

VA Application Note No. V - 180

Title: Determination of nitrobenzene in aniline

Summary: The concentration of nitrobenzene in aniline is determined by polarography in an ethanol / acetic acid electrolyte.

Sample: Aniline

Sample preparation: None

Analysis of nitrobenzene

Ethanol $w(\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}) = 99.9 \%$

Acetic acid $w(\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}) = 99.5\%$

Measuring solution
 2 g anilin
 + 20 mL ethanol
 + 2 mL acetic acid
 approx. pH 4.1

Working electrode (WE) **MME** (Multi Mode Electrode) 6.1246.020

Auxiliary electrode (AE) **Pt** 6.0343.000

Reference electrode (RE) Reference system: Ag/AgCl/KCl (3 mol/L) 6.0728.020
 Intermediate electrolyte: $c(\text{KCl}) = 3 \text{ mol/L}$ 6.1245.010

Parameters

Working electrode	DME
Stirrer speed	2000 rpm
Mode	DP
Purge time	300 s
Equilibration time	10 s
Pulse amplitude	50 mV
Start potential	-0.25 V
End potential	-0.7 V
Voltage step	0.004 V
Voltage step time	0.4 s
Sweep rate	0.01 V/s
Peak potential nitrobenzene	-0.48 V

Results:	Nitrobenzene
	714 ng/g

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