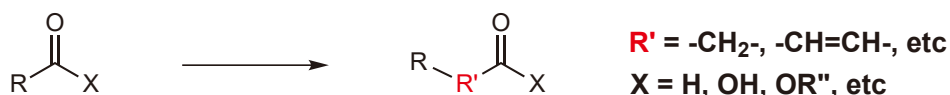


Carbon Homologation / Degradation Reagents

Carbon Homologation / Degradation Reaction means transformation reactions, in which organic compounds such as aldehydes, ketones, or carboxylic acids are converted to the corresponding higher or lower homologs by inserting or removing carbon-carbon chains (i.e. methylene group).

Homologation Reaction



Degradation Reaction



The reactions are important transformation methods in organic synthesis, thus, a number of procedures have been reported so far. From classical well-known reactions to recent reports, some examples are systematically described as below.

Aldehydes → One-carbon homologated acetylenes



Carbon Tetrabromide

25g / 100g / 500g

[T0038]

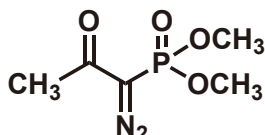


Triphenylphosphine

25g / 100g / 500g

[T0519]

Corey-Fuchs Alkyne Synthesis



Ohira-Bestmann Reagent

1g / 5g

[D3546]

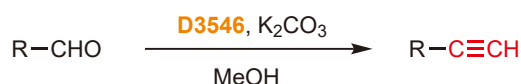
Ohira-Bestmann Reagent

(10% in Acetonitrile)

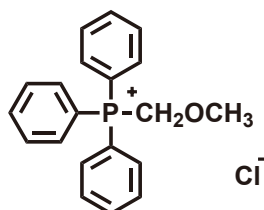
5g / 25g

[D5048]

Ohira-Bestmann Reagent



Aldehydes & Ketones → One-carbon homologated aldehydes

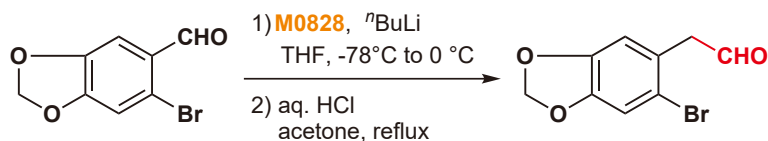


(Methoxymethyl)-
triphenylphosphonium Chloride

25g / 100g / 500g

[M0828]

Wittig Reaction



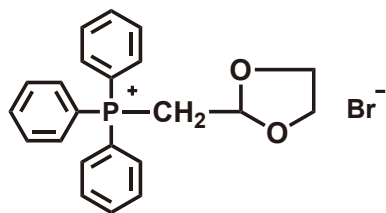
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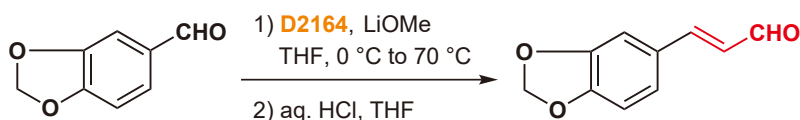
Carbon Homologation / Degradation Reaction

Aldehydes → Two-carbon homologated aldehydes



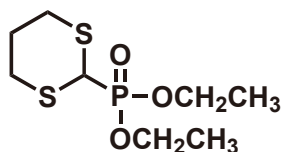
(1,3-Dioxolan-2-yl)-methyltriphenylphosphonium Bromide
5g / 25g
[D2164]

Wittig Reaction

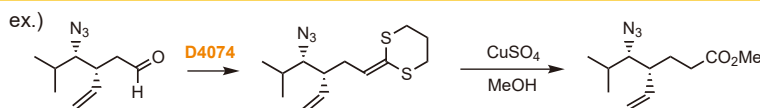
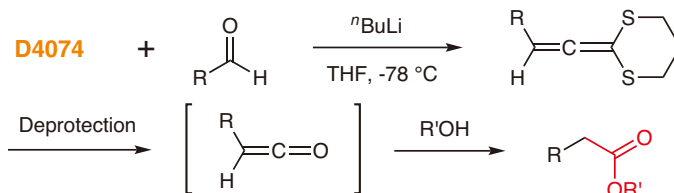


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Aldehydes → One-carbon homologated carboxylic esters

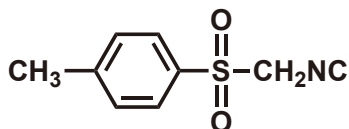


Diethyl (1,3-Dithian-2-yl)phosphonate
5g
[D4074]

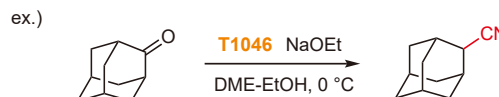


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Ketones → One-carbon homologated nitriles

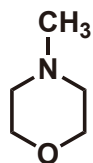


p-Toluenesulfonylmethyl Isocyanide (=TosMIC)
5g / 25g
[T1046]

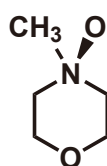


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Aldehydes → One-carbon degraded aldehydes

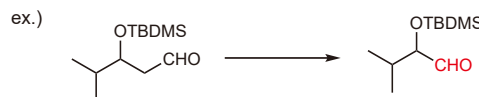
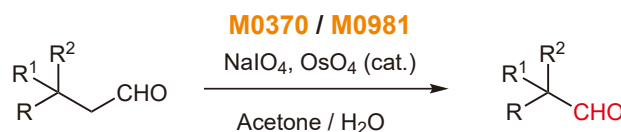


4-Methylmorpholine
25mL / 500mL
[M0370]



4-Methylmorpholine N-Oxide
5g / 25g
[M2192]

4-Methylmorpholine N-Oxide
(50% in Water, ca. 4.8mol/L)
25mL / 500mL
[M0981]



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