

Subject: Chemistry | Topic: Alcohols

Year Group: 12



Classification		Oxidation of Alcohols				Oxidation Equations				
Primary	н Rон	Alcohol	Oxidation Conditions	Oxidation Product		H R-C-OH	[0] 	0 	[0] 	
	Н	I Primary	Heat with acidified potassium dichromate(VI) solution.	Oxidised to an aldehyde, can be further oxidised		H primary alcohol	[]	aldehyde	[]	carboxylic acid
2 Secondary	R — С — ОН		To further oxidise use excess oxidising agent and heat under reflux.	to a carboxylic acid.	2	R R-C-OH H	[0] 	0 II R ^{^C} R	-// >	
	H	2 Secondary	Heat under reflux with acidified potassium	Ketone.		secondary alcohol		ketone		
3 Tertiary			dichromate(VI) solution.		3	R I R-C-OH	_//_>			
		3 Tertiary	Not easily oxidised.	Not oxidised.		R tertiary alcohol	// -			

		Distinguishing Betwee	en Aldehydes and Ketones	
	Test	Test Procedure	Observation with an Aldehyde	Observation with a Ketone
I	Fehling's Test	Warm with Fehling's reagent	Brick-red precipitate forms	No change
2	Tollens' Test	Warm with Tollens's reagent.	Silver mirror forms on the side of the test tube	No change

	Key Voo	cabulary
I	Biofuel	A fuel that's made from biological material that has recently died.
2	Carbon Neutral	Results in no net release of carbon dioxide.
3	Reflux	Heating a reaction while continually cooling the vapour produced back into liquid form using a condenser.



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	Industrial Production of Ethanol				
Method		Hydration of Ethene	Fermentation of Glucose		
I	Equation	$\begin{array}{c} CH_2 = CH_2 \ (g) + H_2O \ (g) \\ CH_3CH_2OH \ (g) \end{array}$	$C_6H_{12}O_6 (aq) \rightarrow 2C_2H_5OH (aq) + 2CO_2 (g)$		
2	Conditions	300°, 60 atm pressure, solid phosphoric acid catalyst	30-40°C, yeast, anaerobic conditions		
3	Rate of Reaction	Very fast	Very slow		
4	Quality of Product	Pure	Very impure- needs further processing		
5	Raw Material	Ethene from oil	Sugars		
6	Process/Costs	Continuous process, so expensive equipment needed, but low labour costs	Batch process, so cheap equipment needed, but high labour costs		

