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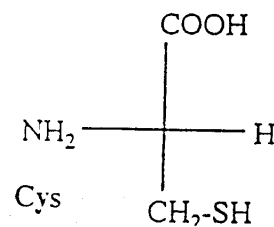
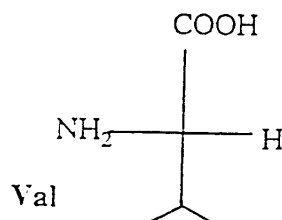
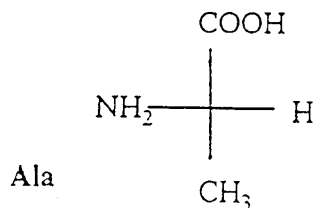
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- 15 1. (a) Describe the general features of protein structure with respect to their primary, secondary, tertiary and quaternary features.
- (b) What is a denatured protein and how may it arise?
- (c) Below are shown the structures of the amino acids alanine, cysteine and valine. Indicate whether these are in the D or L configurations and explain via the convention known as a Fischer projection.



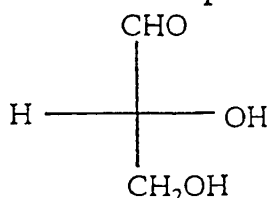
- (d) Draw the structure of the tripeptide Val-Ala-Cys, clearly indicating the N terminal amino acid and the C terminal amino acid.
- (e) Indicate how a single chain of this tripeptide might interact with an adjacent identical chain via covalent bonding interactions.
- (f) Indicate a reagent used to protect the N-terminus of a peptide chain while it is being selectively cleaved with the enzyme "carboxypeptidase"

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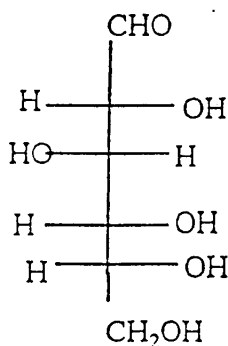
- 10 2. (a) Below is depicted the structure (Fischer projection) of the simplest carbohydrate, glyceraldehyde.

Is this in the D or L form?

Is this in the R or S form? Explain your answers



- (b) Below is the open chain structure of glucose, an aldo-hexose. Is this the D or L form? Explain.



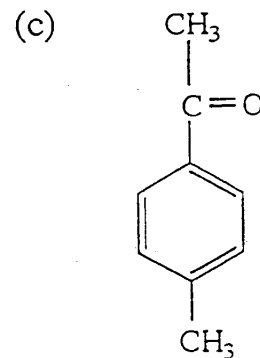
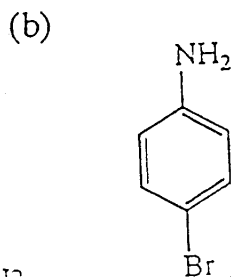
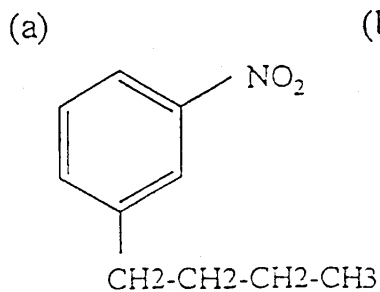
- (c) This open chain form does not accurately represent the structure of glucose.

Rather, a cyclic structure with a 6-membered ring is a much better form—draw it and give the 2 possible structures known as the  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  anomers.

- (d) In aqueous solution, the anomers reach an equilibrium state via a process called "mutarotation". Provide a possible mechanism for this process.
- (e) Which anomer is favoured in the equilibrium?
- (f) Why is this "counterintuitive" from the point of view of "simple" conformational analysis of 6-membered rings?
- (g) What is the rationale for this "anomeric effect"?
- 5 3. Distinguish between the following pairs of terms. Use examples and drawings wherever possible.
- Acetal vs. ketal
  - Hemi-acetal vs. hemi-ketal
  - Boat and Chair conformations of cyclohexane
  - cis- and trans-4-t-butylcyclohexanol
  - An oligopeptide vs. a protein

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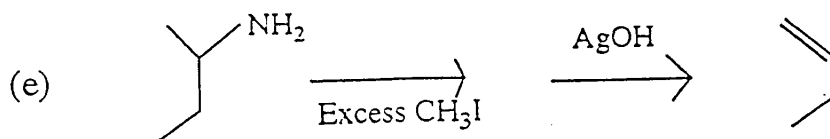
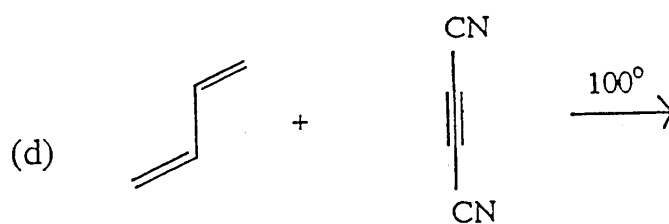
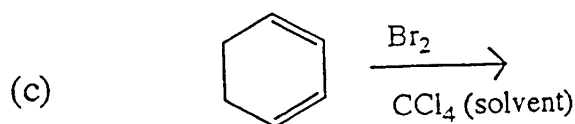
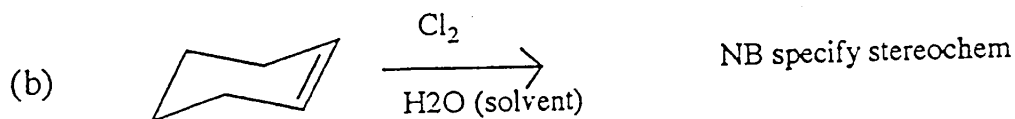
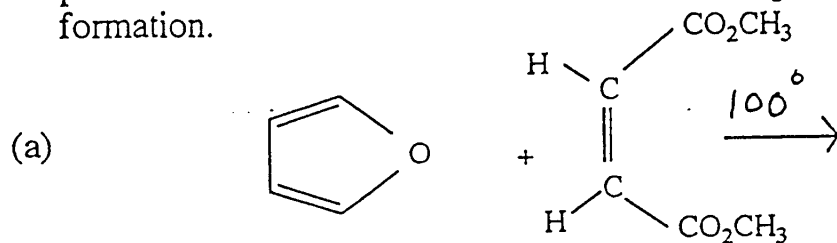
- 20 4. Provide structures for the products in each of the following reactions of carbonyl compounds:
- ethanal + dimethylamine
  - butanone + 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine
  - cyclopentanone + 1,3-propanediol, with acid catalyst
  - cyclopentane carboxaldehyde +  $\text{LiAlH}_4$ , followed by aqueous acid
  - cyclopentane carboxaldehyde +  $\text{NaBH}_4$ , followed by aqueous acid
  - 2-pentanone + hydroxylamine (indicate any isomers)
  - cyclopentanone + phenyllithium, followed by aqueous acid
  - ethylethanoate + excess phenylmagnesium bromide, then aqueous acid
  - benzoic acid +  $\text{LiAlH}_4$ , followed by aqueous acid
  - cyclopentanone + triphenylmethylphosphonium bromide in base
- 10 5. Provide synthetic schemes for the following "target" molecules from benzene NB. (i) Show your strategy, even if you do not know all the reagents to be used.



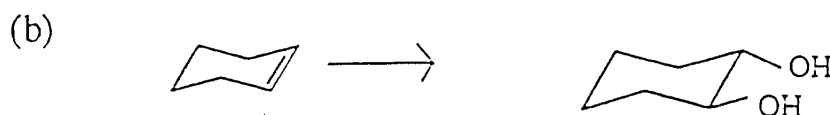
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- 10 6. For each of the following reactions, provide the structures of the major products and a mechanistic rationale ("arrow pushing") for their formation.

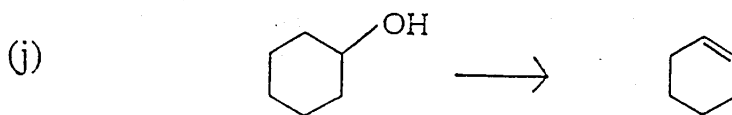
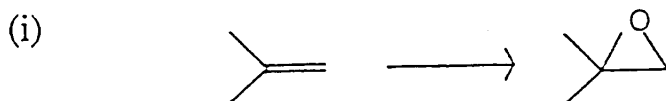
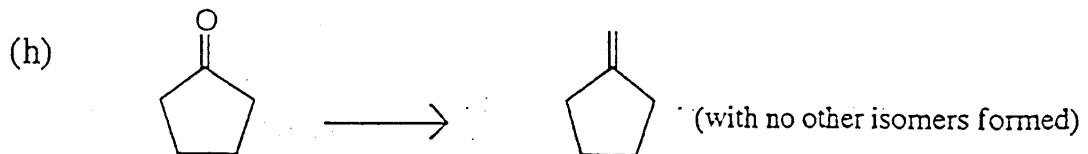
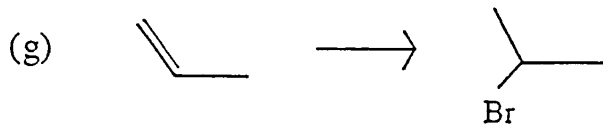
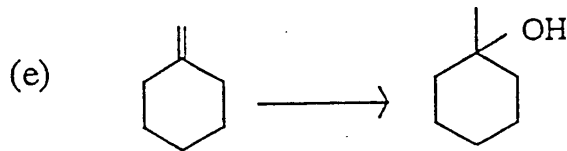
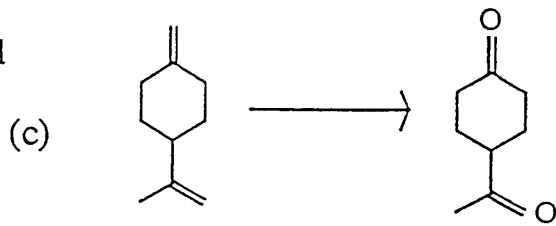


- 10 7. Indicate the reagents needed to carry out the following transformations



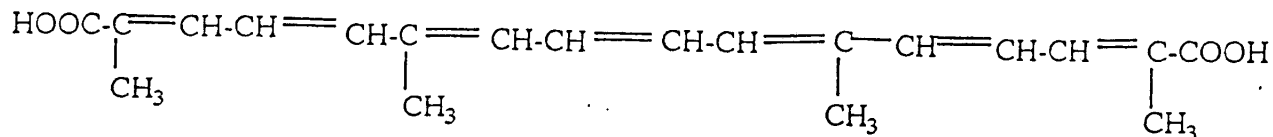
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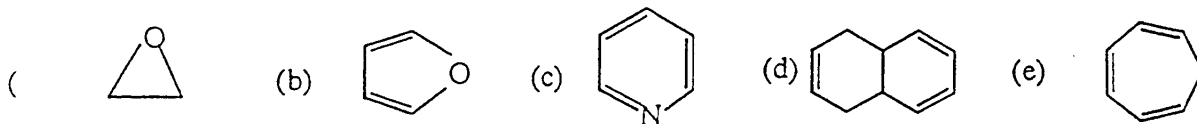
- 5 Below is the structure of Crocetin, the yellow pigment isolated from saffron.  
 (a) Indicate a possible biosynthetic origin based on combinations of isoprene units.



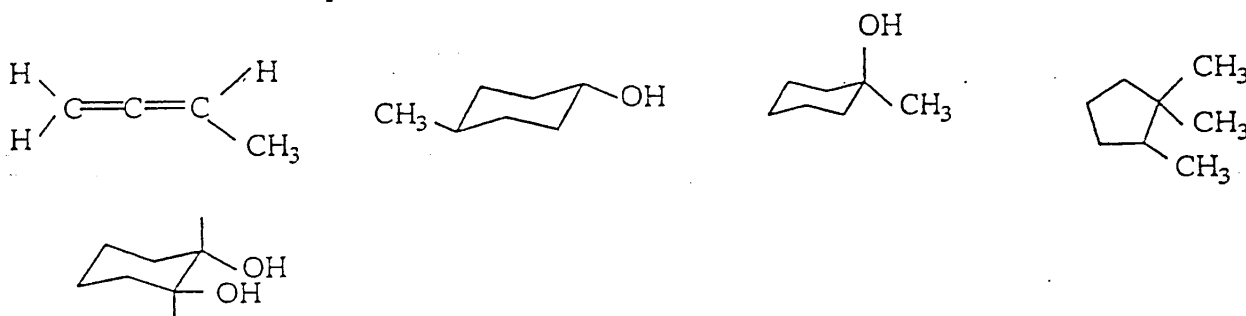
- (b) Calculate the position of maximum UV absorption for Crocetin using the data table shown below.

Base diene value	217
Each added alkyl group	+5
Each double-bond exocyclic in a six-membered ring	+5
Each additional conjugated double bond	+30

9. Indicate, with a brief rationale, which of the following species will be aromatic.



- 5/a. Indicate, with a brief rationale, which of the following species will be optically active.



- 5/b. Provide mechanisms ie "arrow pushing" to account for each of the following rearrangements.

