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Chemical Formula: $C_{13}H_{19}N_2OBr_2Cl$

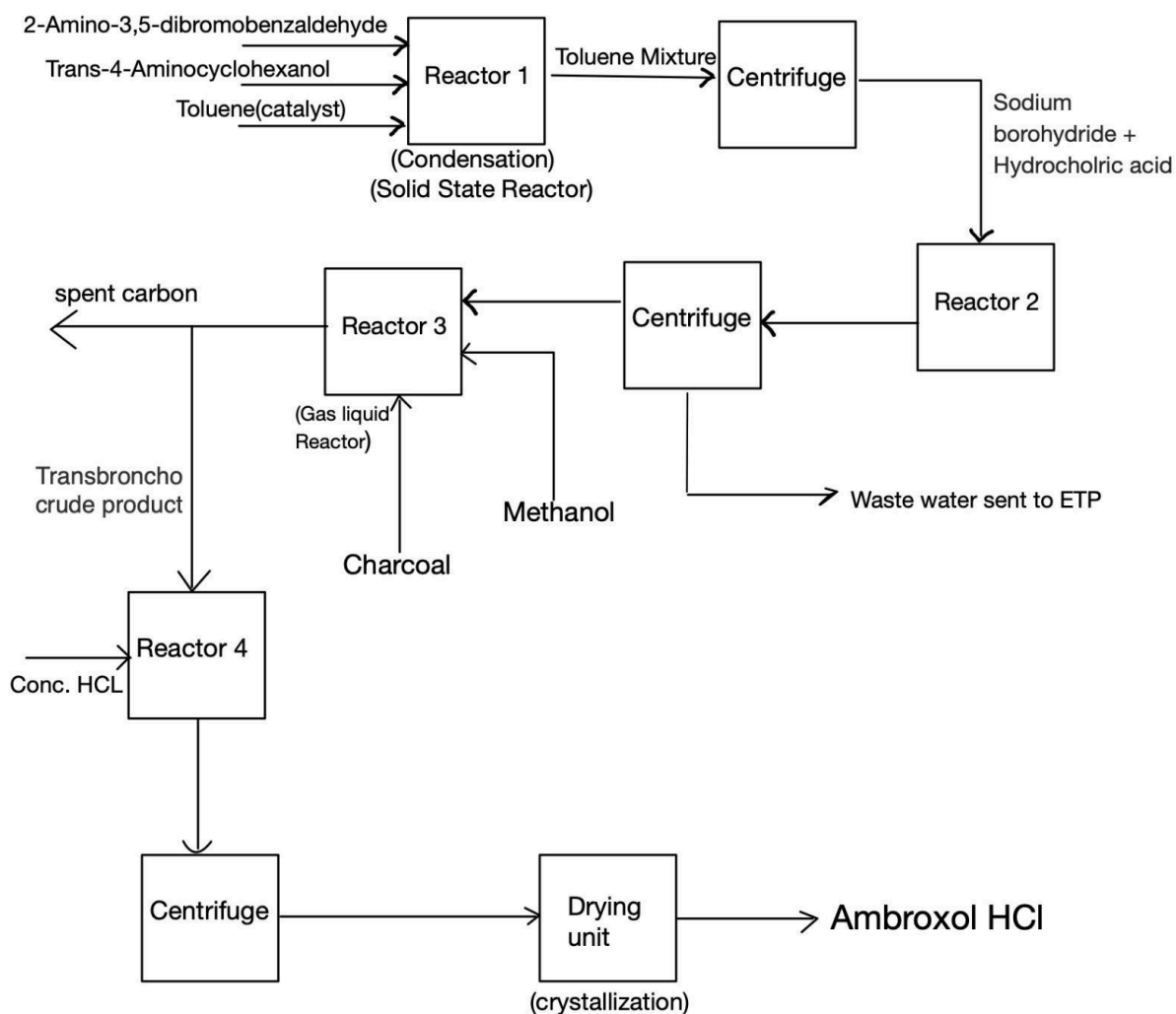
Chemical Name: Ambroxol

Process Title: Production of Ambroxol using Toluene

Process Description:

Reaction is happening in the following 3 steps:-

- Condensation: In this step, we use 2-amino-3,5-dibromo benzaldehyde and Trans-4-Aminocyclohexanol, stir in a solvent, and get Schiff bases solution.
- Reduction: In The Schiff bases solution add sodium borohydride or lithium aluminium hydride (we are using sodium borohydride) to get the Trans broncho alkaline solution.
- Salify: With the Trans broncho alkaline solution cooling that step b obtains, regulate pH value with the hydrochloric acid solution under the agitation condition, the temperature control reaction is filtered, and washes and drying gets Ambroxol HCl. The yield of the step-1 reaction is 90.16% The yield of the step-2 reaction is 71.17% The final purity is 83%.

Block diagram**Unit operation and operation condition****1. Solid-State Reaction (SSR Reaction):**

- **Unit Operation:** Solid - liquid reactor (stirred tank reactor)
- **Operating Conditions:**
 - Temperature: 60 °C-65 °C
 - Pressure: Atmospheric pressure.
 - Catalysts: Toluene

- **Input:**
 - 2-Amino-3,5-dibromobenzaldehyde
 - Trans-4-Aminocyclohexanol
 - Toluene
- **By-Product:** None

2. Centrifuge (Toluene mixture)-

- **Unit Operation:** Centrifugation.
- **Operating Conditions:**
 - Rotation Speed: Sufficient to separate the desired product from the toluene mixture.
- **Input:** Toluene mixture.
- **By-Product:** Toluene is sold to an authorised party.

3. Sodium Borohydride and Water (Ambroxol stage I):

- **Unit Operation:** Reaction with sodium borohydride and water.(jacketed and agitated reactor)
- **Operating Conditions:**
 - Temperature: 20 °C-30 °C
 - Reaction time -6 hr
 - Pressure: Atmospheric pressure.
- **Input:**
 - Sodium borohydride
 - Water
 - Intermediate compounds
- **By-Product:** None

4. Centrifuge

Unit operation - For Separation

- **Input:** intermediate compound
- **By-Product:** Waste water sent to Effluent Treatment Plant (ETP).

5. Methanol and Charcoal:

- **Unit Operation:** Reaction with methanol and charcoal. (Bubble column)
- **Operating Conditions:**
 - Temperature: Reaction temperature suitable for the specific chemistry involved.
 - Pressure: Atmospheric pressure.
- **Input:**
 - Methanol
 - Charcoal
 - Intermediate compounds
- By-product: Spent carbon (filtered charcoal).

6. Concentration (Conc. HCL):

- **Unit Operation:** Concentration.
- **Operating Conditions:**
 - Temperature: 0 °C-5 °C
 - Reaction time- 2-6 hr
 - Pressure: Atmospheric pressure.
 - Evaporation Rate: Controlled as per concentration requirements.
- **Input:** Ambroxol HCl solution.

7. **Drying:**

- **Unit Operation:** Drying.
- **Operating Conditions:**
 - Temperature: Controlled temperature suitable for drying the product.
 - Pressure: Atmospheric pressure.
- **Input:** Ambroxol HCl solution.
- **Product:** Ambroxol HCl (final product).

Material Balances:

The reaction takes place in 2 stages:

1. The yield of the step-1 reaction is 90.16% (in reference plant). For calculation, we will use 90%.
For the production of 3.44kmol/day of intermediate production with 90% actual yield, we need 3.82kmol/day of ADBA i.e. 1066.4kg/day of ADBA required.
We need the 3.82 Kmol/day of TACH also, but in general industrial practices, it is taken in some extra amount, typically 1.5 times ADBA so we need 658.95kg/day of TACH.
The amount of water generated is 3.44kmol/day, i.e. 61.92 litres/day.
2. The yield of the step-2 reaction is 71.17% (in reference plant). For calculations, we will use 70%.
We need to produce 1000 kg/day of ambroxol, i.e. 2.41kmol/day with 70% actual yield we need 3.44kmol/day of intermediate.
In industrial practices, NaBH_4 is taken 3.5-4 times stage intermediate; we are taking 3.75 times, so for our plant production, we need 12.9kmol/day of NaBH_4 , i.e. 490.2kg/day required.
In industrial practices, HCl is taken roughly the same quantity as stage intermediate, we need 125.56kg/day of HCl for our plant. NaBH_2 produced is 12.9kmol/day, i.e. 464.4kg/day. NaBH_2 produced is 12.9kmol/day, i.e. 464.4kg/day.

Capital cost (only for the reactor):

Equipment	Design Capacity (L)	No. of units	Cost/unit (\$ for year 2014)	Total Cost (\$ for year 2014)
Reactor 1(Jacketed and agitated)	2500 L	1	37,700	37,700
Reactor 2(Jacketed and agitated)	2500L	1	37,700	37,700

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- Prince Yadav has provided unit operation and operation conditions after getting information from the flow diagram.
- C Zoliansangi made the block diagram in accordance with the unit operation
- Mohit and Harshit calculated the design capacity of the reactor from the material balance and the capital cost.

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Nature of Invention: Process design

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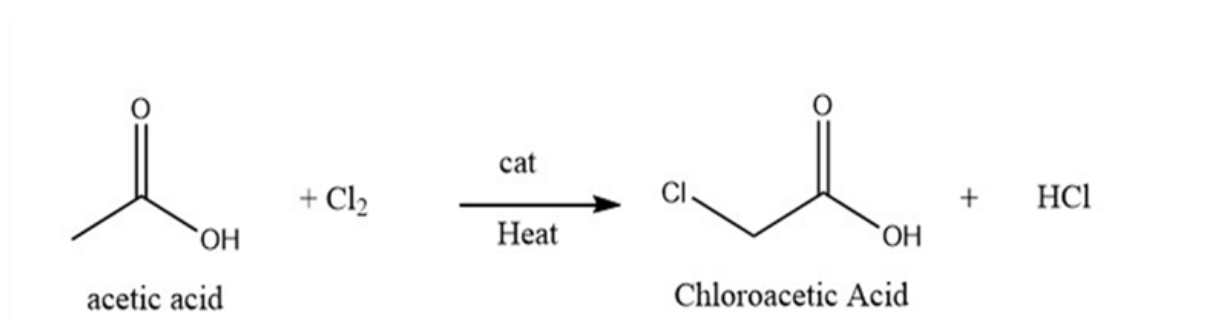
Chemical Formula: $C_2H_3O_2Cl$

Chemical Name: Mono-Chloro Acetic Acid (MCAA)

Process Title: Preparation of MCAA using Glacial Acetic acid

Process Description:

We are adding chlorine gas to Glacial acetic in the presence of strong acid as a catalyst to form MCAA. The reaction is Endothermic.

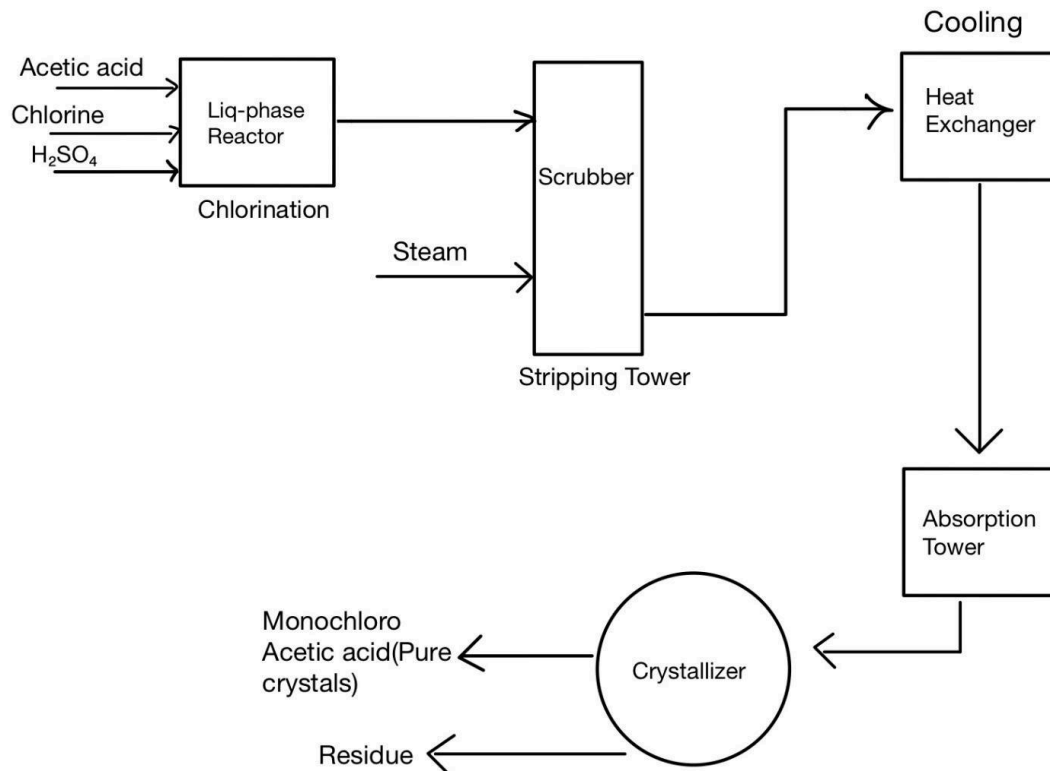


Reaction Temperature: 105°C to 110°C

Reaction Time: 6 to 7 hrs

Yield: 89.5%

Purity: 93.8% (in product mixture) 97.5% to 99.1% (After crystallisation and separation).

Block Diagram**Unit operations and process conditions****1. Chlorination Reaction:**

- **Unit Operation:** Reactor operation (liquid-phase reactor)
- **Operating Conditions:**
 - **Temperature:** Not explicitly provided, but typically within the range suitable for liquid phase reactions.
 - **Pressure:** 3-5 bar
 - Chlorine gas saturation in the liquid phase, under waterless conditions.
 - Endothermic reaction.
- **Type of Reactor:** Liquid-phase reactor

2. Stripping:

- **Unit Operation:** Stripping tower operation
- **Operating Conditions:**
 - **Temperature:** Not explicitly provided, but typically between 120 and 180°C.
 - **Pressure:** Between 1 and 7 bar
- **Type of Reactor:** Scrubber

3. Cooling:

- **Unit Operation:** Cooling process
- **Operating Conditions:**
 - **Temperature:** Cooling to a temperature between 10 and 60°C (preferably around 35°C)
- **Type of Equipment:** Cooling system or heat exchanger

4. Absorption:

- **Unit Operation:** Absorption tower operation
- **Operating Conditions:**
 - **Temperature:** Operating at the cooled temperature of the gaseous HCl stream.
- **Type of Reactor:** Absorption tower

5. Crystallization:

- **Unit Operation:** Crystallisation process
- **Operating Conditions:**
 - **Temperature:** Dynamic behaviour analysis indicates a temperature of 273 K (0°C) as optimal.
- **Type of Equipment:** Crystallisation vessel or crystallizer

Specific Operating Conditions:

- The chlorination reaction occurs in a liquid-phase reactor under pressure, with chlorine gas saturation in the liquid phase, typically at temperatures suitable for liquid-phase reactions.
- Stripping of the liquid phase occurs at elevated temperatures and pressures to separate MCAA and DCAA.
- Cooling of the gaseous HCl stream occurs between 10 and 60°C before absorption.
- HCl gas is absorbed at the cooled temperature of the gaseous HCl stream.
- Crystallisation is carried out at a temperature of 273 K (0°C) for optimal separation of MCAA from the mother liquor.

Material Balances:

Yield: 89.5%

For 1000kg/day production of Mono chloro acetic acid production, i.e. 10.58kmol/day production, we need $(10.58/0.895=11.82)$ 11.82 Kmol/day (709.2kg/day) of Acetic acid with 89.5% yield.

We need 11.82kmol/day (839.22kg/day) of Chlorine gas also, in this process, 431.43kg/day of HCl is produced.

Capital cost (only for the reactor):

Equipment	Design Capacity (L)	No. of units	Cost/unit (\$ for year 2014)	Total Cost (\$ for year 2014)
Reactor 1 Jacketed and Agitated(Liquid-phase reactor)	1850 L	1	44,900	44,900

Note :

1. **Design capacity is calculated by converting the mass required of the reactants into volume by using the density.**

Density of liquid Acetone = **784 kg / m³**

Density of saturated liquid chlorine = **1467 kg / m³**

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