

MIXING COLORS EXPERIMENT



Materials

Milk

Food colouring

**Dish-washing
soap**

black

red

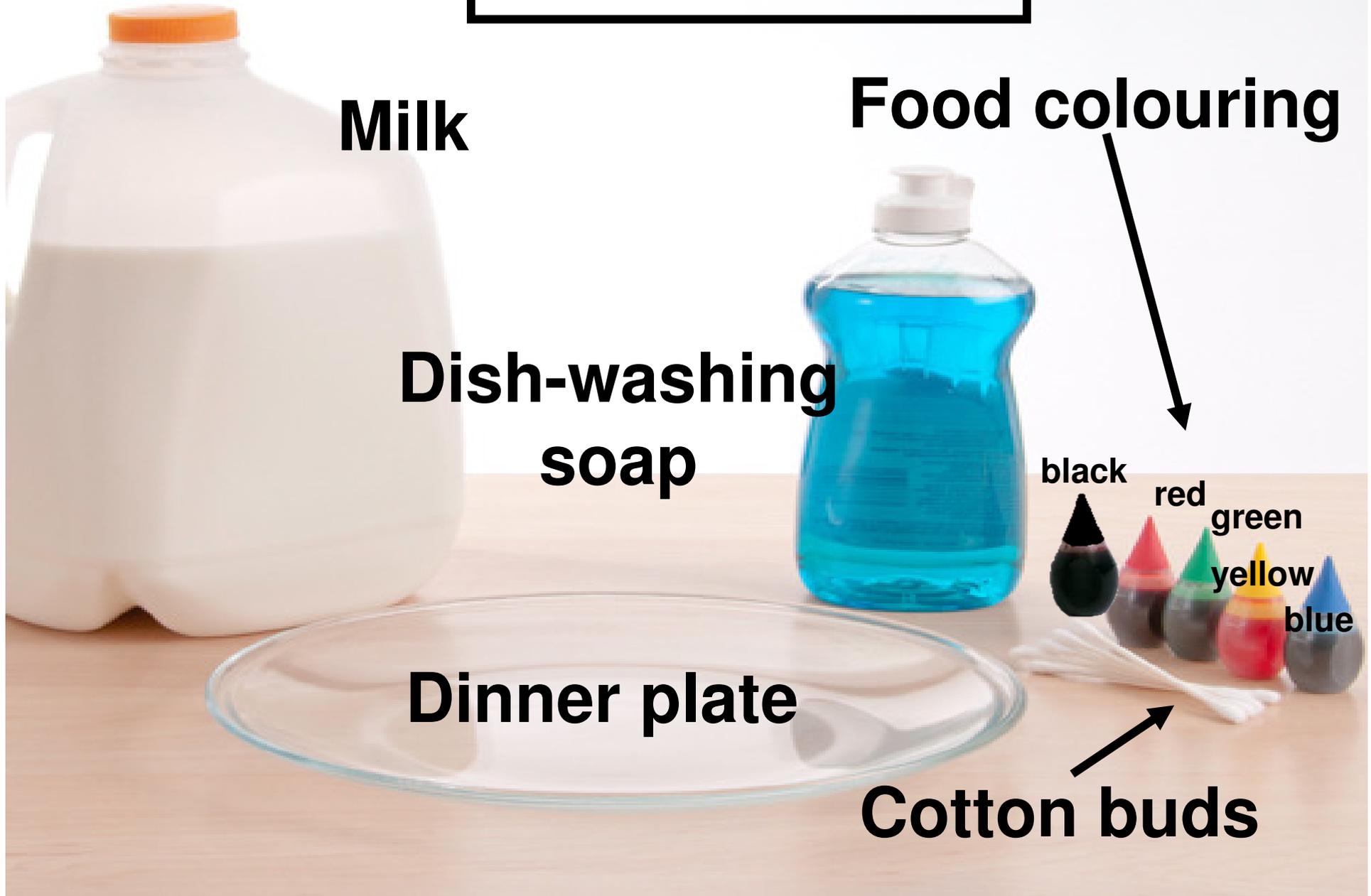
green

yellow

blue

Dinner plate

Cotton buds



STEP 1



Pour enough milk in the dinner plate to completely cover the bottom to the depth of about 1/4 inch.

Note: Allow the milk to settle before moving on to the next step.

STEP2



Add one drop of each of the four colours of food coloring—red, yellow, green, and blue—to the milk.

Hint: Keep the drops close together in the center of the plate of milk.

Prediction 1

Predict what will happen when you add one drop of each of the four colours of food coloring in the dish containing the milk?

Observation 1:

After adding the colour droplets, the colours stayed on the surface. They didn't mix with the milk.

STEP 3



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We are going to put a clean cotton bud into the middle of the milk.

Prediction 2



Predict what will happen when you touch the tip of the cotton bud to the center of the milk?

Observation 2

**When we put the cotton bud
in the middle of the colours,**

Nothing happened!

OR

The colours moved a little.

STEP 4



Now place a drop of liquid dish soap on the other end of the cotton bud.



Place the soapy end of the cotton bud in the middle of the milk and hold it there for 10 seconds.

Prediction 3

Predict what will happen when place the soapy end of the cotton bud in the middle of the milk this time?

Observation 3

By adding a drop of soap, colours burst and seemed dancing around.

Some new colours appeared from somewhere.

STEPS



This time, we try with black food colouring. Put a drop in the middle.

Now each student of each group, dip the cotton bud in soap and then place it in the middle.

Prediction 4

Predict what is going to happen when touch with the soup bud this time?



Observation 4:

Each student tell the groupmates that what colours appear from his / her original colour.

Let's Discuss...

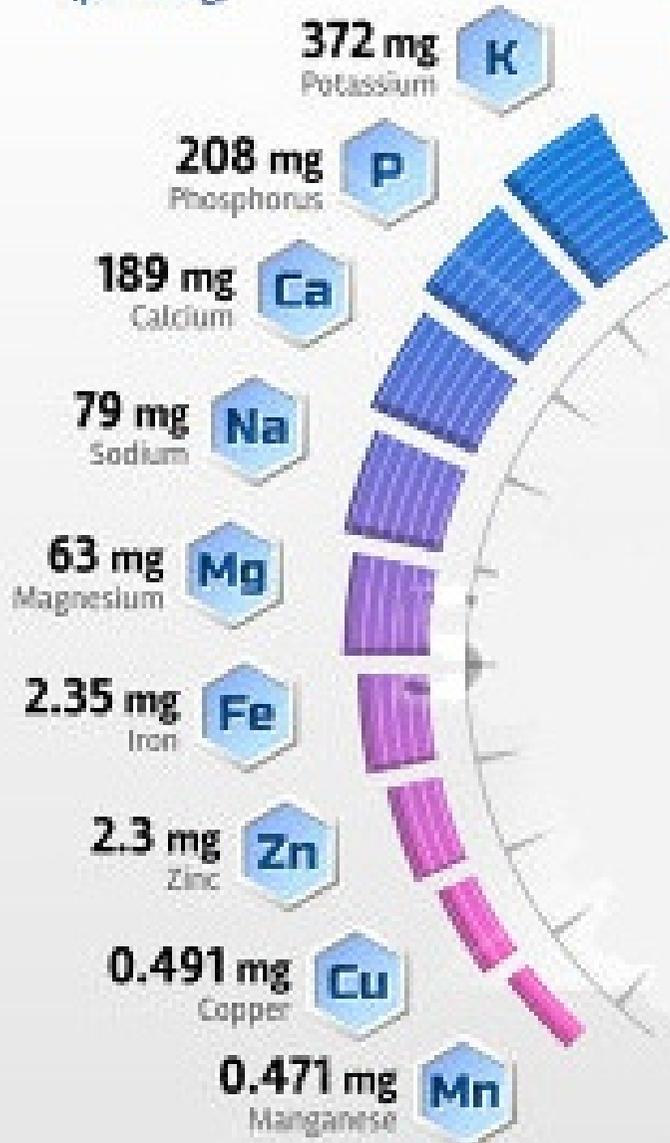


What's in the milk?

Milk is mostly water, but it also contains vitamins, minerals, proteins, and tiny droplets of fat suspended in solution. Fats and proteins are sensitive to changes in the surrounding solution (the milk).

MINERALS

(per 100g)



ENERGY

(per 100g)



535 kcal



VITAMINS

(per 100g)



CARBOHYDRATES

59.40 g

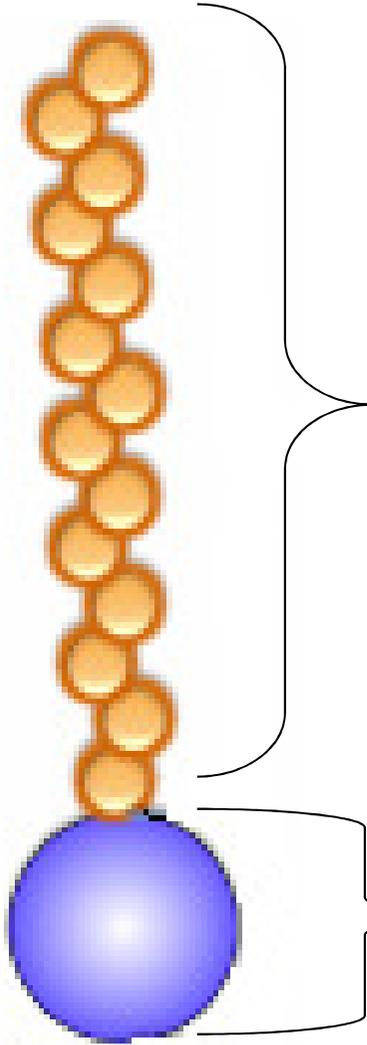
FAT

29.66 g

PROTEIN

7.65 g

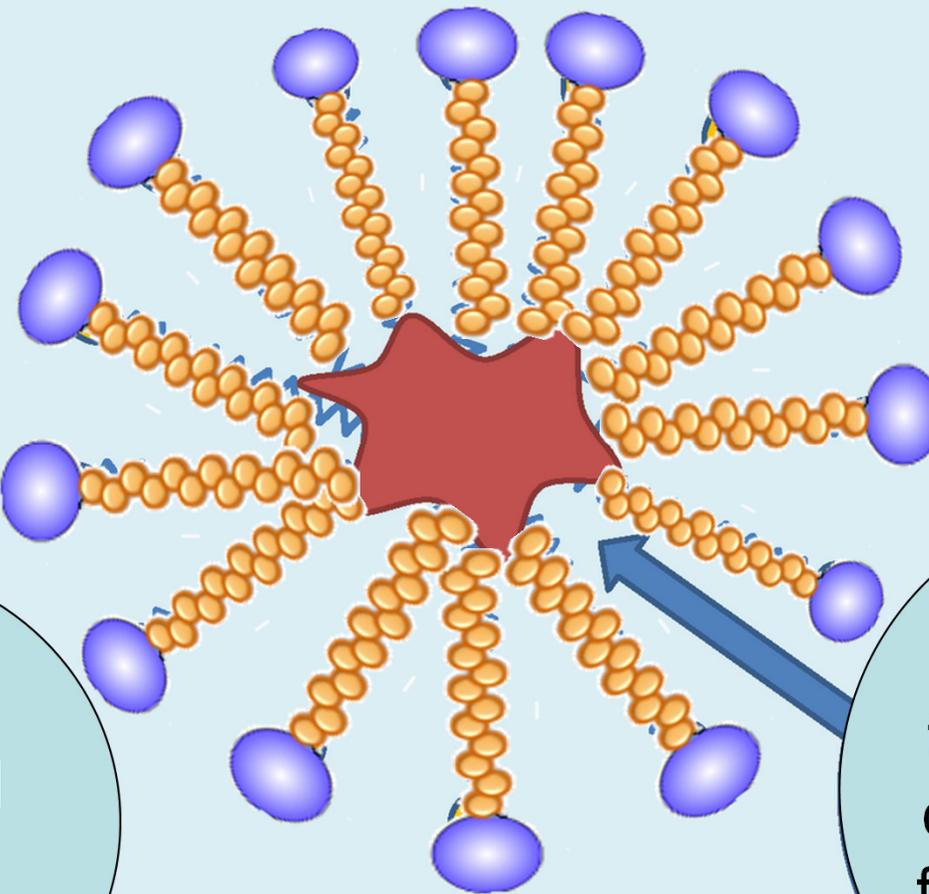
What's in the soap?



Non polar tail : It hates water but loves all other stuff e.g. dirt, oil, food etc.

Polar head :
It only loves water.

A Soap Micelle at Work



The water loving head hang with the water

The oil loving tail secure the oil or dirt away from the water.

Why do we see new colours?

Dish soap break the water tension by breaking the bonds of water as it spreads. As soap attacks the fat in the milk. That attacking cause the swirling of the colours. Where the colour meets, they combine and form new colours.

**Do your colour
burst like that?**

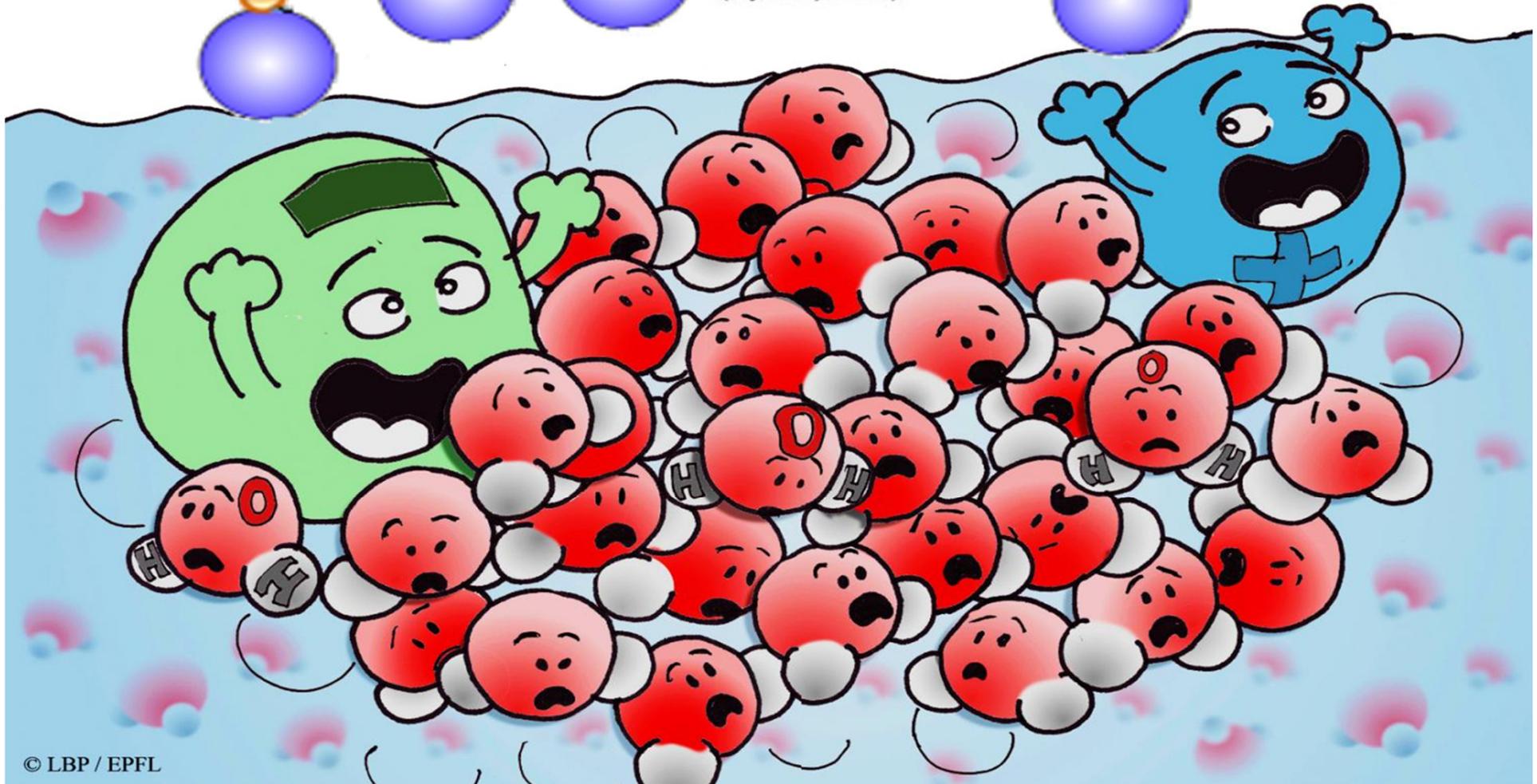


Why do the colours dance?

The food coloring in the milk will move the fastest because the dish soap bonds (attacks) the fat in the milk. This bond is so strong that the water and the food coloring are pushed out. Everything else has to dance out of the way to make room for the dish soap and fat bond.

Water 'hating' tail
(hydrophobic)

Water 'loving' head
(hydrophilic)



Cleansing action of soap

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=paRmLh7m7EM>

Presentation in slides

<https://prezi.com/z8azxsj5dg28/copy-of-color-changing-milk/>

Chemistry of milk and detergent

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j4q4J8oL9Ao>