

# Recitation Worksheet 10: Acid and Bases (14.7 – 14.9/Structure and Properties of Organic Acids)

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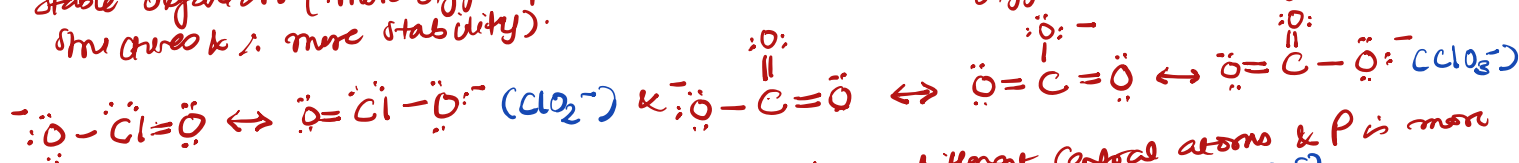
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- Which of the pairs below has the **stronger acid listed first?** Select all that apply. Insert letters without spaces in the answer box, example **ABCD**.

**BDE**

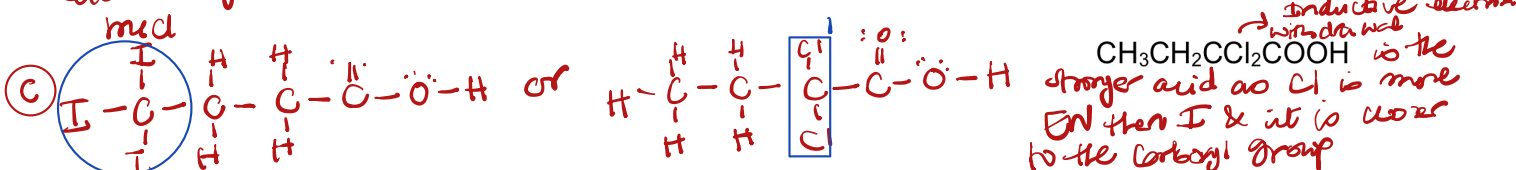
- $\text{HClO}_2$  and  $\text{HClO}_3$
- $\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{SiO}_3$
- $\text{I}_3\text{CCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{COOH}$  and  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CCl}_2\text{COOH}$
- $\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$  and  $\text{HPO}_4^{2-}$
- $\text{CF}_3\text{COOH}$  and  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$

(A) Both  $\text{HClO}_2$  &  $\text{HClO}_3$  are oxyacids. The strength of oxyacids depends on the electronegativity of the central atom & the no. of oxygens. Both acids have Cl as the central atom.  $\therefore$  the acid with more oxygens is the stronger acid ( $\text{HClO}_3$ ).



(A) The greater no. of oxygens results in a more stable oxyanion (more oxygens provides more resonance structures  $\therefore$  more stability).

(B) Comparing  $\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$  &  $\text{H}_2\text{SiO}_3$  both acids have different central atoms & P is more electronegative than Si  $\therefore \text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$  is the stronger acid (also has more oxygens).



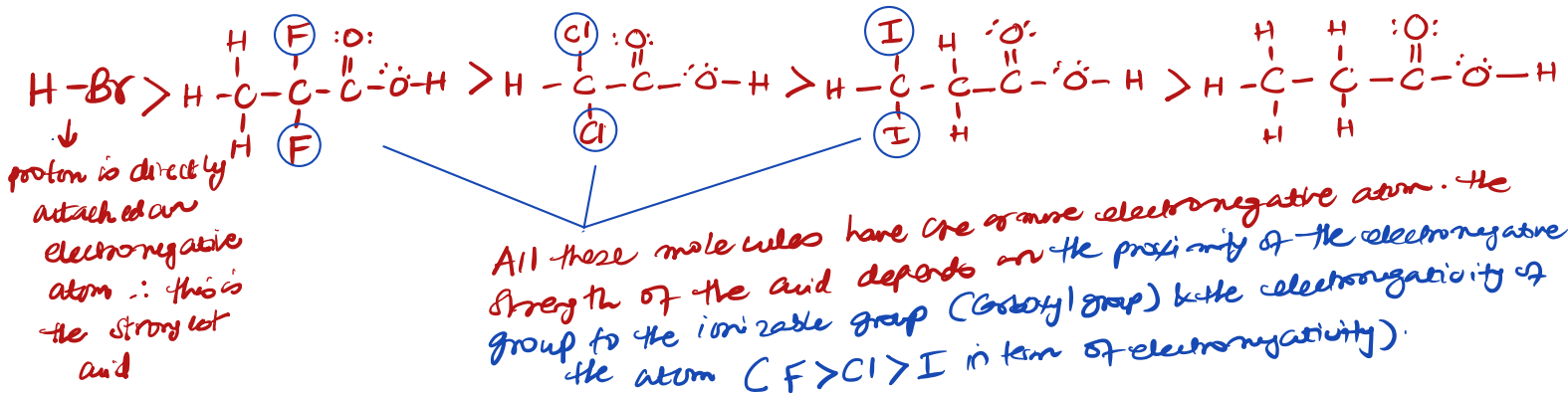
① the higher the negative charge the more difficult it is more difficult to lose a proton  $H_2PO_4^- \rightarrow HPO_4^{2-}$

⑤ Inductive electron withdrawal makes  $CCl_3COOH$  the stronger acid

2. Which of the choices represents the correct order of the acids below in order of **strongest to weakest**?

HBr,  $CHCl_2COOH$ ,  $CH_3CH_2COOH$ ,  $CH_3F_2CCOOH$ ,  $I_2CHCH_2COOH$

- C**
- A.  $HBr > CHCl_2COOH > CH_3F_2CCOOH > I_2CHCH_2COOH > CH_3CH_2COOH$   
 B.  $CH_3CH_2COOH > I_2CHCH_2COOH > CH_3F_2CCOOH > CHCl_2COOH > HBr$   
 C.  $HBr > CH_3F_2CCOOH > CHCl_2COOH > I_2CHCH_2COOH > CH_3CH_2COOH$   
 D.  $HBr > I_2CHCH_2COOH > CH_3F_2CCOOH > CHCl_2COOH > CH_3CH_2COOH$   
 E.  $CHCl_2COOH > CH_3F_2CCOOH > I_2CHCH_2COOH > CH_3CH_2COOH > HBr$

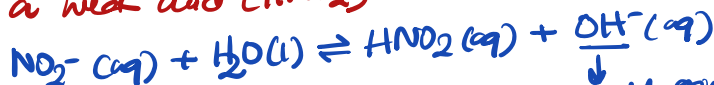


basic solution

3. You were asked to prepare an aqueous solution of pH  $\sim 8.5$  and you are provided with a list of salts below. Which of these salts would you use? ( $K_{a1} H_3PO_4 = 7.08 \times 10^{-3}$ ,  $K_{a2} H_2PO_4^- = 6.31 \times 10^{-8}$ ,  $K_{a3} HPO_4^{2-} = 4.47 \times 10^{-13}$ ).

- A**
- A.  $KNO_2$   
 B.  $NH_4Cl$   
 C.  $NaNO_3$   
 D.  $KH_2PO_4$   
 E.  $CH_3NH_3Cl$   
 F.  $FeCl_3$

①  $KNO_2 \rightarrow$  the cation is the conjugate acid of strong base ( $KOH$ ) & the anion the conjugate base of a weak acid ( $HNO_2$ )



$\downarrow$  would give a basic solution

$\downarrow$  hydrated small cations of highly charged metal ions yield an acidic solution

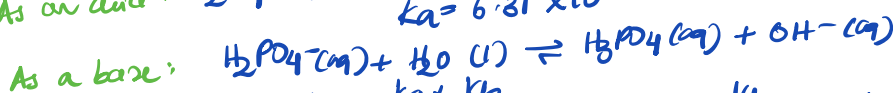
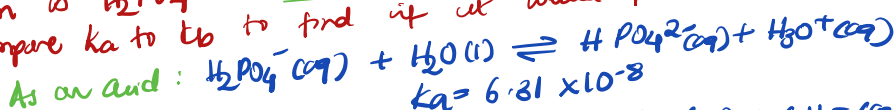
②  $NH_4Cl \rightarrow$  the cation is the conjugate acid of a weak base ( $NH_3$ ) & the anion is the conjugate base of a strong acid ( $HCl$ )

$$NH_4^+(aq) + H_2O(l) \rightleftharpoons NH_3(aq) + H_3O^+(aq)$$

$\downarrow$  gives an acidic solution

③  $NaNO_3 \rightarrow$  the cation is a conjugate acid of a strong base ( $NaOH$ ) & the anion is the conjugate base of a strong acid ( $HNO_3$ )  $\Rightarrow$  gives a solution with a neutral pH

④  $KH_2PO_4 \rightarrow$  the cation is the conjugate acid of a strong base ( $KOH$ ) & the anion is  $H_2PO_4^-$  is amphiprotic (can act as an acid and as a base). compare  $K_a$  to  $K_b$  to find if it would produce an acid or a base



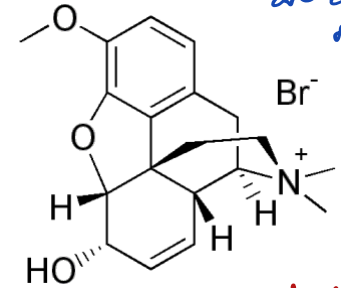
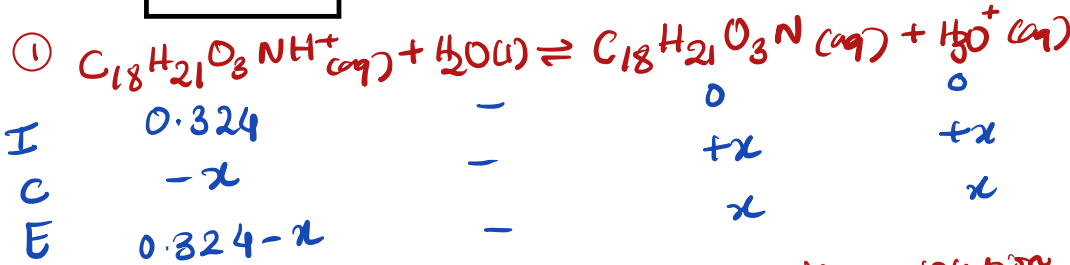
$K_a > K_b$  gives an acidic solution

$$\therefore K_b = \frac{K_w}{K_a} = \frac{1.0 \times 10^{-14}}{7.08 \times 10^{-3}} = 1.41 \times 10^{-12}$$

*the cation is a conjugate acid of a weak base & the anion is a conjugate base of a strong acid*

4. The salt of codeine, **codeine bromide** ( $C_{18}H_{21}O_3NH^+Br^-$ ) has analgesic and antitussive properties. Calculate the pH of a 0.324 M codeine bromide solution.  $pK_b$  of  $C_{18}H_{21}O_3N$  is 7.95. Keep your answer to 3 decimal places.

**3.270**



*should yield an acidic solution*

- ② Since codeine bromide yields an acidic solution  $\therefore$  you need to calculate  $pK_a$  & then  $K_a$

$$pK_a + pK_b = 14.00$$

$$\therefore pK_a = 14.00 - 7.95 = 6.05$$

$$-\log K_a = 6.05$$

$$\therefore K_a = 10^{-6.05} = 8.91 \times 10^{-7}$$

$$K_a = \frac{[C_{18}H_{21}O_3N][H_3O^+]}{[C_{18}H_{21}O_3NH^+]}$$

$$8.91 \times 10^{-7} = \frac{[x][x]}{[0.324 - x]} \quad \frac{C}{K} \gg 100$$

$$\therefore x = \sqrt{8.91 \times 10^{-7} \times 0.324} = 5.3736 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$[H_3O^+] = 5.37 \times 10^{-4} M$$

$$\downarrow 3 \text{ sig figs} \therefore pH = -\log [5.37 \times 10^{-4}] = 3.2697 \sim 3.270 \quad \text{3 decimal places}$$

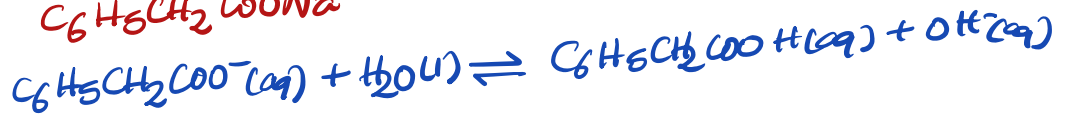
5. Which of the following ionic compounds when dissolved in water produce a solution with the highest pH?

**E**

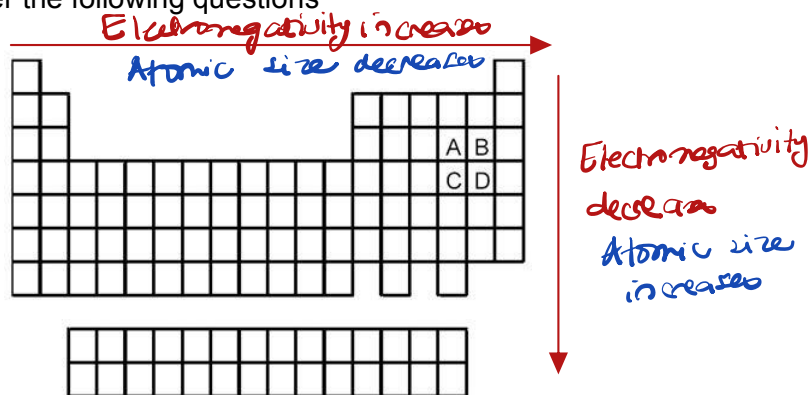
- A.  $CaBr_2$  neutral salt  
B.  $NH_4I$  acidic salt  
C.  $N_2H_5Cl$  acid salt  
D.  $Sr(NO_3)_2$  neutral salt  
E.  $C_6H_5CH_2COONa$

$\downarrow$   
Basic pH

$\downarrow$   
the cation is the conjugate acid of a strong base ( $NaOH$ ) & the anion is the conjugate base of a weak acid  $C_6H_5CH_2COONa$



6. Use the picture below to answer the following questions.



A. Of the elements indicated on the periodic table shown above, which forms the strongest binary acid,  $H_2X$  or  $HX$ , where  $X = A, B, C,$  or  $D$ ?

**D**

-  $B > A$  &  $C > D$  in term of Electronegativity  
 - Comparing  $B$  &  $D$ ,  $D > B$  in term of size.  
 - For binary acids: if atoms are in the same row, electronegativity is more important & if atoms are in the same column, size more important.

B. Of the elements indicated on the periodic table shown above, which forms the weakest binary acid,  $H_2X$  or  $HX$ , where  $X = A, B, C,$  or  $D$ ?

**A**

Smallest atomic size ( $A < B$  &  $C < D$  in electronegativity)  
 $\therefore$  between  $A$  &  $C$ ,  $A$  is the smaller size  $\therefore$  weakest binary acid).

C. Of the elements indicated on the periodic table shown above, which forms the strongest oxoacid acid with the formula  $H_2XO_3$  or  $HXO_3$ , where  $X = A, B, C,$  or  $D$ ?

**B**

When comparing oxoacids with the same number of oxygens we consider the electronegativity of the central atom  
 the  $\uparrow$  EN  $\uparrow$  strength of the acid

D. Of the elements indicated on the periodic table shown above, which forms the weakest oxoacid acid with the formula  $H_2XO_3$  or  $HXO_3$ , where  $X = A, B, C,$  or  $D$ ?

**C**

7. Which of the following will be the strongest acid?

**C**

A.  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$

B.  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$

C.  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{SH}$

D.  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$

E. All the above acids have the same strength

*these organic acids are treated the same ways as binary acids.*

*the difference between all molecules are the atoms highlighted  
the  $\uparrow$  EN  $\uparrow$  acid strength*

$\text{C} < \text{N} < \text{O}$

*Between sulfur & oxygen sulfur has a larger size than oxygen  $\therefore$  would provide a more stable conjugate base*

8. You are given the two sets of acids and each set consists of two acids:

Set I: a)  $\text{HIO}_3$  and b)  $\text{HClO}_2$  Set II: a)  $\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$  and b)  $\text{H}_3\text{AsO}_4$

Use the two sets of acids to answer the question below:

Which of the acids is the **weaker acid** in each set?

Set I

**$\text{HClO}_2$**

*Both acids are oxyacids & although I is less electronegative compared to Cl but the presence of oxygens creates a more stable oxyanion in  $\text{HIO}_3$   $\therefore$  it is the stronger acid &  $\text{HClO}_2$  is the weaker acid.*

Set II

**$\text{H}_3\text{AsO}_4$**

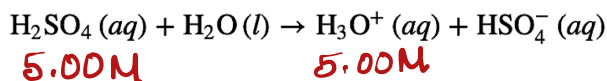
*Phosphorous is more electronegative than Arsenic (both oxyacids have the same number of oxygens)  $\therefore$   $\text{H}_3\text{AsO}_4$  is the weaker acid.*

*$\rightarrow$  Strong acid  $\therefore$   $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$  is directly related to the concentration of acid*

9. Calculate the pH of a sulfuric acid ( $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ ,  $K_a \text{ HSO}_4^- = 1.2 \times 10^{-2}$ ) solution that has a concentration of:

A. 5.00 M (Keep your answer to 3 decimal places).

**-0.699**



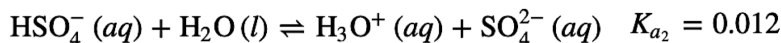
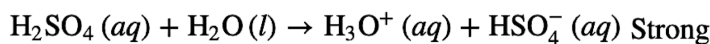
*Except dilute solutions of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 < 1.0\text{M}$*

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{pH} &= -\log [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = -\log [5.00] \\ &= -0.6987 \\ &\sim -0.699 \end{aligned}$$

*$\hookrightarrow$  3 decimal places*

B. 0.075 M (Keep your answer to 2 decimal places). *→ dilute H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> solution (< 1.0 M) ∴ 2nd step must be considered in your calculations*

1.07



From the first step:



0.075 M    -    0.075 M    0.075 M

*→ H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> is a strong acid in the first step*

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+][\text{SO}_4^{2-}]}{[\text{HSO}_4^-]}$$

$$0.012 = \frac{[0.075+x][x]}{[0.075-x]}$$

$$0.012[0.075-x] = [0.075+x]x$$

$$9.0 \times 10^{-4} - 1.2 \times 10^{-2}x = 7.5 \times 10^{-2}x + x^2$$

$$x^2 + 8.7 \times 10^{-2}x - 9.0 \times 10^{-4} = 0$$

$$x = 0.008417448 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -0.096841744$$

*negative dropped*

$$\therefore \text{total } [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 0.075 + 0.008417448 = 0.083417448$$

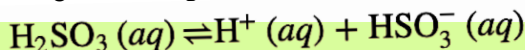
$$\text{pH} = -\log [0.083417448] = 1.07$$

*when calculating the [H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>] & pH of polyprotic acids the first step is the*

10. What is the [H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>], [SO<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup>], and pH of 0.054 M H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>? (K<sub>a1</sub> = 1.54 × 10<sup>-2</sup>, K<sub>a2</sub> = 1.02 × 10<sup>-7</sup>)

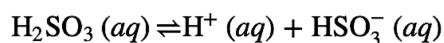
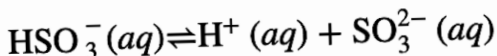
A. [H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>] (Keep your answer to 2 significant figures).

0.022



*or 2.2 × 10<sup>-2</sup> → only step considered*

$$x = [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 0.022$$



I	0.054	0	0
C	-x	+x	+x
E	0.054-x	x	x

$$K_a = \frac{[\text{H}^+][\text{HSO}_3^-]}{[\text{H}_2\text{SO}_3]}$$

$$0.0154 = \frac{[x][x]}{[0.054-x]}$$

*→ using the "100" rule  
C/K < 100 ∴ cannot be ignored*

B. [SO<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup>] (Keep your answer to 3 significant figures)

1.02 × 10<sup>-7</sup>

$$0.0154(0.054-x) = x^2$$

$$8.316 \times 10^{-4} - 1.54 \times 10^{-2}x = x^2$$

$$x^2 + 1.54 \times 10^{-2}x - 8.316 \times 10^{-4} = 0$$

$$x = 0.02214778049 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -0.037647780$$

$$[\text{SO}_3^{2-}] = K_{a2}$$

$$= 1.02 \times 10^{-7}$$

C. pH (Keep your answer to 2 decimal places).

1.65

$$\text{pH} = -\log [\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$$

$$= -\log [0.02214778049]$$

$$= 1.65$$



11. Using the table below for the relative acid strength, arrange the following species in order of decreasing relative base strength:  $\text{ClO}_2^-$ ,  $\text{Br}^-$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{OCl}^-$ ,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}^-$

A

A strong acid will produce a weak conjugate base & a weak acid will produce a strong conjugate base

*↳ comes from H<sub>2</sub>O which is a strong acid* *acid strength can be quantified using K<sub>a</sub>*

Formula	Name	Value of $K_a^*$
$\text{HSO}_4^-$	Hydrogen sulfate ion	$1.2 \times 10^{-2}$
$\text{HClO}_2$	Chlorous acid	$1.2 \times 10^{-2}$
$\text{HC}_2\text{H}_3\text{ClO}_2$	Monochloroacetic acid	$1.35 \times 10^{-3}$
$\text{HF}$	Hydrofluoric acid	$7.2 \times 10^{-4}$
$\text{HNO}_2$	Nitrous acid	$4.0 \times 10^{-4}$
$\text{HC}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2$	Acetic acid	$1.8 \times 10^{-5}$
$[\text{Al}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$	Hydrated aluminum(III) ion	$1.4 \times 10^{-5}$
$\text{HOCl}$	Hypochlorous acid	$3.5 \times 10^{-8}$
$\text{HCN}$	Hydrocyanic acid	$6.2 \times 10^{-10}$
$\text{NH}_4^+$	Ammonium ion	$5.6 \times 10^{-10}$
$\text{HOC}_6\text{H}_5$	Phenol	$1.6 \times 10^{-10}$

↑ increasing acid strength

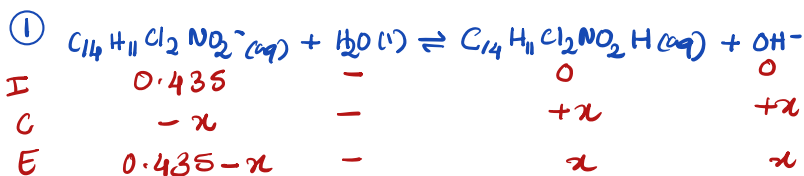
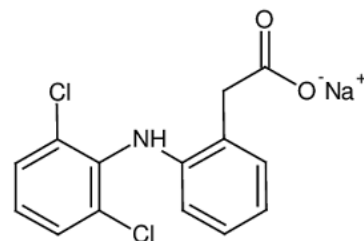
\* water is a stronger base than the conjugate base of a strong acid & it is a weaker base than the conjugate base of a weak acid

- A.  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}^- > \text{OCl}^- > \text{ClO}_2^- > \text{H}_2\text{O} > \text{Br}^-$   
 B.  $\text{Br}^- > \text{H}_2\text{O} > \text{ClO}_2^- > \text{OCl}^- > \text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}^-$   
 C.  $\text{ClO}_2^- > \text{OCl}^- > \text{Br}^- > \text{H}_2\text{O} > \text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}^-$   
 D.  $\text{OCl}^- > \text{Br}^- > \text{ClO}_2^- > \text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}^- > \text{H}_2\text{O}$   
 E.  $\text{H}_2\text{O} > \text{OCl}^- > \text{Br}^- > \text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}^- > \text{ClO}_2^-$

12. Diclofenac sodium is the active ingredient in Voltaren®, is a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug used in a gel form for arthritis pain relief. Calculate the pH of 0.435 M diclofenac sodium ( $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_2^-\text{Na}^+$ ) solution.  $pK_a$  of  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_2\text{H}$  is 4.15. Keep your answer to 3 decimal places.

8.894

( $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_2^-\text{Na}^+$ )  
 Diclofenac sodium is a salt  
 the cation is the conjugate acid of a strong base ( $\text{NaOH}$ ) & the anion is the conjugate base of a weak acid



Since this is a base ∴ we need to find  $pK_b$   
 $pK_a + pK_b = 14.00$   
 $pK_b = 14.00 - 4.15 = 9.85$   
 $K_b = 10^{-pK_b} = 10^{-9.85} = 1.4 \times 10^{-10}$

②  $K_b = \frac{[\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_2\text{H}][\text{OH}^-]}{[\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{11}\text{Cl}_2\text{NO}_2^-]}$

$1.4 \times 10^{-10} = \frac{[x][x]}{[0.435-x]}$   $\frac{C}{K} \gg 100$

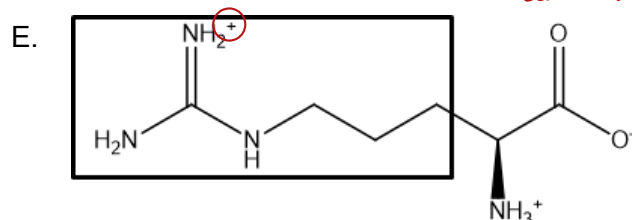
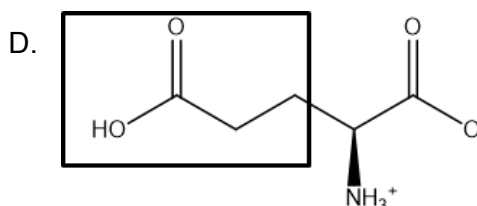
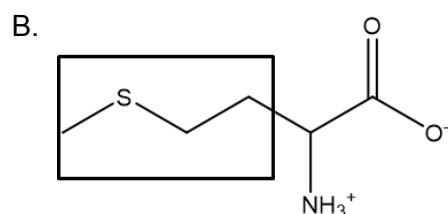
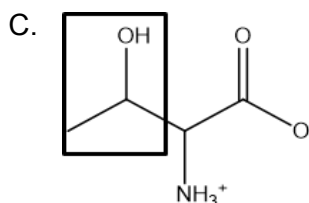
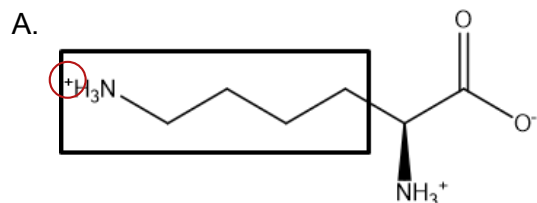
$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{1.4 \times 10^{-10} (0.435)}$   
 $\therefore x = 7.84 \times 10^{-6} \text{ M} = [\text{OH}^-]$

③  $K_w = [\text{OH}^-][\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$   
 $1.0 \times 10^{-14} = [7.84 \times 10^{-6}][\text{H}_3\text{O}^+]$   
 $[\text{H}_3\text{O}^+] = 1.28 \times 10^{-9}$   
 $\text{pH} = -\log [1.28 \times 10^{-9}]$   
 $= 8.894$   
 ↓ 3 decimal places

13. Which amino acid would have the **lowest  $pK_a$**  for its side chain, which is emphasized by the black box?  
(Only compare the part of the molecule in the black box).

**E**

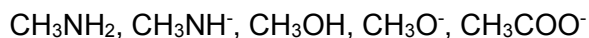
*↓ pKa most acidic*



*\* Choices A & E both have a positive charge  $\therefore$  both are stronger acids than choices B, C, and D*

*\* Between choices A & E choice E the conjugate base is more stable because of resonance. Also E has more electronegative nitrogen than A  $\therefore$  more electronegative & therefore more acidic*

14. Rank the following species from **strongest to weakest base**. Select an answer choice from A-E.



**A**

- A.  $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}^- > \text{CH}_3\text{O}^- > \text{CH}_3\text{COO}^- > \text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2 > \text{CH}_3\text{OH}$   
 B.  $\text{CH}_3\text{OH} > \text{CH}_3\text{COO}^- > \text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2 > \text{CH}_3\text{O}^- > \text{CH}_3\text{NH}^-$   
 C.  $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}^- > \text{CH}_3\text{O}^- > \text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2 > \text{CH}_3\text{COO}^- > \text{CH}_3\text{OH}$   
 D.  $\text{CH}_3\text{O}^- > \text{CH}_3\text{NH}^- > \text{CH}_3\text{COO}^- > \text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2 > \text{CH}_3\text{OH}$   
 E.  $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_2 > \text{CH}_3\text{NH}^- > \text{CH}_3\text{O}^- > \text{CH}_3\text{OH} > \text{CH}_3\text{COO}^-$

*\* A strong base will have a high affinity to proton  $\therefore$  a negatively charged molecule will be a strong base*

*\* Electronegativity of the atom accepting the proton is important. The lower the electronegativity the stronger the base*