



# **SOLVENT EXTRACTION & PARTITION COEFFICIENT**

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Name of Experiment: **PARTITION COEFFICIENT.**

Aim of Experiment: Calculation of the partition coefficient  
of **SALICYLIC ACID** .

**Salicylic acid,**

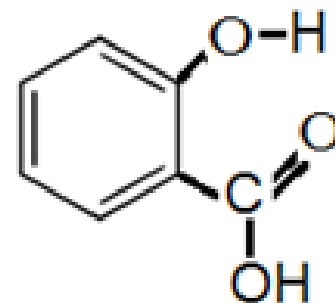
**S.A. , it is colorless to  
white odorless crystals,**

**molecular formula  $C_7H_6O_3$**

**molar mass  $138.12 \text{ g.mol}^{-1}$  ,**

**it has a water solubility of  $2.48 \text{ g.L}^{-1}$  at  $25^\circ\text{C}$ .**

**& it's Chloroform solubility of  $22.2 \text{ g.L}^{-1}$  at  $25^\circ\text{C}$  .**



Salicylic acid

## Procedure:

- 1- Put an unknown weight of S.A. in a separatory funnel; & then add 25 ml of chloroform & 25 ml of D.W.**
- 2- Shake gently for 15 -20 minutes until no further pressure is released from the funnel stem.**
- 3- Leave the funnel on an iron ring for about 5 - 10 min.s for complete separation of the 2 layers. The stopper must be removed.**
- 4- Separate the lower chloroform layer slowly through the Funnel stem until the aqueous layer is about to enter the hole of the stopcock.**
- 5- Pour the upper aqueous layer through the neck of the separatory funnel.**

- 6- Take 10 ml from the organic layer by a bulb pipette, pour into a conical flask, and add two drops of ph.ph. indicator.**
- 7- Titrate against 0.1 N NaOH solution until the end point, which is the appearance of pink colour.**
- 8- Repeat step 6 and 7 for the aqueous layer.**

Calculations:

$$\begin{array}{cc} \text{NaOH} & \text{Salicylic acid} \\ N * V & = \frac{\text{Mass}}{\text{Eq. mass}} * 1000 \end{array}$$

***The aqueous layer:***

$$0.1 \times V = \frac{\text{wt.}}{138} \times 1000$$

wt. in 10 ml  $\times$  2.5 ( enlarging factor ) = ***x*** gram wt. of S.A. in 25 ml .

***The organic layer:***

$$0.1 \times V = \frac{\text{wt.}}{138} \times 1000$$

wt. in 10 ml  $\times$  2.5 ( enlarging factor ) = ***y*** gram wt. of S.A. in 25 ml.

***x + y*** = ---- weight of S.A. in the sample ( unknown )

$$K = \frac{\text{wt. org.} / v_{\text{org. 25 ml}}}{\text{wt. w} / v_{\text{w 25 ml}}}$$

## QUESTIONS & EXAMPLES :

**Q1-** If **100 ml** of benzene dissolve **5.5 g** of caffeine & **100 ml** of water dissolve **2.2 g** of caffeine. Calculate the amount of caffeine that can be extracted from **500ml** of water in which **5 g** of caffeine are dissolved, show calculations & give the % of caffeine extracted

- a)** By a **single** extraction with **200 ml** of benzene.
- b)** By **2** successive extractions with **100 ml** of benzene in each.
- c)** By **3** successive extractions with **66.6 ml** of benzene in each.

**Q2-** Calculate the partition coefficient,  $K$ , of cpd. A, when 0.24 g of the compound dissolve in 100 ml of water & 2.7 g of it dissolve in 100 ml of ether.

**Q3-** An unknown sample contains 20 g of certain compound, when extracted with 100 ml water & 35 ml ether, it was found that the partition coefficient of the compound was 4 ;

Calculate the weight of the compound extracted by the aqueous layer and by the organic layer?

**Q4-** Explain extraction by **pH adjustment method** & illustrate in which situation we use it?

Notes:

**\* To recognize which layer is the aqueous layer and which is the organic layer, mix about 3 ml of any layer with an equal volume of water in a test tube and observe the result. If there are two layers, then that layer is the organic layer; & if there is one layer, then that layer is the aqueous layer.**