

NOTE: All other errata have been corrected in the fourth printing of the second edition of *Water Chemistry* by Mark Benjamin.

Chapter 3									
<p>p.128 Problem 19</p>	<p><i>N</i>-nitrosodimethylamine [NDMA, with chemical formula (CH₃)₂NN=O] is a suspected carcinogen that can form via reactions between dimethylamine [DMA, (CH₃)₂NH] and dichloramine (NHCl₂). DMA is used in the production of many industrial chemicals and can enter water supplies as a contaminant in polymers that are used in water treatment; it is also present in human urine, so it can enter natural water bodies in wastewater discharges that have not been effectively treated biologically. NHCl₂ forms as a byproduct in water that is being disinfected with monochloramine (NH₂Cl), a process that has become increasingly popular because it disinfects the water with minimal formation of chlorinated disinfection byproducts (DBPs).</p> <p>Schreiber and Mitch¹⁸ (2006) reported that the relevant elementary reactions and the corresponding rate constants for this reaction sequence are as shown below, where UDMH-Cl is an intermediate (chlorinated unsymmetrical dimethylhydrazine).</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="391 932 1412 1150"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="391 932 1052 982">Reaction</th> <th data-bbox="1052 932 1412 982">Rate constant ($M^{-1}s^{-1}$)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="391 982 1052 1033">DMA + NHCl₂ → UDMH-Cl + H⁺ + Cl⁻</td> <td data-bbox="1052 982 1412 1033">$k_1 = 52$</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="391 1033 1052 1083">UDMH-Cl + O₂ → NDMA + HOCl</td> <td data-bbox="1052 1033 1412 1083">$k_2 = 1.4$</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="391 1083 1052 1150">UDMH-Cl + NH₂Cl → Other Products</td> <td data-bbox="1052 1083 1412 1150">$k_3 = 0.8$</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Predict the concentrations of DMA, NHCl₂, UDMH-Cl, O₂ and NDMA as a function of time for two hours in a batch experiment with initial concentrations of 10⁻⁵ M DMA, 5 × 10⁻⁴ M NHCl₂, and 3 × 10⁻⁴ M O₂; initially, the solution contains none of the other species shown in the reactions. Explain the concentration trends qualitatively.</p> <p>¹⁸ Schreiber, J.M., and Mitch, W.A. (2006) “Nitrosamine formation pathway revisited: The importance of chloramine speciation and dissolved oxygen.” <i>Environ. Sci. Technol.</i> 40, 6007–6014.</p>	Reaction	Rate constant ($M^{-1}s^{-1}$)	DMA + NHCl ₂ → UDMH-Cl + H ⁺ + Cl ⁻	$k_1 = 52$	UDMH-Cl + O ₂ → NDMA + HOCl	$k_2 = 1.4$	UDMH-Cl + NH ₂ Cl → Other Products	$k_3 = 0.8$
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