

activity $\times 87:3,300$ cts./min./mg. barium carbonate) was reduced with 8.7 g. (0.228 mole) of lithium aluminum hydride following the procedure of Nystrom and Brown.⁸ The benzyl alcohol was obtained in a yield of 21.1 g. (85.5%), b. p. 114–115° (32 mm.).

Methylene-labeled Benzyl Chloride.—In an all-glass apparatus closed with a calcium chloride tube, 10.3 g. (6.6 cc., 0.075 mole) of phosphorus trichloride was added to 21.1 g. (0.195 mole) of benzyl alcohol (prepared above) at zero degrees. The mixture was allowed to stand at room temperature for thirty minutes and at 50° for one hour. The excess phosphorus trichloride was removed and the benzyl chloride distilled, b. p. 60–61° (12 mm.), yield 21.8 g. (88.1%).

Methylene-labeled Phenylacetic Acid.—Benzylmagnesium chloride was prepared from 21.8 g. (0.172 mole) of methylene-labeled-benzyl chloride and 4.2 g. (0.172 atom) of magnesium turnings. The Grignard reagent was carbonated at –5° with gaseous carbon dioxide and the reaction mixture processed in the usual manner. The phenylacetic acid was recrystallized from petroleum ether, m. p. 76–77° (cor.), yield, 17.3 g. (74%), specific activity $\times 8:3,300$ cts./min./mg. barium carbonate.

β -Methylene-labeled β -Phenethyl Alcohol.—Phenylacetic acid (11.1 g.) was reduced with lithium aluminum hydride as above and β -phenethyl alcohol was obtained in a yield of 8.5 g. (85.6%), b. p. 114° (9 mm.).

β -Methylene-labeled β -Phenethyl Chloride.— β -Phenethyl alcohol (8.5 g.) was allowed to react with 4.8 g. of phosphorus trichloride in the normal manner and the chloride was received in a yield of 3.3 g. (33.8%), b. p. 55° (2 mm.).

β -Methylene-labeled β -Phenylpropionic Acid.— β -Phenethylmagnesium chloride was prepared from 3.3 g. of β -phenethyl chloride (prepared above) and 0.63 g. of magnesium and the Grignard reagent carbonated with gaseous carbon dioxide, yield 1.82 g. (51.5%), m. p. 48–49°, specific activity $\times 9:3,300$ cts./min./mg. barium carbonate.

Decarboxylation Procedure.—A mixture of 0.25 g. of the acid and 0.25 g. of the catalyst and 5 cc. of quinoline was heated for forty minutes in a salt-bath. The reaction mixture was flushed continuously with nitrogen and after the heating the aeration continued for one hour at room temperature. The evolved carbon dioxide was collected in 50 cc. of 0.14 *M* barium hydroxide. The barium carbonate was collected by filtration under nitrogen and the precipitate washed with water, alcohol and ether and dried at 110°. The yields varied from 40–80%.

All samples of barium carbonate were regenerated to carbon dioxide and reprecipitated to check for radioactive impurities. In all cases, a constant specific activity was obtained.

Radioactivity Determination.—The procedure of Dauben, Reid and Yankwich⁹ was employed for sample preparation and counting.

(7) This value was obtained by combustion of a microsample of the ester, precipitation of the carbon dioxide as barium carbonate and counting the barium carbonate. To correct for the dilution of activity in the compound, the observed specific activity was multiplied by eight.

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Reaction of Thiophenealdehyde Derivatives with Maleic Anhydride

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The present note describes the reaction of two derivatives of 2-thiophenealdehyde with maleic

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anhydride. Parallel reactions of benzylidene² and furfurylidene³ derivatives have been reported previously.

Experimental

Thiophenealdehyde-1-maleylphenylhydrazone.—A solution of 3 g. of thiophenealdehyde phenylhydrazone⁴ in 20 ml. of ether was treated with 1.8 g. of maleic anhydride. The solution was warmed until solution of the anhydride occurred. The crude product which separated after standing overnight was washed with ether and weighed 4.5 g. Several recrystallizations from ethanol raised the m. p. of the yellow needles to 119–120°.

Anal. Calcd. for C₁₅H₁₂N₂O₃S: C, 59.99; H, 4.03; neut. equiv., 300. Found: C, 59.95; H, 4.09; neut. equiv., 301.

Under the same conditions pyrrolealdehyde phenylhydrazone on treatment with maleic anhydride yielded golden-yellow needles which decomposed immediately on exposure to air and could not be recrystallized satisfactorily.

***N-p*-Tolylmaleamic Acid.**—A solution of 1.8 g. of thiophenealdehyde *p*-toluidine⁵ in 15 ml. of ether on treatment with 1.2 g. of maleic anhydride gave yellowish-green needles, m. p. 201° with gas evolution after recrystallization from ethanol, which did not depress the m. p. of authentic *N-p*-tolylmaleamic acid.⁶

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The Heat Capacity of Organic Vapors. VI. Acetone¹

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The work reported in this paper is a continuation of a program for measuring the heat capacity of organic vapors. The heat capacity and heat of vaporization of acetone has been measured at 1 atm., at temperatures from near its boiling point to 150°.

Experimental and Results

Two sets of determinations are reported. Those of set I were made with a reverse-flow calorimeter and auxiliary equipment previously described³; those of set II, with the apparatus and by the procedure described in the preceding paper.⁴

The values obtained for the heat capacity are presented in Table I and Fig. 1. The latter also shows the value 22.5 cal./mole/degree at 137°, reported by Bennewitz and Rossner,⁵ and a line drawn through the calculated values of *C_p* at 1 atm. by Dobratz.⁶ Other values reported in the literature are 20.1 and 21.7 for the temperature

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