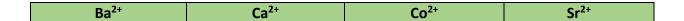
GROUP C CATIONS



Before precipitating out the Group C cations, pretreatment is done for Co^{2+} to prevent the precipitation of $Co(OH)_2$ when ammonium oxalate is added:

$$Co^{2+}_{(aq)} + 6NH_{3(aq)} \Rightarrow Co(NH_3)_6^{2+}_{(aq)}$$
 $Co(NH_3)_6^{2+}_{(aq)} + C_2O_4^{2-}_{(aq)} \Rightarrow CoC_2O_{4(s)} + 6NH_{3(aq)}$

The other group C cations are precipitated out from the solution using 0.5 M (NH)₂C₂O₄:

$$Ba^{2+}_{(aq)} + C_2O_4^{2-}_{(aq)} \implies BaC_2O_{4(s)}$$

$$Ca^{2+}_{(aq)} + C_2O_4^{2-}_{(aq)} \implies CaC_2O_{4(s)}$$

$$Sr^{2+}_{(aq)} + C_2O_4^{2-}_{(aq)} \implies SrC_2O_{4(s)}$$

| Co ²⁺ | Confirmatory reagent: 6 M KNO ₂ |
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| | Co²⁺ is oxidized to Co³⁺ to form yellow precipitates |
| Ba ²⁺ | Confirmatory reagent: 0.1 M K ₂ CrO ₄ |
| | - BaCrO ₄ is less soluble compared to the chromate |
| | compounds formed by the rest of the Group C cations, thus |
| | it will readily precipitate out |
| | Production of yellow precipitates |
| Sr ²⁺ | ➤ Confirmatory reagent: 11 M (NH ₄) ₂ SO ₄ |
| | Production of white precipitates |
| Ca ²⁺ | Confirmatory reagent: 0.5 M (NH ₄) ₂ C ₂ O ₄ |
| | Production of white precipitates |