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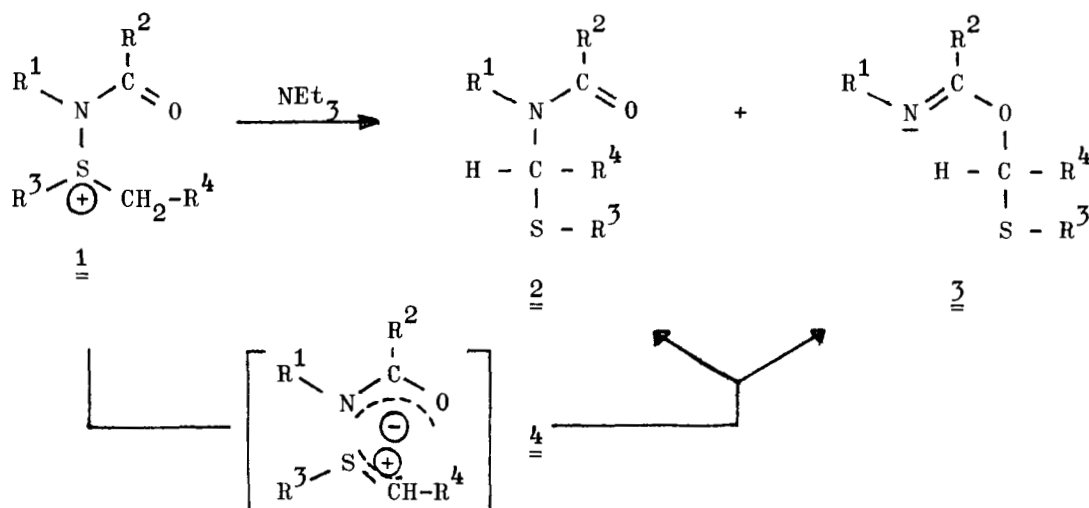
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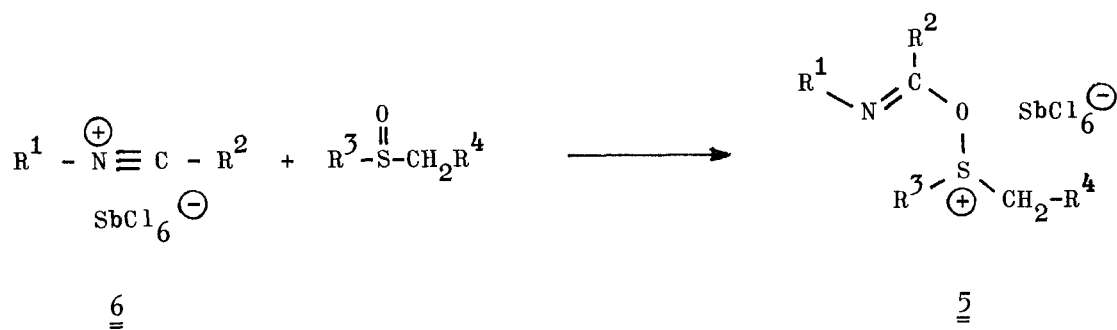
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The reaction of the azasulfonium salts 1 with tertiary amines gives various amounts of the products 2 and 3, resulting from a 1.2- resp. a 2.3-shift.



The possibility of an ionpair 4 as an intermediate in the rearrangement of 1 is tested in the following ways:

- (i) the influence of the sulfide-moiety of the aminosulfonium salt 1
- (ii) the influence of the solvent of the formation of 2 and 3
- (iii) the stereochemistry of the imide 3 formed in the rearrangement
- (iv) the possibility to obtain the ionpair 4 on an independent way; this will be tried by an analogous rearrangement of an imidoxy-sulfonium salt 5, which is expected from the interaction of a sulfoxide with a nitrilium salt 6.



Addition of a tertiary amine to a mixture of 6 and dimethylsulfoxide at -80°C gives products equal with those, formed from 1 and triethylamine. As shown by low temperature H-NMR-spectroscopy this is not the consequence of an ionpair 4 from 5 and the tertiary amine but of a very easy rearrangement of 5 to 1.