Sustainable Two-phase Procedure for V-catalyzed Toluene Oxidative Bromination with $\rm H_2O_2/KBr$

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Results and Discussion







Figure ESI 2 Absorption spectra of $VO_3^- + 2$ equivalents H_2O_2 at increasing pH values.



Figure ESI 3 Absorption spectra of MoO_4^{2-} + increasing amounts of H_2O_2 at pH=1.



Figure ESI 4 Absorption spectra of MoO_4^{2-} + 2 equivalents H_2O_2 at increasing pH values.

Run 1							
VO ₃ ⁻ 0.01 M, KBr 0.025 M, H ₂ O ₂ 0.02 M							
PhMe,	PhCH ₂ Br	PhCHO	PhCHBr ₂	time, h	conversion		
10^3 x mmol	10^3 x mmol	10^3 x mmol	10^3 x mmol		PhMe, %		
199	0	0	0	0	0		
145	56.7	2.8	0.6	2	27		
119	79.6	5.0	0.8	4	40		
112	81.8	5.5	0.9	6	44		
92.5	92.5	7.3	1.1	24	53.5		
MoO ₄ ²⁻ 0.01 M	, KBr 0.025 M, I	H ₂ O ₂ 0.02 M					
197	0	0	0	0	0		
157	41.0	3.8	0	2	20.3		
132	59.4	6.3	0.4	4	30		
127	65.7	7.5	0.5	6	35.5		
115	74.4	9.6	0.7	24	41.6		
Run 2							
VO ₃ ⁻ 0.01 M, K	Br 0.05 M, H ₂ O	2 0.02 M					
197	0	0	0	0	0		
141	62.9	2.5	0.5	2	28.9		
110	87.9	4.0	1.1	4	44.6		
102	96.8	4.7	1.3	6	48.2		
91.3	107	6.4	1.7	24	53.7		
MoO ₄ ² 0.01 M, KBr 0.05 M, H ₂ O ₂ 0.02 M							
195	0	0	0	0	0		
108	92.6	4.0	1.1	2	44.5		
80.6	115	7.7	2.2	4	58.8		
71.1	122	9.6	2.6	6	63.6		
57.3	135	11	3.2	24	70.6		
Run 3							
VO ₃ ⁻ 0.01 M, KBr 0.025 M, H ₂ O ₂ 0.04 M							
198	0	0	0	0	0		
147	54.2	1.46	0.47	2	25.8		
122	77.7	1.62	0.82	4	38.4		
112	87.9	1.90	0.98	6	43.4		
104	93.2	2.36	1.17	24	47.5		
MoO ₄ ² 0.01 M, KBr 0.025 M, H ₂ O ₂ 0.04 M							
198	0	0	0	0	0		
130	66.9	3.7	0.6	2	34		
93.2	103	6.9	1.5	4	63		
82.8	110	9.0	1.9	6	58		
66.9	115	10.1	2.3	24	66		

Run 4							
VO ₃ ⁻ 0.01 M, KBr 0.025 M, H ₂ O ₂ 0.04 M, in two portions, the second one added after 6h							
200	0	0	0	0	0		
145	59.1	2.9	0.4	2	27.5		
125	75.4	4.8	0.8	4	37.5		
82.9	117	5.9	2.3	6	58.6		
58.8	138	6.4	3.4	24	70.7		
MoO ₄ ²⁻ 0.01 M	, KBr 0.025 M, I	H ₂ O ₂ 0.04 M, in	two portions, the	e second o	ne added after		
бh							
206	0	0	0	0	0		
136	63.6	6.2	0.5	2	34		
111	87	7.6	1.0	4	46.1		
65.4	131	8.5	3.4	6	68.3		
33.6	158	8.6	6.8	24	83.7		
Run 5							
VO ₃ ⁻ 0.01 M, KBr 0.05 M, H ₂ O ₂ 0.04 M							
195	0	0	0	0	0		
50.3	151	2.7	5.3	2	74.2		
31.0	165	3.5	8.2	4	84.1		
26.5	168	3.9	8.8	6	90		
MoO ₄ ²⁻ 0.01 M, KBr 0.05 M, H ₂ O ₂ 0.04 M							
199	0	0	0	0	0		
9.2	177	2.3	18.1	2	95.4		
0.4	148	1.1	55.2	4	99.8		
0.4	137	1.57	66.8	6	99.8		



Figure ESI 5 Disappearance of PhMe with time, in the different runs of Table 1. Reaction conditions, H_2O/DCM , VO_3^- .



Figure ESI 6 Formation of benzyl bromide with time, in the different runs of Table 1. Reaction conditions, H_2O/DCM , VO_3^- .



Figure ESI 7 Formation of PhCHO with time, in the different runs of Table 1. Reaction conditions, H_2O/DCM , VO_3^- .



Figure ESI 8 Disappearance of PhMe with time, in the different runs of Table 1. Reaction conditions, H_2O/DCM , MoO_4^{2-} .



Figure ESI 9 Formation of bromomethylbenzene with time, in the different runs of Table 1. Reaction conditions, H_2O/DCM , $MoO_4^{2^2}$.



Figure ESI 10 Formation of dibromomethylbenzene with time, in the different runs of Table 1. Reaction conditions, H_2O/DCM , MoO_4^{2-} .

VO3 0.01 M, $H_2O_2 0.02 M$, $T = 25 °C$ PhCH ₂ Br $o + p$ - PhCHO time, h overall $10^3 x mmol$ C_6H_4MeBr $10^3 x mmol$ yield, % $10^3 x mmol$ $10^3 x mmol$ $10^3 x mmol$ yield, % 55.7 2.6 7.8 2 33.1 70.6 4.5 11.0 4 43.1 75.1 6.0 13.9 6 47.5 84.2 13.9 20.2 24 58.2 MoO_4^2 $0.01 M$, KBr $0.025 M$, $H_2O_2 0.02 M$, $T = 25 °C$ 73.1 4.7 8.6 2 43.2 109 8.8 15.2 4 66.5 124 9.9 19.6 6 76.7 144 26.2 27.8 24 99.0 8.8 15.2 40.5 55.5 14.1 11.5 2 40.5 57.6 17.0 15.9 4 45.2 57.3 18.7 18.0 6 47.0 55.8 19.0 20.2 24 47.5							
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VO₃ 0.002 M, KBr 0.025 M, H ₂ O ₂ 0.02 M,							
10.4 1.2 4.6 2 8.1							
33.1 3.2 10.4 4 23.4							
48.4 8.5 15.8 6 36.3							
54.6 9.8 22.2 24 43.3							
$M_0O_4^{2-}$ 0.002 M, KBr 0.025 M, H ₂ O ₂ 0.02 M, T = 25 °C							
33 2.5 7.14 2 21.3							
81.5 6.4 16.7 4 52.3							
115 9.8 24.1 6 745							
138 22.2 37.0 24 98.6							
Run 4							
VO_3 0.002 M, KBr 0.025 M, H ₂ O ₂ 0.02 M, T = 40 °C							
40.5 9.8 9.1 2 29.7							
45.1 14.8 14.7 4 37.3							
44.2 15.7 17.0 6 38.5							
43.8 16.9 20.4 24 40.5							
MoO_4^{2-} 0.002 M, KBr 0.025 M, H ₂ O ₂ 0.02 M, T = 40 °C							
61.0 10.1 8.4 2 39.7							
77.6 15.9 14.0 4 53.8							
79.7 17.2 16.5 6 56.7							
78.2 18.3 18.0 24 57.3							

Table ESI 2. Benzylic Bromination of Toluene in $PhMe/H_2O$ with KBr+H₂O₂ and V(V) or Mo(VI).

Run 5								
VO_3 0.01 M, KBr 0.025 M, H ₂ O ₂ 0.02 M, in two portions (the second one								
added after 4h), $\mathbf{T} = 25 \ ^{\circ}\mathbf{C}$								
14.8	1.6	4.8	2	10.6				
23.2	5.4	11.0	4*	19.8				
74.1	9.7	19.2	6					
84.2	20.9	26.3	24					
	Run 6							
VO_3 0.002 M, KBr 0.05 M, H ₂ O ₂ 0.04 M, T = 40 °C								
72.1	10.7	10.6	2	23.3				
88.1	16.7	16.5	4	30.3				
88.7	17.6	18.9	6	31.3				
87.4	18.3	21.3	24	31.8				
$M_{0}O_{4}^{2-}$ 0.002 M, KBr 0.05 M, H ₂ O ₂ 0.04 M, T = 40 °C								
172	22.6	14.4	2	52.3				
185	28.5	20.2	4	58.4				
186	29.7	23.1	6	59.5				
185	30.9	24.4	24	60.1				
	Run 7							
VO ₃ 0.01 M, H ₂ O ₂ 0.04 M, in two portions (the second one after 4 h),								
T = 40 °C								
40.6	9.7	8.5	2	29.4				
40.9	11.0	11.5	4*	31.7				
69.3	19.7	17.8	6	26.7				
66.5	22.6	21.4	24	27.6				
MoO_4^2 0.01 M, H_2O_2 0.04 M, in two portions (the second one after 4 h),								
$T = 40 \ ^{\circ}C$								
118	18.8	14,6	2	75.7				
134	24.5	20,9	4*	89.7				
174	35.5	30,0	6	59.88				
187	58.3	39.1	24	71.25				

* Second portion of H_2O_2 ; subsequent yields were calculated on the total amount of hydrogen peroxide.



Figure ESI 11 Formation of benzyl bromide with time, in the different runs of Table 2. Reaction conditions, PhMe/H₂O, $MoO_4^{2-}25$ °C.



Figure ESI 12 Formation of benzyl bromide with time, in the different runs of Table 2. Reaction conditions, PhMe/H₂O, $MoO_4^{2-}40$ °C.



Figure ESI 13 Formation of o- + p-bromotoluene with time, in the different runs of Table 2. Reaction conditions, PhMe/H₂O, VO₃.



Figure ESI 14 Formation of o- + p-bromotoluene with time, in the different runs of Table 2. Reaction conditions, PhMe/H₂O, MoO₄²⁻.



Scheme ESI 1 Possible mechanism for electrophilic aromatic bromination of toluene.

Experimental Section



Figure ESI 15. Typical gas-chromatogram of a mixture containing (with increasing retention times): toluene, benzaldehyde, decane (internal standard), and benzyl bromide.



Figure ESI 16. Typical gas-chromatogram of a mixture containing (with increasing retention times): decane (internal standard), *o*-bromotoluene, *p*-bromotoluene, dibromomethylbenzene



Figure ESI 19. Gas-chromatogram (TIC) and mass spectrum of dibromomethylnenzene.



Figure ESI 20. ¹H-NMR spectrum of dibromomethylnenzene.



Calibration curves for quantitative gas-chromatographic analyses.



p-bromotoluene has the same response factor.