

Typical IR		and		¹ H NMR Values	
Bond Type	IR Stretching Frequency (cm ⁻¹)	Type of H	Chemical Shift δ (ppm)		
C-H		Methyl			
alkane	2960-2850 (<i>s</i>)	RCH ₃	0.9		
alkene	3080-3020 (<i>m</i>)	R ₂ C=CHCH ₃	1.8		
alkyne	3300 (<i>s</i>)	R(C=O)CH ₃	2.1		
aromatic	3100-3000 (<i>v</i>)	ArCH ₃	2.3		
aldehyde	2900,2700 (<i>m</i>)	RNHCH ₃	2.5		
		ROCH ₃	3.8		
		R(C=O)OCH ₃	3.8		
Triple Bonds		Methylene			
alkyne	2100-2260 (<i>v</i>)	acyclic CH ₂	1.3		
nitrile	2260-2220 (<i>v</i>)	cyclic CH ₂	1.5		
		RCH ₂ X (X=Cl,Br,I)	3.5		
		RCH=CH ₂	5.0		
Double Bonds		Methine			
alkene C=C	1680-1620 (<i>v</i>)	R ₃ CH	1.8		
aromatic C=C	1600-1450 (<i>v</i>)	RC=CH	2.5		
ester C=O	1750-1735 (<i>s</i>)	R ₂ C=CHR	5.3		
acid C=O	1725-1700 (<i>s</i>)	Ar-H	7.3		
amide C=O	1690-1650 (<i>s</i>)	R(C=O)H	9.7		
aldehyde C=O	1740-1720 (<i>s</i>)				
ketone C=O					
saturated	1725-1705 (<i>s</i>)				
α,β-unsat'd.	1685-1665 (<i>s</i>)				
aryl	1700-1680 (<i>s</i>)				
O-H		H on Oxygen			
alcohol		R-OH	1-4		
not H-Bonded	3650-3590 (<i>v</i>)	Ar-OH	4-8		
H-Bonded	3600-3200 (<i>s</i> , broad)	R(C=O)OH	10-14		
acid	3000-2500 (<i>s</i> , broad)				
N-H		H on Nitrogen			
amines	3500-3300 (<i>m</i>)	R-NH ₂	1-3		
amides	3500-3350 (<i>m</i>)	Ar-NH ₂	3-5		
		R(C=O)NHR	5-9		
C-O					
alcohols, ethers, or esters	1300-1000 (<i>s</i>)				
C-N					
aliph. amines	1220-1020 (<i>w</i>)				
arom. amines	1360-1250 (<i>s</i>)				
NO₂					
nitro group	1560-1515 (<i>s</i>), and 1385-1345 (<i>s</i>)				

Some Useful IR Bending Frequencies

Bond Type	Frequency (cm ⁻¹)
C-H alkane	1470-1350 (<i>s</i>)
C-H alkene	1000-675 (<i>s</i>)
C-H aromatic	870-675 (<i>v</i>)
O-H H-Bond/alcohol	1620-1590 (<i>v</i>)
O-H carboxylic acids	1655-1510 (<i>s</i>)

s = strong; *v* = variable; *m* = moderate; *w* = weak