



We have effected the synthesis of compounds (I) and (II) starting from the readily accessible tetrahydrofuran and hex-1-yne.

By known methods [11], tetrahydrofuran was converted into 4-chlorobutan-1-ol (III) and 1,4-dibromobutane (IV). The interaction of (III) with butyl vinyl ether under the conditions described in [12] gave 1-(1-butoxyethoxy)-4-chlorobutane (V) with a yield of 85%; bp 46-50°C/2 mm.

Alkylation of lithium hexynylide with the protected chlorobutanol (V) (liq. NH<sub>3</sub>/HMPT) gave 1-(1-butoxyethoxy)dec-5-yne (VII) with a yield of 51%; bp 115-120°C/1.5 mm. C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>30</sub>O<sub>2</sub>. Found, %: C 75.50, H 11.68, O 12.67. Calculated, %: C 75.59, H 11.81, O 12.60. IR spectrum (ν, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1140, 1105, 1090, 1065 (O-CH-O). Treatment of the latter with the cation-exchange resin KU-2-8 (H<sup>+</sup> form) in methanol at room temperature for 5 h led to dec-5-yn-1-ol (IX) with a yield of 92%, bp 120-122°C/2 mm, n<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> 1.4578. The hydrogenation of (IX) over Ni-P2 catalyst followed by acetylation with acetic anhydride in pyridine gave dec-cis-5-enyl acetate (I) with a yield of 82%. n<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> 1.4420.

Condensation of the Grignard reagent obtained from (V) with 1,4-dibromobutane (IV) in THF solution in the presence of lithium tetrachlorocuprate [13] gave a 54% yield of 8-bromo-1-(1-butoxyethoxy)octane (VI), bp 128-133°C/1.5 mm.

8-Bromooctan-1-ol (VIII) was obtained by eliminating the protective group with the aid of KU-2-8. Yield 96%, n<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> 1.4805.

Tetradec-9-yn-1-ol (X) was obtained from hex-1-yne and the bromooctanol (VIII) with a yield of 49%. bp 138-140°C/1 mm; n<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> 1.4630.

By the methods described for the preparation of (I), the acetylenic alcohol (X) was converted into tetradec-cis-9-enyl acetate (II). Yield 80%, n<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> 1.4492.

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