B.Sc. Semester-IV Core Course-IX (CC-IX) Organic Chemistry-III



III. Heterocyclic Compounds

24. Pyridines : Nucleophilic Reactions, Metal-Halogen Exchange, Direct Metallation and Other Reactions



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Heterocyclic Compounds

22 Lectures

Classification and nomenclature, Structure, aromaticity in 5-numbered and 6-membered rings containing one heteroatom; Synthesis, reactions and mechanism of substitution reactions of: Furan, Pyrrole (Paal-Knorr synthesis, Knorr pyrrole synthesis, Hantzsch synthesis), Thiophene, Pyridine (Hantzsch synthesis), Pyrimidine, Structure elucidation of indole, Fischer indole synthesis and Madelung synthesis), Structure elucidation of quinoline and isoquinoline, Skraup synthesis, Friedlander's synthesis, Knorr quinoline synthesis, Doebner- Miller synthesis, Bischler-Napieralski reaction, Pictet-Spengler reaction, Pomeranz-Fritsch reaction Derivatives of furan: Furfural and furoic acid.

Coverage:

- 1. Pyridines : Nucleophilic Reactions, Metal-Halogen Exchange, Direct Metallation and Synthesis of Natural Products
- 2. Pyridinium Ions : Nucleophilic Reactions
- 3. Pyriidines : Formation, Nucleophilic Reactions

Pyridines – Nucleophilic Reactions

Regiochemical Outcome of Nucleophilic Addition to Pyridines



• Nitrogen acts as an electron sink

• β Substitution is less favoured because there are no stable resonance forms with the negative charge on *N*

• Aromaticity will is regained by loss of hydride or a leaving group, or by oxidation

Pyridines – Nucleophilic Reactions

Nucleophilic Substitution



- Favoured by electron-withdrawing substituents that are also good leaving groups
- The position of the leaving group influences reaction rate ($\gamma > \alpha > \beta$)



Pyridinium Ions – Nucleophilic Reactions

Nucleophilic Substitution



- Conversion of a pyridine into the pyridinium salt greatly accelerates substitution
- Substituent effects remain the same (α , $\gamma >> \beta$) but now $\alpha > \gamma$



Pyridines – Pyridyne Formation

Substitution via an Intermediate Pyridyne



- When very basic nucleophiles are used, a pyridyne intermediate intervenes
- Pyridynes are similar to benzynes and are very reactive (not isolable)

Pyridines – Nucleophilic Reactions





 $X = H (NH_3) / 2$ -aminopyridine

- A hydride acceptor or oxidising agent is required to regenerate aromaticity
- The reaction with LiNH₂ is referred to as the Chichibabin reaction

Pyridines – Metal-Halogen Exchange

Direct Exchange of Metal and a Halogen



- Halogenated pyridines do not tend to undergo nucleophilic displacement with alkyl lithium or alkyl magnesium reagents
- Metallated pyridines behave like conventional Grignard reagents



Pyridines – Directed Metallation



- Directing groups allow direct lithiation at an adjacent position
- A Lewis basic group is required to complex the Lewis acidic metal of the base

Pyridines – Synthesis of a Natural Products

Synthesis of Pyridoxine (Vitamin B₆) Using the Guareschi Synthesis



- The final sequence of steps involves formation of a *bis*-diazonium salt from a diamine
- Pyridoxine performs a key role as the coenzyme in transaminases

