HIRANUMA APPLICATION DATA		Automatic Titrator	Data No.	D5	Nov. 14, 2018	
Environment	Determination of alkalinity in					
	bottled water					

1. Abstract

Natural water contains alkaline components such as hydroxides and carbonates. Such water indicates alkaline pH, the alkalinity is used as an index. The alkalinity is expressed as mg/L of calcium carbonate (CaCO₃) equivalent for these alkaline components. Alkalinity is divided into phenolphthalein alkalinity (P alkalinity) and total alkalinity (T alkalinity or M alkalinity) by the pH value of neutralization point.

Alkalinity P AlkalinityEndpoint at pH 8.3 T (M) AlkalinityEndpoint at pH 4.8

Total amount of the hydroxides and half amount of carbonates are measured when it is titrated to about pH 8.3 with sulfuric acid titrant.

All of the bicarbonates are neutralized when it is titrated successively to about pH 4.8.

 $HCO_3^{-} + H_2SO_4 \rightarrow SO_4^{2-} + 2CO_2 + H_2O$

This report introduces a measurement example for bottled water using potentiometric titration as end point detection method according to *Standard Methods for the Examination of Water*.

2. Configuration of instruments and reagents						
(1) Configuration of ins	truments	5				
Main unit	:	Hiranuma Automatic Titrator COM series				
Electrodes	:	Glass electrode	GE-101B			
		Reference electrode	RE-201Z			
		Thermistor electrode	TE-403			
*Instead of above electrode, the following electrodes are usable.						
Glass reference combination electrode GR-501B…Fixed sleeve type						
		Glass reference combin	ation electrode GR-511B····Moveable sleeve type			
(2) Reagents						
Titrant	: 0.	01 mol/L Sulfuric acid stand	dard solution			

3. Measurement procedure

(1) Dispense 100 mL of sample into a 200 mL beaker with volumetric pipette.

(2) Immerse electrodes and start titration with 0.01 mol/L sulfuric acid standard solution.



4. Measurement conditions and results

(1) Titration of P alka	alinity							
Cndt No.	1							
Method	Set		ConstantNo.	1		Mode No.	5	
Buret No.	1		Size	100	mL	Pre Int	0	sec
Amp No.	1		Blank	0	mL	Del K	5	
D. Unit	pН		Molarity	0.01	mol/L	Del Sens	0	mV
S-Timer	5	sec	Factor	1.004		Int Time	3	sec
C.P. mL	0	mL	Κ	100.00		Int Sens	3	mV
Direction	\downarrow		L	0.000		Brt Speed	2	
T Timer	0	sec				Pulse	40	
D.P. mL	0	mL	Unit	PPM				
Endpoint pH	8.3		Formula					
Over mL	0	mL		(D-B)*K*F*M*	1000/S			
Max.Vol.	5	mL	Digits	3				
			Auto In Pram.	Non				

Example of titration condition

(2) Titration of T (M) alkalinity

Cndt No.	2							
Method	Set		ConstantNo.	2		Mode No.	5	
Buret No.	1		Size	100	mL	Pre Int	0	sec
Amp No.	1		Blank	0	mL	Del K	5	
D. Unit	pН		Molarity	0.01	mol/L	Del Sens	0	mV
S-Timer	0	sec	Factor	1.004		Int Time	3	sec
C.P. mL	0	mL	Κ	100.00		Int Sens	3	mV
Direction	\downarrow		L	0		Brt Speed	2	
T Timer	0	sec				Pulse	40	
D.P. mL	0	mL	Unit	PPM				
Endpoint pH	4.8		Formula					
Over mL	0.2	mL		(VA+VB)*K*F*M	[*1000/S			
Max.Vol.	10	mL	Digits	3				
			Auto In Pram.	Non				



Measurement results							
Results of P Alkalinity							
Number of	Size	Titrant	Concentration				
Measurement	(mL)	Volume (mL)	(CaCO ₃ mg/L)				
1	100	1.024	10.281				
2	100	1.017	10.211				
3	100	1.034	10.381				
		Avg.	10.2 mg/L				
Statistic calculation		SD	0.0854 mg/L				
		RSD	0.83 %				

Results of T (M) Alkalinity

Number of	Size Titrant		Concentration	
Measurement	(mL)	Volume (mL)	(CaCO ₃ mg/L)	
1	100	5.117	61.656	
2	100	5.120	61.615	
3	100	5.108	61.666	
		Avg.	61.6 mg/L	
Statistic calculation		SD	0.0270 mg/L	
cure station		RSD	0.04 %	

5. Note

The alkalinity is accurately determined by potentiometric titration instead of color indicator titration.

Owing to function of conditions connection, the successive titration of P alkalinity and T (M) alkalinity can be efficiently performed.

Setting for endpoint detection is "Set" method on this titration. Since the specified pH is detected as endpoint, the exact pH detection is required. Therefore pH calibration with pH standard solutions is necessary before the measurement.

Keywords: Bottled water, Alkalinity, P alkalinity, T (M) alkalinity, Standard Methods for the Examination of Water

