## **WORKSHOP 7**

## Stereochemistry

1. Identify all the stereocenters in the following compounds.

$$H_3C$$
 $H_3C$ 
 $H_3C$ 
 $H_3C$ 
 $H_3C$ 
 $H_4$ 
 $H_5$ 
 $H_5$ 
 $H_5$ 
 $H_6$ 
 $H_7$ 
 $H_7$ 

- 2. a) Determine the relationship between the compounds in each of the following pairs.
- b) Identify the optically active (chiral) compounds and any **meso** compounds.
- c) Assign configuration (R or S) to all stereocenters.

$$CO_2H$$
 OH  $HO_1H$  OH  $CH_3$   $H_3C$   $CO_2H$  OH OH

Note: among four structures, there are six pairwise relationships.

3. For each of the following reactions, give a careful representation of the structure of the product and predict whether the product will be optically active, a racemic mixture or achiral. **Explain your choice.** 

a. (+)-2-chlorobutane 
$$Br_2$$
,  $hv$  2-bromo-2-chlorobutane in  $CCl_4$ 

This product is separated by gas chromatography and collected for analysis.

c. 
$$(+)$$
-2-chlorobutane  $\frac{\text{KOH}}{\text{in EtOH}}$   $\xrightarrow{\text{HBr in}}$  ether

d. 
$$cis$$
-2-butene in  $CCl_4$ 

e. 
$$(+)-1,3$$
-dimethylcyclopentene in CCl4

f. (+)-3-methylcyclopentene 
$$PtO_2 H_2$$