#### Chapter 18

### Table 18.1

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Formal Oxidation Number of Carbon

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+3

+4

Z →=X H H→X H Н  $\stackrel{H}{\searrow} x$ × → н—⊢н [O] Y=C=X Y–C≡X R →=X  $\begin{array}{c} \mathsf{R} \\ \mathsf{H} \xrightarrow{} \mathsf{H} \end{array} \\ \mathsf{H} \end{array}$  $\stackrel{R}{H \rightarrow } X$ R }—x [0] R−C∃X  $\begin{array}{c} \mathsf{R}\\ \mathsf{H} \xrightarrow{} \mathsf{H}\\ \mathsf{R} \end{array}$  $\begin{array}{c} R \\ H \xrightarrow{} X \\ R \end{array}$  $R \rightarrow R$ \_ [H] [H]  $\begin{array}{c} \overline{R} \\ R \xrightarrow{} X \\ R \xrightarrow{} X \end{array}$  $\begin{array}{c} \mathsf{R} \\ \mathsf{R} \xrightarrow{} \mathsf{H} \\ \mathsf{R} \end{array}$ Н Н Х Х Н R н н R R R Н Х Х н R Ŕ

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- oxidations in this table occur leftto-right, or bottom-to-top
- Reductions in this table occur right-to-left or top-to-bottom

#### **Classes of Oxidations**



#### **Classes of Reductions**



### Table 18.2: Common Oxidation Reactions



### Table 18.3: Common Reduction Reactions



### Figure 18.1

- Major classes of oxidation reactions in organic chemistry
  - oxidation of alcohols and aldehydes
  - oxidation of alkene  $\pi$  bonds
  - allylic and benzylic oxidation
  - α-oxidation of carbonyl compounds
  - dehydrogenation of carbonyl compounds
  - oxidative insertion (rearrangements)
  - arene oxidations (ring and side chain)



#### Figure 18.2

The Westheimer mechanism for oxidation of alcohols by chromium (VI)



### Common Cr (VI) oxidizing reagents

- Collins reagent (CrO<sub>3</sub>•2py, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>)
- PCC (pyridinium chlorochromate, pyH<sup>+</sup> ClCrO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>



 PDC (pyridinium dichromate, (pyH<sup>+</sup>)<sub>2</sub> Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub><sup>2-</sup>

# Table 18.4: Oxidizing Agents Based on Cr (VI)

Reagent	Compound Name	Acronym or Reaction Name
$K_2Cr_2O_7/H_2SO_4/H_2O$	chromic acid	Ğ
$K_2 Cr_2 O_7 / H_2 SO_4 / H_2 O / Et_2 O$	chromic acid	Brown oxidation
CrO <sub>3</sub> / H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> / H <sub>2</sub> O /acetone	chromic acid	Jones oxidation
CrO <sub>3</sub> /pyridine [C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>5</sub> N, py]	chromic anhydride	Sarett oxidation
CrO <sub>3</sub> ¥2py	chromic anhydride	Collins oxidation
pyHCrO <sub>3</sub> Cl	pyridinium	PCC
	chlorochromate	
pyHCrO <sub>3</sub> F	pyridinium	PFC
	fluorochromate	
$(pyH)_2Cr_2O_7$	pyridinium	PDC
	dichromate	
(C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> HCrO <sub>3</sub> Cl [bpyHCrO <sub>3</sub> Cl]	bipyridyl	BPCC
	chlorochromate	
Me <sub>3</sub> SiOCrO <sub>2</sub> Cl	trimethylsilyl	TMSCC
	chlorochromate	

### **Babler** oxidation

- oxidation of tertiary allylic alcohols by excess PDC or Collins reagent for extended periods of time
- occurs with allylic rearrangement
- Reaction may proceed by heterolysis and subsequent rearrangement of the allylic chromate ester, or by sigmatropic rearrangement of the allylic chromate ester (shown here)





#### Manganese-based reagents: KMnO<sub>4</sub>



- oxidizes alkenes more rapidly than primary alcohols
- oxidizes aldehydes more rapidly than alcohols
- oxidizes primary alcohols to carboxylic acids

### Manganese-based reagents: MnO<sub>2</sub>

- Reagent is selective for allylic alcohols
- Reagent is not easy to make reproducibly
- Large excess of reagent is often required



#### Manganese-based reagents: BaMnO<sub>4</sub>



 Reagent is similar to manganese dioxide, but more reproducible and easier to make

### Other Metal-based Oxidations

- ruthenium (TPAP, Pr<sub>4</sub>N<sup>+</sup> RuO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>)
- silver (Fétizon reagent, Ag<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>celite)
- vanadium (V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: may be used with O2 as terminal oxidant)



# Table 18.5: Oxidizing agents based on dimethyl sulfoxide

Reagent	Name of Reaction
Ac <sub>2</sub> O, Me <sub>2</sub> SO, 25°C	
C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>11</sub> N=C=NC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>11</sub> (DCC), CF <sub>3</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> H, C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub> , Me <sub>2</sub> SO, py, 25°C	
DCC, H <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>/</sub> / Me <sub>2</sub> SO, 25°C	Moffatt (or Moffatt-Pfitzner)
py∙SO <sub>3</sub> , Et <sub>3</sub> N, Me <sub>2</sub> SO, 25°C	Parikh-Doering
(COCl) <sub>2</sub> , Et <sub>3</sub> N, Me <sub>2</sub> SO, CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> , –78°C	Swern

## Mechanism of oxidation with dimethyl sulfoxide-based reagents

 $Me_2SO + (COCl)_2 \rightarrow Me_2S^{\dagger}\breve{G}Cl + CO + CO_2 + Cl^{\breve{G}}$ 

 $Me_2SO + RN = C = NR + H^+ \rightarrow Me_2S^+\check{G}[C(NHR) = NR]$ 

 $Me_2SO + Ac_2O \rightarrow Me_2S^+ \check{O}Ac + OAc^{\check{G}}$ 

 $Me_2SO + SO_3 \rightarrow Me_2S^{+}\breve{O}SO_3^{\breve{G}}$ 



### **Representative Swern oxidations**

- The Swern oxidation helps prevent epimerization of the aldehyde product
- The initial product of the Swern oxidation can be intercepted *in situ* by appropriate nucleophiles





# Corey-Kim and Parikh-Doering oxidations

- Corey-Kim oxidation requires a dialkyl sulfide, which can be malodorous
- Parikh-Doering oxidation does not required low temperatures



## Redox reactions mediated by aluminum alkoxides



- The Tishchenko reaction is a redox disproportionation reaction catalyzed by an aluminum alkoxide
- The Oppenauer oxidation is the oxidation of an alcohol by hydrogen transfer to a carbonyl acceptor compound (e.g. acetone)

### **Ruthenium-catalyzed** oxidation

- Low valent ruthenium complexes (e.g. Shvo's catalyst, **18.75**) react with alcohols by initial oxidative addition of the O—H bond to ruthenium, and then reductive elimination of H<sub>2</sub>
- Oxidation of primary alcohols to aldehydes is usually followed by ruthenium-catalyzed Tishchenko reactions to give esters (or lactones from diols).



# Oxidations with TEMPO and a supporting stoichiometric oxidant



#### **Uemura** oxidation



- palladium catalyzes the oxidation of alcohols by means of molecular oxygen
- the reaction is catalyzed by pyridine

# Reaction Synopses: Oxidation of alcohols to aldehydes and ketones



Reagents:

Cr (VI): PCC,  $CH_2Cl_2$ ; PDC,  $CH_2Cl_2$ ;  $CrO_3$ ¥2py,  $CH_2Cl_2$ ; etc. Mn (VI): BaMnO<sub>4</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> Mn (IV): MnO<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>,  $\Delta$ only) Mn (VII): KMnO<sub>4</sub>, CuSO<sub>4</sub>¥5H<sub>2</sub>O, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, r.t. (solvent-free) Ru (VII): TPAP, NMMO, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, r.t. Ag (I): Ag<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, celite, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>,  $\Delta$ Al (III): Al(O-*i*-Pr)<sub>3</sub>, Me<sub>2</sub>CO,  $\Delta$ Ru (II):  $(Ph_3P)_2RuH_2$ , PhMe, Me<sub>2</sub>CO, 180;C; Shvo's catalyst,  $K_2CO_3$ ,  $Me_2CO$ ,  $\Delta$  $Me_2SX^+$ : (COCl)<sub>2</sub>,  $Me_2SO$ ,  $CH_2Cl_2$ ,  $Et_3N$ ,  $\check{C}60_iC$  (Swern); DCC, Me<sub>2</sub>SO, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (Pfitzner-Moffatt); py¥SO<sub>3</sub>, Me<sub>2</sub>SO, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (Parikh-Doering); Me<sub>2</sub>S, NCS, Et<sub>3</sub>N, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, Ğ25<sub>i</sub>C (Corey-Kim); etc. Dess-Martin: DMP,  $CH_2Cl_2(-H_2O)$ ; selective for 2; ROH over 1; TEMPO: TEMPO, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, NaOCl, H<sub>2</sub>O; TEMPO, CuCl, O<sub>2</sub>, DMF; etc. O<sub>2</sub>: O<sub>2</sub>, Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>, pyridine, PhMe, 80; C (Uemura).

### Reaction Synopses: Tishchenko and related reactions



Reagents:

(R=aryl): (R=akyl):

Al(OR<sub>3</sub>), Me<sub>2</sub>CO (Tishchenko); Ru<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>12</sub>, PhC=CPh,  $\Delta$ Shvo's catalyst, PhCH=CHCOMe,  $\Delta$  c

\*\*\*\*\* PDC, DMF (18.87)76% EtO<sub>2</sub>C EtO<sub>2</sub>C Ph Ph OH H<sub>5</sub>IO<sub>6</sub> (2.2 eq) CO<sub>2</sub>H PCC (2 mol %) (18.91)MeCN, r.t., 3 h (95%) CO<sub>2</sub>Et CO<sub>2</sub>Et Na K2Cr2O7, H2SO4 CO<sub>2</sub>H (18.89)88 NH NH Me<sub>2</sub>CO-H<sub>2</sub>O OH (62%) Jones reagent (5 eq.) (18.90)0°C, 20 min. -CO<sub>2</sub>H OTBDMS HO<sub>2</sub>C

OTBDMS

OH

CO<sub>2</sub>H

Oxidation of primary alcohols to carboxylic acids with stoichiometric or catalytic Cr (VI) reagents

# Ruthenium tetroxide oxidation of alcohols



- This very powerful oxidizing agent is almost always prepared *in situ* from a lower-valent ruthenium compound and a strong oxidant (NaIO<sub>4</sub> is popular)
- The reagent also attacks alkenes (very rapidly), aromatic rings (moderately fast) and esters and amides (slowly). Epoxides are also fairly resistant to the reagent.

Oxidation of aldehydes to carboxylic acids. The oxidation of primary alcohols to aldehydes is highlighted in red; the oxidation of the aldehydes is highlighted in blue



# Oxidation of allylic alcohols to conjugated esters



- manganese dioxide is the functional oxidizing agent
- the aldehyde is intercepted by the nucleophile (cyanide anion or the NHC) to give an alcohol that is further oxidized
- the resulting acyl derivative reacts with the alcohol solvent to give the conjugated ester and regenerate the nucleophile.

# Reaction synopses: Oxidation of alcohols to carboxylic acids

 $R-CH_2OH \longrightarrow R-CO_2H$ 

Reagents:

Cr (VI):  $K_2Cr_2O_7$ ,  $H_2SO_4$ ,  $H_2O$ ;  $K_2Cr_2O_7$ ,  $H_2SO_4$ , acetone,  $H_2O$ ; CrO<sub>3</sub>,  $H_2SO_4$ ,  $H_2O$ , acetone, 0; C (Jones reagent); PDC, DMF; PCC,  $H_5IO_6$ , MeCN; etc. Mn (VII): KMnO<sub>4</sub>,  $H_2O$ ; KMnO<sub>4</sub>,  $H_2O$ , Bu<sub>4</sub>NCl, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>; KMnO<sub>4</sub>, 18-crown-6,, benzene; etc. Ru (VIII): RuO<sub>4</sub>; RuCl<sub>3</sub>¥H<sub>2</sub>O, NaIO<sub>4</sub>/MeCN; RuO<sub>2</sub>, NaIO<sub>4</sub>, CCl<sub>4</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O; etc.

### Reaction synopses: Oxidation of aldehydes to acids or esters

 $R-CHO \xrightarrow{[O]} R-CO_2H$ 

Reagents: $Ag(NH_3)_2OH, H_2O; Ag_2O, THF, H_2O; etc.$ or $NaClO_2, NaH_2PO_4, Me_2C=CHMe, THF, H_2O$ or $V_2O_5, H_2O_2, HClO_4, MeOH; etc.$ 

### Oxidation of ethers and amines



- ruthenium tetroxide oxidizes ethers to esters
- ruthenium tetroxide oxidizes amines to amides or imides
- mercuric acetate oxidizes tertiary amines to iminium ions, which may be further transformed into enamines; the hydrogen removed is *anti* to the nitrogen lone pair

#### Figure 18.3



The mechanism of the Polonovski reaction

#### Figure 18.4



 Comparison of the Polonovski and Potier-Polonovski reactions

### Reaction synopses: Oxidation of ethers and amines to esters and amides



Reagents: RuO<sub>4</sub>; RuCl<sub>3</sub> $H_2O$ , NaIO<sub>4</sub>, MeCN; RuO<sub>2</sub>, NaIO<sub>4</sub>, CCl<sub>4</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O; etc. or Hg(OAc)<sub>2</sub>, HOAc, H<sub>2</sub>O,  $\Delta$  (3; amines)

### Reaction synopses: Polonovski reaction



Reagents:

 $Ac_2O/CHCl_3/\Delta$ ;  $AcCl/CHCl_3$ ; etc (Polonovski reaction); (CF\_3CO)\_2O/CH\_2Cl\_2 (Polonovski-Potier); etc.
#### Table 18.6: Oxidative rearrangements





- General mechanisms of oxidative rearrangements
  - rearrangements of ketone derivatives
  - rearrangements of carboxylic acid derivatives



- Mechanism of the Baeyer-Villiger oxidation
  - reaction occurs with retention of configuration at the migrating carbon
  - migratory aptitude of groups: 3°R > cyclohexyl≈2°R ≥ PhCH<sub>2</sub>≈Ph≈vinyl > 1°R > cyclopropyl > Me
  - facilitated by stronger peracids (RCO<sub>3</sub>H): R = CF<sub>3</sub> > c-CH=CHCO<sub>2</sub>H > o-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H > p-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> > H  $\approx m$ -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Cl > C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub> > Me >> Bu



- Mechanism of the Beckmann rearrangement
  - group anti to the OH group of the oximes migrates preferentially
  - group migrates with retention of configuration at carbon

# Representative Beckmann rearrangements

- Rearrangement of cyclohexanone oxime with sulfuric acid gives caprolactam, the key starting material for nylon 6
- As shown in this lower example, mercuric chloride can act as a mild Lewis acid catalyst for the rearrangement





- Mechanisms of the Schmidt reaction
  - the rearrangement may proceed by either of two mechanisms
  - the stereochemistry of the migrating group is retained

# Intramolecular Schmidt-like reaction of an $\omega$ -azidoalkyl ketone



- Reaction proceeds through an N-diazonium ion formed by acid-catalyzed addition of the azide group to the carbonyl group
- the rearrangement occurs with retention of configuration at the migrating carbon

### Common mechanistic characteristics of Hofmann, Curtius and Lossen rearrangements



# Stereochemistry in Hofmann, Curtius and Lossen rearrangements



- all rearrangements occur with retention of configuration at the migrating carbon
- color coding is the same as in the previous slide

## Reaction synopses: Baeyer-Villiger oxidation (rearrangement)



Reagents:

or

or

HCO<sub>3</sub>H; MeCO<sub>3</sub>H; *m*-CPBA; etc. H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>F</sub>OH, PhAsO<sub>3</sub>H; H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>F</sub>OH, TsOH; etc. H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, zeolites; etc.

### Reaction synopses: Beckmann rearrangement



Reagents:

or

H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> POCl<sub>3</sub>, PCl<sub>5</sub>, P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, SOCl<sub>2</sub>, (COCl)<sub>2</sub>, cyanuric chloride, Ac<sub>2</sub>O, RN=C=NR, RN=C=O; etc.

#### Reaction synopsis: Schmidt reaction



Reagents:

HN<sub>3</sub>; NaN<sub>3</sub>/HCl; Me<sub>3</sub>SiN<sub>3</sub>/ZnI<sub>2</sub>; etc.

### Reaction synopses: Hofmann rearrangement



Reagents:  $Br_2/KOH/H_2O$ ; NaOCl/H<sub>2</sub>O; etc. or  $Br_2/ROH/RONa$ 

### Reaction synopses: Curtius rearrangement



Reagents:

- 1)  $PCl_3$ ; 2)  $NaN_3$ ; 3)  $\Delta$ 
  - or 1) ClCO<sub>2</sub>Et, Et<sub>3</sub>N, THF; 2) NaN<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O; 3) hv, PhH
  - or NaN<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O,  $\Delta$
  - or 1) PCl<sub>3</sub>; 2) H<sub>2</sub>NNH<sub>2</sub>; 3) HONO

### Reaction synopses: Lossen rearrangement



Reagents:

 $H_2SO_4$ ;  $H_3PO_4$ ; etc.

or 1)PhCOCl; 2) KOMe, MeOH,  $\Delta$  <sub>2</sub>O, NaOAc,  $\Delta$ 

or 1) TsCl, py; 2) KOCMe<sub>3</sub>; etc.

or  $K_2CO_3$ ,  $Me_2SO$ ,  $\Delta$ 

## Table 18.7: Forms of oxidation reactions



- Transition state for concerted transfer of oxygen in epoxidation
- transfer of oxygen occurs to the less hindered face of the alkene π bond.



# Representative epoxidations with Mo(CO)<sub>6</sub> and a hydroperoxide



- the more substituted (electron-rich)  $\pi$  bond of a diene reacts more rapidly
- the  $\pi$  bond is attacked from the less hindered face

# Effects of hydrogen bonding on epoxide stereochemistry



- a cyclic allylic alcohol will preferentially form the epoxide with the oxygen atoms *cis*.
- a cyclic allylic ether or ester will preferentially form the epoxide with the oxygen atoms *trans*.

# Comparison of peracid and transition metal-catalyzed epoxidations



- peracids exhibit a preference for reaction at the more electron-rich  $\pi$  bond, even in a situation where one of the alkenes is part of an allylic alcohol.
- transition metal-catalyzed epoxidations are highly selective for allylic alcohols over isolated alkene  $\pi$  bonds

# Epoxidation of electron-deficient alkenes

- epoxidation of conjugated carbonyl compounds must be effected using a nucleophilic oxidizing agent (typically the conjugate base of a hydroperoxide)
- epoxidation of the *E* and *Z* isomers of the enone at right gives the same stereoisomer of the major product
  - the reaction proceeds by a stepwise mechanism through initial addition and subsequent displacement of the hydroxide or alkoxide anion in the second step.





#### Epoxidations with dimethyldioxirane



- The stereochemistry of the alkene is preserved in the product
- this reagent will epoxidize both electron-rich and electron-deficient alkene  $\pi$  bonds

# Hydroxylation (dihydroxylation) of alkenes





- addition of elements of HO—OH across the  $\pi$  bond
- may be antarafacial (*anti*) or suprafacial (*syn*)

### anti-Hydroxylation of cyclohexenes

- reaction proceeds through the epoxide
- epoxides always open *anti*, whether under acid or base conditions
- product should be the *trans*-diaxial diol (both OH groups *anti* in the sixmembered ring)
- the *trans*-diequatorial diol may be formed from a boat-like conformation of the epoxide (the epoxide has more conformational flexibility than a typical cyclohexane)
- note how additional substitution on the ring in the acid-catalyzed ring opening reduces the diastereoselectivity





### syn-Hydroxylation of alkenes



- both permanganate and osmium tetroxide will accomplish syn hydroxylation
- the toxicity and expense of osmium tetroxide have led to the development of catalytic processes where the terminal oxidant is sodium chlorate of an organic hydroperoxide



• Cyclic ester intermediates in hydroxylation

### Table 18.10

Oxidizing electrophiles that add to alkenes to give *anti* adducts



Electrophile (EÑ Nu)	Typical Reagents
XÑ X'	Br <sub>2</sub> , CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ; BrCl, CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ; etc.
XÑ OH (XÑ OR)	Br <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> O; NBS, Me <sub>2</sub> SO, H <sub>2</sub> O; Br <sub>2</sub> , MeOH; etc.
BrÑ OH, IÑ OH	NaBrO <sub>3</sub> (or NaIO <sub>4</sub> ), NaHSO <sub>3</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> O, MeCN; etc.
XÑ OCOR	Br <sub>2</sub> , HOAc; Br <sub>2</sub> , NaOAc, MeCN; etc.
RSÑ X	PhSCl, CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ; PhSCl, NaOAc, THF; etc.
RSeÑ X	PhSeCl, CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ; PhSeCl, NaOAc, THF; etc.
IÑ N <sub>3</sub>	$IN_3, CH_2Cl_2$
BrÑ N <sub>3</sub>	$HN_3$ , $Br_2$
IÑ NCO	AgNCO, I <sub>2</sub>
XÑ SCN	$I_2$ , (NCS) <sub>2</sub> ; Cl <sub>2</sub> , Pb(SCN) <sub>2</sub>

### Representative *anti* additions to alkenes



# *anti* Addition of transition metal electrophiles to alkenes



 the prototypical example of this type of reaction is the oxymercuration step of the oxymercurationdemercuration sequence for preparing alcohols from alkenes by Markovnikov addition of water, without rearrangement Reaction synopses: Addition of halogens and halogen-like reagents



Reagents: $Br_2$ ,  $CH_2Cl_2$ ;  $Cl_2$ ,  $CH_2Cl_2$ ;  $IN_3$ ;  $Br_2$ ,  $H_2O$ ; etc.or(Y=CO\_2H):  $Br_2$ , NaHCO<sub>3</sub>,  $H_2O$ ;  $I_2$ , NaHCO<sub>3</sub>,  $H_2O$ ; $I_2$ , MeCN; etc.

Stereochemistry: anti addition predominates

#### **Reaction synopses: Oxymetallation**

Reagents:  $Hg(OAc)_2$ ,  $H_2O$ , THF;  $Hg(OCOR)_2$ , ROH;  $Hg(OCOR)_2$ , RNHCOR';  $Pd(OAc)_2$ ,  $H_2O$ , MeCN; etc. Replacement of metal by heteroatom leads to net oxidation

# Reaction synopses: Epoxidation of alkenes (Prilezhaev reaction)



Reagents: *m*-CPBA, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; HCO<sub>3</sub>H, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; CF<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>H, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; MMPP, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; 1) Br<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O, 2) K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, acetone; etc.
Stereochemistry: overall suprafacial addition to the π

# Reaction synopses: Epoxidation of conjugated carbonyl compounds

Reagents: H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, KOH; Me<sub>3</sub>COOH, KOH; Me<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>, Me<sub>2</sub>CO; Me<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>, Me<sub>2</sub>CO; Me<sub>2</sub>CO; Me<sub>2</sub>CO, Oxone<sup>"</sup>; etc.

## Reaction synopses: Hydroxylation of alkenes



Stereochemistry: may be either *syn* (suprafacial) or *anti* (antarafacial). Reagents: *syn*: KMnO<sub>4</sub>, KOH, H<sub>2</sub>O;

1) OsO<sub>4</sub>, 2) KOH or NaHSO<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O;
 OsO<sub>4</sub>, NaClO<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; etc.
 *anti*: 1) HCO<sub>3</sub>H, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 2) K<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O; etc.

### Cleavage of 1,2-diols

Cleavage by chromic acid is the end step of the Barbier-Wieland degradation of esters



### Diol stereochemistry and cleavage

- periodate cleavage requires the formation of a cyclic periodate ester
- cis-1,2-cyclohexanediols can readily form a cyclic periodate ester, and react rapidly with periodates
- trans-1,2-cyclohexanediols cannot easily form a cyclic periodate ester, and does not react rapidly with periodate
- trans-1,2-diols such as 18.191 and 18.192 canot form a cyclic periodate ester. They are not cleaved by periodfate, but are cleaved by lead tetraacetate


#### Figure 18.10



• The Criegee mechanism of ozonolysis

#### Work-up of ozonolysis



- reduction of the ozonide with sodium borohydride gives the corresponding alcohols
- reduction of the ozonide with dimethyl sulfide or trimethyl phosphite gives aldehydes and ketones
- oxidation of the ozonide with peracids gives ketones and vcarboxylic acids

#### Selectivity in ozonolysis



the most electron rich alkene reacts most rapidly

#### Lemieux-Johnson cleavage of alkenes



• The reaction is catalytic in osmium tetroxide, with a secondary oxidant to reveal the diol and cleave it

## Cleavage of C—C $\pi$ bonds with ruthenium tetroxide



- ruthenium tetroxide is a much stronger oxidant than osmium tetroxide.
- ruthenium tetroxide will cleave aromatic rings, and oxidizes the double bond in testosterone acetate (18.200); osmium tetroxide does not react with this enone.

## Reaction synopses: Oxidative cleavage of 1,2-diols



Reagents:  $HIO_4$ ;  $Pb(OAc)_4$ ,  $CH_3CO_2H$ ;  $CrO_3$ ; etc.

In cyclic systems, cis-diols react faster than their trans isomers.

#### **Reaction synopses: Ozonolysis**



Reagents: or 1) O<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, Ğ78; C; 2) Zn, H<sub>2</sub>O;
 1) O<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, Ğ78; C; 2) Me<sub>2</sub>S; etc.
 1) O<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, Ğ78; C; 2) CH<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>OH; etc.

## Reaction synopses: Lemieux-Johnson oxidation reactions



Reagents:OsO4, NaIO4, CCl4, H2O; etc. to give aldehydes;orOsO4, Oxone", DMF; etc. to give acids

### Reaction synopses: Ruthenium tetroxide oxidations



Reagents: or RuO<sub>4</sub>, CCl<sub>4</sub>; RuO<sub>4</sub>, Me<sub>2</sub>CO, H<sub>2</sub>O; (RuO<sub>2</sub> or RuCl<sub>3</sub>), NaIO<sub>4</sub>, CCl<sub>4</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O.

#### Figure 18.11



 The catalytic cycle of the Wacker oxidation of 1-alkenes

#### Allylic halogenation



#### Allylic oxidation with Pd (II)



these reactions most likely proceed through the  $\eta^3$ -allylpalladium complex

# Allylic oxidation with Cu (I) and a *tert*-butyl perester



 the product with the less substituted double bond tends to dominate the reaction mixture from terminal alkenes

#### Pd-catalyzed allylic oxidation



- Suitable terminal oxidants allow the palladium (II) acetate to be used in catalytic amounts.
- The regiochemistry of the product is often determined by the exact experimental conditions

#### Oxidation of alkenes to enones



 Oxidation can be accomplished with Mn (III), a hydroperoxide with a Rh (II) complex, or by a seleninic acid with a suitable terminal oxidant



 the major product of a selenium dioxide oxidation is the allylic alcohol

#### Dehydrogenation





 substrate must have a benzylic or allylic hydrogen, or a carbonyl group with an available α-hydrogen

# α-Halogenation of carbonyl compounds under acidic conditions





- halogenation is controlled under acidic conditions to give the monohalo product
- under basic conditions, polyhalogenation at ther same carbon occurs
- The Hell-Volhard-Zelinskii reaction can be used to prepare  $\alpha$ -haloacids

# Other oxidations at the $\alpha$ carbon

- lithium enolates may be oxidized by a variety of reagents
  - MoOPH gives the α-hydroxyketone
  - diselenides and selenenyl chlorides give the αselenylketone
  - the analogous αsulfenylketones can be made using disulfides or sulfenyl chlorides



#### The Saegusa Oxidation

- the reaction converts an enol silyl ether to an enone
- the active oxidizing agent is Pd (II)
- on small scale, it is most convenient to use the Pd reagent stoichiometrically
- on larger scale, a hydrogen atom acceptor such as 1,4benzoquinone is used as a terminal oxidant, with the Pd (II) in catalytic amounts
- molecular oxygen is a suitable terminal oxidant in the presence of dimethyl sulfoxide



#### Figure 18.14



Reaction pathway proposed for the Saegusa oxidation

## Reaction synopses: Allylic halogenation



#### Reaction synopses: Allylic oxidation



Reagents:  $RCO_2OBu^t$ ,  $Cu^+$ ,  $\Delta$  (R '= OCOR; occurs with allylic rearrangement) SeO<sub>2</sub> (R' = H; occurs without allylic rearangement) SeO<sub>2</sub>, Me<sub>3</sub>COOH; SeO<sub>2</sub>, NaOCl; etc. R<sub>F</sub>SeO<sub>2</sub>H, PhIO<sub>2</sub>, PhCF<sub>3</sub>,  $\Delta$ ; Bu<sup>t</sup>OOH, BiCl<sub>3</sub>, MeCN; (similar reactions with Cu, Co, Mo, V, etc. as metal); O<sub>2</sub>, hv, Rose Bengal (X=OOH; allylic rearrangement) DDQ, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; Mn<sub>3</sub>O(OAc)<sub>9</sub>, Me<sub>3</sub>COH, O<sub>2</sub>; (PhSOCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Pd(OAC)<sub>2</sub>, benzoquinone, solvent (solvent = AcOH, Me<sub>2</sub>SO 1:1 allylic rearrangement) (solvent = AcOH, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> 1:1 no allylic rearrangement); O<sub>2</sub>, Co(py)<sub>2</sub>Br<sub>2</sub>, MeCN; or O<sub>2</sub>, CoL<sub>2</sub>, Me<sub>2</sub>CHCHO, MeCN

#### Reaction synopses: $\alpha$ -Halogenation



Reagents:  $Br_2$ , HOAc;  $Cl_2$ , HOAc; etc.

## Reaction synopses: $\alpha$ -Selenylation and sulfernylation



Base: LDA, THF, –78°C; NaH, THF; KH, THF; etc. X—Y: PhSeCl; PhSeBr; PhSeSePh; PhSCl; PhSBr; RSSR; etc.

#### Reaction synopses: $\alpha$ -Hydroxylation



Reagents: or or Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>, MeCN, *p*-benzoquinone; P Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub>; MeCN Pd<sub>2</sub>(dba)<sub>3</sub>•CHCl<sub>3</sub>, MeCN, (H<sub>2</sub>C=CH-(

## Reaction synopses: Dehydrogenation of carbonyl compounds



#### Dehydrosilylation of enol ethers (Saegusa oxidation)



## The Norrish Type II photochemical reaction of a ketone



- The initial step of the reaction leads to a triplet diradical rfom the carbonyl group
- This is followed by an intramolecular hydrogen atom transfer through a sixmembered transition state
- The final step involves the collapse of the diradical to the cyclobutanol

#### The Barton synthesis of aldosterone

- homolysis of a nitrite ester gives an alkoxy radical that abstracts a hydrogen atom from carbon through a sixmembered transition state
- trapping of the resultant radical by nitric oxide gives a nitrosoalkane that then tautomerizes to the oxime



# Hypoiodite homolysis and intramolecular hydrogen atom transfer



- The alcohol is first converted to the corresponding hypoiodite, R—O—I, which homolyzes to an alkoxy radical that abstracts the hydrogen from carbon.
- The alkyl radical is trapped by the iodine atom (or an iodine molecule) to give the alkyl iodide.
- In the reaction shown here, the product isolated is not the iodoamine, but is the tetrahydrofuran derivative formed by  $S_N 1$  displacement of the halide anion.

#### Variations on the Hofmann-Löffler-Freytag reaction



## Reaction synopses: Intramolecular hydrogen atom transfer



Reagents: or

- NOCl, pyridine; 2) hv (Barton reaction);
  I<sub>2</sub>, Pb(OAc)<sub>4</sub>; 2) hv (hypoiodite reaction);
- or I<sub>2</sub>, PhI(OAc)<sub>2</sub>, cyclohexane, hv; etc.

Products may react with base to give tetrahydrofuran derivatives

## Reaction synopses: Norrish Type II photoreaction



#### Reaction synopses: Hofmann-Löffler-Freytag reaction



derivatives.

#### **Catalog of Oxidation Reagents-1**

Transformation	Reagents	<i>Incompatible Functional Groups;</i> Other Limitations or Features
	PCC, PDC; CrO <sub>3</sub> , py; CrO <sub>3</sub> , py, CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ; etc.	thiol, sulfide, 1,2-diols can be a problem; 1,3-diols can be a problem
	Swern reagent, Moffatt-Pfitzner reagent, Corey-Kim reagent, etc.	primary and secondary amines can interfere by reacting with the dehydrating agent
	Al(O- <i>t</i> -Bu) <sub>3</sub> , Me <sub>2</sub> CO, $\Delta$	reaction is reversible
R → R → R → H	TPP (Ley reagent)	often gives higher yields than Swern oxidations
$R \stackrel{OH}{\underset{R'}{\longleftarrow}} \xrightarrow{R} R \stackrel{O}{\underset{R'}{\longleftarrow}} R$	DMP, IBX, etc.	can be used in ionic liquids; tolerates most functional groups
	TEMPO, NaOCl; etc.	
	Ag <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> , celite	expensive—usually reserved for small-scale reactions
	$Pd(OAc)_2$ , py, $O_2$	reaction is catalytic in Pd; py is essential
Transformation	Reagents	<i>Incompatible Functional Groups;</i> Other Limitations or Features
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	Jones reagent	1,2- and 1,3-diols; aldehydes
R-∕ <sup>OH</sup> → R-⟨O OH	KMnO <sub>4</sub> ; Bu <sub>4</sub> NMnO <sub>4</sub> , PhH; etc.	alkenes; aldehydes; "purple benzene" is an extremely powerful oxidant
$R \xrightarrow{OH}_{R'} \longrightarrow R \xrightarrow{O}_{R'}$	$CrO_3$ (cat), $H_5IO_6$	same as Jones reagent
	$RuO_4$ ; $RuCl_3$ , $NaIO_4$ ; etc.	alkenes; ethers and amines
	PDC, DMF	
R-√O → R-√O H OH	NaClO <sub>2</sub> , <i>t</i> -BuOH, H <sub>2</sub> O, Me <sub>2</sub> C=CHMe	Two-stage oxidation of primary alcohols is preferred way to make a carboxylic acid
	Ag <sub>2</sub> O, NH <sub>3</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> O	highly selective, but expensive
	MnO <sub>2</sub>	reagent can be difficult to make with reproducible activity
	BaMnO <sub>4</sub>	Reagent is easier to make and needs less than than $MnO_2$
	PDC, EtOAc	Reagent can be used to oxidize 1,2-diols where one OH is allylic

Transformation	Reagents	<i>Incompatible Functional Groups;</i> Other Limitations or Features
$x \longrightarrow x \to Y$	1) LDA, then 2) $Y_2$ or YBr	X=O; Y=RS, RSe; etc.; cannot be used to halogenate carbonyl compounds
	X <sub>2</sub> , HOAc	X=Cl, Br
	1) LDA, then 2) oxaziridine	Y=OH; product is chiral if a chiral oxaziridine is used
$\dot{} \rightarrow \dot{}_{x'}$	<i>m</i> -CPBA (X=O); 1) NH <sub>2</sub> OH, then 2) H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> or TsCl, py; HN <sub>3</sub>	<i>alkenes;</i> reactions proceed with retention of configuration at migrating center
$\overset{O}{\not\downarrow}_{X} \longrightarrow \overset{N_{s}}{\not\sim}_{C_{s}O}$	<ul> <li>KOH, Br<sub>2</sub> (X=NH<sub>2</sub>)</li> <li>1) NH<sub>2</sub>OH, 2) TsCl,</li> <li>3) base (X=Cl, OR)</li> <li>1) (COCl)<sub>2</sub>, 2) NaN<sub>3</sub>,</li> <li>3) Δ or hv (X=OH)</li> </ul>	reactions proceed with retention of configuration at migrating center.

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$\sum_{X}^{O} \longrightarrow \sum_{X}^{N_{x}} C_{x_{O}}$	KOH, $Br_2$ (X=NH <sub>2</sub> ) 1) NH <sub>2</sub> OH, 2) TsCl, 3) base (X=Cl, OR) 1) (COCl) 2) N2N	reactions proceed with retention of configuration at migrating center.
	3) $\Delta$ or hv (X=OH)	

Transformation	Reagents	<i>Incompatible Functional Groups;</i> Other Limitations or Features
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	X <sub>2</sub> , HOAc	X=Cl, Br
	1) LDA, then 2) oxaziridine	Y=OH; product is chiral if a chiral oxaziridine is used
$\dot{} \rightarrow \dot{}_{x'}$	<i>m</i> -CPBA (X=O); 1) NH <sub>2</sub> OH, then 2) H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> or TsCl, py; HN <sub>3</sub>	<i>alkenes</i> ; reactions proceed with retention of configuration at migrating center
$\int_{X}^{0} \longrightarrow \int_{X}^{N_{c}} C_{s_{0}}$	KOH, $Br_2$ (X=NH <sub>2</sub> ) 1) NH <sub>2</sub> OH, 2) TsCl, 3) base (X=Cl, OR) 1) (COCl) <sub>2</sub> , 2) NaN <sub>3</sub> , 3) $\Delta$ or hv (X=OH)	reactions proceed with retention of configuration at migrating center.