# Iron HR CHEMets® Kit

## K-6020B/R-6001 & A-0171:

250 - 2500 ppm

### Soluble Iron Procedure

- 1. Place a pipette tip firmly onto the end of the MiniPet®5 (fig. 1).
  - NOTE: Use a fresh pipette tip for each test.
- Depress the plunger on the minipet. Immerse the tip in the sample to be tested and release the plunger. A portion of the sample will be drawn into the tip (fig. 2).
  - NOTE: Do not touch the side or bottom of the sample container with the tip during sampling.
- 3. Hold the minipet over the sample cup, and depress the plunger to dispense sample (fig. 3).
- Dilute the contents of the sample cup to the 25 mL mark with distilled water (fig. 4).
- Place the CHEMet ampoule, tip first, into the sample cup. Snap the tip. The ampoule will fill leaving a bubble for mixing (fig. 5).
- To mix the ampoule, invert it several times, allowing the bubble to travel from end to end.
- 7. Dry the ampoule. Obtain a test result **4 minutes** after snapping the tip.
- 8. Obtain a test result by placing the ampoule between the color standards until the best color match is found (fig. 6).

**NOTE:** Use the 250 - 2500 ppm concentration scale on the comparator label.



Figure 1

Figure 2



Figure 3



Figure 4



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#### **Total Iron Procedure**

- Perform steps 1 4 of the Soluble Iron Procedure.
- Add 5 drops of S-6000 Activator Solution. Stir briefly. Wait 4 minutes.
- After 4 minutes, stir the sample once again then preform the Soluble Iron Procedure using this pretreated sample.



Figure 6

Obtain a test result **1 minute** after snapping the tip (step 7).

#### **Test Method**

The Iron CHEMets<sup>®1</sup> test method employs the phenanthroline chemistry.<sup>2,3,4</sup> Ferrous iron reacts with 1,10-phenanthroline to form an orange colored complex in direct proportion to the ferrous iron concentration. Total iron (ferrous plus ferric) is determined by adding a mixture of thioglycolic acid and ammonia to the sample. This mixture dissolves most forms of particulate iron. Certain forms of very insoluble iron (magnetite, ferrite, etc.) require a digestion procedure in place of the Total Iron Procedure.

- 1. CHEMets is a registered trademark of AquaPhoenix Scientific, LLC U.S. Patent No.3,634,038
- 2. APHA Standard Methods, 23rd ed., Method 3500-Fe B 1997
- 3. ASTM D 1068 77, Iron in Water, Test Method A
- 4. J.A. Tetlow and A.L. Wilson, "The Absorptiometric Determination of Iron in Boiler Feedwater," Analyst, Vol. 89, p 442 (1964).
- 5. MiniPet is a registered trademark of Tricontinent Scientific, Inc.

# **Safety Information**

Read SDS before performing this test procedure. Wear safety glasses and protective gloves.

