## Amines

Amines are moderately strong organic bases; their  $pK_a$  is a function of relative resonance stabilization and inductive effects. Amines are also good nucleophiles and react with a variety of carbonyl compounds and carboxylic acid derivatives as well as other electrophiles.

## Preparations of amines:

Starting Material	Reagent	Intermediate	Reagent in 2. Step	Product
R-X R= prim. or sec. alkyl group	NH <sub>3</sub>	⊕ ⊖ R-NH <sub>3</sub> X	⊖ RX; OH	R-NH <sub>2</sub> R <sub>2</sub> NH R <sub>3</sub> N R <sub>4</sub> N <sup>+</sup> X <sup>-</sup>
R-X	NK	N-R	H <sub>2</sub> NNH <sub>2</sub>	R-NH <sub>2</sub>
R-X	NaCN	R-CN	H <sub>2</sub> , Pd or LAH	R-CH <sub>2</sub> NH <sub>2</sub>
R-X	Na N <sub>3</sub>	R-N <sub>3</sub>	H <sub>2</sub> , Pd or LAH	R-NH <sub>2</sub>
Ar-NO <sub>2</sub>	H <sub>2</sub> /Pd or Fe/HCl		-	Ar-NH <sub>2</sub>
R R'	R"-NH <sub>2</sub>	N,R" R	H <sub>2</sub> , Pd or NaCNBH <sub>3</sub>	HN R"
O R N-R' H	1. NaH 2. R"-X	O R N R' R"	LAH	R'\N_R"
$R \stackrel{O}{\downarrow}_{NH_2}$	Na OBr	O R N Br H	OH <sup>-</sup> , H <sub>2</sub> O	R-NH <sub>2</sub>

Diazomethane can be generated by base treatment of N-methyl-N-nitrosourea and is a useful methylating agent for carboxylic acids. In the presence of Cu, or by heating or irradiation, diazomethane is converted to methylene carbene and cyclopropanates alkenes. A zinc carbenoid is generated in the Simmons-Smith reaction, and base treatment of chloroform provides dichloromethylene carbene for alkene cyclopropanation reactions.

Starting Material	Reagent	Intermediate	Reagent in 2. Step	Product
R-NH <sub>2</sub> R= alkyl or aryl	NaNO <sub>2</sub> , HCI	$ \begin{array}{ccc} & \bigoplus & \bigoplus \\ R-N \equiv N & CI & \prec \\ & & \downarrow R=alkyl \\ & & \downarrow R=alkyl & \bigoplus \\ N_2 + R & + CI & & \Box \end{array} $	CuX (CuCl, CuBr, CuCN)	Ar-X
			KI ⊕ H₃O, heat	Ar-I Ar-OH
			D-	N=N-Ar
				Azo compound
HNR <sub>2</sub>	NaNO <sub>2</sub> , HCI		-	R <sub>2</sub> N-N=O <i>N-Nitroso compound</i>
RR'NH	TsCl, pyridine		-	TsNRR'
R-CH <sub>2</sub> CHR' NH <sub>2</sub>	MeI (excess) OH, H <sub>2</sub> O	1414103	⊖ Ag₂O, heat anti elimination	R-CH=CHR'
		<b>⊕</b> ~	Hofmann rule the least subs	: stituted olefin is formed

