# Experiment No. 03

AIM: To prepare and submit Chlorobutanol from acetone

#### **REFERENCES:**

1. Vogel's Textbook of Practical Organic Chemistry by Brian S. Furniss, Antony J. Hannaford, Peter W. G. Smith & Austin R. Tatchell; Fifth Edition; Page No. 1197.

# REQUIREMENTS

Chemicals: Chloroform, Potassium hydroxide, Acetone.d

**Apparatus:** 

#### **PRINCIPLE:**

Chlorobutanol, also known as Chloroketone, is a trichloro derivative of tertiary butyl alcohol. It is prepared with acetone and chloroform in the presence of solid potassium hydroxide. Chlorobutanol is used as a local anesthetic and antiseptic in dental preparation.

# **REACTION:**

#### **PROCEDURE:**

- **1.** The mixture of 50 g of acetone and 100 g of chloroform is continuously stirred until it cools below 0°C.
- **2.** Add 32.5 g of potassium hydroxide over a period of 6 hours after it stands at room temperature for a further 3.6 hours with continuous stirring.
- **3.** The mass is filtered, and the residue is washed with acetone. The combined filtrates are distilled to recover chloroform and acetone, and the fraction passing over between 165°C and 172°C is collected separately.
- **4.** The distillate is poured into water, and when this is complete, the solid is filtered off and recrystallized from a mixture of alcohol and water.
- **5.** Chlorobutanol is extremely volatile, even at ordinary temperatures.

**6.** Chlorobutanol forms white glistening crystals. When anhydrous, it melts at 96- 97°C. It is soluble in water and 90% ethyl alcohol.

# **CALCULATION:**

Here, the limiting reagent is acetone; hence, the yield should be calculated from the amount taken.

The molecular formula of acetone =  $C_2H_6O$ 

And molecular formula of Chlorobutanol =  $C_4H_7Cl_3O$ 

Molecular weight of resorcinol = 46 g/mole

The molecular weight of Chlorobutanol= 177 g/mole

# Theoretical yield:

46 g of acetone forms 177 g of Chlorobutanol

Therefore, 50 g acetone forms ......? (X) g of Chlorobutanol

Theoretical yield =  $\dots$ g

Practical yield = ——— g

% Yield = (Practical Yield)/(Theoretical Yield) × 100

#### **RESULT:**

Chlorobutanol was synthesized from acetone and submitted.

Name of Compound	Chlorobutanol
Theoretical yield	gm
Practical yield	gm
% Practical yield	%
Melting point	°C