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Chem 315  
Midterm Exam  
Fall, 2015  
Beauchamp

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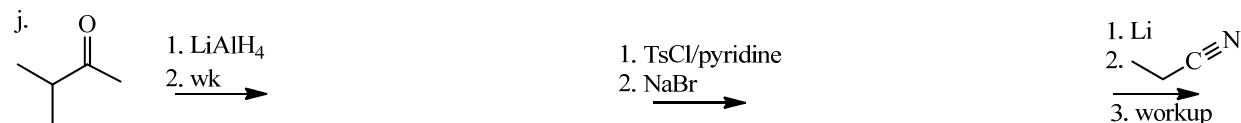
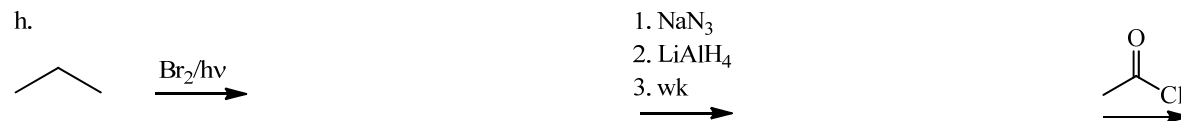
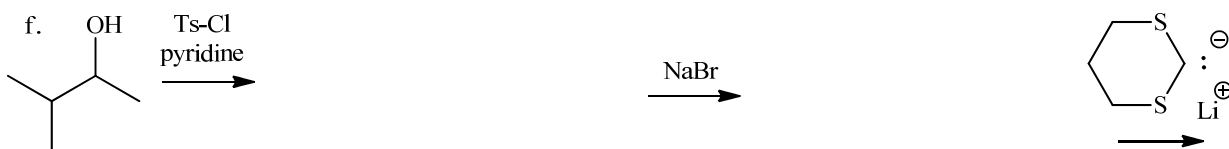
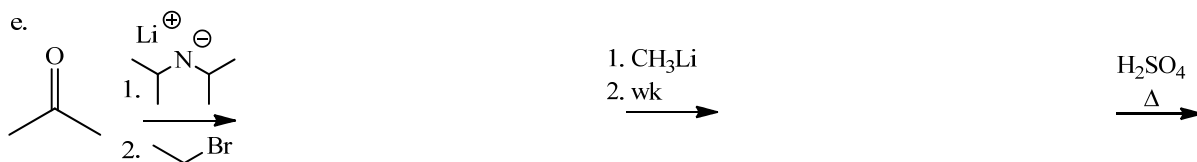
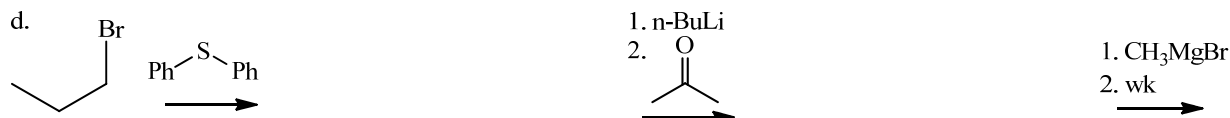
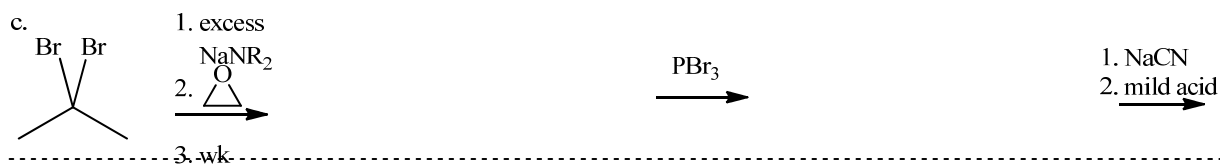
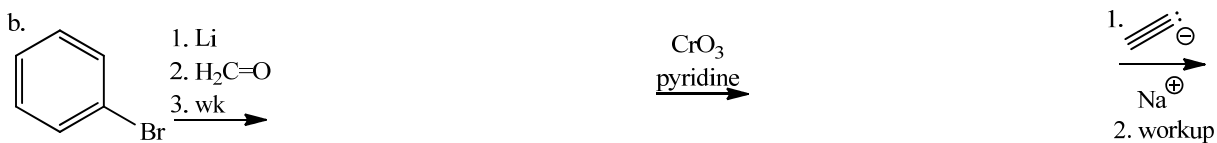
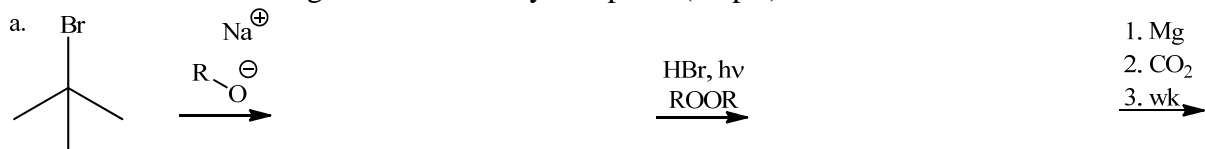
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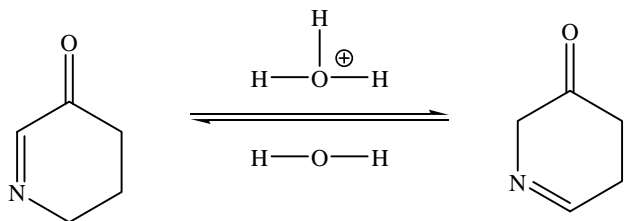
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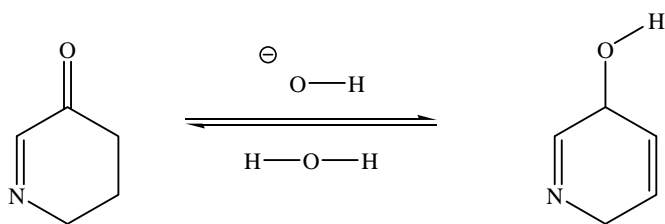
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4. Provide a complete arrow-pushing mechanism for the following transformations (curved arrows, lone pairs, formal charge and at least 2 resonance structures, including the “best” one). Restrict your tautomeric changes to keto or enol portions of the molecules, not isolated carbon-carbon double bonds. (30 pts)

a.



b.

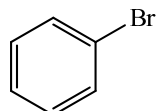
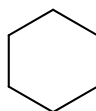
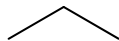


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5. Propose a reasonable synthetic method to accomplish the following transformations using the given structures and any additional materials available from our course. Show a reaction arrow with appropriate reagents and the product for each step of your synthesis. Do not show mechanisms. (15 pts each)

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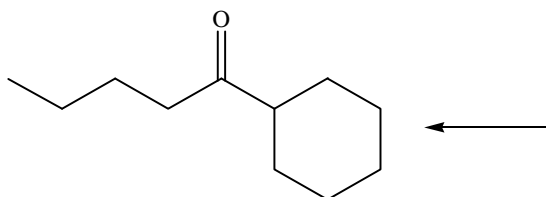
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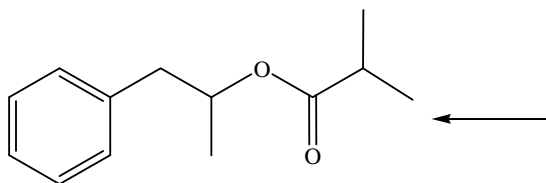
CO<sub>2</sub>

NacN

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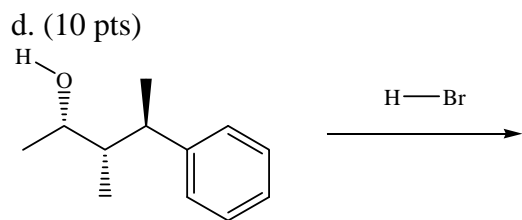
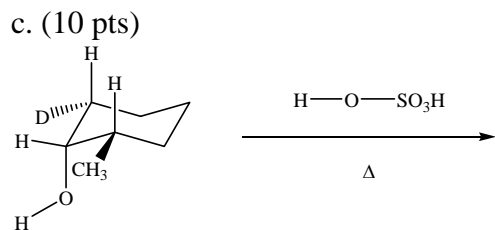
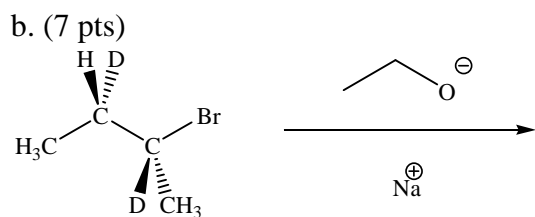
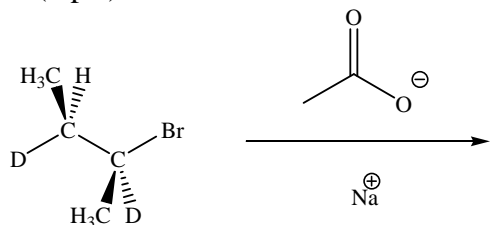


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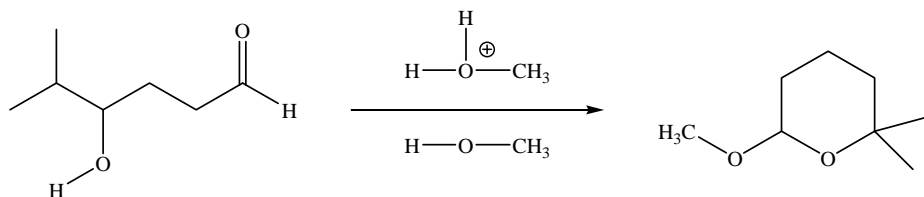
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6. Indicate the major reaction mechanism in each reaction below and write an arrow-pushing mechanism, using 3D structures. Assume that if a more stable intermediate can form, it will generate the major product(s). If multiple products form the most stable intermediate, just show the mechanistic sequence for the major product and draw the other expected products. Specify R/S and/or E/Z in parts a and b. (30 pts)



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6. a. Write a complete mechanism for each of the following reactions. Be careful where you begin. It might help if you number the carbons to see where changes have occurred. (15 pts each)



- b. State what side each equilibrium lays and state a very brief explanation for your answer. Add in any necessary arrow pushing details to complete the reaction and show how the reaction occurs. (10 pts)



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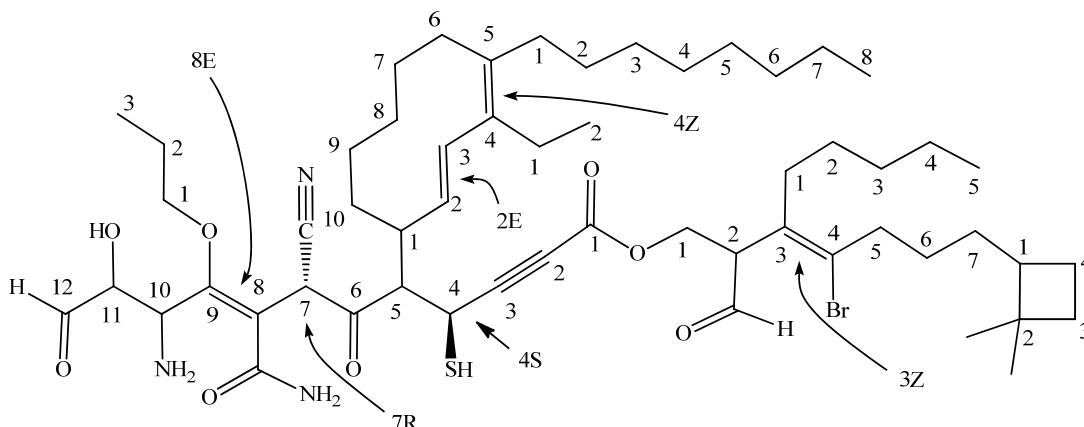
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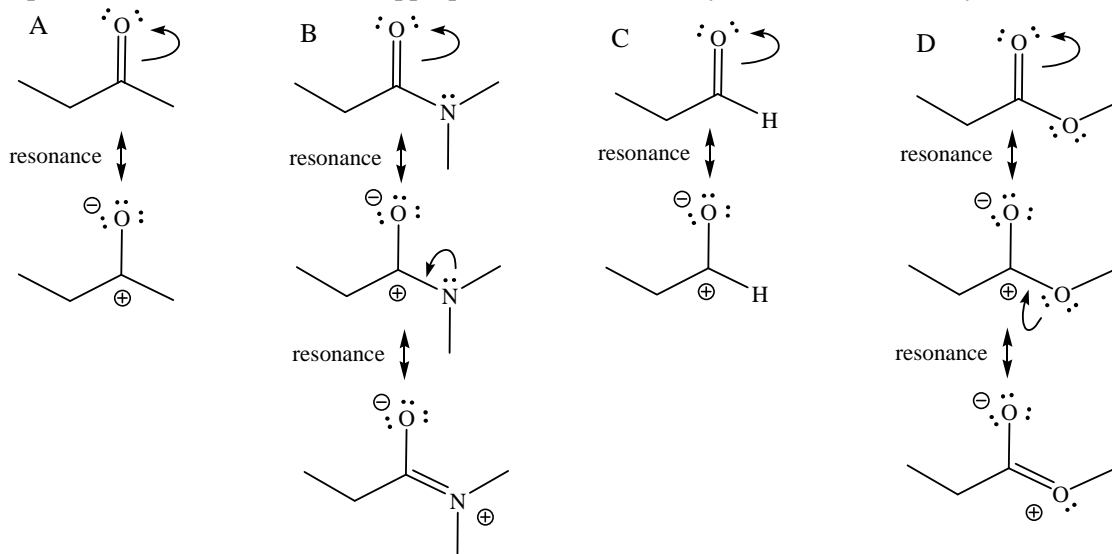
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1. Provide an acceptable name for the following structure. (30 pts)



2-formyl-3-pentyl-4-bromo-7-(2,2-dimethylcyclobutyl)hept-3Z-enyl 4S-mercapto-5-(4-ethyl-5-octylcyclodeca-2E,4Z-dienyl)-6,12-dioxo-7R-cyano-8-amido-9-propoxy-10-amino-11-hydroxydodec-8E-en-2-ynoate

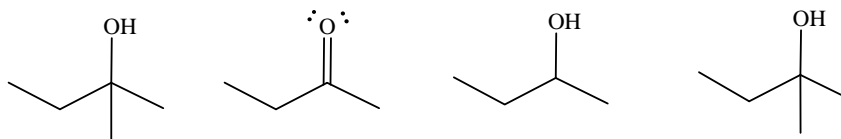
5. What is the relative order of reactivity of the following functional groups? Explain your answers. Predict the expected product when reacted with an appropriate amount of methyl lithium, followed by normal workup. (20 pts)



The relative reactivity is decided on the basis of  $\delta^+$  charge on the carbonyl carbon. The aldehyde carbon has the largest  $\delta^+$  charge. It only has one "R" group, while the ketone has two "R" groups. The R groups are inductively donating and help spread out the  $\delta^+$  away from the carbonyl carbon (can also argue hyperconjugation). Also, the ketone has two R groups making the tetrahedral intermediate more crowded, and slower reacting. Both the ester and the amide have a third resonance structure (better than the second resonance structure). This moves the  $\delta^+$  off the carbon and on to the heteroatom ( $N > O$ ), which reduces the reactivity of the ester and amide. Since nitrogen is less electronegative than oxygen, it is better at donating its electron density and reduces the  $\delta^+$  most of all and is least reactive.

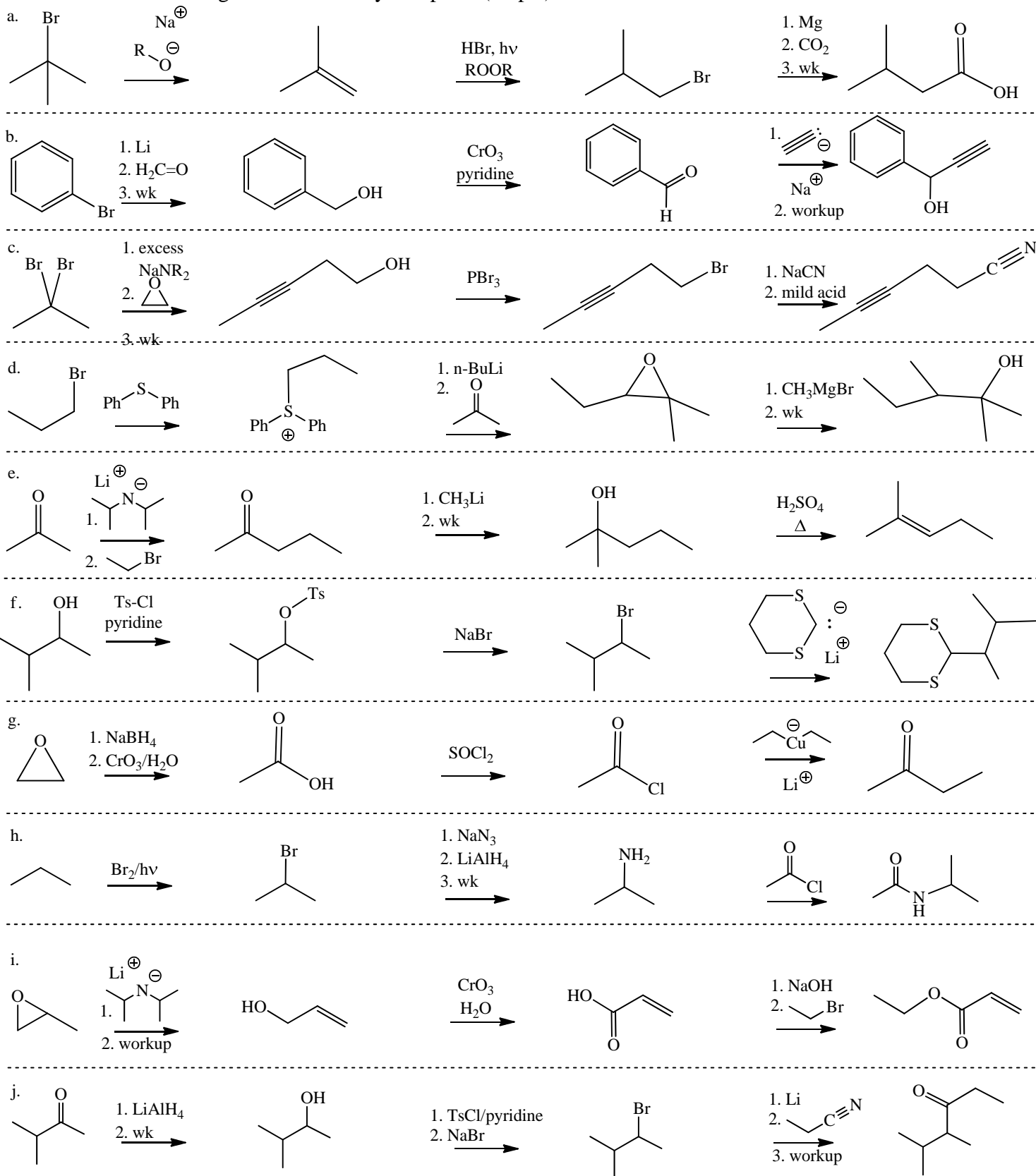
**Order of reactivity = C > A > D > B.**

Products after reaction with  $\text{CH}_3\text{Li}$ , workup.



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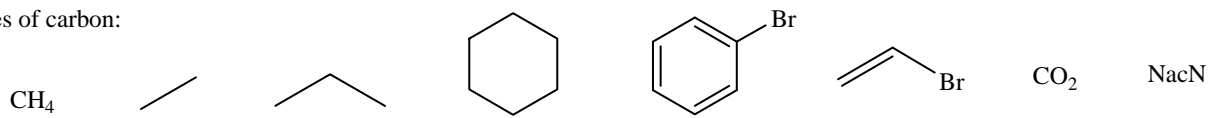




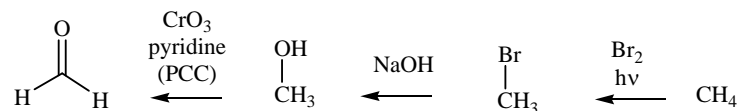
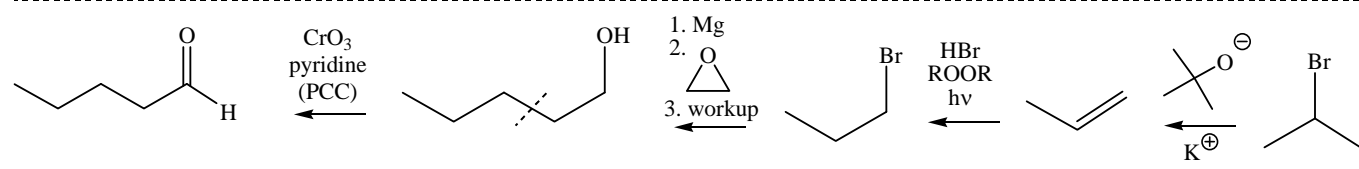
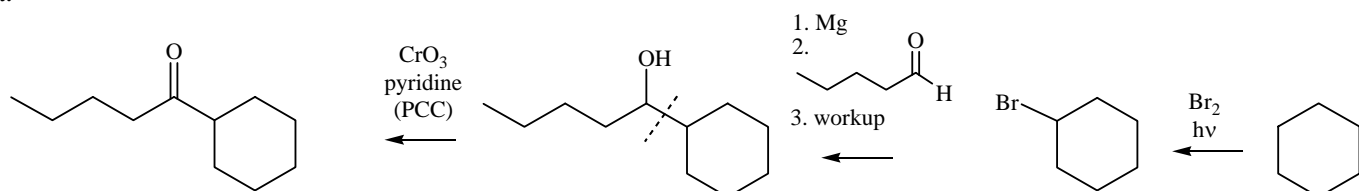
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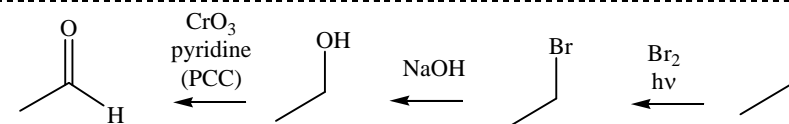
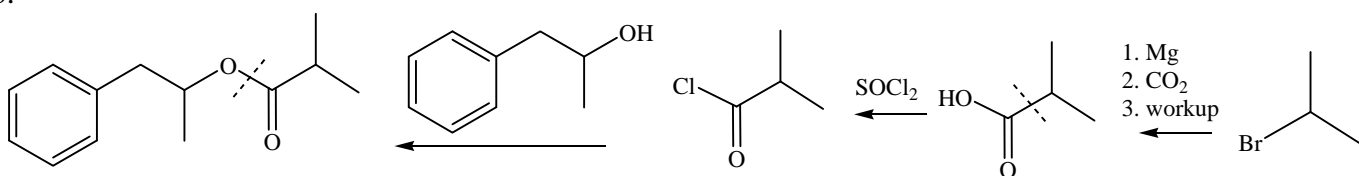
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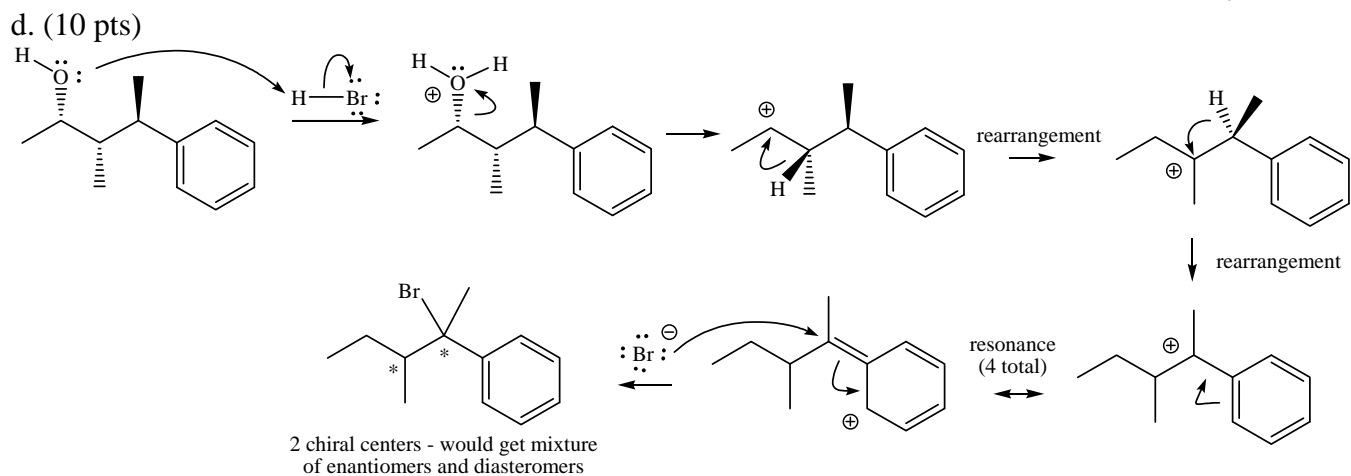
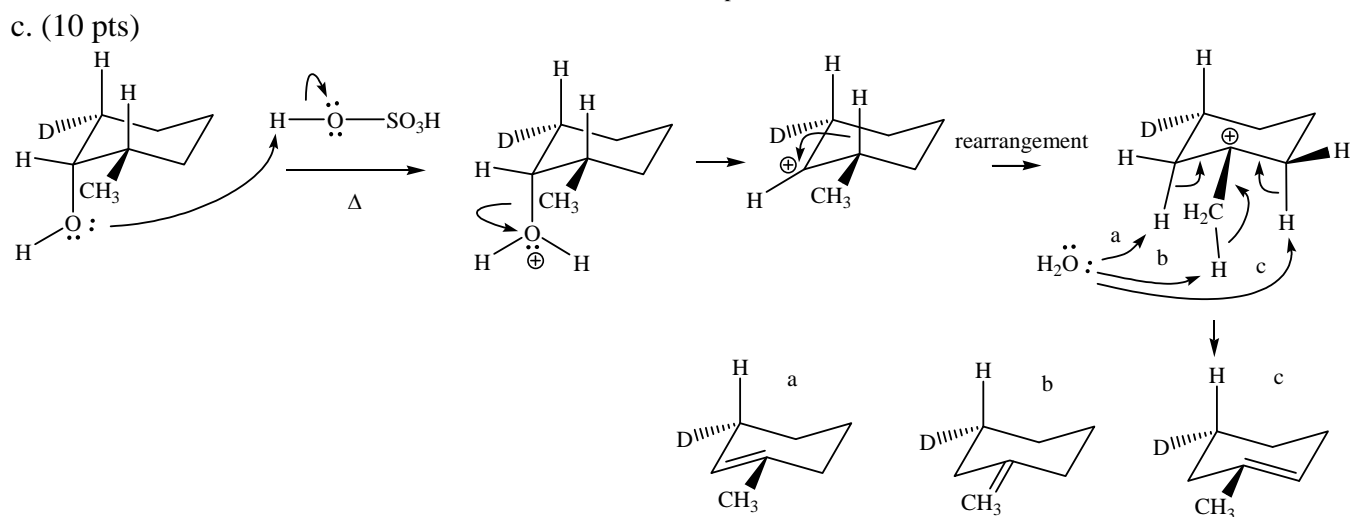
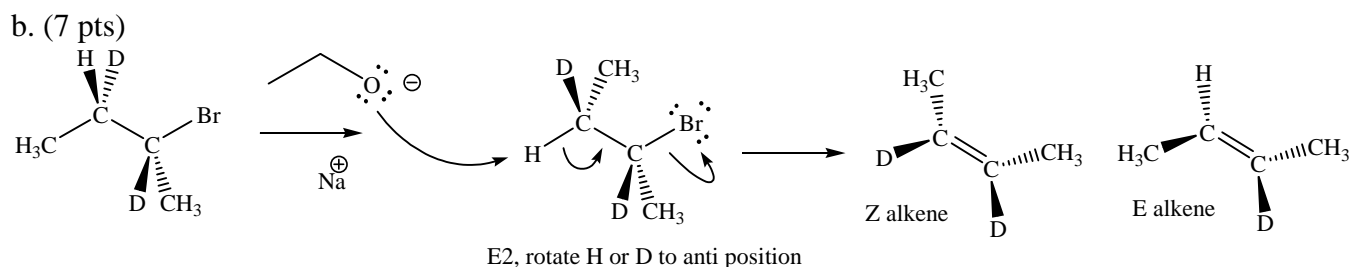
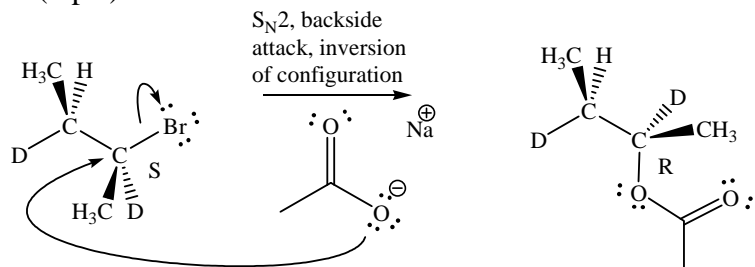


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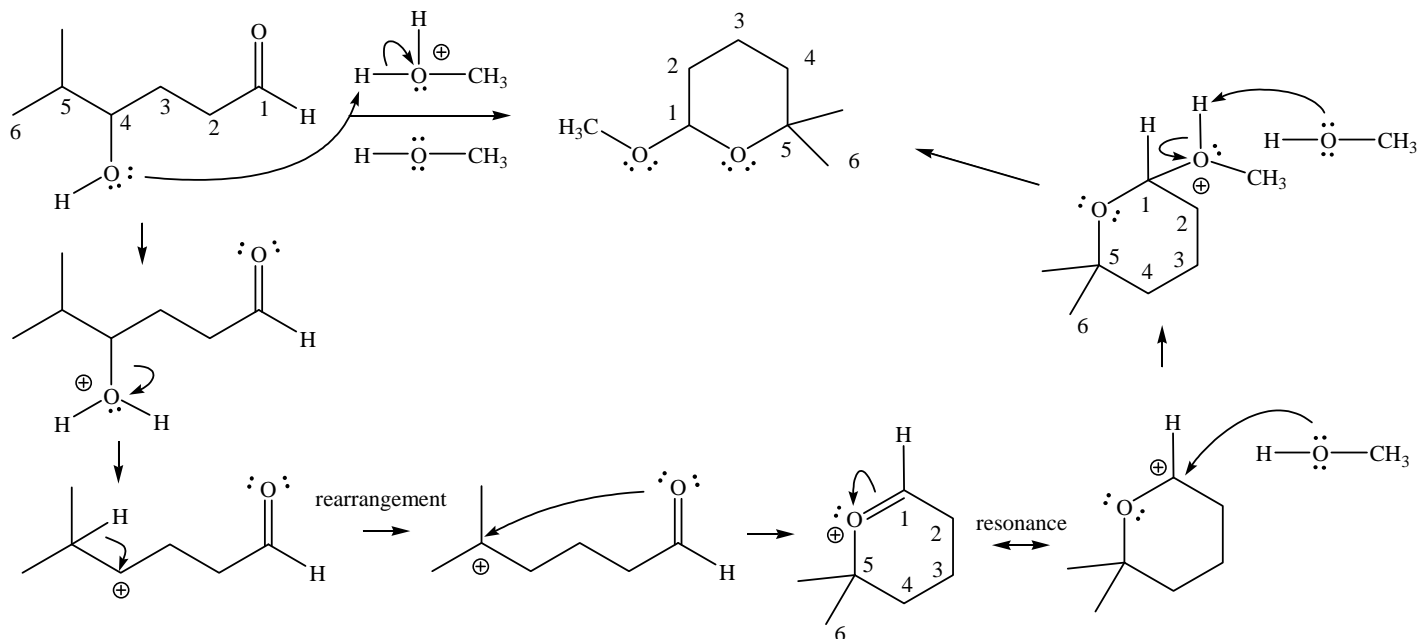
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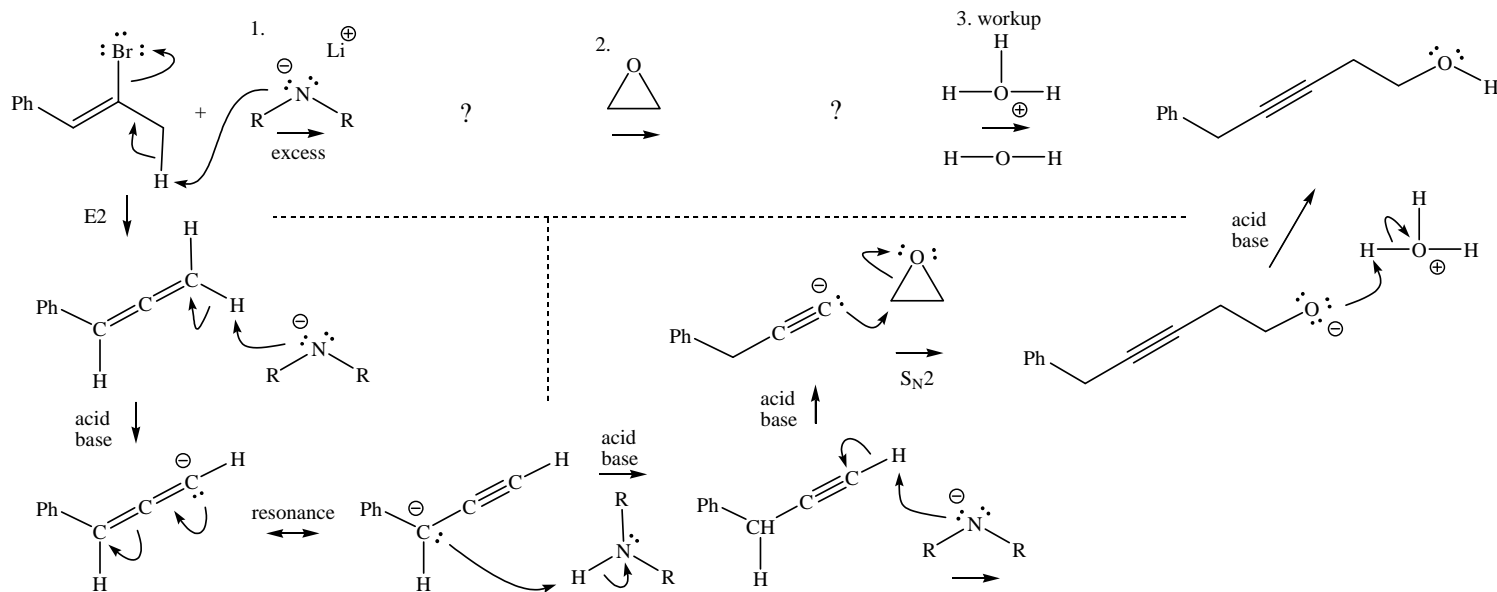


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