

TABLE 2  
 $A_{420}/A_{600}$  Rates for Very Dilute Suspension of *E. coli* in Different Instruments

Instrument	$A_{420}/A_{600}$
<b>Theoretical</b>	
Ellipsoids Rayleigh Gans	2.22
Inverse wavelength squared (Jöbst approximation)	2.04
<b>Experimental</b>	
Cary model 16	2.13
Zeiss model PMQ II	2.06
Beckman DU monochromator-2 TS <sup>a</sup> -Gilford detector	1.97
Beckman DU monochromator-2 TS-Beckman detector	1.69
Bausch & Lomb Spectronic 20	1.59

<sup>a</sup> TS = thermospacers.

<sup>b</sup>The theoretical calculations (1) showed an inverse power dependency of 2.25 instead of 2.0. On this basis, the  $A_{420}/A_{600}$  should be 2.22 instead of 2.40.