

Question #80617

The rate of a standard reaction is 0.00543 M/s at 40 oC. What will the rate be if the temperature is doubled?

- A. 0.01086 M/s
- B. 0.02172 M/s
- C. 0.04344 M/s
- D. 0.08688 M/s
- E. All of the Above

Answer:

The right answer is D. 0.08688 M/s.

According to the equation [1]:

$$\frac{R_2}{R_1} = Q_{10}^{\frac{T_2 - T_1}{10}},$$

where R_1 – is the rate of reaction at 40°C, R_2 – is the rate of reduced reaction, T_1 – is the temperature of standard reaction ($T_1 = 40 + 273 = 313$ K), T_2 – is the temperature of reduced reaction ($T_2 = 80 + 273 = 353$ K), Q_{10} – is the Q_{10} temperature coefficient.

For most biological systems, the Q_{10} value is ~ 2 to 3.

$$\frac{R_2}{0.00543} = Q_{10}^{\frac{353 - 313}{10}}$$
$$\frac{R_2}{0.00543} = Q_{10}^4$$

If we suggest that Q_{10} is equal to 2, we get the following:

$$\frac{R_2}{0.00543} = 2^4$$

$$R_2 = 0.00543 * 16 = 0.08688 \text{ M/s}$$

So, if we double the temperature of reaction, the rate of reaction has to be equal to 0.08688 M/s (D).

Reference:

[1] [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Q10_\(temperature_coefficient\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Q10_(temperature_coefficient))