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## Playing Around with " Kaleidagraph" Program for Determination of pK ${ }_{\text {a }}$ Values of Mono, Di and Tri Basic Acids in a Physical-Organic Chemistry Laboratory

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## ABSTRACT

A simple and easy laboratory protocol for the determination of the $\mathrm{pK}_{\mathrm{a}}$ of mono, di and tri-basic weak acids is described in this paper by using arbitrarily simulated data as a function of pH . An equation compatible to Kaleidagraph program is derived and used in the program to determine the $\mathrm{pK}_{\mathrm{a}}$. The present protocol for the determination of the $\mathrm{pK}_{\mathrm{a}}$ is useful in teaching chemistry experiments in a Physical-Organic Chemistry Laboratory.

## KEYWORDS

$\mathrm{pK}_{\mathrm{a}}$; Kaleidagraph; Acid-Base Equilibriums

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