• A doctor recommends to a pregnant woman that she takes an iron supplement of 50 mg (as Fe<sup>2+</sup>) daily. To achieve this, what mass (to the nearest mg) of iron(II) gluconate-2-water, FeC<sub>12</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>14</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O, would be required?

The atomic mass of Fe is 55.85 g mol<sup>-1</sup>. a mass of 50 mg therefore corresponds to

number of moles = 
$$\frac{\text{mass}}{\text{atomic mass}} = \frac{50 \times 10^{-6} \text{ g}}{55.85 \text{ g mol}^{-1}} = 8.95 \times 10^{4} \text{ mol}$$

The molar mass of FeC<sub>12</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>14</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O is:

molar mass = (55.85 (Fe) + 12×12.01 (C) + 26×1.008 (H) + 16×16.00 (O)) g mol<sup>-1</sup> = 482.178 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

As 1 mole of this contains 1 mole of Fe, the mass of the supplement required is:

mass=number of moles × molar mass

 $=(8.95 \times 10^4 \text{ mol}) \times (482.178 \text{ g mol}^{-1}) = 0.432 \text{ g}$ 

• What is the mass of each of the following at 298 K and 101 kPa pressure?

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(i) argon (24.5 litre)

Argon is a gas under these conditions. 24.5 L corresponds to the volume of 1.00 mol at 298 K and 101 kPa. Therefore, the mass of argon is:

mass = number of moles × atomic mass =  $(1.00 \text{ mol}) \times (39.95 \text{ g mol}^{-1}) = 40.0 \text{ g}$ 

(ii) water (24.5 litre)

Water is a liquid under these conditions. Its density is 0.997 g cm<sup>-3</sup>. The mass is therefore:

mass = density × volume =  $(0.997 \text{ g cm}^{-3}) \times (24.5 \times 10^3 \text{ cm}^3) = 24400 \text{ g} = 24.4 \text{ kg}$ 

(iii) chlorine (12.25 litre)

Cl<sub>2</sub> is a gas under these conditions. As 24.5 L corresponds to the volume of 1.00 mol, 12.25 L corresponds to  $\frac{12.25 \text{ L}}{24.5 \text{ L} \text{ mol}^{-1}} = 0.50 \text{ mol}.$ 

The molar mass of Cl<sub>2</sub> is  $(2 \times 35.45 \text{ g mol}^{-1}) = 70.9 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$ . The mass is therefore:

mass = number of moles × atomic mass =  $(0.50 \text{ mol}) \times (70.9 \text{ g mol}^{-1}) = 35.5 \text{ g}$ 

(iv) zinc (1.00 mole)

The atomic mass of Zn is 65.39 g mol<sup>-1</sup>. The mass is therefore:

mass = number of moles × atomic mass =  $(1.00 \text{ mol}) \times (65.39 \text{ g mol}^{-1}) = 65.4 \text{ g}$