# Determination of Peroxide Concentrations in Dental Bleaching Products 

## Materials:

scale (accurate to 0.0000 g )
stir plate
magnetic stirrer
stir bar
250mL beaker
metal spatula
titration stand
10mL burette
50 mL burette
transfer pipette
weighing paper
watch glass, medium
timer
exam gloves
25 mL graduated cylinder
0.025N Sodium Thiosulfate

Potassium Iodide
Acetic Acid, glacial
Ammonium Molybdate
1.0\% Starch Indicator

Milli-Q (Deionized) Water

## Procedure:

## Preparation

1. Complete the top portion of the data sheet, noting the type of peroxide contained in the specimen.
2. Weigh 250 mL beaker on scale. Record the empty weight on the data sheet.
3. Add specimen to beaker and weigh. Record the beaker and specimen weight on the data sheet.
4. Calculate the specimen weight and record it on space (A) of the data sheet.
5. Add milli-Q (deionized) water to the 100 mL level.
6. Add stir bar and place on stir plate. Solution should be mixing smoothly.
7. Using 25 mL graduated cylinder, measure 20 mL Acetic Acid and add to solution.
8. Immediately cover beaker with watch glass.
9. Weigh approximately 2 g Potassium Iodide and add to solution. Record the actual weight on the data sheet on space (B). Solution should change color to a shade of yellow.
10. Transfer 3 drops of Ammonium Molybdate to solution using transfer pipette.
11. Allow solution to mix completely.
12. Place solution in dark chamber for at least 10 minutes.

## Titration

1. Place the 10 mL and 50 mL burette in a titration stand over magnetic stirrers.
2. Fill both burettes with 0.025 N Sodium Thiosulfate, recording the initial volumes on the data sheet, the 50 mL burette for the first titration and the 10 mL burette for the second titration.
3. Begin the first titration using the 50 mL burette, with stir bar in the beaker. Add sodium thiosulfate until solution becomes pale yellow in color.
4. Once the desired color is achieved, stop the titration and record the final volume of the first titration on the data sheet.
5. Add $3 \mathrm{~mL} 1.0 \%$ Starch Indicator to the solution. The solution will turn purple.
6. Begin the second titration using the 10 mL burette, with stir bar still in beaker.
7. Slowly add sodium thiosulfate to solution until color disappears.

WARNING - this is a very sensitive process and will occur rapidly over the span of a few drops.
8. Once the solution is back to its original color, stop the titration and record the final volume on the data sheet.
9. Discard solution in sink with running water.
10. Clean all materials used and store properly.

## Calculations

1. Determine volume of the first titration, using the final and initial volumes of the 50 mL burette.
2. Record the first titrant volume on space (C) of the data sheet.
3. Determine the volume of the second titration, using the final and initial volumes of the 10 mL burette.
4. Record the second titrant volume on space (D) of the data sheet.
5. Determine the total volume of titrant added to the solution by adding the first and second titrant volumes and record on space ( E ) of the data sheet.
6. Perform the appropriate calculation on the data sheet, as determined by the type of peroxide in the specimen (Attachment 1).

## Data Recording Sheet

Evaluator: $\qquad$
Date:
$\overline{\mathrm{D}} \overline{\mathrm{D}}^{\prime} / \mathrm{MM} / \overline{\mathrm{Y}} \overline{\mathrm{Y}} \overline{\mathrm{Y}} \overline{\mathrm{Y}}$
Lot\# $\qquad$ Concentration from label:
Manufacturer:
Product:

## Expiration

Date
Peroxide: Hydrogen Carbamide
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