

Stereochemistry of Seven-membered Heterocycles. XXXVI. Unprecedented Solvent Effect on Thermodynamical Parameters of Conformational Equilibrium of Model 1,2,3-Trithia-5- 6-benzocycloheptene: Donor-Acceptor Interactions of Conformers with the Medium

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Abstract

Medium effect on the conformational equilibrium of a model seven-membered trisulfide represented in solutions by chair and boat conformations is studied by dynamic ^1H NMR spectroscopy. Thermodynamic equilibrium parameters (ΔG^0 , ΔH^0 , and ΔS^0) in nine solvents substantially differing in polar, acceptor, and donor properties, as well as in 5 M solution of lithium perchlorate in acetone are obtained. A pronounced compensation effect is revealed. The difference in the ΔH^0 values in the studied media are as high as 6.6 kcal/mol, magnitudes of ΔS^0 differ by up to 22 e.u. Analysis of the solvation energy components led us to conclusion that the observed effect depends on the donor-acceptor interaction of two conformers with the medium. Increasing acceptor properties of solvent result in the enthalpy stabilization of the boat form.
