

# A New Method of Halogenation of Aromatic Compounds

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## ABSTRACT

A halogenation of eleven aromatic compounds using a new method for iodination of activated aromatic compounds is presented. The reaction of one mole of aromatic compound with a mixture of one mole Potassium iodide and two moles Potassium sulfate in the presence of hydrochloric acid gives mono iodo aromatic compounds in high yields. The products have been identified by (I.R) spectrally and also by quantitative elemental analysis.

In conclusion, a convenient and versatile procedure for iodination of activated aromatic compounds has been reported. In this method, neither harmful reagents are used nor toxic residues are left after completion of the reaction. Thus, these iodination reactions are indeed, environmentally benign. In each case, mono iodination was identified with high yields.

## Introduction

Iodo aromatics are useful materials or intermediates for the production of specially chemicals like medical drugs, agricultural chemicals, photosensitive materials, dyestuffs etc. They are also useful for the preparation of organometallic reagents and in metal catalysed coupling reactions which are applied for the preparation of complex molecules<sup>1</sup>.

Apart form the applications; preparation of iodo organic is also an interesting one due to the least reactive nature of iodine among the halogen. Hence, iodination simply by molecular iodine is not possible; with most of the aromatic substrates, a powerful iodinating species more than iodine is required.

This is usually achieved by adding an oxidant like  $\text{CrO}_3^2$ ,  $\text{NO}_2^3$ ,  $\text{KMnO}_4^4$ , Silversulphate<sup>5</sup> etc. with diiodine or by using an iodonium donating reagents like N-iodosuccinidimide,<sup>6,7</sup>iodinemonochloride,<sup>8</sup>  $\text{NaI}$  /  $\text{Conc.H}_2\text{SO}_4^9$ , etc. Most of these methods require toxic reagents and /or severe reaction conditions and by leaving hazardous waste make environmental problems.

## Experimental

### Instrumentation:

Appellate used were I.R.: Infrared Spectrophotometer, type (Philips), PU9706, Univ. Anbar, College of Sci. Dep. of Chem., C.H.N.: Element Analysis, Analyzer, Elmer 240 B-perken, Univ. Mutaa, College of Science Dept. of Chemistry Jordan. and Purity of the iodoproduct was checked by TLC technique on silica gel-G coated aluminium plate, using hexane as eluent. The chromatogram was developed under a mixture of 1% vaniline and 5% ethanolic sulfuric acid as reagent.

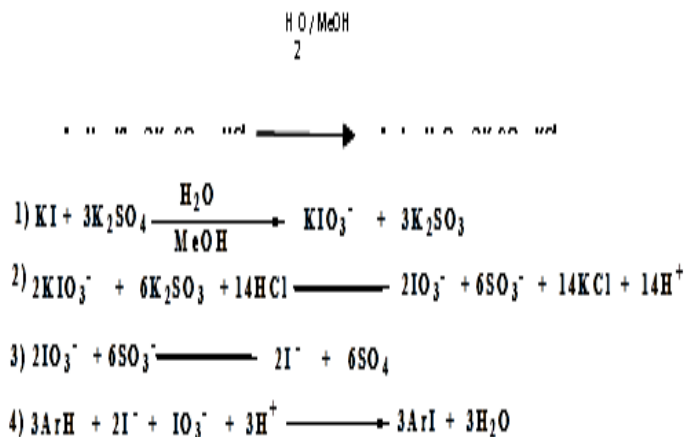
### procedure

A solution of o-Nitro aniline (3g, 0.022 mmol), Potassium iodide (3.52g, 0.022 mmol) and Potassium sulfate (5.94g, 0.044 mmol) was prepared in methanol (5mL) and 30 mL water. This mixture was treated at room temperature with 8 ml of hydrochloric acid over 2 h. After completion of reaction (TLC monitoring), the reaction mixture was extracted with diethylether (4x10 mL). The ether extract was washed with dilute Potassium thiosulphate (5%), water and dried over anhydrous  $\text{K}_2\text{SO}_4$ . Removal of solvent gave a residue which was purified through a short column packed with silica gel using hexane as eluent to afford P-iodo-o-

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Nitroaniline (2.51g, 83.7%), mp. (219-220) C. Were diagnosed produced by Spectrally (I.R).  
(See Table (1)(2)) in addition to the accurate quantitative elemental analysis.

In the same way to (eleven compounds ) were prepared. (See. Table (1), and (2)).



scheme 1.

Careful product analysis(TLC, elemental analysis, I.R.) confirmed the formation of P-Iodo o-nitro aniline with very good yields. To generalize this iodination reaction of arenes, different activated aromatic substrates were chosen and the reactions were carried out under similar reaction conditions ( Table 1).As expected, all the substrates undergo iodination reactions and delivered mono iodo product in good yields.

In this iodinating system, the possible iodination reactions of aromatic compounds are shown in **scheme 1**. When Potassium iodide is treated with Potassium sulfate in the presence of hydrochloric acid, iodide anion is liberated. The iodide anion thus formed undergoes oxidation reaction with iodate and furnishes more reactive electrophilic iodonium ion which can affect aromatic iodination.

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## Results and Discussion

Initially, the test reaction was carried out on o-Nitro aniline with Potassium iodide and Potassium sulfate in the presence of hydrochloric acid in aqueous methanol according to the stoichiometry. Fig. (1) and **scheme 1**.

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Table (1) Characterization data of Prepared (1-11)

No.	Substrate	Product	(M.Wt.)	M.P/C°	Yield%	Analysis Clod./ (Found)			
						C%	H%	N%	I%
1	O-nitroaniline	P-Iodo O-nitro aniline	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> I (263.98)	219-220	83.7	27.30	1.89	10.61	48.07
						27.01	1.30	9.88	47.09
2	O-nitrophenol	P-Iodo O-nitro phenol	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> NO <sub>2</sub> I (264.97)	211-210	91.4	27.20	1.51	5.29	47.89
						26.90	1.02	5.01	46.82
3	M-nitrotoluene	P-Iodo M-nitrotoluene	C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>6</sub> NO <sub>2</sub> I (262.98)	259-260	88.0	31.97	2.28	5.33	48.25
						31.68	2.09	5.20	48.11
4	M-Methylaniline	P-Iodo M-Methylaniline	C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>7</sub> NI (232.98)	238-239	89.2	36.08	3.43	6.01	54.47
						35.98	3.40	5.96	54.38

11	10	9	8	7	6	5
Aniline	P-Nitrotoluene	Benzotricid	Toluene	Methylnaphthale	Naphthalene	P-Methylaniline
P-Iodo aniline	O-Iodo P-nitrotoluene	M-Iodo benzoic acid	P-Iodotoluene	O-Iodo $\beta$ -Methylnaphthal	O-Iodo Naphthalene	O-Iodo P-Methylaniline
$C_6H_5NI$ (218.87)	$C_7H_4NO_2I$ (262.98))	$C_7H_5O_2I$ (247.97)	$C_7H_7I$ (217.60)	$C_{11}H_9I$ (268.01)	$C_{10}H_7I$ (254.00)	$C_7H_5NI$ (232.98)
67.68	54.55	159.153	177.178	150.151	293.294	215.216
87.3	85.5	88.4	87.0	90.2	88.6	79.8
32.91	31.97	33.90	38.64	49.29	47.28	36.08
32.55	31.66	33.80	38.33	48.92	47.10	36.01
2.74	2.28	2.02	3.22	3.36	2.76	3.43
2.62	2.15	—	2.98	3.12	2.42	3.14
6.40	5.33	—	—	—	—	6.01
6.16	5.23	—	—	—	—	5.77
57.95	48.25	51.18	58.32	47.35	49.96	54.47
57.49	47.99	50.91	57.89	47.25	49.52	54.26

Table (2) IR. Spectra of Prepared (1-11)

2	1	NO.	Other			
			group	cm <sup>-1</sup>	group	cm <sup>-1</sup>
-----	3470-3390	N-H cm <sup>-1</sup>				
510	525	C-I cm <sup>-1</sup>				
1308	1295	C-N cm <sup>-1</sup>				
1210-980	1100-900	C-C cm <sup>-1</sup>				
1550-1470	1610-1500	C=C aromatic				
790	810	C-H cm <sup>-1</sup>				
NO <sub>2</sub>	NO <sub>2</sub>					
1400,1390	1450,1398					
CH	OH					
3510	3425					

11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3
3190,3290	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	3480-3380	3410-3310	-----
500	550	550	510	520	510	560	550	550
1298	1292	-----	-----	-----	-----	1325	1255	1290
1090-910	1050-910	1090-950	1010-980	1020-970	1010-950	1050-900	1040-930	1050-910
1610-1500	1530-1560	1600-1590	1600-1500	1620-1500	1600-1500	1630-1510	1640-1590	1530-1560
810	810	820	850	800	790	810	810	810
-----	NO <sub>2</sub>	OH	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	NO <sub>2</sub>
-----	1490,1368	2940	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	1490,1355
-----	CH	C=O	CH	CH	-----	CH	CH	CH
3200	2900	1700	3100	3100	-----	3200	3200	3100

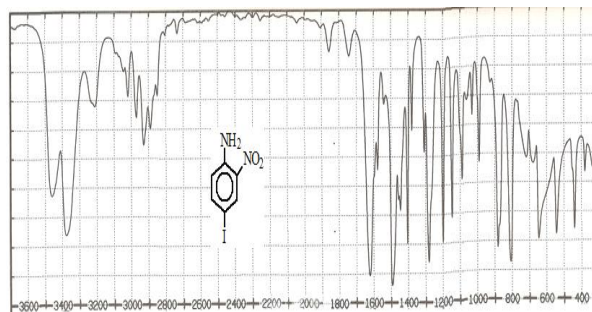


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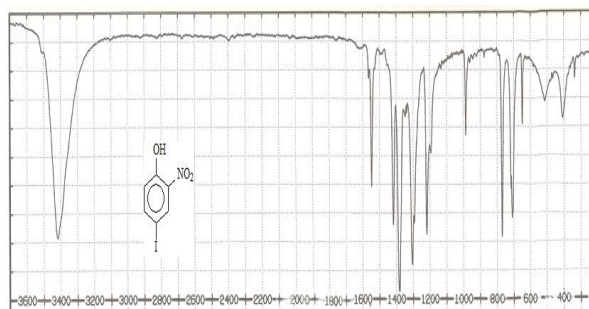


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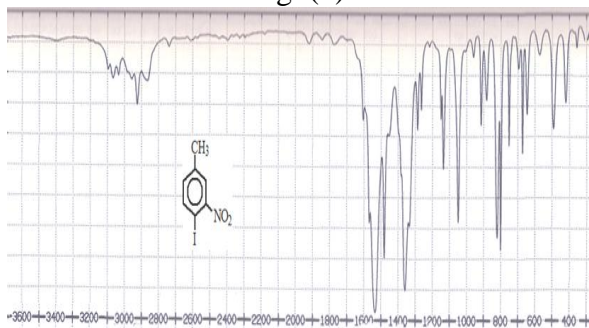


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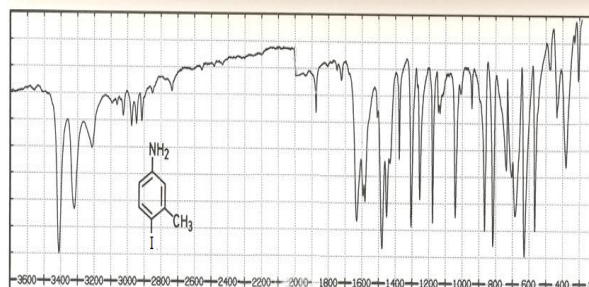


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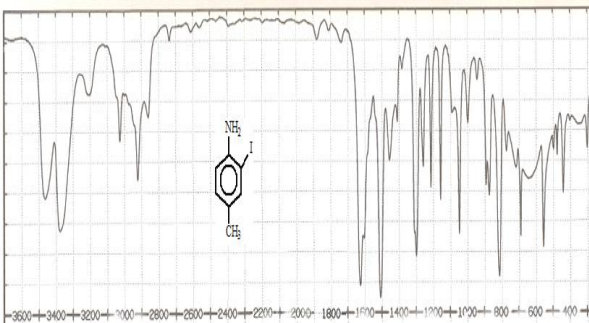


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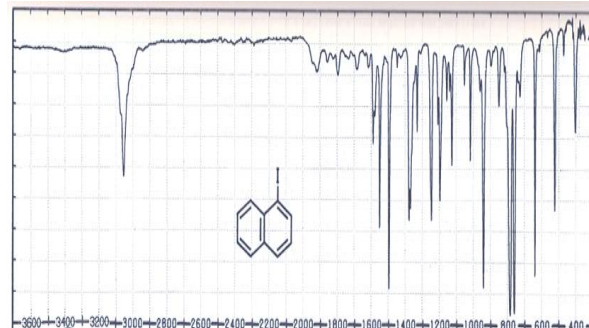


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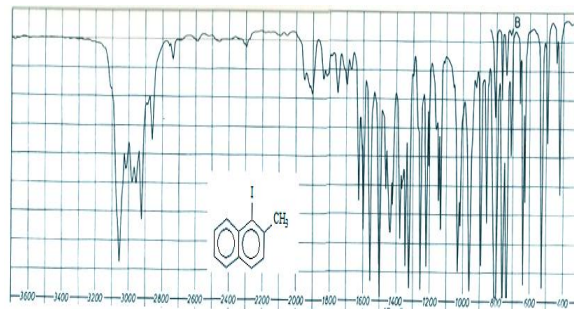


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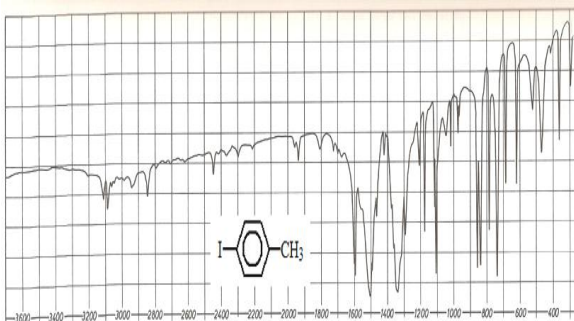


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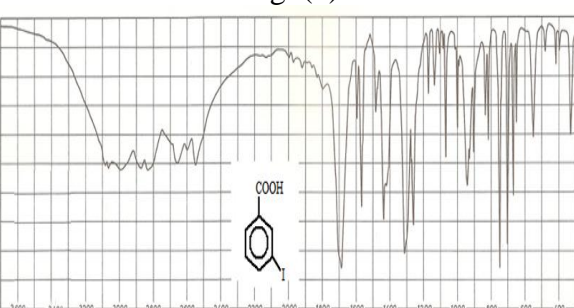


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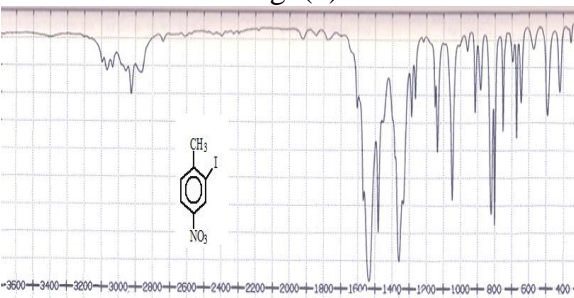


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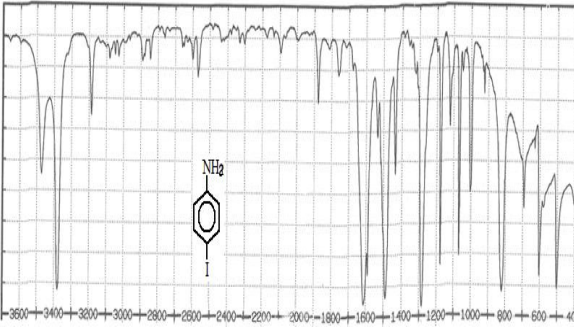


Fig. (11)

## طريقة جديدة لهجنة المركبات الاروماتية

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### الخلاصة

تم هجنة احدى عشر مركب اروماتي بوساطة اليود، وبصورة رئيسية استخدمت طريقة جديدة لهجنة المركبات الاروماتية، حيث تم تفاعل واحد مول من المركب الاروماتي مع مزيج مكون من واحد مول يوديد البوتاسيوم مع مولين من كبريتات البوتاسيوم بوجود حامض الهيدروكلوريك، واعطى مركبات احادية اليود وبنسبة منتج عالية، وتم تشخيص الناتج طيفيا بطيف الـ(I.R) والتحليل الكمي للعناصر . ونتيجة لذلك تعتبر هذه الطريقة طريقة عمل سهلة ومتعددة الاستعمال ليودنة المركبات الاروماتية . ولم تستعمل بهذه الطريقة أي كواشف ضارة ولم ينتج اويترك مركبات جانبية سامة بعد اكمال التفاعل ، وبهذا التفاعل اليودنة في الحقيقة تفاعل نقي وفي كل حالة ينتج مركب احادي اليود.