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Kyoto Prefectural Momoyama Senior High School



Making Fragrances Lab - Preparation of Esters -



Many products, like cosmetics or foods, contain artificial fragrances. In this lab, you will prepare two types of fragrant ester molecules from their original components.

< Purpose > Learn basic knowledge and skills about preparation of esters.

Preparations

- (1) Materials : Ethanol, Isoamyl alcohol, Glacial acetic acid, Concd. Sulfuric acid (Glacial acetic acid and Concd. Sulfuric acid are very dangerous.)
- (2) Equipments : Heating apparatus, Beaker(200mL), Test tubes, Reflux condenser, Boiling stones, Thermometer, Filtration paper, Pipet, Stop watch, Marking pen

Procedure

Experiment(1) Check original smells of the materials

- 1 You must wear goggles at all times while working with chemicals.
- ② Add 1mL of ethanol to a test tube and smell the odor. \Rightarrow Test tube A
- ③ Add 1mL of isoamyl alcohol to the other test tube and smell the odor.

⇒ Test tube B

- ④ Smell the odor of the glacial acetic acid in a reagent bottle.
- **(5)** Describe the odors of the chemicals and chemical formula.

Experiment (2) Preparation of fragrant ester molecules

- ① Prepare 150ml of water of 80°C (by using the heater) in a beaker.
- 2 Add 1mL of glacial acetic acid to Test tube A and Test tube B respectively.
- ③ Add three boiling stones to Test tube A and Test tube B respectively
- ④ Go to the teacher's desk with the two test tubes and two reflux condensers.
- ⑤ One of the teachers will add 0.5mL of Concd. Sulfuric acid to the test tubes.
- **(6)** Reflux condensers will be attached to the test tubes.
- O The two test tubes are heated by hot water to start the reaction.
 - \Rightarrow Observe the each test tube attentively during the heating.
- **⑧** Take the test tubes out of the hot water and cool them to room temperature.
- **9** Smell the odors.
 - (1) Add 2mL of water to each test tubes.)
 - (1) Smell the odors again by using the filtration paper.)



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Results

(1) Describe the results of Experiments (1)

Name	Ethanol	Isoamyl alcohol	Glacial acetic acid
Chemical formulas			
Feature (odor)			

(2) Explain the reactions.

(3) Describe the odors after heating

	Test tube A	Test tube B
odor		

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