

CHEMISTRY 235 EXPERIMENT 7

QUALITATIVE ANALYSIS

METHOD AND RESULTS

You are given eight compounds containing FOUR of the anions HCO_3^- , CO_3^{2-} , CH_3COO^- , HCOO^- , $(\text{COO})_2^{2-}$, I^- , Br^- , and Cl^- . Identify the anion present in each case. Write equations wherever appropriate in the deduction column. In a number of cases gases are evolved. **You should carry out tests on these gases to identify them.**

COMPOUND A

TEST	OBSERVATIONS	DEDUCTIONS
1. Add dil. HCl or dil. H_2SO_4 to the solid.		
2. Make a soln. of A and use it for the following tests.		
a) Add $\text{BaCl}_2(\text{aq})$ or $\text{Ba}(\text{NO}_3)_2(\text{aq})$ then dil. HCl or dil. HNO_3 .		
b) Add $\text{MgSO}_4(\text{aq})$		

COMPOUND B

TEST	OBSERVATIONS	DEDUCTIONS
1. Heat some of solid B		
2. Add dil. HCl or dil. H ₂ SO ₄ to solid B		
3. Prepare a soln. of B and use it for the following tests.		
a) Add BaCl ₂ (aq) or Ba(NO ₃) ₂ (aq) then dil. HCl or dil. HNO ₃ .		
b) Add MgSO ₄ (aq) and heat.		

COMPOUND C

TEST	OBSERVATIONS	DEDUCTIONS
1. Heat some solid C.		
2. Add dil. HCl or dil. H ₂ SO ₄ to solid C. Warm.		
3. Add a few drops of conc. H ₂ SO ₄ to solid C. Warm.		
4. Make a soln. of C and use it for the following tests.		
a) Add 1 cm ³ conc. H ₂ SO ₄ and 2 cm ³ C ₂ H ₅ OH. Warm. Pour into cold water in a beaker.		
b) Add <i>neutral</i> ¹ FeCl ₃ (aq) then dil. HCl.		
c) Add AgNO ₃ (aq) and leave to stand for a few minutes.		

COMPOUND D

TEST	OBSERVATIONS	DEDUCTIONS
1. Add dil. HCl or dil. H ₂ SO ₄ to some solid D. Warm.		
2. Add a few drops conc. H ₂ SO ₄ to solid D. Warm.		
3. Make a soln. of D and use it for the following tests.		
a) Add 1 cm ³ conc. H ₂ SO ₄ and 2 cm ³ C ₂ H ₅ OH. Warm and pour into a beaker of water.		
b) Add <i>neutral</i> ¹ FeCl ₃ (aq) then dil. HCl.		

¹ Test the FeCl₃(aq) with litmus. If it is acidic, add dil. NH₃(aq) dropwise until a very faint precipitate appears. If you overshoot add FeCl₃(aq) dropwise until the cloudiness has nearly disappeared.