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## THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

**SCH 411: Organic Strereochemistry** 

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS: 2018/2019 ACADEMIC YEAR** 

# ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN SECTION A AND ANY TWO QUESTIONS IN SECTION B

#### **SECTION A: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS**

## **QUESTION 1 (30 MARKS)**

a) Define the following terms;

(10 marks)

- i) Diatereomerism
- ii) Homotopicity
- iii) Enatiomerism
- iv) Stereogenicity
- v) Molecular geometry

b) Give the CIP names of the following stereoisomers.

(5 marks)

i) CHO ii) 
$$CO_2H$$
 iii)  $CO_2H$  iv)  $F$  v)  $CH_3$  Br  $H^{WW}$  Br  $CH_2$  OH  $CH_3$   $CH_3$   $CH_2$  OH

- c) Give the 3D-structures of the following stereoisomers;
  - i) (2S)-2-ethylpentane
  - ii) (2S,3R)-2,3-dichlorohexane
  - iii) (3R)-octan-3-ol
  - iv) (2R,3S)-2,3-dibromononanal
- d) Complete the following reactions;

(5 marks)

(10 marks)

i) 
$$CO_2H$$
  $CO_2H$   $C$ 

ii) 
$$H_2$$
  $HO_2C$   $CO_2H$   $HO_2C$   $HO$ 

### **SECTION B (40 MARKS):**

# ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS FROM THIS SECTION:

# **EACH QUESTION CARRIES 20 MARKS**

## **QUESTION 2 (20 marks)**

a) Consider the following pair of structures; are they enantiomers or two molecules of the same compound in different orientations? Explain your answer.

(4 marks)

- b) (2S)-2-iodobutane has a specific rotation,  $\left[\alpha\right]^{24}_{D_s} = 22.4^{\circ}$ . Interpret the observed result. (2 marks)
- c) At 24°C, a sample of (2S)-2-iodobutane in (b) above was put in a 1 dm sample vial of solution of 1.0 gml<sup>-1</sup> and showed a specific rotation of +3.975°;

i) What is the optical purity of the sample?

(4 marks)

ii) What is the enatiomeric excess?

(4 marks)

d) Using examples, explain the following molecular geometries;

(6 marks)

(4 marks)

- i) Tetrahedral
- ii) Trigonal planar

## **QUESTION 3 (20 marks)**

- a) In a chronological order, describe the CIP system of naming enantiomers. (5 marks)
- b) Draw the Fischer projection of L-(+)-tartaric acid and identify the stereocenter (4 marks)
- c) Briefly discuss the biological significance of chirality. (5 marks)
- d) Give and name the 3D-structures of product(s) of the following reactions (6 marks)
  - i)  $CH_2 = CHOH + Cl_2 \rightarrow$
  - ii)  $CH_3$ -CH = CH- $C_3H_7 + Br_2 \rightarrow$

# **QUESTION 4 (20 marks)**

a) Give a brief history of the origin of stereochemistry

b) Draw all the stereoisomers of CH<sub>3</sub>CH(OH)CH(OH)COOH (4 marks)

c) Discuss the energetics of the conformational isomers of cyclohexane (6 marks)

d) Which of the following are chiral and, therefore, capable of existing as enantiomers? (6 marks)

i) 1,3-Dichlorobutane

v) 2-Bromobicyclo[1.1.0]butane

ii) 1,2-Dibromopropane

vi) 2-Fluorobicyclo[2.2.2]octane

iii) 1,5-Dichloropentane

iv) 3-Ethylpentane

## **QUESTION 5 (20 marks)**

- a) Draw a schematic diagram representing a polarimeter (5 marks)
- b) Discuss the kinetic resolution technique of separating enantiomers (10 marks)
- c) Calculate the observed rotation of a solution of 0.5245 g of (S)-1-amino-1-phenylethane diluted to a volume of 10.0 ml with methanol at 20°C, using the Sodium D Line lamp and 1.00 dm tube. Specific rotation of this material is: (4 marks)

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \end{bmatrix}_{D}^{23} = -30.0^{\circ}$$

d) Consider the reaction below;

(5 marks)

$$\xrightarrow{\operatorname{Br}_2} \xrightarrow{\operatorname{Br}}$$

How many stereoisomers of the product are possible? Draw them. Are the products optically active?

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