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THIRD SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, DECEMBER 2016

(CUCSS)

Chemistry

CH 3C 10—ORGANOMETALLIC AND BIOINORGANIC CHEMISTRY

(2015 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 36 Weightage

Section A

Answer all questions.

Each question carries weightage of 1.

- 1. What do you mean by hapticity of ligands? Explain,
- 2. State and explain 18-electron rule as applied to organometallics.
- 3. Draw the structure of:
 - (a) $\operatorname{Fe}_3(\operatorname{CO})_{12}$.
 - (b) $Mn_{2}(CO)_{111}$
- 4. Which is more basic; ferrocene or aniline? Substantiate your answer.
- 5. Explain carbonylation reaction with an example.
- 6. Explain olefin metathesis reaction.
- 7. What are naked clusters? Write examples.
- 8. Calculate the number of metal-metal bonds in:
 - (a) $Os_{\sigma}(CO)^{19}$.
 - (b) $\left[Os_{b}(CO)_{1b}\right]^{2}$.

(Atomic number of Os = 76).

- 9. Selection of water as the biological medium is a unique choice ; justify.
- 10. Which one gets saturated with oxygen at a faster rate; haemoglobin or myoglobin? Why?
- 11. What is the necessity of entatic state in metalloenzymes?
- 12. Differentiate between metallo enzymes and metal activated enzymes, citing examples.

 $(12 \times 1 = 12 \text{ weightage})$

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Section B

Answer any eight questions. Each question carries weightage of 2.

- 13. Write a note on metal carbine complexes.
- 14. Comment on the stability of Mo(CO), and V(CO)_n.
- 15. How is **Zeise's** salt synthesised? What are the changes that occur in **olefinic** bond length on forming **Zeise's** salt?
- 16. Cyclobutadiene is unstable whereas $[C_4H_4Fe(CO)_3]$ is stable. Account for this observation.
- 17. Draw the catalytic cyclic for hydroformylation reaction involving rhodium complex as catalyst.
- 18. Why Ziegler-Natta polymerization is called stereoregular polymerization?
- 19. Distinguish between metal-metal bonded complexes and **polynuclear** complexes giving suitable examples.
- 20. Show that 86 is the right number of cluster valence electrons required for the stability of an octahedral carbonyl cluster.
- 21. How are ionophores classified in terms of the mechanism of ion transport. How do you distinguish them?
- 22. Describe the structure and functions of siderophores.
- 23. Explain the structure and functions of superoxide dismutase.
- 24. Discuss the role of manganese in photosynthetic process.

 $(8 \times 2 = 16 \text{ weightage})$

Section C

Answer any two questions. Each question carries weightage of 4.

- 25. (a) Discuss the structure and bonding in metal nitrosyls.
 - (b) How are linear and bent metal nitrosyls distinguished by spectroscopic technique?
- 26. (a) How ferrocene is synthesised? Discuss its structure and reactivity,
 - (b) Discuss the role of a co-catalyst in Wacker process?
- 27. (a) Explain 'isolobal concept' with suitable examples.
 - (b) Discuss the co-operative interaction and Bohr effect during the oxygenation of haemoglobin.
- 28. (a) Describe the structure and functions of ferritin and transferrin in iron metabolism.
 - (b) Write a note on anticancer drugs.

 $(2 \times 4 = 8 \text{ weightage})$