

UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY  
FACULTY OF SCIENCE  
MIDTERM EXAMINATION  
CHEMISTRY 353

Version  
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THURSDAY MARCH 7th, 2024

Time: 2 Hours

READ ALL THE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

PLEASE WRITE YOUR **NAME**, **STUDENT I.D. NUMBER** ON **BOTH YOUR MULTIPLE CHOICE ANSWER SHEET AND LONG ANSWER SHEET.**

ENTER **VERSION NUMBER 1** ON THE **MULTIPLE CHOICE ANSWER SHEET**

The exam consists of **Parts 1 - 7**, each of which should be attempted. Some Parts provide you with a choice of questions, e.g. answer any 5 out of 6. These will be graded in numerical order until the required number have been completed, regardless of whether they are right or wrong. **Parts 1 - 4** will be computer graded, and **Parts 5, 6 and 7** are to be answered **IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX ON THE LONG ANSWER SHEET PROVIDED.**

A periodic table with atomic numbers and atomic weights and spectroscopic data tables and 2 pages of scrap paper for rough work are included with this examination paper.

**Parts 1 - 4** consist of a series of multiple choice questions numbered **1 - 34** which are to be answered on the multiple choice answer sheet. Indicate your answer by completely blackening out the appropriate space, A, B, C, D or E on the answer sheet. Use a soft pencil only, **not ink**. In some cases it is required that you indicate **multiple** items for a complete and/or correct answer by blackening out **more than one space**. In some other cases, more than five options are available and some of these also require more than one space to be blackened out. For an example, an option specified as AB requires that you blacken out **both** space A and space B. Part marks may be awarded in some of the questions. Incorrect answers must be **erased cleanly**.

Molecular models are permitted during the exam; calculators are also permitted, **but NOT programmable calculators**.

**Absolutely no other electronic devices are allowed.**

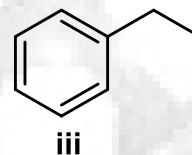
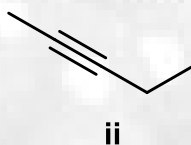
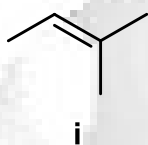
**16% PART 1: RELATIVE PROPERTIES****ANSWER ANY EIGHT (8) OF QUESTIONS 1-10.**

Arrange the items in each of the questions in this section in **DECREASING ORDER** (*i.e.* greatest first) with respect to the indicated property.

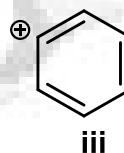
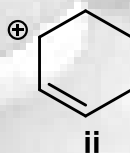
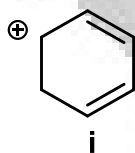
Use the following code to indicate your answers.

**A.**  $i > ii > iii$ **B.**  $i > iii > ii$ **C.**  $ii > i > iii$ **D.**  $ii > iii > i$ **E.**  $iii > i > ii$ **AB.**  $iii > ii > i$ 

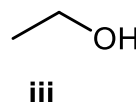
1. The relative reactivity of each of the following towards aq.  $H_2SO_4$ :



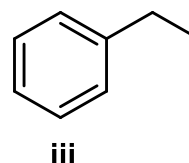
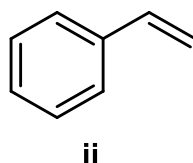
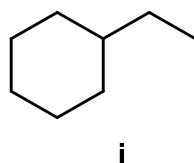
2. The relative stability of the following carbocations:



3. The relative  $pK_a$  of the most acidic proton in each of the following:



4. The relative yields of each of the following products from the reaction of phenylethyne with  $H_2$  / Pd:



5. The number of possible geometric isomers of each of the following hydrocarbons:

hexa-1,3-diene

**i**

hexa-1,5-diene

**ii**

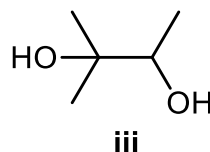
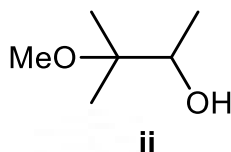
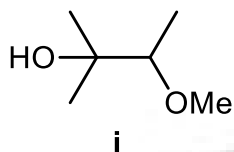
hexa-2,4-diene

**iii**

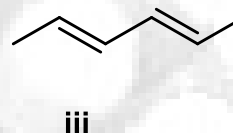
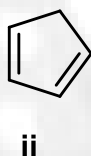
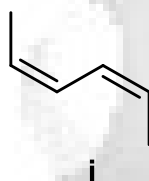
Use the following code to indicate your answers.

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|-----------|---------------------------|------------|---------------------------|
| <b>A.</b> | <b>i &gt; ii &gt; iii</b> | <b>D.</b>  | <b>ii &gt; iii &gt; i</b> |
| <b>B.</b> | <b>i &gt; iii &gt; ii</b> | <b>E.</b>  | <b>iii &gt; i &gt; ii</b> |
| <b>C.</b> | <b>ii &gt; i &gt; iii</b> | <b>AB.</b> | <b>iii &gt; ii &gt; i</b> |

6. The relative yields of each of the following products from the reaction of 2-methyl-2-butene with MCPBA followed by acidic methanol:



7. The relative reactivity of each of the following dienes towards but-3-en-2-one:



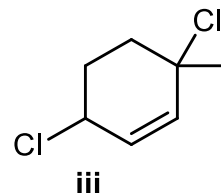
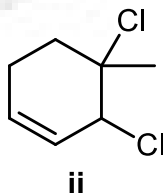
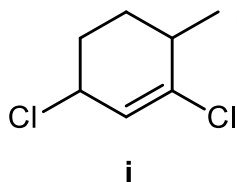
8. The observed optical rotations of the following solutions, given that (S)-2-bromobutane has a specific rotation value  $[\alpha]_D = +23^\circ$ .

1g (S)-isomer  
10 mL solvent  
cell = 1.25dm  
**i**

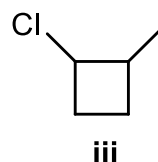
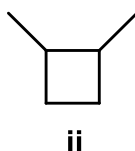
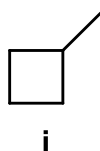
0.7g (S)-isomer  
10 mL solvent  
cell = 1dm  
**ii**

1g (S)-isomer  
1 mL solvent  
cell = 0.1dm  
**iii**

9. The relative yields of each of the following from the reaction of 1-methylcyclohexa-1,3-diene with  $\text{Cl}_2$  at  $100^\circ\text{C}$ :

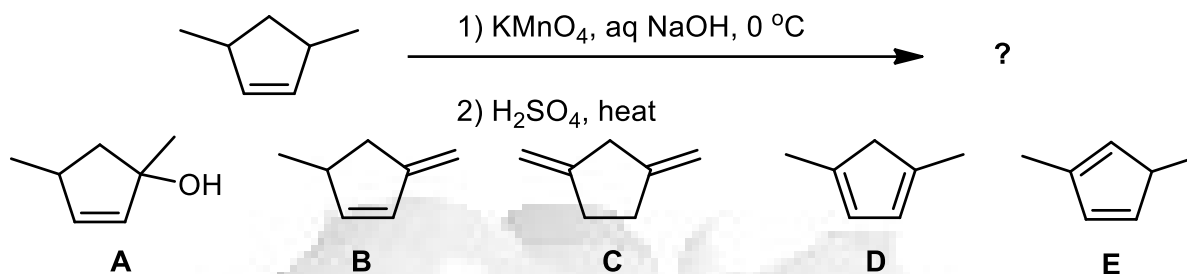
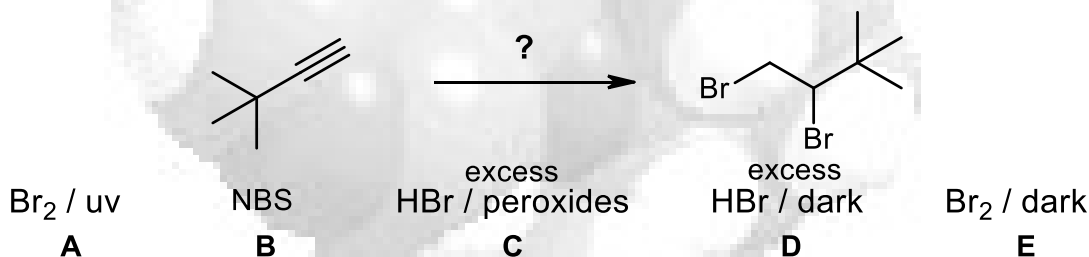
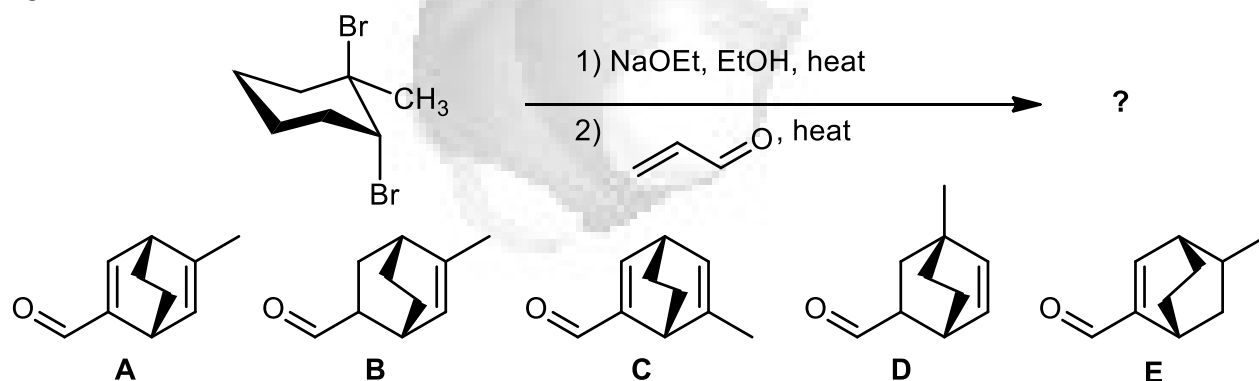
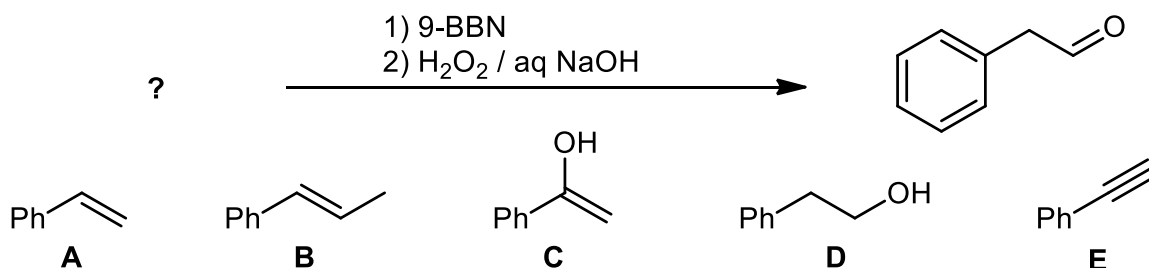


10. The number of configurational isomers of each of the following:

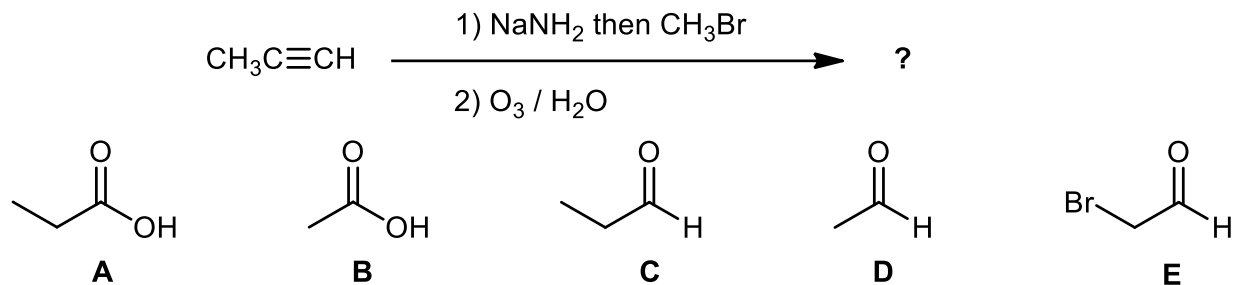


**14% PART 2: STARTING MATERIALS, REAGENTS AND PRODUCTS****ANSWER ANY SEVEN (7) OF QUESTIONS 11-18.**

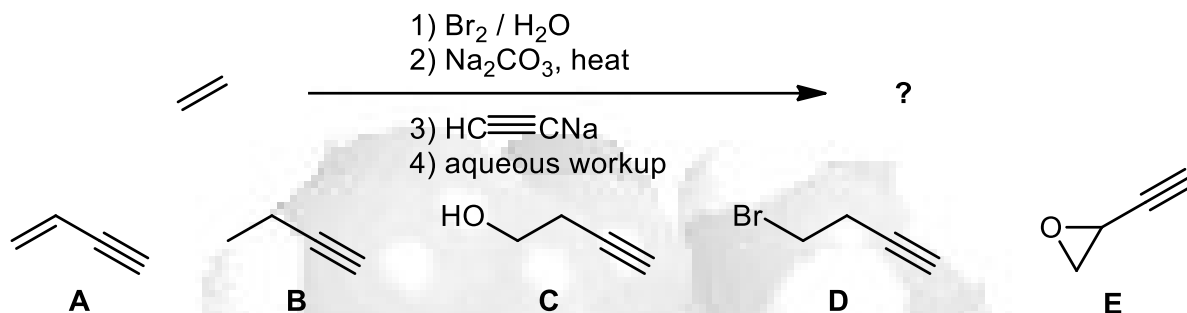
For each of questions 11-18 select the **MISSING** component (starting material, product or reagents) required in order to **BEST** complete each reaction scheme.

**11.****12.****13.****14.**

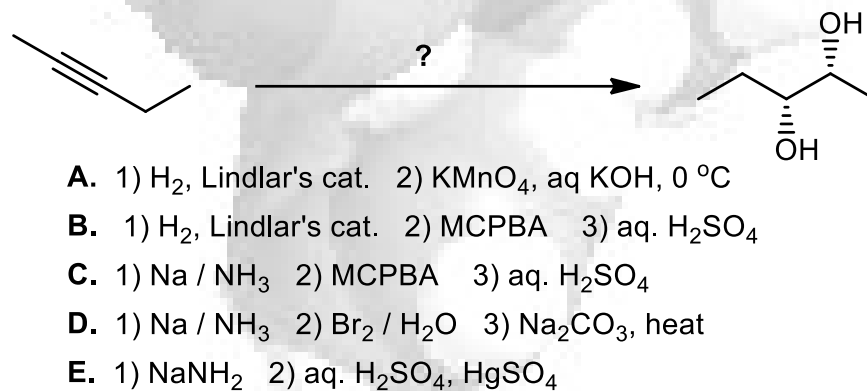
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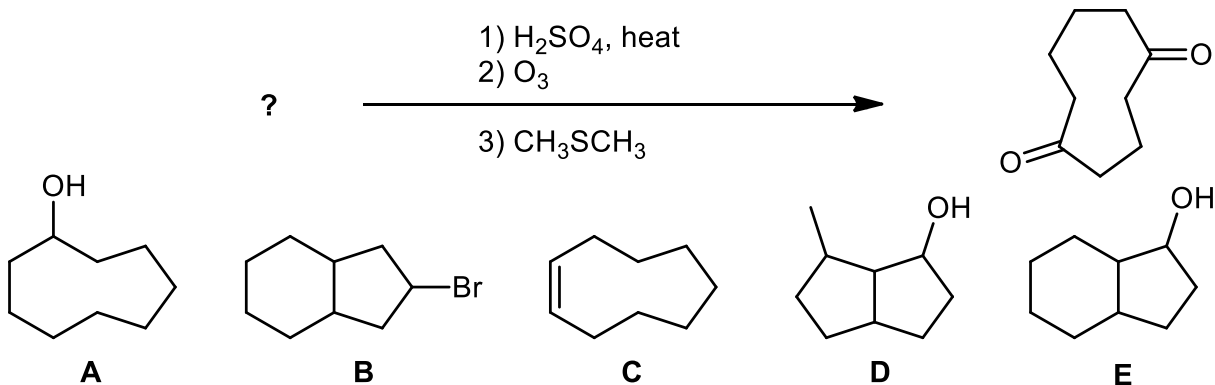
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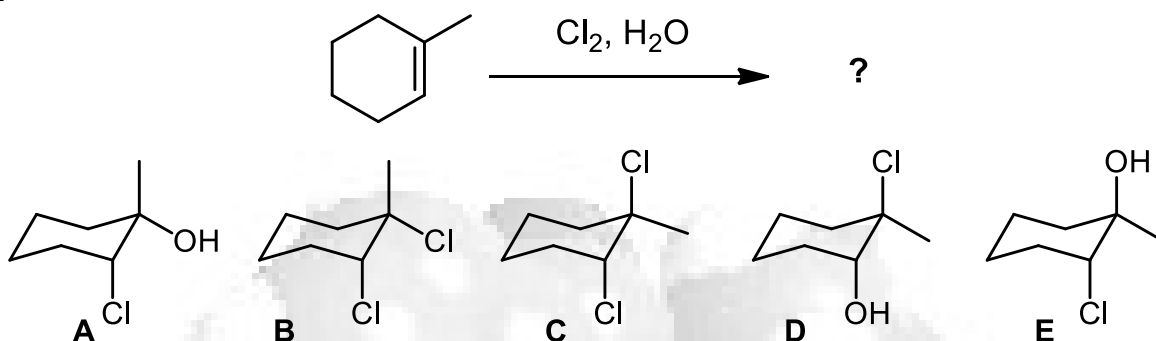
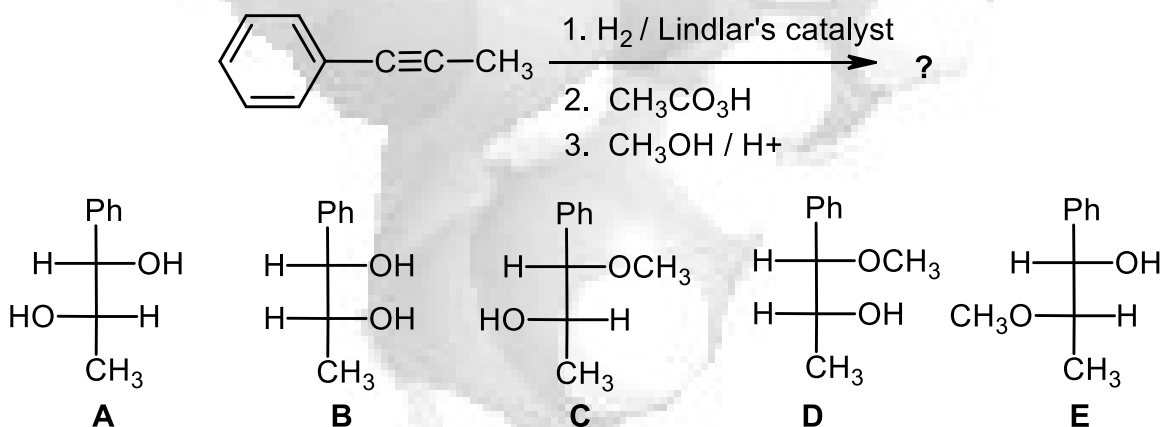
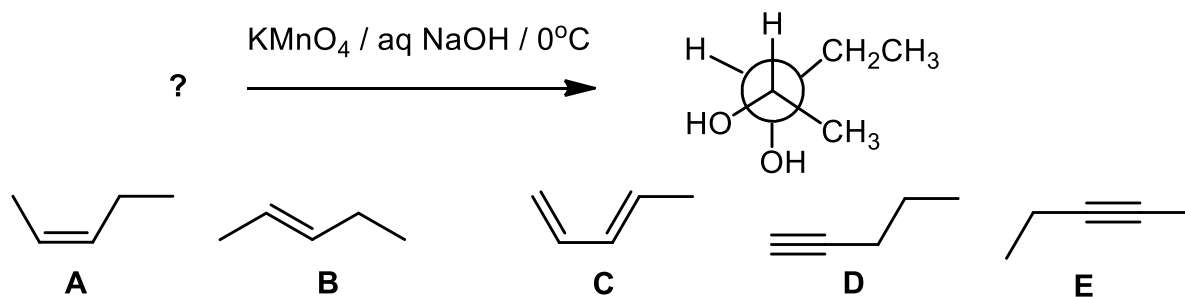


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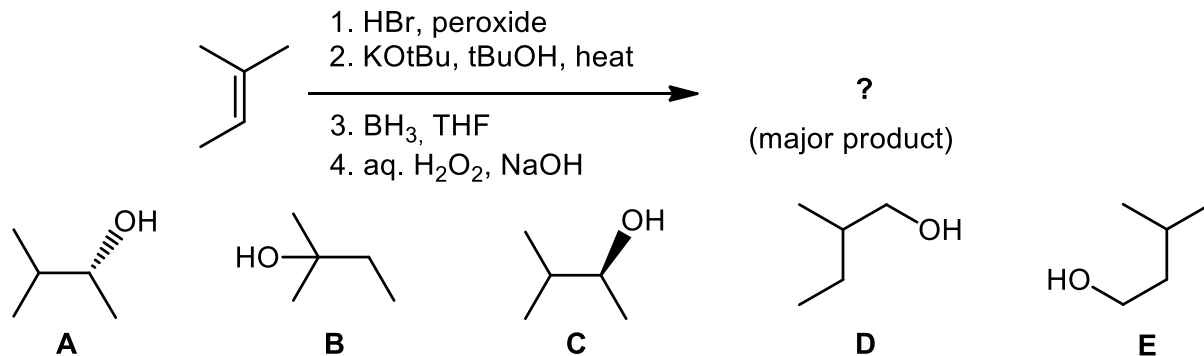


**18% PART 3: REGIOCHEMISTRY and STEREOCHEMISTRY OF REACTIONS****ANSWER ANY SIX (6) OF QUESTIONS 19-25.**

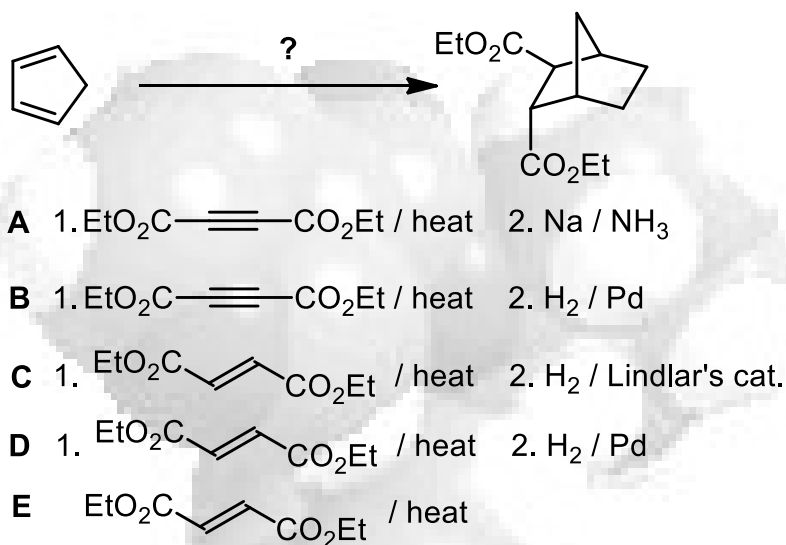
For each of the questions 19-25, select the structure required to BEST complete the reaction shown.

**19.****20.****21.**

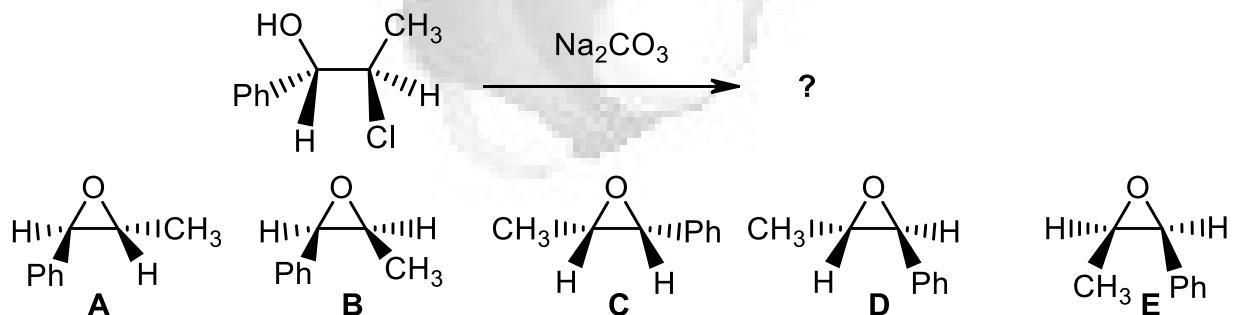
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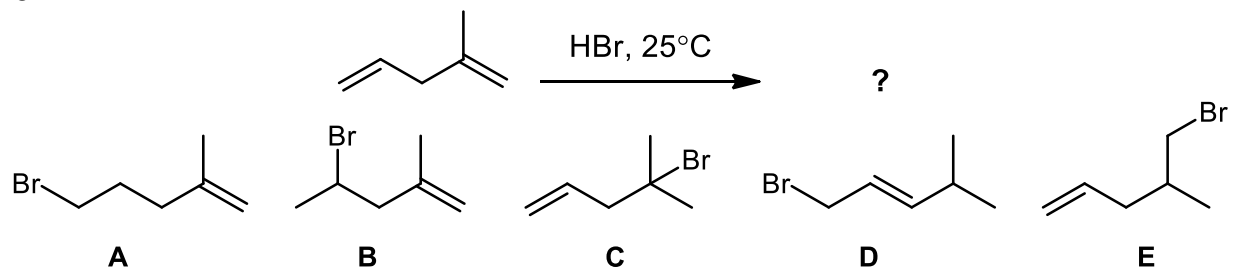
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24.



25.

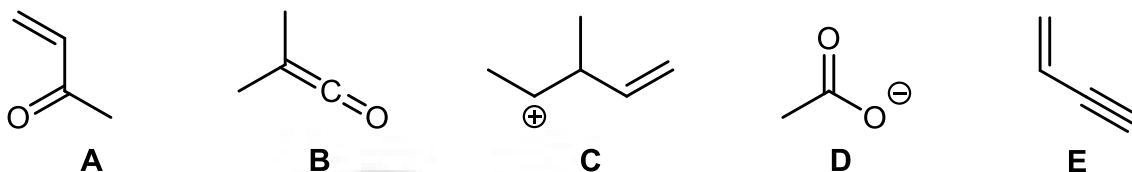


16% **PART 4: PI SYSTEMS**

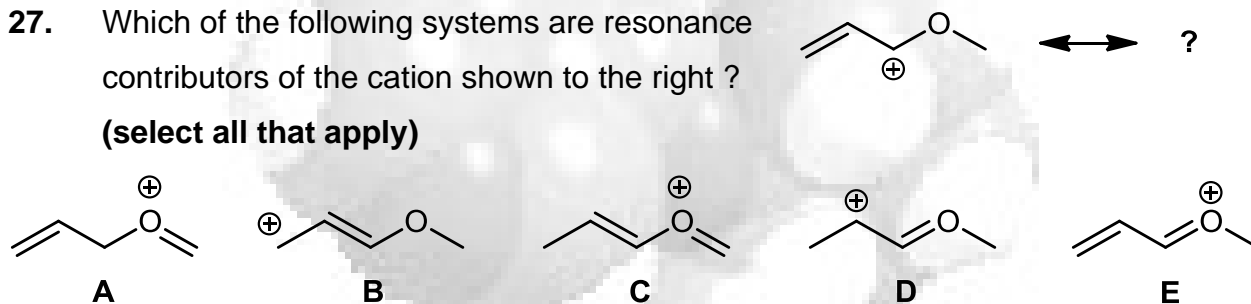
ANSWER ANY EIGHT (8) of the questions 26 - 34.

For each of the questions 26-34 select the appropriate answer from the answers provided. In some cases more than one selection may be required for full credit.

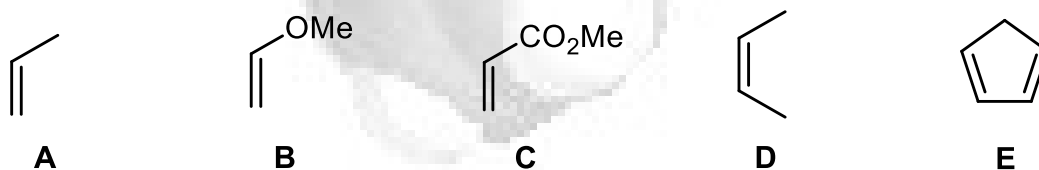
26. Which of the following contain conjugated systems? (select all that apply)



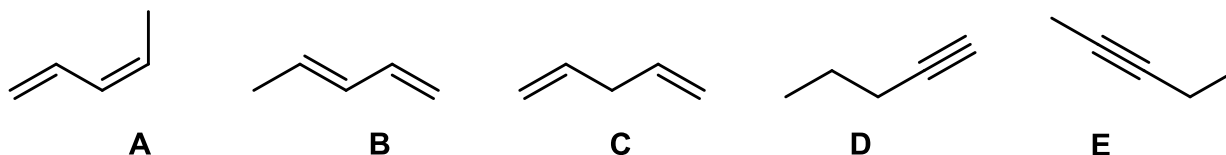
27. Which of the following systems are resonance contributors of the cation shown to the right?  
(select all that apply)



28. Which of the following is the **most** reactive towards 1,3-butadiene:

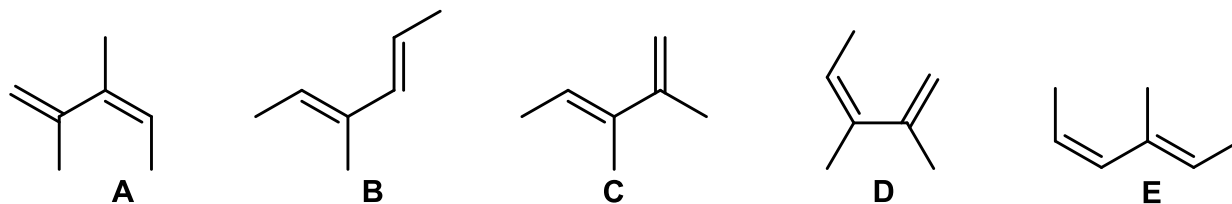


29. Which of the following isomers has the **most exothermic** heat of hydrogenation?

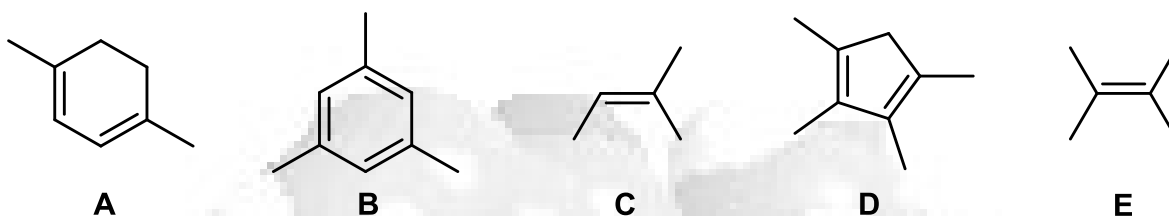




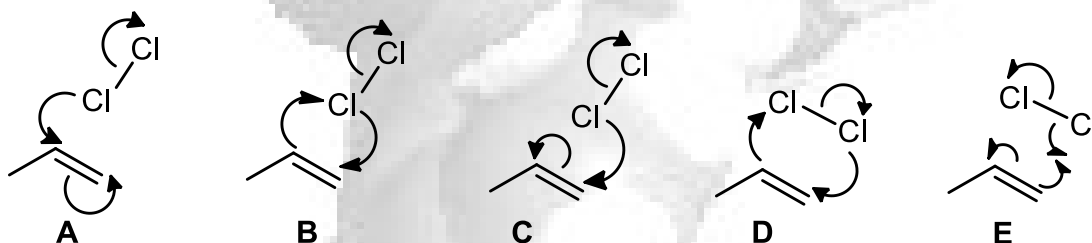
30. Which of the following molecules is the *s-cis* form of (3Z)-2,3-dimethylpenta-1,3-diene?



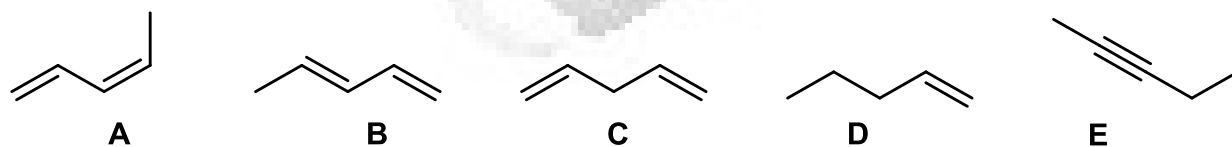
31. Which of the following molecules has the **most** allylic hydrogens ?



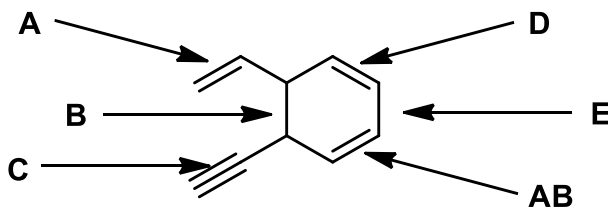
32. Which of the following **best** represents a step in the mechanism of the reaction of propene with  $\text{Cl}_2$  at  $0^\circ\text{C}$ ?



33. Which of the following systems react with  $\text{Na} / \text{NH}_3$  (**select all that apply**) ?



34. Which of the **CC** bonds indicated below is the **longest** ?



**15% PART 5: SYNTHESIS**

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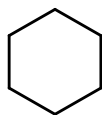
ANSWER THREE (3) QUESTIONS, ONE FROM EACH OF 5.1, 5.2 AND 5.3

Design an efficient synthesis of THREE (3) of the following target molecules

SHOW YOUR ANSWER AS A STEPWISE REACTION SCHEME SHOWING THE REAGENT REQUIRED AND PRODUCT OF EACH STEP

DO NOT SHOW MECHANISMS (*i.e.* curly arrows are NOT required)

Allowed starting materials and reagents:

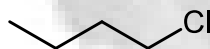


and / or

Any hydrocarbons with 4 or less C atoms

Any solvents or reagents that do not contribute carbon atoms to the final structure.

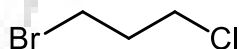
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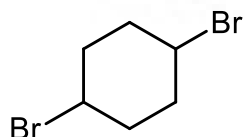
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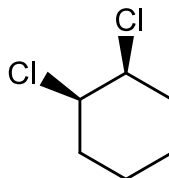


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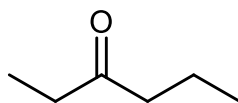


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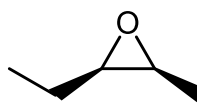


AND

5.3



or



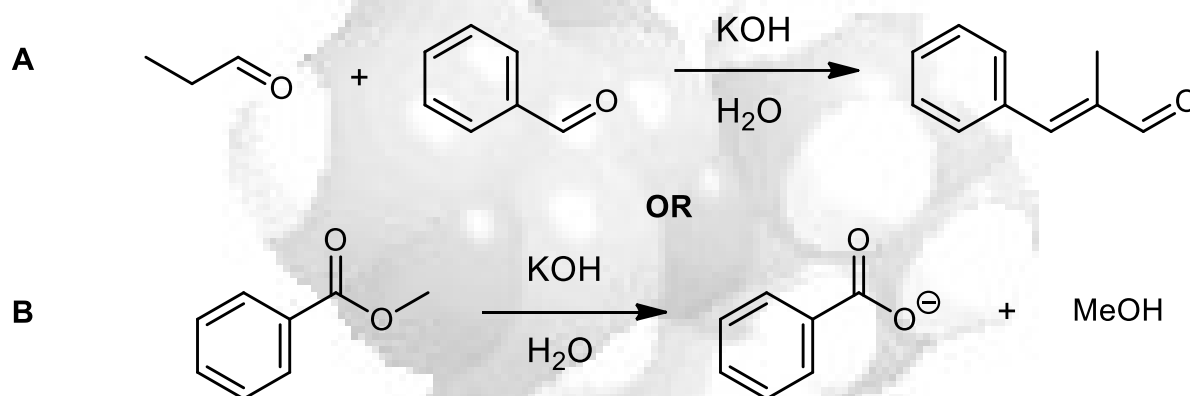
**10% PART 6: MECHANISMS**

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ANSWER TWO (2) QUESTIONS, ONE FROM PART 6.1 AND ONE FROM PART 6.2

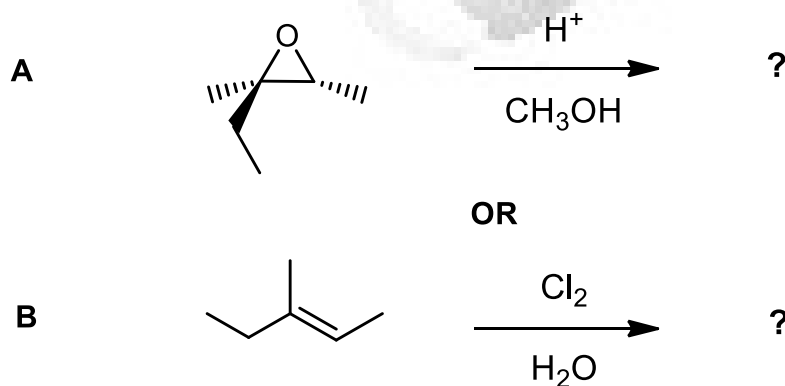
Draw curly arrow mechanisms to explain the following reactions / observations.  
No other reagents are required.

6.1. Show the mechanism for **one** of the following reactions:



AND

6.2. Show the mechanism for **one** of the following reactions to predict the major product :



**11% PART 7: STRUCTURE DETERMINATION**

**WRITE YOUR ANSWER IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX ON THE LONG ANSWER SHEET PROVIDED**

**Use the information in the following paragraph to answer the questions below.**

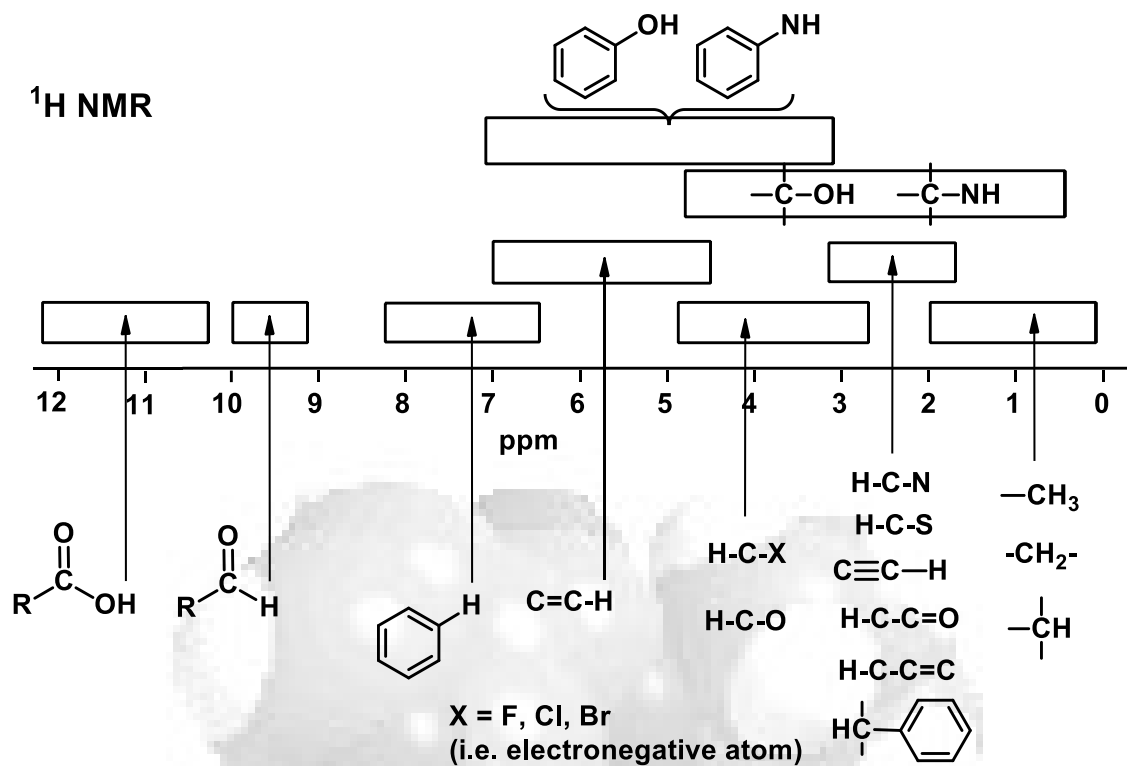
Compound **A** ( $C_6H_{10}$ ) was reacted with sodium in liquid ammonia to give **B**. Subsequent reaction of **B** with bromine gave **C** which was found to exist as a single configurational isomer and optically inactive. When **C** was then heated with KOH / EtOH, the major product was **D**, an isomer of **A**.

When compound **D** was heated with ethene in a sealed vessel, **E**, was the major product. When compound **E** was reacted with excess  $H_2$  over Pd gave *cis*-1,4-dimethylcyclohexane as the major product.

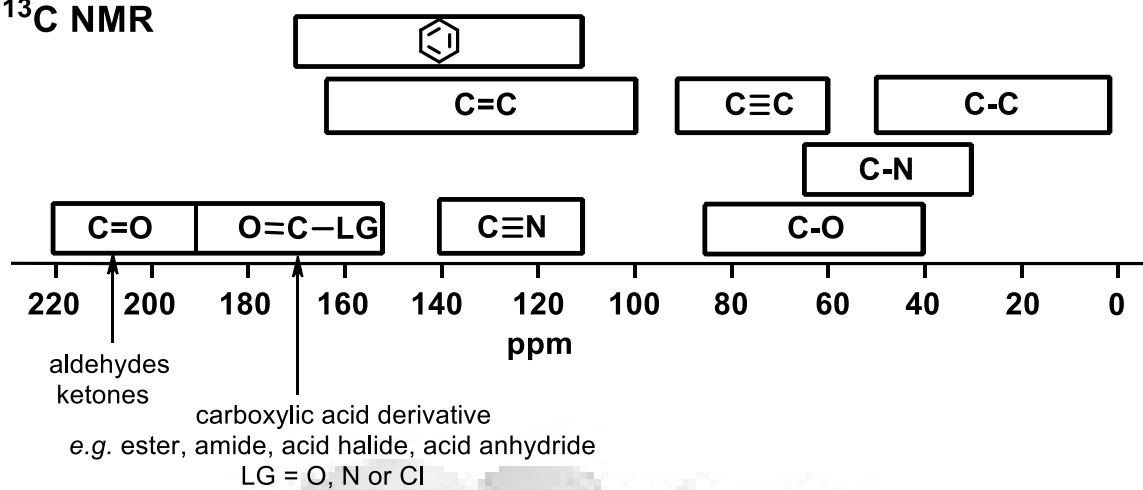
**Draw the structures of A to E. Include 3D stereochemistry where appropriate.**

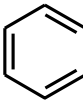
**What is the IUPAC name for D ?**

**\*\*\* THE END \*\*\***

**SPECTROSCOPIC TABLES****<sup>1</sup>H NMR CHARACTERISTIC CHEMICAL SHIFTS / ppm**

	R = methyl -CH <sub>3</sub>	methylene -CH <sub>2</sub> -	methyne -CH-	other
$\text{R}-\text{C}-$	0.9	1.4	1.5	$\text{sp}^3\text{C}-\text{OH}$ 1-5
$\text{R}-\text{C}=\text{C}-$	1.6	2.3	2.6	$\text{sp}^3\text{C}-\text{NH}$ 1-3
$\text{R}-\text{C}(=\text{O})-$	2.1	2.4	2.5	$\text{C}\equiv\text{CH}$ 2.5
$\text{R}-\text{N}-$	2.2	2.5	2.9	$\text{C}=\text{C}-\text{H}$ 4.5-6.5
$\text{R}-\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$	2.3	2.7	3.0	$\text{H}-\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$ 6.5-8
$\text{R}-\text{Br}$	2.7	3.3	4.1	$\text{R}-\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{H}$ 9-10
$\text{R}-\text{Cl}$	3.1	3.4	4.1	$\text{R}-\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{OH}$ 9-12
$\text{R}-\text{O}-$	3.3	3.4	3.7	

**$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR** **$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR CHARACTERISTIC CHEMICAL SHIFTS / ppm**

$-\text{CH}_3$ 0-30	$-\text{CH}_2-$ 10-50	$-\text{C}-\text{H}$ 25-60	$-\text{C}(=\text{O})-\text{O}-$ 155-180
$-\text{C}\equiv\text{C}-$ 65-90		$-\text{C}-\text{Br}$ 10-25	$-\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{OH}$ 160-185
$-\text{C}=\text{C}-$ 80-145		$-\text{C}-\text{Cl}$ 15-30	$-\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{H}$ 190-210
 110-170		$-\text{C}-\text{OH}$ 45-75	$-\text{C}(=\text{O})-$ 190-220
		$-\text{C}-\text{N}$ 30-65	$-\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$ 110-140

**INFRA-RED GROUP ABSORPTION FREQUENCIES**

		<u>TYPE OF VIBRATION</u>	<u>FREQUENCY</u> (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	<u>WAVELENGTH</u> (μ)	<u>INTENSITY</u> (1)
C-H	Alkanes	(stretch)	3000-2850	3.33-3.51	s
	-CH <sub>3</sub>	(bend)	1450 and 1375	6.90 and 7.27	m
	-CH <sub>2</sub> -	(bend)	1465	6.83	m
	Alkenes	(stretch)	3100-3000	3.23-3.33	m
		(bend)	1700-1000	5.88-10.0	s
	Aromatics	(stretch)	3150-3050	3.17-3.28	s
		(out-of-plane bend)	1000-700	10.0-14.3	s
	Alkyne	(stretch)	ca. 3300	ca.3.03	s
	Aldehyde		2900-2800	3.45-3.57	w
			2800-2700	3.57-3.70	w
C-C	Alkane	not usually useful			
C=C	Alkene		1680-1600	5.95-6.25	m-w
	Aromatic		1600-1400	6.25-7.14	m-w
C≡C	Alkyne		2250-2100	4.44-4.76	m-w
C=O	Aldehyde		1740-1720	5.75-5.81	s
	Ketone		1725-1705	5.80-5.87	s
	Carboxylic acid		1725-1700	5.80-5.88	s
	Ester		1750-1730	5.71-5.78	s
	Amide		1700-1640	5.88-6.10	s
	Anhydride		ca. 1810	ca. 5.52	s
			ca. 1760	ca. 5.68	s
	Acyl chloride		1800	5.55	s
C-O	Alcohols, Ethers, Esters,				
	Carboxylic acids		1300-1000	7.69-10.0	s
O-H	Alcohols, Phenols				
	Free		3650-3600	2.74-2.78	m
	H-Bonded		3400-3200	2.94-3.12	m
	Carboxylic acids (2)		3300-2500	3.03-4.00	m
N-H	Primary and secondary amines		ca. 3500	ca. 2.86	m
C≡N	Nitriles		2260-2240	4.42-4.46	m
N=O	Nitro (R-NO <sub>2</sub> )		1600-1500	6.25-6.67	s
			1400-1300	7.14-7.69	s
C-X	Fluoride		1400-1000	7.14-10.0	s
	Chloride		800-600	12.5-16.7	s
	Bromide, Iodide		<600	>16.7	s

(1) s = strong, m = medium and w = weak

(2) note that the -OH absorption of solid carboxylic acids which run as a nujol mull can be difficult to see as they may be very broad.

## PERIODIC TABLE

1 1A												18 8A					
1 H 1.008	2 2A																
3 Li 6.941	4 Be 9.012											5 B 10.81	6 C 12.01	7 N 14.01	8 O 16.00	9 F 19.00	10 Ne 20.18
11 Na 22.99	12 Mg 24.31											3	4	5	6	7	8
19 K 39.10	20 Ca 40.08	21 Sc 44.96	22 Ti 47.88	23 V 50.94	24 Cr 52.00	25 Mn 54.94	26 Fe 55.85	27 Co 58.93	28 Ni 58.69	29 Cu 63.55	30 Zn 65.38	31 Ga 69.72	32 Ge 72.59	33 As 74.92	34 Se 78.96	35 Br 79.90	36 Kr 83.80
37 Rb 85.47	38 Sr 87.62	39 Y 88.91	40 Zr 91.22	41 Nb 92.91	42 Mo 95.94	43 Tc (98)	44 Ru 101.1	45 Rh 102.9	46 Pd 106.4	47 Ag 107.9	48 Cd 112.4	49 In 114.8	50 Sn 118.7	51 Sb 121.8	52 Te 127.6	53 I 126.9	54 Xe 131.3
55 Cs 132.9	56 Ba 137.3	57* La 138.9	72 Hf 178.5	73 Ta 180.9	74 W 183.9	75 Re 186.2	76 Os 190.2	77 Ir 192.2	78 Pt 195.1	79 Au 197.0	80 Hg 200.6	81 Tl 204.4	82 Pb 207.2	83 Bi 209.0	84 Po (209)	85 At (210)	86 Rn (222)
87 Fr (223)	88 Ra 226.0	89** Ac (227)	104 Rf (261)	105 Ha (262)	106 Sg (263)	107 Ns (262)	108 Hs (265)	109 Mt (266)	110 Uun (269)	111 Uuu (272)							

Lanthanides \*

58 <b>Ce</b> 140.1	59 <b>Pr</b> 140.9	60 <b>Nd</b> 144.2	61 <b>Pm</b> (145)	62 <b>Sm</b> 150.4	63 <b>Eu</b> 152.0	64 <b>Gd</b> 157.3	65 <b>Tb</b> 158.9	66 <b>Dy</b> 162.5	67 <b>Ho</b> 164.9	68 <b>Er</b> 167.3	69 <b>Tm</b> 168.9	70 <b>Yb</b> 173.0	71 <b>Lu</b> 175.0
90 <b>Th</b> 232.0	91 <b>Pa</b> 231.0	92 <b>U</b> 238.0	93 <b>Np</b> 237.0	94 <b>Pu</b> (244)	95 <b>Am</b> (243)	96 <b>Cm</b> (247)	97 <b>Bk</b> (247)	98 <b>Cf</b> (251)	99 <b>Es</b> (252)	100 <b>Fm</b> (257)	101 <b>Md</b> (258)	102 <b>No</b> (259)	103 <b>Lr</b> (260)

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