

SI Organic Chemistry - Full Discipline Demo

Solubility of Compounds

Final Report - Answer Guide

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Test Your Knowledge

Match each term with the best description.

⚡ Acid-Base Extraction	Separating a mixture of compounds using solvents.	1
⚡ Extraction	A liquid-liquid separation based on pH.	2
⚡ Recrystallization	The chemical property of a solute dissolving into a solvent.	3
⚡ Solubility	Isolation of a pure solid compound by precipitation.	4

Correct answers:

1 Extraction 2 Acid-Base Extraction 3 Solubility 4 Recrystallization

Categorize each technique based on whether it is or is not an extraction method.

	Extraction Method	Not an Extraction Method
☐ Acid-base	1	2
☐ Aqueous-organic		
☐ Column chromatography		
☐ Filtration		
☐ Precipitation		
☐ Supercritical fluid		

Correct answers:

1 Acid-base Aqueous-organic Supercritical fluid

2 Column chromatography Precipitation Filtration

Exploration

Solubility is the chemical property of how well a solute dissolves into a solvent.

- ☒ True ✓
- ☐ False

Recrystallization enriches a single compound from a mixture as a solid precipitate.

- ☒ True ✓
- ☐ False

Extraction is a technique to separate a mixture of compounds using two miscible liquids.

☐ True

☒ False



Exercise 1

Based on your results in Data Tables 1-3, if you performed the same solubility tests at room temperature on 4-methylbenzoic acid, which solvents would 4-methylbenzoic acid be soluble in? Explain your answer.

4-methyl benzoic acid would only be soluble in acetone. This is because benzoic acid is the closest in structure it was only soluble in acetone at room temperature.

Based on your results in Data Table 1 and 2, which compound(s) were insoluble at room temperature but soluble in boiling water? Explain your answer.

Based on the results benzoic acid was insoluble in water at room temperature and soluble at boiling.

Based on your results in Data Tables 1-3, what would be a good solvent to separate a mixture of sodium chloride and glucose? Explain your answer.

Hot acetic acid would be the best solvent to separate sodium chloride and glucose because sodium chloride is completely insoluble in acetic acid, but glucose is fully soluble in hot acetic acid.

Data Table 1: Solubility of solids at room temperature
(SAMPLE ANSWER BELOW)

Room Temperature	Glucose	Sodium Chloride	Benzoic Acid	Sodium Sulfate
Water	FS or PS	FS or PS	IS	PS or FS
Isopropanol	IS	IS	IS	IS
Oil	IS	IS	IS	IS or PS
Acetone	IS	IS	FS	IS
Acetic acid	PS or FS	PS or FS	IS	IS

Data Table 2: Solubility of solids in boiling water
(SAMPLE ANSWER BELOW)

Boiling	Glucose	Sodium Chloride	Benzoic Acid	Sodium Sulfate
Water	FS	FS	IS or PS	FS or PS
Isopropanol	IS	IS	FS	IS
Oil	IS	IS	IS or PS	IS or PS
Acetone	IS	IS	FS	IS
Acetic acid	FS or PS	FS or PS	IS or PS	PS or FS

Data Table 3: Solubility of solids in ice bath
(SAMPLE ANSWER BELOW)

0°C	Glucose	Sodium Chloride	Benzoic Acid	Sodium Sulfate
Water	FS	FS	IS	FS or PS
Isopropanol	IS	IS	IS or PS	IS
Oil	IS	IS	IS	IS
Acetone	IS	IS	FS	IS
Acetic acid	FS	IS or PS	IS	PS or IS

Data Table 4: Classifying compounds
(SAMPLE ANSWER BELOW)

Compound	Polar or nonpolar	Organic or inorganic
Water	Polar	inorganic
Isopropanol	Polar	organic
Oil	Nonpolar	organic
Acetone	Nonpolar	organic
Acetic acid	Polar	organic
Glucose	Polar	organic
Sodium Chloride	Polar	inorganic
Benzoic Acid	Nonpolar	organic
Sodium sulfate	Polar	inorganic

Exercise 2

Explain why benzoic acid is soluble in a sodium hydroxide solution but insoluble in distilled water.

Benzoic acid became soluble in the aqueous solution when adding sodium hydroxide because the base deprotonated the carboxylic acid to make a sodium carboxylate salt. This salt is ionic and is soluble in a polar aqueous solution. Benzoic acid is insoluble in water because it is an organic molecule.

Photo 1: Test Tube A (Alkalized) and Test Tube B
(SAMPLE ANSWER BELOW)

No sample answer provided

Photo 2: Test Tube A (Neutralized) and Test Tube B
(SAMPLE ANSWER BELOW)

No sample answer provided

Data Table 4: Solubilizing Amine and Carboxylic Acid
(SAMPLE ANSWER BELOW)

	Number of Drops
Benzoic Acid	6

Competency Review

A chemical compound whose polarity is similar to a particular solvent will likely be soluble in that solvent.

- ☒ True
☐ False



The size of crystals formed during recrystallization is dependent upon ____.

- ☐ the size of the molecule
- ☒ how quickly the temperature of the solvent changes ✓
- ☐ how quickly the pH of the solution changes
- ☐ the size of the container

Adding an acid to a carboxylic acid will increase its solubility in an aqueous solution.

- ☐ True
- ☒ False ✓

____ is an example of an extraction method.

- ☐ Solvent-amine
- ☐ Organic-lipid
- ☒ Aqueous-organic ✓
- ☐ All of the above

Distilled water is a more polar solvent than acetone.

- ☒ True ✓
- ☐ False

Benzoic acid is less polar than glucose.

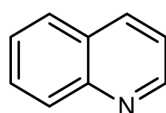
- ☒ True ✓
- ☐ False

Benzoic acid solubility in water has an inverse relationship with temperature of the solution.

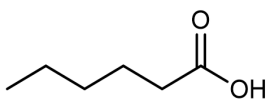
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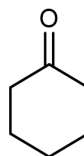
Compound ____ will become more soluble in water when reacted with hydrochloric acid.



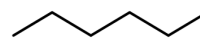
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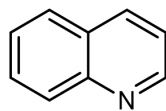


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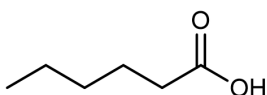
- ☐ A
☐ B
☐ C
☐ D



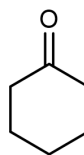
Compound ____ will become more soluble in water when reacted with sodium hydroxide.



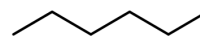
A



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- ☐ A.
☐ B.
☐ C.
☐ D.



Creating a carboxylate salt from a carboxylic acid makes the compound ____ polar and ____ soluble in water.

- ☐ more; less
- ☐ less; more
- ☒ more; more
- ☐ less; less



Extension Questions

1. Five compounds and their structures are shown below. For each compound, state whether it is soluble in water, an organic solvent, an acidic solution, and a basic solution.

1. **Lithium chloride**

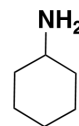
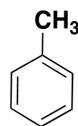
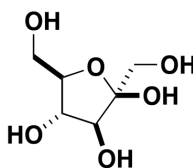
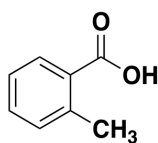
2. **2-methylbenzoic acid**

3. **Fructose**

4. **Toluene**

5. **Cyclohexylamine**

LiCl



A.

B.

C.

D.

E.

(SAMPLE ANSWER BELOW)

1. Lithium chloride is an ionic compound and is soluble in water, acidic, and basic solutions
2. 2-methylbenzoic acid is an acidic organic compound. It is soluble in organic solvents and basic solutions.
3. Fructose is a polar organic compound that is soluble in water, acidic, and basic solutions, and organic solvents.
4. Toluene is a nonpolar organic compound and is only soluble in organic solvents.
5. Cyclohexylamine is a basic organic compound. It is soluble in organic solvents and acidic solutions.