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AQUACOUNTER Application Sheet		COM series	DATA No. A6	1st edition	
Food and Beverage	Successive measurement of amino nitrogen				
	and acid (citric acid) in grapefruit juice				

1. Measurement outline

Amino nitrogen and acid (citric acid) in grapefruit juice are titrated successively to quantify each component. Among various methods for determination of amino nitrogen, titrimetric method (Formol method) is used to estimate the total quantity of amino nitrogen. In this method, citric acid in the sample is first titrated with sodium hydroxide and then formaldehyde solution is added to mask the amino group of the amino acid (formula 1), and the carboxyl group is titrated with sodium hydroxide.

2. Reagents and Electrodes

(1) Reagents	Titrant	0.1mol/L Sodium Hydroxide	
	Loading buffer	35% Formaldehyde	
(2) Electrodes	Indicator electrode	*Glass electrode GE-101B to IE-1 jack	
*standard accessories	Reference electrode	*Reference electrode RE-201 to RE-1 jack	

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3. Measurement conditions example (for COM-1600S + Buret B-2000-20 \times 1 unit)

Master File	No.1	-				
Condition file: 1+2+3						
Parameters for	Parameters for Condition file 1		Parameters for Condition file 2		Parameters for Condition file 3	
(For 1st EP = Citric acid)		(For HCHO addition)		(For 2 nd EP = Amino acid)		
Method	SET	Method	DISP	Method	SET	
Amp No.	1	Amp No.	1	Amp No.	1	
Buret No.	1	Buret No.	2	Buret No.	1	
Meas Unit	pН	S-Timer	0 sec.	Meas Unit	pН	
S-Timer	5 sec.	Disp. Vol.	15 mL	S-Timer	30 sec.	
CP	0 mL			CP	0 mL	
DP	0 mL			DP	0 mL	
Direction	\uparrow			Direction	↑	
End Point	8.0			End Point	8.0	
Over mL	0 mL			Over mL	0 mL	
Max. Vol.	20			Max. Vol.	20	
Mode No.	3	·		Mode No.	5	
Unit	%			Unit	mg/100g	
Formula	(D-B)×K×F×M/(S×10)			Formula	(D-B)×K×F×M/(S×100)	
Blank	0			Blank	0	
Molarity	0.1			Molarity	0.1	
Factor	Titre of the titrant			Factor	Titre of the titrant	
K	64.04			K	14	
	(As Citric acid)				(As N)	

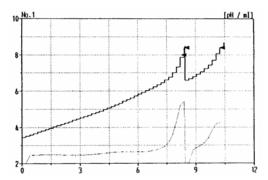
4. Measurement Procedure

Using a pipette, take 5.00mL of sample into a titration vessel. Add ca. 50mL of deionized water. Place the titration vessel on the magnetic stirrer. Lower the electrode holder into the titration vessel. Press the TITRATION key. On completion of the titration, rinse the electrode with deionized water.

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5. Measurement example

Measurement results



Sample Sample No. volume (mL)	Citric acid		Amino nitrogen		
	Titration value (mL)	Concentration (%)	Titration value (mL)	Concentration (mg/100g)	
1	5	8.548	1.080	1.838	50.75
2	5	8.546	1.079	1.840	50.80
3	5	8.556	1.081	1.842	50.86
	Avg.		1.080 %		50.80 mg/100g
	Std. Dev.				0.06 mg/100g
C.V.			0.093 %	0.11 %	

6. Notes

Formol titration method for amino nitrogen can only be used for estimation. For precise determination for amino nitrogen, Van Slyke method or HPLC method should be used.

Key words

Grapefruit juice, amino nitrogen, citric acid, VanSlyke method, formol method, formaldehyde

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