

This is a figure showing the locations of hydrogen (H), oxygen (O), carbon (C), nitrogen (N) and phosphorus (P) atoms in one molecule of adefovir dipivoxil, which is a drug designed to treat hepatitis B.

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C\_\_ H\_\_ N\_\_ O\_\_ P\_\_

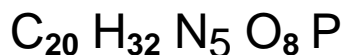
**Problem 3** - The mass of each element is given in terms of Atomic Mass Units (AMUs). If the masses of the atoms in adefovir dipivoxil are H = 1 AMU, C=12 AMU, N= 14 AMU, O=16 AMU, and P = 31 AMU, what is the total mass of a single molecule in AMUs?

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Answer: **Carbon (C) = 20**  
**Oxygen (O) = 8**  
**Hydrogen (H) = 32**  
**Nitrogen (N) = 5**  
**Phosphorus (P) = 1**

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Answer:  $M = 20(12) + 32(1) + 5(14) + 8(16) + 1(31) = 501 \text{ AMU}$ .

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Answer: One molecule has a mass of  $501 \text{ AMU} \times (1.7 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}/1 \text{ AMU}) = 8.5 \times 10^{-25}$  kg. The sample has a total mass of  $1.0 \times 10^{-6}$  grams which equals  $1.0 \times 10^{-9}$  kilograms. So the number of molecules is  $N = 1.0 \times 10^{-9} / 8.5 \times 10^{-25} = 1.2 \times 10^{15}$  molecules.