

Zinc - traces (conc. < 1 mg/l)

Function: Differential Pulse Stripping Voltammetry (DPS/a)

Start Potential (mV)	-1200
End Potential (mV)	-800
Current range	102,4
Scan Speed (mV/s)	20
Deposition time (s)	30
Deposition Pot. (mV)	-1200
Number of cycles	3
Delay before sweep (s)	5
Purge and stir time (s)	100
Stirring speed (rpm)	300
Drop Size (a.u.)	30

Zinc concentrated standard solution (1 g/l)

Dissolve 1 g of Zink in a minimum volume of 6 M HCl. Bring to volume in a 1 l volumetric flask with 1% HCl.

Supporting Electrolyte

0.1 M Acetate buffer, pH 4.5

Dissolve 8.2 g of anhydrous CH_3COONa (or 13.6 g of $\text{CH}_3\text{COONa}\cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$) in 800 ml of distilled water. Add 5.75 ml of glacial CH_3COOH . Check and adjust the pH. Bring to volume with distilled water, in a 1 l volumetric flask

Procedure

Add 1 – 2 ml of sample to 10 ml of Supporting Electrolyte.

Alternatively, add 26% NH_3 to the sample until pH from 3 to 7.

Analyse sea water, high salt content sample and acidic solution (at pH between 1 and 3) avoiding the addition of the supporting electrolyte.

Samples at pH above 7 are to be neutralised before the addition of the supporting electrolyte.

Working standard solution (10 mg/l)

Dilute 1+99 the concentrated standard solution with distilled water, in a volumetric flask.

Warnings

If the pH of the sample is 3 – 7, avoid the addition of supporting electrolyte; but if the content of salts of the sample is low, the addition of supporting electrolyte is mandatory.

Final solution (supporting electrolyte + sample + solvent) has to have a concentration of zinc below 1 mg/l.

Analytical report

Analysis: tap water

Sample Concentration = 3.79 mg/l

Method: 5 additions

Blank: Direct subtraction (conc.: 0.052 mg/l)

Volumes Table

Solvent Volume	0 (ml)
Supporting Sol.	10 (ml)
Sample Volume	2 (ml)
Standard Conc.	10 (mg/l)

Height Table

#	Peak Pot.	Height
0	-996.8	34.69 μA
1	-991.4	47.05 μA
2	-999.8	57.05 μA
3	-992.9	68.85 μA
4	-998.3	77.71 μA
5	-999.8	88.70 μA

Regression Data

#	Add.Conc.	Height x dilution
0	0 mg/l	208.2 μA
1	1.50 "	289.4 μA
2	3.00 "	359.5 μA
3	4.50 "	444.1 μA
4	6.00 "	512.9 μA
5	7.50 "	598.8 μA

$$y = ax + b$$

$$a = 51.59 \mu\text{A} \cdot \text{l}/\text{mg}$$

$$b = 208.7 \mu\text{A}$$

$$r^2 = .9992$$

