

Organic Chemistry

- 1. Course number and name:** 020CORNI3 Organic Chemistry
- 2. Credits and contact hours:** 4 ECTS credits, 2x1:15 contact hours
- 3. Name(s) of instructor(s) or course coordinator(s):** Marie-Jose Zacca, Alexandre Monnier, Fadel Chamsseddine.
- 4. Instructional materials:** Course handouts; in-class problems

5. Specific course information

a. Catalog description:

This course begins with an introduction to organic chemistry, naming of organic molecules and their spatial representation. It enables students to master stereoisomerism and the reactivity of molecules: inductive and mesomeric effects, nucleophilic and electrophilic reagents. Then the reaction in organic chemistry is explained and the following organic compounds are studied: halogenated derivatives – alkenes and alkynes – benzene and aromatic compounds – Alcohols (substitution, elimination, oxidation) – carbonyl compounds (substitution on the acyl group) – reactions of aldehydes and ketones – Carboxylic acids, esters, amides and amines. After each part addressed, tutorials are treated in order to master the concept.

b. Prerequisites: None

c. Required/Selected Elective/Open Elective: Required

6. Educational objectives for the course

a. Specific outcomes of instruction:

- Master stereoisomerism (perspective representation, Cram convention, Newman projection, Fisher projection).
- Distinguish configuration stereoisomers from conformational stereoisomers, and within configuration stereoisomers, distinguish enantiomers from diastereoisomers while being able to give their absolute configuration.
- Know how to interpret and find inductive and mesomeric effects. Distinguish between homolytic and heterolytic reaction, nucleophiles and electrophiles, carbocations and carbanions.
- Write the products of pericyclic, substitution, addition, elimination, rearrangements and oxidation/reduction reactions.
- Write the mechanisms of SN1, SN2, E1 and E2.
- Name, give the properties and write the chemical reactions of alkanes, cycloalkanes, halogenoalkanes, alkenes, alkynes, alcohols, ethers, benzene and its derivatives, aldehydes and ketones (carbonyl compounds).
- Have a general idea about carboxylic acids, esters, amides and amines.

b. PI addressed by the course:

PI	1.3	3.2	7.1
Covered	x	x	x
Assessed	x	x	x

7. Brief list of topics to be covered

- Chapter 1 : Stereoisomerism + exercises (3 lectures)
- Chapter 2 : The reaction in organic chemistry + exercises (4 lectures)
- Chapter 3 : Saturated hydrocarbons + exercises (3 lectures)
- Chapter 4 : Unsaturated hydrocarbons + exercises (2 lectures)
- Chapter 5 : Alcohols + exercises (3 lectures)
- Chapter 6 : Benzene and its derivatives + exercises (3 lectures)
- Chapter 7 : Carbonyl compounds (Aldehydes and Ketones) + exercises (3 lectures)
- Chapter 8 : Carboxylic acids, esters, amides and amines + exercises (3 lectures)