



## Action of Diazo-n-Octane on Carboxylic Acid Chloride Having Two Different Sites of Reactivity

## KEYWORDS

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**ABSTRACT** The reaction of 2-methyl acryloyl chloride (1 mol) with diazo-n-octane (2 and 3 mols) gave a mixture of 1-diazo-1-n-heptyl 3-methyl but 3-en 2-one (I) and 3-methyl 3-n-heptyl 1-diazoacetyl 5-n-heptyl pyrazoline (II) respectively in dry ether at 0°C. 2-methyl acryloyl chloride contained two sites of reactivity, an olefinic bond and an acid chloride group. The reactivity of diazoalkanes towards 2-methyl acryloyl chloride is mainly due to the diazogroup present in them. The diazoketones were characterized by various physico-chemical techniques.

## INTRODUCTION

The reaction of diazomethane in recent years has been carried out with various systems and functional groups such as reactive hydrogen, olefinic<sup>1-3</sup> and acetylenic bond, carbonyl group (aldehydic and ketonic) and carboxylic acid chloride or acid anhydride group etc., which may be termed as the sites of reactivity towards it. The action of diazoalkanes on carboxylic acid chlorides or anhydrides<sup>4-6</sup> produce diazoketones. A large number of diazoketones have been synthesized with lower diazoalkanes by using simple acid chlorides having one site of reactivity<sup>7-10</sup>. Some work has also been done in laboratory in the past few years on the synthesis of diazoketones from carboxylic acid chloride<sup>11-14</sup>, containing one or more sites of reactivity towards diazoalkanes.  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated acid chlorides such as 2-methyl acryloyl chloride contained two sites of reactivity towards diazoalkanes, namely an olefinic bond and an acid chloride group. It is possible to attack one or both sites present in them, by using different amounts of diazoalkanes. The acid chloride group is attacked first and therefore by using two molecules of a diazoalkane per molecule of the acid chloride diazok-

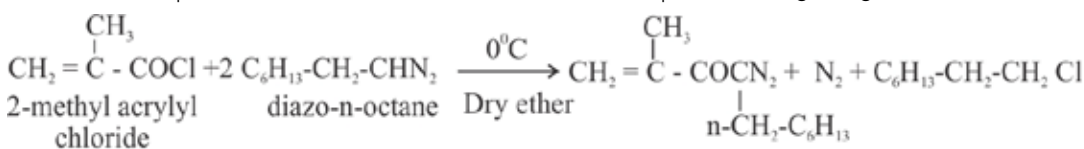
etone, **1-diazo-1-n-heptyl-3-methyl but 3-en-2-one (I)** can be synthesized with the olefinic bond intact. By using three molecules of a diazoalkanes the double bond can also be attacked, resulting in the formation of the diazoketones, **3-methyl 3-n-heptyl 1-diazoacetyl 5-n-heptyl pyrazoline (II)** with a pyrazoline ring.

Above diazoketones were light yellow syrupy liquids. The easily removable diazo group present in them, prevented their purification by distillation, even under vacuum.

## EXPERIMENTAL

**Synthesis of 1-diazo-1-n-heptyl-3-methyl but 3-en-2-one(I) :**

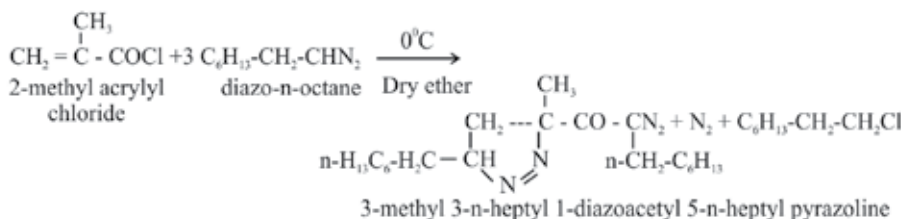
2-methyl acryloyl chloride (1.35g, 1 mol) was dissolved in dry ether and cooled under ice. Then it was added gradually to an ethereal solution of pre-estimated diazo-n-octane (3.62g, 2 mols) at 0°C. The reaction mixture was kept overnight. On removing the solvent at room temperature, diazoketone was obtained as a yellow thin syrupy liquid, containing nitrogen.



The diazoketone so obtained was characterised by elemental analyses and its reactions with 2,4-dinitrophenyl hydrazine, benzoic acid, phenol, dry hydrochloric acid and silver oxide at 30°.

**Synthesis of 3-methyl 3-n-heptyl 1-diazoacetyl 5-n-heptyl pyrazoline (II) :**

2-methyl acryloyl chloride (0.91 g, 1 mol) was dissolved in dry ether and cooled under ice. It was then gradually added to an ethereal solution of pre-estimated diazo-n-octane (3.66g, 3 mols) at 0°C. The reaction mixture was kept at low temperature, diazoketone was obtained as a yellow thin syrupy liquid, containing nitrogen.



The diazoketone so obtained was characterised by elemental analyses and its reactions with 2,4-dinitrophenyl

hydrazine, benzoic acid, phenol, and knorr's test.

The elemental analyses and IR spectral studies were carried out at CDRI Lucknow.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### Characterisation of 1-diazo-1-n-heptyl-3-methyl but 3-en-2-one(l) :

#### a) Formation of 2,4-dinitrophenyl osazone :

The diazoketone with an aqueous alcoholic sulphuric acid solution of 2, 4- dinitrophenyl hydrazine gave a **2,4-dinitrophenyl osazone** as an orange solid, which after crystallisation from ethanol, melted at 125<sup>o</sup>.

#### Elemental analyses:

Found(%) : C= 52.01, H = 5.22, N=20.31,  $C_{24}H_{28}O_8N_8$ , requires (%) : C= 51.79, H = 5.03, N=21.14).

IR(KBr): 3435 (-NH), 1610(C=N), 1315(C-NO<sub>2</sub>), 970(C=C), 734 Cm<sup>-1</sup> (CH<sub>2</sub> rock in-C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>15</sub>).

#### b) Action of dry HCl :

With dry HCl gas in ether-acetone mixture at 0<sup>o</sup>, formed a red liquid, **chloroketone** containing chlorine. It afforded 2, 4- dinitrophenyl hydrazone, crystallised from ethanol melted at 170<sup>o</sup>.

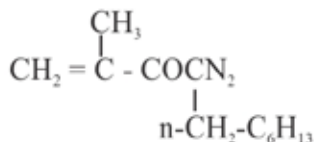
#### Elemental analyses:

Found(%) : C= 54.95, H = 6.38, N=14.31, Cl=8.48,  $C_{18}H_{25}O_4N_4Cl$ , requires (%) : C= 54.47, H = 6.30, N=14.12, Cl=8.95).

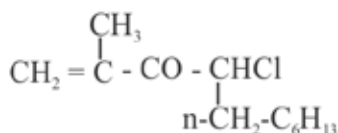
IR(KBr) : 1612(C=N), 1590(-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 970(C=C), 672(C-Cl), 732 Cm<sup>-1</sup> (CH<sub>2</sub> rock in-C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>15</sub>).

#### c) Action of benzoic acid :

The diazoketone on treatment with molten benzoic acid

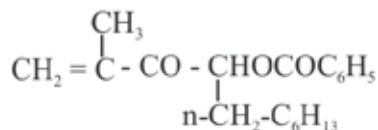


#### 1-diazo-1-n-heptyl-3-methyl but 3-en-2-one



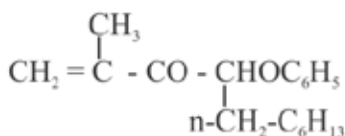
#### 1-chloro-1-n-heptyl-3-methyl but 3-en-2-one

(chloro ketone)



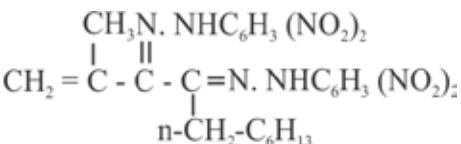
#### 1-benzoyloxy-1-n-heptyl-3-methyl but 3-en-2-one

(ester)

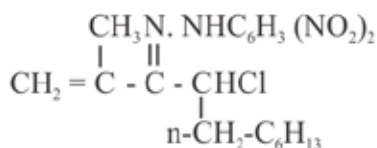


#### 1-phenyloxy-1-n-heptyl-3-methyl but 3-en-2-one

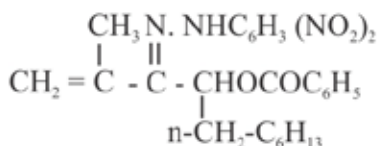
(ether)



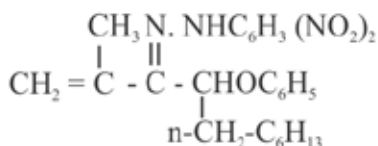
#### 2,4-dinitrophenyl osazone



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gave a dark brown liquid, an **ester** free from nitrogen. It afforded 2,4-dinitrophenyl hydrazone, crystallised from ethanol melted at 171<sup>o</sup>.

#### Elemental analyses:

Found(%) : C= 62.38, H = 6.32, N=11.79,  $C_{25}H_{30}O_6N_4$ , requires (%) :

C= 62.24, H = 6.22, N=11.6

IR(KBr) : 3350 (-NH), 1730 (C=O), 1605 (C=N), 1580 (-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 1270(C-O-C) 1320(C-NO<sub>2</sub>), 965(C=C), 730 Cm<sup>-1</sup> (CH<sub>2</sub> rock in-C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>15</sub>).

#### d) Action of phenol :

With phenol gave a nitrogen free red liquid, an **ether**. It afforded 2,4 nitro phenyl hydrazone, crystallised from ethanol melted at 185<sup>o</sup>.

#### Elemental analyses:

Found(%) : C= 63.68, H = 6.71, N=12.42,  $C_{24}H_{30}O_5N_4$ , requires (%) :

C= 63.43, H = 6.60, N=12.33

IR(KBr) : 1615 (C=N), 1720 (C=O), 1595 (-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 1272(C-O-C), 970(C=C), 740 Cm<sup>-1</sup> (CH<sub>2</sub> rock in-C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>15</sub>).

#### e) Action of silver oxide at 30<sup>o</sup>.

The diazoketone, when stirred with freshly prepared silver oxide in dioxin solution at 30<sup>o</sup> gave yellow liquid. It formed a 2,4- dinitrophenyl hydrazone derivative, crystallised from ethanol, melted at 125<sup>o</sup>, identical with original osazone. Hence the diazoketone remains unaffected.

**Characterisation of 3-methyl 3-n-heptyl 1-diazoacetyl 5-n-heptyl pyrazoline (II) :**

**a) Formation of 2,4-dinitrophenyl osazone :**

The diazoketone with an aqueous alcoholic sulphuric acid solution of 2, 4- dinitrophenyl hydrazine gave a **2,4-dinitrophenyl osazone** as an orange solid, which after crystallisation from ethanol melted at 171°.

**Elemental analyses:**

Found(%) : C= 55.32, H = 6.41, N=20.39,  $C_{32}H_{44}O_8N_{10}$ , requires (%) : C= 55.17, H = 6.32, N=20.11

IR(KBr) : 3440 (-NH), 1622(C=N), 1342(C-NO<sub>2</sub>), 745 Cm<sup>-1</sup> (CH<sub>2</sub> rock in-C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>15</sub>).

**b) Knorr's test for Pyrazoline ring :**

The diazoketone when treated with 2 ml. of moderately concentrated sulphuric acid and few drops of sodium dichromate solution, gave a bluish colouration.

**c) Action of benzoic acid :**

The diazoketone on treatment with molten benzoic acid gave a red liquid, an **ester**, containing nitrogen. It afforded 2,4 nitro phenyl hydrazone,. crystallised from ethanol melted

at 202°.

**Elemental analyses:**

Found (%) C= 63.66, H = 7.39, N=13.50,  $C_{33}H_{46}O_6N_6$ , requires (%) : C= 63.82, H = 7.51, N=13.74

IR(KBr) : 3350 (-NH), 1720 (C=O), 1615 (C=N), 1590 (-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 1320(C-NO<sub>2</sub>), 1265 (C-O-C) 734 Cm<sup>-1</sup> (CH<sub>2</sub> rock in-C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>15</sub>).

**d) Action of phenol :**

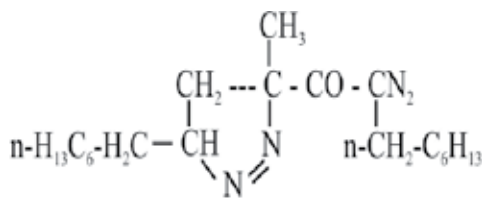
With phenol gave an **ether**, containing nitrogen. It afforded 2,4 nitro phenyl hydrazone, crystallised from ethanol melted at 182°.

**Elemental analyses:**

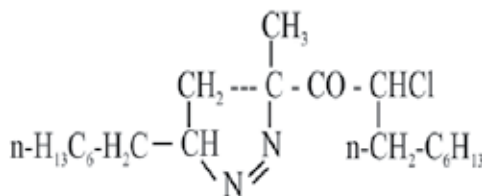
Found(%): C= 64.83, H = 7.99, N=14.41,  $C_{32}H_{46}O_5N_6$ , requires (%) :

C= 64.64, H = 7.74, N=14.14

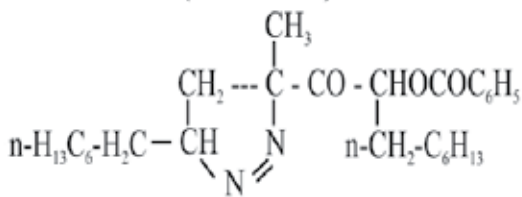
IR(KBr) : 1615 (C=N), 1722 (C=O), 1590 (-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 1265(C-O-C), 935(C=C), 740 Cm<sup>-1</sup> (CH<sub>2</sub> rock in-C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>15</sub>).



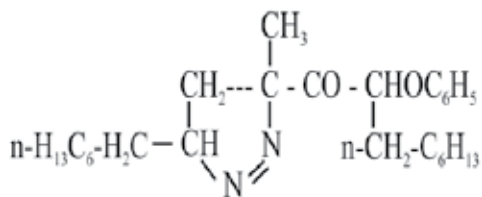
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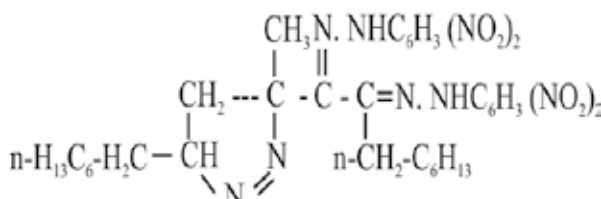
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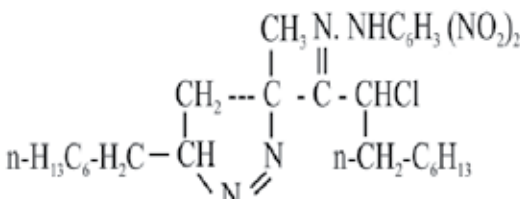
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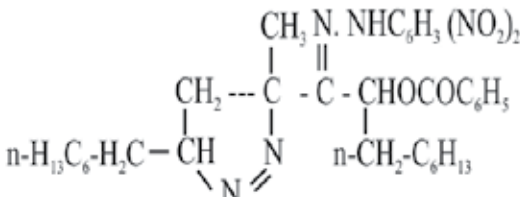
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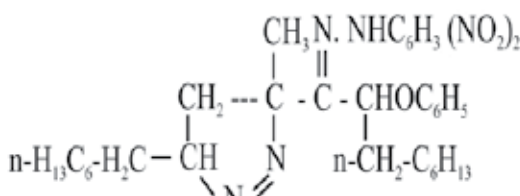
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