

# Introduction to Imidazole

Imidazole is a planar, 5-membered heterocyclic ring containing 2

nitrogen atoms at the 1- and 3-positions. The two nitrogen atoms have

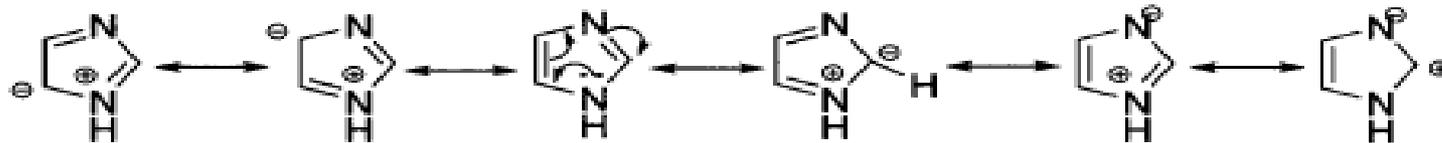
→ lone pair not react with ring

differing reactivities: one like pyridine and the other like pyrrole. Imidazole is a highly polar, water-soluble compound

↔ react with ring

Imidazole is classified as an aromatic compound with 6π electrons and has a resonance energy of ~ 50 kJ/mol. The resonance energy of imidazole is lower than benzene

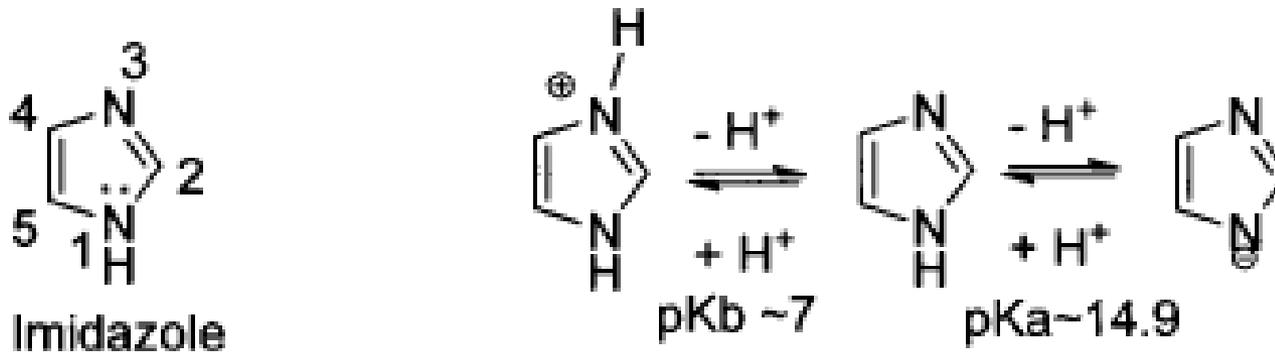
↔ pyrrole > furan > thiophene > benzene > imidazole



Resonance Structures of Imidazole

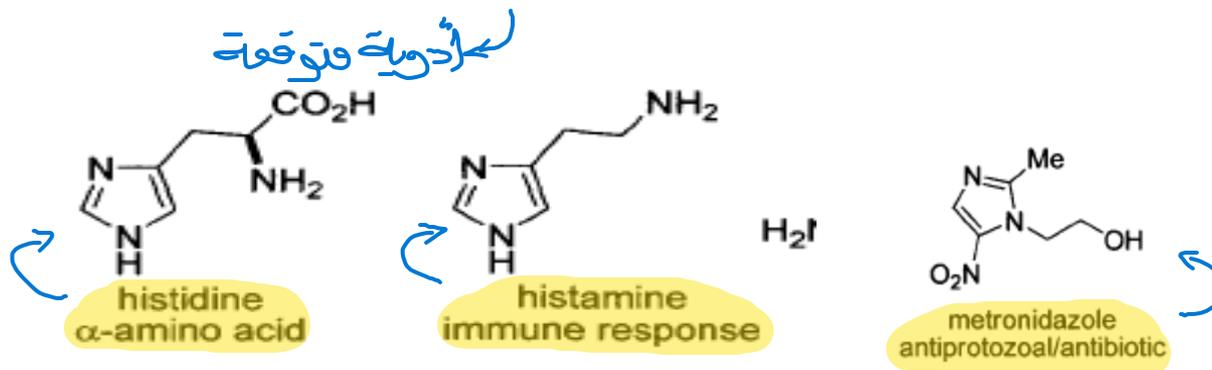
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- Imidazole is an **amphoteric molecule**, acting as both an acid and a base. **As an acid**, it has a  $pK_a$  of about 14.9, making it **less acidic than carboxylic acids or phenol** but **more acidic than alcohols**. **As a base**, imidazole has a  $pK_b$  of about 7, making **imidazole much more basic than pyridine**

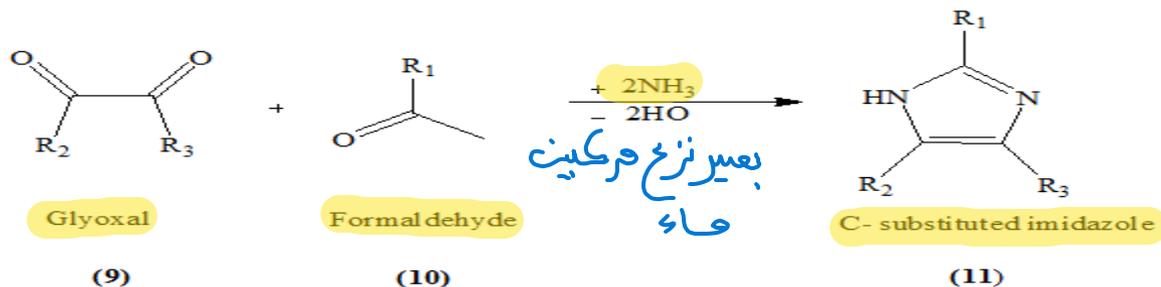


### Imidazole Numbering and pKa's

- The imidazole molecule is incorporated into many biologically relevant molecules.
- several medicines or potential medicines have been made that contain imidazole.



تلات طرق لتصنيع imidazole  
 بس عن طريق الطريقة الوحيدة لتصنيعه



• **1) Debus Synthesis:-**

Debus Synthesised imidazole by using glyoxal (9) and formaldehyde (10) in ammonia. This synthesis, while producing relatively low yields, is still used for creating C-substituted imidazoles (11). [17]

↳ substituted in carbon atom

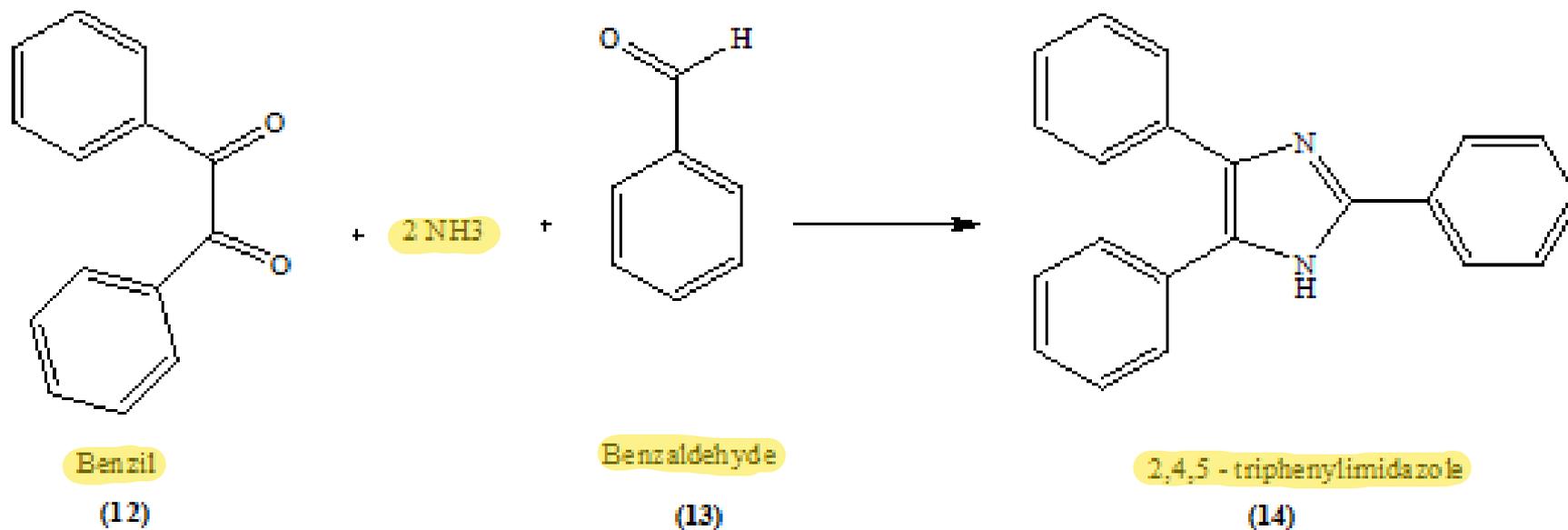
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• **2) Radiszewski Synthesis:**

Radiszewski reported the condensation of a dicarbonyl compound, benzil (12) and a-ketoaldehyde, benzaldehyde (13) or a-diketones in the presence of ammonia, yield 2, 4, 5-triphenylimidazole (14). [18]

product



benzil +  $\alpha$ -diketone + NH<sub>3</sub>  $\longrightarrow$  substituted imidazole

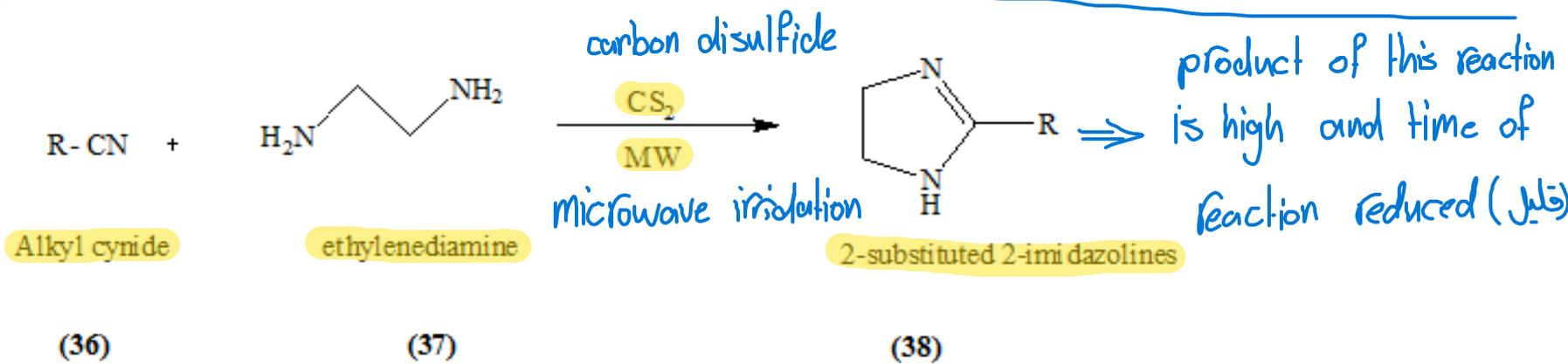
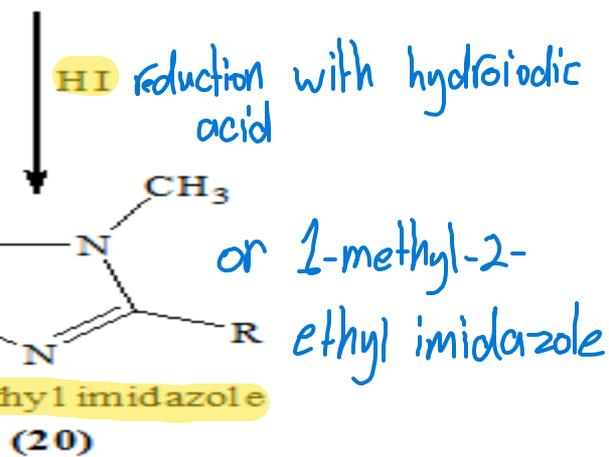
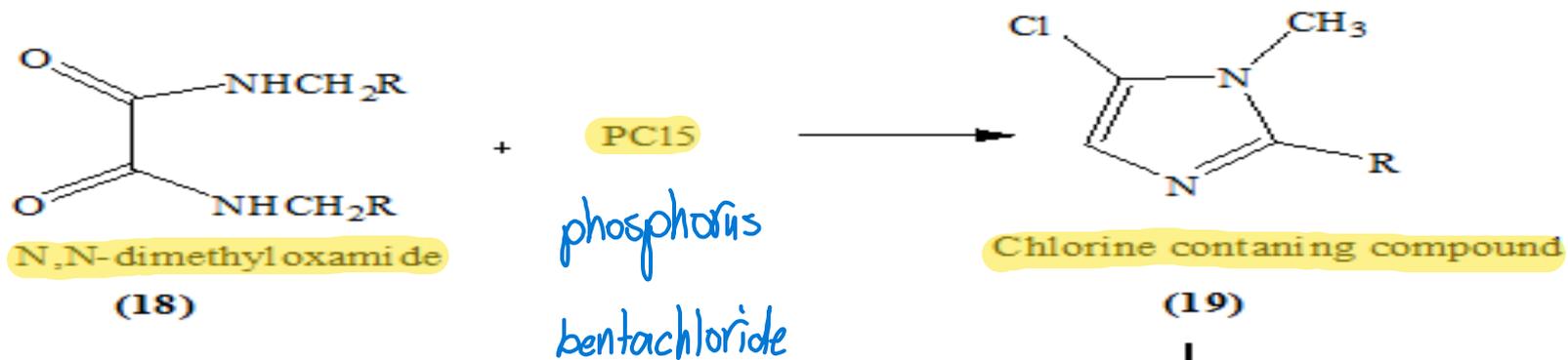
- **Wallach Synthesis:-**

Wallach reported that when N, N-dimethyloxamide (**18**) is treated with phosphorus pentachloride, a chlorine containing compound (**19**) is obtained which on reduction with hydroiodic acid give N-methyl imidazole (**20**). Under the same condition N, N-diethyloxamide is converted to a chlorine compound, which on reduction gives 1- ethyl –2- methyl imidazole.

[20]

حسب تقریر خاتمان و آخرت

- Pathan *et al* [27] reported the reaction of alkyl cyanide (**36**) with ethylene diamine (**37**) in the presence of carbon disulphide give 2-substituted 2-imidazolines (**38**) under microwave irradiation. The yields of product obtained using this protocol is significantly high and the reaction time is reduced.



# Reactivity of the Imidazole Ring

إضافة مجموعة هيدريل أو السيل إلى ذرة النيتروجين

- *Nitrogen Alkylation*

- Alkylation of the nitrogen occurs readily and is either via direct SN2 or SN2', depending on the basicity of the reaction mixture and the electrophile. Sterics of the N-alkylating group with other substituents will also play a role.

تحدد SN2', SN2 على

آليات عمليات الألكلة لمركب

imidazole.

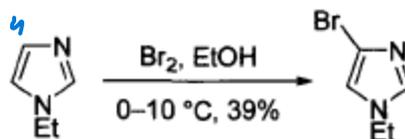
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# Electrophilic C-Substitution

Reactions of the imidazole carbon atoms occur easily under basic or neutral conditions; however, once protonated, electrophilic substitution is slowed.

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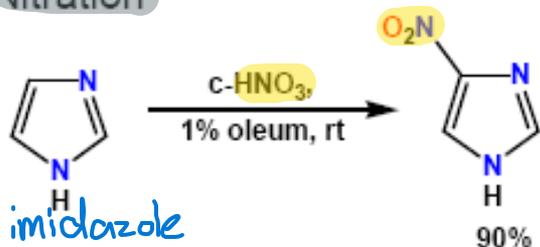
Nitration and halogenations of both 2V-un-substituted and 4V-substituted imidazoles take place with preferential addition to the 4- or 4- and 5-positions.



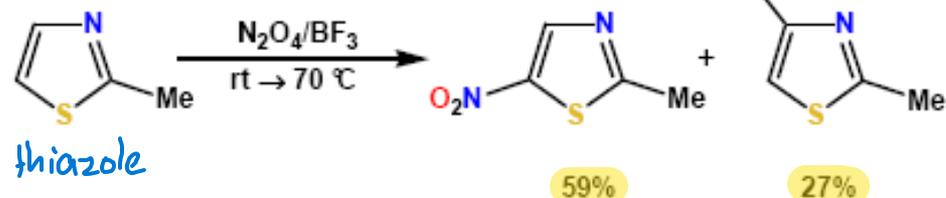
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# 1,3-Azoles – Electrophilic Substitution

## Nitration



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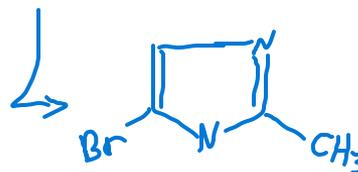
- **Imidazoles** are much more reactive to nitration than thiazoles (activation helps)
- **Imidazoles** usually nitrate at the 4-position and thiazoles tend to react at the 5-position
- **Oxazoles** do not generally undergo nitration

← مجموعة O و N

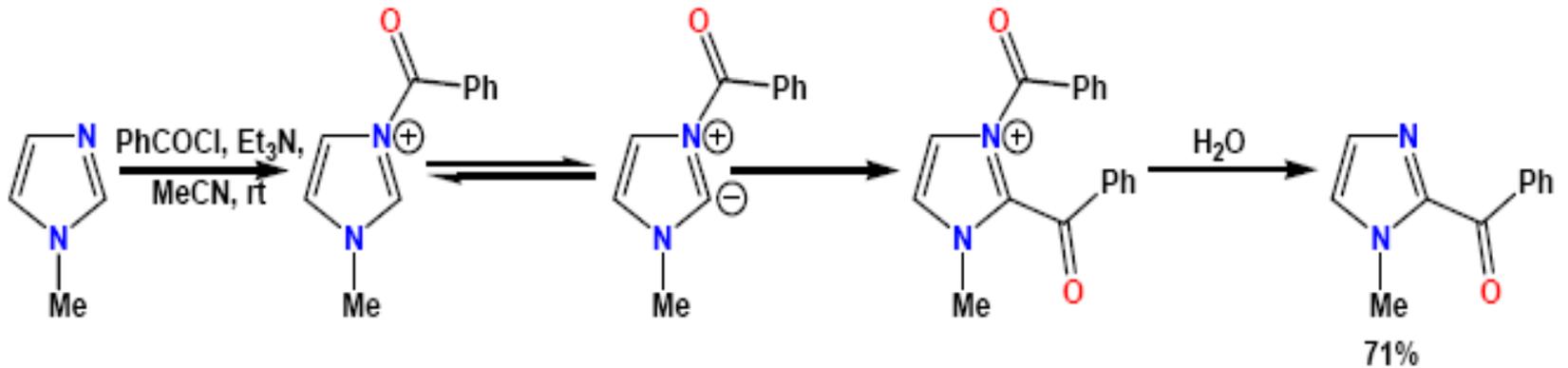
## Halogenation



- **Imidazoles** are brominated easily and bromination at multiple positions can occur
- **Thiazole** does not brominate easily but 2-alkylthiazoles brominate at the 5-position



## Acylation



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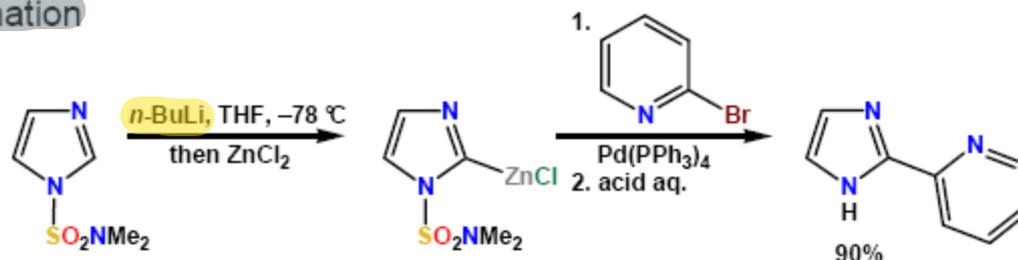
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1,3-Azoles do not undergo Friedel-Crafts acylation because complexation between the Lewis acidic catalyst and N deactivates the ring

• Acylation can be accomplished under mild conditions (via) the  $N$ -acylimidazolium ylide

لـ يعني مجموعة الألكيد على النيتروجين

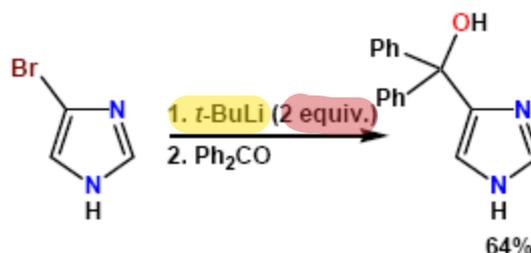
# 1,3-Azoles – Metallation

## Direct Deprotonation



- **Direct deprotonation oxazoles**, thiazoles and *N*-alkylimidazoles occurs preferentially at either the 2- or 5-position
- Transmetalation of the lithiated intermediate is possible

## Metal-Halogen Exchange



- **Metallation** at the 4-position can be accomplished by metal-halogen exchange
- In the case of imidazoles without substitution at the 1-position, two equivalents of base are required

← مركب خماسي فيه ثلاث ذرات N

→ مركب خماسي فيه أربع ذرات N

# Triazoles and Tetrazoles

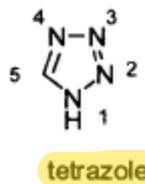
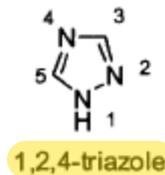
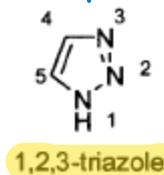
Triazole refers to either one of two isomeric five-member ring compounds with molecular formula  $C_2H_3N_3$ .

← triazole إلى تكليين هما :-

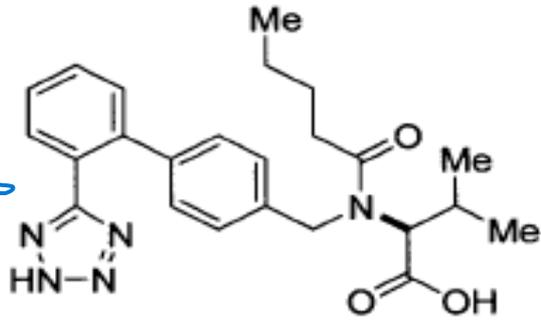
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1,2,3-triazole is a colorless low melting solid with a melting point of 23-25 °C and a boiling point of 203 °C/752 mmHg, while the 1,2,4-triazole is a colorless crystalline solid with a melting point of 119-121 °C. Both compounds are corrosive and an irritant to both skin and eyes. Triazole is a five-membered aromatic heterocycle with three N heteroatoms.

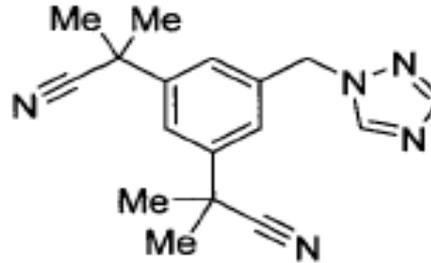
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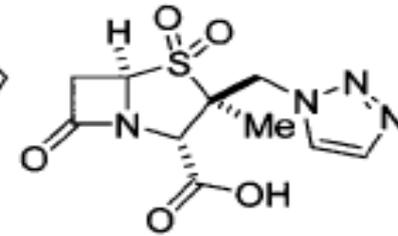
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valsartan (Diovan)



anastrozole (Arimidex)



tazobactam (Zosyn)

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Triazoles and tetrazoles do not exist in nature. However, many synthetic medicines do contain triazoles and tetrazoles.

↳ three example

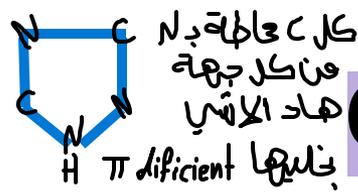
• valsartan, an angiotensin receptor blocker (ARB) indicated for treatment of high blood pressure and other cardiovascular disease contains a tetrazole.

• Anastrozole contains a 1,2,4-triazole and is an aromatase-inhibiting drug

approved for treatment of breast cancer.

• Tazobactam is a 1,2,3-triazole containing compound that inhibits the action of bacterial  $\beta$ -lactamases and is used to treat bacterial infection in combination with the beta-lactam antibiotic piperacillin

1,2,4-triazole



# Chemical Reactivity

- Both carbon atoms in 1H-1,2,4-triazoles are  $\pi$  deficient because both are attached to electronegative nitrogen atoms and the electron density (0.744) at both carbon atoms is low and susceptible to nucleophilic substitution under mild conditions.
 

لأنه كثافة الإلكترونات قليلة تجعل هذه للتفاعل مع نيوكليوفيلات (غنية بالإلكترونات)
- It is a weak base and the  $pK_a$  of 2.19 is for protonated species. The NH-protons in N-unsubstituted-1,2,4-triazoles are acidic in nature.
 

يعني بتفقد الكترول بسهولة بواسطة (NH) قاعدي
- The  $pK_a$  of 1,2,4-triazoles is 10.26.  $\rightarrow$  without protonated
 

يعني هاي  $pK_a$  بعد حاسب  $H^+$
- The triazolium ions formed are also prone to nucleophiles.
 

شكل موجب بعد كسب  $NH^+$  لـ 1,2,4-triazole
- Electrophilic substitution takes place only at nitrogen atoms because of high electron density.
 

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يتفاعل مع النيوكليوفيل

no react with substituted because of responsible for resonance

- 1,2,4-Triazole effectively contains two pyridine type atoms and one pyrrole type nitrogen atom. It is deactivated against electrophilic attack and thus resembles pyridine. Nitration, sulfonation and N-oxidation do not occur with simple triazoles. Triazolite anions, however, do react readily with electrophiles, alkylation and acylation being the reactions that have been most investigated

هذو لبتفاعلوغ substituted

no react with electrophil

→ triazole with no substituted

تم دراستها

حقت پروتون (-ve)

- Huisgen 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition of alkynes to azides
- to form 1,4-disubstituted-1,2,3-triazoles.

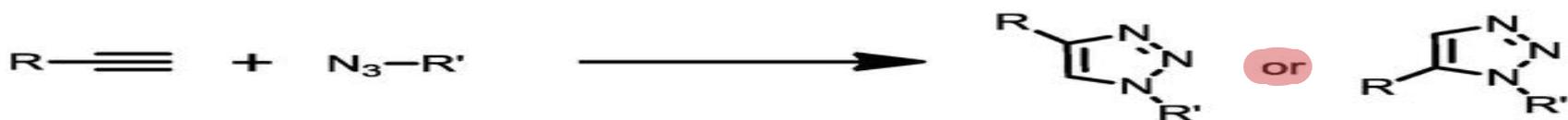
- Metal-catalyzed 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition
- Strain-promoted azide alkyne cycloaddition

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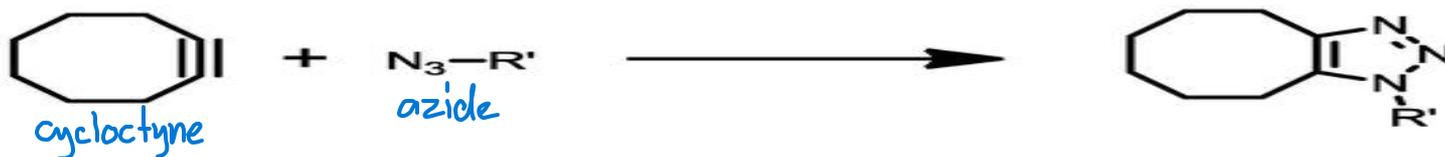
**(i) Huisgen 1,3- dipolar cycloaddition**



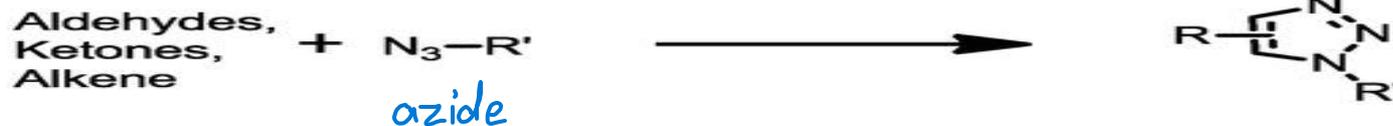
**(ii) Metal catalyzed 1,3- dipolar cycloaddition**



**(iii) Strain promoted azide alkyne cycloaddition**

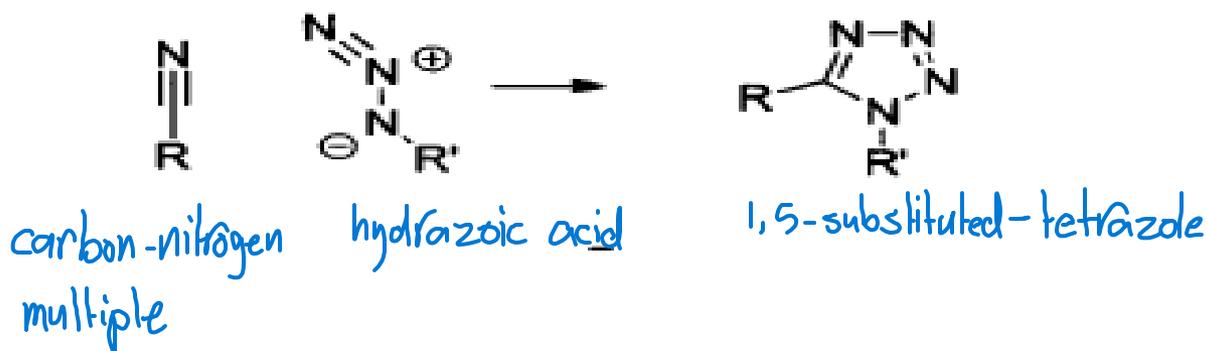


**(iv) Metal free synthesis of 1,2,3-triazoles**

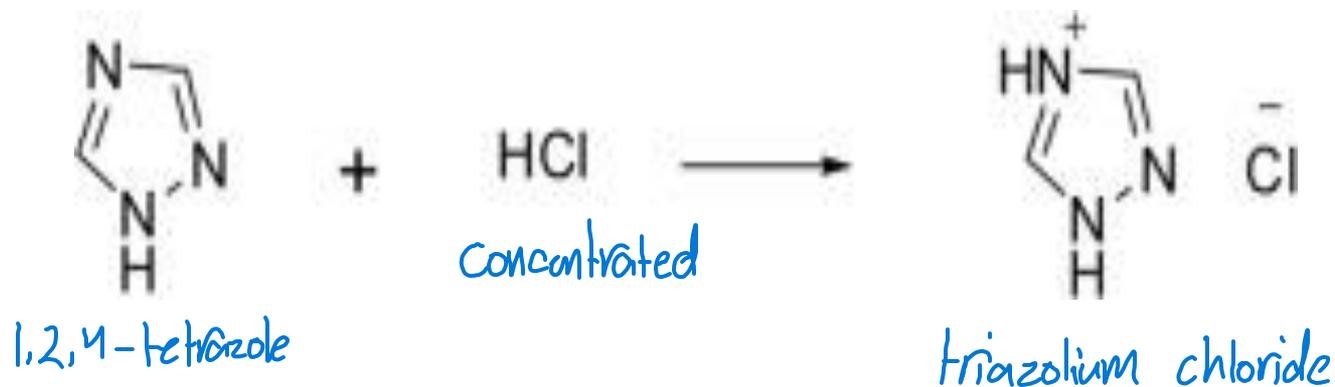


# Construction of the Tetrazole Ring

- The synthesis of tetrazole usually involves a variation of the Finnegan tetrazole synthesis that is the addition of hydrazoic acid to a carbon-nitrogen multiple bond.



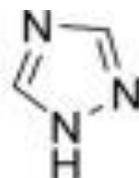
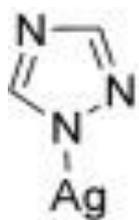
- Electrophilic Substitution Reactions
- The parent 1H-1,2,4-triazole is readily protonated at position 4 in concentrated HCl to form triazolium chloride.



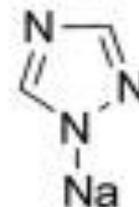
- Metalation

- 1H-1,2,4-Triazoles are easily metalated with NaOH, AgNO<sub>3</sub>, and copper nitrate to form respective organometallic compounds.

→ organic compound with metal

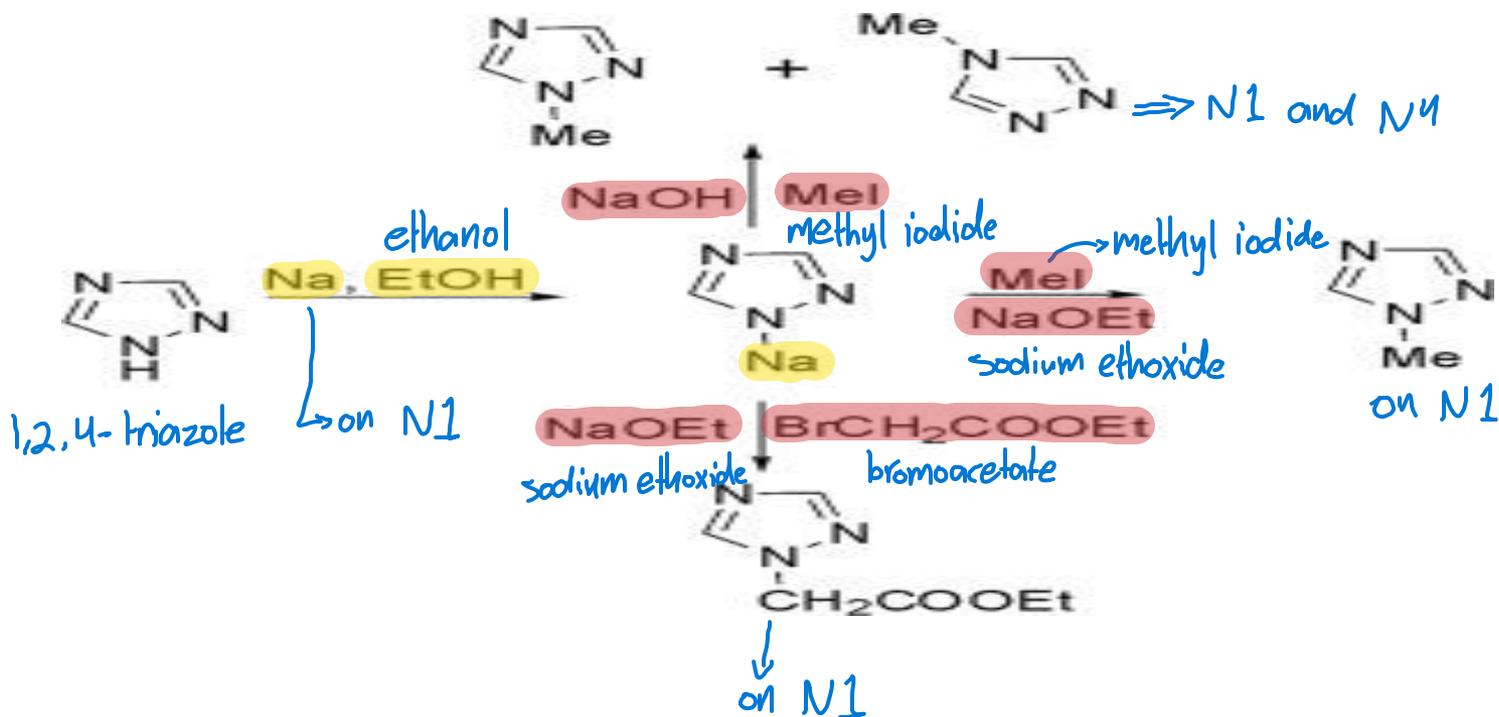


1,2,4-triazole

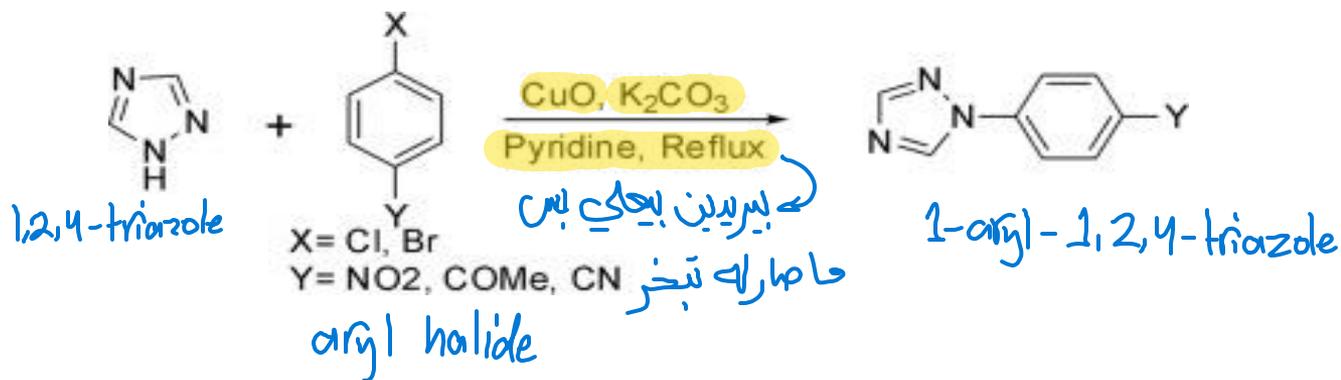


- Alkylation<sup>693</sup>

- 1H-1,2,4-Triazole is regioselectively alkylated *على حسب reactant يكون موقع إضافة الأريل*
- alkylated at N<sub>1</sub> when sodium ethoxide in ethanol is used as a base
- but alkylation in aqueous NaOH with methyl sulfate gave a mixture of 1-methyl- and 4-methyl-1,2,4-triazole.
- Alkylation with ethyl chloroacetate in sodium methoxide produced N<sub>1</sub>-substituted products.

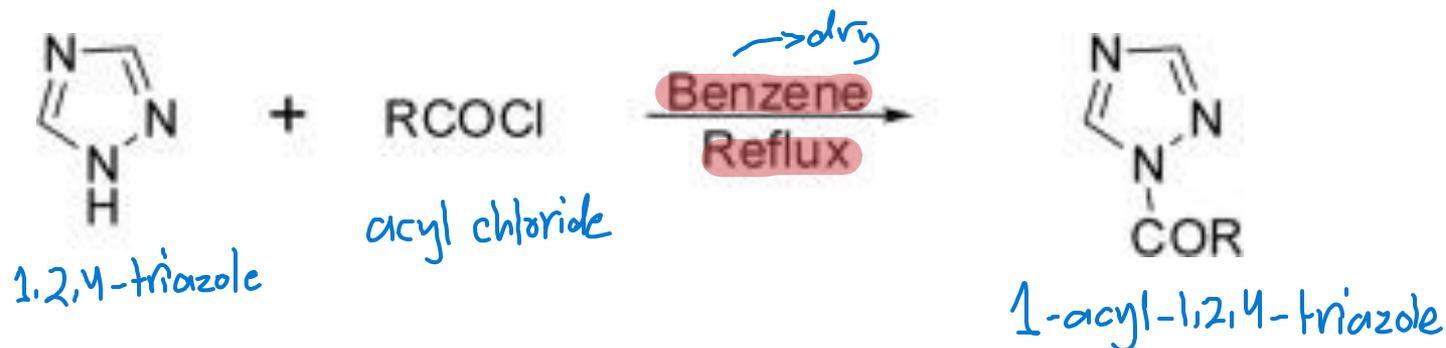


- Arylation Reactions<sup>695</sup> → add aryl group to 1,2,4-triazole
- 1H-1,2,4-Triazoles are arylated with aryl halide having an electron-withdrawing substituent under Ullmann conditions using CuO as catalyst in refluxing pyridine, which offered 1-aryl-1,2,4-1H-triazole.



- Acylation

- 1*H*-1,2,4-Triazole on reaction with acyl chloride in dry benzene under reflux delivered 1-acyl-1,2,4-triazole.



# Electrophilic Substitution at Carbon

- Bromination of 1H-1,2,4-triazoles in aqueous NaOH solution occurs readily at room temperature to give 3,5-dibromo-1,2,4-triazole in 82% yields. However, chlorination in aqueous KHCO<sub>3</sub> solution delivered 1-chloro-1,2,4-triazole, which either on heating or long storage rearranged to 3-chloro-1H-1,2,4-triazole in 40% yields.

