Thermo. Titr. Application Note No. 102

Title:	Determination of Hypochlorite by Titration
	with Ammonium Ion

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Principle:	Hypochlorite ions react with bromide ions to form hypobromite ions, which in turn rapidly oxidize ammonium ions to nitrogen. Hypobromite reacts more rapidly with ammonium than hypochlorite, and is formed <i>in situ</i> (Vogel, 1961). The titration is carried out with in a solution containing bromide and bicarbonate:
	$3OCl^- + 3Br^- \rightarrow 3OBr^- + 3Cl^-$
	$2NH_4^+ + 3OBr^- \rightarrow N_2 + 3Br^- + 2H^+ + 3H_2O$
	$3OCI^{-} + 2NH_{4}^{+} \rightarrow N_{2} + 3CI^{-} + 2H^{+} + 3H_{2}O$
	i.e., 1 mol $NH_4^+ \equiv 1.5 \text{ mol } OCl^-$

Reagents:	Bromide/bicarbonate solution. Dissolve 200 g A.R.
	KBr and 120 g A.R. KHCO₃ in DI water and make to
	1000 mL with D.I. water. Store in a brown glass
	bottle.
	Titrant. Ammonium sulfate, 0.05 mol/L (0.1 mol/L
	NH_4^+). Prepare from A.R. grade ammonium sulfate,
	e.g., Sigma cat. no. A5132.

Method:	Basic Experimental Parameters (tiamo v.2.2.):
	Titrant delivery rate (mL/min.)	4
	Titration blank (mL)	-0.0025
	Bromide/bicarbonate solution addition (mL):	15
	No. of exothermic endpoints	1
	Endpoint recognition criterion (ERC)	-50
	Delay start of titration (secs.)	5
	Evaluation start (mL)	1
	Damping until (mL)	0.5



Data smoothing factor (DSF)	40
Basic Experimental Parameters (cont.):	
Stirring speed (802 stirrer)	10
Titration setup("semi-auto"):	
6.1415.210 Titration vessel 10-90 mL 6.1414.010 Titration vessel lid with 5 openings 6.1909.010 Stirring propeller 96 mm 6.2727.010 Intermediate SG sleeve 6.1543.210 3-way stopper with anti-diffusion va 6.9011.020 Thermoprobe 802 Stirrer with 804 Ti stand	
Basic Method: Prepare an aliquot of hypochlorite solution equ to ~0.5-1.0 mmol OCl⁻. Dispense into the titration vessel, and make the fluid volume to ~15-20ml necessary with D.I. water.	on
Titrate according to the method "hypochlorite bammonium.mmet".	Dy .
Blank determination.	
Prepare and titrate at least 4 hypochlorite solut varying over a range from ~0.2 – 0.8 mmol OC using the method "hypochlorite by ammonium blank.mmet". Create a Common Variable "Blan NH ₄ +" beforehand, as this method automatically saves the blank value to this CV designation.	l⁻, nk

Example:	"Milton" sterilizing solution:
	NaOCI = 1.03±0.005 w/w (5 determinations)

Calculation:	NaOCI% = $\frac{((EP \text{ vol} - \text{blank vol}) \times NH_4^+ \text{ mol} / L \times 74.442 \times 1.5 \times 0.1)}{2}$
	Sample mass, g

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