$\qquad$ Chemistry 320N
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Please Note: This test may be a bit long, but there is a reason. I would like to give you a lot of little questions, so you can find ones you can answer and show me what you know, rather than just a few questions that may be testing the one thing you forgot. I recommend you look the exam over and answer the questions you are sure of first, then go back and try to figure out the rest. Also make sure to look at the point totals on the questions as a guide to help budget your time.

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| Total |  | (301) |

## Student Honor Code

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Compound
$\mathrm{pK}_{\mathrm{a}}$

| Hydrochloric acid | H-Cl | -7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Protonated alcohol | $\mathrm{RCH}_{2}{\stackrel{\oplus}{\mathrm{O}}{ }_{2}}_{2}$ | -2 |
| Hydronium ion | $\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{\oplus}$ | -1.7 |
| Carboxylic acids |  | 3-5 |
| Ammonium ion | $\mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{~N}^{\oplus}$ | 9.2 |
| $\beta$-Dicarbonyls |  | 10 |
| Primary ammonium | $\underline{\mathrm{H}}_{3} \stackrel{\oplus}{\mathrm{~N}} \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{CH}_{3}$ | 10.5 |
| $\beta$-Ketoesters |  | 11 |
| $\beta$-Diesters |  | 13 |
| Water | HOH | 15.7 |
| Alcohols | $\mathrm{RCH}_{2} \mathrm{OH}$ | 15-19 |
| Acid chlorides |  | 16 |
| Aldehydes |  | 18-20 |
| Ketones |  | 18-20 |
| Esters |  | 23-25 |
| Terminal alkynes | $\mathrm{RC} \equiv \mathrm{C}-\underline{\mathrm{H}}$ | 25 |
| LDA | $\underline{\mathrm{H}}-\mathrm{N}\left(\mathrm{i}-\mathrm{C}_{3} \mathrm{H}_{7}\right)_{2}$ | 40 |
| Terminal alkenes | $\mathrm{R}_{2} \mathrm{C}=\underset{\mathrm{H}}{\mathrm{C}}-\underline{\mathrm{H}}$ | 44 |
| Alkanes | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CH}_{2}-\underline{\mathrm{H}}$ | 51 |

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## DO NOT TEAR OUT THIS PAGE!!

We are trying something new to improve grading accuracy. You must write the answers for the questions on the next three pages on this single sheet.

Question 1, page 2 ( 13 pts ) True false questions.
As appropriate, circle True or False in each space corresponding to the statements on page 2.

| 1.1 True False | 1.2 True False |
| :--- | :--- |
| 1.3 True False | 1.4 True False |
| 1.5 True False | 1.6 True False |
| 1.7 True False | 1.8 True False |
| 1.9 True False | 1.10 True False |
| 1.11 True False | 1.12 True False |
| 1.13 True False |  |

Question 2, page 3 (16 pts) Write the word that best completes the sentences.

| 2.1 | Claisen |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2.2 | aldol |
| 2.3 | hydroxy |
| 2.4 | aldehyde |
| 2.5 | Michael |
| 2.6 | nucleophile |
| 2.7 | beta $(\beta)$ |
| 2.8 | Michael |
| 2.9 | aldol |
| 2.10 | Fluorescence |
| 2.11 | Phosphorescence |
| 2.12 | Chemiluminescence |
| 2.13 | reflected |
| 2.14 | absorbed |
| 2.15 | filled |
| 2.16 | unfilled |

Question 3, page 3 (8 pts) For each molecule, write "Conjugated" or "Not Conjugated"
3.1 Not Conjugated
3.2 Conjugated
3.3 Not Conjugated
3.4 Conjugated
3.5 Not Conjugated
3.6 Conjugated
3.7 Conjugated
3.8 Not Conjugated

Question 4, page 4 (4 pts) Rank by relative acidity with a 1 under the most acidic and a 4 under the least acidic.
4.11
$4.2^{3}$
4.32
$4.4^{4}$

Question 5, page 4 (4 pts) Rank by relative acidity with a 1 under the most acidic and a 4 under the least acidic.
$5.1^{3}$
$5.2^{4}$
5.31
$5.4^{2}$

Question 6, page 4 (4 pts) Write the correct statement. Wait, I will give you these four points!
d. all of the above (of course)

## Write your answers to these questions on the answer sheet on page 1

1. (13 pts). On page 1, circle True or False to indicate whether each of the following statements is true or false.
1.1 "Kinetic control" in a chemical reaction refers to situations at low temperature in which the predominant product is the one that forms the fastest.
1.2 "Kinetic control" in a chemical reaction refers to situations at low temperature in which the predominant product is the one that is more stable (lower in energy).
1.3 "Thermodynamic control" in a chemical reaction refers to situations at low temperature in which the predominant product is the one that is more stable (lower in energy).
1.4 "Thermodynamic control" in a chemical reaction refers to situations at high temperature in which the predominant product is the one that is more stable (lower in energy).
1.5 "Thermodynamic control" in a chemical reaction refers to situations at high temperature in which the predominant product is the one that the predominate product is the one that forms the fastest.
1.6 In the first step of a Claisen condensation with ethyl acetate using NaOEt as the base, equilibrium favors formation of the enolate.
1.7 In the first step of a Claisen condensation with ethyl acetate using LDA as the base, equilibrium favors the starting ethyl acetate.
1.8 In the first step of a Claisen condensation with ethyl acetate using LDA as the base, equilibrium favors the enolate.
1.9 According to molecular orbital theory, you generate as many new molecular orbitals as atomic orbitals used to create them.
1.10 Conjugation refers to the situation in which $2 p$ orbitals on more than two adjacent atoms in the same molecule overlap, allowing the pi electron density to delocalize into all the adjacent $2 p$ orbitals to provide for extra stability.
1.11 The greater the number of pi bonds in conjugation, the smaller the energy difference between filled and unfilled orbitals, so the longer the wavelength of light that is absorbed (wavelength is inversely proportional to energy of light).
1.12 The greater the number of pi bonds in conjugation, the larger the energy difference between filled and unfilled orbitals, so the shorter the wavelength of light that is absorbed (wavelength is inversely proportional to energy of light).
1.13 $\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{X}$ adds to conjugated dienes to give both 1,2 and 1,4 addition products, via a resonance stabilized allylic cation intermediate.

## Write your answers to these questions on the answer sheet on page 1

2. (16 pts). On page 1, fill in each blank with the one word that best completes the following sentences.
A. In a $\qquad$ (2.1) condensation reaction, two esters react to create a $\beta$-ketoester product.
B. In the $\qquad$ (2.2) reaction, two aldehyde molecules react to create initially a $\beta$ - $\qquad$ (2.3) aldehyde product, that can dehydrate in the presence of acid and heating to give a conjugated $\alpha, \beta$-unsaturated $\qquad$ (2.4).
C. In one example of the $\qquad$ (2.5) reaction, a $\qquad$
such as an enolate or enamine reacts with an electrophile such as an $\alpha, \beta$-unsaturated ketone to give a new carbon-carbon bond at the $\qquad$ (2.7) carbon atom of the ketone.
D. The Robinson annulation reaction involves a $\qquad$ (2.8) reaction followed by an $\qquad$ (2.9) reaction then dehydration to make a six-membered ring.
E. $\qquad$ (2.10) occurs when there are not vibrations possible (a rigid molecule) so the photon is emitted as the electron goes back to ground state.
F. $\qquad$ (2.11) (glow in the dark) happens when the excited electron has a flipped spin, and must reflip back before entering the original filled orbital while emitting a photon.
G. $\qquad$ (2.12) (firefly light, "light sticks") happens when a chemical reaction produces an excited electron in a rigid molecule that then emits a photon as it transitions back to a ground state.
H. When illuminated with normal white light, a substance appears to our eyes to be the combination of the wavelengths $\qquad$ (2.13) minus the wavelengths (2.14).
I. When light of the proper frequency is absorbed by a molecule, an electron in a(n)
$\qquad$ (filled/unfilled) (2.15) orbital will be excited to a(n)
$\qquad$ (filled/unfilled) (2.16) orbital.
3. ( 8 pts ). On page 1, for the following list of molecules, write "conjugated" or "not conjugated" to indicate whether or not the given molecule contains a conjugated pi system.

3.1

3.2

3.3

3.4


3.5

3.6

3.7

## Write your answers to these questions on the answer sheet on page 1

4. (4 pts). On page 1 , rank the following from most to least acidic, with a 1 corresponding to the number of the molecule that is most acidic and 4 next the number of the molecule that is least acidic and 2 and 3 for the molecules with those relative acidities.

4.1

4.2

4.3

4.4
5. ( 4 pts ). On page 1 , rank the following from most to least acidic, with a 1 corresponding to the number of the molecule that is most acidic and 4 next the number of the molecule that is least acidic and 2 and 3 for the molecules with those relative acidities.

5.1

5.2

5.3

5.4
6. (4 pts). On page 1 , write down the correct statement.
a. An average adult burns about 100 calories for every mile they run.
b. After about age 25 you will need to actively take care of your body to remain healthy, and running should be part of your exercise routine.
c. A very recent study, correcting for all other factors, has offered evidence that running is the best form of exercise for staying healthy, and that running for one hour adds an average of seven hours to your life.
d. All of the above!

## This would have been the nomenclature section. Because your class KILLED the Longhorn run with 164 runners there is none. Great job!

7. (2 pts) What is the most important question in chemistry?

Where are the electrons
8. (14 points) Suppose a relative of yours is having an MRI. In no more than four sentences, explain to them what is happening when they have the MRI scan. We wil be looking for a minumum of 7 key points here.

The popular medical diagnostic technique of magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) is based on the same principles as NMR, namely the flipping (i.e. resonance) of nuclear spins of protons by radio frequency irradiation when a patient is placed in a strong magnetic field. Magnetic field gradients are used to gain imaging information, and rotation of the gradient around the center of the object gives imaging in an entire plane (i.e. slice inside patient). In an MRI image, you are looking at individual slices that when stacked make up the three-dimensionall image of relative amounts of protons, especially the protons from water and fat, in the different tissues.
9. (8 points) Draw the two most important resonance contributing structures of the amide shown below. Be sure to show all lone pairs and formal charges. You do not have to draw arrows on this one.

$\qquad$ Pg 6 $\qquad$
10. (20 pts) In each of the boxes over an arrow, write the minimum number of equivalents of the specified reagent required to carry out the reaction shown to completion. If only a catalytic amount is needed, write "CAT". Note: You must assume the carbonyl compound starting material is initially present in an amount of $\mathbf{1 . 0}$ equivalent.
A)



1) CAT equivalents NaOH
2) mild $\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}$(heat)

B)

3) 


2) mild $\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}$
C)

1)
 equivalents LDA
2)




0

1) $\square$ equivalents NaOH

D)




E)

2) 





For these next two we have provided the product, you need to draw the starting material as well as fill in the number of equivalents.


1) CAT equivalents $\mathbf{N a O H}$
2) mild $\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}$(heat)


3) $\square$ equivalents NaOEt
4) mild $\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}^{+}$

11. (23 pts) Complete the mechanism for the following Claisen condensation reaction. Be sure to show arrows to indicate movement of all electrons, write all lone pairs, all formal charges, and all the products for each step. Remember, I said all the products for each step. IF A NEW CHIRAL CENTER IS CREATED IN AN INTERMEDIATE OR PRODUCT, MARK IT WITH AN ASTERISK AND LABEL THE MOLECULE AS RACEMIC IF APPROPRIATE. In the boxes provided, write which of the 4 mechanistic elements describes each step (make a bond, break a bond, etc.).
1





Note you will have to write a balanced equation for this mechanism on PAGE 9
12. ( 26 pts ) Complete the mechanism for the following Michael reaction. Be sure to show arrows to indicate movement of all electrons, write all lone pairs, all formal charges, and all the products for each step. Remember, I said all the products for each step. IF A NEW CHIRAL CENTER IS CREATED IN AN INTERMEDIATE OR PRODUCT, MARK IT WITH AN ASTERISK AND LABEL THE MOLECULE AS RACEMIC IF APPROPRIATE. In the boxes provided, write which of the 4 mechanistic elements describes each step (make a bond, break a bond, etc.).

2

2)






Note you will have to write a balanced equation for the above mechanism on PAGE 9
$\qquad$ Pg 9 $\qquad$
13. (18 pts) Write BALANCED equations for all three of the mechanisms that you drew on the last two pages. Note that because we want balanced equations you will need to specify the amount of each of the reagents you start with as well as the equivalents of each of the products made. Any reagent used in a catalytic amount should be placed in the box over the arrow (not all of the boxes over the arrows will necessarily have anything in them).

## Write a balanced equation for the overall process described by mechanism 1 from page 7




Write a balanced equation for the overall process described by mechanism 2 from page 8


Signature
Pg 10
14. ( $3,4,5$ or 7 pts.) Write the predominant carbon containing product or products that will occur for each transformation. If there are multiple carbon containing products, WRITE ALL OF THEM. If a new chiral center is created and a racemic mixture is formed, label the chiral center with an asterisk (*) and write racemic. If an E,Z mixture is created as the products, YOU NEED TO DRAW BOTH THE E AND Z PRODUCT. No need for wedges and dashes. Also, do not worry about balancing these equations, but you do need to show us ALL of the major carbon-containing products of these transformations. (You should recognize this page from a recent homework)

$\qquad$ Pg 11 $\qquad$ (19)
14. ( $\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{4 , 5}$ or 7 pts.) Write the predominant carbon containing product or products that will occur for each transformation. If there are multiple carbon containing products, WRITE ALL OF THEM. If a new chiral center is created and a racemic mixture is formed, label the chiral center with an asterisk (*) and write racemic. If an $E, Z$ mixture is created as the products, YOU NEED TO DRAW BOTH THE E AND Z PRODUCT. No need for wedges and dashes. Also, do not worry about balancing these equations, but you do need to show us ALL of the major carbon-containing products of these transformations.





14. ( $3,4,5$ or 7 pts .) Write the predominant carbon containing product or products that will occur for each transformation. If there are multiple carbon containing products, WRITE ALL OF THEM. If a new chiral center is created and a racemic mixture is formed, label the chiral center with an asterisk (*) and write racemic. If an $E, Z$ mixture is created as the products, YOU NEED TO DRAW BOTH THE E AND Z PRODUCT. No need for wedges and dashes. Also, do not worry about balancing these equations, but you do need to show us ALL of the major carbon-containing products of these transformations.



Be sure to write down all the carbon containing products.

15. Using any reagents turn the starting material into the indicated product. All carbon atoms in the product must come from the starting material. Draw all molecules synthesized along the way. When in doubt, draw the molecule! Label all chiral centers with an asterisk $\left(^{*}\right)$ and make sure to write "Racemic" where appropriate. You will notice a theme in these problems in that you will be starting with very simple structures and making more complex products.

Remember, all of the carbons of the product must come from the given starting material.
(10 pts)

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2 \text { carbons } \quad 6 \text { carbons }
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A)


The key recognition element is the $\beta$-keto ester product indicating a Claisen as the last step.
Alternatively, the ethyl ester could have been made from a reaction of ethanol with sufuric acid directly, avoiding the acid chloride
intermediate.
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Remember, all of the carbons of the product must come from the given starting material.


Recognize the product as being a metyl ketone with 5 carbons. A methyl ketone is the KRE for the acetoester synthesis. The starting alcohol has 2 carbons. Therefore, assume that there are two new C-C bonds formed as shown and 1 carbon must be lost. The most logical way to lose a single carbon (consistent with the acetoester synthesis) is from a decarboxylation step. For this to occur, the carboxylic acid would have to be $\beta$ to the carbonyl, so putting all of this information together predict the $\beta$-íketo acid intermediate shown. Recognize the $\beta$-keto acid intermediate as being derived from the corresponding $\beta$-keto ester, that in turn, is the product of a two carbon alkylation of the enolate of ethyl acetoacetate. The anion is derived from deprotanation of ethyl acetoacetate using 1.0 equivalent of NaOEt and the required bromoethane can be derived from the starting ethanol by reaction with $\mathrm{PBr}_{3}$ (or $\mathrm{SOCl}_{2}$ if chloroethane is used). Recognize that the ethyl acetoacetate is the product of a Claisen condensation with the ester of acetic acid, such as ethyl acetate. Recognize that the ester could be derived by reacting acetic acid with an alcohol such as ethanol in the presence of catalytic $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Recognize that acetic acid can be derived from the oxidation of the starting ethanol with $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{CrO}_{4}$.

An aldol approach would be possilble here. Ethanol could be converted to acetaldehyde, that is used for an aldol. The aldol product could be oxidized to the corresponding $\beta$-keto acid. You would need to make the $\beta$ keto ester from the $\beta$-keto acid to allow for alkylation of the enolate in the next step. (The $\beta$-keto acid cannot be used as an enolate because the carboxylic acid function would deprotonate, not the $\beta$-carbon.)
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15. Using any reagents turn the starting material into the indicated product. All carbon atoms in the product must come from the starting material. Draw all molecules synthesized along the way. When in doubt, draw the molecule! Label all chiral centers with an asterisk (*) and make sure to write "Racemic" where appropriate. You will notice a theme in these problems in that you will be starting with very simple structures and making more complex products.
Remember, all of the carbons of the product must come from the given starting material.


Recognize the product as a symmetric $\beta$-keto ester, the KRE of a Claisen condensation reaction. Recognize further that there is a three-carbon alkoxy group on the ester portion of the product. The starting material has 4 carbons, while the product is an 8 -carbon Claisen product with a three-carbon alkoxy group. Therefore propose to create a four-carbon carboxylic acid through the sequence of non-Markovnikov hydroboration oxidation followed by $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{CrO}_{4}$ oxidation. The three-carbon piece can be made from the stating alkene by the sequence of ozonlolysis followed by reduction.
15. Using any reagents turn the starting material into the indicated product. All carbon atoms in the product must come from the starting material. Draw all molecules synthesized along the way. When in doubt, draw the molecule! Label all chiral centers with an asterisk (*) and make sure to write "Racemic" where appropriate. You will notice a theme in these problems in that you will be starting with very simple structures and making more complex products.
Remember, all of the carbons of the product must come from the given starting material.


Recognize the product as an $\alpha, \beta$-unsaturated ketone in a ring, the KRE of a cyclic aldol reaction followed by dehydration. This can be difficult to spot. The starting material for that reaction is the methyl ketone aldehyde that can be recognized as coming from the Michael reaction of acetoester with the Michael acceptor shown followed by decarboxylation. Acetoester can be made from the Claisen reaction of the starting ethyl acetate and the required Michael acceptor can be derived from the PCC oxidation of the starting alcohol. Notice that this synthetic scheme uses the "big three" of enolate reactions, a Claisen, a Michael and an aldol.
15. Using any reagents turn the starting material into the indicated product. All carbon atoms in the product must come from the starting material. Draw all molecules synthesized along the way. When in doubt, draw the molecule! Label all chiral centers with an asterisk (*) and make sure to write "Racemic" where appropriate. You will notice a theme in these problems in that you will be starting with very simple structures and making more complex products.
Remember, all of the carbons of the product must come from the given starting material. This one is much harder because there is no real KRE in the product. Save it until last and be creative! The chemistry is not hard to understand once you are on the right track.

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7 \text { carbons }
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(19 pts) E)


1) $\mathrm{O}_{3}$




7 carbons

heat $\left(-\mathrm{CO}_{2}\right)$


A) $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1) } 1.0 \mathrm{eq} . \mathrm{NaOR} \\ & \text { 2) } \mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{O}\end{aligned}($ (mild acid $)$

This is a difficult problem because there are no real KREs in the product. Instead, we were counting on you recognize that there are 6 carbons in the product but 7 carbons in the starting material. Further, we hoped that you would remember that the best way to lose one carbon is decarboxylation, and the only way you know to make a ring is through enolate chemistry. Putting those two clues together should lead you to a Dieckmann. Therefore, propose a Dieckman from the corresponding 7-carbon diester. Note that because the alkoxy portion of the ester does not show up in the product, you can use any alcohol (ethanol, methanol etc.) as long as the base used in the Dieckmann matches. The diester can be derived from the starting cycloheptanone through the sequence of ozonolysis, oxidation, conversion to the diacid chloride followed by reaction with alcohol.

