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## JC 2 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION

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### H2 CHEMISTRY

**9729/01**

Paper 1 Multiple Choice

**23 September 2021**

**1 hour**

Additional Materials: Multiple Choice Answer Sheet  
Data Booklet

#### READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Write in soft pencil.

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Write your name, class, centre number and index number on the Answer Sheet in the spaces provided.

There are **thirty** questions on this paper. Answer **all** questions. For each question there are four possible answers **A, B, C and D**.

Choose the **one** you consider correct and record your choice in **soft pencil** on the separate Answer Sheet.

**Read the instructions on the Answer Sheet very carefully.**

Each correct answer will score one mark. A mark will not be deducted for a wrong answer.

Any rough working should be done in this booklet.

The use of an approved scientific calculator is expected, where appropriate.

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- 1 When potassium chlorate(V)  $\text{KClO}_3$ , is heated at its melting point, it disproportionates to potassium chlorate(VII)  $\text{KClO}_4$ , and potassium chloride.

What is the maximum number of moles of potassium chlorate(VII) which could be produced from 0.200 mol of potassium chlorate(V)?

- A 0.200                      B 0.150                      C 0.100                      D 0.0500

- 2 Methane was burned in an incorrectly adjusted Bunsen burner. The methane was converted into a mixture of carbon dioxide and carbon monoxide in the ratio 99:1, together with water vapour.

What will be the volume of oxygen consumed when  $y \text{ dm}^3$  of methane is burned?

A  $2y - \frac{0.01y}{2} \text{ dm}^3$

B  $2y + 0.01y \text{ dm}^3$

C  $y - \frac{0.01y}{2} \text{ dm}^3$

D  $y + 0.01y \text{ dm}^3$

- 3 Use of the Data Booklet is relevant to this question.

The table shows the fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth ionisation energies of three elements in the third period.

	Ionisation energy/ $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$				
	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>
Element A	6274	21267	25431	29872	35905
Element B	7004	8496	27107	31719	36621
Element D	6542	9362	11018	33604	38600

Which statements are correct?

- 1 The first ionisation energy of A is lower than that of B.
- 2 The atom of element A will be isoelectronic with  $\text{D}^{2+}$ .
- 3 A and D forms an ionic solid  $\text{AD}_3$ .

- A 1 and 3 only    B 2 and 3 only    C 1 only    D 2 only

- 4 In which order are the electrons lost in forming  $\text{Ga}^{4+}$  ion?

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
A	3d	4p	4s	4s
B	3d	4s	4s	4p
C	4p	4s	3d	3d
D	4p	4s	4s	3d

- 5 Which pair of liquids, when mixed, will give out heat?

- A  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  and  $\text{CH}_3\text{COCH}_2\text{CH}_3$   
 B  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  and  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}$   
 C  $\text{CF}_4$  and  $\text{COCl}_2$   
 D  $\text{CCl}_4$  and  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{21}\text{OH}$

- 6 A  $10 \text{ m}^3$  of oxygen gas at a pressure of 50 kPa and  $30 \text{ m}^3$  of nitrogen gas at a pressure of 100 kPa are introduced to a  $15 \text{ m}^3$  vessel at 300 K. The pressure in the vessel after mixing is E kPa.

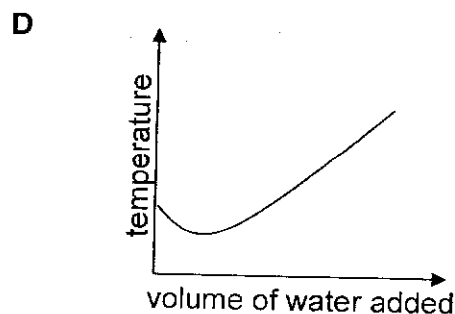
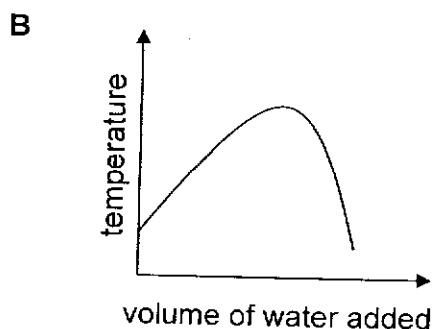
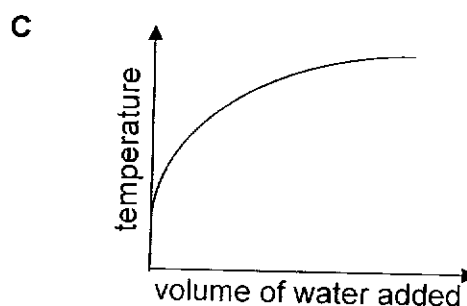
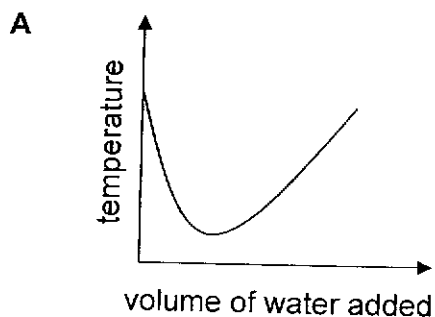
Subsequently, the  $15 \text{ m}^3$  vessel is heated to a temperature of F K and total pressure at F K is 350 kPa.

Given that the gases do not react at all temperatures, what are the values of E and F?

	E kPa	F K
A	233	401
B	233	451
C	400	263
D	400	343

- 7 A molecule of  $BCl_3$  is planar, whereas a molecule of  $PH_3$  is pyramidal. Which statements are responsible for the difference in shapes?
- 1 The repulsion between chlorine atoms is greater than that between hydrogen atoms.
  - 2 The boron atom in  $BCl_3$  has six electrons in its valence shell, whereas the phosphorus atom in  $PH_3$  has eight.
  - 3 The atomic radius of phosphorus is greater than that of boron.
- A 1 only      B 2 only      C 1 and 3 only      D 2 and 3 only

- 8 When water is stirred with glucose, strong hydrogen bonds are initially formed between glucose molecules and water molecules. As more water is added, these hydrogen bonds are broken. Which of these graphs best represents the observed temperature changes?



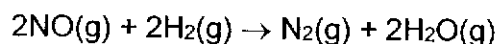
- 9 Highly toxic disulfur decafluoride decomposes by a free-radical process.



In a study of the decomposition,  $\text{S}_2\text{F}_{10}$  was placed in a  $2.0 \text{ dm}^3$  flask and heated to  $100^\circ\text{C}$ . The equilibrium  $[\text{S}_2\text{F}_{10}]$  was found to be  $0.5 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ . More  $\text{S}_2\text{F}_{10}$  was then added and the new equilibrium  $[\text{S}_2\text{F}_{10}]$  was  $2.5 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ .

What is the amount of  $\text{S}_2\text{F}_{10}$  reacted in terms of the equilibrium constant,  $K_c$  of the decomposition reaction when more  $\text{S}_2\text{F}_{10}$  was added?

- A  $(0.5K_c)^{0.5} - (2.5K_c)^{0.5}$   
 B  $(2.5K_c)^{0.5} - (0.5K_c)^{0.5}$   
 C  $(2K_c)^{0.5} - (10K_c)^{0.5}$   
 D  $(10K_c)^{0.5} - (2K_c)^{0.5}$
- 10 Nitrogen oxide reacts with hydrogen gas as shown in the equation below.



The reaction was determined to be second order with respect to NO and first order with respect to  $\text{H}_2$ . In an experiment,  $2.0 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  of excess NO was used to react with  $\text{H}_2$ , the concentration of  $\text{H}_2$  decreased to 6.25% of its original value in 24 minutes.

How many minutes will it take for the concentration of  $\text{H}_2$  to decrease to 6.25% of its original value if the experiment was repeated using an excess of  $4.0 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  of NO?

- A 1.5                      B 4.5                      C 6.0                      D 9.0

- 11 Use of the Data Booklet is relevant to this question.

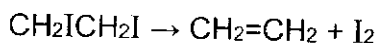
Water dissociates as follows:  $\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l}) \rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+(\text{aq}) + \text{OH}^-(\text{aq})$

At  $25^\circ\text{C}$ , the equilibrium value of  $[\text{H}^+] = 10^{-7} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  and  $[\text{H}_2\text{O}] = \frac{1000}{18} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ .

In which order would the numerical value of pH,  $pK_a$  and  $pK_w$  increase for this equilibrium at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ ?

	<i>smallest</i>	→	<i>largest</i>
<b>A</b>	pH		$pK_w$
<b>B</b>	pH		$pK_a$
<b>C</b>	$pK_a$		pH
<b>D</b>	$pK_w$		pH

- 12 The following reaction occurs when light is shone for a fixed period into a solution of  $\text{CH}_2\text{ICH}_2\text{I}$  and  $\text{I}_2$  in tetrachloromethane at  $100^\circ\text{C}$ .



What conclusions about the rate of formation of iodine can be drawn from the data in the table?

experiment	relative initial concentrations		relative light intensity	relative initial rate of formation of iodine
	$\text{CH}_2\text{ICH}_2\text{I}$	$\text{I}_2$		
1	2	1	4	2
2	2	1	1	1
3	1	1	4	1
4	1	2	4	1

- 1 proportional to  $\sqrt{\text{light intensity}}$
- 2 independent of initial concentration of  $\text{I}_2$
- 3 proportional to initial concentration of  $\text{CH}_2\text{ICH}_2\text{I}$

A 1, 2 and 3      B 1 and 2 only      C 2 and 3 only      D 1 only

- 13 Which equations represent a Brønsted-Lowry acid-base reaction?

- 1  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6 + \text{Br}^+ \rightarrow [\text{C}_6\text{H}_6\text{Br}]^+$
- 2  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3^+ + \text{NH}_3 \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2 + \text{NH}_4^+$
- 3  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2^+ + \text{Br}^- \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{Br}$

A 2 only      B 1 and 3 only      C 2 and 3 only      D 1, 2 and 3

- 14 The numerical values of the solubility product of  $\text{BaSO}_4$ ,  $\text{BaCO}_3$  and  $\text{Ba}(\text{IO}_3)_2$  at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  are given in the table below.

Compound	Solubility product
$\text{BaSO}_4$	$1.1 \times 10^{-10}$
$\text{BaCO}_3$	$2.6 \times 10^{-9}$
$\text{Ba}(\text{IO}_3)_2$	$4.0 \times 10^{-9}$

An aqueous solution of  $\text{BaCl}_2$  was added slowly, until in excess, to a solution containing  $0.5 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ ,  $1.0 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  and  $1.5 \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{ NaIO}_3$  at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ .

What is the correct order of precipitation of the three barium salts?

	First to precipitate	→	Last to precipitate
A	$\text{BaSO}_4$		$\text{Ba}(\text{IO}_3)_2$
B	$\text{Ba}(\text{IO}_3)_2$		$\text{BaSO}_4$
C	$\text{BaSO}_4$		$\text{BaCO}_3$
D	$\text{BaCO}_3$		$\text{BaSO}_4$

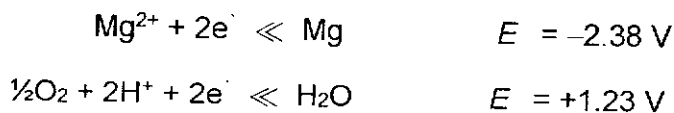
- 15 Which factors determine the total amount of oxygen produced at the anode during the electrolysis of aqueous sodium fluoride?

	mass of electrode	current	time
A	✓	✓	X
B	✓	X	X
C	X	✓	✓
D	X	X	✓

- 16 **W, X, Y and Z** are four consecutive elements in Period 3 but not necessarily in the order presented.
- Chloride of **W** dissolves in water and turns moist blue litmus red.
  - **X** is a good conductor of electricity.
  - **Y** has the highest melting point.
  - **Z** has the largest ionic radius.

Which of the following is the correct sequence of the four elements in order of increasing atomic number?

- A **X, Y, W, Z**  
 B **Y, W, X, Z**  
 C **X, W, Y, Z**  
 D **Z, Y, W, X**
- 17 In the construction of heart pacemakers, it is possible to use a small magnesium electrode which creates an electrical cell with the inhaled oxygen. The relevant half-equations are as follows:



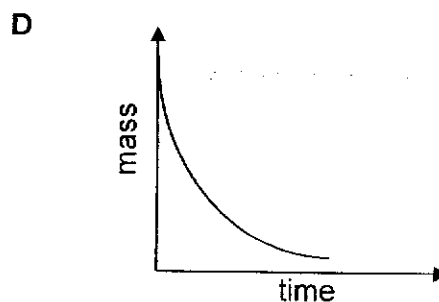
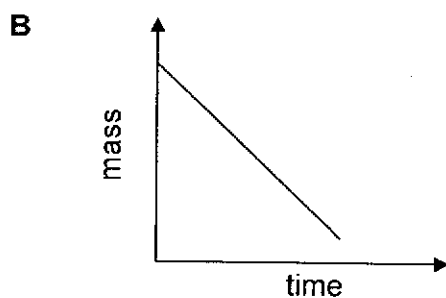
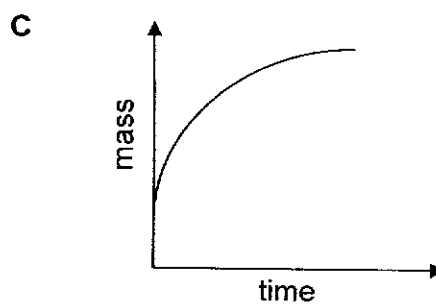
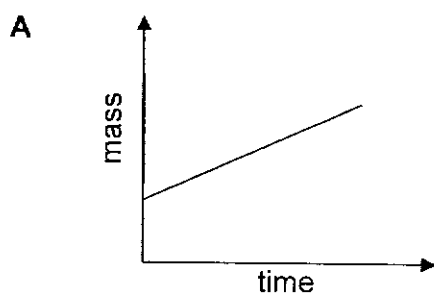
Under standard conditions, the cell e.m.f. would be +3.61 V. However, when placed in the human body, a potential of +3.25 V is observed.

What is the best explanation for this lower e.m.f.?

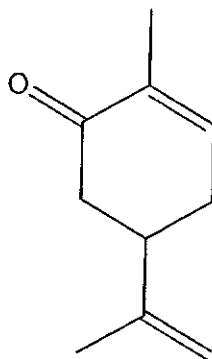
- A The low concentration of  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  ions surrounding the magnesium electrode.  
 B The body fluid surrounding the electrodes has a pH of 7.5.  
 C The high concentration of  $\text{O}_2$  surrounding the electrodes.  
 D The size of the magnesium electrode.



- 18 The high reactivity of fluorine is largely due to the low energy of the F–F bond. Which statement does **not** account for the weak F–F bond?
- A The F–F bond is weak because of the repulsion between the non-bonding electrons.
- B The F–F bond is weak because of the short bond length.
- C The F–F bond is weak because of the small number of electrons in fluorine atom.
- D The F–F bond is weak because of the small size of fluorine atom.
- 19 Electrolysis of aqueous copper(II) sulfate was carried out using copper electrodes and a steady current. Which graph shows the change in mass of the cathode with time?



- 20 Carvone is the main ingredient of the flavouring agent oil of spearmint.



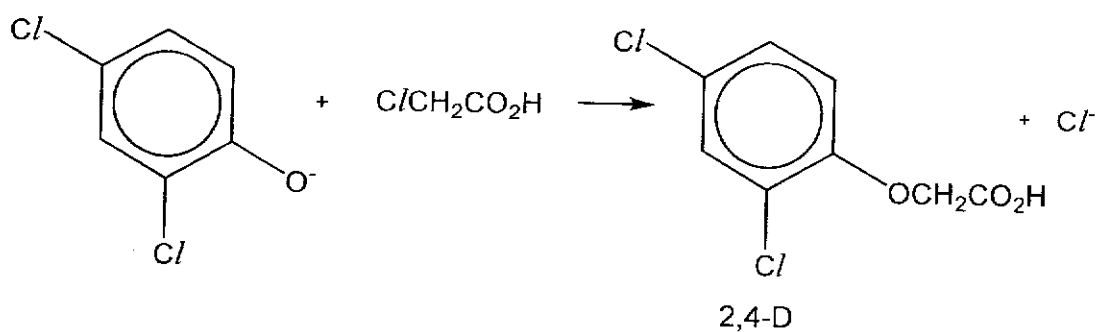
carvone

It can be reduced and hydrogenated to form **M**.

How many chiral centres do the molecules of carvone and **M** have?

	carvone	<b>M</b>
<b>A</b>	0	2
<b>B</b>	0	3
<b>C</b>	1	2
<b>D</b>	1	3

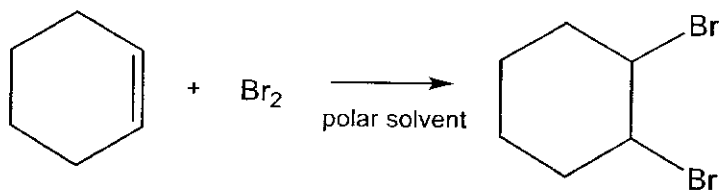
- 21 The weed killer (2,4-D) can be synthesised in the laboratory by the following reaction.



What is the mechanism of this reaction?

- A** condensation
- B** electrophilic substitution
- C** nucleophilic addition
- D** nucleophilic substitution

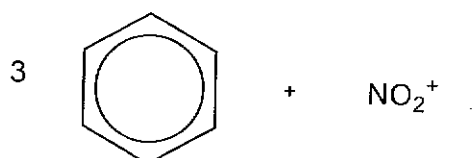
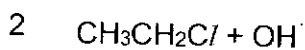
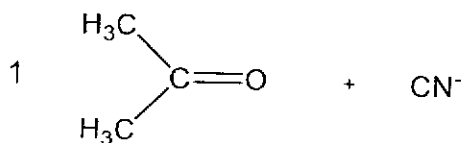
- 22 The equation represents an organic reaction.



Which statement about this reaction is **incorrect**?

- A A nucleophile is involved in this reaction.  
 B A planar product is formed in the reaction.  
 C Bromine acts as an electrophile.  
 D The reaction can take place in the dark or in the presence of light.
- 23 Which method is the best in separating benzene from a mixture of benzene and an amine?
- A extracting the benzene with hexane  
 B nitrating the benzene with a nitrating mixture  
 C shaking the mixture with dilute aqueous acid  
 D shaking the mixture with dilute aqueous alkali
- 24 A small peptide **N** is hydrolysed according to the following reaction.
- $$\mathbf{N} \rightarrow 2\text{NH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{H} + \text{NH}_2\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{CO}_2\text{H} + 2\text{NH}_2\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2\text{OH})\text{CO}_2\text{H}$$
- $(M_r = 75)$                        $(M_r = 89)$                        $(M_r = 105)$
- What is the  $M_r$  of **N**?
- A 359                      B 377                      C 431                      D 449

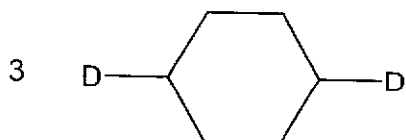
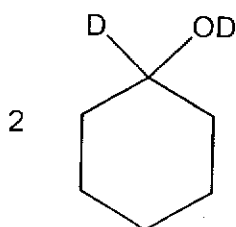
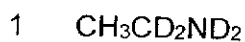
- 25 By considering the mechanism of the following reactions, which reaction does a carbon atom change from being  $sp^2$  hybridised to being  $sp^3$  hybridised?



- A** 1, 2 and 3      **B** 1 and 2 only      **C** 1 and 3 only      **D** 2 only

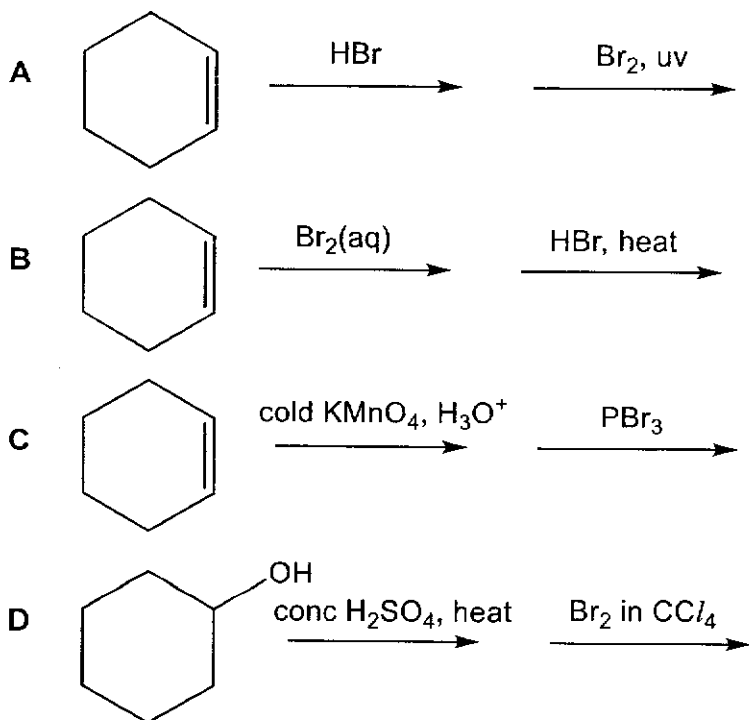
- 26 Deuterium, D, is an isotope of hydrogen,  ${}^2_1\text{H}$ .

Which compound can be formed by the addition of  $\text{D}_2$  to another molecule, in the presence of a platinum catalyst?

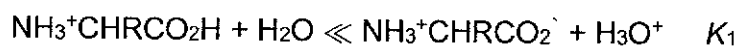


- A** 1, 2 and 3      **B** 1 and 2 only      **C** 2 and 3 only      **D** 1 only

27 Which two-step process will **not** give a good yield of 1,2-dibromocyclohexane?



28 The acid dissociation constants of amino acids,  $K_1$  and  $K_2$ , can be illustrated using the equations below.

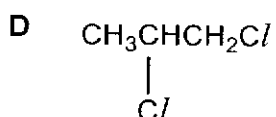
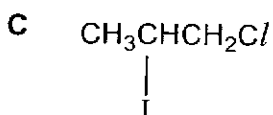
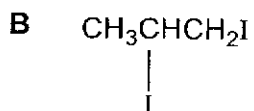
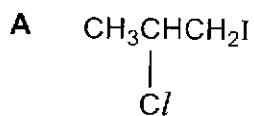


Which statement is correct for **any** amino acid?

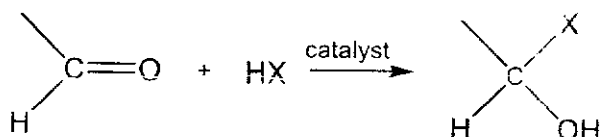
- A  $\text{NH}_3^+\text{CHRCO}_2^-$  is the most common species present at pH 7
- B  $\text{p}K_1$  is larger than  $\text{p}K_2$
- C Multiplying  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  gives  $K_w$
- D Equal concentrations of  $\text{NH}_3^+\text{CHRCO}_2^-$  and  $\text{NH}_2\text{CHRCO}_2^-$  are present at  $\text{pH} = \text{p}K_2$

- 29 When propene is bubbled through iodine monochloride,  $ICl$ , dissolved in a suitable solvent, a reaction occurs.

Which product will be present in the greatest yield?

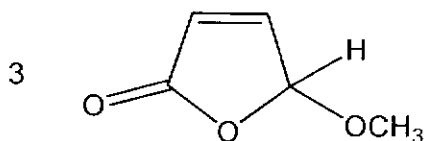
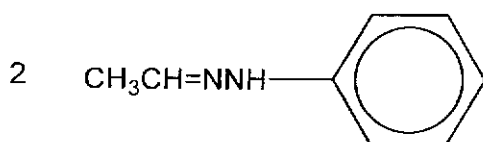
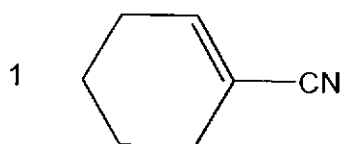


- 30 There are a range of reactions of the aldehyde group which have the pattern



of which the formation of a cyanohydrin (where  $X = CN$ ) is one.

Which compounds could be obtained by such an addition to an aldehyde group, followed by a dehydration?



- A 1, 2 and 3      B 1 and 2 only      C 2 and 3 only      D 1 and 3 only

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**Solutions**

1	B	6	B	11	B	16	C	21	D	26	B
2	A	7	B	12	A	17	B	22	B	27	A
3	D	8	B	13	A	18	C	23	C	28	D
4	D	9	D	14	C	19	A	24	B	29	A
5	A	10	C	15	C	20	D	25	C	30	C

[A] =7

[B] =9

[C] =8

~~[D] =6~~





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### H2 CHEMISTRY

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Paper 2 Structured Questions

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Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

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A Data Booklet is provided.

The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.

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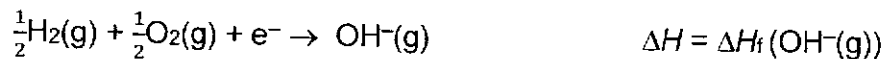


- (b) Fracking is the process of drilling down into the earth before a high-pressure water mixture is directed at the rock to release the shale gas inside.

Water, sand and chemicals are injected into the rock at high pressure which allows the gas to flow out to the head of the well.

Magnesium hydroxide is one of the chemicals that can be used to control pH.

The equation for the formation of the gaseous hydroxide ion is shown.



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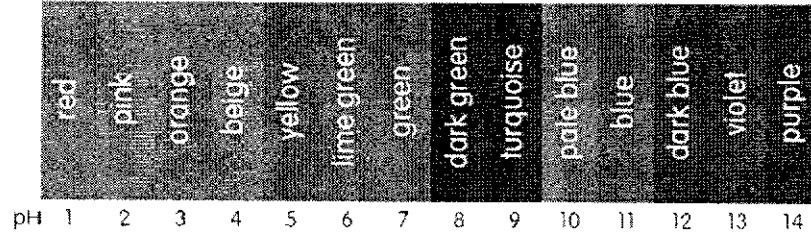


Fig. 4.1

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- (ii) Chemist Holmes performed the experiment using another indicator from Table 4.1. State and explain which indicator is the most suitable choice.

Table 4.1

Indicator	Colour in acid	Colour in alkali	pH range over which the colour change occurs
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Chlorophenol red	Yellow	Violet	4.8 – 6.7
Methyl orange	Red	Yellow	3.1 – 4.4
Phenolphthalein	Colourless	Pink	8.2 – 10.0

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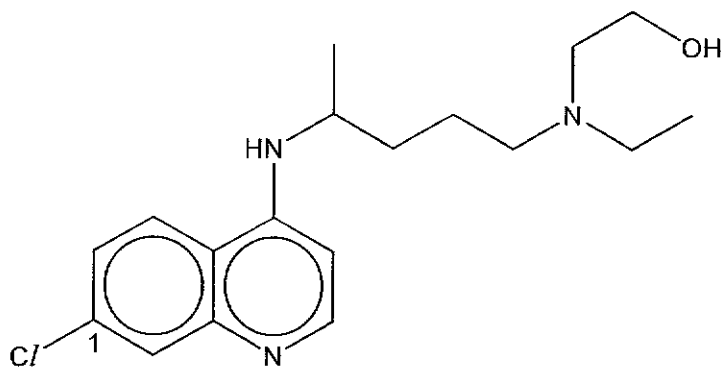
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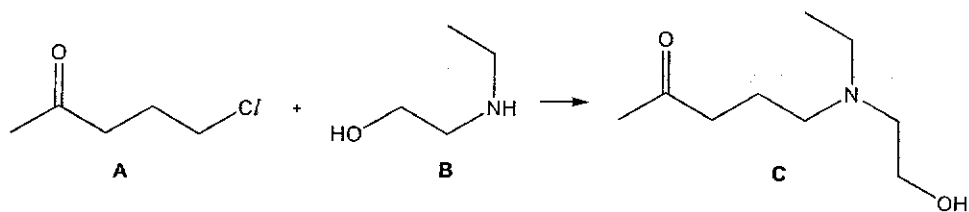


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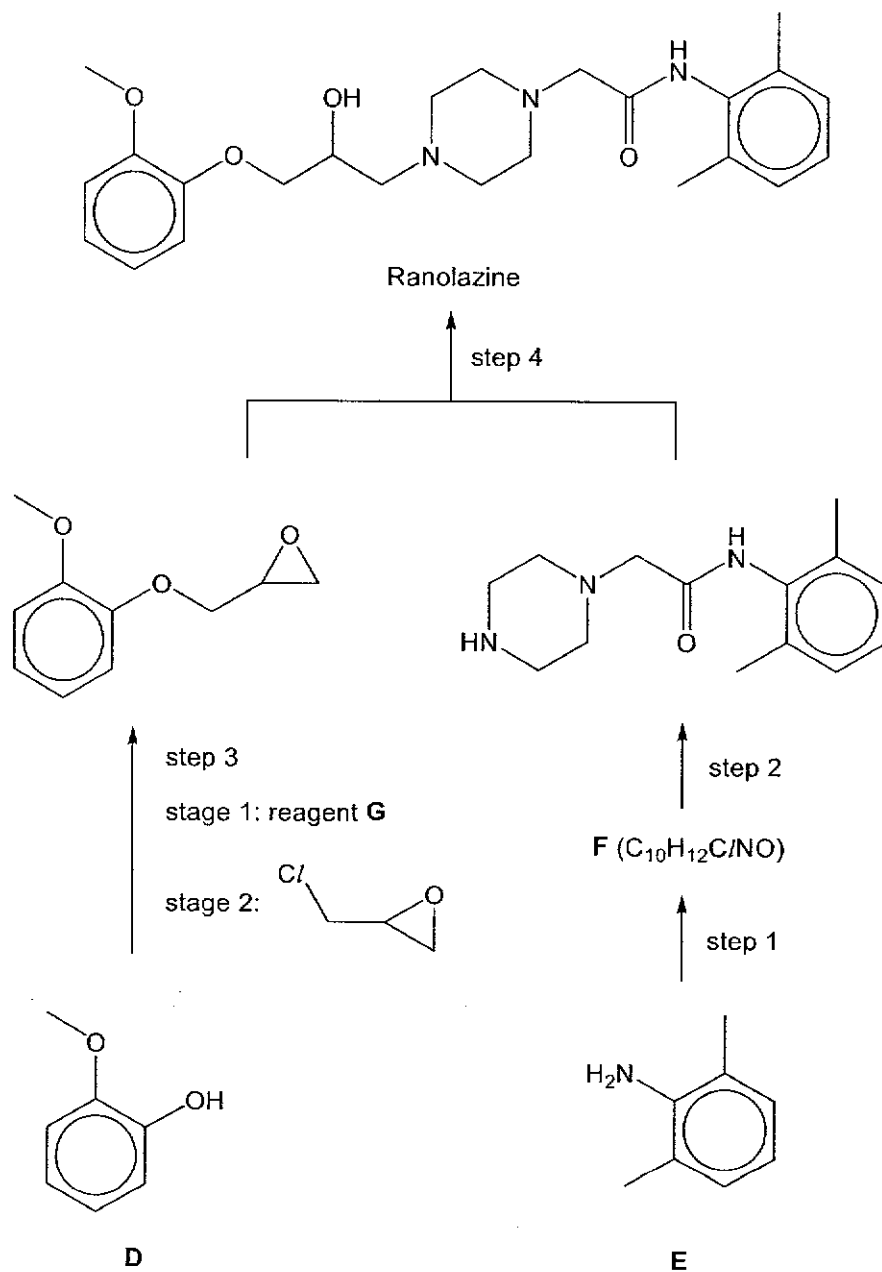
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- 7 (a) Compounds D and E can be used to synthesise Ranolazine in several steps.



- (i) Suggest a structure for the organic compound F.

[1]



- (ii) Suggest reagents and conditions for each of the steps 1 and 2, and reagent G.

Step 1: .....

Step 2: .....

Reagent G: ..... [3]

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..... [1]

- (ii) Hence, suggest the difference in bond length between the C–C bond acetonitrile ( $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ ) and ethane ( $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_3$ ).

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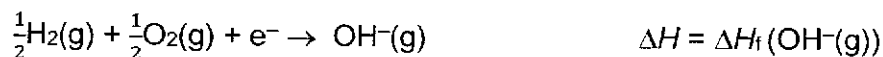


- (b) Fracking is the process of drilling down into the earth before a high-pressure water mixture is directed at the rock to release the shale gas inside.

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(All values in  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ )

Let  $\Delta H = \Delta H_f(\text{OH}^-(\text{g}))$  be  $x \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

$$148 + 736 + 1450 + 2x + (-2993) = -925$$
$$x = -133$$
$$\Delta H_f(\text{OH}^-(\text{g})) = -133 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

[3]





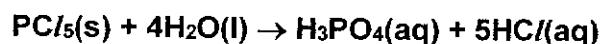


- 2 (a) (i) Describe the reactions, if any, of the chlorides  $\text{MgCl}_2$  and  $\text{PCl}_5$  with water. Write equations for all reactions that occur, and suggest the pH of the resulting solutions. Relate the reactivity of these chlorides to their structures and bonding.

$\text{MgCl}_2$  has a **giant ionic lattice structure** and **strong electrostatic attraction between  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Cl}^-$  ions**.  $\text{MgCl}_2$  dissolves in water readily to form an acidic solution of **pH 6.5**. Both hydration of ions and partial hydrolysis of  $\text{Mg}^{2+}(\text{aq})$  occurs. Hydrolysis occurs due to the polarisation of water molecules by the  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$  ion



$\text{PCl}_5$  has a **simple covalent structure**.  $\text{PCl}_5$  dissolves and undergoes hydrolysis in water to form an acidic solution of **pH 2**. P atom in  $\text{PCl}_5$  has **energetically accessible vacant 3d orbitals to form dative bonds with water molecules**.



[3]

- (ii) Carbon is in the same group as silicon. Suggest and explain if  $\text{CCl}_4$  will react with water.

$\text{CCl}_4$  **does not react with water** as carbon **does not have energetically accessible empty 3d orbitals** to accept the **lone pair of electrons** from water molecules.

[1]

- (b) Phosphorus exist in isotopes, mainly  $^{31}\text{P}$ ,  $^{32}\text{P}$  and  $^{33}\text{P}$ .  $^{31}\text{P}$  is the most stable isotope.

- (i) Define *isotopes*.

Isotopes are **atoms of the same element with the same number of protons but different number of neutrons**.

[1]

- (ii)  $^{31}\text{P}$  being the most stable isotope can react with chlorine to form phosphorus chloride. Phosphorus in phosphorus chloride can exhibit variable oxidation states. Based on your knowledge in periodicity, state the two common oxidation states of phosphorus in phosphorus chloride

+3, +5

[1]





- 3 The use of the *Data Booklet* is relevant in this question.

Values of the standard reduction potentials for certain silver species are given in Table 3.1. All ionic states refer to aqueous ions but other state symbols have been omitted.

Table 3.1

Electrode reaction	<i>E</i> / V
$\text{Ag}^{2+} + \text{e}^- \ll \text{Ag}^+$	+2.00
$\text{Ag}_2\text{S} + 2\text{e}^- \ll 2\text{Ag}^+ + \text{S}^{2-}$	-0.69

These data are relevant to (a), (b) and (c).

- (a) Copper and silver are transition elements found in Group 11 and they can be found in their metallic form in nature. Even though copper and silver are analogous to each other, i.e. both have certain similarities in their physical and chemical properties, there are some differences as well.

- (i) It is found that  $\text{Cu}^+$  ions form a pink solid in a blue solution. Explain why this can occur.

$\text{Cu}^+$  ions undergo **disproportionation** to form  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  and Cu.

$$E_{\text{cell}} = +0.52 - (+0.15) = +0.37 \text{ V (spontaneous)}$$

[1]

- (ii) On the contrary,  $\text{Ag}^+$  ions remain stable in water but not  $\text{Ag}^{2+}$  ions.

Use the data in Table 3.1, together with data from the *Data Booklet*, to explain why this is so for both silver species. Support your answers with relevant calculations where necessary.

**$\text{Ag}^{2+}$  ions undergo redox\* / reacts with water**

$$E_{\text{cell}} \text{ for } \text{Ag}^{2+} [\text{R}] \text{ and water } [\text{O}] = +2.00 - (+1.23) = +0.77 \text{ V (spontaneous*)}$$

**$\text{Ag}^+$  ions cannot undergo redox\* / cannot react with water**

$$E_{\text{cell}} \text{ for } \text{Ag}^+ [\text{R}] \text{ and water } [\text{O}] = +0.80 - (+1.23) = -0.43 \text{ V (non-spontaneous*)}$$

OR

$$E_{\text{cell}} \text{ for } \text{Ag}^+ [\text{O}] \text{ and water } [\text{R}] = -0.83 - (+2.00) = -2.83 \text{ V (non-spontaneous*)}$$

[2]





silver coin

The electrolyte is prepared by adding sodium hydroxide and sulfur in hot water to form a concentrated aqueous solution of sodium sulfide. The silver coin is clamped with a crocodile clip and submerged in the electrolyte. The reaction begins when the free crocodile clip end comes in contact with the electrolyte.

- (i) Effervescence can be seen at the free crocodile clip end. Identify the gas evolved and explain why the gas is produced.

Gas is H<sub>2</sub>. ( $2\text{H}_2\text{O} + 2\text{e}^- \rightarrow \text{H}_2 + 2\text{OH}^-$ )

H<sub>2</sub>O is preferentially reduced, as  $E(\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{H}_2)$  ( $= -0.83 \text{ V}$ ) is more positive than  $E(\text{Na}^+/\text{Na})$  ( $= -2.71 \text{ V}$ ).

[2]

- (ii) Given that a current of 50 mA passes through the circuit in the setup above, calculate the time taken, in seconds, for  $1.50 \times 10^{-4} \text{ g}$  of silver(I) sulfide to be deposited on the coin.

Amount of silver sulfide deposited =  $1.50 \times 10^{-4} \text{ g}$  of Ag<sub>2</sub>S  
 =  $6.051 \times 10^{-7} \text{ mol}$  of Ag<sub>2</sub>S

Amount of electrons required =  $1.210 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mol}$  of e<sup>-</sup>

$Q = It = nF = 1.210 \times 10^{-6}(96500) = 0.11678\text{C} = 0.1168 \text{ C}$

$t = 0.1168 / 0.05 = 2.336 \text{ s} \rightarrow$  **2.34 s**

[2]

- (d) Table 3.2 shows the numerical values of lattice energies for the silver halides. These have been determined from experimental data or theoretically calculated.

Table 3.2

Silver halide	Experimental value / kJ mol <sup>-1</sup>	Theoretical value / kJ mol <sup>-1</sup>
AgF	-953	-920
AgCl	-908	-833
AgBr	-900	-815



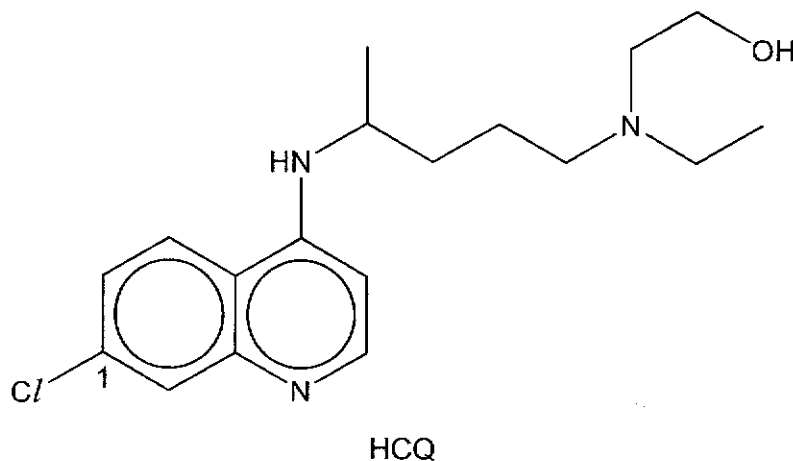








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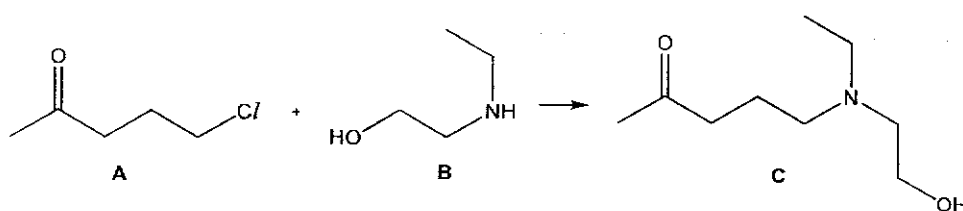


State the oxidation number of carbon labelled 1 in HCQ.

+1

[1]

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Under acidic conditions

Under acidic conditions, the amine functional group on **B** will be **protonated** and its lone pair of electrons will not be available for donation. The N atom in **B** will **not be able to act as a nucleophile**.



Under very alkaline conditions

Under very alkaline conditions, the alcohol functional group on B will be deprotonated/lose its proton. The alkoxide ion formed can also act as a nucleophile to attack A. There will be side products formed/C will not be formed/yield of C will be low.

[2]

OR

OH<sup>-</sup> acts as a competing nucleophile to attack A

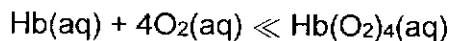
- (ii) Explain why it is necessary to use a limited amount of A in the synthesis to have a larger yield of C.

Using an excess of A will allow C to undergo further nucleophilic substitution, resulting in the formation of the quaternary ammonium salt which will lower the yield of C.

[1]

- (c) Patients with severe Covid-19 symptoms often need breathing support. This is because infected lungs are less effective at absorbing oxygen into the bloodstream.

In our bodies, haemoglobin can bind up to four molecules of oxygen.



- (i) Write an expression for  $K_c$  in this reaction, stating its units.

$$K_c = \frac{[\text{Hb}(\text{O}_2)_4]}{[\text{Hb}][\text{O}_2]^4} \quad \text{Units: mol}^{-4} \text{ dm}^{12}$$

[1]

- (ii) Experiments have shown that when  $[\text{O}_2] = 3.10 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ , the concentration of Hb and Hb(O<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub> are equal. Use this information to calculate a value for  $K_c$ .

$$K_c = \frac{[\text{Hb}(\text{O}_2)_4]}{[\text{Hb}][8.1 \times 10^{-6}]^4} = \underline{2.32 \times 10^{20}} \text{ mol}^{-4} \text{ dm}^{12}$$

[1]



- (iii) All Singapore households are recently issued with an oximeter to monitor their blood oxygen saturation levels. Individuals whose blood oxygen levels are 94.0% and below should see a doctor immediately.

Use your value of  $K_c$  to calculate the  $[O_2]$  necessary for 94% of the Hb to be converted to  $Hb(O_2)_4$ .

$$K_c = \frac{[Hb(O_2)_4]}{[Hb][O_2]^4}$$

94% conversion means that ratio of  $Hb(O_2)_4$ :Hb is 94:6

$$2.32 \times 10^{20} = \frac{94}{6[O_2]^4}$$

$$[O_2] = \underline{1.61 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mol dm}^{-3}}$$

[1]

- (iv) State what the  $K_c$  value indicates about the position of equilibrium.

A very large  $K_c$  value that is greater than 1 suggests that the equilibrium position lies very much to the right.

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(b) In terms of structure and bonding, explain why

- the conductivity is zero initially
- the conductivity increases

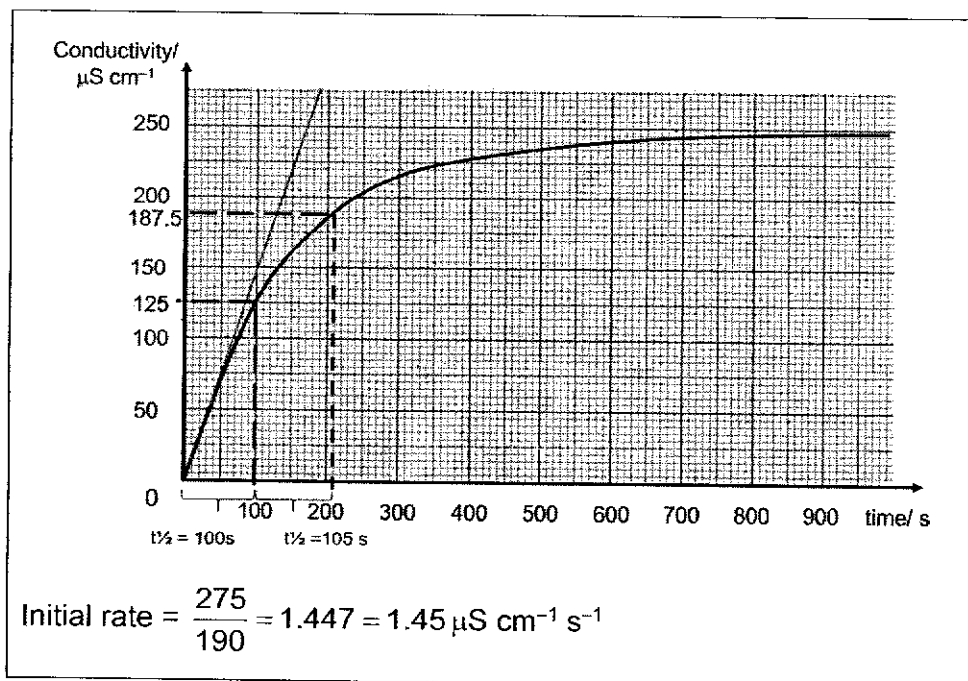
(Chloromethyl)cyclohexane, ethanol, water (and ether/isomer A) have simple covalent structures, without charge carriers, hence the conductivity of the system is zero.

HCl, which has a simple covalent structure, dissociates in water completely to give H<sup>+</sup> and Cl<sup>-</sup> ions, which can act as charge carriers. Hence, as the reaction progresses/ HCl is formed, the conductivity of the solution increases.

[2]

(c) (i) Show how the initial rate of reaction for this experiment could be determined using Fig. 2.1.

[Assume that the rate of change of conductivity is equivalent to the rate of reaction.]



[2]



- (ii) Deduce the order of reaction with respect to (chloromethyl)cyclohexane. Explaining your reasoning.

Graphwork to show 2  $t_{1/2}$  values

The conductivity is (directly) proportional to the [(chloromethyl)cyclohexane]. Since the  $t_{1/2}$  is approximately constant at 102.5 s, the reaction is first order with respect to [(chloromethyl)cyclohexane].

[2]

- (iii) The ethanol/ water mixture was changed from 15.0% to 30.0% and a new experiment carried out at the same temperature. When a similar graph was plotted, the gradient at each point remained the same.

Deduce the order of reaction with respect to ethanol. Explain your reasoning.

Since the initial rate did not change, the rate of reaction is independent of [ethanol], the reaction is zero order with respect to ethanol.

[2]

- (iv) Suggest the rate equation for the reaction that would result from the proposed mechanism.

Rate =  $k[(\text{chloromethyl})\text{cyclohexane}]$

[1]

- (v) The concentration of the organic solution can be calculated using this simplified equation:

$$\text{Conductivity} = 7000[(\text{chloromethyl})\text{cyclohexane}]$$

Calculate the value of the initial rate in  $\text{mol dm}^{-3} \text{s}^{-1}$ , hence determine the rate constant and its units, using your equation from (c)(iv).

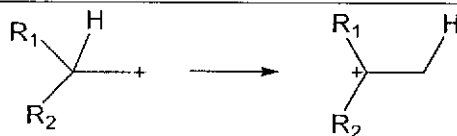
$$\text{Initial rate} = \frac{1.447}{7000} = 2.067 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol dm}^{-3} \text{s}^{-1}$$

$$\text{Rate constant} = \frac{2.067 \times 10^{-4}}{0.015} = 0.01378 = 0.0138 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

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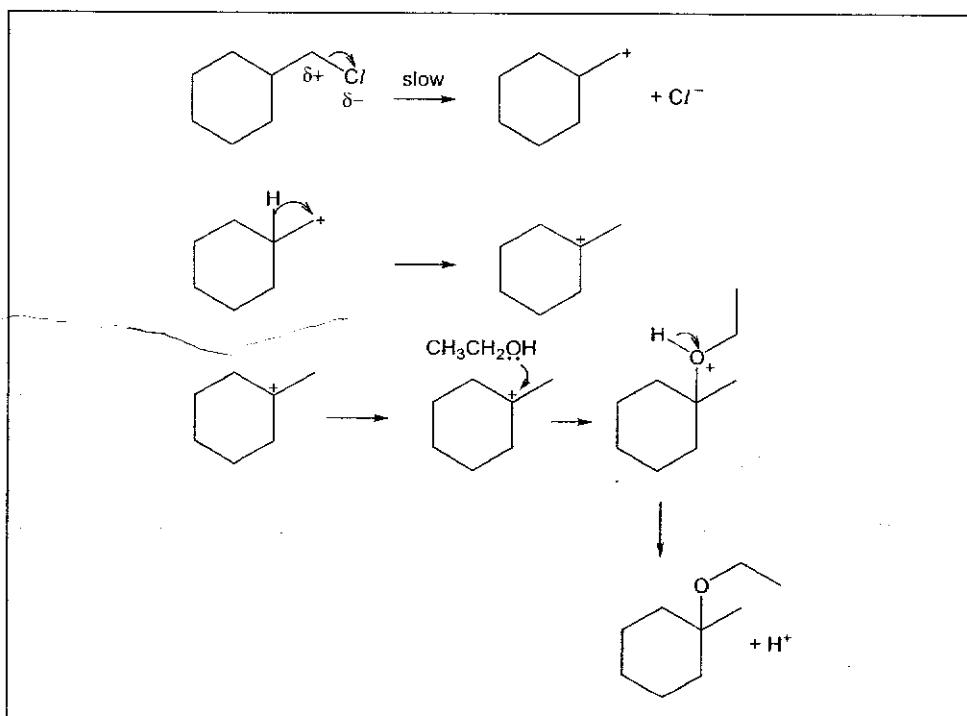
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- (d) Different halogenoalkanes have different reactivity towards nucleophilic substitution.
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**C-Br has a lower bond energy than C-Cl**

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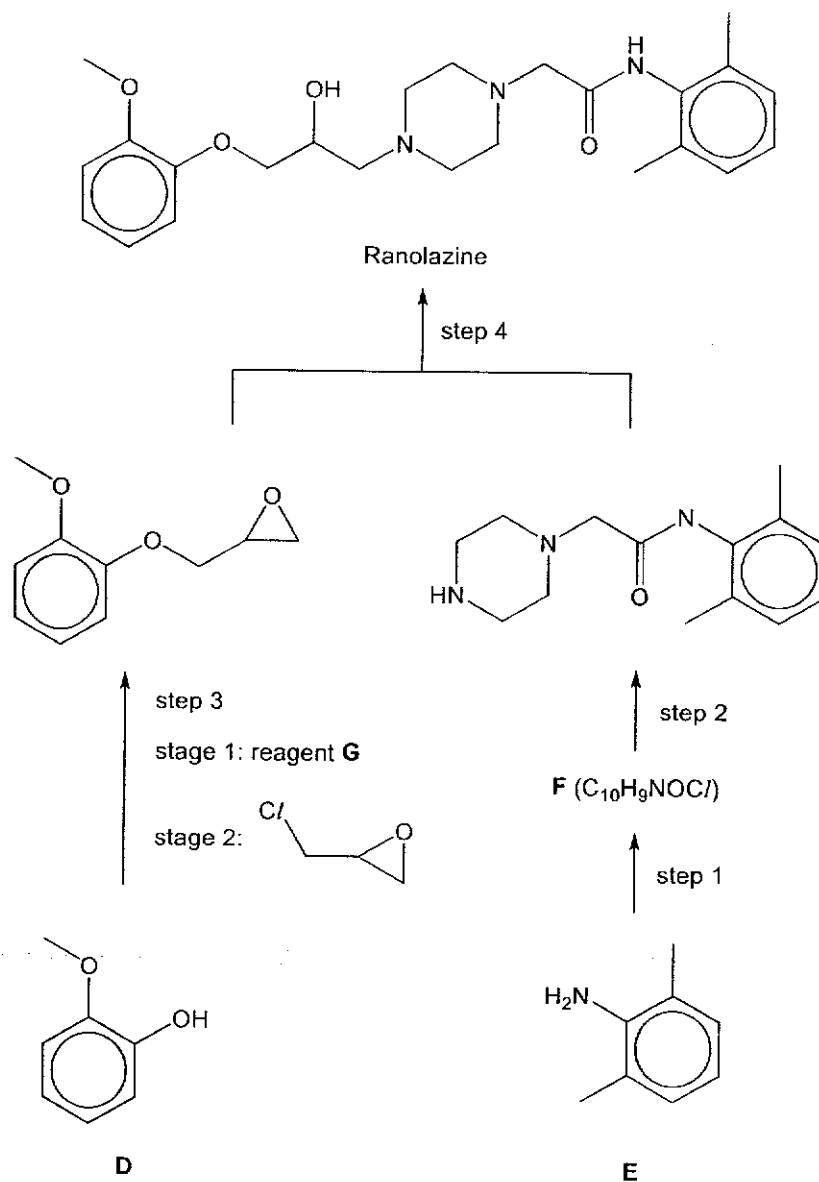
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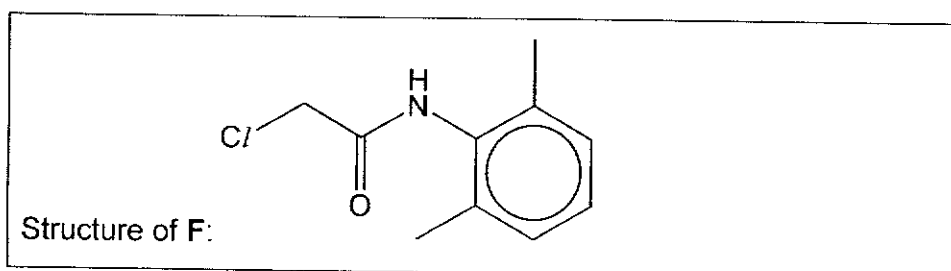




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