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FIRST SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, FEBRUARY 2013

(CUCSS)

Chemistry

CH 1C 03—ORGANIC CHEMISTRY—I

(2010 Admissions)

Three Hours

Maximum: 36 Weightage

Section A

Answer all questions.

Each question carries 1 weightage.

1. The flipping of cyclooctatetraene as shown below from one tub shape to the other has a fairly high energy barrier of 13.7 kcal mol⁻¹. Why?



Which one among the following would solvolyze the fastest?

$$O-SO_2Me$$
 $O-SO_2Me$
 O

Which one(s) among the following compounds is/are chiral? Why?

(ii)
$$\stackrel{\text{Me}}{\underset{\text{Me}}{\bigcirc}}$$
 (iv) $\stackrel{\text{Me}}{\underset{\text{C}}{\bigcirc}}$ $\stackrel{\text{Me}}{\underset{\text{H}}{\bigcirc}}$

4. Assign R or S configurational notation to the following compounds.

- 5. Explain the Felkin-Ahn model for the Cram's rule. Use structural diagram.
- 6. Write the structure of a Ru based, chiral phosphine containing chiral catalyst and sugges application.
- 7. Between trans -1,2-dimethylcyclohexane and cis-1,2-dimethylcyclohexane, which is more st and why?
- 8. Which among A and B would esterify faster and why?

$$Me_2C$$
 H
 Me_3C
 $COOH$
 (B)

- 9. Suggest a condensation reaction to prepare ethyl cyclopentan-2-one-1-carboxylate.
- 10. Write the mechanism of Ritter reaction.
- Suggest a method for the following conversion in one step.

- 12. Write a note on network polymers.
- 13. Which are the major secondary structure motifs seen in polypeptide 3D structures?
- 14. Discuss the mechanism of free radical polymerizations.

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Section B

Answer any seven questions. Each question carries 2 weightage.

- 15. Discuss the effect of delocalization of electrons on the pKa value s of organic compounds.
- 16. Explain the use of isotope labeling in elucidating organic reaction mechanisms.
- 17. Discuss the (i) chirality of sulfur compounds and (ii) chirality due to helical shape.
- 18. Write a brief not on the stereoisomerism of aldoximes and ketoximes.
- 19. Discuss the use of α -amino acids as a chiral pool in the asymmetric synthesis of benzodiazepines.
- 20. What are chiral reagents? Using typical examples, illustrate their use in asymmetric synthesis.
- 21. Discuss the conformation of 2-bromocyclohexanone, *cis* and *trans*-2,6-dibromocyclohexanones and 2-bromo-4,4-dimethylcyclohexanones.
- 22. Illustrate the conformational effect on the hydrolysis of esters of cyclohexale carboxylic acids.
- 23. Discuss the mechanism of benzoin condensation and Ritter reaction.
- 24. How can peptides be sequenced to determine their primary structure?

 $(7 \times 2 = 14 \text{ weightage})$

Section C

Answer any two questions.

Each question carries 4 weightage.

- 25. Discuss the aromaticity of annulenes.
- 26. Describe the Hammett equation, the importance of Hammett parameters σ and ρ and explain why Hammett equation is linera free energy relationship.
- 27. Discuss the conformational stability of (i) disubstituted cyclohexanes and (ii) cis and trans-decalins.
- 28. With suitable examples, describe the effect of conformation on (i) the reaction of MeMgBr on MeCH(Ph)-CHO (ii) HBr elimination of dl and meso PhCHBr-CHBrPh and (iii) pyrolytic elimination of Ac-OH from cyclohexyl acetates.

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