Test 0-55 03.16

NANOCOLOR® ortho- and total Phosphate 45

### Method:

Photometric determination as molybdenum blue after acidic hydrolysis and oxidation at 100–120 °C. The test is equivalent to the EPA method 365.3.

Range:	5.0–50.0 mg/L P (PO <sub>4</sub> -P)	15–150 mg/L PO <sub>4</sub> <sup>3–</sup>
Wavelength (HW = 5-12 nm):	690 nm	
Decomposition:	<b>30 min</b> at 120 °C/ <b>60 min</b> at 100 °C	
Reaction time:	10 min (600 s) at 20-25 °C	

## Contents of reagent set:

20 test tubes total Phosphate 45

- 1 tube NANOFIX total Phosphate 45 R2
- 1 tube NANOFIX total Phosphate 45 R3
- 1 test tube with 5 mL total Phosphate 45 R4

#### Hazard warning:

Reagent R2 contains sodium peroxodisulfate 20-100 %, reagent R4 contains sulfuric acid 5-15 %.

H317, H334 May cause an allergic skin reaction. May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.

P261, P272, P280, P302+352, P304+340, P333+313, P342+311, P363 Avoid breathing dust. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Wear protective gloves/eye protection. IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water/... IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention. If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/... Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. For further information ask for a safety data sheet.

# Preliminary tests:

If the order of magnitude of the concentration in a sample is not known, a preliminary test with QUANTOFIX® Phosphate (3–100 mg/L  $PO_4^{3-}$ , REF 913 20) rapidly gives this information. From the order of magnitude the required dilution can be calculated and prepared directly.

#### Interferences:

Precipitations after hydrolysis can be removed by membrane filtration prior to the determination. If higher amounts of organic compounds and/or organic phosphorus compounds are present, use *NANOCOLOR® NanOx* Metal (REF 918 978) for decomposition.

The following quantities of ions will not interfere:

- $\leq$  1000 mg/L S<sup>2-</sup>;  $\leq$  500 mg/L NO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup>;  $\leq$  0,1 mg/L As (only ortho-P);
- $\leq$  1000 mg/L Cu, Fe, Si;  $\leq$  100 mg/L Cr(III);
- < 3000 mg/L COD (reference to potassium hydrogen phthalate).

The method ortho-P can be applied also for the analysis of sea water.

#### Procedure:

Requisite accessories: piston pipette with tips

# total Phosphate

Open test tube, add

**200**  $\mu$ L (= 0.2 mL) test sample (the pH value of the sample must be between pH 0 and 10) and

#### 1 NANOFIX R2.

Screw cap back on to test tube, shake. Place tube in heating block and start heating block.

After 30 / 60 min remove test tube from heating block and allow to cool down to room temperature.

Add

1 NANOFIX R3 and

200 µL (= 0.2 mL) R4, mix.

Clean outside of test tube and measure after 10 min.

# ortho-Phosphate

Filter sample solution.

Open test tube, add

200 μL (= 0.2 mL) test sample (the pH value of the sample must be between pH 0 and 10),

1 NANOFIX R3 and

200 µL (= 0.2 mL) R4, screw cap back on to test tube, shake.

Clean outside of test tube and measure after 10 min.

### Notes:

The concentration of condensed phosphates is the difference between total phosphate without Phosphate R2 and ortho-phosphate.

#### Measurement:

For NANOCOLOR® photometers and PF-12 see manual, test 0-55.

#### Measurement when samples are colored or turbid:

For all NANOCOLOR® photometers see manual, use key for correction value.

### Photometers of other manufacturers:

For other photometers check whether measurement of round glass tubes is possible. Verify factor for each type of instrument by measuring standard solutions.

#### Analytical quality control:

NANOCONTROL Multistandard Seepage water (REF 925 013)