CHEM 161 Sample Final Dr. John C. Vederas

Questions in black, answers in red

PLEASE NOTE THAT COURSE CONTENT VARIES FROM YEAR TO YEAR Some questions on Aromatic Compounds may be beyond the scope of the present course. Additional questions on Stereochemistry and Substitution Reactions are likely to be on the exam. Practice assignment of R and S configuration to stereogenic (chiral) centers!

I. Structure and Nomenclature - 56 Points

A. Draw structures for which names are given, or name the given structures by any correct (systematic or common) nomenclature. Be sure to give cis or trans (or if appropriate Z or E) or R or S assignment to the isomer where indicated by asterisks (***). (**3 points each**)

1. acetone

2. benzyl chloride



3.



4. [8]annulene



*** 5. 7-(cis-1-butenyl)cyclohepta-1,4-diene

a sperm attractant produced by female gametes of brown algae





Polyvinyl chloride (PVC)

7. ortho-hydroxybenzoic acid- a metabolite of aspirin



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B. Name the compounds below by their correct common name: (12 points - 3 points each)



C. Circle all of the aromatic molecules or ions in the group below (8 points).



D. Ascaridole is the principal anthelminthic (a drug used against parasitic worms which are called helminths) in American wormwood (chenopodium). Examine its structure below and answer the questions which follow.)11 points)



1. Redraw the structure in flat projection. Use the six membered ring below as part of your structure. Be sure to indicate three dimensional shape with dark (wedge) and dashed lines. (If you make an error, redraw the ring and begin again) (4 points).



3. Circle one of the isoprene units on the original structure of ascaridole shown above. (2 points)

4. The correct molecular formula of ascaridole is: (3 points)

C10 H16 O2

II. Reactions - 54 Points

A. Show the structure of the major organic product of each of the following reactions. Show stereochemistry where indicated by asterisks (***). (4 points each - 24 points total)



*** 2.







4.



*** 5.



*** 6.





epoxide is cis up (shown) or down OK **B.** Show reagents that will do the required transformations. In some cases two steps may be necessary. (24 points - 4 points each)



 $H-C \equiv C-H \xrightarrow{1. \text{ NaNH}_2} H-C \equiv C-CH_2CH_3$

C. The male cotton boll weevil recognizes its food through the presence of the appropriate mixture of monoterpene compounds. Some of these also act as aggregation pheromones. One of these compounds has an **empirical formula** of **C5H8**. Reaction of this compound with excess ozone followed by treatment with zinc gave the result shown below:



Treatment of the same compound with excess diborane followed by acetic acid gave the result shown below:



Provide the structure of the unknown compound (6 points):



III. Definitions and Applications - 26 Points

A. Define briefly (15 words or less) and provide an example of the following four concepts.

1. Markovnikov Rule

Positive end of addend adds to least substituted end of double bond (or will accept Addition Reaction proceeds such that most stable carbocation is formed)



2. Tautomers

Rapidly interconverting structural isomers



3. Stereospecific Reaction

Process in which stereochemistry of starting material determines stereochemistry of product



4. E1 Reaction

Elimination which proceeds stepwise via a carbocation intermediate



B. The structures of two important substances which were discussed in class are shown below. (10 points)

1. Identify each of them by common name

2. Specify for each compound whether it is produced naturally (e.g. plants or animals) or is only made by chemists

3. Specify for each compound its commercial use or practical importance.

4. For compound A specify problems associated with its occurrence

5. For compound B specify what colour it has when dilute



IV. Mechanism - 15 Points

A. Draw a chemical mechanism for the first several steps of polypropylene formation from propene. Be sure to show the structures of the intermediate growing polymer chain. Also sho the structure of polypropylene using the usual convention. (7 points).



A. Draw a detailed chemical mechanism which explains why the reaction of butadiene with HBr (no peroxides) gives two products. Be sure to use arrows to show the movement of electrons and draw the structures of the key intermediate(s). (8 points)



EXTRA CREDIT (3 Points): Name one person who won this year's Nobel Prize in Chemistry John Polyani - University of Toronto - Nobel Prize 1986