



| Functional Group Tests | | | | Mass Spectrometry | | | | | | |
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| Functional Group | | Test Procedure | Positive Result | I | Determining the M _r of compounds | | 1. | 1. The first species formed is called the molecular ion [M] ⁺ | | |
| I | 1° alcohol | Distil with potassium dichromate(VI) | Orange to green colour change | | | | 2. | The signal for the compound | or [M] ⁺ gives the M _r of Ind | |
| 2 | 2° alcohol | Reflux with acidified potassium dichromate(VI) | Orange to green colour change | 2 | Low resolution M _r | High resolution M _r | Molec | ular formula | Possible molecules | |
| 3 | 3° alcohol | Distil with potassium dichromate(VI) | No change | | 60 | 60.0211 | | C ₂ H ₄ O ₂ | CH₃COOH HCOOCH₃ | |
| 4 | Aldehyde | Warm with Fehling's or Benedict's reagent Warm with Tollens' reagent | Brick red precipitate forms Silver mirror forms on the side of the test tube | | 60 | 60.0324 | (| CH ₄ N ₂ O | H ₂ NCOONH ₂ | |
| 5 | Ketone | Warm with Fehling's or Benedict's reagent Warm with Tollens' reagent | 1) Stays blue 2) Stays colourless | 3 | High Resolution w | lass spectrometry | 2. | inteasures to enough acci molecular fo If the Mr of measured to places, it giv | ne m/z values to uracy to find the ormula a compound is o several decimal ves a unique molecular | |
| 6 | Alkene | Shake with bromine water | Orange to colourless colour change | | | | 3. | formula Where ther compound molecular fo | e is more than one with the same ormula, this technique | |
| 7 | Carboxylic acid | Add a spatula of solid sodium carbonate, bubble through limewater | Fizzing and turns limewater cloudy | | | | | cannot be u compounds | sed to identify the | |





| Infra | Infrared Spectroscopy | | | | | | | |
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| I | The basics | A beam of IR radiation is passed through a sample The covalent bonds in the molecules absorb the radiation, increasing their vibrational energy Bonds a) between different atoms and b) in different places absorb different frequencies | | | | | | |
| 2 | The fingerprint region |) Below 1500 cm-1) Unique to a particular compound) An IR spectrum from an unknown can be compared with the IR spectra from known compounds using a database | | | | | | |
| 3 | The IR Spectrum | 1) Above 1500 cm-1 2) Characteristic peaks Functional Groups (above 1500 cm ⁻¹) -H (alcohol) 230-3650 cm ⁻¹ 2500-3000 cm ⁻¹ -H (alcohol) 230-3650 cm ⁻¹ 2500-3000 cm ⁻¹ -H (alcohol) 200 200 1500 1000 500 | | | | | | |
| 4 | Global warming | The Sun emits mainly UV/visible radiation This is absorbed by Earth's surface and re-emitted as IR radiation Greenhouse gases have bonds that are good at absorbing infrared energy The more IR radiation a molecule absorbs, the more effective a greenhouse gas it is | | | | | | |