Ester Hydrolysis And Transesterification

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A. Introduction

less

less

do not

more

more

unlikely.

are not

C. Acid-mediated Hydrolysis

carboxylic acids water

HOEt

reversible,

$$CI$$
 OH $+$ HO O H^+ CI O O

$$O = \bigcirc O + \bigcirc O +$$

$$Ph \longrightarrow HO \longrightarrow Ph \longrightarrow Ph \longrightarrow OH$$

$$HO \longrightarrow HO \longrightarrow HO \longrightarrow OH$$

possibilities: forming a five-membered ring is more favorable than three- or four-membered ring due to ring strain of sp³ carbons.

Hydrolysis Of tert-Butyl Esters Occurs Via A Different Mechanism

stable without

$$Nu$$
 H Nu H $-H$

MeCOO'Bu
$$\stackrel{H^+}{\longrightarrow}$$
 MeCOOH $\stackrel{H_2N}{\longrightarrow}$ O'Bu $\stackrel{H^+}{\longrightarrow}$ $\stackrel{H_2N}{\longrightarrow}$ OH $\stackrel{I}{\longrightarrow}$ Alanine $\stackrel{I}{\longrightarrow}$ COO'Bu $\stackrel{H^+}{\longrightarrow}$ COO'Bu $\stackrel{I}{\longrightarrow}$ COO'Bu $\stackrel{I}{\longrightarrow}$ $\stackrel{I}{\longrightarrow}$

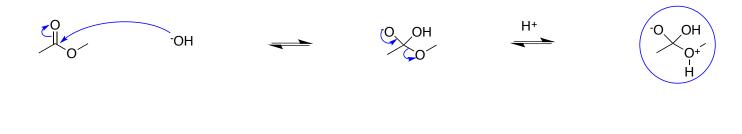
carbocation.

$$\bigcap_{O} \bigcap_{NO_2}$$

D. Base-mediated Hydrolysis

Mechanism

reversible irreversible.



likely.

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¹⁸O

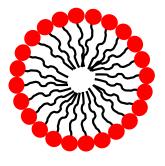
would not

would not

can

soaps

are: Particles that aggregate in the solution with the hydrophilic "head" regions in contact with surrounding solvent and the hydrophobic single-tail regions are in the micelle center.



cartoon of a micelle

E. Transesterification Reactions

Mechanism Under Acidic Conditions another ester.

Examples Of Transesterifications

alkoxide

check by assigning (R)- or (S)-configurations

Mechanism Under Basic Conditions

alkoxides.

Examples Of Base-Mediated Transesterifications

$$CO_2Me$$
 OEt
 $OOEt$
 $OOET$

more *sp*³would not

F. Ester Hydrolyses In Biochemistry

In The Central Nervous System esterases.

acetylcholinesterase.

acetylcholine receptors choline.

ACHE paralysis.

nerve gases.

In The Digestive System

long chain alkyl groups triglyceride catalysts. neutral nucleophiles electrophiles.

metabolism of triglycerides

transesterifications.

lipases.