

CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2014 PROJECT SUMMARY

Name(s) **Project Number** Raveena K. Mahal 34581 **Project Title** CO(2) Wonders **Abstract Objectives/Goals** Have you ever wondered why Alka-Seltzer Original tablets produce those hale bubbles when they#re dropped into water? Well, those little bubbles are called carbon dioxide and the purpose of this experiment was to find out if increasing the amount of Alka-Seltzer Original tablets would also increase how much carbon dioxide is being produced. In my research, I found out that the active ingredient in Alka-Seltzer Original is sodium bicarbonate. It produces carbon dioxide when added to the water. My hypothesis was that increasing the amount of tablets would increase much carbon dioxide is being produced. In my experiment I first made the apparatus with a saduated cylinder and a cup. Then, I dropped one Alka-Seltzer Original tablet into the cup and measured the anount of carbon dioxide produced with the graduated cylinder. Next, I repeated this process, while increasing the amount of tablets. Finally, I concluded that my hypothesis was correct, increasing the amount of Alka-Seltzer Original tablets would increase the amount of carbon doxide being produced. Summary Statement d that more carbon dioxide wsa being produced as I increased the amount of Original tablets. **Help Received** Dad helped set up tubing for apparatus. Mom took me to store to buy supplies.