

# 8 - Purity and Formulations

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In Chemistry a pure substance only contains one compound or one element

We can use the melting and boiling points to tell if a substance is pure or not

- A pure substance will have a very specific mpt or bpt
- Compare the value with a data book/website
- The closer the number to the data book value the purer the substance
- Impurities lower the mpt and increase its range
- Impurities raise the bpt and increase the range

## Formulations

Mixtures with a precise amount of the various components. You have a measured amount of each component and each component contributes to how the mixture works. So its a recipe, accurately followed.

Paint is a good example

STEP	COMPONENT	DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT (%)
1	62.5% Soybean Oil Alkyd	60% solid	53.61
2	White Spirit	solvent	6.35
3	Anti-terra U	dispersant	0.31
4	2% Ca Naphthenate	catalyst	0.65
5	Bentone HF120	thickener	0.53
6	TiO <sub>2</sub> (CR828)	pigment	23.74
7	4% Co Naphthenate	catalyst	0.19
8	10% Zr Naphthenate	catalyst	0.78
9	MEKO		0.29
10	White Spirit	solvent	3.45
11	Hydrophilic Surfactant		0.56
12	Hydrophobic Surfactant		0.14
13	AMP95		0.1
14	Deionized Water		10
Total			100.7

*Paints!*

Formulations are really important in pharmaceutical industry. Altering the mix can get the pill to work on a different part of the body at the right concentration. It also needs to be as safe as possible and not go off quickly.