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PLATING & ETCHING SOLUTION

Determination of hydrogen peroxide and sulfuric acid in etching solution

1. Abstract

Sulfuric acid and hydrogen peroxide are main components of the etching solution which is used for cleaning the copper surface (soft etching) or half etching. The concentration of sulfuric acid and hydrogen peroxide have to be properly controlled to maintain constant etching speed because hydrogen peroxide readily decomposes by itself. This report introduces a measurement example as below.

- 1) Determination of sulfuric acid by neutralization titration with sodium hydroxide $\cdot \cdot \cdot (1)$
- Determination of hydrogen peroxide by redox titration with potassium permanganate standard solution. • (2)

H_2SO_4	+	2NaOH	\rightarrow	Na ₂ SO ₄	+	H ₂ O	•	•	•	(1)
5H ₂ O ₂	+ 2	KMnO4	+ 3H ₂	$SO_4 \rightarrow$	K ₂ S	$SO_4 + 2MnSO_4 + 8H_2O + 5O_2$	•	•	•	(2)

2. Configuration of instruments and reagents

(1) Configuration Main unit	:	Hiranuma Automatic Titrator COM ser	ies	
Option	:	Buret, buret head, and simple dispense	r (peristaltic t	ype), one by one
Electrodes	:	Glass reference combination electrode	GR-501BZ	Connect to IE-1.
		Platinum electrode	PT-301	Connect to IE-2.
(2) Reagents				

Rea	gents		
	Titrant	:	0.1 mol/L sodium hydroxide standard solution (for sulfuric acid titration)
			0.02 mol/L potassium permanganate standard solution (for hydrogen
			peroxide titration)
	Additive solution	:	10 mL of diluted sulfuric acid (1:9, v/v) (for pH adjustment)

3. Measurement procedure

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

- (2) Add about 100 mL of DI water.
- (3) Immerse electrodes and start titration with 0.1 mol/L sodium hydroxide standard solution.
- (4) After that, 10 mL of diluted sulfuric acid is automatically dispensed. (Option: Simple dispenser)
- (5) Titrate with 0.02 mol/L potassium permanganate standard solution. (Option: Buret)



4. Measurement conditions and results

(1)Titration of su	Ifuric acid							
Cndt No.	1							
Method	Auto		Constant No.	1		Mode No.	20	
Buret No.	1		Size	1.0000	mL	Pre Int	0	sec
Amp No.	1		Blank	0.0000	mL	Del K	9	
D. Unit	pH		Molarity	0.1000	mol/L	Del Sens	0	mV
S-Timer	10	sec	Factor	1.0040		Int Time	2	sec
C.P. mL	20	mL	Κ	49.040		Int Sens	3	mV
T Timer	15	sec	L	0.000		Brt Speed	2	
D.P. mL	0.5	mL	Unit	g/L		Pulse	40	
End Sens	1000		Formula				0.05	mL
Over mL	0.2	mL		(D-B)*K*F*M/S				
Max.Vol.	40	mL	Digits	4				
			Auto In Pram.	None				
(2)Dispensing dil	luted sulfur	ic acio	1					
Cndt No.	2							
Method	Disp							
Buret No.	2							
S-Timer	0	sec						
Disp Vol.	10	mL						
(3)Titration of hy	drogen per	oxide						
Cndt No.	3							
Method	Auto		Constant No.	3		Mode No.	5	
Buret No.	3		Size	1.0000	g	Pre Int	0	sec
Amp No.	3		Blank	0.0000	mL	Del K	5	
D. Unit	mV		Molarity	0.0200	mol/L	Del Sens	0	mV
S-Timer	10	sec	Factor	1.0050		Int Time	3	sec
C.P. mL	0.5	mL	Κ	85.040		Int Sens	3	mV
T Timer	60	sec	L	0.000		Brt Speed	2	
D.P. mL	0.5	mL	Unit	g/L		Pulse	40	
End Sens	1000		Formula				0.05	mL
Over mL	0.5	mL		(D-B)*K*F*M/S				
Max.Vol.	20	mL	Digits	4				
			Auto In Pram.	None				

Examples of titration conditions

Measurement results									
Number of Measurement	Size (mL)	Titrant volume (mL)	Sulfuric acid (g/L)	Titrant volume (mL)	Hydrogen peroxide (g/L)				
1 1.0000		27.155	133.701	16.479	28.1676				
2 1.0000		27.182	133.834	16.492	28.1898				
3	1.0000	27.197	133.908	16.523	28.2428				
		Avg.	133.81 g/L	Avg.	28.20 g/L				
Statis	tic calculation	SD	0.10 g/L	SD	0.04 g/L				
		RSD	0.08 %	RSD	0.14 %				

Some measurement would not be possible depending on optional configuration of system.





5. Note

Potassium permanganate standard solution is used for hydrogen peroxide titration in this report because copper ion (Cu^{2+}) coexists in the sample. If the sample does not contain copper ion (Cu^{2+}) or iron ion (Fe^{3+}) which oxidize iodine ion, the determination of hydrogen peroxide with the iodometry method using sodium thiosulfate titrant is also possible.

Keywords: Etching solution. Sulfuric acid, Neutralization titration, Hydrogen peroxide, Potassium permanganate

