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NANOCOLOR® AOX 3

Adsorbable organically bound halogens

Method:
AOX determination is carried out in 3 steps:
1. Solid phase extraction with ***NANOSORB*** for AOX
2. Decomposition of the concentrated adsorber medium
3. Determination as chloride with reagent set *NANOCOLOR*® AOX 3

Measuring range:	**0.1 – 3.0 mg/L AOX**	**0.01 – 0.30 mg/L AOX**
Method:	**(0)071**	**(0)072**
Wavelength (HW = 5 – 12 nm):	**470 nm**	
Reaction time:	**3 min (180 s)**	
Reaction temperature:	**20 – 25 °C**	

Contents of the reagent set:
20 ***NANOSORB*** cartridges
1 **preparation box** containing
2 × 100 mL rinsing solution concentrate for preparation of AOX 3 R1 (fill up each to 1 L with dist. water)
1 tube *NANOFIX* AOX 3 R2
1 × 105 mL AOX 3 R3
1 × 75 mL AOX 3 R4
20 **reaction tubes** 16 mm OD
1 **detection box** containing
20 test tubes AOX 3
2 test tubes Chloride R2
1 test tube with blank value "NULL"

Hazard warning:
Information regarding safety can be found on the box' label and in the safety data sheet. You can download the SDS from ***www.mn-net.com/SDS***.

Interferences:
COD-contaminated test solution (> 50 mg/L COD) must be diluted beforehand. Alternatively, the *NANOCOLOR*® Supplement kit for AOX (up to 1000 mg/L COD, REF 918072) can be used.

When using 200 mL of rinsing solution, this method is also suitable for analyzing sea water.

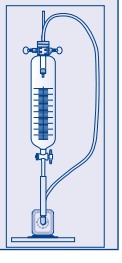
Procedure:
Requisite accessories: Starter kit for AOX (REF 916111), piston pipette with tips; optional: supplement kit (REF 918072), pump set for AOX (REF 916115)
For exact measurements in the low range, it is recommendable using a real blank value:

1a. Manual extraction

Connect a ***NANOSORB*** cartridge to the syringe 50 mL with the aid of an adaptor. Pour
100 mL test sample *(the pH value of the sample must be between pH 3 and 5)* into a glass beaker 150 mL, dip the ***NANOSORB*** cartridge into the test sample and lift the syringe plunger up and down 20 times to adsorb the organically bound halogens from the sample (accessories: stand with clamp and boss).

After extraction disconnect ***NANOSORB*** cartridge from the adaptor and syringe. Rinse the ***NANOSORB*** cartridge slowly in 4 – 5 portions with a total of
100 mL R1 rinsing solution in order to remove inorganic chloride. Connect the syringe to the cartridge once more and blow out any excess of water from the ***NANOSORB*** adsorber with 2 strong draughts of air.

1b. Extraction using the pump set



Close valve of the flask. Pour
100 mL test sample *(the pH value of the sample must be between pH 3 and 5)* or
1000 mL test sample *(the pH value of the sample must be between pH 3 and 5)* for the sensitive range into the flask and connect a ***NANOSORB*** cartridge to the flask using the adaptor. Open valve and start pumping for 20 min to adsorb the organically bound halogens from the sample.

After extraction disconnect the ***NANOSORB*** cartridge from the adaptor and flask. Rinse the ***NANOSORB*** cartridge in 4 – 5 portions with a total of
100 mL R1 rinsing solution in order to remove inorganic chloride.
Connect the syringe to the cartridge using the adaptor and blow out any excess of water from the ***NANOSORB*** adsorber with 2 strong draughts of air.

2a. Decomposition if COD content is low, without supplement kit, using a heating block

Add into a reaction tube 16 mm OD
1 *NANOFIX* R2 and
5 mL R3 close and mix.
Open and insert the ***NANOSORB*** to this solution with help of a funnel, then press it down to the bottom of the tube with tweezers. Close the tube, place it into the heating block and heat at 120 °C for 30 min. Remove tube from heating block, shake gently and leave it to cool. Open tube, add
3.5 mL R4, close and mix.

2b. Decomposition if COD content is low, without supplement kit, using a microwave

Add to the decomposition vessel
1 *NANOFIX* R2 and
5 mL R3, close and mix.
Open and add the ***NANOSORB*** to this solution using tweezers. Add a glass rod to the vessel to prevent the ***NANOSORB*** from swimming on the surface. Close the decomposition vessel. Place it on the outer edge of the microwave revolving plate and heat 23 s at 900 VA or 28 s at 750 VA *(always use the highest power rating of your microwave oven)*.
Remove vessel from microwave and let cool for about 10 min. Turn the pressure vessel upside down once and open it with caution. Add
3.5 mL R4, close and mix.

2c. Decomposition if COD content is high, with supplement kit, using a heating block

Add into a reaction tube 16 mm OD
1 *NANOFIX* R2,
1 black spoon R5 and
5 mL R3, close and mix.
Open and insert the ***NANOSORB*** to this solution with help of a funnel, then press it down to the bottom of the tube using tweezers. Close the tube, place it into the heating block and heat at 120 °C for 30 min. Remove tube from heating block, shake gently and leave it to cool. Open tube, add
3.5 mL R4 and
1 orange spoon R6 *(the solution becomes turbid)*, close and mix. Filter the solution with membrane or folded filters.

2d. Decomposition if COD content is high, with supplement kit, using a microwave

Add to the decomposition vessel
1 *NANOFIX* R2,
1 black spoon R5 and
5 mL R3, close and mix.
Open and add the ***NANOSORB*** to this solution using tweezers. Add a glass rod to the vessel to prevent the ***NANOSORB*** from swimming on the surface. Close the decomposition vessel. Place it on the outer edge of the microwave revolving plate and heat 23 s at 900 VA or 28 s at 750 VA *(always use the highest power rating of your microwave oven)*.
Remove the vessel from the microwave and let it cool for about 10 min. Turn the pressure vessel upside down once and open it with caution. Add
3.5 mL R4 and
1 orange spoon R6 *(the solution becomes turbid)*, close and mix. Filter the solution with membrane or folded filters.

3. Determination of AOX

Open test tube AOX and add
4.0 mL decomposition solution *(let particles of adsorbent deposit or use membrane filters)*. Add
1.0 mL Chloride R2, close and mix.
Clean outside of test tube and measure after 3 min.
Adjust photometer to zero by using blank value "NULL".

Measurement:
For using MACHEREY-NAGEL photometers see manual, test 0-07.

Photometers of other manufacturers:
For other photometers check whether measurement of round glass tubes is possible. Verify calibration curve for each type of instrument by measuring standard solutions.

Analytical quality control:
NANOCONTROL AOX 3 (REF 92507)
The measurement of a blank value and a standard is recommended before every measuring series as quality control measure.

Reference:
German Standard Methods for the Examination of water, waste water and sludge (DIN EN 9562)

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