

# Lecture 17

## Still More Carbonyl Chemistry



Chromium (VI) trioxide  $\text{CrO}_3$



Chromium (III) chloride  $\text{CrCl}_3$



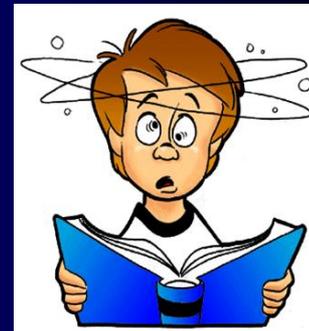
Chromium (III) oxide  $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_3$



Sodium chromate (II)  $\text{Na}_2\text{CrO}_4$



# Second Midterm Exam



- When: Tomorrow, Wednesday, **3/27**
- When: 7-9 PM (please do not be late)
- Where: Painter 3.02!!!
- What: Covers through last Thursday's lecture
- Remember: Homework problems!!
- Please...bring pencils and an eraser no calculator and no phones .....**Do a good job!!!**



# Early Exam

- Authorized students with exam conflict
- When: 5-7 PM Tomorrow, 3/27
- Where: ETC 2.136
- Pencil and eraser no calculator and no phone
- You must stay in the exam room until 7 PM



# Chromic Acid Oxidations

## Chemistry of the Breathalyzer Test



Chromic (VI) acid

Chromium (III) sulfate

1. **Chromic (III) acid** (aka Jones Reagent) is made by combining sulfuric acid and sodium dichromate.
2. Jones Reagent immediately oxidizes ethyl alcohol in your breath to acetic acid.
3. Simultaneously, chromium (III) is converted to **chromium (VI) sulfate** (green).
4. You are hosed.

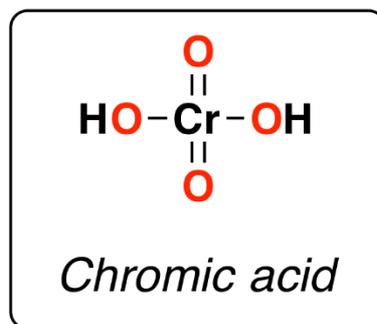
$\text{CrO}_3, \text{H}_3\text{O}^+$   
*Chromium trioxide*

$\text{K}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7, \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$   
*Potassium dichromate*

$\text{Na}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7, \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$   
*Sodium dichromate*

$\text{K}_2\text{CrO}_4, \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$   
*Potassium chromate*

$\text{Na}_2\text{CrO}_4, \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$   
*Sodium chromate*



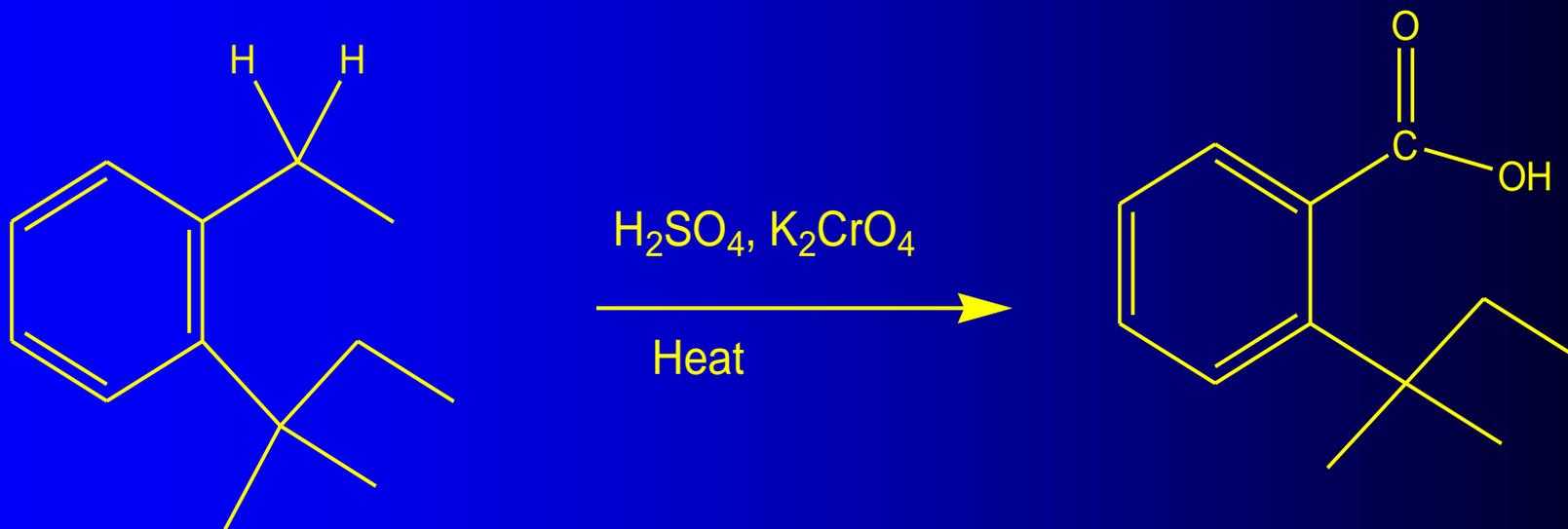
Chromic acid is often made "in situ" (that is, in the reaction flask) through the addition of **acid** to **sources of chromium** (such as chromate salts). The large number of possible chromium sources (and acids!) can make this confusing, but it is chromic acid that is the active reagent.



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# Oxidation at Benzylic Positions



$\text{KMnO}_4$  in Base also works

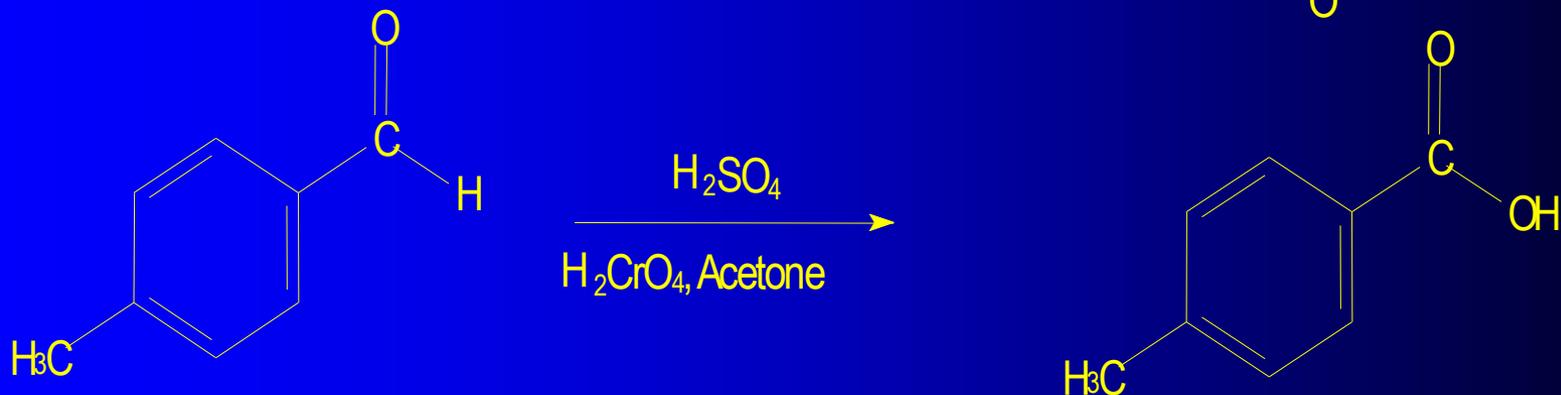
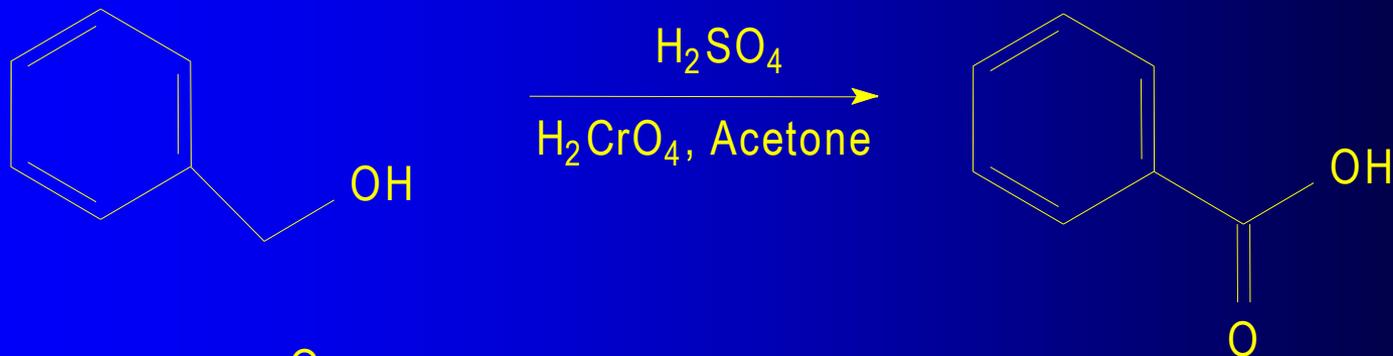


# Selective Chromate Oxidations

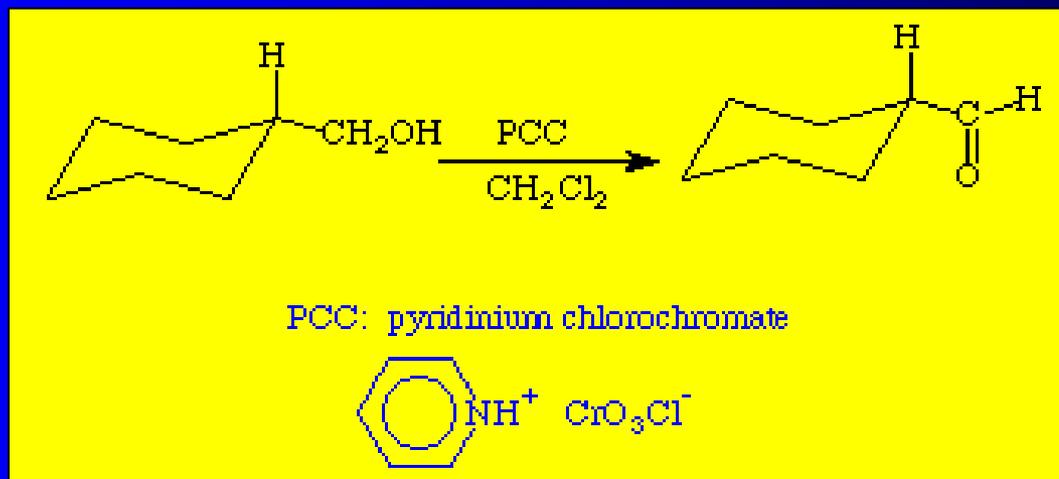
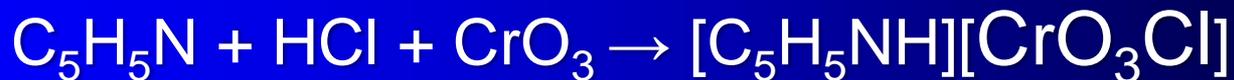
- **Chromic acid and heat** Oxidizes benzylic positions bearing at least one hydrogen to acids
- **Jones Reagent** ( $\text{H}_2\text{CrO}_4$  in acetone) takes primary alcohols to acids and secondary alcohols to ketones... The acetone keeps the reaction cool. Jones oxidation does not oxidize benzylic positions even with a hydrogen.
- **PCC** (pyridinium chlorochromate) is weaker yet, it only oxidizes primary alcohols to aldehydes (!) and secondary alcohols to ketones.



# The Jones Oxidation Examples



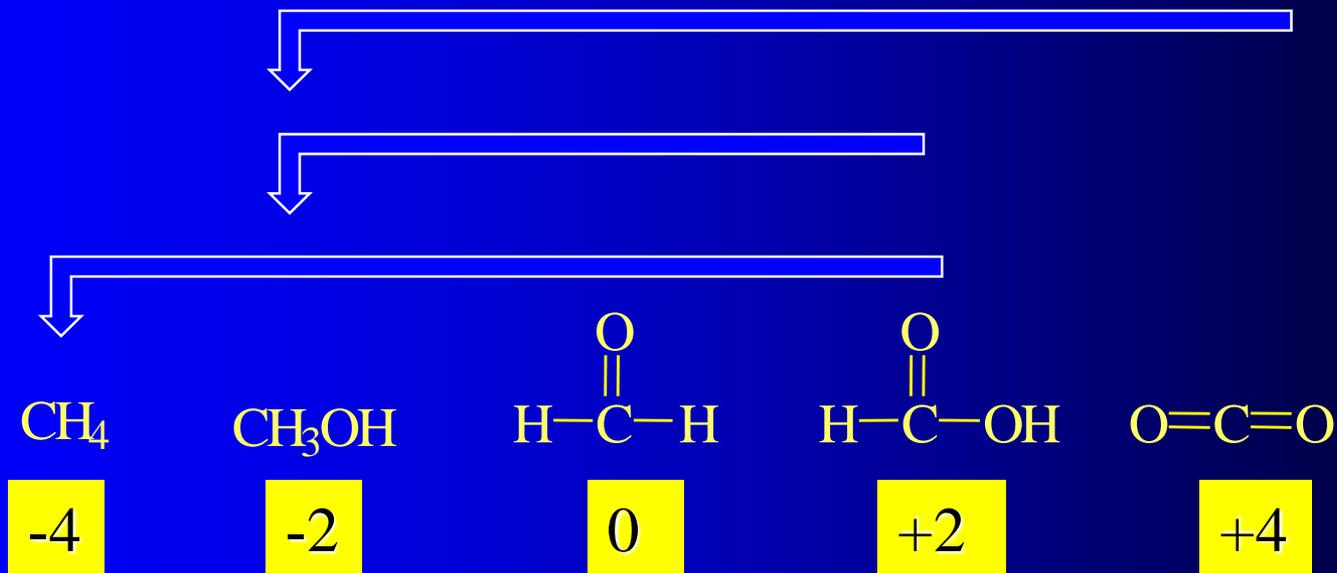
# PCC Oxidations



Substrate	Yield (% , isol.)
	99
	96
	99
	99
	97



# Selectivity !! ?

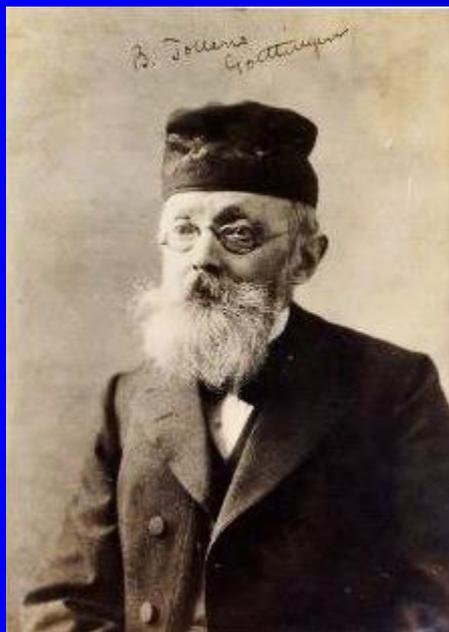


# Selective Oxidation Reactions

- **Jones Reagent** ( $\text{H}_2\text{CrO}_4$  in acetone) takes primary alcohols to acids and secondary alcohols to ketones
- **The Tollen's Test**  $\text{Ag}(\text{NH}_3)_2\text{OH}$ ...the silver mirror reaction is a qualitative test for aldehydes and an efficient but expensive way to make acids from aldehydes



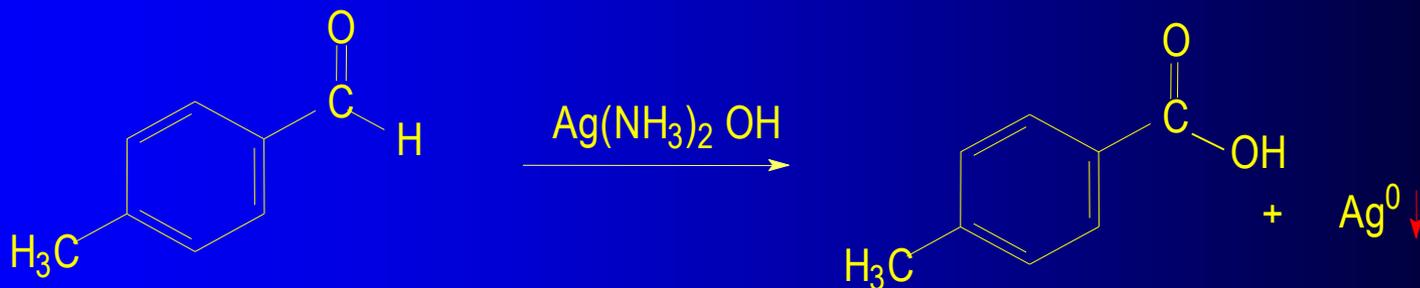
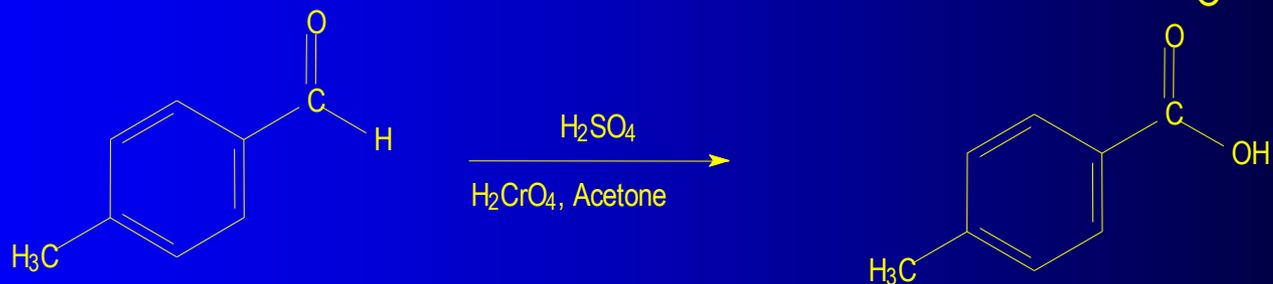
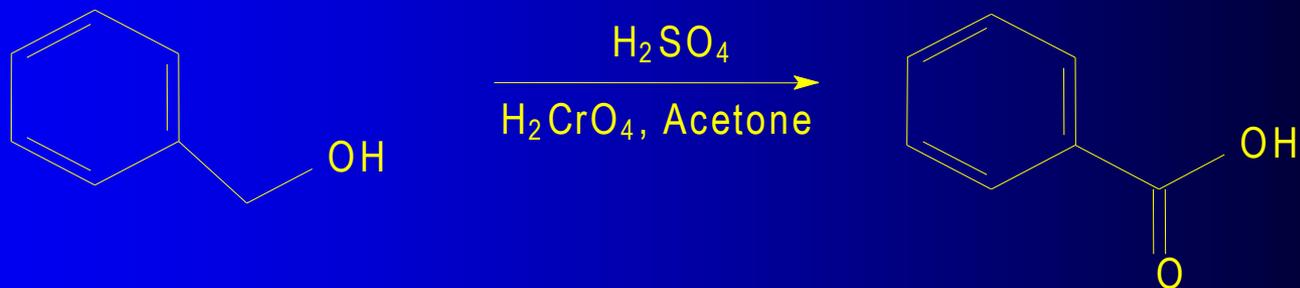
# Tollens Test



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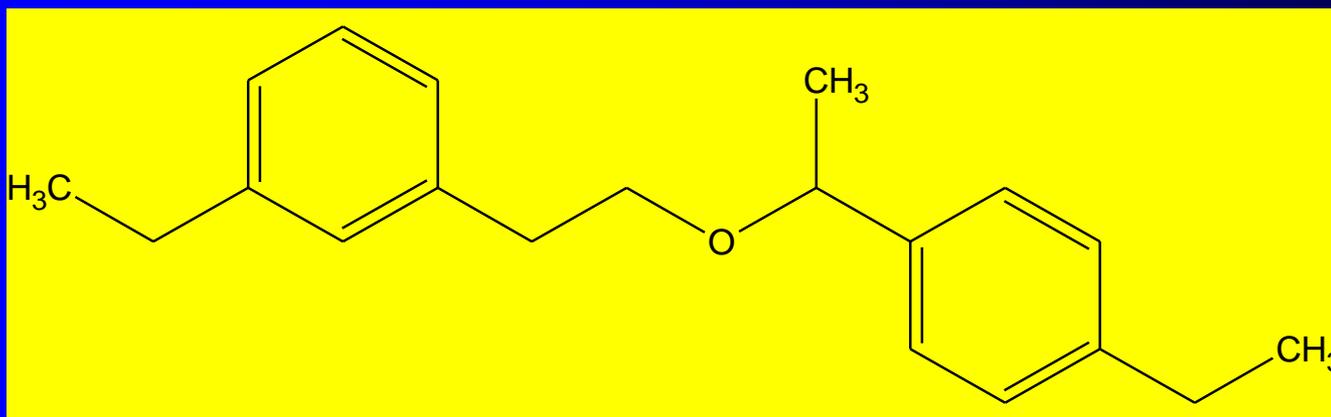
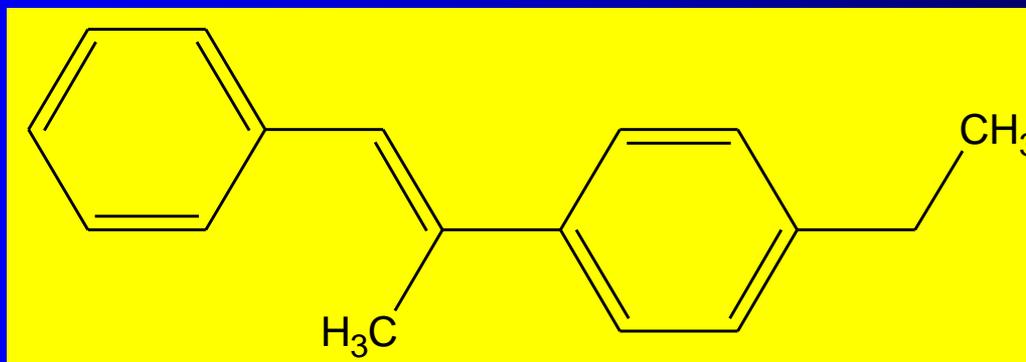


# Examples

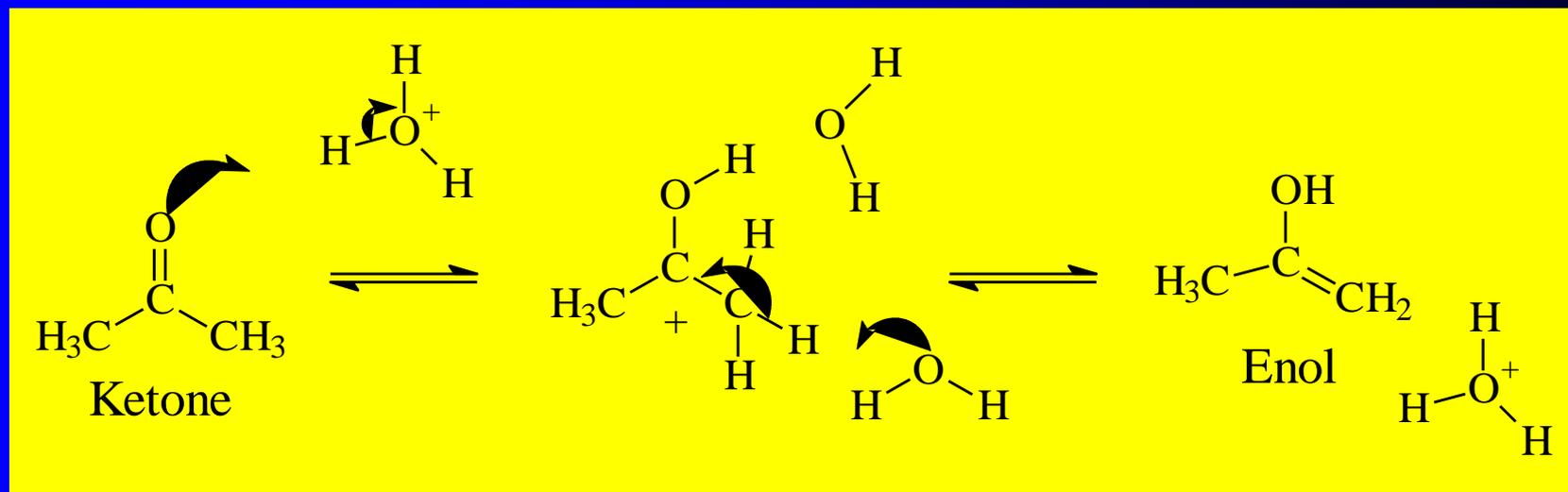
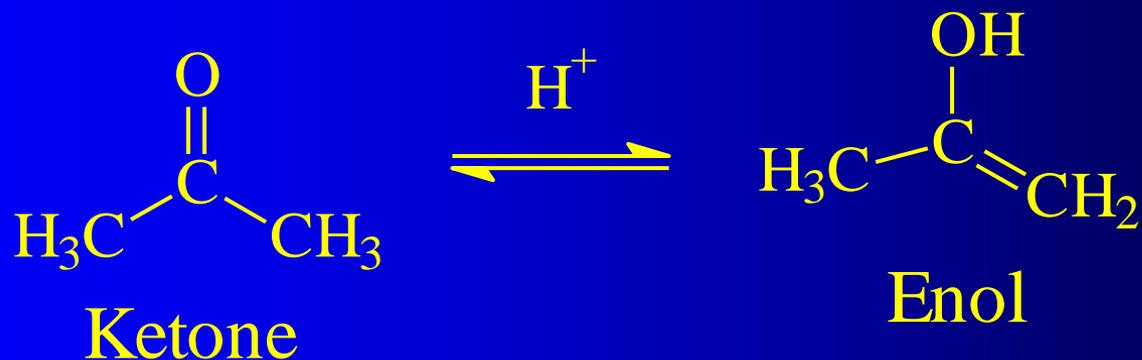


# Ok...more synthesis

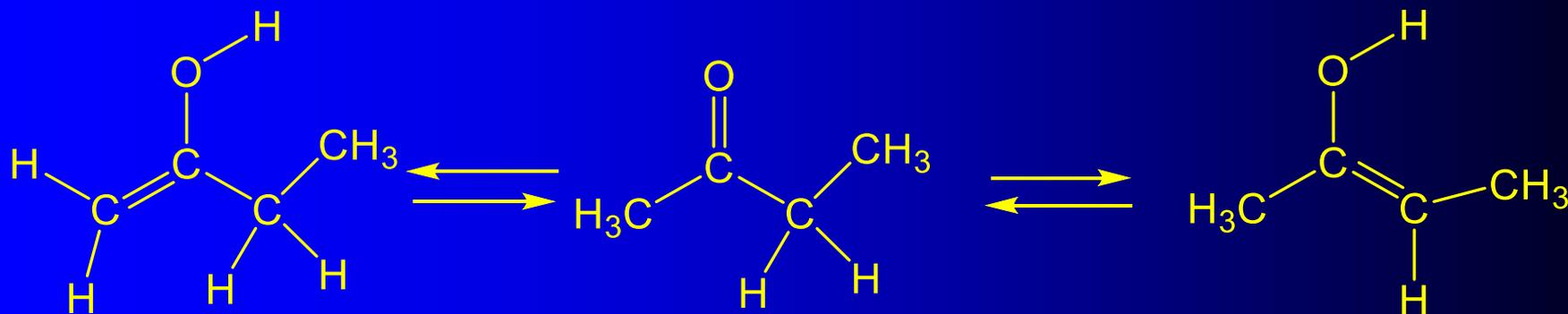
From benzene, any thing with less than 3 carbons, and any other reagents that do not become part of the structure.



# Keto-enol Tautomerism



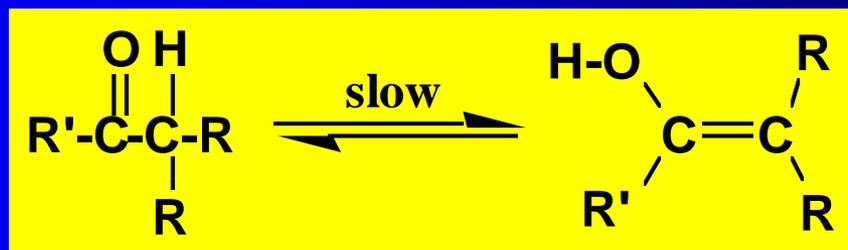
# Selectivity in Acid Catalysis



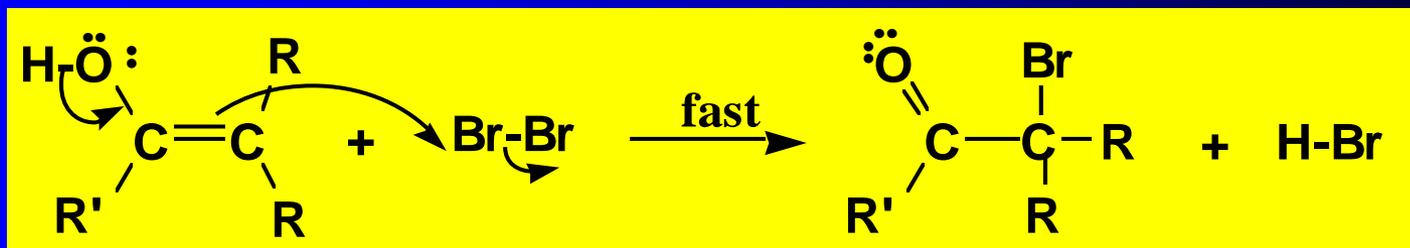
# $\alpha$ -Halogenation

- Acid-catalyzed  $\alpha$ -halogenation

Step 1: acid-catalyzed enolization

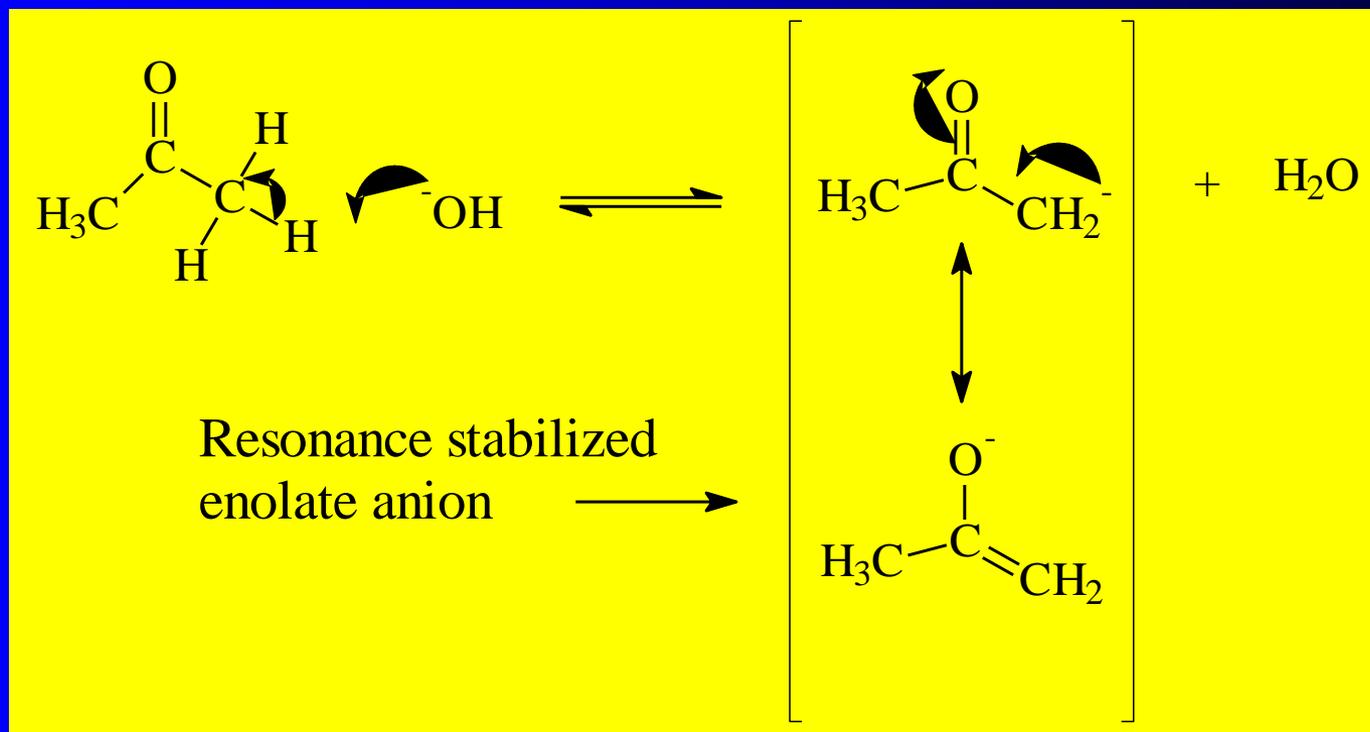


Step 2: Nucleophilic attack of the enol on halogen

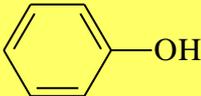
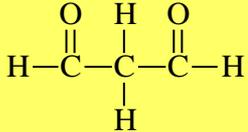
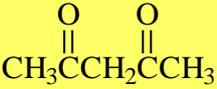
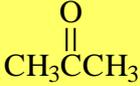


# Enolate anions

Hydrogens  $\alpha$  to carbonyls are “acidic”



# pKa of some acids and some $\alpha$ protons

$\text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	4.75
HF	3.45
HCl	-9.0!!
	10
	5.0
$\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$	16
	9
	20
$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_3$	50

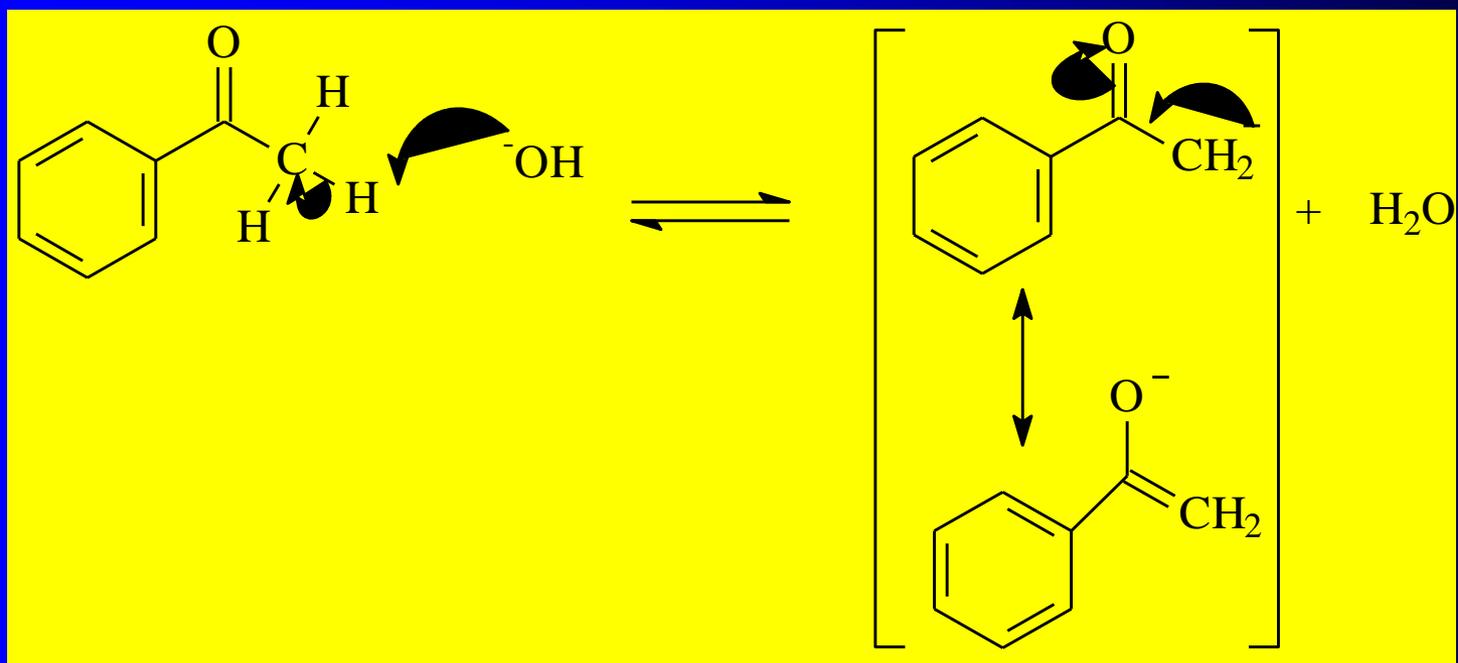
A span of 59 powers of 10!!!



# $\alpha$ -Halogenation

- Base-promoted  $\alpha$ -halogenation

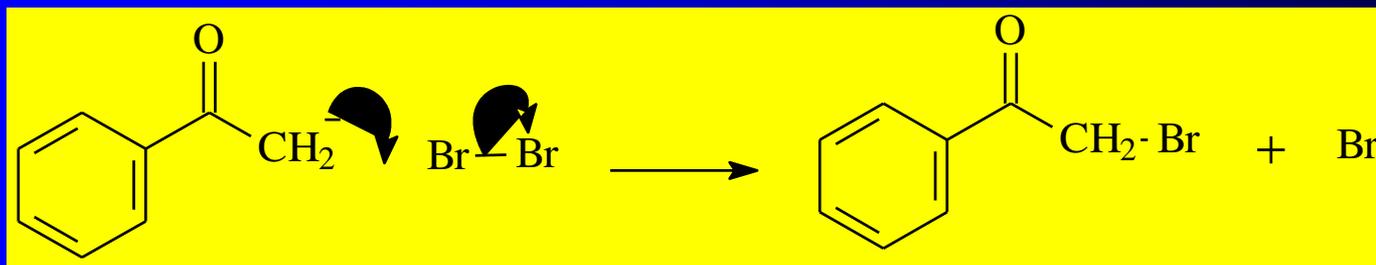
Step 1: formation of an enolate anion



# Base catalyzed $\alpha$ -Halogenation

- Base-promoted  $\alpha$ -halogenation

Step 2: nucleophilic attack of the enolate anion on halogen



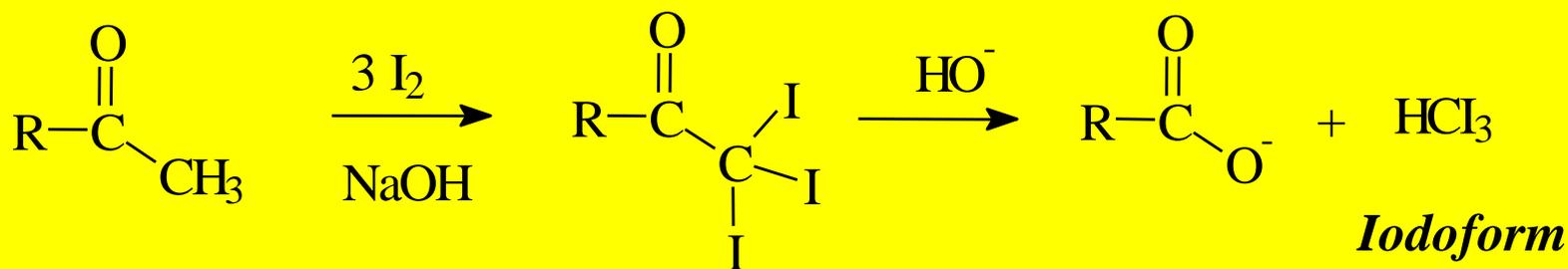
# $\alpha$ -Halogenation

- In base catalyzed  $\alpha$ -halogenation, *each successive halogenation is more rapid than the previous one*
  - the introduction of the electronegative halogen on the  $\alpha$ -carbon increases the acidity of the remaining  $\alpha$ -hydrogens and, thus, each successive  $\alpha$ -hydrogen is removed more rapidly than the previous one



# Halofrom Reaction

- Iodoform Reaction
- A qualitative test for methyl ketones
- A decent way to synthesize carboxylic acids

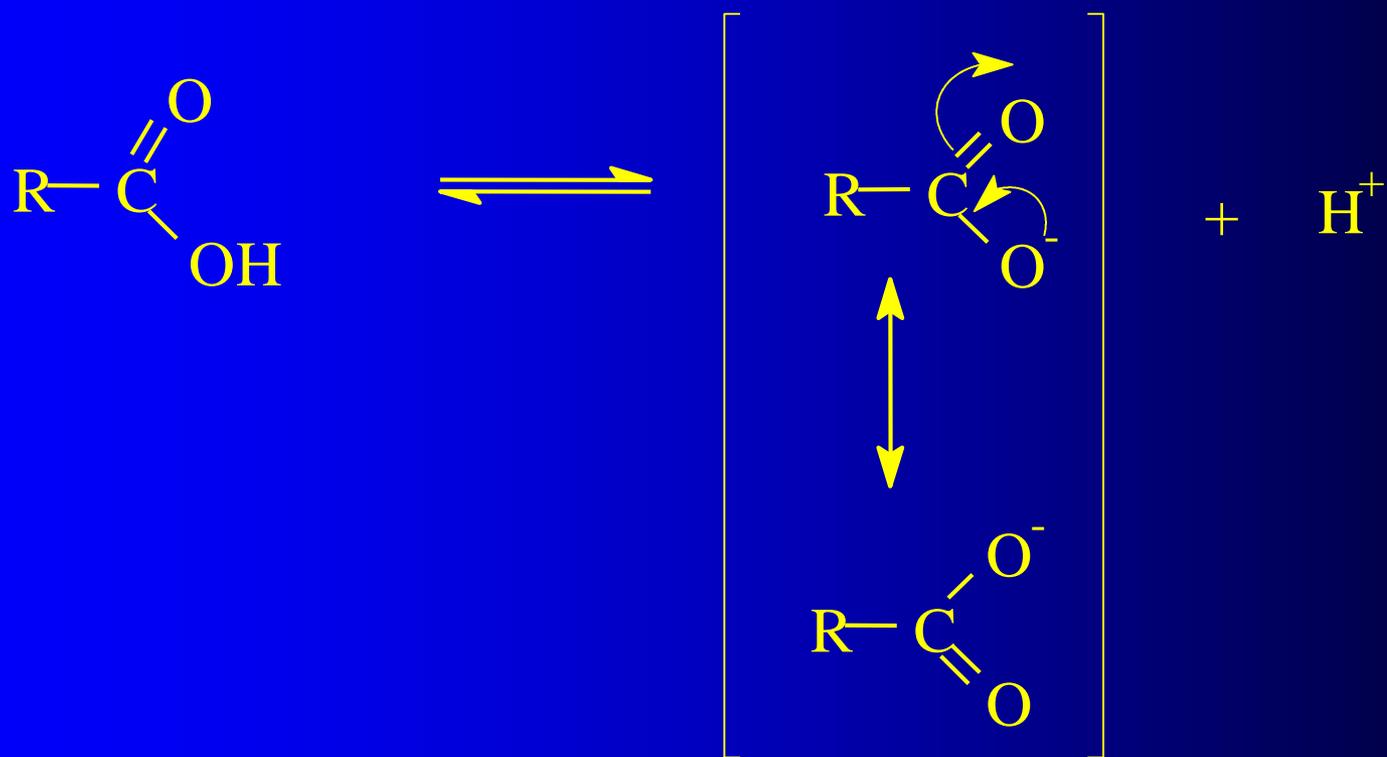


# $\alpha$ -Halogenation

- There are major differences between acid-catalyzed and base-promoted  $\alpha$ -halogenation
- Acid catalysis gives the most substituted product
- The rate of acid-catalyzed introduction of a second halogen is slower than the first
  - introduction of the electronegative halogen on the  $\alpha$ -carbon decreases the basicity of the carbonyl oxygen toward protonation so monosubstitution is possible.
  - base promoted halogenation goes “all the way” because the product is more acidic than the starting material



# Carboxylic Acids



# Nomenclature – IUPAC ...

- IUPAC names: drop the **-e** from the parent alkane and add the suffix **-oic acid**
- If the compound contains a carbon-carbon double bond, change the infix **-an-** to **-en-**

CH <sub>4</sub>	Methane	Methanoic acid	Formic Acid
CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	Ethane	Ethanoic acid	Acetic acid
CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	Propane	Propanoic acid	Propionic acid
CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	Butane	Butanoic acid	Butyric acid



# Alkanoic acids

Formula	Common Name	Source	IUPAC Name	Melting Point	Boiling Point
$\text{HCO}_2\text{H}$	formic acid	ants (L. formica)	methanoic acid	8.4 °C	101 °C
$\text{CH}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	acetic acid	vinegar (L. acetum)	ethanoic acid	16.6 °C	118 °C
$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	propionic acid	milk (Gk. protus prion)	propanoic acid	-20.8 °C	141 °C
$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	butyric acid	butter (L. butyrum)	butanoic acid	-5.5 °C	164 °C
$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	valeric acid	valerian root	pentanoic acid	-34.5 °C	186 °C
$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	caproic acid	goats (L. caper)	hexanoic acid	-4.0 °C	205 °C
$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_5\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	enanthic acid	vines (Gk. oenanthe)	heptanoic acid	-7.5 °C	223 °C
$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_6\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	caprylic acid	goats (L. caper)	octanoic acid	16.3 °C	239 °C
$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_7\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	pelargonic acid	pelargonium (an herb)	nonanoic acid	12.0 °C	253 °C
$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_8\text{CO}_2\text{H}$	capric acid	goats (L. caper)	decanoic acid	31.0 °C	219 °C



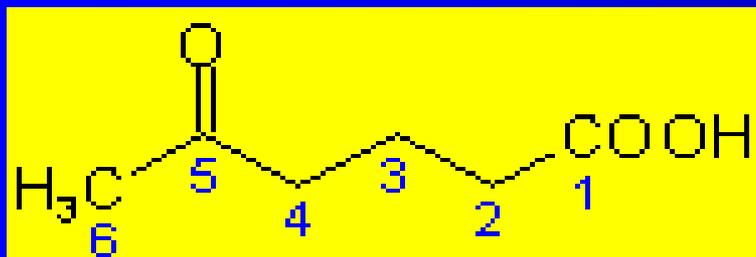
# Naming acids



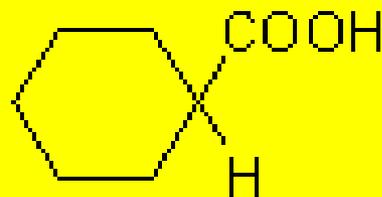
Propene

Propenoic acid

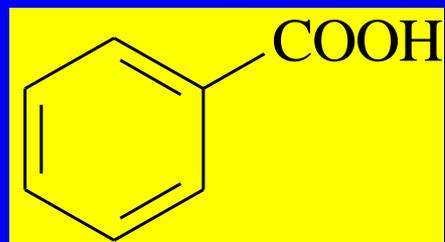
acrylic acid



5-Oxohexanoic acid



Cyclohexanecarboxylic acid



Benzoic acid

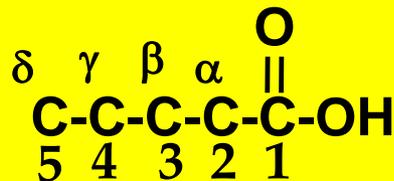


2-hydroxybenzoic acid  
Salicylic acid



# Nomenclature-Common

- When common names are used, the letters  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\delta$ , etc. are often used to locate substituents



$\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H}$   
4-Hydroxybutanoic acid  
( $\gamma$ -Hydroxybutyric acid)

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{NH}_2 \\ | \\ \text{CH}_3\text{CHCO}_2\text{H} \end{array}$$

2-Aminopropanoic acid  
( $\alpha$ -Aminopropionic acid;  
Alanine)



# Naming the Salts

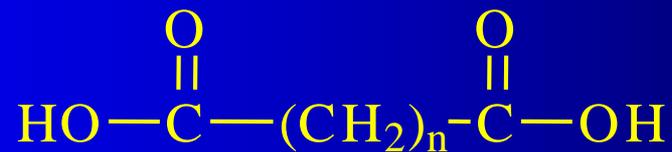
- To name the salt of the carboxylic acid, name the cation followed by the name of the anion (two words).
- The anion is named by removing **-oic acid** and adding **ate**

Benzoic acid            Sodium benzoate

Butyric acid            Ammonium butyrate



# The Simple Dibasic Acids



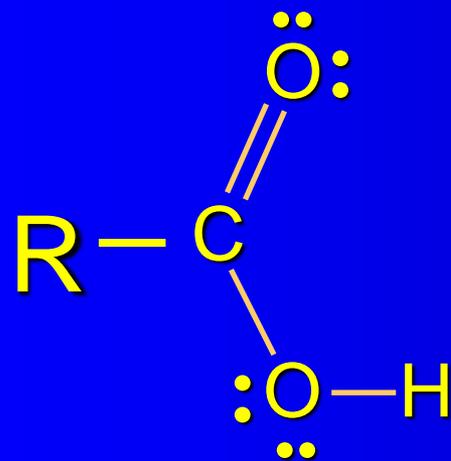
<i>n</i>	<i>Total C's</i>	<i>Name (acid)</i>
0	2	Oxalic
1	3	Malonic
2	4	Succinic
3	5	Glutaric
4	6	Adipic
5	7	P???



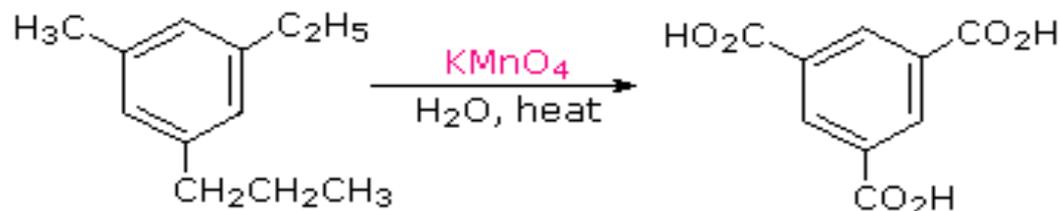
# Sour Grass (Oxalis)



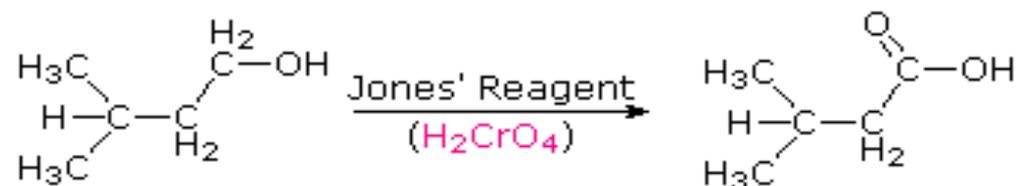
# Synthesis of Carboxylic acids



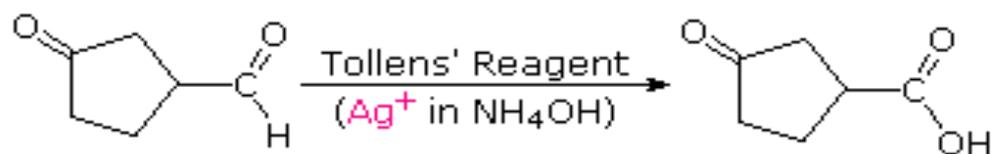
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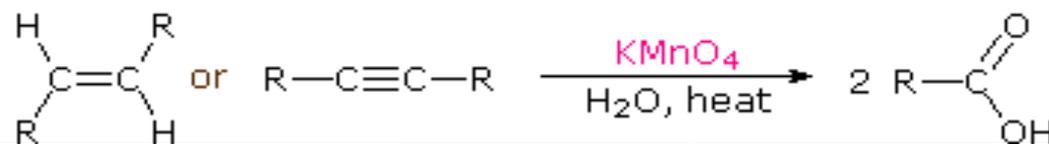
## 2. Oxidation of 1°-Alcohols



## 3. Oxidation of Aldehydes

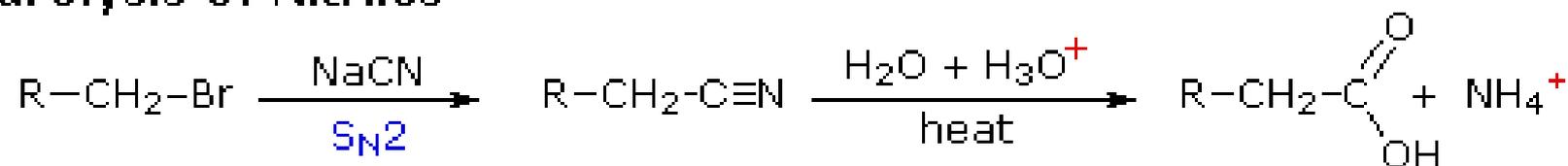


## 4. Oxidative Cleavage of Alkenes and Alkynes



# Synthesis of Carboxylic acids

## Hydrolysis of Nitriles



## Carboxylation of Organometallic Reagents

