

Polarimetry, D/L, and ee calculations

1. Define the following terms.
 - a. Optically active
 - b. Polarimetry
 - c. Plane polarized light
 - d. Observed rotation
 - e. Dextrorotatory
 - f. Levorotatory
 - g. Specific rotation
 - h. Racemic mixture
 - i. Optical purity
 - j. Enantiomeric excess (ee)

2. Why is the specific rotation of a racemic mixture zero degrees? Is the racemic mixture optically active or inactive?

3. If a mixture consists of 75% of the R enantiomer and 25% of the S enantiomer, what is the enantiomeric excess (ee) of the R enantiomer?