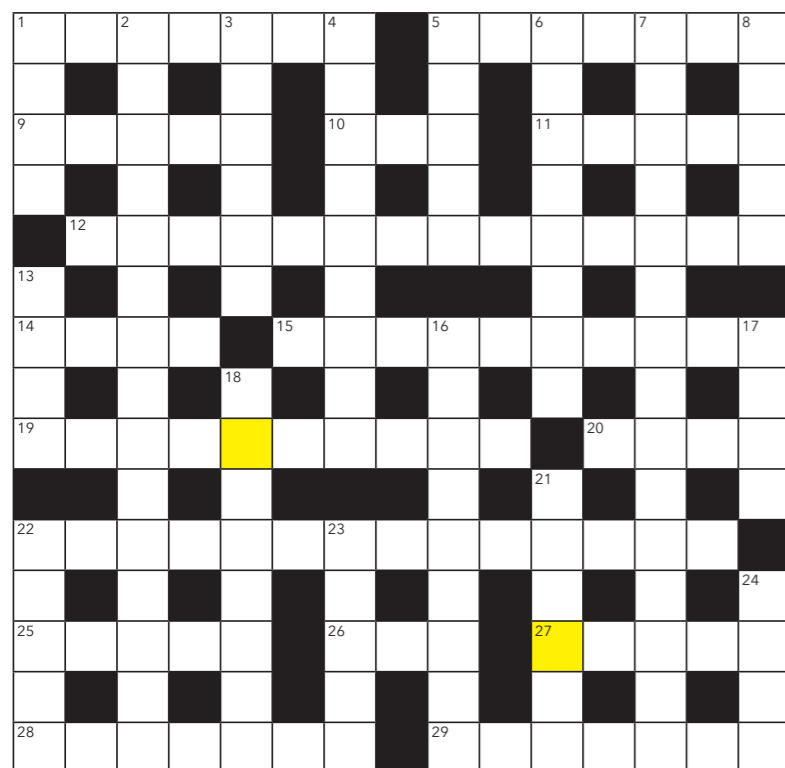


April 2026 crossword



April 2026 wordoku

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G			R	P			N	E		P
K	L				N	M				R

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 to give a US chemist specialising in inorganic and organometallic chemistry.

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Cryptic**Across**

- Cleaners' chemical solutions? (7)
- Ex was extremely brave to create this substance (7)
- This might initially confuse the artisan (5)
- Manuscripts even amuse finishing graduates (3)
- Swap original nitrogen for phosphorus in Carother's fibre for high-flying electrics? (5)
- Recognition of dietician in first trial abroad (14)
- Right away Dirac prepared something to lower the pH (4)
- Maybe moon starrer like 7 Down? (10)
- Bookish form of hot classic (9)
- Right to follow the busy insect scientist (4)
- Chemist orders 'every hedge goes' (6, 2, 6)
- Love's about to crack (5)
- Duck first broadside of battle (3)
- Artist OK about LA hotel (5)
- Fight borderline immune disease (7)
- Second storyteller's riddle about small fry (7)

Down

- Physicist not even biopsied (4)
- Filed error which upset the chemist (9, 6)
- Not all like the new compound (6)
- I'm bossy around India and Sierra working together (9)
- Novel basis for mathematician (5)
- Provides a reason to redesign axle pins (8)
- I'll search while Mike becomes a stargazer (7, 8)
- Cross none return for an example of 22 Down (5)
- Service with some weight? (4)
- Check compulsion to move in again (9)
- A little infrared is exceptional (4)
- Help a gas engineer? Refuse! (4, 4)
- Recalled Eve working around dock without Charlie (6)
- Talks about states of matter? (5)
- Debutante shortly joins the old physicist (5)
- Danish physicist sounds like a swine (4)

Quick**Across**

- Units of electrical power (7)
- Mineral also known as rasorite (7)
- Rice dish (5)
- 10, 8 Down Japanese physicist who shared a Nobel Prize for work on quantum tunnelling in semiconductors (3, 5)
- Country of birth of 12 Across (5)
- Particle physicist who, with D M Bose discovered mesons (5, 9)
- Resistance units (4)
- Microbiological staining technique for differentiating types of bacteria (4, 6)
- 19, 13 Down Hypothetical substance of early Earth which contained the organic precursors for life (9, 4)
- Hexavalent chelating agent (acronym) (4)
- Nutritionist and co-author of *The Composition of Foods* (5, 9)
- English polymath whose eponymous law concerns springs (5)
- Distant (3)
- Functional group consisting of two acyl groups bound to a nitrogen atom (5)
- German measles (7)
- Units of angle and temperature (7)

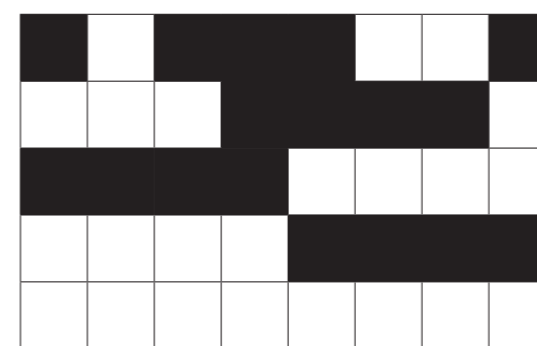
Down

- Units of current (4)
- American chemist awarded the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for work on boranes (7, 8)
- Facts (6)
- Treated and preserved with a mixture of sodium chloride and sodium nitrite (4-5)
- English chemist who shared the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for the discovery of fullerenes (5)
- _____ Moss, a type of lichen named after the animals that eat it (8)
- In(OH)₃ (6, 9)
- See 10 Across
- See 19 Across
- Twisted and turned like a river, this verb actually coming from such a river in Turkey (9)
- Aerodynamic resistance (4)
- Natural, slow-release fertiliser (8)
- Having possession of (6)
- Old name for a solvent such as (CH₃CH₂)₂O (5)
- The I in FTIR spectroscopy (5)
- Chemist whose law concerns enthalpy (4)

April 2026 elements grid

For this new puzzle, use the clues to assign each column of the grid a unique element symbol (with T standing for tritium), so that each row spells out a solution to its own clue, and the final row includes all eight symbols.

H	C	S	P	Te	I	Po	Ra
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**Clues:**

- Angry (5)
- Joints (4)
- Containers (6)
- Pachyderm (5)
- Greek founder of clinical medicine (11)

April 2026 coronene puzzle

Place each of the seven elemental symbols in one hexagon of coronene to spell three words, one horizontally and two diagonally. Plural words are allowed, but you may not switch the order of the letter in any two-letter symbols (eg, sodium must be Na, not aN). The four symbols in the central hexagon of each of this month's coronenes can be combined to spell out the name of a protein.

Elements:

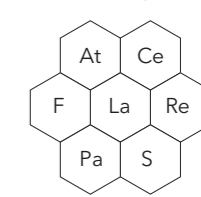
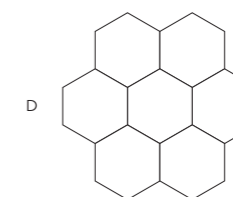
A. Er, Es, In, K, O, Ra, S

B. Dy, Er, N, Ra, Se, Si, V

C. At, B, Co, Hs, I, In, S

D. Ds, H, In, K, S, Ts, W

For example:

Answers:
Atlas
Flare
Palace

March 2026 solutions and winners

Cryptic

S	R	J	I	E	S	T									
4	T	T	O	O	H	M	A	G	A	T	H	A			
	A	B	S	P	R	R	O								
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	C	N	P	O	H	R									
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	A	S	L	L	I	E	I								
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Quick

N	I	C	S	S	A	E									
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	K	N	R	R	M	N	A								
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	N	E	S	E	G	E	S								

Wordoku

The popular material in solar cell technology was KESTERITE.

Coronene puzzle

- Bacon, Bicorn, Tacos
- Genial, Panic, Knife
- Acids, Bias, Noise
- Hones, Inept, Renege

The toxic alkaloid running across is Coniine

Elements grid

Ne	S	T								
				W	Re	N				
			La			N	Ce			
Er	Ne	S								
Er	Ne	S	T	O	La	W	Re	N	Ce	

March winners

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