

Hello everyone, myself Nutan Patil
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this module is for semester five third
year BSc chemistry students, course code
is CHD 102, course title is green methods
and safety aspects in chemistry.
title of the unit is real world cases in
green chemistry and module name is
surfactants for carbon dioxide for precision cleaning and dry
cleaning of garments.

So, after this session
you will learn about the hazardous
volatile organic solvent used for
precision cleaning and dry cleaning of
garments,
replacement of smoke producing and ozone
depleting solvents with carbon dioxide.
surfactant used for carbon dioxide which
is used in precision cleaning and dry
cleaning of garments.

after this session students will be able
to describe this real-world case.
students will also understand the
importance of carbon dioxide as a
substitute for volatile organic solvents
in precision cleaning and dry cleaning
of garments in industries. They will also
learn the role of surfactant in liquid
or supercritical carbon dioxide.
since this is a real-world case first
we'll see the problem and what is the
solution for this problem.

Use of volatile organic compounds,
halogenated organic compounds such as
CFCS, HCFCs and perchloroethylene is used
in precision cleaning or dry cleaning
industries.

so this volatile organic compounds are
responsible to cause air pollution. as
they constitute the ingredient of the
photochemical smog, CFCS, HCFCs are ozone
depleting substances and many organic
compounds such as perchloroethylene are groundwater
contaminants and potential carcinogens.

so what is the solution for this problem?
professor Joseph m DeSimone from
university of north Carolina and north
Carolina state university and also
founder of missiles technology, he has
designed the surfactant and has made the
use of supercritical and liquid CO₂ as a
industrial solvent.

so while using this surfactant
solubility of various material can be
increased in carbon dioxide and
replacement of the current industrial
solvent with this carbon dioxide has led
to reduce environmental risk.

now we will see the hazards of
industrial solvents .we know that

volatile organic solvents which are used as xylene, toluene, benzene, ethylene they are used as a cleaning fluid because they dissolve oils, waxes and greases. they readily evaporate from the items they are being used to clean so there is no need to heat the delicate items. As per the reports, in USA and Canada, about 26 million tons of volatile organic compounds are released into the atmosphere per year and about one-fourth of these emissions are from industrial processes.

when these volatile organic compounds mix with sunlight and nitrogen oxide, they get converted to ground level ozone, nitric acid and partially oxidized organic compounds. so this product mixture is called as photochemical smog.

Exposure to this smoke aggravates asthma, induce other respiratory elements and also it leads to cancer.

smog increases the level of tropospheric ozone which may damage the crops, harden rubber and discolor the fabric. so i have given the below reaction.

now use of CFCs and HCFCs are also responsible for this environmental problem. so we'll see how it is responsible.

CFCs are photochemically decomposed by this UV rays to give chlorine radicals which acts as a catalyst to destroy the ozone layer.

so further resulting the chlorine monoxide radical reacts with an oxygen atom to form oxygen molecule and it regenerates the chlorine radical. so these steps are repeated due to which there is a significant loss of this ozone layer.

now all these steps i have given here. step one, two and three

which indicates that how there is a loss of ozone layer. depletion of ozone is responsible for the UV-B rays to reach earth's surface and prolonged exposure to this UV-B rays causes skin cancer and cataracts among humans

so why not to go for this carbon dioxide as an alternative solvent to this volatile organic compound or halogenated organic compounds now we'll see carbon dioxide as an alternative solvent.

carbon dioxide is non-flammable, non-toxic and chemically unreactive it does not contribute to the formation of photochemical smog nor it depletes the stratospheric ozone.

it is easily available as a byproduct

from the production of ammonia and also from natural gas wells. it can be easily evaporated and can be recovered purified and reused.

so very less amount of energy is needed here.

the use of carbon dioxide as a solvent it requires the gaseous carbon dioxide to be converted into liquid or supercritical state.

if the substance is placed at a temperature above its critical temperature and critical pressure a supercritical fluid is formed.

now we'll see the solubility of substances in carbon dioxide as we know carbon dioxide is a non-polar molecule so it will dissolve non-polar molecule in it but carbon dioxide when it is in liquid and supercritical state will not dissolve larger molecules such as all waxes, grease

polymer polar material

due to which we have to use surfactant.

so we can increase the solubility of this substances in liquid as well as supercritical carbon dioxide.

now what is a surfactant?

a surfactant has a one end similar to the polarity of the particle to be emulsified and the other end similar to the polarity of the solvent. so, in water surfactant molecules tend to cluster into a spherical

geometry wherein the non-polar ends lie

on the inside of the sphere while the

polar ends on the outside. so, these

clusters are called as micelles so the

figure a show the micelle structure of

surfactant. so, we can take example here as soaps and detergents in water..they are used to cleanse the grease and oil.

now surfactant for liquid or super critical carbon dioxide it must have both carbon dioxide philic as well as carbon dioxide phobic functionality. so

professor Desimone discovered fluoro polymer which is soluble in carbon

dioxide due to the weak Vander Waals forces exist between carbon dioxide and

same forces exist between the fluoro

carbon tail so. i have given here the

structure which is carbon dioxide philic fluorocarbon in figure b

now the block

copolymer is synthesized

by professor Desimone has a polystyrene block that are

insoluble in carbon dioxide and poly 1,1 dihydroperfluorooctyl

acrylate graft segment that is soluble in carbon dioxide .it is shown on the next slide.

when this polymer or the copolymer is placed in a medium of liquid or supercritical carbon dioxide it will arrange itself in a micelle structure.

so here carbon dioxide soluble segment surrounds the carbon dioxide insoluble segment.

so depending upon the type of material to be dissolved carbon dioxide phobic segment can be made lipophilic or it can be made hydrophilic.

so here use of surfactant increases the solubility of waxes, grease, oil and carbon dioxide. Here carbon dioxide insoluble material it gets trapped in the micelle structure and it is carried away in the liquid carbon dioxide or supercritical carbon dioxide solvent.

This technology has potential to replace the smoke producing and ozone depleting industrial solvents.

now this is the structure of carbon dioxide surfactant where in the CO₂ phobic segment is there that is polystyrene block here or CO₂ philic segment is that the fluorocarbon in the figure d micelle structure for a carbon dioxide surfactant .so here carbon dioxide solvent

then next carbon dioxide phobic chain segment there it is depicted in black color.

CO₂ philic chain segment inside is depicted or shown as a red or green color. .you all can just compare with the structure given here in the figure c.

now current use of carbon dioxide surfactant and how the green chemistry comes into action we have to see.

missile technologies a company founded by Joseph Desimone, Timothy Romack and James McClain has made the commercial use of this carbon dioxide surfactant technology so they have developed dry cleaning machines as well as metal cleaning system.

that utilizes carbon dioxide and or surfactant

so due to which there is elimination of PERC okay it is used in dry cleaning of garments and other halogenated solvents in industry.

Due to this discovery design and application of surfactant for carbon dioxide they won a prestigious presidential green chemistry award in 1997.

these are my references.

thank you