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SECOND SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, JULY 2016

(CUCSS - PG)

(Chemistry)

CC15PCH2C07-ORGANIC REACTION MECHANISMS

(2015 Admission)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 36 Weightage

Section A

(Answer all questions. Each question has 1 weightage)

- 1. Give an example for Norrish type I and II cleavage reactions.
- 2. Mention the effect of solvent polarity and nature of nucleophiles on $S_{\rm N}1$ and $S_{\rm N}2$ reactions.
- 3. What are FMOs? Why they are called so? Give the FMOs of propenyl cation.

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- 5. Why is elimination of hydrogen halide from a bridgehead halo compound difficult?
- 6. Describe an example for ∞- elimination. Give its mechanism.
- 7. Give the structure of quinine.
- 8. What are flavones and isoflavones?
- 9. What is Prins reaction? Explain the mechanism of formation of allyl alcohol in this reaction.
- 10. Give the name of the following reaction and write its mechanism

- 11. Write the mechanism of Photo Fries rearrangement?
- 12. What is meant by S_Nⁱ mechanism?

 $(12 \times 1 = 12 \text{ weightage})$

Section B

(Answer any 8 questions. Each question carries 2 weightage)

13. Discuss the BAc² mechanism of ester hydrolysis with suitable evidences

- 15. Explain the mechanism, a) pyrolytic elimination of esters of acetic acid and b) E1cB eliminations?
- 16. Write an account of the a) photodimerisation of alkenes and b) photoaddition of alkenes to ketones.
- 17. Derive the selection rules for thermal ring closure/ring opening reactions of conjugated trienes, by correlation diagram method?
- 18. How can Longifolene be obtained by synthesis?
- 19. Describe Claison and Cope rearrangements by taking one example each.
- 20. Describe the benzyne mechanism and its evidence, of aromatic nucleophilic substitutions.
- 21. Discuss the structure and reactions of carbenes.
- 22. Explain the stereochemical outcome of aliphatic uni and bi molecular substitution reactions?
- 23. Write a note on stereochemistry of Diels Alder reactions.
- 24. Write notes on i) ion pair mechanism and ii) cine substitution in aromatic nucleophilic substitution reactions?

 $(8 \times 2 = 16 \text{ weightage})$

SECTION C

(Answer any 2 questions. Each question carries 4 weightage)

- 25. Give total synthesis of Reserpine.
- 26. Discuss in detail the mechanism of the following reactions: a) Dieckmann Condensation b) Stobbe condensation c) Wittig reaction d) Reformatsky reaction
- 27. Write brief notes on a) photoreactions of acyclic and cyclic ketones, b) Barton reaction, c) di- π methane rearrangement and d) photochemical polymer degradation
- 28. Describe in detail the mechanism of Zaitzev and Hofmann eliminations and explain the orientation of newly formed C=C bond with attention to the substrate structure.

 $(2 \times 4 = 8 \text{ weightage})$
