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The modelling *via* methods of molecular dynamics of influence of zeolites with $(Na^+_x(H_2O)_y)[Al_aSi_bO_c]$, $Ca_x[H_2O]_yAl_aSi_bO_c$, Si_xO_y) frame work types on formation hydrogenated pyrans by Prins reaction

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Abstract

The possibility of selective stabilization of the transition state of the formation of 4-alkyl-substituted hydrogenated pyrans by the Prins reaction in the presence of zeolites of the elemental composition $Na_x^+(H_2O)_y)[Al_aSi_bO_c]$, $Ca_x[H_2O]_yAl_aSi_bO_c$, $Al_aP_bO_c$ is demonstrated by molecular dynamics methods using the Universal forcefield. As model alkenes, ethylene, propylene, isobutylene, butene-1 and butene-2 were used. The formation of hydrogenated pyrans by the Prince reaction is considered as the addition of a formaldehyde dimer over a multiple bond of the alkene. The participation of formaldehyde dimers in the formation of 1,3-dioxanes and hydrogenated pyrans by the Prins reaction, as well as the ratio of the thermodynamic parameters of these processes are justified by our previous studies. Structures of transition states are found in the approximation MP2/6-31G(d,p) and correspond to the addition reaction of the dimer of formaldehyde by the multiple bond of the alkene. The energy of the interaction of transition states with the cavities of zeolites was estimated using "frozen" structures. The nature of the interaction and the energy of stabilization of transition states on materials with a developed surface were determined using the Adsorption Locator module in the software package Accelrys Material Studio 5.5.

It is shown that the energy of stabilization of the transition states depends on pore diameter of the zeolites, and the dependence found is of an extreme character. The maximum stabilization is achieved with pore sizes of zeolites comparable to the linear sizes of the transition state, in which case it is placed in the cavity. It has been established that the elemental composition of zeolites does not significantly affect the magnitude of the stabilization effect and the pore diameter at which it is observed. According to the calculations, the pore diameter of the zeolites of the groups examined, at which the maximum stabilization of the transition state is observed, is in the range 6.0-7.5 Å.

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