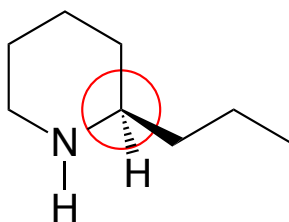
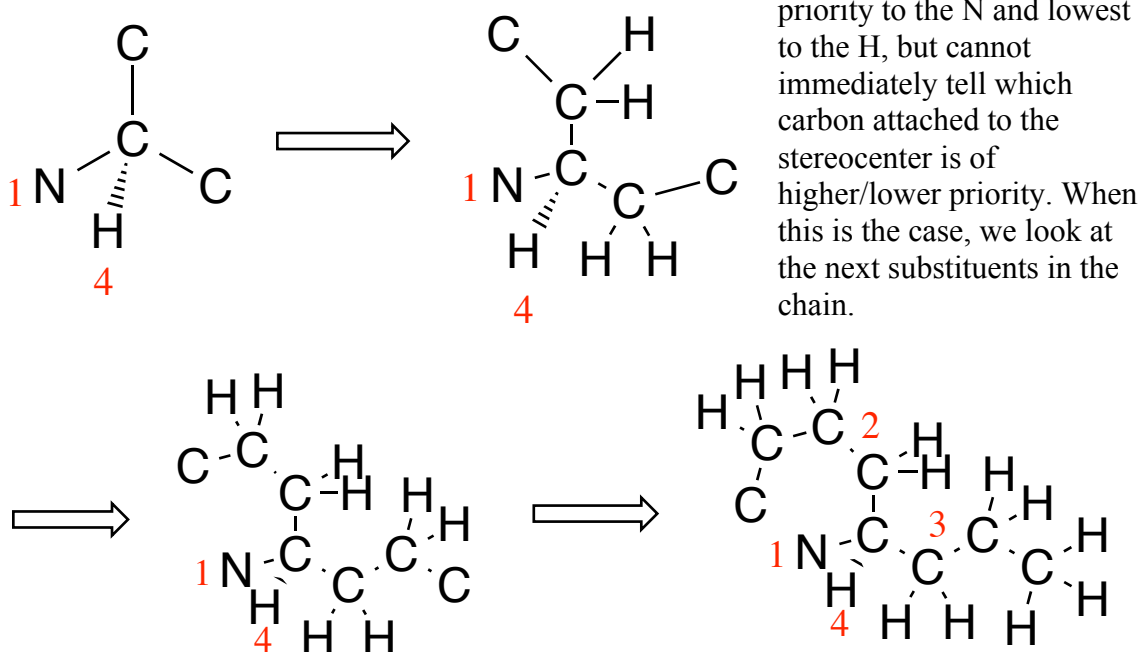
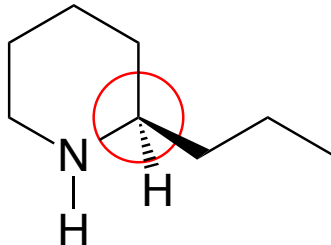


**Previous lecture: Enantiomers of coniine (Review from last class)**

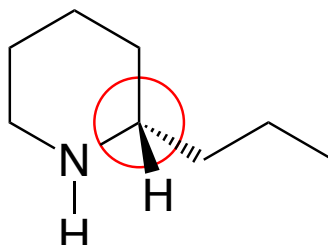
Determining R/S configuration of the stereocenter:



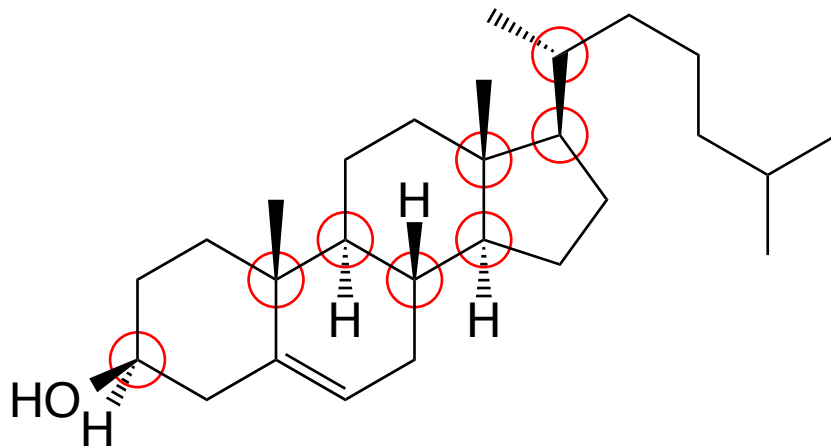
- We cannot tell at the second attached carbon, so we move on to the third.
- We still cannot tell at the third, so we move on to the fourth.
- At the fourth carbon we can see a difference. The carbon that is part of the propyl group ends in a CH<sub>3</sub> so it is bonded to three H, and the other carbon is bonded to two H and one C. The propyl group gets lower priority (3) and the other group gets higher priority (2).
- Counting 1,2,3 → clockwise is *R*. This is the *R* enantiomer.



*R* - enantiomer of coniine



*S* - enantiomer of coniine - invert EVERY stereocenter

**CHOLESTEROL**

8 Stereocenters identified

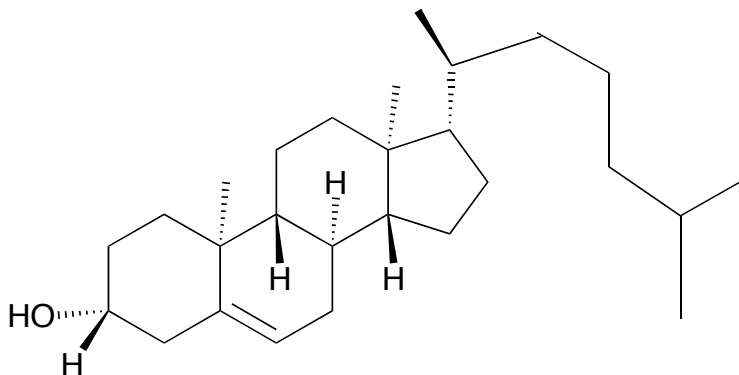
$2^8 = 256$  Stereoisomers, which is divided into three kinds below:

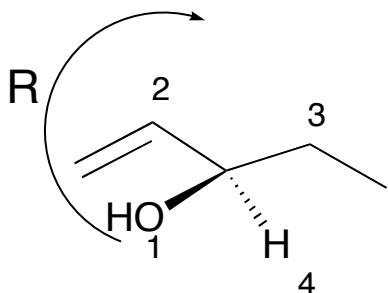
- 1 Cholesterol (itself)
- 1 Enantiomer
- 254 are Diastereomers

**NB:** Stereochemistry of carbon bearing the hydroxyl is **S**

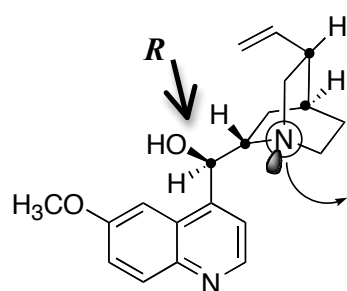
**DRAWING ENANTIOMER OF COMPOUND**

- Change every stereo center (e.g. compare and contrast the cholesterol above and below images)





### Chiral Centers:



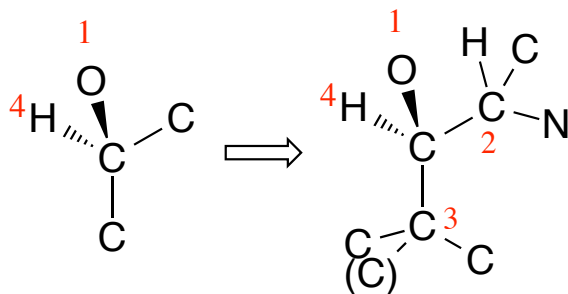
quinine - anti-malarial drug  
from the bark of the tree  
*Cinchona officinalis*

- Carbon stereocenters are shown with dots in this example.

- Nitrogen is a stereocenter here because it can't invert freely. The ring structure restricts its geometry.

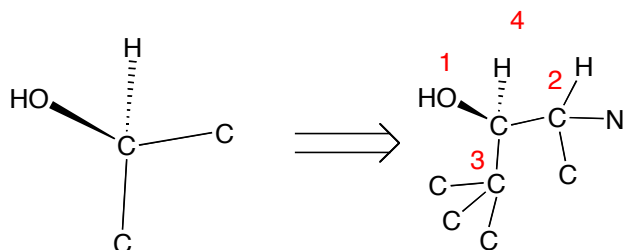
malaria is caused by *Plasmodium* species  
transmitted by *Anopheles* mosquito

### **Configuration at the alcohol center (arrow on quinine):**

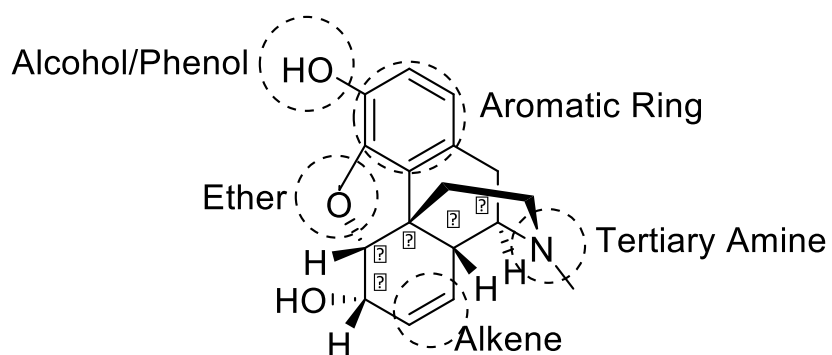


- Cannot assign 2, 3 at first try
- At the second atoms in the chain, there is a difference. The carbon attached to one nitrogen, one carbon, and one hydrogen has a higher priority than the carbon attached to three carbons.
- One nitrogen trumps three carbons.
- Count 1, 2, 3: Clockwise is *R*.

Stereochemistry of Carbon bearing the hydroxyl group is **R**



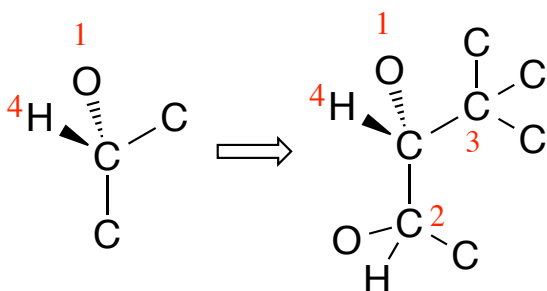
## MORPHINE



- Morphine (from Morpheus, Greek god of sleep)
- Opium: Sap from the seed pod of opium poppy (*Papaver somniferum*)
- ~10% of opium is morphine
- Morphine is used as an analgesic
- Heroin (diacetylmorphine) is even more potent (and more addictive)
- 5 stereogenic centers in morphine (represented by \*)
  - $2^5 = 32$  stereoisomers possible, where:
    - 1 morphine (itself)
    - 1 enantiomer
    - 30 diastereoisomers

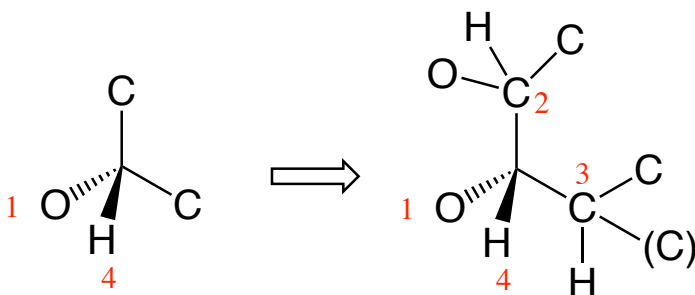
## Other Examples of Configuration in Stereocenters of Morphine

Configuration at the **ether** stereocenter:



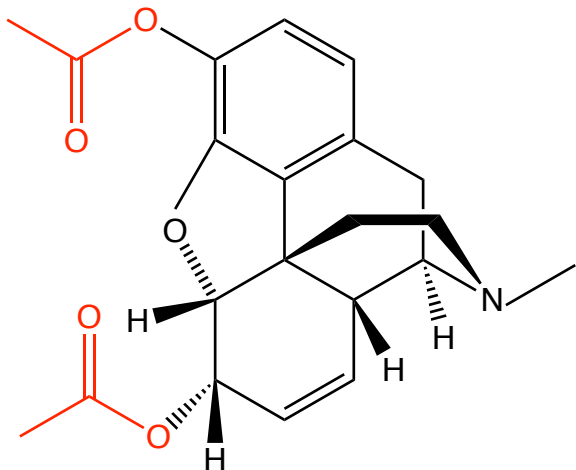
- Cannot assign 2, 3 at first try
- At the second atoms in the chain, there is a difference. The alcohol carbon is attached to one oxygen, one carbon, and one hydrogen. It has a higher priority than the other carbon which is attached to three carbons.
- Count 1, 2, 3: Counterclockwise
- This center is *R* and not *S* because the lowest priority group (the hydrogen) is pointing toward the front, not to the back.

Configuration at the **alcohol** stereocenter:



- Cannot assign 2, 3 at first try
- At the second atoms in the chain, the eth carbon is attached to one oxygen, one carbon and one hydrogen. It has a higher priority than the alkene carbon which is attached to two carbons and one hydrogen
- Count 1, 2, 3: Clockwise
- This center is *S* and not *R* because the lowest priority group (the hydrogen) is pointing toward the front, not the back

If you substitute  $\text{CH}_3\text{COO}$  for the two alcohol residues in morphine, you then create **HEROIN**



Or if  $\text{CH}_3$  in amine group is substituted with  $\text{CH}_2\text{-CH=CH}_2$ , you then create nalorphine an antagonist of morphine at the opioid receptor and an anti-fentanyl compound

