

## For General Medicine

**Topic of section: Electromagnetic waves. Light polarization**

**Topic of lab work: Determination of the concentration of the optically active substance by polarizer**

**Aim:** determine the concentration of the optically active substance by polarizer.

**Theory:**

1. What is the optical activity?
2. How to determine a concentration of optically active substance by polarizer?

**Practical part:**

Table 1. Results of measurement

| Number of measurements, n | Cuvette length L, cm | Concentration C, % | Initial angle | Angle of rotation $\alpha_n = \varphi_n - \varphi_0$ | Calculations                 |                             |
|---------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---------------|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
|                           |                      |                    |               |                                                      | Rotation constant $\alpha_0$ | Unknown concentration $C_x$ |
| Initial count             | —                    | —                  | $\varphi_0 =$ | —                                                    | —                            | —                           |
| 1                         | 10                   | 20                 | $\varphi_1 =$ | $\alpha_1 =$                                         | $\alpha_0 =$                 | —                           |
| 2                         | 10                   | $X_1$              | $\varphi_2 =$ | $\alpha_2 =$                                         | —                            | $C_1 =$                     |
| 3                         | 10                   | $X_2$              | $\varphi_3 =$ | $\alpha_3 =$                                         | —                            | $C_2 =$                     |

**Literature:**

1. Medical and biological physics for medical students (pages 171-172)