

ACS Review Enols and Enolates

1. Which of the following have an enol form?

I. benzaldehyde, C_6H_5CHO

II. 2,2-dimethylpropanal, $(CH_3)_3CCHO$

III. 2-chloropropanal, $CH_3CHClCHO$

- A. only I
- B. only II
- C. only III
- D. all of them have an enol form

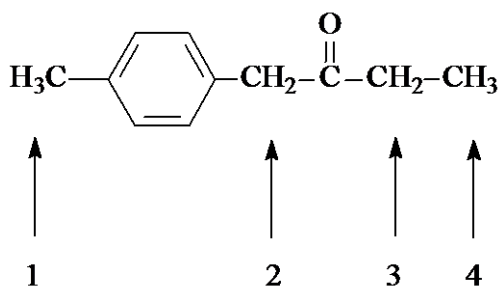
2. Which one of the following has two different enol forms?

- A. cyclohexanone
- B. 2,2-dimethylcyclohexanone
- C. 3,3-dimethylcyclohexanone
- D. 4,4-dimethylcyclohexanone

3. How many alpha hydrogens are there on 2,4-dimethyl-3-pentanone?

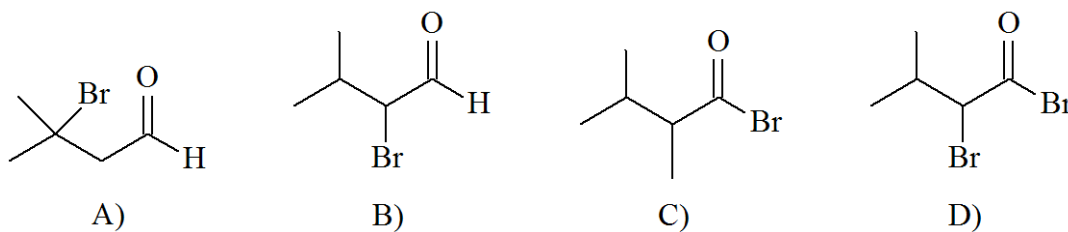
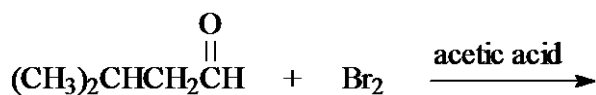
- A. two
- B. three
- C. four
- D. six

4. Identify the most acid hydrogen for the following compound.



- A. 1
- B. 2
- C. 3
- D. 4

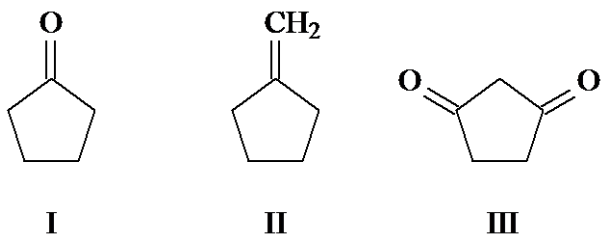
5. What is the product of the reaction below?



- A. A

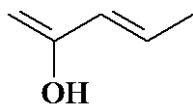
- B. B
C. C
D. D

6. Arrange the following compounds in order of decreasing acidity.



- A. I > II > III
B. II > III > I
C. III > II > I
D. III > I > II

7. Identify the keto form of the following enol.



- A. 1-penten-3-one
B. (*E*)-3-penten-2-one
C. 2-pentanone
D. (*E*)-3-pentenal

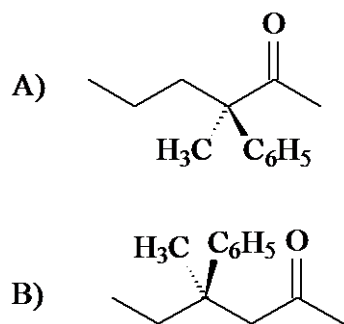
8. What is the relationship between keto and enol tautomers?

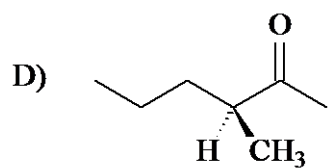
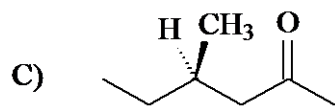
- A. resonance forms
B. stereoisomers
C. constitutional isomers
D. different conformations of the same compound

9. Which of the following has the highest percentage of enol in a keto-enol equilibrium?

- A. hexanal
B. 2-hexanone
C. 2,4-hexanedione
D. 2,5-hexanedione

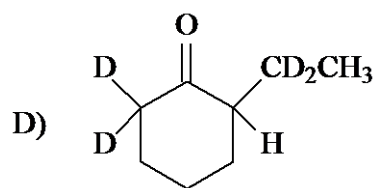
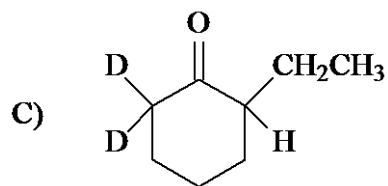
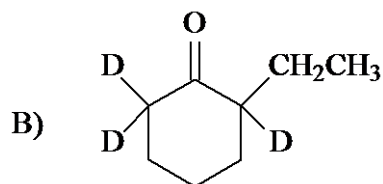
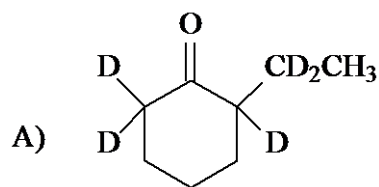
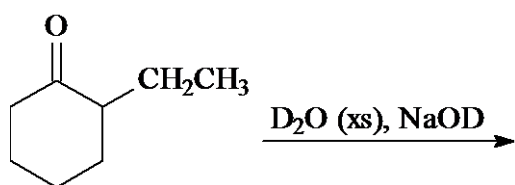
10. Which one of the following optically active compounds racemizes in dilute KOH/CH₃OH solution?





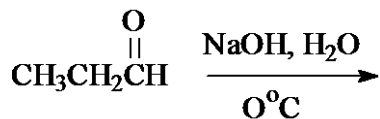
- A. A
B. B
C. C
D. D

11. Identify the deuterated compound resulting from the following reaction.

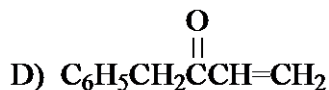
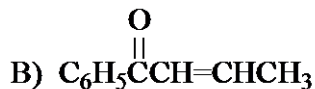
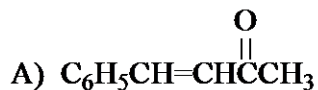


- A. A
B. B
C. C
D. D

12. What is the aldol addition product of propanal?

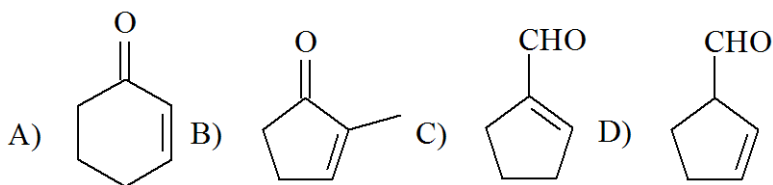
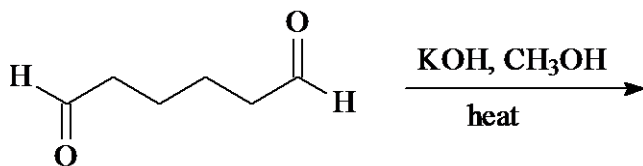


- A. 2-hydroxy-2-methylpentanal
 B. 3-hydroxy-2-methylpentanal
 C. 3-hydroxyhexanal
 D. 4-hydroxyhexanal
13. How many different aldol addition products can be formed in the reaction of equal amounts of propanal and butanal with aqueous sodium hydroxide at 0°C ? (Consider only constitutional isomer - not stereoisomers.)
- A. only one
 B. two
 C. three
 D. four
14. Benzalacetone is the crossed aldol condensation product formed between benzaldehyde and acetone. Which of the following is the structure of benzalacetone?



- A. A
 B. B
 C. C
 D. D

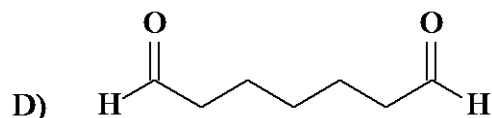
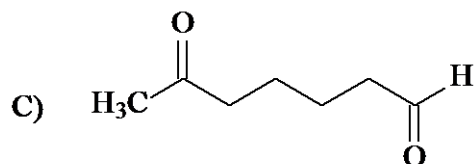
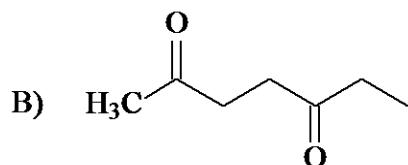
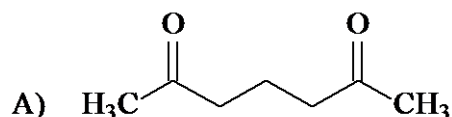
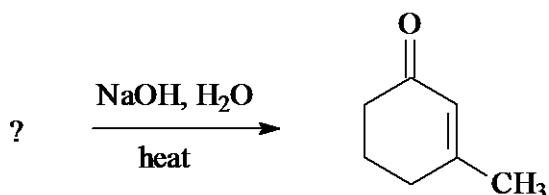
15. What is the product of the following intramolecular aldol condensation reaction?



- A. A

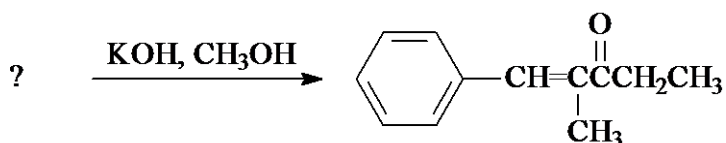
- B. B
C. C
D. D

16. Identify the starting reagent needed to make the following cyclic ketone by an intramolecular aldol condensation reaction.



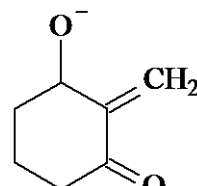
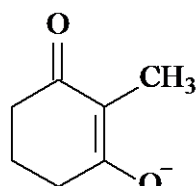
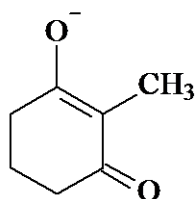
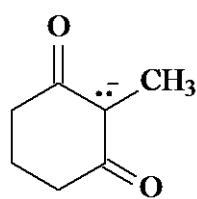
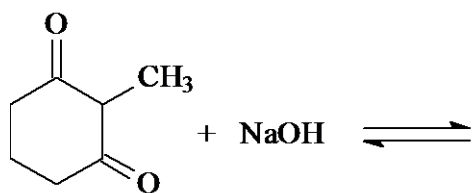
- A. A
B. B
C. C
D. D

17. Identify the starting reagents needed to make the following compound by a mixed aldol condensation.



- A. benzaldehyde ($\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CH}=\text{O}$) and 3-pentanone
B. benzaldehyde ($\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CH}=\text{O}$) and 2-pentanone
C. acetophenone (methyl phenyl ketone) and 2-butanone
D. acetophenone (methyl phenyl ketone) and butanal

18. Which of the following is not a resonance form of the enolate ion formed in the following acid-base equilibrium?



I

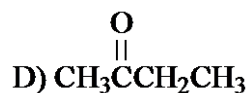
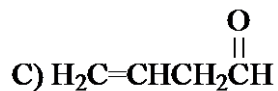
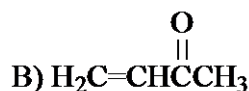
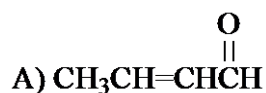
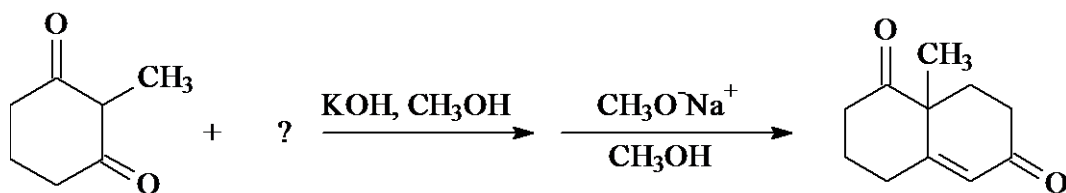
II

III

IV

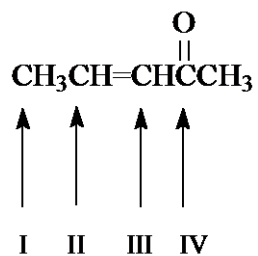
- A. I
 B. II
 C. III
 D. IV

19. The Robinson annulation reaction is shown below. Identify the missing reagent in the first step.



- A. A
 B. B
 C. C
 D. D

20. Which carbon atoms are most susceptible to nucleophilic attack?

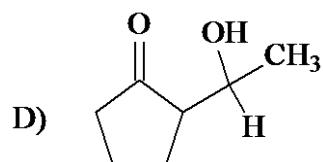
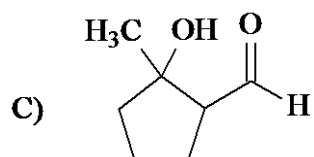
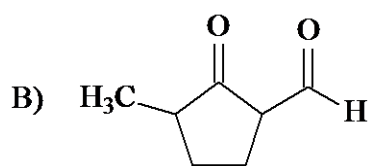
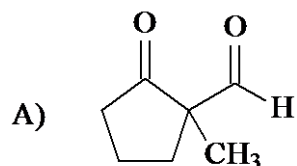
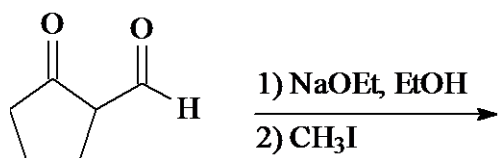


- A. I and II
 B. II and III
 C. II and IV
 D. I and IV

21. Which one of the following reagents adds a methyl group by conjugate (1,4-addition) addition to an α,β -unsaturated ketone or aldehyde?

- A. $\text{LiCu}(\text{CH}_3)_2$
 B. CH_3MgBr
 C. $\text{Hg}(\text{O}_2\text{CCH}_3)_2$
 D. CH_3Li

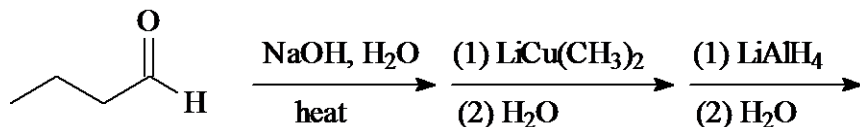
22. What is the product of the following reaction?



- A. A
 B. B
 C. C

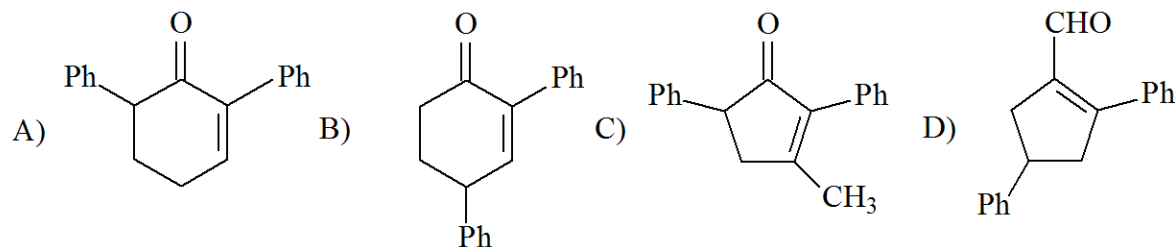
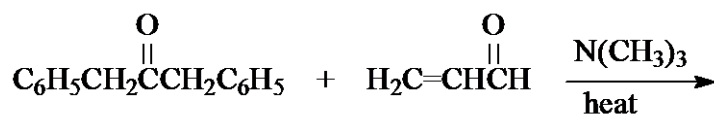
D. D

23. What is the product of the following reaction sequence?



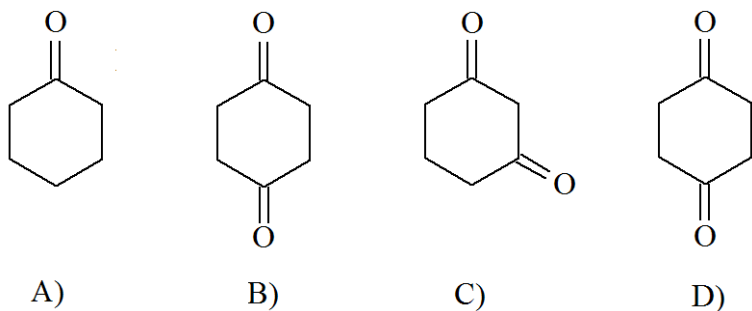
- A. 2,3-dimethyl-1-pentanol
- B. 3,3-dimethyl-1-pentanol
- C. 3-ethyl-2-methyl-1-hexanol
- D. 2-ethyl-3-methyl-1-hexanol

24. Heating a mixture of 1,3-diphenylacetone and acrolein in trimethylamine gives a product, $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}$, in 53% yield. The mechanism for product formation is a Michael addition followed by an intramolecular aldol condensation. Which of the following is the product of this reaction?



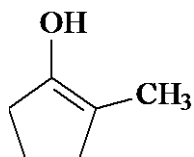
- A. A
- B. B
- C. C
- D. D

25. Which of the following has the largest acid dissociation constant, K_a ?



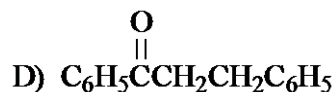
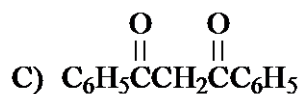
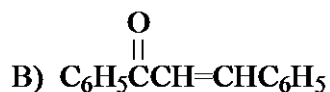
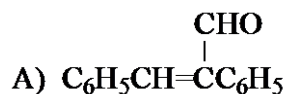
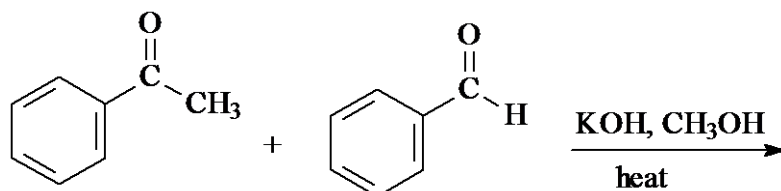
- A. A
- B. B
- C. C
- D. D

26. Identify the keto form of the following enol structure.



- A. 2-methylcyclopentanone
- B. 3-methylcyclopentanone
- C. 1-methylcyclopentanol
- D. 2-methylcyclopentanol

27. Which of the following is the mixed aldol condensation product of the reaction shown below?

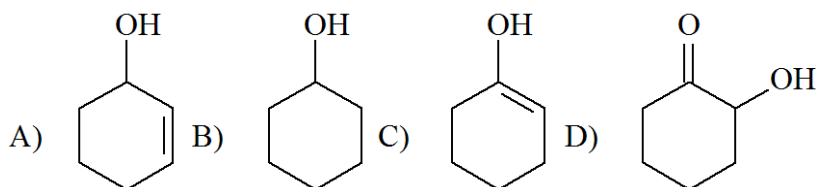


- A. A
- B. B
- C. C
- D. D

28. Which one of the following cannot form an enolate anion?

- A. 2-ethylbutanal
- B. 2,3-dimethylbutanal
- C. 3,3-dimethylbutanal
- D. 2,2-dimethylbutanal

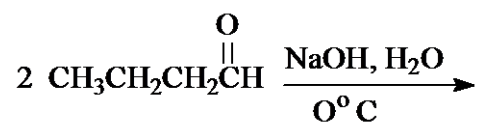
29. Which of the following is the enol of cyclohexanone?



- A. A

- B. B
- C. C
- D. D

30. Which of the following is the aldol addition product of butanal?



- A. 2-ethyl-3-hydroxyhexanal
- B. 2-methyl-2-hydroxyheptanal
- C. 3-ethyl-2-hydroxyhexanal
- D. 2-ethyl-2-hydroxyhexanal

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2. C
3. A
4. B
5. B
6. D
7. B
8. C
9. C
10. D
11. B
12. B
13. D
14. A
15. C
16. A
17. A
18. D
19. B
20. C
21. A
22. A
23. D
24. A
25. C
26. A
27. B
28. D
29. C
30. A