Section 22.20 Spectroscopic Analysis of Amines

Infrared Spectroscopy

the N—H stretching band appears in the range 3000-3500 cm⁻¹

primary amines give two peaks in this region, one for a symmetrical stretching vibration, the other for an antisymmetrical stretch



symmetric



antisymmetric

Infrared Spectroscopy

primary amines give two N—H stretching peaks, secondary amines give one





¹³C NMR

Carbons bonded to N are more shielded than those bonded to O.





An amino group on a benzene ring shifts λ_{max} to longer wavelength. Protonation of N causes UV spectrum to resemble that of benzene.



Mass Spectrometry

Compounds that contain only C, H, and O have even molecular weights. If an odd number of N atoms is present, the molecular weight is odd.

A molecular-ion peak with an odd *m*/*z* value suggests that the sample being analyzed contains N.

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