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PHARMACEUTICAL TECHNOLOGY

SOLUTIONS

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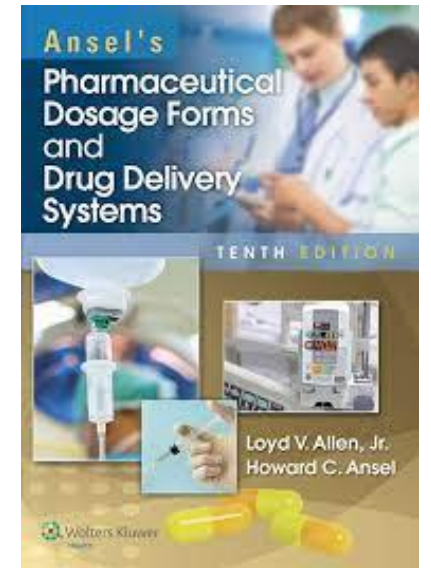
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Solutions

Chapter 13

Reference:

- Ansel's pharmaceutical dosage forms and drug delivery systems
- Sprowel's American Pharmacy: an introduction to pharmaceutical techniques and dosage forms



Solutions

- ❑ In pharmaceutical terms, solutions are “**liquid preparations that contain one or more chemical substances dissolved in a suitable solvent or mixture of mutually miscible solvents**” (aqueous or non –aqueous).
- ❑ Prepared from any combination of solid, **liquid**, and gas.
- ❑ It may be classified by use to oral, otic, ophthalmic, or topical .
- ❑ Certain solutions prepared to be **sterile** and **pyrogen free** and intended for parenteral administration are classified as **injections** .

- Most common pharmaceutical solutions are aqueous solutions (**why?**) (because the biological systems are mostly aqueous).
- Medicated solutions contain drugs that are usually soluble in water and their **absorption is higher than from suspension or solid dosage forms** because any drug must be molecular dispersed (in-solution), before they can be absorbed across the biological membrane and be effective .

Solutions can be formulated for different routes of administration

- Orally: Syrups, elixirs, drops
- In mouth and throat: Mouth washes, gargles, throat sprays.
- In body cavities: Douches, enemas, ear drops, nasal sprays.
- On body surfaces: Collodions, topical solutions.
- Parenteral: Injectable dosage forms.



Pharmaceutical solutions classified according to their composition

Syrups

- Sweet thick oral solution
- Contains sucrose

Elixirs

- Hydro-alcoholic oral solutions
- Sweetened

Spirits, aromatic water

- Spirits are alcoholic or hydro-alcoholic solution of aromatic material
- Aromatic water the solvent is water

Fluidextracts Tinctures

- Aqueous or hydroalcoholic or alcoholic extract
- Plant or chemical origin
- Differ in concentration of the extract

Injections

- Must be sterile, isotonic and buffered
- Aqueous or non aqueous

Classification of solutions according to method of preparation

1–Solutions prepared by simple solution

- Gention violet solution 1% in (10% alcohol) solution topical anti-infective

2–Solution prepared by chemical reaction

- Hydrogen peroxide solution 3% hydrolysis of persulfuric acid used as topical anti infective

3–Solutions prepared by simple solution with sterilization

- Atropine sulphate ophthalmic solution, also 0.9% w/v NaCl I.V. fluid

4– Solutions prepared by extraction

Ipecac, tolu

Advantages of solution

1. Easier to swallow
2. More **quickly** effective than solid dosage forms
3. Homogenous (no need shaking)
4. Dilute irritant action of some drugs

Disadvantages of Solutions

1. Bulky
2. Unpleasant taste or odours are difficult to mask.
3. Needs an accurate spoon to measure the dose (drug activity?).
4. Less stable than solid dosage forms (why?).

Oral solutions

- Their **absorption** from the gastrointestinal tract into the systemic circulation may be expected to occur more **rapidly** than from suspension or solid dosage forms of the same medicinal agent.

(you have to differentiate between the **rate** and the **extent** of absorption)

- Solutes other than the medicinal agent are usually present in orally administered solutions.
- These **additional agents** are frequently included to provide color, flavor, sweetness, or stability.
- In formulating pharmaceutical solution, information on the **solubility and stability** of each solute with regard to the solvent or solvent system must be considered.
- **Combinations** of medicinal or pharmaceutical agents that will result in chemical and/or physical interactions affecting the therapeutic quality or pharmaceutical stability of the product must avoided .

Drug solubility

- The solubility of an agent in a particular solvent indicates the **maximum** concentration to which a solution may be prepared with that agent and that solvent at a given **temperature**, **pH** and **pressure**.

Very important scale

Table 13.1

RELATIVE TERMS OF SOLUBILITY (2)

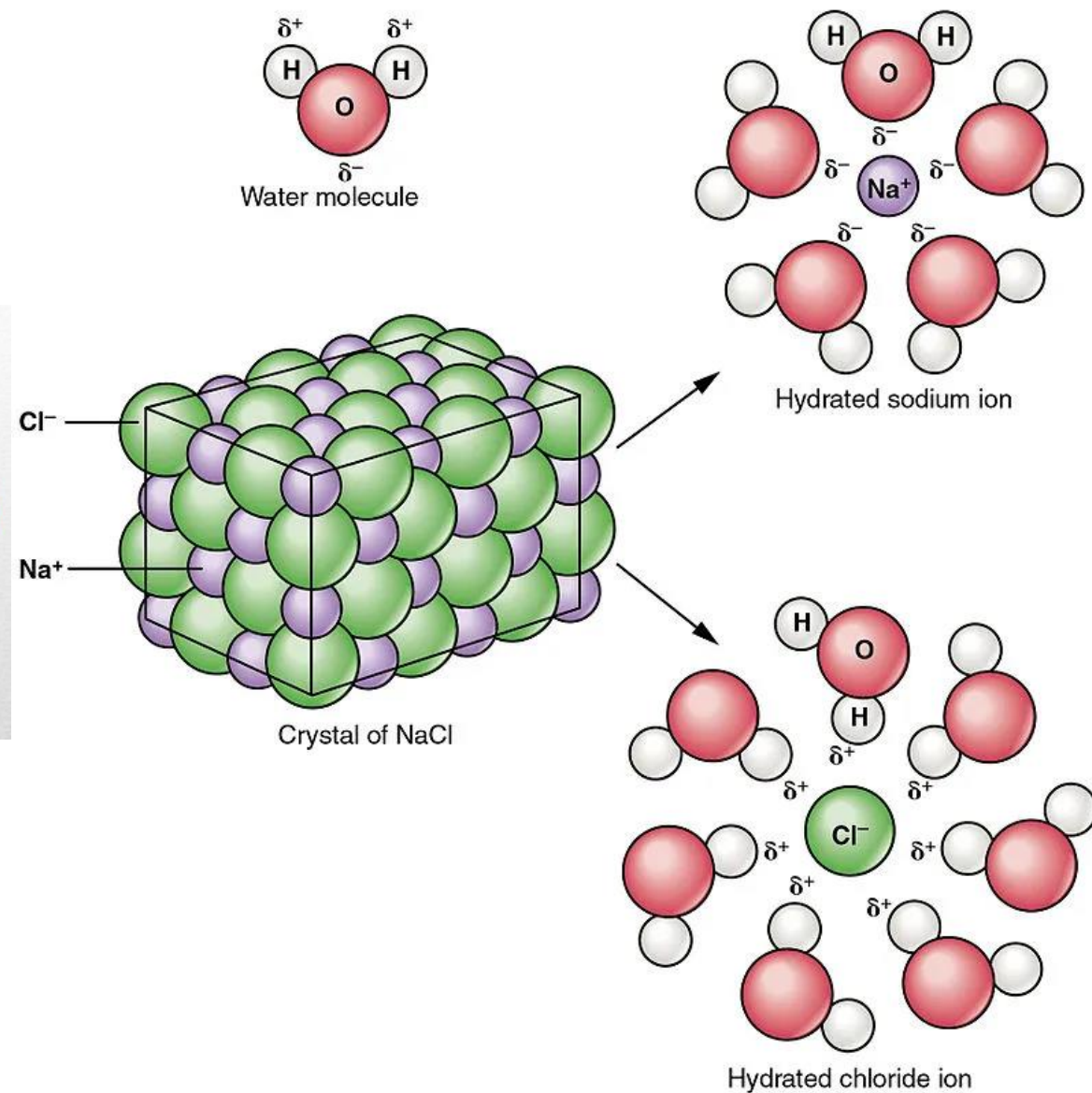
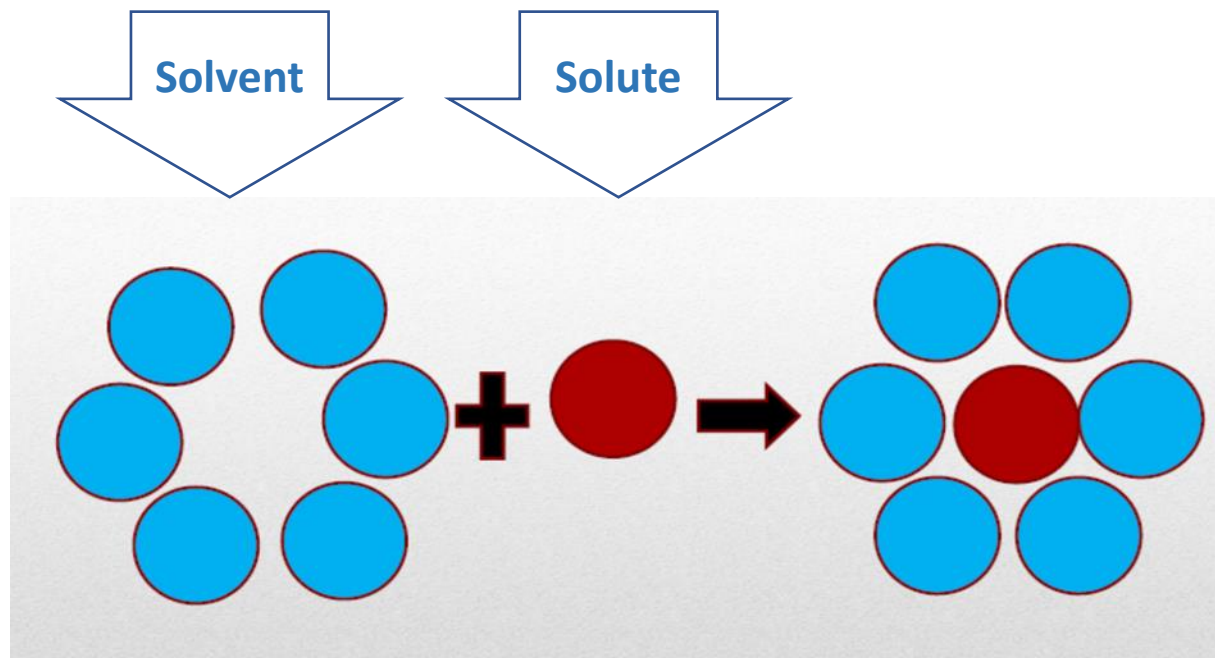
DESCRIPTIVE TERM	PARTS OF SOLVENT REQUIRED FOR 1 PART OF SOLUTE
Very soluble	<1
Freely soluble	1–10
Soluble	10–30
Sparingly soluble	30–100
Slightly soluble	100–1,000
Very slightly soluble	1,000–10,000
Practically insoluble or insoluble	>10,000

Expression of solubility

- Calcium Hydroxide Topical solution USP 140mg per 100ml of solution at 25°C
- Potassium iodide solution 100g per 100ml of solution
- The **no. of ml. of a solvent required to dissolve 1 g of the solute** (or 1 ml. of liquid)
- 1g of KI dissolves in 0.7 ml of water
- 0.5 ml boiling water
- Expressed using **physical units** w/w, w/v, v/v
- Or **chemical units** milliequivalent mEq
- Used to express concentration of electrolytes depending on their ionic charge and valence activity

Theory of solubility

- When molecules interact, attractive and repulsive forces are in effect. The attractive forces cause the molecules to cohere, whereas the repulsive forces prevent molecular interpenetration and destruction. When the attractive and repulsive forces are equal, the potential energy between two molecules is minimal and the system is most stable.
- When a solute dissolves, the substance's intermolecular forces of attraction must be overcome by forces of attraction between the solute and the solvent molecules (solute-solvent intermolecular forces). This entails breaking the solute-solute forces and the solvent-solvent forces to achieve the solute-solvent attraction.



Excipients used in pharmaceutical solutions for oral administration

- 1. The vehicle
- ☐ Water types

Table 24.1 Different types of water, as defined by the <i>European Pharmacopoeia</i>	
Type of water	Use
Purified Water	Used for the preparation of medicines that do not have to be sterile and apyrogenic.
Highly Purified Water	Used for the preparation of medicines where water of high biological quality is needed, except where Water for Injections is required.
Water for Injections	Used for medicines for parenteral administration. Must be pyrogen-free.
Sterilized Water for Injections	Used for medicines for parenteral administration. Water has been sterilized by heat and is suitably packaged.

Drinking water (potable)

- ▶ Drinking water must be clear, colorless, odorless, and neutral or only slightly acidic or alkaline
- ▶ Not accepted for manufacture of aqueous pharmaceutical preparations because of **chemical compatibility of the dissolved solids** with the medicinal agents (may lead to ppt., discoloration, effervescence)
- ▶ Used *for washing, in extraction of the crude vegetable drugs*

Purified Water USP

- ▶ Prepared from tap water complying with the Environmental Protection Agency for drinking water.
- ▶ Purified Water **has fewer solids impurities** than ordinary drinking water, when evaporated to dryness it must not yield more than **1 mg solids per 100ml water**
- ▶ Intended for *use in preparation of aqueous dosage forms* except those intended for parenteral administration.

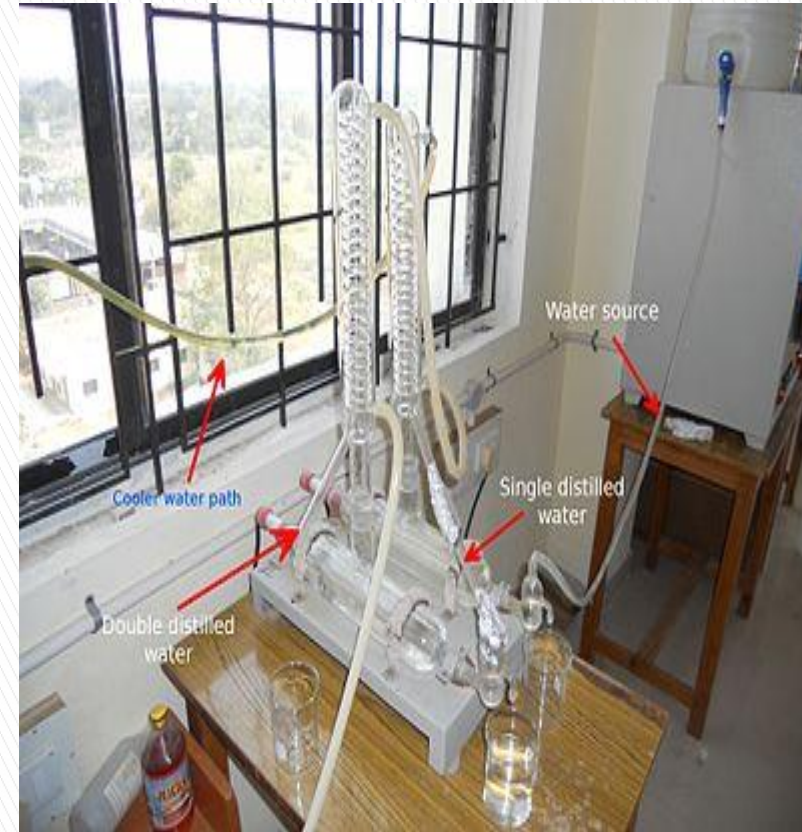
Distilled water

- ▶ **Distilled Water DW**
- ▶ is water that has many of its impurities removed through distillation.

Distillation


involves boiling the water and then condensing the steam into a clean container

Definition




Typical laboratory distillation unit

Water for injection

- ▶ **Pyrogen free water** (polysaccharide byproduct of bacterial origin)
 - ▶ **Purified by distillation** and **used within 24 hr.** after collection.
 - ▶ Intended to be used as a **solvent for parental products** preparation to be sterilized after preparation
 - ▶ **Sterilization** is achieved by autoclave (steam under pressure)
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Sterilized water for injection USP

- ▶ Water for injection sterilized and packed in suitable single dose container preferably Type I glass and not larger than 1000ml size.
 - ▶ This water is intended to be used as a solvent, vehicle, or diluent for already sterilized and packaged injectable medications.
 - ▶ They are used to reconstitute of **antibiotics**
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Bacteriostatic water for injection USP

- ▶ Sterile water for injection that contains bacteriostatic agent (benzyl alcohol)
- ▶ May be packed in single dose container (not larger than 5ml) or multiple dose containers (not larger than 30ml)
- ▶ **Not used for neonates.**

Other sterile liquids (as fluid supplement or for irrigation)

- ▶ Sodium chloride injection USP
 - ▶ Bacteriostatic sodium chloride injection USP
 - ▶ Ringer injection USP
 - ▶ Lactated Ringer injection USP
 - ▶ Dextrose 5% solution
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2. Co -solvents

Glycerol

Alcohol ($\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$)

Propylene Glycol

Poly (ethylene glycol)(PEG)

3. Surface active agent

4. Complexing agent

5. Buffering agents

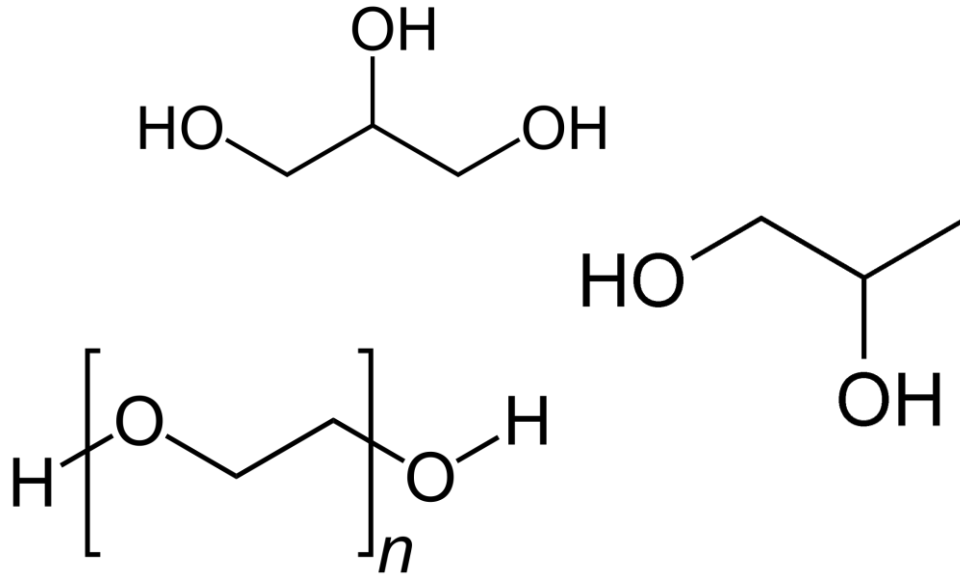
6. Sweetening agents

7. Viscosity enhancing agents

8. Antioxidants

9. Preservatives

10. Flavours and colorants



Taste masking

Taste of product	Suitable masking flavor
Salty	Apricot, butterscotch, liquorice, peach vanilla
Bitter	Anise, chocolate, mint, passion fruit, wild cherry
Sweet	Vanilla, fruits, berries
Sour	Citrus fruits, liquorice, raspberry

Additives: Flavors and perfumes

Product use	Flavor preferred
Relief of indigestion	Mint
Antiseptic activity	Terpineol
Oral mucosa anesthetic	Clove oil (eugenol)
Children	Fruity taste and smell
Adult	Flowery odours, acid taste

Additives: Colors

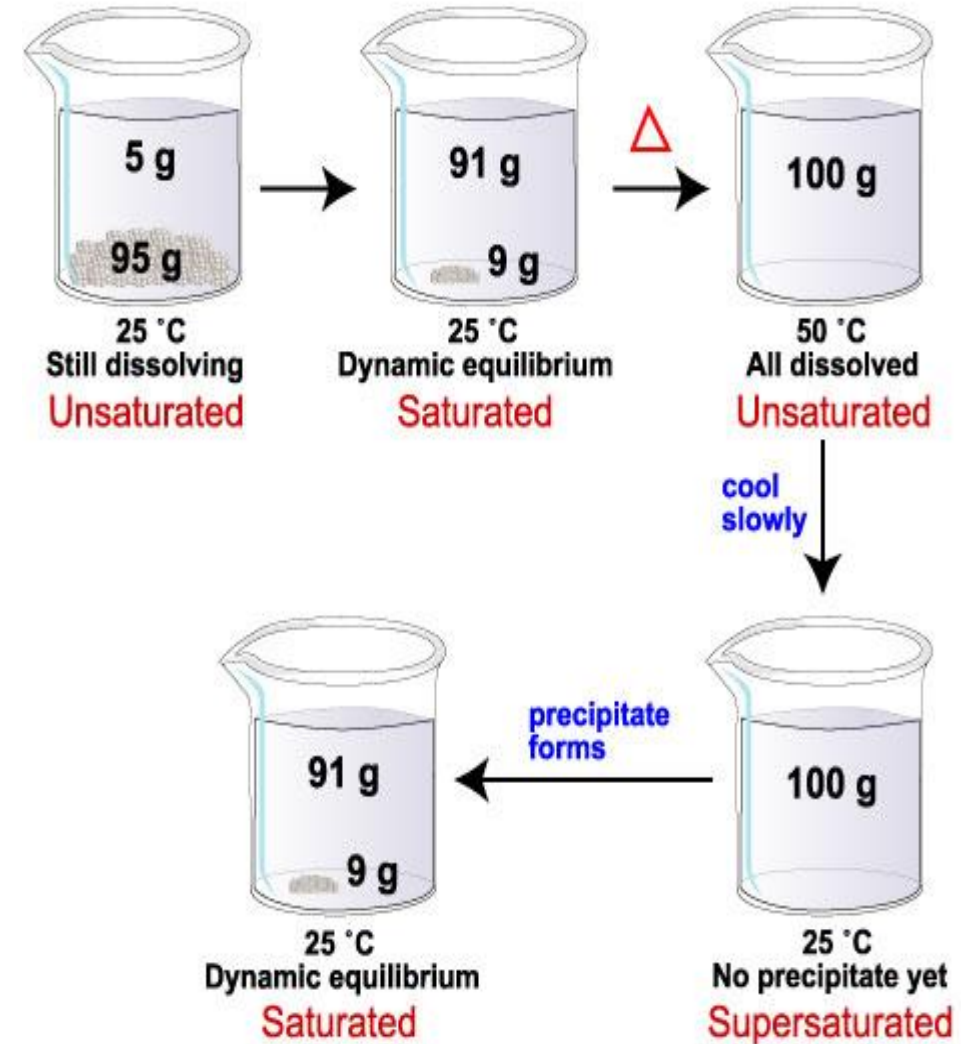
- ▶ The colour of the product is associated with the flavor

Flavor	Colour
Mint	Green
Chocolate	Brown
Cherry , strawberry	Pink – red

- ▶ Colouring agents used for:
 1. Product identification
 2. Safety and acceptability

Solubility

- [?] The solubility of an agent in a particular solvent indicates the concentration to which a solution may be prepared with that agent and that solvent (**solubility**)
- [?] When excess of solid (solute) is shaken with liquid (solvent) for a period of time, a maximum amount of it will be dissolved (**saturated solubility**).
- [?] When excess amount of solute is added to saturated solution and the **temperature** is elevated more of solute will be dissolved (**super saturated solution**).



Rate of solubility enhanced by :

- Reducing the **particle size** of the solute (the finer the powder the greater the surface area, which comes in contact with the solvent, and the more rapid the dissolving process).
- Subjecting the ingredients to vigorous **agitation** (the greater the agitation the more unsaturated solvent passes over the drug and the faster the formation of the solution).
- Applying **heat**.

Factors affecting on extent of solubility

1. Temperature

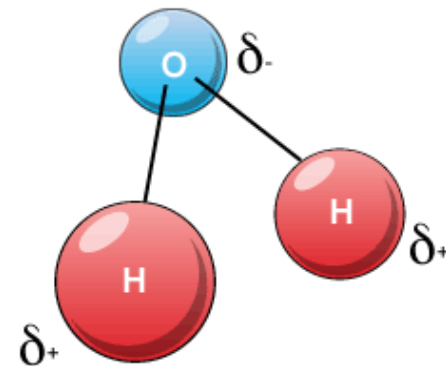
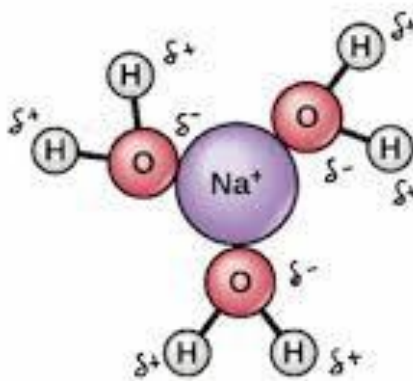
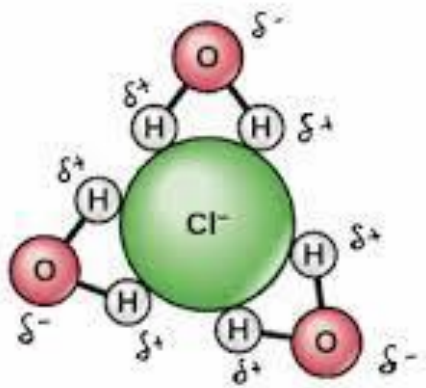
Solids are usually more soluble in hot than in cold solvent.

In the process of solution we have three cases:

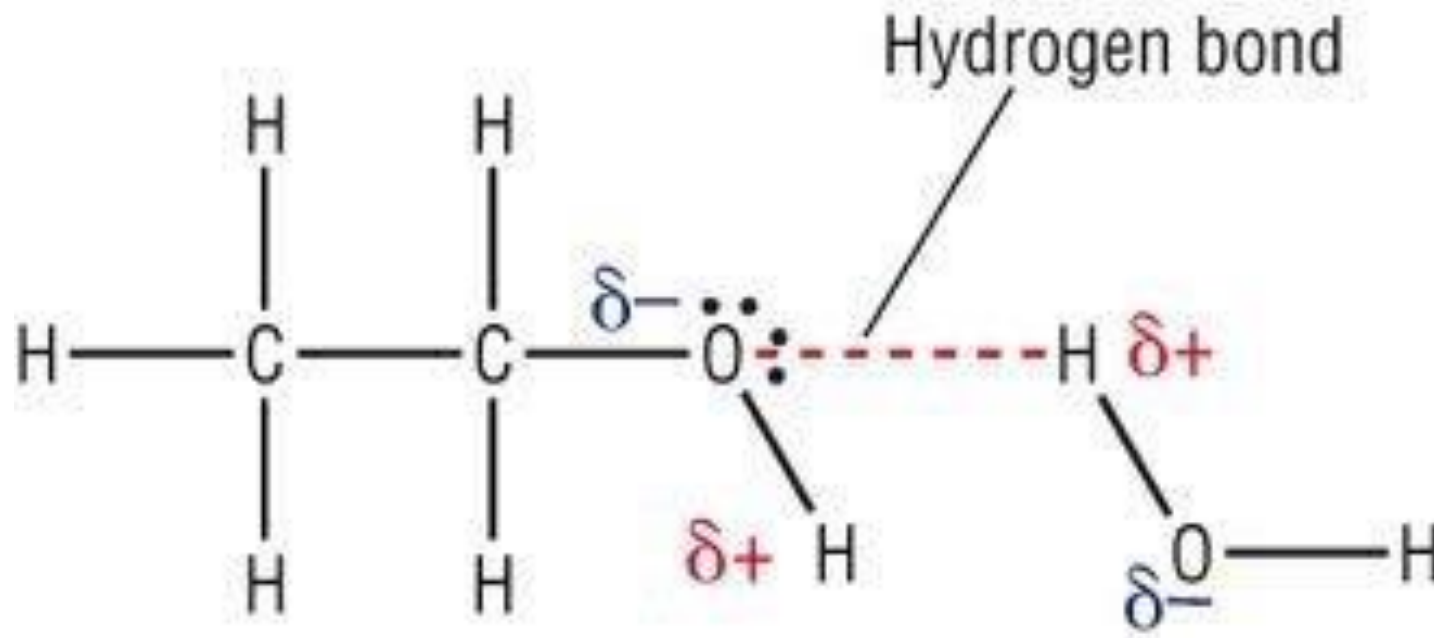
1. **Endothermic reaction** : Increase in the temperature lead to increase solubility.
2. **Exothermic reaction** : Increase in the temperature result in decrease solubility .
3. When heat is neither absorbed nor given off in the process of solution : Increase or decrease in the temperature results in no effect on the solubility .

2- Effect of molecular structure (co-solvent)

- The more nearly solute and solvent are a like molecular structure the greater solubility of one in the other.
- Water is composed of covalent molecules which are described as polar structures with strong dipole characteristics (negative and positive regions) .
- Polar solvents like water will dissolve salts and other electrolytes readily, so they are poor solvents for non polar substances.



- Polar liquids may act as solvent when it and solute are capable of complexation by H-bond formation e.g. water and alcohol of low M.wt . As the m.wt. of alcohol increased resulted in decrease polarity and decrease the solubility of water (why?).



❑ **Carbon tetrachloride (CCl₄)** is non polar . Non polar liquids don't dissolve polar or slightly polar substance.

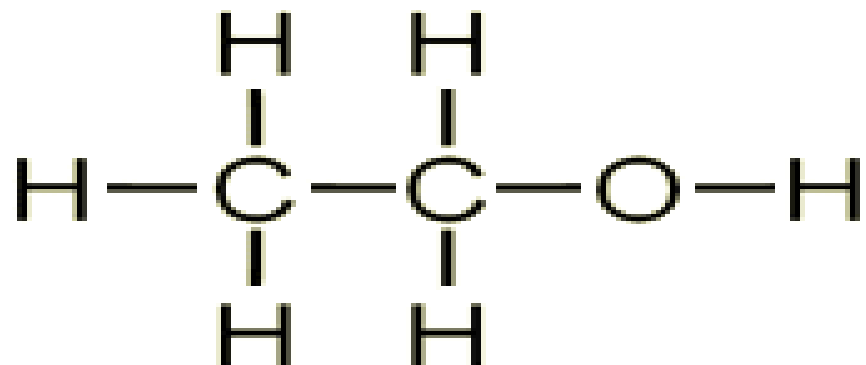
❑ **Ethyl alcohol** molecule have:

▶ 5 non polar carbon –Hydrogen bond

▶ 1 C-C bond (non polar)

▶ C-O bond & H-O bond (polar)

- So it is considered as a good solvent for some polar and non polar substances due to the presence of distinct polar and non polar regions.



How to predict solubility?

Like dissolve like

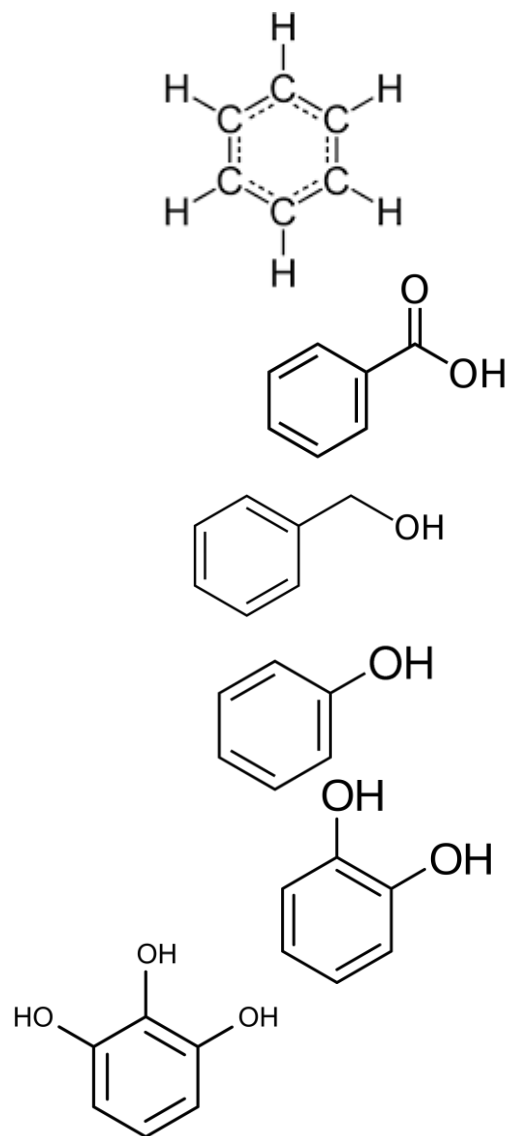
The more solvents and solutes are structurally alike the more rapid solution takes place.

DRUG	MILLILITERS OF SOLVENT TO DISSOLVE 1 _g OF DRUG	
	WATER	ALCOHOL
Atropine	455.0	2
Atropine sulfate	0.5	5
Codeine	120.0	2
Codeine sulfate	30.0	1280
Codeine phosphate	2.5	325
Morphine	5000.0	210
Morphine sulfate	16.0	565
Phenobarbital	1000.0	8
Phenobarbital sodium	1.0	10
Procaine	200.0	Soluble
Procaine hydrochloride	1.0	15
Sulfadiazine	13000.0	Sparingly soluble
Sodium sulfadiazine	2.0	Slightly soluble

Chemical structure-solubility relationship.

TABLE

13.3 SOLUBILITIES OF SELECTED ORGANIC COMPOUNDS IN WATER AS A
DEMONSTRATION OF CHEMICAL STRUCTURE-SOLUBILITY RELATIONSHIP



compound	Formula	MILLILITERS OF WATER REQUIRED TO DISSOLVE 1 G OF COMPOUND
Benzene	C ₆ H ₆	1 430
Benzoic acid	C ₆ H ₅ COOH	275
Benzyl alcohol	C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ OH	25
Phenol	C ₆ H ₅ OH	15
Pyrocatechol	C ₆ H ₄ (OH) ₂	2.3
Pyrogallol	C ₆ H ₃ (OH) ₃	1.7

General notes

- ▶ The more nearly solvents and solutes are alike structurally, the more rapidly solution takes place.
- ▶ **Polar** liquids dissolve electrovalent compounds readily, but they are poor solvents for non polar substances. On other hand, **non polar** liquids are required for non polar solutes.
- ▶ **Semi-polar** liquids, such as ethyl alcohol possess some of properties of both polar and non polar solvents.

3- Effect of pH on solubility

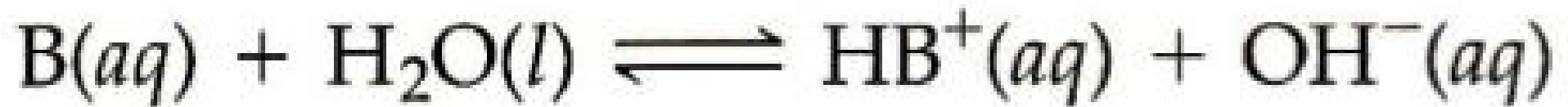
- ❑ Organic substances are either weak acids or weak bases. Their aqueous solubility depends on the pH of the solvent.
- ❑ The solubility in water of weak organic acids such as barbiturates & sulfonamides is increased as the pH increased by addition of base. This increase in solubility is due to the formation of water soluble salts.
- ❑ So:
 - ❑ If the pH of Phenobarbital solution is increased above 5.5 by addition of strong base the solubility will increase.
 - ❑ If the pH of Phenobarbital solution is decrease by addition of strong acid, Phenobarbital (free acid) will precipitate.

- ► The solubility in water of weak organic base (alkaloids) increase as the pH decrease by addition of acid due to the formation of water soluble salts
- ► If the pH of aqueous solution of salt is increased by addition of base atropine (free base will be precipitates).

For weak acid



For weak base



$$\text{pH} = \text{p}K_a + \log \frac{[\text{base}]}{[\text{acid}]}$$

- ▶ At a given pH the degree of ionization weakly acid or basic drug depends on its **pka** value which is the –ve Log of its dissociation constant.
- For weak acidic drugs:**

$$\text{pH} = \text{pKa} + \text{Log} \frac{S - S_o}{S_o}$$

- S=molar concentration of drug (dissociated and undissociated) species in solution.
- S_o=molar solubility of **undissociated** species.
- ▶ This equation derived from Handerson–Hasselbach equation.

- For weak basic drug:

$$\text{pH} = \text{pK}_w - \text{pK}_b + \log \frac{S_o}{S - S_o}$$

- ► **Note:** These equations may be used to calculate the pH at which a weak acids or bases will precipitate from solution of its salt.

Importance of pH on absorption and excretion

- ► The unionized form can pass the biological membrane due to its lipid solubility and since the membrane is lipoprotein in nature. The ionized form can also pass the biological membrane by carrier mediated mechanism.
- ► If toxic acidic substance is taken by patient, we give him basic compound to change it to ionized form that are more soluble and can not be reabsorbed by kidney tubules and will be excreted by kidney out of body, and vice versa if we have basic compound.

Oral solutions

Final solution

- ▶ Effective
 - ▶ Safe
 - ▶ Stable
 - ▶ Palatable
- ▶ Drug
 - ▶ Buffers
 - ▶ Reducing agents
 - ▶ Preservative
 - ▶ Sweetening agent
 - ▶ Flavoring agent
 - ▶ Coloring agent
 - ▶ Density modifier
 - ▶ Viscosity enhancers

Mouthwashes and gargles

- ▶ Mouthwashes/gargles are designed for the treatment of infection and inflammation of the oral cavity. Formulations designed for this purpose employ water as the vehicle, although a co-solvent, e.g. alcohol, may be employed to solubilize the active agent.
- ▶ The use of alcohol as a co-solvent may act to enhance the antimicrobial properties of the therapeutic agent.
- ▶ Other formulation components are frequently required to enhance the palatability and acceptability of the preparation. These include preservatives, colors, flavoring agents and non-cariogenic sweetening agents.



Rectal solutions (Enemas)

1 – Retention enemas

1. **Local effect**
(hydrocortisone) as enemas for ulcerative colitis
2. **Systemic absorption**
(aminophylline) rectal administration minimizes the undesirable GIT reaction, effective blood levels within 30 min after rectal instillation

Properties

Viscosity-enhancing agents, e.g. glycerol, may be included to aid retention of the formulation within the rectum and to reduce the incidence of seepage.



Rectal solutions (Enemas)

2-Evacuation enemas

Pharmaceutical solutions that are administered rectally and are employed to ensure clearance of the bowel, Available in disposable plastic squeeze bottles containing a premeasured amount of enema solution.



1. **Oil-based solutions** and, in some formulations, the vehicle is the agent that promotes bowel evacuation, e.g. Arachis oil enema. **Softening the feces**
2. Aqueous formulations usually contain **salts** (e.g. phosphates) to alter the **osmolality** within the rectum, thereby increasing the movement of fluid to the rectal contents. Increasing the amount of **water** in the large bowel (**osmotic laxatives**).

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