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ORGANIC COMPOUNDS WITH OTHER FUNCTIONALITIES



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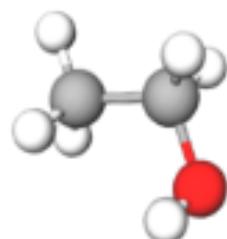
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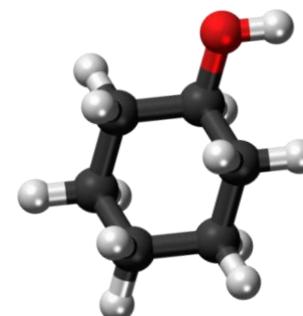
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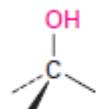
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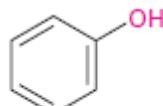
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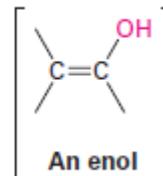
Phenol



An alcohol



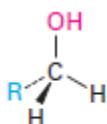
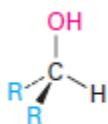
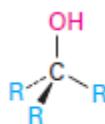
A phenol



An enol

Alcohols and phenols can be thought of as organic derivatives of water in which one of the water hydrogens is replaced by an organic group

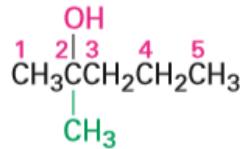
Naming Alcohols and Phenols

A primary (1°) alcoholA secondary (2°) alcoholA tertiary (3°) alcohol

Rule 1. Select the longest carbon chain containing the hydroxyl group, and derive the parent name by replacing the *e* ending of the corresponding alkane with *ol*. The *e* is deleted to prevent the occurrence of two adjacent vowels: *propanol* rather than *propaneol*, for example.

Rule 2. Number the alkane chain beginning at the end nearer the **hydroxyl group**.

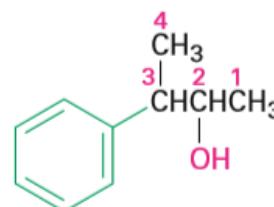
Rule 3. Number the substituents according to their position on the chain, and write the name, listing the **substituents** in alphabetical order and identifying the position to which the *-OH* is bonded.



2-Methyl-2-pentanol
(New: **2-Methylpentan-2-ol**)



cis-1,4-Cyclohexane diol
(New: **cis-Cyclohexane-1,4-diol**)



3-Phenyl-2-butanol
(New: **3-Phenylbutan-2-ol**)

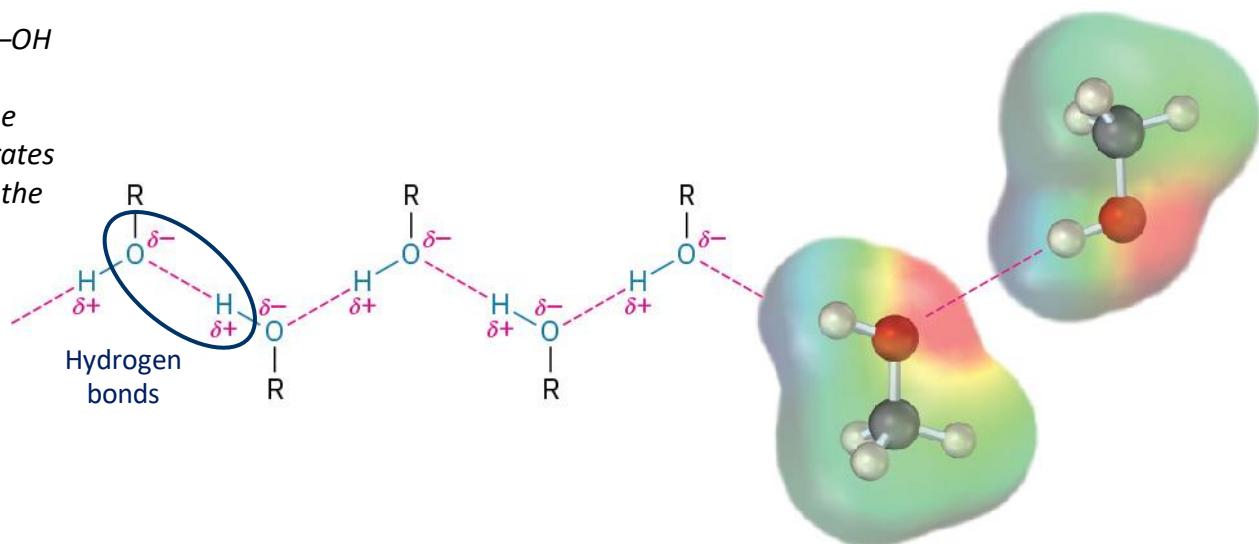
Physical Properties

Boiling Points of Alcohols

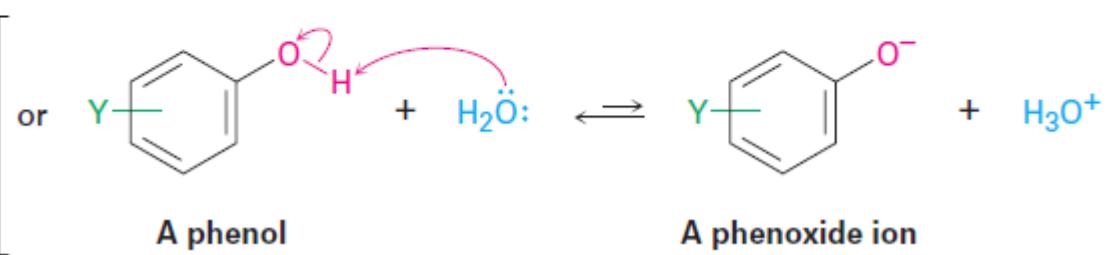
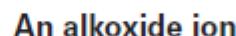
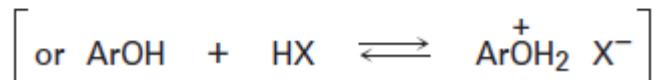
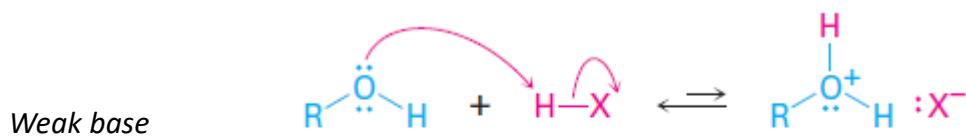
1-Propanol (MW = 60), butane (MW = 58), and chloroethane (MW = 65) have similar molecular weights, yet **1-propanol boils at 97 °C**, compared with **20.5 °C for the alkane** and **12.5 °C for the chloroalkane**, Why?

Hydrogen bonding in alcohols and phenols.

The interaction between a positively charged --OH hydrogen and a negatively charged oxygen is responsible for holding molecules together. The electrostatic potential map of methanol illustrates the positive charge on the --OH hydrogen and the negative charge on oxygen.



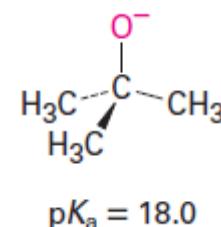
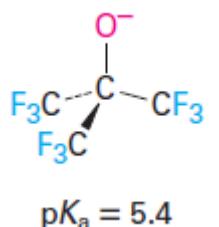
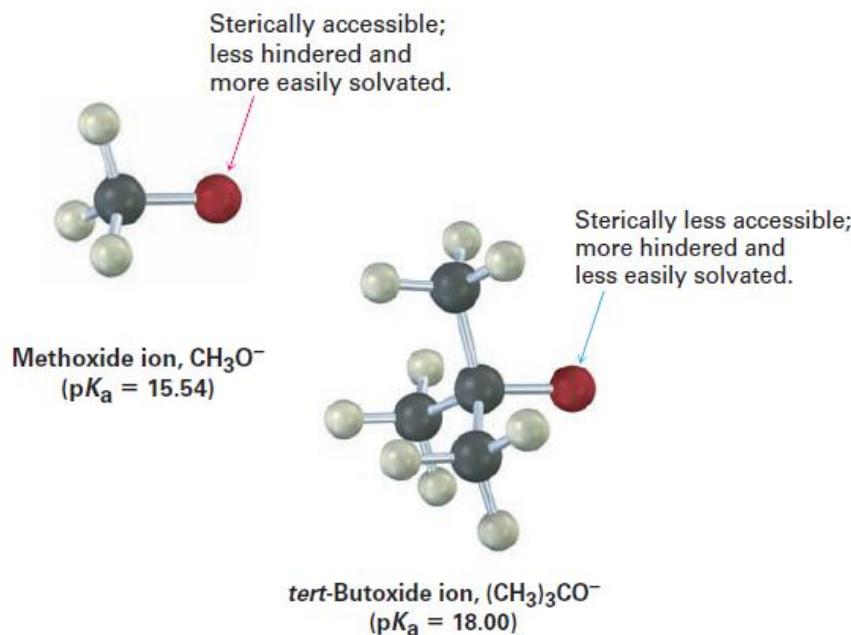
Acidity of Alcohols and Phenols



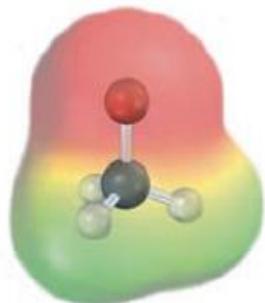
Acidity Constants of Some Alcohols and Phenols

Compound	pK_a	
$(CH_3)_3COH$	18.00	Weaker acid
CH_3CH_2OH	16.00	
H_2O	15.74	
CH_3OH	15.54	
CF_3CH_2OH	12.43	
<i>p</i> -Aminophenol	10.46	
CH_3SH	10.3	
<i>p</i> -Methylphenol	10.17	
Phenol	9.89	
<i>p</i> -Chlorophenol	9.38	
<i>p</i> -Nitrophenol	7.15	

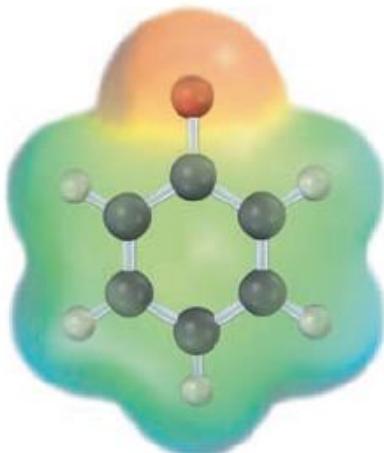
Stronger acid



Electron-withdrawing groups stabilize the alkoxide ion and lower the pK_a .



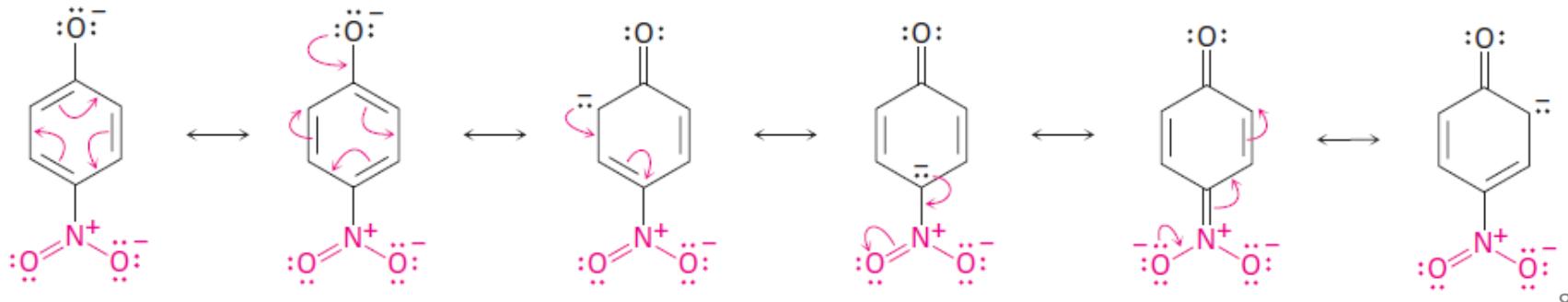
CH_3O^-



$\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}^-$

The resonance-stabilized phenoxide ion is more stable than an alkoxide ion. Electrostatic potential maps show how the **negative charge** is concentrated on oxygen in the methoxide ion but is spread over the aromatic ring in the phenoxide ion.

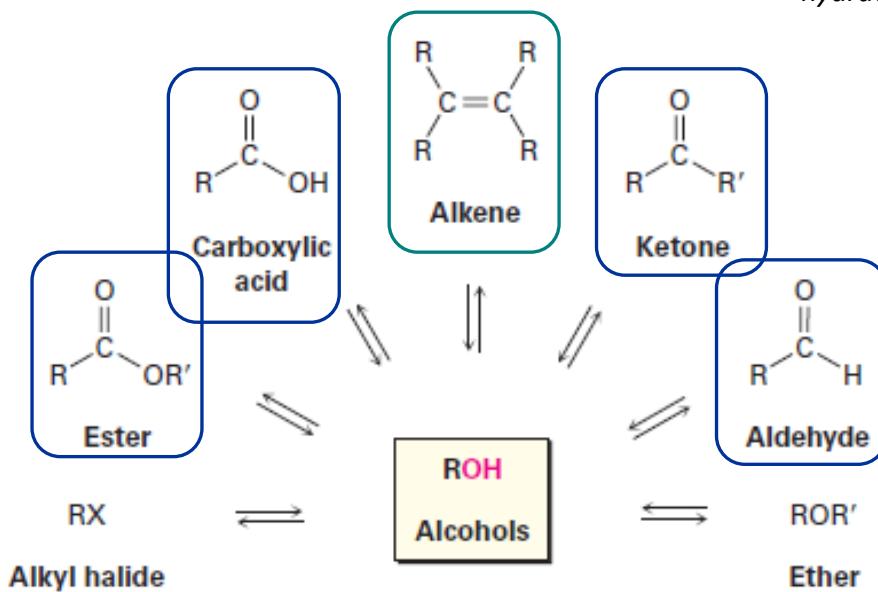
Substituted phenols: Phenols with an **electron-withdrawing substituent** are more acidic and phenols with an **electron-donating substituent** are less acidic.



Synthesis of alcohols

Hydroxylation of an alkene (Through an epoxide)

Hydration of alkenes (oxymercuration–demercuration yields the product of Markovnikov hydration).



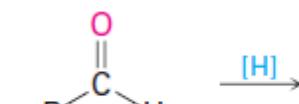
Reduction of Carbonyl Compounds

From Carbonyl Compounds: Grignard Reaction

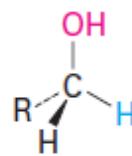
The central position of alcohols in organic chemistry.

Alcohols can be prepared from, and converted into, many other kinds of compounds.

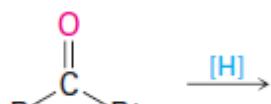
Alcohols from Carbonyl Compounds: Reduction



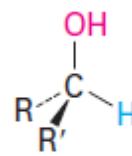
An aldehyde



A primary alcohol



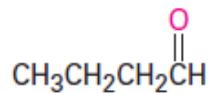
A ketone



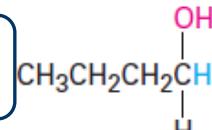
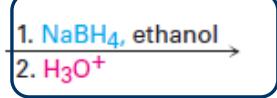
A secondary alcohol

NaBH₄ and *LiAlH₄* are reducing agents

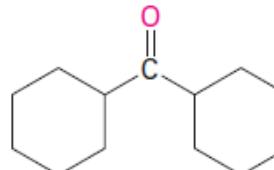
Aldehyde reduction



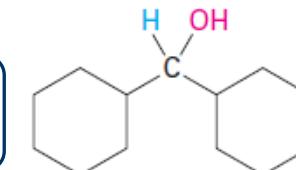
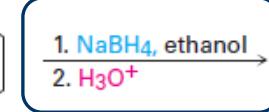
Butanal

1-Butanol (85%)
(a 1° alcohol)

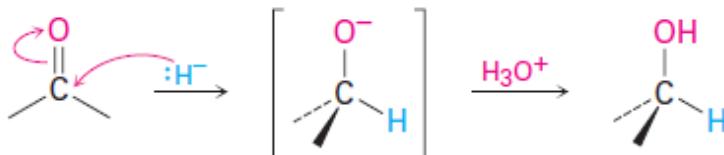
Ketone reduction



Dicyclohexyl ketone

Dicyclohexylmethanol (88%)
(a 2° alcohol)

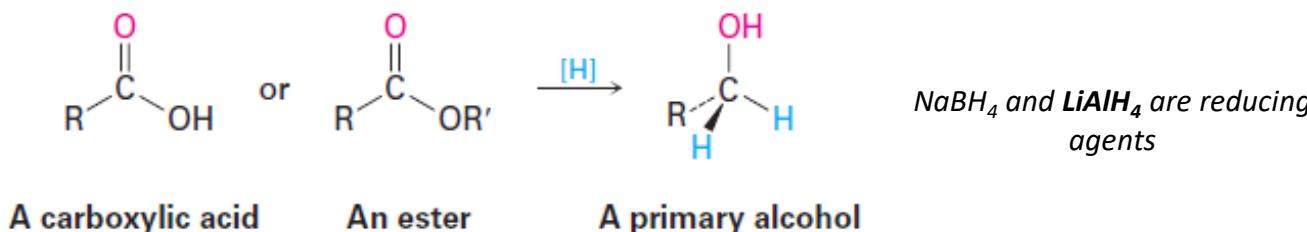
Mechanism



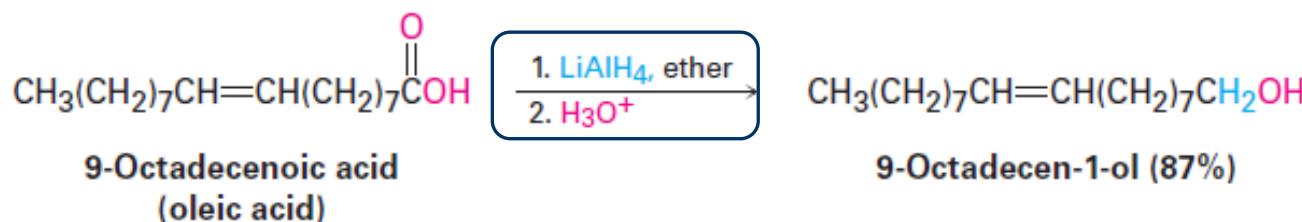
A carbonyl compound

An alkoxide ion intermediate

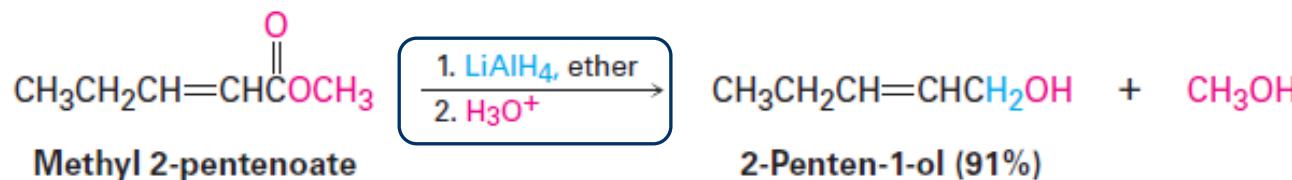
An alcohol



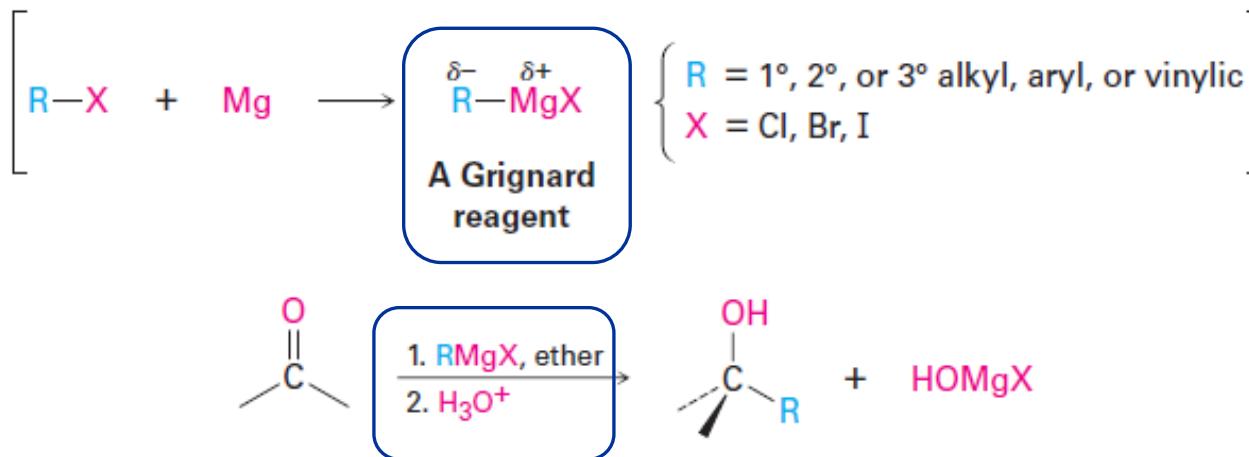
Carboxylic acid reduction



Ester reduction

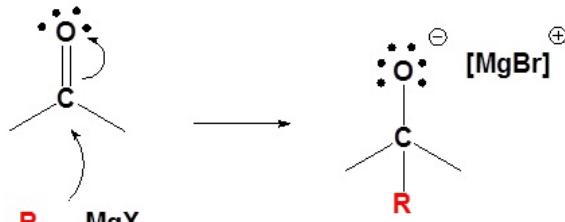


Alcohols from Carbonyl Compounds: Grignard Reaction

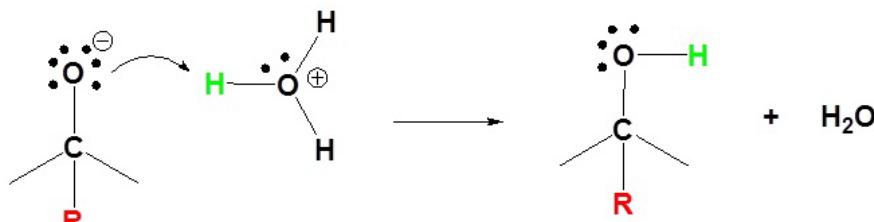


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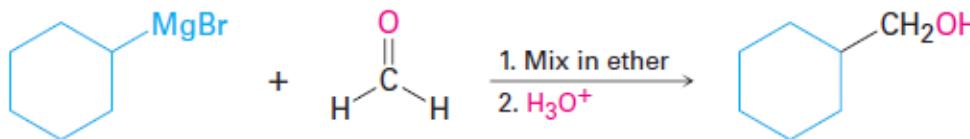
1. Nucleophilic reaction



2. Protonation

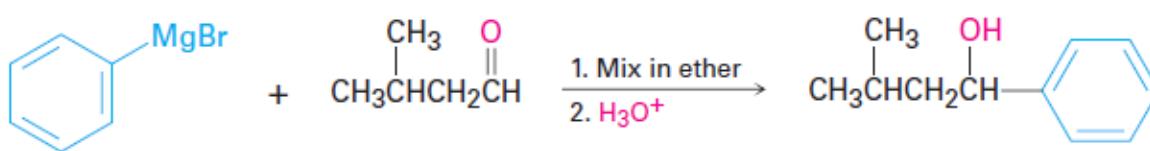


Alcooxide ion
intermediate

Formaldehyde reaction

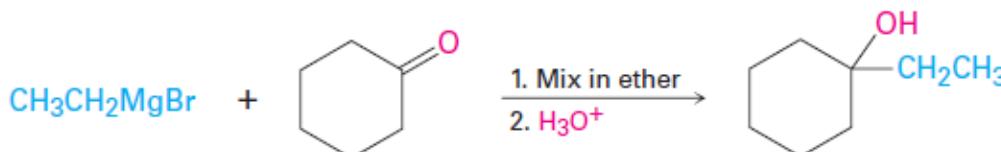
Cyclohexylmagnesium bromide

Formaldehyde

Cyclohexylmethanol (65%)
(a 1° alcohol)**Examples****Aldehyde reaction**

Phenylmagnesium bromide

3-Methylbutanal

3-Methyl-1-phenyl-1-butanol (73%)
(a 2° alcohol)**Ketone reaction**

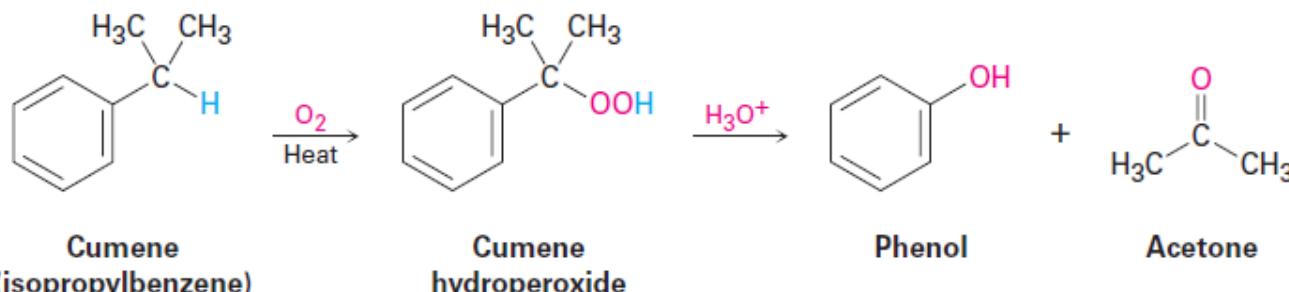
Ethylmagnesium bromide

Cyclohexanone

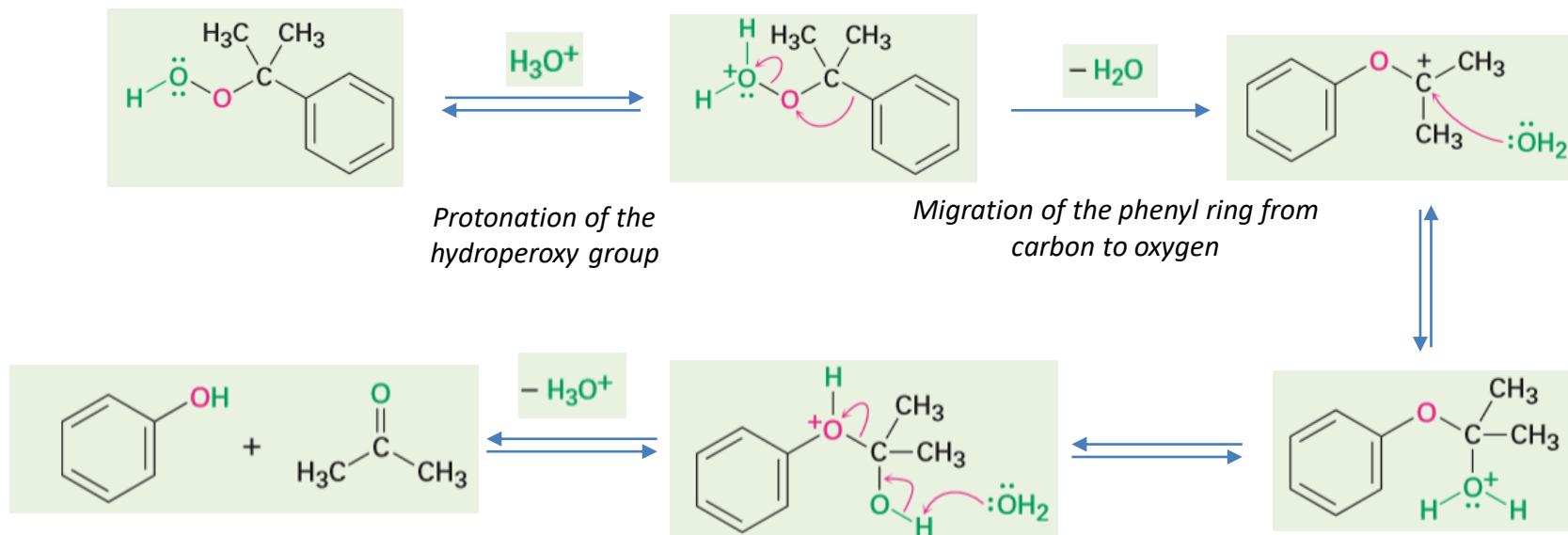
1-Ethylcyclohexanol (89%)
(a 3° alcohol)

Synthesis of phenols

Benzyllic oxidation
Reaction with air at high temperature

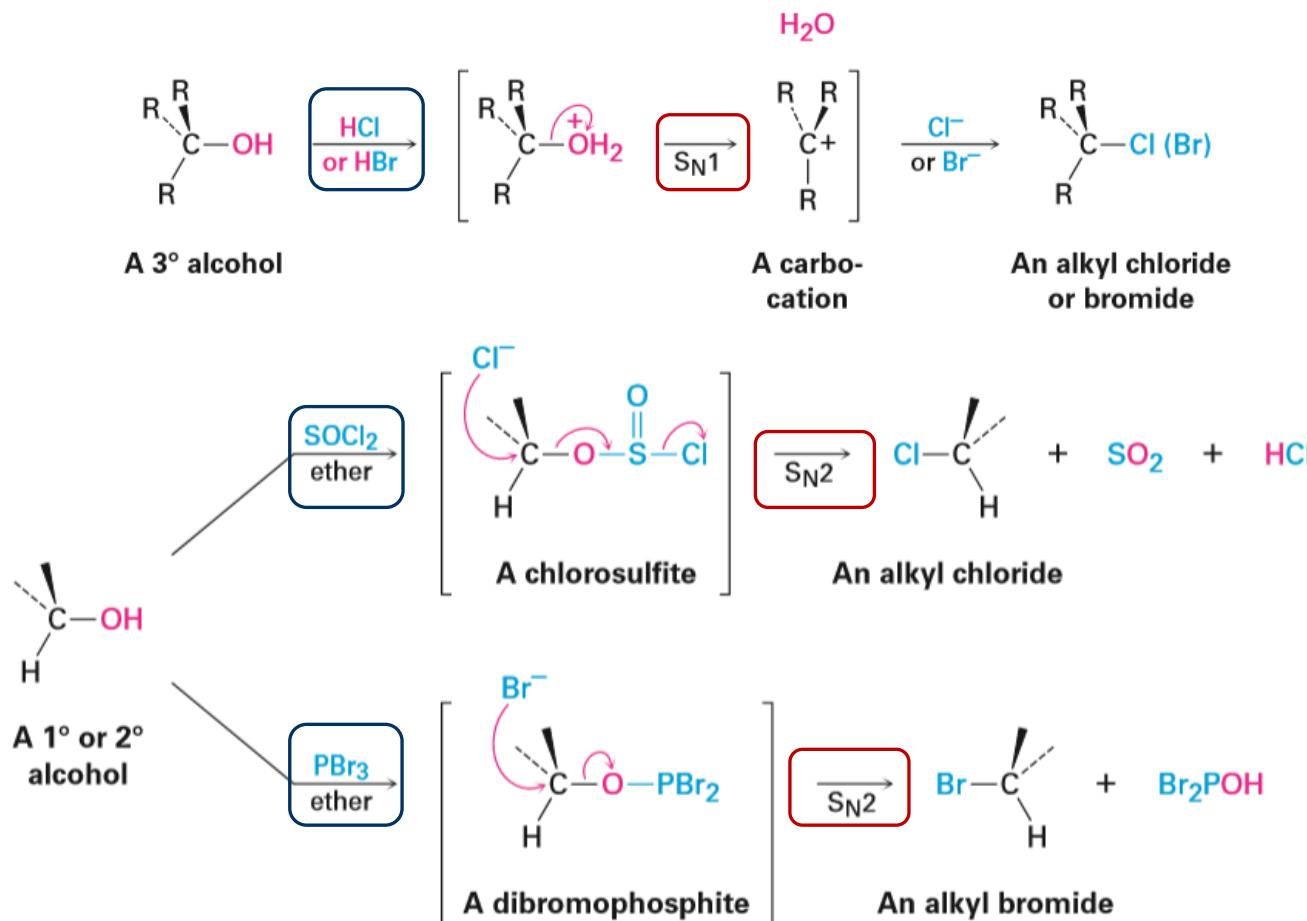


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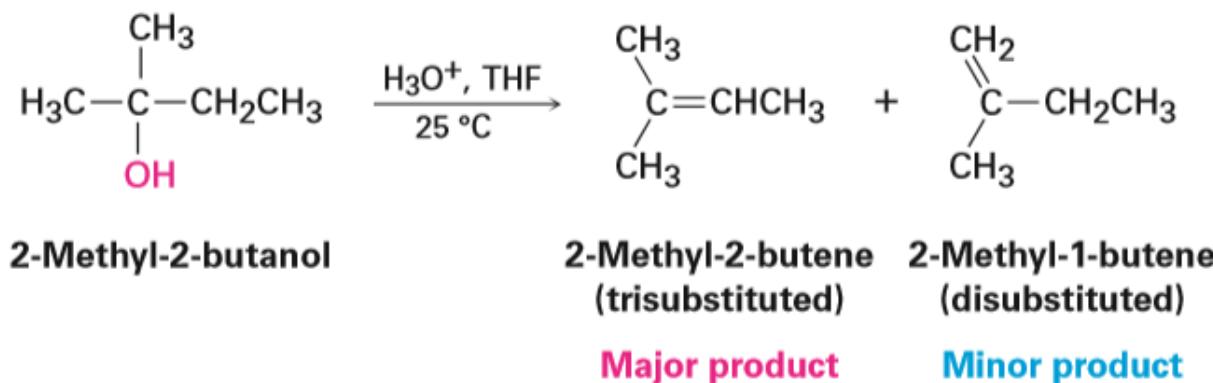
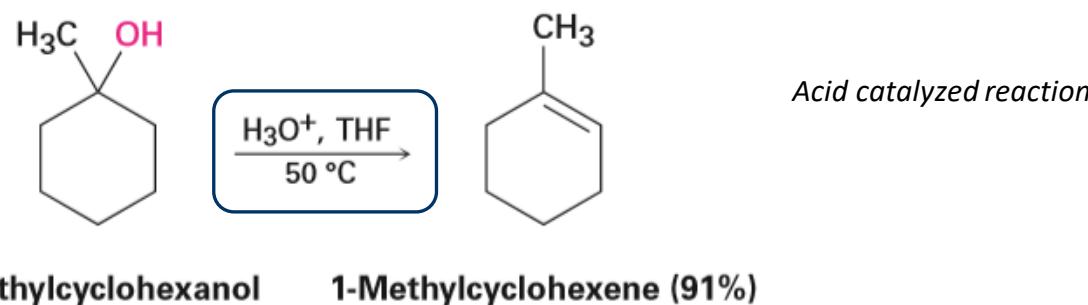


Reactivity of Alcohols

Conversion of Alcohols into Alkyl Halides

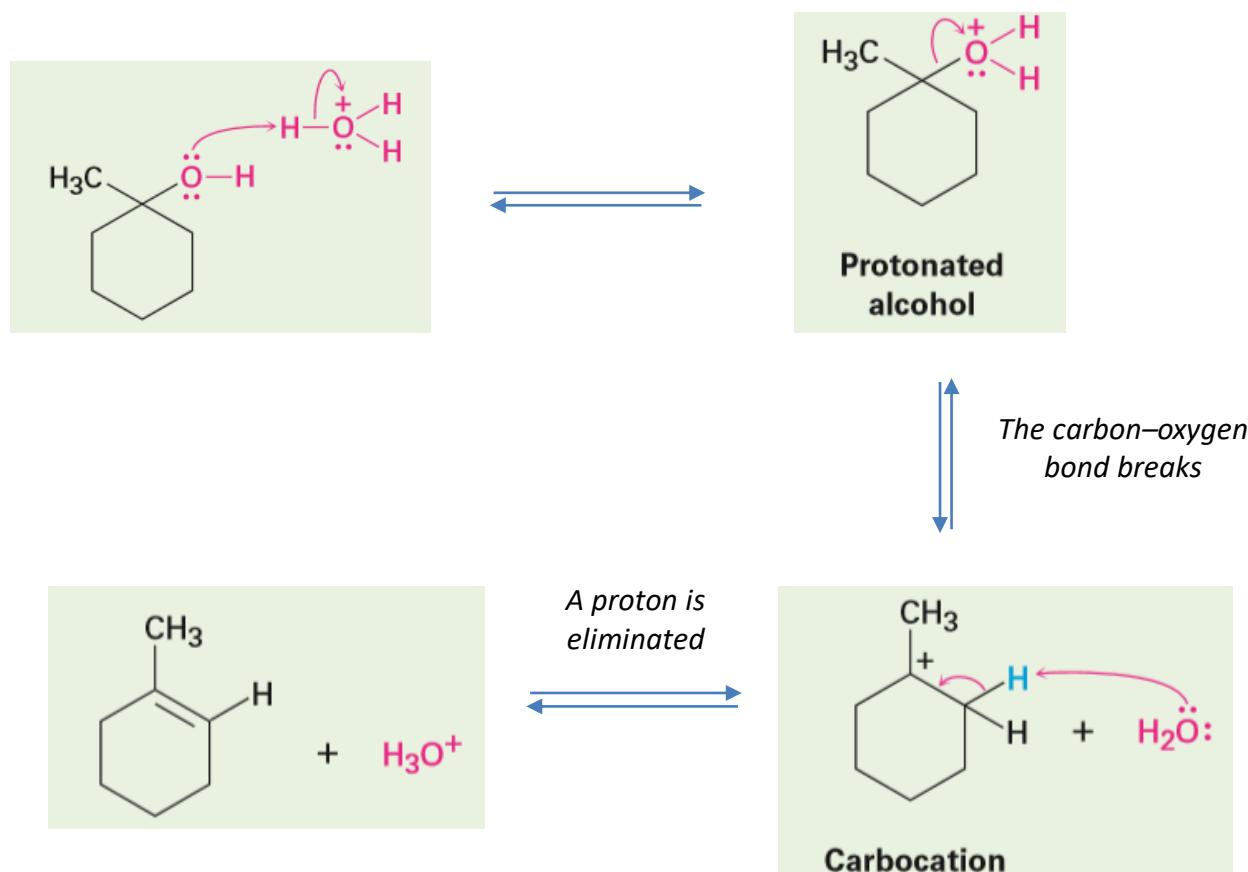


Dehydration of Alcohols to Yield Alkenes



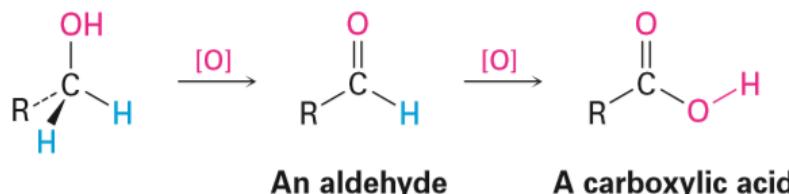
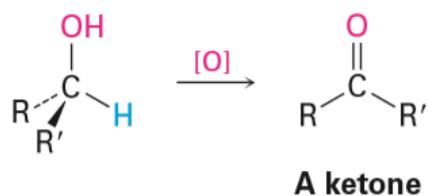
Mechanism

Mechanism of the acid-catalyzed dehydration of a tertiary alcohol to yield an alkene.

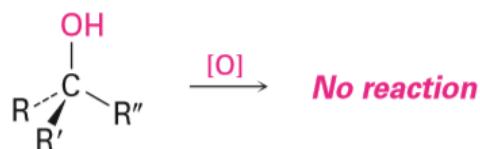


The process is an **E1 reaction** and involves a carbocation intermediate

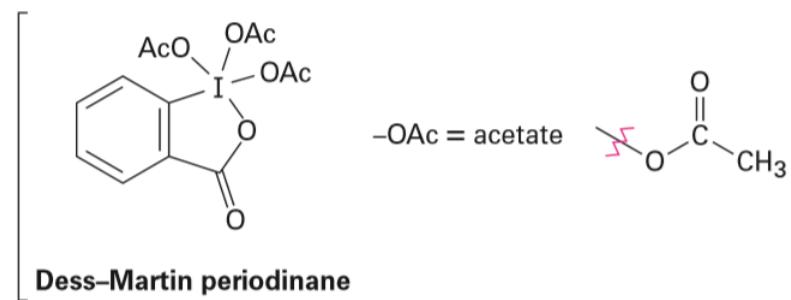
Oxidation of Alcohols

Primary alcohol**Secondary alcohol**

The oxidation of a primary or secondary alcohol can be accomplished by any of a large number of reagents, including $KMnO_4$, CrO_3 , and $Na_2Cr_2O_7$.

Tertiary alcohol

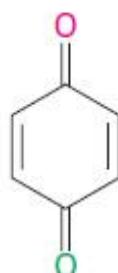
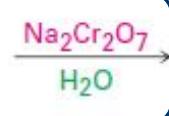
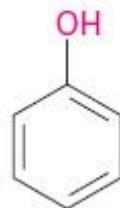
To prepare an aldehyde from a primary alcohol in the laboratory is to use the I(V) containing **Dess–Martin periodinane** in dichloromethane solvent.



Reactivity of phenols

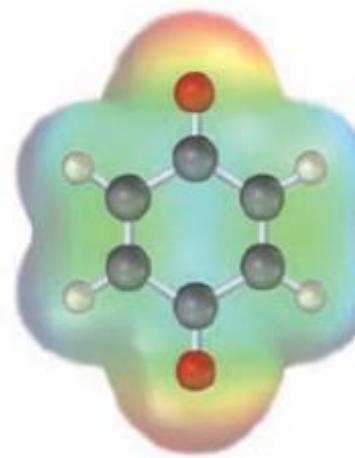
Oxidation of Phenols: Quinones

Oxidation

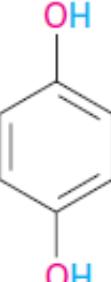
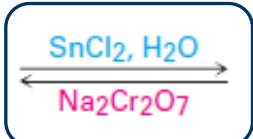
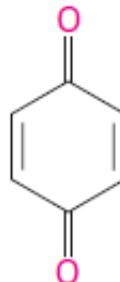


Phenol

Benzoquinone (79%)



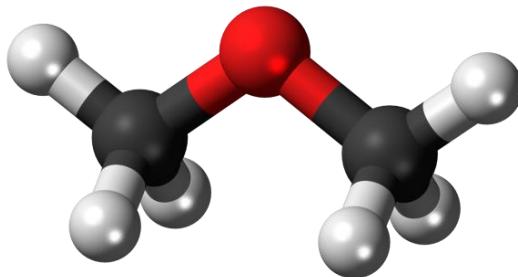
Reduction



Benzoquinone

Hydroquinone

Introduction



Diethyl Ether



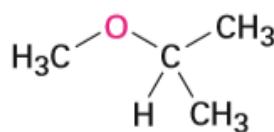
Industrial use as a solvent



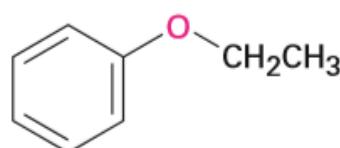
Ether as an anesthetic

Naming Ethers

Simple ethers with no other functional groups are named by identifying the two organic substituents and adding the word **ether**.

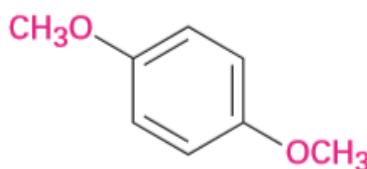


Isopropyl methyl ether

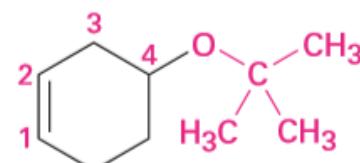


Ethyl phenyl ether

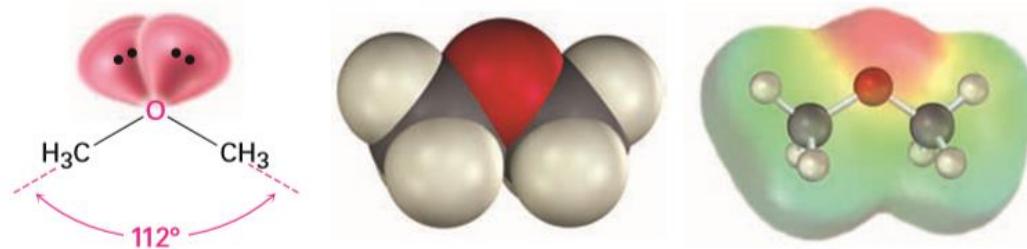
If other functional groups are present, the ether part is considered an **alkoxy** substituent.



p-Dimethoxybenzene

4-*tert*-Butoxy-1-cyclohexene

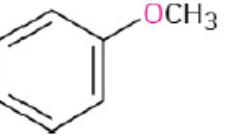
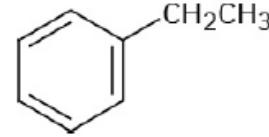
Physical Properties



The R-O-R bonds have an approximately tetrahedral bond angle (112° in dimethyl ether), and the oxygen atom is **sp³-hybridized**.

The electronegative oxygen atom gives ethers a **slight dipole moment**, and the boiling points of ethers are often slightly higher than the boiling points of comparable alkanes.

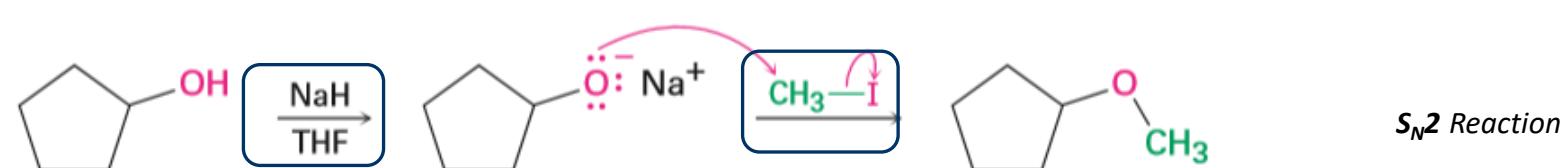
Comparison of Boiling Points of Ethers and Hydrocarbons

Ether	Boiling point °C	Hydrocarbon	Boiling point °C
CH_3OCH_3	-25	$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$	-45
$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_3$	34.6	$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$	36
	65		49
	158		136

*Ethers:
Higher boiling points*

Synthesis of Ethers

The Williamson Ether Synthesis



Cyclopentanol

Alkoxide ion

Cyclopentyl methyl ether (74%)

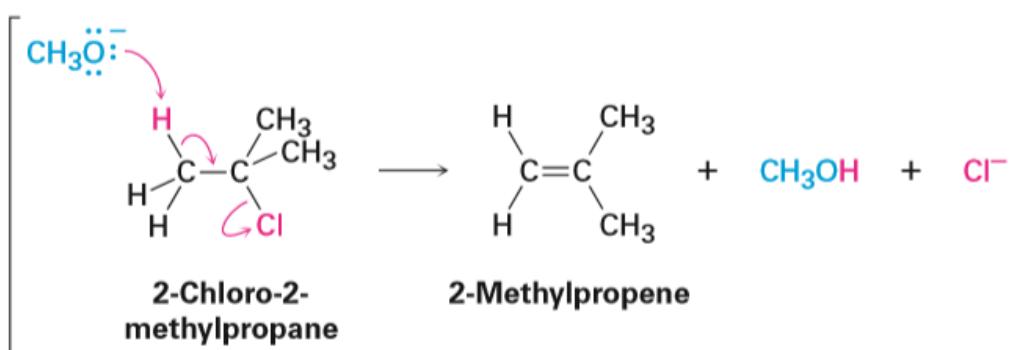


tert-Butoxide

Iodomethane

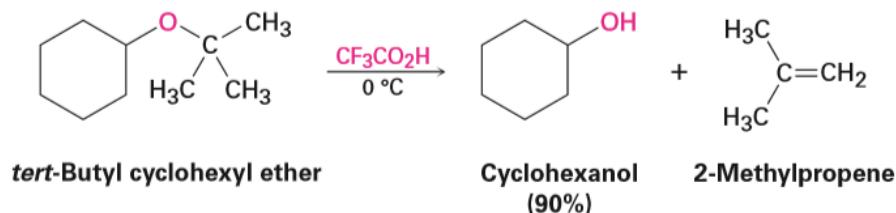
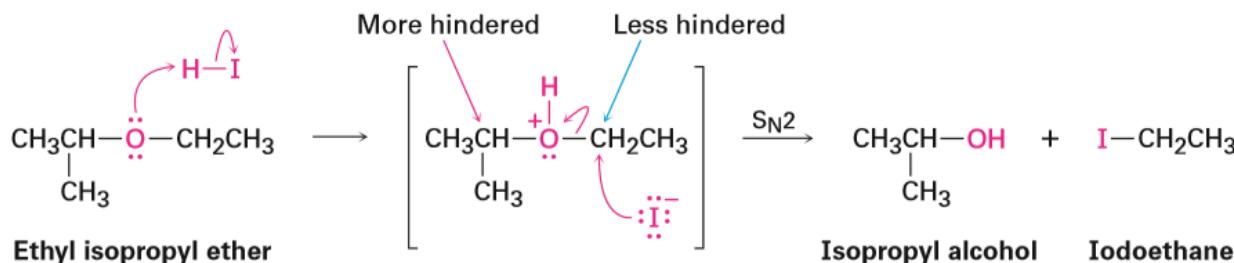
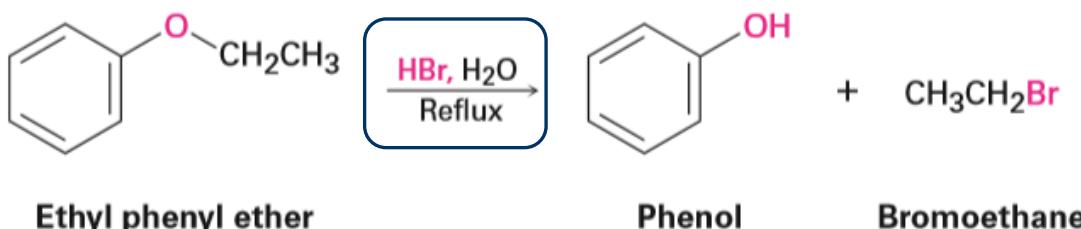
tert-Butyl methyl ether

Primary halides work best because **competitive E2 elimination** can occur with more hindered substrates.

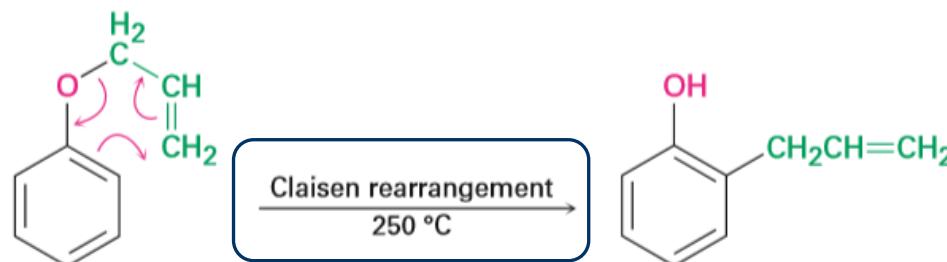
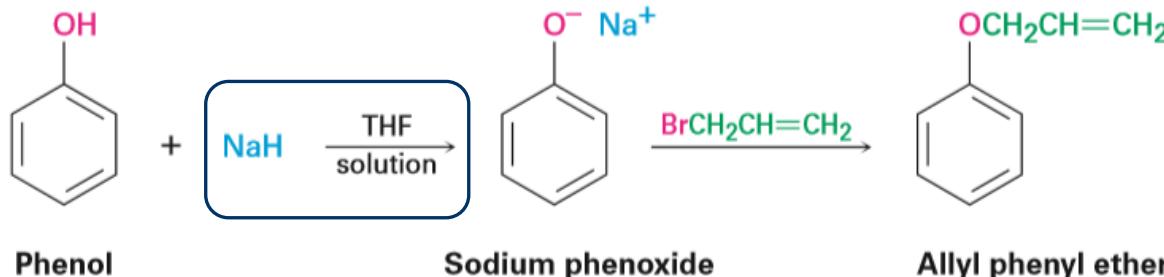


Reactivity of Ethers

Acidic Cleavage



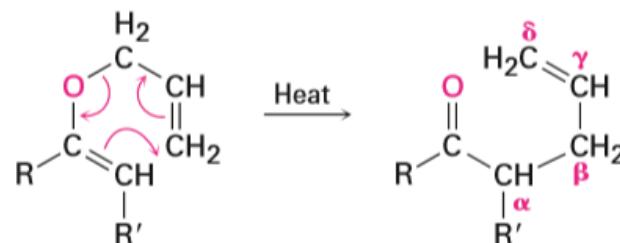
Claisen Rearrangement



*Alkylation of the phenol in an *ortho* position*

Allyl phenyl ether

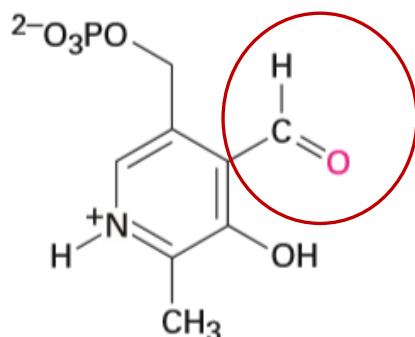
***o*-Allylphenol**



An allyl vinyl ether

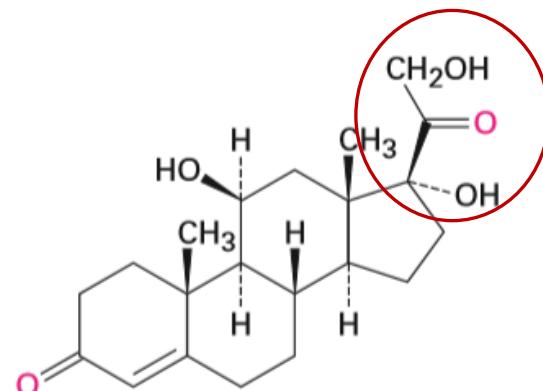
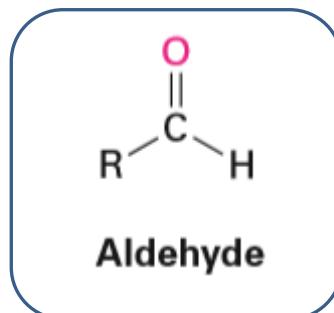
A γ,δ unsaturated ketone

Introduction

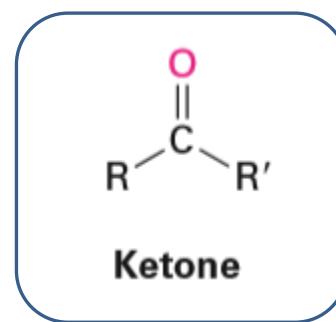


**Pyridoxal
phosphate (PLP)**

Pyridoxal phosphate is a coenzyme involved in a large number of metabolic reactions



Hydrocortisone



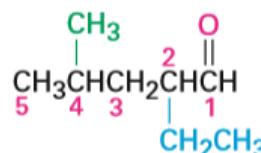
The ketone hydrocortisone is a steroid hormone secreted by the adrenal glands to regulate fat, protein, and carbohydrate metabolism

Naming Carbonyl Compounds

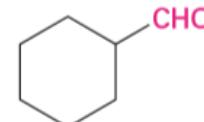
Aldehydes are named by replacing the terminal **-e** of the corresponding alkane name with **-al**. For cyclic aldehydes in which the -CHO group is directly attached to a ring, the suffix **-carbaldehyde** is used.



Ethanal
(acetaldehyde)

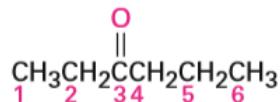


2-Ethyl-4-methylpentanal

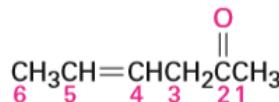


Cyclohexanecarbaldehyde

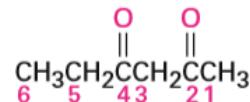
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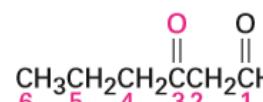
3-Hexanone
(New: Hexan-3-one)



4-Hexen-2-one
(New: Hex-4-en-2-one)

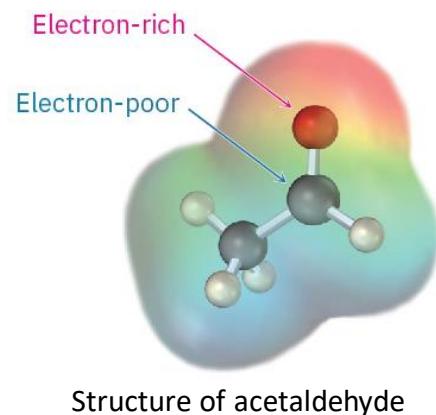
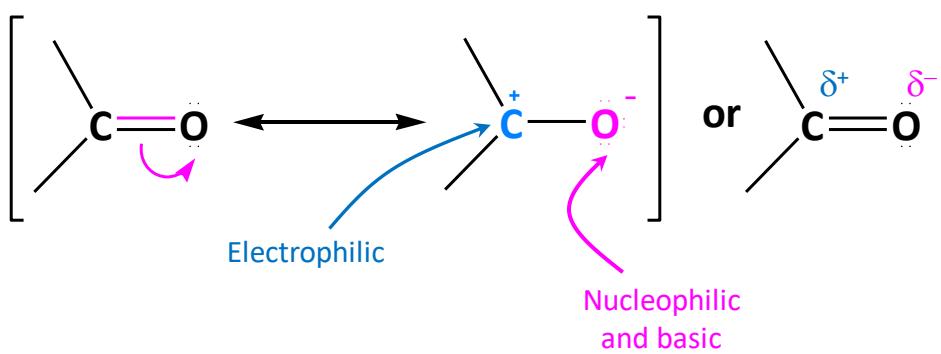
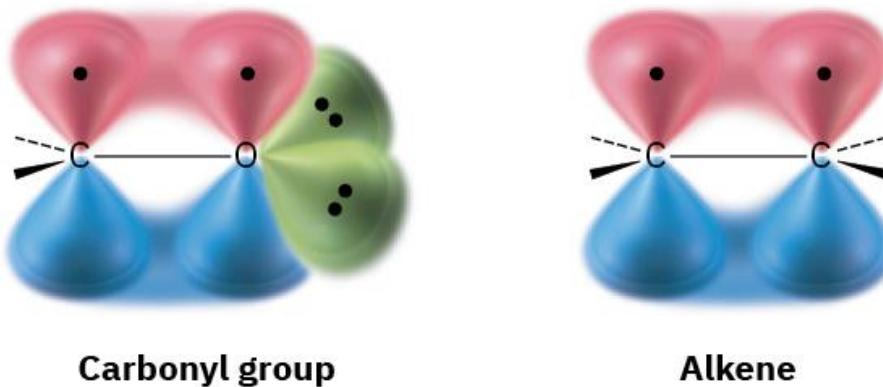


2,4-Hexanedione
(New: Hexane-2,4-dione)



3-Oxoheptanal

Structure of the Carbonyl Group



Structure of acetaldehyde

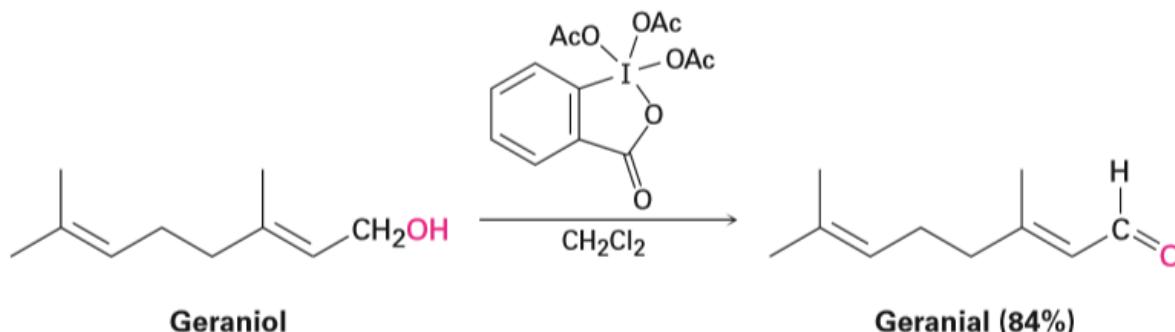
Physical Properties

Boiling Points of Aldehydes and Ketones

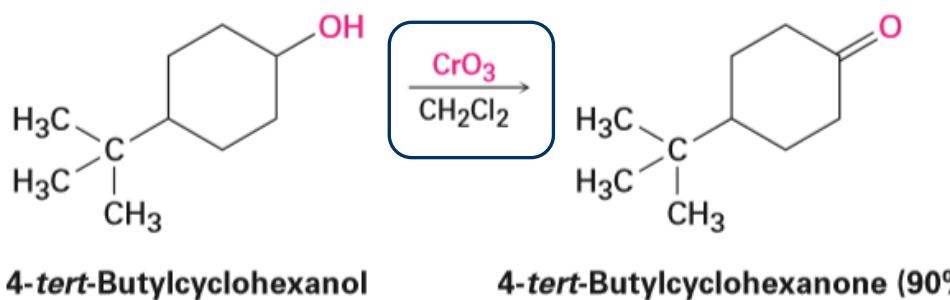
Compound	Boiling point (°C)	
Formaldehyde	-21	<i>The polarization of the carbonyl group makes the boiling points of aldehydes and ketones higher than those of hydrocarbons of similar size and molecular weight</i>
<i>Acetaldehyde</i>	21	
<i>Propanal</i>	49	
Acetone	56	
<i>Butanal</i>	76	
<i>Butanone</i>	80	
<i>Pentanal</i>	102	
<i>2-Pentanone</i>	102	<i>Pentane Boiling Point = 36.1 °C</i>
<i>3-Pentanone</i>	102	

Synthesis of Ketones and Aldehydes

Preparing Aldehydes: Oxidation of Primary Alcohols

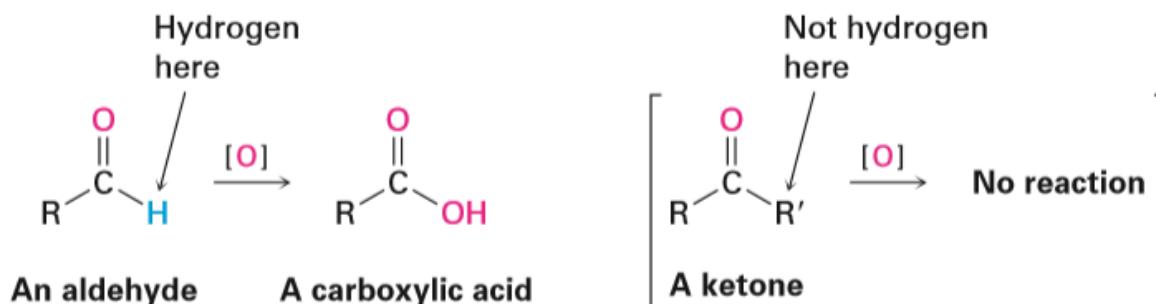


Preparing Ketones: Oxidation of Secondary Alcohols

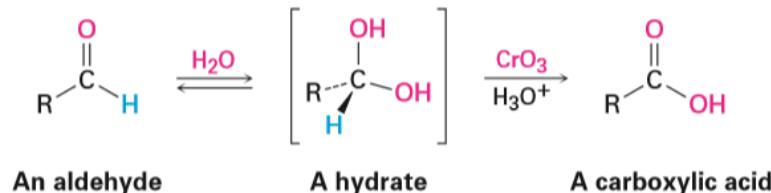


Reactivity of Ketones and Aldehydes

Oxidation of Ketones and Aldehydes



*Oxidation of
aldehydes:
Mechanism*



Nucleophilic Addition Reactions

Mechanism

An electron pair from the nucleophile adds to the electrophilic carbon of the carbonyl group, pushing an electron pair from the C=O bond onto oxygen. The carbonyl carbon rehybridizes from sp^2 to sp^3 .

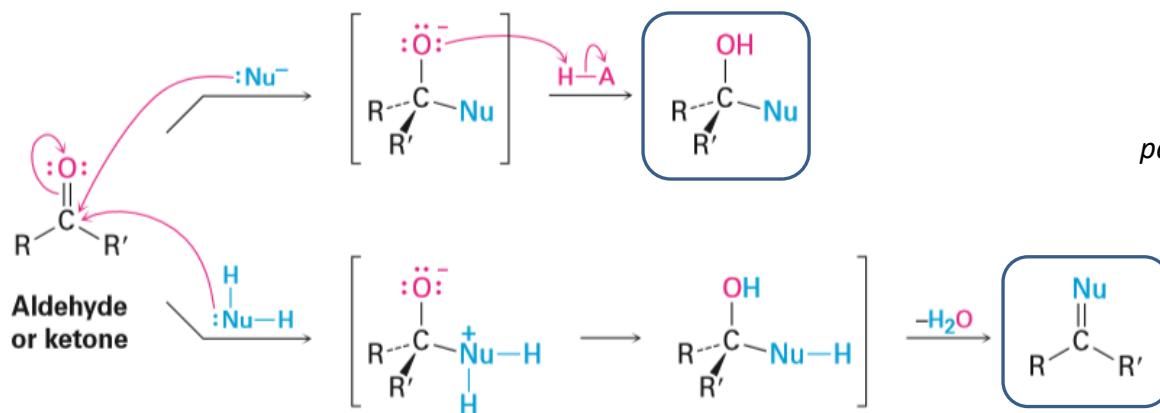
Protonation of the alkoxide anion intermediate gives the neutral alcohol addition product

Some negatively charged nucleophiles

- $\text{HO}^{\cdot-}$ (hydroxide ion)
- $\text{H}^{\cdot-}$ (hydride ion)
- $\text{R}_3\text{C}^{\cdot-}$ (a carbanion)
- $\text{RO}^{\cdot-}$ (an alkoxide ion)
- $\text{N}\equiv\text{C}^{\cdot-}$ (cyanide ion)

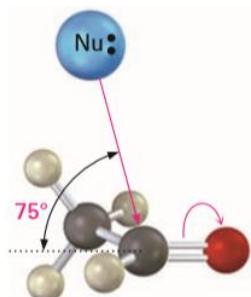
Some neutral nucleophiles

- $\text{H}\ddot{\text{O}}\text{H}$ (water)
- $\text{R}\ddot{\text{O}}\text{H}$ (an alcohol)
- $\text{H}_3\text{N}^{\cdot}$ (ammonia)
- $\text{R}\ddot{\text{N}}\text{H}_2$ (an amine)

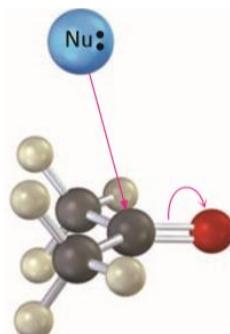


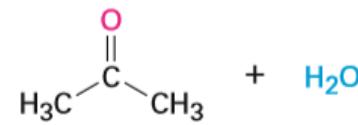
The top pathway leads to an alcohol product; the bottom pathway leads to a product with a $\text{C}=\text{Nu}$ double bond

In an aldehyde, reaction is sterically less hindered

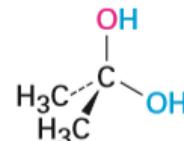


A ketone has two large substituents and is more hindered.

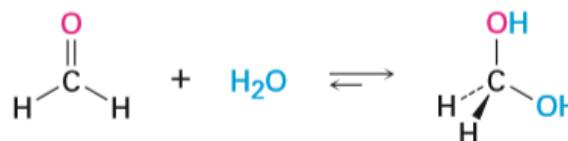


Nucleophilic Addition of H₂O: Hydration

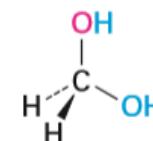
Acetone (99.9%)



Acetone hydrate (0.1%)



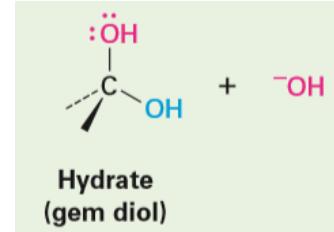
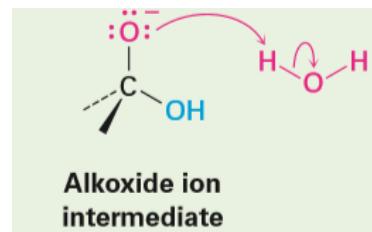
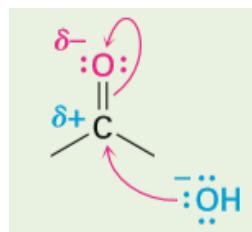
Formaldehyde (0.1%)



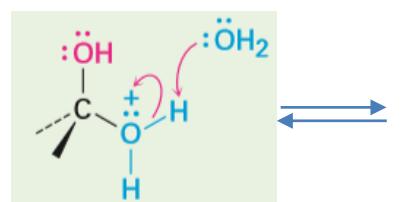
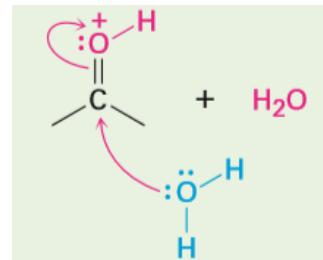
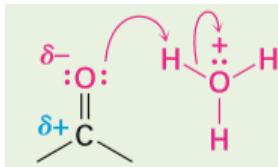
Formaldehyde hydrate (99.9%)

The nucleophilic addition of water to an aldehyde or ketone is slow under neutral conditions but is catalyzed by both base and acid.

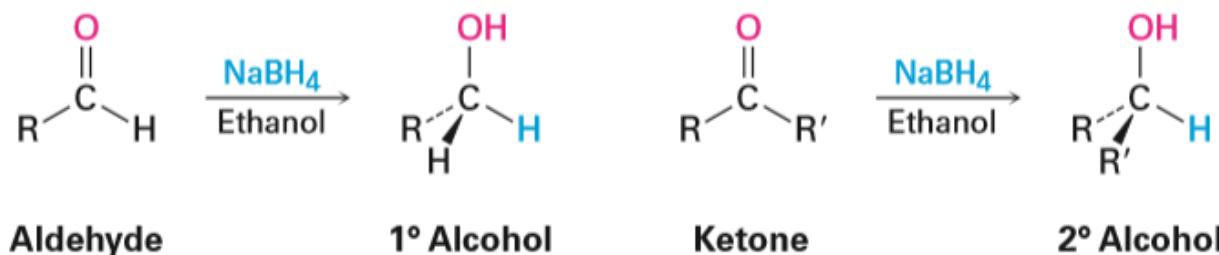
Basic



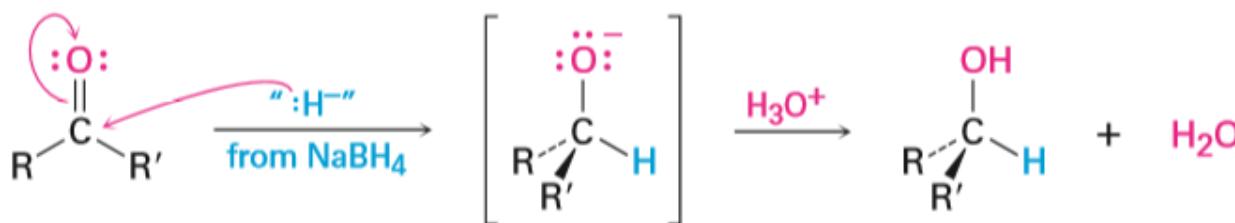
Acid



Nucleophilic Addition of Hydride: Reduction

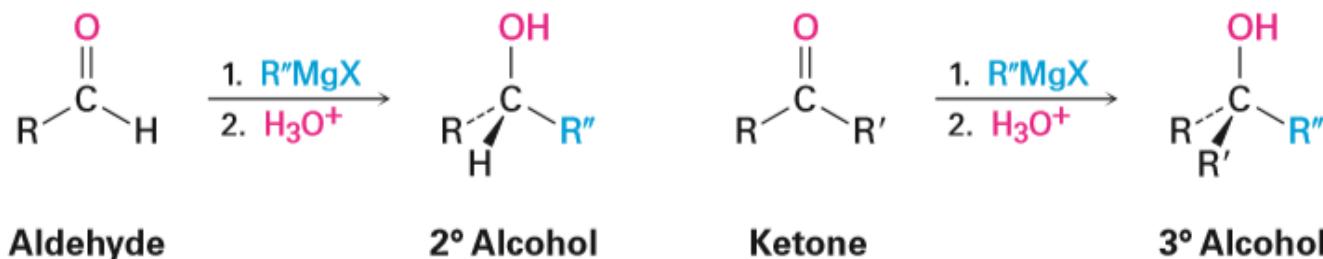


Aldehydes are reduced with sodium borohydride (NaBH_4) to give primary alcohols, and ketones are reduced similarly to give secondary alcohols

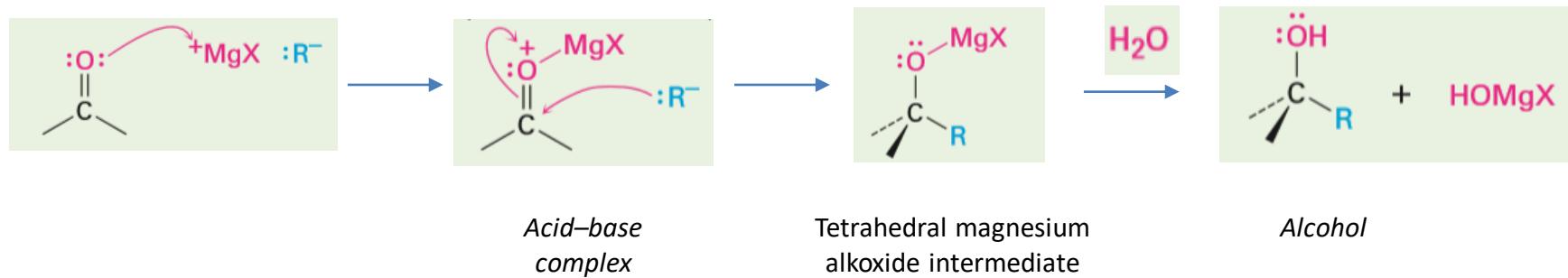


LiAlH_4 and NaBH_4 act as if they were donors of hydride ion nucleophile, :H^- , and the initially formed alkoxide ion intermediate is then protonated by addition of aqueous acid

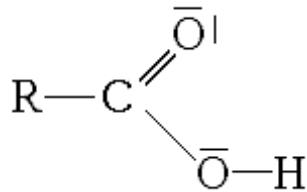
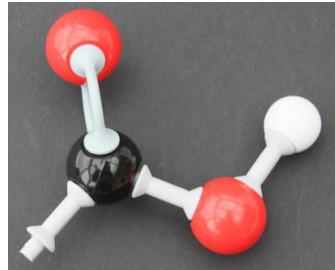
Nucleophilic Addition of Grignard Agents



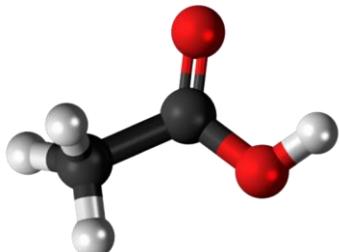
Mechanism



Introduction



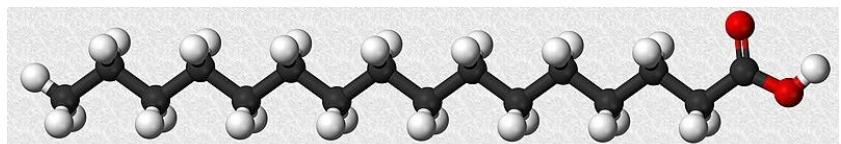
Carboxy Group



Acetic Acid



It is a major component of the oil from the fruit of oil palm



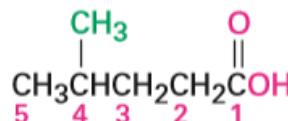
Palmitic Acid

Naming Carboxylic Acids

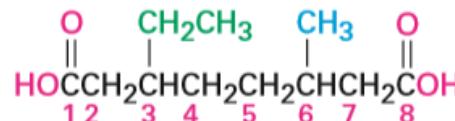
Simple carboxylic acids derived from open-chain alkanes are systematically named by replacing the terminal **-e** of the corresponding alkane name with **-oic acid**. The CO_2H carbon atom is numbered **C1**.



Propanoic acid

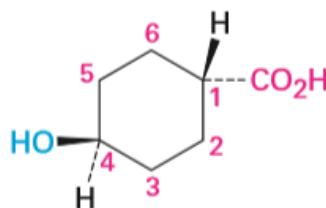


4-Methylpentanoic acid

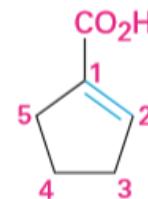


3-Ethyl-6-methyloctanedioic acid

Compounds that have a CO_2H group bonded to a ring are named using the suffix **-carboxylic acid**. The CO_2H carbon is attached to **C1** in this system and is not itself numbered. As a substituent, the CO_2H group is called a **carboxyl group**.

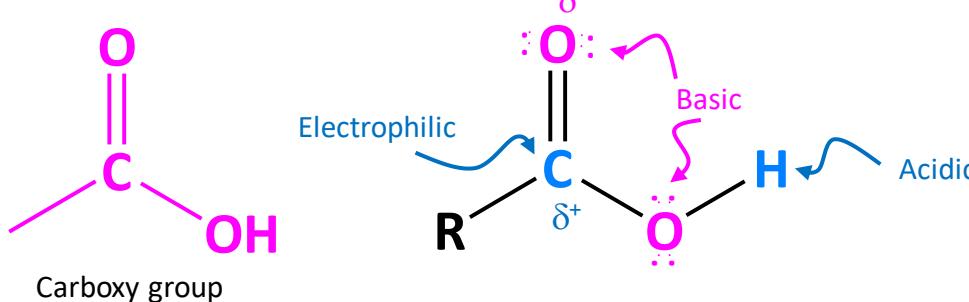


trans-4-Hydroxycyclohexanecarboxylic acid

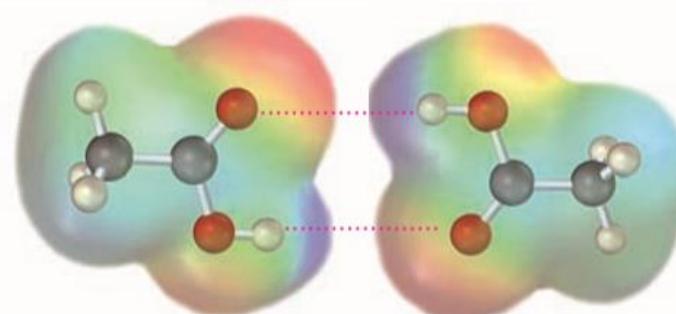
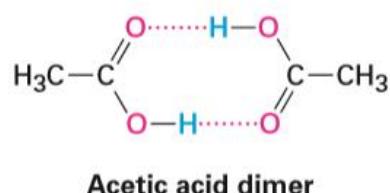


1-Cyclopentene carboxylic acid

Physical properties: The Carboxy Group



Hydrogen Bonding



Melting and Boiling Points

Acidity and Solubility

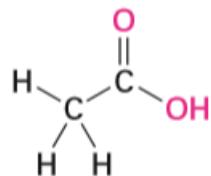
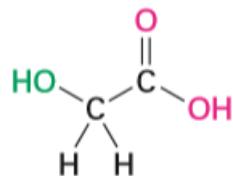
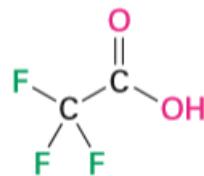


$$K_a = \frac{[\text{RCO}_2^-][\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]}{[\text{RCO}_2\text{H}]} \quad \text{and} \quad pK_a = -\log K_a$$

Acidity of Some Carboxylic Acids

Structure	K_a	pK_a	
$\text{CF}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	0.59	0.23	
HCO_2H	1.77×10^{-4}	3.75	
$\text{HOCH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	1.5×10^{-4}	3.84	
$\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	6.46×10^{-5}	4.19	
$\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{CHCO}_2\text{H}$	5.6×10^{-5}	4.25	
$\text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	1.75×10^{-5}	4.76	
$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	1.34×10^{-5}	4.87	
$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ (ethanol)	(1.00×10^{-16})	(16.00)	

Substituent Effects on Acidity

 $pK_a = 4.76$  $pK_a = 3.83$  $pK_a = -0.23$

Three **electron-withdrawing** fluorine atoms delocalize the negative charge in the trifluoroacetate anion, thereby stabilizing the ion and increasing the acidity of CF_3CO_2H .

Acidity

Inductive effects operate through sigma bonds and are dependent on distance, the effect of halogen substitution decreases as the substituent moves farther from the carboxyl.

 $pK_a = 4.52$  $pK_a = 4.05$  $pK_a = 2.86$

Acidity

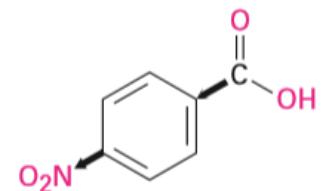
Substituent Effects on Acidity of p-Substituted Benzoic Acids

Y	$K_a \times 10^{-5}$	pK_a	
Stronger acid			
$-NO_2$	39	3.41	}
$-CN$	28	3.55	
$-CHO$	18	3.75	
$-Br$	11	3.96	
$-Cl$	10	4.0	
$-H$	6.46	4.19	}
$-CH_3$	4.3	4.34	
$-OCH_3$	3.5	4.46	
$-OH$	3.3	4.48	
Weaker acid			

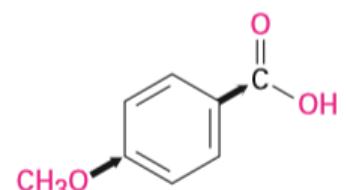
Deactivating groups

Activating groups

The carboxylate anion is stabilized



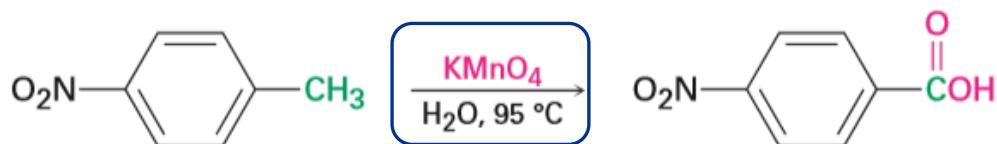
p-Nitrobenzoic acid
($pK_a = 3.41$)



p-Methoxybenzoic acid
($pK_a = 4.46$)

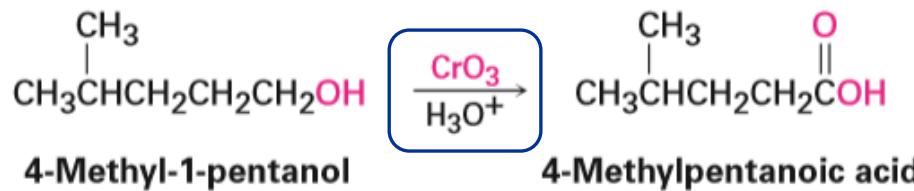
Synthesis of carboxylic acids

Oxidation Reactions

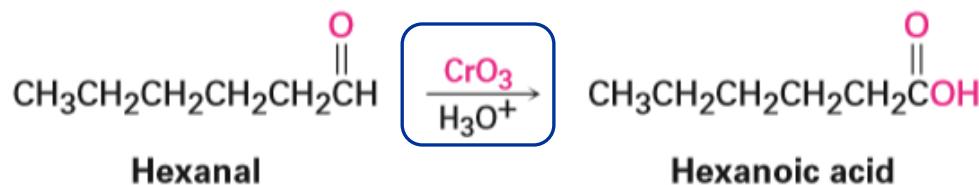


Oxidation of a substituted alkylbenzene gives a substituted benzoic acid

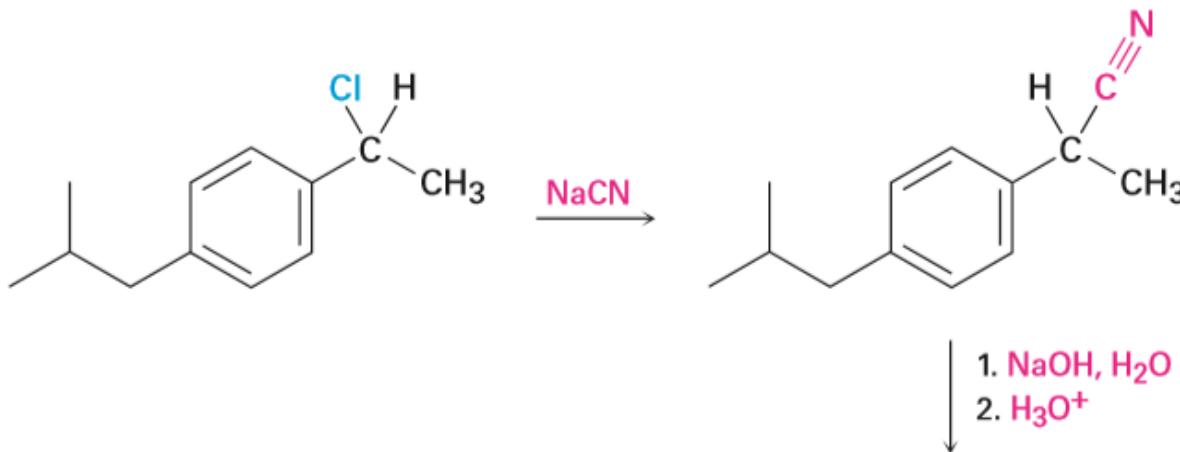
p-Nitrotoluene *p*-Nitrobenzoic acid (88%)



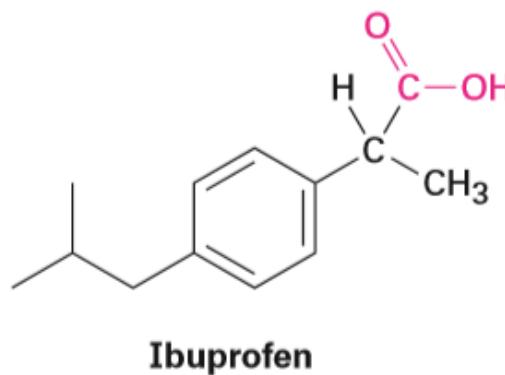
Oxidation of a primary alcohol or an aldehyde yields a carboxylic acid



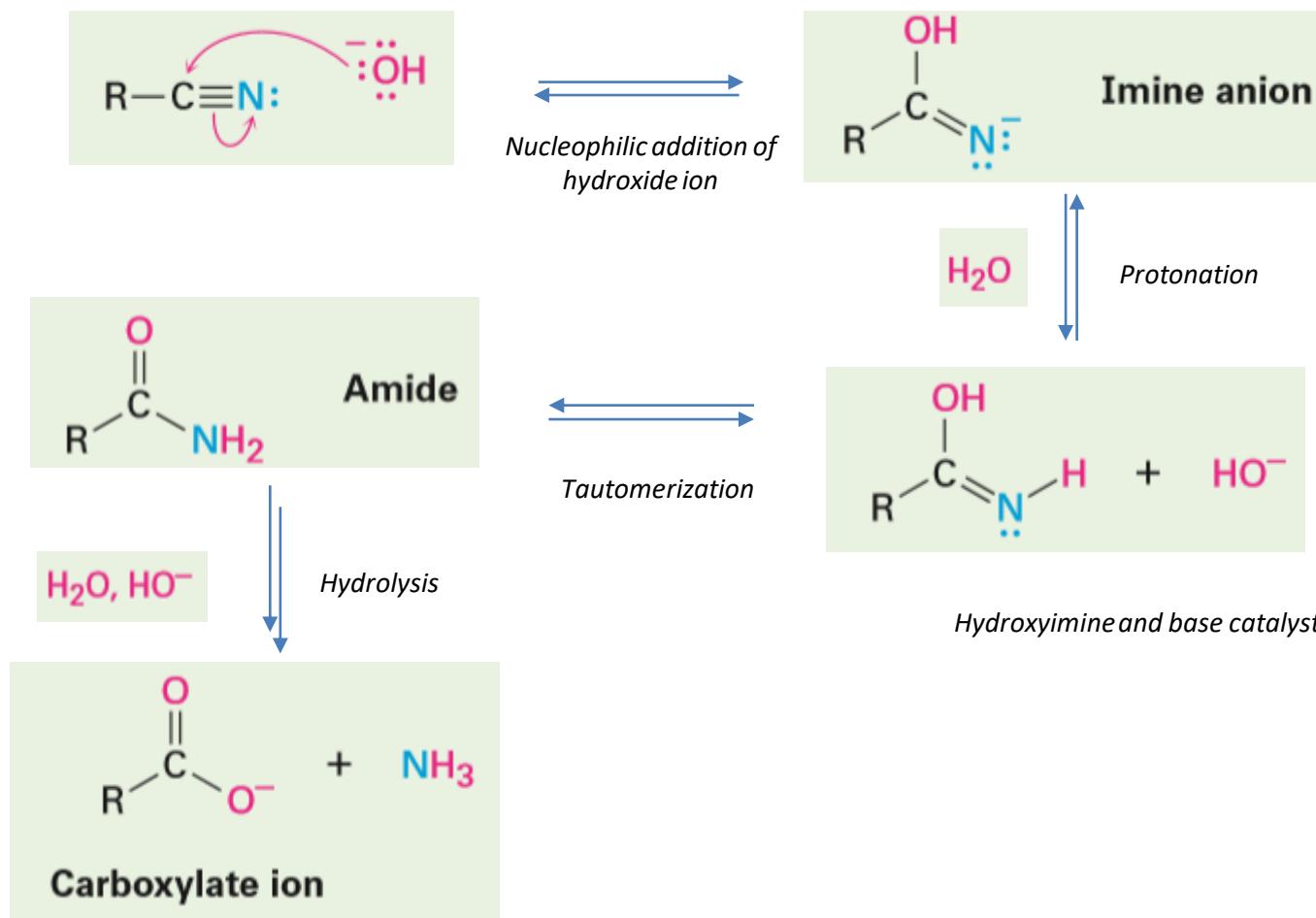
Hydrolysis of Nitriles



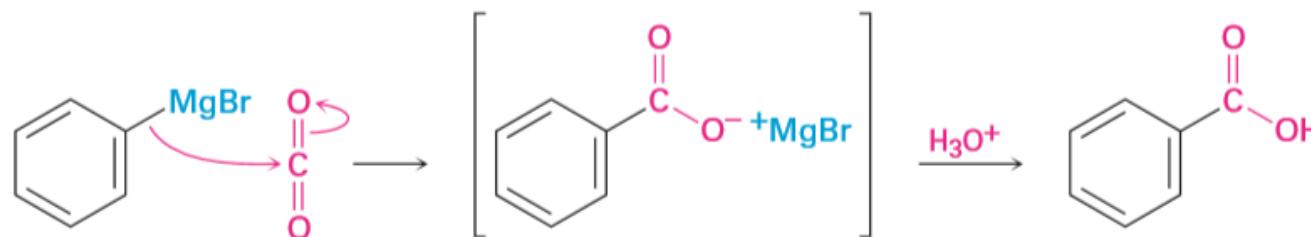
1. Nitriles are usually made by S_N2 reaction of a primary or secondary alkyl halide with CN⁻.
2. Nitrile hydrolysis.
3. The product has one more carbon.



Mechanism of the basic hydrolysis of Nitriles



Carboxylation of Grignard Reagents



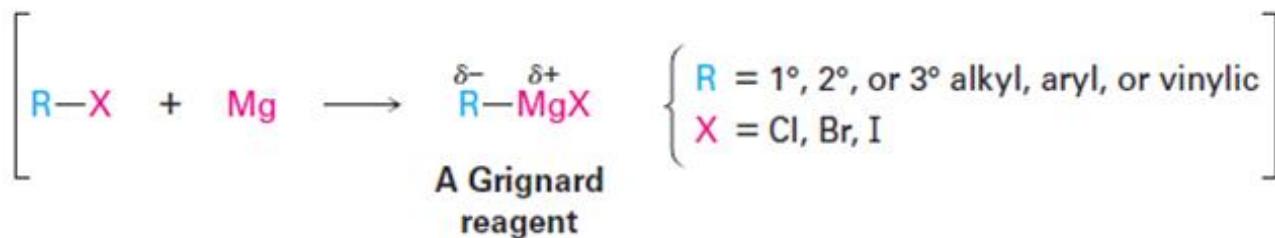
**Phenylmagnesium
bromide**

*Reaction of a Grignard reagent
with CO₂ to yield a metal
carboxylate*

Benzoic acid

Protonation of the carboxylate

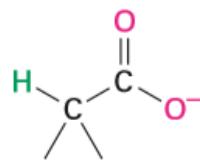
*The formation of the
Grignard reagent from
organic halides that have no
acidic hydrogens or reactive
functional groups elsewhere
in the molecule.*



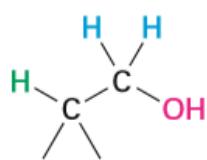
Reactivity of Carboxylic Acids

An Overview

Acidity of carboxylic acid (pK_a)

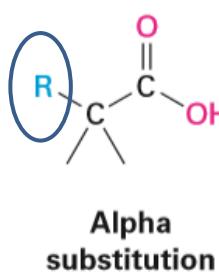


Treatment of the acid with LiAlH_4
(Topic 8)

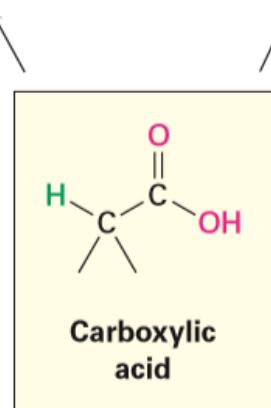


Deprotonation

Reduction



Alpha substitution



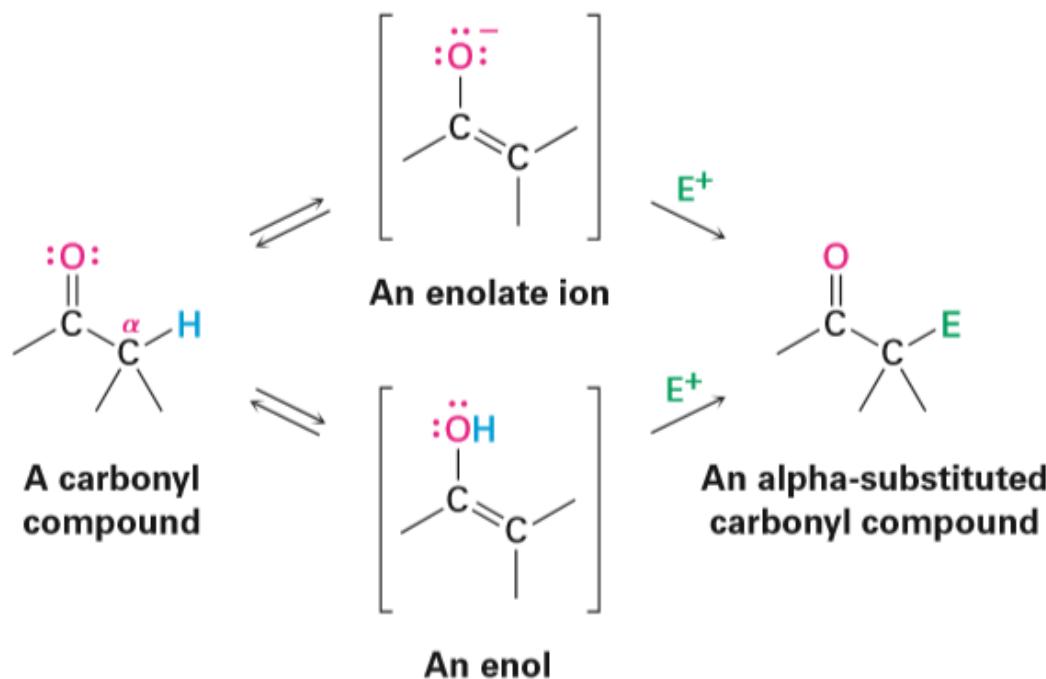
Carboxylic acid



Nucleophilic acyl substitution

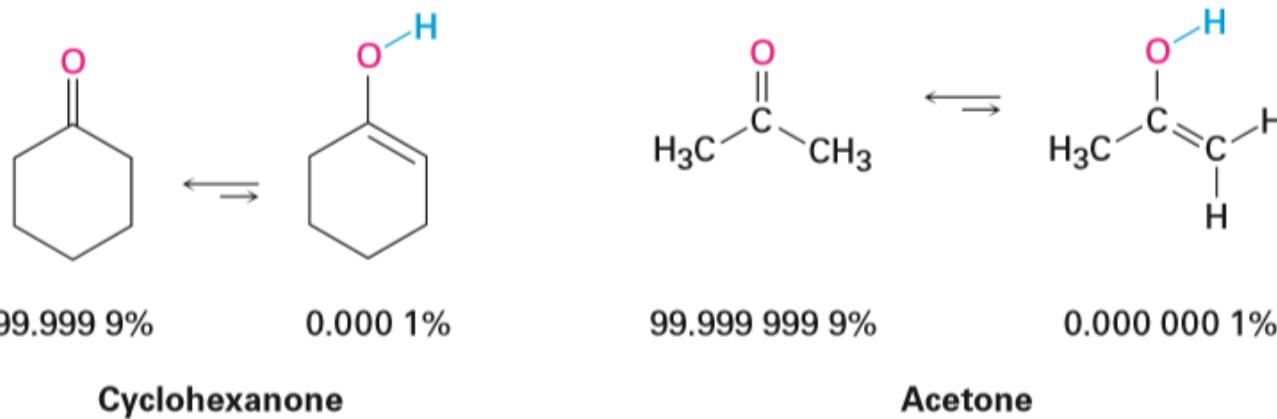
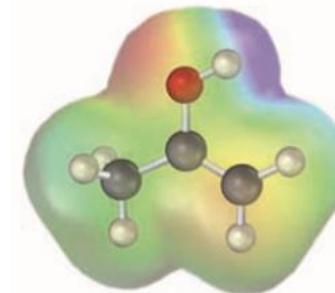
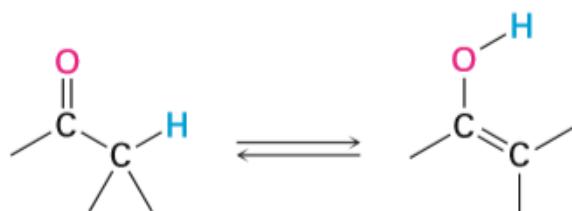
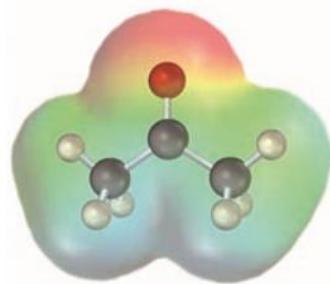
Some general reactions of carboxylic acids.

Alpha-Substitution Reactions



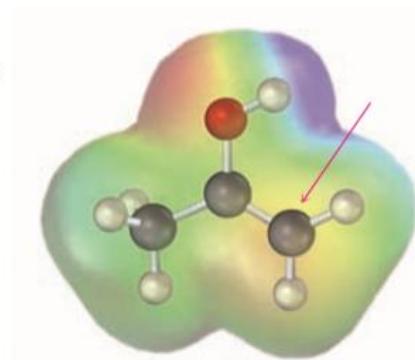
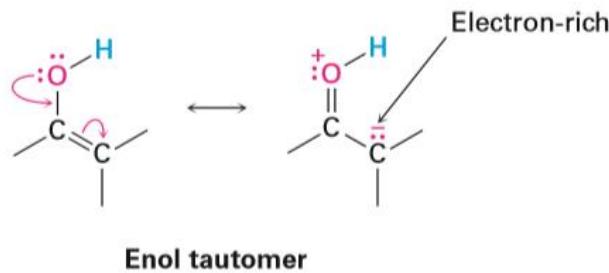
Substitution of an α hydrogen atom by an electrophile, E , through either an enol or enolate ion intermediate

Keto-Enol Tautomerism

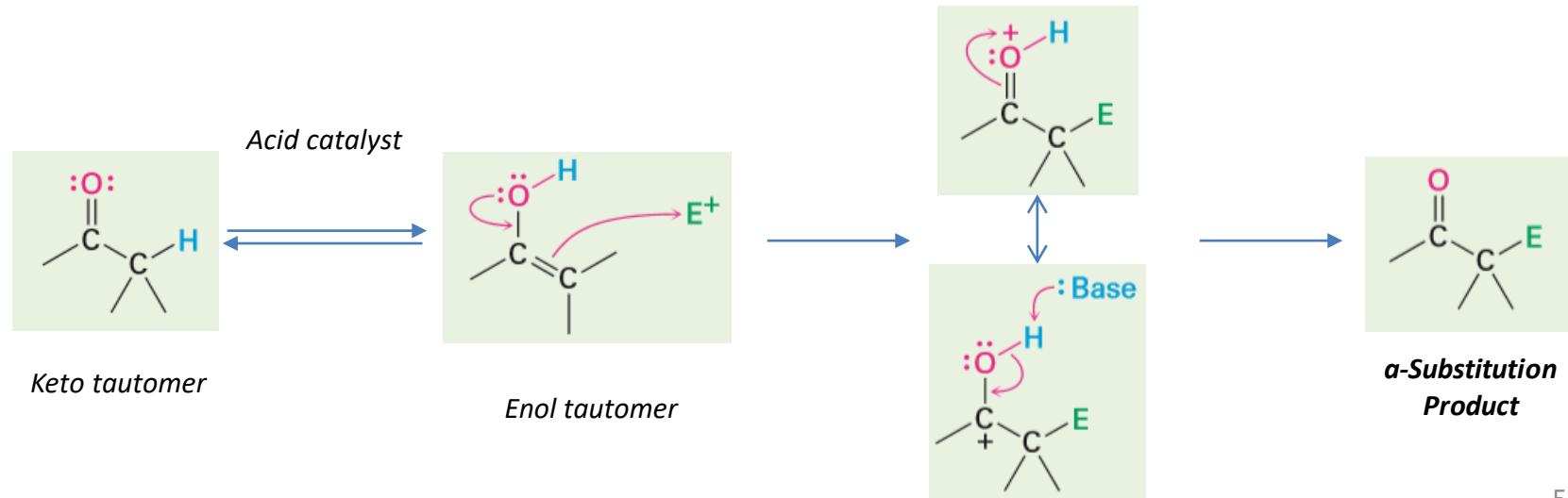


Reactivity of enols: Mechanism of alpha-Substitution Reactions

Enols are more electron-rich and correspondingly more reactive than alkenes

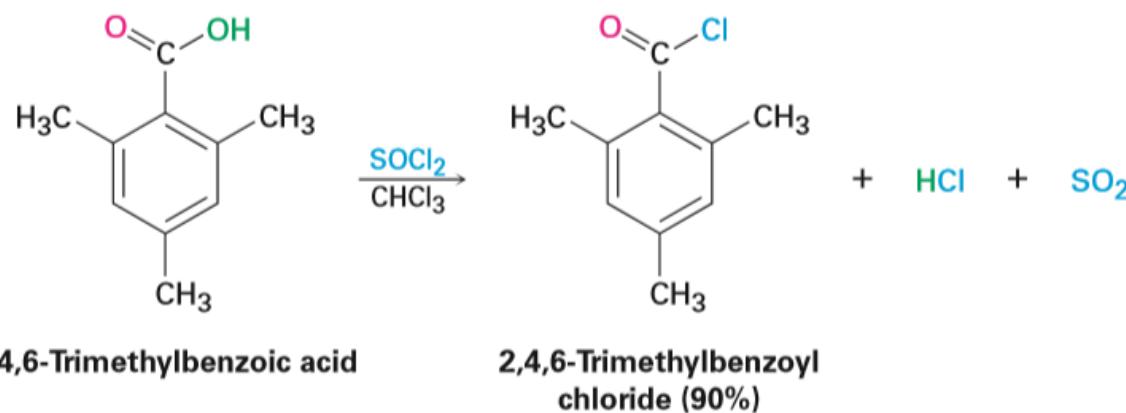


Mechanism

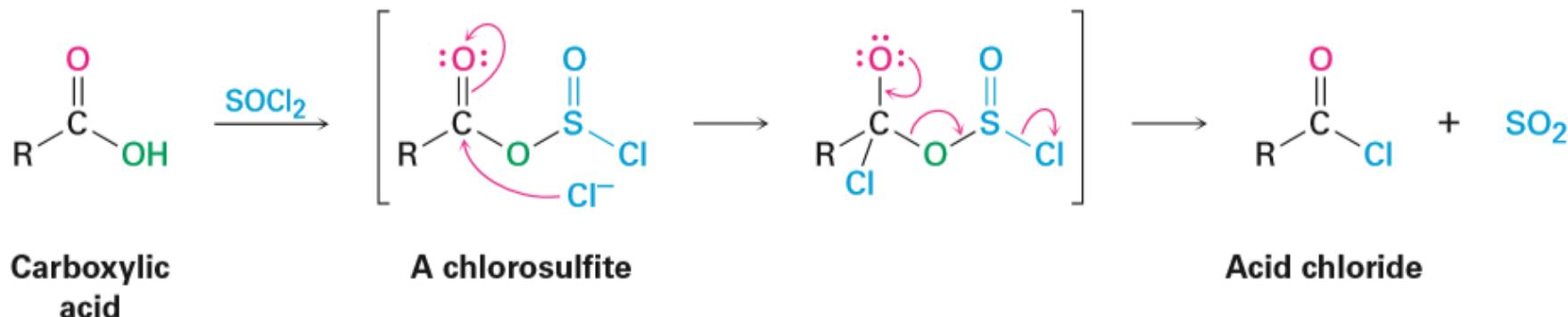


Nucleophilic Acyl Substitution

Conversion into
Acid Chloride

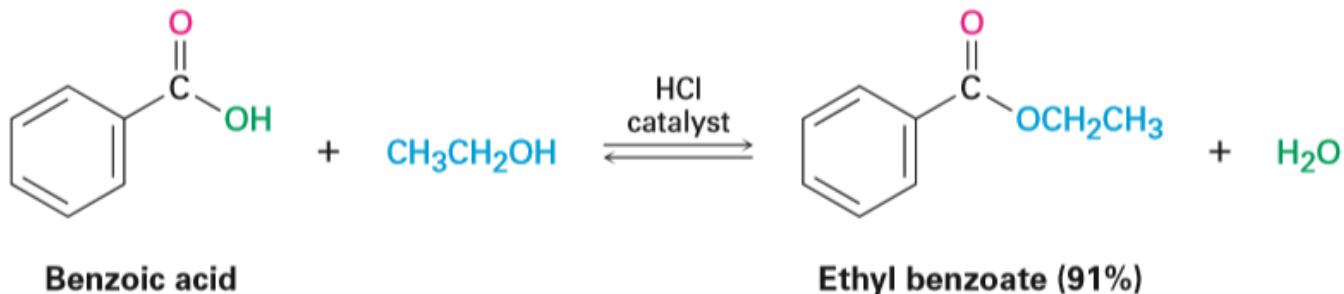


Mechanism



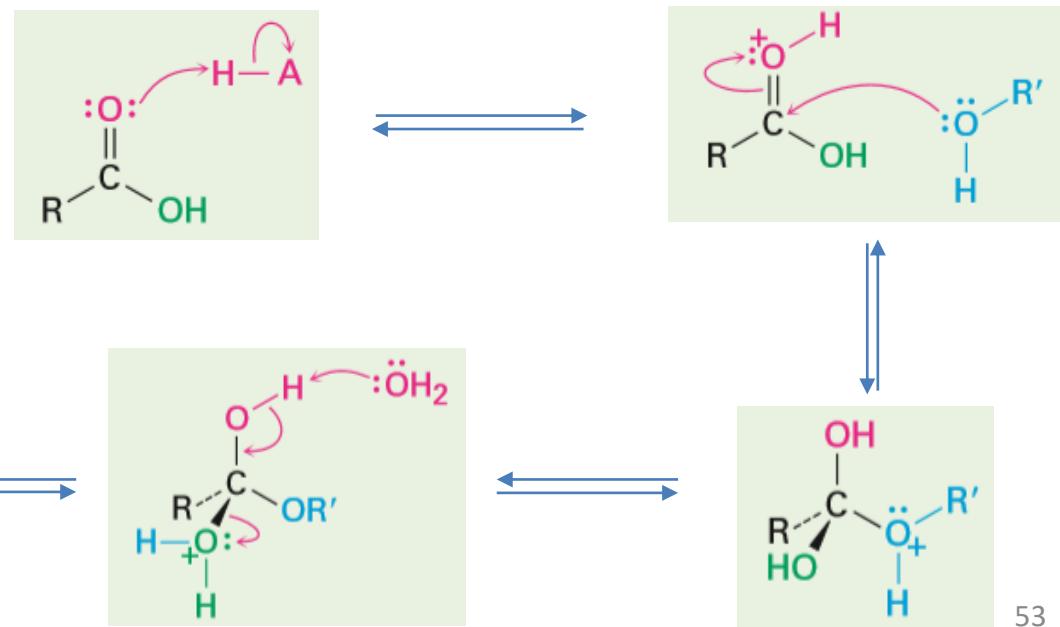
Conversion into Esters

Fischer Esterification



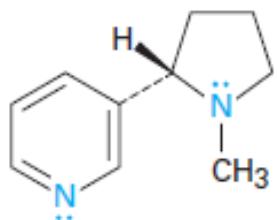
Mechanism

The reaction is an acid-catalyzed, nucleophilic acyl substitution of a carboxylic acid

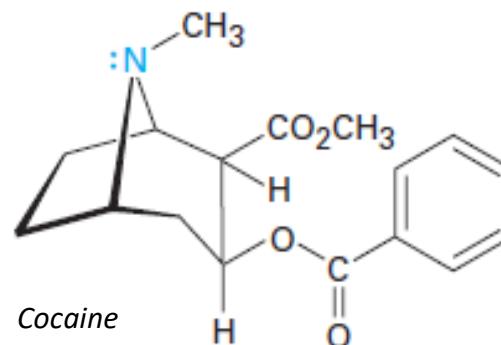


Introduction

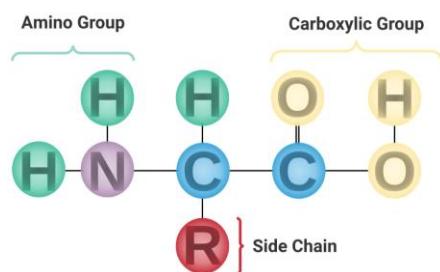
Amines are derivatives of ammonia, in which one, two, or three of the hydrogens have been replaced by alkyl or aryl groups



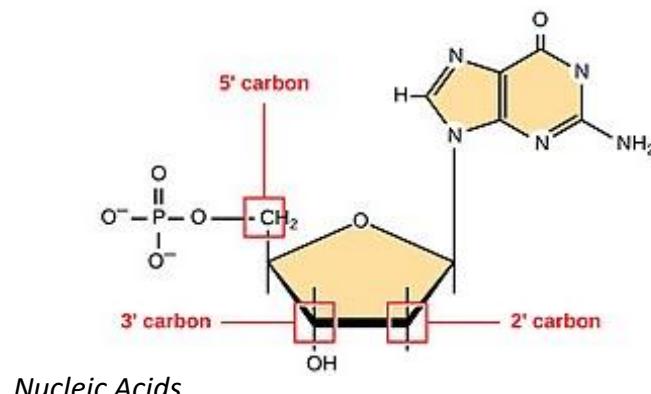
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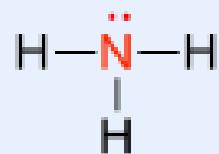
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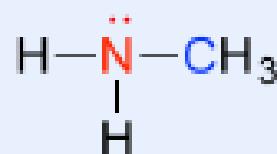
Amino acids form Proteins



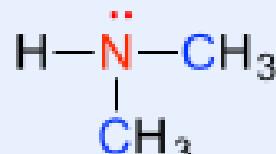
Nucleic Acids



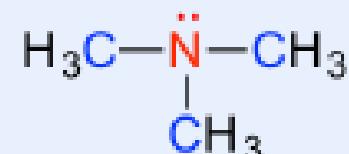
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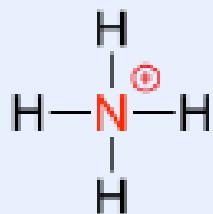
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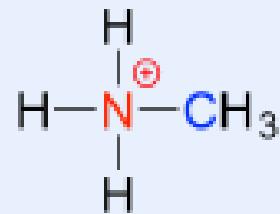
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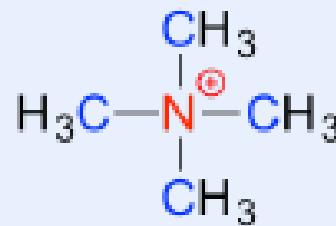
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ammonium ion



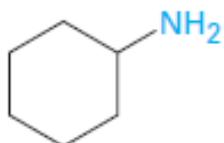
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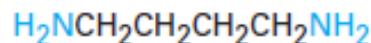
a quaternary ammonium ion

Naming Amines

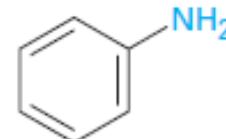
Primary Amines. The suffix **-amine** is added to the name of the alkyl substituent.



Cyclohexylamine

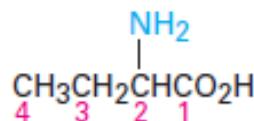


1,4-Butanediamine

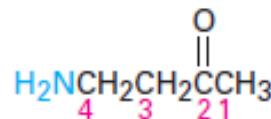


Aniline

Amines with more than one functional group

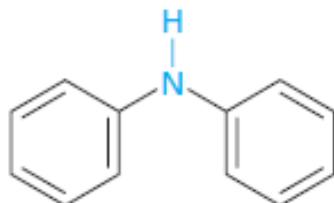


2-aminobutanoic acid

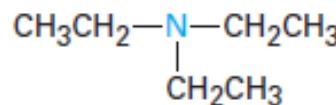


4-amino-2-butanone

Symmetrical Amines. Prefix **di-** or **tri-** to the alkyl group.

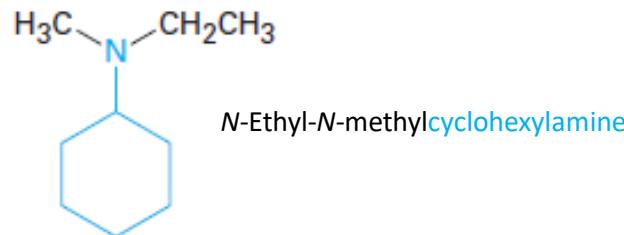
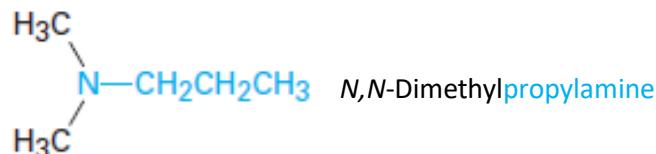


Diphenylamine

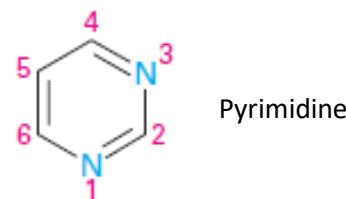
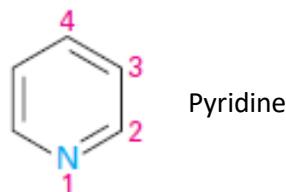
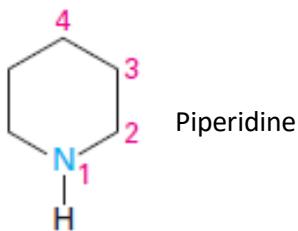
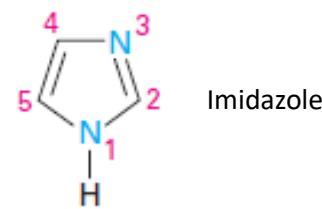
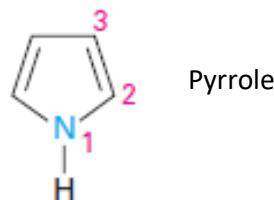
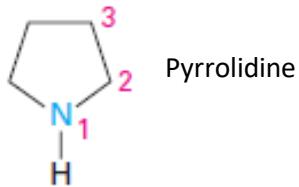


Triethylamine

Unsymmetrically substituted Amines. The largest alkyl group is considered the parent name and the other are considered N-substituents.

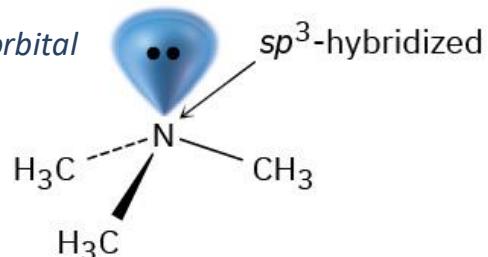


Heterocyclic Amines. The heterocyclic nitrogen atom is numbered as position 1.

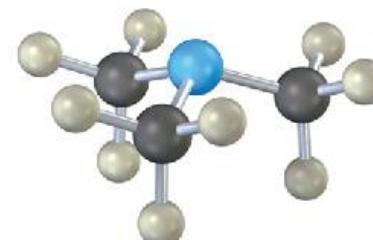


Structure

Lone electron pair in sp^3 hybrid orbital

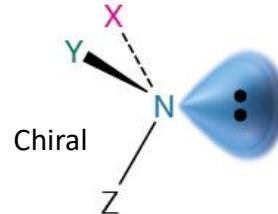


Structure of Trimethylamine

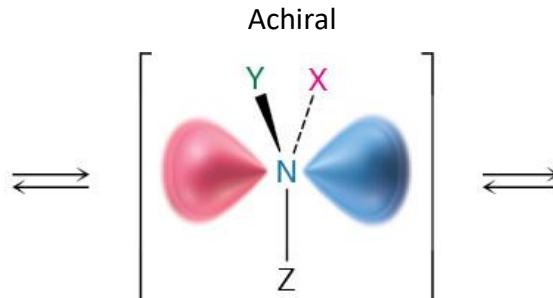


Inversion of Chiral Amines

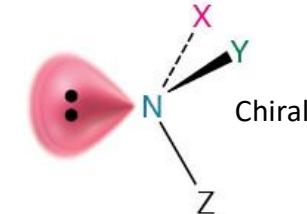
Transition state of Inversion



sp^3 -hybridized
(tetrahedral)



sp^2 -hybridized
(planar)



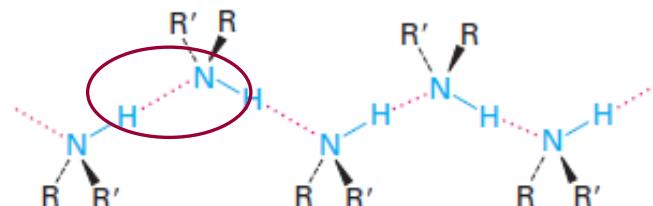
sp^3 -hybridized
(tetrahedral)

Rehybridization of nitrogen atom

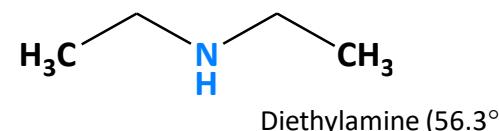
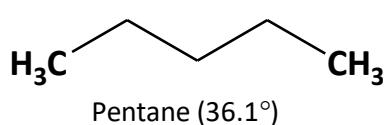
Physical and Chemical Properties

Polarity and boiling points

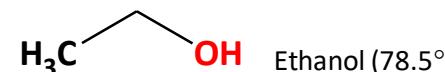
Hydrogen Bond



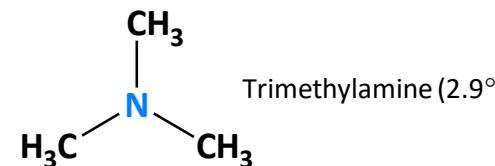
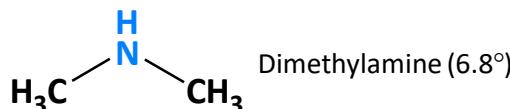
- ✓ Higher boiling point than alkanes of similar molecular weight.



- ✓ *Electronegativity of Nitrogen:* N is less electronegative than oxygen; amines form weaker hydrogen bonds than alcohols.

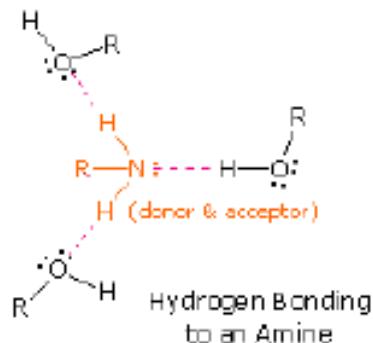


- ✓ Tertiary amines do not form hydrogen bond, so they have lower boiling points than primary and secondary amines.



Solubility

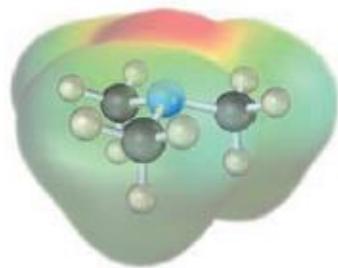
- ✓ Amines are water soluble.



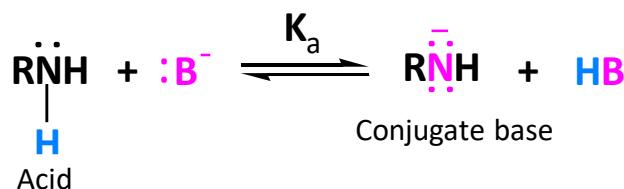
- ✓ If the hydrophobic part of an amine exceeds six carbons, the solubility decreases.

Basicity of Amines

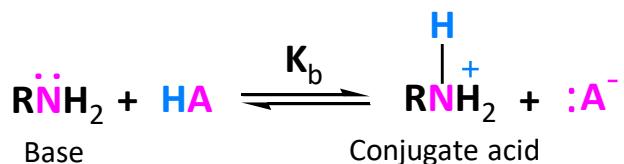
Amine acting as an acid:



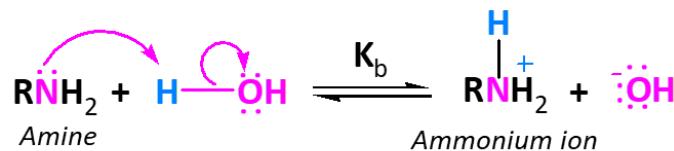
Basic and nucleophilic



Amine acting as a base:



Basicity of Amines



Basicity of an amine → acidity of their conjugate acids:

$$K_a = \frac{[R\ddot{\textcolor{magenta}{H}}_2][H_2\dot{\textcolor{blue}{O}}^+H]}{[RNH_2]} \approx 10^{-10}$$

Weaker base \Rightarrow Smaller pK_a for ammonium ion

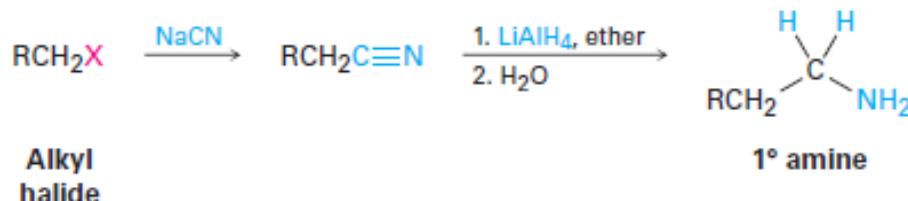
Stronger base \Rightarrow Larger pK_a for ammonium ion

- Alkylamines are stronger bases than ammonia.
 - Increasing the number of alkyl groups decreases solvation of ion so decrease basicity.
 - Arylamines are less basic than alkylamines.
 - Electron-withdrawing substituents (Cl , NO_2 , CN) decrease arylamine basicity.

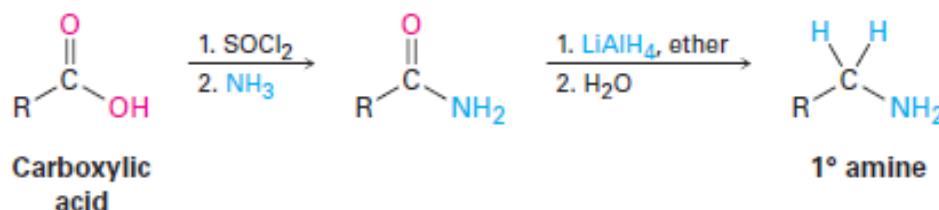
Synthesis of amines

Reduction of N compounds

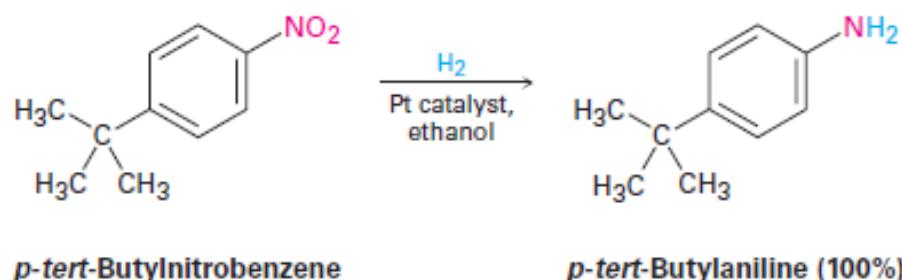
Reduction of Nitrile



Reduction of amide

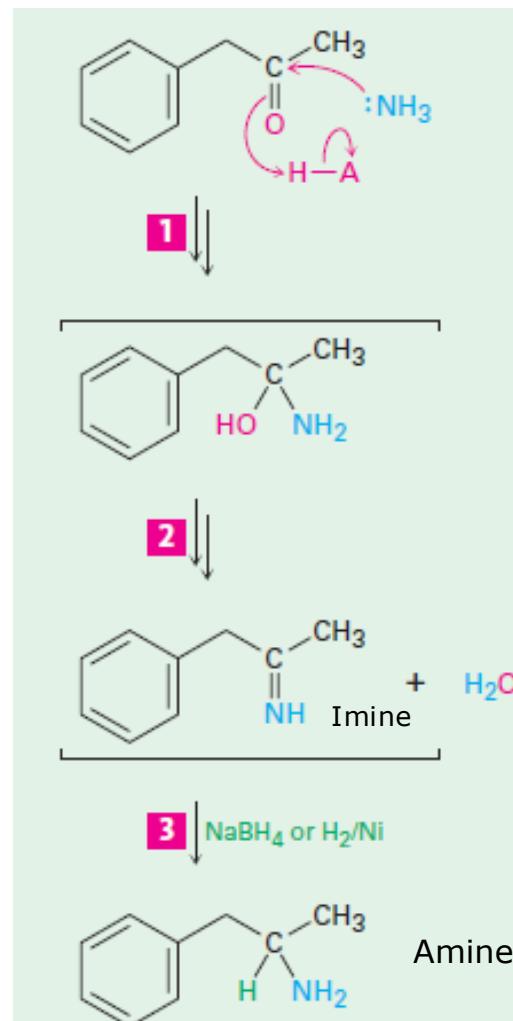


Reduction of nitro group



Reductive Amination

Step 1: Nucleophilic addition of ammonia

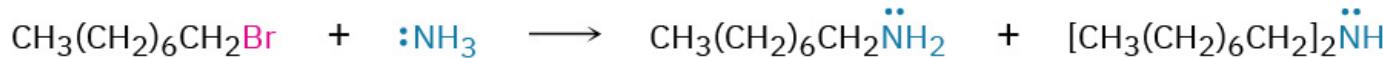
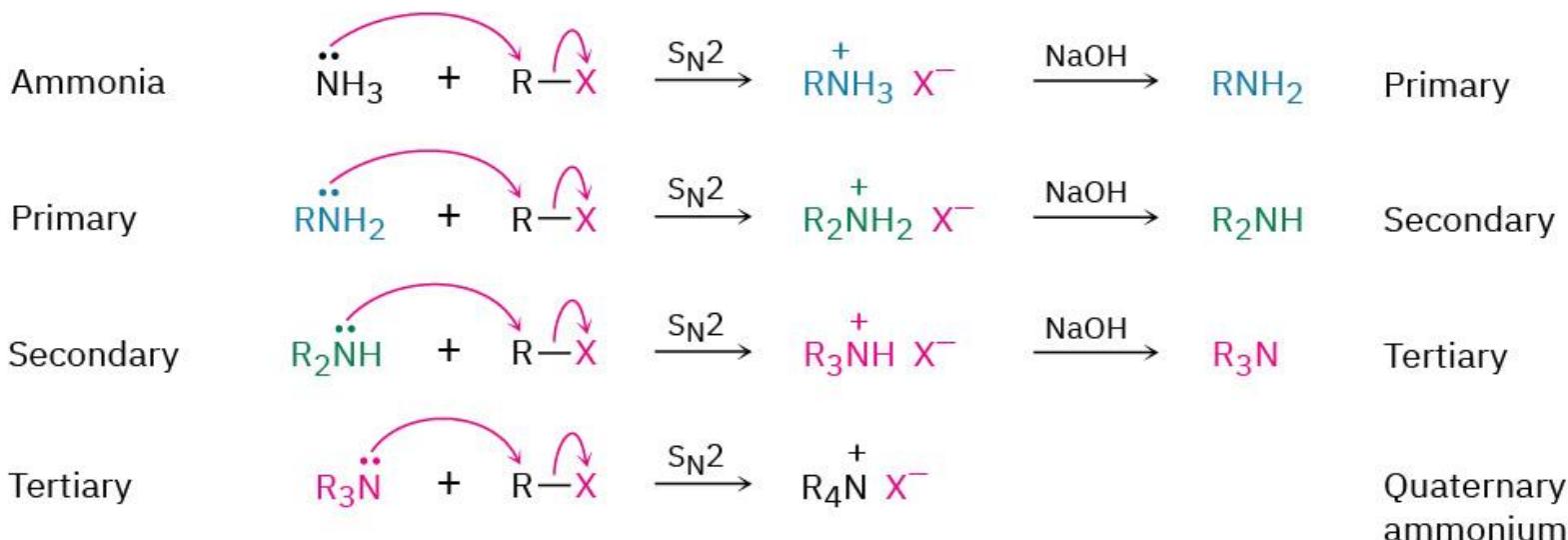


Step 2: Lose of water to give an imine

Step 3: The imine is reduced

Reactions of Alkylamines

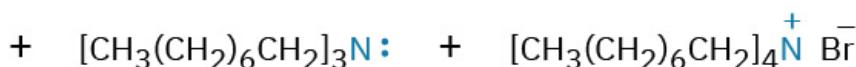
Alkylation



1-Bromoocetane

Octylamine (45%)

Dioctylamine (43%)



Trace

Trace

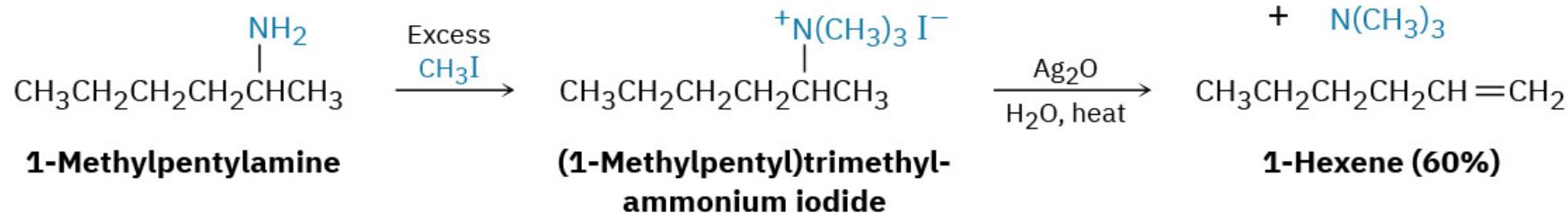
Hofmann Elimination: Mechanism

Elimination is *non-Zaitsev*

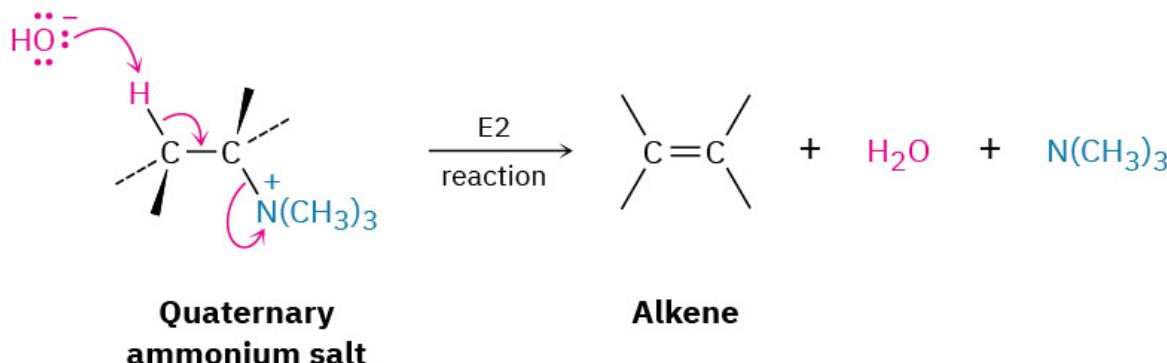
Less highly substituted alkene

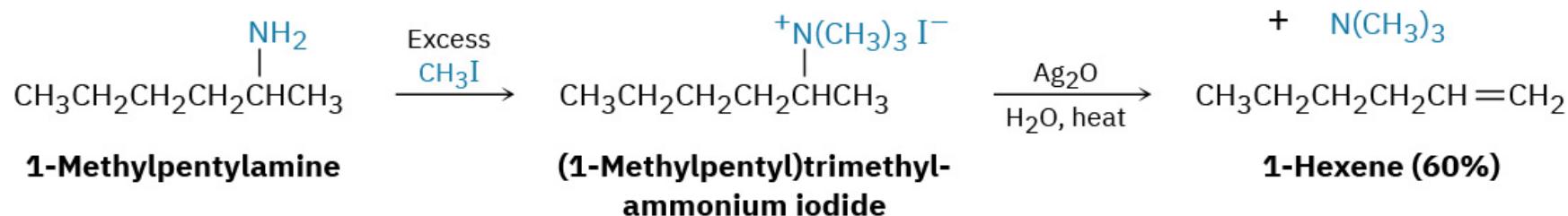
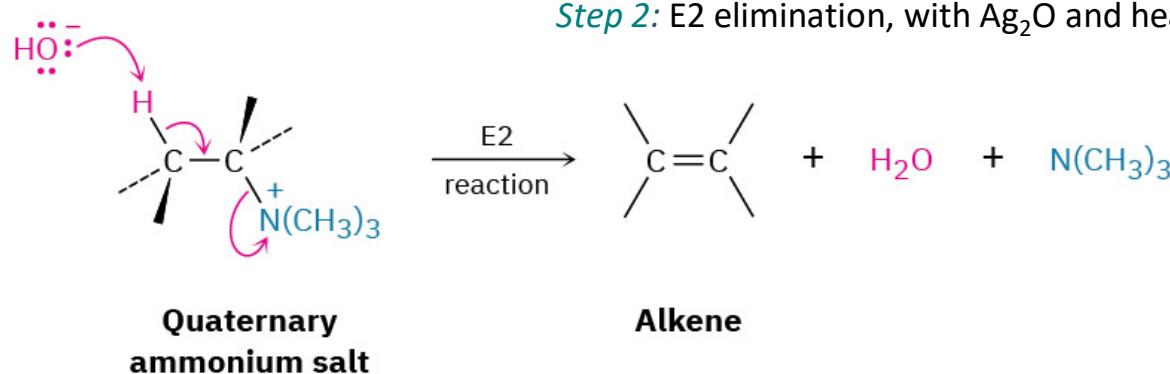
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Step 1: Amine is methylated with iodomethane



Step 2: E2 elimination, with Ag₂O and heat, to give an alkene

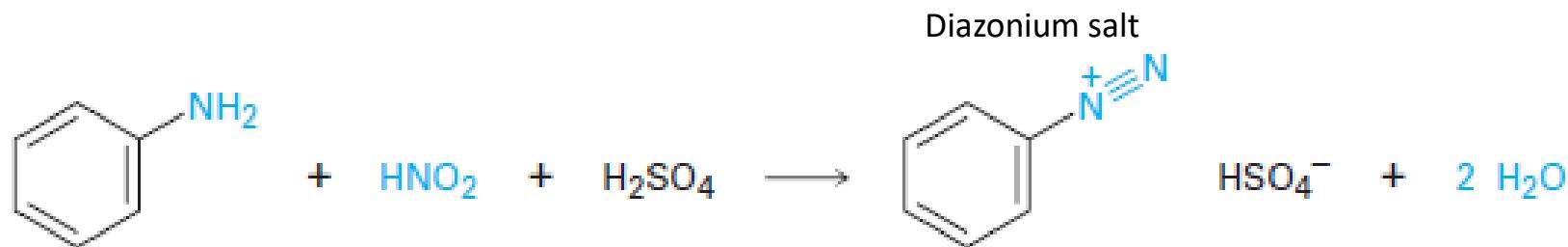


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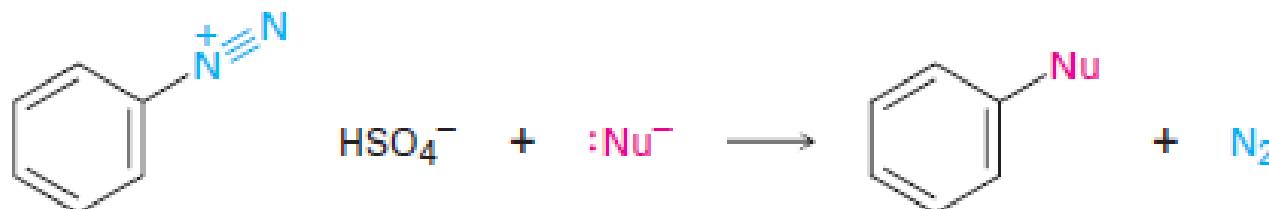
Reactions of Arylamines

Reaction through Diazonium Salts

Step 1: Diazotization reaction



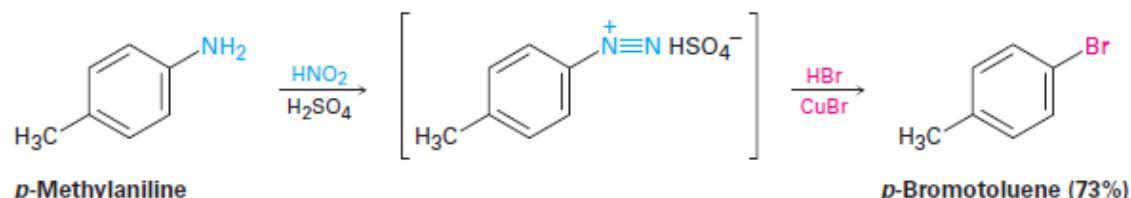
Step 2: Nucleophilic substitution



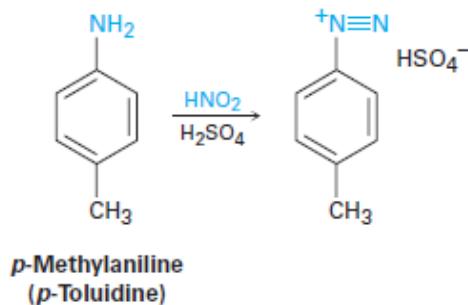
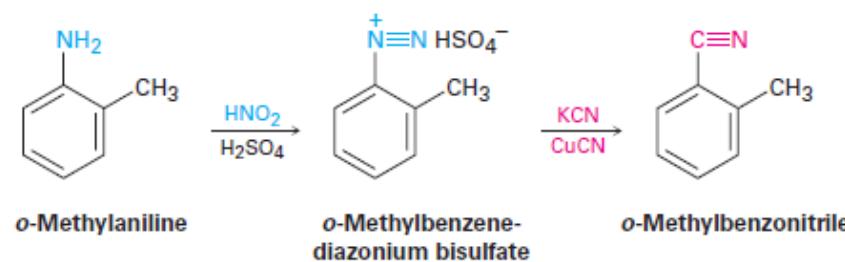
Examples:

Sandmeyer Reaction:

Formation of aryl chlorides and bromides



Substitution by a nitrile group



Substitution by a hydroxyl group

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