Induced Halogenation of Alkyl Cyclohexenyl Ketones Involving Metal Halides, Hydrohalogenic Acids, and Hydrogen Peroxide

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Abstract—The induced halogenation and hydroxyhalogenation of alkyl cyclohexenyl ketones in a system [MHlg + HHlg or HHlg]– H_2O_2 or in NaOCl was performed and optimum reaction conditions were established. Under mild conditions the electrophilic addition of the halogen or the acid occurred at the multiple bond of the ring with the formation of the corresponding dihalo or hydroxyhalo derivatives of cycloaliphatic ketones. From the compounds obtained epoxy- and dioxyketones of aliphatic series were prepared. Chloro(bromo)hydrins of ketones from the alkylcyclohexane series and oxiranes based thereon are reactive compounds and can be employed as synthons in the organic synthesis.

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Halogen-substituted ketones and their derivatives are convenient synthons for the synthesis of organic compounds, and they are used in the production of insecticides, antihelmintic agents and other biologically active compounds [1–3]. These compounds can also be employed as modifiers of epoxy resins [4] and antifreeze additives to lubricants [5, 6].

The halogenation of various unsaturated compounds is sufficiently thoroughly described in reviews [7–10] and a monograph [11]. However the data on the induced halogenation of unsaturated ketones, especially of cycloaliphatic series, were practically absent.

In the present study in extension of the research on the induced halogenation of aromatic [12] and alkenyl-

Scheme 1.



 $R = CH_3(\mathbf{a}), C_2H_5(\mathbf{b}), C_3H_7(\mathbf{c}), C_4H_9(\mathbf{d}), C_5H_{11}(\mathbf{e}), C_6H_{13}$ (**f**), C₇H₁₅(**g**).

aromatic compounds [13] and also of conjugated enyne systems [14] results are reported of the halogenation and hydroxyhalogenation of unsaturated ketones from the cycloaliphatic series under the conditions of the formation of Hlg₂ and HOHlg in situ. We used as inducing system [HHlg or MHlg + HHlg]–H₂O₂ (or NaOCl).

The synthesis of initial unsaturated ketones was performed by acylation of cyclohexene with acid chlorides of C_2 - C_8 carboxylic acids by the known procedure [15, 16]. The use in this reactions as catalyst of highly dispersed AlCl₃ and SnCl₄ on a solid carrier (HNa-mordenite) instead of usually applied soluble salts (ZnCl₂, AlCl₃) made it possible to carry out the reaction selectively at -10...0°C instead of -3...-25°C [16] (Scheme 1).

The composition and structure of obtained alkyl cyclohexenyl ketones **Ia–Ig** was established by elemental analysis and IR and ¹H NMR spectroscopy. In the IR spectra these compounds have common absorption bands in the region 1660 and 1703 cm⁻¹ characteristic of the stretching vibrations of the C=O group of α , β -unsaturated ketones. The bands in the region 752, 836, 965, 1634, 1640, 1654 cm⁻¹ correspond to the C=C bonds of the cyclohexene ring, and the bands at 1377, 1420, 1445 cm⁻¹,

It was established experimentally that alkyl cyclosolutions of HHlg and H₂O₂ under the conditions of induced addition of electrophilic reagents were easily converted into 1.2-substituted dihalides IIa-IIg and IIIa-IIIg (Scheme 2). The yield of dihaloketones IIa-IIg and IIIa-IIIg and the selectivity of the process depend on the temperature, the concentration of the water solutions of metal halides or hydrohalogenic acids, and the intensity of stirring of the reaction mixture. Inasmuch as the 1-(cyclohex-1-enyl)alkanones are sparingly soluble in water, the reaction proceedes in a heterophase system on the phase boarder, and in the stationary mode without vigorous stirring (the

rate of the agitator 500-600 rpm) the transfer of the

halogen from the water into the organic phase would be

significantly hampered leading to the decrease in the yield

of the products. The highest yield of 1-(1,2-dichlorocyclo-

hexyl)- and 1-(1,2-dibromocyclohexyl)alkanones was

obtained at 20-50°C and attained 73-94 and 72-89%

respectively. Raising the temperature from 50 to 70°C

resulted in decreased yield evidently due to the accelera-

tion of a side reaction, electrophilic substitution of hydrogen atoms in CH2 groups of the cyclohexane ring for

halogen atoms. With rising concentrations of the water

solutions of metal halides and hydrohalogenic acids (up

to 33% for NaCl, HCl and 45% for NaBr, HBr) the yields

of the target products increased up to 96 and 98% with respect to the consumed halogen. At low concentrations

of salt and acid solutions (below 15%) the corresponding

chloro- and bromohydrins were obtained. Thus the

optimum conditions maximizing the yield of compounds

hydrobromic acids 20-33 and 30-45% respectively,

ketone Ia belongs to the CH₃ group of the acyl fragment. With the growing length of the acyl residue the proton signals of the terminal methyl group shift upfield (in the ¹H NMR spectra of ketone **Ib** a doublet at 1.11 ppm, of ketones Ic-Ig a triplet at 0.97 ppm). The protons of the group CH₂C=O in ketones **Ib–Ig** also give rise to a triplet at 2.46 ppm [18, 19].

to the bending vibrations of groups CH₂ and CH₃ [17]. In

the ¹H NMR spectra of compounds Ia-Ig appeared

a triplet from the fragment =CH (6.71 ppm) and multiplets

at 1.65-1.96 ppm from the CH₂ groups of the cyclo-

hexene ring. The singlet at 2.31 ppm in the spectrum of

hexenyl ketones in the presence of concentrated water

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HHlg-H₂O₂ Η or NaOCl Ilg H₂O OН Ia-Ig IVa-IVg, Va-Vg X = Cl(II), Br(III).Scheme 3.



Hlg = Cl(IV), Br(V); R see Scheme 1.

MX (HX)-H₂O₂

or NaOCl

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temperature 20–40°C. With growing length of the alkyl chain from CH_3 to C_7H_{15} the yields of the corresponding dihalides diminished to 69-71%, apparently due to the shielding of the double bond by the alkyl residues.

At the use of low concentrated solutions (HCl 10-15%, HBr 6-8%) the corresponding products of hydroxyhalogenation were obtained in sufficiently good yield (Scheme 3).

The addition to the solutions of HCl and HBr up to 3-7 wt % of MHlg also favored the increased yield of hydroxyhalides.

The composition and structure of compounds IIa-IIg-IVa-IVg were established from elemental analysis, IR and ¹H NMR spectra.

The hydroxyhalides and dihalides obtained from the cyclohexenylalkanones easily underwent dehydrohalogenation in the presence of powdered potassium hydroxide (or sodium hydroxide) giving epoxides VIa-VIg, and the latter were converted into trans-diols VIIa and VIIb in 65-86% yield (Scheme 4).

The composition and structure of epoxides VIa-VIg was confirmed by elemental analysis, IR and ¹H NMR spectra, and also by independent synthesis: by epoxidation of cyclohexenylalkanones Ia-Ig with 30% dioxane solution of H₂O₂ and CH₃COOH in the presence of chlorine-containing acidic cation-exchanger KU-2×8 or KU-2×8p at the molar ratio substrate-H₂O₂-CH₃COOH 1:1.2:0.5.

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R see Scheme 1.

EXPERIMENTAL

IR spectra of compounds synthesized were recorded on a spectrophotometer UR-20, ¹H NMR spectra, on a spectrometer Bruker (300 MHz) from solutions in CCl₄, internal reference HMDS. Cyclohexene was obtained by cyclohexanol dehydration followed by purification as described in [20]. Monocarboxylic acid C_2 - C_7 chlorides were obtained by boiling the acids with the thionyl chloride by the known procedure till the end of HCl evolution (monitoring with litmus) [15]. The purity and isomeric composition of compounds was estimated from TLC on Silufol UV-254 plates (eluent benzene-ethyl ether, 3-5 : 1 v/v, development in iodine vapor) and from GLC on a chromatograph LKhM-8M8-5, detector catharometer, column 0.3×300 cm packed with Chromaton N-AW DMCS impregnated with 5% silicone XE-60, oven temperature 150°C, carrier gas helium, flow rate 40 ml/min.

1-(Cyclohex-1-enyl)ethanone (Ia). To a solution of 18.1 g (0.24 mol)of acetyl chloride in 30 ml of CCl₄ at $-15-0^{\circ}$ C was added while stirring 6.3 g of SnCl₄ or AlCl₃ dispersed on HNa-mordenite and afterwards within 0.5 h was added 16.4 g (0.2 mol) of cyclohexene. The reaction mixture was stirred for 60–90 min. Then the content of the reactor was charged into a beaker cooled with ice, the organic layer was separated and dried with Na₂SO₄. A fraction of bp 60–90°C (1.5 mm Hg) was distilled off, 2–3 h treated with sodium methylate, then neutralized with 10% solution of hydrochloric acid, washed with water, dried, and distilled in a vacuum. Yield 20.2 g (81%), bp 65–67°C (5 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 0.9703, n_D^{20} 1.4882. Found, %: C 77.12; H 10.05. C₈H₁₂O. Calculated, %: C 77.42; H 9.68. Likewise were synthesized compounds **Ib–Ig**.

1-(Cyclohex-1-enyl)propan-1-one (Ib) was obtained from 21.5 g (0.24 mol) of propionyl chloride and 16.4 g (0.2 mol) of cyclohexene. Yield 19.2 g (70%), bp 72–76°C (5 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 0.9636, n_D^{20} 1.4871. Found, %: C 78.12; H 10.36. C₉H₁₄O. Calculated, %: C 78.26; H 10.14.

1-(Cyclohex-1-enyl)butan-1-one (Ic) was obtained from 25.6 g (0.24 mol) of butanoyl chloride and 16.4 g (0.2 mol) of cyclohexene. Yield 17.7 g (58%), bp 78– 81°C (5 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 0.9428, n_D^{20} 1.4793. Found, %: C 78.76; H 10.75. C₁₀H₁₆O. Calculated, %: C 78.95; H 10.53.

1-(Cyclohex-1-enyl)pentan-1-one (Id) was obtained from 28.9 g (0.24 mol) of pentanoyl chloride and 16.4 g (0.2 mol) of cyclohexene. Yield 16.2 g (49%), bp 86–89°C (5 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 0.9338, n_D^{20} 1.4780. Found, %: C 79.36; H 11.06. C₁₁H₁₈O. Calculated, %: C 79.52; H 10.84.

1-(Cyclohex-1-enyl)hexan-1-one (Ie) was obtained from 32.3 g (0.24 mol) of hexanoyl chloride and 16.4 g (0.2 mol) of cyclohexene. Yield 15.3 g (43%), bp 93–98°C (5 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 0.9248, n_D^{20} 1.4773. Found, %: C 78.86; H 11.28. C₁₂H₂₀O. Calculated, %: C 80.0; H 11.11.

1-(Cyclohex-1-enyl)heptan-1-one (If) was obtained from 35.5 g (0.24 mol) of a heptanoyl chloride and 16.4 g (0.2 mol) of cyclohexene. Yield 14.3 g (36%), bp 94–97°C (2 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 0.9138, n_D^{20} 1.4722. Found, %: C 79.32; H 11.16. C₁₃H₂₂O. Calculated, %: C 80.41; H 11.34.

1-(Cyclohex-1-enyl)octan-1-one (Ig) was obtained from 38.9 g (0.24 mol) of octanoyl chloride and 16.4 g (0.2 mol) of cyclohexene. Yield 13.2 g (33%), bp 112– 115°C (2 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 0.9012, n_D^{20} 1.4653. Found, %: C 81.18; H 11.72. C₁₄H₂₄O. Calculated, %: C 80.71; H 11.54.

1-(1,2-Dichlorocyclohexyl)alkan-1-ones IIa–IIg. To 22.5 g (0.2 mol) of 33% HCl was added 0.1 mol of ketone **Ia–Ig**, then within 60 min was added 23 g (0.2 mol) of 30% water solution of H₂O₂ or 124.2 g (0.2 mol) of 18.5% solution of sodium hypochlorite (active chlorine content 110 g-ion l⁻¹). Then the temperature of the reaction mixture was raised to 30–50°C, and the stirring was continued for 4–5 h. On completion of the reaction (H₂O₂ consumption was monitored by potassium permanganate titration, NaOCl by iodometry [21]) the organic layer was separated from the water phase,

washed, dried with anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , and distilled in a vacuum.

1-(1,2-Dichlorocyclohexyl)ethanone (IIa) was obtained from 6.2 g (0.05 mol) of ketone **Ia**. Yield 9.1 g (94%), bp 90–92°C (5 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.2073, n_D^{20} 1.4961. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 2870 (CH), 1720 (C=O), 745, 710 (C–Cl). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 1.39–1.79 m and 1.49–2.04 m (CH₂ of ring), 2.1 s (3H, CH₃), 3.96 t (1H, H²). Found, %: C 49.88; H 6.15; Cl 36.06. C₈H₁₂Cl₂O. Calculated, %: C 49.23; H 6.50; Cl 36.41.

1-(1,2-Dichlorocyclohexyl)propan-1-one (IIb) was obtained from 6.9 g (0.05 mol) of ketone **Ib**. Yield 9.3 g (89%), bp 112–114°C (5 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.1632, n_D^{20} 1.4882. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 2950 (CH), 1720 (C=O), 800, 745, 720 (C–Cl). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 1.08 t (3H, CH₃), 2.5 d (2H, C⁸H₂), 3.95 t (1H, H²). Found, %: C 49.84; H 7.13; Cl 34.25. C₉H₁₄Cl₂O. Calculated, %: C 51.67; H 6.69; Cl 33.77.

1-(1,2-Dichlorocyclohexyl)butan-1-one (IIc) was obtained from 7.6 g (0.05 mol) of ketone **Ic**. Yield 9.5 g (85%), bp 114–117°C (4 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.1437, n_D^{20} 1.4842. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 2875 (CH), 1720 (C=O), 800, 745, 710 (C–Cl). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 0.97 t (3H, CH₃), 1.62 d (2H, C⁹H₂), 2.46 t (2H, C⁸H₂), 3.95 t (1H, H²). Found, %: C 53.57; H 7.51; Cl 32.23. C₁₀H₁₆Cl₂O. Calculated, %: C 53.81; H 7.17; Cl 31.83.

1-(1,2-Dichlorocyclohexyl)pentan-1-one (IId) was obtained from 8.3 g (0.05 mol) of ketone **Id**. Yield 9.7 g (82%), bp 123–125°C (4 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.0956, n_D^{20} 1.4732. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 2960, 2880 (CH), 1720 (C=O), 800, 745, 710 (C–Cl). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 0.96 t (3H, CH₃), 1.34 d (2H, C¹⁰H₂), 1.56 d (2H, C⁹H₂), 2.46 d (2H, C⁸H₂), 3.96 t (1H, H²). Found, %: C 56.82; H 7.89; Cl 30.42. C₁₁H₁₈Cl₂O. Calculated, %: C 55.69; H 7.59; Cl 29.95. Identical spectral data were obtained for compounds **IIe–IIg**.

1-(1,2-Dichlorocyclohexyl)hexan-1-one (IIe) was obtained from 9 g (0.05 mol) of ketone **Ie**. Yield 9.4 g (75%), bp 139–142°C (5 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.0715, n_D^{20} 1.4672. Found, %: C 57.71; H 7.92; Cl 29.10. C₁₂H₂₀Cl₂O. Calculated, %: C 57.37; H 7.96; Cl 28.28.

1-(1,2-Dichlorocyclohexyl)heptan-1-one (IIf) was obtained from 9.7 g (0.05 mol) of ketone **If**. Yield 9.8 g (74%), bp 145–148°C (5 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.0623, n_D^{20} 1.4583. Found, %: C 59.26; H 8.32; Cl 26.83. C₁₃H₂₂Cl₂O. Calculated, %: C 58.87; H 8.30; Cl 26.79.

1-(1,2-Dichlorocyclohexyl)octan-1-one (IIg) was obtained from 10.2 g (0.05 mol) of ketone **Ig**. Yield 10 g

(72%), bp 151–154°C (5 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.0562, n_D^{20} 1.4475. Found, %: C 61.34; H 8.35; Cl 25.82. C₁₄H₂₄Cl₂O. Calculated, %: C 60.22; H 8.60; Cl 25.45.

Likewise were obtained compounds **IIIa–IIIg**. To 33.5 g (0.2 mol) of 46% HBr or 20.6 g (0.2 mol) of NaBr or KBr was added 25 ml of H_2O and 22.5 g (0.2 mol) of 30% water solution of H_2O_2 and 0.1 mol of ketone **Ia–Ig**.

1-(1,2-Dibromocyclohexyl)ethanone (IIIa) was obtained from 12.4 g (0.1 mol) of ketone **Ia**. Yield 25.1 g (89%), bp 115–118°C (2 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.7634, n_D^{20} 1.5576. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 2870 (CH), 1720, 1705 (C=O), 1654, 1634, 1445 (CH₂, CH₃), 750, 680, 590 (C–Br). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 1.38 d (2H, C⁴H₂), 1.48 d (2H, C⁵H₂), 1.76, 2.01 d (2H, C³H₂), 2.02–2.26 d (2H, C⁶H₂), 2.11 s (3H, CH₃), 4.01 t (1H, H²). Found, %: C 33.27; H 4.76; Br 56.98. C₈H₁₂Br₂O. Calculated, %: C 33.8; H 4.22; Br 56.34.

1-(1,2-Dibromocyclohexyl)propan-1-one (IIIb) was obtained from 13.8 g (0.1 mol) of ketone **Ib**. Yield 24.9 g (84%), bp 123–126°C (2 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.7617, n_D^{20} 1.5533. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 2950 (CH), 1720, 1705 (C=O), 750, 680, 590 (C–Br). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 1.07 t (3H, CH₃), 1.38 d (2H, C⁴H₂), 1.48 d (2H, C⁵H₂), 1.77–2.02 d (2H, C³H₂), 2.02, 2.77 d (2H, C⁶H₂), 2.50 d (2H, C⁸H₂), 4.02 t (1H, H²). Found, %: C 36.87; H 4.92; Br 54.13. C₉H₁₄Br₂O. Calculated, %: C 36.24; H 4.69; Br 53.69.

1-(1,2-Dibromocyclohexyl)butan-1-one (IIIc) was obtained from 15.2 g (0.1 mol) of ketone **Ic**. Yield 25.6 g (82%), bp 128–132°C (2 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.7582, n_D^{20} 1.5465. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 2875 (CH), 1720, 1705 (C=O), 750, 680, 590 (C–Br). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm: 0.97 t (3H, CH₃), 1.62 q (2H, C⁹H₂), 2.85 t (2H, C⁸H₂), 4.01 t (1H, H²). Found, %: C 39.12; H 5.46; Br 52.32. C₁₀H₁₆Br₂O. Calculated, %: C 38.46; H 5.13; Br 51.28.

1-(1,2-Dibromocyclohexyl)pentan-1-one (IIId) was obtained from 16.6 g (0.1 mol) of ketone **Id**. Yield 24.8 g (76%), bp 134–136°C (2 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.7526, n_D^{20} 1.5436. ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 0.97 t (3H, CH₃), 1.34 q (2H, C¹⁰H₂), 1.58 q (2H, C⁹H₂), 2.46 t (2H, C⁸H₂), 4.01 t (1H, H²). Found, %: C 40.51; H 5.96; Br 49.86. C₁₁H₁₈Br₂O. Calculated, %: C 40.49; H 5.52; Br 49.08.

1-(1,2-Dibromocyclohexyl)hexan-1-one (IIIe) was obtained from 18 g (0.1 mol) of ketone **Ie**. Yield 25.4 g (75%), bp 138–139°C (2 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.7174, n_D^{20} 1.5412. ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 0.97 t (3H, CH₃), 1.34 q (2H, C^{1/}H₂), 1.29 q (2H, C¹⁰H₂), 1.56 q (2H, $C^{9}H_{2}$), 2.46 t (2H, $C^{8}H_{2}$), 4.02 t (1H, H²). Found, %: C 42.88; H 6.12; Br 48.15. $C_{12}H_{20}Br_{2}O$. Calculated, %: C 42.35; H 5.88; Br 47.06.

1-(1,2-Dibromocyclohexyl)heptan-1-one (IIIf) was obtained from 19.4 g (0.1 mol) of ketone **If**. Yield 26.1 g (74%), bp 142–145°C (2 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.6883, n_D^{20} 1.5485. Found, %: C 46.38; H 7.17; Br 44.52. C₁₄H₂₄Br₂O. Calculated, %: C 45.65; H 6.52; Br 43.43.

1-(1,2-Dibromocyclohexyl)octan-1-one (IIIg) was obtained from 20.8 g (0.1 mol) of ketone **Ig**. Yield 26.6 g (73%), bp 146–149°C (2 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.6748, n_D^{20} 1.5436. Found, %: C 46.38; H 6.97; Br 43.82. C₁₄H₂₄Br₂O. Calculated, %: C 45.65; H 6.52; Br 43.43.

A mixture of isomers 1-[1(2)-hydroxy-2(1)chlorocyclohexyl]- and [1(2)-bromo-2(1)-hydroxycyclohexyl]alkan-1-ones. Into a flask at desired temperature was charged 0.15-0.2 mol of 6-8% water solution of HBr or 6-10% solution of HCl and 0.1 mol of ketone Ia-Ig. At vigorous stirring of the reaction mixture was added 0.15-0.22 mol of 26-30% water solution of hydrogen peroxide at a rate 10 g per hour or 124.2 g (0.2 mol) of 18.5% solution of sodium hypochlorite (active chlorine content 110 g-ion l⁻¹). The mixture was stirred for 5–7 h. The completion of reaction was monitored by permanganatometric or iodometric titration [21]. After total consumption of the oxidant the obtained chloro- and bromohydrins were further used in preparation of the corresponding epoxycyclohexylalkanones by adding into the reaction mixture potassium hydroxide. In order to establish the structure and physicochemical constants of the halohydrins the organic layer was separated from the water layer. The reaction products were extracted from the water layer into ethyl ether $(2 \times 50 \text{ ml})$. The combined organic solutions were neutralized with 10% solution of Na₂CO₃, dried with magnesium sulfate, and after distilling off the ether we isolated a mixture of halohydrins IVa-IVg and Va-Vg. According to the data of GLC, TLC, and IR spectroscopy the obtained 1-[chloro(bromo)hydroxy-cyclohexyl]alkan-1-ones are composed of two cis-isomers: 85-92% of 1-(2-hydroxy-1-chlorocyclohexyl)- and 6-12% of 1-(1-hydroxy-2chlorocyclohexyl)alkan-1-ones, or 73-82% of 1-bromo-2-hydroxycyclohexyl)- and 17-23% of 1-(2-bromo-1hydroxycyclohexyl)alkan-1-ones.

1-[1(2)-Hydroxy-2(1)-chlorocyclohexyl]ethanone (IVa) was obtained from 6.2 g (0.05 mol) of ketone Ia. Yield 7.2 g (82%), bp 112–114°C (11 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.2368, n_D^{20} 1.5382. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 3625, 1100 (C–OH), 2870 (CH), 1720 (C=O), 830, 745, 660 (C–Cl). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm: 1.38–2.05 m (8H, CH₂ of ring), 2.10 s (3H, CH₃), 3.71 t (1H, H²), 4.81 ψ.C (1H, OH). Found, %: C 54.83; H 8.15; Cl 20.41. C₈H₁₃ClO₂. Calculated, %: C 54.39; H 7.37; Cl 20.11.

1-[1(2)-Hydroxy-2(1)-chlorocyclohexyl]propan-1-one (IVb) was obtained from 6.9 g (0.05 mol) of ketone **Ib**. Yield 7.4 g (78%), bp 116–118°C (11 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.2335, n_D^{20} 1.5367. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 3625, 1100 (C– OH), 2870 (CH), 1720 (C=O), 830, 745 (C–Cl). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm: 1.07 d (3H, CH₃), 2.48 d (2H, C⁸H₂), 3.71 t (1H, H²), 4.81 br.s (1H, OH). Found, %: C 57.26; H 7.36; Cl 19.25. C₉H₁₅ClO₂. Calculated, %: C 56.69; H 7.87; Cl 18.64.

1-[1(2)-Hydroxy-2(1)-chlorocyclohexyl]butan-1one (IVc) was obtained from 7.2 g (0.05 mol) of ketone **Ic**. Yield 7.8 g (76%), bp 120–122°C (10 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.2286, n_D^{20} 1.5346. Found, %: C 57.49; H 8.62; Cl 17.82. C₁₀H₁₇ClO₂. Calculated, %: C 58.68; H 8.31; Cl 17.40.

1-[1(2)-Hydroxy-2(1)-chlorocyclohexyl]pentan-1-one (IVd) was obtained from 8.3 g (0.05 mol) of ketone **Id**. Yield 8.1 g (75%), bp 125–126°C (10 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.2258, n_D^{20} 1.5278. Found, %: C 61.35; H 8.92; Cl 16.75. C₁₁H₁₉ClO₂. Calculated, %: C 60.41; H 8.69; Cl 16.25.

1-[1(2)-Hydroxy-2(1)-chlorocyclohexyl]hexan-1one (IVe) was obtained from 9 g (0.05 mol) of ketone **Ie**. Yield 8.4 g (72%), bp 128–130°C (10 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.2232, n_D^{20} 1.5256. Found, %: C 62.23; H 9.28; Cl 15.86. C₁₂H₂₁ClO₂. Calculated, %: C 61.95; H 9.03; Cl 15.27.

1-[1(2)-Hydroxy-2(1)-chlorocyclohexyl]heptan-1-one (IVf) was obtained from 9.7 g (0.05 mol) of ketone **If**. Yield 8.7 g (70%), bp 132–134°C (8 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.2215, n_D^{20} 1.5194. Found, %: C 63.78; H 9.76; Cl 14.96. C₁₃H₂₃ClO₂. Calculated, %: C 63.29; H 9.33; Cl 14.40.

1-[1(2)-Hydroxy-2(1)-chlorocyclohexyl]octan-1one (IVg) was obtained from 10.4 g (0.05 mol) of ketone Ig. Yield 8.9 g (69%), bp 136–138°C (5 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.2208, n_D^{20} 1.5167. Found, %: C 65.18; H 9.84; Cl 14.18. C₁₄H₂₅ClO₂. Calculated, %: C 64.49; H 9.57; Cl 13.63.

1-[1(2)-Hydroxy-2(1)-bromocyclohexyl]ethanone (Va) was obtained from 12.4 g (0.1 mol) of ketone Ia. Yield 17.3 g (75%), bp 86–88°C (5 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.4295, n_D^{20} 1.5204. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 3615, 1410, 1380 (OH), 1720 (C=O), 640, 623 (C–Br). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 2.10 s (3H, CH₃), 3.28 t (1H, H²), 4.82 C (1H, OH). Found, %: C 43.81; H 6.26; Br 36.84. C₈H₁₃BrO₂. Calculated, %: C 43.44; H 5.88; Br 36.2.

1-[1(2)-Hydroxy-2(1)-bromocyclohexyl]propan-1-one (Vb) was obtained from 13.8 g (0.1 mol) of ketone **Ib.** Yield 17.3 g (74%), bp 90–91°C (5 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.4264, n_D^{20} 1.5296. IR spectrum, ν, cm⁻¹: 3615, 1410, 1380 (OH), 1720 (C=O), 648, 620 (C–Br). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm: 1.08 t (3H, CH₃), 2.51 q (2H, C⁸H₂), 3.81 t (1H, H²), 4.81 br.s (1H, OH). Found, %: C 46.43; H 6.91; Br 34.72. C₉H₁₅BrO₂. Calculated, %: C 45.96; H 6.38; Br 34.0.

1-[1(2)-Bromo-2(1)-hydroxycyclohexyl]-butan-1one (Vc) was obtained from 15.2 g (0.1 mol) of ketone **Ic.** Yield 17.6 g (71%), bp 95–96°C (5 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.4186, n_D^{20} 1.5237. Found, %: C 48.73; H 7.26; Br 33.16. C₁₀H₁₇BrO₂. Calculated, %: C 48.19; H 6.83; Br 32.13.

1-[1(2)-Bromo-2(1)-hydroxycyclohexyl]pentan-1-one (Vd) was obtained from 8.3 g (0.05 mol) of ketone Id. Yield 9.2 g (70%), bp 101–107°C (5 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.3962, n_D^{20} 1.5218. Found, %: C 50.61; H 7.56; Br 30.71. C₁₁H₁₉BrO₂. Calculated, %: C 50.19; H 7.22; Br 30.42.

1-[1(2)-Bromo-2(1)-hydroxycyclohexyl]hexan-1one (Ve) was obtained from 9 g (0.05 mol) of ketone Ie. Yield 9.6 g (69%), bp 105–108°C (5 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.3884, n_D^{20} 1.5206. Found, %: C 52.63; H 7.82; Br 29.25. C₁₂H₂₁BrO₂. Calculated, %: C 51.98; H 7.58; Br 28.88.

1-[1(2)-Bromo-2(1)-hydroxycyclohexyl]heptan-1-one (Vf) was obtained from 9.7 g (0.05 mol) of ketone **If**. Yield 10 g (68%), bp 110–112°C (5 mm Hg). Found, %: C 54.13; H 8.15; Br 28.26. C₁₃H₂₃BrO₂. Calculated, %: C 53.61; H 7.9; Br 27.49.

1-[1(2)-Bromo-2(1)-hydroxycyclohexyl]octan-1one (Vg) was obtained from 10.4 g (0.05 mol) of ketone Ig. Yield 10.1 g (67%), bp 115–116°C (3 mm Hg). Found, %: C 56.13; H 8.74; Br 26.98. $C_{14}H_{25}BrO_2$. Calculated, %: C 55.08; H 8.2; Br 26.23.

1,2-Epoxycyclohexenylalkanones VIa–VIg. To 0.05 mol of a solution of compounds IVa–IVg and Va–Vg in 60 ml of ether cooled to 5–10°C was added at vigorous stirring 8.4 g (0.15 mol) of powdered potassium hydroxide. The reaction mixture was stirred for 3 h at 18–25°C. After the common workup and removal of solvents products Va–Vg were isolated by a vacuum distillation. At the use of 28–30 g of 22% cooled solution of sodium hydroxide and after stirring the reaction mixture for 4–5 h we also obtained the corresponding epoxides.

1-(7-Oxabicyclo[4.1.0]hept-1-yl)ethanone (VIa) was obtained from 8.8 g (0.05 mol) of compound **IVa** or 11 g (0.05 mol) of compound **Va**. Yield 5.8 g (83%) from **IVa**, 12.5 g (90%) from **Va**, bp 83–84°C (10 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.1083, n_D^{20} 1.4812. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 1730, 1722, 1704 (C=O), 1260, 1250, 920, 863 (epoxyd). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 2.10 s (3H, CH₃), 3.10 t (1H, H²). Found, %: C 68.85; H 8.82. C₈H₁₂O₂. Calculated, %: C 68.57; H 8.57.

1-(7-Oxabicyclo[4.1.0]hept-1-yl)propan-1-one (VIb) was obtained from 9.5 g (0.05 mol) of enone IVb or 13.3 g (0.05 mol) of compound Vb. Yield 6.1 g (80%) from IVb, 13.3 g (86%) from Vb, bp 90–91°C (10 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.0946, n_D^{20} 1.4682. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 1730, 1722, 1704 (C=O), 1260, 1250, 920, 863 (epoxyd). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm: 1.07 t (3H, CH₃), 2.48 q (2H, CH₂CO), 3.10 t (1H, H²). Found, %: C 70.84; H 9.32. C₉H₁₄O₂. Calculated, %: C 70.13; H 9.09.

1-(7-Oxabicyclo[4.1.0]hept-1-yl)butan-1-one (VIc) was obtained from 10.5 g (0.05 mol) of enone IVc or 12.5 g (0.05 mol) of enone Vc. Yield 6.4 g (80%) from IVc, 14.3 g (85%) from Vc, bp 97–98°C (10 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 1.0946, n_D^{20} 1.4686. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 1730, 1722, 1704 (C=O), 1260, 1250, 920, 863 (epoxyd). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm: 3.10 t (1H, H²), 2.46 t (2H, C⁸H₂), 1.62 q (2H, C⁹H₂), 0.97 q (3H, CH₃). Found, %: C 71.86; H 9.86. C₁₀H₁₆O₂. Calculated, %: C 71.43; H 9.52.

1-(7-Oxabicyclo[4.1.0]hept-1-yl)pentan-1-one (VId) was obtained from 10.9 g (0.05 mol) of enone IVd or 13.2 g (0.05 mol) of enone Vd. Yield 6.7 g (73%) from IVd, 15 g (83%) from Vd, bp 105–106°C (10 mm Hg), $d_4^{20} 0.9865, n_D^{20}$ 1.4663. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 1730, 1722, 1704 (C=O), 1260, 1250, 920 (epoxyd). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 3.09 t (H²), 2.48 t (2H, C⁸H₂), 1.62 q (2H, C⁹H₂), 1.57 t (2H, C¹⁰H₂), 1.34 q (2H, C¹¹H₂), 0.97 t (3H, CH₃). Found, %: C 72.85; H 9.23. C₁₁H₁₈O₂. Calculated, %: C 72.53; H 8.89. Identical spectral characteristics were obtained for compounds VIe–VIg

1-(7-Oxabicyclo[4.1.0]hept-1-yl)hexan-1-one (VIe) was obtained from 11.6 g (0.05 mol) of enone IVe or 13.8 g (0.05 mol) of enone Ve. Yield 6.7 g (74%) from IVe, 15.8 g (81%) from Ve, bp 112–113°C (10 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 0.9736, n_D^{20} 1.4642. Found, %: C 73.85; H 10.6. C₁₂H₂₀O₂. Calculated, %: C 73.47; H 10.2.

1-(7-Oxabicyclo[4.1.0]hept-1-yl)heptan-1-one (VIf) was obtained from 12.3 g (0.05 mol) of enone IVf or 14.6 g (0.05 mol) of enone Vf. Yield 7.2 g (68%) from IVf, 16.7 g (80%) from Vf, bp 120–121°C (10 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 0.9684, n_D^{20} 1.4625. Found, %: C 74.72; H 10.87. C₁₃H₂₂O₂. Calculated, %: C 74.29; H 10.48.

1-(7-Oxabicyclo[4.1.0]hept-1-yl)octan-1-one (VIg) was obtained from 13 g (0.05 mol) of enone IVg or 15.2 g (0.05 mol) of enone Vg. Yield 7.1 g (77%) from IVg, 17.5 g (78%) from Vg, bp 128–129°C (10 mm Hg), d_4^{20} 0.9616, n_D^{20} 1.4584. Found, %: C 75.62; H 11.42. C
 $_{14}{\rm H}_{24}{\rm O}_2.$ Calculated, %: C 75.0; H 10.71.

Diols VIIa and VIIb. To 7 g (0.05 mol) of compound **VIa** or **VIb** was added 9 g (0.05 mol) of water and 3.5 g of KU-2×8. The mixture obtained was stirred for 4 h at 50–60°C, further by extraction with ethyl acetate from a saturated solution of K_2CO_3 , by recrystallization from a mixture hexane–EtOAc, 7:3, or from CCl₄ along procedure [22] the corresponding diols were isolated.

1-(1,2-Dihydroxycyclohexyl)ethanone (VIIa). Yield 6.7 g (84%), mp 105–108°C, R_f 0.68 (hexane–EtOAc, 7:3). IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 3625, 3615, 1100, 974, 918 (OH), 1723 (C=O). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 3.48 t (1H, H²), 2.1 br.s (C¹OH), 4.81 br.s (C²OH), 2.1 s (3H, CH₃). Found, %: C 61.34; H 9.23. C₈H₁₄O₃. Calculated, %: C 60.76; H 8.86.

1-(1,2-Dihydroxycyclohexyl)propan-1-one (VIIb). Yield 6.9 g (80%), mp 110–112°C, R_f 0.68 (hexane–EtOAc, 7:3). IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 3625, 3615, 1100, 974, 918 (OH), 1723 (C=O). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm: 3.48 t (1H, H²), 2.0 br.s (1H, C¹OH), 4.81 br.s (1H, C²OH), 2.49 d (2H, C⁸H₂), 1.07 d (3H, CH₃). Found, %: C 63.25; H 9.64. C₉H₁₆O₃. Calculated, %: C 62.79; H 9.30.

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