

**Imides: Part VIII\* - Pyrolysis and Pyrolysis-Mass Spectra of N-Hydroxy-Cyclohex-4-Ene-1,2-Dicarboximide and its Derivatives**

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**Summary:** N-Hydroxy-, N-aryloxy-, and N-arylsulphonyloxy-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximides (I, IV and VI) undergo pyrolysis to give phthalimide (II); mixture of (II), aromatic acids; and mixture of (II), arylsulphonic acids, respectively. N-aryl-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximides (VIII) give on pyrolysis N-aryl-phthalimides (IX). Pyrolysis-mass spectra of (I), (IVa) and (VIa) was investigated.

It was previously [3] stated that N-hydroxy-phthalimide, and its derivatives give on pyrolysis phthalimide. In the present investigation pyrolysis and pyrolysis-mass spectra of N-hydroxy-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximide and its derivatives were investigated.

## Results and Discussion

### I. Pyrolysis:

N-Hydroxy-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximide (I) gives on pyrolysis phthalimide (II) via N-hydroxy-phthalimide (III). N-aryloxy-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximide (IVa-c) give on pyrolysis mixtures of (II) and the corresponding aromatic acids via N-aryloxy-phthalimides (V). Similarly N-arylsulphonyloxy-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximides (VIa,b) give an pyrolysis mixtures of (II), and the corresponding arylsulphonic acids, via N-arylsulphonyloxy-phthalimides (VII).

The reaction probably takes place according to Scheme-1.

Structure of (II), and arylsulphonic acids was proved by m.m.p. determination with authentic samples [3].

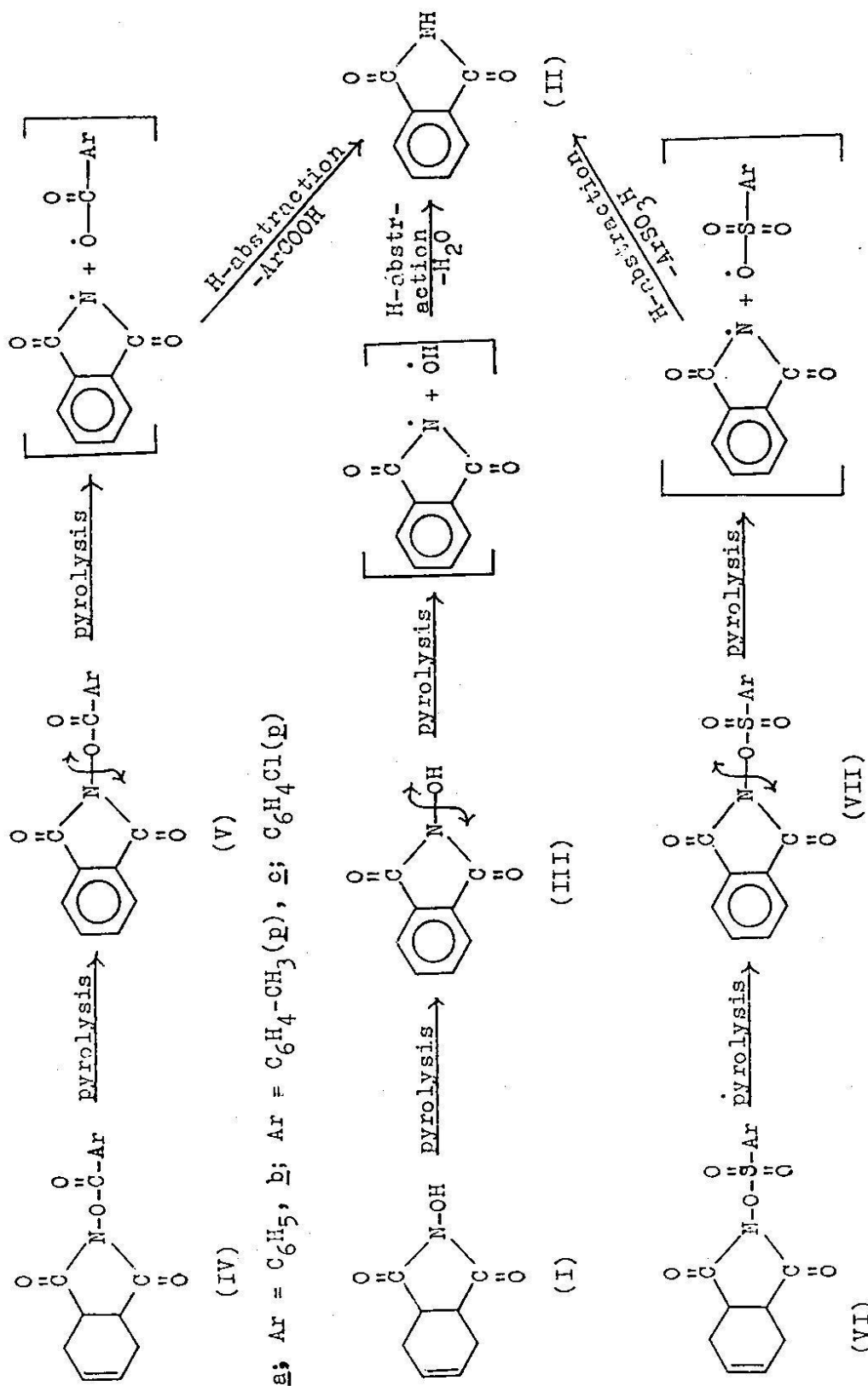
The above scheme was confirmed from the fact that:

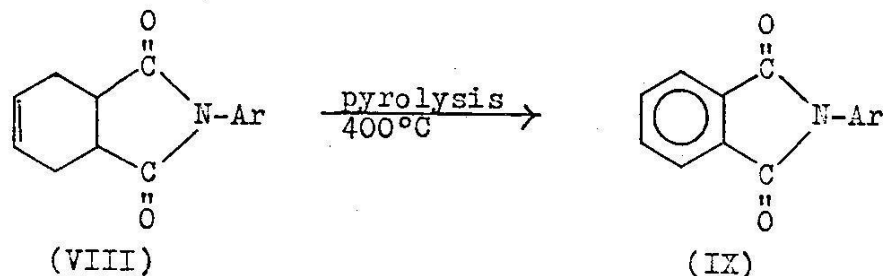
- i) Heating of N-hydroxy-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximide (I) above its m.p. gives N-hydroxy-phthalimide (III), which gives on pyrolysis phthalimide (II) [3].
- ii) Heating of N-aryloxy-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximides (IVa-c) above their m.ps. gave N-aryloxy-phthalimides (Va-c) which give on pyrolysis phthalimide (II) and aromatic acids [3].
- iii) Heating of N-aryl-sulphonyloxy-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximides (VIa,b) above their m.ps. gave N-aryl-sulphonyloxy-phthalimides (VIIa,b) which give

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a; Ar=C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, b; Ar=C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH<sub>3</sub> (p-), c; Ar=C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub> (p-), d; Ar=C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Cl (p-)

on pyrolysis phthalimide (II), and aryl-sulphonic acids [3].

Similarly pyrolysis of N-aryl-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximides (VIIIa-d) at 400°C gives N-aryl-phthalimides (IXa-d).

Structure of (IXa-d) was proved from m.m.p. determination with authentic samples [4].

## II. Pyrolysis-mass spectra:

*Pyrolysis-mass spectrum of N-hydroxy-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximide (I):*

When N-hydroxy-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximide (I) was introduced in the mass spectrometer via a hot indirect inlet system at (280°C), it gives the pyrolysis stable fragments. The pyrolysis fragmentation pattern showed the following stable compounds via loss of oxygen atom to give cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximide (X; m/z 151), which undergoes pyrolytic fragmentation via three routes: (cf. Chart I).

Route (i): Involves fragmentation via (retro-Diels-Alder) reaction to give maleimide (m/z 79) and butadiene (m/z 54).

Route (ii): Involves fragmentation of isocyanate of cyclohex-1,3-diene (m/z 121), aniline (m/z 39), and carbon monoxide.

Route (iii): Involves aromatization to phthalimide (II) (m/z 147) which gives cyclopentadiene (m/z 66) via a mechanism showed in (chart I).

All the above mentioned compounds showed the expected parent peaks, and mass spectral fragments in the mass spectrophotometer (cf. Charts 2,3).

## *Pyrolysis-mass spectrum of (IVa):*

When N-(benzoyloxy)-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximide (IVa) was introduced in the mass spectrometer via a hot indirect inlet system at (300°C), it gives pyrolysis fragmentation pattern via three main routes (cf. Chart 4):

Route (a): Gives cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximide (X) (m/z 151), and benzoic acid (m/z 122), which loses CO<sub>2</sub> to give benzene (m/z 78). Cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximide undergoes pyrolytic fragmentation via three side routes:

Route (i-a): Involves fragmentation via (retro-Diels-Alder) to give maleimide (m/z 97), and butadiene (m/z 54).

Route (ii-a): Gives cyclohexadiene (m/z 80), benzene (M/Z=78), cyclopentadiene (m/z 66), isocyanate of cyclohex-1,3-diene (m/z 121), aniline (m/z 93) and carbon monoxide.



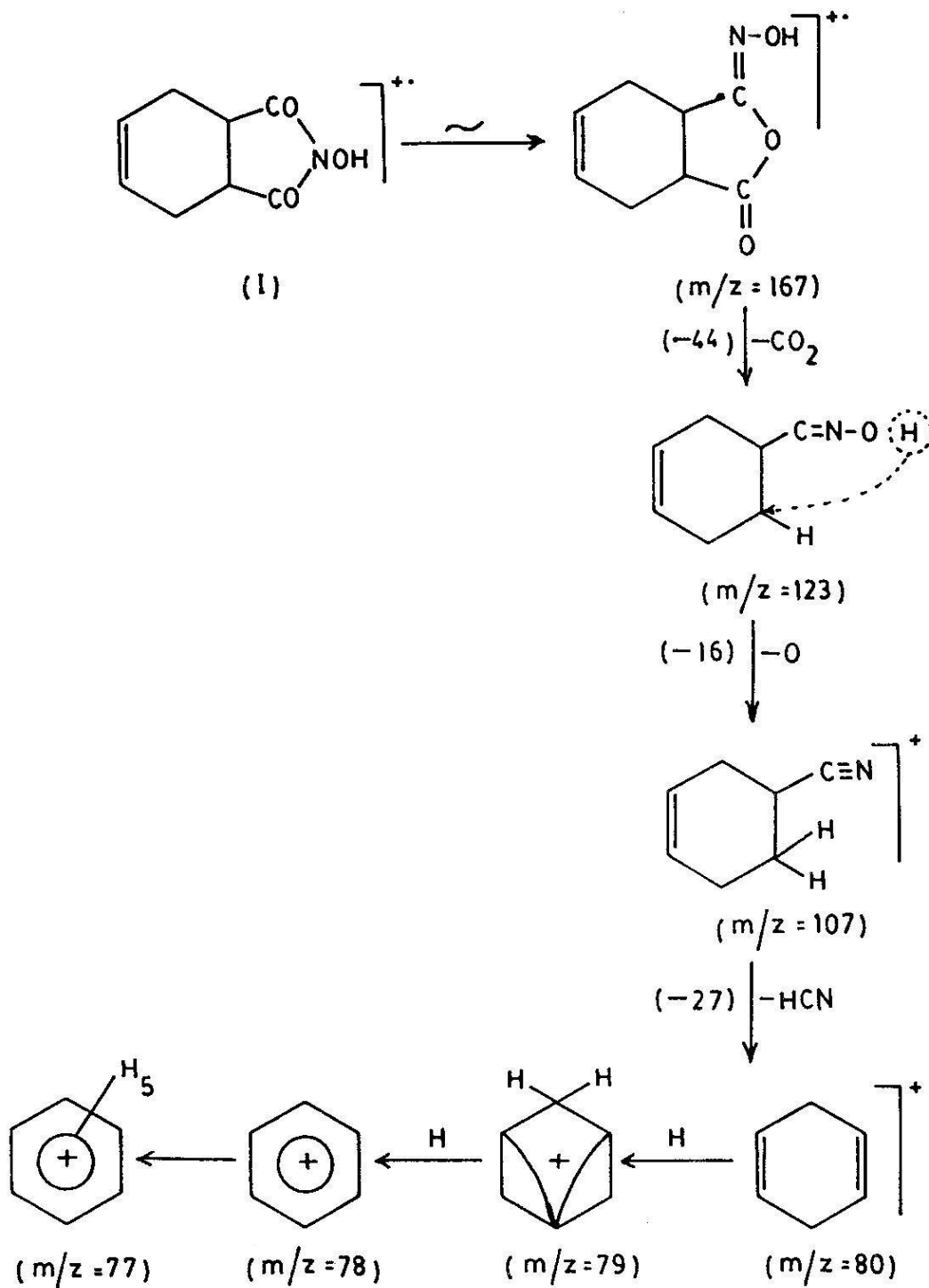
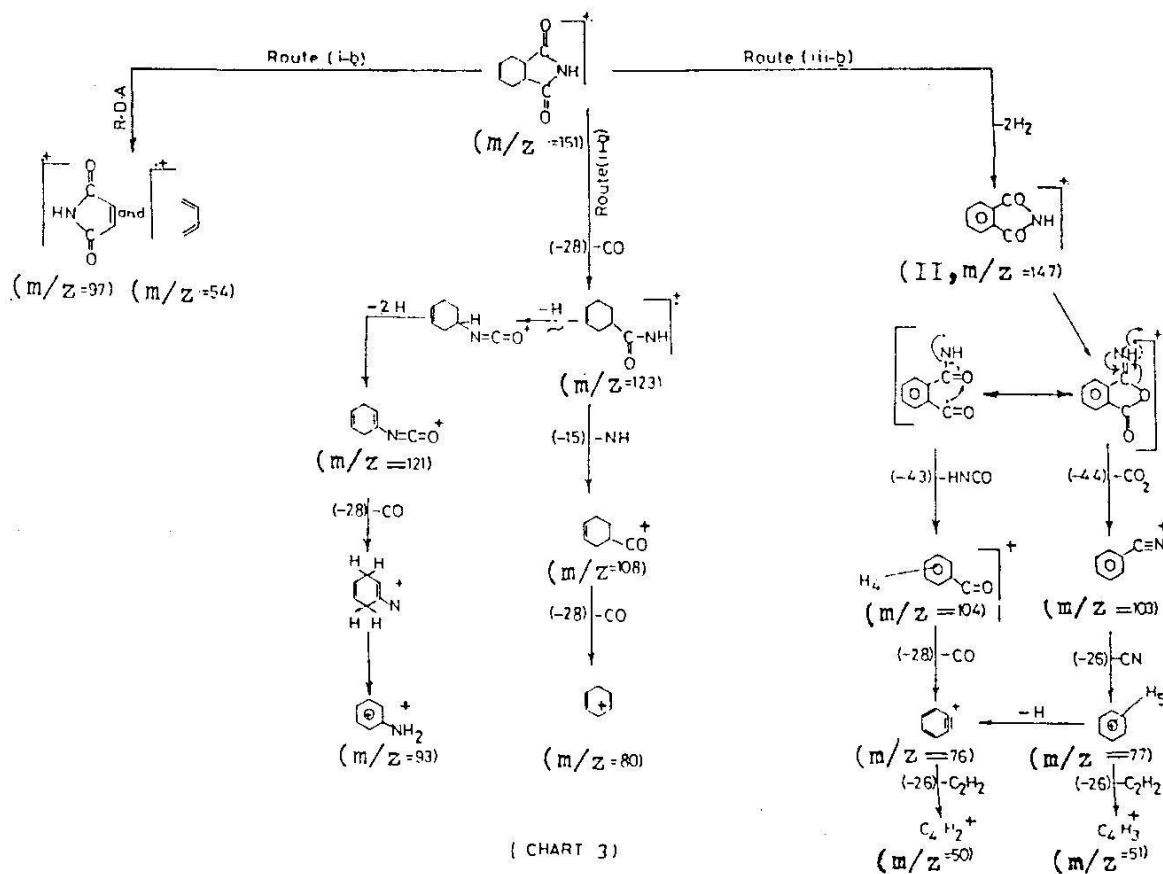


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Route (iii-a): Gives phthalimide (II) ( $m/z$  147), via aromatization, and benzonitrile ( $m/z$  103).

Route (b): Involves loss of ( $\text{CO}_2$ ) to give N-phenyl-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximide (VIIIa) ( $m/z$  227) which aromatized by loss of hydrogen to give N-phenyl-phthalimide (IXa) ( $m/z$  223).

Route (c): Involves loss of oxygen atom to give N-benzoyl-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarbonyl-imide (XI;  $m/z$  255), which loses hydrogen to give N-benzoyl-phthalimide (XII) ( $m/z$  151), via aromatization. This route is similar to pyrolysis of N-hydroxy-phthalimide to phthalimide via loss of oxygen [3].

All the above mentioned compounds showed the expected parent peaks, and mass spectral fragments in the mass spectrophotometer (cf. chart 5).

#### *Pyrolysis-mass spectrum of (VIa):*

When (VIa) was introduced in the mass spectrometer via a hot indirect inlet system at ( $280^\circ\text{C}$ ), it gives pyrolysis fragmentation pattern via two main routes (cf. chart 6).

Route (a): Involves loss of ( $\text{SO}_2$ ) via rearrangement to give cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximide (X) ( $m/z$  251),  $\text{SO}_2$ , and phenol ( $m/z$  94). Cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximide undergoes



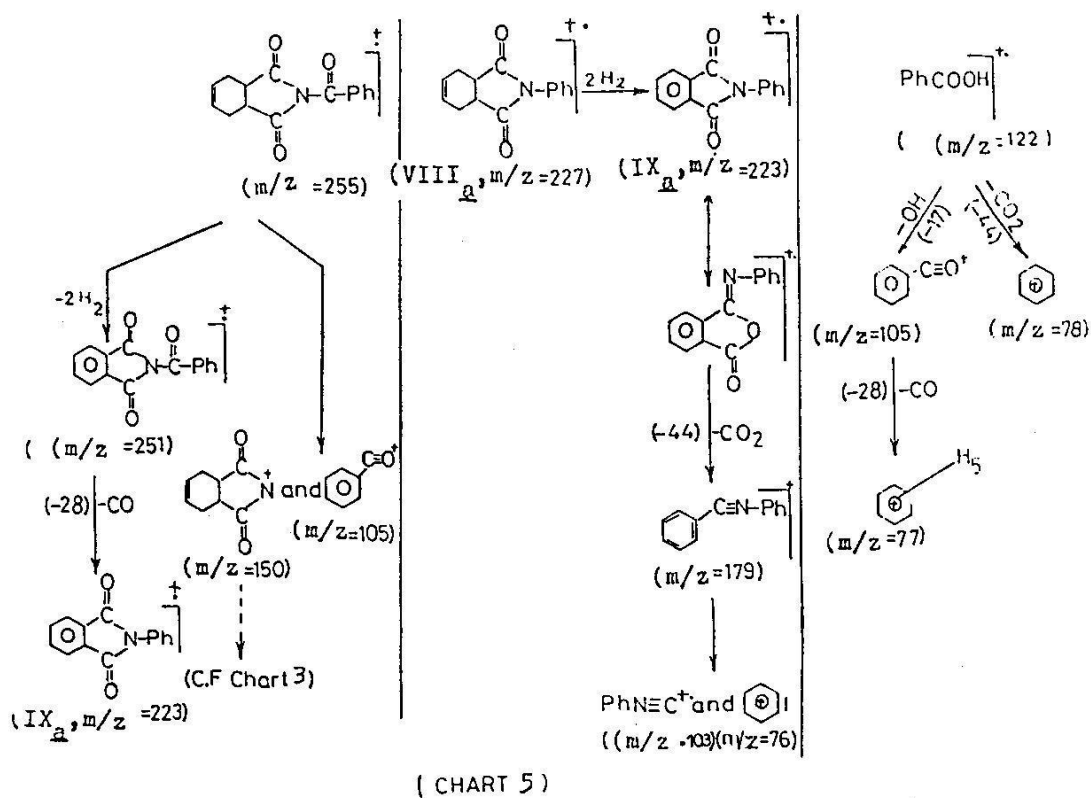


Table-1: m/z values followed by (%) of abundance.

(1)	151(4), 147(2), 123(3), 122(13), 121(12), 108(4), 107(4), 104(25), 103(8), 97(5), 96(2), 93(2), 80(5), 79(65), 78(100), 77(23), 76(29), 66(2), 54(6), 52(12), 51(2), 50(43).
(IVa)	255(2), 251(2), 227(2), 223(2), 179(32), 151(100), 150(32), 147(80), 123(9), 122(40), 121(4), 108(25), 105(96), 104(27), 103(32), 97(2), 96(22), 93(3), 80(42), 79(63), 78(23), 77(92), 76(48), 68(2), 66(19), 54(60), 51(3), 50(36), 43(19).
(VIa)	227(2), 223(2), 179(2), 151(4), 147(16), 123(12), 122(16), 121(11), 108(4), 104(23), 103(26), 97(5), 94(3), 93(3), 80(3), 79(71), 78(100), 77(36), 76(58), 66(31), 54(6), 51(33), 50(29).



pyrolytic fragmentation via three side routes as in (Chart 6).

Route (i-a): Gives (retro-Diels-Alder) fragmentation products. Maleimide; (m/z 97), and butadiene (m/z 54).

Route (ii-a): Gives cyclohexadiene (m/z 80), benzene (m/z 78), cyclopentadiene (m/z 66), isocyanate of cyclohex-1,3-diene (m/z 121), aniline (m/z 93), and carbon monoxide.

Route (iii-a): Gives phthalimide (II) (m/z 147), benzonitrile (m/z 103), and CO<sub>2</sub>.

Route (b): Loss of (SO<sub>3</sub>) to give N-phenyl-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximide (VIIIa) (m/z 227), which aromatized to gives N-phenyl-phthalimide (IXa) (m/z 223), the latter gives CO<sub>2</sub> and benzoisonitrile (m/z 103),

All the above mentioned compounds showed the expected parent peaks, and mass spectral fragments in the mass spectrophotometer (cf. Charts 2,5).

### Experimental

All melting points are uncorrected, infrared spectra were carried out on a Unicam SP (1200), using Wafer technique, Pyrolysis-mass spectra were determined with varian MAT CH<sub>6</sub> Single Focusing mass spectrometer at a beam energy 70 ev. Samples were introduced via hot indirect inlet system to the source operating temperature at (200°C).

*Pyrolysis of N-hydroxy-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximide (I): Formation of phthalimide (II):*

N-Hydroxy-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximide (I) was heated at (250°C) on a sand bath for (2 hr).

The solid product was obtained in sublimed needles; collected in an air condenser, m.p. 231-232°C (Yield 50%). It was found to be phthalimide from m.p. and mixed m.p. [3] and i.r. spectrum.

*Pyrolysis of N-aryloxy-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximides (IVa-c): Formation of (II) and aromatic acids:*

N-Aryloxy-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximides (IVa-c) were heated at (300°C) on a sand bath for 3 hours. After cooling the solid product obtained was crystallized from ethanol and charcoaled to give (II) (m.p. 230-231°C) [3], (Yield 70%). The mother liquors were concentrated by evaporation to give the corresponding aromatic acids identified by means of m.p. and mixed m.p. [3,4] and i.r. spectra.

*Pyrolysis of N-aryl-sulphonyloxy-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximides, (VIa,b): Formation of (II), and aryl-sulphonic acids:*

N-Aryl-sulphonyloxy-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximides (VIa,b) were heated at (100°C) on a sand bath for 2 hours. The solid products were recrystallized from ethanol with characoalization to give white crystal, m.p. 230-231°C (Yield 71%). It was proved to be phthalimide from m.p. and mixed m.p. [3] and i.r. spectrum. The mother liquors were evaporated to dryness to give the corresponding aryl-sulphonic acids [3].

*Pyrolysis of N-hydroxy-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximide (I): Formation of N-hydroxy-phthalimide (III):*

N-Hydroxy-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximide (I) was heated above its m.p. on a sand bath for 1 hour. The solid product was crystallized from ethanol to give solid product m.p.

Table-2

Compound No.	m.p. °C	mixed m.p. °C	Yield %	Ref.
(V a)	163	162	80	[4]
(V b)	152	152	79	[4]
(V c)	165	165	80	[4]

Table-3: Formation of (IXa-d)

Product No.	m.p. °C	Mixed m.p. °C	Yield %	Ref.
(IXa)	204-5	205	38	[4]
(IXb)	201-2	201	39	[4]
(IXc)	155	155	40	[4]
(IXd)	194-5	195	42	[4]

230°C it was proved to be N-hydroxy-phthalimide (III) from m.p. and mixed m.p. [8], and i.r. spectrum.

*Pyrolysis of N-aryloxy-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximides (IVa-c): Formation of N-aryloxy-phthalimides (Va-c):*

The solid (IVa-c) was heated above its m.p. on a sand bath for 1 hour, then cooled. The solid product was crystallized from toluene to give white crystals. It was proved to be N-aryloxy-phthalimides (V) from m.p. and mixed m.p. [4] and i.r. spectra (cf. Table 2).

*Pyrolysis of N-(aryl-sulphonyloxy)-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximides (VIa,b): Formation of N-aryl-sulphonyloxy-phthalimides (VIIa,b):*

The solid (VIa,b) was heated above its m.p. on a sand bath for 1 hour then cooled, the solid product

recrystallized from ethanol to give white crystals. It was proved to be N-aryl-sulphonyloxy-phthalimides (VIIa,b) from m.p. and mixed m.p. [9], and i.r. spectrum.

*Pyrolysis of N-aryl-cyclohex-4-ene-1,2-dicarboximides (VIIIa-d): Formation of N-aryl-phthalimides (IXa-d):*

The solid (VIIIa-d) was heated at (380-400°C) on a sand bath for 3 hours. The solid product was treated with alcohol and cooled, then recrystallized from ethanol to give white crystals (IXa-d) (cf. table 3). It was proved to be N-aryl-phthalimides by m.p. and mixed m.p. with authentic sample [4].

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