FORMATION OF 3,5-DICYANO-4-(N,N-DIMETHYLFORMAMIDINO)-2,6-DIPHENYL-4H-PYRAN FROM \(\omega-\text{CYANOACETOPHENONE}\)

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Abstract — A 4H -pyran derivative, 3,5-dicyano- 4 -(N,N-dimethyl-formamidino)-2,6-diphenyl- 4H -pyran (9) was obtained by the reaction of [N-(dimethylaminomethylene)aminomethylene] dimethyl-ammonium chloride (9) with 9 -cyanoacetophenone (8).

Developments concerning Vilsmeier reagents are one of the most interesting subjects in synthetic organic chemistry. Gold¹⁾ has reported that the reaction of cyanuric chloride ($\underline{1}$) with N,N-dimethylformamide (DMF) afforded the 1:2 adduct ($\underline{2}$) at room temperature and then $\underline{2}$ gave [N-(dimethylaminomethylene)aminomethylene]dimethyl-ammonium chloride ($\underline{5}$) via the 1:3 adducts, ($\underline{3}$) and ($\underline{4}$) at elevated temperature (above 60°C) (scheme 1).

Scheme 1

Oda et al²⁾ have found that the 1:2 adduct ($\underline{2}$) was a modified Vilsmeier reagent, which could be successfully used in formylation reactions of aromatic compounds, such as N,N-dimethylaniline and dimethoxybenzene. Recently, the author has found that treatment of acetophenone ($\underline{6}$) with $\underline{1}$ in DMF at 60-70°C afforded 5-chloro-1,5-dipheny1-2,4-pentanedien-1-one ($\underline{7}$) instead of 3-chloro-3-phenylpropenal which was expected by the reaction of $\underline{6}$ with normal Vilsmeier reagent such as the DMF-POCl₃ adduct³⁾. This result suggested the reaction of the 1:3 adduct ($\underline{4}$) with $\underline{6}$ to give $\underline{7}$. Further, it has been found that the reaction of ω -substituted acetophenones, such as propiophenone and benzyl phenyl ketone, with the adduct ($\underline{4}$) gave different products (2,4-dien-1-one type and propenal type compounds) according to the property of substituent⁴). In the present paper, the author wishes to report that the reaction of ω -cyanoacetophenone ($\underline{8}$) with $\underline{5}$ provides heterocyclic compound such as pyran (9).

Treatment of $\underline{8}$ with $\underline{1}$ in DMF at 60-70°C for 5 h gave a product ($\underline{10}$) having the formula, $C_{12}H_{12}N_{2}O_{2}$ based on its elementary analysis and high-resolution mass spectrum. The product ($\underline{10}$) shows infrared absorption (Nujol mull) at 2175 cm⁻¹ (C=N), 1645 cm⁻¹(C=O), and 1600 cm⁻¹(C=C). In the ^{1}H nmr spectrum (in CDCl $_{3}$), the twelve protons of $\underline{10}$ were assigned as follows: at 3.18 ppm (3H, S, N-CH $_{3}$); at 3.42 ppm (3H, S, N-CH $_{3}$); and at 7.30-7.90 ppm (6H, m, five aromatic protons and one proton of =CH-N). Thus, $\underline{10}$ was determined as 1-benzoyl-1-cyano-2-dimethylamino-ethylene. This compound ($\underline{10}$) may be produced by an apparent simple dehydration of $\underline{8}$ with DMF. However, in a comparative experiment, no formation of $\underline{10}$ was observed by a similar treatment of $\underline{8}$ with DMF in the absence of $\underline{1}$. Therefore, the intermediate in the formation of $\underline{10}$ may be the adduct ($\underline{4}$) $\underline{5}$).

At higher temperature (110-120°C), treatment of 8 with 1 in DMF gave another product (9) accompanied by 10. The product (9) has the formula, $C_{22}H_{18}N_{4}O$ based on its elementary analysis and high-resolution mass spectrum, and shows infrared absorption (Nujol mull) at 2230 cm⁻¹(C=N), 1660 cm⁻¹(C=N), and 1630, 1595 cm⁻¹(C=C). The structure of 9 was determined as 3.5-dicyano-4-(N,N-dimethylformamidino)-2.6-diphenyl-4H-pyran from the ir and nmr spectra. In the 1H nmr spectrum (in CDCl $_3$), six protons of the dimethylamino group gave a singlet at 2.95 ppm, while a singlet occured at 4.66 ppm which was assigned to the proton of the pyran ring. In addition, signals corresponding to the aromatic protons and the proton in -N=CH-N appeared at 7.20-8.10 ppm. The off resonance decoupling and the complete 1H

noise decoupling 13 C nmr spectra of $\underline{9}$ were recorded. The 13 C shellding for each carbon atom in $\underline{9}$ is given in Table 1, and the numbering scheme used for the carbon atoms is given in Fig. 1.

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Table	⊥.	Assignment	01	C-NMR	OI.	9

Peak No.	Chemical Shift (ppm)	Carbon No.
1	158.0	1
2	156.3	9
3	131.3	
4	130.2	aromatic
5	128.4	carbon
6	127.5	
7	117.3	8
8	90.0	2
9	58.3	3

When subjected to the reaction conditions under which $\underline{9}$ was obtained, the 1:3 adduct ($\underline{4}$) decomposed leaving the decomposition product ($\underline{5}$) as reported¹, suggesting that the intermediate in the formation of $\underline{9}$ might be $\underline{5}$. In order to clarify this assumption, the following experiment was carried out. Heating of $\underline{1}$ in DMF at 60-70°C was continued until evolution of carbon dioxide ceased and then $\underline{8}$ was added at room temperature. The resulting mixture was heated at 110-120°C for $\underline{5}$ h. Chromatographic separation also afforded $\underline{9}$ and $\underline{10}$. From these results and from the structure of $\underline{9}$, it is thought that the reaction might proceed as shown in scheme 2.

Scheme 2

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Experimental

IR and ¹H nmr spectra were recorded on a JASCO infrared spectrophotometer Model IRA-2 and a Varian A-60D NMR spectrometer, respectively. The mass spectra were obtained using a JEOL 01SG high resolution mass spectrometer. The ¹³C nmr spectra were recorded on a Varian XL-100A-15 spectrometer in the Fourier transform mode, using TMS as the internal standard. All spectra were taken at room temperature. Melting points are not corrected.

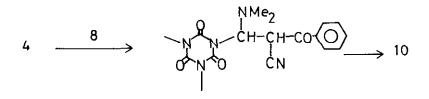
Reaction of ω -Cyanoacetophenone ($\underline{8}$) with DMF-Cyanuric Chloride Adduct (a) Into a stirred solution of 14.5 g(0.1 mol) of ω -cyanoacetophenone ($\underline{8}$) in 80 ml of DMF was added 27.0(0.15 mol) of cyanuric chloride ($\underline{1}$) for a period of 10 min at 10-15°C. The mixture was heated slowly up to 60°C and stirred at 60-70°C for 5 h. To the reaction mixture were added 200 ml of benzene and 300 ml of

5% aqueous sodium hydrogencarbonate at 20-30°C with stirring. The benzene layer was separated, washed with water and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate. The solvent was then removed under reduced pressure. The resulting residue was recrystallized from a mixture of benzene and petroleum benzine (1:3) to give 10.8 g(54% on the basis of 8) of 1-benzoyl-1-cyano-2-dimethylaminoethylene (10): pale orange crystals, mp 113-114°C. Anal. Calcd. for C₁₂H₁₂N₂O: C, 71.98; H, 6.04; N, 13.99%. Found: C, 71.95; H, 5.90; N, 13.89%.

- (b) ... Into a stirred solution of 14.5 g(0.1 mol) of $\underline{8}$ in 80 ml of DMF was added 27.0 g(0.15 mol) of $\underline{1}$ for a period of 10 min at 10-15°C. The mixture was heated at 110-120°C for 4 h with stirring. The reaction mixture was worked up by a similar procedure to that mentioned in (a). The resulting residue was chromatographed on Silica Gel (Nerck, 70-230 mesh) with a mixture of benzene and ethyl acetate (2:1). Initial fraction yielded 6.1 g(30%) of $\underline{10}$. The second fraction yielded 3.4 g(19% on the basis of $\underline{8}$) of 3,5-dicyano-4(N,N-dimethylformamidino)-2,6-diphenyl-4H-pyran (9) which was crystallized as pale orange crystals, mp 165-166°C from ethanol. Anal. Calcd. for $C_{22}H_{18}N_{4}$ 0: C, 74.55; H, 5.12; N, 15.81%. Found: C, 74.46; H, 5.11; N, 15.73%.
- (c) ... When the mixture of 27.0 g(0.15 mol) of $\underline{1}$ and 80 ml of DMF was stirred at 60-70°C, evolution of carbon dioxide occurred for a period of 2 h. After evolution of carbon dioxide ceased the mixture was kept at 60-70°C for an additional 1 h. Into the stirred mixture was added 14.5 g(0.1 mol) of $\underline{8}$ over a period of 10 min at room temperature. The mixture was heated up to 110°C and stirred at 110-120°C for 5 h. Treatment of the reaction mixture and chromatographic separation of the resulting residue carried out according to a procedure similar to that mentioned in (b) gave 2.8 g(14%) of $\underline{10}$ and 4.1 g(23%) of $\underline{9}$.

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- 5. The possible reaction path might be depicted as shown below.



Scheme 3

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