presence of 0.05 M LiClO₄ the cmc of SDS is approximately fivefold less than that determined in water alone.¹² The enhanced rates of decay of MPTH+. in the cationic and nonionic surfactant systems relative to those seen in the base electrolytes in the absence of surfactant are suggestive of micellar catalysis in these systems.¹³

The observed dependence of the DPV peak potential for the oxidation of MPTH at pre-cmc concentration levels of SDS lends itself to quantitation of both the stoichiometry and the formation constant of the cation radical-surfactant complex. For the oxidation of MPTH in the presence of SDS, the system may be represented as

$$MPTH \rightleftharpoons MPTH^+ \cdot + e^- \tag{1}$$

$$MPTH^{+} \cdot + pDS^{-} \rightleftharpoons (MPTH^{+} \cdot)(DS^{-})_{p}$$
(2)

At 25 °C, the dependence of the peak potential for the oxidation of MPTH on the concentration of SDS is given by $^{9.14}$

$$E_{p(a)}' = E_{p(a)}^{\circ} - 0.059 \log K - 0.059(p) \log [SDS]$$
 (3)

where $E_{p(a)}$ is the DPV peak potential in the presence of SDS and $E_{p(a)}^{\circ}$ is that observed in its absence. The data shown in Figure 1 affords a least-squares slope of $-53 (\pm 3)$ mV which corresponds to $p \simeq 1$ indicating a stiochiometry of one dodecyl sulfate anion per 10-methylphenothiazine cation radical.^{14c} From the least-squares intercept of these data $(303 (\pm 7) \text{ mV})$ and the value of $E_{p(a)}^{\circ}$ observed in 0.05 M LiClO₄,⁷ the for-mation constant for the (MPTH⁺·)(DS⁻) complex evaluates as 2.0×10^3 M⁻¹. It is important to note that this formation constant reflects interaction between MPTH+ and monomeric dodecyl sulfate entities, not between MPTH+. and micelles.15

This interaction between MPTH+ and dodecyl sulfate anion suggests the site of solubilization of MPTH+. in SDS micelles to be the Stern region wherein the charged head groups of the surfactant reside. Examination of the ultraviolet absorption maxima of MPTH+. in aqueous, micellar SDS, and hydrocarbon media provides insight concerning the site of solubilization of the cation radical. These data¹⁶ suggest that, in micellar SDS systems, MPTH+. resides in a highly polar environment rather than in the hydrocarbon "core" of the micelle.¹⁷ While models for micelle structure remain in question,¹⁸ the results reported here are consistent with an "open" structure which allows both MPTH+. and water to be interspersed among the aggregated surfactant molecules.^{18,19}

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Photoelectrochemical Reduction of N,N'-Dimethyl-4,4'-bipyridinium in Aqueous Media at p-Type Silicon: Sustained Photogeneration of a Species Capable of Evolving Hydrogen

Sir:

We report here a new approach to the energetically uphill generation of H_2 from H_2O . There have been numerous recent claims concerning chemical systems for the photoinduced evolution of H₂ from aqueous media, but in many of the systems reported there are sacrificial reducing agents used which cloud the overall thermodynamics and preclude sustained evolution of H_2 .¹⁻⁶ However, these studies have resulted in several interesting procedures for manipulating charge-transfer kinetics such that generation of H_2 is possible by schemes such as that represented:6

$$PQ^{2+} \xrightarrow{light} PQ^{+} \cdot$$
(1)
[sacrificial reagent(s)]

$$2H_2O + 2PQ^+ \cdot \xrightarrow[]{catalyst]}_{pH < 7} 2PQ^{2+} + H_2^{\uparrow} + 2OH^- \quad (2)$$

 $PQ^{2+} \equiv N, N'$ -dimethyl-4,4'-bipyridinium

We are prompted by these studies to report the sustained photogeneration (without sacrificial reagents) of PQ^+ . in aqueous solutions using a p-type Si photocathode in an electrochemical cell. p-type semiconductors are known to be capable of serving as photocathodes for direct H₂ production,⁷ but a survey of the literature reveals that p-type materials

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Figure 1. Current-voltage curves (10 mV/s) for p-Si photocathode. Illumination power, 514.5 nm, is given in microwatts. For power or current density, multiply values given by 13 cm⁻². Part a: stirred, Ar-purged solution of distilled H₂O (70%)/CH₃CN (30%) with 0.10 M NaI at pH 5.5. Part b: same solution but with 0.025 M PQ²⁺/PQ⁺. $E_{redox} = -0.32$ V vs. SCE.

studied to date are poor photocathodes generally and poor H_2 photocathodes in particular. The reason for this is not clear, but the electrodes typically have low quantum efficiency, output voltages, and fill factors. We assert that the semiconductors studied to date have inherently slow H_2 evolution rates. We propose that a scheme where PQ^{2+} is reduced to PQ^{+} . at a photocathode followed by chemistry according to eq 2 may represent an efficient uphill route to photochemical H_2 generation. The value of $E^{\circ}(PQ^{2+}/PQ^{+})$ in H_2O is -0.7 V vs. SCE;⁸ the efficiency of a p-type semiconductor photocathode is measured by the extent to which PQ^{+} . can be produced with good quantum yield at a potential more positive than at a reversible electrode. The hope is that the one-electron photoreduction of PQ^{2+} at p-Si would be fast under conditions where

 Table I. Output Parameters for p-Si-Based

 Photoelectrochemical Cells^a

input power, μW ^b	Φ_e^c	max power out, $\mu W (\eta_{max}, \%)^d$	$\max_{mV^{e}} V (V \text{ at } \eta_{max}),$
A. H ₂ O/CH	I ₃ CN (70):30)/0.1 M Na1/0.0	025 M PQ ²⁺ /PQ ⁺ ·;
	$E_{\rm rec}$	$d_{ox} = -0.32 \text{ V vs. SC}$	E
178	0.65	3.5 (2.0)	260 (130)
486	0,73	9.8 (2.0)	290 (130)
980	0.70	14.3 (1.5)	340 (130)
B. CH ₃ CN	N/0.1 M	$(n-\mathrm{Bu_4N})\mathrm{ClO_4/0.0}$	I M PQ ²⁺ /PQ ⁺ ·;
	Ere	dox = -0.30 V vs. SC	E
180	0.43	3.8 (2.1)	300 (180)
550	0.46	13.3 (2.4)	360 (170)
760	0.47	18.4 (2.4)	370 (180)

^{*a*} All cells employ a Pt counterelectrode; E_{redox} was established by in situ generation of PQ⁺• from PQ²⁺. ^{*b*} Input power in microwatts at 514.5 nm (Ar ion laser); for power density multiply by 13 cm⁻². ^{*c*} Quantum yield for electron flow (electrons/photon incident) at E_{redox} corresponding to the short-circuit quantum yield. ^{*d*} For power density, multiply by 13 cm⁻²: η_{max} is the maximum efficiency for light to electricity (maximum power point). ^{*e*} Open-circuit photovoltage, max V, and voltage at the maximum power point.



Figure 2. Current-voltage curves (10 mV/s) for p-Si photocathode illuminated with 514.5-nm light at indicated power. For power or current density, multiply values given by 13 cm⁻². Solution is stirred, Ar-purged CH₃CN/0.10 M (*n*-Bu₄N)ClO₄/0.01 M PQ²⁺/PQ⁺; $E_{redox} = -0.30$ V vs. SCE.

 H_2 evolution is found to be slow. We now describe our results.

Figure 1 shows the comparison of the photocurrent-voltage curves for illuminated p-type Si in aqueous solution, pH 5.5, with and without added PQ2+, and Table I summarizes quantitative data culled from the Figures 1 and 2. The CH₃CN is used to improve the solubility of the PQ^{2+}/PQ^{+} system, and the $E^{\circ}(PQ^{2+}/PQ^{+})$ is at -0.61 V vs. SCE in CH₃CN/H₂O (30:70). First, in the absence of PQ^{2+} , there is the expected light effect on the cathodic current, but the photocurrent onset is near the potential where the evolution of H_2 at a reversible electrode can be observed. This means that the p-Si requires light and electricity to effect H₂ evolution. These results accord well with those found earlier for p-type Si.⁹ Further, the achievable photocurrent density is low and the observed quantum yields for electron flow are very small. The dramatic effect of PQ²⁺ on the photocurrent-voltage curves in Figure 1a is obvious. Reduction of PQ^{2+} to PQ^{+} can be effected at potentials substantially more positive than at a reversible electrode; i.e. the onset of the photocathodic current is near 0 V vs. SCE. Quantum yields for electron flow are respectable at electrode potentials significantly positive of $E_{\rm redox}(PQ^{2+}/$ PQ^+ .). Further, the photocurrent-voltage curves have a good fill factor, even at the higher photocurrent densities. That PQ+. is the photoelectrochemical product is evidenced by the intensely blue-colored (air sensitive) material observed to stream from the photocathode upon illumination in solutions containing initially only PQ^{2+} (PQ^{+} , λ_{max} 603 nm (ϵ $12\ 000)).^{10}$

The operation of a photoelectrochemical cell where the cell chemistry is

p-Si photocathode:
$$e^- + PQ^{2+} \xrightarrow{h\nu} PQ^+$$
 (3)

Pt anode:
$$PQ^+ \rightarrow PQ^{2+} + e^-$$
 (4)

has been sustained in the aqueous pH 5.5 solution for a 24-h period at 0.4 mA (4 mA/cm²) without variation in the photocurrent or output parameters. In such a situation there is no net chemical change and the cell can be used to sustain the

conversion of light into electricity, as has been shown for other semiconductor-based photoelectrochemical cells.⁷ As indicated in Table I the efficiency for conversion of 514.5-nm light is ~2%.

Illuminated p-Si sustains the formation of PQ⁺ from PQ²⁺ under conditions where catalysts such as PtO_2 , Pt/asbestos, Pd/asbestos, etc.,⁶ are known to effect chemistry according to eq 2. Furthermore, with p-Si the PQ^{2+} reduction is energetically uphill by up to 0.5 V at pH 5.5. This means that the H₂ evolution can be driven uphill by 0.5 V. In a two-compartment cell employing H_2O as the solvent (pH 5.5) we have been able to drive the PQ^{2+}/PQ^{+} , potential to -0.6 V vs SCE—a potential more negative than necessary to yield H₂ from the solution. Such can be accomplished when the electrode potential is held at -0.3 V vs. SCE. We are presently constructing two-compartment cells to measure the efficiency for H_2 generation, but the main points are as follows: (i) p-Si $(band gap = 1.1 eV)^{11}$ can be excited with visible light to contribute up to 0.5 V toward the 1.23 V needed to split H_2O ; (ii) there are no sacrificial reagents involved; (iii) the p-Si/ PQ^{2+}/PQ^{+} is better than p-Si alone in that the PQ^{+} can be used to efficiently evolve H_2 once generated. Finally, we note that, in H_2O as the solvent, the photocathodic peak for the PQ^{2+} reduction in a cyclic voltammetry scan is ~0.5 V more positive than at a reversible electrode at pH 5.5. This shows that good quantum efficiency obtains for the uphill reduction process, a fact confirming the equilibrium current-voltage scans shown in the figures.

Our data show that the PQ^{2+}/PQ^+ system can be driven to an electrochemical potential >0.3 V more negative than the potential to which the p-Si is potentiostatted. This means that the optical energy input is converted into chemical energy. Thus, assuming that the PQ+ can be efficiently catalyzed to yield H₂,⁶ and suitable separators can be found, the p-type Si photoelectrode can contribute >0.3 V toward the 1.23 V needed to split H₂O in a two-compartment cell. In such a situation the anode reaction would be O_2 evolution from H_2O_1 , and H₂ would be evolved from the cathode compartment using the PQ^{2+}/PQ^{+} ./catalyst system. Thus, the only sacrificial reagent would be the H₂O itself. However, since the p-Si only contributes a fraction of the 1.23 V needed to split H_2O , a power supply in series in the external circuit would be necessary to sustain the photoelectrolysis of H_2O , but, to the extent that the power supply provides <1.23 V, the input optical energy is converted into stored chemical energy in a sustained fashion.

Since the interface energetics for p-Si have been studied in CH₃CN solvent,¹² we investigated the output parameters for the p-Si/PQ²⁺/PQ⁺ system in CH₃CN where $E^{\circ}(PQ^{2+}/PQ^{2+})$ PQ^+) is -0.45 V vs. SCE.⁸ Figure 2 shows the photocurrent onset to be a little more positive than in the aqueous pH 5.5 media, but the essentials are the same. The nonaqueous cell chemistry is as shown in eq 3 and 4, and the conversion of light into electricity can be sustained without net chemical change. The sustained efficiency of 2.4% for the 514.5-nm light appears to represent the most efficient p-type-based photoelectrochemical cell reported to date.13

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Aldol Addition = Cycloaddition without **Cycloadduct Formation?**

Sir:

In the reaction of preformed enolates with carbonyl compounds it has been repeatedly assumed that both driving force and stereochemical outcome are inherently connected with the formation of metal chelated aldol adducts.¹ We studied the additon of metalated carboxylic acids (1) to aldehydes² (2) and found that—at least in the transition state—metal chelation is of no importance; by contrast, our experimental results (Tables I and II) are fully explained by merely electronic interactions between the two components which we assume to

Table I. Dependence of the Ratio of 3:4 on R¹ and R². Total Yields Are between 87 and 98%. The Carboxylic Acid Dianions Have Been Generated with Lithium Diisopropylamide in THF

run	R ¹	R ²	М	3:4
a	Ph	Me	Li	58:42
b	Ph	i-Pr	Li	66:34
с	Ph	t-Bu	Li	70:30
d	t-Bu	t-Bu	Li	80:20
e	mesityl	mesityl	Li	>98;2
f	l-adamantyl	t-Bu	Li	>98:2
g	l-adamantyl	1-adamantyl	Li	>98:2

Table II. Dependence of the Ratio of 3c (Threo):4c (Ervthro) on the Counterion M. The Various M's Are in Order According to Falling Charge: Radius Ratios. Total Yields Are between 85 and 97%

run	М	3c:4c	
а	$Mg_{1/2}{}^{a}$	52:48	
ь	$Zn_{1/2}^{a}$	55:45	
с	Lib	66:3 4	
d	Lic	70:30	
e	Li ^b /cryptofix 2.1.1	70:30	
f	Nab	79:21	
g	Na ^b /cryptofix 2.2.1	82:28	
ĥ	κ ^{<i>b</i>}	79:21	
i	$n-\operatorname{Bu}_4N^d$	85:15	
j	K ^b /cryptofix 2.2.2	90:10	
k	K ^b /18-crown-6	>97:3	

^a The dianion was prepared with sodium naphthalenide + subsequent addition of MgBr₂(ZnBr₂). ^b The dianion was prepared with metal naphthalenide. ^c The dianion was prepared with lithium diisopropylamide. d The lithium dianion was quenched with Me₃SiCl and then treated with N(Bu)₄F in THF.

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