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ASSIGNMENT

Alkanols can be classified based on;

(i) based on the kind of carbon that bears the -OH group.

⇒ Primary Alkanols: These are alkanols that have the -OH group attached to the primary carbon, the primary carbon is a saturated carbon atom which has either 3 hydrogen atoms attached to it or only 1 alkyl group and 2 hydrogen atoms attached to it. Examples

* Methanol (C_1H_3OH)

⇒ Secondary Alkanols: These are alkanols that have the -OH group attached to a saturated carbon atom which has 2 other alkyl groups (R) attached to it. e.g., Propan-2-ol (C_3H_7OH)

⇒ Tertiary Alkanols: These are alkanols that have the -OH group attached to a saturated carbon atom which has 3 other alkyl groups attached to it. e.g., 2-methylpropan-2-ol [$(C_4H_9)_3COH$] = (C_4H_9OH)

(ii) based on the number of -OH groups.

⇒ Monohydric Alkanols → These are alkanols that contain one hydroxyl group (-OH). e.g., ethanol ~~ethanol~~ (C_2H_5OH)

⇒ Dihydric Alkanols → These are alkanols that contain 2 hydroxyl groups (-OH). They are also known as glycols. e.g., 1,2-ethanediol ($C_2H_6O_2$)

⇒ Trihydric Alkanols → These are alkanols that contain 3 hydroxyl groups (-OH)

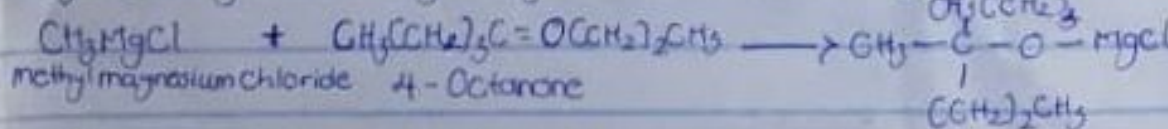
* 1,2,3-Propanetriol (Glycerol) ($C_3H_8O_3$)

⇒ Polyhydric Alkanols → These are alkanols with 4 or more hydroxyl groups.

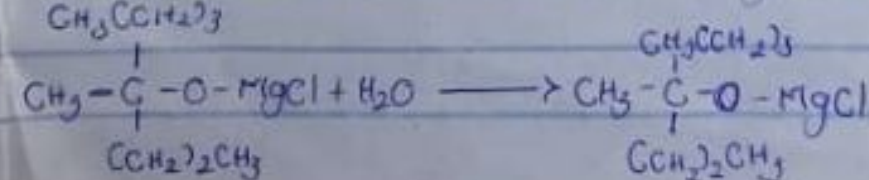
They are also known as sugar alcohols. e.g., sorbitol ($C_6H_{14}O_6$)

2 $CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_2C(=O)CH_2CH_2CH_3$ Condensed to $CH_3C(CH_2)_3C(=O)C(CH_2)_2CH_3$, reacts with a named Grignard reagent.

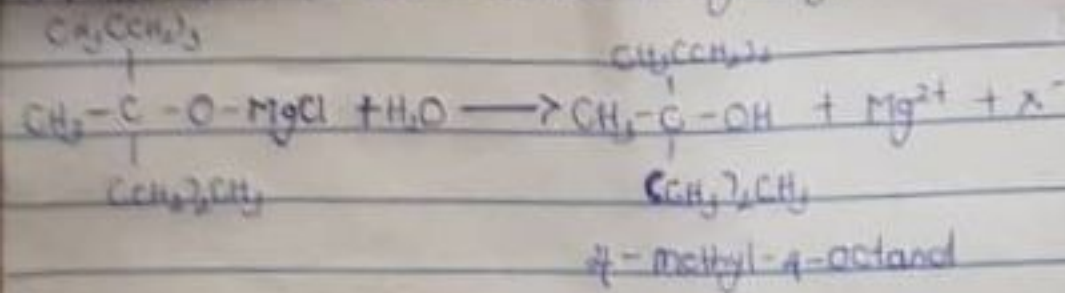
Grignard reagent = Methyl magnesium chloride (CH_3MgCl)



⇒ Dilute acid is then added to this to hydrolyse it.

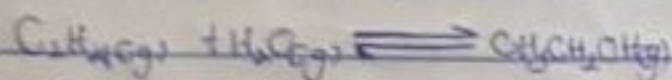


Phosphate acid is then added to hydrolyse it



Ethene (Ethylene) hydration

Ethanol is manufactured by reacting ethene with steam. The reaction is reversible, and the formation of ethanol is exothermic.



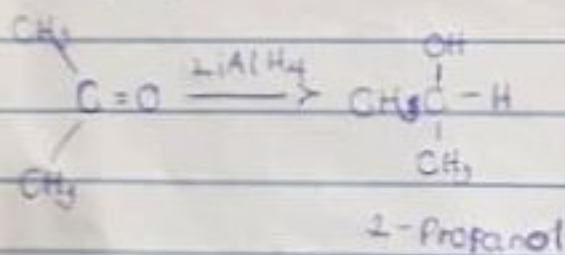
The reaction needs 1 vol. of ethene and 0.6 vol. of steam at a temperature of 300°C, a pressure of 60-70 atm and phosphoric (V) acid as a catalyst.

Only 5% of the ethene gas is converted into ethanol (by cooling and recycling the ethene, it is possible to achieve 95% conversion).

i) Reduction of Alkanones

Used example: 2-Propanone

Reducing agent: Lithium tetrahydroaluminate (III) (LiAlH_4)

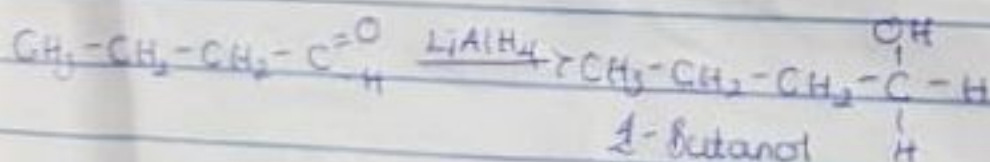


The reduction of Alkanones results in the production of secondary alkanols.

ii) Reduction of Alkanals

Used examples: butanal

Reducing agent: Lithium tetrahydroaluminate (III) (LiAlH_4)



The reduction of alkanals produces primary alkanols.