# Alcohols, Phenols and Ethers

- 1. The heating of phenyl methyl ether with HI produces
  - (a) iodobenzene
- (b) phenol
- (c) benzene
- (d) ethyl chloride.

(NEET 2017)

2. Which one is the most acidic compound?

$$\begin{array}{c} O_{2}N \\ \\ NO_{2} \end{array}$$

can be classified as

- (a) dehydration reaction
- (b) Williamson alcohol synthesis reaction
- (c) Williamson ether synthesis reaction
- (d) alcohol formation reaction.

(NEET-I 2016)

2017)

4. Reaction of phenol with chloroform in presence of dilute sodium hydroxide finally introduces which one of the following functional group?

- (a) -COOH
- (b) -CHCl<sub>2</sub>
- (c) -CHO
- (d)  $-CH_2Cl$ (2015)
- Which of the following reaction(s) can be used for the preparation of alkyl halides?

(I) 
$$CH_3CH_2OH + HCl$$
 Anh.  $ZnCl_2$   $\rightarrow$  (II)  $CH_3CH_2OH + ICl$   $\rightarrow$  (III)  $(CH_3)_3COH + HCl$  Anh.  $ZnCl_2$ 

- nd (IV) only
- (III) and (IV) only
- (2015)

CH<sub>3</sub>

$$C - ONa + CH_3CH_2Cl \xrightarrow{-NaCl}$$

$$CH_3 \qquad CH_3$$

$$CH_3 - C - O - CH_2 - CH_3$$

$$CH_3$$

is called

- (a) Etard reaction
- (b) Gattermann-Koch reaction
- (c) Williamson synthesis
- (d) Williamson continuous etherification (2015, Cancelled) process.
- 7. Among the following sets of reactants which one produces anisole?
  - (a) CH<sub>3</sub>CHO; RMgX
  - (b) C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH; NaOH; CH<sub>3</sub>I
  - (c) C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH; neutral FeCl<sub>3</sub>
  - (d)  $C_6H_5CH_3$ ;  $CH_3COC1$ ;  $AlCl_3$ (2014)
- Which of the following will not be soluble in sodium hydrogen carbonate?
  - (a) 2,4,6-Trinitrophenol
  - (b) Benzoic acid
  - (c) o-Nitrophenol
  - (2014)(d) Benzenesulphonic acid

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**9.** Among the following ethers, which one will produce methyl alcohol on treatment with hot concentrated HI?

(d) 
$$CH_3$$
— $CH_2$ — $CH$ — $O$ — $CH_3$ 
 $CH_3$ 

(NEET 2013)

- 10. Number of isomeric alcohols of molecular formula  $C_6H_{14}O$  which give positive iodoform test is
  - (a) three
- (b) four
- (c) five
- (d) two

(Karnataka NEET 2013)

11. In the following sequence of reactions

$$CH_3 - Br \xrightarrow{KCN} A \xrightarrow{H_3O^+} B \xrightarrow{LiAlH_4} C$$

the end product (C) is

- (a) acetone
- (b) methane
- (c) acetaldehyde
- (d) ethyl alcohol
- 12. Which of the following compounds can be used as antifreeze in automobile radiators?
  - (a) Methyl alcohol
- (b) Glycol
- (c) Nitrophenol
- (d) Ethyl alcohol (Mains 2012)
- 13. In the following reactions,

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CH}_3 \\ \text{(i)} \quad \text{CH}_3 - \text{CH} - \text{CH} - \text{CH}_3 \xrightarrow{\text{$H^+$/heat}} \\ \text{OII} & A + B \\ & \begin{bmatrix} \text{Major} \\ \text{product} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \text{Minor} \\ \text{product} \end{bmatrix}$$

(ii) 
$$A \xrightarrow{\text{HBr, dark}} C + D$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \text{Major} \\ \text{product} \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Minor}}$$

the major products (A) and (C) are respectively

(a) 
$$\text{CH}_2 = \overset{\text{CH}_3}{\overset{\text{I}}{\text{C}}} - \text{CH}_2 - \text{CH}_3$$
 and

$$\begin{array}{c} \operatorname{CH_3} \\ | \\ \operatorname{CH_2} - \operatorname{CH} - \operatorname{CH_2} - \operatorname{CH_3} \\ | \\ \operatorname{Br} \end{array}$$

(b) 
$$CH_3$$
 =  $CH_3$  =  $CH_3$  and

$$\begin{array}{c} \operatorname{CH_3} \\ | \\ \operatorname{CH_3} - \operatorname{C} - \operatorname{CH_2} - \operatorname{CH_3} \\ | \\ \operatorname{Br} \end{array}$$

(c) 
$$CH_2 = C - CH_2 - CH_3$$
 and  $CH_3 - CH_3 - CH_3$ 

d) 
$$CH_3 - C = CH - CH_3$$
 and

- **4.** Given are cyclohexanol (I), acetic acid (II), 2,4,6-trinitrophenol (III) and phenol (IV). In these the order of decreasing acidic character will be
  - (a) III > II > IV > I
- (b) II > III > I > IV
- (c) II > III > IV > I
- (d) III > IV > II > I (2010)
- **15.** Which of the following compounds has the most acidic nature?

(a) 
$$\bigcirc$$
 CH<sub>2</sub>OH (b)  $\bigcirc$  OH

- 16. Among the following four compounds
  - (i) Phenol
  - (ii) Methyl phenol
  - (iii) Meta-nitrophenol
  - (iv) Para-nitrophenol

The acidity order is

- (a) (iv) > (iii) > (i) > (ii)
- (b) (iii) > (iv) > (i) > (ii)
- (c) (i) > (iv) > (iii) > (ii)

(d) 
$$(ii) > (i) > (iii) > (iv)$$

(2010)

- 17. When glycerol is treated with excess of HI, it produces
  - (a) 2-iodopropane
- (b) allyl iodide
- (c) propene
- (d) glycerol triiodide (Mains 2010)
- 18. Following compounds are given
  - (i) CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH
- (ii) CH<sub>3</sub>COCH<sub>3</sub>

(iv) CH<sub>3</sub>OH

Which of the above compound(s), on being warmed with iodine solution and NaOH, will give iodoform?

- (a) (i), (iii) and (iv)
- (b) Only (ii)
- (c) (i), (ii) and (iii)
- (d) (i) and (ii)

(Mains 2010)

19. Match the compounds given in List 1 with their characteristic reactions given in Lis Select the correct option.

# List I (Compounds)

## A. CH<sub>3</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>

- B. CH<sub>3</sub>C≡CH

- D. CH<sub>3</sub>CH(OH)CH<sub>3</sub> (iv) 1 Lucas reagent loudiness appears after 5 minutes
  - (a) A-(ii), B-(i), C-(iv), D-(iii)
- (b) A-(iii), B-(ii), C-(i), D-(iv)
- (c) A-(ii), B-(iii), C-(i), D-(iv)
- (d) A-(iv), B-(ii), C-(iii), D-(i)

(Mains 2010)

20. Consider the following reaction:

Ethanol 
$$\xrightarrow{\text{PBr}_3} X \xrightarrow{\text{alc. KOH}} Y$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{(i) H}_2\text{SO}_4, \text{ room temperature}} Z$$

the product Z is

(a) 
$$CH_3CH_2 - O - CH_2 - CH_3$$

- (b)  $CH_3 CH_2 O SO_3H$
- (c) CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH

(d) 
$$CH_2 = CH_2$$

(2009)

21. HOCH<sub>2</sub>·CH<sub>2</sub>OH on heating with periodic acid gives

- (a) 2HCOOH
- (c)  $2 \frac{H}{H} C = 0$
- (d) 2CO<sub>2</sub> (2009)
- 22. Consider the following reaction:

Phenol 
$$Zn \text{ dust} \times X \xrightarrow{CH_3Cl} Y$$

Anhyd. AlCl<sub>3</sub>  $Y$ 

the product  $Z$   $Alkaline \text{ KMnO}_4 \times Z$ 

- (b) benzoic acid
- (d) toluene (2009)

$$H_3$$
 -  $CH$  -  $CH_2$  -  $O$  -  $CH_2$  -  $CH_3$  +  $HI$  heated

ch of the following compounds will be ormed?

(b) 
$$CH_3 - CH - CH_2OH + CH_3CH_3$$
  
 $CH_3$ 

$$\begin{array}{c} CH_3\\ |\\ (c) \quad CH_3-CH-CH_2OH + CH_4CH_3I \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \operatorname{CH_3} \\ | \\ \operatorname{CH_3} - \operatorname{CH} - \operatorname{CH_2} - \operatorname{I} + \operatorname{CH_3} \operatorname{CH_2} \operatorname{OH} \end{array}$$

(2007)

- **24.** The general molecular formula, which represents the homologous series of alkanols is
  - (a)  $C_nH_{2n+2}O$
- (b)  $C_nH_{2n}O_2$
- (c)  $C_nH_{2n}O$
- (d)  $C_nH_{2n+1}O$

(2006)

25. Ethylene oxide when treated with Grignard reagent yields

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- (a) primary alcohol
- (b) secondary alcohol
- (c) tertiary alcohol
- (d) cyclopropyl alcohol.

(2006)

26. The major organic product in the reaction is

$$CH_3 - O - CH(CH_3)_2 + HI \rightarrow products$$

- (a)  $CH_3I + (CH_3)_2CHOH$
- (b)  $CH_3OH + (CH_3)_2CHI$
- (c)  $ICH_2OCH(CH_3)_2$  (d)  $CH_3OC(CH_3)_2$  I

2006

- **27.** Which one of the following compounds is most acidic?
  - (a)  $Cl CH_2 CH_2 OH$





(200)

- 28. Which one of the following will not form a yellow precipitate on heating with an alkaline solution of iodine?
  - (a) CH<sub>3</sub>CH(OH)CH<sub>3</sub>
  - (b) CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH(OH)CH
  - (c) CH<sub>3</sub>OH
  - (d) CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH

(2004

- **29.** *n*-propyl alcohol and isopropyl alcohol can be chemically distinguished by which reagent
  - (a) PCl<sub>5</sub> (b) reduction
  - (c) oxidation with potassium dichromate
  - (d) ozonolysis.

(2002)

- **30.** When phenol is treated with CHCl<sub>3</sub> and NaOH, the product formed is
  - (a) benzaldehyde
- (b) salicylaldehyde
- (c) salicylic acid
- (d) benzoic acid.

(2002)

- **31.** Which of the following is correct?
  - (a) On reduction, any aldehyde gives secondary alcohol.
  - (b) Reaction of vegetable oil with H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> gives glycerine.
  - (c) Alcoholic iodine with NaOH gives iodoform.
  - (d) Sucrose on reaction with NaCl gives invert sugar. (2001)

- 32. Iodoform test is not given by
  - (a) ethanal
- (b) ethanol
- (c) 2-pentanone
- (d) 3-pentanone

(1998)

**33.** Reaction of  $CH_2 - CH_2$  with RMgX leads to

the formation of

- (a) RCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH
- (b) RCHOHCH<sub>3</sub>
- (c) RCHOHR
- (d) R CHCH<sub>2</sub>OH

(1998)

- **34.** Which one of the following compounds is resistant to nucleophilic attack by hydroxyl ions?
  - (a) Diethyl ether
- (b) Acetonitrile
- (c) Acetamid
- (d) Methyl acetate (1998)
- 5. When 3.3-dimethyl-2-butanol is heated with H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, the major product obtained is
  (a) 2.3-dimethyl-2-butene
- (b) cis and trans isomers of 2,3-dimethyl-2-butene 2,3-dimethyl-1-butene
- (d) 3,3-dimethyl-1-butene.
- 6. On heating glycerol with conc. H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, a compound is obtained which has bad odour. The compound is
  - (a) acrolein
- (b) formic acid
- (c) allyl alcohol
- (d) glycerol sulphate.

(1994)

- **37.** The compound which does not react with sodium is
  - (a) CH<sub>3</sub>COOH
- (b) CH<sub>3</sub>CHOHCH<sub>3</sub>
- (c) C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH
- (d) CH<sub>3</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub>

(1994)

- **38.** Ethanol and dimethyl ether form a pair of functional isomers. The boiling point of ethanol is higher than that of dimethyl ether, due to the presence of
  - (a) H-bonding in ethanol
  - (b) H-bonding in dimethyl ether
  - (c) CH<sub>3</sub> group in ethanol
  - (d) CH<sub>3</sub> group in dimethyl ether. (1993)
- **39.** Increasing order of acid strength among *p*-methoxyphenol, *p*-methylphenol and *p*-nitrophenol is
  - (a) *p*-nitrophenol, *p*-methoxyphenol, *p*-methylphenol

(b)	<i>p</i> -methylphenol,	<i>p</i> -methoxyphenol,
	<i>p</i> -nitrophenol	

- (c) *p*-nitrophenol, *p*-methylphenol, *p*-methoxyphenol
- (d) *p*-methoxyphenol, *p*-methylphenol, *p*-nitrophenol. (1993)
- **40.** Which one of the following on oxidation gives a ketone?
  - (a) Primary alcohol
  - (b) Secondary alcohol
  - (c) Tertiary alcohol
  - (d) All of these.

(1993)

- **41.** What is formed when a primary alcohol undergoes catalytic dehydrogenation?
  - (a) Aldehyde
- (b) Ketone
- (c) Alkene
- (d) Acid (1993)
- **42.** When hydrochloric acid gas is treated with propene in presence of benzoyl peroxide, it gives
  - (a) 2-chloropropane
  - (b) allyl chloride
  - (c) no reaction
  - (d) n-propyl chloride.

(1993

- **43.** How many isomers of C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>11</sub>OH will be primar alcohols?
  - (a) 5
- (b) /
- (c) 2

- (1992
- 44. Methanol is industrially prepared
  - (a) oxidation of CH<sub>4</sub> by steam at 900
    - (b) reduction of HCHO using LiAIH
    - (c) reaction HCHO with a solution of NaOH
    - (d) reduction of CO using H<sub>2</sub> and ZnO-Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>.

(1992)

- 45. HBr reacts fastest with
  - (a) 2-Methylpropan-1-o
  - (b) Methylpropan-2-ol
  - (c) propan-2-ol
  - (d) propan-1-ol.

(1992)

- **46.** When phenol is treated with excess bromine water. It gives
  - (a) *m*-bromophenol
  - (b) o-and p-bromophenols
  - (c) 2,4-dibromophenol
  - (d) 2,4,6-tribromophenol. (1992)
- **47.** The compound which reacts fastest with Lucas reagent at room temperature is
  - (a) butan-1-ol
  - (b) butan-2-ol

(c) Phenol

- (c) 2-methylpropan-1-ol
- (d) 2-methylpropan-2-ol.

(1989)

- **48.** Which one of the following compounds will be most readily attacked by an electrophile?
  - (a) Chlorobenzene
- (b) Benzene

(d) Toluene

(1989)

- 49. Propene, CH<sub>3</sub>CL=CH<sub>2</sub> can be converted into 1-propanol by oxidation. Indicate which set of reagents amongst the following is ideal for the above conversion?
  - (a) KMnO<sub>4</sub> (alkaline)
  - (b) Osmium tetroxide (OsO<sub>4</sub>/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>)
  - (6) B<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub> and alk. H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>
  - (d)  $O_3/Zn$ .

(1989)

- 50. Phenol is heated with CHCl<sub>3</sub> and aqueous KOH when salicylaldehyde is produced. This reaction is known as
  - (a) Rosenmund's reaction
  - (b) Reimer-Tiemann reaction
  - (c) Friedel-Crafts reaction
  - (d) Sommelet reaction.

(1989, 88)

- **51.** Lucas reagent is
  - (a) conc. HCl and anhydrous ZnCl<sub>2</sub>
  - (b) conc. HNO3 and hydrous ZnCl2
  - (c) conc. HCl and hydrous ZnCl<sub>2</sub>
  - (d) conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> and anhydrous ZnCl<sub>2</sub>.

(1988)

# Answer Key

- 1. (b) 2. (c) 3. (c) 4. (c) 5. (d) 6. (c) 7. (b) 8. (c) 9. (a) 10. (b)
- 11. (d) 12. (b) (b) (a) 15. (b) **16.** 17. 13. 14. (a) (a) 18. (c) **19**. (c) 20. (c)
- 21. 22. (b) 23. (c) 24. (a) 25. (a) 26. (a) 27. (c) 28. (c) 29. (c) **30**. (b)
- **31.** (c) 35. 37. **32.** (d) 33. 34. **36**. (d) 38. 39. (d) **40.** (b) (a) (a) (a) (a) (a)
- **41.** (a) (a) 43. (b) 44. (d) 45. (b) 46. (d) **47.** (d) 48. (c) 49. (c)
- **51.** (a)