

Development of colorimetric technique for quantitative analysis of oxybenzone by formation of copper complex

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INTRODUCTION



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Analysis of Oxybenzone



HPLC

- High cost
- Only available in specialize laboratory



UV-Vis spectroscopy

- Low cost
- Available in most laboratory
- Oxybenzone can absorb light in ultraviolet region that cannot be measure by portable instrument

INVESTIGATIVE APPROACH / THEORETICAL BACKGROUND



benzophenone-copper complex

To develop a quantitative analysis
method of oxybenzone in an
environment by using UV-vis
spectroscopy technique based on the
formation of oxybenzone-copper
complex

- A catalyst for oxidation of olefin
- Report to have absorption in visible region at 400 nm (yellow color solution)

M. Lashanizadegan et al. (2017).



Oxybenzone-copper complex

RESOURCES

Quantitative analysis of Oxybenzone



Oxybenzone in 5 mM in ethanol

$$Cu^{2+}$$
 $\begin{bmatrix} O^{-} \\ O \\ CH_{3} \end{bmatrix}_{2}$

Copper(II) acetate 5 mM in ethanol



UV-Vis spectrophotometer Measure absorbance at 400 nm

METHODOLOGY / PROCEDURE



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Figure 1 Full spectrum absorbance of oxybenzone, copper(II) acetate, and oxybenzone-copper complex in ethanol

FINDINGS AND ANALYSIS OF FINDINGS

The stoichiometry of the complex between Oxybenzone and Cu²⁺



Figure 2 Job plot of Oxybenzone-copper complex

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Linear region for Oxybenzone analysis



Figure 3 Standard curve of oxybenzone in the presence of excess of Cu(II)

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Analysis by smartphone camera



Figure 4 RGB value of oxybenzone 0.0 - 1.0 mM in the presence of excess of Cu(II) ¹³

RELEVANCE TO PRACTICAL APPLICATION





Figure 5 Test for oxybenzone in ethanolic solution of sunscreen samples

CONCLUSION



- Linear correlation between yellow color and oxybenzone concentration
- Portable UV-Vis: LOD 4 μg/ mL
- HPLC: LOD 0.2 μg/ mL
- Apply this method to test sunscreen products



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