## Chemistry 2542

# Fall Semester 2012; Midterm 2 Exam 

November 14, Wednesday, 11:00 to 11:50 am

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1. ( $\mathbf{1 5} \mathbf{~ p t s}$ ) Answer the questions on mechanisms of the following reactions.
(a) Which one of the following four schemes (A-D) represents a step in the mechanism for the esterification reaction shown in the box (circle the correct answer; 5 pts )

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\mathrm{PhCO}_{2} \mathrm{H}+\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{OH} \xrightarrow[\text { heat }]{\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}} \mathrm{PhCO}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{3}+\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}
$$


(b) Which one of the following four schemes (A-D) gives the best representation of a step in the mechanism of the saponification reaction shown in the box (circle the correct answer; 5 pts ):


(c) Write $\mathbf{4}$ curved arrows and one charge missing in the mechanism for the aldol condensation (5 pts; 1 pt each):

2. ( $\mathbf{1 5} \mathbf{~ p t s}$ ) Answer the following questions.
(a) (4 pts) Circle the structure of the intermediate product for the reaction in the box:






(b) ( $\mathbf{5} \mathbf{~ p t s}$ ) Arrange the following compounds in order of increasing acidity (place a number $\mathbf{1 - 5}$ in the appropriate box, 1 pt each box):
(1) 3-fluoropropanoic acid (2) 2-fluoropropanoic acid, (3) propanoic acid, (4) propane, (5) 1-propanol

weakest acid

$<$
$\square$

strongest acid
(c) ( $\mathbf{6} \mathbf{~ p t s}$ ) Circle the correct IUPAC name of the compounds in the boxes ( 2 pts each):

(Z)-4-hydroxy-5-phenyl-2-pentenoic acid
(E)-4-hydroxy-5-phenyl-2-pentenoic acid (Z)-4-hydroxy-4-phenyl-2-butenoic acid
(E)-4-hydroxy-4-phenyl-2-butenoic acid (Z)-4-oxo-1-phenyl-2-butenediol (E)-4-oxo-1-phenyl-2-butenediol


1-amino-2-phenylethanal amidobenzene benzamide
2-phenylacetamide benzoylamine phenylformamide


| 4-amino-2-nitrophenol | 4-hydroxy-2-nitroaniline |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2-nitro-4-anilinophenol | 2,4-diaminophenol |
| 2-nitro-4-aminobenzol | 3-amino-2-hydroxynitrobenzene |

3. ( 28 pts) Circle the major product in each of the following reactions (4 pts each):


| 1-hydroxy-3-methylcyclopentanone | 4-hydroxy-4-methylpentanoic acid |
| :--- | ---: |
| 4-hydroxypentanoic acid | 5-hydroxy-4-methylpentanoic acid |
| 4-hydroxy-4-methylpentanoic acid | 4-methylcyclopentanecarboxylic acid |



2-methyl-3-butenoic acid
(Z)-2-methyl-2-propenoate

2-methyl-3-buten-1-ol
2-methyl-3-buten-1-al
methyl 2-methyl-3-pentenoate methyl 2-methyl-3-butenoate


















$\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CH}(\mathrm{OH}) \mathrm{C}_{3} \mathrm{H}_{7} \quad \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CO}_{2} \mathrm{C}_{3} \mathrm{H}_{7}$
$\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{3} \mathrm{COH}$



4. (24 pts) Answer the following questions:
(a) ( $6 \mathbf{p t s}$ ) Finish drawing the structure of 1,4-addition product in the following reaction by showing appropriate substituents and missing bonds ( 2 pts each missing part):



## 1,4-addition product

(b) (8 pts) Arrange the following phenols in order of increasing acidity (2 pts each box):
(1) 2,4,6-trimethylphenol, (2) 2,4,6-trinitrophenol, (3) phenol, (4) o-nitrophenol
$\square$
weakest (2 pts)
$<$

2 pt
pt
$<$



2 pt
$<$

strongest (2 pts)
(c) ( $\mathbf{5} \mathbf{p t s}$ ) Which of the compounds shown in the boxes are aromatic? (put all appropriate letters $\mathbf{A}$ $\mathbf{G}$ in the provided box; no partial credit)

A





F

B
C
D
E
G
Aromatic molecules: (place appropriate letters A-G in the box) $\square$
(d) ( $\mathbf{5} \mathbf{~ p t s}$ ) Which is the most acidic hydrocarbon (circle one molecule)?





5. (18 pts) Answer the following questions:
(a) (10 pts) Place in each box the molecule of a reagent that is required to perform each of the following reactions ( 2 pts each box):





heat

(b) (8) Arrange the following compounds in order of reactivity for nucleophilic acyl substitution reaction (put letters in the box; 2 pts each box):


