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Transform alkenes into valuable intermediates

Key reactions	Description
Lemieux-Johnson Oxidation	Converts alkene to aldehydes or ketones using osmium tetroxide and sodium periodate
Wacker Oxidation	Forms aldehydes or ketones using palladium (II) chloride or copper (I) chloride as catalysts
Hydroboration-Oxidation	Yields alcohols using a borane complex, followed by oxidation with hydrogen peroxide

Need to synthesize alkenes?

Key reactions	Description
Wittig reaction	Forms alkenes from aldehydes or ketones using triphenylphosphonium derivatives
Horner-Wadsworth-Emmons reaction	Converts aldehydes or ketones to alkenes using sodium hydride as base
Burgess Dehydration	Dehydrates alcohol to alkene using Burgess reagent
Elimination Reactions	From alcohols using sulfonate sulfonyl derivatives



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