

Alkaline Earth Metals



Be
Mg
Ca
Sr
Ba



Alkaline Earth Group

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General properties

- Group IIA shows the same general trends of increasing atomic and ionic sizes and decreasing ionization energies from top to bottom as does Group IA.



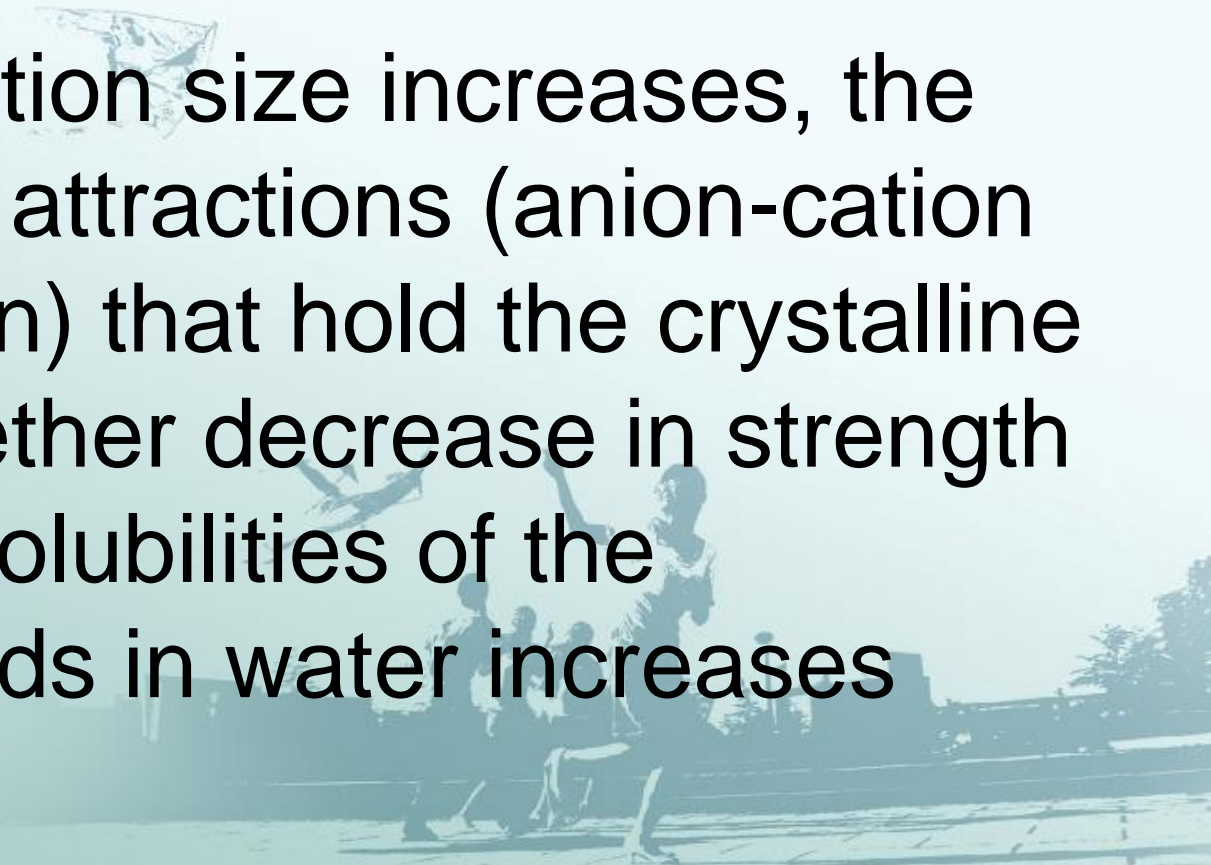
General properties

- Except for Be, the metals have similar properties.
 - They readily react to produce cations with +2 charge,
 - They are good reducing agents.





General properties

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 - As the cation size increases, the interionic attractions (anion-cation interaction) that hold the crystalline solid together decrease in strength and the solubilities of the compounds in water increases
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General properties

- The hydroxides and oxides are strong bases but they are not very soluble.
 - The solubilities of the metal hydroxides of Group IIA in water increase from top to bottom.

General properties

- Be is more like Al than other alkali earth metals – diagonal relationship.

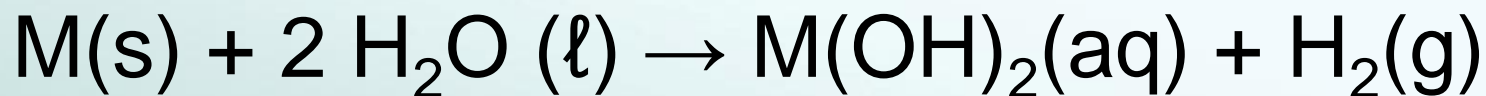
1A	2A	3A	4A
Li	Be	B	C
Na	Mg	Al	Si
K	Ca	Ga	Ge

General properties

- Almost alkaline earth metals are hydrated
Ion density $\gg \gg$ \rightarrow Σ hydrated water
molecule $\gg \gg$
- The salt of alkaline earth slightly soluble
Monovalent salt \rightarrow soluble
Divalent salt \rightarrow slightly soluble

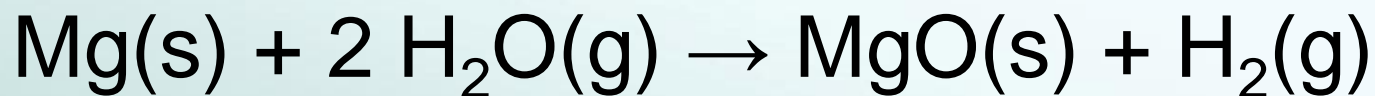
Reactions Of The Alkaline Earth Metals

- Reactions with water is more vigorous toward the bottom of the family.



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- Mg does react with steam, but MgO is formed rather than $\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2$.





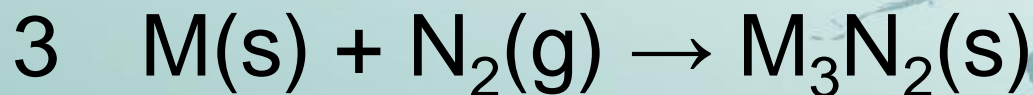
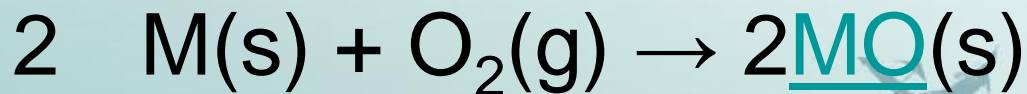
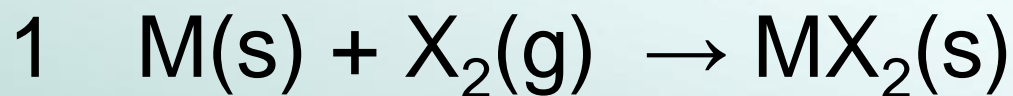
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- All alkali earth metals react with dilute acids to displace hydrogen.



Reactions Of The Alkaline Earth Metals

The following reactions occur with Mg, Ca, Sr, Ba, NOT with Be.



Physical properties

- Have higher melting points, are harder and are denser than potassium and sodium
- When put in flame:
 - Mg : white
 - Ca : dark red
 - Sr : crimson
 - Ba : light green



Beryllium

Sources:

- beryl mineral ($\text{Be}_3\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18}$ / $\text{Be}_3\text{Al}_2(\text{SiO}_3)_6$)
- bertrandite [$4\text{BeO} \cdot 2\text{SiO}_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$]

Light green-bluish from beryl →

aquamarine

Deep green → emerald → ~ 2% Cr(III)

Beryllium



Production:

1. Extraction from its ore (complex procedure)

Beryl ore are heated by hexafluorosilicate (Na_2SiF_6) at 700°C \rightarrow beryllium fluoride / beryllium chloride \rightarrow electrolyzed in molten NaCl

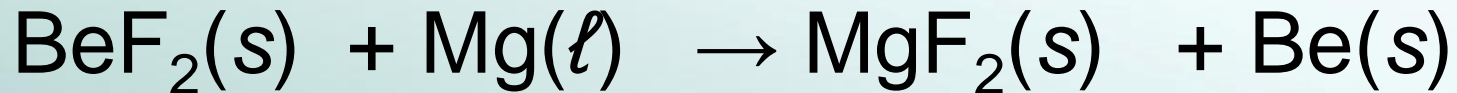
BeCl_2 (in molten NaCl) \rightarrow $\text{Be}(s) + \text{Cl}_2(g)$

Beryllium



Production:

2. Reduction of beryllium fluoride by magnesium ($T \approx 1300^\circ\text{C}$)



Beryllium



1-st & 2-nd ionization energy of Be > other alkaline earth metals?

What is the coordination number of Be^{2+} ?

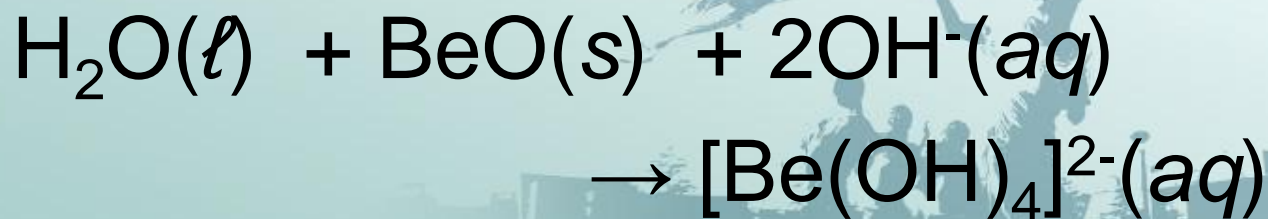
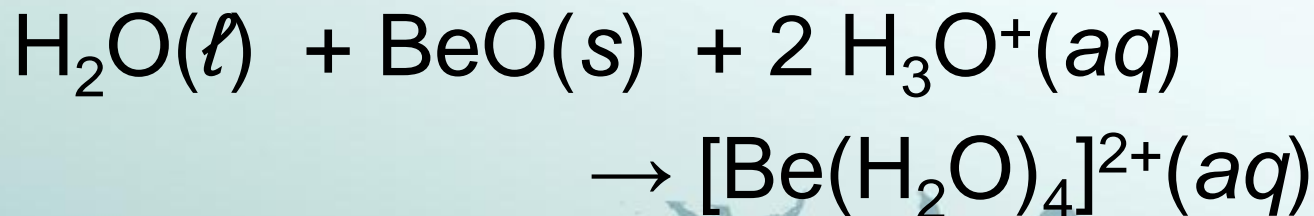
Geometrical shape of BeH_2 , BeCl_2 , BeBr_2 ?

Beryllium

- Beryllium oxide & beryllium halides → covalent properties,



- Beryllium amphoteric



Beryllium

- Uses
- Spacecraft
- Aircraft
- Missiles
- X-rays



Magnesium

Sources :

- carnalite ($\text{MgCl}_2 \cdot \text{KCl} \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$) & dolomite ($\text{MgCO}_3 \cdot \text{CaCO}_3$)

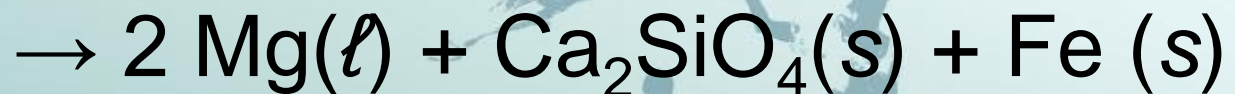
Carnalite compiler ratio: $\text{Cl}^- : \text{Mg}^{2+} : \text{K}^+ : \text{H}_2\text{O} = 3 : 1 : 1 : 6 \rightarrow \text{KMgCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$

- brine (no 3. after Na^+ & Cl^-)

Magnesium

Production :

- Dow process
- calcinations of dolomite → calcinated dolomite (MgO.CaO) → reacted by ferrosilicon alloy



Magnesium is distilled from the mixture

Magnesium



Uses

- Used on pyrotechnic, light on photographic
- Because of its weight just 1/3 of aluminum`s, magnesium is used in aircraft making, missile construction



Magnesium

- Alloy of Magnesium – Aluminum:

95% Mg – 5% Al

strength >>> weight<<<
(strength/weight ratio>>>)

5% Mg – 95% Al

increase mechanical property &
corrosion resistance

Magnesium



Uses

- Because of its reactivity >>>
 - sacrificial anode
 - cathode corrosion protection
- Reducing agent on the production of titanium, uranium, beryllium



Magnesium



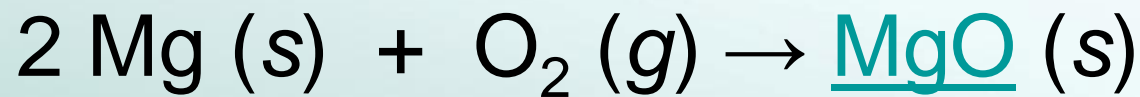
Uses

- Magnesia milk (suspension solution of pure $\text{Mg}(\text{OH})_2$ → antacid (neutralized stomach acid)
- Used on the production of organomagnesium compounds (Grignard reagent)



Fire by burning magnesium

Magnesium oxidized slowly at room temperature, violence at heating





Fire by burning magnesium

Burned magnesium metal can not be extinguished by conventional extinguisher.

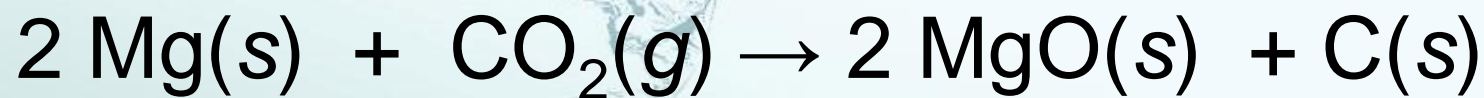
Why ?

What should we do?



Fire by burning magnesium

Conventional extinguisher \rightarrow CO₂ and H₂O



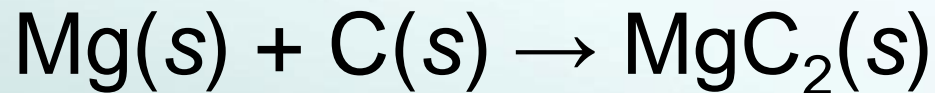
fire is getting more violent



Fire by burning magnesium

Extinguish method:

- Graphite → react with burned magnesium
→ magnesium carbide



MgC₂ cover burned metal surface effectively & prevent further burning reaction

Fire by burning magnesium

Extinguish method:

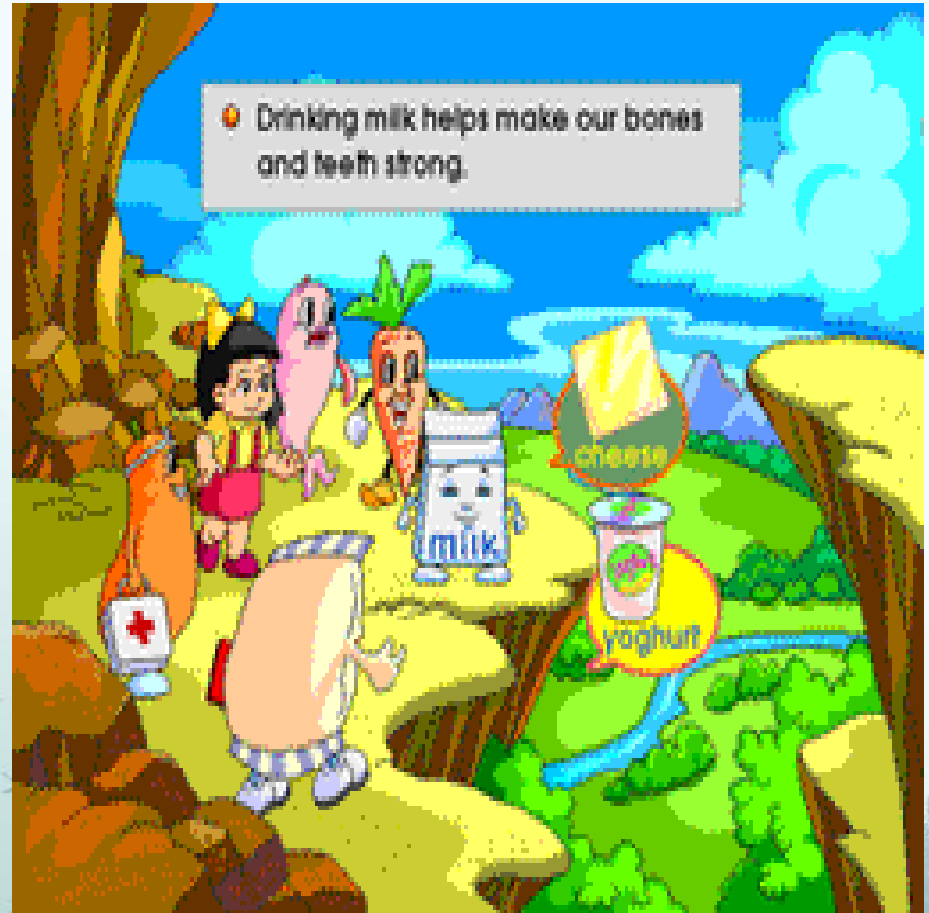
- NaCl melt on the burning temperature of magnesium → inert layer → cover burned metal surface prevent further contact with O_2 , H_2O , and CO_2



Calcium

Uses

- Builds Strong bones and teeth
- Used in Milk
- Used to make plaster



Strontium

Uses

- Flares
- To create a crimson color



Barium



Uses

- Medical Applications
- Glass making
- Rat poison
- Making Rubber



Radium

Uses

- Treating Cancer



Alkaline earth oxide

Be, Mg, Ca, Sr + O₂ → normal oxide

Ba + O₂ → peroxide

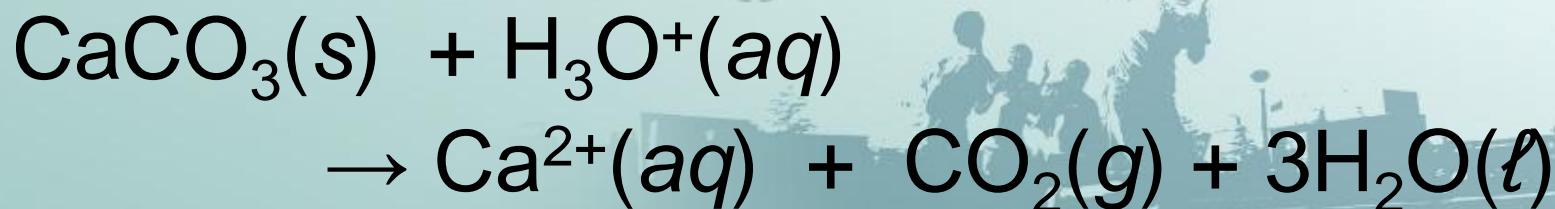
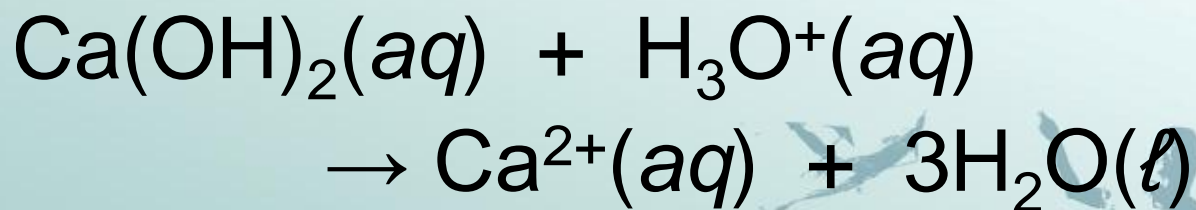
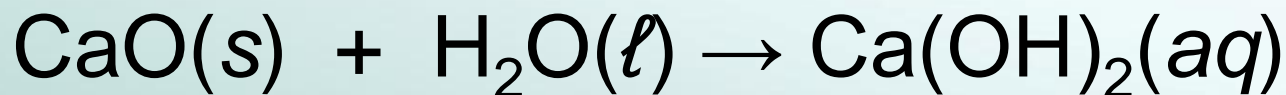
MgO :

- melting point >>>(2825°C) → raw material of furnace lining
- good thermal conductor, but not for electric

Alkaline earth oxide

CaO:

- used on steel industry
- with water forms $\text{Ca(OH)}_2 \rightarrow$ neutralized soil acidity \rightarrow too base

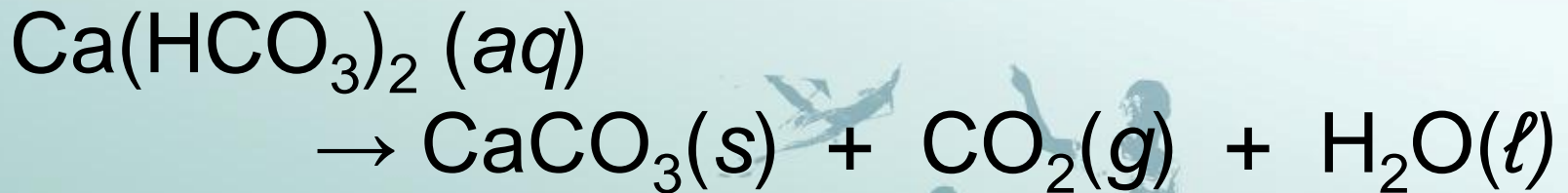
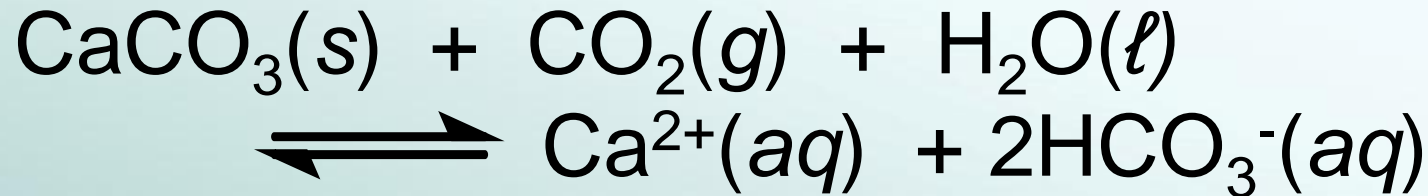


Alkaline earth oxide

1. Calcium karbonat (CaCO_3)

The formation of lime cave, stalagmite dan stalagmite

Reactions :



Alkaline earth oxide

1. Calcium karbonat (CaCO_3)

Calcium carbonate (antacid)

reacts with stomach acid $\rightarrow \text{CO}_2 (g) + \text{Ca}^{2+}(aq)$

$\text{Ca}^{2+} \rightarrow$ *efek sembelit* (in contrast to
 $\text{Mg}^{2+} \rightarrow$ *memperlancar*)

Alkaline earth oxide

2. Magnesium sulfate ($\text{MgSO}_4 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$)

Other name : Epsom salt

Uses : laxative effect / *memperlancar*



Alkaline earth oxide

3. Calcium sulfate ($\text{CaSO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$)

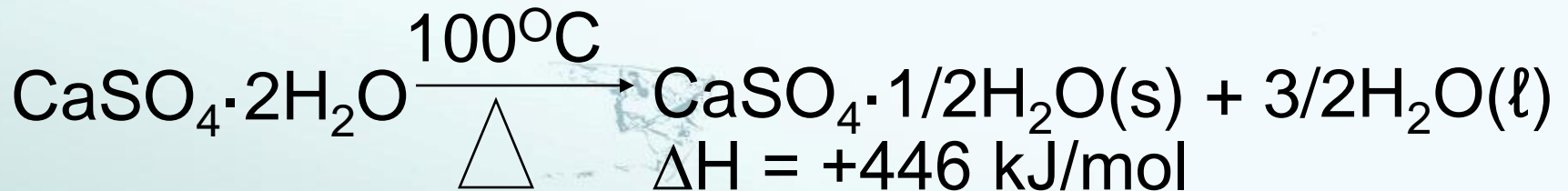
Other name : gypsum

Uses : inflammable room separator

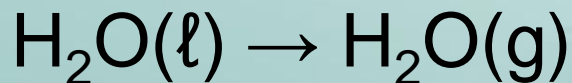
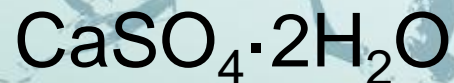
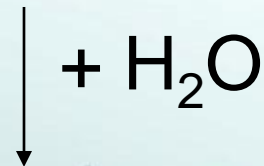


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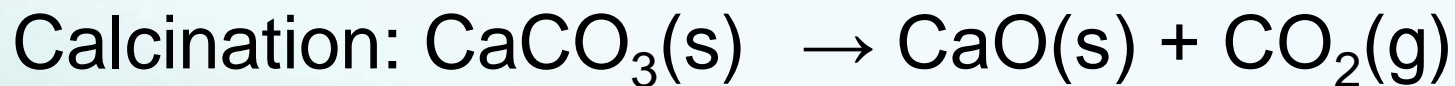
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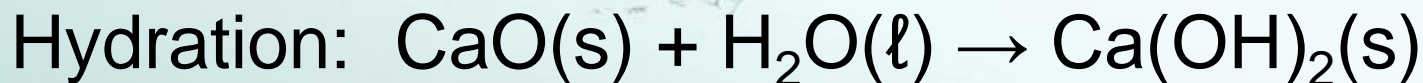
(hemidrate, paris plaster)



Important Reactions of Ca Compounds



quicklime or lime



slaked lime



- The three steps are combined and used to prepare chemically pure $\text{CaCO}_3(\text{s})$ from limestone.

The Group IIA Metals And Living Matter



- Persons of average size have approximately 25 g of magnesium in their bodies.
- The recommended daily intake of magnesium for adults is 350 mg.
- Calcium is essential to all living matter. The human body typically contains from 1 to 1.5 kg of calcium – bones and teeth



The Group IIA Metals

And Living Matter



- Strontium is not essential to living matter, but it is of interest because of its chemical similarity to calcium.
- Barium also has no known function in organisms; in fact the Ba^{2+} ion is toxic.



Diagonal Relationships:



The Special Case Of Beryllium

In some of its properties, beryllium and its compounds resemble aluminium and its compounds.



1. Both Be and Al react with air to form oxide layer that protect the layer below from further contact with air



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2. Both Be and Al are amphoteric. Berilat and aluminat anions are formed from the reaction of Be and Al with concentrated hydroxide.

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3. The two carbide of Be and Al (Be_2C and Al_4C_3) react with water to form methane. While dicarbide(-2) of other alkaline earth react with water to form ethyne.

