## Work through the ChemCAL module "Behaviour of Gases"

1. The main energy-producing reaction in all oxygen-using living organisms is oxidation of glucose:

 $C_6H_{12}O_6(s) + 6O_2(g) \rightarrow 6CO_2(g) + 6H_2O(l)$ 

(a) Using the data below, calculate the standard enthalpy of combustion of glucose.

 $\Delta_{\rm f} H^{\circ}_{298}$ , in kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>: C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>6</sub>(s) –1285; CO<sub>2</sub>(g) –393; H<sub>2</sub>O(l) –285

- (b) Calculate the standard free energy change for this reaction,  $\Delta G^{\circ}$  (298 K), given  $\Delta S^{\circ} = 181 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$  for this reaction at 298 K.
- (c) In a living cell, energy from glucose combustion is partly used to synthesise the energy-storage molecule, ATP:

$$ADP + P_i \rightarrow ATP$$
  $\Delta G^\circ = +30.5 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ 

Assuming the efficiency of ATP synthesis is 41%, calculate the number of mole of ATP produced per mole of glucose oxidised.

- (d) In the above equation for the synthesis of ATP, what is the significance of the positive sign of  $\Delta G^{\circ}$ ?
- 2. Determine the volume occupied by  $4.0 \text{ g of } O_2 \text{ gas at STP.}$ (STP is 'standard temperature and pressure' corresponding to 1 atm and 0 °C)
- 3. A piece of solid carbon dioxide, with a mass of 7.8 g, is placed inside a sealed container of air at a pressure of 740 mmHg. The container has a volume of 1.2 L and the temperature is 25 °C. What would be the partial pressure of carbon dioxide and the total pressure inside the container after all the carbon dioxide has vaporised?
- 4. A sample of nitrogen gas was collected over water at 20 °C and a total pressure of 1.00 atm. The vapour pressure of water under these conditions is 17.5 mmHg. If a total volume of 645 mL was collected, what mass of nitrogen was contained in the sample?