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### Abstract

The deblocking and cure reactions of 2-chloro-4-esterphenol and 2-chloro-4-nitrophenol-blocked polyisocyanates with poly(polytetrahydrofuran carbonate) diol in the presence of a tertiary amine (DABCO), an organotin compound (DBTDL) and mixed amine and tin compounds were investigated using a hot-stage FT-IR spectrophotometer and gel-time method respectively. Though the deblocking temperatures of 2-chloro-4-nitrophenol-blocked polyisocyanate were not very different compared to 2-chloro-4-esterphenol-blocked polyisocyanate, it showed remarkably high cure-time. It was found that the tin catalyst showed higher catalytic activity than the amine catalyst in the case of 2-chloro-4-esterphenol-blocked polyisocyanate whereas this activity was not well pronounced in the case of 2-chloro-4-nitrophenol-blocked polyisocyanate due to the tin-nitro interaction confirmed by FT-IR spectroscopic method. The synergistic effect of amine and organotin mixed catalysts was also investigated and observed the synergism only in the case of 2-chloro-4-esterphenol-blocked polyisocyanate. The interaction between amine and tin catalysts leading to formation of an active complex was confirmed by FT-IR and UV-visible spectroscopic methods. The highest catalysts concentration used deblocks the 2-chloro-4-esterphenol-blocked polyisocyanate at 40 °C and cures this blocked polyisocyanate with a polyol within 60 minutes at 80 °C.

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