

SYNTHESIS OF 2-SUBSTITUTED NAPHTHO[2,3-f]ISOQUINOLINE-7,12-DIONE N-OXIDES

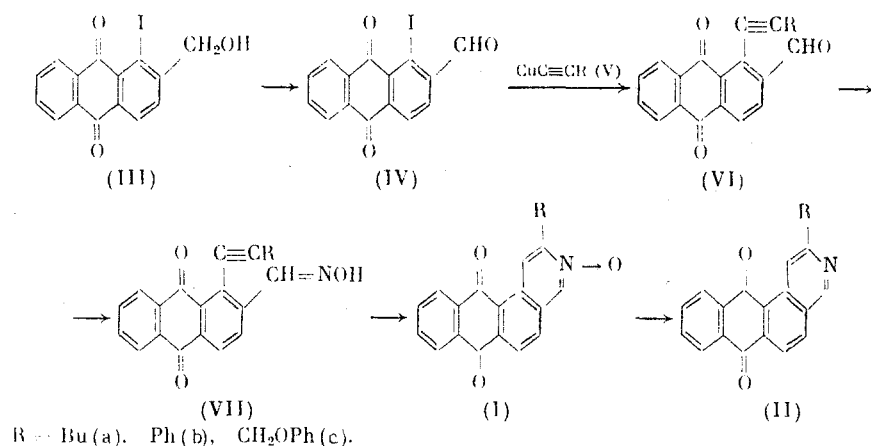
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1-Acetylenyl-2-formylanthraquinone oximes cyclize upon heating in an ethanol-water solution of K_2CO_3 to give 2-substituted naphtho[2,3-f]isoquinoline-7,12-dione N-oxides.

In previous work [1], we found that oximes of vicinal acetylenic derivatives of 3-formyl-1-methylindole readily cyclize with closure of a pyridine N-oxide ring. A similar cyclization was carried out by Yamanaka and coworkers [2, 3] for benzene and pyridine compounds.

In a continuation of a study of methods to obtain condensed heterocyclic structures starting with acetylenic synthones [1, 4, 5], we have employed this reaction for the synthesis of naphtho[2,3-f]isoquinoline-7,12-dione N-oxides (I) and isoquinoline-7,12-diones (II) from the corresponding anthraquinones.



Carbinol (III), obtained from 1-amino-2-hydroxymethylanthraquinone [6] by diazotization and subsequent replacement of the diazo group by I, was oxidized by activated MnO_2 virtually quantitatively to give iodoaldehyde (IV), which was then condensed with cuprous acetylenides (V) in pyridine at 45°C. The condensation was complete in 15-20 min and led to acetylenic derivatives (VI) in 71-88% yield (Table 1). Aldoximes (VII) were obtained by brief heating of (VI) with NH_2OH in aqueous ethanol. Under analogous conditions but in the presence of potassium carbonate, oximes (VII) undergo cyclization to give N-oxides (I). In this case, (VIIb) requires 1 h for completion, while (VIIa) and (VIIc) require only 10-15 min. The yields of oxides (I) ranged from 71 to 98% (Table 2). Oxides (I) were reduced with PCl_3 to give anthraquinonepyridines (II) in yields greater than 90%. The analytical and spectral data were in complete accord with the structures proposed for these products (Tables 1 and 2).

EXPERIMENTAL

The PMR spectra were taken on a Jeol FX90Q spectrometer in $CDCl_3$, while the IR spectra were taken on a UR-20 spectrometer. Thin-layer chromatographic monitoring of the reaction

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TABLE 1. Synthesis of 1-Acetylenyl-2-formylanthraquinones (VI) and Their Oximes (VII)

Compound	Yield, %	Mp, °C (from benzene-hexane)	Found/Calculated, %			Empirical formula	PMR spectrum δ , ppm	IR spectrum ν , cm ⁻¹
			C	H	N			
(VIa)	88.6	125-126	$\frac{79.70}{79.73}$	$\frac{5.08}{5.10}$	—	C ₂₁ H ₁₀ O ₃	1.00 t (CH ₃), 1.40-1.85 m (β - and γ -CH ₂), 2.68 t (α -CH ₂), 7.7-7.9 m (H ^{6,7}), 8.15-8.40 m (H ^{3-5,8}), 10.80 (CHO)	2220 (C \equiv C); 1685, 1695 (C=O)
(VIb)	74.0	233-234	$\frac{82.28}{82.30}$	$\frac{3.69}{3.60}$	—	C ₂₃ H ₁₂ O ₃	7.35-7.50 m (3H Ph), 7.7-7.9 m (H ^{6,7}), 2H Ph), 8.20-8.45 m (H ^{3-5,8}), 10.94 (CHO)	2210 (C \equiv C); 1680, 1700 (C=O)
(VIc)	71.4	156-157.5	$\frac{78.79}{78.68}$	$\frac{3.87}{3.85}$	—	C ₂₄ H ₁₄ O ₄	5.16 (CH ₂), 7.00-7.45 m (Ph), 7.75-7.90 m (H ^{6,7}), 8.15-8.45 m (H ^{3-5,8}), 10.56 (CHO)	2230 (C \equiv C); 1685, sh 1695 (C=O)
(VIIa)	88.0	175-176	$\frac{76.20}{76.12}$	$\frac{5.12}{5.17}$	$\frac{4.44}{4.23}$	C ₂₁ H ₁₇ NO ₃	1.01 t (CH ₃), 1.50-1.85 m (β - and γ -CH ₂), 2.68 t (α -CH ₂), 7.65-7.85 m (H ^{6,7}), 8.20-8.35 m (H ^{3-5,8}), 8.88 (=CH)	2220 (C \equiv C); 3570, 3330 br (OH); 1680 (C=O)
(VIIb)	85.7	242-243	$\frac{78.61}{78.62}$	$\frac{3.77}{3.73}$	$\frac{3.81}{3.99}$	C ₂₃ H ₁₃ NO ₃	7.45-7.80 m (Ph), 7.85-8.00 (H ^{6,7}), 8.1-8.4 m (H ^{3-5,8}), 8.77 (=CH), 12.16 (OH)	(Vaseline mull) 2215 (C \equiv C); 3410 br (OH); 1665, 1680 (C=O)
(VIIc)	75.0	195-196	$\frac{75.69}{75.58}$	$\frac{4.18}{3.96}$	$\frac{3.60}{3.67}$	C ₂₃ H ₁₃ NO ₄	5.15 (CH ₂), 7.1-7.5 m (Ph), 7.7-7.9 m (H ^{6,7}), 8.1-8.4 (H ^{3-5,8}), 8.72 (=CH)	(Vaseline mull) 3320 br (OH); 1680 (C=O)

TABLE 2. 2-Substituted Naphtho[2,3-f]isoquinoline-7,12-diones (II) and Their N-Oxides (I)

Compound	Yield, %	Mp, °C	Found/Calculated, %			Empirical formula	PMR spectrum, δ , ppm
			C	H	N		
(Ia)	97,7	214-215 (toluene)	76,20 76,12	5,16 5,16	4,22 4,23	C ₂₁ H ₁₇ NO ₃	1,02 t (CH ₃), 1,4-1,9 m (β - and γ -CH ₂), 3,12 t (α -CH ₂), 7,70-8,05 m (H ^{5(6),9,10}), 8,15-8,40 m (H ^{8,11}), 8,45 d (H ⁶⁽⁵⁾), 8,83-9,58 (H ^{1,4})
(Ib)	70,8	284-285,5 (toluene)	78,37 78,62	3,55 3,73	3,87 3,99	C ₂₃ H ₁₃ NO	
(Ic)	93,9	266-267,5 (toluene)	75,17 75,58	3,79 3,96	3,52 3,67	C ₂₄ H ₁₅ NO ₃	5,44 (CH ₃), 7,0-7,5 m (Ph), 7,75-8,15 m (H ^{5(6),9,10}), 8,15-8,60 m (H ^{6(5),8,11}), 8,87, 9,98 (H ^{1,4})
(IIa)	93,8	118-119 (benzene-hexane)	79,96 79,98	5,29 5,43	4,27 4,44	C ₂₁ H ₁₇ NO ₂	1,00 t (CH ₃) ₂ , 1,2-2,0 m (β - and γ -CH ₂), 3,07 t (α -CH ₂), 7,70-7,95 m (H ^{9,10}), 8,15-8,50 m (H ^{5,6,8,11}), 9,30, 9,35 (H ^{1,4})
(IIb)	~100	263-264 (benzene-hexane)	82,30 82,37	4,01 3,91	3,94 4,18	C ₂₃ H ₁₃ NO ₂	7,35-7,60 m (3H Ph), 7,7-7,9 m (H ^{9,10}), 8,15-8,50 m (H ^{5,6,8,11} , 2H Ph), 9,43, 10,03 (H ^{1,4})
(IIc)	94,3	206-207 (benzene-hexane)	78,82 78,89	4,11 4,14	3,64 3,83	C ₂₄ H ₁₅ NO ₃	5,33 (CH ₃) ₂ , 6,90-7,45 m (Ph), 7,65-7,95 m (H ^{9,10}), 8,15-8,60 m (H ^{5,6,8,11}), 9,35, 9,68 (H ^{1,4})

course was carried out on Silufol plates using chloroform and 6:1 chloroform-ether as the eluents.

1-Iodo-2-formylantraquinone (IV). A sample of 30 g activated MnO₂ was added to a solution of 4.2 g (III) [mp 214.5-215.5°C (from benzene). Found, %: C 49.51; H 2.56; I 34.90. C₁₅H₉IO₃. Calculated, %: C 49.48; H 2.49; I 34.85] in a mixture of 300 ml acetone and 300 ml CHCl₃ at 50°C and stirred for 40 min. The mixture was filtered and the precipitate was thoroughly washed with chloroform. Removal of the solvent in vacuum gave 4.0 g (96%) (IV), mp 199-200°C (from benzene-hexane) [7]. PMR spectrum (δ , ppm): 7.7-8.0 m (H^{6,7}), 8.09 d, 8.40 d (H^{3,4}), 8.1-8.4 m (H^{5,8}), 10.51 (CHO).

1-(Hexyn-1-yl)-2-formylantraquinone (VIa). A mixture of 0.9 g (IV) and 0.6 g (Va) in 90 ml pyridine was stirred for 20 min at 45°C in an argon atmosphere and then diluted with 300 ml chloroform. The mixture was washed with 300 ml of a solution containing one part concentrated hydrochloric acid and three parts water and, then, water and dried over MgSO₄. Chromatography on silica gel with benzene eluent gave 0.7 g (VIa) (see Table 1).

Products (VIb) and (VIc) were obtained by analogy (see Table 1).

1-(Hexyn-1-yl)anthraquinon-2-aldoxime (VIIa). A solution of NH₂OH prepared by neutralizing 0.52 g NH₂OH·HCl in 6 ml water with 0.38 g Na₂CO₃ was added to 0.48 g (VIa) in 80 ml ethanol, heated at reflux for 20 min, diluted with 100 ml CHCl₃, washed with water and dried over MgSO₄. Chromatography on silica gel with benzene eluent gave 0.44 g (VIIa) (see Table 1).

Products (VIIb) and (VIIc) were obtained by analogy (see Table 1).

2-Butylnaphtho[2,3-f]isoquinoline-7,12-dione N-Oxide (Ia). A sample of 0.44 g (VIIa) in 45 ml ethanol was added to 0.4 g K₂CO₃ in 2 ml water, heated at reflux for 15 min, diluted with 200 ml CHCl₃, and washed with water. After distilling off chloroform in vacuum, chromatography on silica gel with chloroform eluent gave 0.43 g (Ia) (see Table 2).

Oxides (Ib) and (Ic) were obtained by analogy (see Table 2).

2-Butylnaphtho[2,3-f]isoquinoline-7,12-dione (IIa). A mixture of 0.17 g (Ia) and 0.1 ml PCl_3 in 10 ml dry chloroform was heated at reflux for 20 min, poured into water, and neutralized with aqueous NaHCO_3 . Product (IIa) was extracted with CHCl_3 and purified by chromatography on silica gel with chloroform eluent. The yield of (IIa) was 0.15 g (see Table 2).

Products (Ib) and (Ic) were reduced analogously to give (IIb) and (IIc) (see Table 2).

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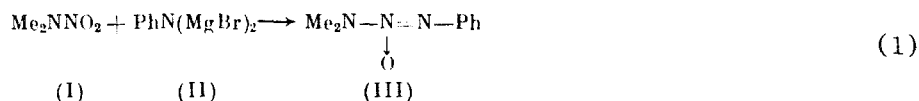
SYNTHESIS OF 1-PHENYL-3,3-DIMETHYLTRIAZENE 2-OXIDE AND THE CORRESPONDING TRIAZENE FROM NITRO COMPOUNDS AND N-MAGNESIUM BROMIDES

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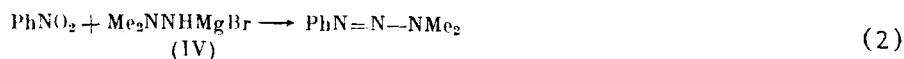
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The reaction of dimethylnitramine with $\text{Ph-N}(\text{MgBr})_2$ gives 1-phenyl-3,3-dimethyltriazene 2-oxide, which is the first reported triazene 2-oxide. The reaction of nitrobenzene with $\text{Me}_2\text{NNH-MgBr}$ gives only the corresponding triazene.

Triazene 1-oxides are well-known compounds [1]. However, no information has been available on triazene 2-oxides, in which N^1 is directly bound to a carbon atom. The first representative of this class, 1-phenyl-3,3-dimethyltriazene 2-oxide (III), was obtained according to the following scheme.



An attempt to obtain 1-phenyl-3,3-dimethyltriazene 1-oxide, which is an isomer of (III), by the action the magnesium derivative of dimethylhydrazine (IV) on nitrobenzene proved unsuccessful. The reaction product does not contain an N-oxide fragment, apparently as a result of the high reductive capacity of (IV).



Reductive condensation with formation of only an azo product was also observed in reaction (3).

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