

Chromate Vacu-vials® Kit

K-2803: 0 - 3.50 ppm (Prog. # 42)

Instrument Set-up

For CHEMetrics photometers, follow the **Setup and Measurement Procedures** in the operator's manual. For spectrophotometers, follow the manufacturer's specifications to set the wavelength to 540 nm and to zero the instrument using the ZERO ampoule supplied.

Test Procedure

1. Fill the sample cup to the 20 mL mark with the sample to be tested (fig. 1).
2. Add 4 drops of A-2800 Acidifier Solution (fig. 2). Stir to mix the contents of the cup.
3. Place the Vacu-vial ampoule, tip first, into the sample cup. Snap the tip. The ampoule will fill leaving a bubble for mixing (fig. 3).
4. To mix the ampoule, invert it several times, allowing the bubble to travel from end to end.
5. Dry the ampoule and wait **2 minutes** for color development.
6. Insert the Vacu-vial ampoule into the photometer, flat end first, and obtain a reading in ppm (mg/Liter) chromate (CrO_4).

NOTE: If using a spectrophotometer that is not pre-calibrated for CHEMetrics products, then use the **equation below** or the **Concentration Calculator** found under the Support tab at www.chemetrics.com.

$$\text{ppm} = 3.58 (\text{abs}) - 0.01$$

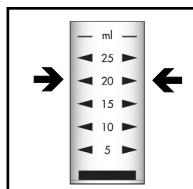


Figure 1

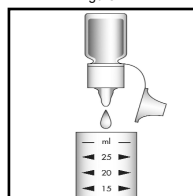


Figure 2

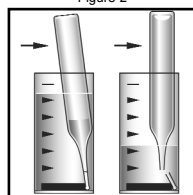


Figure 3

Test Method

The Chromate Vacu-vials®¹ test kit employs the diphenylcarbazide chemistry.^{2,3} In an acidic solution, hexavalent chromium reacts with diphenylcarbazide to form a red-violet colored complex in direct proportion to the hexavalent chromium concentration.

1. Vacu-vials is a registered trademark of CHEMetrics, Inc. U.S. Patent No. 3,634,038
2. APHA Standard Methods, 22nd ed., Method 3500-Cr B - 2009
3. ASTM D 1687-02, Chromium in Water, Test Method A.

Safety Information

Read SDS (available at www.chemetrics.com) before performing this test procedure. Wear safety glasses and protective gloves.

Visit www.chemetrics.com to view product demonstration videos.
Always follow the test procedure above to perform a test.



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