# Silicon(IV) Derivatives of N-[o-Hydroxy Substituted (or H) Benzyl] Glycines

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Several silicon(IV) derivatives of N-[o-hydroxy substituted (or H) benzyl] glycines have been prepared by the interaction of silicon tetraisopropoxide with the latter in 1:1, 1:2, 1:3 and 1:4 molar ratios in benzene medium. The compounds thus prepared were generally obtained as coloured solids and amongst them those containing isopropoxy group(s) were found to be hygroscopic. All these compounds were characterized by azeotrope and elemental analyses, as well as by spectral measurements.

### INTRODUCTION

In continuation to the preparation of organometallic/metallo-organic derivatives of N-[o-hydroxy substituted (or H) benzyl] glycines (I)<sup>1-3</sup>, the work described here deals with the preparation of silicon(IV) derivatives of I, viz., (i) N-(2-hydroxybenzyl) glycine (H<sub>3</sub>hbg), (ii) N-(2-hydroxy-3-methyl benzyl) glycine (H<sub>3</sub>hmbg-3), (iii) N-(2-hydroxy-6-methyl benzyl) glycine (H<sub>3</sub>hmbg-6) and (iv) N-(2-hydroxy-5-methyl benzyl)glycine (H<sub>3</sub>hmbg-5) by alcoholysis reaction<sup>1-3</sup>. Involving the interaction of silicon tetraisopropoxide with I in 1:1, 1:2, 1:3 and 1:4 molar ratios in benzene medium. The various compounds thus prepared were obtained as coloured solids and out of them those containing isopropoxy group(s) were found to be hygroscopic. All these compounds were characterized by azeotrope and elemental analyses, as well as by IR and PMR measurements.

#### **EXPERIMENTAL**

The details of the glass apparatus used have been given before<sup>1, 2</sup>. Stringent precautions were taken to exclude moisture throughout the experiments, as earlier<sup>1, 2</sup>.

Benzene (BDH, AR), isopropanol (BDH, Glaxo AnalaR) and solvent ether (E. Merck) were dried by standard procedures<sup>4</sup>. Silicon tetraisopropoxide was prepared by sodium method<sup>5</sup>, while N-[o-hydroxy substituted (or H) benzyl] glycines were prepared employing already reported methods<sup>1</sup>. Silicon(IV) was estimated by a known method<sup>6</sup>, whenever required.

The melting points were recorded on a CAT no IA 8103 digital melting point apparatus. The IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer Model 983 spectrometer in KBr pellets, while the PMR spectra were taken in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> solution and recorded on a Varian EM-390, 90 MHz spectrometer.

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# Reaction Between Si(Opr<sup>1</sup>)<sub>4</sub> and H<sub>3</sub>hmbg-3, 1:1 Molar Ratio

A mixture of Si(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>4</sub> (2.7268 g, 10.3114 mmole) and H<sub>3</sub>hmbg-3 (2.0128 g, 10.3103 mmole) suspended in dry benzene (60 mL) taken in a R.B. flask was refluxed on a wax bath at 95–100°C, using a fractionating column. After *ca.* 24 h of reflux, isopropanol liberated was fractionated out azeotropically and estimated by an oxidimetric method<sup>7, 8</sup>. On completion of the reaction, the excess of solvent from the reaction mixture was removed *in vacuo*, when the product, Si(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>3</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>hmbg-3) isolated as a light cream solid. It was then filtered under suction, washed with dry benzene (3–4 times) and then finally washed with dry ether (2–3 times).

It may be mentioned here that since  $Si(OPr^i)_4$  is soluble in benzene, while  $H_3hmbg-3$  is insoluble, the latter was taken in slightly less than the required stoichiometric amount in order to avoid contamination of impurities likely to occur by the unreacted  $H_3hmbg-3$  taken.

Similar procedures of preparation and purification were adopted in case of other derivatives. The relevant analytical details, characteristic IR frequencies and the PMR data are recorded in Tables 1–3 respectively.

### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

It may be recalled here that N-[o-hydroxy substituted (or H) benzyl]glycines exist in zwitterionic form (Structure I). The various reactions between silicon tetraisopropoxide and H<sub>3</sub>hmbg-3 may be illustrated as:

$$Si(OPr^{i})_{4} + H_{3}hmbg-3 \longrightarrow Si(OPr^{i})_{3}(H_{2}hmbg-3) + Pr^{i}OH$$
  
 $Si(OPr^{i})_{4} + 2H_{3}hmbg-3 \longrightarrow Si(OPr^{i})_{2}(H_{2}hmbg-3)_{2} + 2Pr^{i}OH$   
 $Si(OPr^{i})_{4} + 3H_{3}hmbg-3 \longrightarrow Si(OPr^{i})(H_{2}hmbg-3)_{3} + 3Pr^{i}OH$   
 $Si(OPr^{i})_{4} + 4H_{3}hmbg-3 \longrightarrow Si(H_{2}hmbg-3)_{4} + 4Pr^{i}OH$ 

Identical reactions occurred in case of H<sub>3</sub>hbg, H<sub>3</sub>hmbg-6 and H<sub>3</sub>hmbg-5.

TABLE-1 ANALYTICAL DETAILS OF N-[o-HYDROXY SUBSTITUTED (OR H) BENZYL] GLYCINES AND THEIR SILICON(IV) DERIVATIVES

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(light cream) (57.14) (8.27) (3.5	1) (7.02)
Si(OPr <sup>i</sup> ) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> hmbg-3) <sub>2</sub> (1:2) 26 205 58.39 7.10 5.2	2 5.24
(brownish cream) (58.43) (7.12) (5.2	4) (5.24)
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(light cream) (59.19) (6.43) (6.2	8) (4.19)
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Abbreviations:  $OPr^i = OC_3H_7$ ,  $H_3hbg = OHC_6H_4CH_2NH_2CH_2COO^-$  and  $H_3hmbg-3$  (or -6 or -5) =  $OHC_6H_3(CH_3)CH_2NH_2CH_2COO^-$ 

TABLE-2

CHARACTERISTIC INFRARED FREQUENCIES (cm $^{-1}$ ) OF N-[o-HYDROXY SUBSTITUTED (OR H) BENZYL] GLYCINES AND THEIR SILICON(IV) DERIVATIVES

Compound	v(OH) and aromatic v(C—H)	v(N—H) and aromatic v(C—H)	v(C—H) of —CH <sub>2</sub> — and —CH <sub>3</sub> groups	>NH <sub>2</sub>	ν <sub>asym</sub> (COO) ν <sub>sym</sub> (COO) Δν(COO) ν(C—N) ν(Si—O) ν(Si—N)	v <sub>sym</sub> (COO)	Δν(COO)	v(C—N)	v(Si—O)	v(Si—N)
$\rm H_3hbg$	3450-3000 (vb)	l	2940 (w) 2850 (w)	2600 (wb)	1630 (vsb)	1400 (s)	1	1230 (m)	1	1
$ m H_3hmbg-3$	3600–3000 (vb)	1	2950 (vb) 2855 (wb)	2390 (wb)	1635 (vsb)	1405 (m)	I	1230 (s)	l	1
H <sub>3</sub> hmbg-6	3500–3000 (vb)	1	2910 (mb) 2860 (wb)	2375 (wb)	1640 (vsb)	1405 (m)	I	1225 (m)		I
$ m H_3$ hmbg-5	3500–3000 (vb)	i	2910 (mb) 2870 (w)	2380 (w)	1635 (vsb)	1400 (s)	1	1220 (m)	1	f
Si(OPr <sup>'</sup> ) <sub>3</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> hbg)	3450-3350* (wb)	3200–3000 (b)	2980 (vw)	I	1640 (vsb)	1395 (mb)	245	1260 (m)	760 (m)	(qm)
$Si(OPr^i)_2(H_2hbg)_2$	3450-3300* (b)	3200-3000 (mb)	2980 (w)	I	1645 (vsb)	1395 (mb)	250	1265 (m)	76 (s)	710 (s)
Si(OPr¹)(H2hbg)3	3450-3300* (b)	3200–3000 (vb)	2980 (w)	1	1645 (vsb)	1395 (vsb)	250	1260 (wb)	% (S)	705 (m)
Si(H <sub>2</sub> hbg) <sub>4</sub>	3450-3300* (mb)	3150-3000 (mb)	2980 (w)	1	1640 (vsb)	1395 (mb)	245	1260 (mb)	760 (s)	705 (m)
Si(OPr <sup>1</sup> ) <sub>3</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> hmbg-3)	3450-3300* (b)	3200–3000 (b)	2980 (w)	1	1640 (vsb)	1390 (mb)	250	1260 (w)	765 (w)	(m)
Si(OPr <sup>i</sup> ) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> hmbg-3) <sub>2</sub>	3450-3300* (b)	3150–3000 (wb)	2960 (m)	1	1640 (vsb)	1395 (mb)	245	1260 (s)	740 (s)	(m)

ν <sub>asym</sub> (COO) ν <sub>sym</sub> (COO) Δν(COO) ν(C—N) ν(Si—O) ν(Si—N)		750 700 (vs) (s)		50 710 m) (m)		40 705 w) (m)			770 710 (m) (s)	
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) v(C_	1260 (m)	1270 (m)	1265 (s)	1270 (s)	127(s)	1265 (m)	1270 (s)	1270 (s)	1260 (m)	1270 (s)
Δν(COO)	250	250	240	245	250	245	250	250	250	240
v <sub>sym</sub> (COO)	1395 (vsb)	1395 (mb)	1395 (mb)	1395 (mb)	1395 (mb)	1395 (mb)	1390 (mb)	1390 (mb)	1390 (vsb)	1390 (vsb)
Vasym(COO)	1645 (vsb)	1645 (vsb)	1635 (vsb)	1640 (vsb)	1645 (vsb)	1640 (vsb)	1640 (vsb)	1640 (vsb)	1640 (vsb)	1630 (vsb)
>NH <sub>2</sub>	I	1	١	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
v(C—H) of —CH <sub>2</sub> — and —CH <sub>3</sub> groups	2980 (w) 2940 (w)	2980 (w)	2985 (vs)	2980 (m)	2990 (m) 2960 (w)	2980 (m) 2960 (w)	2970 (w) 2940 (w)	2980 (m)	2980 (w) 2940 (w)	2960 (w)
v(N—H) and aromatic v(C—H)	8	8	00	8	0	0	0	0	8	8
(N (N	3150–3000 (b)	3150–3000 (mb)	3150–3000 (mb)	3150–3000 (mb)	3150-3000 (wb)	3180–3000 (mb)	3190–3000 (vb)	3250-3000 (b)	3180–3000 (wb)	3190–3000 (mb)
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Abbreviations: s = strong, vs = very strong, b = broad, vb = very broad, vsb = very strong broad, m = medium, mb = medium broad, w = weak, wb = weak broad. \*v(OH) alone

PROTON MAGNETIC RESONANCE SPECTRAL DATA (8 VALUES) OF N-[0-HYDROXY SUBSTITUTED (OR H) BENZYL] GLYCINES AND THEIR SILICON(IV) DERIVATIVES TABLE-3

Compound	A romatic ring	Phenolic OH	+\/ +\/	HV		—CH2—	—CH <sub>3</sub> attached Gem-dimethyl	Gem-dimethyl
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$ m H_3hbg$	6.50-7.30 (q)	4.50-5.90 (h)	3.60 (s)	I	3.25 (s)	2.45 (s)	1	1
H <sub>3</sub> hmbg-3	6.50-7.10 (t)	4.50-5.70 (h)	3.55 (s)	I	3.15 (s)	2.50 (s)	2.15 (s)	
H <sub>3</sub> hmbg-6	6.40-7.10 (t)	4.40-5.60 (h)	3.65 (s)	I	3.20 (s)	2.45 (s)	2.15 (s)	I
H <sub>3</sub> hmbg-5	6.50-7.00 (t)	4.50-5.50 (h)	3.70 (s)	I	3.25 (s)	2.45 (s)	,2.15 9s)	1
$Si(OPr^i)_2(H_2hmbg-3)$	6.20-6.80 (m)	4.00-4.90 (h)	1	3.50 (s)	3.10 (s)	2.50 (s)	2.15 (s)	1.15 (d)
$Si(OPr^{i})_{2}(H_{2}hbg)_{2}$	6.20-7.10 (m)	4.00-4.50 (m)	I	3.55 (s)	3.15 (s)	2.35 (s)	2.10 (s)	1.16 (d)
Si(OPr')(H <sub>2</sub> hmbg-3) <sub>3</sub>	6.40-7.00 (m)	4.20-5.20 (h)	ı	3.50 (s)	3.10 (s)	2.50 (s)	2.20 (s)	1.55 (d)
Si(H <sub>2</sub> hmbg-5) <sub>4</sub>	6.20-7.10 (m)	4.20-4.70 (h)	1	3.65 (s)	3.15 (s)	2.50 (s)	2.15 (s)	1

Abbreviatios: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, h = hump.

# Spectra Studies<sup>9-12</sup>

Infrared spectra: The derivative, Si(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>3</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>hmbg-3) displays a broad band between 3450-3300 cm<sup>-1</sup> which may be assigned to the stretching of unbonded phenolic (—OH) group. A broad band in the region 3200-3000 cm<sup>-1</sup> indicates possible overlapping of v(N-H) and aromatic v(C-H). The appearance of v(N—H) in the lower region suggests coordination of nitrogen to silicon. Further, a shift of 30 cm<sup>-1</sup> in v(C—N) as compared to H<sub>3</sub>hmbg-3, again shows the bonding of nitrogen to silicon. The absence of any characteristic band corresponding to the (C=O) group in the region 1750-1650 cm<sup>-1</sup> rules out the possibility of a normal ester type of linkage between the carboxylate oxygen and silicon. A shift of 15 cm<sup>-1</sup> in v<sub>s</sub>(COO), as compared to H<sub>2</sub>hmbg-3, suggests the bonding of the carboxylate oxygen to silicon. The separation value,  $\Delta v(COO)$  [ $v_{asym}(COO)$  $v_{\text{sym}}$ COO] of 250 cm<sup>-1</sup>, as observed here shows the absence of bridged or coordinated carboxylate group. The weak absorption at 765 cm<sup>-1</sup> occurs due to v(Si—O), while the medium band at 690 cm<sup>-1</sup> corresponds to v(Si—N).

It is thus evident that the silicon atom in Si(OPri)3 (H2hmbg-3) exhibits penta-coordination as a result of bonding with one of the oxygens from the carboxylate group and the nitrogen from the imino group, along with three isopropoxy groups (Structure II).

Proton Magnetic Spectra: The PMR spectrum of Si(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>3</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>hmbg-3) shows a multiplet between  $\delta$  6.20–6.80 which corresponds to the aromatic ring protons. The hump between  $\delta$  (4.00–4.90) shows the presence of unbonded phenolic group proton. The singlet at  $\delta$  3.55 due to  $> NH_2$  protons, as observed in H<sub>3</sub>hmbg-3 is found to be absent here with the appearance of a new peak at δ 3.50 suggesting possible coordination of nitrogen to silicon. The singlets at  $\delta$  3.10 and  $\delta$  2.50 may be assigned to the protons associated with the —CH<sub>2</sub>— group attached with benzene ring and the glycine part of H<sub>3</sub>hmbg-3, respectively. The singlet at  $\delta$  2.15 and a doublet at  $\delta$  1.15 correspond to the protons associated with the -CH3 group attached with benzene ring and gem-dimethyl protons of the isopropoxy groups, respectively. Thus, the inferences drawn here are well in conformity to those derived from the IR measurements earlier.

The IR and PMR (wherever available) data in respect of the other derivatives were interpreted similarly and the main findings relating to their structures are as under:

The derivatives, Si(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>3</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>hbg), Si(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>3</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>hmbg-6) and Si(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>3</sub> (H<sub>2</sub>hmbg-5) contain a penta-coordinated silicon atom in each case displaying similar modes of bonding as those observed in Si(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>3</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>hmbg-3) (Structure II).

 $Si(OPr^{i})_{2}(H_{2}hbg)_{2}$  $Si(OPr^{i})_{2}(H_{2}hmbg-3)_{2}$ silicon atom in Si(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>hmbg-6)<sub>2</sub> and Si(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>hmbg-5)<sub>2</sub> displays hexa-coordination in each case by way of bonding with one of the oxygens from each of the two carboxylate groups and the nitrogen from each of the two imino groups available from two moles of I, along with two isopropoxy groups (Structure III).

The derivatives Si(OPr<sup>i</sup>)(H<sub>2</sub>hbg)<sub>3</sub>, Si(OPr<sup>i</sup>)(H<sub>2</sub>hmbg-3)<sub>3</sub>, Si(OPr<sup>i</sup>)(H<sub>2</sub>hmbg-6)<sub>3</sub> and Si(OPr<sup>i</sup>)(H<sub>2</sub>hmbg-5)<sub>3</sub> possess a hepta-coordinated silicon atom in each case as a consequence of bonding with one of the oxygens from each of the three 938 Aman et al. Asian J. Chem.

carboxylate groups and the nitrogen from each of the three imino groups available from three moles of I, along with an isopropoxy group (Structure IV).

The silicon atom in  $Si(H_2hbg)_4$ ,  $Si(H_2hmbg-3)_4$ ,  $Si(H_2hmbg-6)_4$  and  $Si(H_2hmbg-5)_4$  displays octa-coordination in each case as a result of bonding with one of the oxygens from each of the four carboxyloate groups and the nitrogen from each of the four imino groups available from four moles of I (Structure V).

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