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## ACID-BASE TUTORIALS-1

### Self-Ionization of Water

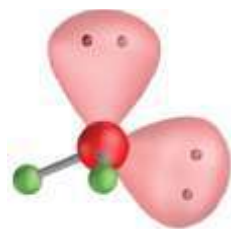
This tutorial illustrates the process by which water molecules act as both a proton acceptor (base) and a proton donor (acid), and explores the equilibrium constant ( $K_w$ ) for the self-ionization of water.

#### Section 1 of 7 – Introduction

The initial animation is the key idea in the tutorial.

 Press Replay if you need to see it again.

Another name for self-ionization of water is \_\_\_\_\_-ionization of water.



Draw the Lewis electron-dot structure for  $H_2O$ .

What do the pink clouds represent? \_\_\_\_\_

An  $H^+$  (a proton) moves from one  $H_2O$  to the other.

When  $H_2O$  gains an  $H^+$ , it becomes \_\_\_\_\_.

When  $H_2O$  loses an  $H^+$ , it becomes \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Section 2 of 7 – Molecular View

According to the Brønsted-Lowry definition, an acid is a proton \_\_\_\_\_ and a base is a proton \_\_\_\_\_.

A substance that can accept OR donate protons is said to be \_\_\_\_\_.

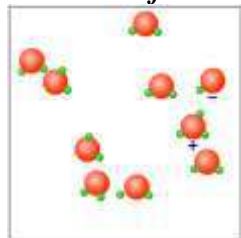
**After** a water donates an  $H^+$ , its formula is \_\_\_\_\_.

**After** a water accepts an  $H^+$ , its formula is \_\_\_\_\_.

The equation for this process would be:



#### Section 3 of 7 – Molecular View

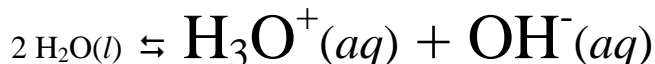
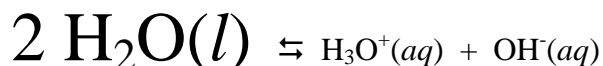


Watch the animation. Is this equilibrium *reactant-favored* or *product-favored*?

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#### Section 4 of 7 – The Water Ionization Constant

Box the equation below that better illustrates the equilibrium between  $H_2O$  and its ions.



Copy the equilibrium constant expression,  $K_w$ .

The value of  $K_w$  at  $25^\circ C$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

At a higher temperature, do you think you will get more ions or fewer ions? \_\_\_\_\_

The value of  $K_w$  at  $37^\circ C$  would be \_\_\_\_\_ (higher / lower) than  $1 \times 10^{-14}$ ?

[Note: according to [www.acidbase.org](http://www.acidbase.org), the value of  $K_w$  at  $37^\circ C$  is  $2.4 \times 10^{-14}$ ]

To calculate one ion's concentration from the other you could rewrite the  $K_w$  equation as:

$$[OH^-] = \text{_____}$$

$$[H_3O^+] = \text{_____}$$

Q1)  $[OH^-] = \text{_____} =$

Q2)  $[H_3O^+] = \text{_____} =$

#### Section 7 of 7 – Conclusion

The **Concept Question** misuses a word. What is it?

Can you answer the question? (It's important.)

## Acid-Base Ionization

*This tutorial explores the differences among Brønsted-Lowry acids, Brønsted-Lowry bases, Lewis acids and Lewis Bases.*

### Section 1 of 12 – Introduction

What acid is shown? \_\_\_\_\_

This substance is \_\_\_\_\_ (ionic / molecular).

After the  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  enters and becomes  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ , the acid is labeled incorrectly. The correct label is \_\_\_\_\_.

### Section 2 of 12 – Acid Ionization

Finish the equation below with a single arrow ( $\rightarrow$ ) or double arrow ( $\rightleftharpoons$ ) based on the animation.



### Section 3 of 12 – Acid Ionization

There is another mistake. Correct it in the excerpt below after watching the animation:

“The hydrogen ion is attracted to the partial positive charge on the oxygen atom of water. Since the hydrogen ion has no electrons, it forms a bond with one of the lone pairs of electrons on the oxygen atom of water, forming  $\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$ .”

### Section 4 of 12 – Base Ionization

Finish the equation below with a single arrow ( $\rightarrow$ ) or double arrow ( $\rightleftharpoons$ ) based on the animation.



### Section 5 of 12 – The Amphoteric Nature of Water

Circle the correct terms in the bottom two rows.

$\text{OH}^-$	$\text{H}_2\text{O}$	$\text{H}_3\text{O}^+$
donates $\text{H}^+$ / accepts $\text{H}^+$		donates $\text{H}^+$ / accepts $\text{H}^+$
acid / base		acid / base

### Section 6 of 12 – Lewis Acids and Bases

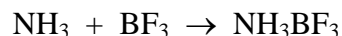
Summarize these definitions:

Brønsted-Lowry Acid	donates	
Brønsted-Lowry Base	accepts	
Lewis Acid	accepts	
Lewis Base	donates	

Label the  $\text{H}^+$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  as Lewis acid & Lewis base:



Label the  $\text{NH}_3$  and  $\text{BF}_3$  as Lewis acid and base:



Q1)  $\text{H}^+ + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{H}_2 + \text{OH}^-$

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Q2)  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{CH}_3\text{COO}^- + \text{H}_3\text{O}^+$

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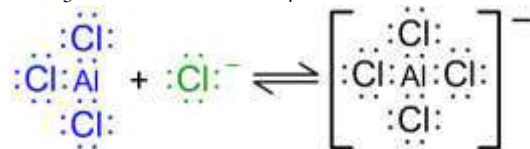
Q3)  $\text{CH}_3\text{COO}^- + \text{H}_3\text{O}^+ \rightleftharpoons \text{CH}_3\text{COOH} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$

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Q4) Water can never act as an acid or a base.

True or False: \_\_\_\_\_

Q5)  $\text{AlCl}_3 + \text{Cl}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{AlCl}_4^-$



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Notice that  $\text{AlCl}_4^-$  is a “complex ion”.

The central atom is always a Lewis \_\_\_\_\_.

The “ligands” are always Lewis \_\_\_\_\_.

### Section 12 of 12 – Conclusion

Lewis acids are named after:

\_\_\_\_\_

Lewis acids concern the acceptance or donation of \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_

Lewis dot symbols use “dots” to represent \_\_\_\_\_.

Brønsted-Lowry acids and bases deal with  $\text{H}^+$  ions also called \_\_\_\_\_.