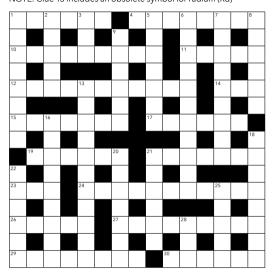


### December 2016 elements crossword

A slight change from the usual! Each crossword square can have one or two letters, but they must be the letters of an elemental symbol, or the letters D or T (for Deuterium or Tritium). For example, Dalton could be written D(AI)TON NOTE: Clue 13 includes an obsolete symbol for radium (Rd)



### December 2016 chemistry wordoku

				В		S		E	А
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Solve this wordoku in the same way as a sudoku with letters instead of numbers (each of the nine letters in each row, column and nine-square cell). Once solved, one of the overall diagonals can be rearranged into the name of a UK chemist whose interests include flow technology in organic synthesis

## On the spot: raiding the cupboards

#### Across

- 1 Carter is over rocks (8)
- 4 Sugars surprisingly scarce as I'd initially heard (11)
- 10 Not thinking clearly as bitter about dancer (14)
- 11 Rob left pruned surpisingly (7)
- 12 Eye examination upsets psychopath left with endless mood (14)
  14 Devenuent Pale left (Legend evenuenticipale (2))
- 14 Document Pole left flopped surprisingly (3)
- 15 Trot around Spain to see locomotives (9)17 She's sore about top Amalfi beaches (9)
- 17 She's sore about top Amalfi beaches (9)19 Carer transforms pip into another part of the fruit (8)
- 21 Backs plot producing disease (5, 4)
- 23 Pat leaves utopia, returning with debt (3)
- 24 Looking at the birds so hypnotic or confusing (12)
- 26 Doctors' clinics dispensing with lint dross around bugs (5)
- 27 The monstrous creation in pole position (12)
- 29 Greek polymath earnest about ethos (12)

30 Epic poem about headless body-yes, sure initially! (7)

1, 22 down Chemist prepares frothiest cornets (5, 4, 7)
2 Small boy in stitches (5)

- 3 Restrain dog before barking begins (4)
- 5 I chase duo around venue for vitriolic music? (4, 5)
- 6 Retro girls sick about chippy husband initially (5, 6)
- 7 Oh! I confuse poisoners moving charges (12)
- 8 Initially you set fire to convert into another compound (8)
  9 I'd months to last (8)
- 13 Musician rhapsodic about his odd turn (14)
- 16 Go-between in trouble with centurion (11)
- 18 Tiny gutless Tory is doubly upset with first bill (4-5)
- 20 I slip in around the barbarian (10)
- 21 Wash hairdo for pastry (4, 3)
- 22 See 1 down
- 25 Cosmos I suspect concealing diffusion (7)
- 28 Sensed a collection of curlews by the sounds of it (5)

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### November 2016 solutions

The name of the chemist was Emanuel HERSHBERG.

The winner of the November 2016 Chemistry World wordoku competition is G McKenna, Montarnaud, France. The winner of the November 2016 Chemistry World crossword competition is J M Anderson, Falkirk, UK.

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н	E	R	В	G	М	S	Т	А
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