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Determination of substances by determination of mixed melting point

Chemicals

Materials

- Sample substance
- Reference substances

- Gallenkamps measuring device for melting points
- Thermometer
- Melting point tube
- Mortar and pestle

Assignment:

Determination of substances by determination of mixed melting point

Operating instruction:

- 1. The melting point of the given sample is to be determined by using multiple determination
- 2. By determination of the mixed melting points it is to be established if the given sample is identical with one (or several or none) of the five reference substances

Waste disposal:

• All wastes can be disposed of in the container for solid matters

Analysis:

1.	Specify the found melting point of the given sample substance
2.	Specify if the given sample is identical with any of the reference substances (if compliant, with which sample?)
•	Sample no.:
•	1.Melting point °C
•	2. Substance determination: The given sample is identical with reference substance no.:





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Preparation list

Chemicals:

	Substance	Comment	Medium melting point in °C
I	Phenacetin		133-135
II	Trans-cinnamic acid	when indicated recrystallize	133-134
III	Acetylsalicylic acid		134-136
IV	Malonic acid		134-135
V	Sorbic acid		133-135

All substances are to be smoothly ground before they are handed out

Tools:

- Melting point measuring device
- Thermometer
- Melting point tube
- Mortar and pestle

Reference substance kit:

• Recommended are the following reference substance kits, which are to be handed out in appropriate numbered sample flasks.

		Α	В	С	D	E	etc.
		A(1)= I	B(1)= I	C(1)= II	D(1)= II	E(1)= III	etc
		A(2)= II	B(2)= IV	C(2)= III	D(2)= II	E(2)= IV	etc
		A(3)= IV	B(3)= III	C(3)= II	D(3)= V	E(3)= IV	etc.
		A(4)= I	B(4)= III	C(4)= IV	D(4)= I	E(4)= II	etc
		A(5)= III	B(5)= V	C(5)= I	D(5)= II	E(5)= IV	etc.
Example	Sample	A(x)=I	B(x)= I	C(x)= I	D(x)=II	E(x)= II	etc.
	number	A(y)= II	B(y)= III	C(y)= IV	D(y)= III	E(y)= III	etc.
		A(z)= III	B(z) = IV	C(z)= V	D(z)= IV	E(z)= V	etc.
		etc.	etc.	etc.	etc.	etc.	etc.



