N-ARYLBENZISOTELLURAZOLIUM AND N-ARYLBENZOTELLURADIAZOLIUM

PERCHLORATES

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At this time the only recorded example of benzisotellurazole salts is N-methylbenzisotellurazolium iodide which has been obtained by alkylation of benzisotellurazole with methyl iodide [1]. Benzotelluradiazole and its salts have not previously been reported. We have now shown that N-(p-toly1) benzisotellurazolium perchlorate (Ia, R = H, X = CH) and 6-methyl--2-N-(p-toly1) benzotelluradiazolium perchlorate (Ib, R = CH₃, X = N) can be prepared in high yield by treating 2-chlorotellurenylbenzal-p-toluidine (IIa, R = H, X = CH [2]) or 4,4'dimethyl-2-chlorotellurenylazobenzene (IIb, $R = CH_3$, X = N) with an equimolar amount of silver perchlorate in acetone.

Thus addition of AgClO4 • CH3CN complex (3 mmole) in acetone (40 ml) (2-3 min) to a solution of IIa (3 mmole) in acetone (300 ml), stirring for 1 h, filtration, partial distillation of acetone (to 100 ml), and dilution with dry ether (200 ml) gave orange crystals of N-(P-toly1)-benzisotellurazolium perchlorate (Ia: 84%) which exploded at 125-130°C. PMR spectrum (acetone-D₆): 2.17 (3H, s, CH₃); 7.02-8.56 (8H, m, arom; 9.82 ppm (1H, s, CH=N).

6-Methyl-2-N-(p-tolyl)benzotelluradiazolium perchlorate (Ib, 65%) was obtained similarly as red crystals exploding at mp 139-141°C. PMR spectrum (CF₃COOH): 1.95 (3H, s, CH₃); 2.05 (3H, s, CH_3); 6.79-8.26 ppm (7H, m, arom).

The IR spectra of Ia, b showed intense absorption at 1100 cm-1 for the ClO4 anion. Elemental analytical data for C and H in Ia, b agreed with that calculated.

Compound IIb was synthesized by the method used in [3] for preparing 2-chlorotellurenylazobenzene.

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