Rapid Methods in Analytical Chemistry

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This article presents the most recent research in analytical chemistry concerning the development of rapid methodologies covering the period from 2009 up until today. In this context, different useful analytical methods have been developed based mainly on typical techniques such as gas chromatography, liquid chromatography, mass spectrometry, electrophoresis, electroanalytical chemistry, and biosensors. The analytical features of these methods have allowed the analysis of samples of different natures, such as environmental, food, pharmaceutical, and biological type, in which wide classes of analytes are promptly determined. The main advantages of these methods are included and discussed in this review regarding novelty, rapidity, sensitivity, selectivity, and costs. It is concluded that the development of rapid methods is still a growing trend in analytical chemistry and that gas- and liquid-chromatography mainly coupled to different modes of mass spectrometry are the most common analy