

Synthesis of Guanidine Derivatives and Catalyst

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Abstract

In light of this, guanidine and its most basic derivatives are precursors that are readily available for commercial use. One of the guanidinium salts, specifically guanidinium isocyanate, was evaluated as a lysis buffer against COVID-19. This is something that should be brought to your attention. At the present time, there are several techniques available for the synthesis of a wide variety of guanidine derivatives. It is possible to categorize their distinctions, first and foremost, according to the amount of substituents and the nature of those substituents (whether they are electron-donating or electron-withdrawing, bulky or not, or protective groups). Granulating reagents are the name given to these substrates, which are the first substrates that act as a building block for the guanidine moiety. In the sectors that demand the application of strong non-nucleophilic bases, substituted guanidine derivatives, particularly those that are sterically hindered, are actively employed. These bases have high solubility in organic solvents, low toxicity, high efficiency, and the capacity to be recycled. In this section, examples of these bases, which range from 1 to 14, are shown. Compounds 9–14 have just recently been synthesized, although they show a great deal of promise. Guanidine bases 1–8 are utilized extensively in the process of organic synthesis.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Homogeneous catalysis, heterogeneous catalysis, and biocatalysis are the three major categories that fall under the umbrella term of catalysis. In the process of homogeneous catalysis, the phases of the reactant and the catalytic reaction are same, but in the process of heterogeneous catalysis, they are comparable. The term "biocatalysis" refers to the process that uses enzymes or other biological components as catalysts rather than chemicals. It is possible for a catalyst to change the pace of a reaction, but it does not impact the equilibrium of thermodynamics. When it comes to catalysts, promoters are responsible for accelerating the rate of reaction, whereas inhibitors are meant to slow down the pace of reaction. In the process of catalytic reactions, a series of cyclic reactions are carried out by means of complex formation between the reactants and the catalyst. This complex creation results in the release of the products, which in turn frees the catalyst for use in another cycle. As a result, the majority of industrial processes make use of heterogeneous catalysis phenomena.

At the very least, the history of catalysis may be traced back to the year 1794, when Elizabeth Fulham utilized oxidation-reduction experiments to discover the concept of catalysis. In the year 1811, Gottlieb Kirchhoff was the first person to use a catalyst in an organic chemical process. This catalyst was used to generate glucose from starch through an acid-catalyzed reaction. In 1835, Berzelius made a description of the reactions that were accelerated by chemicals that remained intact after the reaction. He referred to this phenomenon as "catalysis." In collaboration with Berzelius, Eihard Mitscherlich conducted research on the acceleration of chemical processes in the presence of solids. He subsequently used the term "contact process" to describe these phenomena, which has been in use for more than a century.

Status Of Heterogeneous Catalysis

Numerous factors contribute to the prominence of heterogeneous catalysis, including the accountability of large-scale production, selective product generation, and a speedier process. The chemical and energy sectors are the primary contributors to the majority of chemical transformations. These industries are responsible for transforming fossil fuels into useful goods with the assistance of heterogeneous catalysts. Catalysis has an effect on 35 percent of the world's gross domestic product (GDP), equal to 90 percent (by volume) of the chemicals that are created by solid catalysts. When compared to the net value of the items that are developed, such as polymers, insecticides, cosmetics, plastics, antibiotics, paints, chemical intermediates, and cleaning products, the money that is generated by the sales of catalysts is enormous. In the field of green chemistry, heterogeneous catalysis has emerged as the most valuable asset due to its ability to lessen the amount of undesirable byproducts that are generated during the refining process. In the process of heterogeneous catalysis, the phases of the reactants and

catalysts are distinct from one another. The surface area of the catalyst serves as a diaphragm for the exchange of reactive substances and products with the catalyst. A significant advantage of using heterogeneous catalysts as opposed to homogenous catalysts in terms of practical application is primarily the straightforward method of catalytic separation from the final products. This is in contrast to the use of homogenous catalysts. The availability of surface area and the acid/base state of the surface-active sites are two factors that determine the efficacy of the heterogeneous catalyst. On the other hand, the heterogeneous catalytic recyclability and reusability without additional treatment are extremely valuable properties, provided that the material possesses high stability and a reduced activity loss. A cogent heterogeneous system is characterized by the most important parameter, which is the selection of the catalyst. In the present day and age, the catalysts that are most commonly used are metals and metal oxides.

OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

1. To study on Synergistic Effects in Heterogeneous Catalysis
2. To study on Synthesis of Guanidine Derivatives

Structure and Properties of Supported Metal Catalysts

When it comes to heterogeneous catalysis, an array of supported metal catalysis is an essential group. This type of catalysis involves the distribution of minute metal particles on a porous surface. When it comes to catalyzing processes such as oxidation, dehydrogenation, cyclization, aromatization, and isomerization, the transition metals such as Fe, Ni, Mn, Rh, Ru, Ag, Cu, Zr, and some inner transition elements such as Sm and Ce are of utmost significance. The distribution of the metal, as well as the ratio of metals on the surface to the total number of metallic atoms, is a significant factor in determining the catalytic activity of the catalyst. On account of their huge surface area, the supporting materials, which include silica, multi-walled carbon nanotubes (MWCNTs), magnesia, alumina, and phosphates, are able to offer active sites for the metal particles. A broad range of applications may be found for transition metals because of its advantageous properties, which include higher thermal dependability, satisfactory mechanical strength, and comparatively low cost. In addition to contributing to the selective catalytic activity of the catalyst, the supports can also give the catalyst with its mechanical strength. According to the supporter material, the structural stimulation of the active sites of the metal component can be achieved by the association of the metal with the support.

Metal-Supported Interaction

It is related to a phenomenon that occurs at the interface, which leads to the catalytic characteristics of the metal particles being affected by material that is supporting them. Schwab, Solymosi, and their colleagues established in the late 1950s and early 1960s that the electronic impact of the metal-support contact had an effect on the catalytic capabilities of the material. At this point in time, the term "metal-support interaction" refers to a variety of processes, including but not limited to the following: morphological changes of metal particles led by the support; sintering encapsulation; wetting; distributing the metal particles into the supporter; cascade of adsorbates from metal particles; and some others.

Synergistic Effects in Heterogeneous Catalysis

It is well acknowledged that mixed metal catalysts are notable for their performance in terms of activity increase, selectivity, and environmental favorability. The catalytic-support environment in these heterogeneous composite catalysts improves the features of the catalysts, including their activity and selectivity, as well as their stability over a longer period of time. It is possible for the structure, size, composition, and processing methods of heterogeneous compounds to have an effect on the catalytic performance of these compounds. As an additional point of interest, it is contingent upon the chemical process that follows the synergy that occurs between the substrate and the catalyst. Due to the fact that it is heterogeneous and that there are many different elements that influence the complicated combination of characteristics and performance of the catalyst, it is frequently reciprocal. There is a considerable relationship between the particle size effect and the catalytic performance across a wide spectrum of metal particles. In spite of this, there are other elements that are accountable for a change in the catalytic behavior and particle size, which ultimately results in a modification in the structure of the catalyst. Therefore, we might reach the conclusion that structural sensitivity is an extremely important factor in the process of catalysis.

Guanidine

The discovery of guanidine occurred in the latter half of the nineteenth century. Guanidine is a type of nitrogen-rich organic molecule that is colorless and soluble in polar solvents. It is found in nature in a wide variety of materials, including rice hulls and turnip juice, among other kinds of plants. In addition to mammals, earthworms, and mussels, as well as in urine as a byproduct of the metabolism of proteins. Additionally, the

guanidine group and its derivatives can be found in a number of other extremely significant biological molecules, including arginine (an amino acid), agmatine (a neurotransmitter), creatine (a muscle energy intermediate), guanine (purine bases of DNA and RNA), and a number of natural alkaloids, such as tetrodotoxin and saxitoxin, amongst others. Over the course of several decades, guanidine-containing pharmaceuticals have been linked to the presence of extremely intriguing medicinal qualities. As a result, these medications have been exposed to a substantial amount of preclinical and clinical testing.

Synthesis

For the purpose of chemically generating guanidine, there are a few different approaches that have been examined in the past. These procedures provide the most efficient guanylation methods for each circumstance. In order to accomplish the goals of this study, we will provide a basic overview of the strategies that are the most often used and practical. The synthesis of guanidine may be broken down into two primary approaches, which are listed together. In the first method, which is referred to as the "classical guanidine synthesis," the stoichiometric reactions that include compounds that are referred to as "guanidylating agents" are the primary focus. The alternative method is the catalytic approach, which allows one to get substituted guanidine.

1 Classical synthesis

In most cases, the synthesis of guanidine core comprises the interaction of an amine with an activated guanidine precursor, which is then followed by the removal of the protecting group by the process of deprotection, which results in the production of the corresponding free guanidine. As a result of this technique, synthetic challenges that are associated with reactivity and purification operations will be avoided.

Among the many different types of guanidine precursors, some examples include thioureas, isothioureas, amidine sulfonic acids, cyanamides, carbodiimides, pyrazole carboximidamides, triflyl guanidine, and benzotriazoles. In order to select the guanidylating precursor, the reactivity of the amine is taken into consideration. It is recommended to use Lewis-acid promoted reactions when dealing with aromatic amines. Because aliphatic amines are more nucleophilic than other types of amines, there is a significantly wider variety of reagents available. These primary techniques for the synthesis of guanidine may be classified according to the quantity of substituents and their characteristics, such as whether they are electron-donating or electron-withdrawing, whether they are bulky or not, or whether they include protecting groups. Additionally, the classification is also dependent on the initial substrate that is used as a building block for the guanidylating reagent. One such way to categorize these processes is according to the sort of reaction mechanism that they involve, such as nucleophilic substitution or nucleophilic addition.

1. **Thioureas** :- The reaction of amines with electrophilic thiourea derivatives is extremely robust and useful, and it has been used to a number of different aromatic and aliphatic amines. This process calls for the use of thiophilic Lewis acid derivatives, such as salts of mercury (II), bismuth (III), or copper (II). Those substances are referred to as DE sulfurising agents, and they are responsible for the formation of an electrophilic carbodiimide, which is then attacked when the amine is present. The synthesis of bis-Boc protected guanidine was accomplished by Rong and colleagues in 2019 by the utilization of an I₂ mediated desulfurization of N,N'-Di Boc-thiourea. This was accomplished by conducting tests on a number of primary amines that had been deactivated both sterically and electrically.
2. **Isothioureas** :- Considering that they are readily available for commercial use and simple to manufacture, isothioureas are a particularly intriguing guanylation agent. It has been demonstrated that Smethyl-N, N'-bis-Boc-isothiourea may be utilized effectively in the preparation of a substantial number of guanidine derivatives with satisfactory yields. Additionally, Takeuchi has devised a method that is effective for the preparation of guanidine by utilizing isothioureas. In order to do this, amine salts of bis(trifluoromethanesulfonic)imide were utilized, which enabled a successful conversion to take place under weakly acidic circumstances at a temperature of 50 °C. The use of various amines and cyclic isothioureas resulted in the production of high yields of the respective guanidines of the compounds.
3. **Amidine Sulfonic Acids** :- There is evidence to suggest that sulfonic acids generated from thiourea can also function as highly effective guanidylating ingredients. Following the displacement of the oxidized sulfur that occurs as a result of exposure to the nucleophilic amine, the guanidine that is required will be produced.

Synthesis Of Guanidine Derivatives

The most common guanidine salts are nitrate, hydrochloride, carbonate, and sulfate. These crystalline solids are stable and may be manufactured in industrial settings using either the chemical technique (the melting of ammonium salts with urea) or through the waste products of the urea synthesis process. In light of this, guanidine and its most basic derivatives are precursors that are readily available for commercial use. One of the guanidinium salts, specifically guanidinium isocyanate, was evaluated as a lysis buffer against COVID-19. This

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Nucleophilic substitution and nucleophilic addition are the two types of reactions that may be utilized to explain all of the reactions that have been seen. Hence, the classical method of the substitution of thiourea ylides with amines or an analogous process with thiourea and Mukaiyama's reagent, method consisting in the substitution of thiourea trioxide with amines, method the substitution of a pyrazole derivative with amines, as well as less popular methods can be attributed to the nucleophilic substitutions of a leaving group (LG) of the guanilating reagent with an amino group, the addition of amines to cyanamides, the addition to carbodiimides, can be formally attributed to the nucleophilic additions, scheme. The process involves the addition of diiodomethane to a thiourea derivative in the presence of a base, which is then followed by the opening of the four-membered 1,3-thiazetidine ring with an amine.

Guanidine Derivatives as Catalysts

One of the characteristics that sets guanidine and its alkyl and cycloalkyl derivatives apart from other compounds is the fact that they possess powerful basic qualities. As a result of their high Broensted basicity, these guanidine derivatives are classified as organic bases and are frequently referred to as superbases or proton sponges. In the sectors that demand the application of strong non-nucleophilic bases, substituted guanidine derivatives, particularly those that are sterically hindered, are actively employed. These bases have high solubility in organic solvents, low toxicity, high efficiency, and the capacity to be recycled. In this section, examples of these bases, which range from 1 to 14, are shown. Compounds 9–14 have just recently been synthesized, although they show a great deal of promise. Guanidine bases 1–8 are utilized extensively in the process of organic synthesis. From the data that has been provided, it appears that the structural parameters have a significant impact on the basicity of the compounds that correspond to them. The most important aspects are geometry and the presence of substituents at the nitrogen atoms, both of which have an effect, either directly or indirectly, on the amount of energy gained through the creation of hydrogen bonds during the process of protonation and deprotonation.

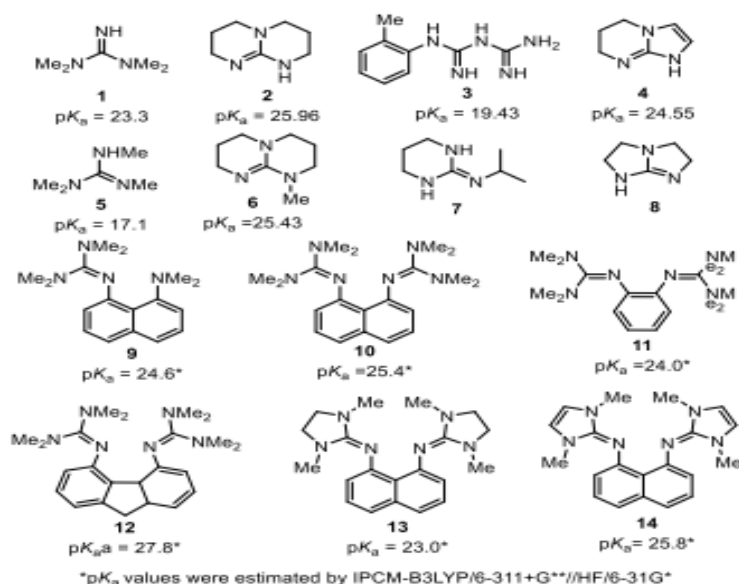


Figure 1 Superbases based on guanidine and the values of pK_a of the conjugated acids.

Therefore, the comparison of cyclic analogs with acyclic ones, for instance in the case of compounds 1 and 2 or 5 and 6, demonstrates that the cyclic derivatives have a greater basicity than the acyclic analogs. However, the addition of alkyl substituents at the nitrogen atom results in a decrease in the basicity of the compounds 1 and 5, as well as the pair of compounds 2 and 6. This is the case for both of these compounds. This is because the production of hydrogen bonds in the case of substituted nitrogen atoms of guanidine moieties does not result in an additional energy benefit.

This is the explanation that can be given for this phenomenon. In addition, the incorporation of a guanidine moiety into compound 10 results in an increase in the basicity in comparison to that discovered in compound 9. Additionally, other elements have a vital part in the alterations that occur in the fundamental nature. Comparing compound 13 to compound 14, the planarity of the guanidine moieties in compound 14 allows for a significant rise in the basicity of the molecule. In the case of compounds 11 and 12, for instance, a change in the mutual placement of the guanidine moieties inside a single molecule is the cause of a change in the strength of the bases that correspond to those moieties.

Several theoretical and experimental efforts have been conducted in order to provide an explanation for the reliance of the fundamental characteristics on the structures of guanidine derivatives. those guanidine derivatives that are capable of establishing intermolecular hydrogen bonding in a gas phase and that include one, two, or three distinct alkyl substituents. The most significant influence that hydrogen bonds have on the pKa values, as determined by both calculations and experiments, was found to be the case.

II. CONCLUSION

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