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Oxide Nomenclature

Li_2O	Lithium oxide	Fe_2O_3	Iron(III) oxide
Na_2O	Sodium oxide	Cu_2O	Copper(I) oxide
K_2O	Potassium oxide	CuO	Copper(II) oxide
BeO	Beryllium oxide	Ag_2O	Silver oxide
MgO	Magnesium oxide	ZnO	Zinc oxide
CaO	Calcium oxide	PbO	Lead(II) oxide
BaO	Barium oxide	PbO_2	Lead(IV) oxide
Al_2O_3	Aluminium oxide	HgO	Mercury(II) oxide
FeO	Iron(II) oxide	NiO	Nickel(II) oxide

Anhydrides Nomenclature

B_2O_3	Boron oxide	P_2O_3	Diphosphorus trioxide
CO	Carbon monoxide	P_2O_5	Diphosphorus pentoxide
CO_2	Carbon dioxide	As_2O_3	Diarsenic trioxide
SiO_2	Silicon dioxide	As_2O_5	Diarsenic pentoxide
N_2O	Nitrous oxide	SO_2	Sulphur dioxide
NO	Nitrogen oxide	SO_3	Sulphur trioxide
N_2O_3	Dinitrogen trioxide	Cl_2O_3	Dichlorine trioxide
NO_2	Nitrogen dioxide	Cl_2O_5	Dichlorine pentoxide
N_2O_5	Dinitrogen pentoxide	Cl_2O_7	Dichlorine heptoxide

Hydroxides Nomenclature

LiOH	Lithium hydroxide	$\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_3$	Iron(III) hydroxide
NaOH	Sodium hydroxide	CuOH	Copper(I) hydroxide
KOH	Potassium hydroxide	$\text{Cu}(\text{OH})_2$	Copper(II) hydroxide
$\text{Be}(\text{OH})_2$	Beryllium hydroxide	AgOH	Silver hydroxide
$\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2$	Magnesium hydroxide	$\text{Zn}(\text{OH})_2$	Zinc hydroxide
$\text{Be}(\text{OH})_2$	Calcium hydroxide	$\text{Pb}(\text{OH})_2$	Lead(II) hydroxide
$\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$	Barium hydroxide	$\text{Cd}(\text{OH})_2$	Cadmium hydroxide
$\text{Al}(\text{OH})_3$	Aluminium hydroxide	$\text{Hg}(\text{OH})_2$	Mercury hydroxide
$\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_2$	Iron(II) hydroxide	$\text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2$	Nickel hydroxide

Acids Nomenclature

H ₃ BO ₃	Boric acid	HClO	Hypochlorous acid
H ₂ CO ₃	Carbonic acid	HClO ₂	Chlorous acid
HNO ₂	Nitrous acid	HClO ₃	Chloric acid
HNO ₃	Nitric acid	HClO ₄	Perchloric acid
H ₂ SO ₃	Solphurous acid	HF	Hydrofluoric acid
H ₂ SO ₄	Solphuric acid	HCl	Hydrochloric acid
H ₃ PO ₃	Phosphorous acid	HBr	Hydrobromic acid
H ₃ PO ₄	Phosphoric acid	HI	Hydriodic acid
H ₃ AsO ₃	Arsenious acid	H ₂ S	Hydrogen sulphide
H ₃ AsO ₄	Arsenic acid	HCN	Hydrocyanic acid

Oxide

An **oxide** is a **binary** chemical **compound** of the oxygen with other chemical elements. Two hundred years ago in the eighteen century, oxides were named calxes or calces after the calcination process used to produce oxides.

Oxides can be named after the amount of oxygen atoms in the oxide.

Oxides containing only one oxygen are called oxide or monoxide; those containing two oxygen atoms, are called dioxide; three oxygens, are called trioxide, four oxygens, are called tetroxide, and so on following the Greek numerical prefixes.

There are three types of oxides: oxides, **peroxides** and superoxides.

They count as oxides but have different oxidation states (**valences**) and react in different ways compared to oxides.

In the oxide, oxygen has valence -2, in the peroxydes valence -1 and in the superoxides -1/2.

Generally, oxides are insulating to electricity.

Whit this property silicon dioxide, as silicon can easily be oxidized and the resulting part can be made into a transistor.

This is the basis for much of modern computer technology.

Oxides of more electropositive elements, like **metals**, tend to be basic and react with water to form hydroxides.

For example, lithium oxide is basic; when hydrated, it forms lithium **hydroxide**.

Oxides of more electronegative elements, like **non-metals**, tend to be **acids**.

They are called **anhydrides**.

Anhydrides react with water, and form oxygen acids.

For example, dinitrogen pentoxide is acid; nitric acid is the hydrated form.

(Adapted from Wikipedia)

Glossary

Binary	Binario	Compound	Composto
Valence	Valenza	Non-metal	Non metallo
Metal	Metallo	Anhydride	Anidride
Oxide	Ossido	Peroxide	Perossido
Hydroxide	idrossido	Nomenclature	Nomenclatura
Acid	Acido	HCl	Hydrochloric acid

Practise

Match the words in table A with the English equivalent in table B. Use a dictionary if needed.

Table A

A	Conservazione della massa
B	Proporzioni multiple
C	Ammoniaca
D	Proporzioni definite
E	Acido fosforico
F	Nomenclatura
G	Ossidi
H	Perossidi
I	Idrossidi
J	Anidridi
K	Acidi
L	Idruri
M	Idracidi
N	Numero di ossidazione
O	Valenze
P	Acido cloridrico
Q	Rapporti di combinazione
R	Acido nitrico
S	Acido fosforoso
T	Acido solforico

Table B

1	Oxides
2	Hydrochloric acid
3	Multiple proportions
4	Valences
5	Phosphorous acid
6	Ammonia
7	Peroxides
8	Oxidation number
9	Nitric acid
10	Definite proportions
11	Hydroxides
12	Combination ratio
13	Phosphoric acid
14	Hydrides
15	Mass conservation
16	Anhydrides
17	Nomenclature
18	Acids
19	Sulphuric acid
20	Hydracids

Complete the text with the most suitable words.

The (1) has a fundamental importance in chemistry.

With this concept we will be able to realise the chemical formula of a generic compound.

(2) react with (3) to form binary compound named oxides.

For binary compound we mean a compound formed by two elements alone.

There are two kinds of nomenclature: traditional and (4) (International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry).

In every chemical transformation the sum of the (5) of the reactants is equal to the sum of the (6) of the reaction products.

Oxides react with water to form (7)

Anhydrides or acid oxides react with water to form (8)

Keys

Match the words in table A with the English equivalent in table B. Use a dictionary if needed.

Table A	Table B
A	15
B	3
C	6
D	10
E	13
F	17
G	1
H	7
I	11
J	16
K	18
L	14
M	20
N	8
O	4
P	2
Q	12
R	9
S	5
T	19

Complete the text with the most suitable words.

The (1) **valence** has a fundamental importance in chemistry. With this concept we will be able to realise the chemical formula of a generic compound. (2) **Metals** react with (3) **oxygen** to form binary compound named oxides. For binary compound we mean a compound formed by two elements alone. There are two kinds of nomenclature: traditional and (4) **I.U.P.A.C.** (International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry). In every chemical transformation the sum of the masses of the (5) **reactants** is equal to the sum of the (6) **masses** of the reaction products. Oxides react with water to form (7) **hydroxides**. Anhydrides or acid oxides react with water to form (8) **acids**.