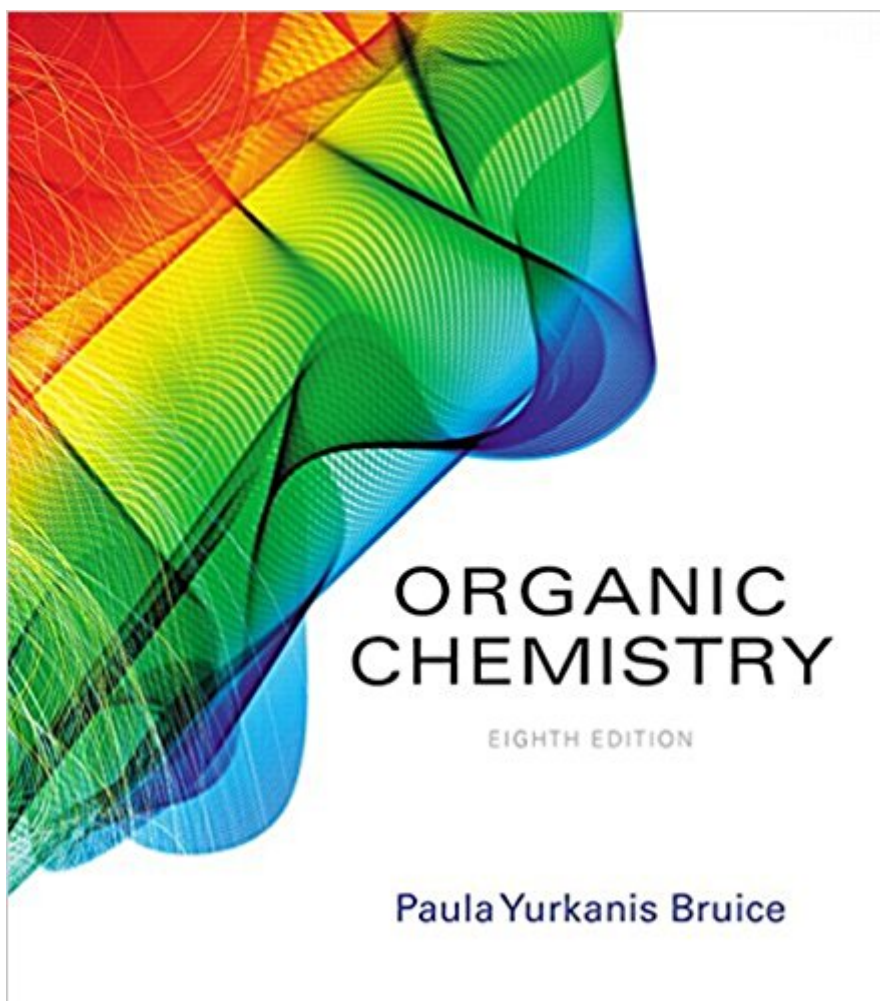




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## Customer Reviews

After graduating from the Girls' Latin School in Boston, Paula Bruice earned an A.B. from Mount Holyoke College and a Ph.D. in chemistry from the University of Virginia. She then received an NIH postdoctoral fellowship for study in the Department of Biochemistry at the University of Virginia Medical School and held a postdoctoral appointment in the Department of Pharmacology at Yale Medical School. Paula has been a member of the faculty at the University of California, Santa Barbara since 1972, where she has received the Associated Students Teacher of the Year Award, the Academic Senate Distinguished Teaching Award, two Mortar Board Professor of the Year Awards, and the UCSB Alumni Association Teaching Award.

Renting this book through is really the only way to go. I didn't have to spend \$150 buying or renting the book from the book store, and I came on and rented it for \$50 with the shipping. You really can't go wrong with that. The book is really good, it has a lot of examples throughout the chapters. I mean its organic chemistry its not the easiest read, but with all the examples it really helps you out. At the end of each chapter they do a really good job of summing up the important points and give good examples. This book saved my life while taking organic chemistry, so it is definitely something you should consider.

The Bruice O Chem textbook explains the subject matter exceptionally well!! I bought the Bruice text to fill in the holes left by a course's assigned textbook. I compared about 15 different book options in store before purchasing. This book does not disappoint! It thoroughly breaks down topics using both words and pictures without over-complicating an already tough subject. Additionally, it refers the student back to specific chapters when "old" information is need to understand the new. I highly

recommend it!

I am using this as a supplemental text to the Great Courses organic chemistry course. The course guide book is keyed to the Wade textbook. I am delighted with the clarity of the text, the visual appeal of the figures, and the fidelity of the course lectures and the reading keys. Organic chemistry is not an easy subject. It requires discipline, pattern recognition, learning nomenclature, and understanding electron attraction. Wade enables these requirements through this text. I highly recommend!

Great book. Usually follows with what the instructor lectures. I needed it for studying and working the assigned hw problems at the back of the chapters. My only complaint is that the solutions manual is so expensive. Could there be a package deal for a better price? Back to the text, it is very well laid out with all the tables needed in the covers of the book, terms and definitions at the back of each chapter, and the study problems were fairly similar to what my teacher tested us over. Since I take a little longer to grasp some concepts, it is nice to know I can take my book to a tutor and ask them to help me out on a specific topic. I would recommend buying this book! I am actually trying to read ahead for the next lecture right now!

Loved it! The pages aren't crowded, the font size is decent, there's enough space between the lines to not strain the eyes, the illustrations have detailed easy to read captions. It was required for a college level class and I used it religiously. The end of the chapter problems were good at reinforcing the materials. I definitely recommend getting the solutions manual though because some problems are challenging and it's good to check your work.

I'm a pharmacy major taking organic and didn't want to buy the bookstore version of the book if I could find a way around it. This book is a great replacement as it follows the timeline of my classes exactly and was actually helpful. The practice problems in it don't have solutions unless you have the solution manual. However, it's still good practice!

I took Organic Chemistry once before and my previous classes used Organic Chemistry by Francis Carey (8th edition). My Organic Chemistry classes this year, however, used Organic Chemistry by Wade (8th edition). Compared to the other book, Wade's book is a much easier read. The chapters range from 30 - 60 pages each, and take a while to read, but they are much easier to understand

compared to the other book. I felt that Wade's book explained the concepts in a clear, concise manner, and the order of the topics within the book also made more sense. The chapters are organized so that they begin with naming, followed by properties (boiling points, melting points, hydration constants, etc), then syntheses and reactions. I liked that at the end of every chapter, there was a summary of the reactions covered, even some from previous chapters. I used to really dislike organic chemistry, but this book helped me better understand the topics covered in my class.

Surprisingly, the text is easy to read, but it didn't really emphasize the tricky things that I needed to know for quizzes and exams.

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