수분해 반응 메카니즘

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## The Kinetics and Mechanism of Hydrolysis of Styrylphenylsulfone Derivatives

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**요 약.** pH 0.0-14.00범위에서 Styrylphenylsulfone 유도체들의 가수분해반응에 대한 반응속도론적 연구가 25°C의 50% 메탄올-물속에서 자외선 분광법으로 이루어졌다. 반응속도식과 치환기 효과 ( $\rho = 1.85$ (pH 7.0),  $\rho = 1.54$ (pH 13.0))로부터, pH 11.0이상에서는 전형적인 Michael형의 친핵성 첨가반응, pH 9.0이하에서는 물분자에 의한 일반 염기촉매반응, 그리고 pH 9.0-11.0사이에서는 이들 두 반응이 경쟁적으로 일어남을 제안하였다.

**ABSTRACT.** The Kinetics of hydrolysis of styrylphenylsulfone derivatives in 50% methanol-water at 25°C and ionic strength of 0.10 was investigated by UV spectrophotometry in the pH range of 0.0-14.0. The rate equations, which can be applied over a wide pH range, were obtained. The Hammett rho constants for the hydrolysis are 1.85 at pH 7.0 and 1.54 at pH 13.0, respectively. On the basis of the evidence, it is proposed that the general base-catalysis occurs in the hydrolysis of styrylphenylsulfone derivatives; above pH 11.0, Michael type nucleophilic addition take place, while below pH 9.0, the reaction is initiated by addition of water and from pH 9.0 to pH 11.0 these two reactions occur competitively.

### INTRODUCTION

Nucleophilic additions to carbon-carbon double bonds are not so well documented as additions in which protonation or other electrophilic attack is the first step. When the electron density of carbon-carbon double bond is reduced by strongly electron-withdrawing substituents, nucleophilic attack at one of the vinylic carbons

may occur. It has been shown that the hydrolysis of  $\alpha\beta$ -unsaturated compounds is catalyzed by general bases in buffer solutions and in the hydrolysis, the addition of anion is the rate determining step.<sup>1-4</sup>

In order to verify the mechanism of nucleophilic addition, in previous paper,<sup>5,6</sup> the authors have investigated the rate and mechanism of the addition of L-cysteine to styrylphenyl-

nylsulfone<sup>5</sup> and of thioglycolic acid to  $\beta$ -nitrostyrene derivatives<sup>6</sup>. In an effort to make more through investigations of the kinetics of the hydrolysis, including the effect of substituents and general base-catalysis, we carried out the studies on styrylphenylsulfone(3) derivatives in this paper.

### EXPERIMENTAL

**General.** All chemicals used were reagent grade unless otherwise specified. NMR spectra were obtained with a Varian 60MHz spectrometer, using tetramethylsilane as an internal standard. IR spectra were examined with a JASCO model DS701G spectrophotometer. Elemental analysis was performed by Perkin-Elmer 240 CHN Analyzer and UV spectra were obtained by a Pye-Unicam SP8800 spectrophotometer. GC/mass spectra were taken in a Hewlett Packard 5730A spectrometer. Melting points were measured with a Fisher Johns hot stage melting point apparatus.

**Synthesis of para-sub. Styrylphenylsulfone (3) Derivatives.** Phenylmercaptoacetic acid (1) was prepared by phase transfer catalysis of corresponding thiophenol and monochloroacetic acid, using butylammoniumhydrogensulfate (Aldrich) as catalyst<sup>7</sup>. Yield: 65%, mp.; 61.5~62.5 (*lit.* 59~61°C), NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>/TMS)  $\delta$ ppm; 11.25 (s. -OH), 3.62(s. -CH), 7.15~7.60(m. phenyl).

phenylsulfonylacetic acid (2) was prepared by oxidation of (1) in the mixed solvent of glacial acetic acid and hydrogen peroxide<sup>8</sup>. Yield; 57%, mp.; 113°C (*lit.* 112-114°C, IR (KBr)  $\lambda_{max}$ . cm<sup>-1</sup>, 3018(w. CH- st.), 1175(w. CO<sub>2</sub>H st.), 1725(s. CO st.), 1320-1355, 1180(s. SO<sub>2</sub> st.), 720~725(s. phenyl st.). Styrylphenylsulfone(3a), p-methoxystyrylphenylsulfone (3b), p-chlorostyrylphenylsulfone (3c) and p-nitrostyrylphenylsulfone (3d) derivatives were prepared by condensation of corresponding various para-substituted benzaldehyde and (2)<sup>9</sup>. Melting points were determined after recrystallization in diethyl ether and ethanol. The analytical and spectral data of (3) derivatives are shown in Table 1.

**Kinetic.** The reaction rate reported herein were determined UV spectrophotometrically by procedures which have been previously described<sup>5,6</sup>. The pH of solution was adjusted by a Fisher Accumet model 525 digital pH/ion meter. The solvent system used in the present work is 50% methanol. Ionic strength was kept constant at 0.10M by adding sodium chloride solution, and all reactions were run at 25°C.

**Product Analysis.** One gram of (3a) dissolved in the methanol solution was added to the proper buffer solution containing 50% methanol. The mixture was refluxed for 4~5 hours and dried in vacuo until a paste was obtained. The paste was washed many times with distilled water and dried for a week in a vacuum.

Table 1. Analytical and spectral data of para-substituted styrylphenylsulfone (3) derivatives

Compds	Yield (lit. <sup>a</sup> ) (%)	mp (lit. <sup>b</sup> ) (°C)	UV <sup>c</sup> max. (log $\epsilon$ ) (nm)	Formula	Cal.(%)			Found(%)			IR(cm <sup>-1</sup> ) <sup>d</sup>	MS(M <sup>+</sup> ) (m/e%)
					C	H	N	C	H	N		
(3a)	30(39)	75(74-75)	270(4.60)	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>12</sub> SO <sub>2</sub>	68.8	4.92	-	68.6	5.00	-	3060, 1310, 1150, 920, 860	244.5(14.5)
(3b)	15(19)	119(120)	275(3.40)	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>14</sub> SO <sub>2</sub>	65.7	5.11	-	65.6	5.10	-	3070, 1295, 1140, 960, 845	274(8.5)
(3c)	55(63)	128(129)	282(4.39)	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>11</sub> SO <sub>2</sub> Cl	60.3	3.98	-	60.4	4.00	-	1510, 1340, 969, 830, 720	279(20)
(3d)	45(50)	169(170)	300(4.41)	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>11</sub> NSO <sub>4</sub>	58.1	3.81	4.8	58.0	4.00	4.6	1520, 1320, 1110, 800, 725	289(12.5)

<sup>a</sup>ref. 8, <sup>b</sup>All mps are without corrected., <sup>c</sup>in methyl alcohol, <sup>d</sup>KBr disc.

desiccator, and recrystallized twice from ether (Yield, 65%). The mp. 89~90°C (*lit.* 88~89°C), agreed with phenylmethylsulfone. Anal, calc. (C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>8</sub>SO<sub>2</sub> (156)): Calc. (%); C 53.85, H 5.13, found (%); C 54.0, H 5.08. And from the filtrate, benzaldehyde was identified by Brady reagent.

Table 2. First order rate constants ( $k \cdot 10^7$  obs. sec<sup>-1</sup>) for the hydrolysis of styrylphenylsulfone (3) derivatives<sup>a</sup>

pH	(3a)	(3a) <sup>b</sup>	(3b)	(3c) <sup>c</sup>	3d) <sup>d</sup>
0.0	0.330	0.398	0.20	2.48	9.46
0.5	0.450	0.398	0.20	2.25	13.2
1.0	0.455	0.398	0.20	2.04	16.8
1.5	0.398	0.398	0.30	2.31	16.9
2.0	0.405	0.398	0.19	2.40	13.2
2.5	0.402	0.398	0.16	2.50	17.0
3.0	0.378	0.398	0.29	2.50	14.2
3.5	0.400	0.398	0.38	2.50	17.2
4.0	0.425	0.398	0.30	2.73	13.5
4.5	0.450	0.398	0.25	2.25	16.8
5.0	0.450	0.398	0.28	3.15	17.0
5.5	0.450	0.398	0.15	2.15	19.0
6.0	0.405	0.398	0.26	2.41	16.6
6.5	0.397	0.398	0.30	2.43	15.5
7.0	0.342	0.398	0.25	2.33	17.5
7.5	0.380	0.398	0.20	2.35	17.0
8.0	0.365	0.402	0.33	2.25	17.5
8.5	0.400	0.411	0.25	2.35	18.0
9.0	0.402	0.437	0.25	4.85	18.0
9.5	0.550	0.520	0.38	6.40	23.0
10.0	0.550	0.783	0.32	7.50	30.0
10.5	1.37	1.610	0.35	4.35	31.5
11.0	3.45	4.25	2.15	5.55	133.
11.5	16.0	12.40	5.00	21.5	165.
12.0	33.5	37.90	13.5	25.8	804.
12.5	134.	120.	44.2	65.5	2100.
13.0	371.	371.	145.	180.	6680.
13.5	1240.	1171.	488.	600.	34200.
14.0	3340.	3700.	1550.	2500.	66000.

<sup>a</sup>The ionic strength was maintained at 0.1M by the addition of sodium chloride solution except below pH 1.0 and above pH 13.0., <sup>b</sup>The values were calculated using the equation (6)., <sup>c</sup>ref. 10a., <sup>d</sup>ref. 10b.

## RESULT

The logarithmic plots of the absorbance (log OD) of (3) vs. times were linear and used to calculate the first-order rate constants. The hydrolysis rate constants at various pH are given in Table 2, and Fig. 1 shows the log  $k$  against pH. The solid line in Fig. 1 is a theoretical value calculated according to the equation (6) and circles are experimental points.

General base catalysis rate constants were extrapolated to zero buffer concentration and the values are determined at various acetate ion concentration as shown in Fig. 2.

## DISCUSSION

**Substitution Effect.** The Hammett plot<sup>11</sup> of the constant of the hydrolysis leads to a straight line a slope of  $\rho=1.85$  at pH 7.0 and  $\rho=1.54$  at pH 13.0, respectively. Therefore, the rate of hydrolysis of (3) derivatives is accelerated by electron withdrawing groups at all pH range, suggesting that the hydrolysis proceeds through similar mechanism in acidic and basic media. The  $\rho > 0$  value would be large for those reactions, in which bond making occurs prior to bond breaking.

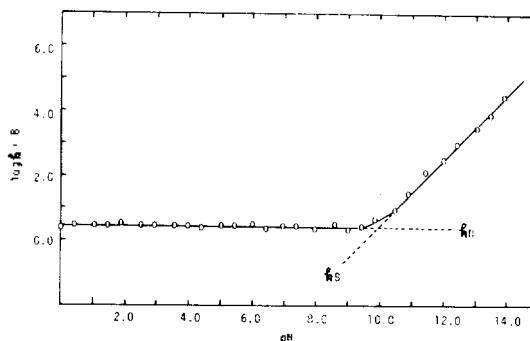


Fig. 1. Plots of log obs. against pH for the hydrolysis of styrylphenylsulfone (3a) in 50% methanol. (The points are experimental and solid line is calculated according to the equation (6).

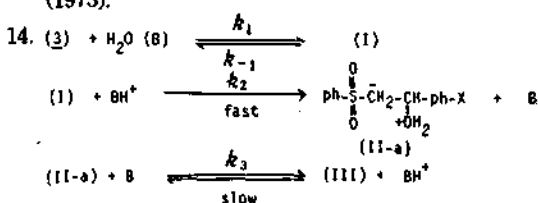




as following; below pH 9.0, the hydrolysis is initiated by the addition of water but above pH 11.0, Michael type addition occurs by addition of hydroxide ion. And from pH 9.0 to pH 11.0, these two reactions occur competitively.<sup>20</sup>

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16. Which is maximum point  $k_1=1.57 \times 10^{-5}$  (3d) in Fig. 2 and  $k_1=1.37 \times 10^{-7}$  (3a) at pH 10.5 in Fig. 1. If water and hydroxide ion are general base present in the solution, equation (4) becomes equation (4-1).

$$k_N = \frac{k_1 k_2^{H_2O} [H_2O] + k_1 k_2^{OH^-} [OH^-] / k_{-1} + k_2^{H_2O} [H_2O] + k_2^{OH^-} [OH^-]}{1 + (k_2^{H_2O} [H_2O] / k_{-1}) + k_2^{OH^-} [OH^-] / k_{-1} + k_2^{Ac^-} [Ac^-]} \quad (4-1)$$

17. The acetate ion acts as a general base catalyst, equation (4) becomes as (4-2).

$$k_N = \frac{(k_1/k_{-1}) k_2^{H_2O} [H_2O] + (k_1/k_{-1}) k_2^{OH^-} [OH^-] + (k_1/k_{-1}) k_2^{Ac^-} [Ac^-]}{1 + (k_2^{H_2O} [H_2O] / k_{-1}) + k_2^{OH^-} [OH^-] / k_{-1} + k_2^{Ac^-} [Ac^-]} \quad (4-2)$$

In case of (3d),  $k_N$  constants becomes equation (4-3).

$$k_N = \frac{2.95 \times 10^{-11} + 5.40 \times 10^{-3} [Ac^-]}{1.76 \times 10^{-5} + 3.44 \times 10^{-3} [Ac^-]} \quad (4-3)$$

18. In case of (3a), the value of  $(k_1/k_{-1}) k_2^{H_2O} [H_2O]$  can be determined form the  $k_1=1.37 \times 10^{-7}$  sec.<sup>-1</sup> at pH 10.5 and observed rate constant,  $k=3.98 \times 10^{-8}$  sec.<sup>-1</sup> at pH 1.50, and is found to be  $(k_1/k_{-1}) k_2^{H_2O} [H_2O]=5.16 \times 10^{-8}$  according to equation (5). By substituting  $k=5.50 \times 10^{-8}$  sec.<sup>-1</sup> at pH 9.50 and  $(k_1/k_{-1}) k_2^{H_2O} [H_2O]=5.61 \times 10^{-8}$  into equation (4-1),  $(k_1/k_{-1}) k_2^{OH^-} [OH^-]=1.13 \times 10^{-3}$  can be obtained. As a result, If only water and hydroxide ion are present, apparent rate constant,  $k_N$  becomes equation (4-4).

$$k_N = \frac{7.74 \times 10^{-15} + 4.11 \times 10^{-2} [OH^-]}{1.94 \times 10^{-7} + 3.00 \times 10^{-3} [OH^-]} \quad (4-4)$$

The various contants in equation (5) used to calculate the  $k_N$  value of (3) derivatives are summarized as follow.

Compounds	$k_1$	$(k_1/k_{-1}) k_2^{H_2O} [H_2O]$	$(k_1/k_{-1}) k_2^{OH^-} [OH^-]$
(3a)	$1.37 \times 10^{-7}$	$5.61 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.13 \times 10^{-3}$
(3b)	$3.55 \times 10^{-8}$	$4.58 \times 10^{-8}$	$2.17 \times 10^{-3}$
(3c)	$4.85 \times 10^{-5}$	$4.41 \times 10^{-6}$	$4.88 \times 10^{-3}$
(3d)	$1.57 \times 10^{-7}$	$1.88 \times 10^{-7}$	$6.47 \times 10^{-2}$

19. The nucleophilic addition constant of hydroxide ion,  $k_B = 3.70 \times 10^{-4} \text{ sec.}^{-1}$  is determined by substituting the value of  $k = 3.45 \times 10^{-7} \text{ sec.}^{-1}$  at pH 11.0 and  $k = 3.34 \times 10^{-4} \text{ sec.}^{-1}$  at pH 14.0, into equation (1).
20. The ratios of contribution of water and hydroxide ion on the hydrolysis of (3a) are given

as follow.

pH	9.0	9.5	10.0	10.5	11.0	11.5
$(\text{OH}^-/\text{H}_2\text{O})^*$	0.1	0.3	1.0	3.0	10.	30.

\*calculated by equation (6).