

## Measuring Planck's Constant *Solutions*

1. The sample result of  $h = 7.6 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}$  is 15% greater than the known value.
2. The frequency of green light is given by the following:

$$\begin{aligned} f &= \frac{c}{\lambda} \\ &= \frac{3.00 \times 10^8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}}{530 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}} \\ f &= 5.66 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz} \end{aligned}$$

The energy of a green photon is given by the following:

$$\begin{aligned} E &= hf \\ &= (6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J}\cdot\text{s}) (5.66 \times 10^{14} \text{ Hz}) \\ E &= 3.75 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J} \end{aligned}$$

The number of photons emitted by the laser each second is as follows:

$$\frac{\text{Energy emitted each second}}{\text{Energy of a single photon}} = \frac{1.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ J}}{3.75 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}} = 2.66 \times 10^{15}$$

3. Ultraviolet light has a higher frequency than visible light, so using the formula  $E = hf$ , ultraviolet photons have more energy than photons of visible light. Thus, ultraviolet photons can cause more damage to the cells in our bodies when they impact on them.