# Common Functional Groups (& key UG reactions)



### Alkane

#### Alkene

#### **Alkyne**

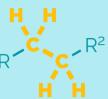
#### Arene

#### Amine

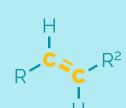
#### Alcohol

#### Alkyl halide

#### **Thiol**



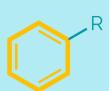
radical halogenation



addition reactions



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electrophilic aromatic substitution



base & nucleophilic (substitution/ addition to C=O)



nucleophile & leaving group in strong acid



leaving group in substitution & eliminations



nucleophile & radical reactions

#### Aldehyde



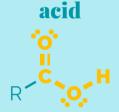
nucleophilic addition

Ketone



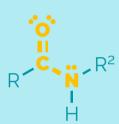
nucleophilic addition

### Carboxylic



acid & acyl substitution

#### Amide



acyl substitution

#### Ester



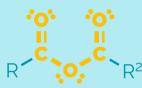
acyl substitution

#### **Acyl halide**



acyl substitution

#### **Anhydride**



acyl substitution

## \*\*\*

**Nitro** 



reduction & deprotonation

#### Ether

nothing interesting

#### **Sulfide**

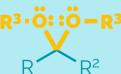
oxidation





oxidation & reduction

#### Acetal



hydrolysis

#### **Imine**



nucleophilic addition & hydrolysis

#### **Nitrile**



reduction & hydrolysis

#### **Conclusion**

- These are the common functional groups (the first group are the most important).
- There are many more but these should get you through.
- Functional groups allow us to predict the properties of a molecule but are no substitute for understanding electron distribution & how it influences reactivity.

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