

## Overview

The test is suitable for the photometric determination of TOC.

The test is suitable for water as well as surface water, groundwater and drinking water.

Measuring range: 2.0–30.0 mg/L TOC (method 0481)

- Number of tests: 20
- Wavelength for photometric determination: 436 nm
- Shelf life: 12 months
- Reaction time: 60 minutes
- Storage temperature: 2–8 °C
- Storage conditions: protected from sunlight, upright.

## Method

TOC determination is carried out in two steps:

1. Removal of all inorganic carbon (TIC)
2. Digestion of total organic carbon (TOC) and detection of the resulting carbon dioxide by means of an indicator. Analogous to DIN EN 1484.

## Interferences

The following contaminants do not interfere with the test up to the indicated concentrations. The cumulative effect of different interfering ions has not been tested.

Data in mg/L:

- TIC: 500
- Cl<sup>-</sup>: 750

This method is not suitable for analyzing seawater.

Turbidities cause higher measurement values.

## Reagents and accessories

Contents of reagents set:

- 20 test tubes 1
- 20 test tubes 2
- 20 test tubes 3
- 1 tube with blanc solution
- 20 plastic tips for TIC-Ex
- 20 threaded couplings
- 40 adhesive labels 10 × 38 mm

Required devices:

- MACHEREY-NAGEL photometer
- MACHEREY-NAGEL heating block
- Protective covering with bores (REF 919309)
- NANOCOLOR® TIC-Ex (REF 916993)
- Digital piston pipette 1–5 mL (REF 916909) with pipette tips (REF 916916)

## Standards

- NANOCONTROL TOC 30 (REF 92575)

## Sampling and preparation

See DIN EN ISO 5667-3-A21.

Adjust to pH 1–12 prior to analysis.

## Quality control

The measurement of a blank value and a standard is recommended before every measuring series as quality control measure.

LOT-specific certificates are available at [www.mn-net.com](http://www.mn-net.com).

## Procedure

1. Open test tube 1 and pipette 5 mL of sample
2. Insert open cuvette in the TIC-Ex and remove TIC for 5 min (after removal blow out the fluid residues in the tips by briefly actuating the TIC-Ex)
3. Seal test tube and shake vigorously
4. Open test tube 2 immediately and pipette 4 mL pretreated sample from test tube 1
5. Seal test tube and shake for 10 s
6. Open cuvette 3 and immediately close it with the threaded coupling (blue side down)
7. Immediately screw cuvette 2 tightly with cuvette 3 (hold cuvette combination vertically)
8. Insert cuvette combination into the heating block (blue indicator solution on top). Heat for 1 h at 100 °C
9. Remove cuvette combination from the heating block. Cool to room temperature for 1 h
10. Clean outside of blank tube
11. Measure blank value
12. Clean outside of test tube 3
13. Invert the cuvette combination
14. Measure

## Disposal

Information regarding disposal can be found in the safety data sheet. You can download the SDS from [www.mn-net.com/SDS](http://www.mn-net.com/SDS).

## Notes

To increase the accuracy, it is recommended to perform the measurement with reagent blank value. For the blank value, use COD-free water (REF 918993) as sample.

When using other photometers, make sure measurements are possible in test tubes (16 mm OD) and calibrate the method.

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