

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2023

Organic chemistry 384 (CMY 384)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Module credits	18.00
NQF Level	07
Programmes	BSc (Applied Mathematics)
	BSc (Biochemistry)
	BSc (Chemistry)
	BSc (Geology)
	BSc (Human Physiology)
	BSc (Mathematics)
	BSc (Physics)
	BSc (Plant Science)
Service modules	Faculty of Education
Prerequisites	CMY 282, CMY 283, CMY 284 and CMY 285
Contact time	1 discussion class per week, 2 practicals per week, 4 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Chemistry
Period of presentation	Quarter 3

Module content

Theory: NMR spectroscopy: applications. Aromatic chemistry, Synthetic methodology in organic chemistry. Carbon-carbon bond formation: alkylation at nucleophilic carbon sites, aldol and related condensations, Wittig and related reactions, acylation of carbanions (Claisen condensation). Practical: Laboratory sessions are designed to develop the rational thinking behind the design of organic chemistry experiments. An industrial project specifically prepares students for work in SA industry context and honours projects. As part of this practical programme the UN sustainable development goals must be considered in evaluating the best industrial process.

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