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Protocols

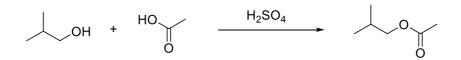
**Student Manual** 

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## Week 1: Esterification / Distillation

#### 1a) Isobutyl acetate (cherry, raspberry, strawberry flavor)



**Preparation:** 2-Methylpropan-1-ol (250 mmol) and acetic acid (2.4 equiv) are combined in a 250 ml flask equipped with a stirring bar. Sulfuric acid (5 ml) is carefully added drop wise while stirring is continued. A reflux condenser is placed on the flask, the cooling water is turned on, and the reaction mixture is heated to reflux (temperature?).

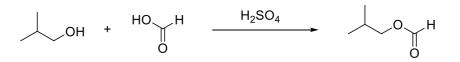
After 2-3 hours the reaction is complete and the mixture is cooled to RT. The mixture is poured in a separator funnel and the flask is rinsed with a bit of water. Then, add as much water until the water phase has twice the volume of the organic phase. The two phases are separated, the organic phase is kept in an Erlenmeyer flask, and the water phase is extracted with dichloromethane of equal volume. The combined organic layers are washed with saturated sodium hydrogen carbonate (**careful:**  $CO_2$  evolution) and dried over magnesium sulfate, followed by filtration and concentration on the rotary evaporator.

Purification: The residue is distilled at atmospheric pressure.

Analysis: Odor, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
2-Methylpropan-1-ol		1.00	250 mmol			
Acetic acid		2.40				
Sulfuric acid					5.0 ml	
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	BP	
					115-117 °C	

#### 1b) Isobutyl formate (raspberry flavor)



**Preparation:** 2-Methylpropan-1-ol (300 mmol) and formic acid (2.00 equiv) are combined in a 250 ml flask equipped with a stirring bar. Sulfuric acid (5 ml) is carefully added drop wise while stirring is continued. A reflux condenser is placed on the flask, the cooling water is turned on, and the reaction mixture is heated to reflux (temperature?).

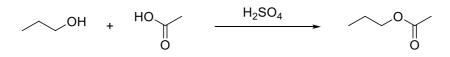
After 2-3 hours the reaction is complete and the mixture is cooled to RT. The mixture is poured in a separatory funnel and the flask is rinsed with a bit of water. Then, add as much water until the water phase has twice the volume of the organic phase. The two phases are separated, the organic phase is kept in an Erlenmeyer flask, and the water phase is extracted with dichloromethane of equal volume. The combined organic layers are washed with saturated sodium hydrogen carbonate (**careful:**  $CO_2$  evolution) and dried over magnesium sulfate, followed by filtration and concentration on the rotary evaporator.

**Purification:** The residue is distilled at atmospheric pressure.

Analysis: Odor, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
2-Methylpropan-1-ol		1.00	300 mmol			
Formic acid		2.00				
Sulfuric acid					5.0 ml	
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	BP	
					98 °C	

#### 1c) Propyl acetate (pear flavor)



**Preparation:** Propanol (200 mmol) and acetic acid (2.50 equiv) are combined in a 250 ml flask equipped with a stirring bar. Sulfuric acid (5 ml) is carefully added drop wise while stirring is continued. A reflux condenser is placed on the flask, the cooling water is turned on, and the reaction mixture is heated to reflux (temperature?).

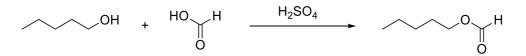
After 2-3 hours the reaction is complete and the mixture is cooled to RT. The mixture is poured in a separatory funnel and the flask is rinsed with a bit of water. Then, add as much water until the water phase has twice the volume of the organic phase. The two phases are separated, the organic phase is kept in an Erlenmeyer flask, and the water phase is extracted with dichloromethane of equal volume. The combined organic layers are washed with saturated sodium hydrogen carbonate (**careful:**  $CO_2$  evolution) and dried over magnesium sulfate, followed by filtration and concentration on the rotary evaporator.

**Purification:** The residue is distilled at atmospheric pressure.

Analysis: Odor, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
Propanol		1.00	200 mmol			
Acetic acid		2.50				
Sulfuric acid					5.0 ml	
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	BP	
					102 °C	

#### 1d) Pentyl formate (banana flavor)



**Preparation:** Pentanol (200 mmol) and formic acid (2.50 equiv) are combined in a 250 ml flask equipped with a stirring bar. Sulfuric acid (5 ml) is carefully added drop wise while stirring is continued. A reflux condenser is placed on the flask, the cooling water is turned on, and the reaction mixture is heated to reflux (temperature?).

After 2-3 hours the reaction is complete and the mixture is cooled to RT. The mixture is poured in a separatory funnel and the flask is rinsed with a bit of water. Then, add as much water until the water phase has twice the volume of the organic phase. The two phases are separated, the organic phase is kept in an Erlenmeyer flask, and the water phase is extracted with dichloromethane of equal volume. The combined organic layers are washed with saturated sodium hydrogen carbonate (**careful:**  $CO_2$  evolution) and dried over magnesium sulfate, followed by filtration and concentration on the rotary evaporator.

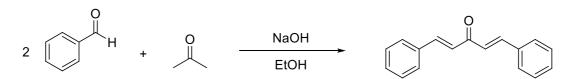
**Purification:** The residue is distilled at atmospheric pressure.

Analysis: Odor, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
Pentanol		1.00	200 mmol			
Formic acid		2.50				
Sulfuric acid					5.0 ml	
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	BP	
					132 °C	

## Week 2: Aldol Condensation / Recrystallization

#### 2α) (E,E)-Dibenzylideneacetone



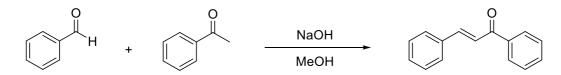
**Preparation:** To a 500 ml one-necked flask equipped with a stirring bar is added a NaOH solution (5 equiv) in 50 ml  $H_2O$ . Then, ethanol (33 ml) is added with stirring, and the mixture is cooled to 0 °C. Benzaldehyde (47 mmol, 2.05 equiv) and acetone (1 equiv) are added to the reaction mixture slowly during 15 min. After the addition the reaction mixture is stirred for 1 h at RT. The mixture is filtered, and the solid is washed with water (3 × 50 ml).

**Purification:** The solid is recrystallized. Find the proper solvent or solvent mixture!

Analysis: TLC, melting point, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
Acetone		1.00				
Benzaldehyde		2.05	47 mmol			
Sodium hydroxide		5.00				
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

2b) (E)-Chalcone



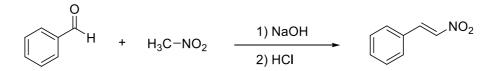
**Preparation:** A solution of acetophenone (50 mmol), benzaldehyde (50 mmol) and NaOH (1.00 equiv) in 50 ml anhydrous methanol is stirred at RT for 24 h. The reaction mixture turns yellow. After cooling to 0 °C using an ice bath, the product crystallizes (if necessary seed to initiate crystallization). Filter the solid and wash carefully with ice-cold ethanol. Concentration of the filtrate will provide a second portion of product.

Purification: The solid is recrystallized. Find the proper solvent or solvent mixture!

Analysis: TLC, melting point, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
Acetophenone		1.00	50 mmol			
Benzaldehyde		1.00	50 mmol			
Sodium hydroxide		1.00				
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

#### 2c) (E)-(2-Nitrovinyl)benzene



**Preparation:** To a solution of nitromethane (55 mmol) in MeOH (10 ml) is added benzaldehyde (50 mmol). The mixture is cooled to 0 °C, and an aqueous solution of NaOH (2 M; 1.10 equiv) is added over a period of 30 min. Stirring is continued for another 30 min at 0-5 °C. The mixture is diluted with  $H_2O$  (25 ml) and poured onto crushed ice containing 8 ml of concentrated HCl. The formed yellow precipitate is filtered and briefly dried *in vacuo*.

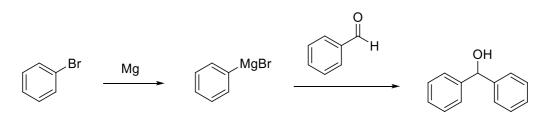
Purification: The solid is recrystallized. Find the proper solvent or solvent mixture!

Analysis: TLC, melting point, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
Nitromethane		1.10	55 mmol			
Benzaldehyde		1.00	50 mmol			
Sodium hydroxide		1.10				
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

## Week 3: Grignard Reaction / Column Chromatography

#### 3a) Diphenylmethanol



**Preparation:** Magnesium turnings (2.0 g) are suspended in  $Et_2O$  (15 ml) in a three-necked flask equipped with a stir bar, dropping funnel, and reflux condenser. About  ${}^{1}\!/_{20}$  of bromobenzene (50 mmol) is added. To ensure formation of the Grignard reagent (turbidity), the mixture can be heated gently with a warm water bath and/or a few crystals of  $I_2$  can be added. Once the formation of the reagent has started, the rest of the bromobenzene is dissolved in  $Et_2O$  (20 ml) and then slowly added to the reaction mixture (ether should be boiling gently; takes ca. 30 min). The mixture is heated to reflux for 30 min. Then it is cooled to 0 °C, and a solution of benzaldehyde (37 mmol) in  $Et_2O$  (5 ml) is added. Stirring is continued at RT for 1 h.

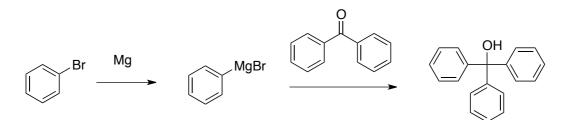
Then the mixture is poured into ice-cold saturated aqueous  $NH_4Cl$  (20 ml). The phases are separated, and the aqueous phase extracted with  $Et_2O$  (2 x 10 ml). The combined organic phases are washed with saturated aqueous  $NaHCO_3$  and saturated aqueous NaCl, then dried ( $Na_2SO_4$ ), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*.

**Purification:** The residue is purified by flash column chromatography. Find the proper solvent or solvent mixture!

Analysis: TLC, melting point, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
Benzaldehyde		1.00	37 mmol			
Bromobenzene			50 mmol			
Magnesium				2.00 g		
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

#### 3b) Triphenylmethanol



**Preparation:** Magnesium turnings (1.0 g) are suspended in Et<sub>2</sub>O (15 ml) in a three-necked flask equipped with a stir bar, dropping funnel, and reflux condenser. About  $^{1}/_{20}$  of bromobenzene (41 mmol) is added. To ensure formation of the Grignard reagent (turbidity), the mixture can be heated gently with a warm water bath and/or a few crystals of I<sub>2</sub> can be added. Once the formation of the reagent has started, the rest of the bromobenzene is dissolved in Et<sub>2</sub>O (20 ml) and then slowly added to the reaction mixture (ether should be boiling gently; takes ca. 30 min). The mixture is heated to reflux for 30 min. Then it is cooled to 0 °C, and a solution of benzophenone (32 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (30 ml) is added. After addition the solution is heated to reflux for 20 minutes.

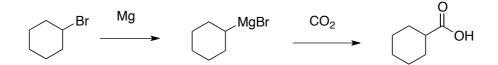
After cooling to RT, add 10 g of crushed ice followed by 10 mL half-concentrated HCl. The mixture is stirred until the phases separate and is then extracted with  $Et_2O$  (2 x 30 ml). The combined organic phases are washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and water, then dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*.

**Purification:** The residue is purified by flash column chromatography. In case of a high yield not all crude product needs to be purified. Find the proper solvent or solvent mixture!

Analysis: TLC, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
Benzophenone		1.00	32 mmol			
Bromobenzene			41 mmol			
Magnesium				1.00 g		
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass		

#### 3c) Cyclohexanecarboxylic acid



**Preparation:** Magnesium turnings (2.0 g) are suspended in  $Et_2O$  (15 ml) in a three-necked flask equipped with a stir bar, dropping funnel, and reflux condenser. About  $\frac{1}{20}$  of bromocyclohexane (50 mmol) is added. To ensure formation of the Grignard reagent (turbidity), the mixture can be heated gently with a warm water bath and/or a few crystals of  $I_2$  can be added. Once the formation of the reagent has started, the rest of the bromocyclohexane is dissolved in  $Et_2O$  (30 mL) and then slowly added to the reaction mixture (ether should be boiling gently). After the addition is complete the mixture is heated to reflux for 15 min. Then it is cooled to room temperature and diluted with 50 mL of dry  $Et_2O$ .

Wrap approximately 500 mmol of dry ice in a cloth and crush it with a hammer, being careful to keep the ice inside the towel to minimize moisture. The crushed dry ice should be put into a 500 mL beaker and the Grignard solution immediately carefully poured over it. Allow the reaction to stand until the carbon dioxide has completely evaporated and add 2 M HCl (35 mL). The phases are separated, and the aqueous phase extracted with  $Et_2O$  (2 x 20 ml). The combined organic phases are dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*.

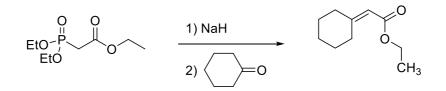
**Purification:** The residue is purified by flash column chromatography. Find the proper solvent or solvent mixture! Stain TLC with  $KMnO_4$  stain in order to see the product.

Analysis: TLC, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
Bromocyclohexane		1.00	50 mmol			
Carbon Dioxide						
Magnesium				2.00 g		
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

## Week 4: The Wittig (& HWE) Reaction

#### 4a) Ethyl 2-cyclohexylideneacetate



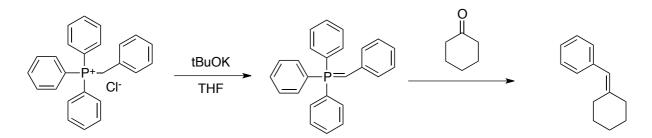
**Preparation:** NaH (60% in oil; 480 mg, 12 mmol) under nitrogen atmosphere is suspended in dry THF (8 ml), and the mixture is cooled to 0 °C. Triethyl phosphonoacetate (3.0 ml, 15 mmol) is added dropwise, and the mixture is stirred for 30 min at RT. Then it is cooled to 0 °C and a solution of cyclohexanone (1.0 g, 10 mmol) in THF (2 ml) is added dropwise. The resulting reaction mixture is stirred at RT for 20 h. Then, saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution is added, and the mixture is extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (2 x 20 ml). The combined organic layers are washed with brine, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*.

**Purification:** The residue is purified by flash column chromatography.

Analysis: TLC, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
Cyclohexanone		1.00	10 mmol	1.00 g		
Triethylphosphonoacetate			15 mmol		2.98 ml	
Sodium hydride			12 mmol	o.48 g	-	60%
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass		

#### 4b) (Cyclohexylidenemethyl)benzene



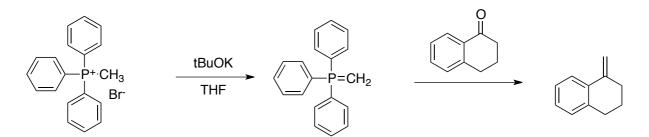
**Preparation:** Benzyltriphenylphosphonium chloride (15 mmol) is added to a round bottom flask under nitrogen atmosphere and suspended in dry THF (19 mL). At room temperature add a 12% solution of tBuOK (15 mmol) in THF dropwise. The mixture will turn bright red and is stirred for 30 minutes. Cyclohexanone (10 mmol) in THF (3 mL) is added dropwise and the mixture is stirred overnight. The reaction is quenched with 1M HCl and most THF removed *in vacuo*. To the residue is added water and extracted with MTBE (2x 30 mL). The combined organic layers are dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*.

Purification: The residue is purified by flash column chromatography

Analysis: TLC, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
Cyclohexanone		1.00	10 mmol			
Benzyltriphenylphosphonium			15 mmol			
chloride						
12% tBuOK in THF			15 mmol		14.0 mL	12%
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass		

#### 4c) 1-Methylene-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene



**Preparation:** Methyltriphenylphosphonium bromide (15 mmol) is added to a round bottom flask under nitrogen atmosphere and suspended in dry THF (19 mL). At room temperature add a 12% solution of tBuOK (15 mmol) in THF dropwise. The mixture will turn yellow and is stirred for 30 minutes. a-tetralone (10 mmol) in THF (3 mL) is added dropwise and the mixture is stirred overnight. The reaction is quenched with 1M HCl and most THF removed *in vacuo*. To the residue add water and extract with MTBE (2x 30 mL). The combined organic layers are dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*.

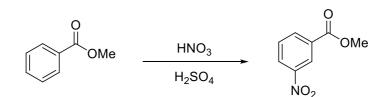
**Purification:** The residue is purified by flash column chromatography

Analysis: TLC, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
$\alpha$ -Tetralone		1.00	10 mmol			
Methyltriphenylphosphonium			15 mmol			
bromide						
12% tBuOK in THF			15 mmol		14 mL	12%
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

## Week 5: Electrophilic Aromatic Substitution

#### 5a) Methyl *m*-nitrobenzoate



**Preparation:** Into a round-bottomed flask fitted with a stir bar are placed concentrated sulfuric acid (20 ml) cooled to 0 °C and methyl benzoate (75 mmol). The mixture is cooled to 0-10 °C and then, while stirring, there is added gradually, by means of a dropping funnel, a mixture of concentrated nitric acid (1.30 equiv) and concentrated sulfuric acid (1.56 equiv). During the addition of the nitrating acid, which requires about one hour, the temperature of the reaction mixture should be kept within the range 5-15 °C.

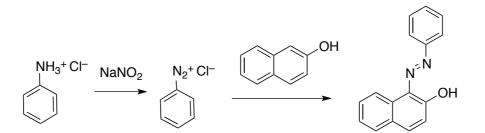
After the nitric acid has been added, stirring is continued for 15 min; the mixture is then poured upon crushed ice (ca. 60 g). The crude methyl *m*-nitrobenzoate separates as a solid and is filtered off by means of suction and washed with water. The product is placed in a flask and stirred in ice-cold methanol (10 ml) in order to remove a small amount of *o*-nitrobenzoic ester and other impurities that are present. The cooled mixture is then filtered by means of suction, washed with another portion of cold methyl alcohol (5 ml), and the solid dried.

Purification: The solid is recrystallized. Find the proper solvent or solvent mixture!

Analysis: TLC, melting point, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
Methyl benzoate		1.00	75 mmol			
Nitric acid		1.30				70%
Sulfuric acid		1.56				
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

#### 5b) (E)-1-(phenyldiazenyl)naphthalen-2-ol



**Preparation:** To a 100 mL Erlenmeyer flask equipped with a thermometer and a magnetic stir bar, add 13 g ice, 5 mL water and 2.5 mL conc. HCl. To this aniline hydrochloride (11 mmol) is added and then cooled to 0 °C. A solution of NaNO<sub>2</sub>(11 mmol) in water (3 mL) is added dropwise, while stirring vigorously. Important: The temperature should not exceed 5 °C.

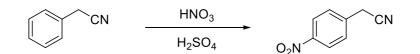
Charge a separate 250 mL Erlenmeyer flask with 2-Napthol (10 mmol) in 40 mL of 1 M NaOH While stirring and cooling, add the previously prepared diazonium salt solution portionwise. After the addition stir the reaction for 5 minutes and isolate the orange product by suction filtration.

**Purification:** The solid is recrystallized. Find the proper solvent or solvent mixture!

Analysis: TLC, melting point, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
Aniline Hydrochloride		1.10	11 mmol			
Sodium Nitrite		1.10	11 mmol			
2-Napthol		1.00	10 mmol			
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

5c) (4-Nitrophenyl)acetonitrile



**Preparation:** A mixture of concentrated sulfuric acid (14 ml) and concentrated nitric acid (14 ml) is cooled to 10 °C. Within one hour benzyl cyanide (43 mmol) is added dropwise in such a way that the internal temperature does not exceed 20 °C. After the addition is completed the mixture is stirred for 1 h at RT. Then the mixture is poured onto crushed ice (60 g), filtered, and dried *in vacuo*.

**Purification:** The solid is recrystallized. Find the proper solvent or solvent mixture!

Analysis: TLC, melting point, IR.

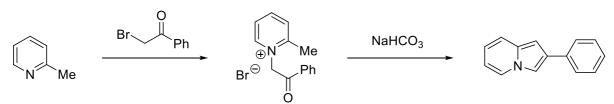
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Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
Benzyl cyanide		1.00	43 mmol			
Nitric acid					13.8 ml	70%
Sulfuric acid					13.8 ml	
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

Note: Benzyl cyanide = Phenylacetonitrile

## Week 6: Aromatic & Heteroaromatic Chemistry

#### 6a) 2-Phenylindolizine



#### Preparation:

a) Pyridinium salt: To a boiling solution of 2-methylpyridine (3.6 g) in toluene (7 ml) is added a solution of 2-bromoacetophenone (1.01 equiv) in toluene (16 ml). After a few minutes the crystallization of the pyridinium salt initiates and refluxing is continued for 3.5 h. After cooling to RT, the colorless solid is filtered, washed with toluene (2 x 15 ml), and dried *in vacuo*.

b) Indolizine: To a vigorously stirred, warm (80 °C) solution of the pyridinium salt (24 mmol) in  $H_2O$  (60 ml) is added in small portions sodium hydrogencarbonate (3.66 equiv). An intense yellow color is formed, and after about 1 min a yellowish solid starts crushing out. Stirring is continued for 30 min at 80 °C. After cooling to RT, the solid is filtered, washed with  $H_2O$  (3 x 30 ml), and dried *in vacuo*.

**Purification:** The solid is recrystallized. Find the proper solvent or solvent mixture!

Analysis: TLC, melting point, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
2-Methylpyridine		1.00		3.60 g		
Bromoacetophenone		1.01				
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

Fill in these tables before you begin the experiments:

#### Note: 2-Methylpyridine = 2-Picoline

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
Pyridinium salt		1.00	24 mmol			
Sodium bicarbonate		3.66				
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

#### 6b) 3,5-Diphenylisoxazole



#### **Preparation:**

a) Diketone: To a boiling suspension of sodium hydride (60% in mineral oil; 1.5 equiv) in anhydrous cyclohexane (33 ml) is dropwise added a solution of acetophenone (25 mmol) and ethyl benzoate (2.00 equiv) in cyclohexane (5 ml). Time of addition should be chosen in a way such that the suspension is boiling without external heating (ca. 30 min). After the addition is complete, heating to reflux is continued until gas formation has ceased (ca. 1 h). After cooling to RT a mixture of glacial acetic acid (2.5 ml) and  $H_2O$  (12.5 ml) is slowly added, and the mixture is poured into ice-cold water (12.5 ml) and the phases are separated. The aqueous phase is extracted with ether (2 x 25 ml), and the combined organic layers are washed with  $H_2O$  (25 ml), dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. To the remaining orange oil is added pentane to initiate crystallization. The crude solid is recrystallized from MeOH to afford colorless crystals.

*b) Isoxazole*: To a solution of the diketone (10 mmol) in EtOH (20 ml) is added a solution of hydroxylamine hydrochloride (2 equiv) in water (3 ml), and 2 drops of concentrated NaOH is added. The mixture is heated to reflux for 1 h. After cooling to RT, the formed crystals are collected by filtration.

**Purification:** The solid is recrystallized. Find the proper solvent or solvent mixture!

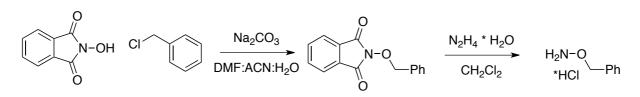
Analysis: TLC, melting point, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
Acetophenone		1.00	25 mmol			
Ethyl benzoate		2.00				
Sodium hydride		1.50				60%
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

Fill in these tables before you begin the experiments:

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
Diketone		1.00	10 mmol			
NH₂OH·HCI		2.00				
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

6c) O-benzylhydroxylamine



#### Preparation

*a) N*-(benzyloxy)phthalimide: N-Hydroxyphthalimide (50 mmol) and Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (1.00 equiv) were dissolved in a mixture of DMF (67 mL), acetonitrile (12 mL) and water (67 mL). To the red solution Benzyl chloride (1.06 equiv) was added and the mixture stirred at room temperature for 5 hours (or longer for the praktikum), during which time the solution lightens from a red colour to orange or yellow. A solid precipitates out, which should be filtered, washed with water (3 x 30 mL), -20°C cold methanol (2 x 22 mL) and dried *in vacuo* to yield the N-(benzyloxy)phthalimide as a white powder.

b) *O*-Benzylhydroxylamin: N-(benzyloxy)phthalimide (1.00 equiv) is dissolved in  $CH_2CL_2$  (0.3M) and heated to ca. 35°C. Hydrazin monohydrate (2.00 equiv) is added and the mixture stirred for 2.5 hours. The resulting suspension is cooled to room temperature and filtered. (Important: <u>The product</u> <u>is NOT the solid</u>) The <u>filtrate</u> is washed successively with 2M NaOH and brine. It is dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*.

**Purification:** The crude product (oil) is dissolved in EtOH (30 mL) and heated 70 °C. HCl conc. is added (1.00 equiv, ~4 mL) and the mixture cooled to room temperature. The product will crystallize and is collected by filtration. The product was washed with cold iso-propanol.

Analysis: TLC, melting point, IR.

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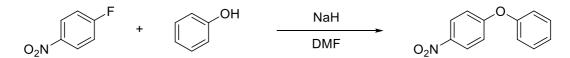
Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
N-Hydroxyphthalimide		1.00	50 mmol			
Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>		1.00				
Benzyl chloride		1.06				
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
N-(benzyloxy)phthalimide		1.00				-
Hydrazine monohydrate		2.00				-
HCl conc.		1.00				-
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

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## Week 7: Nucleophilic Aromatic Substitution

#### 7α) 1-Nitro-4-phenoxybenzene



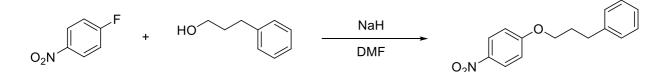
**Preparation:** In a three-necked round-bottomed flask, equipped with an addition funnel, a magnetic stir bar, and a condenser, NaH (60% in mineral oil; 1.6 equiv) suspended in DMF (20 ml). Stirring is started and a solution of phenol (1.5 equiv) in DMF (20 ml) is added dropwise at RT. The mixture is stirred for 1 h at RT before 4-fluoronitrobenzene (10 mmol) in DMF (4 ml) is added dropwise. The reaction mixture might become warm and turn dark brown in color. The reaction is stirred at RT for 1 h, then at 50 °C for 12 h. Then it is poured into saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and extracted with MTBE (3 ×). The combined ether layers are washed with 0.2 M NaOH (until aqueous washes remain colorless), 1 M HCl, and saturated aqueous NaCl, then dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*.

**Purification:** The residue is purified by flash column chromatography or recrystallization.

Analysis: TLC, melting point, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
4-Fluronitrobenzene		1.00	10 mmol			
Phenol		1.50				
Sodium hydride		1.60				60%
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

#### 7b) 1-Nitro-4-(3-phenylpropoxy)benzene



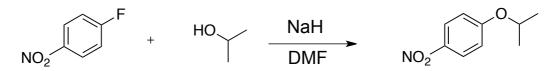
**Preparation:** In a three-necked round-bottomed flask, equipped with an addition funnel, a magnetic stir bar, and a condenser, NaH (60% in mineral oil; 1.6 equiv) suspended in DMF (20 ml). Stirring is started and a solution of 3-phenylpropanol (1.5 equiv) in DMF (20 ml) is added dropwise at RT. The mixture is stirred for 1 h at RT before 4-fluoronitrobenzene (10 mmol) in DMF (4 ml) is added dropwise. The reaction mixture might become warm and turn dark brown in color. The reaction is stirred at RT for 1 h, then at 50 °C for 12 h. Then it is poured into saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and extracted with MTBE (3 ×). The combined ether layers are washed with 1 M HCl, and saturated aqueous NaCl, then dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*.

**Purification:** The residue is purified by flash column chromatography or recrystallization.

Analysis: TLC, melting point, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
4-Fluronitrobenzene		1.00	10 mmol			
3-Phenylpropanol		1.50				
Sodium hydride		1.60				60%
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

#### 7c) 4-Nitro-1-(1-methylethoxy)benzene



**Preparation:** In a three-necked round-bottomed flask, equipped with an addition funnel, a magnetic stir bar, and a condenser, NaH (60% in mineral oil; 1.6 equiv) is suspended in DMF (20 ml). Stirring is started and a solution of 2-Propanol (1.5 equiv) in DMF (20 ml) is added dropwise at RT. The mixture is stirred for 1 h at RT before 4-fluoronitrobenzene (10 mmol) in DMF (4 ml) is added dropwise. The reaction mixture might become warm and turn dark brown in color. The reaction is stirred at RT for 1 h, then at 50 °C for 12 h. Then it is poured into saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and extracted with MTBE (3 ×). The combined ether layers are washed with 1 M HCl, and saturated aqueous NaCl, then dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*.

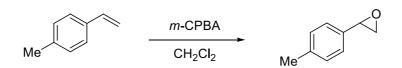
**Purification:** The residue is purified by flash column chromatography.

Analysis: TLC, melting point, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
4-Fluronitrobenzene		1.00	10 mmol			-
2-Propanol		1.50				-
Sodium hydride		1.60			-	60%
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

## Week 8: Electrophilic Additions to Alkenes

8a) 2-p-Tolyloxirane



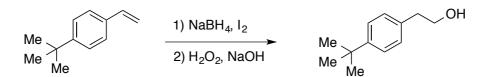
**Preparation:** 4-Methylstyrene (10 mmol) is dissolved in  $CH_2CI_2$  (50 ml) and mixed with an equal amount of water containing NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (5 g). To this solution is carefully added *m*-CPBA (1.1 equiv), and the reaction mixture is stirred at RT until completion (follow reaction by TLC, ~2.5h). Then it is treated with aqueous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> (6.5 g in 50 ml) for 20 min. The phases are then separated, and the aqueous phase is extracted with  $CH_2CI_2$  (2 × 50 ml). The combined organic phases are washed with aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (2 × 100 ml) and water, then dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*.

Purification: If necessary (TLC analysis), the residue is purified by flash column chromatography.

Analysis: TLC, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
4-Methylstyrene		1.00	10 mmol			
<i>m</i> -CPBA		1.10				77%
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass		

#### 8b) 2-(4-tert-Butylphenyl)ethanol



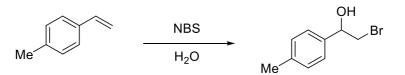
**Preparation:** To a three-necked round-bottomed flask, equipped with an addition funnel, a magnetic stir bar, and a thermometer, dry THF (20 mL) is added followed by NaBH<sub>4</sub> (0.46 equiv). The mixture is stirred until a suspension is formed and cooled to -5 to 0 °C (NaCl/ice mixture). A solution of lodine (0.19 equiv) in dry THF (10 mL) is added dropwise as such, so that the brown color of the iodine disappears right after each drop. Afterwards a solution of the alkene (3.21 g, 20.0 mmol, 1.00 equiv) in dry THF (10 mL) is added as such, so that the internal temperature does not exceed 30 °C. The mixture is allowed to stir for another 2 h at room temperature and cooled to 0 °C. Water (2.6 mL) is added carefully followed by THF (25 mL) and a 3M NaOH solution (40 mL). While stirring a 30% solution of  $H_2O_2$  (2.00 equiv) is added dropwise as such, so that the internal temperature does not exceed 30 °C. The mixture is stirred for another 2 o min and poured in a separatory funnel and the flask rinsed with MTBE (10 mL). The aqueous phase is saturated with NaCl (15-20 g), the phases are separated and the aqueous phase extracted with MTBE (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic phases are washed with brine (2 x 10 mL), dried (K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>), filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*.

**Purification:** The residue is purified by flash column chromatography (EtOAc/hexanes = 1/5).

Analysis: TLC, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
4- <i>tert</i> -Butylstyrene		1.00	20.0 mmol			
Sodium borohydride			9.2 mmol			
lodine (l <sub>2</sub> )			3.8 mmol			
Hydrogen peroxide						30%
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass		

#### 8c) 2-Bromo-1-p-tolylethanol



**Preparation:** To a solution of 4-methylstyrene (15 mmol) in THF (30 ml) is added water (6 ml) and NBS (1.5 equiv) at RT and the mixture is stirred until completion of the reaction (follow reaction by TLC, ~30 min). After completion of the reaction, THF is evaporated and the residue is extracted twice with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (15 ml). The combined organic layers are washed with a dilute aqueous solution of sodium hypochlorite (Javelwasser), and then with saturated aqueous NaCl, afterwards dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*.

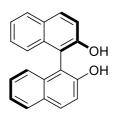
**Purification:** The residue is purified by flash column chromatography.

Analysis: TLC, IR.

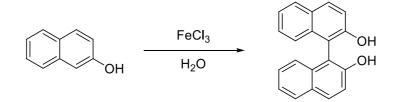
Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
4-Methylstyrene		1.00	15.0 mmol			
N-Bromosuccinimid		1.50				
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass		

## Weeks 9-11: Multi-Step Synthesis of Ligands

*9a)* (*R*)-1,1'-Binaphthyl-2,2'-diol (BINOL) [*Tet. Asymm.* 2003, 14, 2763.]



#### 1. Preparation of racemic BINOL



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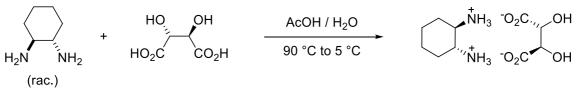
#### Day 1:

2-Naphthol (15.00 g, 104 mmol) and water (600 ml) are heated under reflux in a 1-l round-bottomed flask equipped with a reflux condenser. A solution of  $FeCl_3 \cdot 6 H_2O$  (30.00 g, 111 mmol) in water (60 ml) is added dropwise with vigorous stirring through the condenser and the mixture is heated under reflux for another 30 min after completion of the addition. Racemic 2,2'-dihydroxy-1,1'-binaphthyl precipitates during the procedure and the hot slurry is filtered through a preheated Buchner funnel. After washing with boiling water until the filtrate becomes colorless, the brownish residue is dried by sucking air through the funnel for 2 minutes. The solid is pread on a sheet of aluminum foil and dried overnight on the air.

#### Day 2:

Two recrystallization procedures are performed from refluxing toluene (180 ml) with cooling to RT in an ice-/ water bath and filtration through a filtration funnel. The mother liquors are combined, the solvent removed and the residue recrystallized twice in the same fashion from toluene (2×80 ml). Both sets of crystals are combined and dried under vacuum in the desiccator (16 h at 20 mbar). The product is obtained as colorless needles (11.81 g, 41.11 mmol, 79%; mp: 219°C, lit 218°C).

#### 2. Resolution of diaminocyclohexane



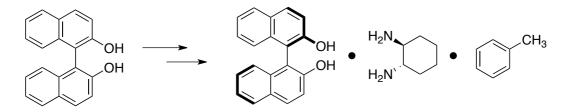
#### Day 3:

In a 500 ml two-necked round-bottomed flask equipped with reflux condenser, dropping funnel and a big magnetic stir bar, racemic cyclohexanediamine (11.4 g, 100 mmol) is dissolved in a solvent mixture of water (20 ml) and methanol (160 ml). Then glacial acetic acid (7.5 ml, 7.8 g, 130 mmol) is added dropwise with stirring. A solution of L-(+)-tartaric acid (7.51 g, 50.0 mmol) in methanol (30 ml) is added dropwise and the dropping funnel was rinsed with methanol (10 ml). The overall proportion of methanol to water is therefore 10:1. The solution is refluxed for 24 h.

#### Day 4:

After cooling to room temperature, the slurry is filtered. The precipitate is washed with methanol ( $3\times20$  ml) and oven-dried (12 h at 80 °C). Thereby (R,R)-cyclohexanediammonium tartrate is obtained as an enantiomerically pure, crystalline powder (12.80 g, 48.5 mmol, 49% yield, >99.8% *ee* [HPLC]). To this solid is added 250 ml 4 M NaOH. The mixture is extracted 2 x 200 ml CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. Drying over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentration will provide the free amine (R,R)-cyclohexanediamine.

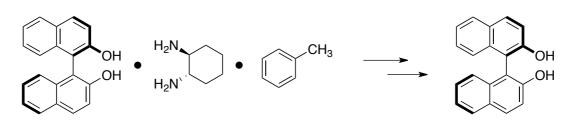
#### 3. Resolution of racemic BINOL



#### Day 5: Formation of (R)-BINOL-(R,R)-cyclohexanediamine ·toluene inclusion complex

Racemic BINOL (5.73 g, 20.03 mmol) is added to a solution of (R,R)-cyclohexanediamine (2.514 g, 22.05 mmol, 2.2 equiv.) in toluene (60 ml) and the solution is stirred for 30 min at room temperature, heated to 100 °C for 10 min and then slowly cooled to room temperature. A precipitate will form which is filtered and washed with cold toluene (2×10 ml). Recrystallization of the precipitate from hot toluene (20 ml) affords enantiomerically pure (R)-BINOL·(R,R)-cyclohexanediamine·toluene (4.47 g, 9.06 mmol, 45%, 99.8% ee) as colorless needles which are dried in the desiccator under vacuum (16 h at 20 mbar).

#### 4. Liberation of (R)-BINOL



#### Day 6:

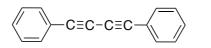
The inclusion complex (*R*)-BINOL·(*R*,*R*)-cyclohexanediamine·toluene (4.47 g, 9.06 mmol) is dissolved in a mixture of water (9 ml) and methanol (80 ml) and L-(+)-tartaric acid (1.136 g, 9.97 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) is added in one portion. The reaction is heated under reflux for 16 h.

#### Day 7:

After cooling the precipitated (*R*,*R*)-cyclohexanediammonium (+)-tartrate is removed by filtration, and discarded. Water (30 ml) is added to the filtrate and the methanol is removed under reduced pressure affording the precipitation of the (*R*)-BINOL. The precipitate is filtered, washed with water (5×20 ml) and transferred into a separatory funnel charged with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (50 ml) and saturated aqueous  $Na_2CO_3$  solution (20 ml). After vigorous shaking, the organic layer is separated, dried over  $MgSO_4$  and after solvent removal under reduced pressure (*R*)-BINOL (2.43 g, 8.50 mmol, 94%, >99.8% *ee*) is obtained in enantiomerically pure form.

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#### 9b) Diphenylbutadien



#### 1. 1,2-dibromo-1-phenylethane



<u>Day 1</u>

**Preparation:** To a 250 mL round bottom flask, equipped with a dropping funnel and magnetic stir bar, is added 100 mmol styrene in 100 mL cyclohexane. The mixture is stirred for 10 min while cooling with a cold water bath (8 – 10 °C). Afterwards a solution of 100 mmol bromine in 50 mL cyclohexane is added dropwise (check dropping funnel for leaking before adding bromine). (The speed of addition should be as such, so that the red color of the bromine disappears right after each drop). After complete addition the mixture is stirred for 15 min at room temperature.

The precipitated product is filtered. The filtrate is washed with aqueous sodium thiosulfate solution, dried over sodium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo* to yield a second product fraction. The combined crude product is dried *in vacuo*.

<u>Day 2:</u>

**Purification:** The solid is recrystallized. Find the proper solvent or solvent mixture!

Analysis: TLC, melting point, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
Styrene		1.00	100 mmol			
Bromine		1.00				
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

#### 2. Phenylacetylene



**Preparation:** A 250 mL round bottom flask is charged with 75 mmol 1,2-dibromo-1-phenylethane and mixed with 350 mmol (powdered!) KOH. The flask is equipped with a reflux condenser and 24 mL EtOH are slowly added through the condenser. An intense reaction will start and the flask is gently shaken from time to time until the reaction has ceased. Afterwards the mixture is heated to reflux for one hour.

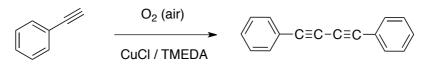
The mixture is allowed to cool to room temperature and 100 mL water is added. The mixture is extracted twice with *tert*-Butylmethylether. The combined organic phases are dried (NaSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*.

**Purification:** The residue is fractionally distilled under reduced pressure (bp: 142 - 144 °C/1000hPa; 40 - 45 °C/17hPa). The receiving flasks are cooled with an ice bath.

Analysis: TLC, boiling point, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
1,2-dibromo-1-phenylethane		1.00	75 mmol			
КОН		4.60				
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

#### 3. Diphenylbutadiene



**Preparation:** A 200 mL round bottom flask equipped with a large stir bar is charged with 2.5 mmol CuCl, 40 mL acetone and 2.0 mmol TMEDA. 50 mmoL phenylacetylene are added via syringe dropwise within five minutes while stirring. Afterwards the reaction is stirred vigorously for two more hours.

The solution is filtered via filter paper and the filtrate is concentrated *in vacuo* to about 15 mL. After cooling the product crystallizes and 30 mL water is added. The mixture is filtered and washed with water until the washing water is not blue anymore.

The crude product is dried and dissolved in 50 mL cyclohexane. The solution is filtered again via filter paper to remove solid impurities and the solvent removed under reduced pressure.

**Purification:** The solid is recrystallized. Find a proper Ethanol/H<sub>2</sub>O mixture!

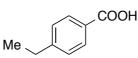
Analysis: TLC, melting point, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	
CuCl		0.05	2.5 mmol			
TMEDA		0.04	2.0 mmol			
Phenylacetylene		1.00	50 mmol			
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

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Purity

9c) 4-Ethylbenzoic acid



1. 4-(Bromomethyl)benzoic acid



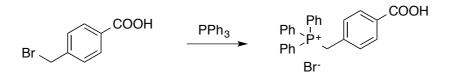
**Preparation:** A 250 mL round-bottom flask under nitrogen atmosphere is fitted with a magnetic stirbar and a reflux condenser. The flask is charged with dry Cyclohexane (75 mL), 4-Methylbenzoic acid (60.0 mmol, 1.00 equiv) and NBS (1.00 equiv). To the solution a spatula tip of AIBN (~50 mg; no metal spatula!) is added and the mixture slowly heated to reflux. Refluxing is continued for 1 h and cooled down to 0 °C for 1 h. The precipitate is collected by filtration and washed with Cyclohexane (3 x 35 mL).

**Purification:** To the solid 150 mL water is added and the mixture stirred for 10 min. The nondissolved residues are collected by filtration, washed with ice-water (50 mL) and dried in a vacuum desiccator over silica.

Analysis: TLC, melting point, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
4-Methylbenzoic acid		1.00	60 mmol			
N-Bromosuccinimide		1.00				
AIBN		0.005				
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

#### 2. (4-carboxybenzyl)triphenylphosphonium bromide



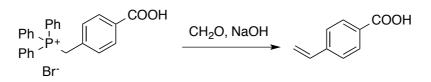
**Preparation:** A 250 mL round-bottom flask under nitrogen atmosphere is fitted with a magnetic stirbar and a reflux condenser. The flask is charged with dry Acetone (150 mL), 4- (Bromomethyl)benzoic acid (20.0 mmol, 1.00 equiv) and PPh<sub>3</sub> (1.00 equiv). The mixture is heated to reflux for 1 h and allowed to cool down. The reaction mixture is further cooled in an ice bath and the precipitate collected by filtration. The filtrate is concentrated to 50 mL and cooled in an ice bath for 30 min. Another batch of product can be collected by filtration. The combined solids are washed with MTBE ( $2 \times 25$  mL) and dried.

**Purification:** The phosphonium salt can be used without further purification.

Analysis: TLC, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
4-(Bromomethyl)benzoic		1.00	20 mmol			
acid						
Triphenylphospine		1.00				
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

#### 3. 4-Vinylbenzoic acid



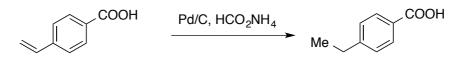
**Preparation:** A 100 mL round-bottom flask is fitted with a magnetic stirbar and a dropping funnel. (4-carboxybenzyl)triphenylphosphonium bromide (10 mmol, 1.00 equiv) is suspended in water (15 mL) and 37% aq Formaldehyde solution (50 mL) is added. The dropping funnel is charged with a 5M NaOH solution (8.00 equiv) (check dropping funnel for leaking before adding base), which is added over 30 min with vigorous stirring at room temperature. The mixture is stirred for 1 h at room temperature. The precipitate is filtered and washed with water (3 x 25 mL). The <u>filtrate</u> (not the solid!) is acidified to pH 1 by dropwise addition of half concentrated HCl. The precipitate is collected by filtration, washed with ice-water ( $3 \times 5 \text{ mL}$ ) and dried in a desiccator over phosphorous pentoxide.

**Purification:** The product can be used without further purification.

Analysis: TLC, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
(4-carboxybenzyl) triphenylphosphonium		1.00	10 mmol			
bromide						
Formaldehyde					50 mL	37%
NaOH		8.00			-	-
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	

#### 4. 4-Ethylbenzoic acid



**Preparation:** A 100 mL round-bottom flask fitted with a magnetic stirbar and a reflux condenser is charged with 4-Vinylbenzoic acid (5.0 mmol, 1.00 equiv) and dissolved in EtOH (50 mL). Ammonium formate (10.0 equiv) is added followed by Pd/C (10 wt% of substrate). The mixture is heated carefully to reflux for 1 h. After cooling to room temperature the mixture is fitered through a small plug of Celite, which is washed with EtOH. The solvent is removed and water (40 mL) is added. The aqueous phase is extracted with MTBE (3 x 30 mL). The combined organic layers are dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*.

**Purification:** The solid is recrystallized. Find a proper Ethanol/H<sub>2</sub>O mixture!

Analysis: TLC, IR.

Reactant	MW	Equiv	Moles	Mass	Volume	Purity
4-Vinylbenzoic acid		1.00	5.0 mmol			
Pd/C 10%		-	-	74 mg	-	10%
Ammonium formate		10.0				
Product	MW	Yield	Moles	Mass	MP	