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## MOLECULAR RECOGNITION-BASED CATALYSIS IN NUCLEOPHILIC AROMATIC SUBSTITUTION: A MECHANISTIC STUDY

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**Figure S-2.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the  $S_N$ Ar reaction of 1-chloro-2,4-dinitrobenzene. T=25.0°C. [CDNB]= $1.4 \times 10^{-4}$ M. (•) [G3]=0M; (•) [G3]=0.10M; (•) [G3]=0.21M; (□) [G3]=0.31M and (•) [G3]=0.52M.



**Figure S-3.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the  $S_N$ Ar reaction of 1-chloro-2,4-dinitrobenzene. T=25.0°C. [CDNB]= $1.4 \times 10^{-4}$ M. (•) [G5]=0M; (•) [G5]=0.10M; (•) [G5]=0.26M; (□) [G5]=0.35M and (•) [G5]=0.56M.



**Figure S-4.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the  $S_N$ Ar reaction of 1-chloro-2,4-dinitrobenzene. T=25.0°C. [CDNB]=1.4×10<sup>-4</sup>M. (•) [12C4]=0M; (•) [12C4]=0.11M; (•) [12C4]=0.22M; (□) [12C4]=0.33M and (▲) [12C4]=0.55M.



**Figure S-5.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the  $S_N$ Ar reaction of 1-chloro-2,4-dinitrobenzene. T=25.0°C. [CDNB]=1.4×10<sup>-4</sup>M. (•) [15C5]=0M; (•) [15C5]=0.10M; (•) [15C5]=0.20M; (•) [15C5]=0.31M and (•) [15C5]=0.51M.



**Figure S-6.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the  $S_N$ Ar reaction of 1-chloro-2,4-dinitrobenzene. T=25.0°C. [CDNB]=1.4×10<sup>-4</sup>M. (•) [18C6]=0M; (•) [18C6]=0.10M; (•) [18C6]=0.25M; (□) [18C6]=0.35M and (•) [18C6]=0.50M.



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**Figure S-8.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}/[BuNH_2]$  (Equation [2]) for the  $S_N$ Ar reaction of 1-chloro-2,4-dinitrobenzene. T=25.0°C. [CDNB]=1.4×10<sup>-4</sup>M. (•) [G3]=0M; (•) [G3]=0.10M; (•) [G3]=0.21M; (□) [G3]=0.31M and (▲) [G3]=0.52M.



**Figure S-9.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}/[BuNH_2]$  (Equation [2]) for the  $S_N$ Ar reaction of 1-chloro-2,4-dinitrobenzene. T=25.0°C. [CDNB]=1.4×10<sup>-4</sup>M. (•) [G5]=0M; (•) [G5]=0.10M; (•) [G5]=0.26M; (□) [G5]=0.35M and (▲) [G5]=0.56M.



**Figure S-10.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}/[BuNH_2]$  (Equation [2]) for the  $S_N$ Ar reaction of 1-chloro-2,4-dinitrobenzene. T=25.0°C. [CDNB]=1.4×10<sup>-4</sup>M. (•) [12C4]=0M; (•) [12C4]=0.11M; (•) [12C4]=0.22M; (□) [12C4]=0.33M and (▲) [12C4]=0.55M.



**Figure S-11.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}/[BuNH_2]$  (Equation [2]) for the  $S_N$ Ar reaction of 1-chloro-2,4-dinitrobenzene. T=25.0°C. [CDNB]=1.4×10<sup>-4</sup>M. (•) [15C5]=0M; (•) [15C5]=0.10M; (•) [15C5]=0.20M; (□) [15C5]=0.31M and (▲) [15C5]=0.51M.



**Figure S-12.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}/[BuNH_2]$  (Equation [2]) for the  $S_N$ Ar reaction of 1-chloro-2,4-dinitrobenzene. T=25.0°C. [CDNB]=1.4×10<sup>-4</sup>M. (•) [18C6]=0M; (•) [18C6]=0.10M; (•) [18C6]=0.25M; (□) [18C6]=0.35M and (▲) [18C6]=0.50M.



**Figure S-13.** Influence of G2 concentration on  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  terms (Equation 2) for the *S*<sub>N</sub>Ar reaction of 1-chloro-2,4-dinitrobenzene. (•)  $\alpha$  and ( $\circ$ )  $\beta$ .



**Figure S-14.** Influence of G3 concentration on  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  terms (Equation 2) for the *S*<sub>N</sub>Ar reaction of 1-chloro-2,4-dinitrobenzene. (•)  $\alpha$  and ( $\circ$ )  $\beta$ .



**Figure S-15.** Influence of G5 concentration on  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  terms (Equation 2) for the *S*<sub>N</sub>Ar reaction of 1-chloro-2,4-dinitrobenzene. (•)  $\alpha$  and ( $\circ$ )  $\beta$ .



**Figure S-16.** Influence of 12C4 concentration on  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  terms (Equation 2) for the *S*<sub>N</sub>Ar reaction of 1-chloro-2,4-dinitrobenzene. (•)  $\alpha$  and ( $\circ$ )  $\beta$ .



**Figure S-17.** Influence of 15C5 concentration on  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  terms (Equation 2) for the *S*<sub>N</sub>Ar reaction of 1-chloro-2,4-dinitrobenzene. (•)  $\alpha$  and ( $\circ$ )  $\beta$ .



**Figure S-18.** Influence of 18C6 concentration on  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  terms (Equation 2) for the *S*<sub>N</sub>Ar reaction of 1-chloro-2,4-dinitrobenzene. (•)  $\alpha$  and ( $\circ$ )  $\beta$ .

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.46×10 <sup>-5</sup>
4.03×10 <sup>-2</sup>	3.20×10 <sup>-5</sup>
8.06×10 <sup>-2</sup>	7.38×10 <sup>-5</sup>
1.51×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.73×10 <sup>-4</sup>
$3.02 \times 10^{-1}$	4.79×10 <sup>-4</sup>
5.03×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.11×10 <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S-1.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_N$ Ar in the absence of polyethers. T=25.0°C.

**Table S-2.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_NAr$  in the presence of polyethers. [G2]=0.10M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.72×10 <sup>-5</sup>
4.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	3.63×10 <sup>-5</sup>
8.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	8.26×10 <sup>-5</sup>
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.83×10 <sup>-4</sup>
3.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	4.96×10 <sup>-4</sup>
5.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.13×10 <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S-3.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [G2]=0.20M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.03×10 <sup>-5</sup>
4.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	4.21×10 <sup>-5</sup>
8.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	9.53×10 <sup>-5</sup>
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	$2.05 \times 10^{-4}$
3.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	5.41×10 <sup>-4</sup>
5.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.19×10 <sup>-3</sup>

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.19×10 <sup>-5</sup>
4.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	4.64×10 <sup>-5</sup>
8.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	$1.03 \times 10^{-4}$
$1.50 \times 10^{-1}$	2.19×10 <sup>-4</sup>
3.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	5.65×10 <sup>-4</sup>
5.01×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.22×10 <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S-4.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [G2]=0.31M; T=25.0°C.

**Table S-5.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_NAr$  in the presence of polyethers. [G2]=0.51M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.02×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.97×10 <sup>-5</sup>
4.05×10 <sup>-2</sup>	6.14×10 <sup>-5</sup>
8.09×10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.34×10 <sup>-4</sup>
$1.52 \times 10^{-1}$	2.82×10 <sup>-4</sup>
3.04×10 <sup>-1</sup>	$7.01 \times 10^{-4}$
4.99×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.44×10 <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S-6.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_NAr$  in the presence of polyethers. [G3]=0.10M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.23×10 <sup>-5</sup>
4.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	4.65×10 <sup>-5</sup>
8.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.05×10 <sup>-4</sup>
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	2.23×10 <sup>-4</sup>
3.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	5.88×10 <sup>-4</sup>
5.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.28×10 <sup>-3</sup>

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.91×10 <sup>-5</sup>
4.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	6.05×10 <sup>-5</sup>
8.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	$1.32 \times 10^{-4}$
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	$2.77 \times 10^{-4}$
3.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	$6.79 \times 10^{-4}$
5.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.43×10 <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S-7.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_NAr$  in the presence of polyethers. [G3]=0.21M; T=25.0°C.

**Table S-8.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_NAr$  in the presence of polyethers. [G3]=0.31M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	3.52×10 <sup>-5</sup>
4.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	7.37×10 <sup>-5</sup>
8.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.61×10 <sup>-4</sup>
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	3.25×10 <sup>-4</sup>
3.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	7.75×10 <sup>-4</sup>
5.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.58×10 <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S-9.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_NAr$  in the presence of polyethers. [G3]=0.52M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	4.69×10 <sup>-5</sup>
4.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	9.87×10 <sup>-5</sup>
8.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.13×10 <sup>-4</sup>
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	4.27×10 <sup>-4</sup>
3.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	9.83×10 <sup>-4</sup>
4.94×10 <sup>-1</sup>	$1.88 \times 10^{-3}$

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.56×10 <sup>-5</sup>
3.99×10 <sup>-2</sup>	5.43×10 <sup>-5</sup>
7.98×10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.19×10 <sup>-4</sup>
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	2.46×10 <sup>-4</sup>
2.99×10 <sup>-1</sup>	6.46×10 <sup>-4</sup>
4.99×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.37×10 <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S-10.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [G4]=0.11M; T=25.0°C.

**Table S-11.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_NAr$  in the presence of polyethers. [G4]=0.25M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	3.72×10 <sup>-5</sup>
3.99×10 <sup>-2</sup>	8.09×10 <sup>-5</sup>
7.98×10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.75×10 <sup>-4</sup>
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	3.54×10 <sup>-4</sup>
2.99×10 <sup>-1</sup>	$8.47 \times 10^{-4}$
4.99×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.71×10 <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S-12.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_NAr$  in the presence of polyethers. [G4]=0.35M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	4.69×10 <sup>-5</sup>
3.99×10 <sup>-2</sup>	9.74×10 <sup>-5</sup>
7.98×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.09×10 <sup>-4</sup>
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	4.28×10 <sup>-4</sup>
2.99×10 <sup>-1</sup>	9.85×10 <sup>-4</sup>
4.99×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.92×10 <sup>-3</sup>

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	6.53×10 <sup>-5</sup>
3.99×10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.36×10 <sup>-4</sup>
7.98×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.84×10 <sup>-4</sup>
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	5.56×10 <sup>-4</sup>
2.99×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.24×10 <sup>-3</sup>
4.99×10 <sup>-1</sup>	2.36×10 <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S-13.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [G4]=0.55M; T=25.0°C.

**Table S-14.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [G5]=0.10M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.08×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.70×10 <sup>-5</sup>
4.16×10 <sup>-2</sup>	5.76×10 <sup>-5</sup>
8.33×10 <sup>-2</sup>	$1.28 \times 10^{-4}$
1.56×10 <sup>-1</sup>	$2.72 \times 10^{-4}$
3.12×10 <sup>-1</sup>	$6.97 \times 10^{-4}$
5.20×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.49×10 <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S-15.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [G5]=0.26M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	4.13×10 <sup>-5</sup>
3.99×10 <sup>-2</sup>	8.84×10 <sup>-5</sup>
7.98×10 <sup>-2</sup>	$1.90 \times 10^{-4}$
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	3.86×10 <sup>-4</sup>
2.99×10 <sup>-1</sup>	9.18×10 <sup>-4</sup>
4.99×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.85×10 <sup>-3</sup>

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	5.31×10 <sup>-5</sup>
3.99×10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.06×10 <sup>-4</sup>
7.98×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.30×10 <sup>-4</sup>
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	4.63×10 <sup>-4</sup>
2.99×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.08×10 <sup>-3</sup>
4.99×10 <sup>-1</sup>	2.08×10 <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S-16.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [G5]=0.35M; T=25.0°C.

**Table S-17.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_NAr$  in the presence of polyethers. [G5]=0.56M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	7.00×10 <sup>-5</sup>
3.99×10 <sup>-2</sup>	$1.45 \times 10^{-4}$
7.98×10 <sup>-2</sup>	3.12×10 <sup>-4</sup>
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	6.23×10 <sup>-4</sup>
2.99×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.37×10 <sup>-3</sup>
4.99×10 <sup>-1</sup>	2.59×10 <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S-18.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [G5]=0.26M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	4.13×10 <sup>-5</sup>
3.99×10 <sup>-2</sup>	8.84×10 <sup>-5</sup>
7.98×10 <sup>-2</sup>	$1.90 \times 10^{-4}$
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	3.86×10 <sup>-4</sup>
2.99×10 <sup>-1</sup>	9.18×10 <sup>-4</sup>
4.99×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.85×10 <sup>-3</sup>

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.99×10 <sup>-5</sup>
4.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	4.28×10 <sup>-5</sup>
8.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	9.61×10 <sup>-5</sup>
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	$2.08 \times 10^{-4}$
3.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	5.60×10 <sup>-4</sup>
5.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.24×10 <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S-19.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [12C4]=0.11M; T=25.0°C.

**Table S-20.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [12C4]=0.22M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.45×10 <sup>-5</sup>
4.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	5.21×10 <sup>-5</sup>
8.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	$1.14 \times 10^{-4}$
$1.50 \times 10^{-1}$	$2.48 \times 10^{-4}$
3.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	6.35×10 <sup>-4</sup>
5.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.37×10 <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S-21.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [12C4]=0.33M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.92×10 <sup>-5</sup>
4.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	6.21×10 <sup>-5</sup>
8.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	$1.35 \times 10^{-4}$
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	$2.85 \times 10^{-4}$
3.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	$7.11 \times 10^{-4}$
5.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.49×10 <sup>-3</sup>

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	3.88×10 <sup>-5</sup>
4.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	8.21×10 <sup>-5</sup>
8.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	$1.77 \times 10^{-4}$
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	3.64×10 <sup>-4</sup>
3.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	8.69×10 <sup>-4</sup>
4.94×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.72×10 <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S-22.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [12C4]=0.55M; T=25.0°C.

**Table S-23.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [15C5]=0.10M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.08×10 <sup>-5</sup>
4.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	4.49×10 <sup>-5</sup>
8.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	$1.00 \times 10^{-4}$
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	2.17×10 <sup>-4</sup>
3.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	5.82×10 <sup>-4</sup>
5.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.28×10 <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S-24.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for he CDNB  $S_NAr$  in the presence of polyethers. [15C5]=0.20M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>	
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.67×10 <sup>-5</sup>	_
4.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	5.74×10 <sup>-5</sup>	
8.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	$1.25 \times 10^{-4}$	
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	$2.69 \times 10^{-4}$	
3.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	$6.80 \times 10^{-4}$	
5.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.46×10 <sup>-3</sup>	

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	3.41×10 <sup>-5</sup>
4.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	7.03×10 <sup>-5</sup>
8.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.52×10 <sup>-4</sup>
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	3.17×10 <sup>-4</sup>
3.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	$7.78 \times 10^{-4}$
5.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.62×10 <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S-25.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [15C5]=0.31M; T=25.0°C.

**Table S-26.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_NAr$  in the presence of polyethers. [15C5]=0.51M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	4.64×10 <sup>-5</sup>
4.00×10 <sup>-2</sup>	9.65×10 <sup>-5</sup>
8.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	$2.08 \times 10^{-4}$
1.50×10 <sup>-1</sup>	4.18×10 <sup>-4</sup>
3.00×10 <sup>-1</sup>	9.87×10 <sup>-4</sup>
4.94×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.95×10 <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S-27.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_NAr$  in the presence of polyethers. [18C6]=0.10M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.34×10 <sup>-5</sup>
4.03×10 <sup>-2</sup>	4.95×10 <sup>-5</sup>
8.06×10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.10×10 <sup>-4</sup>
1.51×10 <sup>-1</sup>	2.39×10 <sup>-4</sup>
$3.02 \times 10^{-1}$	6.17×10 <sup>-4</sup>
5.03×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.34×10 <sup>-3</sup>

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
2.01×10 <sup>-2</sup>	3.44×10 <sup>-5</sup>
4.03×10 <sup>-2</sup>	7.03×10 <sup>-5</sup>
8.06×10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.50×10 <sup>-4</sup>
1.51×10 <sup>-1</sup>	3.07×10 <sup>-4</sup>
3.02×10 <sup>-1</sup>	$7.50 \times 10^{-4}$
5.03×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.56×10 <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S-28.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [18C6]=0.25M; T=25.0°C.

**Table S-29.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_NAr$  in the presence of polyethers. [18C6]=0.35M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
1.99×10 <sup>-2</sup>	4.77×10 <sup>-5</sup>
3.99×10 <sup>-2</sup>	9.25×10 <sup>-5</sup>
7.97×10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.84×10 <sup>-4</sup>
1.49×10 <sup>-1</sup>	3.67×10 <sup>-4</sup>
2.99×10 <sup>-1</sup>	$8.62 \times 10^{-4}$
4.98×10 <sup>-1</sup>	$1.74 \times 10^{-3}$

**Table S-30.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_NAr$  in the presence of polyethers. [18C6]=0.50M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
1.99×10 <sup>-2</sup>	5.75×10 <sup>-5</sup>
3.99×10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.13×10 <sup>-4</sup>
7.97×10 <sup>-2</sup>	$2.28 \times 10^{-4}$
1.49×10 <sup>-1</sup>	4.48×10 <sup>-4</sup>
2.99×10 <sup>-1</sup>	$1.02 \times 10^{-3}$
4.92×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.97×10 <sup>-3</sup>



**Figure S-19.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the  $S_N$ Ar reaction of 1-fluoro-4-nitrobenzene. T=25°C. [FNB]= $1.5 \times 10^{-4}$ M. (•) [G4]=0M; (•) [G4]=0.10M; (•) [G4]=0.20M and ( $\Box$ ) [G4]=0.30M.



**Figure S-20.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the  $S_N$ Ar reaction of 1-fluoro-4-nitrobenzene. T=25°C. [FNB]=1.5×10<sup>-4</sup>M. (•) [G5]=0M; (•) [G5]=0.10M; (•) [G5]=0.20M and (□) [G5]=0.30M.



**Figure S-21.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the  $S_N$ Ar reaction of 1-fluoro-4-nitrobenzene. T=25°C. [FNB]= $1.5 \times 10^{-4}$ M. (•) [18C6]=0M; (•) [18C6]=0M; (•) [18C6]=0.20M; (□) [18C6]=0.30M and (▲) [18C6]=0.51M.



**Figure S-22.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}/[BuNH_2]$  (Equation [2]) for the  $S_NAr$  reaction of 1-fluoro-4-nitrobenzene. T=25°C. [FNB]=1.5×10<sup>-4</sup>M. (•) [G4]=0M; (•) [G4]=0.10M; (•) [G4]=0.20M and (□) [G4]=0.30M.



**Figure S-23.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}/[BuNH_2]$  (Equation [2]) for the  $S_NAr$  reaction of 1-fluoro-4-nitrobenzene. T=25°C. [FNB]=1.5×10<sup>-4</sup>M. (•) [G5]=0M; (•) [G5]=0.10M; (•) [G5]=0.20M and (□) [G5]=0.30M.



**Figure S-24.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}/[BuNH_2]$  (Equation [2]) for the  $S_N$ Ar reaction of 1-fluoro-4-nitrobenzene. T=25°C. [FNB]=1.5×10<sup>-4</sup>M. (•) [18C6]=0M; (•) [18C6]=0.10M; (•) [18C6]=0.20M; (□) [18C6]=0.30M and (▲) [18C6]=0.51M.



**Figure S-25.** Influence of G5 concentration on  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  terms (Equation 2) for the *S*<sub>N</sub>Ar reaction of 1-fluoro-4-nitrobenzene. (•)  $\alpha$  and (•)  $\beta$ .



**Figure S-26.** Influence of 18C6 concentration on  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  terms (Equation 2) for the *S*<sub>N</sub>Ar reaction of 1-fluoro-4-nitrobenzene. (•)  $\alpha$  and ( $\circ$ )  $\beta$ .

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
8.07×10 <sup>-2</sup>	5.48×10 <sup>-9</sup>
$1.01 \times 10^{-1}$	8.13×10 <sup>-9</sup>
$2.02 \times 10^{-1}$	2.96×10 <sup>-8</sup>
$3.03 \times 10^{-1}$	7.77×10 <sup>-8</sup>
$5.04 \times 10^{-1}$	2.31×10 <sup>-7</sup>
8.33×10 <sup>-1</sup>	6.29×10 <sup>-7</sup>

**Table S-31.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the FNB  $S_NAr$  in the absence of polyethers. T=25.0°C.

**Table S-32.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the FNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [G4]=0.10M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
8.33×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.68×10 <sup>-8</sup>
2.08×10 <sup>-1</sup>	9.54×10 <sup>-8</sup>
3.12×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.74×10 <sup>-7</sup>
5.21×10 <sup>-1</sup>	3.72×10 <sup>-7</sup>
8.33×10 <sup>-1</sup>	9.01×10 <sup>-7</sup>

**Table S-33.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the FNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [G4]=0.20M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
8.33×10 <sup>-2</sup>	5.63×10 <sup>-8</sup>
2.08×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.61×10 <sup>-7</sup>
3.12×10 <sup>-1</sup>	2.53×10 <sup>-7</sup>
5.21×10 <sup>-1</sup>	5.70×10 <sup>-7</sup>
8.33×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.13×10 <sup>-6</sup>

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
8.33×10 <sup>-2</sup>	7.11×10 <sup>-8</sup>
2.08×10 <sup>-1</sup>	2.13×10 <sup>-7</sup>
3.12×10 <sup>-1</sup>	3.69×10 <sup>-7</sup>
5.21×10 <sup>-1</sup>	7.41×10 <sup>-7</sup>
8.33×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.57×10 <sup>-6</sup>

**Table S-34.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the FNB  $S_NAr$  in the presence of polyethers. [G4]=0.30M; T=25.0°C.

**Table S-35.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the FNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [G5]=0.10M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
1.04×10 <sup>-1</sup>	5.44×10 <sup>-8</sup>
2.08×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.13×10 <sup>-7</sup>
3.12×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.91×10 <sup>-7</sup>
5.21×10 <sup>-1</sup>	4.36×10 <sup>-7</sup>
8.33×10 <sup>-1</sup>	$1.02 \times 10^{-6}$

**Table S-36.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the FNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [G5]=0.20M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
1.04×10 <sup>-1</sup>	7.59×10 <sup>-8</sup>
$2.08 \times 10^{-1}$	1.84×10 <sup>-7</sup>
3.12×10 <sup>-1</sup>	3.14×10 <sup>-7</sup>
5.21×10 <sup>-1</sup>	5.76×10 <sup>-7</sup>
8.33×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.37×10 <sup>-6</sup>

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
1.04×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.09×10 <sup>-7</sup>
$2.08 \times 10^{-1}$	2.40×10 <sup>-7</sup>
3.12×10 <sup>-1</sup>	4.13×10 <sup>-7</sup>
4.91×10 <sup>-1</sup>	7.62×10 <sup>-7</sup>
8.33×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.67×10 <sup>-6</sup>

**Table S-37.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the FNB  $S_NAr$  in the presence of polyethers. [G5]=0.30M; T=25.0°C.

**Table S-38.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the FNB  $S_NAr$  in the presence of polyethers. [18C6]=0.10M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
8.07×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.45×10 <sup>-8</sup>
1.01×10 <sup>-1</sup>	3.16×10 <sup>-8</sup>
2.02×10 <sup>-1</sup>	7.34×10 <sup>-8</sup>
3.03×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.41×10 <sup>-7</sup>
5.04×10 <sup>-1</sup>	3.43×10 <sup>-7</sup>
8.07×10 <sup>-1</sup>	8.61×10 <sup>-7</sup>

**Table S-39.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the CDNB  $S_N$ Ar in the presence of polyethers. [18C6]=0.20M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
8.33×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.49×10 <sup>-8</sup>
1.04×10 <sup>-1</sup>	3.45×10 <sup>-8</sup>
$2.08 \times 10^{-1}$	$8.42 \times 10^{-8}$
3.12×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.75×10 <sup>-7</sup>
5.21×10 <sup>-1</sup>	4.07×10 <sup>-7</sup>
8.33×10 <sup>-1</sup>	9.54×10 <sup>-7</sup>

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
8.33×10 <sup>-2</sup>	3.47×10 <sup>-8</sup>
$1.04 \times 10^{-1}$	4.80×10 <sup>-8</sup>
$2.08 \times 10^{-1}$	1.20×10 <sup>-7</sup>
3.12×10 <sup>-1</sup>	2.18×10 <sup>-7</sup>
5.21×10 <sup>-1</sup>	5.06×10 <sup>-7</sup>
8.33×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.16×10 <sup>-6</sup>

**Table S-40.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the FNB  $S_NAr$  in the presence of polyethers. [G5]=0.30M; T=25.0°C.

**Table S-41.** Influence of *n*-butylamine concentration on  $k_{obs}$  for the FNB  $S_NAr$  in the presence of polyethers. [18C6]=0.51M; T=25.0°C.

[BuNH <sub>2</sub> ], M	$k_{obs}$ , s <sup>-1</sup>
8.33×10 <sup>-2</sup>	6.10×10 <sup>-8</sup>
1.04×10 <sup>-1</sup>	7.94×10 <sup>-8</sup>
2.08×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.93×10 <sup>-7</sup>
3.12×10 <sup>-1</sup>	3.30×10 <sup>-7</sup>
5.21×10 <sup>-1</sup>	7.20×10 <sup>-7</sup>
8.33×10 <sup>-1</sup>	1.54×10 <sup>-6</sup>