Chem 101 Lab Note

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Procedure

In the lab experiment, I synthesized tetramethylammonium triiodide (NMe4I3) and Tetramethylammonium Pentaiodide (NMe4I5) by reacting iodine (I2) with Tetramethylammonium lodide (NMe4I) in a controlled stoichiometry. I weighed approximately 0.521 g of NMe4I and 0.531 g of I2 for the triiodide synthesis, and 0.508 g of NMe4I and 1.332 g of I2 for the pentaiodide synthesis. I dissolved the reactants in 12 mL of 95% ethanol, gently heating the mixture on a hot plate with stirring until complete dissolution occurred. After cooling, I obtained crystalline products (0.146 g NMe4I3 and 1.329 g NMe4I5). I performed vacuum filtration using a Buchner funnel and filter paper to separate the crystals from the filtrate, washing them twice with hexanes. The crystals were left to dry under vacuum for 10 minutes, and I collected and weighed the samples accurately for further analysis. This method allowed for the controlled synthesis and isolation of tetramethylammonium triiodide and pentaiodide salts.

Products (Pictures, Colour, Product Names)



Figure 1: 0.146 g NMe4I3



Figure 2 1.329 g NMe415

3 Chemicals as References

Commercial Products: Iodine, Lot: N9823360; Tetramethylammonium Iodide (NMe₄I), Sigma Aldrich, Co., 3050 Spruce Street, St. Lois, MO 63103 USA 314-771-5765; Hexane, Anachemia 23H1761046