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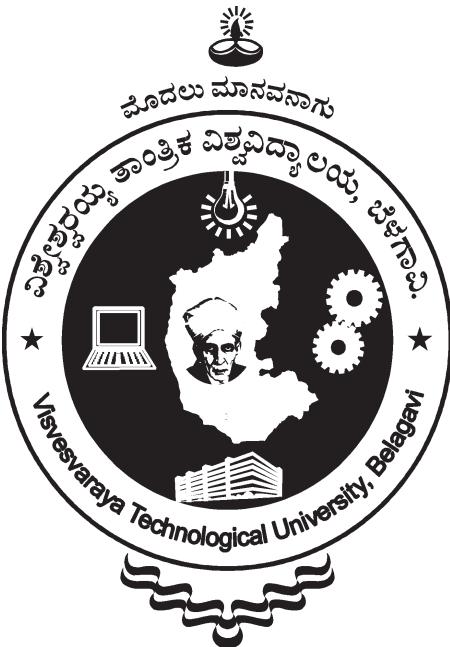


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1. Seven basics S.I. units:

Length	Mass	Time	Temperature	Electric Current	Luminous Intensity	Amount of substance
metre (m)	Kilogram (kg)	Second (s)	Kelvin (K)	Ampere (A)	Candela (Cd)	Mole (mol)

2. Derived Units:

Physical quantity	Unit	Symbol
Area	square metre	m^2
Volume	cubic metre	m^3
Velocity	metre per second	ms^{-1}
Acceleration	metre per second square	ms^{-2}
Density	kilogram per cubic metre	$kg\ m^{-3}$
Molar mass	kilogram per mole	$kg\ mol^{-1}$
Molar volume	cubic metre per mole	$m^3\ mol^{-1}$
Molar concentration	mole per cubic metre	$mol\ m^{-3}$
Force	newton (N)	$kg\ m\ s^{-2}$
Pressure	pascal (Pa)	$N\ m^{-2}$
Energy work	joule (J)	$kg\ m^2\ s^{-2}, Nm$

3. Conversion factors:

1 m = 39.37 inch	1 cal = 4.184 J	1 e.s.u. = 3.3356×10^{-10} C	1 mole of a gas = 22.4 L at STP
1 inch = 2.54 cm	1 eV = 1.602×10^{-19} J	1 dyne = 10^{-5} N	1 mole a substance = N_0 molecules
1 litre = 1000 mL	1 eV/atom = $96.5\ kJ\ mol^{-1}$	1 atm = 101325 Pa	1 g atom = N_0 atoms
1 gallon (US) = 3.79 L	1 amu = 931.5016 MeV	1 bar = 1×10^5 N m ⁻²	$t\ (^{\circ}F) = 9/5 t\ (^{\circ}C) + 32$
1 lb = 453.59237 g	1 kilo watt hour = 3600 kJ	1 litre atm = 101.3 J	1 g cm ⁻³ = 1000 kg m ⁻³
1 newton = 1 kg m s ⁻²	1 horse power = 746 watt	1 year = 3.1536×10^7 s	1 Å = 10^{-10} m
1 J = 1 Nm = 1 kg m ² s ⁻²	1 joule = 10^7 erg	1 debye (D) = 1×10^{-18} esu cm	1 nm = 10^{-9} m

4. Standard prefixes are used to reduce the basic units:

Multiple	Prefix	Symbol	Submultiple	Prefix	Symbol
10^{24}	yotta	Y	10^{-1}	deci	d
10^{21}	zetta	Z	10^{-2}	centi	c



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10^{18}	exa	E	10^{-3}	milli	m
10^{15}	peta	P	10^{-6}	micro	μ
10^{12}	tera	T	10^{-9}	nano	n
10^9	giga	G	10^{-12}	pico	p
10^6	mega	M	10^{-15}	femto	f
10^3	kilo	k	10^{-18}	atto	a
10^2	hecto	h	10^{-21}	zeto	z
10^1	deca	da	10^{-24}	yocto	y

5. Galvanic Series:

Mg	Base metals	Noble metals
Mg alloys		
ZN		
Al		
Cd		
Al alloys		
Mild steel		
Cast steel		
Pb		
Sn		
Brass		
Cu		
Ni		
Stainless steel (18% Cr & 8% Ni)		
Ag		
Ti		
Au		
PT		

6. Beer-Lamberts law:

The Beer-Lambert law states that the absorbance of a solution is directly proportional to the concentration of the absorbing substance and the path length the light travels through the solution.

$$A = \epsilon cl$$

A – Absorbance

ϵ – Molar absorption co-efficient ($M^{-1}cm^{-1}$)

C – Molar concentration (M)

l – optical path length (cm)

7. Oxidation-Reduction Titrations:



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Oxidation form + n e⁻ ⇌ Reduced form

$$E_{\text{Cell}} = E^0 + \frac{0.0591}{n} \log \frac{a_{\text{oxidised form}}}{a_{\text{reduced form}}}$$



8. Ohm's Law:

Ohm's law in electrochemistry applies to the relationship between voltage (V), current (I), and resistance (R) in an electrolyte solution.

$$I = \frac{V}{R}$$

9. Equivalent Conductance (Λ): Equivalent conductance is a measure of an electrolyte's conducting ability in a solution, specifically the conductance of all ions produced from one gram-equivalent of the electrolytes.

$$\Lambda = \frac{\kappa}{M}$$

If M is in the units of molarity i.e., moles per litre (mol L^{-1}),

The Λ may be expressed as, $\Lambda = \frac{\kappa \times 1000}{M}$

10. Specific Conductance ($\Omega^{-1}\text{m}^{-1}$):

$$\kappa = \frac{1}{R} \times \frac{L}{A}$$

κ - specific conductance

R - the resistance of the solution in Ohms

L - the distance between the electrodes (in meters, m, or cm)

A - the cross-sectional area of the electrodes (in square meters or square centimeters)

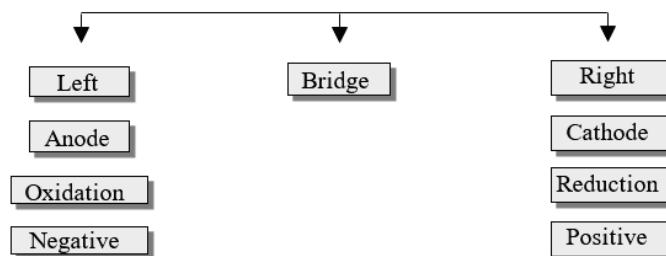
11. Strong acid Vs Strong base:



12. Weak acid Vs Strong base:



13. Galvanic cell:



14. Cell EMF and the spontaneity of the reaction:

Nature of reaction	$\Delta G(\text{or } \Delta G^\circ)$	$E_{\text{cell}} (\text{or } E_{\text{cell}}^\circ)$
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Spontaneous	-	+
Equilibrium	0	0
Non - spontaneous	+	-

15. Nernst equation for single electrode:

$$E = E^{\circ} - \frac{RT}{nF} \ln Q$$

Here E is the electrode potential, E° is the standard electrode potential, R is the ideal gas constant, T is the temperature in Kelvin, n is the number of electrons transferred, F is the Faraday constant, and Q is the reaction quotient. This equation relates the potential of an electrode under non-standard conditions to its standard potential.

16.

$$E_{\text{Cell}} = E^{\circ} + \frac{0.0591}{2} \log C_2 - (E^{\circ} + \frac{0.0591}{2} \log C_1)$$

$$E_{\text{Cell}} = \frac{0.0591}{2} \log \frac{C_2}{C_1}$$

17. Nernst Equation:

$$E = E^{\circ} + \frac{0.0591}{n} \log_{10} [M^{n+}]$$

Where, n = no of electrons

18. Concentration cell:

$$E = \frac{0.0591}{n} \log_{10} \frac{[\text{cathode}]}{[\text{anode}]}$$

Where, n = no of electrons

19. Glass Electrode:

$$E = \frac{E_G^{\circ} - E_{\text{cell}} - E_{\text{SCE}}}{0.0591}$$

20. Molecular mass:

$$\text{Molecular mass} = \frac{\text{Mass of one molecule of the substance}}{\frac{1}{12} \times \text{Mass of one atom of C} - 12}$$

21. Types of Electrodes

- a) Cu|CuSO₄,Zn|ZnSO₄
- b) Hydrogen Electrode
- c) Hg|Hg₂Cl₂|Cl⁻
- d) Glass electrode
- e) Pb-Hg/Pb²⁺

22. Cell EMF and the spontaneity of the reaction:

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Equilibrium	0	0
Non - spontaneous	+	-

23. Various types of Half cells:

Type	Example	Half – cell reaction	$Q =$	Reversible to	Electrode Potential (oxid ⁿ), $E =$
Gas ion half - cell	$Pt(H_2) H^+(aq)$ $Pt(Cl_2) Cl^-(aq)$	$\frac{1}{2}H_2(g) \rightarrow H^+(aq) + e^-$ $Cl^-(aq) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}Cl_2(g) + e^-$	$[H^+]$ $\frac{1}{[Cl^-]}$	H^+ Cl^-	$E^0 - 0.0591 \log[H^+]$ $E^0 + 0.0591 \log[Cl^-]$
Metal – metal ion half – cell	$Ag Ag^+(aq)$	$Ag(s) \rightarrow Ag^+(aq) + e^-$	$[Ag^+]$	Ag^+	$E^0 - 0.0591 \log[Ag^+]$
Metal insoluble salt anion half – cell	$Ag, AgCl Cl^-(aq)$	$Ag(s) + Cl^-(aq) \rightarrow AgCl(s) + e^-$	$\frac{1}{[Cl^-]}$	Cl^-	$E^0 + 0.0591 \log[Cl^-]$
Calomel electrode	$Hg, Hg_2Cl_2 Cl^-(aq)$	$2Hg(l) + 2Cl^-(aq) \rightarrow Hg_2Cl_2(s) + 2e^-$	$\frac{1}{[Cl^-]^2}$	Cl^-	$E^0 + 0.0591 \log[Cl^-]$
Metal – metal oxide hydroxide half - cell	$Hg, HgO OH^-(aq)$	$Hg(l) + 2OH^-(aq) \rightarrow HgO(s) + H_2O(l) + 2e^-$	$\frac{1}{[OH^-]^2}$	OH^-	$E^0 + 0.0591 \log[OH^-]$
Oxidation – reduction half – cell	$Pt Fe^{2+}_{(aq)}, Fe^{3+}_{(aq)}$	$Fe^{2+}(aq) \rightarrow Fe^{3+}(aq) + e^-$	$\frac{[Fe^{3+}]}{[Fe^{2+}]}$	Fe^{2+}, Fe^{3+}	$E^0 - 0.0591 \log \frac{[Fe^{3+}]}{[Fe^{2+}]}$

24. Comparison of mass, charge and specific charge of electron, proton and neutron:

Name of constant	Unit	Electron (e^-)	Proton (p^+)	Neutron (n)
Mass (m)	Amu	0.000546	1.00728	1.00899
	Kg	9.109×10^{-31}	1.673×10^{-27}	1.675×10^{-27}
	Relative	1/1837	1	1
Charge(e)	Coulomb (C)	$- 1.602 \times 10^{-19}$	$+1.602 \times 10^{-19}$	Zero
	Esu	$- 4.8 \times 10^{-10}$	$+4.8 \times 10^{-10}$	Zero
	Relative	- 1	+1	Zero
Specific charge (e/m)	C/g	1.76×10^8	9.58×10^4	Zero
Density	Gram / cc	2.17×10^{-17}	1.114×10^{14}	1.5×10^{-14}

25. Standard ambient temperature and pressure:

Condition	T	P	V_m (Molar volume)
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S.T.P./N.T.P.	273.15 K	1 atm	22.414 L
S.A.T.P.*	298.15 K	1 bar	24.800 L

26. pH Scale:

	[H ⁺]	[OH ⁻]	pH	pOH
Acidic solution	> 10 ⁻⁷	< 10 ⁻⁷	< 7	> 7
Neutral solution	10 ⁻⁷	10 ⁻⁷	7	7
Basic solution	< 10 ⁻⁷	> 10 ⁻⁷	> 7	< 7

27. Equivalent weight of few oxidizing/reducing agents:

Agents	O. N.	Product	O. N.	Change in O. N. per atom	Total Change in O. N. per mole	Eq. wt.
Cr ₂ O ₇ ²⁻	+ 6	Cr ³⁺	+ 3	3	3 × 2 = 6	Mol. wt./6
C ₂ O ₄ ²⁻	+ 3	CO ₂	+ 4	1	1 × 2 = 2	Mol. wt./2
S ₂ O ₃ ²⁻	+ 2	S ₄ O ₆ ²⁻	+ 2.5	0.5	0.5 × 2 = 1	Mol. wt./1
H ₂ O ₂	- 1	H ₂ O	- 2	1	1 × 2 = 2	Mol. wt./2
H ₂ O ₂	- 1	O ₂	0	1	1 × 2 = 2	Mol. wt./2
MnO ₄ ⁻ (Acidic medium)	+ 7	Mn ²⁺	+ 2	5	5 × 1 = 5	Mol. wt./5
MnO ₄ ⁻ (Neutral medium)	+ 7	MnO ₂	+ 4	3	3 × 1 = 3	Mol. wt./3
MnO ₄ ⁻ (Alkaline medium)	+ 7	MnO ₄ ²⁻	+ 6	1	1 × 1 = 1	Mol. wt./1

28. Products of electrolysis of some electrolytes:

Electrolyte	Electrode	Product at cathode	Product at anode
Aqueous NaOH	Pt or Graphite	2H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ → H ₂	2OH ⁻ → $\frac{1}{2}$ O ₂ + H ₂ O + 2e ⁻
Fused NaOH	Pt or Graphite	Na ⁺ + e ⁻ → Na	2OH ⁻ → $\frac{1}{2}$ O ₂ + H ₂ O + 2e ⁻
Aqueous NaCl	Pt or Graphite	2H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ → H ₂	2Cl ⁻ → Cl ₂ + 2e ⁻
Fused NaCl	Pt or Graphite	Na ⁺ + e ⁻ → Na	2Cl ⁻ → Cl ₂ + 2e ⁻
Aqueous CuSO ₄	Pt or Graphite	Cu ²⁺ + 2e ⁻ → Cu	2OH ⁻ → $\frac{1}{2}$ O ₂ + H ₂ O + 2e ⁻
Aqueous CuSO ₄	Cu electrode	Cu ²⁺ + 2e ⁻ → Cu	Cu oxidised to Cu ²⁺ ions
Dilute H ₂ SO ₄	Pt electrode	2H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ → H ₂	2OH ⁻ → $\frac{1}{2}$ O ₂ + H ₂ O + 2e ⁻
Conc. H ₂ SO ₄	Pt electrode	2H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ → H ₂	Peroxodisulphuric acid (H ₂ S ₂ O ₈)



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Aqueous $AgNO_3$	Pt electrode	$Ag^+ + e^- \rightarrow Ag$	$2OH^- \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}O_2 + H_2O + 2e^-$
Aqueous $AgNO_3$	Ag electrode	$Ag^+ + e^- \rightarrow Ag$	Ag oxidised to Ag^+ ions

29. pH and pOH:

In electrochemistry, pH is a crucial measure of acidity or alkalinity that directly impacts electrochemical reactions by influencing the concentration of hydrogen ions.

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

In electrochemistry, pOH is a measure of the hydroxide ion (OH^-) concentration, calculated as the negative logarithm of the hydroxide ion concentration,

$$pOH = -\log [OH^-]$$

$$\text{Relation } pH + pOH = 14$$

$$\text{Ionic Product of Water } K_w = [H^+][OH^-] = 10^{-14}$$

30. pH of some materials;

Material	pH	Material	pH
Gastric juice	1.4	Rain water	6.5
Lemon juice	2.1	Pure water	7.0
Vinegar	2.9	Human saliva	7.0
Soft drinks	3.0	Blood plasma	7.4
Beer	4.5	Tears	7.4
Black coffee	5.0	Egg	7.8
Cow's milk	6.5	Household ammonia	11.9

31. Normality: Normality (N) is defined as the number of gram equivalents of solute present in one litre of solution. In SI, its unit is equivalents/litre (eq/L or N).

$$N = x \times \text{No. of millimoles}$$

$$= x \times \text{Molarity} = \frac{\text{Strength in gm litre}^{-1}}{\text{Eq. wt.}}$$

$$32. \text{ Normality formula, } N_1 V_1 = N_2 V_2$$

$$33. \text{ Thermodynamics } E_2 - E_1 = \Delta E = q + w$$

34. Electrochemical series: The electrochemical series, also known as the activity series, is a list of elements arranged by their standard electrode potentials. This arrangement ranks elements by their tendency to gain or lose electrons, with elements at the top being more reactive and easily oxidized (losing electrons), and those at the bottom being less reactive and more easily reduced (gaining electrons).

M^{n+}/M	$E^\circ (V)$
Li^+/Li	-3.05



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Mg ²⁺ /Mg	-2.37
Zn ²⁺ /Zn	-0.76
Fe ²⁺ /Fe	-0.44
Cd ²⁺ /Cd	-0.40
Mn ⁺ /M	E ^o (V)
H ⁺ /H ₂	00
Cu ²⁺ /Cu	0.34
Ag ⁺ /Ag	0.8
Pt ²⁺ /Pt	1.20
Au ³⁺ /Au	1.38

35. Corrosion Penetration Ratio (CPR): The corrosion penetration ratio, more commonly known as Corrosion Penetration Rate (CPR), measures how quickly a metal deteriorates due to corrosion, typically expressed in mils per year (mpy) or millimeters per year (mm/y).

$$\text{CPR} = \frac{k \times W}{D(\rho) \times A \times T}$$

Where, W- is weight loss after exposure time.

T- is exposure time in corrosive medium.

D- is the density of metal.

A -is surface area of exposed specimen.

K - is constant.

1 mm = 0.0393701 inch	1 inch = 25.4 mm		CPR in mpy	CPR in mmmpy
1 cm = 0.3937 inches	1 inch = 2.54 cm	K	534	87.6
1 sq cm = 0.155 sq inches	1 inch = 0.0254 m	W	mg	Mg
1 meter = 39.37 inches	1 sq inch = 645.16 mm ²	ρ	g/cm ³	g/cm ³
1 sq meter = 1550 sq inches	1 sq inch = 6.4516 cm ²	A	inch ²	cm ²
1 foot = 12 inches	1 sq inch = 0.00064516 m ²	t	hrs	Hrs

36. Throwing Power:

$$\% \text{ of throwing power} = \frac{100 (A - B)}{A + B - 2}$$

Where A= d₁/d₂ (where d₁>d₂) and B= w₂/w₁

37. Gross Calorific value:

$$GCV = \frac{(W + w) X (\Delta t) X s}{m} \text{ kJ/Kg}$$

$$NCV = \left[\frac{(W + w) X (\Delta t) X s}{m} - (0.09 X \% \text{ H}_2 \text{ X L}) \right] \text{ kJ/Kg}$$



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38. (i) Number average molecular mass (\bar{M}_N):

$$\bar{M}_N = \frac{N_1 M_1 + N_2 M_2 + N_3 M_3 + \dots}{N_1 + N_2 + N_3 \dots}$$

$$\bar{M}_N = \frac{\sum N_i M_i}{\sum N_i}$$

Where N_i is the number of molecules of the i th type with molecular mass M_i .

(ii) Weight average molecular mass (\bar{M}_W):

$$\bar{M}_W = \frac{m_1 M_1 + m_2 M_2 + m_3 M_3 \dots}{m_1 + m_2 + m_3 + \dots} \text{ or } = \frac{\sum m_i M_i}{\sum m_i}$$

But $m_i = N_i M_i$, so that $\bar{M}_W = \frac{\sum N_i M_i^2}{\sum N_i M_i}$

Where N_i is the number of molecules of mass M_i .

39. Daniel cell:

A Daniel cell is an electrochemical cell that converts chemical energy into electrical energy through a spontaneous redox reaction.

Represented as $Zn_{(s)} | ZnSO_4_{(aq)} || CuSO_4_{(aq)} | Cu_{(s)}$

Mathematically Emf of a cell represented as,

$$E_{cell} = E_{Right} - E_{Left}$$

$$E_{cell} = E_{Cathode} - E_{anode}$$

40. Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD):

COD as mg/l of oxygen consumed = $(A-B) \times \text{Normality of FAS} \times 8000 / \text{ml. of sample taken}$

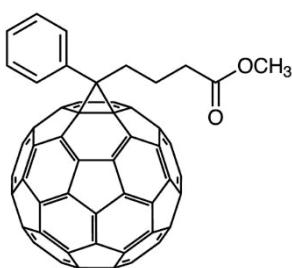
Where A = ml. of FAS used for titration of blank

B = ml. of FAS used for titration of sample

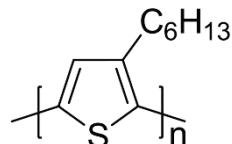
The following formula is used to calculate COD:

$$\text{COD} = \frac{8000(b-s)n}{\text{sample volume}}$$

41. Structures:



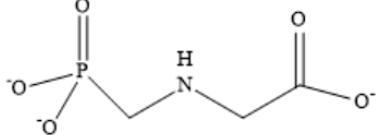
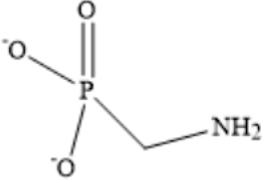
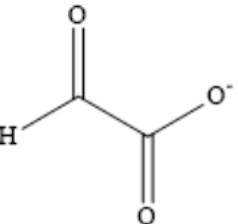
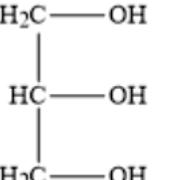
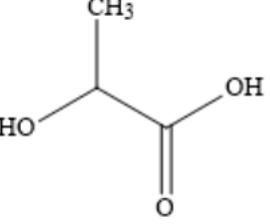
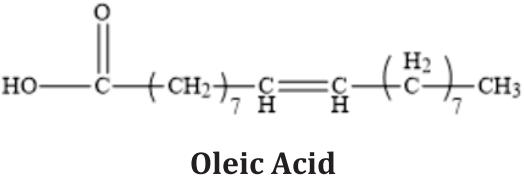
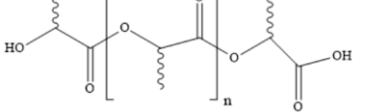
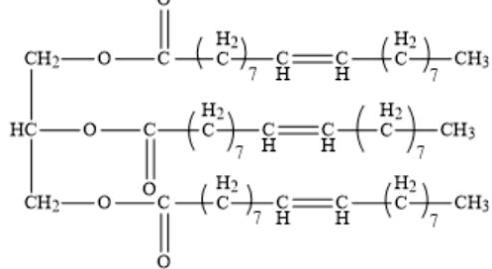
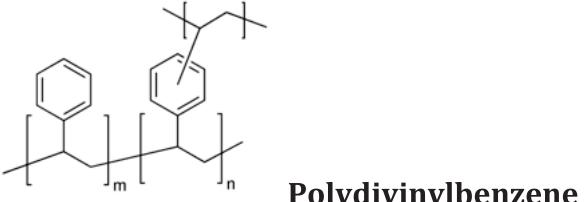
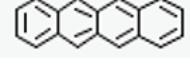
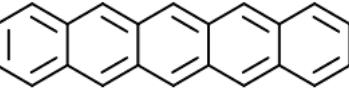
Phenyl-C61-butyric acid methyl ester
(PCBM)



Poly-3-Hexyl-Thiophene

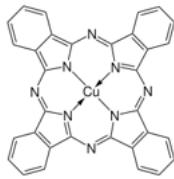
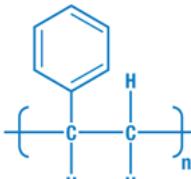
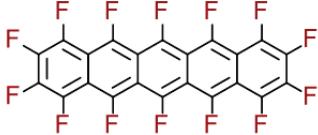
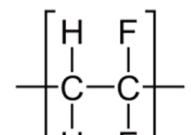


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 <p>Glyphosate</p>	$\text{HOOC}—(\text{CH}_2)_4—\text{COOH}$ <p>Adipic Acid</p>
 <p>Amidopomethylphosphonic Acid (AMPA)</p>	 <p>Glyoxylate</p>
 <p>Glycerol</p>	 <p>Lactic Acid</p>
 <p>Oleic Acid</p>	 <p>Polylactic acid</p>
 <p>Glycerol trioleate (Triolein)</p>	$\text{H}_2\text{N}—(\text{CH}_2)_6—\text{NH}_2$ <p>Hexamethylene diamine</p> $\text{Ti}-\text{O}-\text{Ti}$ <p>Titanium Oxide Frame</p>
 <p>Polydivinylbenzene</p>	 <p>Tetracene</p>  <p>Pentacene</p>



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 <p>phthalocyanine</p>	 <p>Polystyrene</p>
$\text{Ti}(\text{OR})_4$ Titanium Alkoxide	such as $\text{Et}_3\text{Al}/\text{Ti}(\text{OC}_3\text{H}_7)_4$ Ziegler-Natta catalyst
 <p>Perfluoropentacene</p>	 <p>PVDF</p>



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