CHE 501, Fall 2003

Mechanistic and Synthetic Organic Chemistry: Fundament concepts for organic chemistry structure, reactivity, reactions and reaction mechanisms.

Time: M, W, F, 8-8:50 AM Place: NSC Rm. 218 Total Classes: 32

Instructors

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Textbooks:

Advanced Organic Chemistry, Parts A and B (required)Carey & SundbergAdvanced Organic Chemistry (optional)MarchMechanism and Theory in Organic Chemistry (optional)Lowry & RichardsonTransition Metals in the Synthesis of Complex Organic Molecules (optional)HegedusOrganic Chemistry Lecture Notes(optional, available from Scripps)Boger

If not in the bookstore, check out Amazon.com

Computational Aids:

Everyone should learn how to use Beilstein, SciFinder and the Science Citation Index. Get familiar with electronic journals. Use the library's website.

Grading and Assignments

First Test (20%), Midterm (25%), Second test (20%) and Final (comprehensive, 25%) and Final report (10%). Homework problems (assigned weekly) will be discussed during

Final Report: see attatchment.

Topics Covered. Part I (Richard Cheng) 16 lectures Conformational Analysis Stereochemistry Acid/Base (Pka) Isotope Effects Aromatic Substitution SN2/SN1/E1/E2 Solvent Effects Orbital Alignment/Grobe Fragmentation

Part II (Sherry Chemler), 16 lectures Reductions/Oxidations (2 lectures) Carbonyl Additions: Stereochemistry, Catalysis, Aldol, Allylation, Glycosylation (4 lectures) Olefin Additions, Elimination Reactions: Allylic Strain, Hydroboration (2 lectures) Cross-Coupling Reactions, transition metal catalysis (2 lectures) Pericyclic Reactions (1 lecture) Sigmatropic Rearrangements (1 lectures) Diels-Alder Reactions (2 lectures) Free Radical Reactions (1 lecture) Photochemical Reactions (1 lecture)