

# visicolor® Powder Pillows

## Silica HR

Reagent set for the photometric determination of the silica content in water and sea water samples.

### Measuring range:

2-210 mg/L SiO<sub>2</sub>  
1-100 mg/L Si

### Method:

Photometric determination of the silica content using the silicomolybdate method analogous to APHA 4500-Si D.

### Hazard warning:

Information regarding safety can be found on the box' label and in the safety data sheet. You can download the SDS from [www.mn-net.com/SDS](http://www.mn-net.com/SDS).

### Procedure:

Requisite accessories: 2 test tubes 16 mm OD (REF 91680) or 2 test tubes 24 mm OD (REF 936101), special filter 450 nm

**1** Rinse test tube several times with sample (pH value of sample must be between pH 3 and 13)

### Blank (optional):

- 2** Fill one test tube with 5 mL of sample
- 3** Clean test tube
- 4** Place test tube in photometer as blank value and adjust for zero

### Sample:

- 5** Fill another test tube with 5 mL of sample
- 6** Add content of 1 Powder Pillow "molybdate reagent"
- 7** Add content of 1 Powder Pillow "acid reagent"
- 8** Close test tube and vigorously shake until the solid material has dissolved
- 9** Wait for 3 min
- 10** Add content of 1 Powder Pillow "citric acid reagent"
- 11** Close test tube and shake well
- 12** Clean test tube
- 13** Wait for a 2 min reaction time
- 14** Measure

### Measurement:

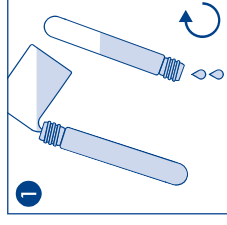
See manual for all MACHERY-NAGEL photometers.  
It should be ensured that any distilled water used for dilution is silica-free (REF 918912).  
After use, rinse out test tubes thoroughly and seal them.  
This method is also suitable for the analysis of sea water.

### Interferences:

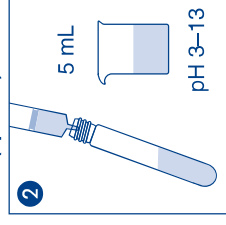
The following will not interfere: < 600 mg/L PO<sub>4</sub><sup>3-</sup>  
The following will interfere: large amounts of Fe<sup>2+/3+</sup>, oxidising agents, sulphides  
According to APHA 4500-Si D, there is a modification of the silica which does not react with molybdate. This molybdate-unreactive form can be converted into the reactive species through heating or fusing with a base (e.g. digestion with sodium bicarbonate NaHCO<sub>3</sub>).

### Disposal of samples:

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### Blank (optional):



### Sample:

