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PREFACE

Organic Chemistry is a fundamental component of pharmaceutical education, providing the scientific basis for understanding the structure, properties, reactivity, synthesis, and transformation of organic compounds. A clear understanding of these principles is essential for students of Bachelor of Pharmacy, as they form the foundation for the subsequent study of medicinal chemistry, pharmaceutical chemistry, drug synthesis, and related disciplines.

This compilation of Textbook of **Organic Chemistry**, has been prepared to provide students with a systematic, concept-oriented, and examination-focused resource. The content covers major areas including **alkanes and cycloalkanes; alkenes and conjugated dienes; alkyl halides with nucleophilic substitution and elimination reactions; benzene and its derivatives; and carbonyl compounds, particularly aldehydes and ketones.**

The material has been organized to move from fundamental definitions and structural concepts to methods of preparation, chemical reactions, reaction mechanisms, stereochemical aspects, and important applications. Particular emphasis has been placed on understanding the relationship between **molecular structure and chemical reactivity**, rather than relying only on memorization of reactions.

Important reactions are supported with appropriate equations, reagents, reaction conditions, mechanisms, representative examples, comparisons, and relevant limitations. Special attention has also been given to product prediction, regioselectivity, stereochemistry, reaction intermediates, and the factors governing competing reaction pathways. This approach is reflected

throughout the notes, including the treatment of electrophilic addition in alkenes and the factors controlling SN1, SN2, E1, and E2 reactions.

The notes have also been designed keeping university examinations in mind. The recurring “**Exam Focus**” approach encourages students to construct complete answers by combining the definition or concept with the relevant equation or rule, mechanism or reasoning, example, reaction conditions or selectivity, and important limitations or applications.

It is hoped that these notes will serve not merely as examination material but as a useful learning resource that enables students to develop a logical and integrated understanding of Organic Chemistry. Students are encouraged to use the material along with classroom teaching, standard textbooks, reaction practice, and regular revision for a more comprehensive understanding of the subject.

Any suggestions for improving the clarity, accuracy, and usefulness of these notes will always be valued and welcomed.

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I am especially thankful to the **faculty members and academic mentors** whose guidance, suggestions, and encouragement have contributed to improving the organization and presentation of the subject matter. Their emphasis on conceptual understanding, reaction mechanisms, systematic problem-solving, and examination-oriented preparation has been invaluable.

I also acknowledge the contribution of the **students**, whose learning needs and difficulties in understanding Organic Chemistry provided an important motivation for preparing these notes in an expanded and structured format. The material has therefore been arranged with emphasis on definitions, concepts, equations, mechanisms, examples, reaction conditions, comparisons, and important examination points.

I extend my appreciation to everyone who directly or indirectly contributed to the preparation, review, and improvement of this material.

Finally, I hope these notes prove useful to B.Pharm students in strengthening their fundamental concepts, preparing effectively for examinations, and developing a deeper interest in Organic Chemistry.

With sincere gratitude.

 *Author*

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