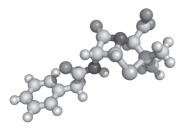


## **Reducing Agents**

1. Lithium aluminiu	n hydride (LiAl	lH₄)				
	Group Reduced to					
aldehyde	—СНО	$\longrightarrow$	-CH <sub>2</sub> OH	primary alcohol		
ketone	>co	$\longrightarrow$	>снон —сн₂он	secondary alcohol		
acid	-COOH	$\longrightarrow$	-CH <sub>2</sub> OH	primary alcohol		
ester	—COOR	$\longrightarrow$	$-CH_2OH + ROH$	mixture of primary		
				alcohol and alcohol		
acid chloride			-CH <sub>2</sub> OH	primary alcohol		
amide			-CH <sub>2</sub> NH <sub>2</sub>	primary amine		
cyanide			$-CH_2NH_2$	primary amine		
acid anhydride			-CH <sub>2</sub> OH	primary alcohol		
aldoxime/ketoxim				primary amine		
nitro alkane		$\longrightarrow$		primary amine		
nitro benzene	-	$\longrightarrow$	ArNH=NHA	azo benzen		
primary/secondar	5		DII	1. 11		
halide		$\longrightarrow$		corresponding alkane		
tertiary halide				corresponding alkene		
Azoxy benzene				alkanes		
$3^{\circ}$ Alkyl halides	R <sub>-</sub> C—X	$\rightarrow$	$RCH_2X/R_2CHX$	alkenes		
3° Alkyl halides $R_3C \longrightarrow R_2 \longrightarrow R_2 \longrightarrow C=CH_2$ alkenes LiAlH <sub>4</sub> does not reduce either a double bond or a triple bond.						
Reduction by $LiAlH_4$ proceeds via reduction by hydride ion						
LiAlH <sub>4</sub> $\longrightarrow$ Li <sup>+</sup> H <sup>-</sup> + AlH <sub>3</sub>						
$Li^+ H^- \longrightarrow$						
			Н			
>C=O + Li <sup>+</sup>	$\longrightarrow C^+ - OI$	_iH^+	$\rightarrow$ C—OLi —H <sub>2</sub> C	$\rightarrow$ >CHOH		
$>C=O + Li^{+} \longrightarrow >C^{+} - OLi \xrightarrow{H^{+}} >C^{-} - OLi \xrightarrow{H_{2}O} >CHOH$ Reduction of either a double bond or a triple bond proceeds <i>via</i> electrophilic addition.						
<ol> <li>Sodium borohydride (NaBH<sub>4</sub>)</li> </ol>						
Its reducing properties are like those of LiAlH <sub>4</sub> , except it does not reduce nitro alkanes,						
$RNO_2$ ; nitro arenes, ArNO <sub>2</sub> ; carboxylic acids, RCOOH and esters RCOOR						
Grou	,		Reduced to			
primary/secondaı halide	5		RH	corresponding alkane		
aldehyde	—CHO	$\longrightarrow$	-CH <sub>2</sub> OH	primary alcohol		
ketone	>co	$\longrightarrow$	>снон	secondary alcohol		
acid chloride			-CH <sub>2</sub> OH	primary alcohol		
3. Catalytic reduction	3. Catalytic reduction by $H_2$ and Ni at 300°C					
It is carried reducing the compound by hydrogen in the presence of Ni at 300 °C						
Group Reduced to						
alkene	>c=c<	$\longrightarrow$		alkane		
alkyne	—C≡C—	$\longrightarrow$	$-CH_2-CH_2-$	alkane		
aldehyde	-CHO	$\longrightarrow$	-CH <sub>2</sub> OH	primary alcohol		
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## **Topic 4**

## Tests and Group Tests, Rules and Reagents

## **Reagents and Solutions**

i. **Tollen's reagent:** An ammoniacal solution of silver nitrate is termed Tollen's reagent. It is prepared by adding sodium hydroxide drop by drop to  $AgNO_3$  solution followed by adding excess of ammonia, as a result a clear solution is obtained. It behaves as  $Ag_2O$  in the solution.

AgNO<sub>3</sub> + NaOH + 2NH<sub>3</sub>  $\longrightarrow$  [Ag(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>+</sup> OH<sup>-</sup> + NaNO<sub>3</sub> Aldehydes reduce Tollen's reagent to form metallic silver (Ag), as a grey precipitate. RCHO + Ag<sub>2</sub>O  $\longrightarrow$  RCOOH + 2Ag

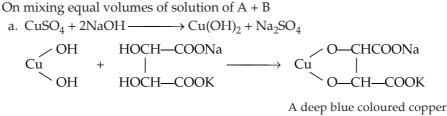
ii. **Fehling solution:** It is an alkaline solution containing a complex of copper tartarate, which is reduced by aldehydes to  $Cu_2O$ , a brick red coloured powder. The solution is prepared at the time of use only by mixing equal volumes of Fehling solution A (an aqueous solution of  $CuSO_4$ ) and B (an aqueous solution of NaOH and sodium potassium tartarate or Rochelle salt) that result in the formation of a deep blue coloured clear solution.

Fehling solution (A)

Aqueous CuSO<sub>4</sub> solution

Fehling solution (B) 2NaOH + CH(OH)COONa |

CH(OH)COOK (Rochelle salt)



Copper chelate compound behaves as CuO in aqueous solution.

b. RCHO + 2CuO  $\longrightarrow$  RCOOH + Cu<sub>2</sub>O

On warming Fehling solution, with an aldehyde, a brick red powder of  $Cu_2O$ , or a thin film of metallic Cu is formed. Nuclear substituted aromatic aldehydes do not reduce Fehling solution conclusively.

55.	<ul> <li>5. Aliphatic aldehydes reduces Fehling's solution but benzaldehyde does not because</li> <li>(a) of a bulky ring and —CHO is the hinderer</li> <li>(b) of resonance, the oxidation of —CHO is difficult</li> <li>(c) —CHO group is in a cyclic structure</li> <li>(d) all of the above reasons</li> </ul>				
	(d) all of the above reasons	6			
56.	Fehling solution is used in the detection of				
	(a) a ketonic group	(b) an alcoholic group			
	(c) an aldehydic group	(d) an acid group			
57.	HCHO and CH <sub>3</sub> CHO can be distinguished	d by the use of			
	(a) Schiff's reagent	(b) Tollen's reagent			
	(c) Fehling solution	(d) a haloform reaction			
58.	he reagent of choice for the selective reduction of a ketone in presence of an ester				
	(a) LiAl <sub>4</sub>	(b) NaBH <sub>4</sub>			
	(c) H <sub>2</sub> and Pd	(d) sodium in ethanol			
59.	The red precipitate obtained on heating Fehling solution with acetaldehyde consists of				
	(a) Cu	(b) CuO			
	(c) $Cu + CuO + Cu_2O$	(d) Cu <sub>2</sub> O			
60.	Schiff's reagent is				
(a) magenta solution decolourised by $H_2SO_3$					
	(b) magenta decolourise by $SO_2$ gas				
	(c) ammonical COCl <sub>2</sub> solution				
	(d) ammonical MnSO <sub>4</sub> solution				
61.	Acetaldehyde and acetone can be distingu	ushed by treating			
	(a) NaHSO <sub>3</sub>	(b) NaCN			
	(c) NaI + $I_2$	(d) $Ag(NH_3)_2^+$			
62.	62. The reaction of Tollen's reagent with acetaldehyde gives				
	(a) CH <sub>3</sub> OH	(b) CH <sub>3</sub> COOAg			
	(c) silver mirror	(d) HCHO			
63.	Magenta is				
	(a) alkaline phenolphthalein				
	(b) red litmus				
	(c) p-rosaniline hydrochloride or fuchsin	e			
	(d) methyl red				
64.	64. $C_2H_5CHO$ and $CH_3COCH_3$ can be distinguished by testing with				
	(a) phenyl hydrazine	(b) Hydroxyl amine			
	(c) Fehling solution	(d) sodium bisulphite			
65. $C_6H_5CHO$ and $CH_3CHO$ can be distinguished by					
	(a) Iodoform test	(b) 2,4-DNP test			
	(c) NH <sub>3</sub> test	(d) Wolff-Kishner's reduction			
66.	HCHO and HCOOH can be distinguished by treating with				
	(a) Tollen's reagent	(b) NaHCO <sub>3</sub>			
	(c) Fehling solution	(d) Benedict's solution			
67.	Benedict's solution provides				
	a) $Ag_+$ (b) $Cu_2^+$	(c) $Ba_2^+$ (d) $Li^+$			
68.	Jone's reagent is				
	(a) acid KMnO <sub>4</sub>	(b) $K_2Cr_2O_7 + H_2SO_4$ or $CrO_3 + H_2SO_4$			
	(c) alk. KMnO <sub>4</sub>	(d) none			