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ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

AFS	atomic fluorescence spectrometry
DGNAA	delayed gamma-ray neutron activation analysis
EDXRF	energy dispersive X-ray fluorescence
E-T	emission transmission GFAAS
FWHM	fullwidth at half maximum
FNAA	fast neutron activation analysis
HG	hydride-generation
HGAAS	hydride-generation atomic absorption spectrometry
HPGe	hyperpure (or intrinsic) germanium detector
HPLC	high performance liquid chromatography
INAA	instrumental neutron activation analysis
LOD	limit of detect ion
MCA	multi-channel analyzer
NIST	the Nation Institute of Standard and Technology
NAA	neutron activation analysis
PGNAA	prompt gamma-ray neutron activation analysis
SRM	standard reference material
TNAA	thermal neutron activation analysis
RSD	relative standard deviation
XRF	X-ray fluorescence
A	atomic weight
A_0	activity at the end of the irradiation time
A_s	the saturation activity
A_{sam}	activity of sample
A_{std}	activity of standard
C_{sam}	count of element in sample
C_{std}	count of element in standard
Ci	Curi
N	number of nuclei

N_A	Avogadro's number
(n,γ)	(neutron, gamma) reaction
(n,p)	(neutron, proton) reaction
(n,α)	(neutron. alpha) reaction
nd	not detected
ppm	part per million
ppb	part per billion
P	branching ratio
sam	sample
std	standard
t_c	counting time
t_d	decay time
t_m	measuring time
T,t	irradiation time
W_{sam}	weight of sample
W_{std}	weight of standard
W	mass of element
ε	molar absorptivity
ϕ	neutron flux
ϕ_{th}	thermal neutron flux
ϕ_{epi}	epithermal neutron flux
θ	isotopic abundance
σ	neutron cross section
σ_{th}	thermal neutron cross section
σ_γ	neutron capture cross section
λ.	decay constant
I_γ	capture resonance integral

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