The relative lowering of vapour pressure produced by dissolving 71.5 g of a substance in 1000 g of water is 0.00713. The molecular weight of the substance will be

- A) 18.0
- B) 342
- C) 60
- D) 180

Correct Answer: D

Solution:

$$\frac{P^0 - P_s}{P^0} = \frac{\frac{w}{m}}{\frac{w}{m} + \frac{W}{M}}$$
 or $0.00713 = \frac{71.5/m}{\frac{71.5}{m} + \frac{1000}{18}}$ $m = 180$