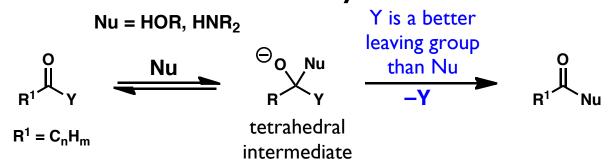
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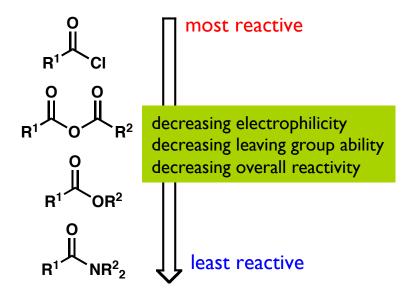
Question 4: The water is more appropriately classified as an "initiator," not a catalyst, since it is consumed in the reaction.

Question 5: You do not need to show the arrow pushing mechanism for each step of the synthesis, you just need to provide the starting materials, reagents, and products for each step. You can use a general "base" for any Fmoc protection reactions.

# From Last Time: Nucleophilic Substitution at the Carbonyl



reactions proceed down the hierarcy of carboxylic acid derivatives



### Peptide Synthesis

#### How to make a simple dipeptide:

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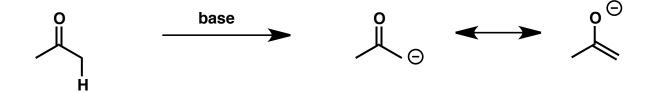
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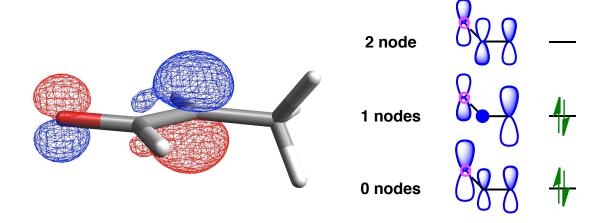
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### Enolates: Another Type of Carbon Nucleophile

The protons on the carbons  $\alpha$  to the carbonyl groups are acidic



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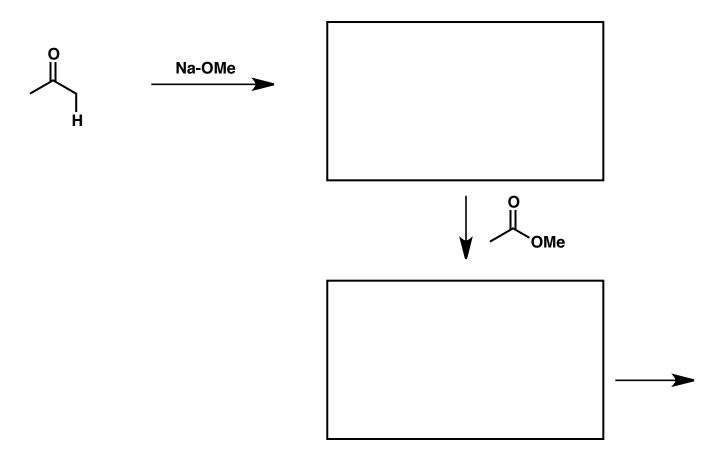


Enolates typically react with electrophiles at carbon

## The Aldol Reaction: Reaction of a Ketone with an Aldehyde

## The Claisen Condensation: Reaction of a Ketone with an Ester

Let's think about the mechanism:



# Polyketide Natural Products: Assembled in Nature by an Enolate Substitution at the Carbonyl

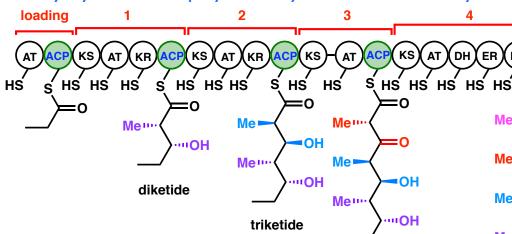
The polyketides below are biologically active small molecules produced by bacteria.

- These are agents of **bacterial chemical warfare**.
- These compounds, or their derivatives, have been developed into drugs

## Bacterial Polyketide Synthesis: A Modular Assembly Line

tetraketide

The 6-deoxyerythronolide polyketide synthase schematically:



Each circle represents an enzyme domain, which are grouped into modules

- Initial loading module to attach first acyl group.
- 6 extension modules to grow the chain
- Ending module to release the polyketide

Key:

AT: acyl transferase

**ACP:** acyl carrier protein DH: dehydratase ER: enoyl reductase KS: ketoacyl synthase TE: thioesterase **KR**: ketoacylreductase

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6-deoxyerythronolide B

Yinyan Tang, Chu-Young Kim, Irimpan I. Mathews, David E. Cane, and Chaitan Khosla. Proceedings of the National Academy of Science, 2006, 103, 11124

# Polyketide Synthase Employs the Claisen Condensation of a Thio Ester

A decarboxylation reaction – the loss of  $CO_2$  generates an enolate (or enolate equivalent) under mild conditions

## Sulfurs are Good Nucleophiles For Nucleophilic Substitution Reactions

The polyketide is propagated from enzyme to enzyme by a series of nucleophilic substitution reactions.

