

The Principle of Vinylogy: Potential and Applications in the Asymmetric Aldol/Mannich/Michael Reaction Domain

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THE PRINCIPLE OF VINYLOGY REYNOLD C. FUSON Department of Chemistry, University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois

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It has long been recognized that, in a molecule containing a system of conjugated double linkages, the influence of a functional group may some-

times be propagated along the chain and make itself apparent at a remote



point in the molecule. For example, the methyl group in ethyl crotonate behaves in some respects as it does when it is attached directly to the ester group as in ethyl acetate. $\begin{array}{cccc} CH_{c}{=}O & CH_{s}{-}CH{=}CH{-}C{=}O \\ & & OC_{2}H_{s} \\ & & OC_{2}H_{s} \\ & & Ethyl acetate \\ \end{array}$

Fuson, R. C. Chem. Rev. 1935, 16, 1-27

1828 Whöler	1872/1873 Wurtz/Borodin	1917 1935 Mannich Fuson	
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1838 Kane	1887 Michael	1928 Diels- Alder	IASOC2012



"It has long been recognized that, in a molecule containing a system of conjugated double linkages, the influence of a functional group may sometimes be **propagated** along the chain and make itself apparent at a **remote point** in the molecule..."

... the generalization takes the following form: When in a compound of type $A-E_1=E_2$ or $A-E_1=E_2$, a structural unit of type $-(CH=CH)_n$ is interposed between A and E_1 the function of E_2 remains qualitatively unchanged, but that of E_1 may be **usurped** by the carbon atom attached to A. The resulting compound will have the form of $A-(CH=CH)_n-E_1=E_2...$ and in a any given series of this type the members will differ from each other by one or more vinylene residues. It is proposed to term such a group of compounds a **vinylogous series**. The members of a vinylogous series, will then be **vinylogs** of one another."

$$A - E^{1} = E^{2} \xrightarrow{+C = C \xrightarrow{+n}} A - (C = C) \xrightarrow{+} E^{1} = E^{2}$$



OН NH₂

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Claisen, R.L., 1851-19

Angeli, A., 1864-193

... anomalies cease to be anomalous...



Vinylogous

→

halogenation

Claisen condensation

•Reformanski addition

Michael addition

Hypervinylogous

function

Normal

alkylation

amination

•aldol addition condensation

Mannich addition

→

Focus



Vinylogous Series in the Michael and Aldol Domains:

OEt

Vinylogous

a^{1,3}

B-H

.M

OEt

C)

α γ́ F

d^{2,4}

complexity

B-M

Normal

a

H₃C

B-M

α 🖊

low

 d^2

OEt

- B-H

M

OEt

function

carbonvl

C-H acidity/

nucleophilicity

electrophilicity

Acceptor-to-Donor Swap

Hypervinylogous

B-M

1,4/1,6... 🔿

Jn.

a^{1,3,...,2n+1}

о́^М

OEt

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high

- B-H

d^{2,4,..2n+2}

1.2

















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"While 3-alkylidene oxindoles are well known for their electrophilic reactivity at C- β position, the nucleophilic properties of the related dienolate-type intermediates at C- γ position in vinylogous functionalization reactions is rarely disclosed"





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