

**SYLLABUS**  
**Chemistry 130A: Pharmaceutical Chemistry**  
**Spring 2018-Academia Sinica**

**Instructor of Record:**

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Office Hours: By appointment.

**TA: TBA**

**Lectures:**

2:00-5:00 pm. Thursday

9:00 am - 12:00 pm Saturday

TIGP 207

**Course Description:** This class will provide an introduction to the bioorganic chemistry principles behind the design and production of pharmaceutical agents. Focus will be on explaining and predicting how small organic molecules bind to biological receptors, inhibit enzymes and get metabolized. This course will draw on and expand upon material covered in introductory organic chemistry such as proposing reasonable arrow-pushing mechanisms for organic reactions and predicting the reactivity of organic molecules with particular reagents.

**Textbook: available on Canvas in Files folder**

"The Organic Chemistry of Drug Design and Drug Action, 3rd Edition"

Richard B. Silverman and Mark W. Holladay

Course Grading:

Midterm Exam	40%
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Final Exam	60%
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**Policies:**

-make ups: *There will be no early or late exams given.*

-**final exam:** You must take the final exam in order to pass this class. Students who fail to submit the final exam on time will receive a grade of "incomplete" only if written documentation for a legitimate reason for their absence is provided and they have a passing grade going into the final exam.

-**regrades:** Legitimate questions about the grading of an exam (either the grading of a particular problem or an addition error in the score) can be submitted up to one week after the exam is handed back. The procedure for handing back an exam for regrade is to attach a separate piece of paper to the front of the exam with your name, the question to be regraded and a brief justification for the regrade. Do not write on the exam itself or it may not be accepted for a regrade. **The entire exam will be regraded** when it is handed back for a regrade, not just the problem in question.

**Strategies for success:**

It is recommended that students attend all lectures and take detailed notes, which should become a primary study source. Also, complete and understand all the assigned problems. Don't wait to start studying. Reread notes and work problems after every lecture. Last minute cramming rarely works in any organic chemistry class. Exam material will almost entirely come from the class notes and assigned problems. Group study is also highly recommended. The group can compare class notes and help each other understand the material.

## Outline of Lecture Topics

- Lecture 1: The Story of Aspirin:  
Concepts to be covered - Basic Organic Chemistry Principles  
Natural products  
Drug Discovery  
Clinical Trials  
Enzyme structure  
Lead compounds  
Pharmacophore  
Lead modification  
Prodrug  
Bioavailability and biodistribution  
Rule of five
- Lecture 2: The Story of Cis-Platin:  
Concepts to be covered - DNA as a target  
SAR  
Types of drug receptor interactions  
Mechanism of Action  
Selective targeting
- Lecture 3: The Story of Tamiflu:  
Concepts to be covered - Viral protein targets  
SAR to achieve Enzyme inhibition  
Competitive inhibition  
Small molecule prophylactic  
Drug/protein interactions
- Lecture 4: The story of HIV:  
Concepts to be covered - Viral replication  
Structure of RNA  
Mechanism of Action
- Lecture 5: The story of Penicillin:  
Concepts to be covered - Bacterial replication  
Resistance  
Compliance
- Lecture 6: A Big picture view of Pharmaceutical Science  
Concepts to be covered - Biologics, Vaccines, Nutrition and Health

