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CONDENSATION PRODUCTS OF THE ANTHRAQUINONE SERIES

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It has been found that new condensationproducts of the anthraquinone series are obtainable by condensing 4-halogen-1-amino-anthraquinone-2-sulfonic acid or its alkali salts of the general formula

$$\bigcap_{i} \bigcap_{j} \bigcap_{i} \operatorname{NH}_{2} \operatorname{SO}_{1}X$$

wherein X stands for hydrogen or for an alkali metal atom and Y for a halogen of the group chlorine, bromine and iodine, with amino-aryl- 15 alkyl-ketones of the following formula

NH2-R'-CO-R'

wherein R' represents a radical of the benzene series which may be halogenated, hydroxylated or alkylated and contain the NH₂-group in the radical R' in meta-position, and R' stands for an alkyl residue which may still be halogenated or hydroxylated. The condensation is effected by heating up the components in the presence of water, an acid-binding agent such as sodium-carbonate and a little amount of a copper-compound e. g. cuprous chloride.

The same products are likewise obtained by the condensing of an amino-aryl-alkyl-ketone with a 1-amino-2,4-dihalogen-anthraquinone and by the exchanging of the halogen atom in the 1-amino-2-halogen-4-arylido-anthraquinone obtainable by condensation as above indicated, for a sulfonic acid group and preferably by a treatment with an alkali metal sulfite.

The new products are characterized by the following formula

wherein X stands for hydrogen or for an alkall 45 metal atom, whereas R' represents a radical of the benzene series in which the NH-group stands in meta-position, and R' an alkyl residue. The new products are dyestuffs which dye wool and silk from an acid bath blue tints of very good 50 fastness-properties. Moreover the new dyestuffs are of an excellent equalizing-power.

The following examples serve to illustrate the new invention but they are not intended to limit it thereto:

Example 1

101 parts by weight of 4-bromo-1-amino-anthraquinone-2-sulfonic acid sodium, 35 parts by weight of 3-amino-acetophenone, 20 of anhydrous sodium carbonate and 5 of cuprous chloride are heated up to 75-85°C together with 600 parts by weight of water while well stirring and gradually raising the temperature. We maintain this temperature until the formation of dyestuff is finished. The working-up and purifying of the dyestuff is done to usual methods. The thus obtained dyestuff is a blue crystalline powder dyeing wool and silk from an acid bath pure blue tints.

Instead of 3-amino-aceto-phenone we may likewise use 3-amino-propio-phenone, 3-amino-buty-ro-phenone, 2,4,6-tribromo-3-amino-aceto-phenone and 5-amino-2,4-dimethyl-aceto-phenone.

Example 2

76 parts by weight of 2,4-dibromo-1-amino-anthraquinone, 30 parts by weight of 3-amino-acetophenone, 40 of anhydrous potassium-acetate, 1,0 parts by weight of copper-acetate, 1,0 of copper-bronze are heated in the autoclave for 18 hours up to about 150 to 160°C in 750 parts by volume of amyl-alcohol while stirring. After cooling the isolated condensation-product is sucked off, then washed with alcohol and water and finally dried.

For the converting into the sulfonic acid 44 parts by weight of the condensation-product are heated at the reflux cooler up to a gentle boiling, together with 180 parts by weight of phenol, 40 of potassium sulfite and 100 of water, until the dyestuff becomes soluble in water. After removing the phenol by steam-distilling the reaction-mixture is filtered whereupon the thus formed dyestuff is separated from the filtrate in the usual manner.

Example 3

40 parts by weight of 4-bromo-1-amino-anthraquinone-2-sulfonle sodium, 18 parts of 3-amino-butyro-phenone, 8 of anhydrous sodium carbonate and 2 of cuprous chloride are heated together with 250 parts by weight of water while stirring and gradually warming up to 80-100°C. We maintain this temperature until the formation of dyestuff is finished, whereupon the dyestuff is worked up in the usual way. The isolated dyestuff dyes wool and silk from an acid bath beautiful blue tints.

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