ABSTRACT

Water is a basic need for humans and other organisms. One of the water sources that

support human life comes from rivers. River water that is suitable for social use is river water

that meets environmental and health quality standards. Currently, many rivers in Indonesia are

polluted with hazardous contaminants, including heavy metal cadmium. The metal poses risks

to human health and the environment. Therefore, a tool capable of detecting heavy metals is

needed. One of the tools that can be used to detect heavy metals, namely cadmium, is based on

Screen Printed Carbon Electrode (SPCE) where measurements are made using 3 electrodes,

namely working electrode (WE), reference electode (RE), and counter electrode (CE). In

addition, SPCE can be modified on the working electrode using several materials such as Zinc

Oxide (ZnO), Polyvinyl Alcohol (PVA) doped by CNC (Cellulose Nanocrystal). Calibration

of the device obtained a value of R-square = 0.9997, and the device can detect the presence of

heavy metal cadmium with a spike in the voltage range of about 0.5. Thus, the device can work

in accordance with the purpose of detecting cadmium heavy metal in liquid samples.

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