

Name of the Student: _____

Max. Marks : 17 Marks

Time : 17 Minutes

Q1.

A student was given a task to determine the percentage purity of a sample of salicylic acid. The method used by the student to prepare a solution of salicylic acid is described below.

- 0.500 g of an impure sample of salicylic acid was placed in a weighing bottle.
- The contents were tipped into a beaker and 100 cm^3 of distilled water were added.
- Salicylic acid does not dissolve well in cold water so the beaker and its contents were heated gently until all the solid had dissolved.
- The solution was poured into a 250 cm^3 graduated flask and made up to the mark with distilled water.

- (a) Give **two** additional instructions that would improve this method for making up the salicylic acid solution.

(2)

- (b) The pH of this solution was measured and a value of 2.50 was obtained. Calculate the concentration of salicylic acid in this solution. Assume that salicylic acid is the only acid in this solution. The K_a for salicylic acid is $1.07 \times 10^{-3}\text{ mol dm}^{-3}$. You may represent salicylic acid as HA. Show your working.

(3)

- (c) Use your answer to part (b) to calculate the mass of salicylic acid ($M_r = 138.0$) present in the original sample.
(If you were unable to complete the calculation in part (b), assume that the concentration of salicylic acid is $8.50 \times 10^{-3}\text{ mol dm}^{-3}$. This is **not** the correct answer.)

(2)

- (d) Use your answer to part (c) to calculate the percentage purity of the salicylic acid used to make the solution.
(If you were unable to complete the calculation in part (c), assume that the mass of salicylic acid is 0.347 g. This is **not** the correct answer.)

(1)

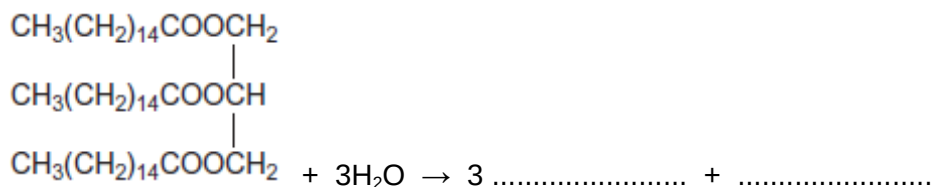
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Q2.

The slowing down of chemical processes is important in food storage. Over time, fats may become rancid. This involves the formation of compounds that have unpleasant odours and flavours within the food.

Hydrolysis of fats is one way in which rancid flavours are formed. Fats break down to long-chain carboxylic (fatty) acids and glycerol.

- (a) Complete the right-hand side of the equation below to show how hydrolysis affects the molecule of fat shown.



(2)

- (b) Other than by cooling, suggest **one** method that would decrease the rate of hydrolysis of fats.

(1)

- (c) Food can also acquire unpleasant flavours when the fatty acids, produced by hydrolysis of fats, are oxidised by air. This oxidation occurs by a free-radical mechanism. Chemicals called anti-oxidants can be added to food to slow down the oxidation. Suggest why anti-oxidants are **not** regarded as catalysts.

(2)

- (d) A student investigated the extent of hydrolysis in an old sample of the fat in part (a). The carboxylic acid extracted from a 2.78 g sample of this fat ($M_r = 806.0$) reacted with 24.5 cm³ of a 0.150 mol dm⁻³ solution of NaOH. Calculate the percentage of the fat that had hydrolysed. Show your working.

(4)
(Total 9 marks)