Synthesis of cobalt(III) acetylacetonate

Summary of the analysed protocols

 $2\text{CoCO}_3 + 6(\text{Hacac}) + \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2[\text{Co(acac)}_2] + 2\text{CO}_2 + 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$

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Protocol A¹

Reaction (R₁): equation (1), 208% exc. acetylacetone, 738% exc. hydrogen peroxide 10%, T < 100 °C

Isolation (I_1): cooling (ice-salt bath) \rightarrow filtration (suction) \rightarrow drying (oven at 110 °C)

Purification (Pu₁): recrystallization – dissolution (hot toluene and petroleum ether) \rightarrow decantation \rightarrow heating \rightarrow cooling (ice bath) \rightarrow filtration \rightarrow washing (petroleum ether) \rightarrow drying (air)

Protocol B²

Reaction (\mathbf{R}_1): \equiv Pr A (scale decreased to half)

Isolation (I_1): \equiv Pr A

Purification (**Pu**₂): recrystallization – dissolution (toluene and petroleum ether or heptane) \rightarrow heating \rightarrow filtration \rightarrow cooling (ice-salt bath) \rightarrow filtration (suction) \rightarrow drying (air)

Protocol C³

Reaction (R₁): \equiv Pr B Isolation (I₁): \equiv Pr A Purification: not prescribed

Protocol D4

Reaction (\mathbf{R}_1): $\equiv \Pr A$

Isolation (I₂): cooling (ice-salt bath) \rightarrow filtration (suction) \rightarrow washing (cold ethanol) \rightarrow drying (oven at 110 °C)

Purification (Pu₃): recrystallization – dissolution (boiling toluene and heptane) \rightarrow cooling (ice bath) \rightarrow filtration \rightarrow drying (air, oven at 110 °C)

Protocol E⁵

Reaction (\mathbf{R}_1): $\equiv \text{Pr A}$

Isolation (I₃): \equiv Pr D (but is done drying in the air, instead of using the oven)

Purification (Pu₄): \equiv Pr D (but is done drying in the air, instead of using the oven)

Protocol F⁶

Reaction (\mathbf{R}_1): \equiv Pr A (scale enlarged to double)

Isolation (I_1): $\equiv Pr A$

Purification (Pu₅): recrystallization – dissolution (boiling benzene and petroleum ether or heptane) \rightarrow cooling (ice-salt

bath) \rightarrow filtration \rightarrow drying (air)

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