

Organic Chemistry

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Degree	Type	Year
Biomedical Sciences	OB	1

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Teaching groups languages

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Prerequisites

The students must have clear the contents of the subject of Chemistry that is taught in first and second of Baccalaureate.

Objectives and Contextualisation

Organic Chemistry studies the reactivity of carbon. Since living beings are formed by molecules based on the carbon atom, Organic Chemistry is a fundamental matter to understand the vital processes of these beings.

Basic ideas about energy relations, chemical equilibrium, conformational and stereochemical analysis of organic compounds are given. The different functional groups are studied and the structure of the compounds with the reactivity is related.

Learning Outcomes

1. CM08 (Competence) Analyse measurable experimental parameters in tissues in normal or pathological physiological conditions, integrating this data to interpret biological significance.
2. KM10 (Knowledge) Identify functional heterogeneity in tissue and certain experimental methods for its observation.
3. SM10 (Skill) Apply bioinformatics resources when searching for information in databases on molecular and histological processes in the human body.

Content

Chapter 1. Introduction to Organic Chemistry

Lewis structures, resonance, molecular geometry. Kinetic and thermodynamic stability of the carbon chains. Structures and formulas of organic molecules.

Chapter 2. Organic Compounds

Classification of organic compounds: functional groups; degree of oxidation; nomenclature, physical properties and molecular structure.

Chapter 3. Conformational and stereochemical analysis

Constitutional isomerism. Conformational isomers. Isomerism Z-E of the alquens. Stereoisomers: enantiomers and diastereomers. Chirality and its conditions. Optical activity. Configuration: representation and nomenclature. Racemic mixtures. Compounds with more than one stereogenic center: meso forms. Chiral compounds and their importance in living beings.

Chapter 4. Organic reactions in biological systems

Introduction to organic reactions. Reaction intermediates. Classification of organic reactions: reactions of addition, substitution and elimination. Oxidation and reduction reactions.

Activities and Methodology

Title	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Type: Directed			
Laboratory classes	8	0.32	KM10, SM10, KM10
Problems	4	0.16	CM08, CM08
Theory classes	20	0.8	CM08, CM08
Type: Supervised			
Tutorials	1	0.04	KM10, SM10, KM10
Type: Autonomous			
Solving problems	8	0.32	CM08, CM08
Study	30	1.2	CM08, CM08

The student acquires the own knowledge of the subject attending the classes of theory that will complement with the individualized study.

Problems classes

The student consolidates the knowledge acquired in theory classes by solving problems. A dossier of exercises will be given that the students will have to solve during the course. A selected part of these exercises will be solved by problem teachers so that students learn the appropriate methodology to find the solutions. During this process, students' participation will be important. Teachers will help to develop the critical sense and logical reasoning in order to increase the ability of students to solve problems.

Classes of Practices

The laboratory classes focus on the learning of the basic techniques and to familiarize the student with the conditions of security that manipulation of chemical products requires. To be able to attend the sessions of laboratory practices, the student must justify having passed the security tests that will be found in the Virtual Campus and be knowledgeable and accept the rules of operation of the laboratories of the Faculty of Biosciences.

Annotation: Within the schedule set by the centre or degree programme, 15 minutes of one class will be reserved for students to evaluate their lecturers and their courses or modules through questionnaires.

Assessment

Continous Assessment Activities

Title	Weighting	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Evidences	10%	0.5	0.02	CM08, SM10
Laboratory	10%	0.5	0.02	KM10, SM10
Test of theory and problems (first test)	40%	1.5	0.06	CM08, KM10
Test of theory and problems (second test)	40%	1.5	0.06	CM08, KM10

"Continued evaluation"

The continuous evaluation of skills is organized in 3 modules, each of which will be assigned a specific weight in the final qualification:

- Evidences: Throughout the course, exercises, quizzes or other small tasks may be proposed to be carried out individually or in groups, in class or outside of class at the discretion of the teaching staff. This module will have an overall weight of 10%.
- Laboratory module: a report on mandatory laboratory practices will be evaluated with a weight of 10%.
- Written partial tests module: it will consist of two partial tests with a weight of 30% the first, and 50% the second.

In order to pass the subject, you must get at least 4 points out of 10 in each of the two written partial tests, the nomenclature work and the laboratory practices. The subject will be considered passed when the average of the modules is equal to or higher than 5 points out of 10.

Students who do not pass the evaluations of the partial tests module will be able to recover them on the scheduled date at the end of the semester. In order to make up for it, the student is required to take both partial exams.

Those who pass the subject will be able to improve their grade by taking the make-up exam. This improvement will be considered as long as the recovery grade is higher than the one obtained in the middle of the modules. If the recovery grade is equal to or lower by less than 1 point, the grade of the average will be maintained. If the recovery grade is lower by 1 point or more than the average grade, the final grade will be considered as the average of the two grades.

Students who do not finally obtain the minimum grade required to pass each of the tests in the written partial tests module or the minimum grade to pass the written assignments module or the Laboratory module, will not pass the subject. In this case, the maximum final grade will be 4.

From the second registration of the subject, the student will not need to complete the laboratory practices if he/she achieved the skills of this part of the subject in the previous year.

A student will obtain the grade of Non-Evaluable when the number of assessment activities carried out is less than 50% of those scheduled for the subject (the assignment, the two exams and the two practice sessions).

"Unique Assessment"

Students who have accepted the single assessment modality will have to take a final test and a "written work". In addition, they will have to present the mandatory laboratory reports at the end of each session together with the continuous assessment students. The final test will consist of a theory exam and problems where they will have to solve a series of exercises similar to those worked on in the Classroom Practice sessions. When they have completed it, they will hand in the report of the "Written assignment" that will have been submitted online at some point during the course. The grade for Laboratory Practices will be that of the average of the reports.

In order to pass the subject, they must get at least 4 points out of 10 in each of the three previous activities: final test, written work and laboratory practices.

The student's grade will be the weighted average of the three activities, where the theory and problems exam will account for 80% of the grade, the Laboratory Practices 10% and the report from the Written Assignment the 10%

If the final grade does not reach 5 points, the student has another opportunity to pass the subject through the recovery exam that will be held on the date set by the coordination of the Degree whose content will be the same as that of the final test.

From the second registration of the subject, the students will not need to complete the laboratory practices or the written work if they achieved the skills of these parts of the subject in the previous year.

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Software

ACD/ChemSketch for Academic and Personal Use. A Free Comprehensive Chemical Drawing Package:

<http://www.freecompsketch.com>

Groups and Languages

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(SEM) Seminars	511	Catalan/Spanish	first semester	morning-mixed
(SEM) Seminars	512	Catalan/Spanish	first semester	morning-mixed
(TE) Theory	51	Catalan	first semester	afternoon