

## PRODUCT SHEET

### **PB resin**

#### Main applications

- Separation of lead/polonium

#### Packing

Order N°.	Form	Particle size
PB-B25-A, PB-B50-A , PB-B100-A, PB-B200-A	25g, 50g, 100g, 200g bottles PB Resin	100-150 µm
PB-C20-A, PB-C50-A	20, 50 and 200 2 mL PB Resin columns	100-150 µm
PB-B25-S, PB-B50-S	25g and 50g bottles PB Resin	50-100 µm
PB-R50-S, PB-R200-S	50 and 200 2ml cartridges PB Resin	50-100 µm
PB-B10-F	10g bottle PB Resin	20-50 µm

#### Physical and chemical properties

Density : 0.37 g/ml

Capacity : 29 mg Pb/g resin PB

Conversion factor  $D_w/k'$  : 1,82

#### Conditions of utilization

Recommended T of utilization : /

Flow rate : A grade: 0.6 – 0.8 mL/min, utilization with vacuum or with pressure for s grade resin

Storage : Dry and dark, T<30°C

*For additional information see enclosed literature study*

#### Methods\*

Reference	Description	Matrix	Analytes	Support
OTS01	Pb-210 in soil	Soil	Pb	columns
OTW01	Pb-210 and Po-210 in water	water	Pb, Po	columns, cartridges
Application note: 601	On-line Preconcentration and Determination Of Lead in Iron and Stelle by Flow Injection Flame Atomic Absorption Spectrometry	Iron, steel	Pb	columns, cartridges

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## LITERATURE STUDY

### PB RESIN

Lead resin (PB resin) is composed of a crown-ether (fig 1) diluted in isodecanol and coated on an inert support. Its composition is similar to the Sr Resin with the exception of the diluent which is n-octanol in Sr Resin. Isodecanol, having a longer carbonated chain than n-octanol, is used to facilitate lead elution from the resin.

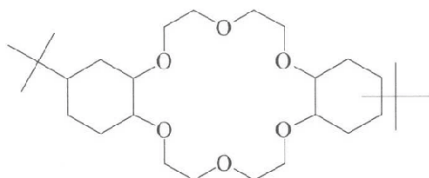
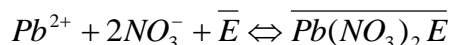


Fig. 1 : 4,4'(5)-di-t-butylcyclohexano-18-crown-6 (1).

The size of the cavity is 2,6 to 3,2Å (1). Experimental capacity of the Pb Resin is reported to be 29mg Sr/g resin.

The extraction equilibrium is assumed to be:



with E = crown ether.

Lead affinity ( $k'_{Pb}$ ) for Pb Resin over the range 10E-02 to 10E+01 M  $HNO_3$  is varying from ~20 to 800 (fig 2). In HCl media,  $k'_{Pb}$  for Pb Resin varies from 20 to 100. The maximum retention is observed between 5.10E-02 to 2 M HCl. Below and above these HCl concentrations, Pb affinity for the resin is rapidly decreasing.

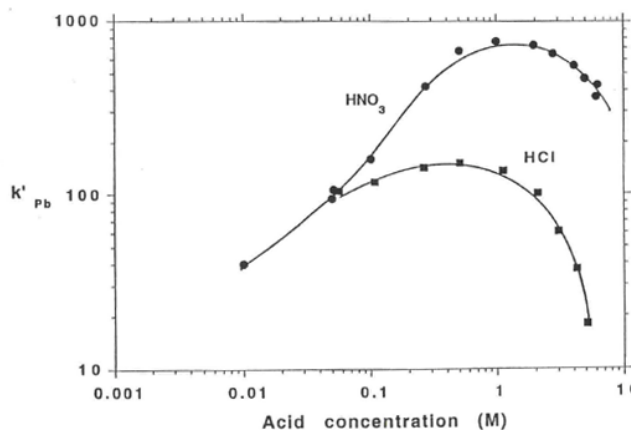


Fig. 2: Pb  $k'$  values on Pb Resin in  $HNO_3$  and HCl media<sup>(1)</sup>

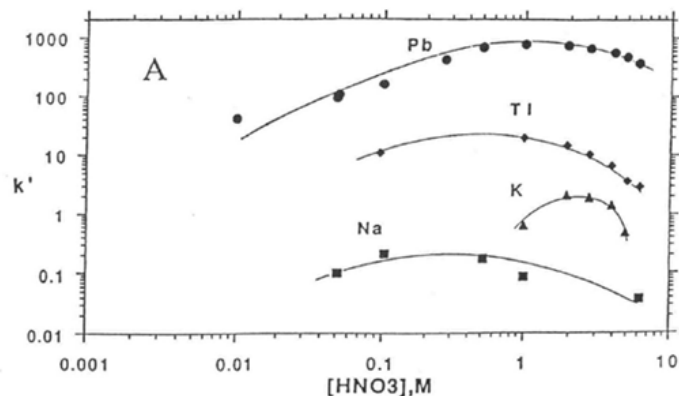


Fig. 1 :  $k'$  values of monovalent ions and Pb on the Pb Resin in  $HNO_3$  (1).

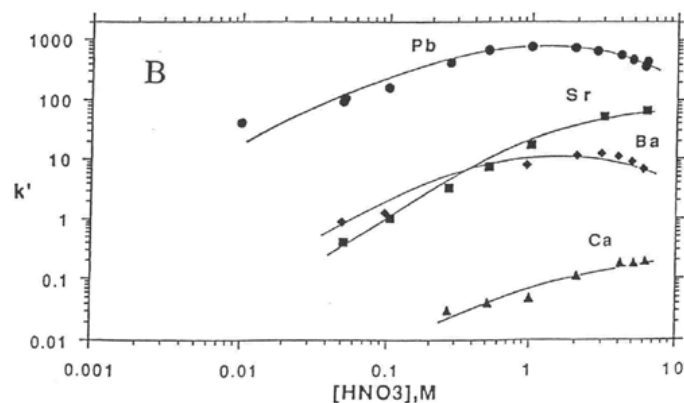


Fig. 2 :  $k'$  values of divalent ions and Pb on the Pb Resin in  $HNO_3$  (1).

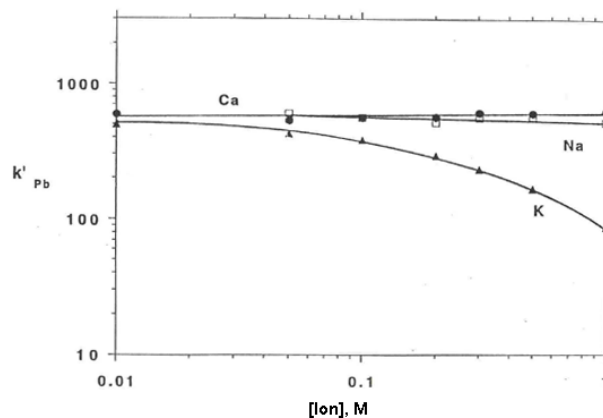


Fig. 3 : Influence of interfering ions on  $k'_{Pb}$  on Pb Resin in  $HNO_3$  (1).

Monovalent and divalent ions show similar retention behaviour as those observed on Sr Resin (fig 3 and 4). Sodium and calcium do not interfere with the lead uptake on the Pb resin for concentrations from 10E-02 to 1 M (fig 5). The presence of potassium up to 1M still allows a lead uptake with  $k'_{Pb}$ ~80. In 0.1M  $HNO_3$ , most ions are

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not retained on the resin, only Pd is partly fixed. This latter is completely eluted with a rinse of 40 free column volumes.

Elution of lead can be performed with different solutions as 0.1M ammonium citrate, 0.1M ammonium oxalate or 0.1M glycine<sup>(1)</sup>.

Pb Resin is used in different types of applications. The main one of these is the separation and measurement of Pb-210 in water samples. Due to the radio toxicity of both Pb-210 and its daughter Po-210, the World Health Organisation is recommending the determination of the activities of Pb-210 and Po-210 in drinking water samples in order to obtain more realistic values of the Total Indicative Dose (TID). Some countries (e.g. France) follow this recommendation already.

A method for Po-210/Pb-210 separation was presented in November 2006 at the Users' group meeting in Bratislava. Results are presented in figure 6. The sample is dissolved in 2M HCl and loaded onto a Pb resin column preconditioned with 2M HCl. Under these conditions Bi-210, other than Pb and Po, is not retained on the resin. Then Po-210 can be eluted with 0.1M HNO<sub>3</sub>. Pb-210 can finally be eluted with a 0.1M citric acid solution<sup>(2)</sup>.

solution is directly introduced in the nebuliser of the spectrophotometer. The results obtained by the authors analysing certified reference materials agreed well with the corresponding reference values.

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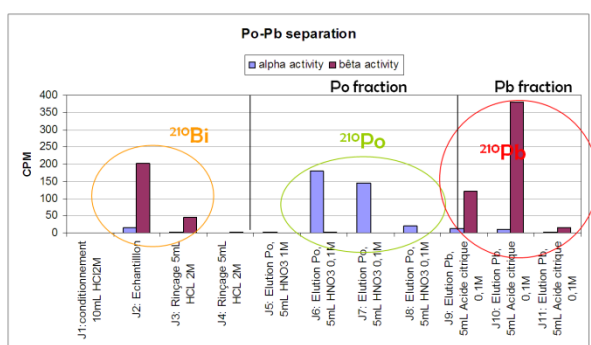


Fig. 6 : Separation scheme of Po-210/Pb-210<sup>(3)</sup>.

Pb Resin is also used for the measurement of lead in iron and steel by flow injection coupled to flame atomic absorption spectrometry<sup>(3)</sup>. Pb resin is preconditioned in 1M HNO<sub>3</sub> for 3 minutes with a 3mL/min flow rate. The sample (about 30 mL) of iron or steel in 1M HNO<sub>3</sub> media is introduced in a flow injection device. The resin is rinsed for 2 minutes with 1M HNO<sub>3</sub> at 3mL/min. Lead is finally eluted with a solution of 0.1M oxalate ammonium during 3 minutes with a flow rate of 4mL/min, in the opposite direction to the sample flow. The lead