

## Neptunium

### Effect of co-existing elements on the Neptunium extraction

105

가 Np  
 TBP Np . Np 가  
 가 , 가 가 2M HNO<sub>3</sub> 12%가, 4M HNO<sub>3</sub>  
 56%가 . 1 g/l NH<sub>4</sub>VO<sub>3</sub> 가 가 2M HNO<sub>3</sub> 75%가  
 . U 가 U , 10g/l U 67%가 .  
 Zr Zr 88 ± 2%가 Zr , Np  
 75% 13 15% 가 . U  
 Zr Zr , U  
 . 9 Np U 89%, 95% Zr, Fe, Mo,  
 Nd, Y, Cs Sr 5% .

### Abstract

Behaviors of extraction by the tributyl phosphate in n-dodecane(TBP/NDD) and oxidation for Neptunium(Np) from the simulated solution were studied to examine the effects of co-existing elements. The extraction yields of Np( $E_{Np}$ ) increase with concentration of HNO<sub>3</sub> regardless of oxidant. Without oxidant,  $E_{Np}$  is about 12% at 2M HNO<sub>3</sub> and increased to 56% at 4M HNO<sub>3</sub> due to the disproportionation of Np(IV) to Np(III) and Np(V). In the NH<sub>4</sub>VO<sub>3</sub> of 1g/l, however,  $E_{Np}$  is about 75% due to the oxidation of Np(IV) to Np(V) at 2M HNO<sub>3</sub>. In the presence of U or Zr,  $E_{Np}$  decrease with concentration of U, and decrease to 67% at U of 10g/l. On the other hand,  $E_{Np}$  has no effect with concentration of Zr and is in the range of 88 ± 2%. It

is found that  $E_{Np}$  adding Zr is more enhanced 13-15% than that of Np only. In the presence of both U and Zr,  $E_{Np}$  also has no effect with concentration of Zr and slightly decrease with concentration of U. At the 9 component system containing the  $NH_4VO_3$  of 1g/l, the extraction yields of Np and U are about 89% and 95%, respectively.

1.

(Am, Cm, Np) Np, Am Cm  
 Np  
 가, 가, 가, 가, 2M Np( ), 3M  
 Np( ) Np( ) . TBP Np  
 Np( ) > Np( ) >>> Np( ), Np( )  
 Np Am, Cm  
 Np( ) 가  
 Np( ) Np( ) . Np U 가 0.1  
 M U 가 , U (   
 $10^{-3}M$  )  
 , Np TBP DEHPA , Np  
 TBP Np /

2.

가.

Np U MA/RE Nd Y,  
 Cs, Sr, Zr, Mo Fe

20ml vial  
 TBP/n-dodecane O/A=1  
 가 30

U, Zr, Mo, Nd Y ICP , Fe, Cs Sr A.A , Np-237  
 LSC

$$(\%) = 100 \times RD / (1 + RD)$$

R : O/A (organic phase volume/aqueous phase volume)

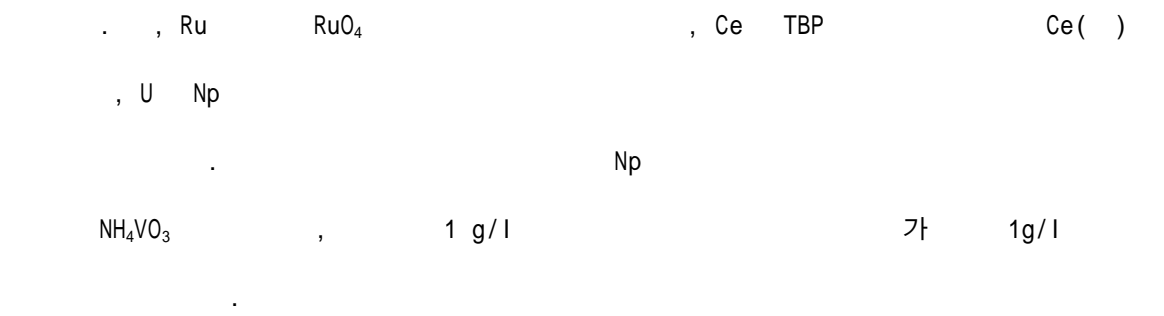
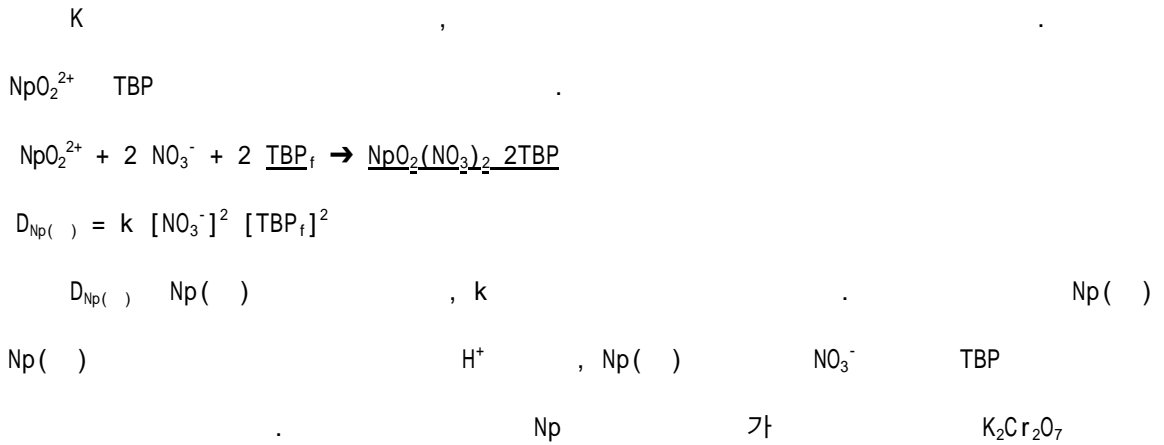
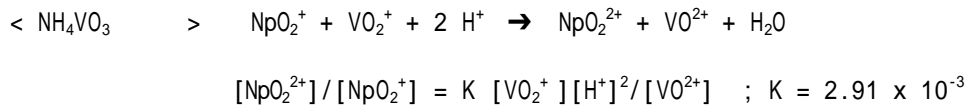
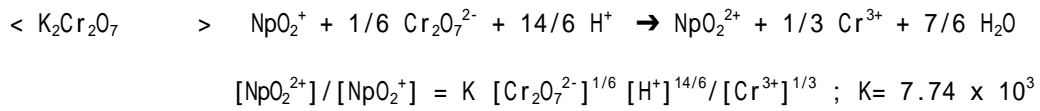
D : (distribution coefficient)

3.

가. Np-HNO<sub>3</sub>

(1)

Fig.1 K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> NH<sub>4</sub>VO<sub>3</sub> Np U , U  
 92% 가 U TBP  
 U( ) , UO<sub>2</sub><sup>2+</sup> , 가 가 V( ) Cr( )  
 가 1.0V, 1.38V U( )/U( ) 0.38V , U 가 가 U( )  
 Np 가 가 12% 가  
 2M Np( )가 90% Tanaka , Np( )  
 가 0.01 Np Np( )가 88%, Np( ) Np( )가 12%  
 K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> NH<sub>4</sub>VO<sub>3</sub> 10 20% 가 , K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>가  
 가 가 Np 가



(2)

Fig. 2  $Np$  가  
 가 가(1 g/l  $NH_4VO_3$ )  
 가 가  $Np( )$  가 ,  $NO_3^-$  가 가 가  
 가 가 가 4M 56%가 ,  
 $Np( )$ 가 TBP  $Np( )$   $Np( )$

.  $Np-x$  element(x : U, Zr, Mo, Fe, Nd)- $HNO_3$

Fig. 3

Mo, Fe Nd 가 75 ± 3% , Np 75%

U 가 , 5g/l 75 ± 2% , U 가

가 , 10g/l U 67%가 . TBP

$UO_2^{2+} > NpO_2^{2+}$  U-TBP Np-TBP

U , Np TBP 가

Zr 가 Zr 88 ± 2% Zr

, Np 75% 13 15% 가 가 , Zr

가 Np . TBP Np( )

가 , Zr Np( ) ,  $NH_4VO_3$

Np( ) .

. Np-U-Zr-HNO<sub>3</sub>

Fig. 4

U Zr Np . Zr

, U . 10g/l U

6g/l Zr Np 67.3%, 87.7% , 10g/l U

6g/l Zr 82.8% . U Zr Np

가

5 g/l U U 가 Np

, 88 ± 2% U , Zr

. Np-U-Zr-Mo-Fe-Nd-Y-Cs-Sr-HNO<sub>3</sub>

Fig. 5

9 가 . Np U TBP

0.01 5% , Np

89%, U 95% 가 . U Zr 2g/l, 6g/l

0.1 M U Np 90% Koch  
 U Np 가 U  
 Np .

4 .

1. Np-HNO<sub>3</sub> Np , TBP  
 가 가 2M HNO<sub>3</sub> 12% Np , 4M HNO<sub>3</sub>  
 56%가 . 1 g/l NH<sub>4</sub>VO<sub>3</sub> 가 가 Np( )  
 2M HNO<sub>3</sub> 75%가 .

2. Np-x element-HNO<sub>3</sub> Np U Zr 가 가  
 , Mo, Fe Nd . U 가 U , 10g/l U  
 67%가 . Zr 가 Zr 88 ± 2%  
 . Np 75% 13 15% 가 가 Zr  
 가 Np .

3. Np-U-Zr-HNO<sub>3</sub> Np 2 Zr , U  
 가 .

4. 9 (Np-U-Zr-Mo-Fe-Nd-Y-Cs-Sr-HNO<sub>3</sub>) Np U  
 가 5% , Np U 89%, 95%

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Table 1. Chemical composition and concentration of Simulated HLW

Element	Compound	Concentration, (M)	
		Estimate HLW	Simulated HLW
Np	Np-237	0.0015	Tracer
U	UO <sub>2</sub> (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> 6H <sub>2</sub> O	0.0076	0.008
Zr	ZrO(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> 2H <sub>2</sub> O	0.069	0.066
Mo	(NH <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>6</sub> Mo <sub>7</sub> O <sub>24</sub> 4H <sub>2</sub> O	0.069	0.069
Fe	Fe(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> 9H <sub>2</sub> O	0.038	0.038
Nd	Nd(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> 9H <sub>2</sub> O	0.0434	0.043
Y	Y(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> 5H <sub>2</sub> O	0.0084	0.008
Cs	Cs(NO <sub>3</sub> )	0.0371	0.037
Sr	Sr(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	0.0165	0.017
H <sup>+</sup>	HNO <sub>3</sub>	2.0	2.0

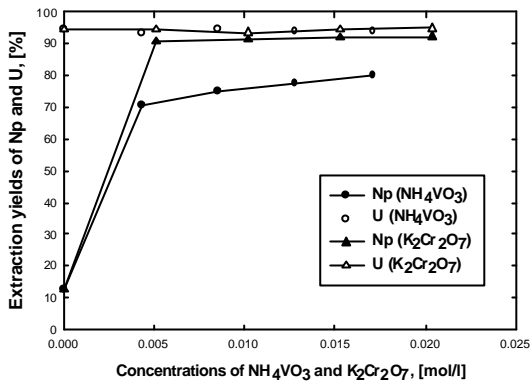


Fig. 1. Extraction yields of U and Np with concentration of  $\text{NH}_4\text{VO}_3$  and  $\text{K}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7$  at 2M  $\text{HNO}_3$  and 30% TBP.

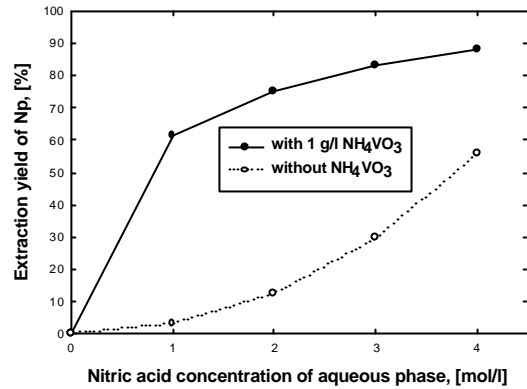


Fig. 2. Extraction yields of Np with concentration of  $\text{HNO}_3$  at 30% TBP.

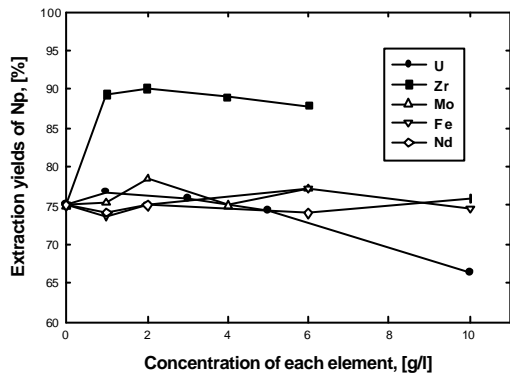


Fig. 3. Extraction yields of Np with concentration of each element in Np-x element-2M  $\text{HNO}_3$  system at 1 g/l  $\text{NH}_4\text{VO}_3$  and 30% TBP.

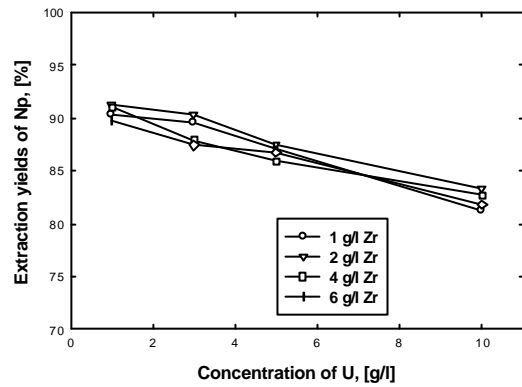


Fig. 4. Extraction yields of Np with concentration of U and Zr in Np-x U-y Zr-2M  $\text{HNO}_3$  system at 1g/l  $\text{NH}_4\text{VO}_3$  and 30% TBP.

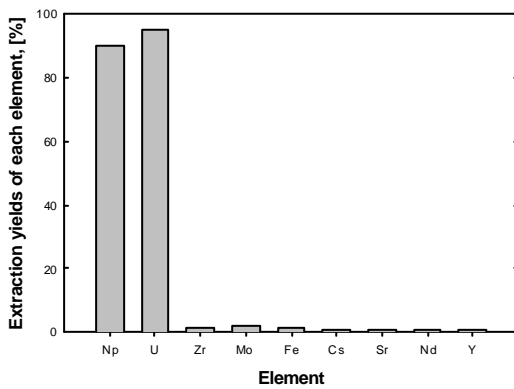


Fig. 5. Extraction yields of each element in 9 components-2M  $\text{HNO}_3$  system at 1g/l  $\text{NH}_4\text{VO}_3$  and 30% TBP.

