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Spring 2020

**Chemistry 2500 Midterm #1A**

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- INSTRUCTIONS:
- 1) Please read over the test carefully before beginning. You should have 7 pages of questions and a data/periodic table sheet.
  - 2) Unless otherwise stated in the question, explain all of your answers fully. Use diagrams where appropriate. When invoking any argument based on resonance, you must draw all relevant resonance structures.
  - 3) ALL structures must be drawn showing lone pairs, non-zero formal charges and reasonable bond angles – regardless of whether they are expanded, condensed or line-bond. Marks will be deducted for poorly drawn structures.
  - 4) Marks will be deducted for incorrect information added to an otherwise correct answer.
  - 5) If your work is not legible, it will be given a mark of zero.
  - 6) Calculators are not allowed. You are not permitted to have any electronic devices with you during the exam unless authorized by the instructor.
  - 7) You may use a molecular model kit.
  - 8) You have 2 hours to complete this test.

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**Confidentiality Agreement:**

I agree not to discuss (or in any other way divulge) the contents of this exam until after 8:00 pm Mountain Time on Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020. I understand that breaking this agreement would constitute academic misconduct, a serious offense with serious consequences. The minimum punishment would be a mark of 0/70 on this exam and removal of the “overwrite midterm mark with final exam mark” option for my grade in this course; the maximum punishment would include expulsion from this university.

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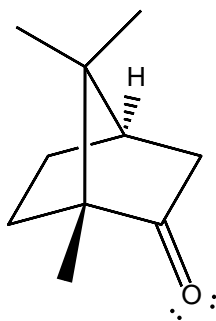
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**Question Breakdown**

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<b>Q4</b>	/ 10
<b>Q5</b>	/ 12
<b>Q6</b>	/ 10
<b>Q7</b>	/ 10
<b>Q8</b>	/ 8
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1. The molecule below is camphor, one of the main ingredients in Buckley's original cough syrup and Vick's Vaporub: **[7 marks]**



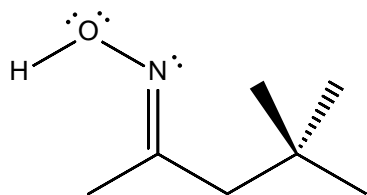
- (a) What is the molecular formula for camphor? **[1 mark]**
- (b) Circle and name the functional group in camphor. **[2 marks]**
- (c) Draw a \* at each chirality center in camphor. **[2 marks]**  
*Marks will be deducted for extra \* on atoms that aren't chirality centers.*
- (d) What is the definition of a chiral molecule? According to this definition, is camphor chiral or achiral? **[2 marks]**

2. Draw both chair conformers of *trans*-1-isopropyl-3-methylcyclohexane. Write "more stable" under the more stable of the two conformers. **[5 marks]**

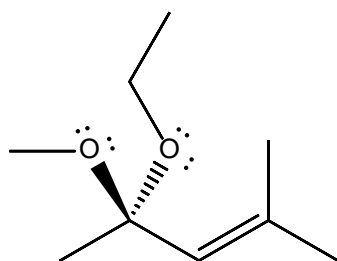
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3. For each of the molecules below, assign the stereochemical configuration(s) as *E*, *Z*, *R* or *S*.  
For full marks, you must show the priority numbers you used to assign each configuration and it must be clear what part of the molecule is being described as *E*, *Z*, *R* or *S*. [8 marks]

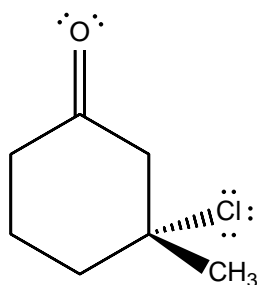
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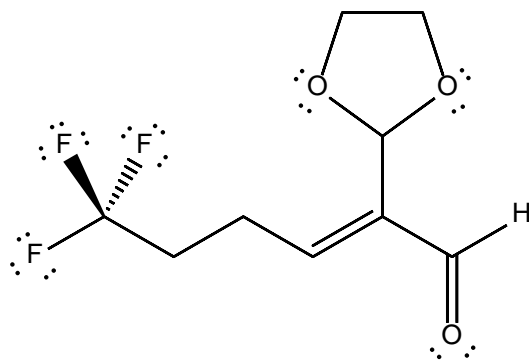
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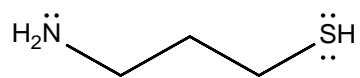
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4. Name each of the following molecules according to IUPAC rules.

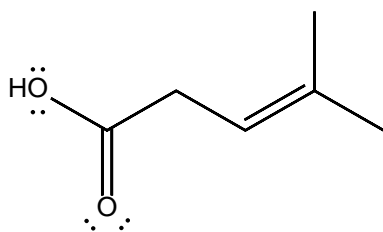
[10 marks]

*You do not need to explain your names.*

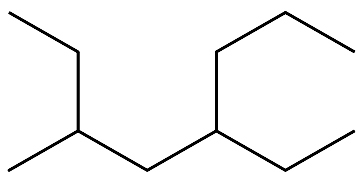
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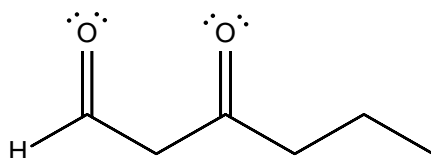
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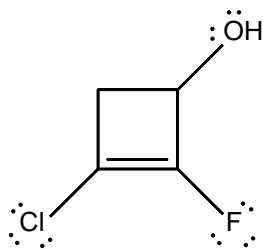
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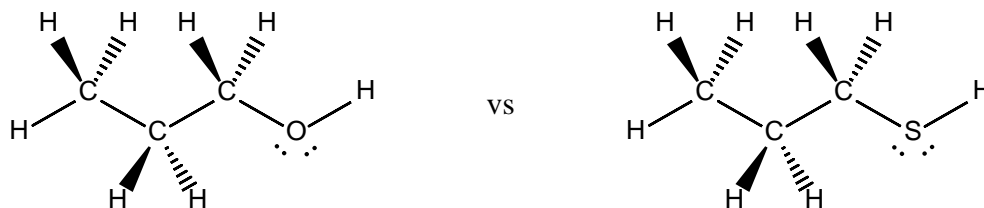
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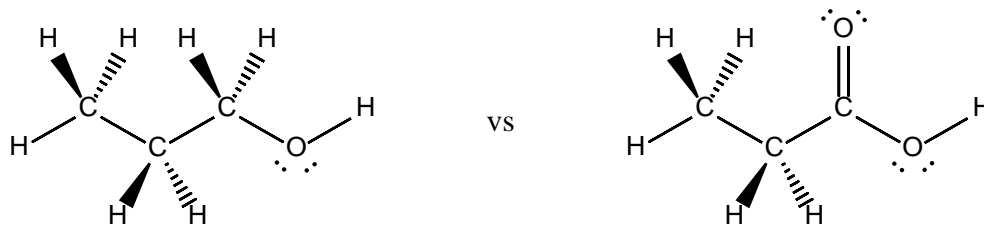
5. For each of the following pairs of molecules: [12 marks]

- circle the most acidic hydrogen atom(s) on each molecule,
- identify the stronger acid, and
- explain why it is the stronger acid (in terms of chemical structure(s); I am looking for more than numbers from a table)

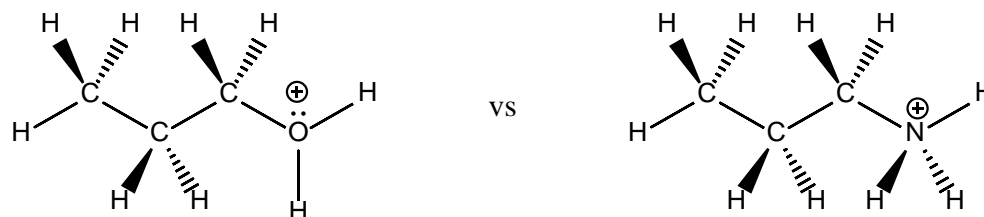
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6. Carbonate ions ( $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ ) are strong enough bases to deprotonate phenols but not aliphatic alcohols like methanol, ethanol or propanol. **[10 marks]**

(a) Draw resonance structures that demonstrate why phenol is a stronger acid than ethanol. *[4 marks]*

(b) Use pKa values to explain why a carbonate ion can deprotonate a significant fraction of molecules in a sample of phenol. Your answer should include a balanced reaction equation. *[3 marks]*

(c) Use pKa values to explain why a carbonate ion will **NOT** deprotonate a significant fraction of molecules in a sample of methanol. Your answer should include a balanced reaction equation. *[3 marks]*

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7. Draw all **structural** isomers with the molecular formula  $C_3H_4BrCl$ . **[10 marks]**  
*Marks may be deducted if the same isomer is drawn multiple times.*

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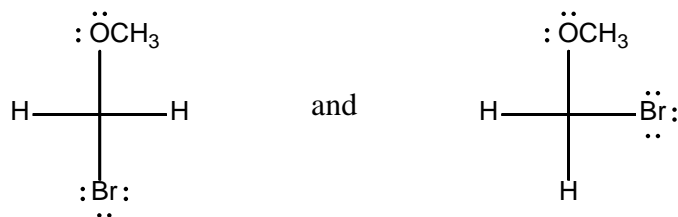
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8. What is the relationship between each of the following pairs of molecules? **[8 marks]**

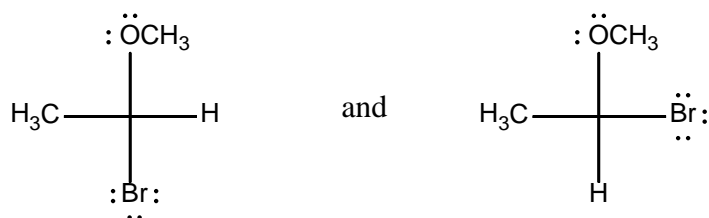
For each pair, indicate whether they are:

- C – conformers,
- D – diastereomers,
- E – enantiomers,
- SI – structural isomers, or
- I – identical molecules

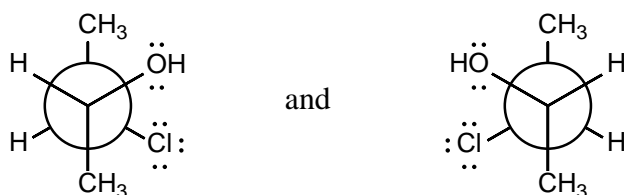
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