

# Pre-AP Chemistry

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## 16. Covalent Bonding III



# Review

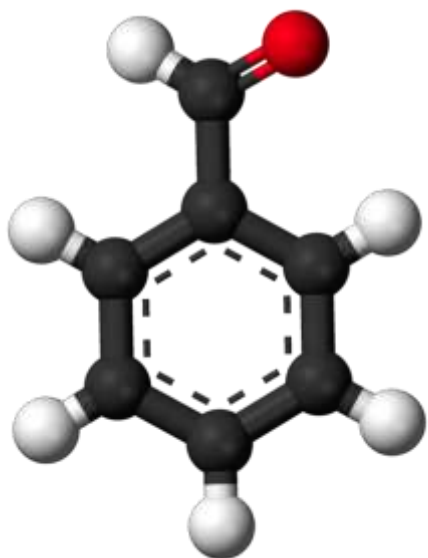
Draw the Lewis structures for



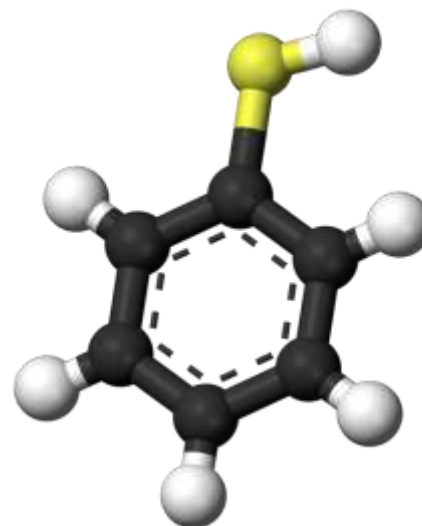
Remember that atoms with  $n > 2$  can hold 'expanded' octets of more than eight valence electrons

# Molecular Geometry

- Two large influences on a molecule's chemical reactivity:
  1. Electron Distribution
  2. Shape



**Benzaldehyde**

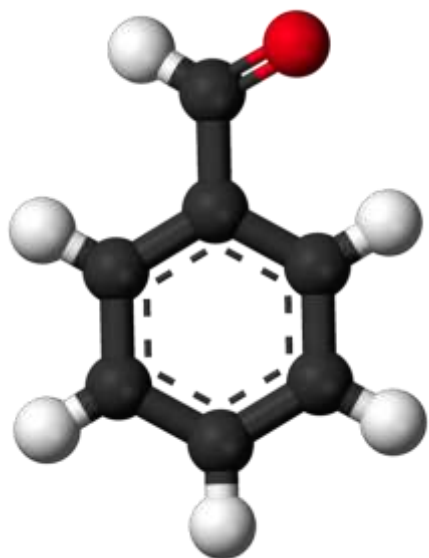


**Thiophenol**

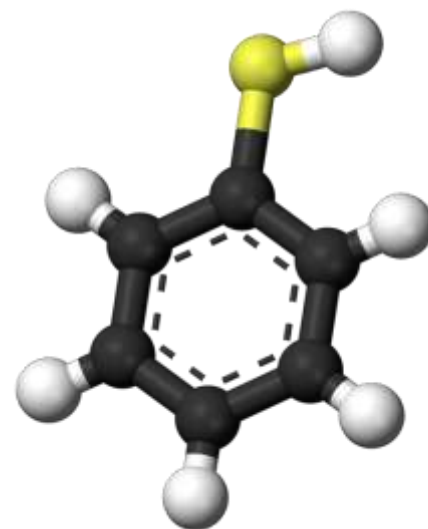
Benzaldehyde and thiophenol don't look that different ...

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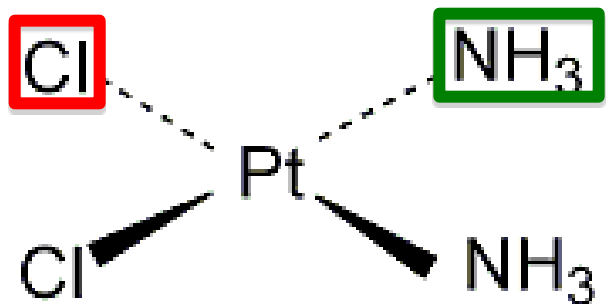


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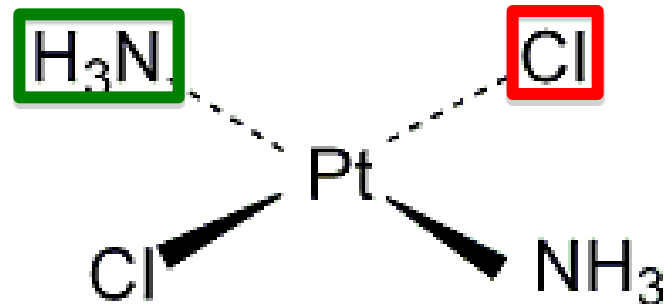
... but small changes in shape make a big difference!

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  2. Electron Distribution



Cisplatin

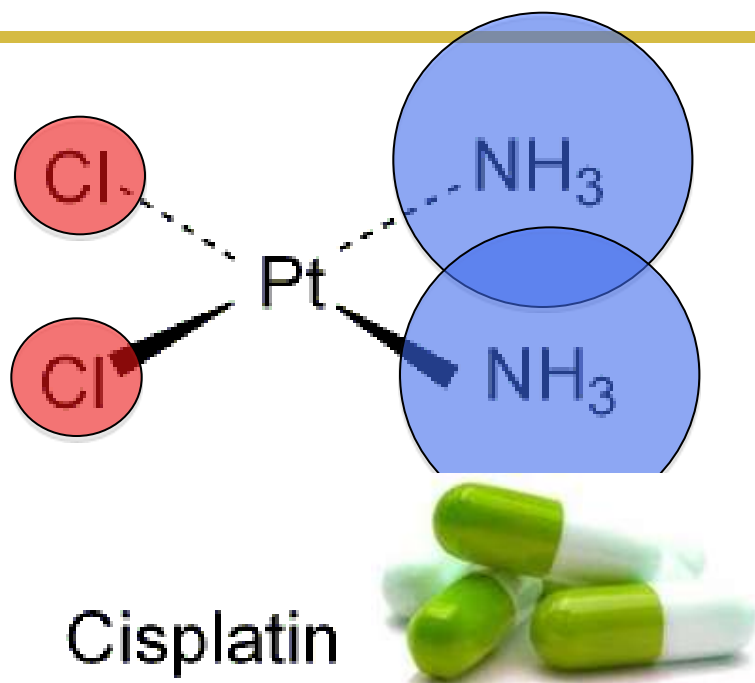


Transplatin

Cisplatin and Transplatin only differ in the position of two groups ...

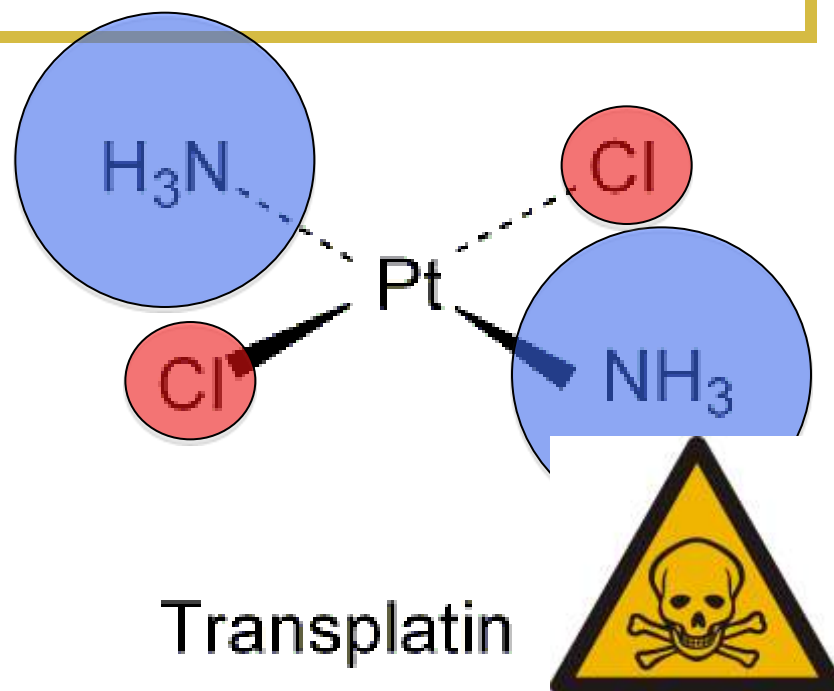
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Cisplatin

**Powerful Cancer Drug**



Transplatin

**Slightly Toxic**

... but their electron distribution makes a big difference!

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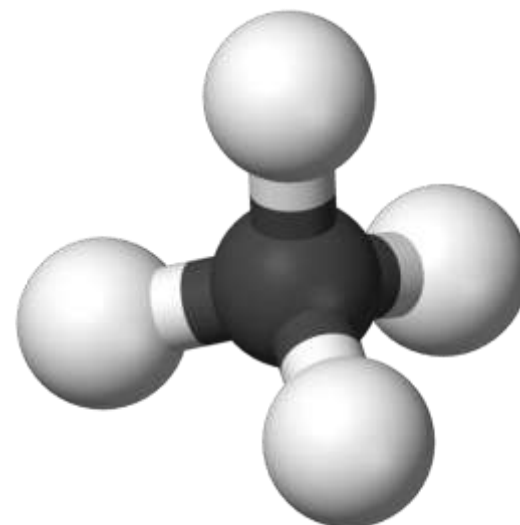
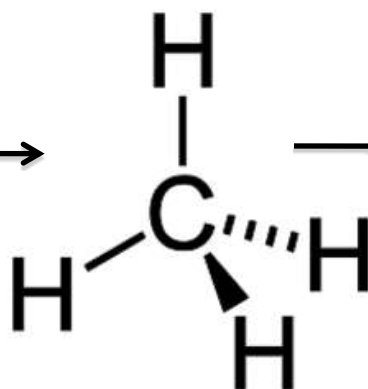
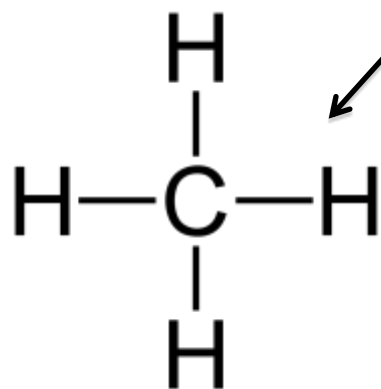
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# Molecular Geometry

- Lewis structures help chemists predict the shapes of molecules



Molecular Formula



Structural  
Formula

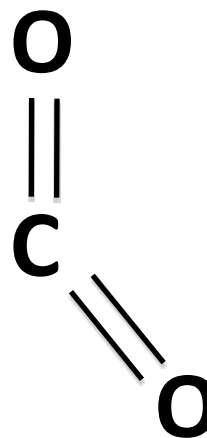
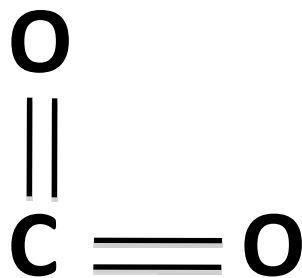
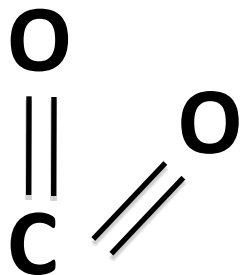
Wedge-and-Dash  
Structure

Ball-and-Stick  
Model

# Molecular Geometry

- Valence Shell Electron-Pair Repulsion (VSEPR) Theory describes the shape of molecules based on their Lewis structures
- VSEPR predicts shapes that minimize electron repulsion
- Electron groups can be lone pair or electrons in bonds

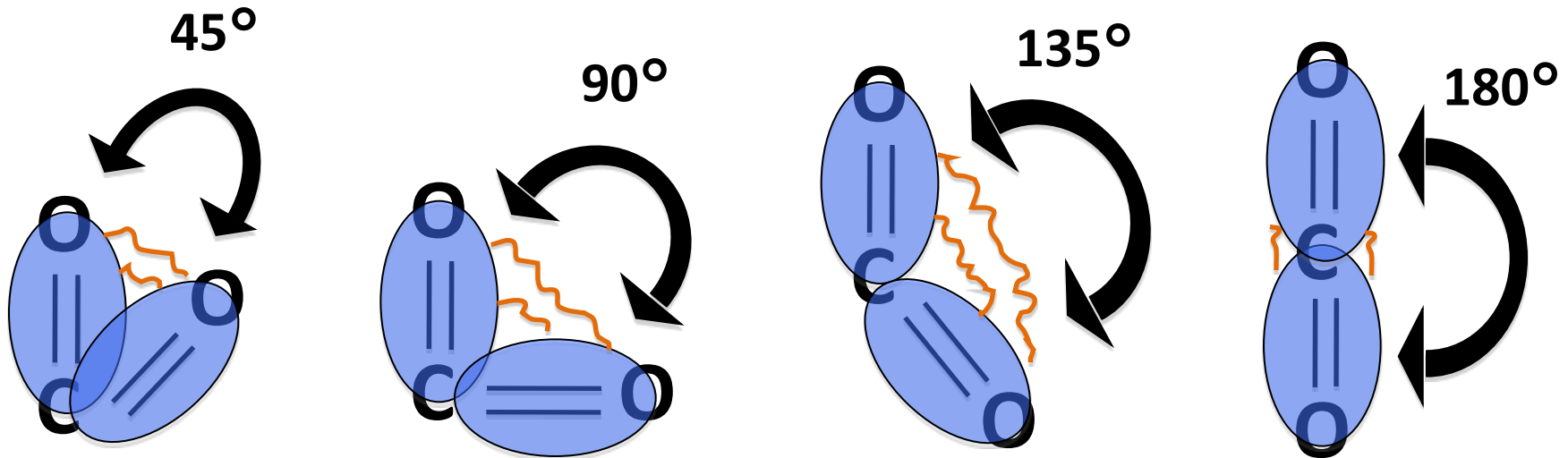
- Consider CO<sub>2</sub>



- Which of the geometries above do you predict is correct?

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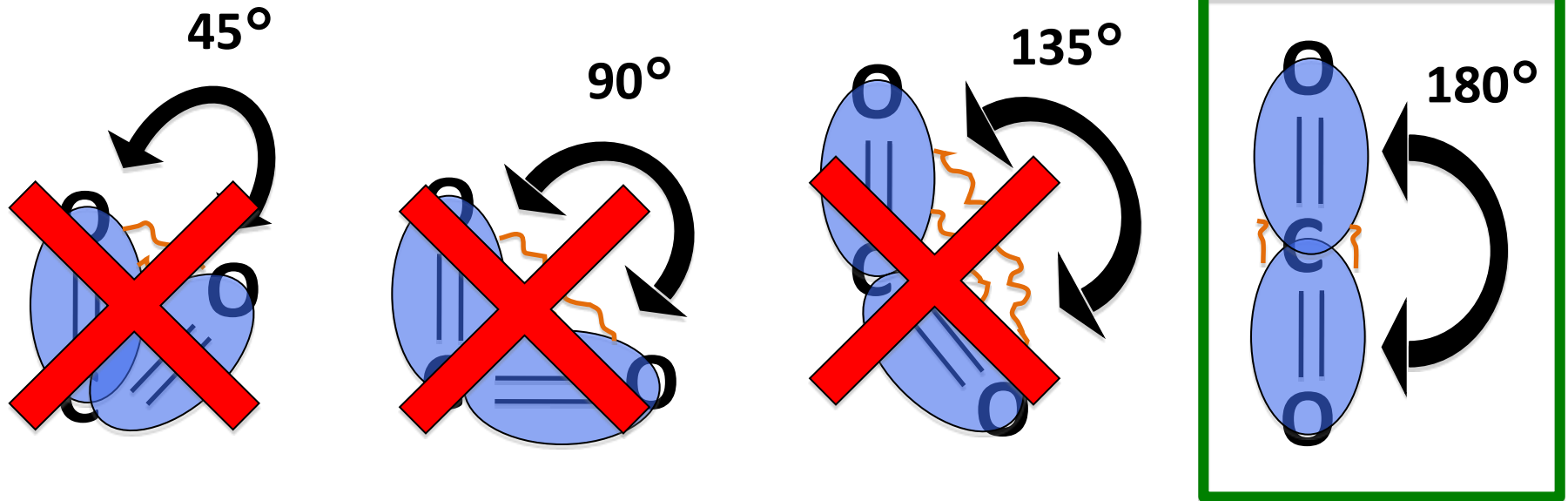
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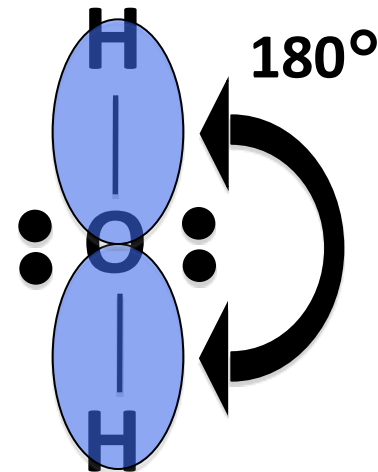
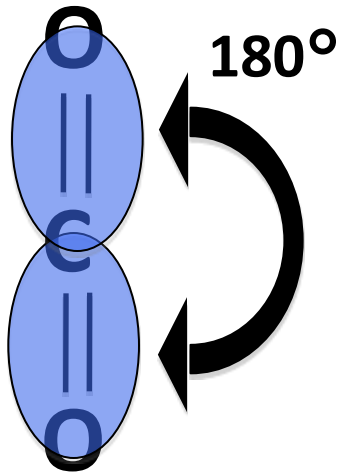
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CO<sub>2</sub> is a linear molecule.

# Molecular Geometry

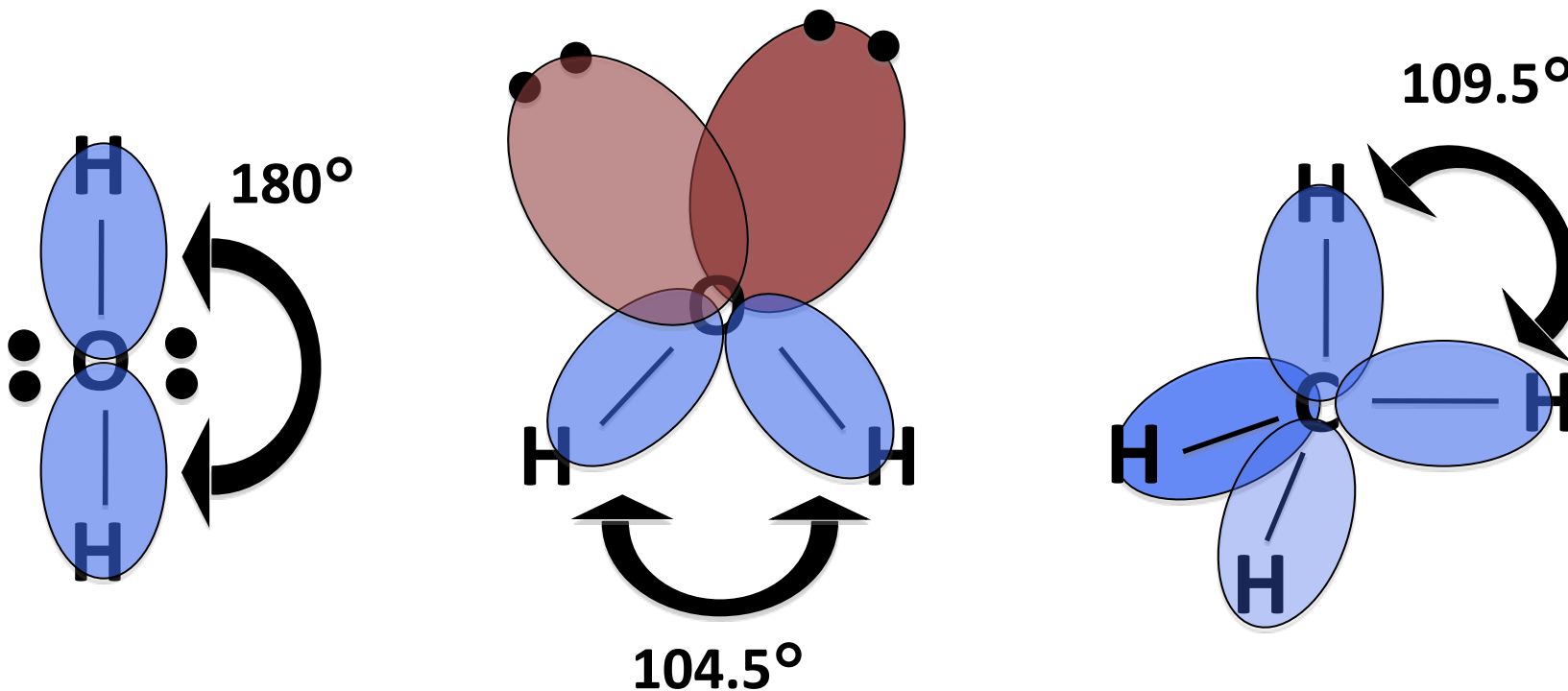
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We might expect water to be linear  
if only electrons in bonds repelled each other

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In fact, lone pair electrons are more repulsive than electrons in bonds

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# Molecular Geometry

- To predict the shape of a molecule we need to know
  1. The total number of 'electron groups' around the central atom
  2. The number of 'electron groups' that are lone pairs

Electron Groups	Electron Group Geom.	Lone Pairs	Molecular Geom.	Bond Angles
2	linear	0	linear	180

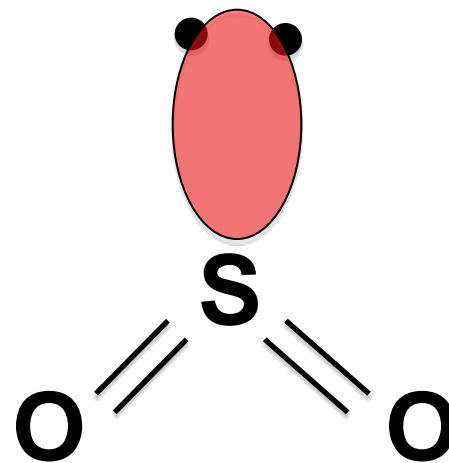
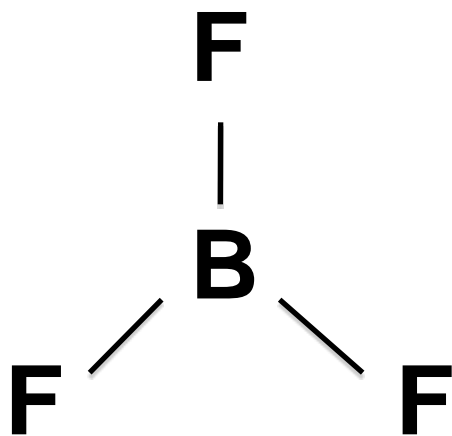


Electrons in double and triple bonds are treated as one electron group

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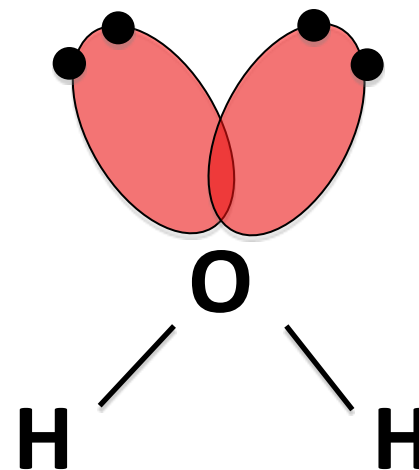
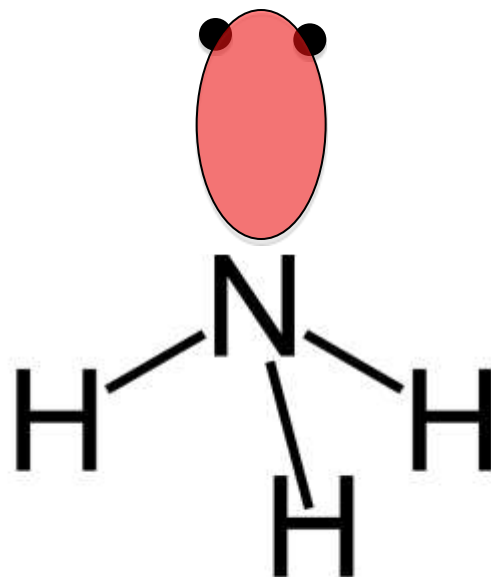
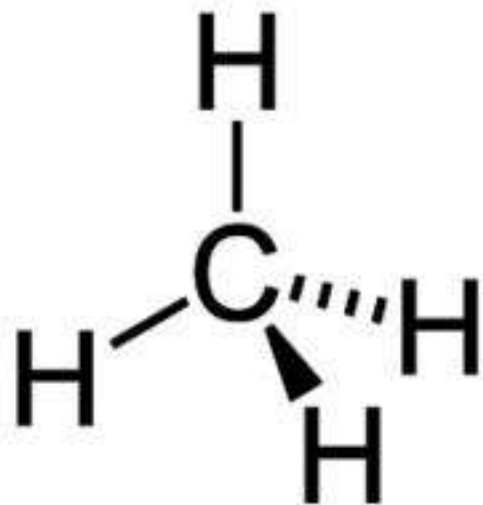
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3	trigonal planar	0	trigonal planar	120
3	trigonal planar	1	bent	120



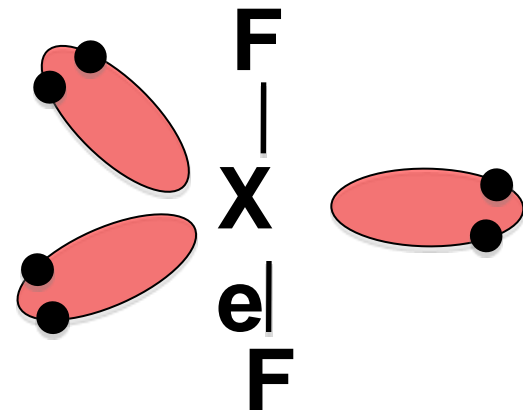
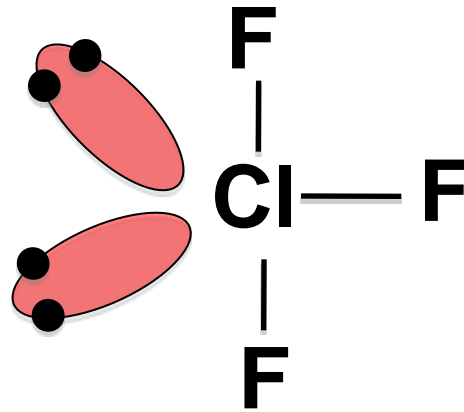
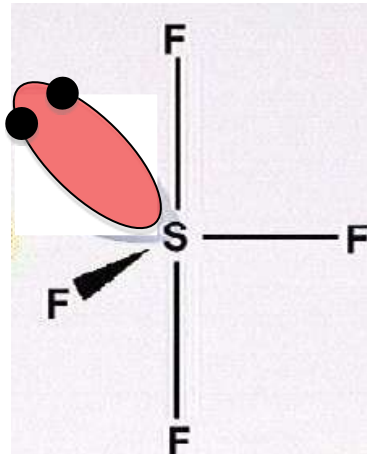
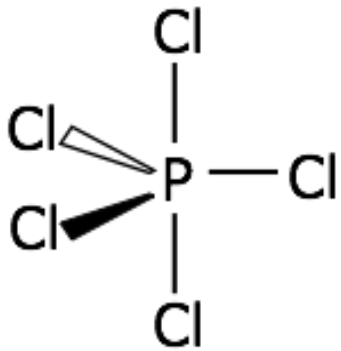
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4	tetrahedral	0	tetrahedral	109.5
4	tetrahedral	1	trigonal pyramidal	109.5
4	tetrahedral	2	bent	109.5



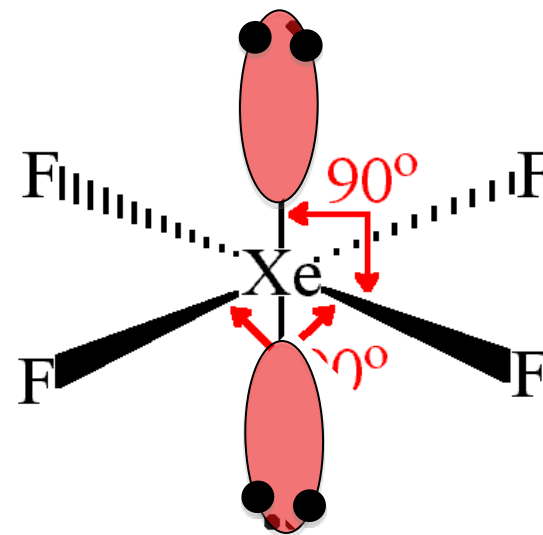
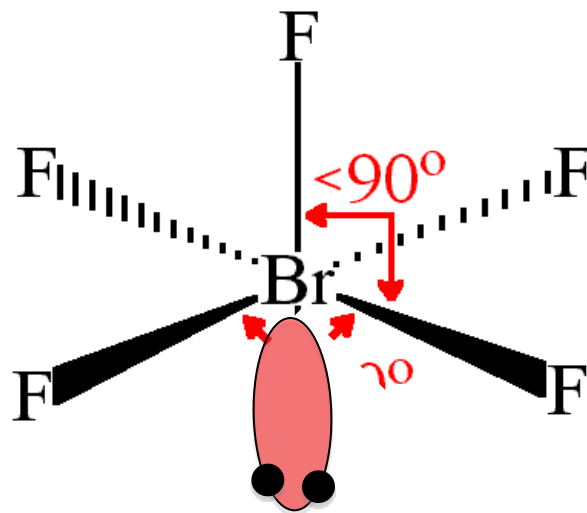
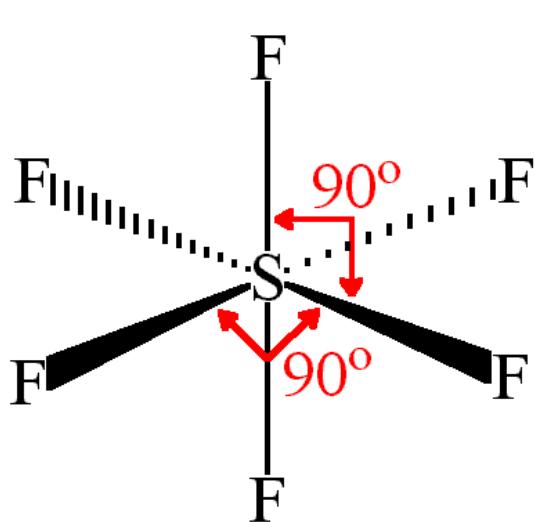
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5	trigonal bipyramidal	0	trigonal bipyramidal	90, 120
5	trigonal bipyramidal	1	seesaw	90, 120
5	trigonal bipyramidal	2	T-shaped	90
5	trigonal bipyramidal	3	linear	180



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6	octahedral	0	octahedral	90
6	octahedral	1	square pyramidal	90
6	octahedral	2	square planar	90



# Mini Quiz

Name the molecular geometry and draw the best possible Lewis structure for the following molecules:



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6	octahedral	0	octahedral	90
6	octahedral	1	square pyramidal	90
6	octahedral	2	square planar	90

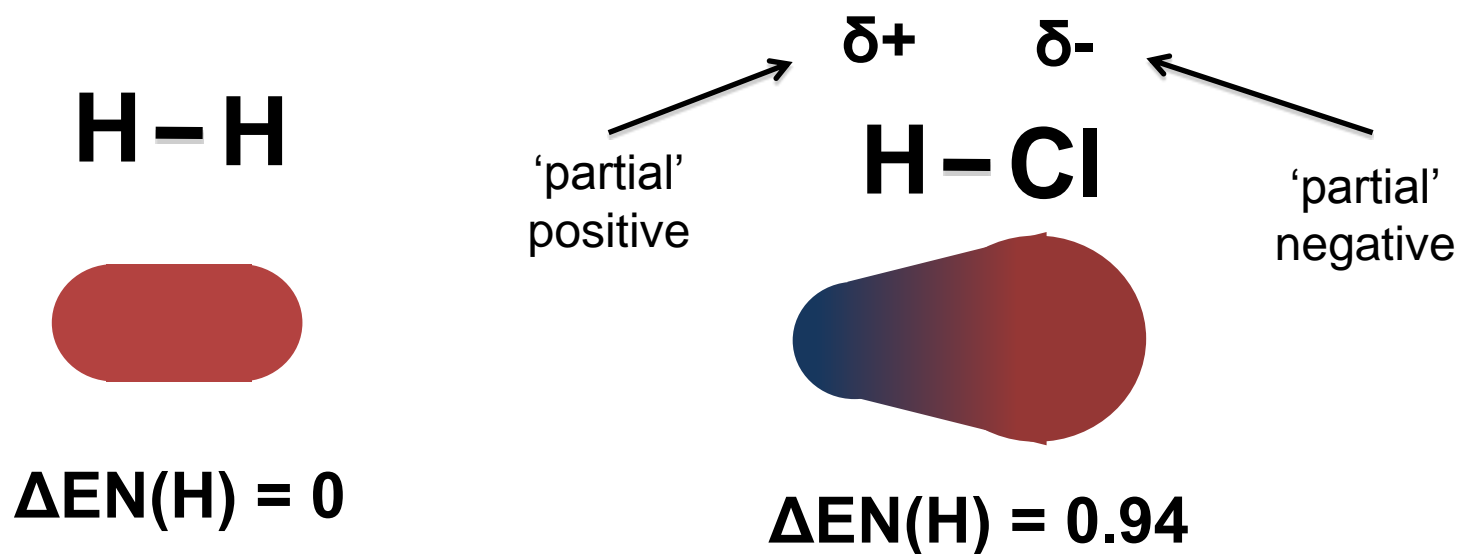
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# Molecular Dipoles

- One important property of a molecule's electron distribution is its **polarity**
- We saw examples of polar molecules in our discussion of electronegativity



- A polar molecule has a separation of positive and negative charge, shown by  **$\delta^+$**  and  **$\delta^-$**

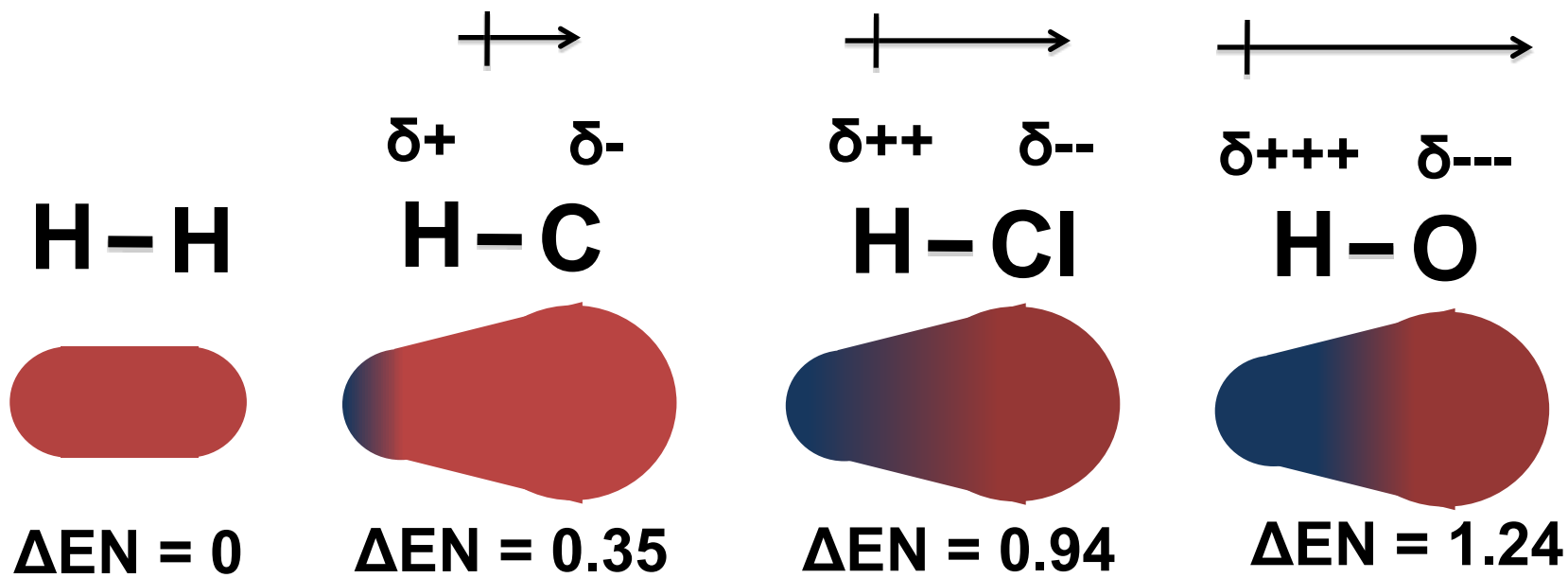
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# Molecular Dipoles

- A molecule's dipole moment indicates the **magnitude** and **direction** of a molecule's polarity
- **Magnitude** = length of arrow
- **Direction** = points from positively (less electronegative) to negatively (more electronegative) charged



Do you notice a trend between  $\Delta EN$  and dipole moments?

# Molecular Dipoles

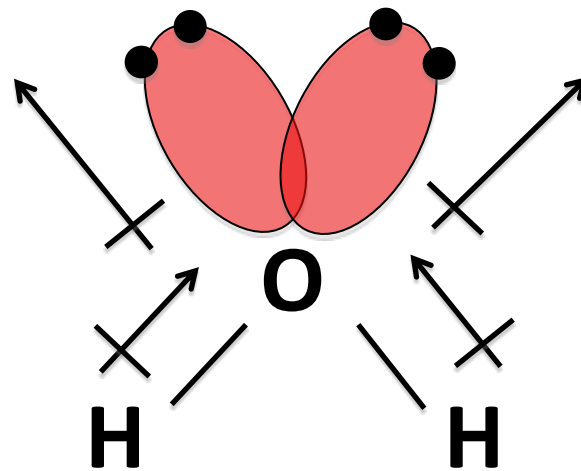
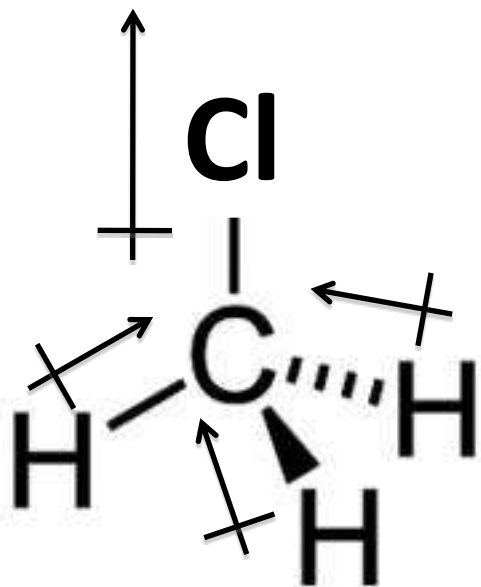
- We can also draw dipole moments for molecules with more than two atoms
- Polar molecules have a net dipole moment



Bond Dipole

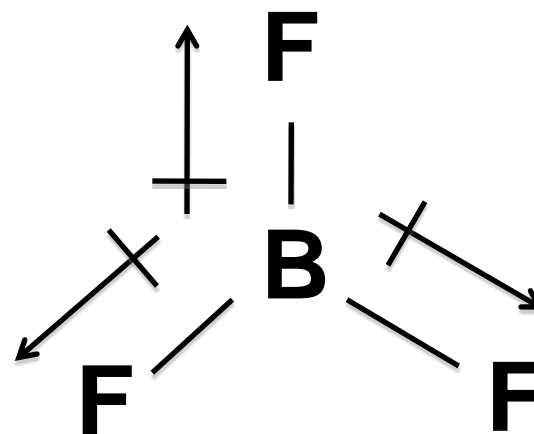
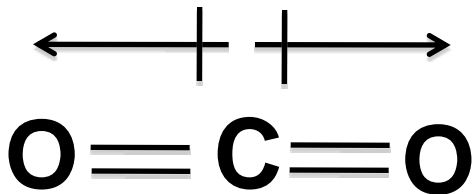


Molecular Dipole



# Molecular Dipoles

- Bond polarity does not guarantee molecular polarity
- Non-polar molecules have no net dipole moment



Relationship between  $\Delta\text{EN}$  only works for diatomic molecules

# Mini Quiz

Are the following molecules polar or non-polar?



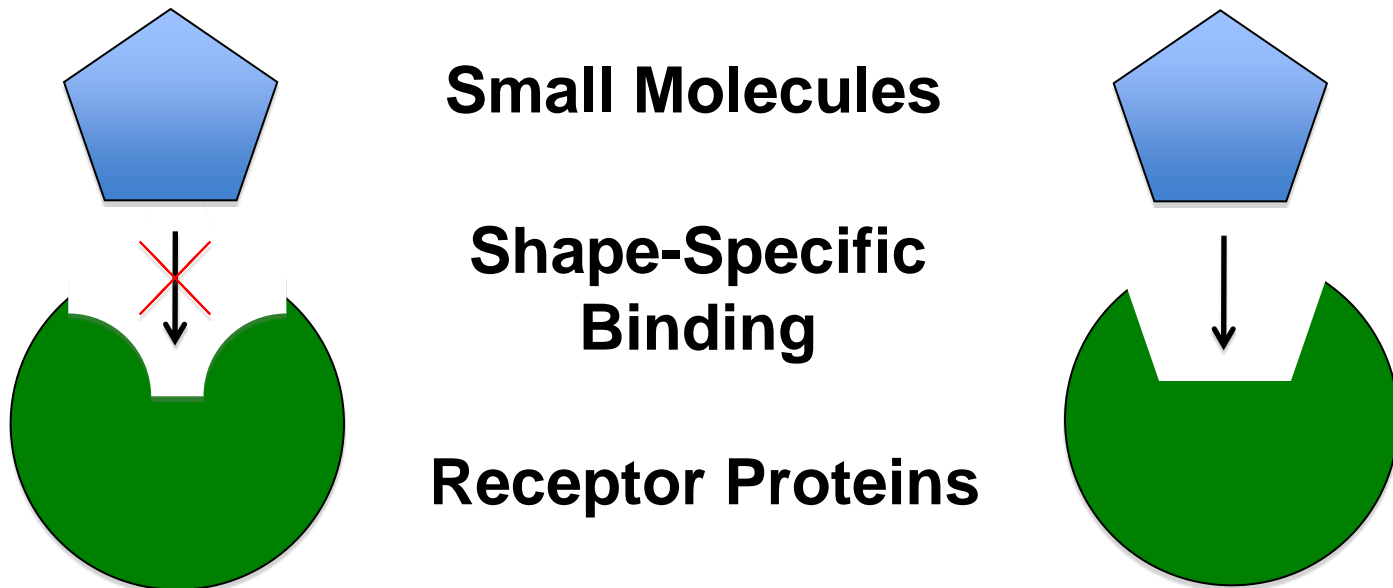
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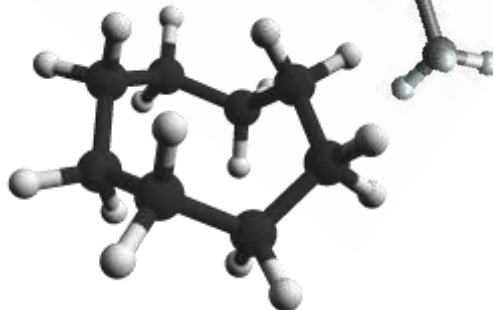
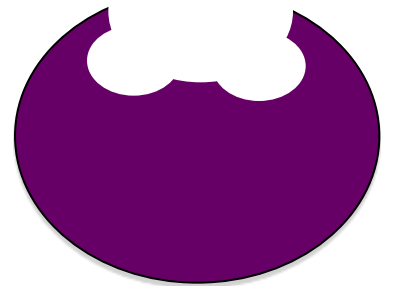
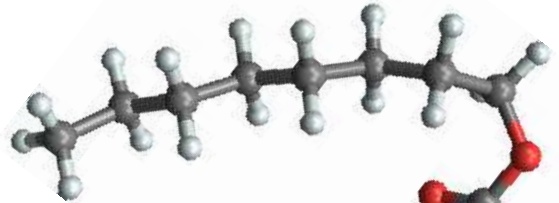
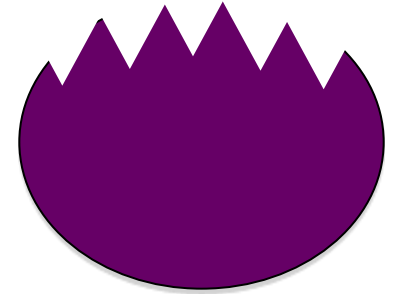
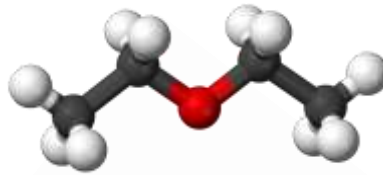
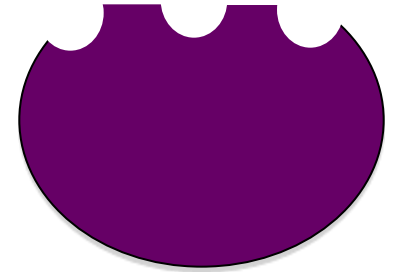
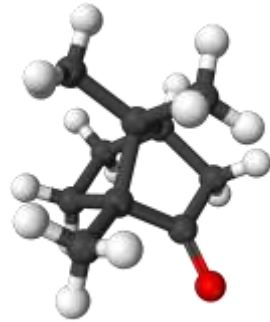
- Many biological processes depend on molecules called **receptor proteins** binding to specific small molecules
- The specificity in binding depends on the shapes of the small molecules



Different **tastes** and **smells** come from different small molecules binding to different receptor proteins

# Mini Quiz

Can you match the following odor molecules to their protein receptors?



# Summary

- We can predict the shape of a molecule using VSEPR theory
- The electronegativity of the atoms in and the shape of a molecule influence its polarity via its dipole moment
- Molecular shape and electron distribution determine the biochemistry and taste and smell

# Homework

- TBD