

KMnO₄-Montmorillonite를 이용한 초음파적 알코올의 산화반응

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Oxidation of Alcohols under Sonication by KMnO₄ Supported on Montmorillonite

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Recent studies have demonstrated the application of montmorillonite clay(K-10)-based reagents such as aldol reaction¹, synthesis of enolthioether², Friedel-Crafts alkylation³, acetal formation from alcohols and organic gem-dihalides⁴, porphyrin synthesis by condensation of pyrrole with aldehydes⁵, nitration of phenols⁶, conversion of alcohols to nitriles⁷, oxidation of alcohols to aldehyde or ketones⁸ and benzoin to benzils⁹. The above examples are promoted by either clay supported metal salts³, metal nitrates^{1,4-9} or clay itself^{2,10}. Some of these are phase transfer process with clay supported catalysts⁴. We recently reported the montmorillonite catalyzed reduction of nitroarenes with hydrazine¹⁰ and ultrasound accelerated permanganate oxidation of alcohols¹¹. In this paper, we wish to present the oxidation reaction of alcohols under sonication in the presence of potassium permanganate supported on montmorillonite. Results are summarized in the *Table*. Excellent yields of products were obtained in relatively short reaction time when the alcohol, dissolved in 1,2-dichloroethane, was added to montmorillonite and KMnO₄. A reaction mixture was sonicated and the products were analyzed by G. C. *Table* also shows the results of the oxidation reaction of KMnO₄ that was powdered, dried, and used without montmorillonite. Astonishingly, the catalytic activity of KMnO₄ that is not supported was found to be

very low (entry 1~4, 9). For example, the cyclohexanone was obtained in 100% yield in the presence of montmorillonite, while only 35% yield in the absence of the supporter (entry 1).

Overoxidation product was observed only in the case of cinnamyl alcohol (entry 5) like as previous results¹¹.

In an attempt to obtain additional information which might lead to a better understanding of these important oxidants supported on montmorillonite, we have undertaken a similar study of the oxidation of various alcohols by montmorillonite supported-MnO₂. As expected, the yields obtained after a comparable period time at same reaction condition were improved moderately (15% was improved with clay for cycloheptanol; 30% for benzyl alcohol and 40% 4-chlorobenzyl alcohol). But, oven dried (12 hr, 150°C) montmorillonite before use did not effect the yields.

Typical procedure for this oxidation is as follows. Alcohol (0.01 mol), 0.7 g of montmorillonite (K-10), 1.58 g (0.01 mol) of powdered and dried KMnO₄ and 6 ml of 1,2-dichloroethane were added to the ultrasonic reactor¹¹ under nitrogen and the mixture was sonicated. Reaction vessel temperature was maintained at 35°C by using a running water bath. A strong atomization phenomena (fogginess) was occurred during sonication. The reaction was monitored by GC. Because of the

Table 1. Ultrasound accelerated oxidation of alcohols by KMnO_4 supported on montmorillonite

| Entry | Alcohol | Product | KMnO_4 -Clay-Ultrasound ^a % yield(time, hr) ^c | KMnO_4 -Clay-Stirring ^b % yield(time, hr) ^c |
|-------|---|-------------------------------|---|---|
| 1 | Cyclohexanol | Cyclohexanone | 100(1.5), 35 ^c | 33(3), 4.2(5) ^g |
| 2 | Cycloheptanol | Cycloheptanone | 100(1), 45 ^d | 32(1.5), 4.5(5) ^g |
| 3 | PhCH_2OH | PhCHO | 100(1), 40 ^d | 46(2) |
| 4 | 4- ClPhCH_2OH | 4- ClPhCHO | 100(1), 40 ^d | 69(2), 16(5) ^g |
| 5 | $\text{PhCH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{OH}$ | $\text{PhCH}=\text{CHCHO}$ | 59(3) ^e | 8(3), 4.5(3) ^g |
| 6 | 2- ClPhCH_2OH | 2- ClPhCHO | 100(1.5) ^f , 88 ^d | 76(2.5) ^f |
| 7 | 1-Octanol | 1-Octanal | 100(1.5) ^f | |
| 8 | 2-Octanol | 2-Octanone | 100(2) ^f | 49(2.5) ^f , 2.6(5) ^g |
| 9 | 4- $\text{CH}_3\text{OPhCH}_2\text{OH}$ | 4- CH_3OPhCHO | 100(1), 74 ^d | 45(2) |

^a10 : 10 mmol of alcohol : KMnO_4 and 0.7 g of montmorillonite were employed at 35°C in 10 ml of 1,2-dichloroethane and sonicated. ^bStirring at same reaction condition. ^cG.C.yield. ^dSonication without montmorillonite. ^e21% of benzaldehyde and 8% of benzoic acid were also found by G.C. along with 12% of cinnamyl alcohol. ^f3 mmol of KMnO_4 was employed. ^g2 : 12.8 mmol of alcohol : KMnO_4 were employed in 6 ml of benzene.

experimental simplicity and high yield of the KMnO_4 supported on montmorillonite oxidation of alcohols, it is anticipated that the reaction by clay supported reagents will find wide application in synthetic organic chemistry. In conclusion, high yields and short reaction time are the obvious advantages to KMnO_4 -montmorillonite clay (K-10) system.

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