

## Find Solubility Ksp Given - Question 2

Find equilibrium ion concentrations for a saturated aluminum hydroxided solution and the mass of aluminum hydroxide in mg required to saturate 2500 mL of solution.



Let  $s$  represent the solubility of  $\text{Al(OH)}_3$

$$[\text{Al}^{3+}] = s$$

$$[\text{OH}^{1-}] = 3s$$

$$K_{\text{sp}} = [\text{Al}^{3+}][\text{OH}^{1-}]^3$$

$$3 \times 10^{-33} = (s)(3s)^3$$

$$3 \times 10^{-33} = (s)(27s^3)$$

$$3 \times 10^{-33} = 27s^4$$

$$s = 3.25 \times 10^{-9} \text{ mol/L}$$

$$[\text{Al}^{3+}] = 3.25 \times 10^{-9} \text{ M}$$

$$[\text{OH}^{1-}] = 3 \times (3.25 \times 10^{-9} \text{ M})$$

$$= 9.74 \times 10^{-9} \text{ M}$$

$$2500 \text{ mL} \times \frac{1 \text{ L}}{1000 \text{ mL}} \times \frac{3.25 \times 10^{-9} \text{ mol}}{1 \text{ L}} \times \frac{78.01 \text{ g Al(OH)}_3}{1 \text{ mol Al(OH)}_3} \times \frac{1000 \text{ mg}}{1 \text{ g}} = 6.34 \text{ mg Al(OH)}_3$$