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Aldehydes, Ketones and Carboxylic Acids

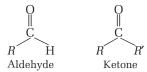
Learning & Revision for the Day

- Aldehydes and Ketones
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The organic compounds containing carbon-oxygen double bond, i.e.>C =O group are called **carbonyl compounds**. These compounds are widely spread both in plant and animal kingdom and they play an important role in biological processes.

Aldehydes and Ketones

- In aldehydes, the carbonyl group is bonded to a carbon and hydrogen, while in the ketones, it is bonded to two carbon atoms.
- Aldehydes and ketones are functional isomers.



Nomenclature

• According to IUPAC nomenclature system, name of aldehyde is obtained by replacing the terminal 'e' of the corresponding alkane by the suffix 'al'.

Aldehyde	General name	IUPAC name
HCHO	Formaldehyde	Methanal
CH ₃ CHO	Acetaldehyde	Ethanal
CH ₃ CH ₂ CHO	Propionaldehyde	Propanal

 Name of a ketone is obtained by replacing the terminal 'e' of the corresponding alkane by the suffix 'one'.

Ketones	General name	IUPAC name
CH_3COCH_3	Acetone	Propanone
CH ₃ COCH ₂ CH ₃	Ethyl methyl ketone	Butanone
CH ₃ COCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₃	Methyl <i>n</i> -propyl ketone	Pentan-2-one
CH ₃ CH ₂ COCH ₂ CH ₃	Diethyl ketone	Pentan-3-one





Nature of Carbonyl Group

• In carbonyl group, π -electron cloud is displaced towards more electronegative oxygen atom thus, causing polarisation of the bond so that carbon is partially positive and oxygen is partially negative.

$$C \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} O$$
 or $C \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} O$

• In resonance terms, electron delocalisation in the carbonyl group is represented by contributions from two principal resonance forms.

$$C = 0: \longleftrightarrow C = 0:$$

Methods of Preparation of Aldehydes and Ketones

There are several methods from which aldehydes as well as ketones can be synthesised. These methods are as follows:

 Ozonolysis of alkenes is carried out by reaction with Zn dust and water to give aldehydes and ketones.

$$CH_2 = CH_2 \xrightarrow{\text{(i)O}_3} 2HCHO$$

 Hydration of acetylene gives acetaldehyde and other alkynes give ketones.

(i)
$$CH \equiv CH + H_2O \xrightarrow{HgSO_4} CH_3CHO$$

Acetylene Acetaldehyde

(ii)
$$R - C \equiv CH + H_2O \xrightarrow{H_2SO_4} R - C - CH_3$$

Ketone

• When HCN reacts with Grignard reagent and then subjected to hydrolysis, gives aldehydes while RCN gives ketone.

$$R - \operatorname{Mg} X + \operatorname{H-C} \equiv \operatorname{N} \xrightarrow{\operatorname{H^{+}/H_{2}O}} X$$

$$R - \operatorname{CHO} + \operatorname{Mg} \times + \operatorname{NH}_{3}$$

$$OH$$

$$R \operatorname{Mg} X + R' - \operatorname{C} \equiv \operatorname{N} \xrightarrow{\operatorname{H^{+}/H_{2}O}} O$$

$$(R = \text{alkyl group or C}_{6}H_{5})$$

$$O$$

$$R - \operatorname{C} - R' + \operatorname{Mg} \times + \operatorname{NH}_{3}$$

The following methods used to synthesise the aldehyde only are given as:

 Acyl chloride is hydrogenated over catalyst, palladium on barium sulphate, to give aldehyde. This reaction is called Rosenmund reduction.

$$R - C - X \xrightarrow{\text{H}_2} RCHO + HX (R = \text{alkyl group or } C_6H_5)$$

NOTE Formaldehyde cannot be obtained by the use of Rosenmund reduction because formyl chloride is unstable at room temperature.

 Nitriles or cyanides are reduced to corresponding imine with stannous chloride in the presence of HCl acid, which on hydrolysis give corresponding aldehyde. This reaction is called Stephen reaction.

$$R - \mathsf{CN} + \mathsf{SnCl}_2 + \mathsf{HCl} \longrightarrow R\mathsf{CH} = \mathsf{NH} + \mathsf{HCl}$$
 Imino chloride

$$\xrightarrow{\text{H}_3\text{O}^+}$$
 RCHO + NH₄Cl + H₂O

Nitriles are selectively reduced by diisobutylaluminium hydride (DIBAL-H) and gives aldehydes.

$$CH_3 CH = CHCH_2 CH_2CN \xrightarrow{(i) AlH (i-Bu)_2}_{(ii) H_2O}$$

CH₃CH=CHCH₂CH₂CHO Hex-4-enal

Esters are also reduced to aldehyde with DIBAL-H.

$$CH_{3}(CH_{2})_{9} - C - OC_{2}H_{5} \xrightarrow{(i)DIBAL\cdot H} CH_{3}(CH_{2})_{9} - C - H + C_{2}H_{5}OH$$

$$CH_{3}(CH_{2})_{9} - C - H + C_{2}H_{5}OH$$

$$LIndecanal$$

 Side chain chlorination of toluene gives benzal chloride, which on hydrolysis gives benzaldehyde.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} CH_3 \xrightarrow{Cl_2,hv} & CHCl_2 \xrightarrow{H_2O} & CHCl_2 \\ \hline & Benzal \ chloride & Benzaldehyde \\ \end{array}$$

Treatment of phenol with chloroform in presence of aqueous sodium or potassium hydroxide at 340K followed by hydrolysis of the resulting product gives 2-hydroxybenzaldehyde (salicyldehyde) as major product. This reaction is called **Reimer-Tiemann reaction**. The electrophile involved in this reaction is :CCl₂.

(i)
$$OH+CHCl_3 \longrightarrow H_2O+CCl_3^- \longrightarrow :CCl_2+Cl_3^-$$

(ii)
$$+:CCl_2$$
 $\xrightarrow{CHCl_2}$ $CHCl_2$ \xrightarrow{CHO} $\xrightarrow{2NaOH}$ CHO

 Chromyl chloride oxidises methyl group to a chromium complex, which on hydrolysis gives corresponding benzaldehyde.





This reaction is called **Etard reaction**.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} CH_3 & CH (OCrOHCl_2)_2 \\ + CrO_2Cl_2 & CS_2 \end{array} \\ \hline \\ Chromyl \ chloride & Chromium \ complex \end{array}$$

$$H_3O^+$$
 CHO

Benzaldehyde

 Toluene or substituted toluene, on treating with chromic oxide in acetic anhydride gives benzylidene diacetate which on hydrolysis gets converted to corresponding benzaldehyde.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CH}_3 \\ + \text{CrO}_3 + (\text{CH}_3\text{CO})_2\text{O} \xrightarrow{273\text{-}283\text{ K}} \\ \text{CH}(\text{OCOCH}_3)_2 \xrightarrow{\text{H}_3\text{O}^+} \\ \text{Benzylidene} \\ \text{diacetate} \end{array}$$

 When benzene or its derivative is treated with carbon monoxide and HCl in the presence of anhy. AlCl₃, gives benzaldehyde or substituted benzaldehyde. This reaction is known as Gattermann-Koch reaction.

The following methods are used to synthesise the ketones are given as

Treatment of acyl chlorides with dialkylcadmium gives ketones

 Benzene is treated with acid chloride in the presence of anhy. AlCl₃ gives ketone and this reaction is called Friedel-Craft's acylation.

NOTE If acylation of benzene is done with benzoyl chloride, benzophenone gets form.

$$+ C_6H_5 - CI - AICI_3 (anhyd.)$$
Benzoyl chloride
Benzophenone

Physical Properties

The physical properties of aldehydes and ketones are following:

- Aldehydes and ketones are liquid or solid at room temperature. Methanal is a gas at room temperature. Ethanal is a volatile liquid.
- The boiling point of aldehydes and ketones are higher than ethers of comparable molecular masses.

• The lower members of aldehydes and ketones such as methanal, ethanal and propanone are miscible with water in all proportions because they form hydrogen bond with water. However, the solubility of aldehydes and ketones decreases rapidly on increasing the length of alkyl chain.

Chemical Properties

Aldehydes and ketones due to the presence of polar carbonyl group exhibit the following characteristics:

1. Mechanism of Nucleophilic Addition Reaction

• A nucleophile attacks the electrophilic carbon atom of the polar carbonyl group. The hybridisation of carbon changes from sp^2 to sp^3 in this process and a tetrahedral alkoxide intermediate is produced. This intermediate captures a proton from reaction medium to give electrically neutral product.

 As the number of carbon atoms increases, reactivity decreases due to steric hindrance. Hence, the order of reactivity is

$$HCHO > CH_3CHO > CH_3COCH_3 > C_2H_5COC_2H_5$$

(i) They react with hydrogen cyanide to yield cyanohydrins.

$$C = O + HCN \longrightarrow C \xrightarrow{OH}$$

$$Cyanohydrin$$

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(ii) Sodium hydrogen sulphite adds to aldehydes and ketones to form addition products.

$$C = O + NaHSO_3$$
 OSO_2Na
 OH

Addition product

(white crystalline solid)

This reaction is used for the separation and purification of aldehydes and ketones. The reason for this is that the hydrogen sulphite addition compound formed, is water soluble and can be converted back to the original carbonyl compound by treating with dilute mineral acid or alkali.

(iii) Aldehydes react with alcohols in the presence of dry HCl gas to give gem-dialkoxy compounds called acetals, while ketones combine with ethylene glycol to form cyclic ketal.

$$R - C = O \xrightarrow{R'OH, HCl gas} \begin{bmatrix} R - CH & OR' \\ H & OH \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R - CH \xrightarrow{OH} CH$$

$$R'OH \xrightarrow{R'OH} R - CH + H_2O$$

$$OR'$$

$$Acetal$$



Ethylene glycol ketal

When ketones are treated with excess of alcohol in presence of dry HCl, they form ketal.

(iv) Aldehydes and ketones with primary amines in presence of a catalytic amount of an acid to form Schiff's bases. e.g.

$$C = O + H_2NR' \xrightarrow{H^+, \Delta} C = NR' + H_2O$$
Schiff base

(v) Aldehydes and ketones react with ammonia derivatives in weakly acidic medium to form compounds containing carbon-nitrogen double bond. This reaction is reversible and catalysed by acid (pH \approx 4). The equilibrium favours the product formation due to rapid dehydration of the intermediate to form \searrow C = N - Z.

$$C = O + H_2N - Z \longrightarrow \left[\begin{array}{c} OH \\ NHZ \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{H^+}$$

$$C = N - Z + H_2O$$
where, $Z = \text{alkyl, aryl, } -OH, -NH_2, -H,$

$$O_2N$$

$$O_2N$$
 $HN \longrightarrow NO_2$, C_6H_5NH —, $-NHCONH_2$, etc.

(vi) These react with Grignard reagent to form addition products, which on hydrolysis gives alcohols. Formaldehyde produces primary alcohols, other aldehydes give secondary alcohols, while ketones give tertiary alcohols.

The reactions are as:

(a) HCHO +
$$RMgX \longrightarrow R$$
 C OMgX

Hydrolysis $R - CH_2 - OH + Mg(OH)X$

(b) $RCHO + R'MgX \longrightarrow R$ C OMg X

Hydrolysis R C OMg X

Hydrolysis R C OH + Mg(OH) X

(c) $R - COR' + R''MgX \longrightarrow R$ C OMg X
 R' C OH + Mg(OH) X
 R' C OMg X
 R'' C OMg X
 R'' C OH + Mg(OH) X

2. Reduction

Aldehydes and ketones undergo reduction to form as follows alkanes.

 The carbonyl group of aldehydes and ketones is reduced to CH₂ group on treatment with zinc-amalgam and conc. HCl. This is called Clemmensen reduction.

$$C = O \xrightarrow{\text{Zn-Hg}} CH_2 + H_2O$$

The carbonyl group is reduced to CH₂ group on treatment with hydrazine followed by heating with sodium or potassium hydroxide in high boiling solvent such as ethylene glycol.

This is called Wolff-Kishner reduction.

$$\begin{array}{c} C = O \xrightarrow{NH_2 \cdot NH_2} \\ C = N \cdot NH_2 \\ \\ \xrightarrow{KOH/Ethylene \ glycol} \\ \hline \\ Heat \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} CH_2 + N_2 \end{array}$$

NOTE In presence of Pd-catalyst, selective reduction of α , β -carbonyl group.

Oxidation

• Aldehydes are easily oxidised to carboxylic acids on treatment with strong oxidising agents (HNO₃, K₂Cr₂O₇, KMnO₄, etc). Oxidation of primary alcohols and aldehydes cannot be carried out by alkaline K₂Cr₂O₇ because under these conditions, potassium chromate is formed which does not act as an oxidising agent.

Mild oxidising agents, mainly Tollen's reagent and Fehling's reagent also oxidise aldehydes.

This reaction is not given by aromatic aldehydes as well by ketones.

Ketones are oxidised only in the presence of strong oxidising agents and at elevated temperatures. Their oxidation involves carbon-carbon bond cleavage to give a mixture of carboxylic acids having lesser number of carbon atoms than the parent ketone, e.g.

Methyl ketones (—COCH₃) are also oxidised by haloform reaction in which they are treated with halogen in the presence of alkali or hypohalite salt.

$$R - C - CH_3 \xrightarrow{\text{NaOX}} RCOONa + CHX_3 (X = Cl, Br, I)$$





This reaction does not affect the carbon-carbon double bond present in molecule.

$$\begin{array}{c} H \\ C = C \\ C \longrightarrow CH_3 \\ C \longrightarrow CH_3 \\ O \\ S\text{-methypent-3-en-2-one} \\ H \\ C = C \\ C \longrightarrow CH_3 \\ C \longrightarrow CH_3 \\ C \longrightarrow CHONa \\ H_3C \\ C \longrightarrow CONa \\ C \longrightarrow C \longrightarrow CONA \\ C \longrightarrow C \longrightarrow CONA \\ C \longrightarrow CONA \\ C \longrightarrow CONA \\ C \longrightarrow CONA \\ C \longrightarrow CONA$$

Sodium 3-methylpent-3-enoate

—CH₃ group of COCH₃ is converted into haloform as it contains acidic hydrogen atoms. Acid salt is obtained corresponding to total number of carbon atoms apart from —CH₃ of *R*COCH₃.

4. Reactivity of α -Hydrogen in Aldehydes

Aldehydes or ketones having atleast one α -hydrogen atom, undergo self condensation in the presence of dilute alkali as catalyst to form β -hydroxy aldehydes (aldol) or β -hydroxy ketones (ketol) respectively. This reaction is called **Aldol condensation**.

$$C = O + H^{+} \underbrace{\bar{C}H_{2}CHO} \xrightarrow{Dil. NaOH}$$

$$CH_{3} - CH - CH_{2} - CHO \xrightarrow{Heat}$$

$$OH$$

$$3 - hydroxybutanal$$

$$(Aldol)$$

$$CH_{3} - CH = CH - CHO$$

$$But-2 - enal$$

$$H_{3}C \longrightarrow Propanone$$

$$CH_{3} \longrightarrow CH_{2}COCH_{3} \xrightarrow{Heat} CH_{3} \longrightarrow CH_{3} - C = CHCOCH_{3}$$

$$CH_{3} \longrightarrow C - CH_{2}COCH_{3} \xrightarrow{Heat} CH_{3} - C = CHCOCH_{3}$$

$$CH_{3} \longrightarrow C - CH_{2}COCH_{3} \xrightarrow{Heat} CH_{3} - C = CHCOCH_{3}$$

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When aldol condensation is carried out between two different aldehydes and/or ketones, it is called **cross-aldol condensation**, e.g.

4-hydroxy-4-methyl pentan-2-one

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5. Cannizzaro Reaction

Aldehydes which do not have any α -hydrogen atom, undergo self oxidation and reduction (disproportionation) reaction on treatment with concentrated alkali. This reaction is called **Cannizzaro's reaction**.

2HCHO
$$\xrightarrow{\text{KOH(Conc.)}}$$
 $\xrightarrow{\text{CH}_3\text{OH}}$ + $\xrightarrow{\text{H}-\text{C}-\text{OK}}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{Methanol}}$ + $\xrightarrow{\text{Potassium formate}}$ 2C₆H₅CHO $\xrightarrow{\text{NaOH(conc.)}}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{O}}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{CH}_2-\text{OH}}$ + $\xrightarrow{\text{C}-\text{ONa}}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{Benzyl alcohol}}$ Sodium benzoate

6. Electrophilic Substitution Reactions

Aromatic aldehydes and ketones undergo **electrophilic substitution reactions**. Carbonyl group shows +R-effect, therefore acts as a deactivating and meta directing group.

- Benzaldehyde and acetophenone undergo halogenation reactions with Cl₂ in presence of FeCl₃ to form m-chlorobenzaldehyde and m-chloroacetophenone respectively. Benzaldehyde and acetophenone undergo nitration carried by nitrating mixture of conc. HNO₃ and conc. H₂SO₄ to form m-nitrobenzaldehyde and m-nitroacetophenone respectively.
- Benzaldehyde and acetophenone undergo sulphonation carried out with conc. H₂SO₄ to form *m*-benzaldehyde sulphonic acid and *m*-acetophenone sulphuric acid.
- Ketones react with alkyl lithium and leaves behind an intermediate.

NOTE • In keto-enol tautomerism, keto form should have α -hydrogens.

• Acetaldehyde due to presence of
$$\begin{pmatrix} C \\ CH_3 - C \end{pmatrix}$$
 group, reacts

with NaOH and $\rm I_2$ to give yellow crystals of iodoform while which do not contain this group, does not give the crystals. This is known as iodoform test.

Uses

- In chemical industry, aldehydes and ketones are used as solvents, starting materials and reagents for the synthesis of other products.
- Formaldehyde, under the name formalin (40% solution) is used to preserve biological specimens.
- Formaldehyde is also used to prepare bakelite, urea-formaldehyde glues and other polymeric products.







Carboxylic Acids

Carbon compounds containing a functional group, —COOH are called carboxylic acids. Some higher members of aliphatic carboxylic acids (C_{12} - C_{18}) known as fatty acids, occur in natural fats as esters of glycerol.

Nomenclature According to IUPAC nomenclature system, name of a carboxylic acid is obtained by replacing the terminal 'e' of the corresponding alkane by the suffix 'oic acid'. Their general formula is $C_nH_{2n+1}COOH$.

Carboxylic acid	General name	IUPAC name
НСООН	Formic acid	Methanoic acid
CH ₃ COOH	Acetic acid	Ethanoic acid
CH ₃ CH ₂ COOH	Propionic acid	Propanoic acid
CH ₃ CH ₂ CH ₂ COOH	Butyric acid	Butanoic acid
(CH ₃) ₂ CHCOOH	<i>Iso</i> -butyric acid	2-methylpropanoic acid

Acidic Nature

- Carboxylic acids are acidic in nature but they are weaker acids than mineral acids but stronger acids than phenols (because the carboxylate ion is more stabilised as compared to phenoxide ion).
- The carboxylic acids form salts with alkalies.
- Strength of acid is indicated by pK_a value. Higher the value of K_a or lower value of pK_a , stronger is the acid.
- Aromatic acids are more acidic than aliphatic acids.

Methods of Preparation of Carboxylic Acids

 All acid derivatives like amides (RCONH₂), acid halides (RCOCl), esters (RCOOR'), acid anhydrides (RCO—O—COR) on hydrolysis give carboxylic acids.

$$RCOZ \xrightarrow{\text{Dil. HCl}} RCOOH$$
Dil. NaOH

$$Z = -NH_2$$
, $-X$ ($X = Cl$, Br, I), OR' , $RCOO - etc$.

 Alkyl benzene when treated with strong oxidising agent like H₂CrO₄(chromic acid), acidic or alkaline KMnO₄ gives benzoic acid.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} CH_3 & COOK \\ \hline \hline & KMnO_4/KOH \\ \hline Heat & Benzoic acid \\ \end{array}$$

 Nitriles are hydrolysed to amides and then to acids in the presence of H⁺ or OH⁻ as catalyst.

$$R$$
 — CN $\xrightarrow{\text{Dil. HCl}}$ R — COOH+ NH₃

 Grignard reagent react with CO₂ (dry ice) to form salts of carboxylic acids which on acidification with mineral acid give corresponding carboxylic acids.

(R may be alkyl or aryl group)

$$\xrightarrow{\text{H}_3\text{O}^+} R\text{COOH} + \text{Mg} < \text{OH}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{H}^+/\text{OH}^-} R\text{COOH} + \text{Mg} < \text{OH}$$

Physical Properties

Carboxylic acid are higher boiling liquids than acetaldehydes, ketones and even alcohols of comparable molecular masses. This is due to extensive association of carboxylic acid molecules through intermolecular hydrogen bonding. Aliphatic carboxylic acid having upto four carbon atoms are miscible in water due to formation of hydrogen bonds with water. But, solubility decreases with increasing number of carbon atoms.

Chemical Properties

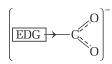
- 1. Reactions Involving Cleavage of O—H Bond
- Due to the acidic character of carboxylic acids, they react with active metals, alkalies and carbonates, bicarbonates to form their salts with liberation of hydrogen.
 - (i) $2RCOOH + 2Na \longrightarrow 2RCOONa + H_2$
 - (ii) $RCOOH + NaOH \longrightarrow RCOONa + H_2OOONa + H_$
 - (iii) $RCOOH + NaHCO_3 \longrightarrow RCOONa + H_2O + CO_2$
- Carboxylic acids dissociate in water to give resonance stabilised carboxylate anions and hydronium ion.

$$R - C + H_2O \Longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} R - C & O \\ O \end{bmatrix} + H_3O^+ \equiv R - C & O \\ O & O$$

2. Effect of Substituents on the Acidity of Carboxylic Acids

• Electron withdrawing group (EWG) stabilises the carboxylate anion and strengthens the acid.

• Electron donating group (EDG) destabilises the carboxylate anion and weakens the acid. Strong acids have higher value of K_a and lower value of pK_a .



• Following acids are arranged in decreasing order of acidity

 $CF_3COOH > CCl_3COOH > CHCl_2COOH$ $NO_2CH_2COOH > NC - CH_2COOH$ $C_6H_5COOH > C_6H_5CH_2COOH >$

CH3COOH > CH3CH2COOH





 In case of aromatic carboxylic acids, more the -R-effect, more is the acidic nature.

COOH COOH COOH
$$\begin{array}{c} \text{COOH} & \text{COOH} \\ \hline \\ \text{OCH}_3^{+R} & \text{Benzoic acid} \\ \text{(pK_a = 4.19)} & \text{NO}_2^{-I} \\ \end{array}$$
 4-methoxy
$$\begin{array}{c} \text{4-nitrobenzoic acid} \\ \text{(pK_a = 3.41)} \end{array}$$

3. Reactions Involving Cleavage of C—OH Bond

 Carboxylic acids on heating with mineral acids such as H₂SO₄ or with P₂O₅ give corresponding anhydride.

$$CH_{3}-C \xrightarrow{O} C \xrightarrow{O} CH_{3} \xrightarrow{H^{+}, \Delta} P_{2}O_{5}. \text{ Heat}$$

$$CH_{3}-C \xrightarrow{O} C$$

$$CH_{3}-C \xrightarrow{O} C$$

$$CH_{3}-C \xrightarrow{O} C$$

$$Ethanoic anhydride$$

 Alcohols or phenols, in the presence of mineral acid such as conc. H₂SO₄ or HCl gas as a catalyst, forms esters. This reaction is called **esterification**.

$$RCOOH + R'OH \xrightarrow{H^+} R - C - OR' + H_2C$$

 They react with PCl₅, PCl₃ and SOCl₂ to give the following products.

$$R$$
COOH + $PCl_5 \longrightarrow R$ COCl + $PCl_3 + H$ Cl
 $3R$ COOH + $PCl_3 \longrightarrow 3R$ COCl + H_3 PO $_3$
 R COOH + $SOCl_2 \longrightarrow R$ COCl + $SO_2 \uparrow$ + H Cl \uparrow

 They react with ammonia and its derivatives to give ammonium salts which on further heating at high temperature give amides.

(i)
$$CH_3COOH + NH_3 \xrightarrow{CH_3COONH_4} \xrightarrow{Heat}$$

$$CH_3CONH_2 \xrightarrow{P_2O_5} CH_3CN + H_2CONH_2 \xrightarrow{CH_3COONH_3} CH_3CN + H_2CONH_3 \xrightarrow{CH_3COONH_4} CH_3CN + H_2CONH_4 \xrightarrow{COONH_4} CN + H_2CO$$

$$(ii) \begin{array}{c} COOH \\ CON \\ C_2H_5 \\ + (C_2H_5)_2NH \end{array} \\ + H_2O \\ (iii) \begin{array}{c} COOH \\ + NH_3 \\ \hline \\ COONH_4 \\ \hline \\ COONH_4 \\ \hline \\ Ammonium phthalate \\ \hline \\ CONH_2 \\ \hline \\ CONH_2 \\ \hline \\ CONH_2 \\ \hline \\ CONH_3 \\ \hline \\ CONH_4 \\ \hline \\ CONH_5 \\ \hline \\ CONH_6 \\ \hline \\ CO$$

4. Reaction Involving —COOH Group

• Carboxylic acids are reduced to primary alcohols by LiAlH_4 or better with B_2H_6 . B_2H_6 does not easily reduce functional groups such as esters, nitro, halo, etc. NaBH_4 does not reduce the carboxyl group.

$$R \text{COOH} \xrightarrow{\text{(ii) LiAlH}_4/\text{Ether or B}_2\text{H}_6} R \text{CH}_2\text{OH} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$$

• They lose carbon dioxide to form hydrocarbons when their sodium salt are heated with sodalime. The reaction is known as **decarboxylation**.

RCOONa + NaOH
$$\xrightarrow{\text{CaO}}$$
 RH + Na₂CO₃

• Methanoic acid and its sodium salt acts as reducing agent due to —CHO group. It reduces Tollen's reagent, Fehling's reagent, KMnO $_4$ etc. Carboxylic acid (except formic acid) react with chlorine or bromine in presence of small quantities of red phosphorus to give exclusively α -chloro or α -bromo acids. This reaction is called Hell-Volhard Zelinsky (HVZ reaction).

$$R - \text{CH}_2 - \text{COOH} \xrightarrow{\text{(i) } X_2, \text{ red P}} R - \text{CH}X - \text{COOH}$$

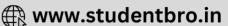
$$\alpha \cdot \text{halocarboxylic acid}$$

$$(X = \text{Cl or Br})$$

Uses

- Methanoic acid is used in rubber, textile, leather and electroplating industries.
- Ethanoic acid is used as solvent and as vinegar in food industry.
- Hexanedioic acid is used in the manufacture of nylon-6,6.
- Sodium benzoate is used as a food preservative.





DAY PRACTICE SESSION 1

FOUNDATION QUESTIONS EXERCISE

1 Which of the following compounds on heating with aqueous KOH, produces acetaldehyde?

(a) CH₃COCI

(b) CH₃CH₂CI

(c) CH₂CICH₂CI

(d) CH₃CHCl₂

2 Reaction by which, benzaldehyde cannot be prepared?

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- ${\bf 3}$ When ethanal reacts with CH $_3$ MgBr and C $_2$ H $_5$ OH /dry HCl, the product formed are
 - (a) ethyl alcohol and 2-propanol
 - (b) ethane and hemiacetal
 - (c) 2-propanol and acetal
 - (d) propane and methyl acetate
- 4 The product formed by the reaction of an aldehyde with a primary amine is → NEET 2016, Phase I

(a) ketone

(b) carboxylic acid

(c) aromatic acid

- (d) Schiff base
- **5** An organic compound *X* having molecular formula $C_5H_{10}O$ yields phenyl hydrazone and gives negative response to the iodoform test and Tollen's test. It produces *n*-pentane on reduction. *X* could be

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(a) pentanal

(b) 2-pentanone

(c) 3-pentanone

- (d) n-amyl alcohol
- **6** Self condensation of acetaldehyde in the presence of dilute alkalies gives
 - (a)an acetal
 - (b) an aldol
 - (c)mesitylene
 - (d) propionaldehyde
- 7 Which of the following compounds will not undergo aldol condensation?
 - (a) Methanal
 - (b) 2-methyl pentanal
 - (c) Cyclohexanone
 - (d) 1-phenyl propanone

8 Which of the following compounds would be the main product of an aldol condensation of acetaldehyde and acetone?

(a) $CH_3CH = CH CHO$

(b) $CH_3CH = CH COCH_3$

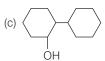
(c) $(CH_3)_2$ C = $CH \cdot CHO$

(d) $(CH_3)_2$ $C = CHCOCH_3$

9 Of the following which is the product formed when cyclohexanone undergoes aldol condensation followed by heating? → NEET 2017

a) OH (b) <





10 Predict the products in the given reaction,

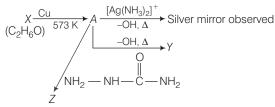
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(a)
$$CH_2OH$$
 CH_2COO^-





11 Consider the reactions,



Identify A, X, Y and Z.

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- (a) A-methoxymethane, X-ethanoic acid, Y-acetate ion, Z-hydrazine
- (b) A-methoxymethane, X-ethanol, Y-ethanoic acid, Z-semicarbazide
- (c) A-ethanal, X-ethanol, Y-but-2-enal, Z-semicarbazone
- (d) A-ethanol, X-acetaldehyde, Y-butanone, Z-hydrazone

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Major product is

13 In Cannizzaro reaction given below,

$$2PhCHO \xrightarrow{OH^{\odot}} PhCH_2OH + PhCO_2^{\odot}$$

the slowest step is

- (a) the attack of OH[⊕]
- (b) the transfer of hydride to the carbonyl group
- (c) the abstraction of proton from the carboxylic group
- (d) the deprotonation of PhCH₂OH

- **14** Which of the following reactions will not result in the formation of carbon-carbon bonds? → CBSE-AIPMT 2010
 - (a) Reimer-Tiemann reaction
 - (b) Cannizzaro reaction
 - (c) Wurtz reaction
 - (d) Friedel-Crafts acylation

15 CH₃CHO + HCHO
$$\xrightarrow{\text{Dil. NaOH}}$$
 $A \xrightarrow{\text{HCN}} B$;

the structure of the compound B is

(a)
$$\operatorname{CH_3-CH-COOH}$$
 (b) $\operatorname{CH_3-CC-COOH}$ OH OH (c) $\operatorname{CH_3CH_2}$ CHCOOH (d) $\operatorname{CH_2-CH-COOH}$ OH

16 Predict the correct intermediate and product in the following reaction. → **NEET 2017**

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{H}_{3}\text{C}-\text{C} \equiv \text{CH} \xrightarrow{\text{H}_{2}\text{O}, \text{H}_{2}\text{SO}_{4}} \\ \text{Intermediate} \longrightarrow \text{Product} \\ \text{(a)} \ A = \text{H}_{3}\text{C}-\text{C} \equiv \text{CH}_{2}; \ B = \text{H}_{3}\text{C}-\text{C} = \text{CH}_{3} \\ \text{SO}_{4} \qquad \text{O} \\ \text{(b)} \ A = \text{H}_{3}\text{C}-\text{C} \equiv \text{CH}_{2}; \ B = \text{H}_{3}\text{C}-\text{C} \equiv \text{CH}_{2} \\ \text{OH} \qquad \text{SO}_{4} \\ \text{(c)} \ A = \text{H}_{3}\text{C}-\text{C} = \text{CH}_{3}; \ B = \text{H}_{3}\text{C}-\text{C} \equiv \text{CH} \\ \text{O} \\ \text{(d)} \ A = \text{H}_{3}\text{C}-\text{C} \equiv \text{CH}_{2}; \ B = \text{H}_{3}\text{C}-\text{C} \equiv \text{CH}_{3} \\ \end{array}$$

17 Acetone is treated with excess of ethanol in the presence of hydrochloric acid. The product obtained is

→ CBSE-AIPMT 2012

(a)
$$CH_3CH_2CH_2$$
— C — CH_3

(b) $CH_3CH_2CH_2$ — C — $CH_2CH_2CH_2$

(c) $(CH_3)_2C$

OH

 OC_2H_5

(d) $(CH_3)_2C$

OC_2H_5

- **18** Clemmensen reduction of a ketone is carried out in the presence of which of the following? → CBSE-AIPMT 2011
 - (a) Zn-Hg with HCl
- (b) LiAlH₄
- (c) H₂ and Pt as catalyst
- (d) Glycol with KOH





- **19** An aromatic compound 'X' with molecular formula C₉H₁₀O gives the following chemical tests
 - (i) It forms 2,4-DNP derivative.
 - (ii) It reduces Tollen's reagent.
 - (iii) It undergoes Cannizzaro reaction.
 - (iv) On vigorous oxidation, 1,2-benzenedicarboxylic acid is obtained.

Compound X is

(a)
$$C_2H_5$$
 (b) C_2H_5 (c) C_2H_5 (d) C_2H_5 (e) C_2H_5

- 20 Which is not true about acetophenone?
 - (a) On oxidation with alkaline KMnO_4 followed by hydrolysis gives benzoic acid
 - (b) Reacts with I₂/NaOH to form iodoform
 - (c) Reacts with Tollen's reagent to form silver mirror
 - (d) Reacts to form 2,4-dinitrophenyl hydrazine
- **21** A compound does not react with 2,4-dinitrophenyl hydrazine, compound is
 - (a) acetone
- (b) acetaldehyde
- (c) CH₃OH
- (d) CH₃CH₂COCH₃
- **22** The correct order of stability of the following tautomeric compounds, is

- 23 Treatment of cyclopentanone, with methyl lithium gives which of the following species? → CBSE-AIPMT 2015
 - (a) Cyclopentanoyl anion
 - (b) Cyclopentanoyl cation
 - (c) Cyclopentanoyl radical
 - (d) Cyclopentanoyl biradical

- **24** The best reagent to convert pent-3-en-2-ol into pent-3-en-2-one is
 - (a) pyridinium chloro chromate
 - (b) chromic anhydride in glacial acetic acid
 - (c) acidic dichromate
 - (d) acidic permanganate
- 25 The correct structure of the product *A* formed in the reaction → NEET 2016, Phase II

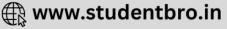
O
$$H_2 \text{ (gas, 1 atm)} \rightarrow A \text{ is}$$
OH O OH
(a) (b) (c) OH
(d) OH

26 Arrange the following compounds in decreasing order of their boiling points

CH₃CHO, CH₃CH₂OH, CH₃OCH₃, CH₃CH₂CH₃

- (a) $\mathrm{CH_3CH_2CH_3} < \mathrm{CH_3OCH_3} < \mathrm{CH_3CHO} < \mathrm{CH_3CH_2OH}$
- (b) CH₃CH₂CH₃ < CH₃CHO < CH₃OCH₃ < CH₃CH₂OH
- (c) $\mathrm{CH_3CH_2CH_3} > \mathrm{CH_3CHO} > \mathrm{CH_3OCH_3} > \mathrm{CH_3CH_2OH}$
- (d) $CH_3CH_2OH > CH_3CHO > CH_3OCH_3 > CH_3CH_2CH_3$
- **27** Which one of the following undergoes reaction with 50% sodium hydroxide solution to give the corresponding alcohol and acid?
 - (a) Phenol
- (b) Benzoic acid
- (c) Butanal
- (d) Benzaldehyde
- 28 Carboxylic acids have higher boiling points than aldehydes, ketones and even alcohols of comparable molecular mass. It is due to their → NEET 2018
 - (a) more extensive association of carboxylic acid *via* van der Waals' force of attraction
 - (b) formation of carboxylate ion
 - (c) formation of intramolecular H-bonding
 - (d) formation of intermolecular H-bonding
- 29 A liquid was mixed with ethanol and a drop of concentrated H₂SO₄ was added. A compound with a fruity smell was formed. The liquid was
 - (a) CH₃OH
- (b) HCHO
- (c) CH₃COCH₃
- (d) CH₃COOH
- 30 By combining the two calcium salts of carboxylic acids, we are preparing 2-butanone. Find the correct pair from the following
 - (a) calcium formate + calcium propanoate
 - (b) calcium acetate + calcium propanoate
 - (c) calcium acetate + calcium acetate
 - (d) calcium formate + calcium acetate





31 In the following reaction,

$$CH_3COOH + X \xrightarrow{Conc. H_2 SO_4} Y + CO_2 + N_2$$

X and Y respectively, are

(a) HN₃ and CH₃NH₂

(b) NH₃ and CH₃CONH₂

(c) NH₃ and CH₃NH₂

d) NH₃ and CH₃CONH₂

32 In a set of reactions, acetic acid yielded a product D

$$CH_3COOH \xrightarrow{SOCl_2} A \xrightarrow{Benzene} B \xrightarrow{HCN} C \xrightarrow{HOH} D$$

The structure of D would be

(a)
$$CH_2$$
 CH_3 (b) CH_3 CH_3

33 In a set of reactions, *m*-bromobenzoic acid gave a product D. Identify the product D. → CBSE-AIPMT 2011

COOH
$$SOCl_{2} \rightarrow B \xrightarrow{NH_{3}} C \xrightarrow{NaOH} D$$

$$(a) \qquad (b) \qquad NH_{2}$$

$$NH_{2} \qquad (b) \qquad SO_{2}NH_{2}$$

$$(c) \qquad Br \qquad Br$$

$$A + CH_3COOH \xrightarrow{H_3O^+} B + H_2O$$
 In the above

reactions, A and B respectively are

(a) $CH_3COOC_2H_5$, C_2H_5OH (b) CH_3CHO , C_2H_5OH

(c) C₂H₅OH, CH₃CHO

(d) C₂H₅OH, CH₃COOC₂H₅

35 In a set of reactions, ethyl benzene yielded a product D.

→ CBSE-AIPMT 2010

$$\begin{array}{c} CH_2CH_3 \\ \hline \hline \\ KOH \end{array} \xrightarrow{KMnO_4} B \xrightarrow{Br_2} FeCl_3 \\ C \xrightarrow{C_2H_5OH} H^+ \end{array}$$

D would be

(a)
$$CH_2CH$$
— $COOC_2H_5$
Br

 $CH_2COOC_2H_5$
COOH

(c) OC_2H_5
COOC $_2H_5$
COOC $_2H_5$

36 Propionic acid with Br₂ — Pyields a dibromo product. Its structure would be → CBSE-AIPMT 2009

37 The correct order of strengths of the carboxylic acids

→ NEET 2016, Phase II

- (a) | > | > | |(c) ||| > || > |
- (b) || > ||| >
- (d) || > | > ||
- 38 Which of the following represents the correct order of the acidity in the given compounds?
 - (a) CH₃COOH > BrCH₂COOH > CICH₂COOH > FCH₂COOH
 - (b) FCH₂COOH > CH₃COOH > BrCH₂COOH > CICH₂COOH
 - (c) BrCH₂COOH > CICH₂COOH > FCH₂COOH > CH₃COOH
 - (d) FCH₂COOH > CICH₂COOH > BrCH₂COOH > CH₃COOH
- 39 Given, cyclohexanol (I), acetic acid (II),
 - 2, 4, 6- trinitrophenol (III) and phenol (IV). In these, the order of decreasing acidic character will be

→ CBSE-AIPMT 2010

- (a) III>II>IV>I
- (b) ||>|||>|V
- (c) ||>|||>|V>|
- (d) III>IV>II>I

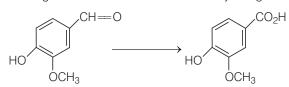




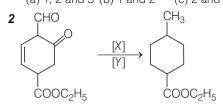
DAY PRACTICE SESSION 2

PROGRESSIVE QUESTIONS EXERCISE

1 Following conversion can be carried out by using



II. KMnO₄ in alcohol II.NaClO in a buffer III. Ag₂O/NaOH, HCl IV. FeCl₃ in a buffer (a) 1, 2 and 3 (b) 1 and 2 (c) 2 and 4 (d) 1 and



[X] and [Y] are

- (a) H₂ / Ni and NaOH (c) H₂ / Ni, LAH
- (b) H₂ / Ni and hydrazine
- (d) None of these
- **3** In a Cannizzaro reaction, the intermediate that will be the best hydride donor is

- 4 A carbonyl compound reacts with hydrogen cyanide to form cyanohydrin which on hydrolysis forms a racemic mixture of α-hydroxy acid. The carbonyl compound is
 - (a) acetaldehyde
- (b) acetone
- (c)diethyl ketone
- (d) formaldehyde
- **5** The correct set of reagents for the following conversion is

$$(CH_3)_2CHCOOH \longrightarrow 0$$

- (a) P/I₂, Na, conc. H₂SO₄
- (b) P_2O_5 , LiAIH₄
- (c) P_2O_5/Δ , H_2O , P_4/I_2 , Na
- (d) P_4/I_2 , Na, P_2O_5/Δ

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$$CH_3$$
— C — $CH_2CH_2CO_2CH_3$ — OH
 CH_3 — CH — $CH_2CH_2CH_2OH$

can be effected using

- (a) LiAlH₄ and then H⁺
- (b) NaBH₄ and then H⁺
- (c) H₂ / Pt C
- (d) None of these
- **7** With the help of following Grignard synthesis which carboxylic acid is formed?

$$\mathrm{CH_2} = \mathrm{CH} \; \mathrm{CH_2} \; \mathrm{Br} \xrightarrow{\mathrm{Mg/Ether}} \xrightarrow{\mathrm{(i)} \; \mathrm{CO_2}} ?$$

- (a) $CH_2 = CH CH_2 COOH$
- (b) CH₃ CH₂ CH₂ COOH
- (c) $CH_2 = CHCOOH$
- (d) CH₃CH = CH COOH
- 8 The enol-form of acetone after treatment with D₂O, gives

(a)
$$H_3C - C = CH_2$$

(c)
$$H_2C = C - CH_2C$$

(d)
$$H_2C = C - CHD_2$$

- 9 An organic compound X on treatment with acidified K₂Cr₂O₇ gives compound Y which reacts with I₂ and sodium carbonate to form triiodomethane. The compound X can be
 - (a) CH₃OH
- (b) CH₃CHO
- (c) CH₃COCH₃
- (d) CH₃CH(OH)CH₃
- 10 The diketone $CH_3 C (CH_2)_2 C CH_3$ on
 - intramolecular aldol condensation gives the final product.

- 11 Which of the following statements regarding semicarbazone formation from cyclohexanone and benzaldehyde is incorrect?
 - (a) Both form nearly the same amount of semicarbazone
 - (b) Semicarbazone of benzaldehyde is more stable
 - (c) Semicarbazone of cyclohexanone is more stable
 - (d) Semicarbazone formation from cyclohexanone is more faster



