## Hydrogen Peroxide:-

1)Chemical formula:- H2O2

2)Mol. Wt :-34.02

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## properties

Colour: colorless
Odour:-odourless.
Nature:- Clear liquid
Taste :- slightly acidic
Solubility:-. practically soluble in water, & in dil mineral acid it dissolves slowly in Hot H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>

<sup>3</sup> cont...

The Solution usually deteriorate upon standing upon agitation

Rapidly decomposes when in contact with many oxidizing or reducing sub.

 $2H_2O_2 \qquad \qquad 2H_2O+O_2$ 

Solution is stabilized by

- 1) By addition of small qty of acid & by adjusting the pH between 2 to 3.
- Some Stabilizers like acetanilide, quinine, sulphate, 8hydroxyquinoline & others complexing /chelating agents are used in 0.02 to 0.05% con range.

## <sup>4</sup> Uses

- 1) The primary use is a mild oxidizing antiseptic. This action comes when it comes in contact with abraded tissue It is a mild oxidizing antiseptic action the antiseptic action is associated with mechanical cleansing provides by rapid foaming release of oxygen. Helps in removal of dirt, bacteria from cuts & wounds & acts as cleaning antiseptic.
- 2) It destroy most pathogenic bacteria.
- 3) Its 1.6% solution is used as **deodorant, gargle and mouth wash.**
- 4) It is used as an **antidote in phosphorous and cyanide poisoning**.
- 5) It is used for **bleaching the hair**.
- 6) It is used in treatment as ear wash & vaginal douches.

## <sup>5</sup> Storage:-

- It is stored in container protected from light, in bottles closed with glass stoppered or plastic caps provided with vent for the escape of oxygen.
- Keep in cool place.
- The label should indicate whether it contains stabilizing agent or not.