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# Séries N°2

## Exercise 1:

Indicate the type and mechanism of the reactions below:

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$$CH_3$$
 −  $Br$  +  $OH^{\Theta}$  −  $CH_3$  −  $OH$  +  $Br^{\Theta}$ 

$$4 \quad CH_3 - CH_3 - CH_3 - CH_2 + H_2O + CI^{\Theta}$$

$$CH_3 - CH_3 - C$$

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$$CH_3$$
- $CH$ = $CH_2$  +  $HBr$   $\longrightarrow$   $CH_3$ - $CH$ - $CH_3$   $\downarrow$   $Br$ 

#### **Exercise 2:**

Consider molecule A: bromo-2 -phenyl-2-butane.

The following competitive reactions are carried out, considering the stereoisomer of A with the chiral center 2S.

(a) 
$$A + CH_3CH_2O^- \longrightarrow Br^- + Y$$
  
(b)  $A + CH_3CH_2O^- \longrightarrow Br^- + X + X + CH_3CH_2OH$ 

Experimental study shows that the rate expression for these two reactions is v=k [A]

- 1) Detail the mechanism of reaction (a).
- 2) The product Y obtained is an equimolar mixture of 2S and 2R, why?
- 3) Detail the mechanism of reaction (b) and represent the expanded formulas X and Y, specifying their configuration if applicable.

## Exercise 3:

**I)** Consider compound A:

- 1) How many asymmetric carbons does this compound contain and how many stereoisomers are expected?
- 2) Represent the 2S-3S diastereoisomer using the same convention.

- **II**) Treat compound B with the 2S-3S configuration with sodium hydroxide diluted in a polar aprotic solvent.
  - 1) What type of reaction is this?
  - 2) What is the major product C obtained? Give the reaction mechanism and deduce the steric consequences.
- **III**) When compound B is treated with concentrated sodium hydroxide in a slightly polar medium, a compound D is obtained in addition to compound C. This product D results from an elimination reaction.
  - 1) Specify the mechanism for the formation of D and give the geometry of this compound.
  - 2) What rule governs this elimination?

# Exercise 4:

Consider the compound A (bromo-1-methyl-2-cyclohexane):

- Determine the absolute configuration of the asymmetric carbon atoms in A.

A is treated with hot sodium ethoxide at 55°C. The experiment shows that the reaction rate is proportional to the concentration of ethoxide ion.

- 1) What type of reaction is this? Explain.
- 2) Recall the Saytzeff rule. What major product B should be obtained by applying this rule in the previous reaction?
- 3) What would be the minor product C obtained? Name B and C.

Exercise 5:

Consider the following molecule, denoted as A:

- 1) Name this molecule specifying which diastereoisomer it is.
- 2) Provide the structural formula and name the products that can be obtained by the action of HBr on molecule A.
- 3) How many stereoisomers do each of the possible formed compounds have? Justify.
- 4) Which compound is formed predominantly? Justify.
- 5) Give the mechanism of the acidic hydration of A, represent and name the predominantly formed compound B.