

Chapter 20

Ketones and Aldehydes

Review of Concepts

Fill in the blanks below. To verify that your answers are correct, look in your textbook at the end of Chapter 20. Each of the sentences below appears verbatim in the section entitled *Review of Concepts and Vocabulary*.

- The suffix “_____” indicates an aldehydic group, and the suffix “_____” is used for ketones.
- The electrophilicity of a carbonyl group derives from _____ effects, as well as _____ effects.
- A general mechanism for nucleophilic addition under basic conditions involves two steps
 - 1) nucleophilic attack to generate a _____ **intermediate**.
 - 2) _____
- The position of equilibrium is dependent on the ability of the nucleophile to function as a _____.
- In acidic conditions, an aldehyde or ketone will react with two molecules of alcohol to form an _____.
- The reversibility of acetal formation enables acetals to function as _____ groups for ketones. Acetals are stable under strongly _____ conditions.
- In acidic conditions, an aldehyde or ketone will react with a primary amine to form an _____.
- In acidic conditions, an aldehyde or ketone will react with a secondary amine to form an _____.
- In the **Wolff-Kishner reduction**, a hydrazone is reduced to an _____ under strongly basic conditions.
- In acidic conditions, all reagents, intermediates, and leaving groups either should be _____ or should bear one _____ charge.
- _____ of acetals, imines, and enamines under acidic conditions produces ketones or aldehydes.
- In acidic conditions, an aldehyde or ketone will react with two equivalents of a thiol to form a _____.
- When treated with Raney nickel, thioacetals undergo **desulfurization** to yield a _____ group.
- When treated with a hydride reducing agent, such as lithium aluminum hydride (LAH) or sodium borohydride (NaBH_4), aldehydes and ketones are reduced to _____.
- The reduction of a carbonyl group with LAH or NaBH_4 is not a reversible process, because hydride does not function as a _____.
- When treated with a Grignard agent, aldehydes and ketones are converted into alcohols, accompanied by the formation of a new _____ bond.

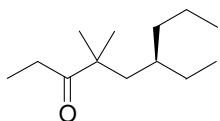
- Grignard reactions are not reversible, because carbanions do not function as _____.
- When treated with hydrogen cyanide (HCN), aldehydes and ketones are converted into _____. For most aldehydes and unhindered ketones, the equilibrium favors formation of the _____.
- The **Wittig reaction** can be used to convert a ketone to an _____.
- A **Baeyer-Villiger oxidation** converts a ketone to an _____ by inserting _____ next to the carbonyl group. Cyclic ketones produce cyclic esters called _____.

Review of Skills

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20.1: Naming Aldehydes and Ketones

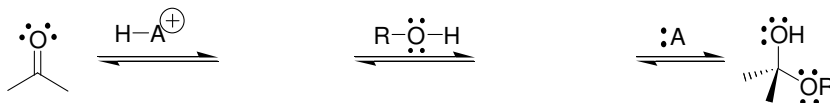
PROVIDE A SYSTEMATIC NAME FOR THE FOLLOWING COMPOUND



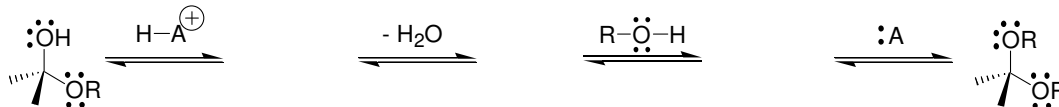
- 1) IDENTIFY THE PARENT
- 2) IDENTIFY AND NAME SUBSTITUENTS
- 3) ASSIGN LOCANTS TO EACH SUBSTITUENT
- 4) ALPHABETIZE
- 5) ASSIGN CONFIGURATION

20.2: Drawing the Mechanism of Acetal Formation

DRAW A MECHANISM FOR THE ACID-CATALYZED CONVERSION OF A KETONE TO A HEMIACETAL. MAKE SURE TO DRAW ALL CURVED ARROWS AND INTERMEDIATES.

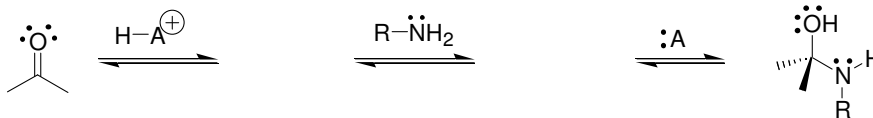


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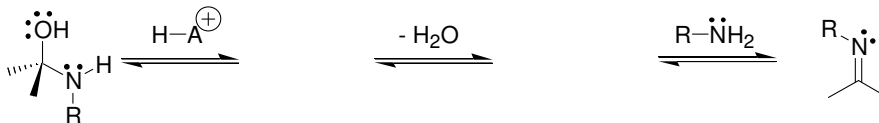


20.3: Drawing the Mechanism of Imine Formation

DRAW A MECHANISM FOR THE ACID-CATALYZED CONVERSION OF A KETONE TO A CARBINOLAMINE. MAKE SURE TO DRAW ALL CURVED ARROWS AND INTERMEDIATES.

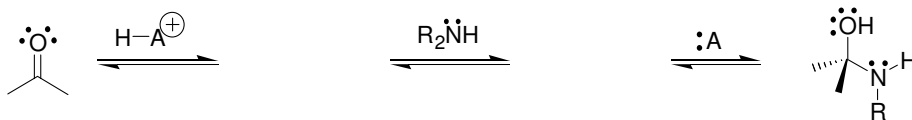


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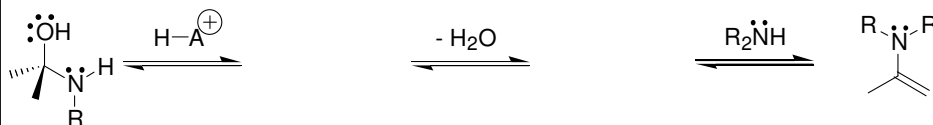


20.4: Drawing the Mechanism of Enamine Formation

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DRAW A MECHANISM FOR THE ACID-CATALYZED CONVERSION OF A CARBINOLAMINE TO AN ENAMINE. MAKE SURE TO DRAW ALL CURVED ARROWS AND INTERMEDIATES.



20.5: Drawing the Mechanism of a Hydrolysis Reaction

STEP 1 - WORKING BACKWARDS,
DRAW ALL _____.

STEP 2 - DRAW ALL _____ AND _____,
USING THE FOLLOWING RULES:
IN ACIDIC CONDITIONS, ALL REAGENTS, _____, AND
_____ SHOULD EITHER BE NEUTRAL OR SHOULD BEAR ONE
POSITIVE CHARGE.

20.6: Planning an Alkene Synthesis with a Wittig Reaction

IDENTIFY THE REACTANTS YOU WOULD USE TO PREPARE THE FOLLOWING COMPOUND VIA A WITTIG REACTION:



20.7: Proposing a Synthesis

BEGIN BY ASKING THE FOLLOWING
TWO QUESTIONS:

1) IS THERE A CHANGE IN THE
_____?

2) IS THERE A CHANGE IN THE
_____?

IF THERE IS A CHANGE IN THE CARBON SKELETON, CONSIDER ALL OF THE C-C
BOND FORMING REACTIONS AND ALL OF THE C-C BOND BREAKING REACTIONS
THAT YOU HAVE LEARNED SO FAR.

C-C BOND-FORMING REACTIONS IN THIS CHAPTER:

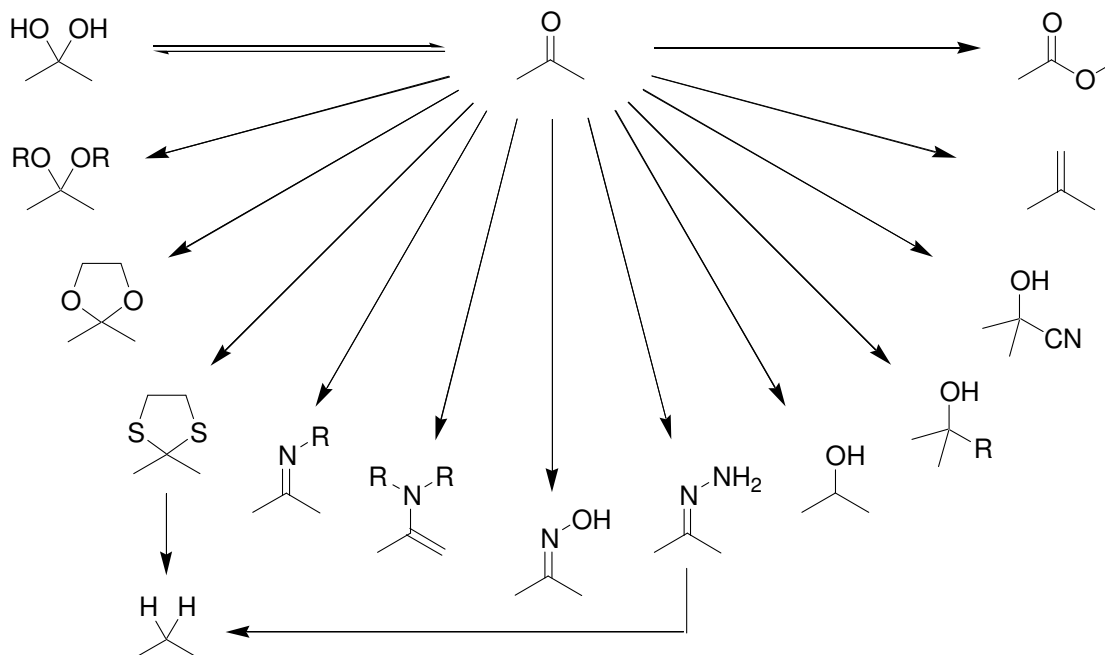
- _____
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C-C BOND-BREAKING REACTIONS IN THIS CHAPTER:

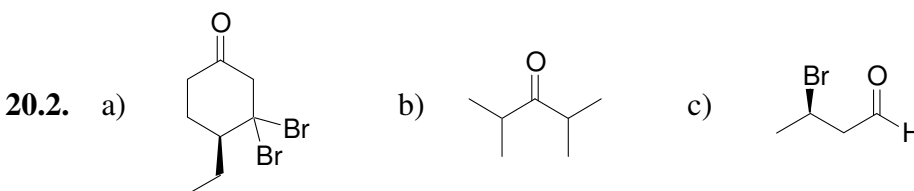
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Review of Reactions

Identify the reagents necessary to achieve each of the following transformations. To verify that your answers are correct, look in your textbook at the end of Chapter 20. The answers appear in the section entitled *Review of Reactions*.

**Solutions**

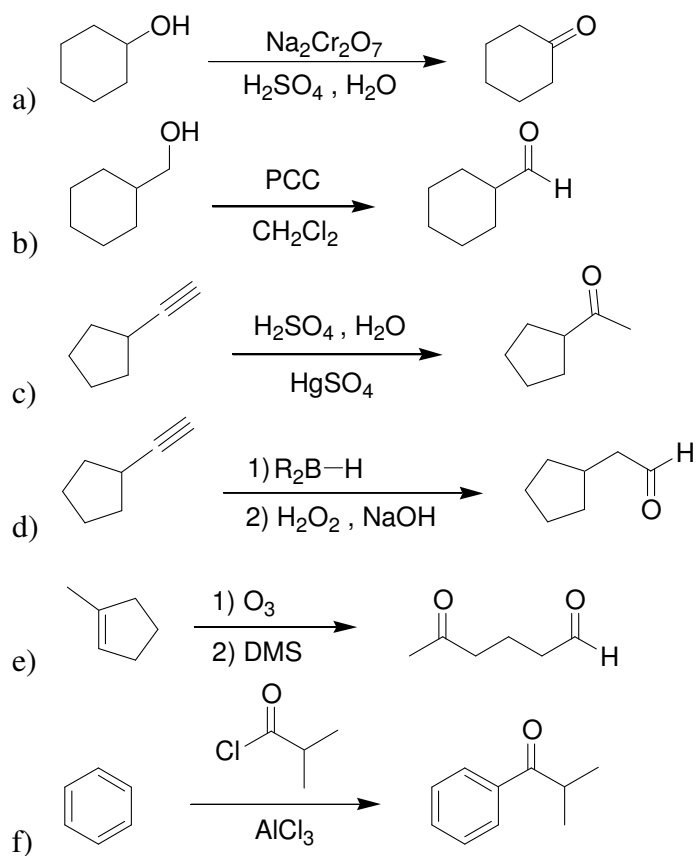
- 20.1. a) 5,5-dibromo-2,2-dimethylhexanal
 b) (3*R*,4*S*)-3,4,5-trimethyl-2-hexanone
 c) 2,2,5,5-tetramethylcyclopentanone
 d) 2-propylpentanal
 e) cyclobutanecarbaldehyde



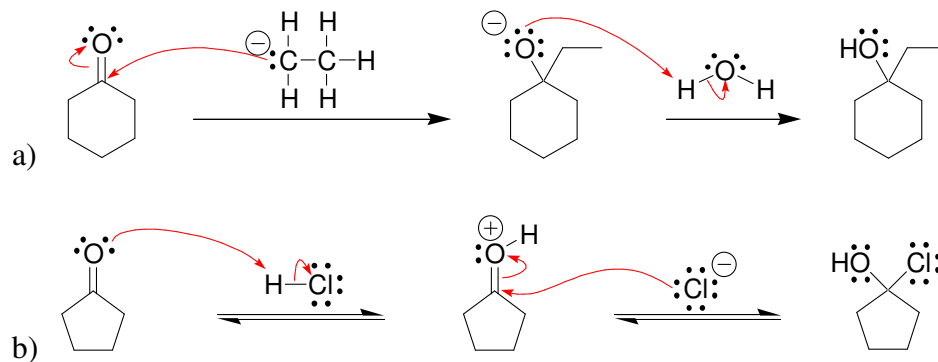
20.3. (1*S*,4*R*)bicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-2-one

- 20.4. a) 1,3-cyclohexanedione b) 1,4-cyclohexanedione c) 2,5,8-nonanetrione

20.5.



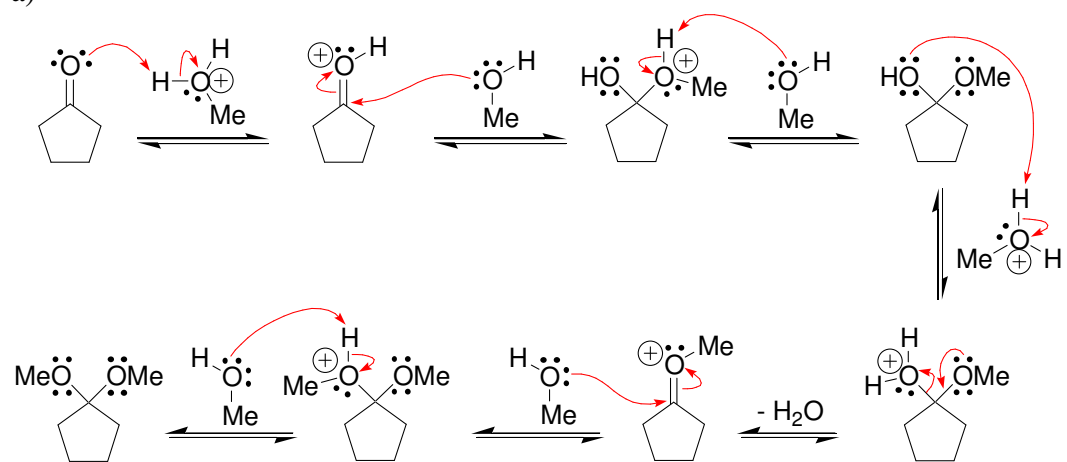
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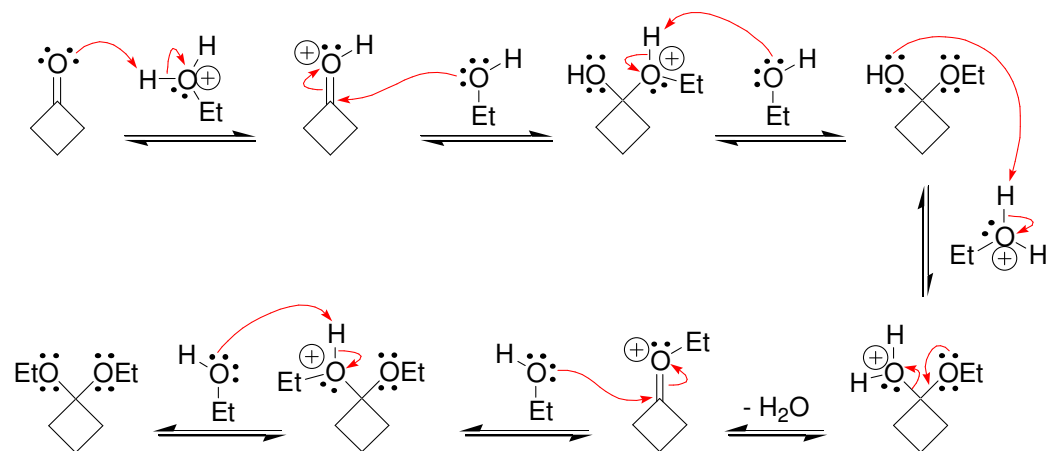
20.7. The carbonyl group in hexafluoroacetone is flanked by two very powerful electron-withdrawing groups (CF_3). These groups withdraw electron density from the carbonyl group, thereby increasing the electrophilicity of the carbonyl group. The resulting increase in energy of the reactant causes the equilibrium to favor the product (the hydrate).

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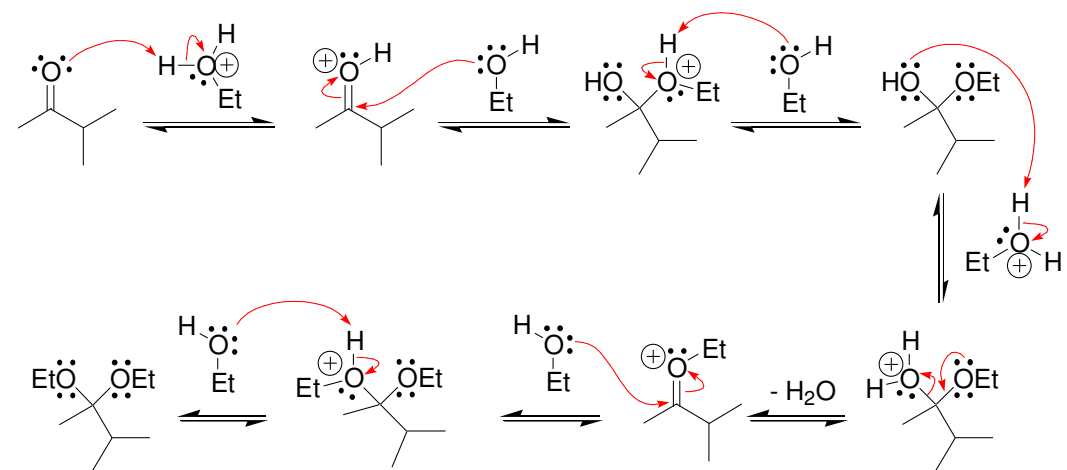
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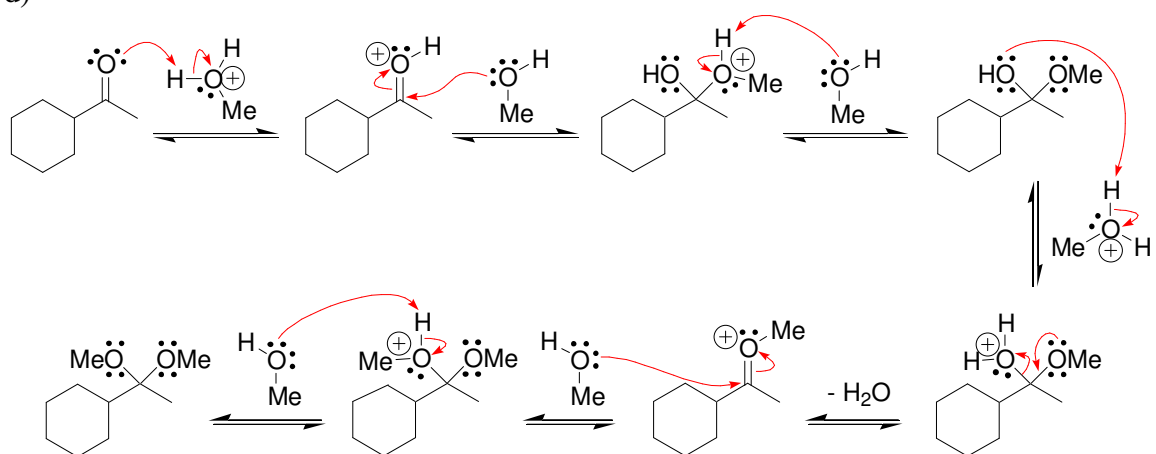
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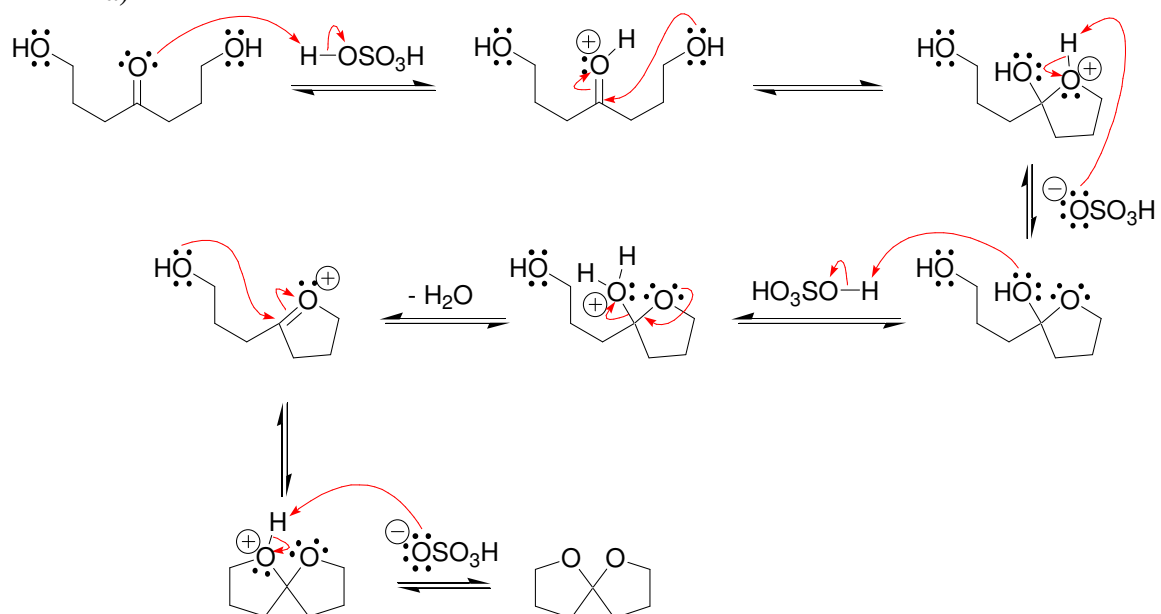


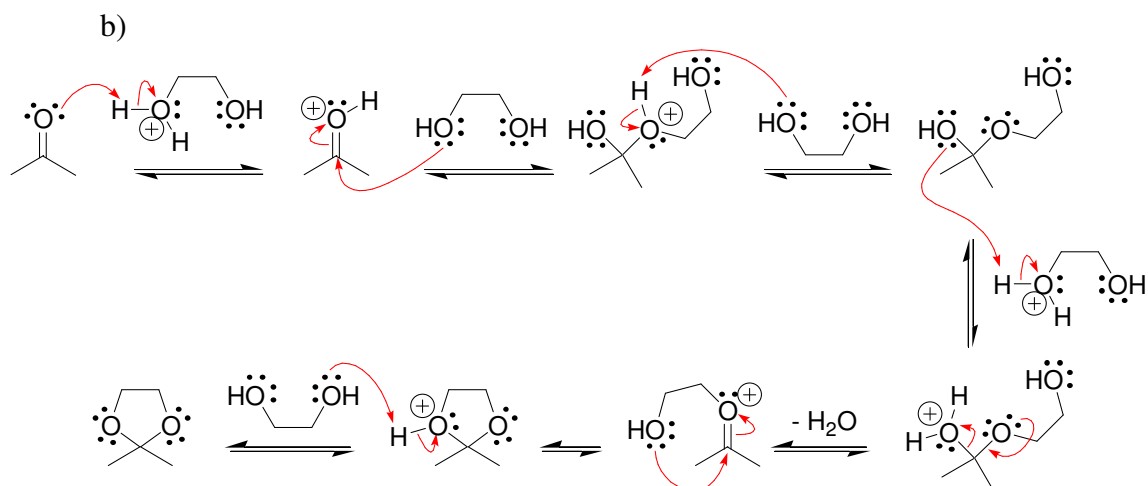
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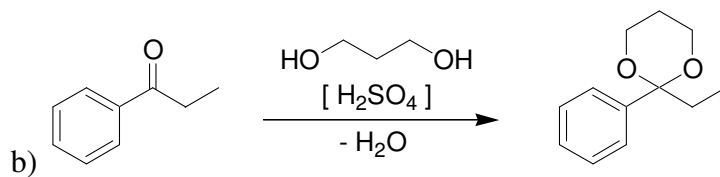
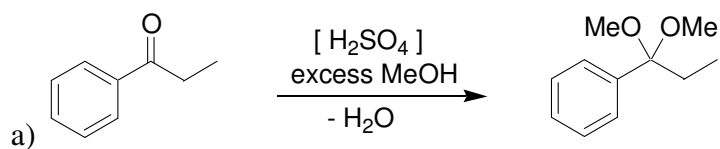
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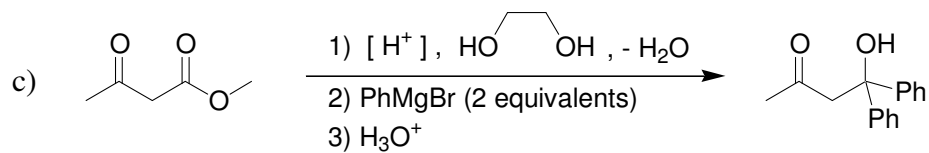
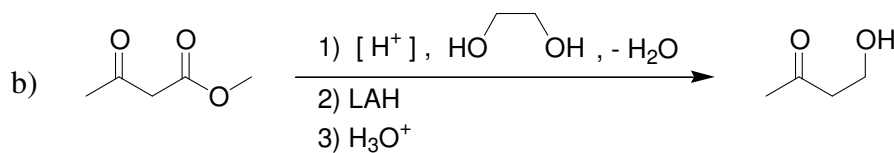
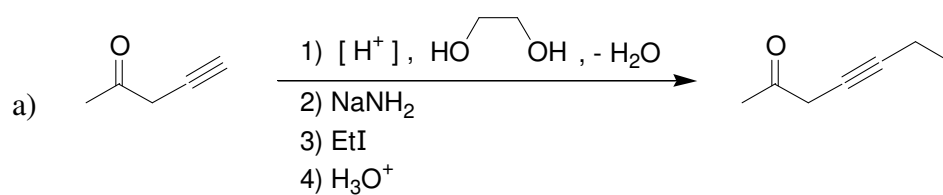


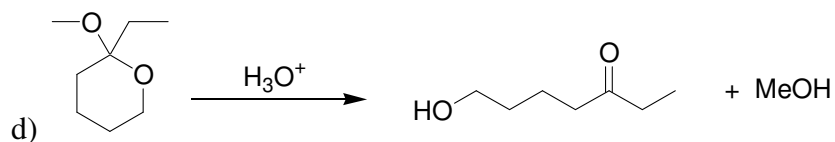
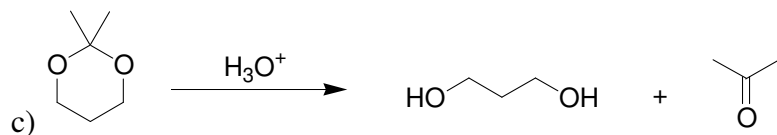
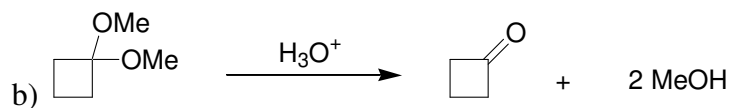
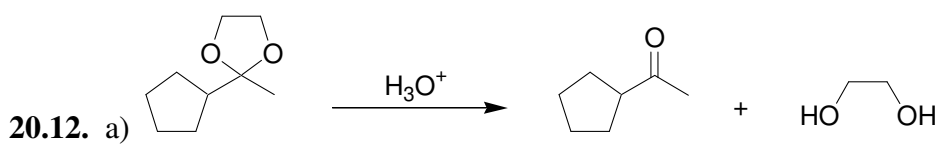


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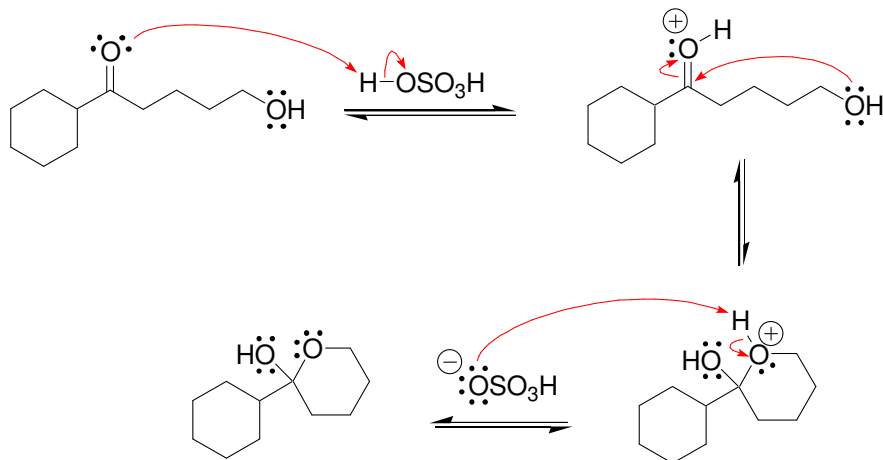


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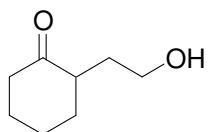




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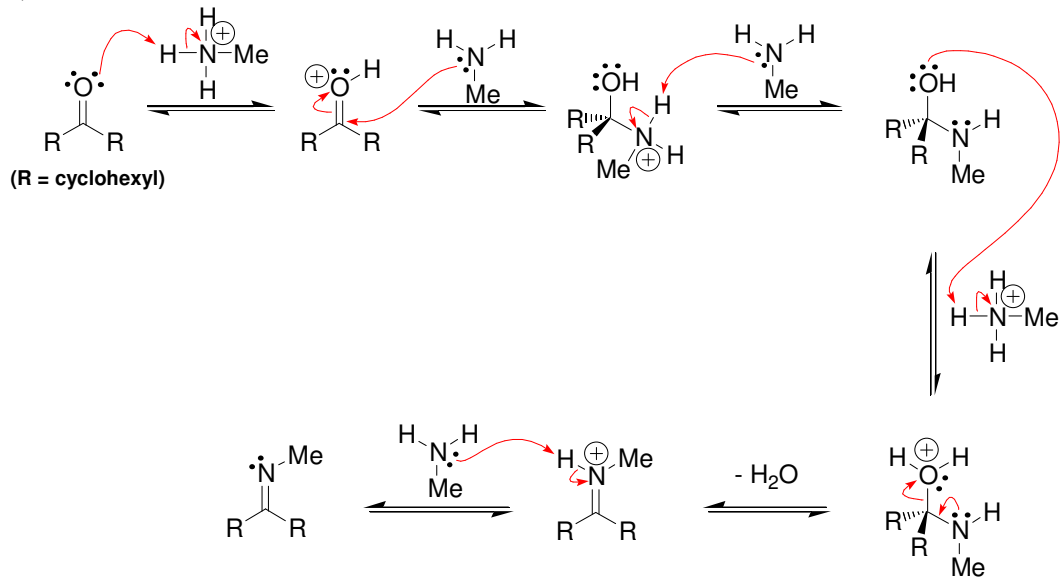


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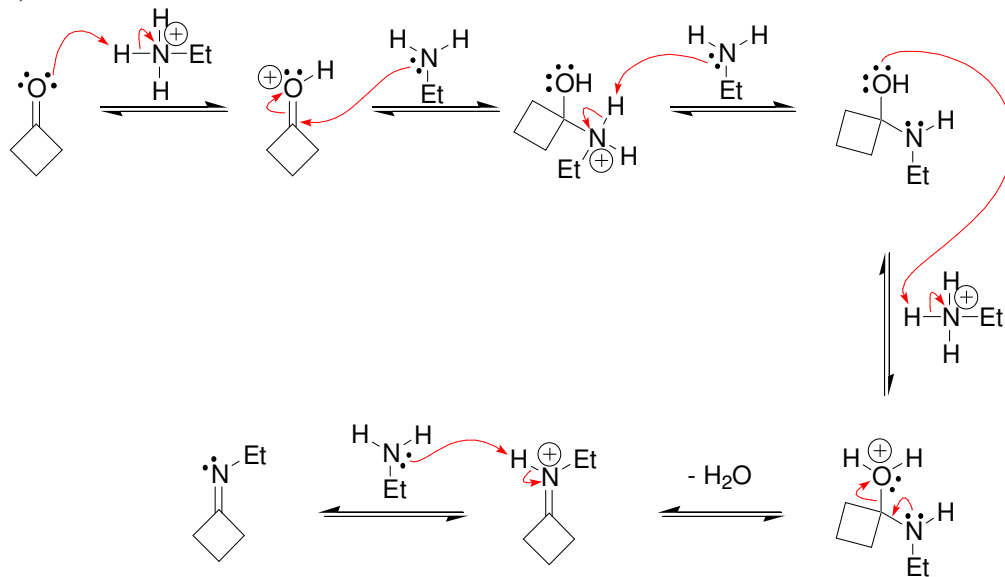


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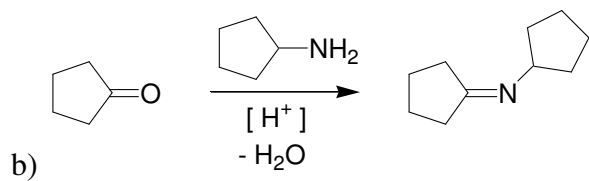
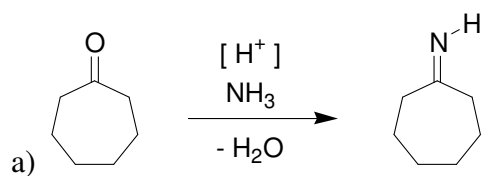
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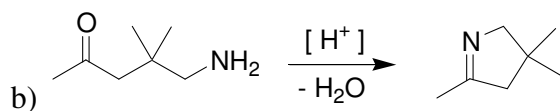
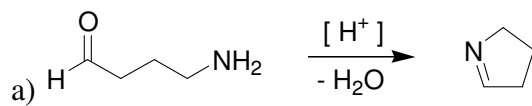
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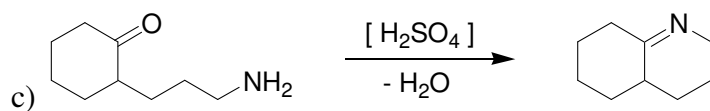
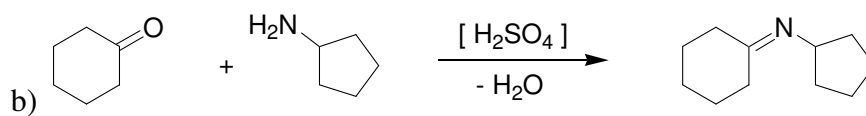
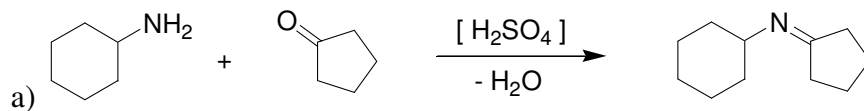
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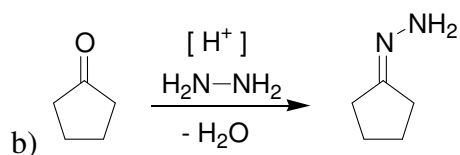
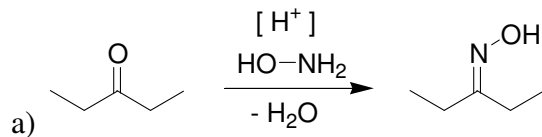
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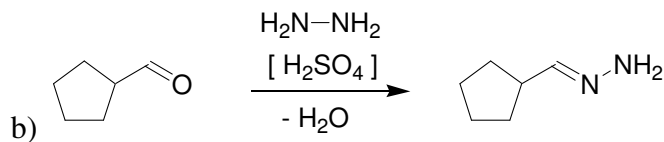
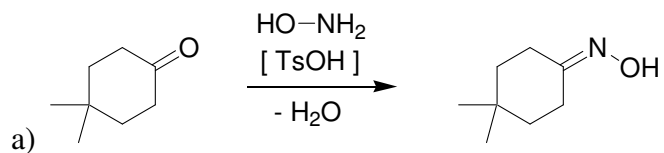
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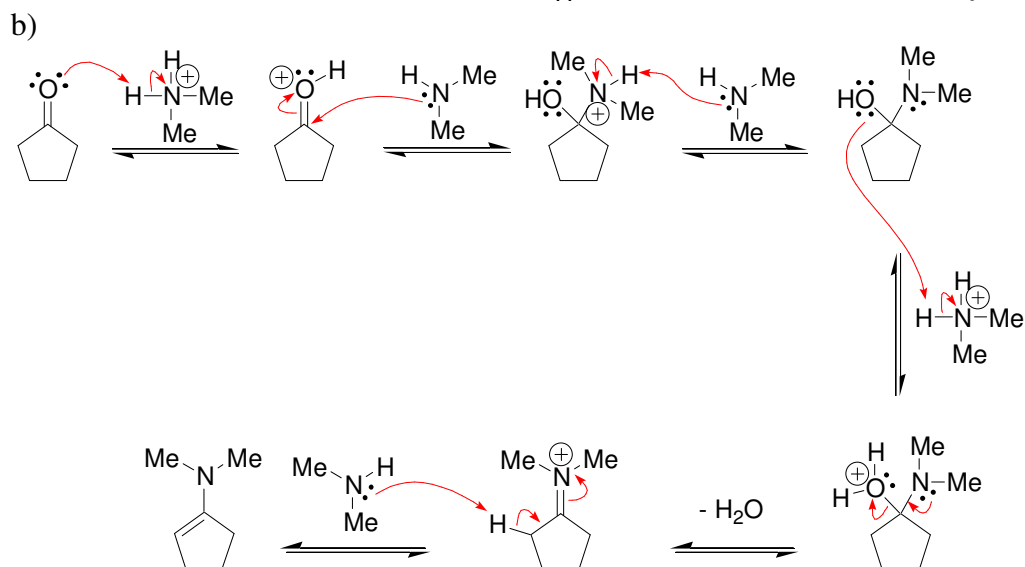
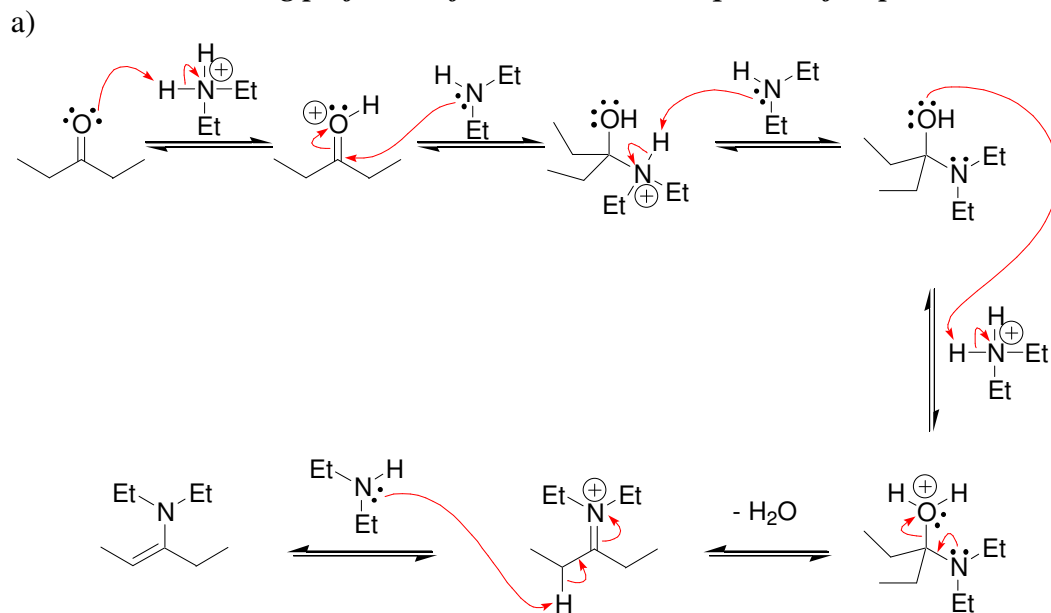
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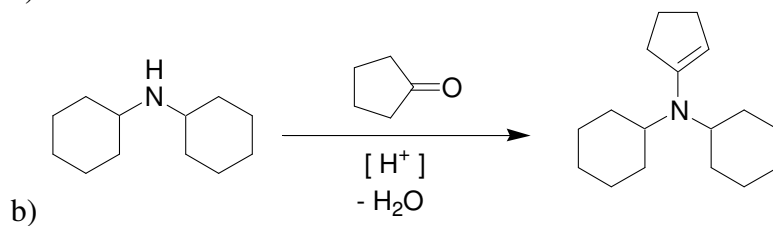
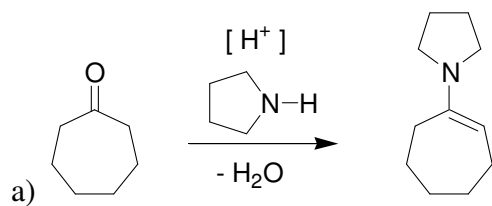
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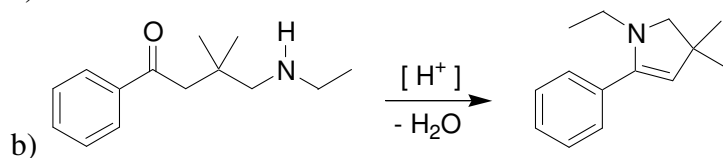
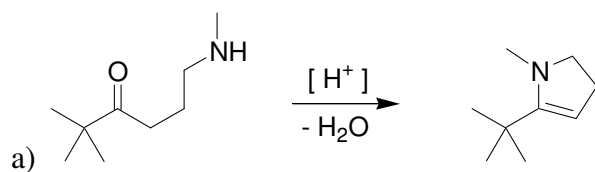
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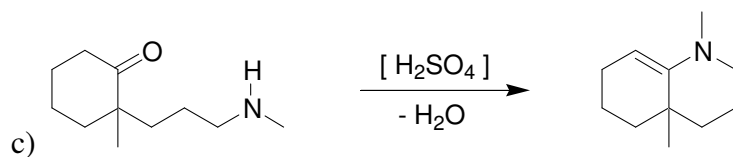
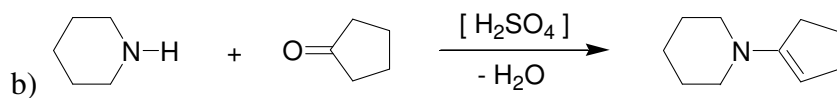
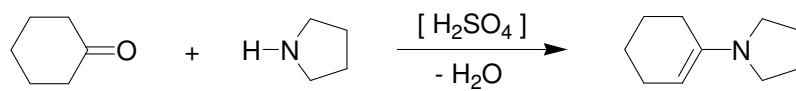
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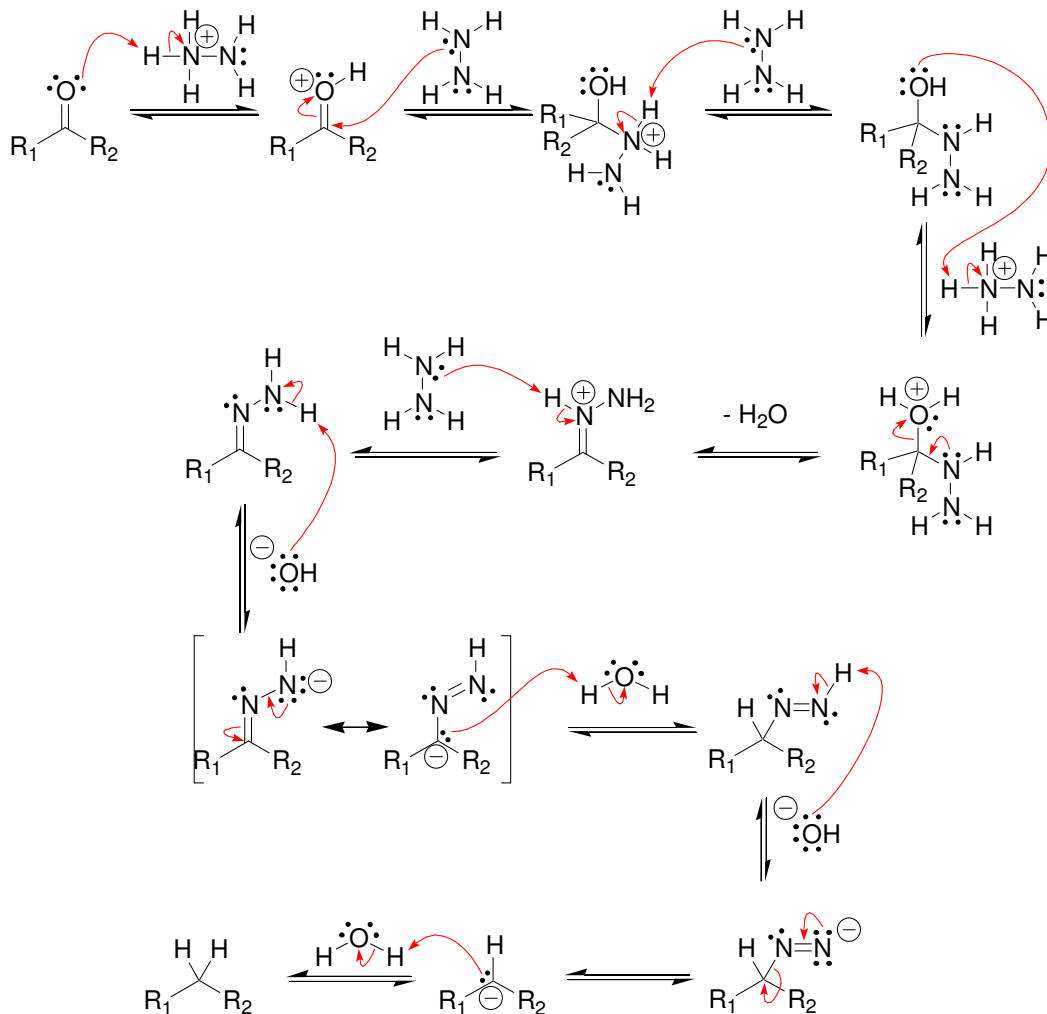
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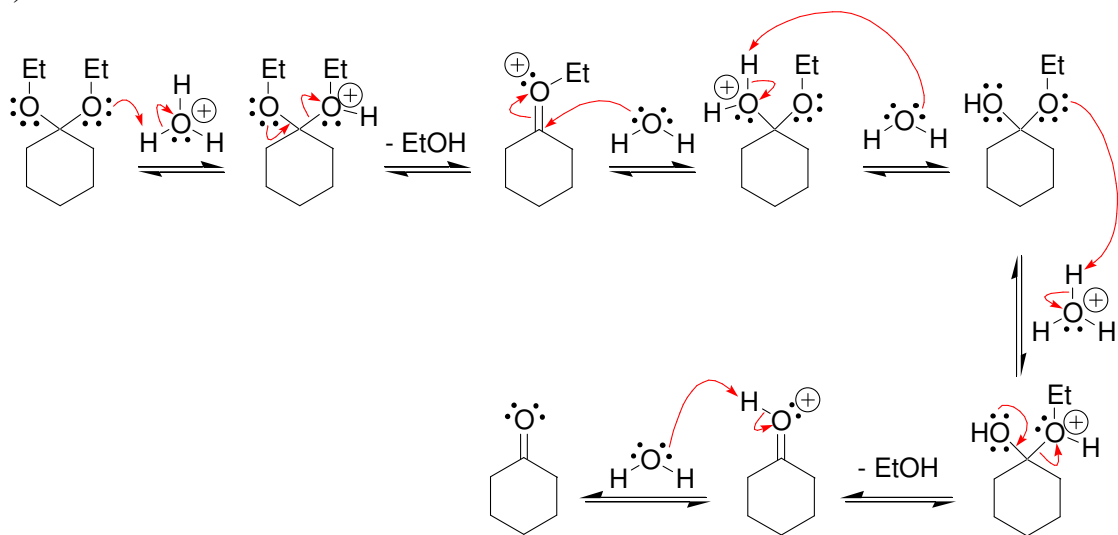


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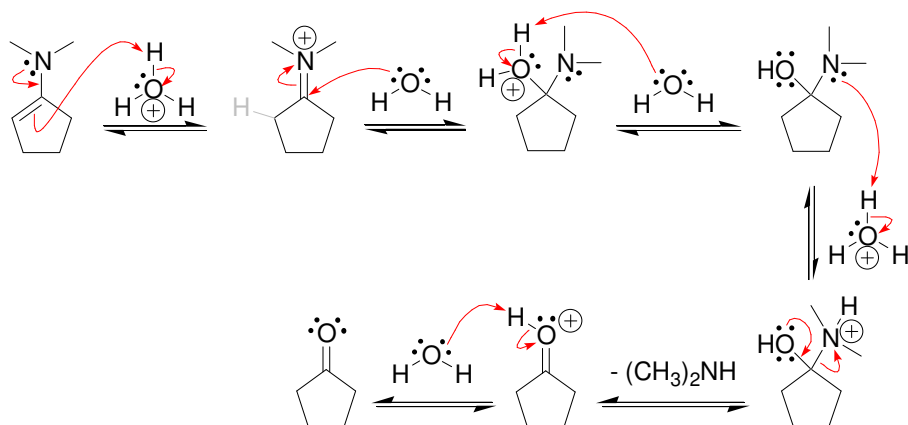


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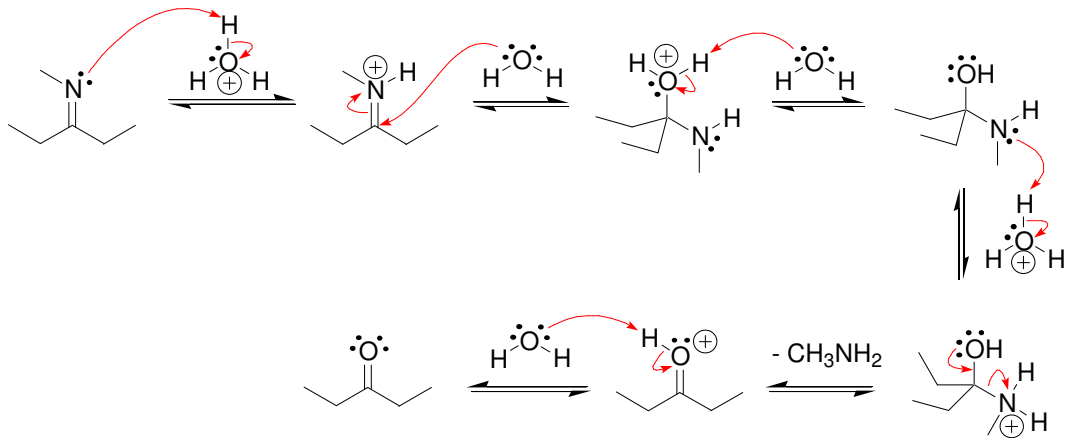
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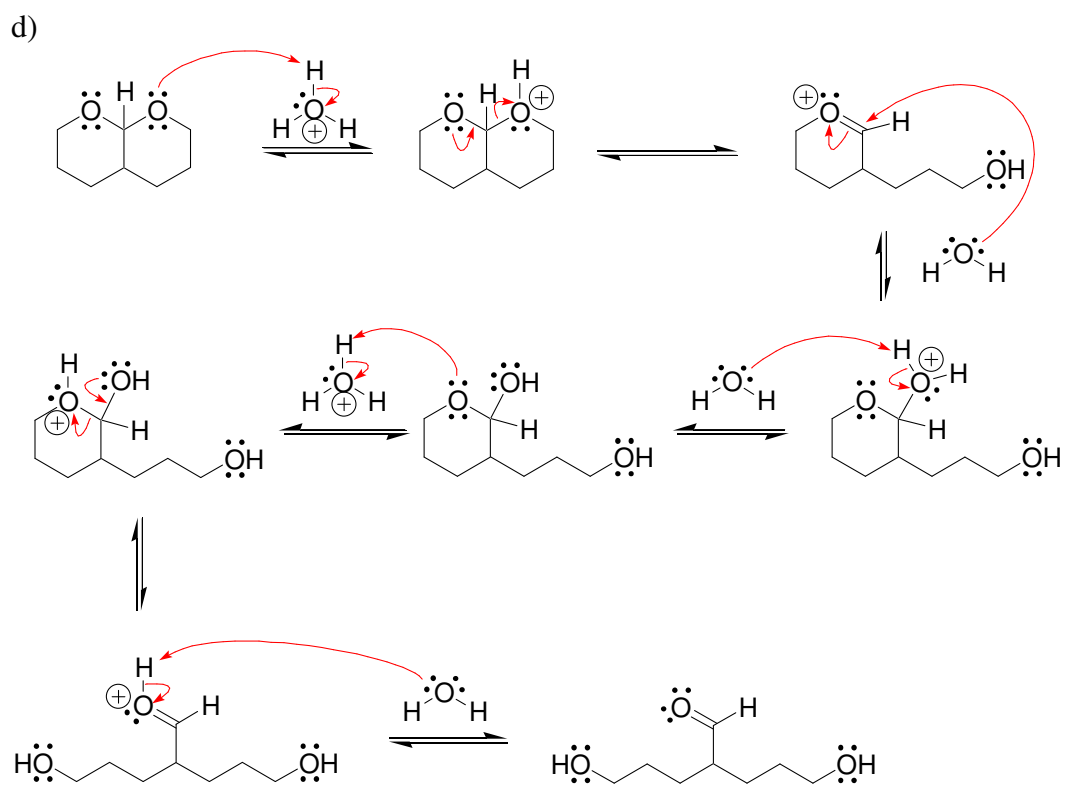


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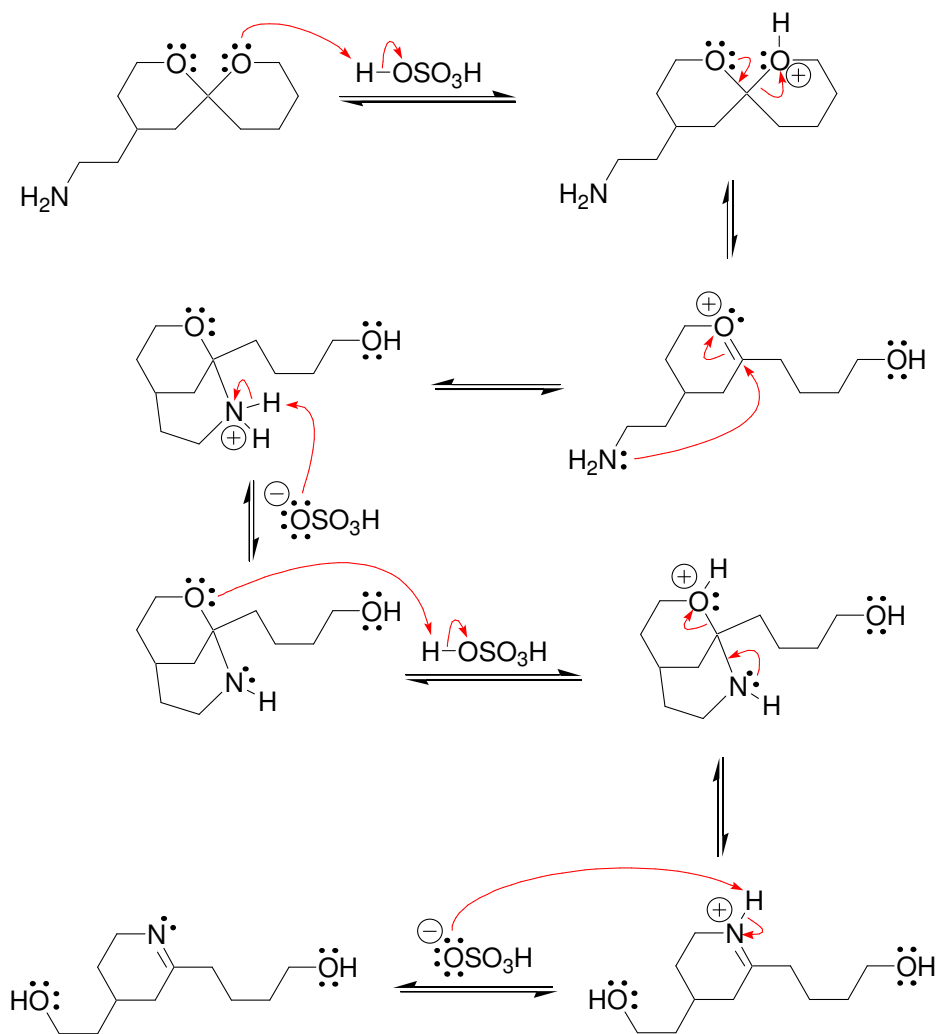


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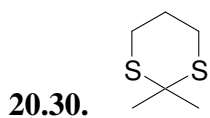
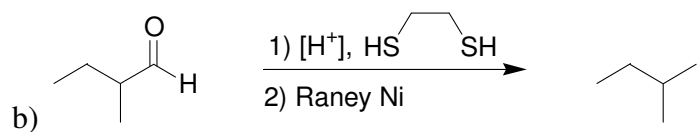
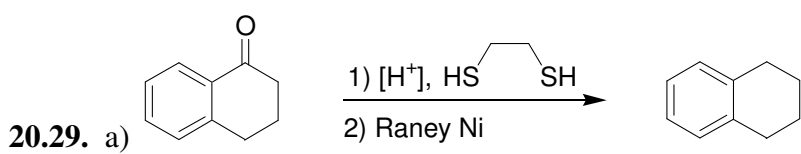
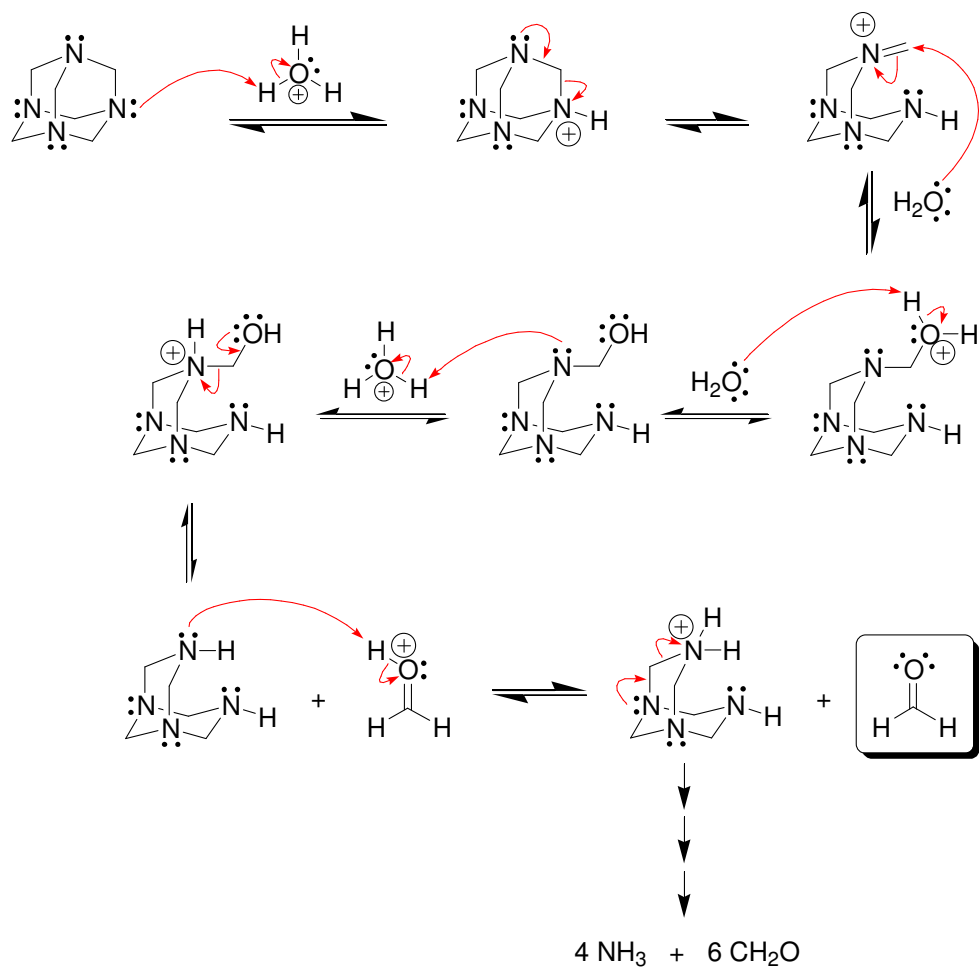




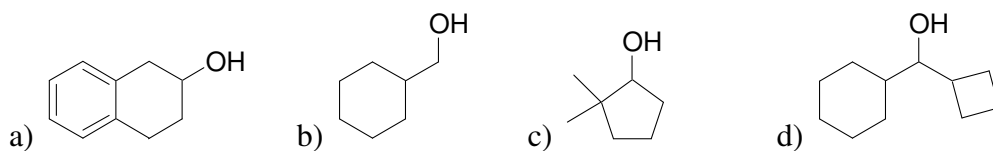
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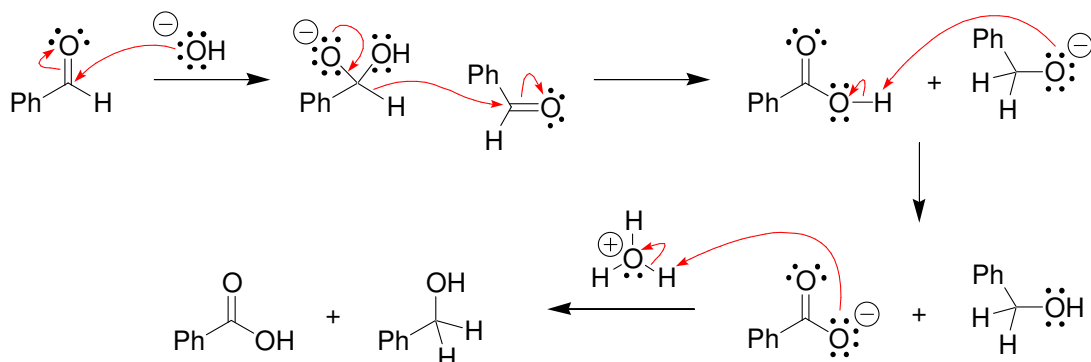


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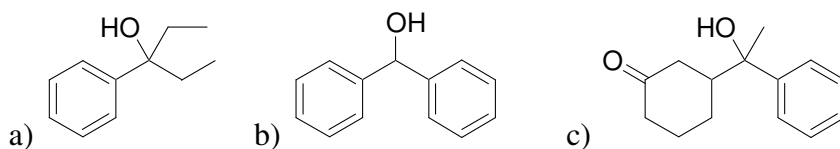
a) Below is a mechanism for the Cannizzaro reaction. After a hydroxide ion attacks one molecule of benzaldehyde, the resulting tetrahedral intermediate functions as a hydride delivery agent to attack another molecule of benzaldehyde, giving a carboxylic acid and an alkoxide ion. The alkoxide ion then deprotonates the carboxylic acid, generating a more stable carboxylate ion. This carboxylate ion is then protonated when an acid is added to the reaction mixture.



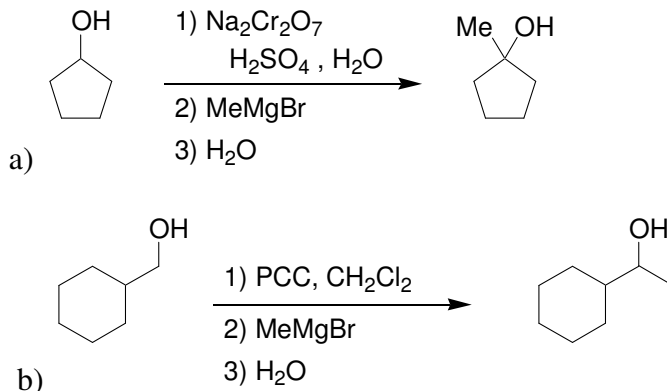
b) The function of H_3O^+ in the second step is to serve as a proton source to protonate the resulting carboxylate ion.

c) Water is only a weak acid ($\text{p}K_a = 15.74$), and is not sufficiently strong to serve as a proton source for a carboxylate ion ($\text{p}K_a$ of PhCOOH is 4.21). See section 3.5 for a discussion of this topic.

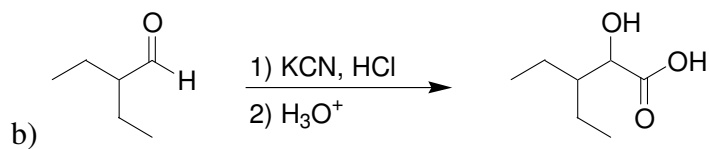
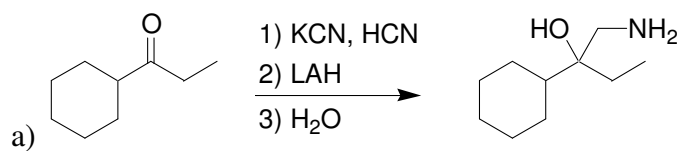
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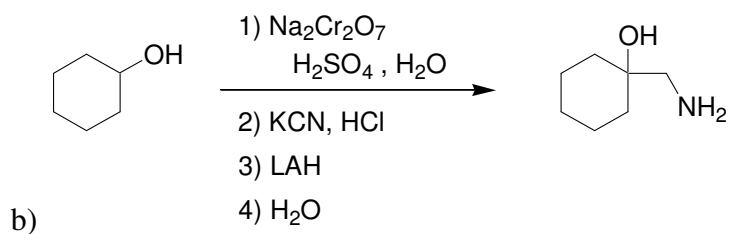
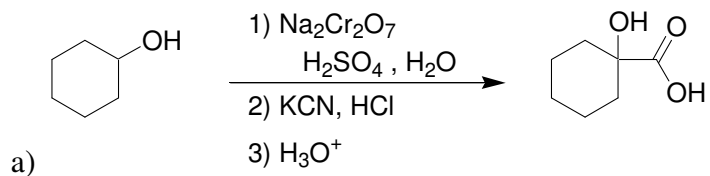
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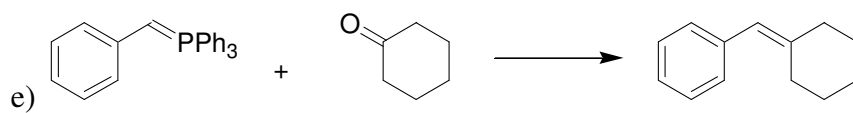
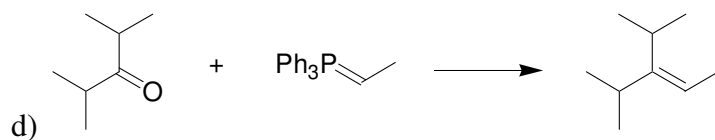
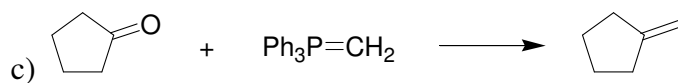
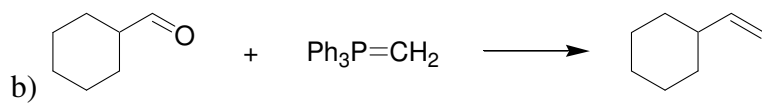
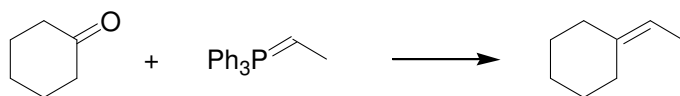
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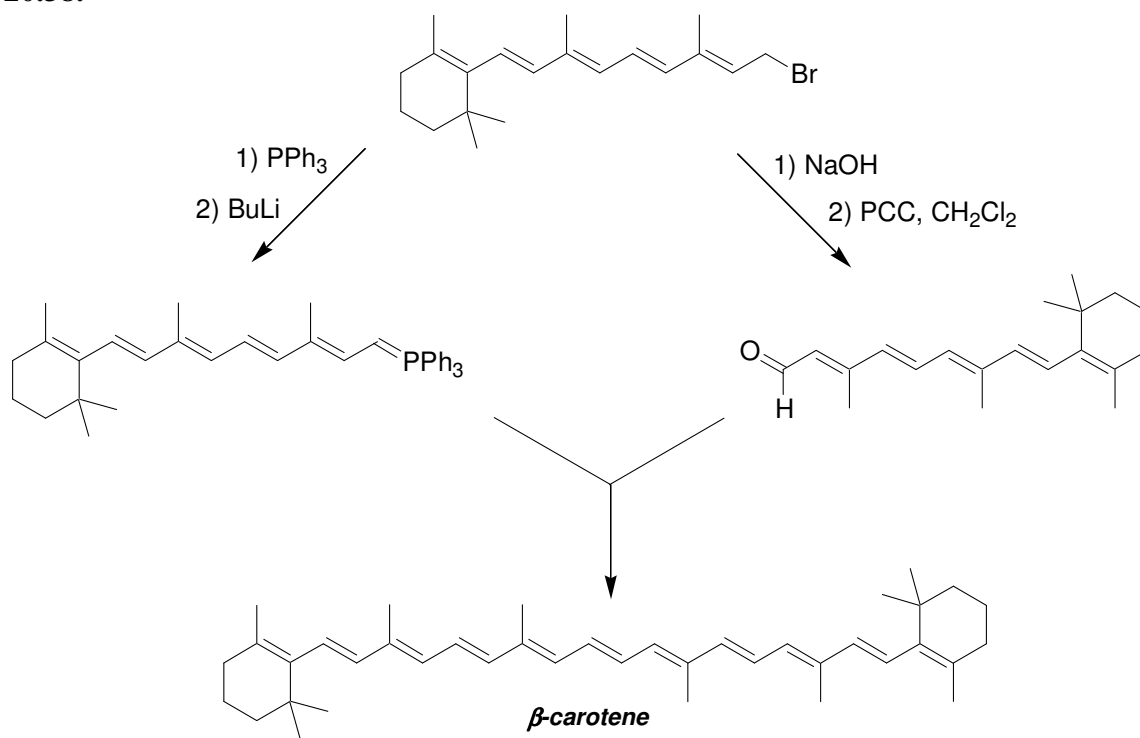
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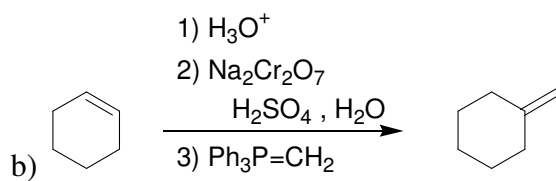
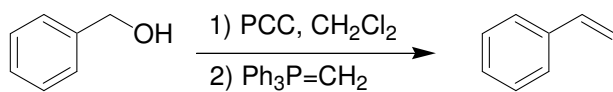
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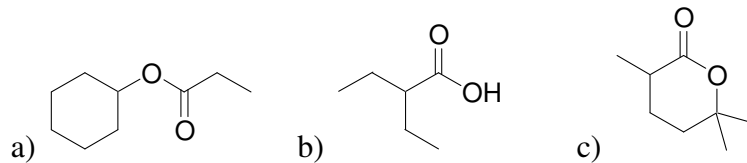
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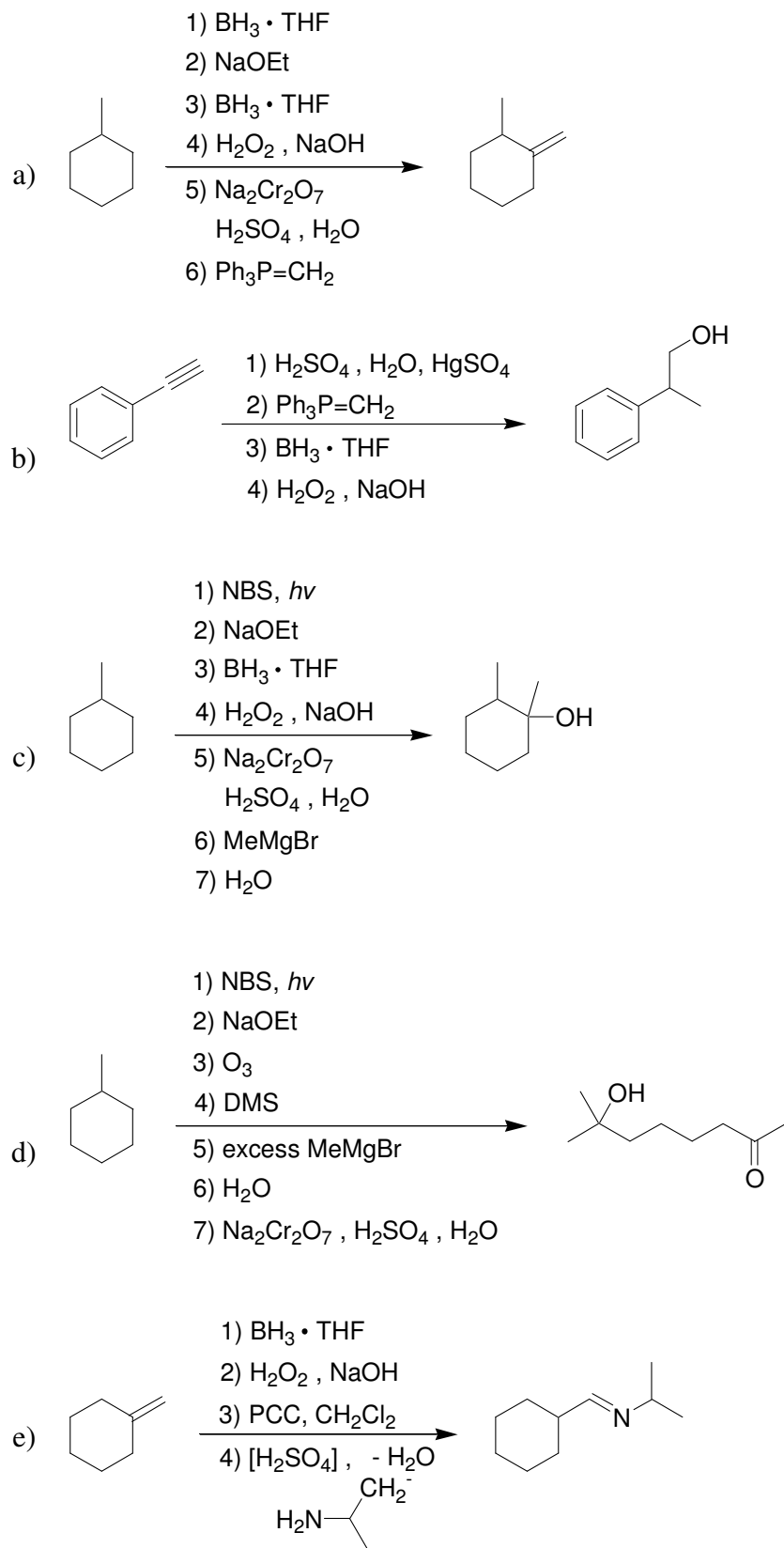
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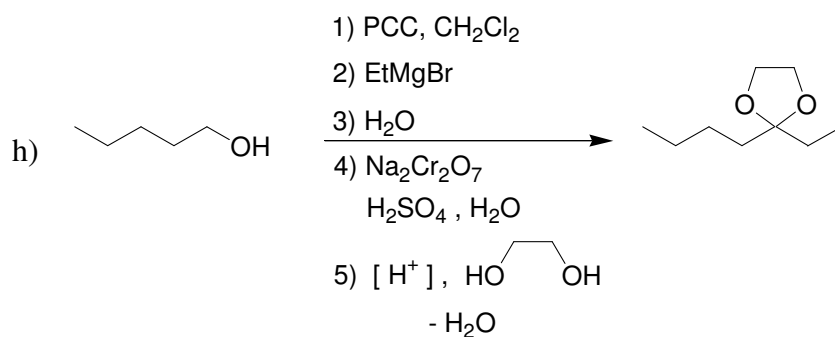
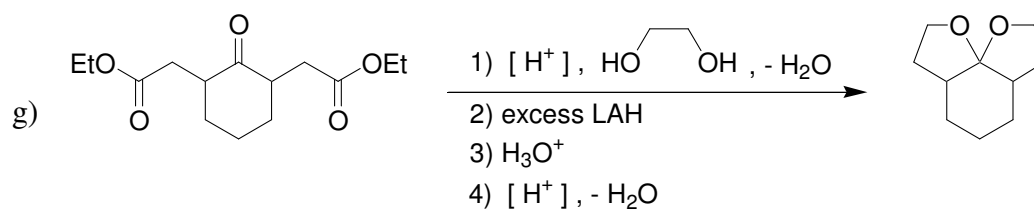
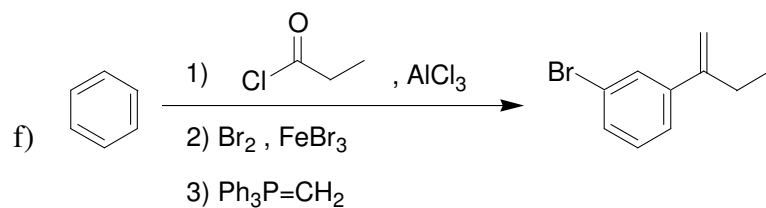


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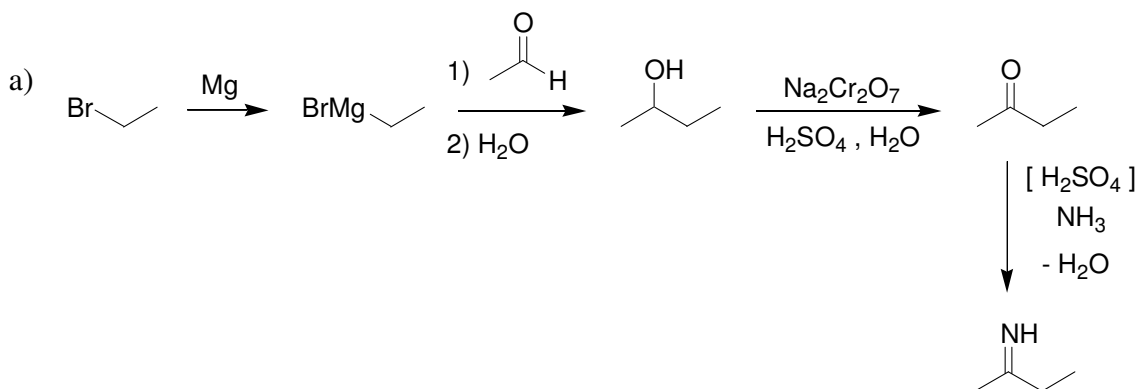


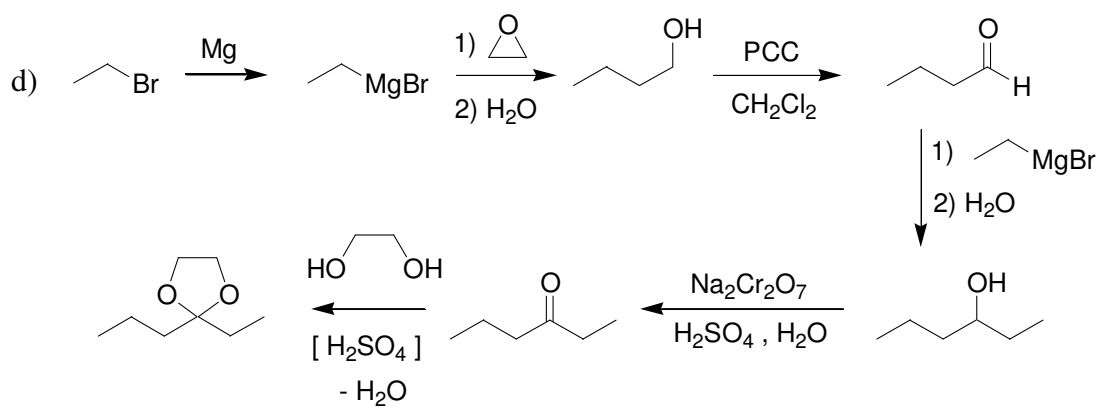
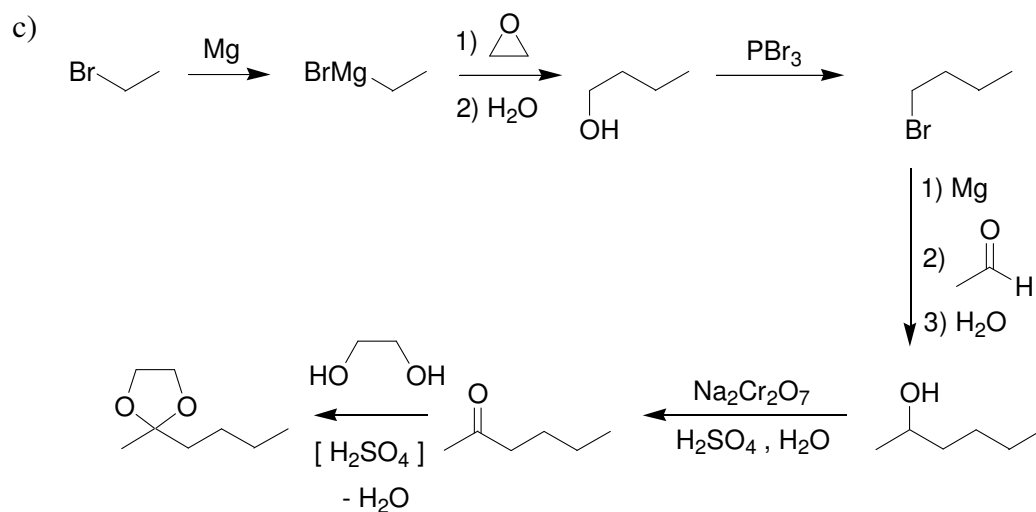
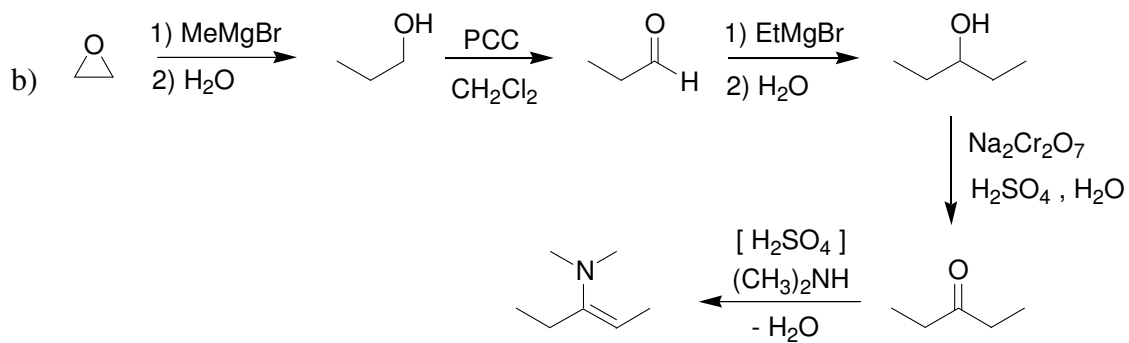
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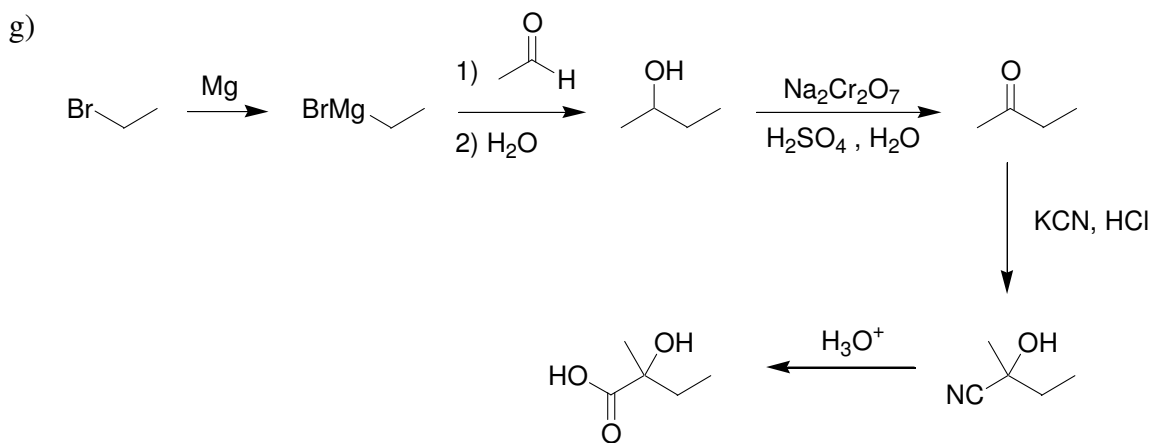
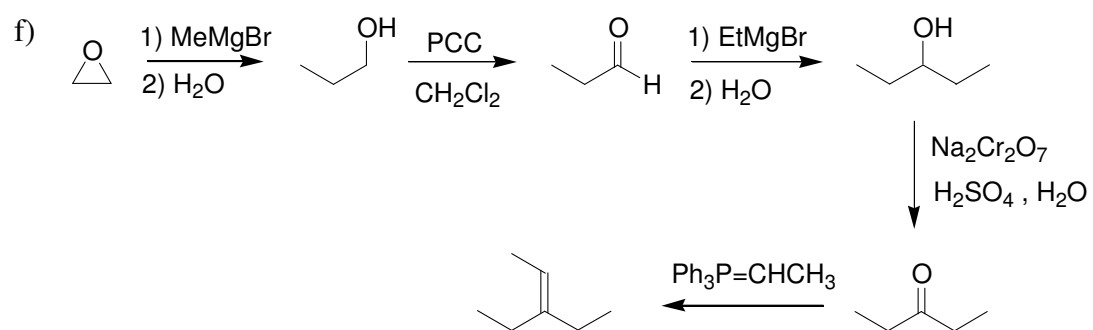
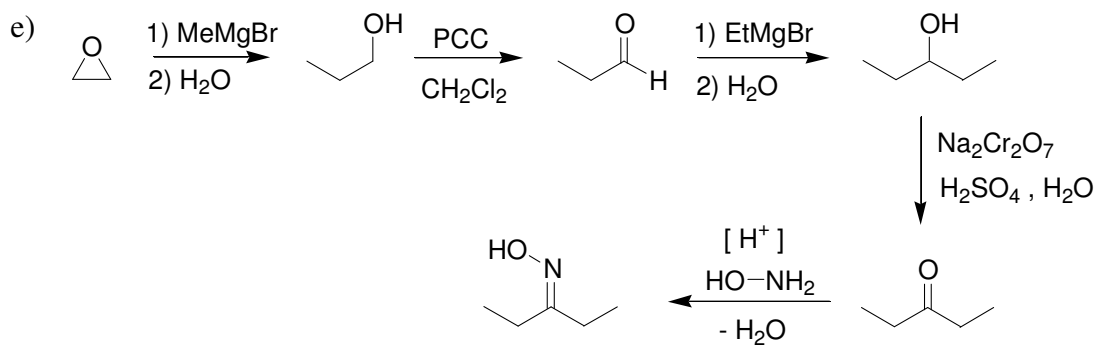


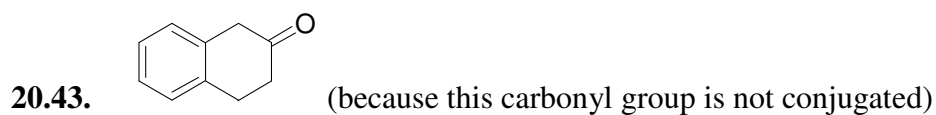
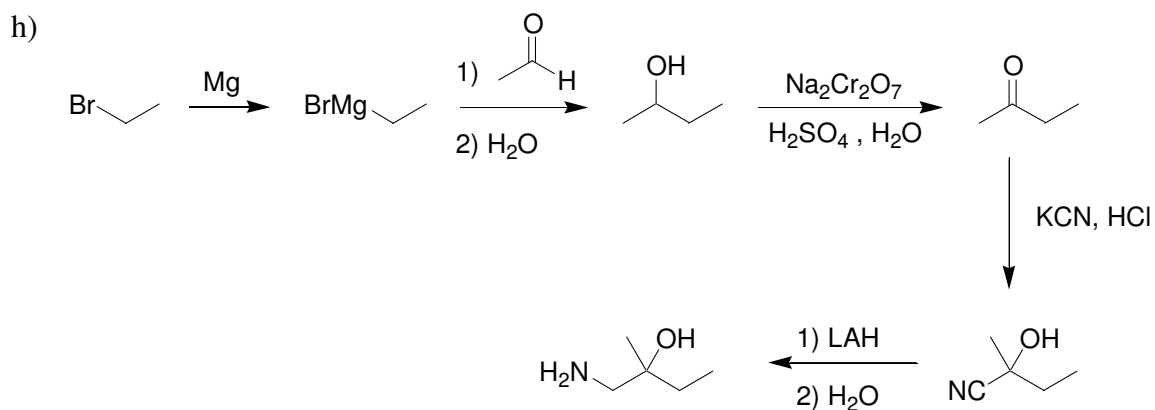


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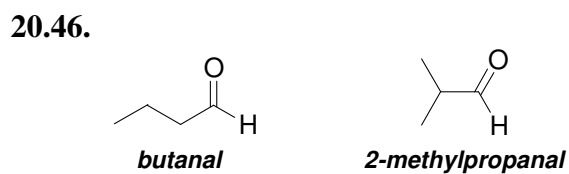
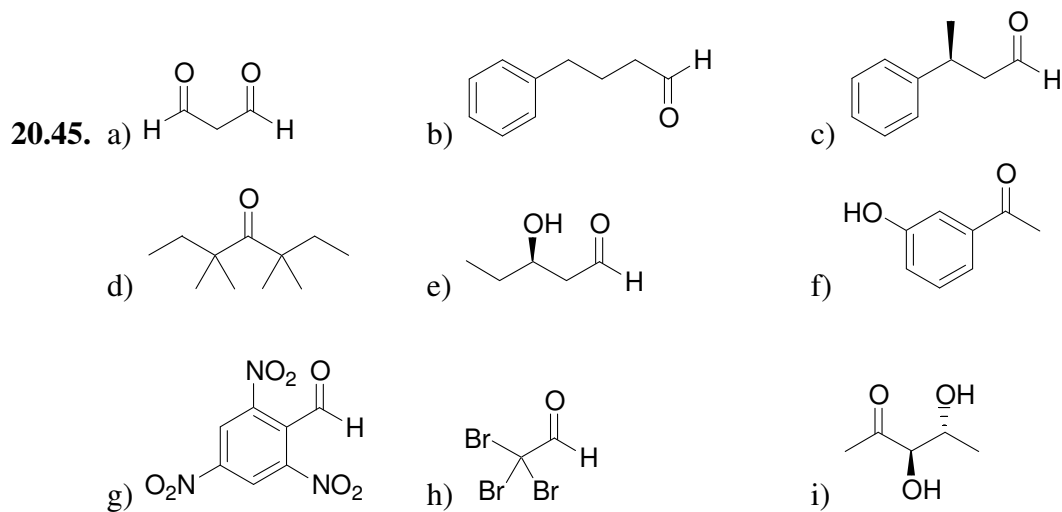




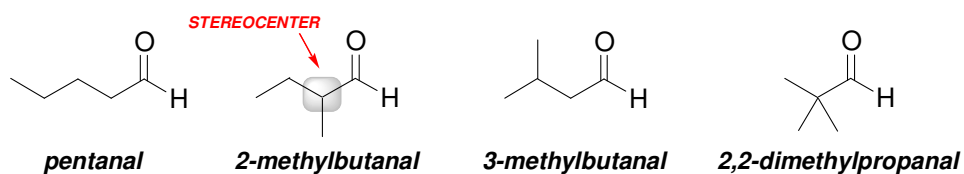




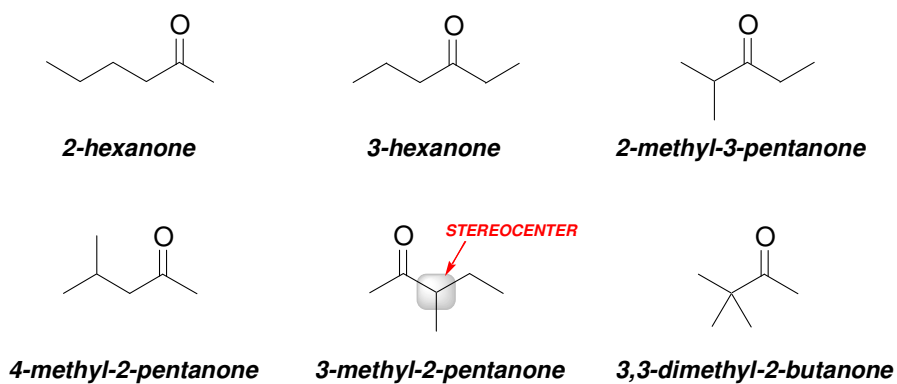
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 c) 3-methyl-2-butenal
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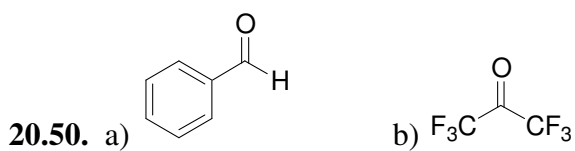
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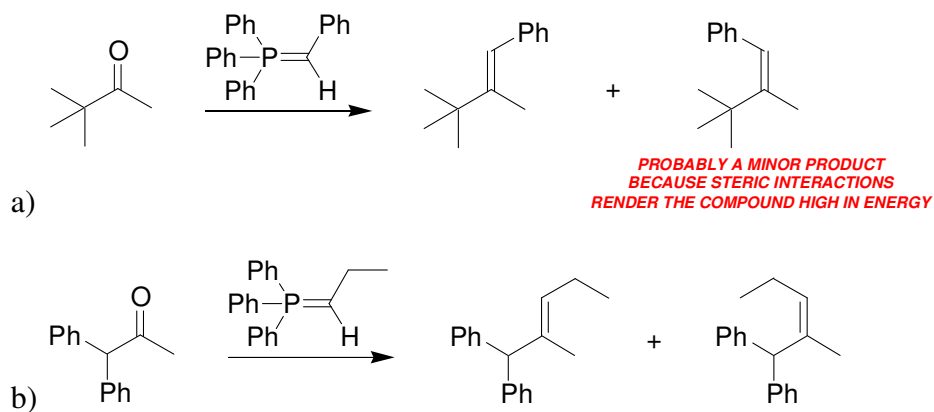
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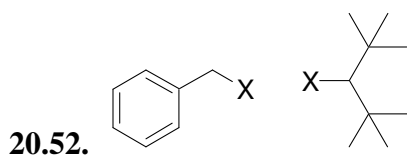


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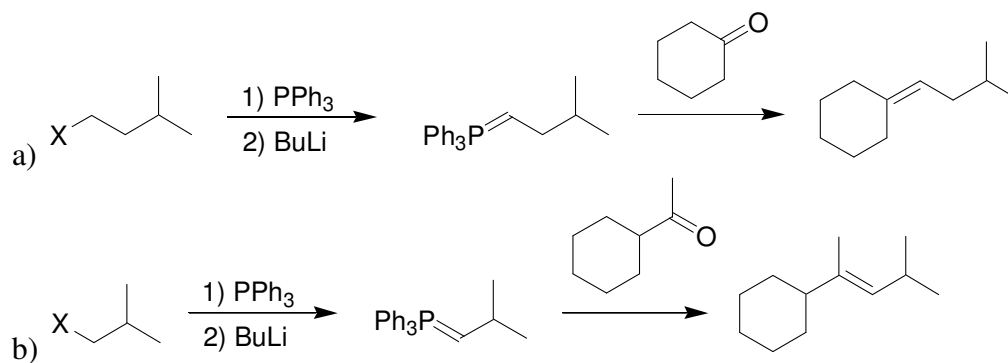
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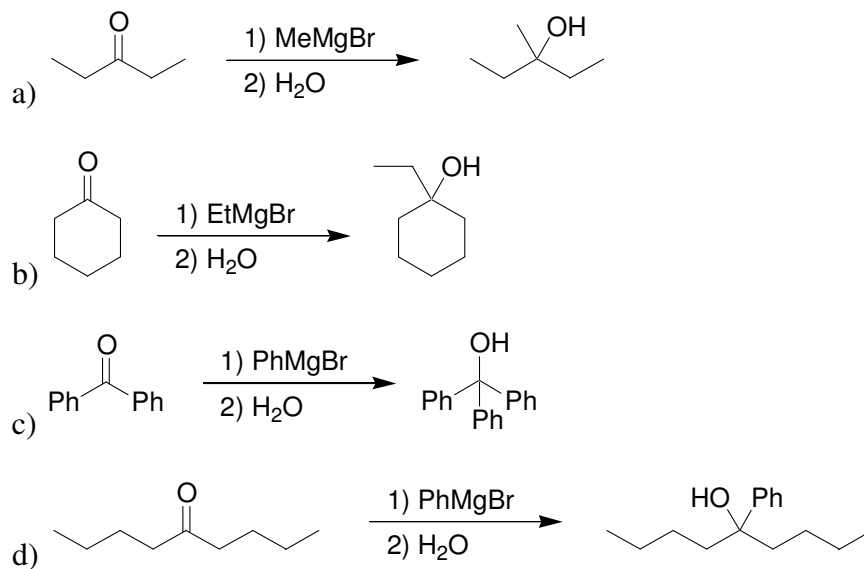


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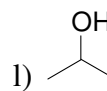
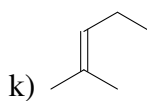
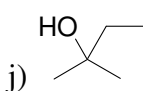
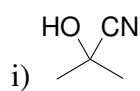
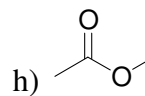
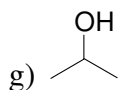
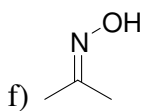
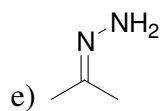
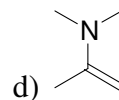
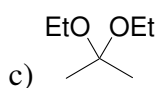
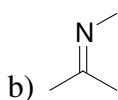
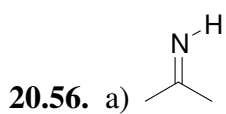
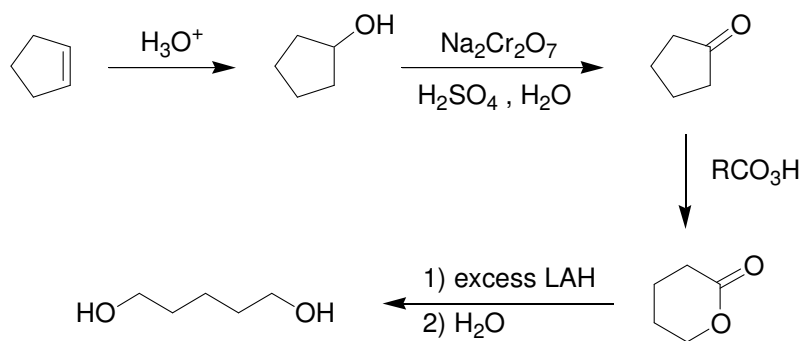
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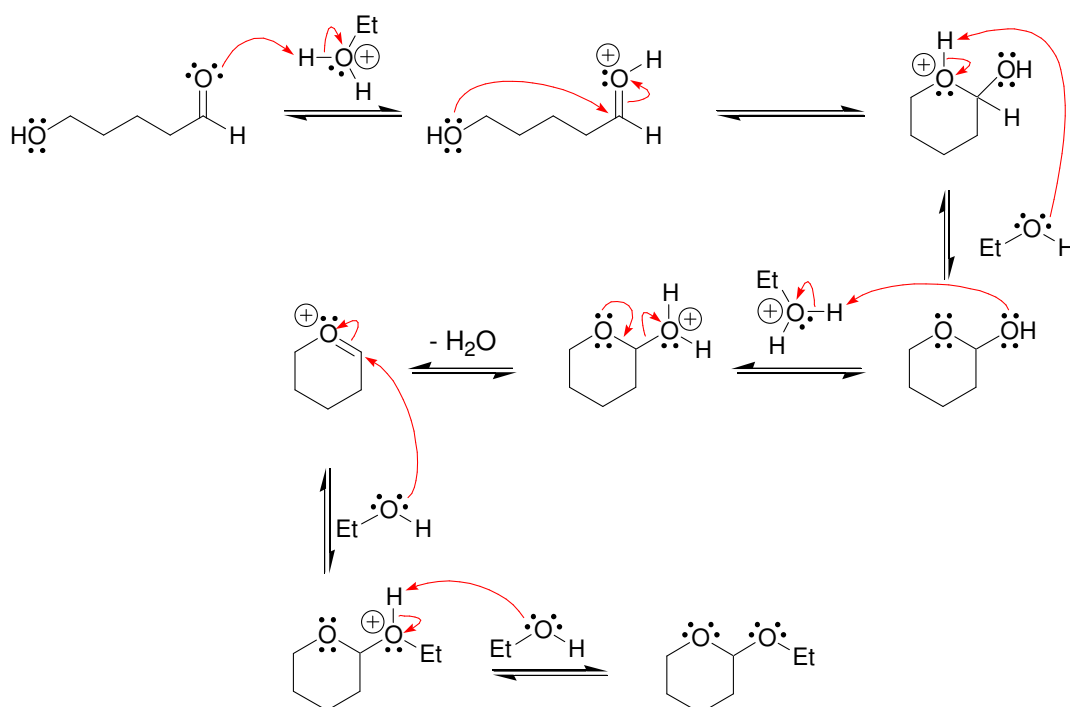
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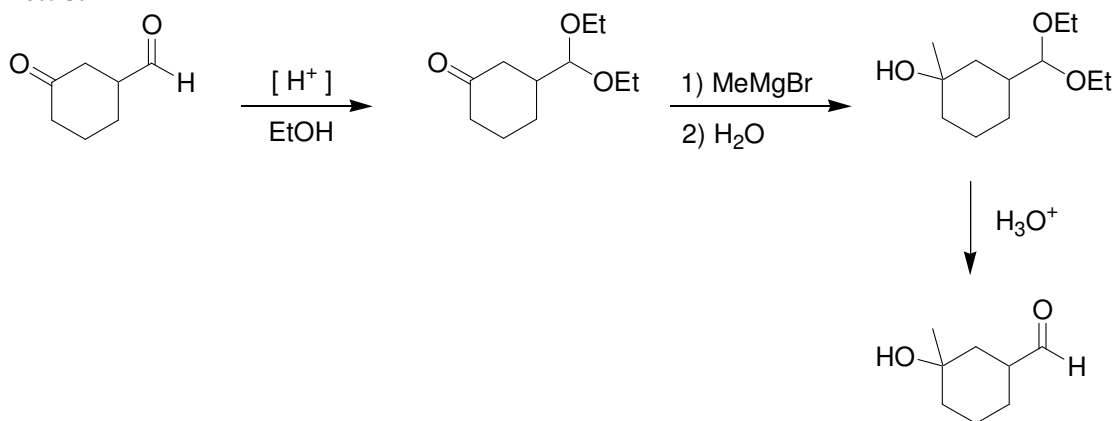
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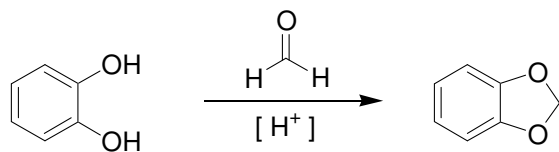
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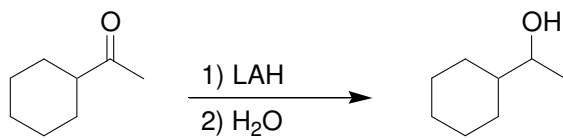
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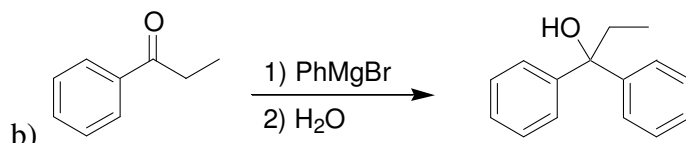
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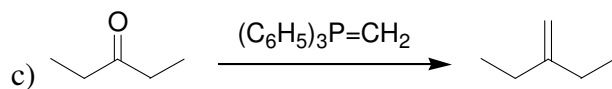
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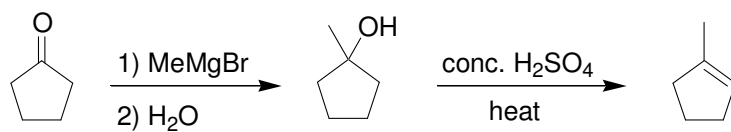
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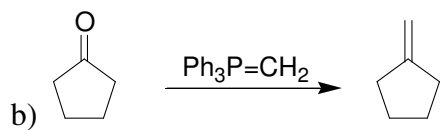
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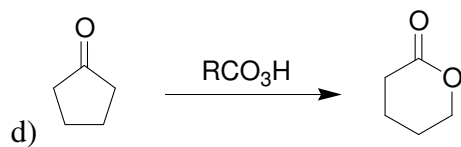
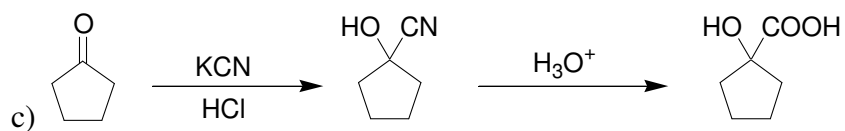


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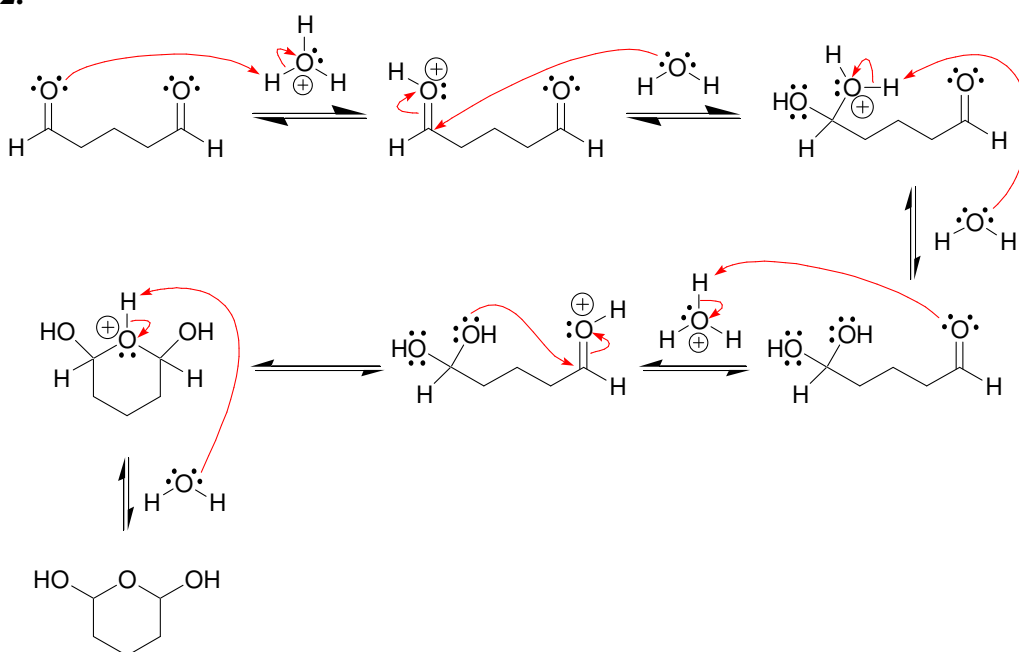


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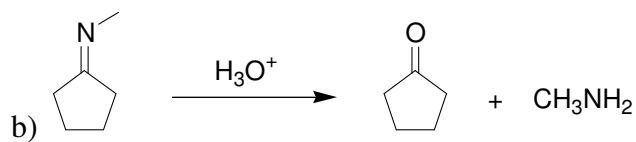
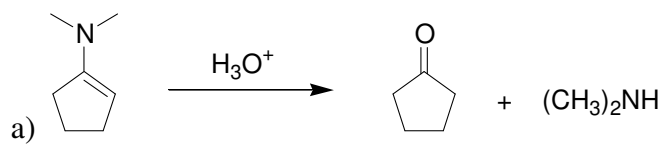


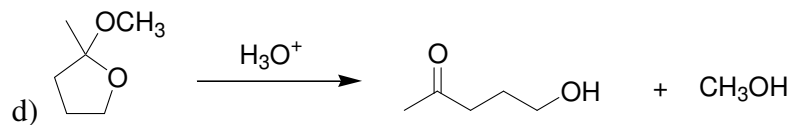
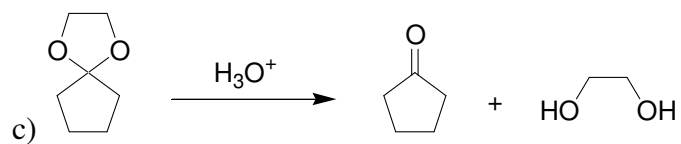


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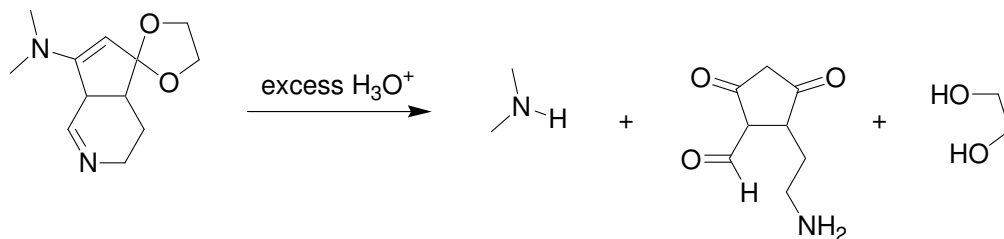


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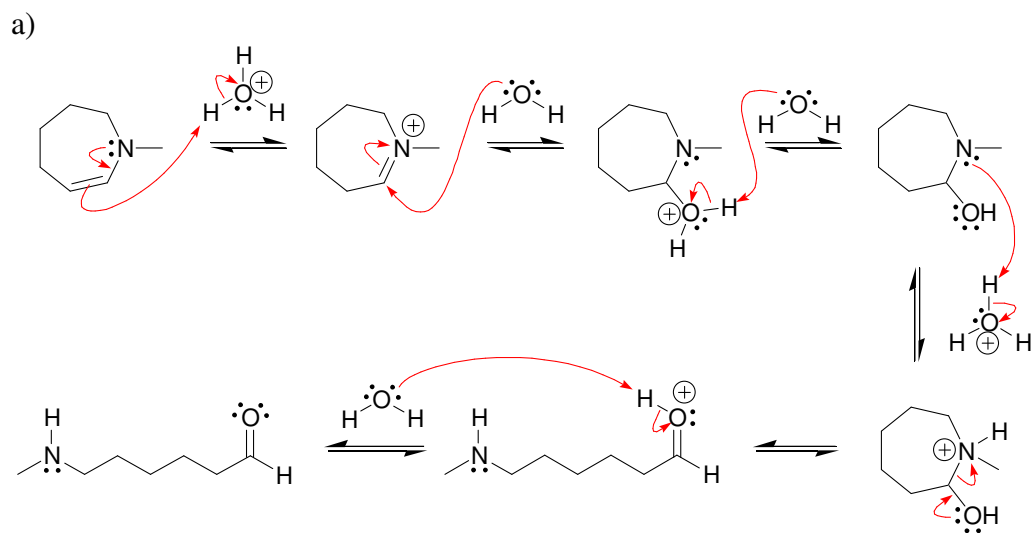




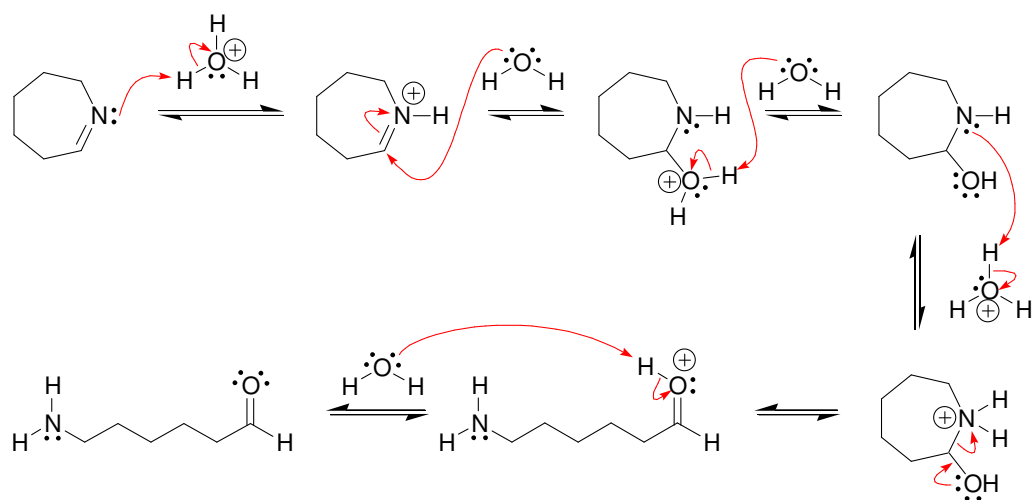
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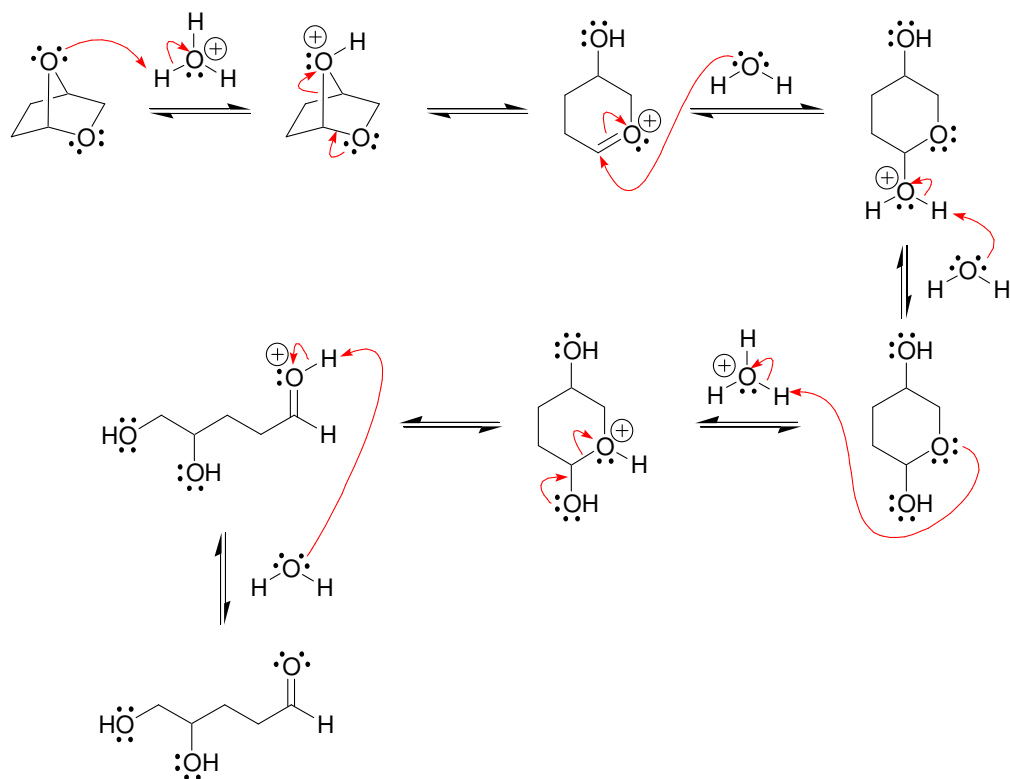
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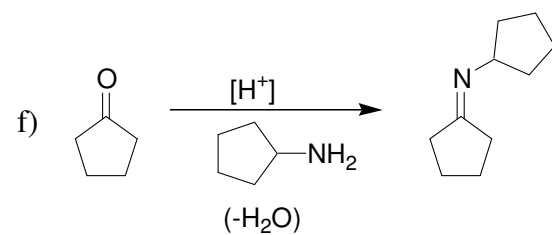
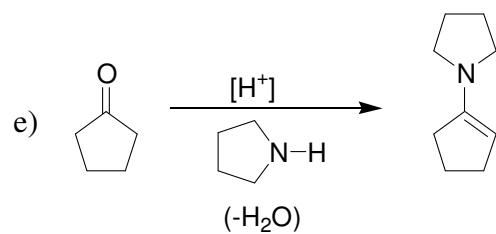
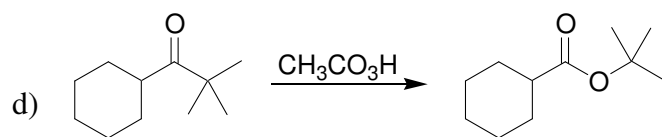
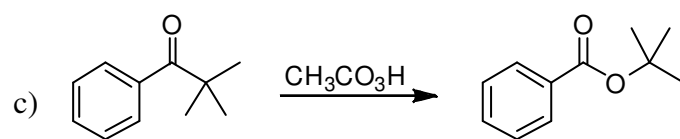
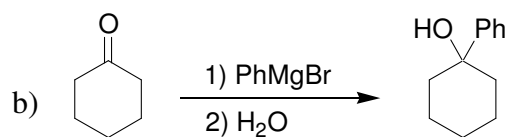
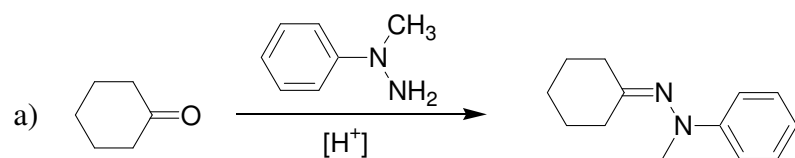
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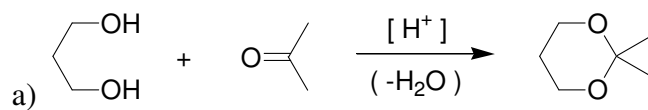
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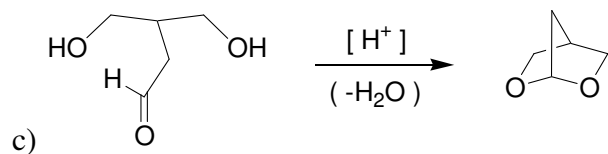
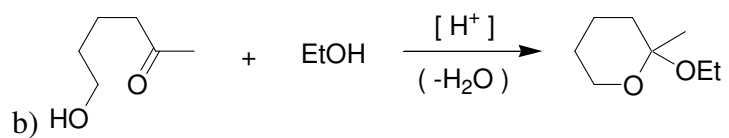


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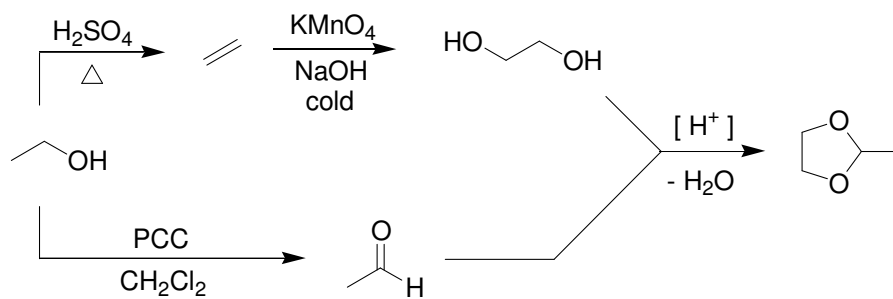


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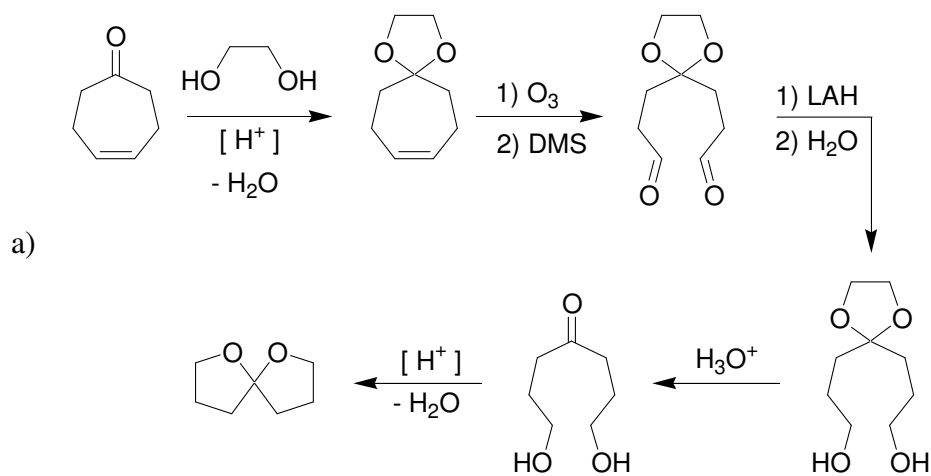


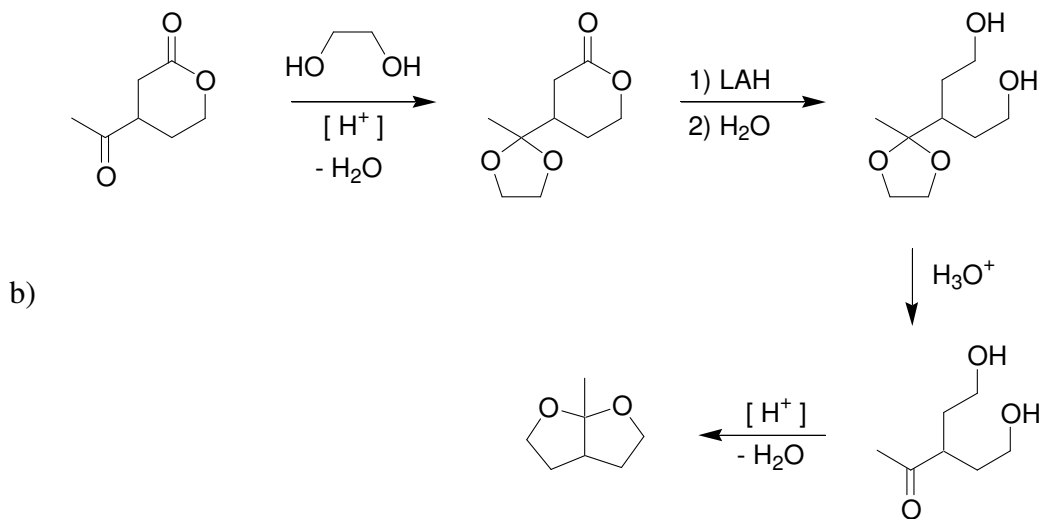


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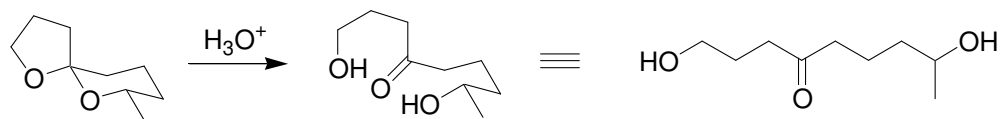


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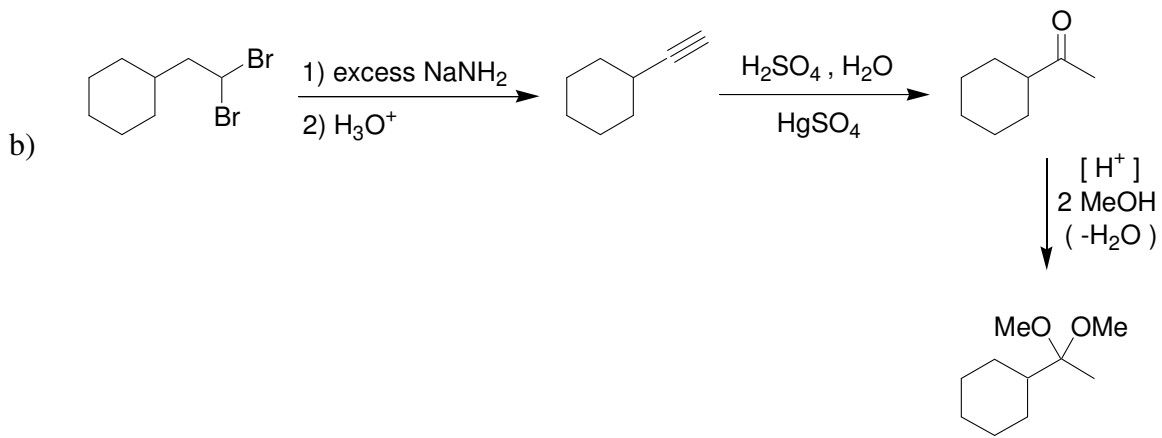
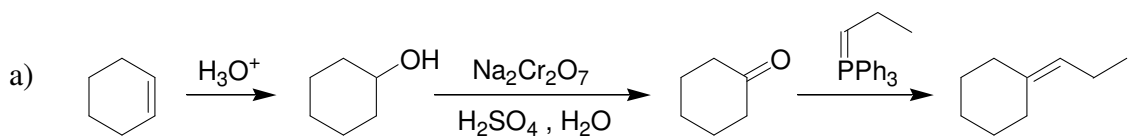


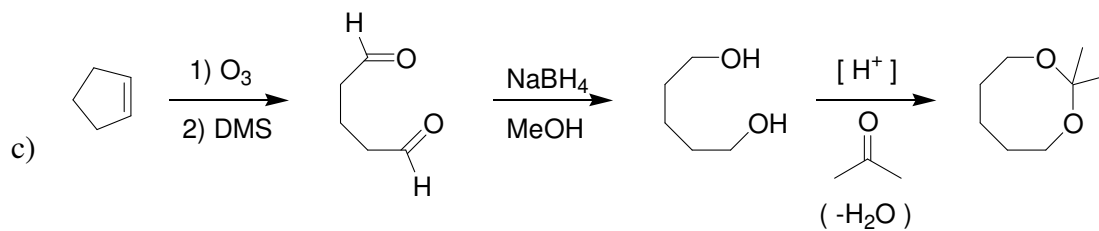


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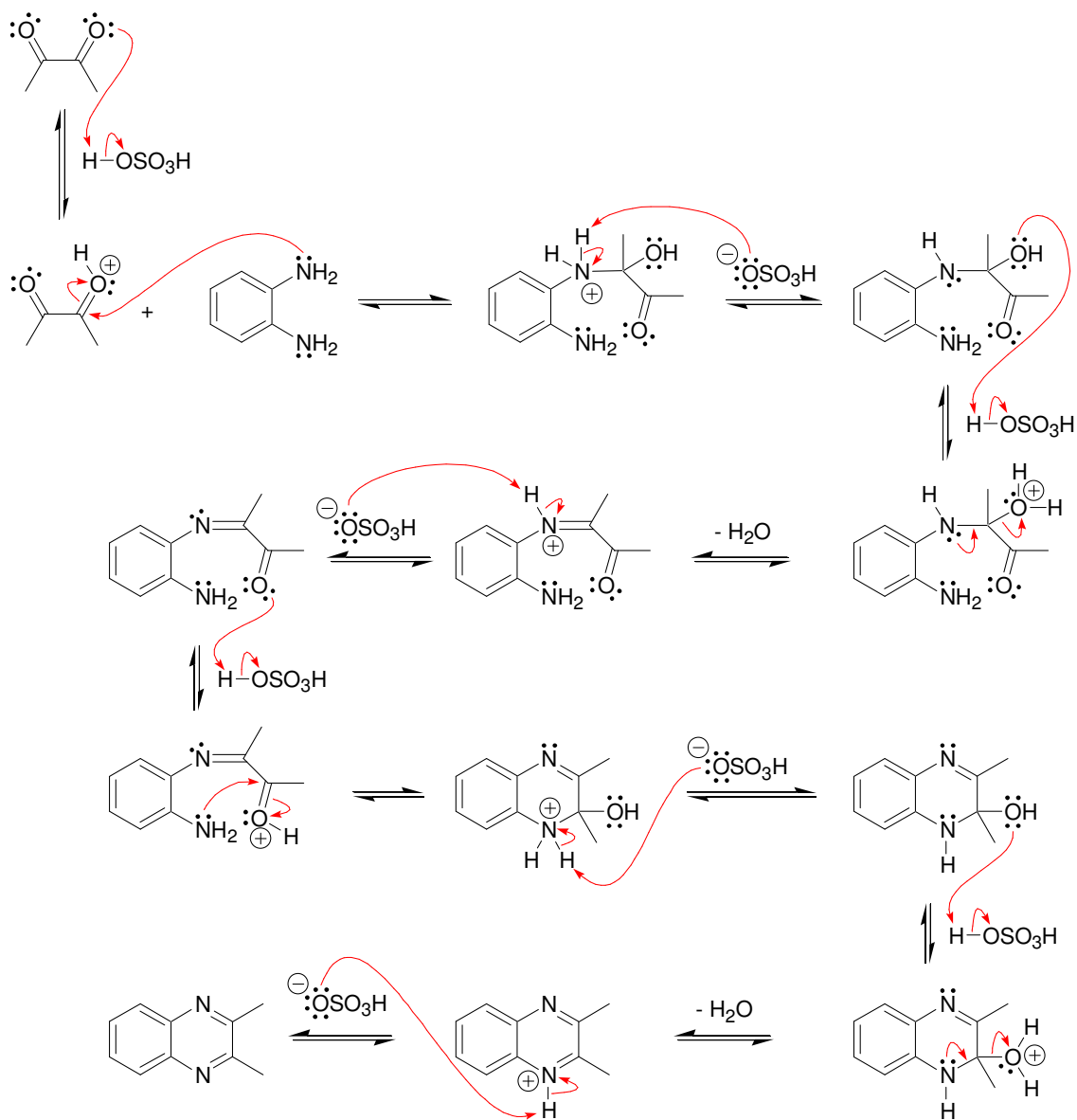


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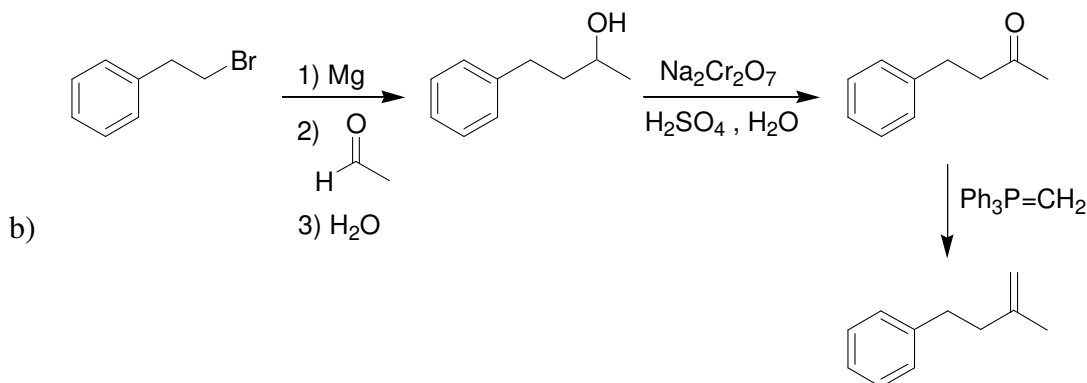
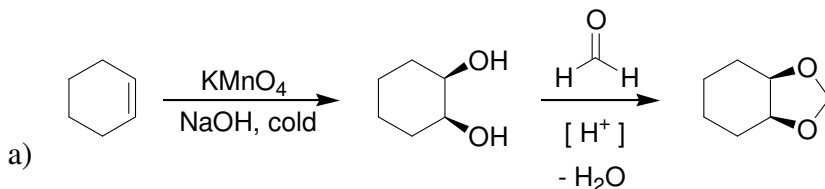
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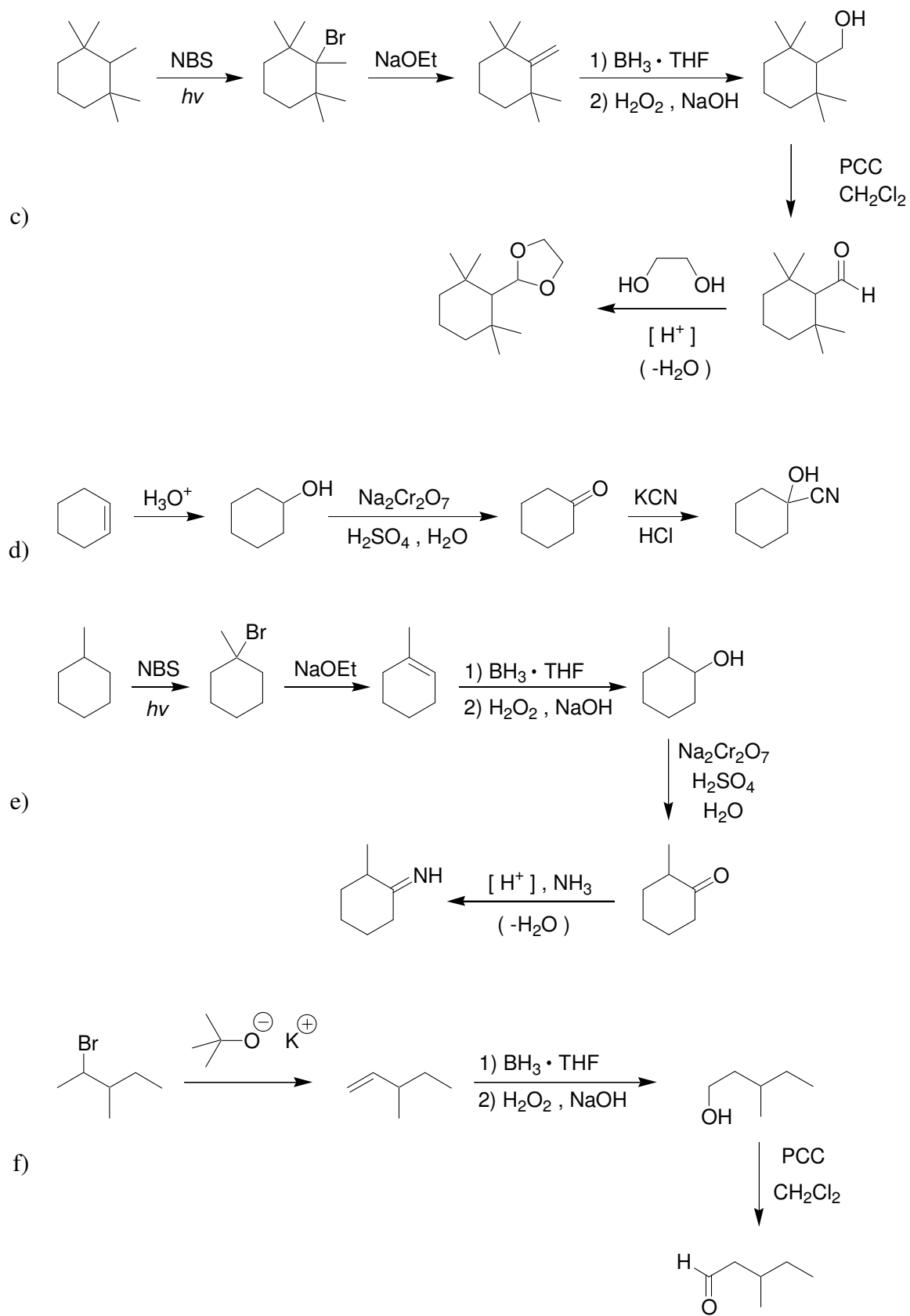


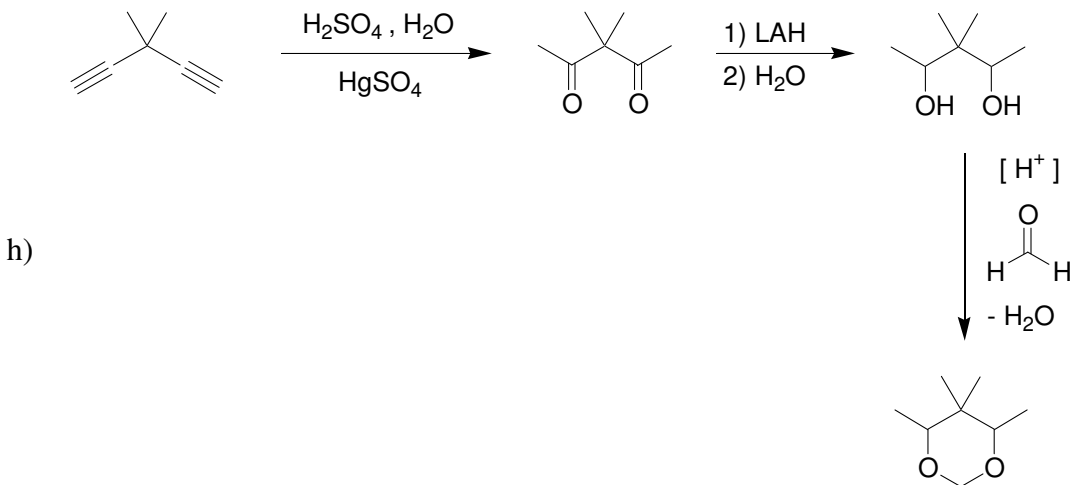
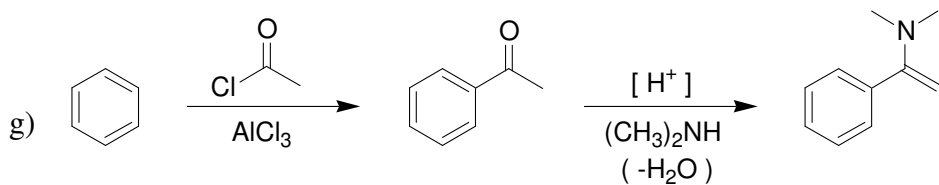
20.73. Cyclopropanone exhibits significant ring strain, with bond angles of approximately 60° . Some of this ring strain is relieved upon conversion to the hydrate, because an sp^2 -hybridized carbon atom (that must be 120° to be strain free) is replaced by an sp^3 -hybridized carbon atom (that must be only 109.5° to be strain free). In contrast, cyclohexanone is a larger ring and exhibits only minimal ring strain. Conversion of cyclohexanone to its corresponding hydrate does not alleviate a significant amount of ring strain.

20.74. 1,2-dioxane has two adjacent oxygen atoms and is therefore a peroxide. Like other peroxides, it is extremely unstable and potentially explosive. 1,3-dioxane has two oxygen atoms separated by one carbon atom. This compound is therefore an acetal. Like other acetals, it is only stable under basic conditions, but undergoes hydrolysis under mildly acidic conditions. 1,4-dioxane is stable under basic conditions as well as mildly acidic conditions, and is therefore used as a common solvent.

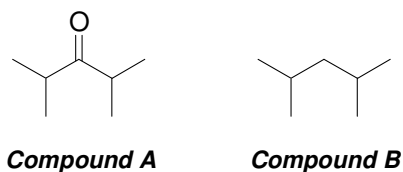
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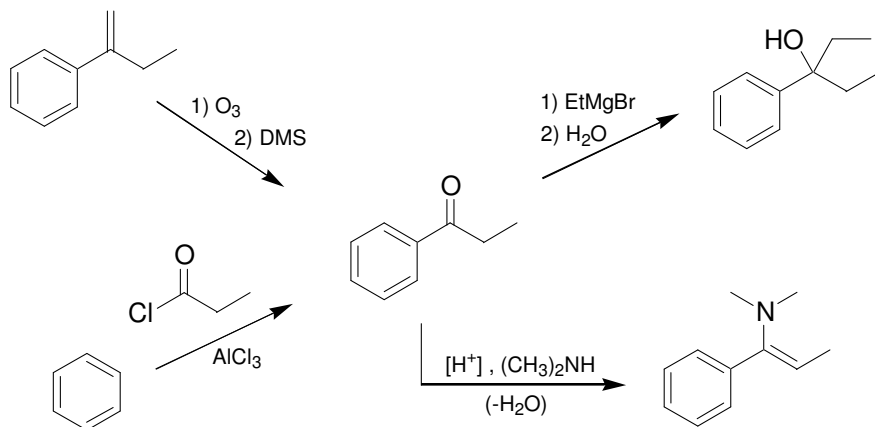


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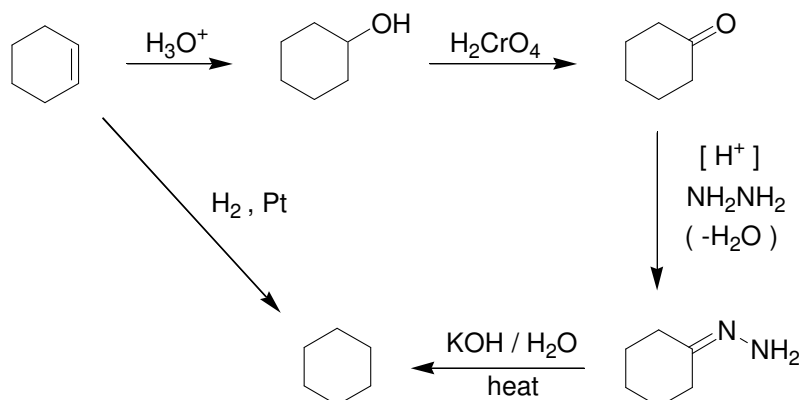


- a) Three
 b) Three
 c) Compound A is a ketone, while Compound B is an alkane. Therefore, Compound A will exhibit a signal at approximately 1715 cm^{-1} , while Compound B will not exhibit a signal in the same region.

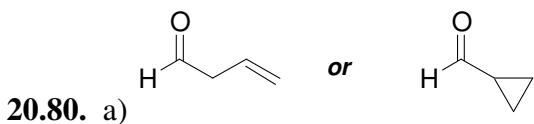
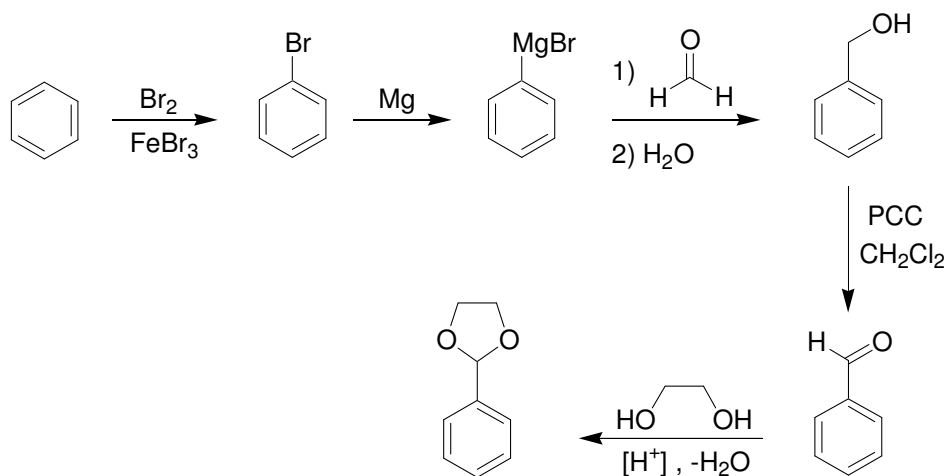
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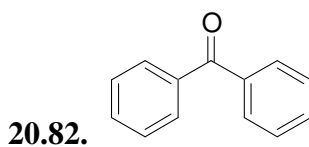
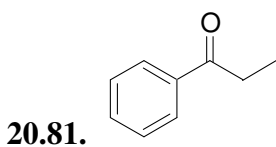
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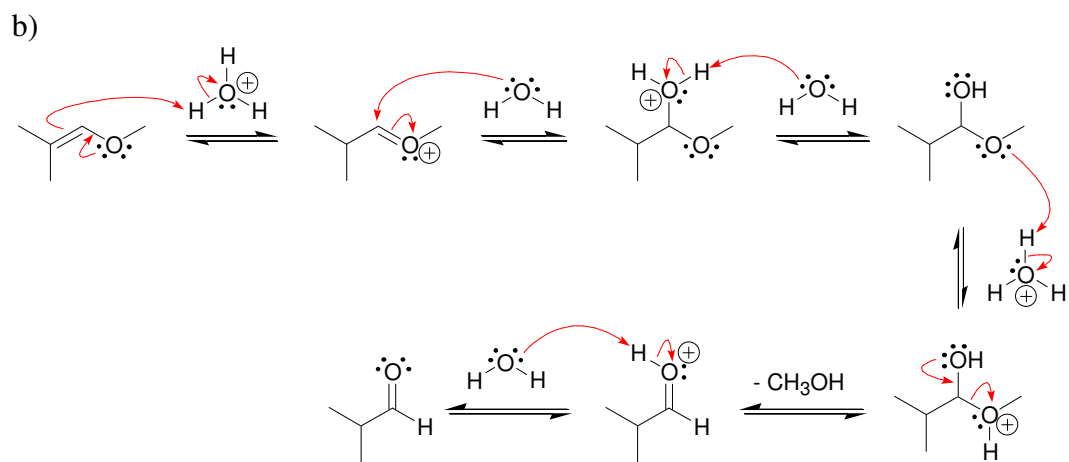
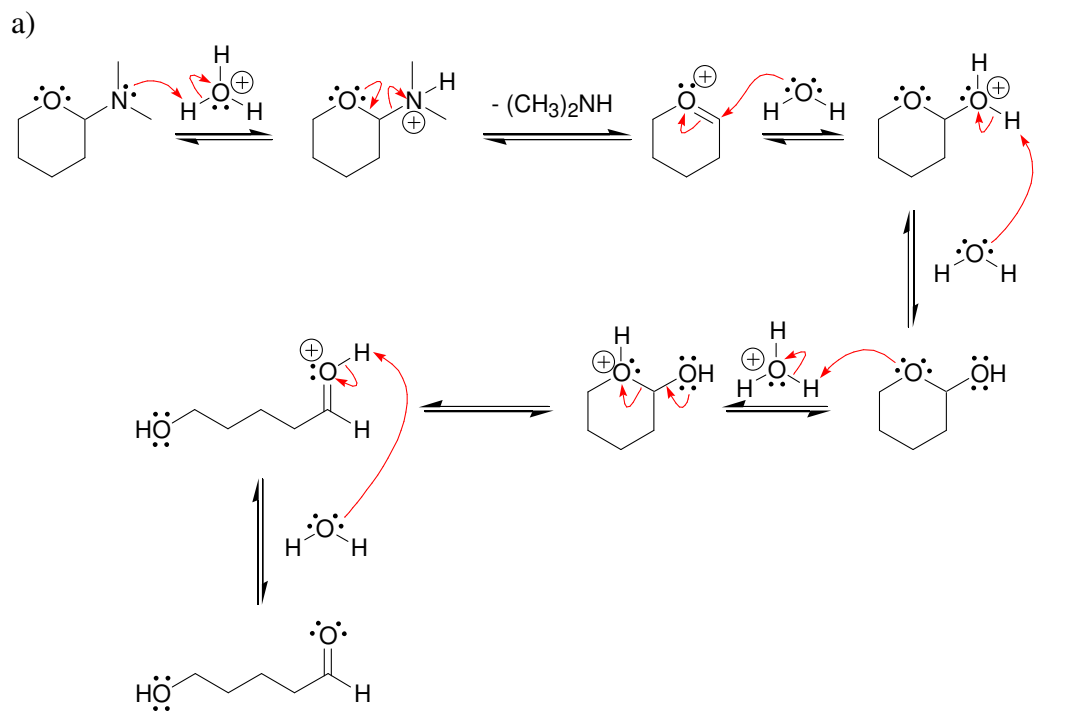


b) The first compound above would exhibit four signals in its ^{13}C NMR spectrum, while the second compound would exhibit only three signals in its ^{13}C NMR spectrum.

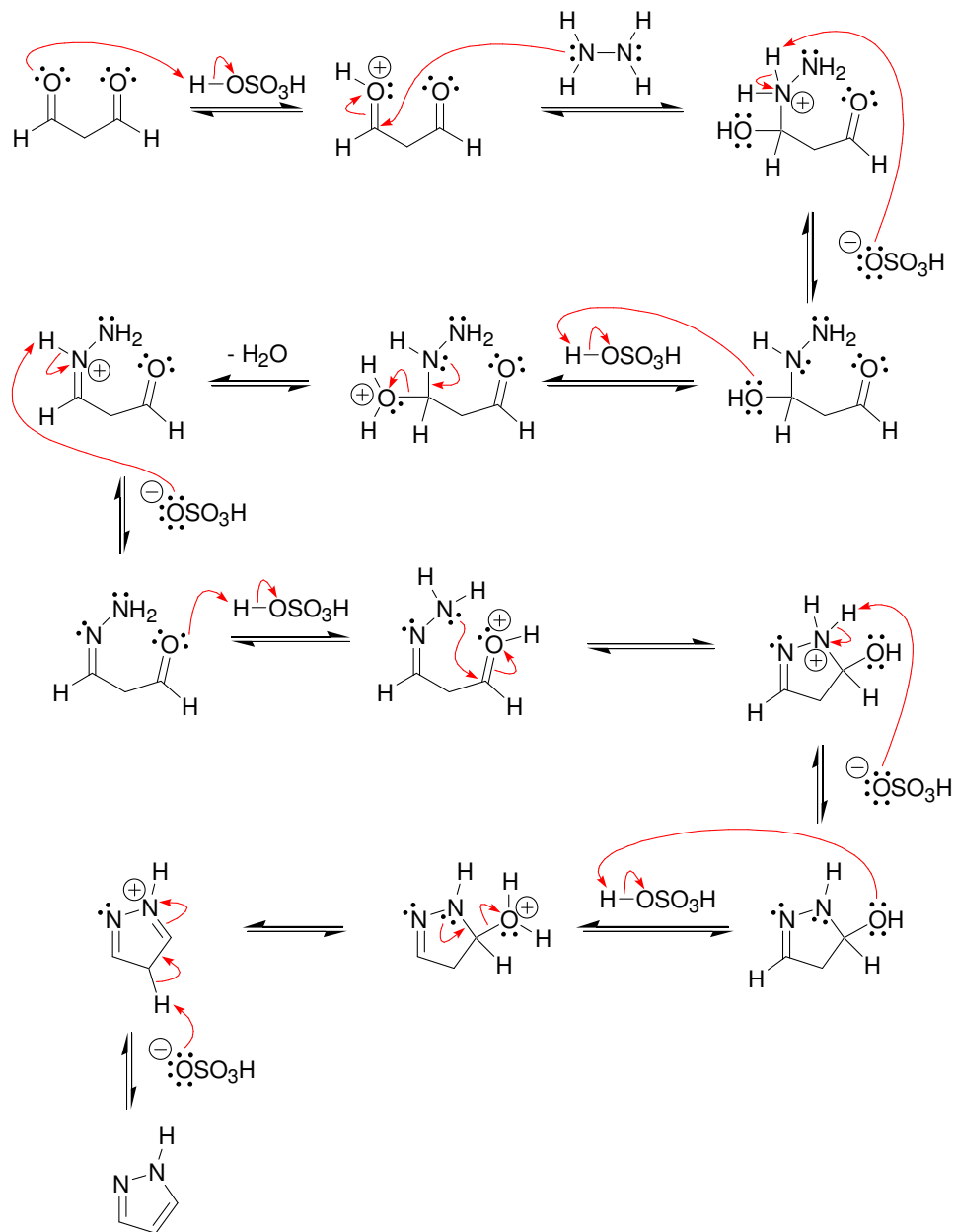


20.83. 2,2,4,4-Tetramethyl-3-pentanone

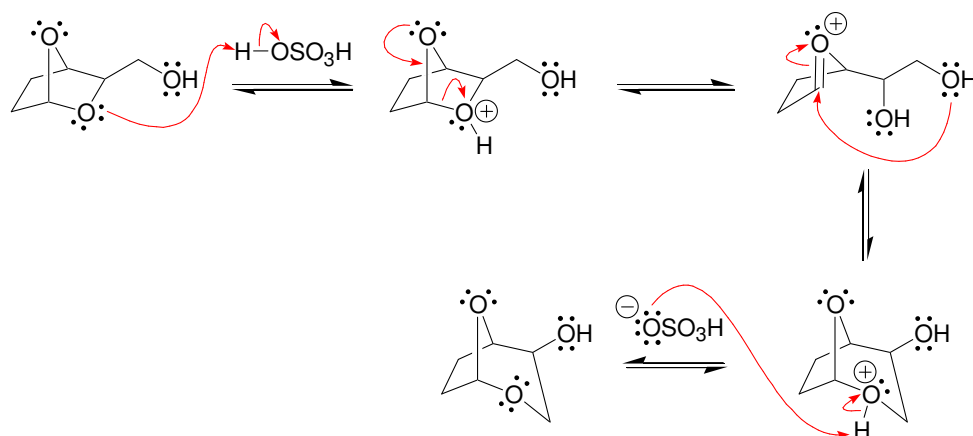
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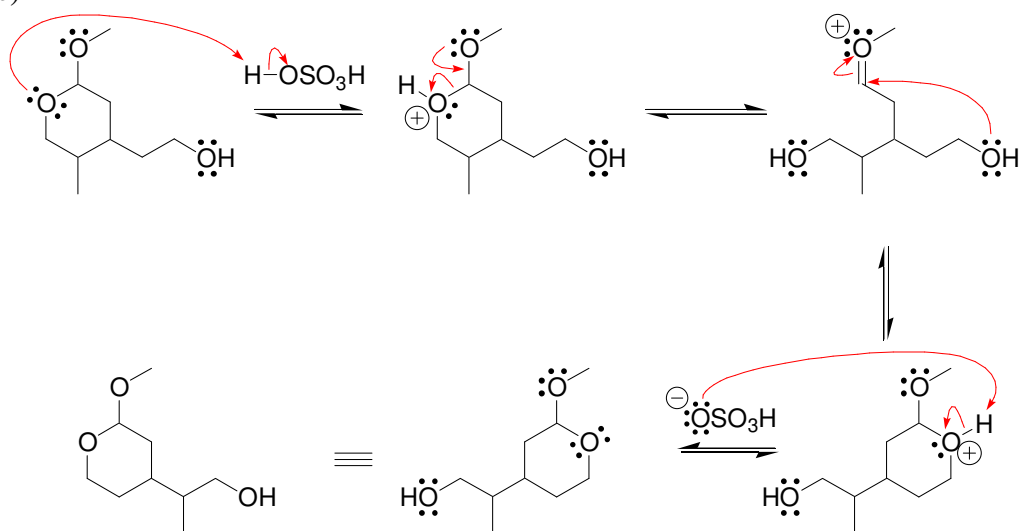
c) Note: *The first two steps of the mechanism below can be reversed (first the amine attacks the carbonyl group, and then the tetrahedral intermediate is protonated). The same is true for attack of the second carbonyl group (half-way through the mechanism). It would be wise to check your lecture notes to determine if your instructor has a strong preference for this alternate sequence of steps.*



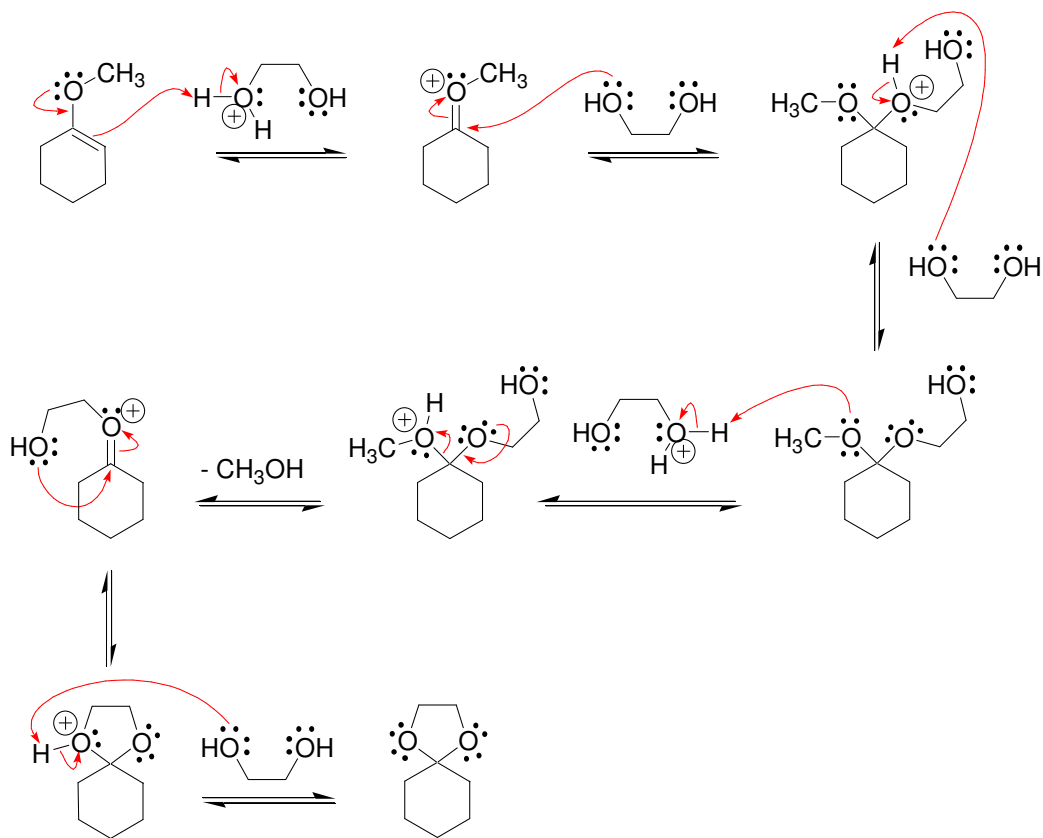
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