

Protein bioconjugates

1. Historical background

2. Functional groups of proteins/glycoproteins

N-nucleophiles: $-\text{NH}_2$, imidazole, indole, guanidino

S-nucleophiles: $-\text{SH}$, $\text{CH}_2\text{-S-CH}_3$

O-nucleophile: $-\text{OH}$

O/C-nucleophiles: $-\text{CHO}$, $-\text{COOH}$, $-\text{CONH}_2$

3. Creation of reactive groups

- Limited reactivity (eg. $-\text{OH}$ vs. $-\text{CHO}$)
- Improved selectivity (e.g. $-\text{NH}_2$ vs. $-\text{SH}$)
- Space considerations
- Convenient chemistry (e.g. $-\text{COOH}$ vs. $-\text{NH}_2$)

Introduction

Transformation

Destructive

Non-destructive

4. Detection of reactive groups

sensitive
quantitative
quick
small sample

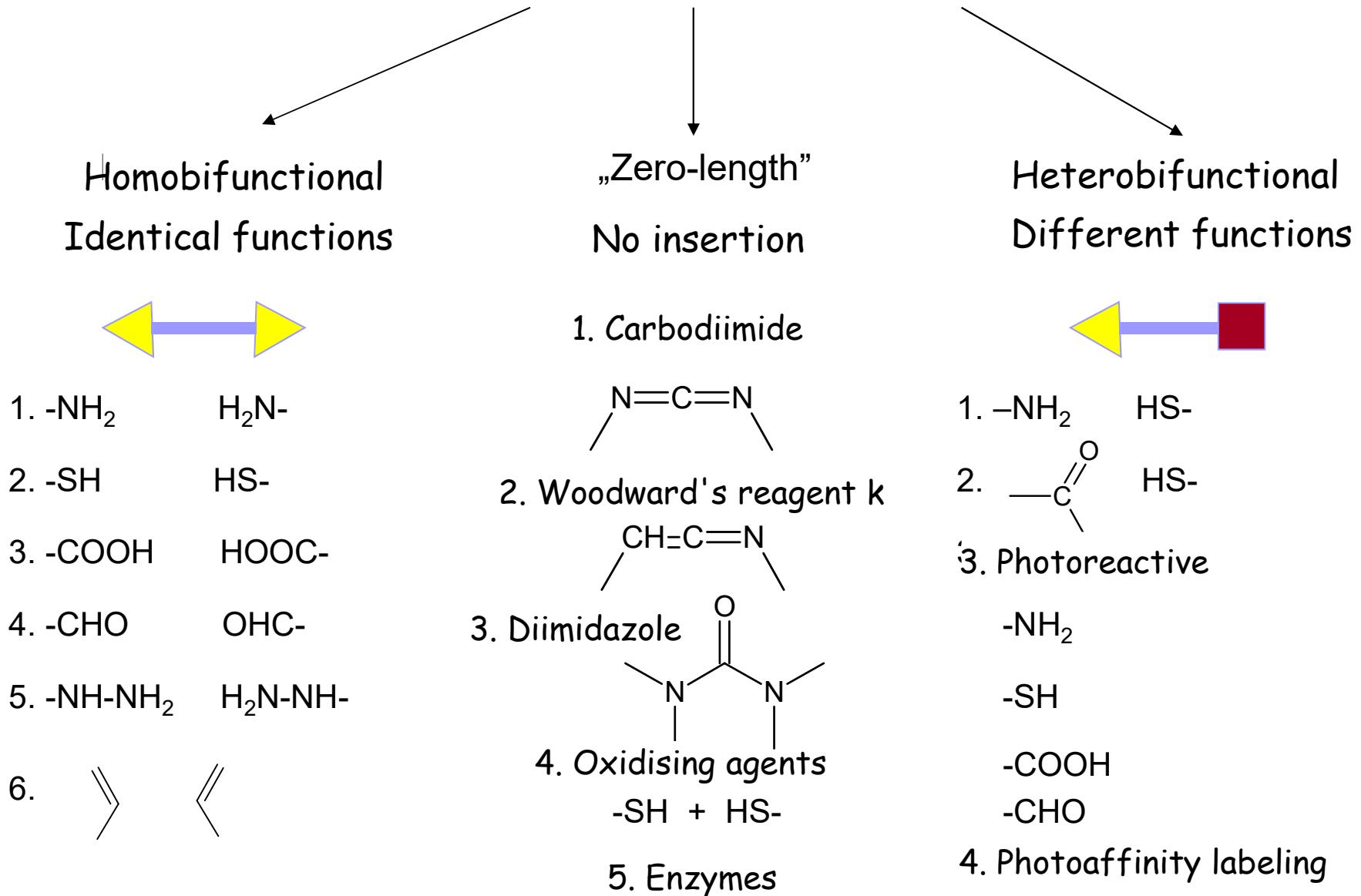
5. Conjugation

- Chemical synthesis
- Enzymatic synthesis (e.g. $-\text{NH}_2$ vs. $-\text{SH}$)
- Gene technology

6. Analysis of conjugates

Purification
Structure determination

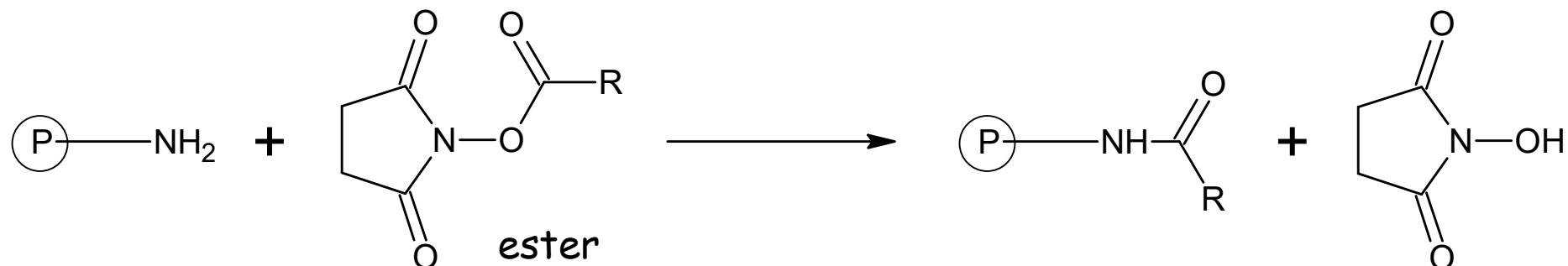
Strategies of bioconjugation



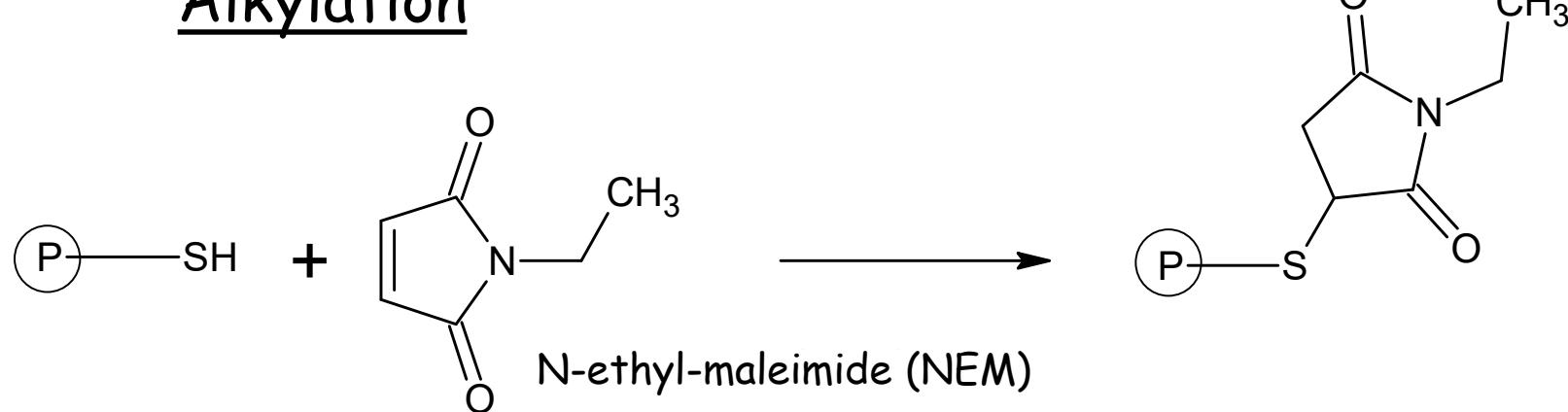
Selection of coupling reagents

1. Specificity of the reaction

Acylation

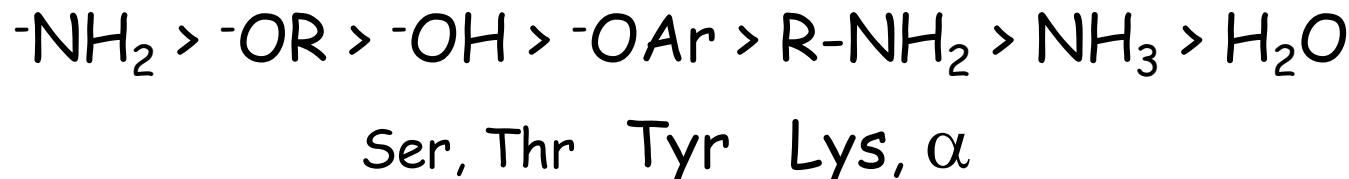


Alkylation



Nucleophilicity order

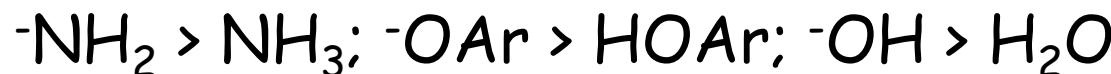
a) Within a period



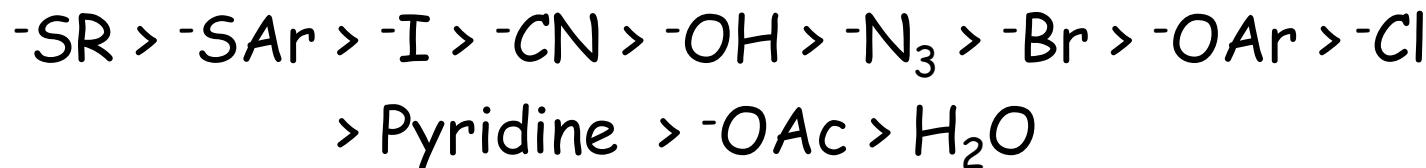
b) Within a column



Protonation effect

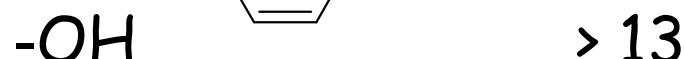
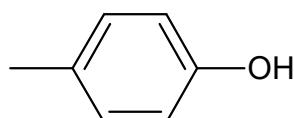


Edwards Jo, Pearson RG JACS 84 26 (1962)



$$\Sigma \quad \text{-SH} > \text{-NH}_2 > \text{-OH}$$

- pH effect: 1. protonation decreases nucleophilicity

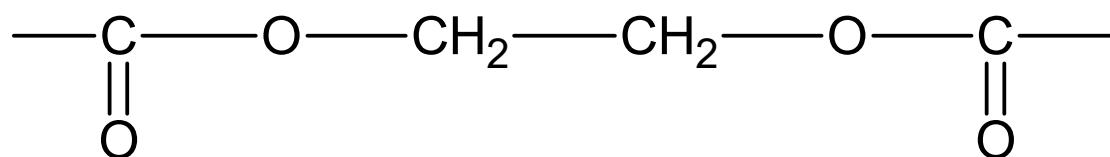
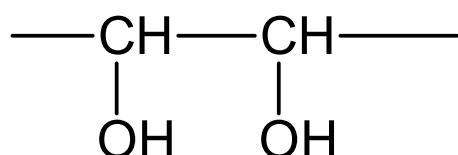


$$\text{pH} = \text{pK}_a + \log \frac{[\text{A}^-]}{[\text{AH}]}$$

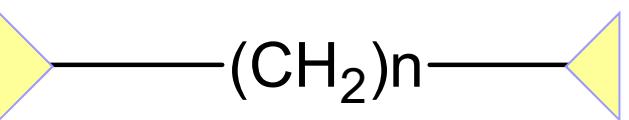
- 2. Hydrophilic/hydrophobic character of the reagent

e.g. membrane

- 3. cleavability of the reagent e.g. $-\text{S-S-}$



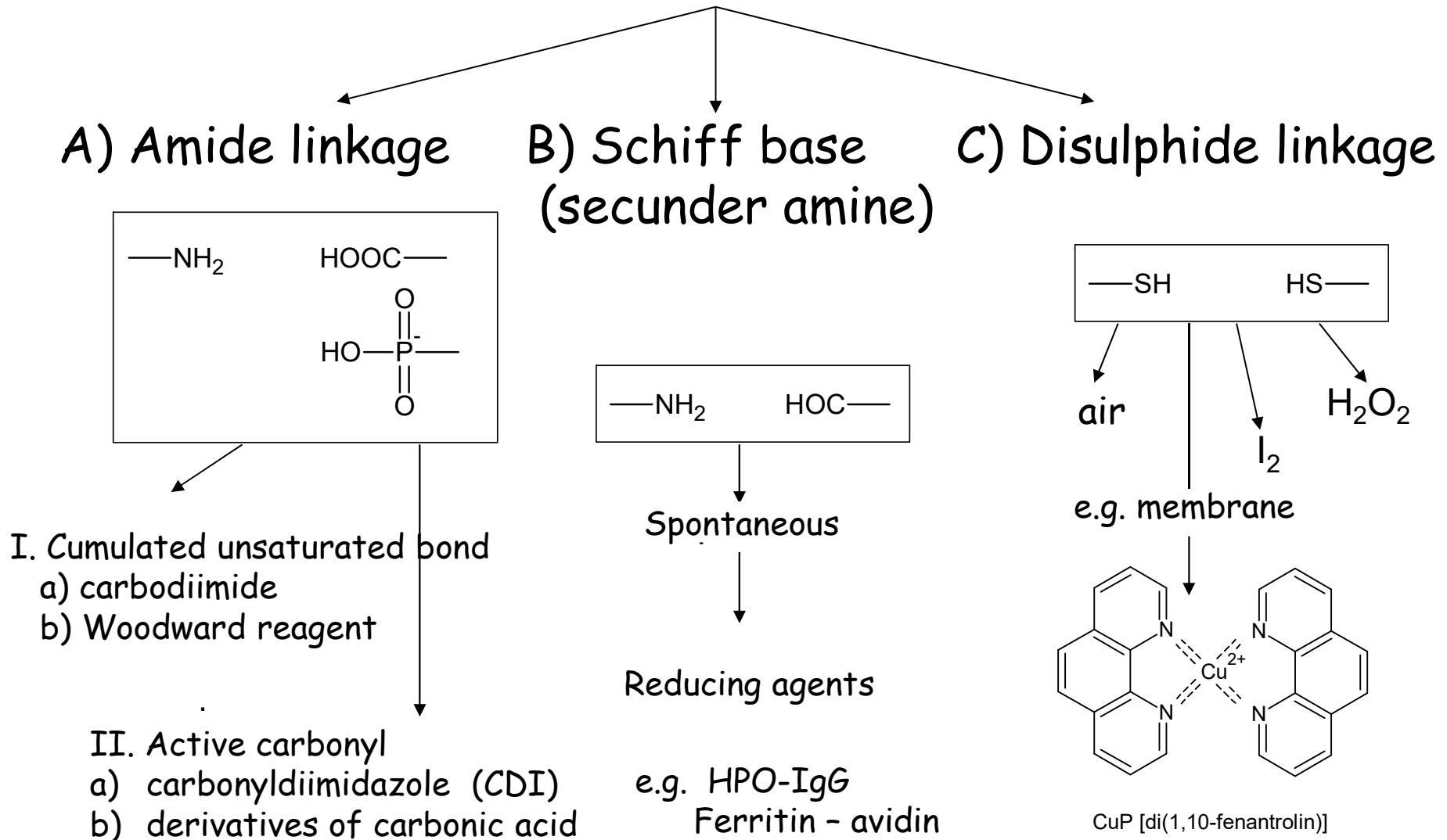
4. Size of the reagent

e.g.  $(\text{CH}_2)_n$ $n = 0,1,2\dots$

5. „Reporter“ feature of the reagent

e.g. UV, F chromophore, spin-label

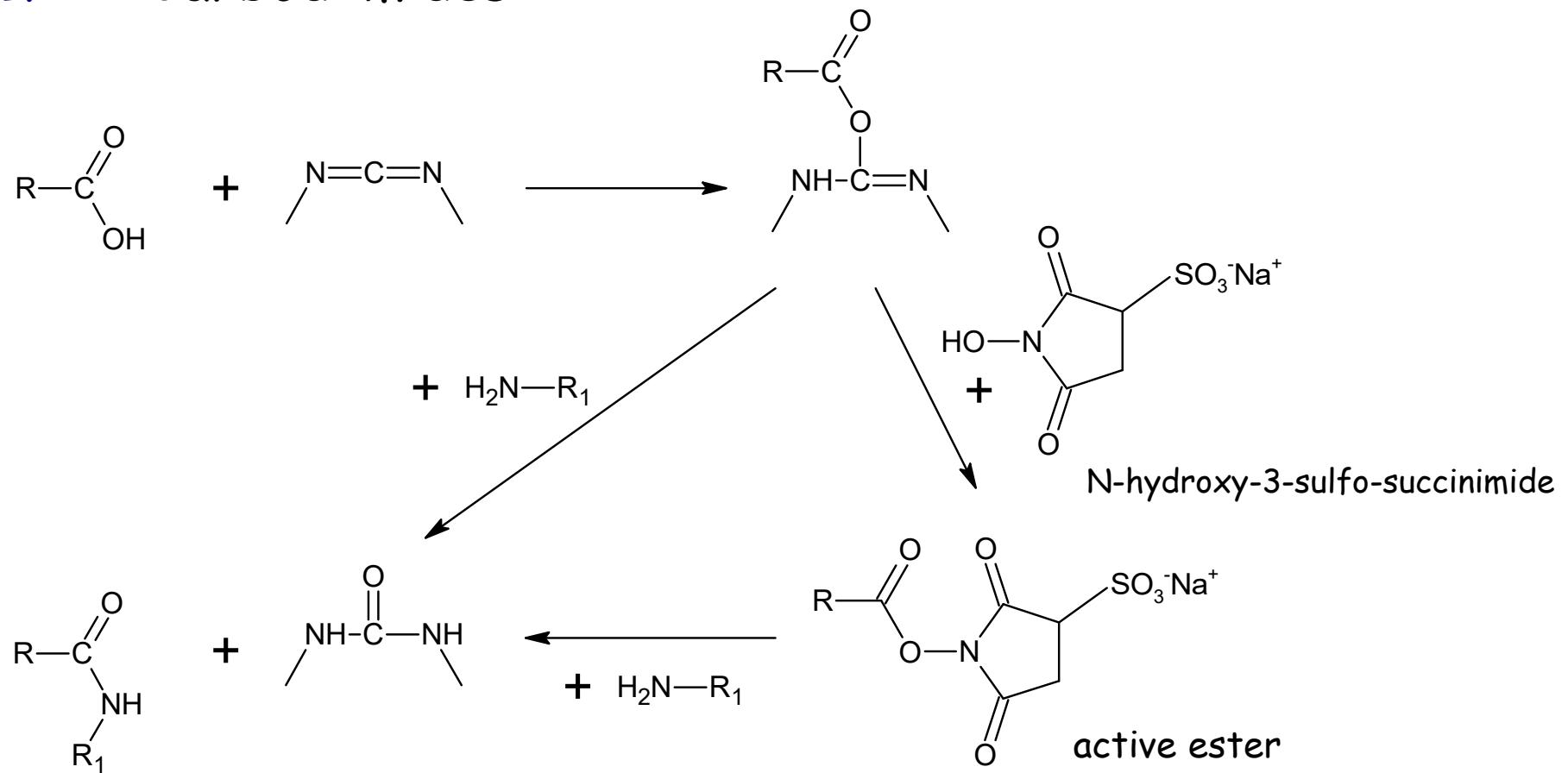
1. „Zero-length” coupling reagents



A) Amide linkage

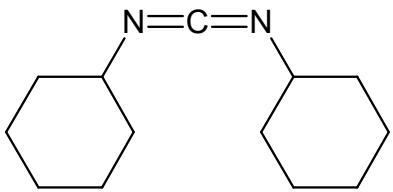
(reagents with cumulated unsaturated bond)

I. Carbodiimides

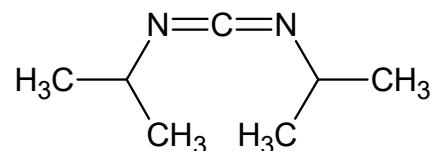


A. Non-water soluble carbodiimides

Sheehan JC J Am Chem Soc 77 1067 (1955)



N, N' - dicyclohexylcarbodiimide (DCC)

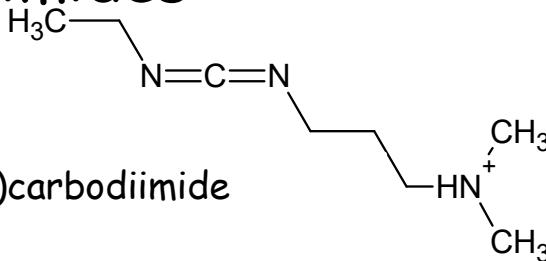


N, N' - diisopropylcarbodiimide (DIC)

B. Water soluble carbodiimides

Sheehan JC et al. J Org Chem 26 2525 (1961)

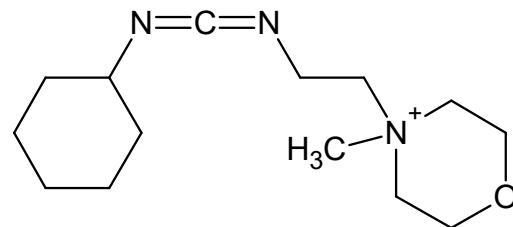
1-ethyl-3-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)carbodiimide
(EDC, EDAC)



pH 4.7 - 6 (7.5)

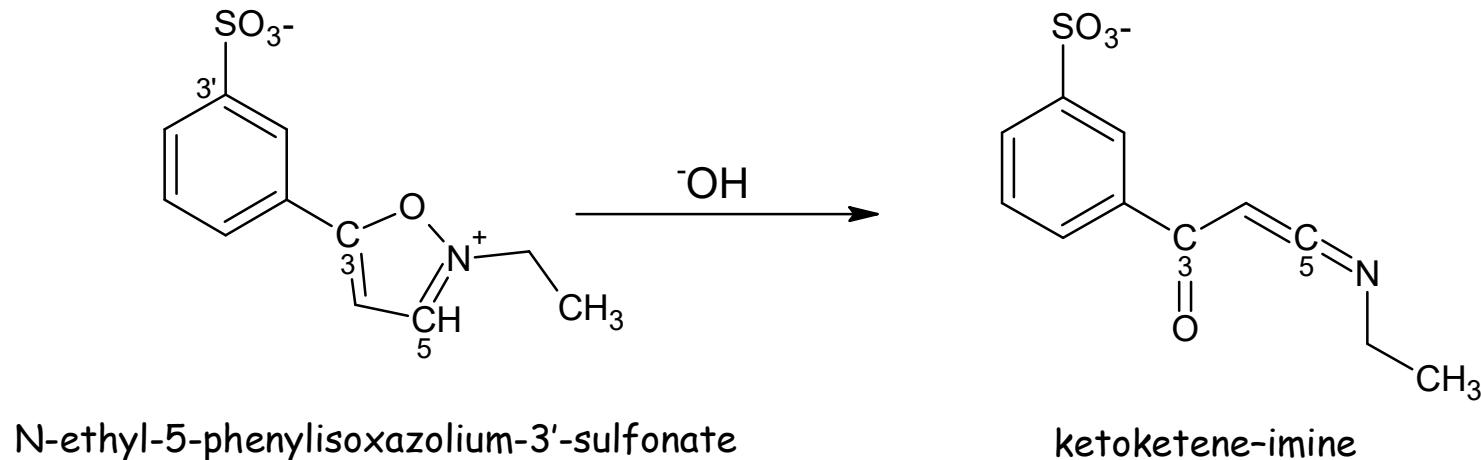
Side reaction: hydrolysis, thiolysis

Sheehan JC J Org Chem 21 439 (1956)



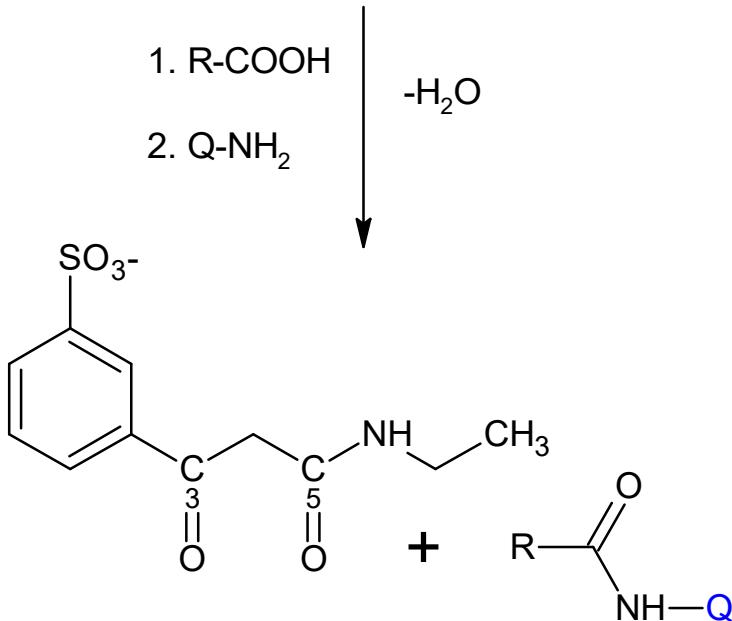
1-Cyclohexyl-3-(2-morpholinoethyl)carbodiimide (CMC)

C. Woodward reagent



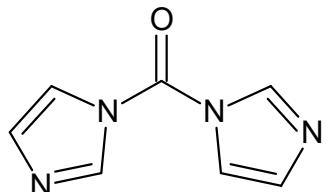
Woodward RB J Am Chem Soc 83 1010 (1961)

- 1) Polymer α -chymotripsin
- 2) Hemin - IgG conjugate
- 3) Enzyme - bilirubin conjugate



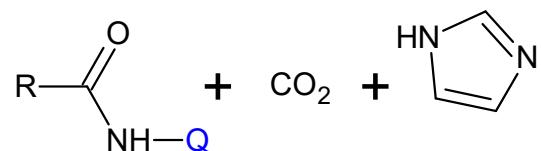
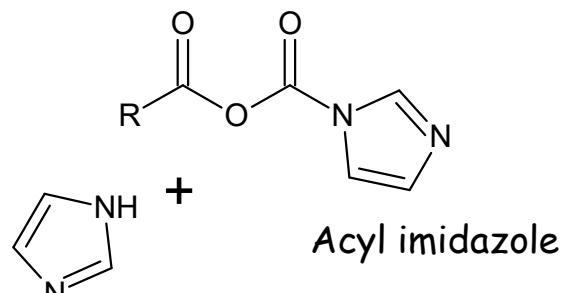
II. Active carbonyl reagents

A

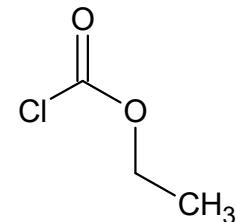


N,N'-carbonyldiimidazole (CDI)

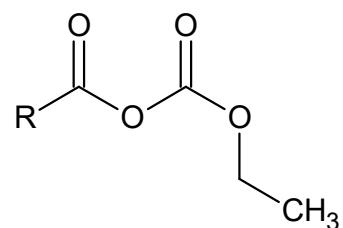
Anderson GW
J. Am. Chem. Soc. 80 4323 (1958)



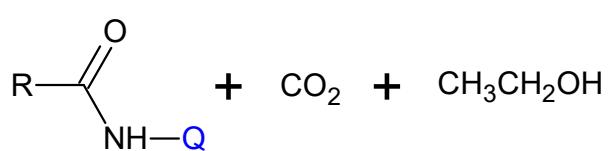
B



Carbonochloridic acid ethyl ester



Enzyme - antibody →
histochemistry
Ganglionid - fluorophore

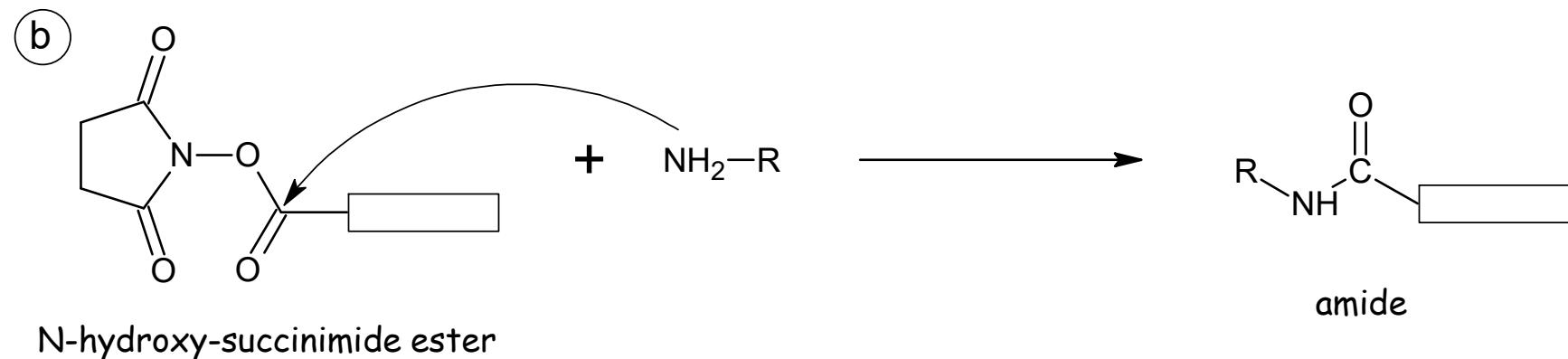
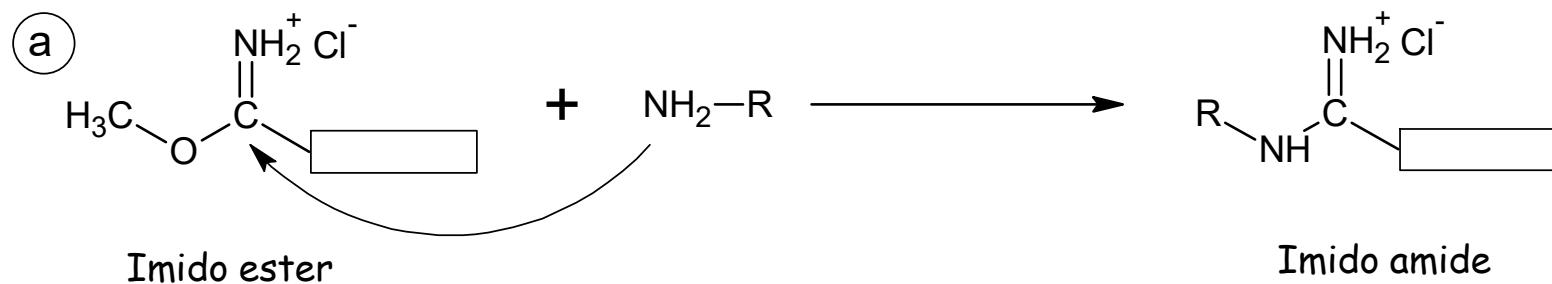


2. Homobifunctional coupling reagents



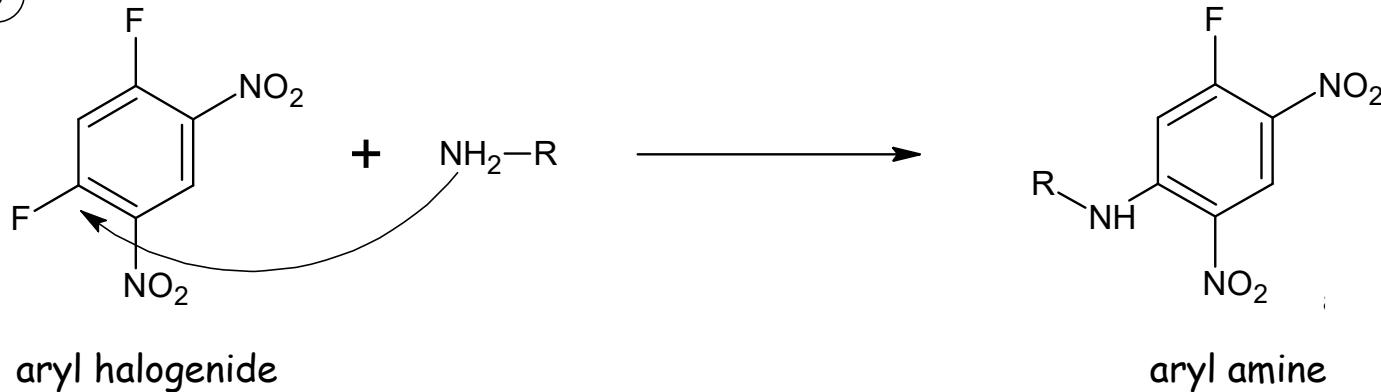
2.1. Functional groups

2.1.1. Amino group

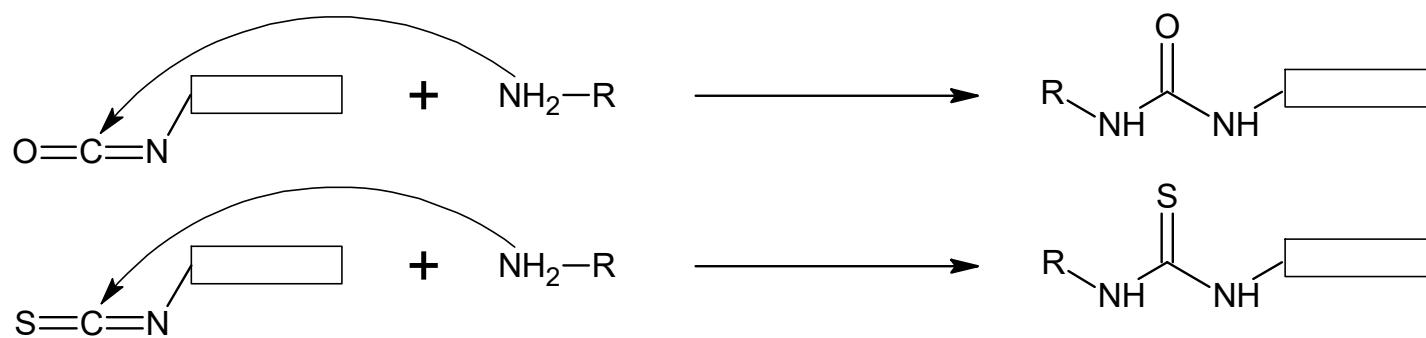




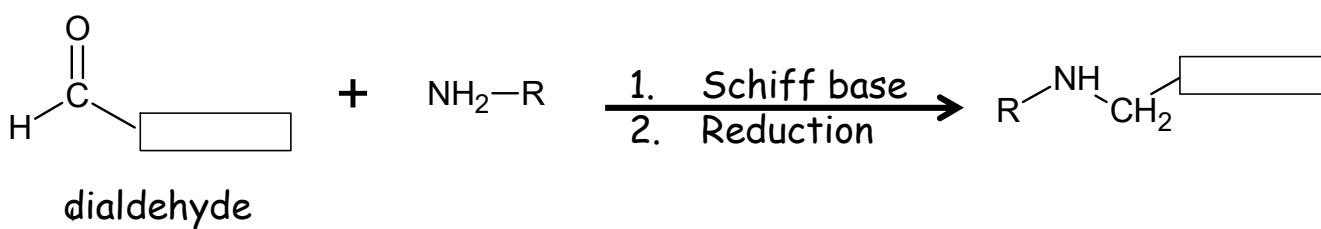
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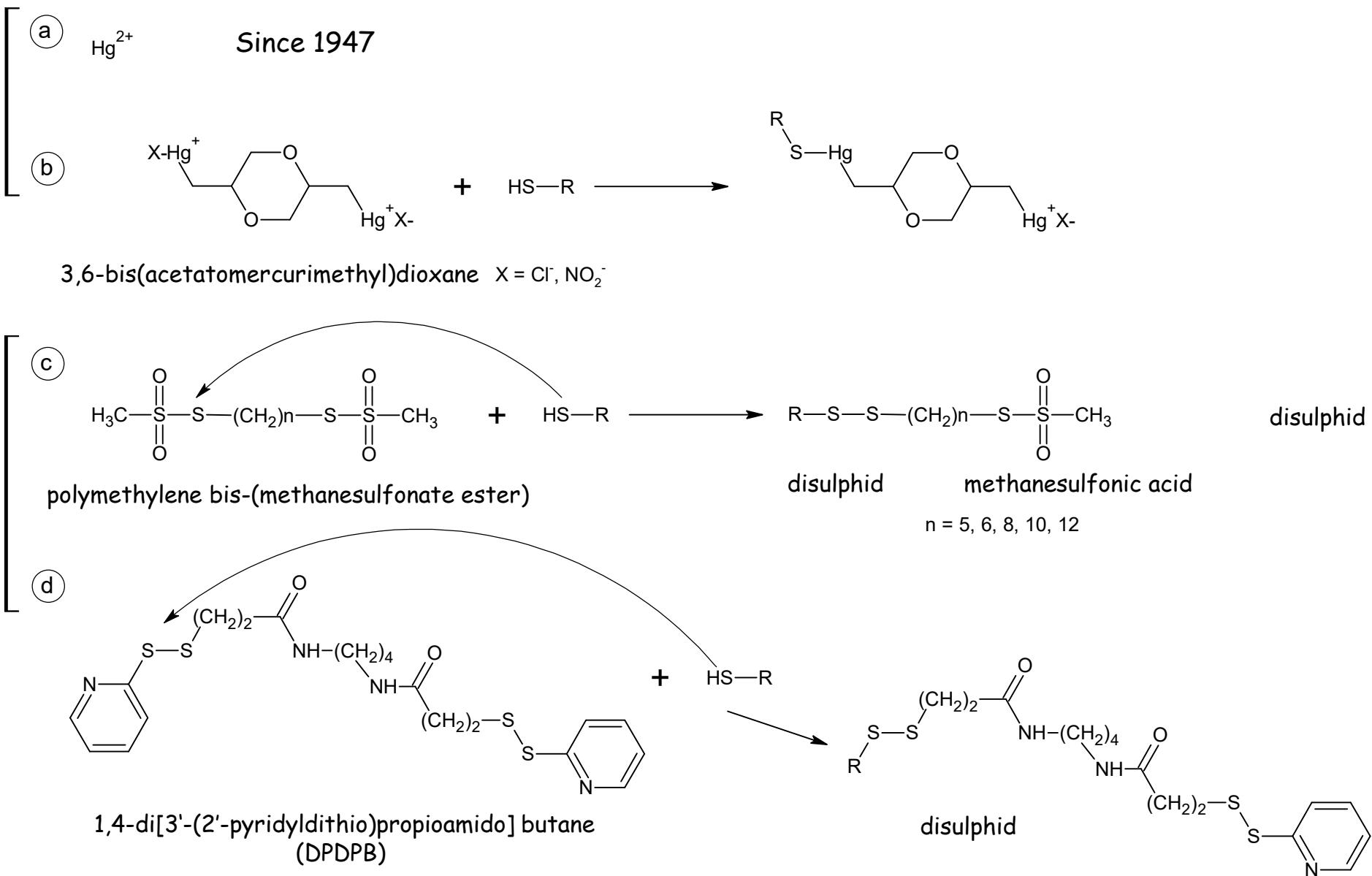
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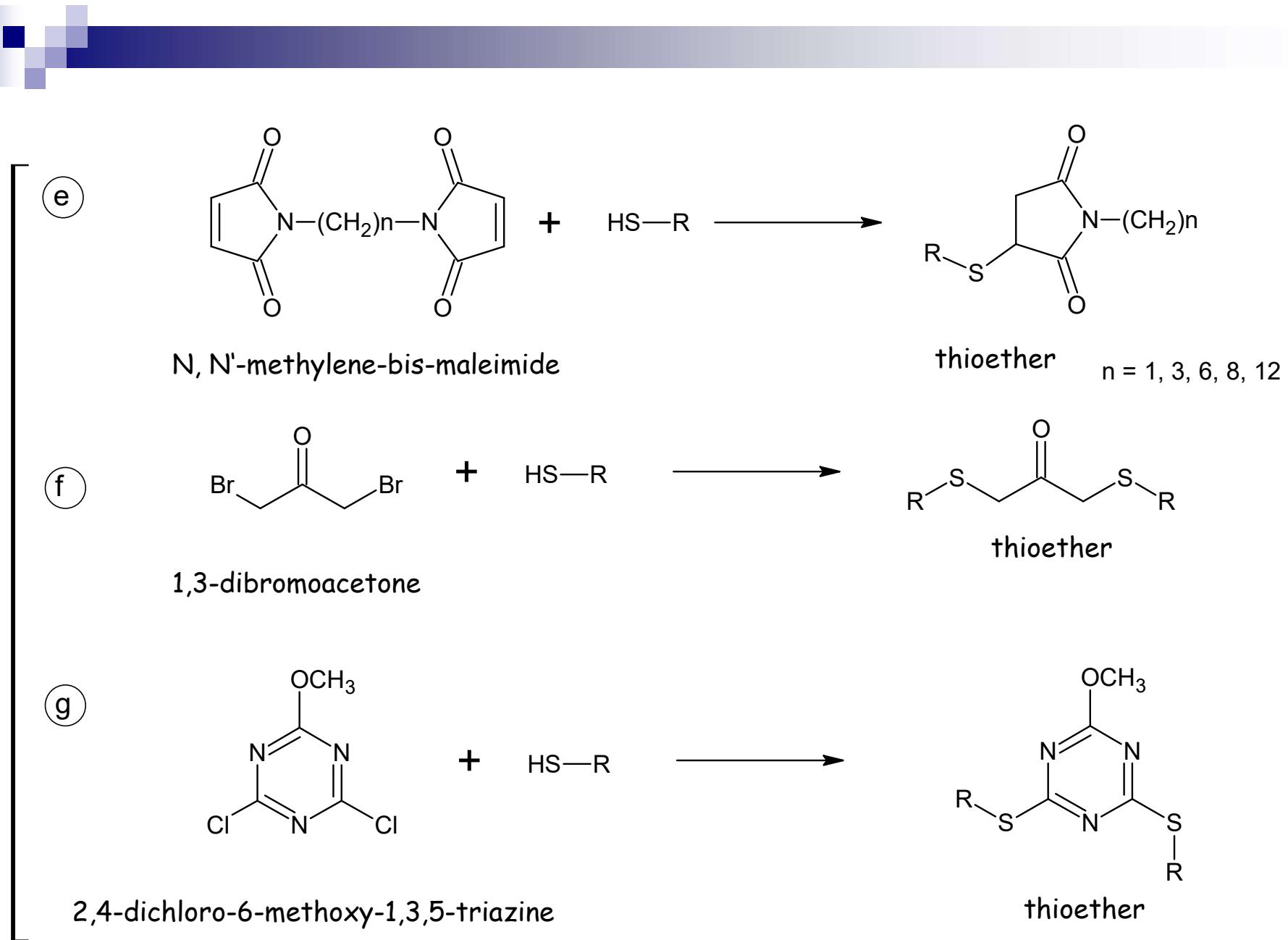


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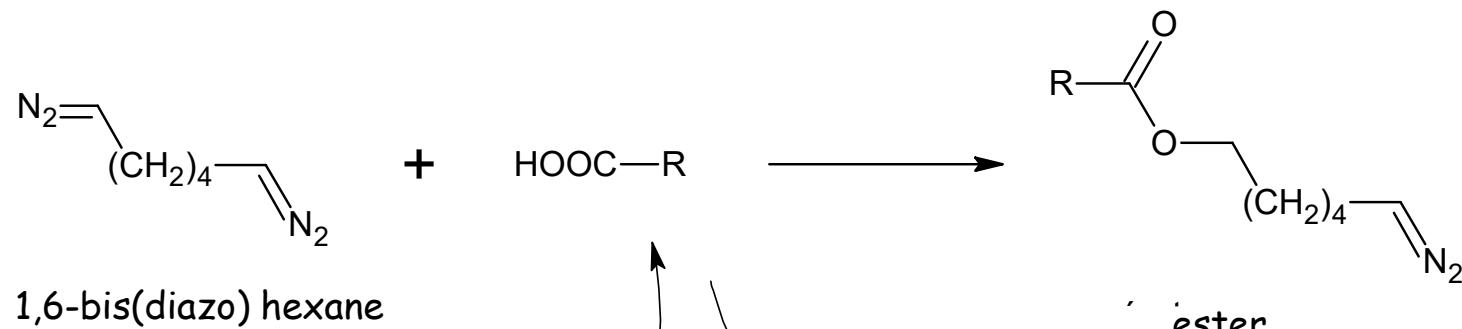


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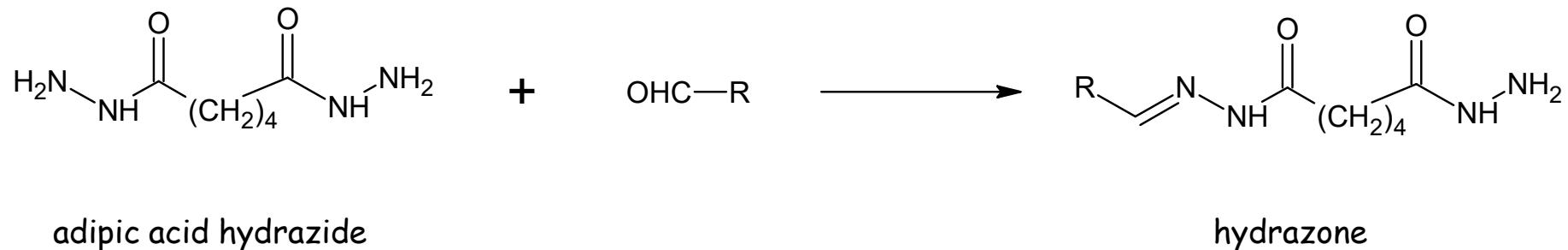




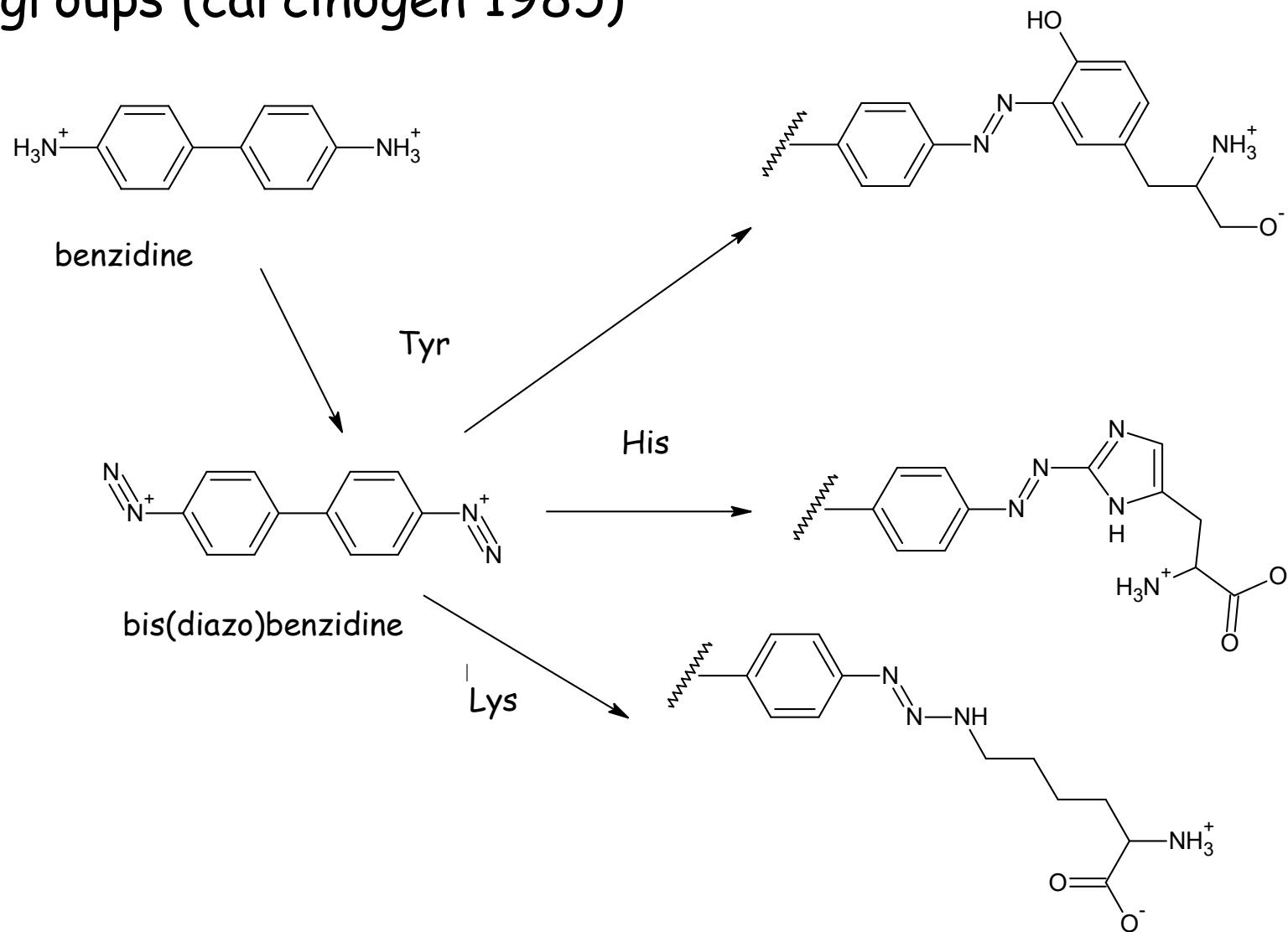
2.1.3. Carboxyl function



2.1.4. Aldehyde function

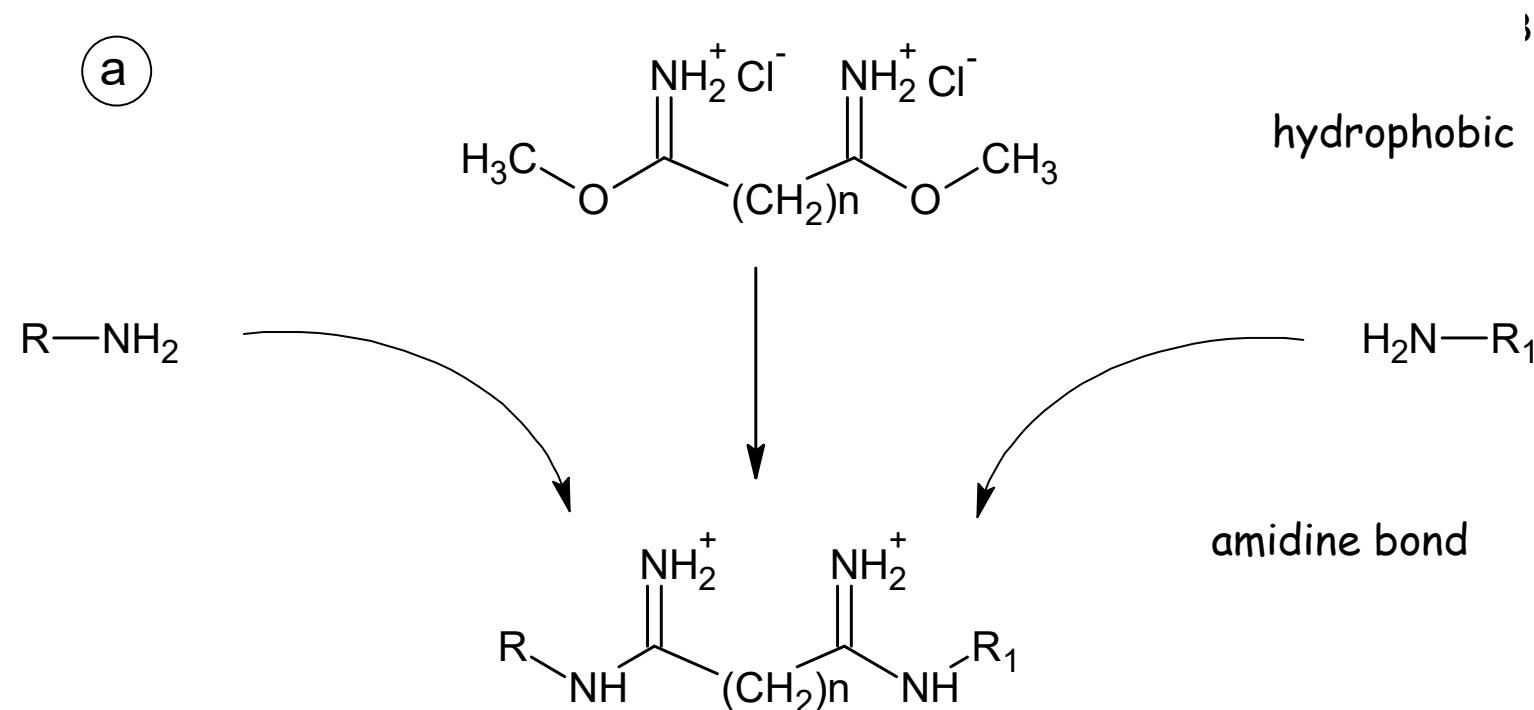


2.1.5. Bis-benzydine derivatives - mixed functional groups (carcinogen 1985)



2.2. Spacers

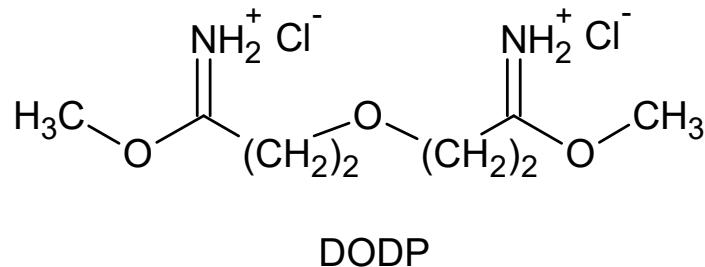
2.2.1. Non-cleavable



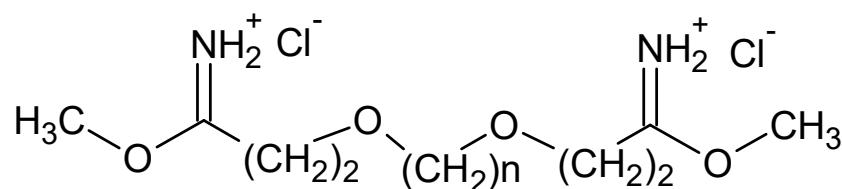
$n = 1$ dimethyl malonimidate (DMM)

$n = 2 - 10$ ($n = 4$, DMA) $n = 5$, DMP $n = 6$, DMS

(b)



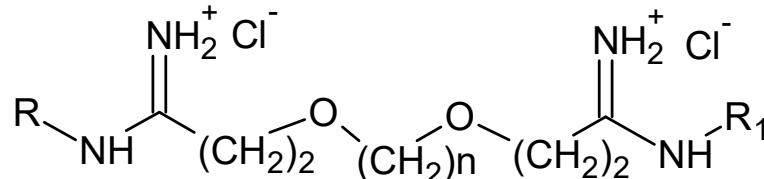
hydrophil



$n = 1, 2, 4$

$n = 1$ DMDP

$\text{R}-\text{NH}_2$



$\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{R}_1$

Applications:

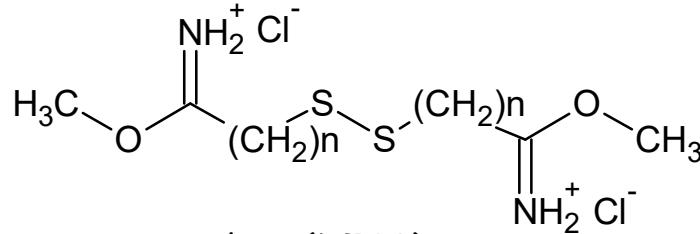
pH 8 - 9, charge, water soluble
electronmicroscopy
multienzyme complexes
immuncomplexes structure
protein - A - immobilization

2.2.2. Cleavable

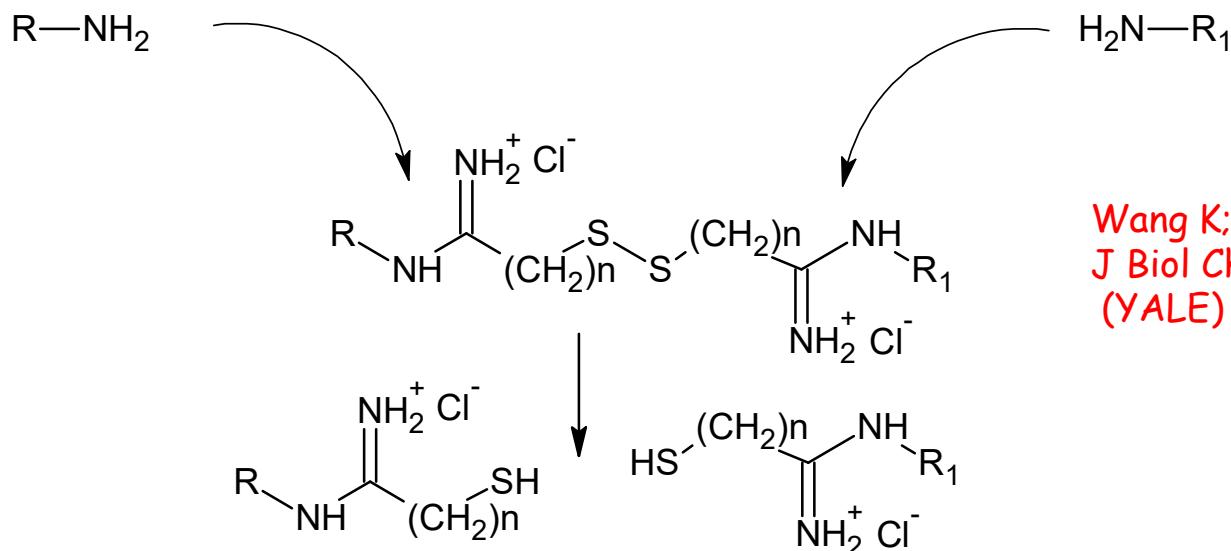
Application: electrophoresis → cleavage
molecular movement in cellular membrane
IA ag association

Shivdagani RA J Immunol 141 1252 (1988)

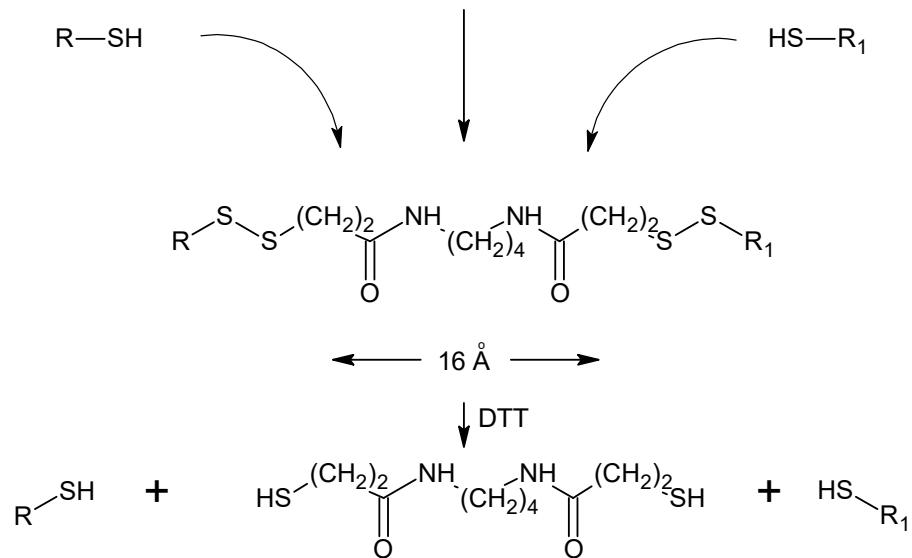
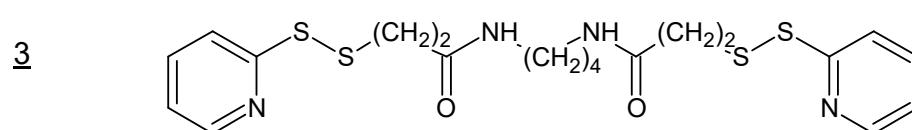
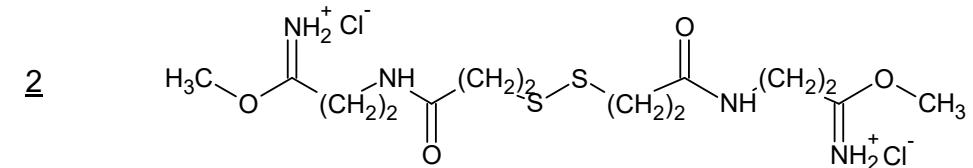
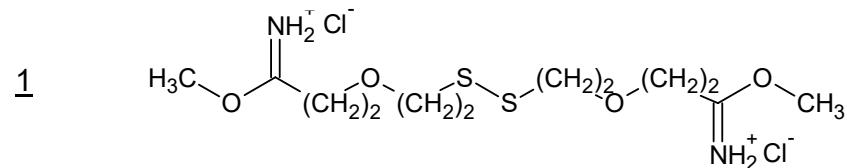
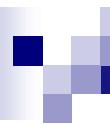
(a) Disulphide bond



$n = 2$, Dimethyl 3,3'-dithiobispropionimidate (DTBP),
 $n = 3$, DTBB, $n = 4$, DTBV, $n = 6$, DTBE

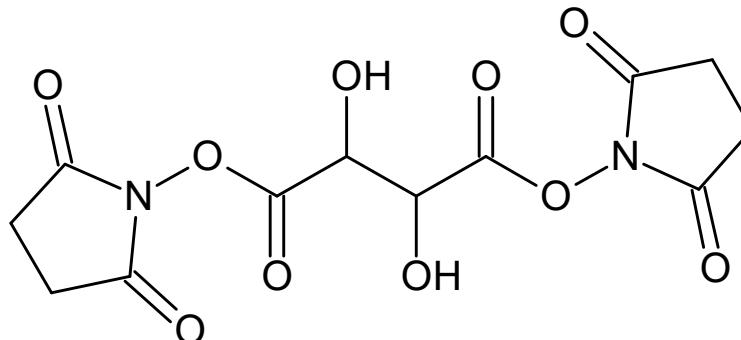


Wang K; Richards F:
J Biol Chem 249 8005 (1974)
(YALE)



(b) Vicinal diol

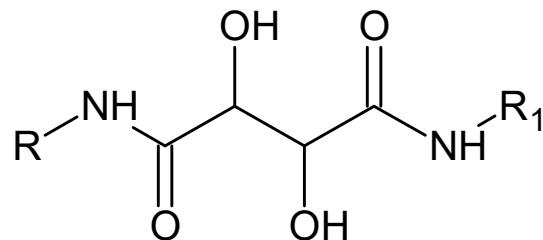
Disuccinimidyl tartarate (DST)



$\text{R}-\text{NH}_2$

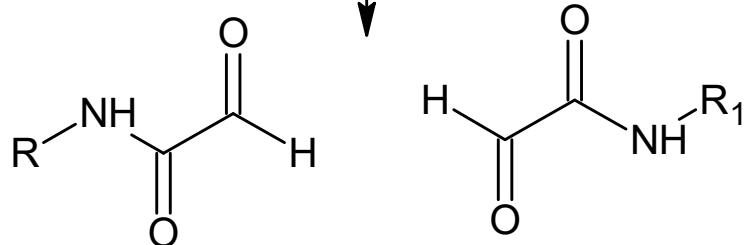
$\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{R}_1$

Smith RJ, Biochemistry 17 3719 (1978)



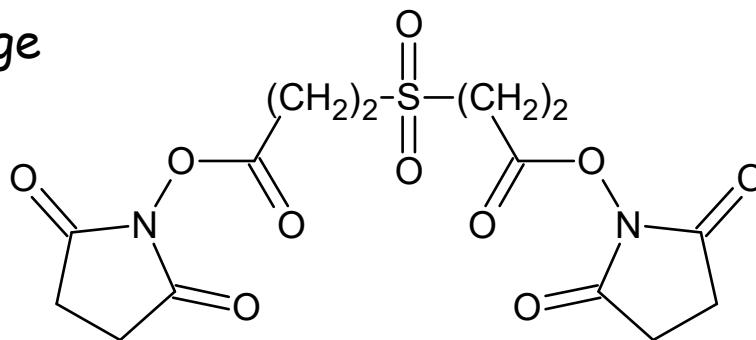
Amide

NaIO_4



(c) Base sensitive linkage

C1

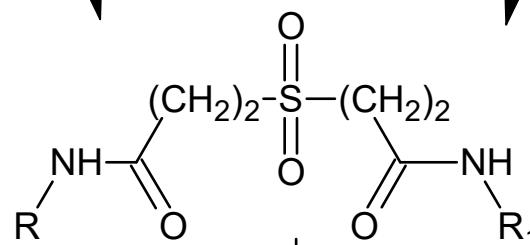


Bis[2-(N-succinimidyl-oxy carbonyloxy)ethyl] sulfone (BSES)

Non water soluble

$R-NH_2$

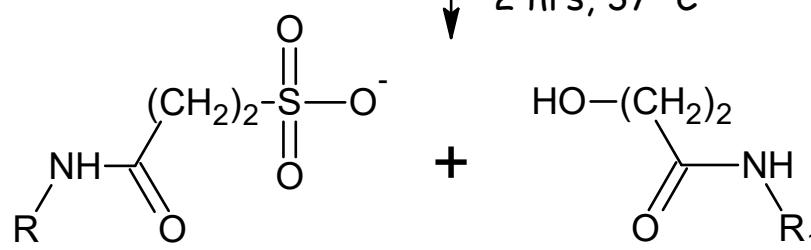
H_2N-R_1



Amide

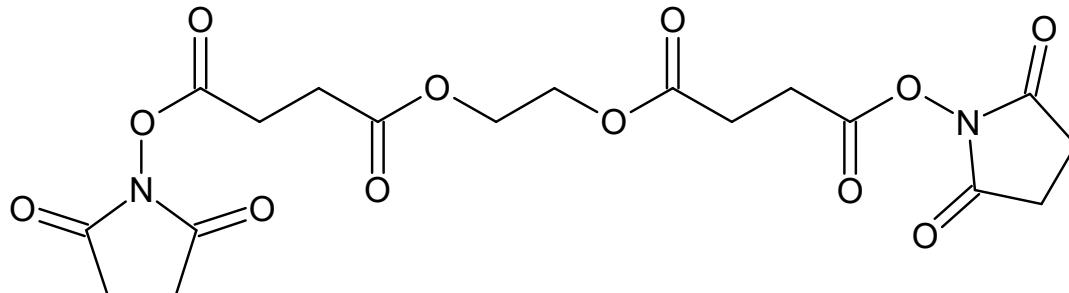
pH 11.6

2 hrs, 37 °C

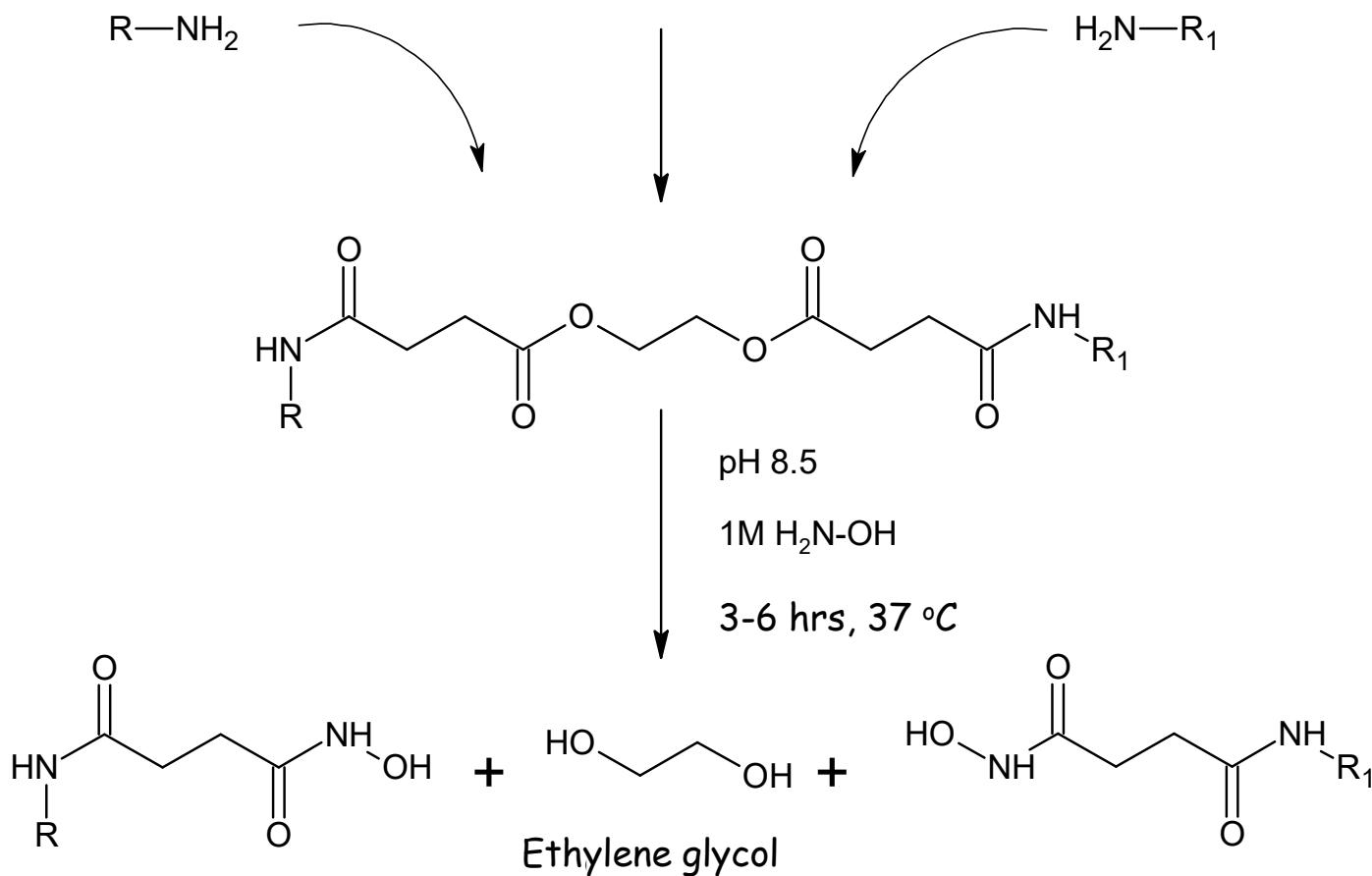


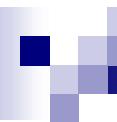


C2

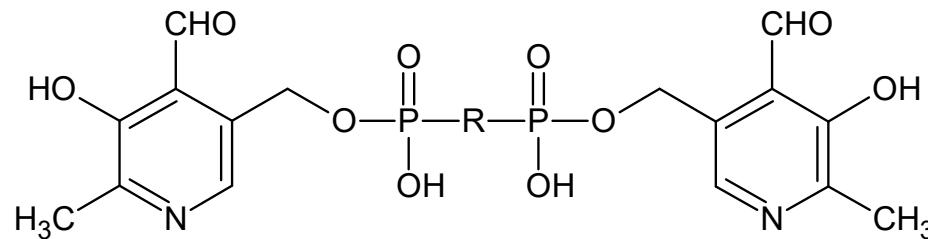


Ethylene glycol-bis(succinic acid N-hydroxysuccinimide ester) (EGS) Non water soluble





C3



P'P2-bis(5'-pyridoxal) diphosphate

