## Determination of the Cation-Exchange Capacity (Layer Charge) of Small Quantities of Clay Minerals by Nephelometry

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**Abstract:** Nephelometric (light scattering) methods for the determination of Ca and Ba in the 0-30 ppm range, and their application to the estimation of the cation exchange capacity ( $\pm 10\%$ ) of small ( $\leq 30$  mg) samples of clay minerals, are described and evaluated.

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