SHORT COMMUNICATIONS

Oxidative Heterocyclization of 4-(4-Methoxy-3-fluorophenyl)-1,1,1-trifluorobut-3-yn-2-one in a System CF₃CO₂H-CH₂Cl₂-PbO₂

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By oxidation of 1,3-diarylpropynones in a system CF₃CO₂H–CH₂Cl₂–PbO₂ we succeeded to synthesize in one prepar-ative stage tetraketones of unsaturated series, 1,1,2,2-tetraaroylethenes [1].

With acetylene ketone I containing a trifluoromethyl group the oxidative process in the same system at -10° C occurred less deeply (with overall transfer of two electrons) and was accompanied by cyclization of the insufficiently oxidized dimer intermediate into a substituted furan II.

The structure of furan **II** was established from IR, ¹H, ¹³C, ¹⁹F NMR, and mass spectra. The sum of spectral data permitted the rejection of alternative structures.

2-(4-Methoxy-3-fluorophenyl)-4-(4-methoxy-3-fluorophenylcarbonyl)-5-trifluoromethyl-3-trifluoromethylcarbonylfuran (II). Yield 52%, mp.

124–124.5°C. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 1690, 1720. ¹H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm: 3.96 s (3H, OMe), 3.97 s (3H, OMe), 7.00–7.08 m (2H arom), 7.45–7.49 m (2H arom), 7.62– 7.68 m (2H arom). 13 C NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 56.3 q (OMe, J 147.0 Hz), 56.4 q (OMe, J 145.8 Hz), 112.5 d (J 162.4 Hz), 113.2 d (J 161.7 Hz), 115.0 q (<u>C</u>F₃CO, J 289.9 Hz), 116.0 s, 116.2 d.d.d (J 164.5, 21.2, 7.4 Hz), 116.5 d.d.d (J 164.0, 19.3, 7.2 Hz), 118.0 q (J 163.8, 3.0 Hz), 127.1 s, 127.5 d.d (*J* 162.8, 4.1 Hz), 129.4 d (J 4.9 Hz), 138.6 q (J 43.2 Hz), 150.8 d (J 10.6 Hz), 152.0 d.m (J 248.6 Hz), 152.2 d.m (J 249.7 Hz), 153.3 d (J 11.0 Hz), 158.8 s , 178.6 q (CF₃CO, J 39.0 Hz), 184.7 s (CO). ¹⁹F NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: -129.75 t (1F arom, J 10.0 Hz), -129.64 t (1F arom, J 10.0 Hz),-70.37 s (3F, CF₃CO), -57.28 s (3F, CF₃). Mass spectrum, m/z (I_{rel} , %): 509 (14) [M+1]⁺, 508 (48) M^+ , 489 (2) $[M-F]^+$, 439 (26) $[M-CF_3]^+$, 419 (18), 254 (5), 153 (100) $[(MeO)FC_6H_3CO]^+$, 125 (12) $[(MeO)FC_6H_3]^+$, 110 (9), 95 (14), 77 (7). Found, %: C 51.7; H 2.61. C₂₂H₁₂F₈O₅. Calculated, %: C 51.98; H 2.38. M 508.23.

IR spectrum was recorded on spectrophotometer Specord 75 IR from solution of compound in CHCl $_3$. 1 H, 13 C, and 19 F NMR spectra were registered on spectrometer Bruker AM-500 (at operating frequencies 500, 125.76, and 470.7 MHz respectively) from solutions in CDCl $_3$. As internal references were used the residual proton signal of chloroform (1 H, δ_H 7.25 ppm), the carbon signal of solvent (13 C, δ_C 77.0 ppm), and the signal of C_6F_6 (19 F, δ_F –162.9 ppm). Mass spectra were measured on MKh-1321 instrument, ionizing electrons energy 70 eV.

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