## $4,5,9,10-T E T R A H Y$ DR O- $4,9-$ DIAZAPYRENE

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Veksler and Efros [1] have expressed the assumption that a mixture of tri- and tetranitro-5,10-dioxo-4,5,9,10-tetrahydro-4,9-diazapyrenes is formed in the oxidative nitration of 5,10-dimethyl-4,9-diazapyrene.


We have shown that refluxing 5,10-dioxo-4,5,9,10-tetrahydro-4,9-diazapyrene (I) in nitric acid (sp. gr. 1.51) for 1 h or treatment with a nitrating mixture at $120^{\circ}$ for 1 h gives yellow needles [from aqueous dimethylformamide (DMF)] of II with $\mathrm{mp}>400^{\circ}$ and $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}} 0.5$ [benzene-acetone ( $1: 5$ ) on Silufol plates]. IR spectrum $(\mathrm{KBr}): 3280,1700(\mathrm{CO}), 1615,1555\left(\mathrm{NO}_{2}\right), 1465,1430,1400,1370,1350,1300\left(\mathrm{NO}_{2}\right) .1160,1135.1005 .890$. $740,710 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. UV spectrum (DMF), $\lambda_{\max }, \mathrm{nm}(\log \varepsilon): 306$ (4.178), 370 (3.987), 490 (4.107).

Reduction of II with iron in aqueous ammonium chloride solution gives light-yellow crystals of 1.3.6.8-tetraamino-5,10-dioxo-4,5,9,10-tetrahydro-4,9-diazapyrene (III) with $\mathrm{mp}>400^{\circ}$ and $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}} 0.55$ [25\% ammonium hydroxide-dioxane (1:3)]. IR spectrum (KBr): $3420-2800\left(\mathrm{NH}_{2}, \mathrm{NH}\right) .1670$ (CO). 1610, 1530. 1480. 1425. 1375. $1310,1270,845,795,760 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$.

The tetraacetyl derivatives melt above $400^{\circ}$. The results of elementary analysis of the synthesized compounds for $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{H}$, and N were in agreement with the calculated values.

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