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### ABSTRACT

rageenar vdif An adsorptive stripping voltammetric method for the determination of As(III) and As<sub>total</sub> in water samples using a carrageenan modified carbon paste electrode is presented for the first time (CAR-CPE). The modified electrode was prepared in different ways: by adding CAR in solid form or as a hydrogel together with graphite and paraffin, as well as adsorbing CAR by applying a potential on an unmodified carbon paste electrode. The best results were obtained when CAR was incorporated as hydrogel (HCAR-CPE). The selection of the ratio amounts for electrode preparation was carried out applying a multivariate experimental design. Variables like amount of graphite  $(U_1)$ , HCAR  $(U_2)$  and paraffin  $(U_3)$ were optimized using a  $(2^{K}+2K+C)$  model. The results showed that the amount of HCAR Download English Version:

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