Interaction of Acetonitrile with Trifluoromethanesulfonic Acid: Unexpected Formation of a Wide Variety of Structures

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Chemical shifts of MeCN, TfOH (molar ratio 1:14) and of the products of their interaction.

¹H chemical shifts are given in italics, ¹³C in ordinary font, ¹⁵N in bold face.

Here and further the chemical shifts of acetonitrile are in fact those of its mixture with the protonated form, the NMR signals are averaged due to a rapid exchange.



Table 1. Products of the interaction of MeCN with TfOH (mol. ratio 1:14). Given in italics are logarithms of diffusion coefficients (m^2/s) derived from the DOSY spectra.

Time (h) ^e	MeCN	1^{a}	2^{a}	3^{a}	4 ^{<i>a</i>}	5 ^{<i>a</i>}	6	7	8	sum	Tf_2O^b	CF ₃ OTf ^{<i>b</i>}
0.25	84.7	11.5	0.9							97.1		
2.0	62.5	31.8	2.9	0.2	0.2					97.2	15	
48	10	66.5	3.0	9.0	9.3	0.03				97.8	35	
171	4.5	49.3	1.2	20.9	14.0	7.4				97.2	36	
192	3.8	47.5	1.0	22.8	13.8	9.0	0.4			98.3	40.7	
¹ H DOSY	-9.36	-9.56	-9.52	-9.42	-9.45	-9.45	-9.56					
215											40.8	1.5
19 F DOSY ^c											-9.24	-9.16
247	2.9	42.5	0.7	26.3	13.6	11.5	1.0			98.5		
317+1/74°	1.3	23.2	0	37.7	20.0	5.3	4.4	1.5	2.3	95.6	36.6	4.5
335+3/74°	0	12.4		42.9	20	4.3	6.9	4.0	6.2	95.8	31.2	8.8
508+3/74°		10.5		42.8	20.6	3.7	7.3	4.2	7.3	96.4		
1568+3/74°		5.7		46.1	24.3	1.6	7.3	4.0	8.6	97.6	25.0	13.8
1 H DOSY d		-9.64		-9.53	-9.55	-9.55	-9.62	-9.60	-9.57			
5572+3/74°		0.5		47.7	29.0	0	7.3	3.3	9.0	96.8	12	21.6
6287+3/74°		0		47.2	29.0		7.0	2.8	9.1	95.1	9.5	23.1
¹ H DOSY				-9.39	-9.43		-9.53	-9.47	-9.46			

^{*a*} Percentage of the acetonitrile turned into the corresponding product as determined from the ¹H NMR spectra. ^{*b*}Molar part (%) relative to the initial quantity of acetonitrile. ^{*c*}For TfOH lg D = -9.37 (from ¹⁹F DOSY). ^{*d*}At -7 °C.

^e In Fig. 1 of the paper an hour at 74 °C was set equal to 300 hours at room temperature









MeCN-TfOH (1:14 m/m, 0.4 ml), CD₂Cl₂ (0.1 ml); 192 h at r.t.; ¹⁹F NMR spectrum





Chemical shifts of MeCN, TfOH (molar ratio 1:2) and of the products of their interaction. ¹H chemical shifts are given in italics, ¹³C in ordinary font, ¹⁵N in bold face.

$$\begin{array}{c} 2.27 \\ 1.3 \\ H_{3}C \\ \hline -C \\ \hline -C \\ \hline N \\ 19_{F} \\ -78.5 \\ Tf \\ -OH \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 2.50 \\ H_{3}C \\ 20.7 \\ H_{3}C \\ 170.3 \\ \hline 170.3 \\ H_{7} \\ 19_{F} \\ -72.9 \\ H_{10.63} \\ 19_{F} \\ -72.9 \\ Tf \\ -OTf \\ 9.93 \\ H_{76.8} \\ OH \\ 24.4 \\ H_{3}C \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 19_{F} \\ -72.9 \\ Tf \\ -OTf \\ 10_{F} \\ -72.9 \\ Tf \\ -OTf \\ -0.5 \\ Tf \\ -0.5 \\ Tf$$





Table 2. Products of the interaction of MeCN with TfOH (mol. ratio 1:2). Given in italics are logarithms of diffusion coefficients (m²/s) derived from the DOSY spectra.

Time (h)	MeCN	12 ^{<i>a</i>}	1^{a}	13 ^{<i>a</i>}	11 ^{<i>a</i>}	4 ^{<i>a</i>}	14 ^{<i>a</i>}	3^{a}	15 ^{<i>a</i>}	sum	Tf_2O^k
0.25	70.3	12.9	4.6	4.6	3.4	0.3	0.3			96.4	2.6
$^{1}\text{H}\text{DOSY}^{c}$	-9.60	-9.70	-9.66	-9.70	-9.70						
2.5	30.5	33.4	12.4	8.0	7.3	1.2	1.0			93.7	
23	7.6	46.5	19.2	6.4	11.0	2.4	1.9			94.9	9.7
26	6.7	47.3	19.5	6.2	11.3	2.5	2.1	0.0		95.5	
72	2.8	50.9	19.8	4.0	12.0	3.3	2.4	0.8	0.0	96.0	
169	1.3	53.6	18.3		12.5	3.8	2.5	1.9	1.5	95.4	
316	0.7	48.1	15.5		11.1	3.0	2.4	3.2	10.4	94.4	7.9
¹ H DOSY	-10.02	-10.56	-10.19		-10.51		-10.52	-10.10	-10.50		
1154	0.0	36.0	8.3		7.9	2.0	2.6	7.1	26.5	90.3	
1394		33.8	7.2		7.7	1.9	2.9	8.0	28.5	90.0	6.2
2401		28.6	3.4		6.3	0.9	2.8	9.6	35.7	87.3	

^a Percentage of the acetonitrile turned into the corresponding product as determined from the ¹H NMR spectra. ^b Molar part (%) relative to the initial quantity of acetonitrile. ^c At -7°C.









MeCN-TfOH (1:2 m/m) + 0.1 ml CD₂Cl₂; 316 h at r.t. ¹H (green), ¹⁵N INEPT (red), N-H HMBC (blue), and N-H HSQC (purple) spectra





MeCN-TfOH (1:2 m/m, 4000 h, 5 mg) in MeCN (1 ml) FIA , MeCN, 0.1ml/min, 4 μ L , tune low.m , ES 80-3000



Chemical shifts of MeCN, TfOH (molar ratio 1:1) and of the products of their interaction. ¹H chemical shifts are given in italics, ¹³C̃ in ordinary font, ¹⁵N in bold face.



Table 4. Products of the interaction of MeCN with TfOH (mol. ratio 1:1).^{*a*} Given in italics are logarithms of diffusion coefficients (m^2/s) derived from the DOSY spectra.

Time (h)	MeCN	12	11	17	Sum
0.25	92.5	4.5	1.2	0.0	98.2
0.4	88.1	7.6	2.0	0.0	97.7
5.4	52.5	33.9	8.4	0.2	95.0
24	30.1	46.6	11.8	4.8	93.3
96	18.5	42.5	11.2	18.7	90.9
¹ H DOSY	-10.38	-11.30	-11.19	-11.48	

^a Percentage of the acetonitrile turned into the corresponding product as determined from the ¹H NMR spectra.



MeCN-TfOH (1:1 m/m, 0.4 ml), CD₂Cl₂ (0.1 ml); 24 h at r.t.; ¹³C NMR spectrum



Chemical shifts of MeCN, TfOH (molar ratio 4:1) and of the products of their interaction. ¹H chemical shifts are given in italics, ¹³ \tilde{C} in ordinary font, ¹⁵N in bold face.



Table 3. Products of the interaction of MeCN with TfOH (mol. ratio 4:1).^a Given in italics are logarithms of diffusion coefficients (m^2/s) derived from the DOSY spectra.

Time (h)	MeCN	13	12	11	17	18	Sum MeCN
0.25	96.4	0.6	1.4	0.3	0		98.7
22	87.2	0	5.4	1.6	4.2	0	98.3
167	74.8		1.1	0.5	15.4	6.9	98.7
214	72.7		0.9	0.4	15.3	8.5	97.7
¹ H DOSY	-8.92		-9.73		-9.85	-9.98	
672	64.5		0.3		12.1	18.4	95.3

^a Percentage of the acetonitrile turned into the corresponding product as determined from the ¹H NMR spectra.

MeCN-TfOH (4:1 m/m, 0.4 ml), CD₂Cl₂ (0.1 ml); ¹H NMR spectra; CH region



MeCN-TfOH (4:1 m/m, 0.4 ml), CD₂Cl₂ (0.1 ml); ¹H NMR spectra; CH region





ESI-MS spectra

MeCN-TfOH (4:1 m/m, 5000 h, 5mg) in MeCN (1 mL) FIA, MeCN 0.1 ml/min, 2 μL , ES 100-3000





MeCN-TfOH (4:1 m/m, 5000 h, 5mg) in MeCN (1 mL)

FIA, MeCN, 0.1 ml/min, 4 μ L,, tune_high.m , ES 200-10000 Heavy ions detection



¹H chemical shifts of MeCN, TfOH (molar ratio 17:1, 34 h at r.t.) and of the products of their interaction.



Table 5. Products of the interaction of MeCN with TfOH (mol. ratio 17:1, 1 M TfOH).^a

Time (h)	MeCN	13	12	11	17	18	acetamide H^+	Sum MeCN
3	99.2	0.42	0.22	0.02	0		0.02	99.8
34	95.9	0.32	0.33	0.35	2.43	0.10	0.13	99.5
74	94.8	0.19	0.15	0.19	3.43	0.32	0.16	99.2

^a Percentage of the acetonitrile turned into the corresponding product as determined from the ¹H NMR spectra.









MeCN-TfOH (1:20 m/m, 0.4 ml), CD₂Cl₂ (0.1 ml); 5 h at 82°C; ¹³C NMR spectrum



