a $\sigma^{ \pm}$treatment has been applied similarly before. ${ }^{33}$ One might not expect the same sensitivity, $\rho$, to apply over the whole range. These interactions of excited carbonyl with amines involve partial electron and partial hydrogen transfer in the transition state. ${ }^{5}$ The former may dominate with electron donating and the latter with withdrawing substituents. There may in effect be a
change in mechanism over the range of substituents and the data might alternately be placed on a broken line. However, the considerations relating to applicability of $\sigma^{+}$and $\sigma^{-}$, above, appear relevant.

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# The Laser Initiated Oxidative Photoaddition of $p$-Benzoquinone to Cyclooctatetraene ${ }^{1}$ 

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#### Abstract

As part of a program to appraise the photochemical potential of the argon ion laser the photoaddition of $p$-benzoquinone to cyclooctatetraene has been examined. Laser irradiation of these materials in a nonacidic solvent leads to the formation of the 1,4 -adduct $\mathbf{5}$. When acetic acid is used as the solvent, $\mathbf{5}$ is not observed. Instead the acid catalyzed rearrangement products, 6 and 7, are observed as the only products. If the irradiation is conducted in a nonacidic solvent in the presence of oxygen, the peroxide $4^{\prime} \mathrm{a}, 10^{\prime} \mathrm{a}$-dihydrospiro[2,5-cyclohexa-diene-1,3'-cycloocta-as-trioxin]-4-one (11) is formed in good yield. The structure of $\mathbf{1 1}$ was confirmed by a single crystal X-ray study conducted with the 3 -bromo derivative 13. The mechanism of this unusual oxidative photoaddition and the advantages of the laser light source are discussed.


The anaerobic photochemistry of quinones has been studied extensively, ${ }^{2}$ but only recently has the effect of oxygen upon quinone photochemistry begun to be assessed. ${ }^{3}$ Our attention has been drawn to this area for two reasons. The weak long wavelength $n, \pi^{*}$ absorption of most quinones in the $450-500-\mathrm{nm}$ region of the spectrum is well suited for excitation with an argon laser, ${ }^{4}$ thus constituting an ideal system for evaluating the photochemical potential of the argon laser. Furthermore, photooxidations initiated by $n, \pi^{*}$ excited carbonyl groups have not been examined in any detail, and in particular a knowledge of quinone photooxidations might be most useful in view of the involvement of quinones in biological oxidations. ${ }^{\circ}$ Consequently, we have undertaken a general program of study intended to better define the scope and mechanistic nature of quinone-sensitized photooxidations of olefins using an argon ion laser as the exciting source. The $p$-benzoquinone (PBQ)-cyclooctatetraene (COT) system has been examined as a part of this general program, and observed to yield several novel photo-

[^0]products. Of these substances only one arises from the reaction of molecular oxygen. The structure of this material has been unequivocally determined by X-ray crystallography, and found to be that of a unique dienone-peroxide. Therefore, while the overall objectives of the general program are still under active investigation, the unusual results observed in the PBQ-COT system are reported at this time.

## Results and Discussion

Anaerobic Photochemistry. Argon laser irradiation of PBQ and COT in the absence of oxygen and in a nonacidic solvent such as carbon tetrachloride, benzene, acetone, or methanol affords a single product ( $\sim 77 \%$ ). This sensitive substance has apparently been prepared previously using conventional light sources. ${ }^{6}$ However, it may be isolated more readily and in crystalline form from the uncomplicated laser reaction mixture. Elemental analysis and mass spectroscopy, m/e $212\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$, indicate that the material is a $1: 1$ adduct between PBQ and COT. The nmr spectrum of the adduct exhibits two overlapping doublets of doublets, ( $\delta$ ) 2.74 ppm , $J=8 \mathrm{~Hz}(1 \mathrm{H})$ and $4.67 \mathrm{ppm}, J=5 \mathrm{~Hz}(1 \mathrm{H})$. These signals had previously been assigned to the oxetane protons in the 1,2 -cycloaddition product $1 .{ }^{6}$ However, these two signals have been shown not to be coupled with each other in a double resonance experiment. Furthermore, in our hands $\mathrm{Pd} / \mathrm{C}$ hydrogenation of this adduct yielded a phenolic alcohol $2, \mathrm{mp} \mathrm{136.8-137.2}^{\circ}$, which was not the same as the analogous $\mathrm{Pd} / \mathrm{C}$ hydrogenation product $3, \mathrm{mp} 120-121^{\circ}$, obtained from

[^1]Scheme I

the oxetane 4 (Scheme I). These data together with the further chemistry of the adduct (vide infra) strongly suggest that the correct structure is the 1,4 -adduct 5 rather than the 1,2 -adduct 1 proposed originally. This mode of addition is not altogether unexpected since excited quinones have been previously observed to undergo 1,4 -cycloadditions of this type with dienes rather than the more typical photochemically allowed 1,2-cycloaddition. 2,7 Apparently these 1,4-additions are not concerted, but proceed through a long-lived, possibly biradical intermediate. The involvement of such an intermediate is supported by the fact that it may be trapped if the reaction is conducted using high diene concentrations (Scheme II). ${ }^{7}$

## Scheme II



In striking contrast the photochemistry of PBQ and COT in acetic acid yields two new substances as the only products (Scheme I). The cycloheptatriene derivative 6 was isolated as an oil ( $58 \%$ ): nmr ( $\delta$ ) 2.02 ppm ( $\mathrm{s}, 3 \mathrm{H}$ ), $2.30(\mathrm{~d}$ of $\mathrm{t}, 1 \mathrm{H}, J=6$ and 6 Hz ), $5.42(\mathrm{~m}$,
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$2 \mathrm{H}), 6.22(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, and $6.65(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H})$. The enol ether of phenylacetaldehyde 7 was isolated in $26 \%$ yield: $\mathrm{mp} 81.5-82.5^{\circ}$; nmr ( $\delta$ ) $5.48 \mathrm{ppm}(\mathrm{d}, 1 \mathrm{H}, J=7 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ), $6.48(\mathrm{~d}, 1 \mathrm{H}, J=7 \mathrm{~Hz})$, and $6.65-7.75(\mathrm{~m}, 10 \mathrm{H})$. These same materials are also formed when the adduct 5 is warmed in acetic acid. Prolonged heating of either the adduct 5 or the cycloheptatriene 6 results in complete conversion to the enol ether 7. It is perhaps of significance that during the laser irradiation the presence of 5 was not detected by thin-layer chromatography. Therefore, it would seem that 5 is not an intermediate in the formation of 6 and 7 , since the thermal rearrangement of 5 requires about 9 hr at $50^{\circ}$ for complete consumption of 5 , and the irradiation took place in 1.5 hr at ambient temperature. A rationale for the convergence of the thermal and photochemical rearrangement is outlined in Scheme III. The thermal

## Scheme III


pathway probably proceeds through protonation of the dienone 5 and carbon-carbon bond cleavage to yield the stabilized carbonium ion 8. A series of ring contractions would then afford the cycloheptatriene 6 and the enol ether 7. Similar acid-catalyzed rearrangements have been reported for the epoxide of COT and certain cycloheptatriene derivatives. ${ }^{8}$ The photochemical for-
mation of 6 and 7 probably arises from the biradical 9. In relatively nonpolar and nonacidic solvents this species collapses to the dienone 5. However, solvation in a polar acidic medium would increase the energy separation between the dienone and cyclooctatrienyl orbitals of the biradical. This increased splitting might be sufficient to strongly favor the zwitterionic form $\mathbf{1 0}$ over the covalent form $9 .{ }^{9}$ Protonation of 10 would afford ion 8 which would be common to both the thermal and photochemical pathways. One final point that must be mentioned is the assignment of the cis geometry for the enol ether double bond of 7. This assignment is based on the olefinic proton coupling constants ( $J=7 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ). The trans isomer has not been observed, and the reason for this specific formation of the cis isomer is unclear.

Aerobic Photochemistry. Against this background of the anaerobic photochemistry of PBQ and COT, it was most interesting to observe the effect of oxygen upon these reactions. In any one of a variety of nonacidic solvents such as carbon tetrachloride, benzene, acetone, or methanol a new substance 11 was obtained along with the previously observed $1: 1$ adduct 5. Typical yields under aerobic conditions were $49 \%$ for 11 and $31 \%$ for 5 in carbon tetrachloride. Acetic acid again proved to be an anomalous solvent yielding only 6 and 7 in the same manner as under anaerobic conditions.

This new substance 11 has mp 111.7-111.9 ${ }^{\circ}$; ir ( KBr ) 1670 and $1635 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; $\mathrm{nmr}\left(90 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CCl}_{4}\right)(\delta)$ $4.88 \mathrm{ppm}(\mathrm{m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 5.70(\mathrm{bt}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 6.13(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 6.25$ (dd, $1 \mathrm{H}, J=10.8$ and 2 Hz$), 6.30(\mathrm{dd}, 1 \mathrm{H}, J=10.4$ and 2 Hz ), $6.58(\mathrm{dd}, 1 \mathrm{H}, J=10.4$ and 3.1 Hz ), and 7.62 (dd, $1 \mathrm{H}, J=10.8$ and 3.2 Hz ); $\mathrm{M}^{+} 244$; positive starch-iodide test for peroxides. These data are consistent with a 1:1:1 adduct between PBQ, COT, and molecular oxygen, and suggest that the adduct is a dienone-peroxide with partial structure $\mathbf{1 2}$. Un-


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fortunately the data did not clearly define the nature of the COT-derived portion of the molecule, and efforts to gain further information about this aspect of the structure by chemical degradation were unsuccessful. Treatment of 11 with a variety of reagents leads either to no reaction, a plethora of products, or a straightforward and uninformative reaction at the dienone moiety. One such reaction was the bromination of 11 with pyridinium hydrobromide perbromide. This reagent converted 11 to what appeared to be, by the standard criteria of thin-layer chromatography, melting point, and elemental analysis, a single monobromide 13 in $89 \%$ yield. However, information obtained in an X-ray study of this material (see X-ray section) indicated the material is a $92: 8$ mixture of the 3 - and 5 monobromides of $\mathbf{1 1}$. This mixture had mp 138.8$139.1^{\circ} ; \mathrm{nmr}\left(90 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)(\delta) 4.87 \mathrm{ppm}(\mathrm{m}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, $5.70(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 6.13(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 6.38(\mathrm{~d}, 1 \mathrm{H}, J=10 \mathrm{~Hz})$, $6.59(\mathrm{dd}, 1 \mathrm{H}, J=10$ and 3 Hz$), 8.04(\mathrm{~d}, 1 \mathrm{H}, J=$

[^2]3 Hz ) ; m/e M+ 322 and 324 . These data confirmed that 11 had not been brominated in the COT-derived moiety as might have been expected, but in the position $\alpha$ to the carbonyl in the dienone moiety (Scheme IV). The structures of 13 and the parent compound, $4^{\prime}$ a,-

## Scheme IV



10'a-dihydrospiro[2,5-cyclohexadiene-1,3'-cycloocta-as-trioxin]-4-one (11), ${ }^{10}$ were unequivocally established by a single-crystal X-ray study of the monobromide $\mathbf{1 3}$ (see X-ray section).

The mechanism of peroxide formation is a point of considerable interest concerning which we can offer the following observations. Peroxide formation is not a consequence of some exotic property of the laser radiation. The usual broad-spectrum ultraviolet sources emitting in the $360-\mathrm{nm}$ region also produce 11. However, 11 absorbs in this region of the spectrum, and suffers decomposition in the process such that the net result is an extremely complex polymeric reaction mixture. If one uses pure $\mathbf{1 1}$ as a thick-layer chromatography guide, crude $\mathbf{1 1}$ can be isolated from this mixture after extensive chromatography in about $4 \%$ yield. Conventional visible sources will also yield 11, but only in small quantities after very long irradiation times. Under these conditions thermal decomposition tends to complicate the reaction mixture. The success of the laser irradiation must be attributed to nothing more than the delivery of a large amount of energy to the quinone $\mathrm{n}, \pi^{*}$ absorption in a short time period, and to the lack of absorption by the photoproducts at the irradiation wavelengths. Consequently, the formation of peroxide $\mathbf{1 1}$ should be amenable to description in conventional linear photochemical terms.

The question of the exact nature of the species which leads to peroxide formation is not completely clear. Certainly initial excitation of PBQ is favored over excitation of COT, since the quinone $n, \pi^{*}$ absorption coincides with the laser wavelengths. ${ }^{4}$ In this same region of the spectrum COT exhibits only end absorption with an extinction coefficient considerably less than one. In the dilute solutions employed ( $c a .10^{-2} \mathrm{M}$ ) there is no spectroscopic evidence for complexation between the PBQ and COT which might alter the absorption spectrum of either of the compounds ${ }^{11}$ or

[^3]favor a singlet excited state reaction. Therefore, the quinone triplet is in all probability involved. ${ }^{12}$
The triplet energy of PBQ is well established to be about $50 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mol} .^{13}$ The triplet energy of COT is much less certain. In the formation of semibullvalene from COT, acetone ( $E_{\mathrm{t}}=78 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mol}$ ) was an effective sensitizer, but acetophenone ( $E_{\mathrm{t}}=74 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mol}$ ) was not. ${ }^{14}$ On the basis of these data one might place the triplet energy of COT between 78 and $74 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mol}$. This estimate of the triplet energy of COT very possibly represents a higher triplet state, since COT has been observed to quench rose bengal ( $E_{\mathrm{t}}=39.4 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mol}$ ) in sensitized photooxidations. ${ }^{15}$ Therefore, the possibility exists that PBQ might transfer its triplet energy to COT. However, quinones seem to be anomalous sensitizers in that sensitization does not always take place on a straightforward energetic basis. Instead excited-state complexes between the quinone and olefin can result, and these complexes can decay to either the triplet state of the olefin, or to a quinone-olefin adduct. ${ }^{13 b}{ }^{16}$

Bearing these considerations in mind one might consider three general mechanisms for the formation of the peroxide 11. These possibilities differ in the order with which the three reactants become incorporated into 11 (Scheme V). In pathway A the triplet $n, \pi^{*}$ of PBQ might conceivably react with oxygen to form the spirotrioxetane 14 or some related species 15 . Either of these reactive species might then add to COT in a 1,2 fashion yielding 11. Pathway B invokes the COT dioxetane 16 which could arise either from the reaction of triplet COT with ground-state oxygen or the reaction of ground-state COT with singlet oxygen. This dioxetane might then incorporate a molecule of quinone to form 11. Finally in pathway C an initial adduct (9) between PBQ and COT is envisaged. The 1,4 -biradical 9 is the same as was previously envoked to explain the formation of 5, 6, and 7. In the presence of oxygen this biradical might be intercepted by a molecule of oxygen to form 11.

Using pathway A as a working hypothesis one might expect a variety of olefins to react with $\mathbf{1 5}$ to form trioxanes related to 11. It has been our somewhat limited experience that nonconjugated olefins and conjugated aryl olefins such as 1,5 -cyclooctadiene, norbornadiene, and stilbene react with PBQ in an uncomplicated fashion under aerobic conditions to form oxetanes and their rearrangement products. No photoproducts that have incorporated a molecule of oxygen have been detected in careful examinations of these systems. If pathway $B$ were operating, one might expect to be able to trap 16 with a carbonyl com-

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## Scheme $\mathbf{V}^{a}$


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pound other than the quinone. Several 1,2,4-trioxanes derived from acetone have been reported to be surprisingly stable substances. ${ }^{17}$ Nevertheless when PBQ and COT are irradiated under aerobic conditions in acetone as the solvent no acetone-derived trioxanes could be detected. The sole products were the usual quinone trioxane $\mathbf{1 1}$ and the $1: 1$ adduct 5 . The likelihood of 16 as an intermediate is further diminished by the inert nature of COT toward photooxidation with dye sensitizers. ${ }^{18}$
Pathway $C$ seems to offer the best explanation for the formation of 11. Assuming rate constants in the vicinity of the diffusion limit for the addition of triplet quinone to COT and for the quenching of triplet quinone by ground-state oxygen, the COT ( $2.8 \times$ $10^{-2} M$ ) should compete favorably with oxygen ( $5-1 \times$ $\left.10^{-3} M\right)^{19}$ for the triplet quinone. The resulting triplet 9 might then undergo spin inversion to singlet 9 which could collapse to 5. Alternatively, either triplet or singlet 9 might be trapped by oxygen to afford 11. The success of such a trapping process would depend upon the lifetime of the biradical 9. Again assuming a diffusion-controlled rate constant for the trapping step and oxygen concentrations in the vicinity of $10^{-3} \mathrm{M}$, a biradical lifetime in the range of $10^{-7}-10^{-6} \mathrm{sec}$ would be necessary in order for appreciable trapping to be realized. Clearly, biradicals similar to 9 can be trapped by dienes at high concentration (Scheme II). ${ }^{7}$ Biradicals
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arising from Norrish type I cleavage have also been trapped in liquid butadiene. ${ }^{20}$ Recently the trapping of Norrish type II 1,4-biradicals has been accomplished using thiols in high concentrations, ${ }^{21}$ and the lifetimes of these biradical species have been estimated to be in the range of $10^{-7}-10^{-6} \mathrm{sec} .^{21,22}$ Therefore, the unusual feature of this oxygen trapping is not so much that it takes place, but that it is so effective at such relatively low concentrations of the oxygen trapping agent.

The question of the multiplicity of the biradical species 9 that is trapped by the oxygen is particularly interesting. It is tempting to ascribe the high trapping efficiency to the triplet nature of ground-state oxygen. This property of oxygen might make it most effective as a trapping agent for triplet biradicals, since the trapping process would constitute a form of triplet-triplet annihilation, and might lead to the peroxide 11 in a concerted fashion. However, the distinct possibility exists that the initially formed triplet biradical 9 rapidly undergoes spin inversion to the singlet form of 9 which would then be the species trapped by oxygen. ${ }^{23}$ The following observations may have bearing on this question. We have yet to observe similar oxidative additions of PBQ to a limited number of simple olefins; only oxetanes and related products have been detected. Apparently in these instances the biradical lifetimes have been too short to allow time for the oxygen trapping. Therefore, the report of what seemed to be a related intramolecular oxidative addition of a benzoquinone to a simple olefin was at first surprising (Scheme VI). ${ }^{3 \mathrm{~b}, 24}$

## Scheme VI



If the rate of spin inversion of biradical 17 from the triplet to the singlet state is comparable to those in other oxetane precursor biradicals derived from simple olefins, then formation of singlet $\mathbf{1 7}$ should also occur

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Figure 1. Stereochemistry of 13.
in less than the $10^{-7}-\mathrm{sec}$ diffusion limit. Based on the "conventional wisdom" of a very rapid singlet biradical reaction, one would not expect to be able to trap singlet 17 before it had undergone further reaction such as oxetane formation. However, closure of singlet 17 to oxetane 18 would produce a highly strained bicyclo[2.1.1] system and lead to severe steric crowding between the gem-dimethyl group and the $\beta$-methyl group of the quinone. This combination of adverse interactions should greatly retard or even prevent the closure of singlet $\mathbf{1 7}$ to $\mathbf{1 8}$; hence, extending the lifetime of singlet 17 until it either reverted to starting quinone or found an alternative course of reaction such as being trapped by oxygen to yield the trioxane 19. Whether or not a singlet biradical is involved in the formation of the COT-derived trioxane 11 is not certain at this time. However, it does seem that at least two factors might contribute to unusually long-lived singlet biradicals, and, therefore, possibly to trioxane formation: (1) electronic inhibition to collapse through extensive spin delocalization as in biradical 9, and (2) steric inhibition to collapse as in biradical 17.

X-Ray Structure Determination. The X-ray intensity data for the bromotrioxane 13 were collected for 4059 reflections with a Syntex $\mathrm{P} \overline{1}$ automatic diffractometer using Mo $K \alpha$ radiation. The final positions and thermal parameters (absorption corrections were performed) and their estimated standard deviations are given in Tables I and II with the bond distances, angles, and root mean square displacements in Tables III, IV, and $V$, respectively. Tables of observed and calculated structure factors are available. ${ }^{25}$ The atom numbering convention is shown in Figure 1.

The trioxane ring is in a rigid chair conformation with a trans ring fusion at carbon atoms $4^{\prime} \mathrm{a}$ and $10^{\prime} \mathrm{a}$. The peroxide linkage in this ring is 1.49 (1) $\AA$, not atypical. ${ }^{26}$ Hydrogen peroxide has a bond distance of $1.48 \AA .{ }^{26,27}$ The dihedral $\mathrm{C}\left(3^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{O}\left(2^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{O}\left(1^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ angle is $111(2)^{\circ}$, which is not unreasonable when compared with other organic peroxides. Hydrogen peroxide reportedly has a dihedral angle of $90.2^{\circ}$ in the crystalline phase contrasted with $119.8^{\circ}$ in the vapor state. ${ }^{28}$
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Table I. Fractional Atomic Coordinates ${ }^{a}$

| Atom | $x / a$ | $y / b$ | $z / c$ | Atom | $x / a$ | $y / b$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{Br}^{b}$ | $1.1499(1)$ | $0.3654(3)$ | $0.2300(1)$ | $\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $1.0096(13)$ | $0.8335(26)$ | $0.0832(8)$ |
| $\mathrm{Br}^{\prime}{ }^{c}$ | $1.1238(18)$ | $0.9447(29)$ | $0.1161(12)$ | $\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $0.9031(12)$ | $0.7501(26)$ | $0.0644(8)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | $0.7695(7)$ | $0.2315(15)$ | $0.0522(5)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(4^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ | $0.6866(9)$ | $0.4172(20)$ | $0.1557(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ | $0.8259(7)$ | $0.4279(17)$ | $0.0283(5)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(5^{\prime}\right)$ | $0.5831(11)$ | $0.5096(23)$ | $0.1925(7)$ |
| O | $1.1808(9)$ | $0.7961(21)$ | $0.1579(7)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)$ | $0.4665(11)$ | $0.5141(22)$ | $0.1728(8)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}\left(4^{\prime}\right)$ | $0.7578(6)$ | $0.5940(14)$ | $0.1361(4)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(7^{\prime}\right)$ | $0.4004(11)$ | $0.4189(25)$ | $0.1085(8)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $0.8585(11)$ | $0.5492(23)$ | $0.0954(7)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(8^{\prime}\right)$ | $0.4032(11)$ | $0.2303(29)$ | $0.0800(8)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $0.9423(10)$ | $0.4222(24)$ | $0.1446(7)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(9^{\prime}\right)$ | $0.4844(14)$ | $0.0576(24)$ | $0.0988(8)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $1.0519(12)$ | $0.5138(23)$ | $0.1621(7)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime}\right)$ | $0.6040(13)$ | $0.0854(23)$ | $0.1018(7)$ |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $1.0870(13)$ | $0.7145(25)$ | $0.1367(7)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ | $0.6584(10)$ | $0.2893(22)$ | $0.0848(7)$ |

${ }^{a}$ Estimated standard deviations in the last digit are given in parentheses. This form is used throughout the paper. ${ }^{b}$ Population parameter $=0.9242(81) . \quad{ }^{c}$ Population parameter $=0.0868(62)$.

Table II. Atom Thermal Parameters ${ }^{a}$

| Atom | $U_{11}$ | $U_{22}$ | $U_{33}$ | $U_{12}$ | $U_{13}$ | $U_{23}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Br | 529 (9) | 1082 (14) | 881 (12) | 122 (9) | -133 (7) | 303 (11) |
| $\mathrm{Br}^{\prime}$ | 1191 (204) | 704 (159) | 1443 (213) | -440 (136) | 449 (153) | -182 (136) |
| $\mathrm{O}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | 691 (59) | 764 (68) | 760 (61) | 79 (53) | -121 (47) | -127 (54) |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ | 591 (54) | 1137 (89) | 631 (57) | 169 (57) | -52 (44) | -65 (59) |
| 0 | 829 (74) | 1001 (95) | 1305 (94) | -161 (72) | -276 (67) | 119 (81) |
| $\mathrm{O}\left(4^{\prime}\right)$ | 448 (46) | 858 (69) | 659 (53) | 75 (48) | 43 (40) | -85 (50) |
| C(1) | 590 (81) | 780 (103) | 715 (90) | 143 (76) | -26 (71) | -67 (82) |
| C(2) | 453 (74) | 1078 (124) | 752 (90) | 179 (80) | -106 (64) | 2 (86) |
| C(3) | 755 (92) | 653 (96) | 661 (86) | 225 (79) | 19 (70) | 172 (76) |
| C(4) | 742 (101) | 796 (114) | 700 (93) | 118 (88) | 81 (79) | 91 (85) |
| C(5) | 635 (90) | 988 (124) | 970 (109) | 103 (94) | -24 (79) | 149 (100) |
| C(6) | 706 (96) | 916 (118) | 879 (104) | 88 (91) | 80 (80) | 341 (94) |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(4^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ | 451 (67) | 685 (91) | 538 (71) | -22 (67) | 18 (56) | -40 (66) |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(5^{\prime}\right)$ | 596 (83) | 751 (99) | 688 (85) | -53(74) | 28 (66) | - 20 (77) |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)$ | 587 (82) | 749 (99) | 816 (94) | -7 (74) | 7 (70) | 72 (83) |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(7^{\prime}\right)$ | 570 (81) | 830 (114) | 712 (93) | 42 (78) | -9 (69) | 42 (85) |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(8^{\prime}\right)$ | 569 (83) | 1100 (137) | 665 (90) | -70 (93) | -108 (66) | -62 (95) |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(9^{\prime}\right)$ | 923 (117) | 784 (111) | 760 (97) | -99(94) | -84 (83) | -148 (84) |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime}\right)$ | 882 (104) | 762 (110) | 590 (83) | 47 (88) | -120(73) | -131 (77) |
| $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ | 478 (72) | 772 (98) | 597 (79) | 58 (70) | 75 (59) | -124 (73) |

${ }^{a} \exp \left[-2 \pi^{2}\left(h^{2} a^{* 2} U_{11}+k^{2} b^{* 2} U_{22}+l^{2} c^{* 2} U_{33}+2 h k a^{*} b^{*} U_{12}+2 h l a^{*} c^{*} U_{13}+2 k l b^{*} c^{*} U_{23}\right)\right] ;$ all values have been multiplied by $10^{4}$.

When compared with dimeric peroxides (1,2,4,5tetraoxanes) all trioxane angles and bond distances are in close agreement. The largest difference is the $\mathrm{C}\left(3^{\prime}\right)-\mathrm{O}\left(4^{\prime}\right)$ distance of 1.41 (2) $\AA$ as compared with the average of the other $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{O}$ distances 1.46 (1) $\AA$. The $C\left(3^{\prime}\right)-O\left(4^{\prime}\right)-C\left(4^{\prime} a\right)$ angle may be open slightly. Both of these rather minor effects could be attributed to the longer $C\left(10^{\prime} a\right)-C\left(4^{\prime} a\right)$ bond.

It should be noted that the spiro carbon atom has significant deviation from typical tetrahedral angles. In an analogous dienone ring, angular variations of the spiro carbon are to be expected and have been shown to occur. ${ }^{29}$ The structures of the dienone rings compare favorably.

The geometry of $1,3,5$-cyclooctatriene has not been established. Here this ring does not appear to be overly strained, and is quite similar to cyclooctatetraene. ${ }^{30}$ The distortions from tetrahedral geometry of $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right.$ ) and $\mathrm{C}\left(4^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ range from 113 (1) to 103 (1) ${ }^{\circ}$. The standard $\mathrm{sp}^{2}-\mathrm{sp}^{3}$ hybridized carbon bond distance observed here is an averaged 1.49 (2) $\AA$. The usual distance is $1.51 \AA$. The structure of $1,3,5$-trimethyl-7-methylene-1,3,5-cyclooctatriene complexed with two iron atoms has been reported. ${ }^{31}$ However, it is difficult

[^6]to assess the effects of the exocyclic double bond and the iron complexation on the structure.

When the structure had been refined to an $R$ factor of 0.086 with anisotropic temperature parameters, a small peak, approximating one-third of a carbon atom, was discernible in the Fourier difference map. This peak was presumably due to partial bromination at the 5 position. When a model assuming a mixture of the 3 - and 5 -monobromides was adopted for further refinement, the $R$ factor decreased to 0.073 , and the isomer populations were determined to be about $92 \%$ for the 3 -bromo isomer and $8 \%$ for the 5 -bromo isomer (see Experimental Section).

## Conclusions

On the basis of our limited experience it would seem that the argon laser shows considerable promise as a photochemical light source for the rapid preparation of both thermally and photochemically sensitive substances on the gram scale. The formation of the trioxane 11 not only illustrates this point convincingly, but provides the second photochemically prepared example of these unusual olefin-quinone-oxygen adducts to be observed. The formation of these adducts seems to be dependent upon subtle stereoelectronic factors which influence the lifetime of the oxetane precursor biradical, and stabilize this species long enough to permit trapping by oxygen. A more detailed investigation of

Table III. Bond Distances ( A )

| Atom | Atom | Distance | Atom | Atom | Distance | Atom | Atom | Distance |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Br | $\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $1.890(13)$ | $\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $1.523(19)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(4^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(5^{\prime}\right)$ | $1.495(17)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | $\mathrm{O}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ | $1.486(14)$ | $\mathrm{C}(2)$ | $\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $1.417(18)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(4^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ | $1.533(17)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ | $1.464(15)$ | $\mathrm{C}(3)$ | $\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $1.424(21)$ | $\left.\mathrm{C}^{\prime} 5^{\prime}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)$ | $1.377(17)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(3^{\prime}\right)$ | $1.467(16)$ | $\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $1.498(21)$ | $\mathrm{C}^{\prime}\left(6^{\prime}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}^{\prime}\left(7^{\prime}\right)$ | $1.490(19)$ |
| O | $\mathrm{C}(4)$ | $1.250(19)$ | $\mathrm{C}(5)$ | $\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $1.366(20)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(7^{\prime}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(8^{\prime}\right)$ | $1.313(24)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}\left(4^{\prime}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(4^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ | $1.446(15)$ | $\mathrm{C}(6)$ | $\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $1.497(21)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(8^{\prime}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(9^{\prime}\right)$ | $1.480(22)$ |
| $\mathrm{O}\left(4^{\prime}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}(1)$ | $1.410(15)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(4^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ | $\mathrm{O}\left(4^{\prime}\right)$ | $1.446(15)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(9^{\prime}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime}\right)$ | $1.386(21)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ | $1.484(20)$ |

Table IV. Bond Angles (deg)

| Central atom | Atom 1 | Atom 3 | Angle | Central atom | Atom 1 | Atom 3 | Angle |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| O(1) | C(4'a) | $\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 116.1 (10) | C(5) | C(4) | C(6) | 118.0 (14) |
| $\mathrm{O}\left(4^{\prime}\right)$ | O(2') | $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ | 106.8 (9) | C(6) | C(1) | C(5) | 123.9 (13) |
| $\mathrm{O}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ | $\mathrm{O}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 108.7 (8) | $\mathrm{C}\left(4^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ | $\mathrm{O}\left(4^{\prime}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right.$ ) | 109.3 (9) |
| C(1) | $\mathrm{O}\left(4^{\prime}\right)$ | $\mathrm{O}\left({ }^{\prime} 2\right)$ | 109.4 (9) |  | $\mathrm{O}\left(4^{\prime}\right)$ | C(5') | 104.7 (10) |
|  | $\mathrm{O}\left(4^{\prime}\right)$ | C(6) | 107.8 (11) |  | $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ | C(5) | 114.8 (9) |
|  | $\mathrm{O}\left(4^{\prime}\right)$ | C(2) | 109.1 (10) | C(5') | C(4'a) | C(6) | 132.5 (12) |
|  | $\mathrm{O}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ | C(6) | 103.9 (11) | $\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(5^{\prime}\right)$ | C(7') | 131.5 (12) |
|  | $\mathrm{O}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ | C(2) | 109.3 (11) | $\mathrm{C}\left(7^{\prime}\right)$ | C(6') | C(8') | 131.2 (11) |
|  | C(6) | C(2) | 117.1 (11) | $\mathrm{C}\left(8^{\prime}\right)$ | C(7') | C(9') | 128.6 (13) |
| C(2) | C(1) | C(3) | 116.7 (13) | C( $9^{\prime}$ ) | $\mathrm{C}\left(8^{\prime}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime}\right)$ | 122.0 (14) |
| C(3) | C(4) | C(2) | 124.1 (13) | $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime}\right)$ | C(9') | $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ | 121.8 (13) |
| C(4) | O | C(3) | 121.9 (13) | $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ | $\mathrm{O}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(4^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ | 107.1 (9) |
|  | O | C(5) | 118.4 (14) |  | $\mathrm{O}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime}\right)$ | 103.4 (11) |
|  | C(3) | C(5) | 119.7 (12) |  | C(4'a) | $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime}\right)$ | 112.7 (10) |

Table V. Root Mean Square Displacements ( $\AA$ )

| Atom | Min | Mean | Max | Atom | Min | Mean |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Br | 0.2164 | 0.2865 | 0.3672 | $\mathrm{C}(5)$ | 0.2351 | 0.2687 |  |
| $\mathrm{Br}^{\prime}$ | 0.2162 | 0.3055 | 0.3981 | $\mathrm{C}(6)$ | 0.2272 | 0.2491 | 0.3373 |
| $\mathrm{O}\left(1^{\prime}\right)$ | 0.2458 | 0.2464 | 0.2966 | $\mathrm{C}\left(4^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ | 0.1981 | 0.2207 |  |
| $\mathrm{O}\left(2^{\prime}\right)$ | 0.2218 | 0.2405 | 0.3424 | $\mathrm{C}\left(5^{\prime}\right)$ | 0.2368 | 0.2436 |  |
| O | 0.2040 | 0.3313 | 0.4073 | $\mathrm{C}\left(6^{\prime}\right)$ | 0.2241 | 0.2600 | 0.2498 |
| $\mathrm{O}\left(4^{\prime}\right)$ | 0.2002 | 0.2563 | 0.2855 | $\mathrm{C}\left(7^{\prime}\right)$ | 0.2184 | 0.2570 | 0.2871 |
| $\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 0.2162 | 0.2549 | 0.2841 | $\mathrm{C}\left(8^{\prime}\right)$ | 0.2830 |  |  |
| $\mathrm{C}(2)$ | 0.1950 | 0.2641 | 0.3162 | $\mathrm{C}\left(9^{\prime}\right)$ | 0.2107 | 0.2419 | 0.3308 |
| $\mathrm{C}(3)$ | 0.1842 | 0.2504 | 0.3101 | $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime}\right)$ | 0.2162 | 0.2873 | 0.3040 |
| $\mathrm{C}(4)$ | 0.2371 | 0.2454 | 0.3024 | $\mathrm{C}\left(10^{\prime} \mathrm{a}\right)$ | 0.2187 | 0.2562 | 0.3128 |

these factors is underway along with further efforts to extend the photochemical usefulness of the laser.

## Experimental Section

Melting points were determined with a Mettler FP-2 hot-stage apparatus. Nuclear magnetic resonance spectra were recorded with a Varian Associates A-60 or T-60, and where specified, a Brüker $90-\mathrm{MHz}$ spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in parts per million ( $\delta$ ) down field from tetramethysilane as an internal standard. Infrared spectra were recorded with a Perkin-Elmer Model 337 or 700 spectrophotometer. Ultraviolet spectra were determined with a Cary Model 14 spectrophotometer. Mass spectra were determined with a Hitachi (Perkin-Elmer) RMU-7 spectrometer at 70 eV . Microanalyses were performed by Galbraith Laboratories, Inc., Knoxville, Tenn. Thick-layer chromatography was performed with Brinkmann silica gel $\mathrm{PF}_{254+366}$ and column chromatography with Brinkmann silica gel (less than 0.08 mm ).
Laser Irradiations. All laser irradiations were conducted with a Coherent Radiation Laboratories Model 53A argon ion laser. The laser is rated at $6 \mathrm{~W}^{(E)}{ }_{00}$ with lines of $514.5 \mathrm{~nm}(2.5 \mathrm{~W}), 501.7$ $(0.5), 496.5$ (0.7), 488.0 (1.5), 476.5 (0.6), and 457.9 (0.2). The laser power was monitored using a Coherent Radiation Laboratories Model 201 power meter. Irradiations were typically conducted using all lines, and power levels of $5-6 \mathrm{~W}$. The beam diameter was expanded from 1.5 mm at the $1 / e^{2}$ points to 5 or 10 cm with a lens. The unexpanded beam could be used; however, small dark particles in the solution or moderately intense coloration of
the solution will cause flashing of the solvent in the beam, generate sharp reports at the inner surface of the reaction vessel, and occasionally burn black spots in the surface of the vessel at the point of beam entry. Beam expansion eliminates these problems, and the hazard of fire or shattered reaction vessels. A solution of the reactants was simply irradiated with magnetic stirring under an atmosphere of either air, oxygen, or argon.

Photoaddition of $p$-Benzoquinone to Cyclooctatetraene. A solution of $5.9602 \mathrm{~g}(57.3 \mathrm{mmol})$ of cyclooctatetraene and 1.5277 g ( 14.1 mmol ) of $p$-benzoquinone in 700 ml of benzene was irradiated under argon with an argon laser for 3.5 hr . The solvent was concentrated to ca .20 ml , filtered through Celite, and evaporated to dryness. Chromatography on a short silica gel column yielded $2.32 \mathrm{~g}(77 \%)$ of spiro[ 2,5 -cyclohexadiene-1, $8^{\prime}-\left[7^{\prime}\right.$ ]oxabicyclo[4.2.2]deca $\left[2^{\prime}, 4^{\prime}, 9^{\prime}\right]$ trien]-4-one (5). An analytical sample was prepared by several recrystallizations from 2-propanol-ether: mp 67-72 ${ }^{\circ}$ dec; ir $\left(\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right) 1660$ and $1625 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; nmr $\left(90 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) 2.74$ (dd, $1 \mathrm{H}, J=8 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ), $4.67(\mathrm{dd}, 1 \mathrm{H}, J=5 \mathrm{~Hz}), 5.65(\mathrm{dd}, 1 \mathrm{H}, J=8$ and 10 $\mathrm{Hz}), 6.04(\mathrm{~m}, 7 \mathrm{H}), 7.16(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H})$; uv (absolute MeOH) $\lambda_{\max } 199 \mathrm{~nm}$ ( $\epsilon 11,400), 223(16,200), 260(5400)$; mass spectrum $m / e 212\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$.
Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{12} \mathrm{O}_{2}$ : C, $79.23 ; \mathrm{H}, 5.70$. Found: C, 79.31 ; H, 6.03 .

Preparation of p-(2-Hydroxycyclooctyl)phenol (3). To a suspension of 95.8 mg of $10 \% \mathrm{Pd} / \mathrm{C}$ in 50 ml of absolute ethanol was added by syringe a solution of $0.2975 \mathrm{~g}(1.36 \mathrm{mmol})$ of 4 in 8 ml of ethanol. After 0.5 hr the catalyst was removed by filtration through Celite filter aid. Removal of the solvent and preparative thicklayer chromatography eluting with chloroform-ether (20:1) yielded $0.1321 \mathrm{~g}(44 \%)$ of 3 which when recrystallized from ben-
zene-ligroin had mp $120-121^{\circ}$; ir ( KBr ) $3200 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; nmr $\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ $1.67(\mathrm{~m}, 13 \mathrm{H}), 2.70(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.90(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.10(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.95$ $\left(\mathrm{A}_{2} \mathrm{~B}_{2}, 4 \mathrm{H}, J=8 \mathrm{~Hz}\right)$; mass spectrum $m / e 220\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$.

Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{O}_{2}$ : $\mathrm{C}, 76.36 ; \mathrm{H}, 9.09$. Found: C , 76.30; H, 9.20.

Preparation of p-(4-Hydroxycyclooctyl)phenol (2). To a suspension of 92.3 mg of $10 \% \mathrm{Pd} / \mathrm{C}$ in 50 ml of absolute ethanol was added by syringe a solution of $0.2512 \mathrm{~g}(1.185 \mathrm{mmol})$ of 5 in 8 ml of ethanol. After 1.25 hr the catalyst was removed by filtration through Celite. Removal of the solvent and preparative thicklayer chromatography eluting with chloroform-methanol yielded $31.7 \mathrm{mg}(12 \%)$ of 2 which when recrystallized from benzene had mp 136.8-137.2 ${ }^{\circ}$; ir ( KBr ) $3150-3400 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; $\mathrm{nmr}\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) 1.67(\mathrm{~m}, 13$ $\mathrm{H}), 2.70(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.90(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.10(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.95\left(\mathrm{~A}_{2} \mathrm{~B}_{2}, 4 \mathrm{H}, J=8\right.$ Hz ) ; mass spectrum $m / e 220\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$.

Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{O}_{2}$ : C, 76.36; H. 9.09. Found: C, 76.15; H, 9.07.

Acid-Catalyzed Photoaddition of p-Benzoquinone to Cyclooctatetraene. A solution of $0.8455 \mathrm{~g}(8.12 \mathrm{mmol})$ of cyclooctatetraene and 0.112 g ( 1.03 mmol ) of $p$-benzoquinone in 350 ml of glacial acetic acid was irradiated open to the air with an argon laser for 1.5 hr . The solvent was evaporated and the oily residue was dissolved in 25 ml of ether. The ether solution was washed with $2 \times 20 \mathrm{ml}$ of dilute sodium bicarbonate and 20 ml of saturated sodium chloride solution. The aqueous layers were combined and extracted with 10 ml of ether. The organic phases were combined, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, filtered, and evaporated to dryness to yield 0.256 g of an oily mixture of 6 and 7. Preparative thick-layer chromatography of the mixture eluting with chloro-form-methanol yielded $57.4 \mathrm{mg}(26 \%)$ of the less polar product 7 which when recrystallized from benzene-ligroin had $\mathrm{mp} 81.5-$ $82.5^{\circ}$ : ir ( KBr ) $3370 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ; \mathrm{nmr}\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) 4.82(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.57(\mathrm{~d}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, $J=7 \mathrm{~Hz}), 6.54(\mathrm{~d}, 1 \mathrm{H}, J=7 \mathrm{~Hz}), 6.72-7.52(\mathrm{~m}, 7 \mathrm{H}), 7.71(\mathrm{~m}, 2$ H ); uv (absolute MeOH ) $\lambda_{\max } 213$ sh nm $(\epsilon 14,200)$ and $266(22,-$ 600 ); mass spectrum $m / e 212\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{12} \mathrm{O}_{2}$ : $\mathrm{C}, 79.23 ; \mathrm{H}, 5.70$. Found: $\mathrm{C}, 78.99 ; \mathrm{H}, 5.76$. The major product ( $162.4 \mathrm{mg}, 58 \%$ ) 6 was isolated as a very unstable viscous oil: ir $\left(\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right) 3350$ and $1730 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; nmr $\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) 2.05(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.41$ ( c , $1 \mathrm{H}, J=6 \mathrm{~Hz}), 5.45(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 6.35(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 6.83(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H})$; uv (absolute MeOH$) \lambda_{\max } 223 \mathrm{~nm}(\epsilon 10,600)$ and 267 (6300).

Acid-Catalyzed Rearrangement of 5. A solution of 0.1228 g ( 0.58 mmol ) of 5 in 10 ml of glacial acetic acid was stirred under nitrogen 4 hr and then heated to $50^{\circ}$ for 9.25 hr . Removal of the solvent and preparative thick-layer chromatography eluting with chloroform yielded $90.7 \mathrm{mg}(74 \%)$ of 7 and a trace of 6 .

Oxidative Photoaddition of $p$-Benzoquinone to Cyclooctatetraene Using an Argon Laser. A solution of $4.9762 \mathrm{~g}(47.8 \mathrm{mmol})$ of cyclooctatetraene and $1.005 \mathrm{~g}(9.31 \mathrm{mmol})$ of $p$-benzoquinone in 1700 ml of $\mathrm{CCl}_{4}$ was stirred for 0.5 hr . The solution was irradiated open to the air with an argon laser for 2.75 hr . The photolysis mixture was concentrated to ca. 30 ml , filtered through Celite to remove insoluble polymer, evaporated to dryness, and evacuated under high vacuum for several hours. Crystallization of the residue from methanol yielded four crops totaling $0.852 \mathrm{~g}(39 \%)$ of $4^{\prime} \mathrm{a}, 10^{\prime} \mathrm{a}-\mathrm{di}-$ hydrospiro[2,5-cyclohexadiene-1,3'-cycloocta-as-trioxin]-4-one (11): $\mathrm{mp} 111.7-111.9^{\circ}$; positive starch-iodine test for peroxide; nmr (90 $\left.\mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CCl}_{4}\right) 4.88(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 5.70(\mathrm{bt}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 6.13(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 6.25$ (dd, $1 \mathrm{H}, J=10.8$ and 2 Hz$), 6.30(\mathrm{dd}, 1 \mathrm{H}, J=10.4$ and 2 Hz$), 6.58$ (dd, $1 \mathrm{H}, J=10.4$ and 3.1 Hz ), $7.62(\mathrm{dd}, 1 \mathrm{H}, J=10.8$ and 3.2 Hz ); ir ( KBr ) 1670 and $1635 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; uv (absolute MeOH ) $\lambda_{\max } 207 \mathrm{~nm}$ ( $\epsilon 20,800$ ), 213 sh (19,700), 249 sh (7610); mass spectrum mi/e 244 $\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$.

Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{12} \mathrm{O}_{4}$ : C, 68.85; $\mathrm{H}, 4.95$. Found: C , 68.80 ; H, 4.94.

The mother liquors were collected and chromatographed on thick-layer plates. Elution with chloroform yielded an additional $0.253 \mathrm{~g}(10 \%)$ of 11 and $0.603 \mathrm{~g}(31 \%)$ of spiro[2,5-cyclohexadiene-$1,8^{\prime}$-[7']oxabicyclo[4.2.2]deca[ $\left.2^{\prime}, 4^{\prime}, 9^{\prime}\right]$ trien]-4-one (5).

Oxidative Photoaddition of $p$-Benzoquinone to Cyclooctatetraene at $3500 \AA$. A solution of $0.6638 \mathrm{~g}(6.38 \mathrm{mmol})$ of cyclooctatetraene and $0.212 \mathrm{~g}(1.96 \mathrm{mmol})$ of $p$-benzoquinone in 400 ml of carbon tetrachloride was irradiated open to the air in a Rayonet photochemical reactor with $3500-\AA$ lamps for 19.25 hr . The reaction mixture was highly polymeric and displayed ill-defined product spots on tlc. Removal of the solvent and preparative thick-layer chromatography eluting with chloroform yielded 19.6 mg ( $4.1 \%$ ) of 11 and a small quantity of 5 .

Preparation of 3 -Bromo-4'a,10'a-dihydrospiro[2.5-cyclohexa-diene-1,3'-cycloocta-as-trioxin]-4-one (13). A solution of 0.2734 g
( 1.12 mmol ) of 11 and $0.3637 \mathrm{~g}(1.135 \mathrm{mmol})$ of pyridinum hydrobromide perbromide in 25 ml of methylene chloride was stirred for 12 hr under argon. The solution was concentrated, filtered to remove insoluble salts, and chromatographed on a preparative thick-layer plate. Elution with chloroform yielded $42.9 \mathrm{mg}(15.7 \%)$ of recovered 11, and based on recovered starting material 269.8 mg ( $89 \%$ ) of 13 which was crystallized from 2-propanol: mp 138.8 $139.1^{\circ}$; ir ( KBr ) 1675,1645 , and $1605 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ; \mathrm{nmr}\left(90 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$ ) $4.87(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 5.70(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 6.13(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 6.38(\mathrm{~d}, 1 \mathrm{H}, J=10 \mathrm{~Hz})$, $6.59(\mathrm{dd}, 1 \mathrm{H}, J=10$ and 3 Hz$), 8.04(\mathrm{~d}, 1 \mathrm{H}, J=3 \mathrm{~Hz})$; uv (absolute MeOH ) $\lambda_{\max } 202 \mathrm{~nm}(\epsilon 19,700), 221 \mathrm{sh}(14,500), 253 \mathrm{sh}$ (7410); mass spectrum $m / e 322$ and $324\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$.

Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{11} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{Br}$ : C, $52.04 ; \mathrm{H}, 3.43 ; \mathrm{Br}, 24.73$. Found: C, 52.12; H, 3.44; Br, 24.76.

Even though 13 gave a good analysis, exhibited a sharp melting point, and gave one spot by thin-layer chromatography, an X-ray analysis of 13 indicates the presence of a small amount of the 5 bromo isomer (vide infra).

Collection and Reduction of X-Ray Intensity Data. A colorless crystal of the bromo peroxide 13 was mounted along its $b$ axis with epoxy resin on a glass fiber and precession photographs of the $h 0 l, 0 k l, h 1 l$, and $1 k l$ zones were taken. The monoclinic space group $P 2_{1} / c$ (No $14, C_{2}{ }^{5} h$ ), ${ }^{32}$ was indicated by systematic absences of $h 0 l$ for $l$ odd and $0 k 0$ for $k$ odd.

After the crystal was optically centered on a Syntex P1 diffractometer for intensity data collection, a full rotation photograph was taken and 15 intense reflections were chosen and centered using manufacturer-supplied software. The auto-indexing program gave three axial choices in agreement with those previously determined from precession photographs. The orientation of the crystal (determined by least squares) is given by the following orientation matrix described by Busing and Levy ${ }^{33}$ except that the incident and

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{A}=\left[\begin{array}{lll}
a_{x}{ }^{*} & b_{x}{ }^{*} & c_{x}^{*} \\
a_{y}{ }^{*} & b_{y}{ }^{*} & c_{y}^{*} \\
a_{2}^{*} & b_{2}{ }^{*} & c_{z}^{*}
\end{array}\right] & = \\
& {\left[\begin{array}{rrrr}
-0.08306 & -0.01401 & -0.01789 \\
0.02380 & -0.02338 & -0.05290 \\
-0.01129 & -0.15309 & 0.00633
\end{array}\right] }
\end{aligned}
$$

diffracted beams have been interchanged. The corresponding lattice constants are $a=11.485$ (4) $\AA, b=6.417$ (2) $\AA, c=17.821$ (7) $\AA$, and $\beta=91.81$ (3) ${ }^{\circ}$. With four molecules per unit cell the calculated density is $1.02 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}$; the experimental is $1.04(3) \mathrm{g} \mathrm{cm}^{-3}$.

Intensity data were collected using Mo K $\alpha$ radiation ( $\lambda 0.7107 \AA$ ) with a graphite single crystal as the monochromator. This crystal was considered to be $50 \%$ mosaic. The sample crystal was positioned 45 mm from the collimator (diameter $=1 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) and 90 mm from the counter (aperture diameter $=2 \mathrm{~mm}$ ). The take-off angle was $3.6^{\circ}$. A $\theta-2 \theta$ scan mode was used with a $2 \theta$ range below $\mathrm{K} \alpha_{1}$ and above $\mathrm{K} \alpha_{2}$ of $1^{\circ}$. The scan rate was varied from 1.5 to $12^{\circ} /$ min depending on the intensity of the reflection. The background to scan ratio was 1.0. Four intense reflections, chosen to span the angular variations of the diffractometer, were used as standards and remeasured every 40 reflections to check on machine and crystal stability.

The 96 step peak profiles ${ }^{34}$ were checked for uneven backgrounds and off-center peaks. If the backgrounds are uneven, automatic checks are made to see if (1) a neighboring reflection is intruding into one end of the scan; if so, the off-center one of the two is subtracted out, or (2) the peak itself has considerable intensity at one end of the scan, which presumably occurs because the peak is too broad and/or too badly centered for the scan; if so, the intensity is computed using twice the lower background. The position of the peak center (PC) in the 96 step scan is approximated using the expression

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\mathrm{PC}=\sum_{i=1}^{n} i C_{i} / \sum_{i=1}^{n} C_{i}
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where $C_{i}$ is the number of counts for the $i$ th step. ${ }^{35}$. Those reflections whose centers are outside desired limits are rejected (this crystal: the 010 reflection was rejected).

The data were preprocessed by a program SYNTEX which has been inserted into our version of the program package XrAY 67. ${ }^{36}$ The integrated intensity ( $I$ ) was calculated according to the expression $I=\left[\mathrm{SC}-\left(B_{1}+B_{2}\right) / B_{\mathrm{R}}\right] T_{\mathrm{R}}$ where SC is the scan counts, $B_{1}$ and $B_{2}$ are the background counts, $B_{\mathrm{R}}$ is the background time to scan time ratio, and $T_{\mathrm{R}}$ is the $2 \theta$ scan rate in $\% / \mathrm{min}$. The standard deviation of $I$ was calculated: $\sigma(I)=T_{\mathrm{R}}\left[\mathrm{SC}+\left(B_{1}+B_{2}\right) / B_{\mathrm{R}}{ }^{2}+(\mathrm{p} I)^{2}\right]^{1 / 2}$ where $p$ in this case was equal to $0.02 .{ }^{37}$

The standard reflections are used to automatically rescale the data in the following manner: the normalized integrated intensities of each of the standards in the group are summed; the ratio of any standard group sum to the first sum then gives a relative scale factor.

A total of 4059 reflections was measured, approximately half of which was unique ( $h, k$, and $l$ varied from -12 to 12,7 to 0 , and 19 to 0 , respectively). These were then averaged in SYNTEX and 1672 unique reflections were processed. The scale factor monotonically increased from 1.000 to 1.231 , apparently due to crystal decomposition during the course of data collection. However, since the reflections are symmetric about 000 in terms of the order in which they were measured (the first reflection is equivalent to the last, the second to the next to last, etc.), the otherwise substantial error in the intensities of the various reflections due to decomposition is reduced.

The linear absorption coefficient $\mu$ of the compound for Mo $\mathrm{K} \alpha$ radiation is $20.8 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$. Minimum and maximum values of $\mu R$ are 0.713 and 0.152 . Since the maximum relative error in $F_{0}$ due to absorption would be approximately $50 \%$, it was decided to perform absorption corrections on the data set.

The crystal shape was measured with a microscope equipped with filar micrometer eyepiece. This crystal had dimensions of 0.686 $\mathrm{mm}, 0.343 \mathrm{~mm}$, and 0.073 mm corresponding respectively to the length, width, and height of a regular parallelepiped.

The coordinates necessary to describe the plane faces bounding the crystal were entered into a version of the SYNTEX link which has been modified to calculate absorption corrections. ${ }^{38}$ Experimental observation of several reflections measured stepping through values of $\psi$ (the rotation angle about the diffraction vector) in $5^{\circ}$ increments agreed with the transmission coefficients calculated for these conditions. A transmission coefficient was calculated for each reflection.

This set of unique, normalized, integrated, absorption corrected intensities was processed by the DATRDN link to give relative values of $[F]$ and $[E]]^{39}$ Of the 1672 unique reflections, 1107 were treated as observed $\left[F_{0}^{2} \geq 3 \sigma\left(F_{0}^{2}\right)\right]$.

[^7]Structure Solution and Refinement. A sharpened Patterson function was computed using the observed reflections, and it indicated the position of the bromine atom. An electron density map computed using the signs derived from the heavy atom location showed the position of 12 carbon and 3 oxygen atoms. A density map with these atoms inserted into the calculations revealed the remaining atom positions. The data set was full-matrix least-squares refined with anisotropic temperature parameters until each parameter shift divided by its estimated error indicated convergence ( $R=\Sigma \| F_{0} \mid-$ $\left|F_{\mathrm{c}}\right|\left|/\left|\Sigma F_{0}\right|=0.086\right.$ ).

A difference density map revealed as the major disagreement a small peak (approximately one-third the height of the carbon atoms on the regular density map) presumably due to bromination at $C(5)$ for some of the molecules in the crystal. A model with partial bromination at both positions was adopted for further refinement. The last cycle of refinement of all variables including the population parameters of the bromine atoms with no constraint on their sum resulted in an 8.7 (6) \% population in the new position and a 92.4 (8) $\%$ population in the original, which appears to indicate an exclusively monobrominated compound. The $R$ factor had significantly decreased to 0.073 . This treatment which assumed that the molecules brominated at $C(5)$ were positioned in exactly the same manner in the crystal as those brominated at $C(3)$ is certainly overly simplistic, since one expects the entire molecule to be positioned in a slightly different fashion. Thus the $\mathrm{C}(3)-\mathrm{Br}$ distance was a reasonable $1.89 \AA$ whereas the $\mathrm{C}(5)-\mathrm{Br}$ distance is found to be $1.56 \AA$ with this model. Since only the peak due to the bromine atom on $C(5)$ was distinct in the difference map, we were forced to assume that the remainder of the atoms in the $C(5)$ brominated molecules are crudely described by small modifications of the temperature parameters and possibly the positions for the atoms of the predominant isomer.

Interestingly, reexamination of the nmr spectrum of 13 reveals trace signals in the dienone region ( $7.00-8.00 \mathrm{ppm}$ ) which reasonably may be ascribed to the presence of the $C(5)$ bromine isomer.

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