ARYNIC CONDENSATION OF KETONE ENOLATES. VIII*

ONE STEP SYNTHESIS OF DIBENZOTRICYCLO [4,2,2,1^{2,5}] UNDECA-8,10-DIENE-1-OL

STRUCTURE ELUCIDATION BY ¹³C AND ¹H NMR

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We have shown previously 1 that the condensation of benzyne, in aprotic medium, with some ketone enolates may be a route to anthranols. This reaction carried out with suitable bicyclic ketones might lead to syntheses of polycyclic derivatives, difficult to prepare by other ways. The result obtained with bicyclo [2,2,1] heptanone-2 is summarized in the following scheme:

(1 is formed by action of NaNH₂-2 on PhBr).

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To our knowledge, the compound 3* (m.P. 174°) has never been described and the spectroscopic data about this type of compound are very scarce². Since the reaction of benzyne with ketone enclates may give several ways of condensation 1,3 , it was essential to prove the structure of product $\underline{3}$ decisively. In this purpose $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ and $^{1}\mathrm{H}$ NMR were used.

13C NMR spectra have been recorded with a bruker HX 90 operating at 22.63 MHz in the Fourier transform mode with complete proton decoupling. The features of the 13C NMR spectra of product 3 (dibenzotricyclo [4,2,2,12,5] undeca-8,10-diene-1-ol) are summarized in the table :

 13 C chemical shifts $^{(a)}$ of 3 and 13 C shifts produced by Eu(DPM),

Position	δ 13 _C (b)	Δδ ¹³ C (c)	Δδ 13 _C (a)
C 1	79.62	2.10	3.80
C ₂	48.74	0.70	1.80
C ₃	28.20	0.39	0.85
C 4	27.90	0.04	0.20
C 5	37.23	0.25	0.50
C 6	37.04	0.32	0.95
C 7	49.65	0.30	0.85
C ₈ +C ₁₁ (e)	142.5 ; 140.1	0.30 ; 0.40	0.80 ; 1.00
C ₉ +C ₁₀ (e)	147.0 ; 144.9	0.50 ; 0.60	1.20 ; 1.40
C ₁₂ +C ₁₃ +C ₁₄ (e) +C ₁₇ +C ₁₈ +C ₁₉	126.7 ; 126.4 ; 126.0 125.4 ; 125.1 ; 124.7	0.10 to 0.30	0.30 to 0.60
C ₁₅ +C ₁₆ (e)	121.7 ; 119.8	0.50	1.00

⁽a) Chemical shifts are given in ppm from TMS

⁽b) 13_C chemical shifts of 3 in CDCl₃ (0.15 mol/1) (c)(d) Same sample with progressively added Eu(DPM)₃; 0.01 and 0.03 mol/1

⁽e) Separate assignment for these carbons is impossible

^{*} Satisfactory analytical data were obtained for this product.

Partial assignments were first established on the basis of an off resonance experiment (No attempt was made to differentiate the carbons numbered 12, 13, 14, 17, 18 and 19). The use of Eu(DPM)₃ shift reagent allowed to raise the remaining ambiguities (see table). These assignments establish the proposed structure. Furthermore the given attribution is in agreement with the literature data; the effect of a benzylic alcohol function is to increase the chemical shift of the 13C bearing the function while it decreases the chemical shift of the other cyclic carbons. For the saturated cycle, chemical shifts of the same order of magnitude as ours have been found previously in compounds of similar configuration.

The structure was further confirmed with PMR homodecoupling experiments; irradiation of H₇ [δ (CDCl₃) 4.02 ppm] or H₅ [δ = 2.42 to 2.67 ppm] evidenced a coupling of 9 Hz between these two protons. The C₁-C₂ junction was demontrated on the basis of the shift induced by Eu(DPM)₃ on H₂ [δ = 2.20 to 2.42 ppm].

Besides the molecular peak, the mass spectrum shows many fragments, among which the peak corresponding to the loss of the five membered ring is found.

The UV spectrum shows : λ_{max} (EtOH) 276.5 (log ϵ 3.11); 268 (3.02) and 261.5 (2.85).

Reaction procedure :

25 mM of norcamphor in 10 cm³ of tetrahydrofuran (THF) were added dropwise to a stirred solution of 25 mM trityl lithium, from triphenyl methane and BuLi in THF^{7,8}. Stirring was continued at 40° for 1 h, a solution of 25 mM of bromobenzene was added and then a suspension of NaNH₂ (50 mM) in the THF. The reaction was continued at 40° for 6 h, and then the reaction mass was treated in the usual way³.

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