



Electrophiles are electron deficient species.

E.g. H^+ , R^+ , NO_2^+ , X^+ , PCl_3 , PCl_5

(NH_4^+ and H_3O^+ are not electrophile)

Nucleophiles are electron rich species.

E.g. Cl^- , $\overset{-}{CH}_3$, $\overset{-}{OH}$, RO^- , $\overset{-}{CN}$, $\ddot{N}H_3$, $R\ddot{O}H$, $CH_2=CH_2$, $CH\equiv CH$

Relative electron withdrawing order (–I order)

$-NF_3 > -NR_3 > -NH_3 > -NO_2 > -CN > -COOH > -X > -OR > -OH > -C\equiv CH > -NH_2 > -C_6H_5 > -CH=CH_2$

Relative electron releasing order (+I order)

$-NH_2 > -O^- > -COO^- > 3^\circ \text{ alkyl} > 2^\circ \text{ alkyl} > 1^\circ \text{ alkyl} > -CH_3$

Relative Stability Order

(A) Stability of carbocation

$\text{Cyclohexadienyl}^+ > (Ph)_3\overset{+}{C} > (Ph)_2\overset{+}{CH} > Ph-\overset{+}{CH}_2 > CH_2=CH-\overset{+}{CH}_2 > (CH_3)_3\overset{+}{C} > (CH_3)_2\overset{+}{CH} > CH_3\overset{+}{CH}_2 > \overset{+}{CH}_3 > CH_2=\overset{+}{CH} > CH\equiv\overset{+}{C}$

(B) Stability of free radical

$(Ph)_3\dot{C} > (Ph)_2\dot{CH} > CH_2=CH-\dot{CH}_2 > Ph\dot{C}H_2 > (CH_3)_3\dot{C} > (CH_3)_2\dot{CH} > CH_3\dot{C}H_2 > \dot{C}H_3$

(C) Stability of carbanion

$(Ph)_3\overset{-}{C} > (Ph)_2\overset{-}{CH} > Ph-\overset{-}{CH}_2 > CH_2=CH-\overset{-}{CH}_2 > \overset{-}{CH}_3 > CH_3\overset{-}{CH}_2 > (CH_3)_2\overset{-}{CH} > (CH_3)_3\overset{-}{C}$

Reactivity towards nucleophile (NAR)

(1) $HCHO > CH_3CHO > (CH_3)_2CO$

(2) $CCl_3CHO > CHCl_2CHO > CH_2ClCHO$

❖ **Reactivity order towards acyl nucleophilic substitution reaction**

Acid chloride > anhydride > ester > amide

❖ **Order of electronic effect**

Mesomeric > Hyperconjugation > Inductive effect

❖ **Stability of alkene \propto no. of α -hydrogen**

$R_2C=CR_2 > R_2C=CHR > R_2C=CH_2 > RCH=CHR > RCH=CH_2 > CH_2=CH_2$

$\text{cis form} > \text{trans form}$

❖ **Heat of hydrogenation $\propto \frac{1}{\text{Stability of alkene}}$**