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## Adv. Inorganic Chem. Lab, Chem 3150 Spring 2016 1050a-130p Lan-Man 302

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Course Description

Required course for the ACS-certified BS degree and an elective in the non-ACS certified chemistry BS degree. Draws from and complements topics covered in CHEM 4380. Focuses on experimental methods common to inorganic chemistry, including inert atmosphere syntheses, specific characterization techniques, and affiliated instrumentation. Experiments related to coordination compounds, organometallic chemistry, bioinorganic chemistry, and materials science are included. Prerequisite: Grade of C or better in CHEM 3411, 3520; co-requisite 4380.

Course Objectives

Apply previously acquired lab skills to new systems. Gain experience synthesizing and manipulating compounds under air-free conditions. Gain new exposure to inorganic areas of bioinorganic chemistry, materials science, and organometallic chemistry. Learn to apply new characterization techniques including magnetic susceptibility, cyclic voltammetry, UV-visible electronic spectroscopy, and multi-nuclear NMR spectroscopy.

**Grading** Technique 10 % (efficiency, safety, lab skills)

Lab notebook 10

Written Reports 80 % (sample spectra, 4 minor reports and 1 major report)

A 100 - 89% B 88 - 79 C 78 - 69 D 68 - 55 F < 57

Presentation counts in your reports! This includes spelling and grammar

**On-the-web** All experiments are posted online using my password-protected Chem 3150 website.

Lab Notebook

A carbon-copy lab notebook like the one used in organic chemistry is required. The brand of notebook is unimportant, but the pages must be bound and it must be possible for you to give me carbon-copy pages from your day's lab work. I will be checking your daily lab progress for experimental setups used, observations, results, and spectra collected, data filenames, etc.

Lab Reports <u>All lab reports will have</u> 1) Introduction, 2) Experimental, 3) Results and Discussion sections.

More details on my expectations can be found on my lab writeup advice on the Chem 3150 webpage.

Minor Reports

Due one week after the lab work was completed. (points deducted for late work)

These reports may be hand written in your notebook. You will hand in the carbon-copy pages as you did in organic chemistry. Even though handwritten the report should flow logically from one idea to the next, following the general outline described on my Chem 3150 website. Spectra may be attached to the report pages. *Refer to your data including simple observations* to support your conclusions.

Major Reports Due two weeks after the lab work was completed. (points deducted for late work)

Must be typed (double spaced): appropriate use of spreadsheets and wordprocessors expected.

Some approximate guidelines are

- 1. Abstract: one paragraph (brief summary of results)
- 2. Introduction: ~1 page, with at least five cited *primary literature* (journal article) references (no www pages)
- 3. Experimental: ~1 page (as required)
- 4. Results: spectra, graphs, tables (all with meaningful titles, captions)
- 5. Discussion: ~2 pages, questions answered, summary and conclusions from results, refer to introduction

Safety Goggles You must use appropriate safety goggles when working in lab. Your goggles should meet the ANSI Z.87 standard for laboratory eye protection. Specifically, they must have side and top shields to protect your eyes from chemical spills. Examples of eyewear are posted on my 1450 webpage.

Daily Format

Each of you will be working on a different experiment each week according to the rotation set out on the next page. The lab outlines sufficient detail to allow you the opportunity to synthesize and investigate some very interesting chemical systems. Such independence carries with it your responsibility for advanced planning for each week's work. To manage this, work will be divided into three rotations throughout the semester. You may work on the assigned experiments during that rotation. Before leaving lab, hand in carbon-copy pages from your lab notebook.

Technique 10% of grade Good lab technique includes advanced preparation, safe work, and efficient use of lab time. Advanced planning includes such things as acquiring specialty chemicals or equipment. It also includes discussions with me to learn how to operate new equipment or how to setup certain experiments. Safe work includes the use of appropriate eye protection and proper care using chemicals and equipment. Efficient lab workers maximize their productivity by planning ahead and performing multiple tasks. Instead of waiting to be told, ask yourself "What else needs to be done while I'm waiting?" If you finish early on an experiment or have "down time" while a synthesis runs, use the time to outline your summary writeup or plan for the future week's work. Maximum use of the in-class time can greatly reduce headaches later on while you are alone at home.

## **Laboratory Activity Schedule**

Tue Date	Activity	Assignments due
Jan 12	Practice: recording ATR IR, UV-vis, EPR spectra	
19	First Rotation (4 weeks, two experiments)	sample spectra from Jan 12
26		
Feb 2		
9		First lab report
16	Second Rotation (3 weeks, one experiment)	
23	This a workup day based on results from Feb 16.	Second Lab Report
Mar 1		
8	Third Rotation (5 weeks, two experiments)	Third Lab Report
15	ACS National Meeting, no lab this week	
22	Spring Break	
29		
Apr 5		Fourth Lab Report
12		
19	Final day	Fifth Lab Report due Fri Apr 22
	Lab cleanup also	
	<ul><li>Samples: labeled, accounted for</li><li>Miscellaneous beakers: cleaned, put away</li></ul>	
	Individual drawers: resupplied	
	Instrument desktops: Data files organized, deleted	
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April 25 – 29 is finals week.