

(B) Organic Chemistry (I), The First Mid-Term Examination, 17 Oct 2023

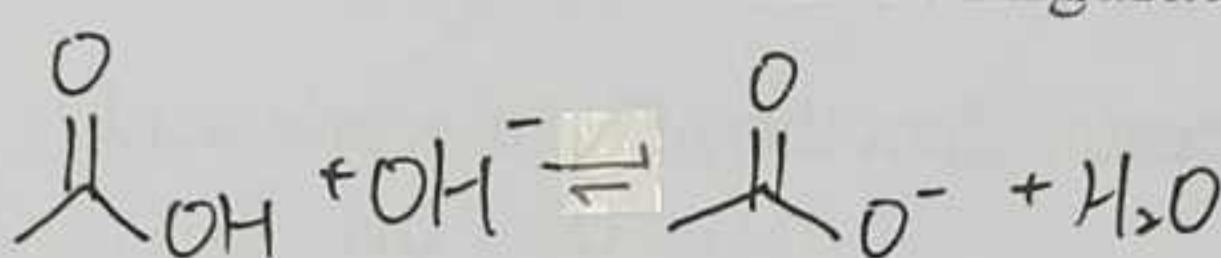
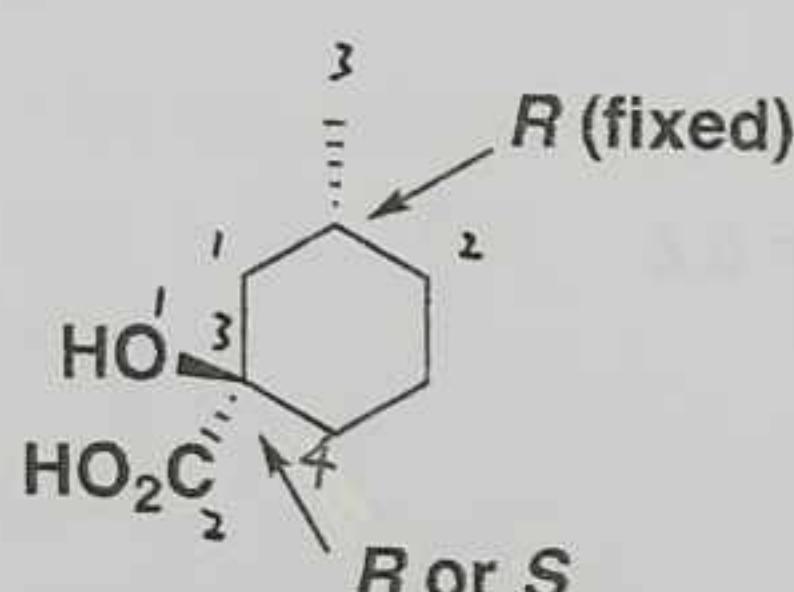
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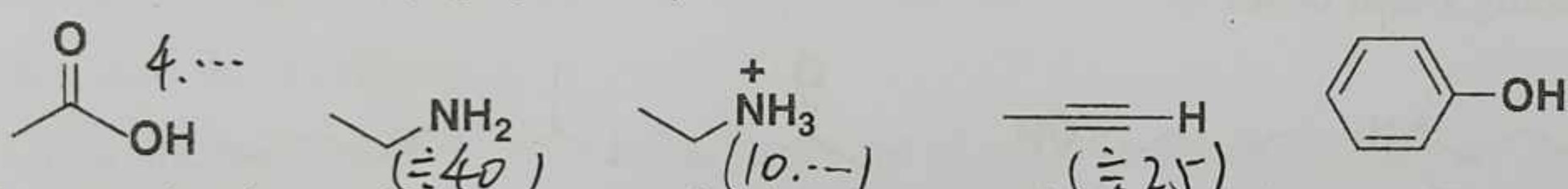
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1. (3%) The specific rotation of (*R*)-(+)-glyceraldehyde is +8.7. If the observed specific rotation of a mixture of (*R*)-glyceraldehyde and (*S*)-glyceraldehyde is +1.4, what percent of glyceraldehyde is present as the *R* enantiomer?

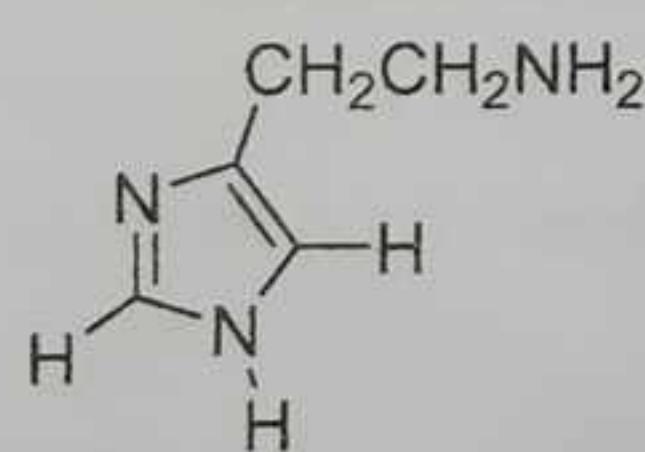
2. (6%) Draw the most stable chair conformer and indicate the configuration of any asymmetric center.



3. (3%) Which of the following compounds can OH⁻ remove a proton in a reaction that favors product formation? H₂O (‡15.--)



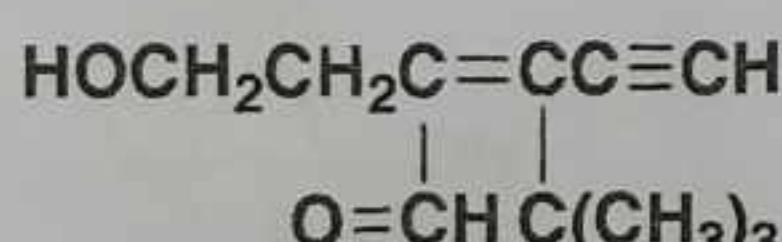
4. (3%) Locate the three nitrogen atoms in the electrostatic potential map of histamine, the compound that causes the symptoms associated with the common cold and with allergic responses. Which of the nitrogen atom is the most basic? Explain its greater basicity.



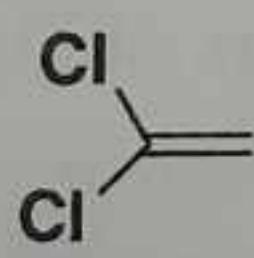
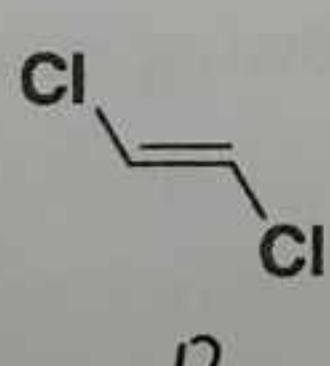
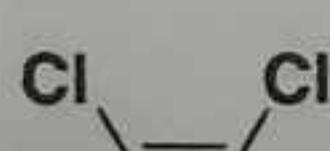
histamin

5. (2%) Draw the structure of N₃⁻ and shows approximate bond angle.

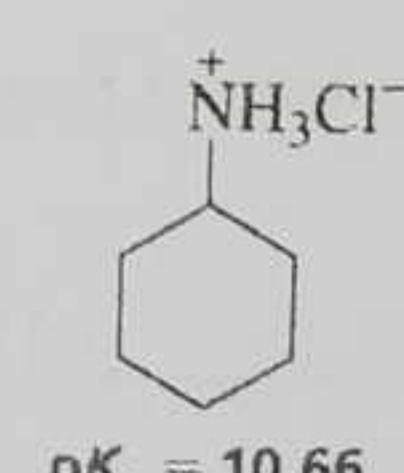
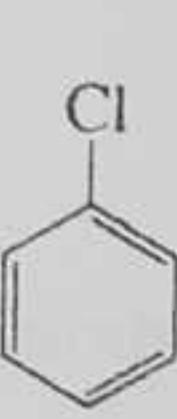
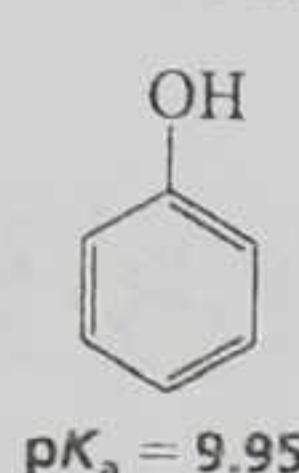
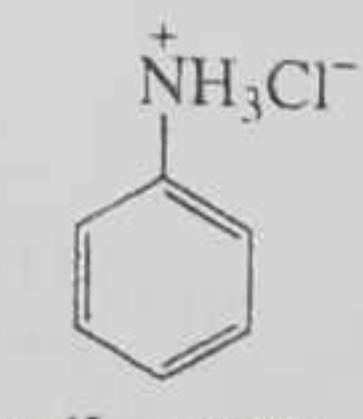
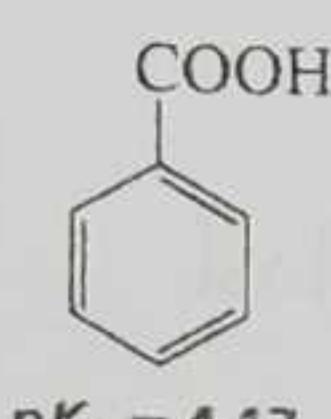
6. (2%) Draw the Z isomer of



7. (3%) Rank the following compounds from highest dipole moment to lowest dipole moment:

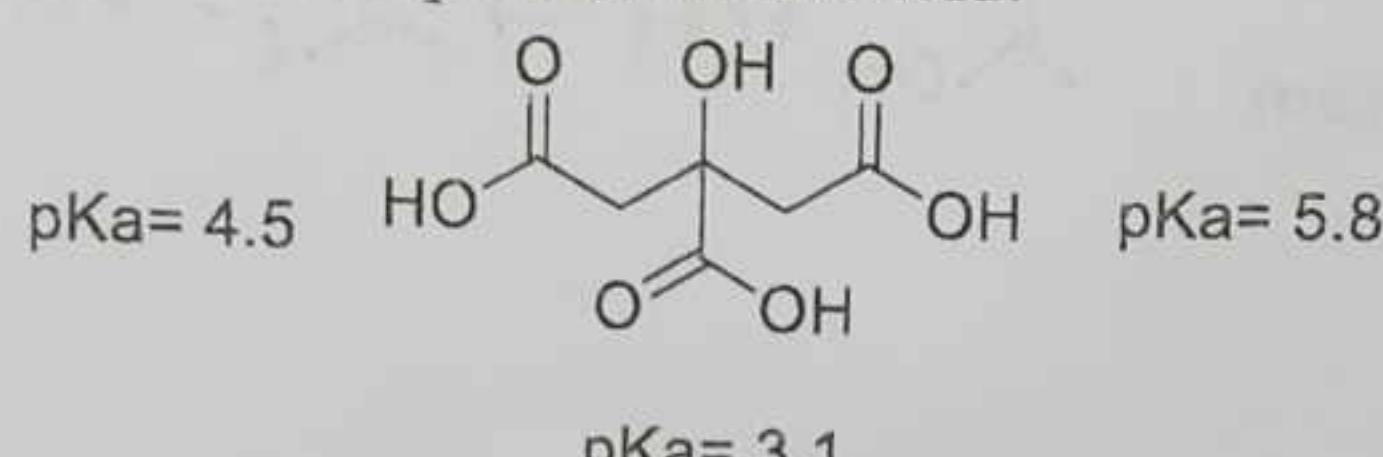


8. (5%) How could you separate a mixture of the following compounds? The reagents available to you water, ether, 1.0 M HCl, and 1.0 M NaOH.



9. (4%) Citrus fruit are rich in citric acid, a compound with three COOH group. Explain the following:

- The first pK_a (for the COOH group in the center of molecule) is lower than the pK_a of acetic acid.
- The third pK_a is greater than the pK_a of acetic acid.



10. (3%) The boiling points of HF, H_2O , and NH_3 are 20 °C, 100 °C, and -33 °C. They all form hydrogen bond. Why the boiling points are so different?

11. (3%) List the boiling point order

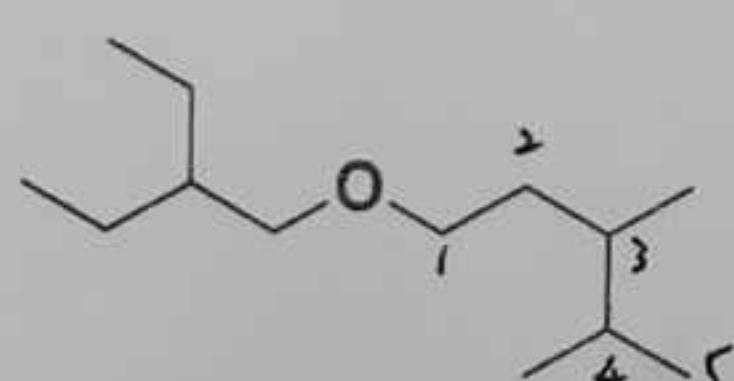


⑫ (14%) Explain the following terms or provide an example of them.

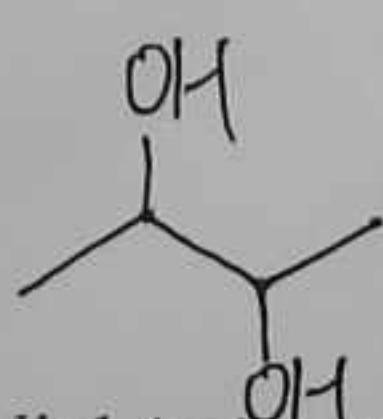
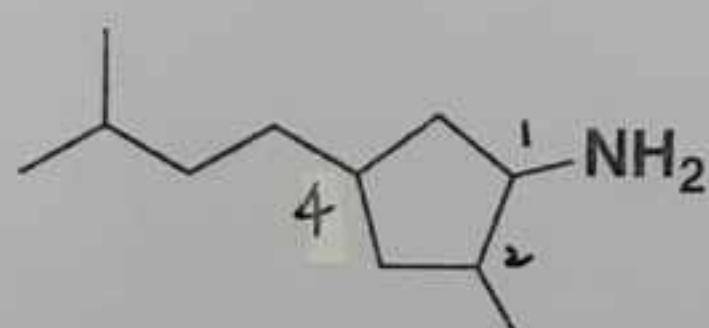
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| a. stereocenter | b. asymmetric center | c. specific rotation |
| d. gauche interaction | e. 1,3-diaxial interaction | g. racemic mixture |
| f. enantiomeric excess | | |

13. (12%) Name the compound (IUPAC name) or draw the structure.

a.

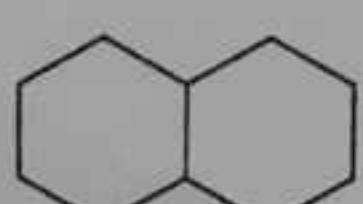


b.

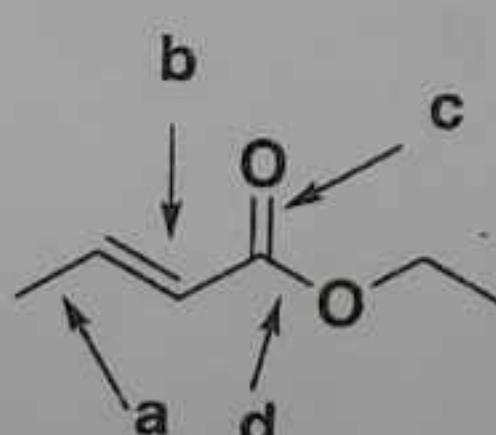


c. Draw the erythro enantiomers of 2,3-butanediol (using Fischer projection).

d. Draw the *cis*-fused chair form structure of the following compound.

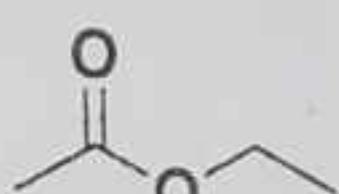


14. (3%) Order the bond length of a, b, c and d.

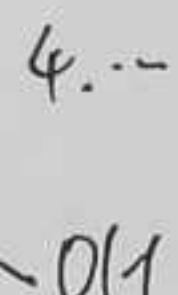
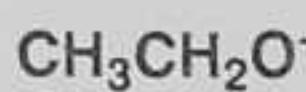
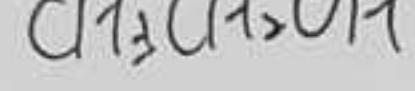


$$pH = -\log \left(\frac{[HA]}{[A^-]} \cdot K_a \right) = pK_a - \log \frac{[HA]}{[A^-]} \Rightarrow pK_a = pH + \log \frac{[A^-]}{[HA]}$$

15. (2%) Indicate which atom that is most apt to be protonated and explain.

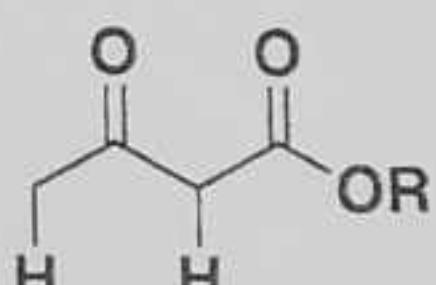


16. (4%) Order the basicity and explain.



$$pH = -\log \left(\frac{[A^-]}{[HA]} \cdot K_a \right)$$

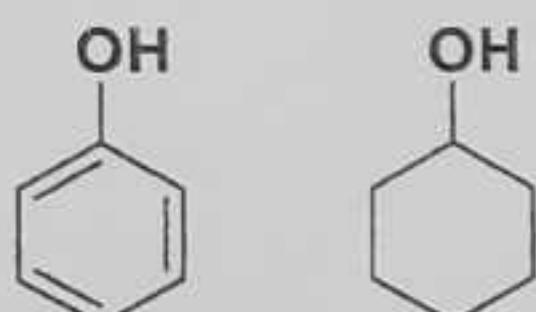
17. (2%) Which proton is more acid?



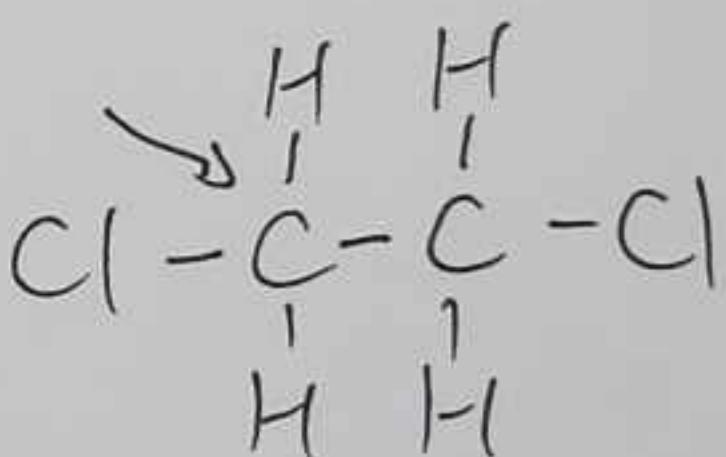
$$\Rightarrow pH > pK_a - \log \frac{[\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]}$$

$$\Rightarrow [\text{H}^+] = \frac{[\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]} K_a$$

18. (3%) Order the acidity and explain.



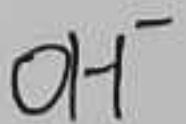
$$K_a = \frac{[\text{A}^-][\text{H}^+]}{[\text{HA}]}$$



19. (5%) Draw a potential energy diagram for rotation about the C-C bond of 1,2-dichloroethane through 360° , starting with the least stable conformer. The anti-conformer is 1.2 kcal/mol more stable than a gauche conformer. The eclipsed conformers have two energy barriers, 5.2 kcal/mol and 9.3 kcal/mol.

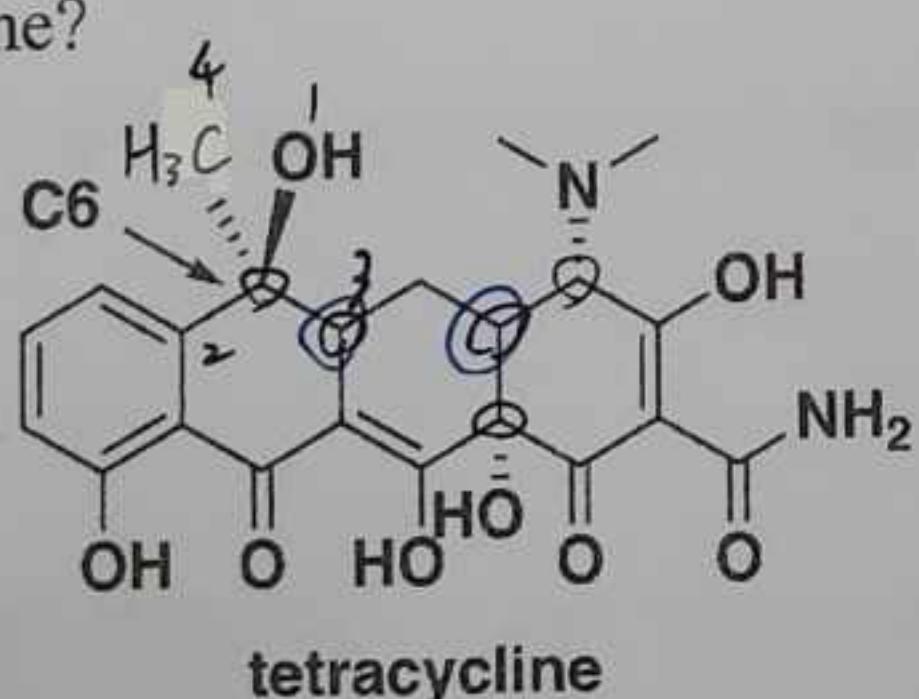
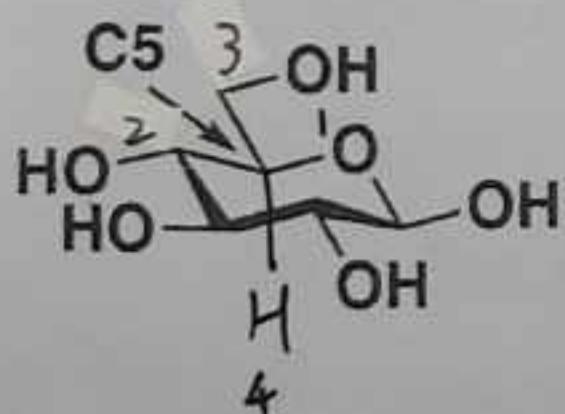
20. (3%) Draw the most stable chair form structure of *cis*-*tert*-butyl-3-methylcyclohexane.

21. (3%) Please use molecular orbital to explain why the staggered conformer of ethane is more stable than its eclipsed conformer.



22. (4%) If you are carrying out a reaction that produces hydroxide ion. For the reaction to take place at a constant pH, it will be buffered at $pH = 4.2$. Would it be better to use a formic acid /formate buffer or an acetic acid/acetate buffer? (The pK_a of formic acid = 3.75 and the pK_a of acetic acid = 4.76).

23. (12%) Indicate the carbon configurations of C5 and C6. How many asymmetric carbons and tertiary hydrogens in tetracycline?



24. (6%) The following compound contains an asymmetric carbon with *R* configuration. Draw its steric struct using perspective formulas and Fischer projection.

