

IUPAC Organic Nomenclature Overview



Isomerism in Organic Chemistry Multiple Choice Questions

1. Which type of isomerism is exhibited by pentane (C_5H_{12}) and isopentane (C_5H_{12})?
 - a) Position isomerism
 - b) Functional group isomerism
 - c) Chain isomerism
 - d) Geometric isomerism
2. What type of isomerism is shown by 1-butanol ($CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_2OH$) and 2-butanol ($CH_3CH_2CH(OH)CH_3$)?
 - a) Chain isomerism
 - b) Position isomerism
 - c) Functional group isomerism
 - d) Tautomerism
3. Which of the following pairs are functional group isomers?
 - a) Ethanol (CH_3CH_2OH) and Dimethyl ether (CH_3OCH_3)
 - b) Propane ($CH_3CH_2CH_3$) and Propene ($CH_3CH=CH_2$)
 - c) 1-Butene ($CH_2=CHCH_2CH_3$) and 2-Butene ($CH_3CH=CHCH_3$)
 - d) Ethylamine ($CH_3CH_2NH_2$) and Acetamide (CH_3CONH_2)
4. Which of the following exhibits geometric isomerism?
 - a) Propane ($CH_3CH_2CH_3$)
 - b) 2-Butene ($CH_3CH=CHCH_3$)
 - c) 1-Butene ($CH_2=CHCH_2CH_3$)
 - d) Cyclohexane (C_6H_{12})
5. Which type of isomerism is exhibited by lactic acid ($CH_3CH(OH)COOH$)?
 - a) Chain isomerism
 - b) Position isomerism
 - c) Geometric isomerism
 - d) Optical isomerism
6. Which pair of compounds are tautomers?
 - a) Ethanol and Dimethyl ether
 - b) Acetone and Propanal
 - c) 2-Butene and Cyclobutane
 - d) Acetone (CH_3COCH_3) and Prop-2-en-1-ol ($CH_2=CHCH_2OH$)
7. Which of the following compounds can exhibit cis-trans isomerism?
 - a) 1-Butene
 - b) 2-Butene
 - c) Propane
 - d) Ethane
8. Which of the following is an example of metamerism?
 - a) Ethanol and Dimethyl ether
 - b) Propanal and Propanone
 - c) Diethyl ether ($CH_3CH_2OCH_2CH_3$) and Methyl propyl ether ($CH_3OCH_2CH_2CH_3$)
 - d) Ethylamine and Acetamide

9. Which of the following statements is true about enantiomers?
- a) They have different molecular formulas.
 - b) They are non-superimposable mirror images.
 - c) They exhibit geometric isomerism.
 - d) They have different functional groups.
10. What type of isomerism is exhibited by glucose and fructose?
- a) Chain isomerism
 - b) Functional group isomerism
 - c) Position isomerism
 - d) Tautomerism
11. Which of the following exhibits optical isomerism?
- a) 2-Methylpropane
 - b) Butane
 - c) 2-Butanol
 - d) Cyclopropane
12. Which of the following pairs are position isomers?
- a) Ethanol and Ethanal
 - b) Propanol and Propanone
 - c) 1-Chloropropane and 2-Chloropropane
 - d) 1-Butyne and 2-Butyne
13. Which type of isomerism is shown by ethylamine ($\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$) and dimethylamine (CH_3NHCH_3)?
- a) Chain isomerism
 - b) Position isomerism
 - c) Functional group isomerism
 - d) Metamerism
14. Which of the following is an example of chain isomerism?
- a) 1-Propanol and 2-Propanol
 - b) Butane and 2-Methylpropane
 - c) Ethanol and Methoxymethane
 - d) 1-Butene and 2-Butene
15. Which of the following compounds can exist as diastereomers?
- a) 2-Butene
 - b) 2,3-Dibromobutane
 - c) Propane
 - d) Cyclohexane

13. d) Metamerism
14. b) Butane and 2-Methylpropane
15. b) 2,3-Dibromobutane

Answer Key

1. c) Chain isomerism
2. b) Position isomerism
3. a) Ethanol ($\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$) and Dimethyl ether (CH_3OCH_3)
4. b) 2-Butene ($\text{CH}_3\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_3$)
5. d) Optical isomerism
6. d) Acetone (CH_3COCH_3) and Prop-2-en-1-ol ($\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCH}_2\text{OH}$)
7. b) 2-Butene
8. c) Diethyl ether ($\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_3$) and Methyl propyl ether ($\text{CH}_3\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$)
9. b) They are non-superimposable mirror images.
10. b) Functional group isomerism
11. c) 2-Butanol
12. c) 1-Chloropropane and 2-Chloropropane