

Induced Electron Transfer Reactions in Cobalt(III) Complexes of α -Hydroxy Acids by Potassium Bromate (KBrO_3) in the presence of Micelles

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Abstract: The kinetics of one electron transfer way seems to be not available for Potassium bromate with Cobalt (III) bound and unbound complexes of α – hydroxy acids in micellar medium. Potassium bromate oxidises Cobalt (III) bound and unbound α – hydroxy acids. It rules out synchronous C-C bond fission and electron transfer to Cobalt (III) centre. Oxidation of above complexes increases with increase of temperature with increase in micelles concentration. A remarkable increase in the reaction rate is also observed. The addition of micelle dimethyl diocta decyl ammonium chloride (DDAC) increases the rate of oxidation slightly more than another micelle used i.e., Ammonium Lauryl Sulphate (ALS). Similar trends observed in Lactato, Glycolato and Mandelato Cobalt (III) complexes.

Keywords: Potassium bromate (KBrO_3), Dimethyl Diocta decyl Ammonium Chloride (DDAC), Ammonium Lauryl Sulphate (ALS), Pentaammine cobalt (III) complex.

I.Introduction:

Conventional spectro photometry has been employed to study the oxidation of α -hydroxy acids such as Lactic acid, Glycolic acid, mandelic acid and their cobalt (III) complexes using Potassium bromate (KBrO_3) as an oxidant in the presence of micelles. One equivalent oxidant like Ce(IV) induced electron transfer in pentaammine cobalt (III) complexes of α -hydroxy acids result in nearly 100% reduction at cobalt (III) centre with synchronous carbon – carbon bond fission and decarboxilation. Such an electron transfer route seems to be unavailable for Potassium bromate (KBrO_3) in its reaction with Cobalt (III) bound and unbound α -hydroxy acids in micellar medium, Potassium bromate (KBrO_3) oxidise Cobalt (III) bound and unbound α - hydroxyacids to respective keto acid / keto acid cobalt (III) complexes in Ammonium lauryl sulphate (A.L.S) and dimethyl diocta decyl ammonium chloride (DDAC). Possibly the transition state is more electron deficient. Sub transition state can be envisaged only when the C-H bond fission occurs in the slow step with hydride in transfer. The absence of formation of Cobalt (II) rules out the synchronous C-C-bond fission and electron transfer to Cobalt (III) the thermodynamic parameters are consistent with bimolecular reaction. The rate of KBrO_3 oxidation of Cobalt (III) lactato, glycolato, mandelato complexes depends on the first power of KBrO_3 concentration. Similarly the reaction between KBrO_3 and unbound α -hydroxy acid exhibits first order kinetics with respect to concentration of KBrO_3 of the three complexes, whereas in the unbound ligand similar trends follow, that is lactic acid reacts faster than Glycolic and mandelic acid.

Oxidation is an important process in organic chemistry and introduction of new economic and effective reagents for oxidation under mild and anhydrous condition constitutes a standing challenge KBrO_3 (Anbuselvan and Sankaran, 1998; Das et al., 1984; Fan and Gould in 1974) is oxidant which is non hydroscopic, non photosensitivity, stable yellow orange solid which is freely soluble in water, Acetic acid, N-N dimethyl formamide etc., the little work has been done on PCC as oxidant in micellar media (Frechet et al 1928, Frechet et al., 1978)

II. Materials and Methods:

The Micelles used in the present work are Ammonium Lanryl sulphate (ALS) and dimethyl decyl ammonium chloride (DDAC). The Micelles are purified by adapting earlier procedure (Kabir-U-Din et al; 2005)

Kresheik, 1973; Long et al; 1973. The Chemicals were purchased DDAC from (B.D.H. U.K. 99%) A.L.S.Lactic, Glycolic and mandelic from (Merck chemicals, India 95%) Penta ammine cobalt (III) complexes of α -hydroxy acids were prepared using 'Fan and Gould'. Dash etal 1984; (Bain and Hercheinson, 1955) double distilled deionised and CO₂ free water was used as a solvent and H₂SO₄ (E merck of India 95%) was standardised using standard sodium carbonate (B.D.H) (AR) solution with dimethyl orange as indicator. For the KBrO₃ oxidation of cobalt (III) complexes of α - hydroxyacids and unbound ligands (Mohan Hy 1982 and Yasunaga et al; 1982). The rate measurement was made at 30⁰ C \pm 0.2⁰ C in 100% aqueous medium. Temperature was controlled by electrically operated thermo stat (Mohanty and Nanda, 1982) the total volume of reaction mixture in spectrophotometric cell was kept in 2.5 ml in each kinetic run. A systemic spectrophotometers, filled with recording and thermo stating arrangement was used to follow the rate of reaction. Rate of this KBrO₃ oxidant with unbound ligand and Cobalt (III) bound complexes were calculated from observed decrease in absorbance at 350 nm. The excess of the reductant was used in the kinetic runs. It gives pseudo first order rate constant. It was determined from linear plot of the concentration versus time. Reproducible result obtained giving good first order plot.

The stoichiometric studies for the KBrO₃ oxidation of penta ammine Cobalt (III) complexes of α -hydroxy acid and un bound ligand in the presence of micelles were carried out at 30⁰ \pm 0.2⁰ C. It was observed that the Cobalt (II) formation was negligible.

III. Result and discussion:

Kinetic study of the oxidation of pentammine Cobalt (III) complexes of α - hydroxy acids by KBrO₃ in micellar medium. Dependence of rate on KBrO₃ concentration in micellar bound ligand; the rate of oxidation of mandelate Cobalt (III) complexes depends on KBrO₃ concentration. The specific rate calculated remains constant (Table – 1) and graph of logarithm of KBrO₃ concentration, versus time (Figure - 1) are linear from the slope of these graphs, the specific rate calculated agree with those obtained from integrated rate equation suggesting first order dependence on KBrO₃ concentration.

Table – 1. The specific rate calculated values of ALS and DDAC

$[(CH_3)_5 Co^m-L]^{2+}$	$=2.00 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$	
KBrO ₃	$=2.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$	
H ₂ SO ₄	$=1.00 \times \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$	
ALS	$=2.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$	
Temperature	$=30^0 \pm 0.2^0 \text{ C}$	
L	$=\text{Mandelato}$	
	$10^3(a-x) \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$	
	Time(s)	ALS
	300	1.60
	600	1.26
	900	1.00
	1200	0.80
	1500	0.63
	1800	0.49
	2100	0.41
	2400	0.33
	2700	0.26
		DDAC
	300	1.39
	600	0.96
	900	0.66
	1200	0.47
	1500	0.37
	1800	0.26
	2100	0.16
	2400	0.11
	2700	0.08

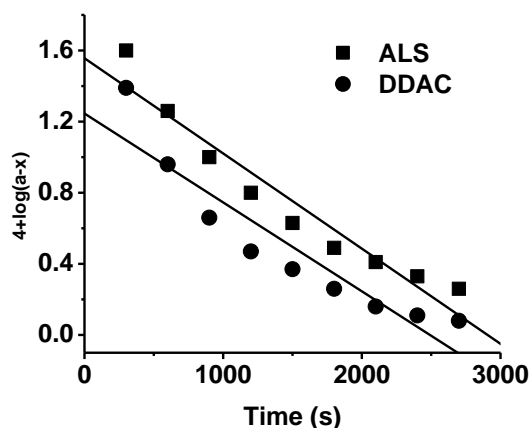


Figure – 1. 1st order dependence plots

When the concentrations of KBrO_3 varied from 1.00 to $3.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{mol dm}^{-3}$ at a fixed $[\text{Cobalt(III)}]$ and $[\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4]$. Specific rates remain constant. Then the rate of disappearance of Cr(IV) is given by equation (1).

$$-d[\text{Cr(VI)}]/dt = K[\text{Cr(VI)}] \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

At a particular concentration of KBrO_3 with increase in mandelato glycolato cobalt (III) concentration in the range of 1.00 to $3.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{mol dm}^{-3}$ there is proportional increase in the rate of oxidation (Table-2). The slope of nearly unity is obtained from linear graph of logarithm (Figure-2) of specific rate (K is S^{-1}) versus log of Co(III) concentration in each case suggests first order rate dependence of rate on $[\text{Co(III)}]$.

Table – 2. The rate constant values of $[\text{Cobalt (III)}]$ in ALS.

KBrO_3	$= 2.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{mol dm}^{-3}$		
H_2SO_4	$= 1.00 \text{mol dm}^{-3}$		
ALS	$= 2.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{mol dm}^{-3}$		
Temperature	$= 30^\circ \pm 0.2^\circ \text{C}$		
$10^2 [\text{NH}_3)_5 \text{Co}^{\text{III}}\text{-L}]$	$10^4 K_1 (\text{S}^{-1})$	$10^2 K_2 \text{dm}^{-3} \text{S}^{-1}$ mol dm^{-3}	
L = Mandelato			
1.00	2.00	0.970	
2.00	3.80	1.950	
3.00	7.80	1.915	
L = Lactato			
1.00	1.90	0.970	
2.00	4.20	1.950	
3.00	8.20	1.910	
L = Glycolato			
1.00	1.80	0.964	
2.00	3.70	1.940	

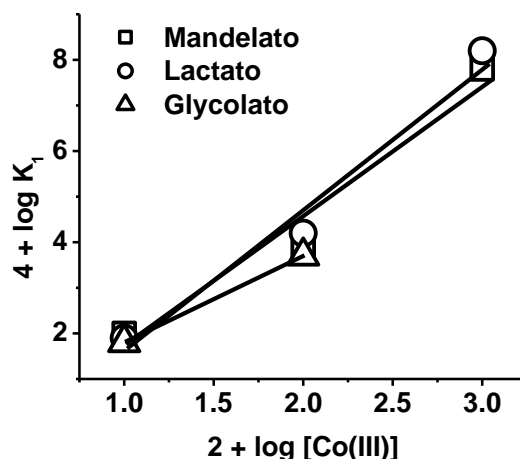


Figure – 2. Dependence of rate on Co(III) complex in the presence ALS.

Hence the rate law for Chromium(VI) oxidation of Cobale(III) bound α – hydroxy acids are given by equation (2).

$$-d[\text{Cr(VI)}]/dt = K_2[\text{Cr(VI)}][\text{Co(III)}] \dots\dots (2)$$

Dependence rate on KBrO_3 concentration in micellar medium for α – hydroxy acid. The rate of oxidation of Mandelato Co(III) complexes depends on KBrO_3 concentration. In any specific run the change in concentration of KBrO_3 , the specific rate calculated remain constant (Table-3) and graph of logerthum of KBrO_3 concentration versus time are linear (Figure-3).

Table – 3. The rate constant values of [Cobalt (III)] in DDAC.

KBrO_3	$= 2.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$	
H_2SO_4	$= 1.00 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$	
DDAC	$= 2.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$	
Temperature	$= 30^\circ \pm 0.2^\circ \text{C}$	
$10^2[(\text{NH}_3)_5 \text{Co}^{\text{III}}\text{-L}]$	$10^4 K_1 (\text{S}^{-1})$	$10^2 K_2 \text{dm}^{-3} \text{mol}^{-1} \text{S}^{-1}$
L = Mandelato		
1.00	2.00	0.970
2.00	3.90	1.950
3.00	7.20	1.910
L = Lactato		
1.00	1.80	0.974
2.00	4.20	1.940
3.00	8.00	1.900
L-Glycolato		
1.00	1.90	0.964
2.00	3.70	1.942

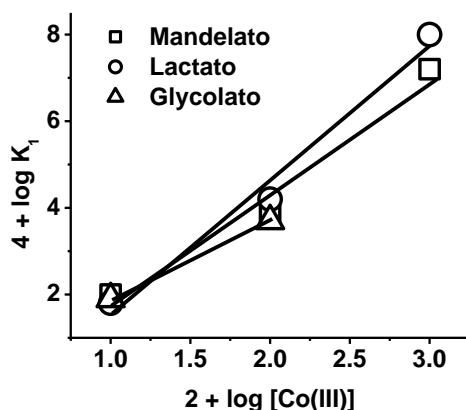


Figure-3. Dependence of rate on [Cobalt(III)] in DDAC.

When concentration of KBrO_3 is varied from 1.00 to $3.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ at a fixed $[\text{Co(III)}]$ and $[\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4]$ specific rates remain constant. Then the rate disappearance of Cr(VI) is given by equation (3).

$$-d[\text{Cr(VI)}] / dt = K_1[\text{Cr(VI)}] \dots\dots(3)$$

Dependence of rate on the concentration of α – hydroxyacid in ALS and DDAC: The oxidation studies were carried out by varying initial $[\alpha$ – hydroxy acid] in the range of 1.00 to $3.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ by keeping other variable constant. The near constancy in the K_2 values (Tables 4 and 5) and the slope of nearly unity is obtained from a linear graph of logarithm of specific rate (k_1 in S^{-1}) versus logarithm of α – hydroxy acid concentration in each case suggesting first order dependence of rate on $[\alpha$ – hydroxy acid] (Figures 4 and 5). Hence the rate law for the Cr(VI) oxidation α – hydroxy acid of is given below equation (4).

$$-d[\text{Cr(VI)}] / dt = k_2 [\text{Cr(VI)}] \dots\dots(4)$$

Table – 4. The rate constant values of $[\alpha$ -hydroxy acid] in ALS.

KBrO_3	$=2.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$	
H_2SO_4	$=1.00 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$	
ALS	$=2.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$	
Temperature	$=30^\circ \pm 0.2^\circ \text{C}$	
$10^{-3}[\alpha$ -hydroxy acid] mol dm^{-3}	$10^4 K_1 (\text{S}^{-1})$	$10^2 K_2 \text{dm}^{-3} \text{mol}^{-1} \text{S}^{-1}$
Mandelic acid		
1.00	0.34	0.966
2.00	0.64	1.936
3.00	1.40	1.860
Lactic acid		
1.00	0.35	0.965
2.00	0.66	1.934
3.00	1.44	1.856
Glycolic acid		
1.00	0.50	0.950
2.00	0.75	1.925
3.00	1.56	1.844

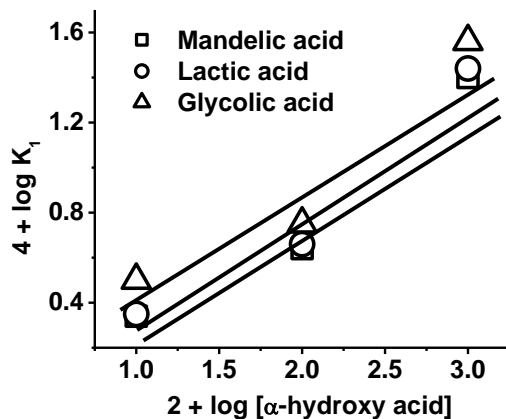


Figure-4. Dependence of rate on [α - hydroxy acid] in ALS.

Table – 5. The rate constant values of [α -hydroxy acid] in DDAC.

KBrO ₃	=2.00x10 ⁻³ mol dm ⁻³	
H ₂ SO ₄	=1.00 mol dm ⁻³	
DDAC	=2.00x10 ⁻³ mol dm ⁻³	
Temperature	=30 ^o ±0.2 ^o C	
10 ² [hydroxy acid]	10 ⁴ K ₁ (S ⁻¹)	10 ² K ₂ dm ⁻³ mol(s) ⁻¹
Mandelic acid		
1.00	0.35	0.965
2.00	0.66	1.934
3.00	1.44	1.856
Lactic acid		
1.00	0.50	0.950
2.00	0.74	1.926
3.00	1.56	1.844
Glycolic acid		
1.00	0.40	0.960
2.00	0.70	1.930
3.00	1.60	1.840

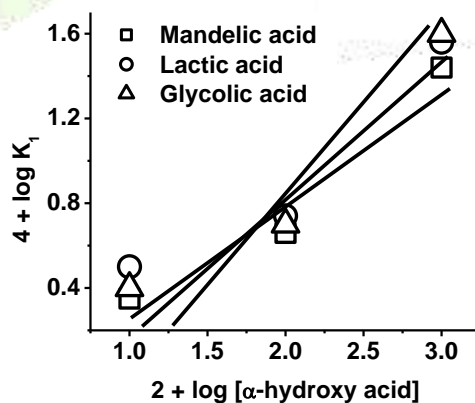


Figure-5. Dependence of rate on [α - hydroxy acid] in DDAC.

Comparison of rates on oxidation of Pentaamminecobalt (III) complexes of both bound and unbound α -hydroxy acid by KBrO_3 .

Specific rate of the lactato complex is more compared to both the rates of oxidation of unbounded ligand and mandelato complex deserves an explanation. The ligation of lactic acid to Co(III) centre has probably increased its reactivity towards KBrO_3 and this effect seems to be more specific for this ligand only. If the reaction proceeds through a performed Chromate ester, then the rate α -C-H fission will be enhanced, resulting in an increased rate of oxidation of lactato complex such a precursor complex may be sterically hindered in the case of mandelato and glycolato complexes.

IV. Conclusions:

The oxidation reactions of Cobalt(III) complexes of α -hydroxy acids viz, mandelic acid, lactic acid and glycolic acid addition have been carried out using a novel chromimum (VI) oxidant. There is a remarkable increase in the rate of novel micelles ALS and DDAC. These micelles act as a positive catalyst in a situation of the reaction and among which DDAC enhances the rate much more than the ALS.

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