

EXPERIMENT NO. 17

Qualitative Analysis

At each stage of any test you are to record details of the following.

- colour changes seen
- the formation of any precipitate
- the solubility of such precipitates in an excess of the reagent added

Where reagents are selected for use in a test, the **name** or **correct formula** of the element or compound must be given.

Where gases are released they should be identified by a test, **described in the appropriate place in your observations.**

You should indicate clearly at what stage in a test a change occurs.

No additional tests for ions present should be attempted.

If any solution is warmed, a boiling tube MUST be used.

Rinse and reuse test-tubes and boiling tubes where possible.

- (a) (i) **FA 6** and **FA 7** are aqueous solutions.
Each solution contains one cation and one anion from those listed in the Qualitative Analysis Notes.

Use 1 cm depths of **FA 6** or **FA 7** in test-tubes for the following tests.
Complete the table by recording your observations.

test	observations	
	FA 6	FA 7
Add a few drops of aqueous barium chloride or aqueous barium nitrate, then	no change	white ppt
add dilute nitric acid.	no change	ppt remains insoluble
Add a few drops of aqueous silver nitrate.	white ppt	no change
Add a small spatula measure of sodium carbonate. Shake the mixture.	no reaction/ no effervescence	fizzing, a colourless gas which gives white ppt with lime water.

- (ii) From your observations, deduce which solution, **FA 6** or **FA 7**, has the lower pH.
Give your evidence.

solution with lower pH *FA 7*

evidence *CO₂ gas given off with Na₂CO₃*

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(b) Choose **two** reagents that would allow you to identify the cations in **FA 6** and **FA 7**.

reagents aq. NaOH and aq. NH₃

Use these reagents to test solutions **FA 6** and **FA 7**.

Record all your observations in the space below.

tests	Observations	
	FA 6	FA 7
add aq. NaOH then in excess	off-white ppt, rapidly turns brown on contact with air insoluble in excess	white ppt ppt soluble in excess
add aq. NH ₃ then in excess	off-white ppt, ppt rapidly turns brown on contact with air ppt remains insoluble in excess	white ppt ppt insoluble in excess

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(c) Deduce the chemical formulae of **FA 6** and **FA 7**.

FA 6 MnCl₂

FA 7 Al₂(SO₄)₃

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[Total: 10]