

PHARMACEUTICAL ORGANIC CHEMISTRY-II- BP301T

UNIT: 4 Polynuclear hydrocarbons

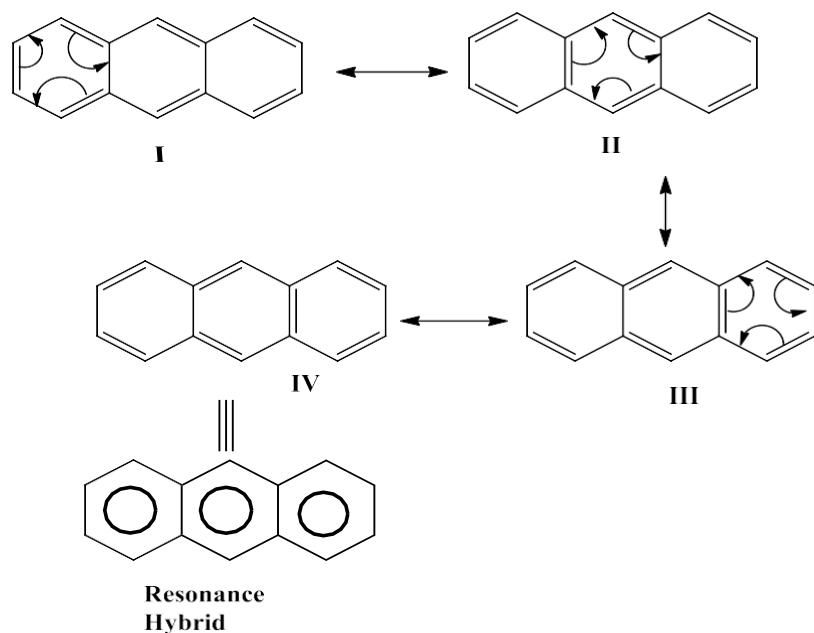
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TOPIC: Anthracene

Chemical Properties

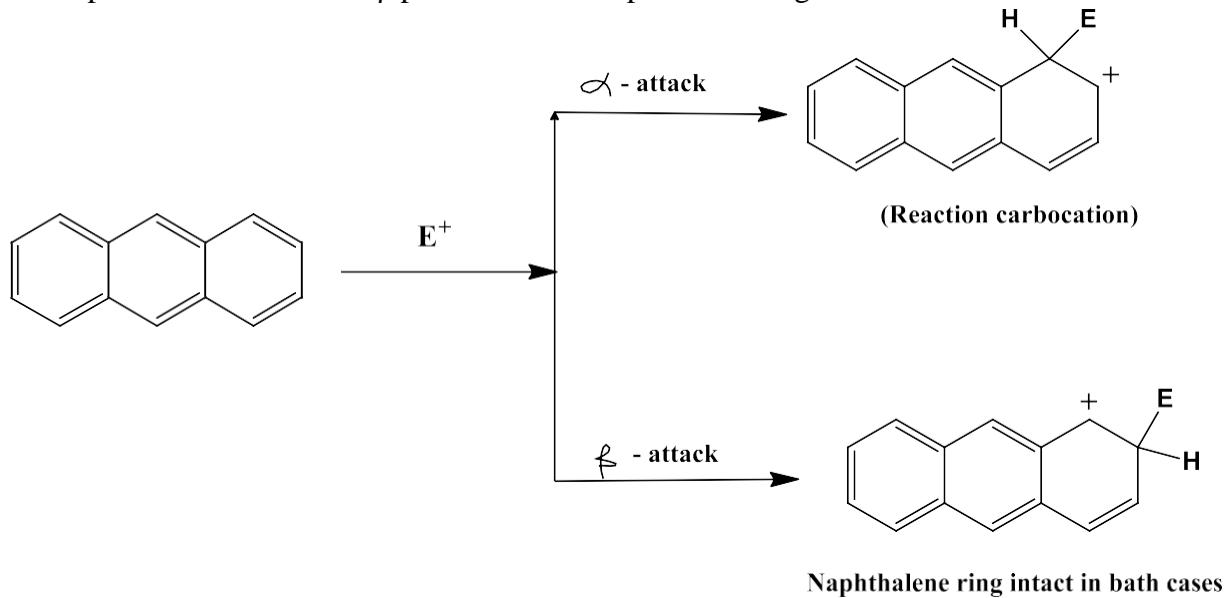
1. Anthracene is a well known aromatic compound. It has cyclic, Planner structure and follow Huckel's rule having total no. of $14\pi e^-$ ($n=3$).

2. Resonating structure



3. Electrophilic substitution reaction

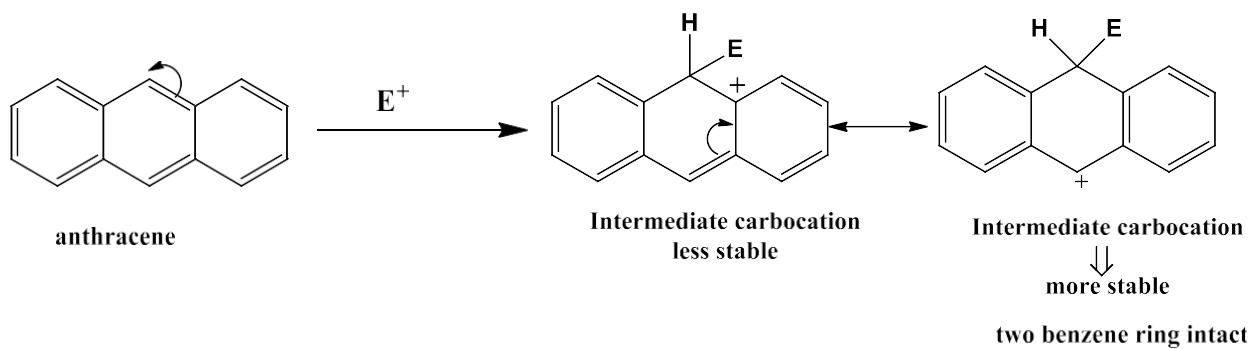
- Anthracene is aromatic in nature and hence undergo characteristic reactions of aromatic reaction i.e. electrophilic substitution reaction.
- There are three different positions in this compound, where, monosubstitution can be take place, α , β , γ . This can be decided on the basis of loss in resonance energy in substitution on the three positions.
- Electrophilic attack on α and β positions left a naphthalene ring intact.

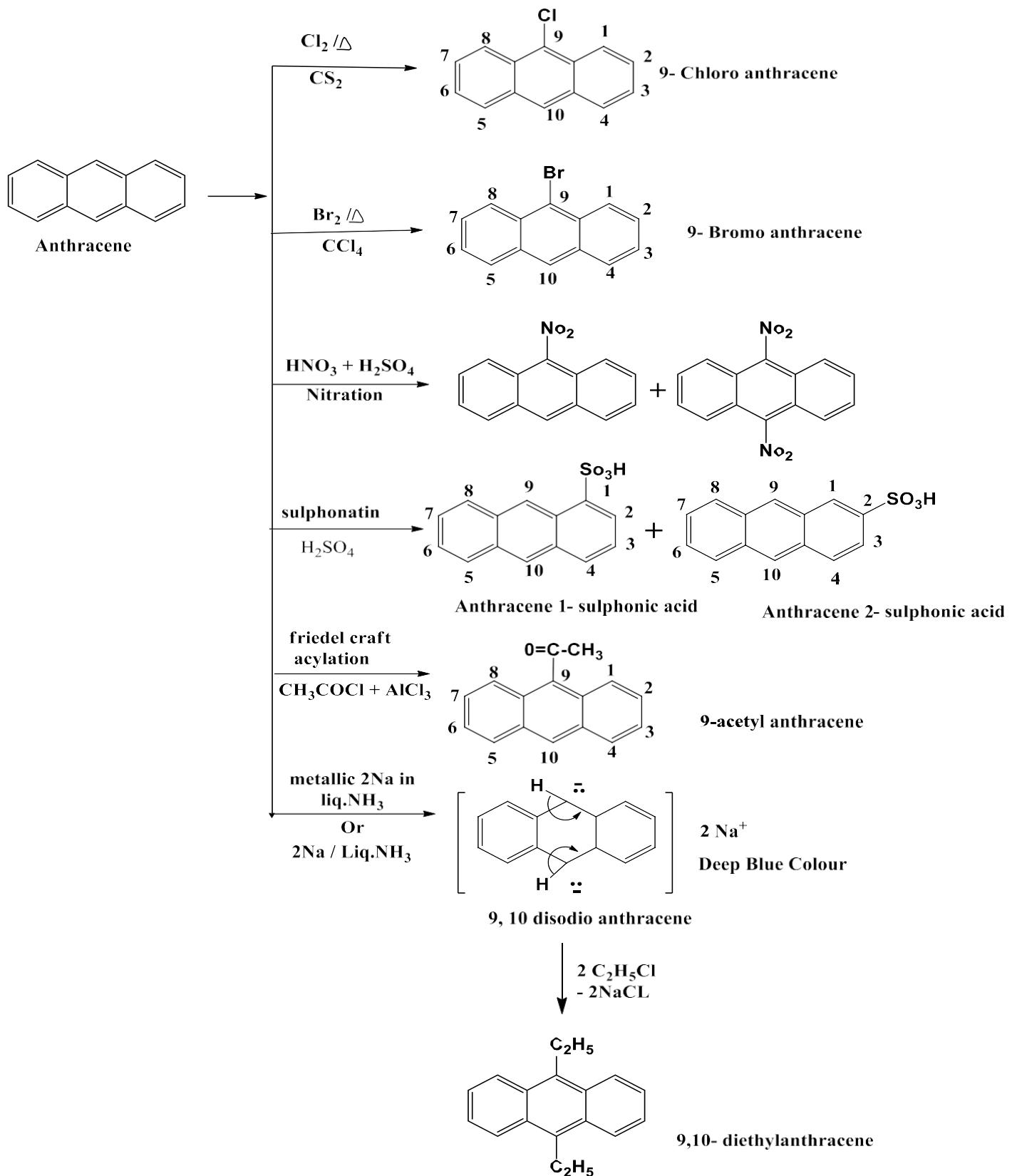


The resonance energy of anthracene = 351.5 KJ/mol

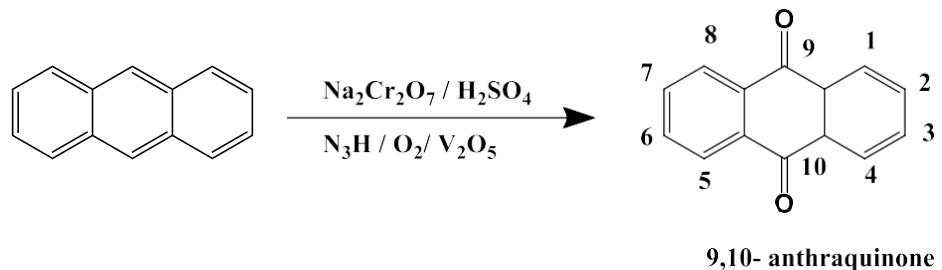
- The resonance energy of naphthalene is 255.2 KJ/mol so in α and β substitution the loss in resonance energy is = Resonance energy of anthracene – Resonance energy of naphthalene
 $= 351.5 - 255.2$
 $= 96.8$ KJ/mol

Electrophilic attack on γ position

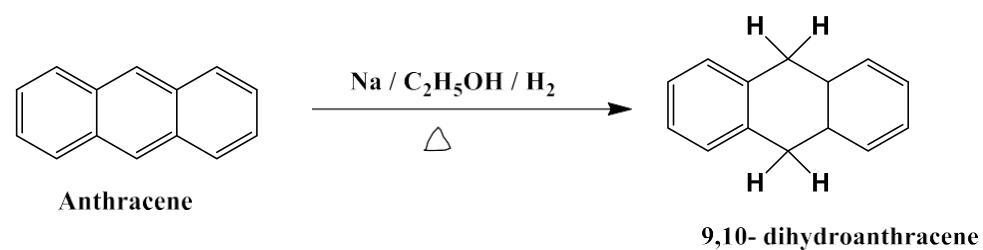
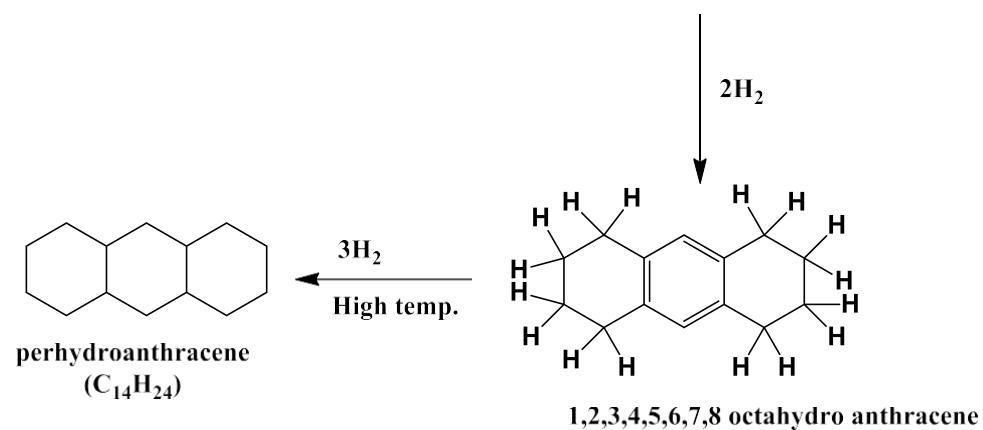
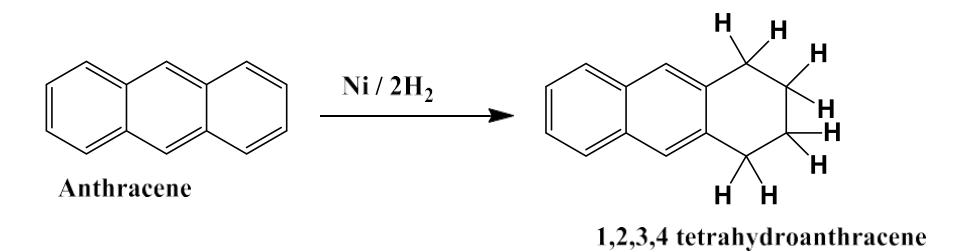




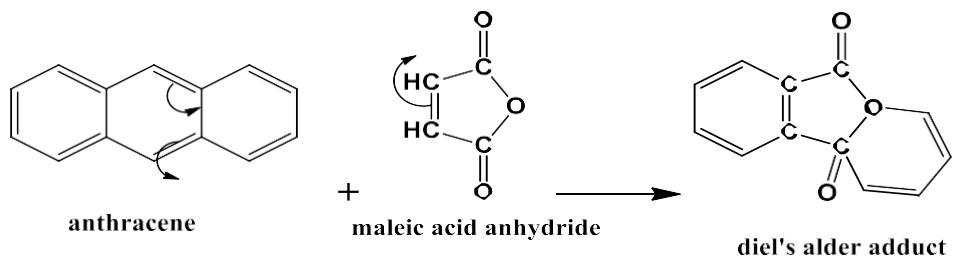
4. Oxidation reaction



5. Reduction

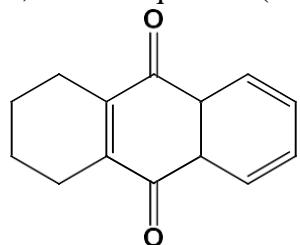


6. Diel's Alder Reaction



Anthracene Derivatives

i) 9,10 anthraquinone (anthraquinone)



ii) Alizarin

