# **Hydrogen Peroxide**

## **Methods**

Hydrogen peroxide is a strong oxidizing agent with a variety of uses. Applications include the treating of industrial effluents and domestic waste and serving as a disinfectant in aseptic packaging.

For the food and beverage industry, CHEMetrics Hydrogen Peroxide CHEMets® and Vacu-vials® products are used extensively to monitor sterilization solutions in the packaging and sanitizing processes.

### **The Ferric Thiocyanate Method**

Reference: D. F. Boltz and J. A. Howell, eds., Colorimetric Determination of Nonmetals, 2<sup>nd.</sup> ed., Vol. 8, p. 304 (1978).

The ferric thiocyanate method consists of ammonium thiocyanate and ferrous iron in acid solution.

Hydrogen peroxide oxidizes ferrous iron to the ferric state, resulting in the formation of a red thiocyanate complex. Chlorine will not interfere with this method. Ferric iron will interfere. Results are expressed as ppm (mg/L) H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>.

#### **The DDPD Method**

Reference: Developed by CHEMetrics, Inc.

With the DDPD Method, hydrogen peroxide reacts with DDPD in the presence of ammonium molybdate to form a purple product. Results are expressed as ppm (mg/L)  $H_2O_2$ .

#### The Ceric Sulfate Titrimetric Method

Reference: Developed by CHEMetrics, Inc.

CHEMetrics developed a titrimetric method using ceric sulfate as the titrant and ferroin as the end point indicator. A color change from green to orange signals the end of the titration. Results are expressed as percent (%) H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>.

#### The Ceric Sulfate Go-No-Go Method

Reference: Developed by CHEMetrics, Inc.

Developed for clinical applications where hydrogen peroxide in sterilizing/disinfecting solutions with a MEC (minimum effective concentration) of  $6.0 \pm 1.0\%$  must be monitored for efficacy. A single, small dose of sample is added to a screw cap vial containing ceric sulfate and the endpoint indicator ferroin.

An immediate color change occurs to signal that the hydrogen peroxide level in the sample is either above or below 6.0%.



Range: 0-0.5 ppm MDL: 0.025 ppm / Method: DDPD	
CHEMets Kit	Cat# K-5504
CHEMets Refill, 30 ampoules	R-5504
Activator Solution Pack, six 10 mL bottles	A-25001
Activator Solution Pack, six 10 mL bottles	A-55001
Comparator 0, 0.05, 0.10, 0.15, 0.20, 0.25, 0.3, 0.5 ppm	C-5504
Kit comes in a plastic case and contains everything needed to perform 30 tests: Refill, Comparator, Activator Solutions, 25 mL sample cup, instructions, and MSDS.	

Range: 0-1 & 1-10 ppm MDL: 0.05 ppm /Method: Ferric Thiocyanate	
CHEMets Kit	Cat# K-5510
CHEMets Refill, 30 ampoules	R-5510
Low Range Comparator 0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1.0 ppm	C-5501
High Range Comparator 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10 ppm	C-5510
Kit comes in a plastic case and contains everything needed to perform 30 tests: Refill, Low and High Range Comparators, 25 mL sample cup, instructions, and	

<sup>1</sup>The accessory pack supplies enough solution to perform at least 200 tests.



Range: 0-30 & 30-300 ppm MDL: 5 ppm / Method: Ferric Thiocyanate		
	Cat#	
VACUettes Kit	K-5510D	
VACUettes Refill, 30 ampoules	R-5510D	
Low Range Comparator 0, 5, 7.5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 ppm	C-5501D	
High Range Comparator 30, 60, 90, 120, 150, 175, 200, 250, 300 ppm	C-5510D	
Kit comes in a plastic case and contains everything needed to pe 30 tests (except distilled water): Refill, Low and High Range Co		

dilutor snapper cup, micro test tube, instructions, and MSDS.

Range: 0-1200 & 1200-12,000 ppm MDL: 200 ppm / Method: Ferric Thiocyanate	
VACUettes Kit	Cat# K-5510C
VACUettes Refill, 30 ampoules	R-5510C
Low Range Comparator 0, 200, 300, 400, 600, 800, 1000, 1200 ppm	C-5501C
High Range Comparator 1200, 2400, 3600, 4800, 6000, 7000, 8000, 10,000, 12,000 ppm	C-5510C
Kit comes in a plastic case and contains everything needed to perforn 30 tests (except distilled water): Refill, Low and High Range Compara dilutor snapper cup, micro test tube, instructions, and MSDS	

Range: 0-60 & 60-600 ppm MDL: 10 ppm / Method: Ferric Thiocyanate	
	Cat#
VACUettes Kit	K-5510A
VACUettes Refill, 30 ampoules	R-5510A
Low Range Comparator 0, 10, 15, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60 ppm	C-5501A
High Range Comparator 60, 120, 180, 240, 300, 350, 400, 500, 600 ppm	C-5510A
Kit comes in a plastic case and contains everything needed to perform 30 tests (except distilled water): Refill, Low and High Range Comparators, dilutor snapper cup, micro test tube, instructions, and MSDS.	

Range: 0-120 & 120-1200 ppm MDL: 20 ppm / Method: Ferric Thiocyanate	
	Cat#
VACUettes Kit	K-5510B
VACUettes Refill, 30 ampoules	R-5510B
Low Range Comparator 0, 20, 30, 40, 60, 80, 100, 120 ppm	C-5501B
High Range Comparator 120, 240, 360, 480, 600, 700, 800, 1000, 1200 ppm	C-5510B

High Range Comparator
120, 240, 360, 480, 600, 700, 800, 1000, 1200 ppm

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Kit comes in a plastic case and contains everything needed to perform
30 tests (except distilled water): Refill, Low and High Range Comparators, dilutor snapper cup, micro test tube, instructions, and MSDS.

Range: 2-20% MDL: 2.0% Method: Ceric Sulfate Titrant with Ferroin Indicator	
Titrets Kit	Cat# K-5530
Increments: 2.0, 2.2, 2.4, 2.6, 2.8, 3.0, 3.2, 3.6, 4.0, 5.0, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 10, 14, 20%	Ď
Kit comes in a cardboard box and contains everything needed to perform 30 tests (except distilled water): thirty ampoules with valve assemblies, 1.0 mL syringe, titrettor, 50 mL sample cup, instructions, and MSDS.	

## Go-No-Go Kit

Range: 6.0% Control Point Method: Ceric Sulfate Titrant with Ferroin Indicator	
	Cat#
Go-No-Go Kit	K-5500C

Kit comes in a cardboard box and contains everything needed to perform 30 tests: thirty 16-mm vials with caps, thirty pipettor tips, 100 uL pipettor, Indicator Solution, instructions, and MSDS.





## V-2000 Multi-Analyte Photometer

(See page 12 for instrumental features)

Range: 0.20-2.00 ppm

Method: DDPD

Cat#
Vacu-vials Kit K-5503

Kit comes in a cardboard box and contains everything needed to perform 30 tests: thirty ampoules, Activator Solutions, 25 mL sample cup, ampoule blank, instructions, calibration table, and MSDS.

Range: V-2000: 0.15-6.00 ppm /Spec: 0.15-4.00 ppm

Method: Ferric Thiocyanate

Cat#
Vacu-vials Kit K-5543

Kit comes in a cardboard box and contains everything needed to perform 30 tests: thirty ampoules, 25 mL sample cup, ampoule blank, instructions, calibration table, and MSDS.

Vacu-vials Kits require the use of the V-2000 Photometer or a spectrophotometer capable of accepting a 13 mm diameter round cell. Instrument sold separately.

If no shelf-life is listed for a product, then the shelf-life is at least 2 years.

## **SAM Single-Analyte Photometer**

(See page 15 for instrumental features)

Range: 0.15-6.00 ppm Method: Ferric Thiocyanate

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Vacu-vials Kit, 30 ampoules, 25 mL sample cup, ampoule blank, instructions, calibration table, and MSDS.

SAM Kit comes in a plastic case and contains everything needed to perform 30 tests: Vacu-vials Kit, SAM Photometer, 2 AA batteries, and instructions.

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Kit Components common to Hydrogen Peroxide	
Description	Cat#
Sample Cup Pack, 25 mL (6 ea)	A-0013
Micro Test Tube Pack (10 ea)	A-0015
Dilutor Snapper Cup Pack (6 ea)	A-0018
Ampoule Blank Pack (5 ea)	A-0023
Syringe Pack, 1.0 mL (6 ea)	A-0027
Titrettor Pack (1 ea)	A-0053
Sample Cup & Cap Pack, 50 mL (6 ea)	A-0058
Pipettor Pack, 100 μL (1 ea)	A-0170
Pipettor Tips Pack, (30 ea)	A-0171

Instructions are posted on our website.

