

lutions needed for preparation of temporary standards. It often is inapplicable to industrial wastes.

The amperometric methods (C and E) are useful when a knowledge of the various chlorine fractions in a water sample is desired. They distinguish various chlorine compounds of interest with good accuracy and precision, but require specialized equipment and considerable analytical skill.

The *N,N*-diethyl-*p*-phenylenediamine (DPD) method (D) has the advantages of a relatively easy-to-perform colorimetric test with the ability to distinguish between ClO_2 and some forms of chlorine. This technique is not as accurate as the amperometric method, but should yield results adequate for many common applications. NOTE: Reports in the literature indicate that the DPD method is subject to interference from monochloramine and chloraminoacetic acid, and the chlorite anion.¹

3. Sampling and Storage

Determine ClO_2 promptly after collecting the sample. Do not expose sample to sunlight or strong artificial light and do not aerate to mix. Most of these methods can be performed on site, with prior calibration in the laboratory. Minimum ClO_2 losses

occur when the determination is completed immediately at the site of sample collection.

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4500- ClO_2 B. Iodometric Method

1. General Discussion

a. Principle: A pure solution of ClO_2 is prepared from gaseous ClO_2 by slowly adding dilute H_2SO_4 to a sodium chlorite (NaClO_2) solution. Contaminants such as chlorine are removed from the gas stream by a NaClO_2 scrubber; the gas is passed into distilled water in a steady stream of air. See CAUTION, ¶ A.1.

ClO_2 releases free iodine from a KI solution acidified with acetic acid or H_2SO_4 . The liberated iodine is titrated with a standard solution of sodium thiosulfate ($\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$), with starch as the indicator.

b. Interference: There is little interference in this method, but temperature and strong light affect solution stability. Minimize ClO_2 losses by storing stock ClO_2 solution in a dark refrigerator and by preparing and titrating dilute ClO_2 solutions for standardization purposes at the lowest practicable temperature and in subdued light.

c. Minimum detectable concentration: One drop (0.05 mL) of 0.01N (0.01M) $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ is equivalent to 20 μg ClO_2/L (or 40 $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$ in terms of available chlorine) when a 500-mL sample is titrated.

2. Reagents

All reagents listed for the determination of residual chlorine in Section 4500-Cl.B.2a-g are required. Also needed are the following:

a. Stock chlorine dioxide solution: Prepare a gas generating and absorbing system as illustrated in Figure 4500- ClO_2 :1. Connect aspirator flask, 500-mL capacity, with rubber tubing to a source of purified compressed air. Let air bubble through a layer

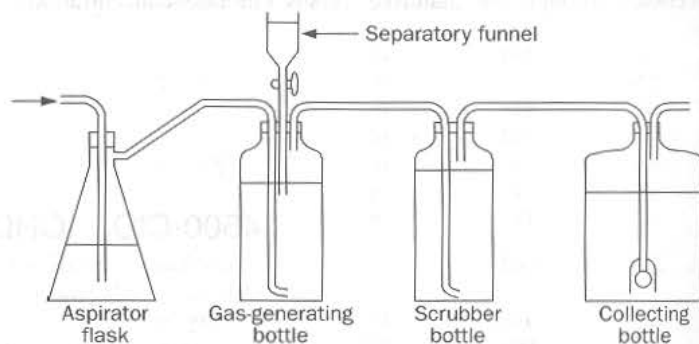


Figure 4500- ClO_2 :1. Chlorine dioxide generation and absorption system.

of 300 mL distilled water in flask and then pass through a glass tube ending within 5 mm of the bottom of the 1-L gas-generating bottle. Conduct evolved gas via glass tubing through a scrubber bottle containing saturated NaClO_2 solution or a tower packed with flaked NaClO_2 , and finally, via glass tubing, into a 2-L borosilicate glass collecting bottle where the gas is absorbed in 1500 mL distilled water. Provide an air outlet tube on collecting bottle for escape of air. Select for gas generation a bottle constructed of strong borosilicate glass and having a mouth wide enough to permit insertion of three separate glass tubes: the first leading almost to the bottom for admitting air, the second reaching below the liquid surface for gradual introduction of H_2SO_4 , and the third near the top for exit of evolved gas and air. Fit to second tube a graduated cylindrical separatory funnel to contain H_2SO_4 . Locate this system in a fume hood with an adequate shield.

Dissolve 10 g NaClO₂ in 750 mL distilled water and place in generating bottle. Carefully add 2 mL conc H₂SO₄ to 18 mL distilled water and mix. Transfer to funnel. Connect flask to generating bottle, generating bottle to scrubber, and the latter to collecting bottle. Pass a smooth current of air through the system, as evidenced by the bubbling rate in all bottles.

Introduce 5-mL increments of H₂SO₄ from funnel into generating bottle at 5-min intervals. Continue air flow for 30 min after last portion of acid has been added.

Store yellow stock solution in glass-stoppered dark-colored bottle in a dark refrigerator. The concentration of ClO₂ thus prepared varies between 250 and 600 mg/L, corresponding to approximately 500 to 1200 mg free chlorine/L.

b. Standard chlorine dioxide solution: Use this solution for preparing temporary ClO₂ standards. Dilute required volume of stock ClO₂ solution to desired strength with chlorine-demand-free water (see Section 4500-Cl.C.3*m*). Standardize solution by titrating with standard 0.01*N* (0.01*M*) or 0.025*N* (0.025*M*) Na₂S₂O₃ titrant in the presence of KI, acid, and starch indicator by following the procedure given in ¶ 3 below. A full or nearly full bottle of chlorine or ClO₂ solution retains its titer longer than a partially full one. When repeated withdrawals reduce volume to a critical level, standardize diluted solution at the beginning, midway in the series of withdrawals, and at the end of the series. Shake contents thoroughly before drawing off needed solution from middle of the glass-stoppered dark-colored bottle. Prepare this solution frequently.

3. Procedure

Select volume of sample, prepare for titration, and titrate sample and blank as described in Section 4500-Cl.B.3. The only ex-

ception is the following: *Let ClO₂ react in the dark with acid and KI for 5 min before starting titration.*

4. Calculations

Express ClO₂ concentrations in terms of ClO₂ or as free chlorine content. Free chlorine is defined as the total oxidizing power of ClO₂ measured by titrating iodine released by ClO₂ from an acidic solution of KI. Calculate result in terms of chlorine itself.

For standardizing ClO₂ solution:

$$\text{mg ClO}_2/\text{mL} = \frac{(A \pm B) \times N \times 13.49}{\text{mL sample titrated}}$$

For determining ClO₂ temporary standards:

$$\text{mg ClO}_2 \text{ as Cl}_2/\text{mL} = \frac{(A \pm B) \times N \times 35.45}{\text{mL sample titrated}}$$

where:

A = mL titration for sample,

B = mL titration for blank (positive or negative, see 4500-Cl.B.3*d*), and

N = normality of Na₂S₂O₃ = molarity of Na₂S₂O₃.

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4500-ClO₂ C. Amperometric Method I

1. General Discussion

a. Principle: The amperometric titration of ClO₂ is an extension of the amperometric method for chlorine. By performing four titrations with phenylarsine oxide, free chlorine (including hypochlorite and hypochlorous acid), chloramines, chlorite, and ClO₂ may be determined separately. The first titration step consists of conversion of ClO₂ to chlorite and chlorate through addition of sufficient NaOH to produce a pH of 12, followed by neutralization to a pH of 7 and titration of free chlorine. In the second titration KI is added to a sample that has been treated similarly with alkali and had the pH re-adjusted to 7; titration yields free chlorine and monochloramine. The third titration involves addition of KI and pH adjustment to 7, followed by titration of free chlorine, monochloramine, and one-fifth of the available ClO₂. In the fourth titration, addition of sufficient H₂SO₄ to lower the pH to 2 enables all available ClO₂ and chlorite, as well as the total free chlorine, to liberate an equivalent amount of iodine from the added KI and thus be titrated.

b. Interference: The interferences described in Section 4500-Cl.D.1*b* apply also to determination of ClO₂.

2. Apparatus

The apparatus required is given in Sections 4500-Cl.D.2*a* through *d*.

3. Reagents

All reagents listed for the determination of chlorine in Section 4500-Cl.D.3 are required. Also needed are the following:

a. Sodium hydroxide, NaOH, 6*N* (6*M*).

b. Sulfuric acid, H₂SO₄, 6*N* (3*M*), 1 + 5.

4. Procedure

Minimize effects of pH, time, and temperature of reaction by standardizing all conditions.

a. Titration of free available chlorine (hypochlorite and hypochlorous acid): Add sufficient 6*N* (6*M*) NaOH to raise sample pH to 12. After 10 min, add 6*N* (3*M*) H₂SO₄ to lower pH to 7. Titrate with standard phenylarsine oxide titrant to the amperometric end point as given in Section 4500-Cl.D. Record result as *A*.

b. Titration of free available chlorine and chloramine: Add 6*N* (6*M*) NaOH to raise sample pH to 12. After 10 min, add 6*N* (3*M*) H₂SO₄ to reduce pH to 7. Add 1 mL KI solution. Titrate with standard phenylarsine oxide titrant to the amperometric end point. Record result as *B*.

c. Titration of free available chlorine, chloramine, and one-fifth of available ClO₂: Adjust sample pH to 7 with pH 7 phos-