## Question \#59545, Chemistry / General Chemistry

16.26 milligrams of sample of an element $x$ contains $1.66 \bullet 10^{\wedge} 23$ atoms. What is the atomic mass of the element?

## Solution:

Number of moles: $\mathrm{n}=\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{N}_{\mathrm{A}}=1.66 * 10^{23} / 6.022^{*} 10^{23} \mathrm{~mol}^{-1}=0.276 \mathrm{~mol}$
Atomic mass: $\mathrm{Ar}=\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{n}=16.26 \mathrm{mg} / 0.276 \mathrm{~mol}=59.0^{*} 10^{-3} \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{mol}$
Atomic mass can not be less than 1.
There is a mistake in the question. If weight of the sample is 16.26 g , then:
Atomic mass: $\mathrm{Ar}=\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{n}=16.26 \mathrm{~g} / 0.276 \mathrm{~mol}=59.0 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{mol}$

Answer: $59.0 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{mol}$

