

either the dimers, or of higher polymers formed according to equation (1).*

Thus, ultra-high pressure not only accelerates the polymerization of unsaturated hydrocarbons and shifts the polymerization ~~сбалансированного~~ equilibrium in the direction of formation of higher mol. wt. polymers, but it can lead to a substantial alteration in the chemical structure of the polymers.

It should be noted that the combination of ultra-high pressure (23,000-27,500 atm), a temp. of 280-300° and exptl. duration up to 11.5 hours, which we achieved in our work, are herein described in the literature for the first time.

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*Analogous to the cyclization of isobutylene dimer to form 1,1,3-trimethylcyclopentane /9/.