## **CHEM 243 Organic Chemistry I**

Points\_\_\_\_\_(10 max)

**Worksheet #5: September 20, 2024.** Complete the following worksheet by collaborating with a group of 3-4 students. You can use a text book or your lecture video notes. You must work together, with the names of all students included on **ONE** sheet and turned in for a group grade.

- (1) Periodic Table Trends, Inductive Effects, Acid Strength and pKa's.
- (a) As you go **left-to-right** across a row of the periodic table, does acid strength **Increase** or **Decrease**? (circle)
- (b) As you go **top-to-bottom** down a column of the periodic table, does acid strength **Increase** or **Decrease**? (circle)
- (c) As the **distance** of an electronegative halogen atom from an acid proton **increases**, the acid pKa also increases. Is this statement **TRUE** or **FALSE**? (circle your answer)
- (d) The strength of three organic acids is being compared. Acid (A) has two Br atoms, acid (B) has one Br atom, and acid
- (C) does not have any halogen atoms. Which is the strongest acid? **ANSWER**\_\_\_\_\_
- (e) Rank the four molecules below in order of **increasing** acidity (1 = weakest......4 = strongest).

СH<sub>3</sub>-ОН H<sub>3</sub>С—СH<sub>3</sub> CH<sub>3</sub>-NH<sub>2</sub> H-F

(f) Rank the following molecules in order of increasing acidity (1 = weakest......4 = strongest).

CH<sub>4</sub> H<sub>2</sub>S NH<sub>3</sub> PH<sub>3</sub>

(g) Rank the following molecules in order of **increasing** acidity (1 = weakest......4 = strongest).

(h) Rank the following molecules in order of **increasing** <u>base</u> **strength** (1 = weakest......4 = strongest). Hint: The weakest base will form the strongest conjugate acid.

## (2) Acid/Base Resonance Structures. For the acid below,

- (a) Draw the conjugate base;
- (b) Draw all resonance structures of the conjugate base;
- (c) Draw the resonance hybrid.

Note: Although its true that the <u>connectivities</u> are the same, resonance structures differ in the <u>location of electron pairs</u>. **HINT: There are a total of three Resonance Structures.** 

#### (3) Effect of pH on Acid/Base Structure. Draw the structure of the compound below at pH 11.

## (4) Acid/Base Mechanisms. Complete the organic acid/base reaction shown below by:

- Identifying and labeling the acid and base reactants;
- Using curved arrows to indicate the base "grabbing" the acidic "H" from the acid;
- Drawing the structure of and labeling the <u>conjugate</u> acid and base;
- Assigning appropriate pKa values to the acid species in the reactants and products;
- Drawing equilibrium arrows that <u>clearly</u> show in which <u>direction</u> the reaction is favored.

# (5) **REVIEW: Comparing Organic Structures.** Are the following pairs of compounds:

Identical or Different or Constitutional Isomers?