ORGANIC CHEMISTRY

Experiment 1.

Detection of the hydroxyl group in ethanol (iodoform reaction)

Laboratory equipment: Chemicals: - test tubes in rack, - ethanol,

- 2M NaOH,

- Lugol's solution (I₂ in KI)

Pour about 1cm³ of ethanol into a test-tube, add the same volume of NaOH solution and Lugol's solution to obtain bright yellow colour of solution. Heat this mixture at 60 °C, since the bright yellow precipitate of iodoform appears. (The solution has characteristic smell of disinfectant).

$$2 \text{NaOH} + \text{I}_2 \rightarrow \text{NaIO} + \text{NaI} + \text{H}_2 \text{O}$$

$$\text{CH}_3 \text{CH}_2 \text{OH} + \text{NaIO} \rightarrow \text{CH}_3 \text{COH} + \text{NaI} + \text{H}_2 \text{O}$$

$$\text{CH}_3 \text{COH} + 3 \text{NaIO} \rightarrow \text{I}_3 \text{C} - \text{COH} + 3 \text{NaOH}$$

$$\text{I}_3 \text{C} - \text{COH} + \text{NaOH} \rightarrow \text{CHI}_3 + \text{HCOONa}$$

Write down the reactions in the table of a report and the names of the products.

Experiment 2.

Determination of aldehyd group (Fehling's reaction)

Fehling reagent (mixture of I and II Fehling solutions) contains Cu²⁺ ions. It reacts with a aldehyde in redox reaction Cu²⁺ ions undergo reduction to Cu⁺ and an aldehyde undergoes oxidation to an acid.

$$Cu^{2+} \xrightarrow{red.} Cu^{+}$$

$$R-C$$
 H
 $\xrightarrow{utl.}$
 $R-C$
 OH

Laboratory equipment:

- test tubes in rack,

Chemicals:

- aldehyde,
- Fehling's solution I (CuSO₄) solution,
- Fehling's solution II (alkaline solution of sodium potasium tartrate),

Mix the solution I and II in 1:1 ratio. Take 1cm^3 of this solution and add 1cm^3 of an aldehyde solution. Heat up slowly this mixture until boiling. It should appear brick-red precipitate of Cu_2O . Give the descripion of the experiment and write the equation of the reaction of aldehyde oxidation.

Experiment 3.

Tollens's reaction (Silver Mirror Test)

R-COH +
$$2Ag(NH_3)^{+}_{2}$$
 + $3OH^{-}_{3}$ $\rightarrow 2Ag + RCOO^{-}_{3}$ + $4NH_3$ + $2H_2O$

Laboratory equipment: Chemicals:

test tubes in rack, - aldehyde (formaldehyde),

- beaker, - 0.05M AgNO₃,

- 2M NH₄OH

Pour 1cm³ AgNO₃ solution into a test-tube and then add as much of NH₄OH solution, as to dissolution of precipitate and then add 1cm³ of aldehyde. Put the test-tube into a water bath. It should appear metallic silver on the walls of the test tube. Write down the reaction.

Experiment 4.

Detection of ketone group (Gunning's reaction)

This reaction is characteristic for methyloketone.

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{2NaOH} + \text{I}_2 \rightarrow \text{NaIO} + \text{NaI} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \\ &\text{R} - \text{CO} - \text{CH}_3 + 3\text{NaIO} \rightarrow \text{R} - \text{CO} - \text{CI}_3 + 3\text{NaOH} \\ &\text{R} - \text{CO} - \text{CI}_3 + \text{NaOH} \rightarrow \text{RCOONa} + \text{CHI}_3 \end{aligned}$$

Laboratory equipment:

Chemicals:

- test tubes in rack, ketone (acetone),

2M NH₄OH

Lugol's solution.

Add 0.5cm³ of ketone solution to 1cm³ of NH₄OH solution and then few droplets of Lugol's solution until yellow colour appears. Heat the mixture until 60°C and leave it for few minutes. It should appear the yellow precipitate of iodoform with characteristic smell. Write down the reation's details.

Experiment 5.

Detection of carboxyl group

Detection of COOH group is possible through its transformation to an ester in reaction with alcohol. The esters have characteristic smell of flowers or fruits.

$$\mathsf{R}-\mathsf{COOH}+\mathsf{HO}-\mathsf{R}^{'} \xrightarrow{\quad \mathsf{H}_2\mathsf{SO}_4 \quad} \mathsf{R}-\mathsf{COOR}^{'}+\mathsf{H}_2\mathsf{O}$$

Laboratory equipment: Chemicals:

- test tubes in rack, - carboxyl acid,

ethanol,

- H₂SO₄ concentrated.

Pour 1cm3 of acid solution into the test-tube, add 1cm3 of ethanol and few droplets of concentrated sulphuric acid. The mixture should has a characteristic smell of fruits. Write down the esterification reaction.

Experiment 6.

The saponification reaction

The saponification raction is the reaction of long chain fatty acids, like Lauric C12, Myristic C14, Decanoic C10, Palmitic C16 and others and sodium hydroxide:

Laboratory equipment:

Chemicals:

- cocoanut oil, 12M NaOH

1 test tube,

water bath,

gas burner,

evaporating dish,

watchglass,

tripod,

glass rod.

Put approximately 2 g (1 teaspoon)of coco nut oil into the evaporating dish. Pour 2 cm³ of 12M NaOH to the test tube and heat it in the water bath up to app. 60°C. Place the evaporating dish with fat on the tripod and heat it until melting. Pour warm hydroxide to the oil and mix it with the glass rod until mixture thickens. Pour out the soap on the watchglass and observe.

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