

The intelligent use of ethanol for direct determination of methanol in wines

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**OIV, State and Interstate Standards
for the determination of volatile compounds, including methyl alcohol,
in Spirituous Beverages of Viti-Vinicultural Origin**



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GB/T 15038-2008
GB 5009.266-2016
GB/T 10781-2021



BIS IS 3752:2005(R2009)



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AOAC Official Methods 972.10/11, 2005



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OIV-MA-AS312-03A : R2015
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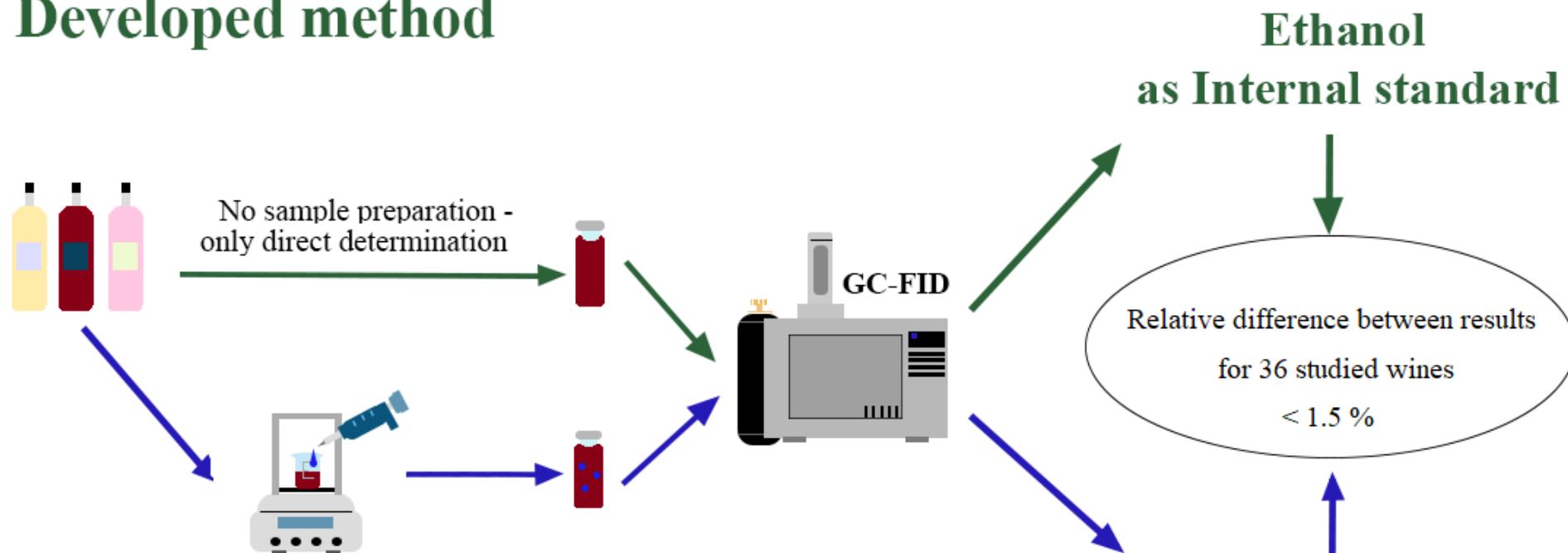
The traditional internal standard method is used in all above listed standards.

This method requires a manual procedure for adding an internal standard substance to the test sample.

In order to eliminate the manual procedure for addition an internal standard substance into the test sample, to increase the reliability of the experimental data obtained, to reduce the cost and reduce the analysis time, a modified internal standard method using ethyl alcohol, which is directly in the analyzed sample, is proposed as an internal standard.

The analysis of wines and other alcoholic beverages
can be faster, simpler and more robust

Developed method



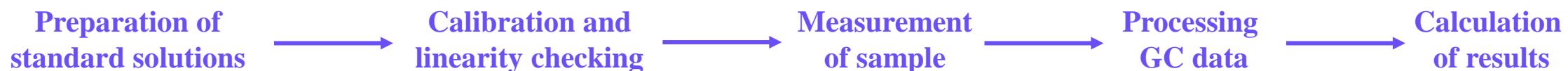
Official method

4-methylpentan-2-ol
as Internal standard

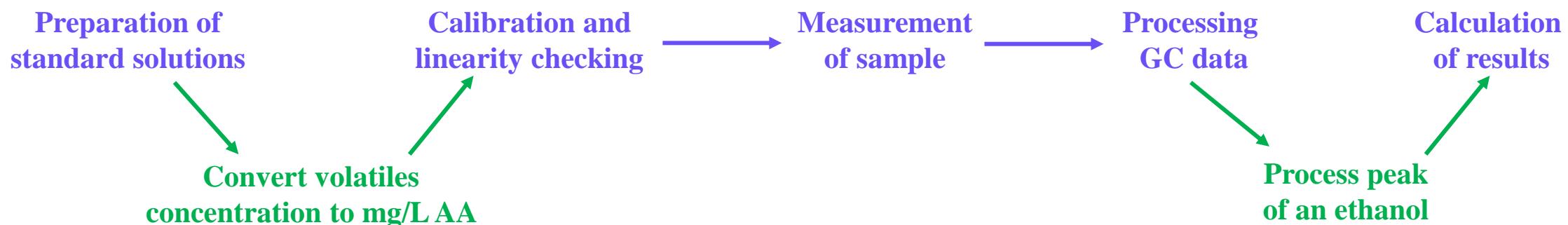
Method Validation Algorithms

In accordance with the requirements of ISO/IEC 17025, the method must be validated before its application in routine laboratory practice.

It is important to notice that the proposed method can be validated based on data obtained experimentally during validation of traditional method EC2870/2000. No more measurements except those indicated in EC2870/2000.

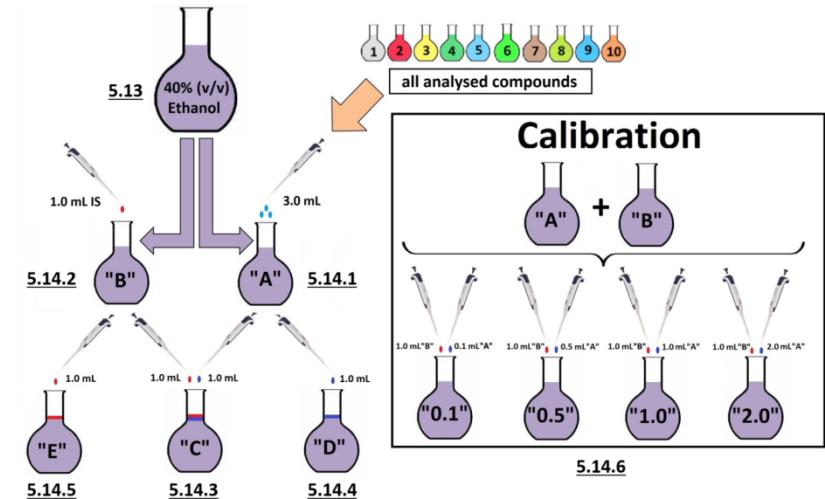


There is the following algorithm for the preparation of synchronous dual reports of GC measurements performed in accordance with the EC 2870/2000 and according to the proposed method “**Ethanol is Internal Standard**”.



1. Prepare standard solutions of volatile compounds in accordance with EC 2870/2000

Compound	Approximate concentration, mg/L AA								
	"A"	"B"	"C"	"D"	"E"	"0.1"	"0.5"	"1.0"	"2.0"
Acetaldehyde	60000		600.0	600.0		60.0	300.0	600.0	1200.0
Ethyl acetate	60000		600.0	600.0		60.0	300.0	600.0	1200.0
Acetal	60000		600.0	600.0		60.0	300.0	600.0	1200.0
Methanol	60000		600.0	600.0		60.0	300.0	600.0	1200.0
2-butanol	60000		600.0	600.0		60.0	300.0	600.0	1200.0
ethanol	789270	789270	789270	789270	789270	789270	789270		
1-propanol	60000		600.0	600.0		60.0	300.0	600.0	1200.0
2-methyl-1-propanol	60000		600.0	600.0		60.0	300.0	600.0	1200.0
1-butanol	60000		600.0	600.0		60.0	300.0	600.0	1200.0
2-methyl-1-butanol	60000		600.0	600.0		60.0	300.0	600.0	1200.0
3-methyl-1-butanol	60000		600.0	600.0		60.0	300.0	600.0	1200.0
3-pentanol (ISTD)	60000		600.0	600.0	600.0	600.0	600.0		



! How to convert concentration to mg/L AA

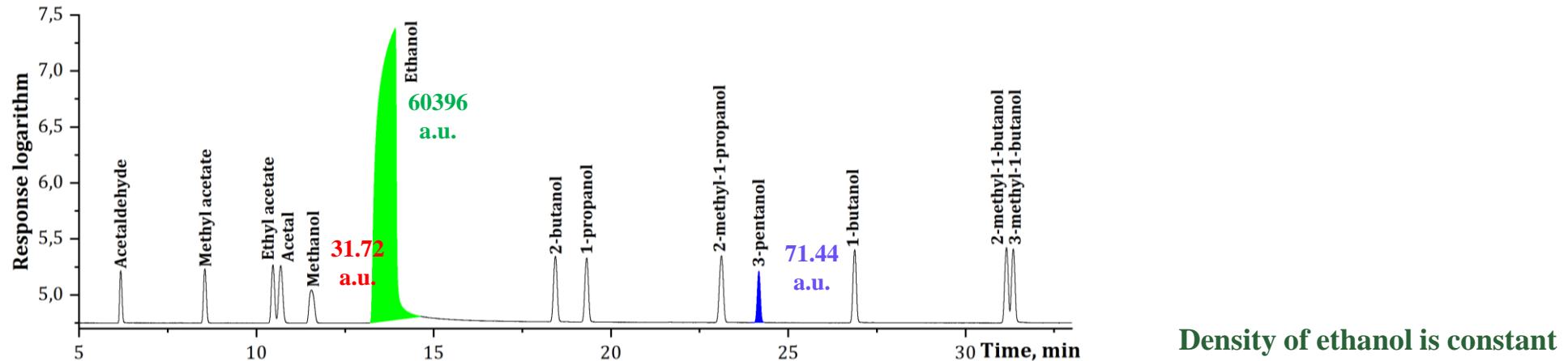
Use it for mg/kg

$$C_i \text{ (mg / L AA)} = \frac{C_i \text{ (mg / kg)} \cdot \rho_{\text{sample}} \text{ (kg / L)}}{\text{strength}(\% \text{ v / v})} \cdot 100(\%)$$

Use it for mg/L

$$C_i \text{ (mg / L AA)} = \frac{C_i \text{ (mg / L)}}{\text{strength}(\% \text{ v / v})} \cdot 100(\%)$$

2. Measure the standard solution “C” to calculate factors $RRF_i^{3\text{-pentanol}}$ and $RRF_i^{Ethanol}$



$$RRF_i^{Ethanol} = \frac{C_i^{st}(\text{mg / L AA})}{A_i^{st}(\text{a. u.})} / \rho_{Ethanol}(\text{mg / L}) = \frac{481.47}{31.72} / \frac{789270}{60396} = 1.161$$

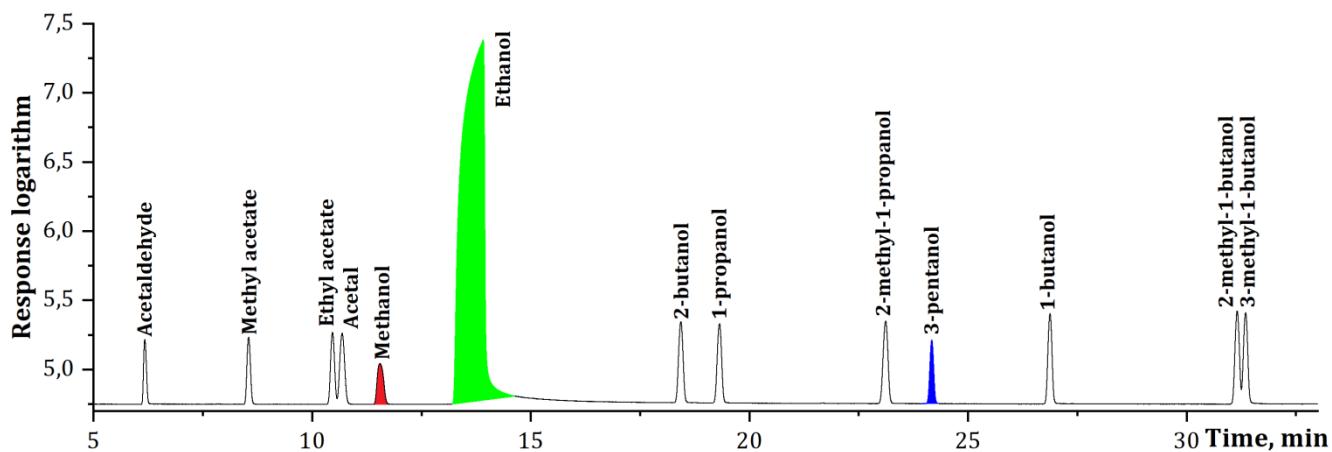
$$RRF_i^{3\text{-pentanol}} = \frac{C_i^{st}(\mu\text{g / g})}{A_i^{st}(\text{a. u.})} / \frac{C_{3\text{-pentanol}}^{st}(\mu\text{g / g})}{A_{3\text{-pentanol}}^{st}(\text{a. u.})} = \frac{243.32}{31.72} / \frac{261.28}{71.44} = 2.097$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} C_i^{st}(\text{mg / L AA}) = 481.47 \text{ mg / L AA} \\ \rho_{Ethanol}(\text{mg / L AA}) = 789270 \text{ mg / L} \\ A_i^{st}(\text{a. u.}) = 31.72 \text{ a. u.} \\ A_{Ethanol}^{st}(\text{a. u.}) = 60396 \text{ a. u.} \end{array} \right]$$

Data from the preparation of
standard solution “C”

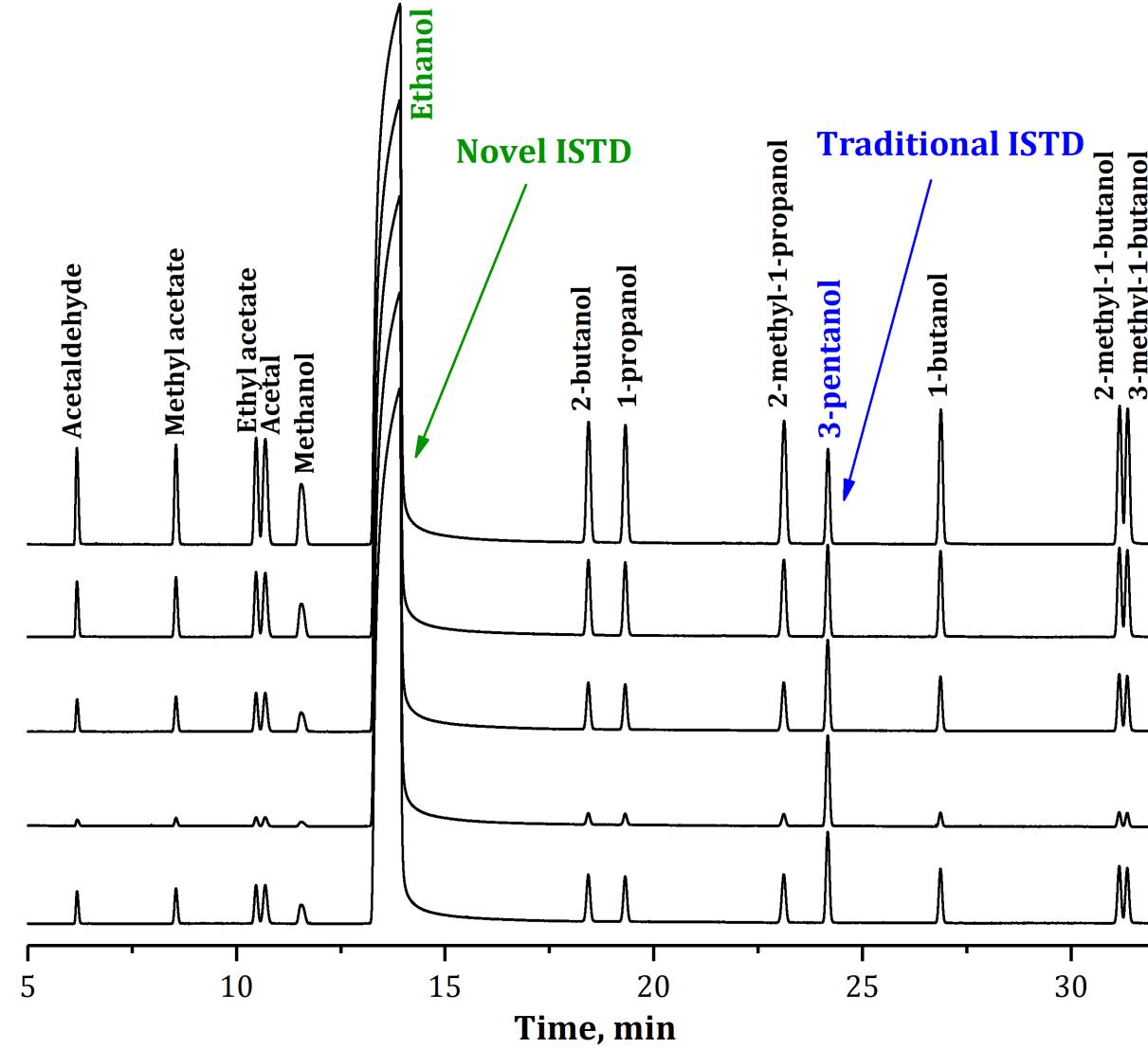
$$\left[\begin{array}{l} C_i^{st}(\mu\text{g / g}) = 243.32 \mu\text{g / g} \\ C_{3\text{-pentanol}}^{st}(\mu\text{g / g}) = 261.28 \mu\text{g / g} \\ A_i^{st}(\text{a. u.}) = 31.72 \text{ a. u.} \\ A_{3\text{-pentanol}}^{st}(\text{a. u.}) = 71.44 \text{ a. u.} \end{array} \right]$$

3. Measure the standard solution “C” to calculate factors RRF_i ^{3-pentanol} and RRF_i ^{Ethahol}

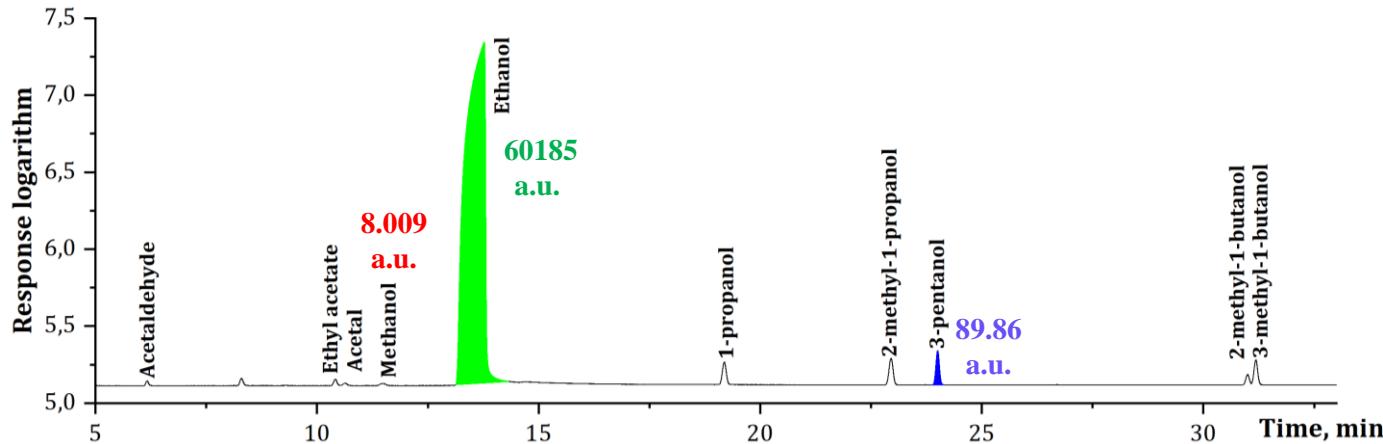


No	Compound	Time, min	Response, a.u.	C, mg/L AA	C, mg/L	C, mg/kg	$RRF^{3\text{-pentanol}}$	$RRF^{Ethanol}$
1	Acetaldehyde	6.177	26.548	428.25	171.30	219.05	2.150	1.234
2	Methyl acetate	8.552	34.498	682.51	273.00	292.51	2.637	1.514
3	Ethyl acetate	10.472	43.492	616.51	246.60	273.55	1.889	1.085
4	Acetal	10.692	52.283	552.98	221.19	265.98	1.410	0.809
5	Methanol	11.554	31.720	481.41	192.56	243.32	2.097	1.161
6	Ethanol	13.915	60396.000	789270			1.742	1.000
7	2-butanol	18.438	60.212	497.89	199.16	246.78	1.102	0.633
8	1-propanol	19.321	57.201	484.06	193.62	240.80	1.128	0.648
9	2-methyl-1-propanol	23.122	66.381	474.36	189.75	236.59	0.952	0.547
10	3-pentanol	24.173	71.437	536.02	214.41	261.28	1.000	0.574
11	1-butanol	26.878	65.238	496.77	198.71	245.20	1.015	0.583
12	2-methyl-1-butanol	31.161	73.344	514.01	205.60	251.17	0.934	0.536
13	3-methyl-1-butanol	31.354	69.622	492.71	197.08	243.64	0.943	0.542

4. Measure the standard solutions “0.1”, “0.5”, “1.0”, “2.0” for linearity checking



5. Measure the alcoholic beverage sample



$$C_i^{\text{sample}} (\text{mg / L AA}) = RRF_i^{\text{Ethanol}} \cdot \rho_{\text{Ethanol}} (\text{mg / L}) \cdot \frac{A_i^{\text{sample}} (\text{a. u.})}{A_{\text{Ethanol}}^{\text{sample}} (\text{a. u.})} = 1.161 \times 789270 \times \frac{8.009}{60185} = 121.9 \text{ mg / L AA} = 12.19 \text{ g / hL AA}$$

Done!

$$C_i^{\text{sample}} (\mu\text{g / g}) = RRF_i^{\text{3-pentanol}} \cdot \frac{M_{\text{IS}} (\text{g})}{M_{\text{Sample}} (\text{g})} \cdot C_{\text{3-pentanol}} (\mu\text{g / g}) \cdot \frac{A_i^{\text{sample}} (\text{a. u.})}{A_{\text{3-pentanol}}^{\text{sample}} (\text{a. u.})} = 2.097 \times \frac{1.0069}{9.8812} \times 2736.9 \times \frac{8.009}{89.86} = 52.12 \text{ } \underline{\mu\text{g / g}} \quad \text{Need to be continued...}$$

$$C_i^{\text{sample}} (\text{g / L AA}) = C_i^{\text{sample}} (\mu\text{g / g}) \cdot \frac{\rho^{\text{sample}} (\text{kg / m}^3) \cdot 10}{\text{strength} (\% \text{ ABV}) \cdot 1000} = 52.12 \cdot \frac{948 \cdot 10}{40.01 \cdot 1000} = 12.35 \text{ g / L AA}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} M_{\text{IS}} (\text{g}) &= 1.0069 \text{ g} \\ M_{\text{Sample}} (\text{g}) &= 9.7512 \text{ g} \\ C_{\text{3-pentanol}} (\mu\text{g / g}) &= 2736.9 \mu\text{g / g} \\ \text{strength} (\% \text{ ABV}) &= 40 \% \text{ ABV} \\ \rho^{\text{sample}} (\text{kg / m}^3) &= 948 \text{ kg / m}^3 \end{aligned}}$$

Data from the preparation of the
alcoholic beverage sample

Relative difference

$$\frac{C_i^{\text{sample}} (\text{g / hL AA}) - C_i^{\text{sample}} (\text{g / hL AA})}{C_i^{\text{sample}} (\text{g / hL AA})} \cdot 100 \% = \frac{12.35 - 12.19}{12.35} \cdot 100 \% = 1.3 \%$$

Experimental studies of 36 wine samples

Results of distillation

12 red wines

Type of wine	Sample No.	Strength of sample, % ABV	
		Declared*	Experimental**
dry	1	14.0	14.03 ± 0.03
	2	13.5	13.54 ± 0.03
	3	14.0	13.97 ± 0.03
semi-dry	4	13.5	13.58 ± 0.03
	5	13.5	13.53 ± 0.03
	6	14.5	14.48 ± 0.03
semi-sweet	7	11.0	10.96 ± 0.02
	8	13.0	12.97 ± 0.03
	9	14.0	13.96 ± 0.03
sweet	10	13.5	13.45 ± 0.03
	11	12.0	12.04 ± 0.02
	12	9.0	8.96 ± 0.02

12 white wines

Type of wine	Sample No.	Strength of sample, % ABV	
		Declared*	Experimental**
dry	13	12.5	12.53 ± 0.03
	14	12.0	12.04 ± 0.02
	15	13.5	13.47 ± 0.03
semi-dry	16	11.5	11.50 ± 0.02
	17	12.5	12.53 ± 0.03
	18	11.5	11.52 ± 0.02
semi-sweet	19	10.0	10.02 ± 0.02
	20	12.5	12.46 ± 0.02
	21	12.0	12.01 ± 0.02
sweet	22	13.0	13.03 ± 0.03
	23	8.2	8.19 ± 0.02
	24	12.5	12.43 ± 0.02

12 pink wines

Type of wine	Sample No.	Strength of sample, % ABV	
		Declared*	Experimental**
dry	25	11.5	11.54 ± 0.02
	26	13.0	13.04 ± 0.03
	27	13.5	13.53 ± 0.03
semi-dry	28	13.0	12.97 ± 0.03
	29	10.5	10.45 ± 0.02
	30	10.5	10.53 ± 0.02
semi-sweet	31	12.0	12.05 ± 0.02
	32	12.0	12.01 ± 0.02
	33	11.5	11.46 ± 0.02
sweet	34	9.5	9.53 ± 0.02
	35	11.5	11.52 ± 0.02
	36	11.0	10.95 ± 0.02

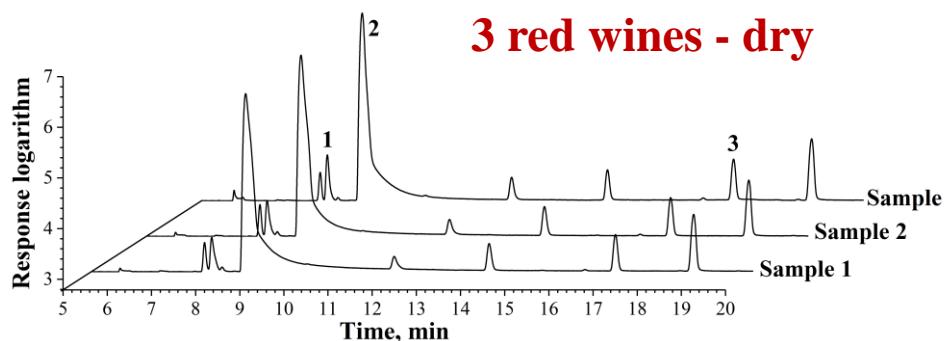
Declared – the value of the strength, declared by the manufacturer

The 36 wine samples were distilled according to item 3 of OIV-MA-AS312-01A

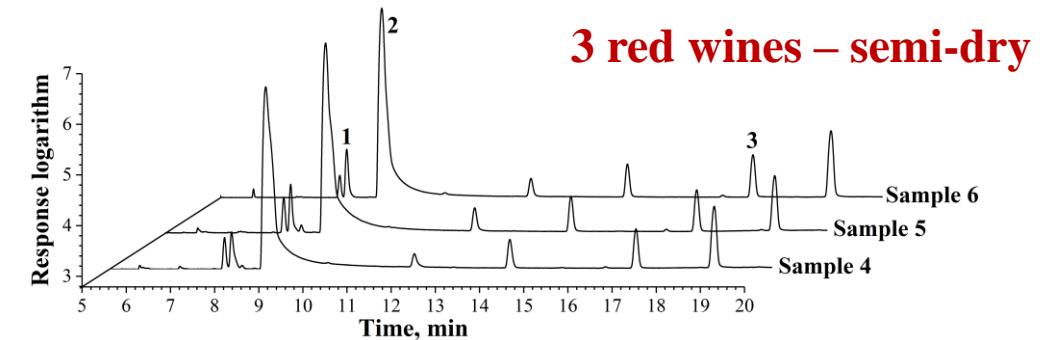
Experimental – the value of the strength, obtained according to the item 4 of OIV-MA-AS312-01A “Alcoholic strength by volume”

The difference between obtained results for wine samples < 0.3 %

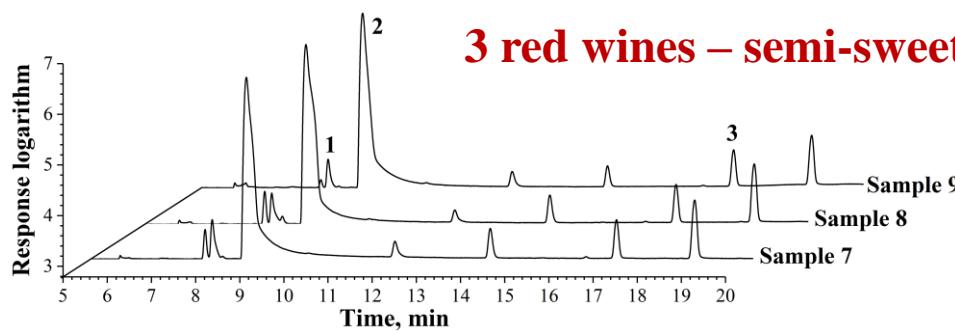
The difference between methods: 12 red wines



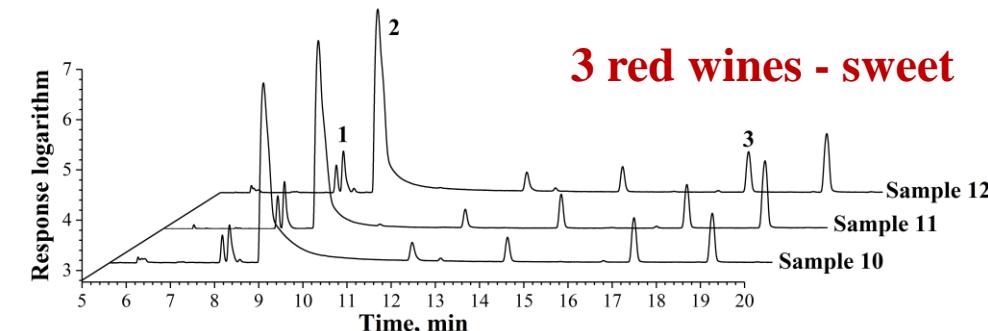
Sample no.	Concentration of methanol, $C^* \pm SD$, mg/100 mL AA		Δ , %	Student's test		ANOVA	
	Developed method	Official OIV method		p	t	p	F
1	120.2 ± 0.3	119.1 ± 1.6	0.9	0.28	1.48	0.29	1.50
2	99.4 ± 1.5	100.0 ± 1.1	-0.6	0.72	0.42	0.59	0.35
3	105.8 ± 0.1	105.7 ± 0.5	0.1	0.70	0.44	0.65	0.24



Sample no.	Concentration of methanol, $C^* \pm SD$, mg/100 mL AA		Δ , %	Student's test		ANOVA	
	Developed method	Official OIV method		p	t	p	F
4	120.7 ± 1.9	119.0 ± 2.4	1.4	0.12	2.67	0.39	0.95
5	119.9 ± 1.2	118.9 ± 1.8	0.8	0.12	2.67	0.49	0.56
6	100.4 ± 0.4	99.3 ± 0.8	1.2	0.22	1.75	0.08	5.30

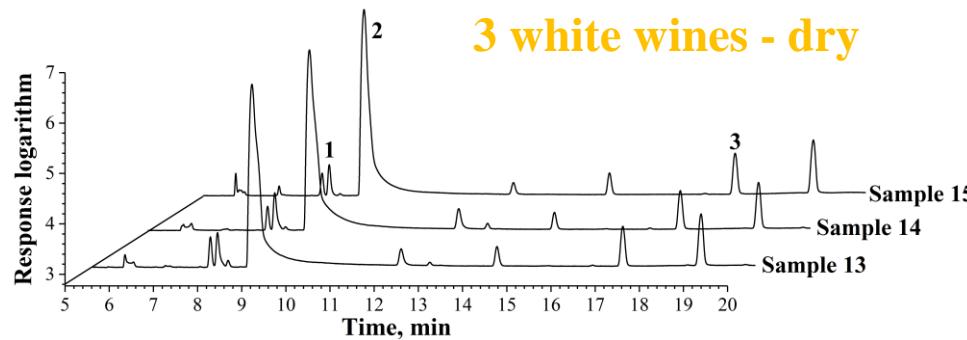


Sample no.	Concentration of methanol, $C^* \pm SD$, mg/100 mL AA		Δ , %	Student's test		ANOVA	
	Developed method	Official OIV method		p	t	p	F
7	84.1 ± 0.2	84.5 ± 0.6	-0.5	0.20	1.90	0.29	1.50
8	82.5 ± 1.5	82.6 ± 1.2	-0.2	0.82	0.26	0.87	0.03
9	117.4 ± 0.4	117.4 ± 2.0	-0.1	0.95	0.06	0.94	0.01

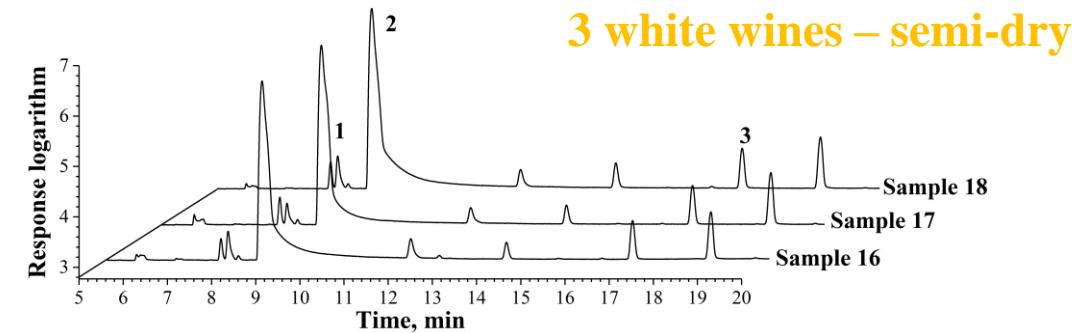


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	Developed method	Official OIV method		p	t	p	F
10	113.1 ± 1.0	113.7 ± 1.6	-0.5	0.38	1.11	0.61	0.30
11	117.8 ± 1.4	117.4 ± 1.7	0.4	0.63	0.56	0.74	0.12
12	112.7 ± 0.2	113.2 ± 1.1	-0.4	0.53	0.75	0.52	0.50

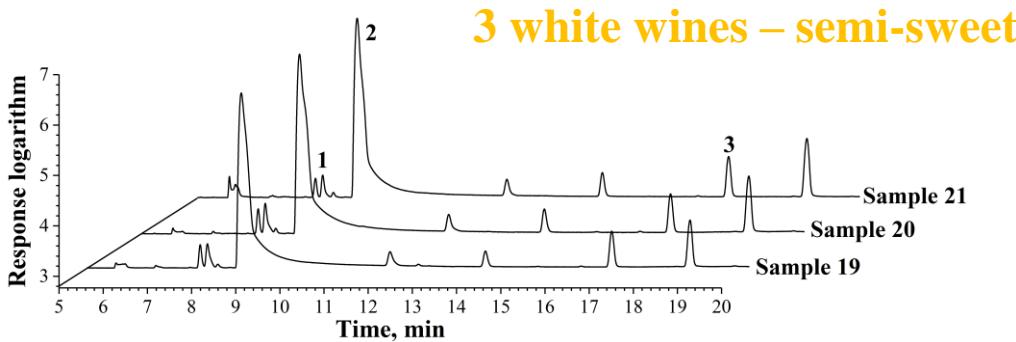
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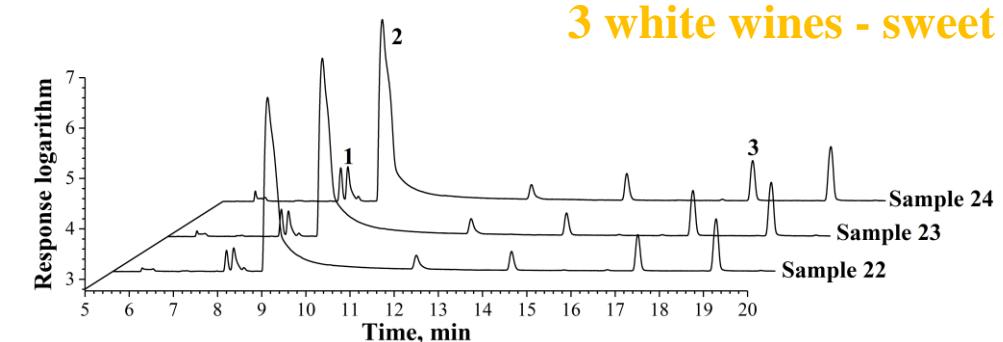
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	Developed method	Official OIV method		p	t	p	F
13	54.4 ± 0.7	53.9 ± 0.8	0.9	0.10	2.87	0.45	0.71
14	107.1 ± 0.4	107.3 ± 0.4	-0.1	0.61	0.59	0.68	0.20
15	80.0 ± 1.0	80.1 ± 0.9	-0.2	0.84	0.22	0.86	0.04



Sample no.	Concentration of methanol, $C^* \pm SD$, mg/100 mL AA		Δ , %	Student's test		ANOVA	
	Developed method	Official OIV method		p	t	p	F
16	84.4 ± 1.5	84.5 ± 1.1	-0.2	0.69	0.46	0.91	0.02
17	42.3 ± 0.3	42.6 ± 0.3	-0.7	0.46	0.91	0.29	1.45
18	69.5 ± 0.1	69.9 ± 0.5	-0.6	0.17	2.10	0.22	2.14

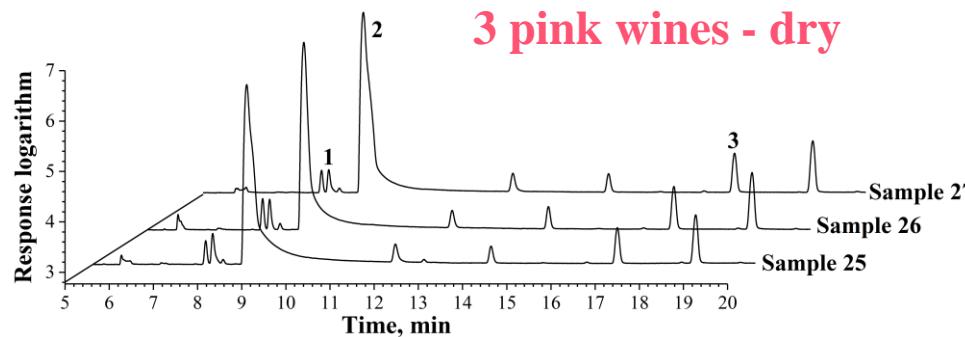


Sample no.	Concentration of methanol, $C^* \pm SD$, mg/100 mL AA		Δ , %	Student's test		ANOVA	
	Developed method	Official OIV method		p	t	p	F
19	44.6 ± 0.5	44.6 ± 0.7	0.1	0.93	0.10	0.91	0.02
20	74.3 ± 0.2	73.6 ± 1.1	1.0	0.33	1.27	0.34	1.17
21	63.2 ± 0.1	63.4 ± 0.9	-0.3	0.73	0.40	0.75	0.12

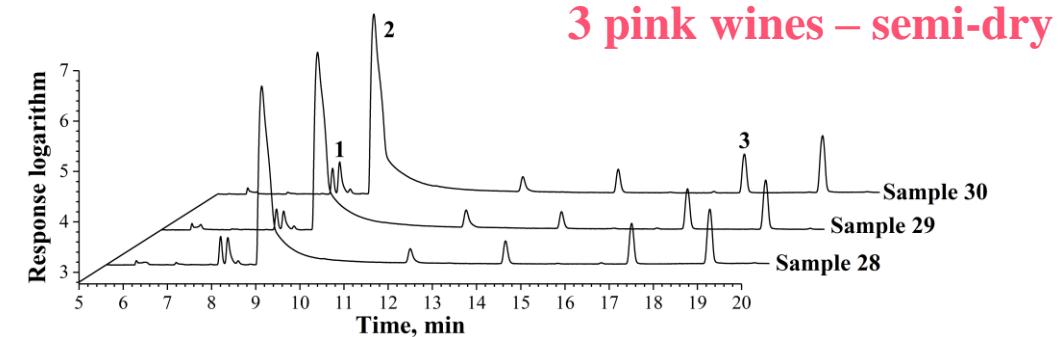


Sample no.	Concentration of methanol, $C^* \pm SD$, mg/100 mL AA		Δ , %	Student's test		ANOVA	
	Developed method	Official OIV method		p	t	p	F
22	86.9 ± 0.8	87.2 ± 1.3	-0.3	0.53	0.75	0.79	0.08
23	58.5 ± 0.2	58.6 ± 0.4	-0.1	0.76	0.36	0.83	0.05
24	63.8 ± 0.2	64.6 ± 0.8	-1.2	0.29	1.43	0.17	2.83

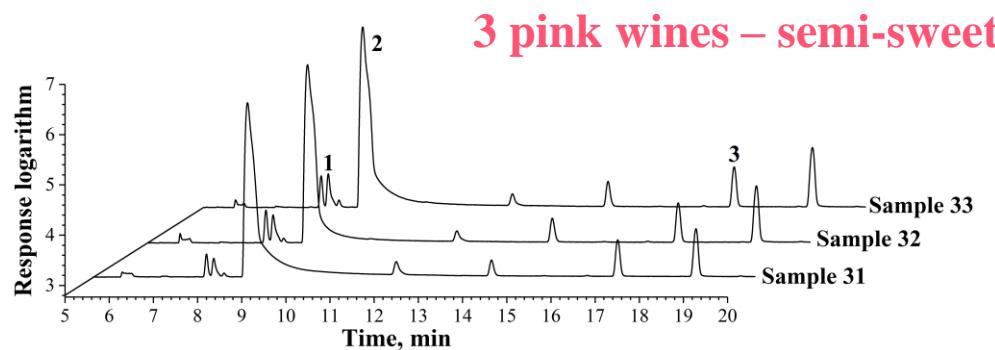
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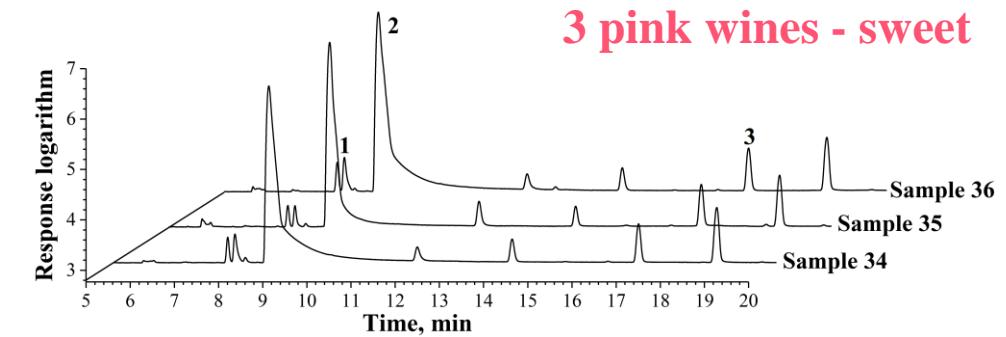
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	Developed method	Official OIV method		p	t	p	F
25	44.8 \pm 0.1	45.0 \pm 0.4	-0.5	0.39	1.09	0.43	0.77
26	50.1 \pm 0.3	50.3 \pm 0.8	-0.5	0.55	0.72	0.66	0.23
27	76.2 \pm 0.1	76.4 \pm 0.6	-0.3	0.64	0.55	0.57	0.39



Sample no.	Concentration of methanol, $C^* \pm SD$, mg/100 mL AA		Δ , %	Student's test		ANOVA	
	Developed method	Official OIV method		p	t	p	F
28	81.9 \pm 0.3	81.7 \pm 0.7	0.3	0.49	0.85	0.66	0.22
29	37.0 \pm 0.5	37.2 \pm 0.7	-0.6	0.70	0.44	0.67	0.21
30	64.6 \pm 0.3	64.5 \pm 0.4	0.1	0.90	0.14	0.89	0.02



Sample no.	Concentration of methanol, $C^* \pm SD$, mg/100 mL AA		Δ , %	Student's test		ANOVA	
	Developed method	Official OIV method		p	t	p	F
31	86.1 \pm 0.6	86.3 \pm 1.3	-0.3	0.78	0.31	0.78	0.09
32	69.1 \pm 0.5	69.6 \pm 1.0	-0.6	0.26	1.56	0.53	0.47
33	42.6 \pm 0.3	43.0 \pm 0.4	-1.1	0.32	1.31	0.20	2.36



Sample no.	Concentration of methanol, $C^* \pm SD$, mg/100 mL AA		Δ , %	Student's test		ANOVA	
	Developed method	Official OIV method		p	t	p	F
34	94.5 \pm 0.1	94.1 \pm 0.4	0.4	0.19	1.94	0.20	2.37
35	30.5 \pm 0.5	30.7 \pm 0.6	-0.6	0.64	0.54	0.71	0.15
36	77.4 \pm 0.4	77.5 \pm 0.2	-0.1	0.86	0.20	0.81	0.06

The difference between methods

Results of precision (intraday) and accuracy study ($n = 3$)

Concentration of methanol in standard solution, mg/L	Developed method		Official OIV method	
	RSD, %	Recovery, %	RSD, %	Recovery, %
50	1.5	101.7	1.9	102.3
100	1.2	100.4	1.3	101.5
150	1.0	99.9	1.2	100.2
200	1.0	99.5	1.1	100.6
250	0.5	99.4	0.5	99.4
500	0.1	100.2	0.4	100.2

Results of precision (interday) and accuracy study ($n = 9$)

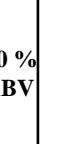
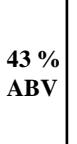
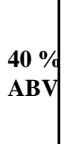
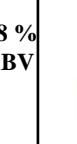
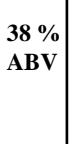
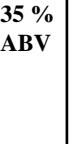
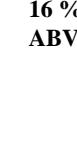
Concentration of methanol in standard solution, mg/L	Developed method		Official OIV method	
	RSD, %	Recovery, %	RSD, %	Recovery, %
50	1.6	101.6	2.1	102.3
100	1.4	100.7	1.7	101.3
150	1.3	100.2	1.4	100.3
200	1.1	99.8	1.1	100.4
250	0.7	99.4	0.9	99.9
500	0.4	100.5	0.5	100.6

Results of values of LOD and LOQ study ($n = 10$)

Developed method		Official OIV method	
LOD, mg/L	LOQ, mg/L	LOD, mg/L	LOQ, mg/L
0.46	1.39	0.65	1.96

The relative difference between obtained results for wine samples < 1.5 %

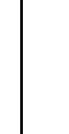
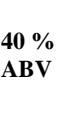
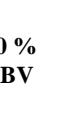
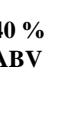
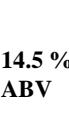
Examples of determination of methanol in 27 alcoholic beverages

Result for	 40 % ABV	 40 % ABV	 43 % ABV	 40 % ABV	 40 % ABV	 40 % ABV	 40 % ABV	 40 % ABV	 47 % ABV	 45 % ABV
	Rum	Whiskey	Bourbon	Grain spirit	Brandy	Grappa	Calvados	Gin	Slivovice	
Official method, mg/L AA	22.2±0.5	132±2	88.4±1.2	110±1.6	297±2	414±5	910±5	4.16±0.09	10546±97	
Developed method, mg/L AA	22.3±0.6	130±1	88.9±0.5	111±0.7	297±1	412±2	913±2	4.19±0.16	10603±18	
Δ, %	0.7	-0.9	0.6	0.9	-0.2	-0.6	0.3	0.8	0.5	
Result for	 38 % ABV	 14.5 % ABV	 38 % ABV	 15 % ABV	 18 % ABV	 8.5 % ABV	 70 % ABV	 27.5 % ABV	 40 % ABV	
	Tsikoudia	Sake	Tequila	Vermouth	Nalewka	Mulled wine	Rectified spirit	Cocktail	Vodka	
Official method, mg/L AA	755±50	18.2±1.3	1456±35	17.5±0.1	168±5	25.3±3.0	6.05±0.39	77.3±0.7	21.8±0.2	
Developed method, mg/L AA	761±20	18.1±1.4	1460±10	17.6±0.2	169±4	25.1±2.7	6.03±0.40	76.3±1.5	21.7±0.2	
Δ, %	0.8	-1.0	0.3	0.6	0.9	-0.6	-0.4	-1.2	-0.7	
Result for	 38 % ABV	 17 % ABV	 35 % ABV	 25 % ABV	 16 % ABV	 16.5 % ABV	 35 % ABV	 40 % ABV	 56 % ABV	
	Liqueurs							Rakia	Baijiu	
Official method, mg/L AA	2.32±0.04	9.75±0.28	19.5±0.1	29.1±0.9	9.77±1.34	127±5	20.5±0.7	118623	115±5	
Developed method, mg/L AA	2.34±0.05	9.81±0.14	19.6±0.1	29.4±1.0	9.82±1.27	126±4	20.7±0.4	11791	116±4	
Δ, %	0.8	0.7	0.4	0.8	0.5	-1.1	0.5	0.6	0.6	

The relative difference between obtained values of concentrations ($\Delta, \%$) measured in accordance with the EC 2870/2000 according to the official internal standard method and in accordance with the developed internal standard method does not exceed **1.5 %**.

Examples of

Determination sums of aldehydes, esters and higher alcohols in 27 alcoholic beverages

Result for	 40 % ABV	 40 % ABV	 43 % ABV	 40 % ABV	 40 % ABV	 40 % ABV	 40 % ABV	 47 % ABV	 45 % ABV
	Rum	Whiskey	Bourbon	Grain spirit	Brandy	Grappa	Calvados	Gin	Slivovice
Official method, mg/L AA	48.1 / 145 / 1043	162 / 589 / 6693	150 / 645 / 5546	44.0 / 84.7 / 4662	143 / 396 / 4801	191 / 289 / 2113	182 / 583 / 3690	1.70 / 0 / 1.54	210 / 907 / 6255
Developed method, mg/L AA	48.4 / 146 / 1051	160 / 584 / 6635	151 / 649 / 5580	44.4 / 85.4 / 4703	142 / 396 / 4794	190 / 288 / 2100	182 / 585 / 3702	1.72 / 0 / 1.55	211 / 912 / 6288
Δ, %	0.7 / 0.7 / 0.7	-0.9 / -0.9 / -0.9	0.6 / 0.6 / 0.6	0.9 / 0.9 / 0.9	-0.2 / -0.2 / -0.2	-0.6 / -0.6 / -0.6	0.3 / 0.3 / 0.3	0.8 / - / 0.9	0.5 / 0.5 / 0.5
Result for	 38 % ABV	 14.5 % ABV	 38 % ABV	 15 % ABV	 18 % ABV	 8.5 % ABV	 70 % ABV	 27.5 % ABV	 40 % ABV
	Tsikoudia	Sake	Tequila	Vermouth	Nalewka	Mulled wine	Rectified spirit	Cocktail	Vodka
Official method, mg/L AA	356 / 266 / 2297	37.6 / 47.0 / 1367	34.8 / 126 / 2895	30.5 / 0 / 5.94	47.4 / 74.4 / 10.3	22.7 / 55.9 / 871	4.83 / 25.2 / 0	61.9 / 84.0 / 728	0.504 / 0 / 0
Developed method, mg/L AA	359 / 268 / 2316	37.2 / 46.5 / 1352	34.9 / 127 / 2904	30.6 / 0 / 5.98	47.8 / 75.1 / 10.4	22.5 / 55.6 / 866	4.81 / 25.1 / 0	61.1 / 83.0 / 719	0.50 / 0 / 0
Δ, %	0.9 / 0.8 / 0.9	-1.1 / -1.1 / -1.1	0.4 / 0.3 / 0.3	0.6 / - / 0.6	0.9 / 0.9 / 0.9	-0.6 / -0.5 / -0.6	-0.4 / -0.4 / -	-1.3 / -1.2 / -1.2	-0.7 / - / -
Result for	 38 % ABV	 17 % ABV	 35 % ABV	 25 % ABV	 16 % ABV	 16.5 % ABV	 35 % ABV	 40 % ABV	 56 % ABV
	Liqueurs							Rakia	Baijiu
Official method, mg/L AA	4.20 / 0 / 2.44	6.89 / 0 / 125	38.1 / 13.5 / 9.39	25.1 / 0 / 0	18.4 / 266 / 0	36.6 / 31.8 / 0	1.12 / 0 / 0	92.2 / 1334 / 6165	63.9 / 1072 / 2114
Developed method, mg/L AA	4.24 / 0 / 2.46	6.94 / 0 / 125	38.2 / 13.5 / 9.43	25.3 / 0 / 0	18.5 / 267 / 0	36.2 / 31.5 / 0	1.13 / 0 / 0	91.6 / 1325 / 6217	64.3 / 1079 / 2128
Δ, %	0.8 / - / 0.8	0.8 / - / 0.7	0.4 / 0.4 / 0.4	0.8 / - / -	0.5 / 0.6 / -	-1.0 / -1.1 / -	0.6 / - / -	0.6 / 0.7 / 0.6	0.6 / 0.6 / 0.6

Aldehydes = acetaldehyde + acetal / Esters = ethyl acetate / Higher alcohols = butan-2-ol + propan-1-ol + 2-methylpropan-1-ol + butan-1-ol + 2-methylbutan-1-ol + 3-methylbutan-1-ol

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OIV-MA-AS312-03A - simplification

Methanol



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Methanol

Type III method improved

Methanol
(Resolution Oeno 377/2009, Revised by OIV-OENO 480/2014,
Revised by OIV-OENO 480/2014)

1. Scope of application
This method is applicable to the determination of methanol in wine for concentrations between 50 and 500 mg/L.

2. Principle
Methanol is determined in the distillate, to which an internal standard is added, using gas chromatography with a flame ionisation detector (FID). The ethanol present in the test sample is used as an internal standard.

3. Reagents and materials

- 3.1. Type II water, according to ISO standard 3696
- 3.2. Ethanol: purity ≥ 96% (CAS no. 64-17-5)
- 3.3. Hydrogen: minimum specifications: 99.999% purity (CAS no. 1333-74-0)
- 3.4. Helium: minimum specifications: 99.999% purity (CAS no. 7440-59-7)
- 3.5. Methanol: purity ≥ 99 % (CAS no. 67-56-1)

2.6. 4-Methyl-2-pentanol (internal standard): purity ≥ 98 % (CAS no. 108-11-2)

Internal standard used in the validation

Note 1: Other internal standards can be used, such as:
• 2-pentanol: purity ≥ 98% (CAS no. 594-02-1)
• 4-methyl-1-pentanol: purity ≥ 98% (CAS no. 626-89-1)
• Methyl nonanoate: purity ≥ 98% (CAS no. 1731-84-6)

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3.7. Reference materials: these may be, for example, wines from laboratory proficiency tests.

3.8. Preparation of working solutions (by way of example):

3.8.1. Approximately 10% v/v aqueous-alcoholic mixture
This mixture should be as close as possible to the alcohol content of the wine to be analysed. Pour 100 mL of ethanol (3.2) into a 1 L calibrated flask (4.2), make up to volume with demineralised water (3.1) and mix.

3.8.2. 10 g/l Internal standard solution
Using an analytical balance (4.1), weigh approximately 1 g of internal standard (2.6) into a 100 mL calibrated flask (4.3) that contains around 60 mL of 10% ethanol solution (3.8.1), so as to minimise evaporation of the internal standard. Make up to volume with the ethanol solution (3.8.1) and mix.

3.8.3. 1 g/l Internal standard solution
Add 10 mL of the 10 g/l internal standard solution (3.8.2) using a pipette (4.8) and make up to 100 mL (4.3) using the 10% v/v hydroalcoholic mixture (3.8.1).

3.8.4. 5 g/l Methanol stock solution
Using an analytical balance (4.1), weigh approximately 500 mg of methanol (3.5) into a 100 mL calibrated flask (4.3) that contains about 60 mL of 10% ethanol solution (3.8.1), so as to minimise evaporation of the methanol. Make up to volume with the ethanol solution (3.8.1) and mix.

3.8.5. Working calibration solutions
By way of example, a method for plotting a calibration curve is outlined below.

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5.1. Addition of internal standard (by way of example)
Pour 10 mL of distillate into a 10 mL calibrated flask (4.5), add 1 mL (4.12) of internal standard solution (3.8.3) and mix.

6. Procedure
The calibration curve standards are treated in the same way as the samples (point 5.1). It is recommended that the aqueous-alcoholic mixture (3.8.1) is injected at the start of the sequence in order to verify that it does not contain methanol.

6.1. Operating conditions (as a guide):
Carrier gas: helium or hydrogen
Carrier gas flow: 7 mL/min
Injection split (ratio: 7:50)
Injection volume: 1 or 2 µL
Injector temperature: 200-260 °C
Detector temperature: 220-300 °C
Temperature programme: from 35 °C (for 2 minutes) to 170 °C, at 7.5 °C/min

7. Calculations

Calculate the concentration of methanol (C_1): using the following equation

$$C_1 = \frac{C_{\text{std}}}{m} \cdot (A_1 / A_{\text{std}} - b)$$

A_1 – Peak area of methanol
 A_{std} – Peak area of internal standard
 C_{std} – Concentration of internal standard
 m – Slope of the calibration curve
 b – Intercept of the calibration curve

Calculate the concentration of methanol (C_1): using the following equation

$$C_1 (\text{mg/l}) = RRF_{\text{FID}} \cdot \frac{A_1}{A_{\text{std}}} \cdot \rho_{\text{gas}} (\text{mg/l})$$

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where A_1 and A_{std} are detector responses of methanol and ethanol in the analyzed sample
 ρ_{gas} is the density of carrier gas (70272.5 kg/m³)

$$RRF_{\text{FID}} = \frac{C_{\text{std}}^{\text{calib}} (\text{mg/l}) \cdot A_{\text{std}}^{\text{calib}}}{\rho_{\text{gas}} (\text{mg/l}) \cdot A_1^{\text{calib}}}$$

where A_1^{calib} and $A_{\text{std}}^{\text{calib}}$ are detector responses of methanol and ethanol in the calibration solution, respectively. $C_{\text{std}}^{\text{calib}}$ (mg/l) is more concentrated of methanol in calibration solution.

8. Expression of the results
The concentration of methanol may be expressed in mg/L or in mg/100 mL absolute alcohol; in the latter case, the alcohol content by volume of the wine should be determined.
Note 2: mg/100 mL absolute alcohol = mg/L x 10/alcohol content by volume

9. Precision
The data from the international interlaboratory test is outlined in Annex A.

10. Quality control
Internal quality control may be carried out using certified reference materials or wines whose characteristics have been determined from a consensus (3.7). These should be prepared as for the samples (point 5). Participation in proficiency tests is recommended.

11. Report of the results
The results are expressed to the nearest whole number (in accordance with the uncertainty).

12. Bibliography
Compendium of international methods of wine and must analysis. Method OIV-MA-AS312-01A (Alcoholic strength).

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Determination of the principal volatile substances of spirit drinks of viti-vinicultural origin



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Determination of the principal volatile substances of spirit drinks of viti-vinicultural origin
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Determination of the principal volatile substances of spirit drinks of viti-vinicultural origin

Type II method

1. Scope
This method is suitable for the determination of the following compounds by gas chromatography in spirit drinks of viti-vinicultural origin: ethanal (acetaldehyde), both free and total (obtained from the sum of ethanol and the fraction of ethanal contained in 1,1-diethoxyethane), ethyl ethanoate (ethyl acetate), 1,1-dimethoxyethane (acetal), methanol (methyl alcohol), butan-2-ol (sec-butanol), propan-1-ol (n-propanol), 2-methylpropan-1-ol (isobutyl alcohol), butan-1-ol (n-butanol), 2-methylbutan-1-ol (active amyl alcohol), 3-methylbutan-1-ol (isoamyl alcohol).

2. Normative References
ISO 3696:1987 Water for analytical laboratory use - Specifications and test methods.

3. Definition
Congeners are volatile substances formed along with ethanol during fermentation, distillation and maturation of spirit drinks.

4. Principle
Congeners in spirit drinks are determined by direct injection of the spirit drink, or appropriately diluted spirit drink, or its distillate, into a gas chromatography (GC) system. **A suitable internal standard is added to the spirit drink prior to injection.** The ethanol contained in the analyzed alcoholic product is used as an **internal standard**.
The congeners are separated by temperature programming on a suitable column

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and are detected using a flame ionization detector (FID). The concentration of each congener is determined with respect to the internal standard from response ratios obtained by dividing the peak areas of the analyte and the internal standard under the same chromatographic conditions as those of the spirit drink analysis.

5. Requirements
Unless otherwise stated, use only reagents of a purity greater than 97% and glassware and apparatus with a certificate of purity. Free from water and other congeners at test dilution (this may be determined by titration of individual congeners in 100 ml ethanol solution (S.13) with 0.01 N sulfuric acid in 10 ml water of at least grade 3 and defined in ISO 3696) and without aromatic hydrocarbons. Reagents should be stored in the dark at <5 °C; all other reagents should be stored according to the manufacturer's instructions.

5.1 Ethanol absolute (EAS.5A-17.5)
Prepared 1 (EAS.71-23.8)
Prepared 2 (EAS.71-23.8)

5.2 2-methylpropan-1-ol (EAS.5A-17.5)
Prepared 3 (EAS.71-23.8)

5.3 Ethyl acetate (EAS.5A-17.5)
Prepared 4 (EAS.71-23.8)

5.4 1,1-dimethoxyethane (EAS.5A-17.5)
Prepared 5 (EAS.71-23.8)

5.5 Methanol (EAS.5A-17.5)
Prepared 6 (EAS.71-23.8)

5.6 2-methylbutan-1-ol (EAS.5A-17.5)
Prepared 7 (EAS.71-23.8)

5.7 Ethyl acetate (EAS.5A-17.5)
Prepared 8 (EAS.71-23.8)

5.8 Butan-1-ol (EAS.5A-17.5)
Prepared 9 (EAS.71-23.8)

5.9 Butan-2-ol (EAS.5A-17.5)
Prepared 10 (EAS.71-23.8)

5.10 Acetal (EAS.5A-17.5)
Prepared 11 (EAS.71-23.8)

5.11 40% v/v ethanol solution
Dissolve 40 g ethanol in 100 ml distilled water (S.11) pour 400 ml ethanol (S.11) into a 1 litre volumetric flask, make up to volume with distilled water and mix thoroughly. Record the weight of the flask, each component added and the total final weight of contents.

5.12 Internal standard solution
Dissolve 100 mg ethanol solution (S.11) and 100 mg 2-methylbutan-1-ol (S.12) into a 1 litre volumetric flask, make up to volume with ethanol solution (S.11) and mix thoroughly. Record the weight of the flask, each component added and the total final weight of contents.

NOTE It is preferable to add acetal and 2-methylbutan-1-ol in order to minimize the risk of precipitation. The solutions may be prepared individually, and the final solutions and dilutions prepared subsequently.

5.13 Standard solution
Dissolve 100 mg ethanol solution (S.11) and 100 mg 2-methylbutan-1-ol (S.12) into a 1 litre volumetric flask, make up to volume with ethanol solution (S.11) and mix thoroughly. Record the weight of the flask, each component added and the total final weight of contents.

5.14.1 Standard solution - A
Dissolve 100 mg ethanol solution (S.11) and 100 mg 2-methylbutan-1-ol (S.12) into a 1 litre volumetric flask containing approximately 80 ml ethanol solution (S.11) to minimize component separation. Make up to volume with ethanol solution (S.11) and mix thoroughly. Record the weight of the flask, each component added and the total final weight of contents.

5.14.2 Standard solution - B
Dissolve 100 mg ethanol solution (S.11) and 100 mg 2-methylbutan-1-ol (S.12) into a 1 litre volumetric flask containing approximately 80 ml ethanol solution (S.11) to minimize component separation. Make up to volume with ethanol solution (S.11) and mix thoroughly. Record the weight of the flask, each component added and the total final weight of contents.

5.14.3 Standard solution - C
Pipette 1 ml standard solution A (S.14.1) and standard solution B (S.14.2) into 100 ml ethanol solution (S.11) and mix thoroughly. Make up to volume with ethanol solution (S.11) and mix thoroughly. Record the weight of the flask, each component added and the total final weight of contents.

5.14.4 Standard solution - D
In order to increase analytical continuity and an effective quality control, prepare a quality control standard using the previously prepared standard A (S.14.1) or, preferably, prepare a control standard as indicated below. Dissolve 100 mg ethanol solution (S.11) and 100 mg 2-methylbutan-1-ol (S.12) into a 1 litre volumetric flask containing approximately 80 ml ethanol solution (S.11) to minimize component separation. Make up to volume with ethanol solution (S.11) and mix thoroughly. Record the weight of the flask, each component added and the total final weight of contents.

5.14.5 Standard solution - E
Dissolve 100 mg ethanol solution (S.11) and 100 mg 2-methylbutan-1-ol (S.12) into a 1 litre volumetric flask containing approximately 80 ml ethanol solution (S.11) to minimize component separation. Make up to volume with ethanol solution (S.11) and mix thoroughly. Record the weight of the flask, each component added and the total final weight of contents.

5.14.6 Standard solution
Dissolve 100 mg ethanol solution (S.11) and 100 mg 2-methylbutan-1-ol (S.12) into a 1 litre volumetric flask containing approximately 80 ml ethanol solution (S.11) to minimize component separation. Make up to volume with ethanol solution (S.11) and mix thoroughly. Record the weight of the flask, each component added and the total final weight of contents.

5.14.7 QC standard solution
Dissolve 100 mg ethanol solution (S.11) and 100 mg 2-methylbutan-1-ol (S.12) into a weighing vessel and mix thoroughly. Record the weight of the flask, each component added and the total final weight of contents.

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Inject standard solution (S.14.3) to ensure that all of the analytes are separated with a minimum resolution of 1.3 (except 2-methylbutan-1-ol and 2-methylbutan-1-ol).

8.4 Calibration
The calibration curve is checked using the following procedure. Ensure that the response is linear by successively analysing each of the linearity standard solutions (S.14.6) **keeping internal standard constant**. From the chromatogram of the first standard solution (S.14.6) calculate the peak area ratio of each congener to the internal standard. The peak area ratio for each congener and plot a graph of it versus the concentration ratio of congener to internal standard. The correlation coefficient r should be obtained, with a correlation coefficient of at least 0.99.

8.5 Determination
An appropriate degree of dilution can be used, provided the data can be checked using the principles described in the method below and to good gas chromatographic practice (calculation of response factors and/or establishment of calibration curves). To ensure the maximum possible analytical stability, inject one standard solution (S.14.3) after every 5 samples.

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All standard solutions must be stored at <5 °C and, if necessary, made up freshly as required. Make up to volume under the same chromatographic conditions as those of the spirit drink analysis.

5.14.1 Standard solution - A
Dissolve 100 mg ethanol solution (S.11) and 100 mg 2-methylbutan-1-ol (S.12) into a 1 litre volumetric flask containing approximately 80 ml ethanol solution (S.11) to minimize component separation. Make up to volume with ethanol solution (S.11) and mix thoroughly. Record the weight of the flask, each component added and the total final weight of contents.

5.14.2 Standard solution - B
Dissolve 100 mg ethanol solution (S.11) and 100 mg 2-methylbutan-1-ol (S.12) into a 1 litre volumetric flask containing approximately 80 ml ethanol solution (S.11) to minimize component separation. Make up to volume with ethanol solution (S.11) and mix thoroughly. Record the weight of the flask, each component added and the total final weight of contents.

5.14.3 Standard solution - C
Pipette 1 ml standard solution A (S.14.1) and standard solution B (S.14.2) into 100 ml ethanol solution (S.11) and mix thoroughly. Make up to volume with ethanol solution (S.11) and mix thoroughly. Record the weight of the flask, each component added and the total final weight of contents.

5.14.4 Standard solution - D
In order to increase analytical continuity and an effective quality control, prepare a quality control standard using the previously prepared standard A (S.14.1) or, preferably, prepare a control standard as indicated below. Dissolve 100 mg ethanol solution (S.11) and 100 mg 2-methylbutan-1-ol (S.12) into a 1 litre volumetric flask containing approximately 80 ml ethanol solution (S.11) to minimize component separation. Make up to volume with ethanol solution (S.11) and mix thoroughly. Record the weight of the flask, each component added and the total final weight of contents.

5.14.5 Standard solution - E
Dissolve 100 mg ethanol solution (S.11) and 100 mg 2-methylbutan-1-ol (S.12) into a 1 litre volumetric flask containing approximately 80 ml ethanol solution (S.11) to minimize component separation. Make up to volume with ethanol solution (S.11) and mix thoroughly. Record the weight of the flask, each component added and the total final weight of contents.

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On receipt, the alcohol strength of each sample is measured (S.1.1).

8. Preparation of the standard solution, and preparation of the test portion
Prepare the standard solution, and particularly the calibration range, should be adapted to the nature of the spirit drink analysed and to the precision indicated by the analyst.

8.1 Standard solution
Dissolve 100 mg ethanol solution (S.11) and 100 mg 2-methylbutan-1-ol (S.12) into a 1 litre volumetric flask containing approximately 80 ml ethanol solution (S.11) to minimize component separation. Make up to volume with ethanol solution (S.11) and mix thoroughly. Record the weight of the flask, each component added and the total final weight of contents.

8.2 Blank test
Dissolve 100 mg ethanol solution (S.11) and 100 mg 2-methylbutan-1-ol (S.12) into a 1 litre volumetric flask containing approximately 80 ml ethanol solution (S.11) to minimize component separation. Make up to volume with ethanol solution (S.11) and mix thoroughly. Record the weight of the flask, each component added and the total final weight of contents.

8.3 Sample analysis
Using the procedure in section 8.1 below, calculate the concentration of each congener in the samples.

(1) Congener concentrations, $\text{M}_1 \text{M}_2$
Peak area of congener M_1 : Peak area of M_2 : Concentration of M_1 : Concentration of M_2

8.4 Response factor calculation
From the chromatogram of the injection of standard solution (S.14.3), calculate response factors for each congener relative to the internal standard (S.14.6) **keeping internal standard constant**.
Response factor = Peak area of congener / Peak area of internal standard.

8.5 Determination
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(1) Recovery of QC sample
Concentration of analyte in QC sample: Concentration of analyte in solution D = 100%

(2) Recovery of QC standard
Concentration of analyte in QC standard: Concentration of analyte in solution D = 100%

8.4 Quality Assurance and Control (used for the validated method)
Using equation (1) above, calculate the concentration of each congener in the quality control standard solution prepared by following the procedure as in 8.1 to 8.4. Using equation (3), calculate the percentage recovery of the target value. If the percentage recovery is outside the acceptable range, an investigation should be made to find the cause of the inaccuracy and remedial action taken as appropriate.

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Note: discrete diacid and acetic acid cannot be quantified by this method yet they appear in the chromatograms.

3 - Principle
 Volatile compounds are quantified as in gas chromatography after direct injection of the sample solution in a standard ratio in a capillary column coated with a bonded polar phase and detection using flame ionization. [Section 3 - Principle](#)

4 - Reagents and products
 The quantities and methods of preparation are given by way of example and may be adapted as necessary to the type of instrument used.

- 4.1 - H_2 (high-purity hydrogen gas, type II if resistivity $\geq 18 \text{ MD}\Omega\text{cm}$)
- 4.2 - ethanol (CAS no. 64-17-5), purity $\geq 97\%$
- 4.3 - high-purity helium for GC (e.g. $\text{He} \geq 4 \text{ ppm}$; $\text{O}_2 \leq 2 \text{ ppm}$; $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6 \leq 0.5 \text{ ppm}$; $\text{N}_2 \leq 4 \text{ ppm}$)
- 4.4 - high-purity helium for GC ($\text{He} \leq 3 \text{ ppm}$; $\text{O}_2 \leq 2 \text{ ppm}$; $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6 \leq 1 \text{ ppm}$; $\text{N}_2 \leq 1 \text{ ppm}$)
- 4.5 - high-purity compressed air for GC.
- 4.6 - ethanol (CAS no. 64-17-5), purity $\geq 99\%$
- 4.7 - ethyl acetate (CAS no. 141-78-6), purity $\geq 99.5\%$
- 4.8 - methanol (CAS no. 67-56-1), purity $\geq 99.8\%$
- 4.9 - dimethylsulfide (CAS no. 75-15-0), purity $\geq 99\%$
- 4.10 - butan-1-ol (CAS no. 1389-23-4), purity $\geq 99\%$
- 4.11 - isobutyl acetate (CAS no. 141-78-6), purity $\geq 99\%$
- 4.12 - 2-methylpropan-1-ol (CAS no. 78-83-2), purity $\geq 99.5\%$
- 4.13 - isomethyl acetate (CAS no. 132-02-7), purity $\geq 97\%$
- 4.14 - isobutyl acetate (CAS no. 141-78-6), purity $\geq 99\%$
- 4.15 - isobutyl acetate (CAS no. 137-52-6), purity $\geq 99\%$
- 4.17 - 3-methylbutan-1-ol (CAS no. 125-11-3), purity $\geq 98.5\%$

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4.18 - protein - I (CAS no. 71-10-0), purity ≥ 99%;

4.19 - acetone (CAS no. 53-10-6), purity ≥ 99%;

4.20 - ethyl lactate (CAS no. 687-14-1), purity ≥ 98%;

4.21 - methyl lactate (CAS no. 687-15-2), purity ≥ 98%;

4.22 - 3-ethoxypropanal (CAS no. 111-35-1), purity ≥ 97%;

4.23 - 3-ethoxypropanoic acid (CAS no. 111-36-2), purity ≥ 97%;

4.24 - furfuraldehyde (CAS no. 96-10-1), purity ≥ 99%;

4.25 - acetic acid (CAS no. 64-17-5), purity ≥ 99%;

4.26 - 3-hydroxypropanal (CAS no. 513-83-5), purity ≥ 98%;

4.27 - propyl propanoate (CAS no. 57-55-6), purity ≥ 99%;

4.28 - 2-propanone (CAS no. 67-64-1), purity ≥ 99%;

4.29 - dodecane (CAS no. 123-25-1), purity ≥ 99%;

4.30 - hexane (CAS no. 10-62-1), purity ≥ 99%;

4.31 - 2-methylbutanal (CAS no. 107-21-0), purity ≥ 99%;

4.32 - methyl butanoate (CAS no. 57-12-1), purity ≥ 99%;

4.33 - dimethyl sulfide (CAS no. 77-54-1), purity ≥ 97%;

4.34 - diisopropyl ether (CAS no. 107-17-3), purity ≥ 99%;

4.35 - 4-decene (CAS no. 334-48-5), purity ≥ 99%;

Note: dicyclo and acetyl acid cannot be quantified by this method yet they appear in the chromatogram.

Explanation of method solvents/titrants: quantities are given by way of example and may be increased or decreased to fit the type of source or the method used.

4.35 - 10% Aqueous-sulphuric mixture to be made up with ethanol (4.2) and water (4.1).

4.36 - Animal standard solution

Standard 1 = 4 methanol + 2 (4.15) + 100 (4.2) + 10 (4.35). This is to be stored in a tightly closed ethanol (4.2) bottle. Divide the sample into which the above standard is added into 10 ml portions.

4.37 - Internal or external reference wine (a CRM (Certified Reference Material) will be available from the Bureau International du Fromage (a pilot-testing programme between laboratories for example).

4.38 - Stock calibration solution

The components of the solution weighed as 1 mg (netton weights given in the table) were dissolved with a precision balance (4.15). In order to avoid losses through evaporation, add 10 ml of ethanol (4.2) to each component and transfer to a 1 L flask (5.3). Rinse with ethanol. Add 3.5 g of sucrose (4.14) to flask. Make up to 1 L with ethanol (4.2) and mix. Divide into flasks and store in the freezer. Record initial weight.

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Septum flow rate: 2.5 ml/min
 Split flow rate: 40 ml/min
 Split mode of injection
 Volume of the injector: 1 ml
 Temperature of the injector: 200 °C
 Detector: FID
 Detection temperature at 250 °C
 $P_{\text{sample}} = 50 \text{ kPa}$ and $P_{\text{carrier}} = 130 \text{ kPa}$
 Temperature programme:
 Flame: 1–2 °C to 2.5 °C/min, up to T_f ; $t_i = 0$ min
 Hold time: $t_h = 20$ min
 Cooling: T_f –3 °C/min to 10 °C/min, up to 20 °C; $t_c = 20$ min

Calibration:
 Inject the working calibration solution (4.39) before each analysis series.
 Calculate the response factors:
 RF = $(A_{\text{sample}} \times C_{\text{sample}}) / (A_{\text{internal}} \times C_{\text{internal}})$
 Cf = concentration of the internal standard in the calibration solution
 Area = area of the constituent of the calibration solution
 $C_{\text{so}} =$ concentration of the internal standard **[redacted]** in the calibration solution
 $C_{\text{si}} =$ concentration of the internal standard **[redacted]** in the calibration solution

It is also possible to use a calibration curve.

By way of example, chromatograms of a standard solution and a wine sample are given in the Annexes.

8. Calculations
 In the case of use of a response factor, calculation of the concentrations is as follows:
 $C_{\text{so}} = (\text{area} / \text{area} \times \text{Cf}) \times (C_{\text{internal}} / \text{area})$

9. Precision
 See Annex C.

10. Quality assurance and control
 Traceable to the international references through mass, volume and temperature.

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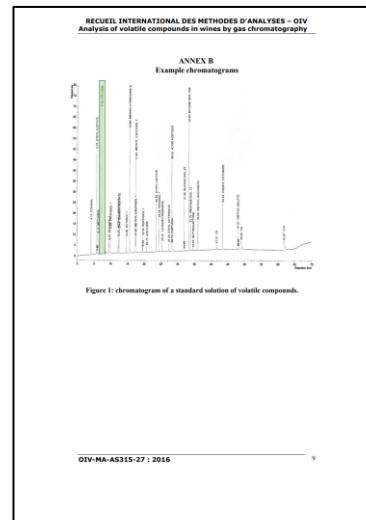


Figure 1: chromatogram of a standard solution of volatile compounds.

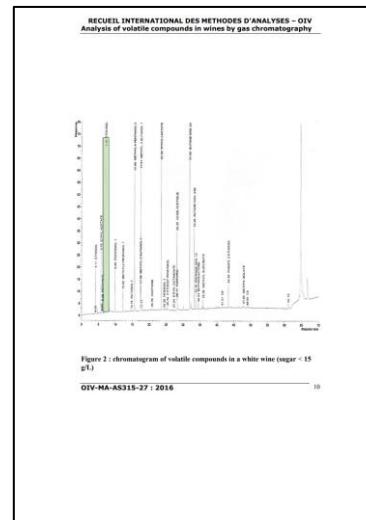


Figure 2 : chromatogram of volatile compounds in a white wine (sugar < 1 g/l)



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I. DETERMINATION OF VOLATILE SUBSTANCES AND METHANOL OF SPIRIT

1.1. GENERAL REMARKS

1. Definitions

Regulation (EEC) No 1576/89 sets minimum levels of volatile compounds other than ethanol and methanol for a series of spirit drinks (rum, spirits of vinicultural origin, fruit spirits, etc.). For this series of drinks only, these levels are conventionally considered to be equivalent to the sum of the concentrations of:

1. volatile acids expressed as acetic acid;
2. aldehydes expressed as ethanol by the sum of ethanal (acetaldehyde), and the ethanol fraction contained in 1,1-dioethoxyethane (acetal);
3. the following higher alcohols: propan-1-ol, butan-1-ol, butan-2-ol, 2-methylpropan-1-ol, assayed by individual alcohol and 2-methylbutan-1-ol, and 3-methylbutan-1-ol assayed as individual alcohol or the sum of the two;
4. ethyl acetate.

The following are the conventional methods for measuring volatile compounds:

- the volatile acids by means of volatile acidity,
- the aldehydes (ethanal and acetal), ethyl acetate and the alcohols by means of gas chromatography (GPC).

2. Gas chromatographic analysis of volatile compounds

Gas chromatographic assays of volatile compounds other than those set out above may prove particularly interesting as a means of determining both the origin of the raw materials used in the distillation and the actual character of different spirit drinks.

Some spirit drink contain volatile components, such as aromatic compounds, which are characteristic of the raw materials used to obtain the alcohol, of the aroma of the spirit drink and of the special features of the preparation of the spirit. These compounds are important for evaluating the requirements set out in Regulation (EEC) No 1576/89.

1.2. GAS CHROMATOGRAPHIC DETERMINATION OF VOLATILE CONGENERS: ALDEHYDES, HIGHER ALCOHOLS, ETHYL ACETATE AND METHANOL

1. Scope

This method is suitable for use for the determination of 1,1-dioethoxyethane (acetal), 2-methylbutan-1-ol (active amyl alcohol), 3-methylbutan-1-ol (isomyl alcohol), methanol (methyl alcohol), ethyl ethanoate (ethyl acetate), butan-1-ol (*n*-butanol), butan-2-ol (*sec*-butanol), 2-methylpropan-1-ol (*t*-butanol), propan-1-ol (*isopropyl*) and ethanol (methylethylene) in spirit drinks by gas chromatography. The method uses an internal standard, for example pentan-3-ol. The concentrations of the analytes are expressed as grams per litre of spirit drink. The alcoholic strength of the product must be determined prior to analysis. The spirit drinks that can be analysed using this method include whisky, brandy, rum, wine spirit, fruit spirit and grape juice spirit.

2. Normative References

ISO 3696:1987: Water for analytical laboratory use — Specifications and test methods.

3. Definition

Congeners are volatile substances formed along with ethanol during fermentation, distillation and maturation of spirit drinks.

4. Principle

Congeners in spirit drinks are determined by direct injection of the spirit drink, or appropriately diluted spirit drink, into a gas chromato-

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8.1	Calculation
	The subtraction should be started using the following procedure: 1. The weight of the sample (m_1) is measured. 2. A small amount of the Ca^{2+} standard solution (1.044) containing 100 mg of calcium per ml is added to the sample. The volume of the standard solution is determined by titration with the indicator solution until a colour change of a blue-grey is observed.
8.2	Dissolution
	Take one of each of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Concentration of complex I (p) - Concentration of complex II (q) - Dissolved oxygen - Concentration of calcium (C) (see 8.1, Calculations)
9.1	Calculation
	After saturated solution C (1.043) and 2% QC standard solution (0.45) either with aqueous samples (prepared according to 8.1) or with solid samples (prepared according to 8.2) have been added, mix quickly. Take one standard solution C (1.043) after every 5 samples.
9.2	Calculation
	In automated systems of data handling can be used, provided the data is converted to the following values: - Dissolved oxygen (p) - Dissolved oxygen (q) - Dissolved oxygen (C) - Dissolved oxygen (QC)
9.3.1	Response factor calculation
	From the dimensions of the aqueous saturated solution C (1.043) calculate response factors for each complex using equation (1).
9.3.2	Sample analysis
	Using equation (2) below, calculate the concentration of each complex in the sample.
10	Complex concentrations:
	Each series of measurements: $\frac{m_1}{M_{\text{Ca}}} \cdot \frac{100}{1000} \cdot 10^{-3} + C \cdot m_1 \text{ mg/g} \times 10^{-3}$
Notes	
	Mass = weight of sample (0.125)
	Conc. = concentration of standard solution (1.043)

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5.3.6 Precision
Discrepancies between the results of two independent tests conducted under iterative conditions and the average value of the test results should not exceed the 2% range.

5.4 Total Acetaldehyde

5.4.1 Gas Chromatography Method

5.4.1.1 Principle
Chromatograph sample along with the carrier gas into the chromatography columns and then perform separation of individual components that must be measured by the process of leveraging on the differences of partition coefficients between components while transitioning between the two phases (gas/liquid) in the chromatography column. Separated components will flow out of the chromatography columns. Separated components will flow out of the chromatography column in a specific order into the hydrogen flame ionization detector. The detector will measure the intensity of the signal corresponding to the retention values of the peaks of individual components illustrated on the resultant chromatograph, quantity by internal standard method with the use of peak area (or peak height). [Extract 5.4.1.1](#)

5.4.1.2 Apparatus

5.4.1.2.1 Gas Chromatography With hydrogen flame ionization detector (FID)

5.4.1.2.2 Chromatography Columns: PEG20M cross-linked quartz capillary chromatography column, length 25m, inner diameter 0.25mm, QF or other capillary chromatography column with equal effect of analysis.

5.4.1.2.3 Micro Injector: 10 µL

5.4.1.3 Reagents and Solutions

5.4.1.3.1 40% Ethanol Solution: Mix ethanol (chromatographically pure) with water.

5.4.1.3.2 Acetaldehyde Solution (2%): Use as standard sample. Extract 2 mL acetal (chromatographically pure) and then dilute it with 40% ethanol solution till it reaches 100 mL.

5.4.1.3.3 N-isobutyl Solution (2%): Use as internal standard. Extract 2 mL N-isobutyl (chromatographically pure) and then dilute it with 40% ethanol solution till it reaches 100 mL.

5.4.1.4 Chromatographic Conditions

Carrier Gas (Nitrogen Gas or High-Purity): Flow rate at 0.5 mL/min=1.0 mL/min; diversion ratio ~37:1, make up gas flow rate at about 20 mL/min=30 mL/min.

Hydrogen Gas: Flow rate at 33 mL/min.

Air: Flow at 400 mL/min.

Temperature of Detector (T_d): 220°C.

Temperature of Sample Intro (T_i): 220°C.

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In the formula:

X = Total acetaldehyde content, unit is milligram per liter (mg/L);

V = Volume of iodine standard reagent used on the sample, unit is milliliter (mL);

V_c = Volume of iodine standard reagent used on the control experiment, unit is milliliter (mL);

c = Concentration of the iodine standard reagent, unit is mol per liter (mol/L);

M = Molar mass value of iodine, unit is mol per gram (g/mol) (M= 22);

V_s = Volume of sample absorbed, unit is milliliter (mL);

X_t = Total acetaldehyde content in a liter of 100% ethanol of the sample, unit is milligram per liter (mg/L);

E = Actual alcohol content of sample determined;

Result should be presented in one decimal place format.

5.4.2.7 Precision
Discrepancies between the results of two independent tests conducted under iterative conditions and the average value of the test results should not exceed the 10% range.

5.5 Total Esters

5.5.1 Gas Chromatography Method

5.5.1.1 Principle
Same as 5.4.1.1.

5.5.1.2 Apparatus
Same as 5.4.1.2.

5.5.1.3 Reagents and Solutions

5.5.1.3.1 40% Ethanol Solution: Mix ethanol (chromatographically pure) with water.

5.5.1.3.2 Ethyl Acetate Solution (2%): Use as standard sample. Extract 2 mL ethyl acetate (chromatographically pure) and then dilute it with 40% ethanol solution till it reaches 100 mL volume.

5.5.1.3.3 Isobutyl Acetate Solution (2%): Use as internal standard. Extract 2 mL isobutyl (chromatographically pure), then dilute it with 10% ethanol solution till it reaches 100 mL volume.

5.5.1.4 Chromatographic Conditions

Same as 5.4.1.4.

5.5.1.5 Analysis Procedure
Entirety of the analysis operation procedure is the same as what is described in section 5.4.1.5, with the exception that the standard sample used will be replaced by isobutyl solution (prepared as in 5.5.1.3) instead.

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Column Temperature (T_d): Initial temperature at 70°C. Maintain temperature for 3 mins and then systematically increase the temperature to 95°C from 105°C. Maintain temperature for another 10 mins.

The flow rate of carrier gas, hydrogen and air may differ according to different chromatographic conditions between apparatus used. Experiments should be conducted to determine the best operating conditions, with the flow rate of carrier gas, hydrogen and air being determined based on the specified peak and individual peaks of each component present in the alcohol sample achieved as the best.

5.4.1.6 Analysis Procedure

5.4.1.6.1 Determination of Calibration Factor (F-value)

Extract 1.00 mL acetaldehyde solution (as prepared in 5.4.1.3.2) and transfer into a 100 mL volumetric flask. Add 1.00 mL 40% ethanol solution (as prepared in 5.4.1.3.2) thereafter into the flask and then dilute the mixture with water to the mark. Mix well. Then extract 1.00 mL acetaldehyde solution (as prepared in 5.4.1.3.2) into a 100 mL volumetric flask. After the sample is extracted, then inject the sample with a micro injector, where the amount of carrier gas will be determined on the basis of the time of the separation. Make records of the retention time of acetaldehyde as the internal standard peak and the retention time of the sample peak as well as their individual peak areas (peak-heights). Use these values to calculate the relative calibration factor (F-value) according to the following formula:

5.4.1.6.2 Determination of Sample Solvent

Extract 1.00 mL of alcohol sample directly with 10% acetaldehyde (ethanol + 0.10 mL acetaldehyde) as well as in 5.4.1.6.1 above. Inject samples in under the same conditions as the 1 value test and then determine the retention time of acetaldehyde (ethanol + 0.10 mL acetaldehyde) and internal standard peak. Calculate the difference between those peak areas (peak-heights) and calculate the proportion of acetaldehyde (ethanol + 0.10 mL acetaldehyde) in the sample respectively with acetaldehyde as the basis of measurement.

5.4.1.6.3 Result Calculation

a) Calibration Factor (F-value) can be calculated with the following formula (6):

$$f = \frac{A_1}{A_2} \cdot \frac{d_1}{d_2} \quad (6)$$

b) Acetaldehyde (or Acetyl) content in the sample can be calculated with the following formula (7):

$$X_t = f^2 \cdot \frac{A_1}{A_2} \cdot X_s \quad (7)$$

5.4.1.6.4 Acetaldehyde (or Acetyl) content in a liter of 100% ethanol can be calculated with the following formula (8):

$$X_t = \frac{X_s}{f^2} \quad (8)$$

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5.5.2.3 7 Ethyl Acetate Series Standard Reagent: Use a micro syringe to extract volumes of 0.0 mL, 0.75 mL, 1.5 mL, 2.25 mL, 3.0 mL, 4.5 mL ethyl acetate standard storage reagent (prepared as in 5.5.2.3.6) into separate 10 mL volumetric flasks. Add 1.00 mL 40% ethanol solution (as prepared in 5.4.1.3.2) into each flask. If necessary, dilute the reagent with 10% ethanol solution until the total volume of each flask is full and mix evenly. These newly formulated standard reagents should contain ethyl acetate at 0.7 mg/L, 2.50 mg/L, 5.00 mg/L, 7.50 mg/L, 10.00 mg/L and 15.00 mg/L.

5.5.2.4 Analysis Procedure

5.5.2.4.1 Preparation of Sample Solution

If sample solution does not contain any external substances, take sample directly during tests. Otherwise, dilute the sample before further tests.

5.5.2.4.2 Standard Curve Illustration

Extract 2.0 mL of each of the ethyl acetate series of standard reagents and place them individually in a 25 mL volumetric tube with stopper. Add 2.0 mL hydrochloric acid solution (prepared as in 5.5.2.3.1) to each tube. Then add 1.00 mL sodium hydroxide solution (prepared as in 5.5.2.3.2), mix well. Then add 10 mL ethanol solution (as prepared in 5.4.1.3.2) and then dilute the solution with 10% ethanol solution till it reaches 50 mL. Use 2.0 mL 0.1 mol/L hemic chloride solution (prepared as in 5.5.2.3.4), mix again. Use a 1 cm cuvette, reading at 350 nm. Plot the standard curve and then determine the light absorbance of each under a wavelength of 350 nm. Plot the standard curve.

5.5.2.4.3 Determination of Sample Solution

Extract 2.0 mL sample solution (prepared as in 5.5.2.4.1) into a 25 mL volumetric tube with stopper and then open it in the dark. Add 2.0 mL hydrochloric acid solution (prepared as in 5.5.2.3.1) to the sample solution and then will be the sample solution containing, mix well. Then add 10 mL ethanol solution (as prepared in 5.4.1.3.2) and then dilute the solution with 10% ethanol solution till the total ester content.

5.5.2.5 Precision
Discrepancies between the results of two independent tests conducted under iterative conditions and the average value of the test results should not exceed the 10% range.

5.6 Method

5.6.1 Principle
Same as 5.4.1.1.

5.6.2 Apparatus
Same as 5.4.1.2.

5.6.3 Reagents and Solutions

5.6.3.1 40% Ethanol Solution: Mix ethanol (chromatographically pure) with water.

5.6.3.2 Ethyl Acetate Solution (2%): Use as standard sample. Extract 2 mL ethyl acetate (chromatographically pure) and then dilute it with 40% ethanol solution till it reaches 100 mL volume.

5.6.3.3 Isobutyl Acetate Solution (2%): Use as internal standard. Extract 2 mL isobutyl (chromatographically pure), then dilute it with 10% ethanol solution till it reaches 100 mL volume.

5.7 Chromatographic Conditions

Same as 5.4.1.4.

5.7.6 Analyse Procedure
Entirety of the analysis operation procedure is the same as what is described in section 5.4.1.5, with the exception that the standard sample used will be replaced by isobutyl solution (prepared as in 5.7.3.3) instead.

5.7.6.7 Result Calculation
Same as 5.4.1.6, determine total content of isobutyl and isobutyl ethanol.

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5.4.1.7 Total acetaldehyde (acetaldehyde) content in a liter of 100% ethanol can be calculated with the following formula (9):

$$X_t = X_s + X_s \cdot 0.37 \quad (9)$$

In the formula:

f = Relative calibration factor of acetaldehyde (or acetyl);

A_s = Peak area (peak-height) of the internal standard (isobutyl) during the determination of standard sample I value;

A_t = Peak area (peak-height) of acetyl during the determination of standard sample I value;

d_s = Relative concentration of acetyl (or acetaldehyde) in standard sample I value;

d_t = Relative concentration of internal standard (isobutyl) in standard sample I value;

x_s = Acetyl (or Acetyl) content in sample, unit is milligram per liter of 100% ethanol (mg/L);

X_s = Internal standard (isobutyl) content in the standard sample (isobutyl) content, unit is milligram per liter (mg/L);

X_t = Acetaldehyde (or Acetyl) content in a liter of 100% ethanol in the sample, unit is milligram per liter (mg/L);

X_s = Acetaldehyde content in a liter of 100% ethanol in the sample, unit is milligram per liter (mg/L);

0.37 = Conversion coefficient of acetyl to acetaldehyde.

5.4.2 Precision
Discrepancies between the results of two independent tests conducted under iterative conditions and the average value of the test results should not exceed the 10% range.

5.4.2.1 Principle

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5.6.4 Chromatographic Conditions

Same as 5.4.1.4.

5.6.5 Analysis Procedure

Entirety of the analysis operation procedure is the same as what is described in section 5.4.1.5, with the exception that the standard sample used will be replaced by isobutyl solution (prepared as in 5.6.3.3) instead.

5.6.5.6 Result Calculation

Same as 5.4.1.6.

5.6.7 Precision
Same as 5.4.1.4.

5.6.8 Apparatus
Same as 5.4.1.2.

5.6.9 Reagents and Solutions

5.6.9.1 40% Ethanol Solution: Mix ethanol (chromatographically pure) with water.

5.6.9.2 Isobutyl Acetate Solution (2%): Use as standard sample. Extract 2 mL isobutyl (chromatographically pure), then dilute it with 40% ethanol solution till it reaches 100 mL volume.

5.6.9.3 Isobutyl Acetate Solution (2%): Use as internal standard. Extract 2 mL isobutyl (chromatographically pure), then dilute it with 10% ethanol solution till it reaches 100 mL volume.

5.7.4 Chromatographic Conditions

Same as 5.4.1.4.

5.7.5 Analyse Procedure
Entirety of the analysis operation procedure is the same as what is described in section 5.4.1.5, with the exception that the standard sample used will be replaced by isobutyl solution (prepared as in 5.7.3.3) instead.

5.7.5.6 Result Calculation
Same as 5.4.1.6, determine total content of isobutyl and isobutyl ethanol.

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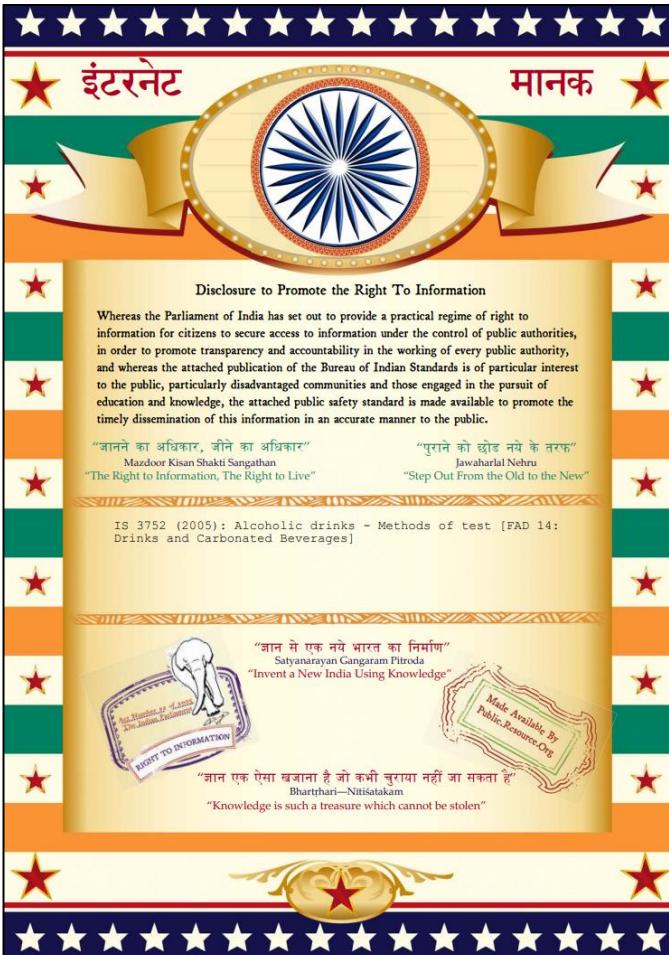
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c) Methanol stock solution — Dilute 1.0 g of methanol (99.8 percent v/v) in 100 ml with 40 percent (v/v) ethanol (methanol-free).

**d) Methanol stock solution — Dilute 10 ml of methanol stock solution (c) 16.22(c) in 100 ml with 40 percent (v/v) ethanol (methanol-free).
Dilute 10 ml of the resulting solution into a 10-litre volumetric flask and dilute to volume with 40 percent (v/v) ethanol (methanol-free).**

D — dilution factor for sample solution:
 $R_1 = \text{absorbance for methanol standard solution}$
 $R_2 = \text{absorbance for methanol sample}$
 $C = \text{concentration of methanol standard solution, g/ml}$
 $D = \text{dilution factor for sample solution}$
 $S = \text{ethanol content of liquor sample in percent (v/v)}$

16.2 Gas Chromatographic method

16.2.1 Apparatus

16.2.1.1 Gas chromatograph and operating parameters — Gas chromatograph equipped with flame ionization detector and split injection port and fitted with a capillary column having an internal diameter of 0.25 mm and a film thickness of 0.32 mm ID and 0.30 µm film thickness. The detector will be approximately 1.40 m from the injection port and the carrier gas will be passed through the detector at a rate of 1.7 ml/min. The detector and injector port temperatures may be maintained at 40°C for 4 min, rise to 100°C/min at the rate of 10°C/min and finally to 200°C at the rate of 10°C/min (unless otherwise specified).

NOTE — Optimum operating conditions may vary with column and instrument used and must be determined by suitably trained personnel. Adjust the parameters for maximum peak sharpness and optimum detection level (standard, **if applicable) should give clean and complete baseline separation from ethanol.**

16.2.1.2 Syringe — 10 µl, Hamilton Co. No 701, or equivalent.

16.2.2 Reagents

a) Ethanol — Methanol-free.
b) 95% Ethanol — Standard — 0.05 percent v/v ethanol in 40 percent v/v ethanol (methanol-free).

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NOTE — Optimum operating conditions may vary with column and instrument used and must be determined by suitably trained personnel. Adjust the parameters for maximum peak sharpness and optimum separation. With high level standard, no peak should give clean and complete baseline separation from ethanol.

16.2.1.3 Procedure

16.2.1.3.1 Transfer 5 ml of sample into a 10-ml stopped test tube; add 1 ml of a prepared internal standard solution and mix well. Inject 2µl of methanol standard solution (a) into the gas chromatograph and record the chromatogram. Adjust the operating parameters and attenuation to obtain measurable peaks for methanol and ethanol (methanol-free). Determine the retention time of methanol and ethanol (**if applicable**). Inject 2µl of sample solution into chromatograph and record the chromatogram (adjust attenuation, if necessary).

16.2.1.3.2 Calculation

Calculate methanol content in grams per 100 liters of absolute alcohol as follows:

$$\text{Individual component} = \frac{R_1 \times C \times D \times 1000}{R_2 \times S} \quad (1)$$

where:
 R_1 = peak ratio of methanol to **if applicable** ethanol for sample solution;
 C = concentration of methanol standard solution, g/ml
 D = dilution factor for sample solution;
 R_2 = peak ratio of methanol to **if applicable** ethanol for standard solution; and
 S = ethanol content of liquor sample in percent (v/v)

16.2.1.4 Preparation of Standard Mixture

Transfer accurately a known quantity of about 50 g of the reagents listed from A-1.1(A) to A-1.1(D) into a 10-litre volumetric flask and dilute to 100 ml with 40 percent (v/v) ethanol (methanol-free). Transfer 1.0 ml of each of the individual components from A-1.1(E) into a 100-ml volumetric flask and dilute to volume with 40 percent (v/v) ethanol (methanol-free). This solution should give almost complete separation of all components.

A-1.1.2 Syringe — 10 µl, Hamilton Co. No 701, or equivalent.

A-1.1.3 Reagents

1) Internal standard 0.5 percent (v/v) isopentane (40 percent (v/v) ethanol (methanol-free));
2) Ethanol — Methanol-free;
3) Methyl acetate;
4) Acetamide;
5) Isobutyryldehyde;
6) Methyl acetate;
7) Ethyl acetate;
8) Iso-valeriyde;
9) 9-Propyl acetate;
10) Diacetyl;
11) Ethyl alcohol;
12) Ethyl acetate;
13) Ethyl propanoate;
14) Propenol;
15) Isobutyl acetate;
16) Iso-butyl acetate;
17) Iso-Butyl alcohol

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c) Methanol stock solution — Dilute 1.0 g of methanol (99.8 percent v/v) in 100 ml with 40 percent (v/v) ethanol (methanol-free).

**d) Methanol stock solution — Dilute 10 ml of methanol stock solution (c) 16.2.2(c) in 100 ml with 40 percent (v/v) ethanol (methanol-free).
Dilute 10 ml of the resulting solution into a 10-litre volumetric flask and dilute to volume with 40 percent (v/v) ethanol (methanol-free).**

D — dilution factor for sample solution:
 $R_1 = \text{absorbance for standard solution}$
 $R_2 = \text{absorbance for methanol standard solution}$
 $C = \text{concentration of methanol standard solution, g/ml}$
 $D = \text{dilution factor for sample solution}$
 $S = \text{ethanol content of liquor sample in percent (v/v)}$

16.2.1 Gas chromatograph and operating parameters — Gas chromatograph equipped with flame ionization detector and split injection port and fitted with a capillary column of HP Carbowax 20M, 0.25 mm ID and 0.30 µm film thickness. The split ratio will be approximately 1.40 with nitrogen as diluent at a rate of 200 ml/min and carrier gas at 1.7 ml/min. The detector and injector port temperatures may be maintained at 250°C. Keep the oven temperature at 40°C for 4 min, rise to 100°C/min at the rate of 10°C/min and finally to 200°C at the rate of 10°C/min (unless otherwise specified).

NOTE — Optimum operating conditions may vary with column and instrument used and must be determined by suitably trained personnel. Adjust the parameters for maximum peak sharpness and optimum detection level (standard, **if applicable) should give clean and complete baseline separation from ethanol.**

16.2.1.2 Calculation

Calculate methanol content in grams per 100 liters of absolute alcohol as follows:

$$\text{Individual component} = \frac{R_1 \times C \times D \times 1000}{R_2 \times S} \quad (1)$$

where:
 R_1 = peak ratio of methanol to **if applicable** ethanol for sample solution;
 C = concentration of methanol standard solution, g/ml
 D = dilution factor for sample solution;
 R_2 = peak ratio of methanol to **if applicable** ethanol for standard solution; and
 S = ethanol content of liquor sample in percent (v/v)

16.2.1.3 Preparation of Working Standard Mixture

Transfer 5 ml of sample into a 10-ml stopped test tube; add 1 ml of a prepared internal standard solution and mix well. Inject 2µl of working standard mixture solution into chromatograph and record the chromatogram (adjust attenuation, if necessary).

16.2.1.4 Procedure

Transfer 5 ml of sample into a 10-ml stopped test tube; add 1 ml of a prepared internal standard solution and mix well. Inject 2µl of working standard mixture solution into chromatograph and record the chromatogram (adjust attenuation, if necessary).

16.2.1.5 Calculation

Calculate the individual component in grams per 100 liters of absolute alcohol as follows:

$$\text{Individual component} = \frac{R_1 \times C \times D \times 1000}{R_2 \times S} \quad (1)$$

where:
 R_1 = peak ratio of respective individual component (with respect to standard) to **if applicable** ethanol for sample solution;
 C = concentration of respective individual component in standard solution, g/ml
 D = dilution factor for sample solution;
 R_2 = peak ratio of respective individual component to **if applicable** ethanol for standard solution; and
 S = ethanol content of liquor sample in percent (v/v)

16.2.1.6 Preparation of Standard Mixture

Transfer accurately a known quantity of about 50 g of the reagents listed from A-2.1(A) to A-2.1(D) into a 10-litre volumetric flask and dilute to 100 ml with 40 percent (v/v) ethanol (methanol-free). Transfer 1.0 ml of the resulting solution into a 100-ml volumetric flask and dilute to volume with 40 percent (v/v) ethanol (methanol-free). This solution should give approximately 500 ppm of each of component listed above.

A-2.1.1 Preparation of Working Standard Mixture

Transfer 5 ml of standard mixture (see A-2.1.4) into a 10-ml stopped test tube; add 1 ml of internal standard solution (see A-2.1.3(B)) and mix well.

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5.0 DETERMINACION DE ALDEHIDOS, ESTERES, METANOL Y ALCOHOLES SUPERIORES. METODO POR CROMATOGRAFIA DE GASES

5.1 Fundamento

Este método se basa en los principios de la cromatografía de gases y consiste en la inyección de una pequeña cantidad de la muestra (que contiene una mezcla de sustancias volátiles) en el inyector de un cromatógrafo de gases en el que son vaporizadas y transportadas por un gas inerte a través de una columna empacada o capilar con un líquido de partíciones que presenta solubilidad selectiva con los componentes de la muestra, ocasionando su separación.

Los componentes que eluyen de la columna pasan uno a uno por el "detector", el cual genera una señal eléctrica proporcional a su concentración, la que es transformada por el registrador, integrador o sistema de manejo de datos en una gráfica llamada cromatograma.

La identificación de cada componente registrado como un pico en el cromatograma, se realiza por inyección del o de los componentes en forma pura y con las mismas características y entidades que se sospecha contiene la muestra, midiendo el tiempo de retención en esas condiciones. También se puede comprobar por adición del componente a la muestra e inyectándola nuevamente para apreciar el incremento de altura o área del pico correspondiente.

La cuantificación se puede efectuar por cualquiera de estos tres métodos: normalización, estandarización externa y estandarización interna, siendo este último el único que se describe a continuación:

La cuantificación por estandarización interna consiste en obtener el cromatograma de la muestra estandarizada, adicionada de una Sustancia llamada estándar interno que debe aparecer en un sitio del cromatograma, libre de tráslapes y desde luego no debe ser componente de la muestra, aunque es recomendable que sea de la misma naturaleza química y del mismo intervalo de concentración que el componente de la muestra por cuantificar. Deben obtenerse chromatograms paralelos con soluciones de concentración conocida de cada componente por cuantificar y del estándar interno que sea adecuada muestra y trazar una curva de calibración que tenga por ordenada la relación de concentraciones correspondientes al componente por cuantificar y al estándar interno y en las abscisas la relación de áreas correspondientes al compuesto por cuantificar y a las áreas del estándar interno.

Esta curva sirve para situar en sus ordenadas la relación de áreas correspondientes al componente por cuantificar y el estándar interno del chromatograma de la muestra estandarizada y así ubicar la relación correspondiente de concentraciones.

5.2 Alcance

Este método determina la concentración de aldehídos, ésteres, alcoholes superiores y metanol en bebidas alcohólicas por chromatograma de gases.

5.3 Equipos e instrumentos

Todos los equipos e instrumentos de medición deberán ser calibrados y/o verificados.

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5.4.1 acetaldehido (por la naturaleza volátil y la toxicidad de este compuesto se recomienda usar una ampolla sellada).

5.4.2 Acetal.

5.4.3 Metanol.

5.4.4 Sec-butanol (2-butanol).

5.4.5 n-propanol (1-propanol). *

5.4.6 o-butanol (3-butanol).

5.4.7 iso-butanol (2-metil-1-propanol)

5.4.8 isobutílico (3-metil-1-butanol).

5.4.9 Análico Activor (2-metil-3-butanol) (aplicable en caso de que la columna logre la separación de este reactivo). Ver 5.7.1

5.4.10 n-amino (1-pentanol)

5.4.11 Acetato de etilo

5.4.12 Lactato de etilo.

5.4.13 Adicionar al estandar interno apropiado polietileno con 2-pentanol, una butirato de etilo, o 4-metilo-1-pentanol.

5.4.14 Bicarbonato de sodio o Bicarbonato de sodio.

5.4.15 Alcohol etílico grado cromatógrafico y/o libre de los compuestos a cuantificar verificado por cromatografía de gases antes de usarlo.

5.4.16 Solución de alcohol etílico al 40% v/v.

Medir 400 ml de etanol en una probeta y llevar al volumen de 1000 ml con agua, ajustar el pH de 8.2 a 8.5 con bicarbonato de sodio o bicarbonato de sodio para evitar la degradación de algunos de los compuestos en un medio acuoso.

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Con el objeto de obtener chromatograms confiables debe tomarse en cuenta las siguientes precauciones:

- Acondicionamiento de la columna.
- Limpieza del inyector, detector y columna.
- Detección de fugas del sistema.

Inyectar al chromatograma la cantidad de muestra apropiada. La cantidad sugerida de inyección es de 1 a 2 qL.

5.6.6 Preparación de la muestra

A las muestras que requieran repartirse en mg/100 ml de alcohol etílico (AA) se les debe determinar el contenido alcoholico en % Alc. Vol. a 20 K (20°C) de acuerdo a la NMX-V-013-NORMEX vigente.

Para tener resultados confiables en los análisis se deben preparar las muestras a voluntad sin diluir. Se recomienda diluir la muestra en un volumen de 1000 ml con agua, ajustar el pH de 8.2 a 8.5 con bicarbonato de sodio o bicarbonato de sodio para evitar la degradación de algunos de los compuestos en un medio acuoso que es el entorno del pico del estándar interno no debe exceder los niveles.

5.6.7 Curva de calibración

Se requieren dos niveles para la elaboración de la curva de relación y inyectar mínimo por duplicado cada nivel para obtener los chromatograms respectivos y con estos realizar la curva de calibración en el equipo.

5.6.8 Análisis de la muestra

Inyectar al chromatograma la cantidad adecuada de muestra para obtener el chromatograma correspondiente

5.7 Cálculos y resultados

5.7.1 Expresión de resultados

Los resultados se deben expresar en mg de aldehídos, ésteres, alcoholes superiores y metanol referidos a 100 ml de alcohol etílico (mg/100 ml AA) al menos una cifra decimal. En caso de ser necesario se puede expresar a otras unidades realizando la conversión correspondiente.

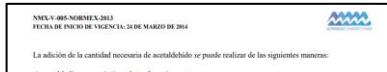
Los alcoholes y ésteres pueden expresarse por separado o como la suma de estos.

5.7.2 Cálculo de relación de concentraciones y áreas, en la curva de calibración y de la muestra.

Cuando el equipo cuenta con software, este realiza los cálculos en forma automática, basándose en el modelo matemático de regresión lineal:

En donde:
 $y = mx + b$
Relación de área del compuesto a cuantificar entre el área del estandar interno ($\frac{A_c}{A_s}$)

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La adición de la cantidad necesaria de acetaldehido se puede realizar de las siguientes maneras:

- a) Medir con una jeringa de preferencia goteo, o
- b) Medir con una pipeta o micropipeta previamente refrigerada, o
- c) Transferir el contenido de un vial o ampolla sellada, en todos los casos el material debe utilizarse como máximo a 279 K (0°C).

Tapar el frasco y determinar su masa invariante, anotar el valor de la masa, agregar solución de etanol al 40 % v/v cercano a la línea de arriba, mantener en matriz volumen rico en ambiente controlado (por lo menos 10 min, o 30 minutos), llevar al aseo homogéneo. Si la solución v/v a utilizar posteriormente se almacenará en refrigeración.

Nota: Todos los reactivos deberán almacenarse de acuerdo a las indicaciones del fabricante.

5.4.3 Preparación de la solución de estandarizadores

Entregar cantidad apropiada de los 3 pentanol:

En un mismo volumen de 100 ml adicionar aproximadamente 50 ml de etanol al 40 % v/v, tapar el frasco y determinar su masa invariante, anotar el valor de la masa, agregar la cantidad de etanol necesario para obtener una concentración de 0.5 g/100 ml. Colocar el volumen en un ambiente controlado hasta llevarlo a 03 K (20°C)+5 calor y mantenerlo.

La concentración de los solventes se establece en la siguiente manera:

Concentración del analito: $\frac{g\text{-solvente}}{g\text{-solvente}+g\text{-estandar}}$

Concentración del estandar: $\frac{g\text{-estandar}}{g\text{-solvente}+g\text{-estandar}}$

$F_1 = \frac{g\text{-estandar}}{g\text{-solvente}+g\text{-estandar}}$

$F_2 = \frac{g\text{-analito}}{g\text{-solvente}+g\text{-analito}}$

O bien se puede utilizar la fórmula de la relación analítica:

$\frac{C_{estandar}}{C_{analito}} = \frac{F_1}{F_2}$

5.4.4 Preparación de las diluciones de calibración

Para preparar las soluciones de calibración transferir a matrices volumétricas de 100 ml las cantidades necesarias de la solución concentrada a temperatura controlada del laboratorio para obtener las concentraciones en mg/100 ml recomendadas en la Tabla No. 2, adicionar el volumen requerido de solución diluyente. Pintar sobre el vial el volumen con la solución de etanol. $\frac{C_{estandar}}{C_{analito}} = \frac{F_1}{F_2}$

Estas soluciones deben guardarse bien tapadas en refrigeración.

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$X = \frac{C_{estandar}}{C_{analito}}$ relación de la concentración del analito entre la concentración del estandar interno en mg/100ml in mg/100ml

$m = \frac{C_{estandar}}{C_{analito}}$ pendiente(Factor de respuesta relativa)

$b = \text{intercepto en el origen de la ordenada "y"}$

Sustituyendo variables:

$$\frac{(A_c)}{(A_s)} = \frac{(C_c)}{(C_s)} + b$$

Despejando para obtener la concentración del compuesto Ci en 100 ml:

$$C_i = \frac{(A_c - b)}{m}$$

Concentración, mg/100ml

$C_i = \frac{(A_c - b)}{m} \times 1000$

Considerando el factor de dilución del estandar, dividir la concentración a concentración del compuesto expresado en mg/100 ml multiplicar por el factor de respuesta relativa:

$$\frac{C_i}{C_{estandar}} = \frac{C_i}{C_{estandar}} \times \frac{m}{m} = \frac{C_i}{C_{estandar}} \times \frac{1000}{1000} = \frac{C_i}{C_{estandar}}$$

Se donde:

$E.D. = \text{factor de dilución de la muestra}$

$S.E.C. = \text{factor de respuesta relativa}$

Nota: Es conveniente realizar diluciones de cada una de las mezclas de la curva de calibración y para promover la precisión de los resultados se deben realizar al menos tres diluciones.

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5.8 Repetibilidad y reproducibilidad

5.8.1 Repetibilidad

5.8.1.1 La repetibilidad de los resultados de las mediciones con este método.

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AOAC Official Method 972.11 - simplification

Methanol in Distilled Liquors. Gas Chromatographic Method



The use of the proposed method ensures high reliability of the data obtained, significantly reduces time, labor, material and financial costs. Analysis of volatile compounds in spirit drinks has never been so easy. Here you can read modified text of official method, which allows to carry out analysis of alcoholic beverages using the developed method. The places in the text document to be deleted are highlighted in yellow. Embedded parts of the test are highlighted in green.

You can read a full article about the improvements by following the link: <https://elab.bsu.by/article/355>

Determination of methanol has never been so easy !

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AOAC Official Method 972.11
Methanol in Distilled Liquors
Gas Chromatographic Method
First Action 1972
Final Action 1973

A. Apparatus

See 968.09A (see 26.1.30).

B. Reagents

- (a) Alcohol. —Methanol-free.
- (b) *Methanol stock solution.* —Dilute 10 mL methanol, 99.9 mol % (Fisher Scientific Co., A-936, or equivalent) to 100 mL with 40% alcohol.
- (c) *n-Butyl alcohol internal standard stock solution.* —Dilute 10 mL n-butanol, 99.9 mol % (Fisher Scientific Co., A-384, or equivalent) to 100 mL with 40% alcohol. The ethanol contained in the analyzed alcoholic product is used as an internal standard.
- (d) *Methanol standard solution.* —0.050% methanol plus 0.030% ii-butanol internal standard. Fill 100 mL volumetric flask to ca 99 mL with 40% alcohol and add, by syringe, 500 μ L mixture stock solution, (b), and 300 μ L n-butanol stock solution, (c). Mix and dilute to volume with 40% alcohol. Mix again.

G. Determination

Inject 10 μ L mixture of standard solution. Adjust operating parameters and attenuation to obtain measurable peak height (ca $\frac{1}{4}$, full scale deflection). Determine retention time of methanol and *n-butanol* ethanol (ca 3 and 7 min. respectively). Inject 10 μ L test portion to estimate methanol, using attenuation if necessary, and to check for absence of n-butanol. On basis of presence or absence of n-butanol in test portion, determine methanol content from

standard curve prepared according to (a) or (b). The ethanol contained in the analyzed alcoholic product is used as an internal standard.

(a) *n-Butyl alcohol absent.* —On basis of estimate of methanol, prepare series of standards (4 or 5) in which range of concentration includes methanol concentration in test portion. Add internal standard to both test portion and standard solutions at concentration similar to that of methanol in test portion. Calculate peak height ratios of methanol:n-butanol, using average of duplicate injections, and plot ratios against methanol concentration. Put ethanol solution into 2 mL chromatographic vial for analysis.

(b) *n-Butyl alcohol present.* —Prepare series of methanol standards as in (a), but do not add n-butanol to test portion or to standards. Plot actual peak height of methanol against concentration.

Reference: JAOAC 55, 564(1972).

CAS-67-56-1 (methanol)

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AOAC Official Method 972.11
Methanol in Distilled Liquors
Gas Chromatographic Method
First Action 2023||
Final Action 2025||

A. Apparatus

See 968.09A (see 26.1.30).¶

B. Reagents

- (a) → Alcohol. —Methanol-free.¶
- (b) → *Methanol stock solution.* —Dilute 10 mL methanol, 99.9 mol % (Fisher Scientific Co., A-936, or equivalent) to 100 mL with 40% alcohol.¶

(c) → The ethanol contained in the analyzed alcoholic product is used as an internal standard.¶

(d) → *Methanol standard solution.* —0.050% methanol plus 0.030% ii-butanol internal standard. Fill 100 mL volumetric flask to ca 99 mL with 40% alcohol and add, by syringe, 500 μ L mixture stock solution, (b), and 300 μ L n-butanol stock solution, (c). Mix and dilute to volume with 40% alcohol. Mix again.¶

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—Inject 10 μ L mixture of standard solution. Adjust operating parameters and attenuation to obtain measurable peak height (ca $\frac{1}{4}$, full scale deflection). Determine retention time of methanol and ethanol (ca 3 and 7 min. respectively). Inject 10 μ L test portion to estimate methanol, using attenuation if necessary, and to check for absence of n-butanol. The ethanol contained in the analyzed alcoholic product is used as an internal standard.¶

—Put ethanol solution into 2 mL chromatographic vial for analysis.¶

Reference: JAOAC 66, 555(2021)¶

CAS-67-56-1 (methanol)¶

After the Interlaboratory Study under the CLEN auspices the new method was accepted for regulatory purposes



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Determination of Isopropyl Alcohol and Methyl Ethyl Ketone in Alcoholic Products by GC-FID

Version 2 February 2021

This table shows the most important changes that have been made compared with the latest former version.	
Date of the latest former version:	14 October 2019
Section	Changes
8. Precision	Precision data units corrected. Expression of the precision data as repeatability and reproducibility (limit of r and limit of R) instead of their standard deviations and relative standard deviations.

Determination of Isopropyl Alcohol and Methyl Ethyl Ketone in Alcoholic Products by GC-FID (Gas Chromatography - Flame Ionisation Detection)

1. Scope

The purpose of this method is verification of fulfilment of the legislative requirements on denatured alcohol, particularly the Regulation (EC) 3199/93 of 22 November 1993, and its amendments, concerning the mutual recognition procedures for the complete denaturing of alcohol (CDA) for the purpose of exemption from excise duty. The common denaturing procedure for completely denatured alcohol defines the amount of denaturing agents in litre (or gram) per hectolitre of absolute ethanol. According to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2236 the amount of IPA and MEK added to 100 L (1 hL) of absolute ethanol is 1 L.

This method is suitable for the determination of isopropyl alcohol (IPA) and methyl ethyl ketone (MEK) in denatured alcohol and alcohol containing solutions or drinks with analyte content ranging from 0.1 to 5 L per hL absolute ethanol using gas chromatography-flame ionization detection.

The same analytical procedure can be used for other formulations of volatile denaturants, i.e. methanol, acetone, tert-butyl alcohol, ethyl acetate, methyl isopropyl ketone, methyl isobutyl ketone, toluene or ethyl sec-amyl ketone.

2. Principle

The concentration of the denaturants is determined by capillary gas chromatography with FID detection. Ethyl alcohol itself is used as internal standard and all data for the concentration of denaturants are calculated in relation to the content of ethanol. There is no need for any further internal standard compound.

3. Reagents and materials

The following reagents of recognized analytical grade and demineralized or distilled water are used:

- 3.1 Methyl ethyl ketone (MEK), min. 99.5 %
- 3.2 Isopropyl alcohol (IPA), min. 99.8 %
- 3.3 Deionized water
- 3.4 Absolute Ethanol ≥ 99.8 %

6. Calculations

For creating calibration curve calculate the exact volume of ethanol, IPA and MEK using its weight (See Section 5.1), its density and its purity according to the following equation:

$$\text{Exact volume (Ve)} = (\text{Weight (g)} \times \text{Purity}) / \text{Density (kg/l)}$$

(Density: ethanol: 0.7892 kg/l; IPA: 0.7855 kg/l; MEK: 0.8050 kg/l)

Calculate the factors for the calibration of MEK and IPA as follows:

$$\text{Calibration solution CS}_1: F_{CS1,IPA} = (\text{Exact volume of IPA}) \times 100 / (\text{Exact volume of ethanol})$$

$$\text{Calibration solution CS}_1: F_{CS1,MEK} = (\text{Exact volume of MEK}) \times 100 / (\text{Exact volume of ethanol})$$

Do the same for calibration solutions CS₂, CS₃, CS₄, and CS₅.

7. Expression of results

The analytical results obtained from calibration curve are in L / hL absolute ethanol. Results are expressed with maximum 3 significant figures and maximum 2 decimal places (example 1.04 L / hL absolute ethanol).

8. Precision

Precision data obtained from the 1st CLEN proficiency test on completely denatured alcohol, performed in 2019 (final report issued 4 September 2019) by 41 laboratories on 3 samples.

Isopropyl alcohol (IPA)	Matrices		
	Completely denatured alcohol (CDA)	Burning alcohol	Screen wash
IPA (robust mean), L/hL EtOH	0.99	0.97	0.96
Repeatability, L/hL EtOH	0.01	0.01	0.02
Reproducibility L/hL EtOH	0.06	0.06	0.12

Methyl ethyl ketone (MEK)	Matrices		
	Completely denatured alcohol (CDA)	Burning alcohol	Screen wash
MEK (robust mean), L/hL EtOH	1.00	1.14	0.93
Repeatability, L/hL EtOH	0.01	0.02	0.02
Reproducibility L/hL EtOH	0.06	0.14	0.12

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**The time has come
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to have the new method
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