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Spectrophotometric determination of micro amounts of Uranium (VI) using Bromocresol Purple as an analytical reagent

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ABSTRACT

Bromocresol Purple dye is used as a reagent for the spectrophotometric determination of Uranium (VI). The reagent forms a Strawberry red colored complex with Uranium (VI) instantaneously at pH 5.0 - 6.0. A six fold molar concentration of the reagent is necessary for the full development of the color intensity. Beer's law is valid over the concentration range 0.2380 -2.142 μ gml⁻¹. The complex has absorption maximum at 498 nm with molar absorptivity 2.1 × 10⁵ Lmol⁻¹cm⁻¹ and sensitivity is 4.76 ng ml⁻¹ respectively. The standard deviation has been found to be 0.00063.

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