

## Determination of SO<sub>2</sub> in wine

### Description

Determination of free and total SO<sub>2</sub> in wine without distillation by biamperometric titration with Iodine. This application is suitable for wine. Other samples like fruit juices may produce too high results, depending on the composition. Free SO<sub>2</sub> is present as SO<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup>, HSO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> or H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>. Bound SO<sub>2</sub> is bound strongly to reactive compounds of the wine like aldehydes, it can be hydrolyzed with NaOH. The total SO<sub>2</sub> is the sum of free and bound SO<sub>2</sub>.  
The reference method for SO<sub>2</sub> determination is a distillation method.  
The result is calculated as mg<sub>SO2</sub>/l.

### Instruments

Titration	TL 7000 or higher
Electrode	Pt 1200 or Pt 1400 or similar
Cable	L 1 NN
Stirrer	Magnetic stirrer TM 235 or similar
Lab accessory	glass beaker 100 ml
	Magnetic stirrer bar 30 mm

### Reagents

1	Iodine solution 0.01 or 0.025 mol/l or N/128.
2	Potassium iodide 5%
3	Sulfuric acid 25%
4	Sodium hydroxide 2 mol/l
6	Distilled water
All reagents should be of analytical grade or better.	

## Titration procedure

### Reagents

#### Iodine solution 0.01 mol/l

It is recommended to use a ready-to-use 0.1 mol/l solution.

The titer determination is done as described in the application note "Titer Iodine".

#### KI solution 5%

5g of KI are placed in a 100ml volumetric bottle, dissolved in distilled water and made up to 100 ml.

### Cleaning of the electrode

The electrode is rinsed with water. The electrode is stored clean and dry.

### Sample preparation

#### 1. Free SO<sub>2</sub>

25 ml of the sample are placed in a beaker, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> 25% and 10 ml KI solution 5% are added. The solution is titrated immediately with Iodine solution. A (too) long waiting time between the addition of H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and KI can cause wrong results due to a loss of the SO<sub>2</sub>.

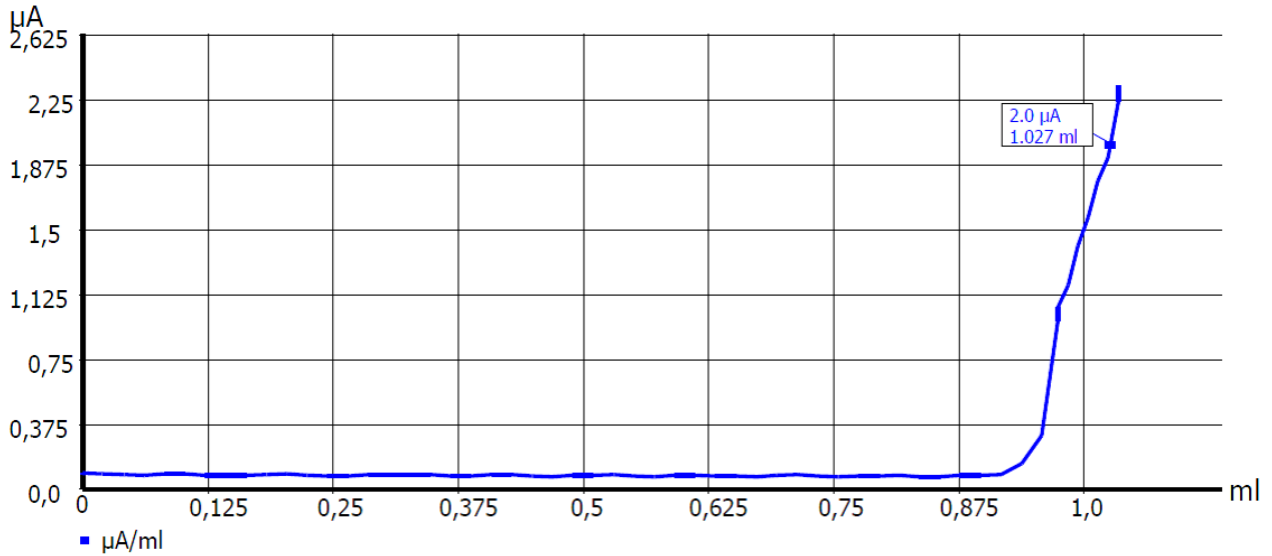
#### 2. Total SO<sub>2</sub>

25 ml of the sample are placed in a beaker, 10 ml of NaOH 2 mol/l are added and mixed with the sample to hydrolyze the bound SO<sub>2</sub>. Then, the mixture is allowed to react for 5 minutes without stirring. After this, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> 25% and 10 ml KI solution 5% are added. The solution is titrated immediately with Iodine solution. A (too) long waiting time between the addition of H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> / KI can cause wrong results due to a loss of the SO<sub>2</sub>.

For a higher accuracy of the titration it can be useful to a double-hydrolysis to get all bound SO<sub>2</sub> in the Sample: to the ready-titrated solution from the first hydrolysis 10 ml of NaOH 2 mol/l are added and mixed with the sample. Then, the mixture is allowed to react for 5 minutes without stirring. After this, 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> 25% are added. The solution is titrated immediately with Iodine solution. The sum of the consumption of the first and the second titration is used for the calculation of total SO<sub>2</sub>.

## Titration parameter

### Sample titration



Default method	SO2 in wine		
Method type	Automatic titration		
Modus	d-stop		
Measured value	µA		
Measuring speed / drift	User defined	Fixed delay time	1 s
Initial waiting time	0 s	Polarization voltage	100 mV
Linear Steps	0.04 ml		
Damping	strong	Titration direction	increase
Pretitration	off	Delay time	0 s
End value	off		
Endpoint	2.0 µA	Delta Endpoint	1.0µA
Max. titration volume	15 ml	Endpoint delay	5 s
Dosing speed	100%	Filling speed	30 s

### Calculation:

$$SO_2 [mg(SO_2)/l] = \frac{(EP1 - B) * T * M * F1}{W * F2}$$

B	M01	Blank value, saved in global Memory M01
EP1		Consumption of titrant at first Endpoint
T	WA	concentration of the titrant (I <sub>2</sub> )
M	64.066	Molecular mass
V	man	Volume of the sample in ml
F1	1000	Conversion factor
F2	1	Conversion factor

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