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# Vaporization enthalpies of five odd-numbered $(C_7 \text{ to } C_{15}) \alpha, \omega$ -alkanediols

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### Abstract

The temperature dependence of vapour pressures for liquid  $C_7$  to  $C_{15}$  odd-numbered terminal diols was measured by the torsion-effusion method. Corresponding vaporization enthalpies were derived.

Our continuing study of the vaporization thermodynamics of pure organic compounds [1] has included investigation on the C<sub>6</sub> to C<sub>16</sub> homologous series of even-numbered  $\alpha, \omega$ -alkanediols [2]. This paper extends our work to the five odd-numbered (C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>15</sub>) members of this series.

Knauth and Sabbah [3] used a Tian-Calvet calorimeter, fitted with a Knudsen effusion cell, to measure at 323 K the vaporization enthalpies of 1,7-heptanediol and 1,9-nonanediol and a single value of their vapour pressure at the same temperature. Apart from some temperature-vapour pressure equations obtained in the high-pressure ranges and the standard vaporization enthalpies of lower diols (up to  $C_5$ ) [4–7], there are apparently no other data on the odd-numbered diols in the literature.

In the present work, the temperature dependence of the vapour pressures for the  $C_7$  to  $C_{15}$  diols were measured by the torsion-effusion method, and the corresponding vaporization enthalpies were derived.

Three diols (1,9-nonanediol (Janssen, 99%), 1,11-undecanediol (Pfaltz and Bauer) and 1,15-pentadecanediol (K & K Labs.)) were high-purity commercial products further purified by successive crystallizations from

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absolute ethanol (Fluka puriss., >99.8%) solutions followed by sublimation under vacuum. Because 1,13-tridecanediol is not commercially available, it was prepared by reduction of 1,11-undecanedicarboxylic acid (Pfaltz and Bauer) by LiAlH<sub>4</sub> (Aldrich, powder, 95%) in a tetrahydrofuran (Aldrich, anhydrous, 99.9%) solution. The precipitated compound was then purified through up to seven crystallizations from absolute ethanol and repeated sublimations. The purity of 1,7-heptanediol (Pfaltz and Bauer, 98%, liquid at room temperature) was improved by distillation under vacuum. Final purities were determined by the DSC peak profile method and were better than 99.8%, except for 1,7-heptanediol (about 99%). The torsion assembly was described in a previous work [8]. Two aluminium cells (effusion holes, 1.2 and 0.6 mm in diameter), were used to check the possible influence of effusion hole diameter on the pressure values, but such influence was never observed.

Table 1 reports the pressure-temperature equations obtained by least-squares treatment of the data of each run. The slope and intercepts in Table 1 were weighted according to the number of experimental points and

TABLE 1

Number $n$ of $C$ atoms	Run	Number of points	$\Delta T/K$	$\log(p/k\mathbf{P}\mathbf{a}) = A - B/(T/\mathbf{K})$		
				A <sup>a</sup>	B <sup>a</sup>	
7	A	14	331-360	$11.79 \pm 0.13$	$4768 \pm 46$	
	В	21	321-360	$11.80\pm0.26$	$4810 \pm 93$	
	С	14	328-360	$11.44\pm0.18$	$4633 \pm 61$	
	D	13	338-361	$12.62\pm0.21$	$5126 \pm 73$	
9	А	10	355-364	$13.07 \pm 0.73$	$5297 \pm 264$	
	В	10	353-373	$13.17 \pm 0.44$	$5448 \pm 161$	
	С	8	347-361	$12.82\pm0.48$	$5336 \pm 171$	
	D	12	347-373	$13.66\pm0.39$	$5666 \pm 142$	
11	Α	10	355-375	$15.17 \pm 0.40$	$6356 \pm 146$	
	В	12	357-378	$16.04\pm0.33$	$6687 \pm 120$	
	С	8	360-376	$15.46 \pm 0.27$	$6502 \pm 101$	
	D	12	357-376	$15.20\pm0.15$	$6390 \pm 55$	
	Ε	10	352-355	$14.68\pm0.37$	$6161 \pm 133$	
13	А	12	360-387	$14.26\pm0.69$	$6275 \pm 258$	
	В	11	363-387	$14.93 \pm 0.67$	$6536 \pm 251$	
	С	10	357-379	$14.39\pm0.41$	$6318 \pm 152$	
15	Α	9	389-399	$14.54 \pm 0.35$	$6588 \pm 140$	
	В	10	382-400	$13.86\pm0.26$	$6338 \pm 102$	
	С	9	380-401	$14.46\pm0.14$	$6572 \pm 54$	

Temperature dependence of the vapour pressure of the five odd-numbered  $\alpha, \omega$ -alkanediols measured by the torsion-effusion method

<sup>a</sup> The errors are standard deviations.

#### TABLE 2

Comparison between experimental and calculated molar vaporization enthalpies at 298 K for even- and odd-numbered  $C_6$  to  $C_{16} \alpha, \omega$ -alkanediols

Number n of C atoms	T <sub>av</sub> / K	$\frac{\Delta_{vap}H_m^{\Theta}(T_{av})}{kJ \text{ mol}^{-1 a}}$	$\Delta_{\rm vap} H^{\ominus}_{\rm m}(298  {\rm K})/{\rm kJ}  {\rm mol}^{-1}$						
			Experimental		Calculated				
			Our work <sup>c</sup>	Ref. 3	Ref. 11	<b>R</b> ef. 12	Ref. 13	<b>R</b> ef. 14	
6	341	87.0 ± 2.0 <sup>b</sup>	91 ± 3	89.8 ± 0.7 <sup>d</sup>	87.4	89.5	87.0	90.5	
7	341	$92.4 \pm 1.5$	97 ± 2	$96.6 \pm 0.6$	92.4	94.5	91.7	95.6	
8	356	101.1 ± 1.6 <sup>b</sup>	$108 \pm 3$	$103.2 \pm 1.1$ <sup>d</sup>	97.3	99.6	96.3	100.7	
9	360	$104.4 \pm 3.4$	$112 \pm 4$	112.3 ± 1.3 <sup>d</sup>	102.3	104.6	101.0	105.8	
10	364	112.4 ± 2.3 <sup>b</sup>	$120 \pm 3$	$114.1 \pm 1.2^{d}$	107.3	109.7	105.7	110.9	
11	365	$123.0 \pm 1.9$	131 ± 3		112.3	114.7	110.4	116.0	
12	379	119.4 ± 2.7 <sup>b</sup>	$132 \pm 4$		117.2	119.8	115.1	121.1	
13	372	$122.0\pm3.8$	$132 \pm 4$		122.2	124.9	119.8	126.2	
14	386	128.1 ± 2.9 <sup>b</sup>	$141 \pm 4$		127.2	129.9	124.5	131.3	
15	390	$124.3 \pm 1.9$	$138 \pm 3$		132.2	135.0	129.2	136.4	
16	398	$130.5 \pm 1.8$ <sup>b</sup>	$146 \pm 3$		137.2	140.0	133.9	141.5	

<sup>a</sup> The errors are standard deviations. <sup>b</sup> From our previous work [2]. <sup>c</sup> The errors are estimated. <sup>d</sup> Derived from  $\Delta_{sub}H_m^{\ominus}(298 \text{ K})$  and  $\Delta_{fus}H_m^{\ominus}(T_{fus})$  also reported in ref. 3.

the following equations were derived:

for 1,7-heptanediol

 $\log(p/kPa) = 11.89 \pm 0.20 - (4826 \pm 80)(T/K)$ 

for 1,9-nonanediol

 $\log(p/kPa) = 13.22 \pm 0.30 - (5453 \pm 180)(T/K)$ 

for 1,11-undecanediol

 $\log(p/kPa) = 15.33 \pm 0.30 - (6425 \pm 100)(T/K)$ 

for 1,13-tridecanediol

 $\log(p/kPa) = 14.53 \pm 0.20 - (6375 \pm 200)(T/K)$ 

for 1,15-pentadecanediol

 $\log(p/kPa) = 14.27 \pm 0.20 - (6492 \pm 100)(T/K)$ 

Comparison can only be made with the vapour pressures of 1,7-heptanediol and 1,9-nonanediol measured by Knauth and Sabbah at 323 K [3]. Our average values at this temperature  $(8.89 \times 10^{-4} \text{ and } 2.18 \times 10^{-4} \text{ kPa}, \text{respectively})$  are about twice as high as theirs  $(4.61 \times 10^{-4} \text{ and } 1.12 \times 10^{-4} \text{ kPa}, \text{respectively [3]})$ .



Fig. 1. Standard molar vaporization enthalpies at 298 K for even- and odd-numbered C<sub>6</sub> to  $C_{16} \alpha, \omega$ -alkanediols: our results (this work,  $\blacksquare$ ; and ref. 2,  $\blacktriangle$ ) and those from ref. 3,  $\bigcirc$ . Data for alkane-1-ols (full line) are also reported [14].

The vaporization enthalpies of our five diols at the mid-point temperatures are calculated from the slopes of the vapour-pressure equations and are reported in Table 2 (column 3). Satisfactory agreement was found with the calorimetrically measured values at 323 K for 1,7-heptanediol (93.8  $\pm$  0.5 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>) and 1,9-nonanediol (110.0  $\pm$  1.0 kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>) [3].

As the melting points of our diols are slightly higher than 298 K, their vaporization enthalpies were converted to this temperature by considering them as undercooled liquids, except for 1,7-heptanediol, which melts at 290.5 K. The necessary enthalpy functions of the gaseous and liquid diols were obtained by using the  $C_p$  equation derived from Benson's group additivity scheme [9]

 $C_n(g) = 22.2 + 4.82n + (0.034 + 0.061n)T$ 

and that proposed by Missenard [10],

 $C_{\nu}(\mathbf{l}) = -124.6 + 18.1n + (0.712 + 0.034n)T$ 

where  $C_p$  values are expressed in J mol<sup>-1</sup> K<sup>-1</sup> and *n* is the number of carbon

atoms. The uncertainities of the calculated heat capacities led us to assign an error to the final vaporization enthalpies greater than that associated with the slopes of our p-T equations.

The vaporization enthalpies obtained for 298 K are also reported in Table 2 (column 4) together with our previous results for the  $C_6$  to  $C_{16}$  even-numbered diols [2], and are compared with values in ref. 3 (column 5) as well as with those estimated by different methods [11–13, 15] (columns 6–9).

A trend of  $\Delta_{vap}H_m^{\oplus}(298 \text{ K})$  as a function of the C atom number was found (Fig. 1). This substantially confirms the apparent decreasing contribution of the methylene group to the vaporization enthalpies already observed in ref. 2. In the present paper, accentuation of this trend is evident, since the vaporization enthalpies of 1,11-undecanediol, 1,13-tridecanediol and 1,15-pentadecanediol were practically comparable within the experimental errors.

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