

ICP-MS Interlaboratory Study – Laboratory-reported results**K. Ashley, M. J. Brisson & A. M. Howe****Target metals levels**

Values shown are $\mu\text{g}/\text{filter}$
[Blanks consisted of MCE filters spiked with reagent]

| Element | Media spikes |
|----------------|---------------------|
| Aluminum | 5.0 |
| Antimony | 0.5 |
| Arsenic | 5.0 |
| Barium | 5.0 |
| Beryllium | 0.5 |
| Cadmium | 0.5 |
| Chromium | 5.0 |
| Cobalt | 0.5 |
| Copper | 5.0 |
| Iron | 5.0 |
| Lead | 0.5 |
| Magnesium | 5.0 |
| Manganese | 0.5 |
| Molybdenum | 0.5 |
| Nickel | 0.5 |
| Selenium | 0.5 |
| Silver | 0.5 |
| Tin | 0.5 |
| Uranium | 0.5 |
| Vanadium | 0.5 |
| Zinc | 5.0 |

Notes on table entries:

Blank filters consist of sampling media (mixed cellulose ester filters) + reagent spikes.

Results are flagged only if obviously $>>$ factor of two or more off.

Informational values are those that are so denoted by the reporting laboratory.

Laboratory names are coded to ensure confidentiality.

ICP-MS elemental results are reported in $\mu\text{g}/\text{sample}$.

Aluminum (Al)

| Laboratory | Media blanks* | Spiked filters |
|------------|------------------------------------|------------------|
| 1 | <0.788 ($\times 4$) | 4.80, 4.60, 4.83 |
| 2 | 7.72, 7.30, 7.37 | 12.0, 12.5, 12.3 |
| 3 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 4 | 61, 32, 32.5 | 32.0, 47.0, 18.5 |
| 5 | 0.26, 0.20, 0.14 | 4.25, 4.99, 5.01 |
| 6 | 2.20, 1.00, 0.51 | 5.50, 4.85, 7.47 |
| 7 | -0.189, -0.244, 0.091 | 5.37, 5.35, 5.38 |
| 8 | 0.264, 0.060, 0.041 | 6.70, 5.17, 5.03 |
| 9 | 0.129, 0.101, 0.124 | 5.30, 5.41, 5.35 |
| 10 | 0.151, 0.150, 0.135 | 5.20, 5.04, 5.03 |
| 11 | 1.9, 1.3, 1.4 | 6.3, 8.8, 5.9 |
| 12 | <1.85 ($\times 3$) | 5.1, 6.0, 4.7 |
| 13 | 0 ($\times 3$) | 4.78, 4.81, 4.46 |
| 14 | 0.300, 0.203, 0.068 | 4.68, 4.97, 4.78 |
| 15 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 16 | <2.5 ($\times 3$) | 4.0, 3.9, 3.8 |
| 17 | 2.24, 1.60, 1.70 | 6.80, 18.1, 8.73 |
| 18 | [0.306, 0.843, 0.129] [†] | 5.58, 5.44, 4.91 |
| 19 | 0 ($\times 3$) | 6.70, 6.30, 6.81 |
| 20 | 0.99, 0.31, 0.60 | 7.21, 7.10, 5.89 |

*Significant blank levels. [†]Informational values. Flagged results.

Antimony (Sb)

| Laboratory | Media blanks | Spiked filters |
|------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | <0.003 ($\times 3$) | 0.418, 0.395, 0.413 |
| 2 | (0) | 0.468, 0.480, 0.487 |
| 3 | <0.25 ($\times 3$) | 0.482, 0.488, 0.489 |
| 4 | <0.25 ($\times 3$) | 0.5 ($\times 3$) |
| 5 | 0.00, 0.00, 0.01 | 0.45, 0.48, 0.48 |
| 6 | 0.00 ($\times 3$) | 0.46, 0.46, 0.47 |
| 7 | 0.054, 0.027, 0.015 | 0.51 ($\times 3$) |
| 8 | 0.037, 0.030, 0.014 | 0.39, 0.43, 0.52 |
| 9 | 0.001, 0.002, 0.001 | 0.50, 0.51, 0.50 |
| 10 | 0.0061, 0.0059, 0.0010 | 0.485, 0.485, 0.497 |
| 11 | 0.15, 0.13, 0.13 | 0.73, 0.84, 0.77 |
| 12 | -* ($\times 3$) | 0.41, 0.41, 0.38 |
| 13 | 0.43, 0.42, 0.42 | 0.79, 0.80, 0.79 |
| 14 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 15 | <0.50 ($\times 3$) | <0.50 ($\times 3$) |
| 16 | <0.05 ($\times 3$) | 0.48, 0.51, 0.48 |
| 17 | 0 ($\times 3$) | 0.213, 0.340, 0.033 |
| 18 | -0.001, 0.007, 0.003 | 0.494, 0.496, 0.499 |
| 19 | - ($\times 3$) | 0.47, 0.54, 0.50 |
| 20 | - ($\times 3$) | 0.72, 0.65, 0.64 |

*Results below detection limit

Arsenic (As)

| Laboratory | Media blanks | Spiked filters |
|------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1 | <0.006 ($\times 4$) | 4.23, 4.25, 3.98 |
| 2 | 0.114, 0.104, 0.099 | 4.80, 4.87, 4.95 |
| 3 | <0.25 ($\times 3$) | 4.98, 4.86, 5.04 |
| 4 | <0.25, <0.25, 0.30 | 5.4, 5.3, 6.2 |
| 5 | 0.04, 0.03, 0.02 | 4.80, 4.46, 4.85 |
| 6 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 4.73, 4.93, 4.85 |
| 7 | -0.20, -0.22, -0.20 | 4.74, 4.73, 4.70 |
| 8 | <0.2 ($\times 3$) | 4.48, 4.58, 4.61 |
| 9 | 0.012, 0.000, 0.001 | 5.28, 5.64, 5.45 |
| 10 | -* ($\times 3$) | 5.41, 4.43, 5.42 |
| 11 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 5.4, 5.9, 5.3 |
| 12 | - ($\times 3$) | 1.7, 1.7, 1.6 |
| 13 | 0.52, 0.58, 0.58 | 5.07, 5.02, 5.02 |
| 14 | <0.029 ($\times 3$) | 4.86, 4.97, 5.07 |
| 15 | <0.50 ($\times 3$) | 4.80, 4.78, 4.85 |
| 16 | <0.25 ($\times 3$) | 4.8, 4.8, 4.7 |
| 17 | 0.382, 0.055, 0.069 | 4.81, 5.29, 4.83 |
| 18 | 0.021, 0.011, 0.007 | 5.58, 5.30, 5.26 |
| 19 | - ($\times 3$) | 4.13, 4.06, 4.56 |
| 20 | - ($\times 3$) | 5.73, 5.64, 5.20 |

*Results below detection limit. Flagged results.

Barium (Ba)

| Laboratory | Media blanks | Spiked filters |
|------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | <0.004 ($\times 4$) | 4.43, 4.20, 4.43 |
| 2 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 4.89, 5.13, 5.04 |
| 3 | <0.25 ($\times 3$) | 5.22, 5.22, 5.05 |
| 4 | <1 ($\times 3$) | 4.8, 4.9, 4.8 |
| 5 | 0.01 ($\times 3$) | 4.73, 4.89, 4.91 |
| 6 | 0.01 ($\times 3$) | 4.76, 4.85, 4.86 |
| 7 | 0.0047, 0.0074, 0.0129 | 4.68, 4.64, 4.67 |
| 8 | <0.03 ($\times 3$) | 4.55, 4.52, 4.63 |
| 9 | 0.016, 0.009, 0.011 | 4.88, 5.03, 4.99 |
| 10 | 0.0234, 0.0581, 0.0634 | 4.92, 4.89, 4.86 |
| 11 | 0.029, 0.033, 0.029 | 5.4, 5.8, 5.5 |
| 12 | -* ($\times 3$) | 4.2, 4.2, 3.9 |
| 13 | 0.58, 0.58, 0.57 | 4.89, 4.90, 4.93 |
| 14 | <0.034 ($\times 3$) | 4.77, 4.95, 5.06 |
| 15 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 16 | <0.25 ($\times 3$) | 4.8 ($\times 3$) |
| 17 | 0.089, 0.062, 0.048 | 5.19, 5.21, 5.19 |
| 18 | 0.056, 0.055, 0.063 | 5.18, 5.03, 5.15 |
| 19 | 0.04, 0.07, 0.08 | 3.85, 4.46, 4.44 |
| 20 | -($\times 3$) | 5.61, 5.41, 5.18 |

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Beryllium (Be)

| Laboratory | Media blanks | Spiked filters |
|------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | <0.008 ($\times 4$) | 0.440, 0.415, 0.495 |
| 2 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.494, 0.496, 0.516 |
| 3 | <0.05 ($\times 3$) | 0.481, 0.481, 0.470 |
| 4 | <1 ($\times 3$) | <1 ($\times 3$) |
| 5 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.44, 0.46, 0.46 |
| 6 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.43, 0.45, 0.44 |
| 7 | 0.0156, 0.0243, 0.0214 | 0.536, 0.535, 0.544 |
| 8 | <0.04 ($\times 3$) | 0.464, 0.473, 0.450 |
| 9 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.480, 0.496, 0.484 |
| 10 | 0.00036, 0.00032, 0.00016 | 0.496, 0.501, 0.503 |
| 11 | 0.027, 0.028, 0.031 | 0.60, 0.65, 0.59 |
| 12 | <0.006 ($\times 3$) | 0.47, 0.48, 0.48 |
| 13 | 0.074, 0.070, 0.071 | 0.558, 0.538, 0.563 |
| 14 | <0.010 ($\times 3$) | 0.476, 0.483, 0.490 |
| 15 | <0.50 ($\times 3$) | 0.57, 0.58, 0.56 |
| 16 | <0.25 ($\times 3$) | 0.46, 0.44, 0.46 |
| 17 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.478, 0.494, 0.493 |
| 18 | 0.000, -0.001, 0.002 | 0.544, 0.502, 0.505 |
| 19 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.61, 0.57, 0.59 |
| 20 | 0.48, 0.05, 0.04 | 0.62, 0.62, 0.59 |

Flagged results.

Cadmium (Cd)

| Laboratory | Media blanks | Spiked filters |
|------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | <0.002 ($\times 4$) | 0.433, 0.413, 0.433 |
| 2 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.485, 0.494, 0.501 |
| 3 | <0.13 ($\times 3$) | 0.538, 0.533, 0.526 |
| 4 | <0.1 ($\times 3$) | 0.5 ($\times 3$) |
| 5 | 0.001 ($\times 3$) | 0.46, 0.49, 0.49 |
| 6 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.49, 0.50, 0.49 |
| 7 | 0.0059, 0.0061, 0.0015 | 0.497, 0.517, 0.519 |
| 8 | <0.01 ($\times 3$) | 0.500, 0.501, 0.503 |
| 9 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.487, 0.503, 0.497 |
| 10 | (no result) | 0.500, 0.501, 0.503 |
| 11 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.54, 0.61, 0.54 |
| 12 | <0.0035 ($\times 3$) | 0.49, 0.45, 0.49 |
| 13 | 0.786, 0.782, 0.781 | 1.24, 1.26, 1.26 |
| 14 | <0.019 ($\times 3$) | 0.505, 0.482, 0.502 |
| 15 | <0.50 ($\times 3$) | <0.50 ($\times 3$) |
| 16 | <0.05 ($\times 3$) | 0.51, 0.52, 0.51 |
| 17 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.460, 0.472, 0.447 |
| 18 | 0.010, 0.001, 0.001 | 0.517, 0.514, 0.520 |
| 19 | -* ($\times 3$) | 0.50, 0.53, 0.54 |
| 20 | 0.05 ($\times 3$) | 0.62, 0.58, 0.60 |

*Results below detection limit. Flagged results.

Chromium (Cr)

| Laboratory | Media blanks* | Spiked filters |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| 1 | 0.285, 0.205, 0.198, 0.197 | 4.90, 4.65, 4.93 |
| 2 | 0.191, 0.188, 0.153 | 4.83, 5.00, 5.08 |
| 3 | <0.5 ($\times 3$) | 4.87, 4.93, 4.76 |
| 4 | 0.1, 0.2, 0.2 | 5.1, 5.3, 5.1 |
| 5 | 0.17, 0.17, 0.16 | 4.77, 4.95, 4.97 |
| 6 | 0.16, 0.16, 0.19 | 4.94, 4.93, 4.97 |
| 7 | 0.230, 0.241, 0.233 | 5.41, 5.39, 5.34 |
| 8 | <0.06 ($\times 3$) | 4.28, 4.54, 4.54 |
| 9 | 0.180, 0.223, 0.194 | 4.79, 4.83, 4.77 |
| 10 | 0.140, 0.142, 0.137 | 5.03, 5.00, 5.05 |
| 11 | 1.1, 1.4, 1.2 | 6.7, 7.7, 6.7 |
| 12 | 0.19, 0.21, 0.19 | 4.6, 4.9, 5.0 |
| 13 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 4.35, 4.43, 4.39 |
| 14 | 0.169, 0.163, 0.153 | 5.21, 5.17, 5.00 |
| 15 | <0.5 ($\times 3$) | 5.01, 5.04, 5.03 |
| 16 | <0.5 ($\times 3$) | 5.1, 4.9, 5.1 |
| 17 | 0.078, 0.086, 0.493 | 5.38, 5.44, 5.55 |
| 18 | [0.461, 0.191, 1.60] [†] | 5.18, 5.50, 5.28 |
| 19 | 0.12, 0.04, 0.03 | 3.70, 3.36, 4.30 |
| 20 | <0.1 ($\times 2$), 0.20 | 6.38, 6.07, 5.62 |

*Apparent significant blank levels. Flagged results. [†]Informational values.

Cobalt (Co)

| Laboratory | Media blanks | Spiked filters |
|------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | <0.001 ($\times 4$) | 0.478, 0.450, 0.480 |
| 2 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.520, 0.516, 0.515 |
| 3 | <0.025 ($\times 3$) | 0.493, 0.498, 0.486 |
| 4 | <0.05 ($\times 3$) | 0.5 ($\times 3$) |
| 5 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.50, 0.48, 0.49 |
| 6 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.48, 0.48, 0.47 |
| 7 | 0.0158, 0.0123, 0.0089 | 0.517, 0.524, 0.509 |
| 8 | <0.008 ($\times 3$) | 0.462, 0.457, 0.464 |
| 9 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.496, 0.503, 0.510 |
| 10 | 0.00045, 0.00049, 0.00049 | 0.492, 0.490, 0.500 |
| 11 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.60, 0.67, 0.59 |
| 12 | <0.0022 ($\times 3$) | 0.46, 0.47, 0.44 |
| 13 | 0.008, 0.003, 0.002 | 0.493, 0.493, 0.565 |
| 14 | <0.005 ($\times 3$) | 0.524, 0.509, 0.527 |
| 15 | <0.50 ($\times 3$) | <0.50 ($\times 3$) |
| 16 | <0.05 ($\times 3$) | 0.47, 0.47, 0.45 |
| 17 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.441, 0.458, 0.447 |
| 18 | 0.001, 0.000, 0.003 | 0.504, 0.509, 0.521 |
| 19 | -* ($\times 3$) | 0.40, 0.41, 0.44 |
| 20 | -, 0.17, 0.51 | 0.66, 0.62, 0.59 |

*Results below detection limit. Flagged results

Copper (Cu)

| Laboratory | Media blanks | Spiked filters |
|------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | <0.028 ($\times 3$) | 4.80, 4.53, 4.85 |
| 2 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 5.20, 5.42, 5.36 |
| 3 | <0.025 ($\times 3$) | 4.92, 5.01, 5.02 |
| 4 | <0.1 ($\times 3$) | 5.0, 5.0, 4.9 |
| 5 | 0.05, 0.04, 0.01 | 4.77, 5.04, 5.03 |
| 6 | 0.04, 0.04, 0.05 | 4.90, 4.92, 5.07 |
| 7 | 0.039, 0.054, 0.020 | 5.39, 5.34, 5.34 |
| 8 | <0.004 ($\times 3$) | 4.68 ($\times 3$) |
| 9 | 0.035, 0.033, 0.045 | 4.91, 4.99, 5.06 |
| 10 | 0.061, 0.082, 0.096 | 5.06, 5.05, 5.05 |
| 11 | 0.29, 0.31, 0.42 | 6.1, 6.6, 5.9 |
| 12 | <0.050 ($\times 3$) | 4.2, 4.5, 4.6 |
| 13 | 0 ($\times 3$) | 4.76, 4.72, 4.72 |
| 14 | 0.046, 0.130, 0.028 | 4.93, 5.09, 5.10 |
| 15 | <0.50 ($\times 3$) | 4.77, 4.78, 4.74 |
| 16 | <0.05 ($\times 3$) | 4.9, 4.8, 4.9 |
| 17 | 0, 0.055, 0.022 | 5.36, 5.20, 5.26 |
| 18 | 0.019, 0.009, 0.009 | 5.03, 5.01, 5.10 |
| 19 | -* ($\times 3$) | 7.32, 6.76, 3.44 |
| 20 | 1.69, 0.14, 0.71 | 7.64, 6.91, 6.97 |

*Results below detection limit. Flagged results

Iron (Fe)

| Laboratory | Media blanks* | Spiked filters |
|------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | <0.468 ($\times 4$) | 6.70, 6.23, 6.65 |
| 2 | 0.637, 1.66, 0.807 | 5.41, 5.74, 5.66 |
| 3 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 4 | <25 ($\times 3$) | <25 ($\times 3$) |
| 5 | 0.40, 0.46, 0.51 | 5.14, 5.45, 5.34 |
| 6 | 0.41, 0.47, 0.39 | 5.11, 4.98, 5.07 |
| 7 | 2.49, 2.29, 2.73 | 8.34, 8.55, 8.60 |
| 8 | <0.6 ($\times 3$) | 5.45, 4.40, 4.32 |
| 9 | 0.453, 0.268, 0.272 | 5.82, 6.05, 5.85 |
| 10 | 0.255, 0.280, 0.342 | 5.15, 5.20, 5.32 |
| 11 | 1.1, 0.79, 0.63 | 5.9, 5.8, 11 |
| 12 | <0.825 ($\times 3$) | 4.1, 5.1, 3.9 |
| 13 | 0.65, 0.45, 0.40 | 6.15, 5.60, 5.20 |
| 14 | <2.76 ($\times 3$) | 4.75, 5.08, 5.56 |
| 15 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 16 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 17 | 0, 1.87, 0.159 | 5.27, 5.75, 6.26 |
| 18 | [3.71, 3.43, 2.12] [†] | 8.63, 8.92, 6.76 |
| 19 | -# ($\times 3$) | 5.4, 4.2, 5.1 |
| 20 | 1.98, 1.84, 3.09 | 7.92, 7.93, 7.43 |

*Significant blanks. #Results below detection limit. Flagged results. [†]Informational values

Lead (Pb)

| Laboratory | Media blanks | Spiked filters |
|------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | <0.004 ($\times 4$) | 0.455, 0.433, 0.460 |
| 2 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.501, 0.516, 0.513 |
| 3 | <0.13 ($\times 3$) | 0.485, 0.487, 0.480 |
| 4 | <0.25 ($\times 3$) | 0.5 ($\times 3$) |
| 5 | 0.00, 0.01, 0.01 | 0.48, 0.49, 0.49 |
| 6 | 0.013, 0.011, 0.007 | 0.52, 0.51, 0.51 |
| 7 | 0.0081, 0.0062, 0.0042 | 0.525, 0.508, 0.512 |
| 8 | <0.02 ($\times 3$) | 0.546, 0.537, 0.524 |
| 9 | 0.006, 0.006, 0.005 | 0.526, 0.539, 0.531 |
| 10 | 0.0023, 0.0023, 0.0022 | 0.501, 0.499, 0.496 |
| 11 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.56, 0.67, 0.58 |
| 12 | <0.075 ($\times 3$) | 0.77, 0.70, 0.63 |
| 13 | 0.058, 0.052 ($\times 2$) | 0.510, 0.504, 0.512 |
| 14 | <0.010 ($\times 3$) | 0.502, 0.520, 0.521 |
| 15 | <0.50 ($\times 3$) | <0.50 ($\times 3$) |
| 16 | <0.25 ($\times 3$) | 0.49 ($\times 3$) |
| 17 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.500, 0.512, 0.513 |
| 18 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 19 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.45, 0.43, 0.59 |
| 20 | - [#] ($\times 2$), 0.27 | 0.48, 0.49, 0.43 |

Flagged results. [#]Results below detection limit.

Magnesium (Mg)

| Laboratory | Media blanks* | Spiked filters |
|------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | <0.548 ($\times 4$) | 4.80, 4.55, 4.68 |
| 2 | 0.774, 0.735, 0.712 | 5.64, 5.89, 5.93 |
| 3 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 4 | <0.25 ($\times 3$) | 0.515 ($\times 3$) |
| 5 | 1.12, 0.50, 0.51 | 6.36, 5.80, 5.78 |
| 6 | 0.75, 0.45 ($\times 2$) | 4.64, 4.80, 4.83 |
| 7 | 0.597, 0.596, 0.538 | 6.51, 6.38, 6.38 |
| 8 | 0.43, 0.36, 0.46 | 7.38, 5.22, 5.14 |
| 9 | 0.378, 0.408, 0.461 | 5.15, 5.20, 5.15 |
| 10 | 0.461, 0.467, 0.458 | 5.39, 5.34, 5.34 |
| 11 | 1.1, 1.0, 0.86 | 5.4, 6.6, 6.5 |
| 12 | 0.52, 0.50, 0.56 | 5.2, 5.2, 5.0 |
| 13 | 0.50, 0.55 ($\times 2$) | 5.10, 5.50, 5.20 |
| 14 | 0.414, 0.522, 0.422 | 5.2, 5.6, 5.4 |
| 15 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 16 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 17 | 1.01, 1.23, 1.47 | 5.71, 6.56, 6.62 |
| 18 | [0.621, 1.22, 0.828] [†] | 6.88, 6.56, 6.29 |
| 19 | – [#] ($\times 3$) | 4.30, 3.34, 3.28 |
| 20 | 1.28 , 0.69, 0.84 | 7.41, 6.96, 7.67 |

*Significant blank levels. **Flagged result.** [#]Results below detection limit. [†]Informational values.

Manganese (Mn)

| Laboratory | Media blanks | Spiked filters |
|------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | <0.009 ($\times 4$) | 0.490, 0.463, 0.490 |
| 2 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.506, 0.520, 0.489 |
| 3 | <0.13 ($\times 3$) | 0.478, 0.481, 0.489 |
| 4 | <0.05 ($\times 3$) | 0.5 ($\times 3$) |
| 5 | 0.01 ($\times 3$) | 0.49, 0.48 ($\times 2$) |
| 6 | 0.022, 0.011, 0.010 | 0.49, 0.48, 0.50 |
| 7 | 0.0474, 0.0461, 0.0458 | 0.548, 0.543, 0.554 |
| 8 | <0.02 ($\times 3$) | 0.454, 0.450, 0.441 |
| 9 | 0.014, 0.010, 0.009 | 0.526, 0.533, 0.515 |
| 10 | 0.0093, 0.0084, 0.0096 | 0.496, 0.492, 0.493 |
| 11 | 0.019, 0.029, 0.092 | 0.63, 0.62, 0.73 |
| 12 | <0.025 ($\times 3$) | 0.42, 0.40, 0.41 |
| 13 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.45, 0.40 ($\times 2$) |
| 14 | 0.006, 0.005, 0.001 | 0.497, 0.516 ($\times 2$) |
| 15 | <0.50 ($\times 3$) | <0.50 ($\times 3$) |
| 16 | <0.025 ($\times 3$) | 0.49, 0.48, 0.47 |
| 17 | 2.59, 2.46, 2.48 | 3.06, 3.07, 3.08 |
| 18 | [0.036, 0.042, 0.031] [†] | 0.528, 0.541, 0.526 |
| 19 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.51, 0.49, 0.47 |
| 20 | –* | 0.64, 0.63, 0.59 |

Flagged results. [†]Informational values. *Results below detection limit.

Molybdenum (Mo)

| Laboratory | Media blanks | Spiked filters |
|------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 | <0.002 ($\times 4$) | 0.458, 0.440, 0.470 |
| 2 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.496, 0.508, 0.513 |
| 3 | <0.13 ($\times 3$) | 0.542, 0.544, 0.530 |
| 4 | <1 ($\times 3$) | <1 ($\times 3$) |
| 5 | -0.01, 0.01 ($\times 2$) | 0.51, 0.52, 0.49 |
| 6 | 0.00, 0.001, 0.003 | 0.51, 0.52, 0.50 |
| 7 | 0.0492, 0.0204, 0.0168 | 0.513, 0.509, 0.491 |
| 8 | 0.005, 0.004, 0.010 | 0.504, 0.492, 0.478 |
| 9 | 0.002 ($\times 3$) | 0.514, 0.540, 0.502 |
| 10 | 0.0054, 0.0024, 0.0040 | 0.502, 0.496, 0.488 |
| 11 | 0.013, 0.025, 0.017 | 0.68, 0.61 ($\times 2$) |
| 12 | -* ($\times 3$) | 0.43, 0.53, 0.47 |
| 13 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.192, 0.200, 0.196 |
| 14 | <0.014 ($\times 3$) | 0.492, 0.507, 0.513 |
| 15 | <0.50 ($\times 3$) | <0.50 ($\times 3$) |
| 16 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 17 | 0.286, 0.134, 0.096 | 0.700, 0.773, 0.704 |
| 18 | [0.267, 1.461, -0.013] [†] | 0.491, 0.490, 0.548 |
| 19 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.51, 0.49, 0.47 |
| 20 | 0.11, 0.15, 0.05 | 0.64, 0.60, 0.65 |

*Results below detection limit. Flagged results. [†]Informational values.

Nickel (Ni)

| Laboratory | Media blanks | Spiked filters |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 | 0.015 ($\times 2$), 0.020, 0.021 | 0.495, 0.465, 0.500 |
| 2 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.517, 0.534, 0.530 |
| 3 | <0.25 ($\times 3$) | 0.464, 0.461, 0.475 |
| 4 | <0.1 ($\times 3$) | 0.5 ($\times 3$) |
| 5 | 0.02 ($\times 3$) | 0.49, 0.51 ($\times 2$) |
| 6 | 0.112, 0.028, 0.050 | 0.51, 0.52, 0.50 |
| 7 | 0.0233, 0.069, 0.059 | 0.545, 0.543, 0.528 |
| 8 | <0.02, 0.048, 0.195 | 0.508, 0.495, 0.519 |
| 9 | 0.039, 0.021, 0.020 | 0.506, 0.522, 0.509 |
| 10 | 0.0266, 0.0186, 0.0196 | 0.510, 0.517, 0.508 |
| 11 | 0.069, 0.052, 0.055 | 0.62, 0.61, 0.84 |
| 12 | <0.100 ($\times 3$) | 0.47, 0.43, 0.53 |
| 13 | (0) ($\times 3$) | (0) ($\times 3$) |
| 14 | [0.036, 0.028, 0.026] [†] | 0.502, 0.516, 0.518 |
| 15 | <0.50 ($\times 3$) | <0.50 ($\times 3$) |
| 16 | <0.25 ($\times 3$) | 0.53, 0.52, 0.49 |
| 17 | 0.102, 0.242, 0.053 | 0.523, 0.545, 0.593 |
| 18 | [1.28, 6.58, 0.034] [†] | 0.577, 0.551, 0.866 |
| 19 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.44, 0.53, 0.41 |
| 20 | -# ($\times 2$), 0.28 | 0.39, 0.32, 0.35 |

Flagged results. [†]Informational values. #Results below detection limit.

Selenium (Se)

| Laboratory | Media blanks | Spiked filters |
|------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 | <0.115 ($\times 4$) | 0.380, 0.373, 0.398 |
| 2 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.429, 0.434, 0.437 |
| 3 | <0.25 ($\times 3$) | 0.398, 0.414, 0.314 |
| 4 | <0.25 ($\times 3$) | 0.5 ($\times 3$) |
| 5 | 0.01, 0.00 ($\times 2$) | 0.42, 0.47, 0.44 |
| 6 | 0.003, 0.016, 0.000 | 0.45, 0.47 ($\times 2$) |
| 7 | 0.037, 0.090. -0.001 | 0.443, 0.589, 0.468 |
| 8 | <0.4 ($\times 3$) | 0.58, 0.46 ($\times 2$) |
| 9 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.498, 0.522, 0.469 |
| 10 | -* | 0.536, 0.528, 0.517 |
| 11 | 0.033, 0.11, 0.12 | 0.54 ($\times 2$), 0.62 |
| 12 | <0.100 ($\times 3$) | 0.61, 0.53, 0.63 |
| 13 | 0.086, 0.098, 0.041 | 0.489, 0.604, 0.443 |
| 14 | <0.042 ($\times 3$) | 0.360, 0.361, 0.373 |
| 15 | <0.50 ($\times 3$) | <0.50 ($\times 3$) |
| 16 | <0.25 ($\times 3$) | 0.48, 0.47, 0.45 |
| 17 | 0.365, 0, 0 | 0.395, 0.397, 1.37 |
| 18 | - ($\times 3$) | 0.550, 0.451, 0.206 |
| 19 | - ($\times 3$) | 0.70, 0.41, 0.55 |
| 20 | 0.05, 0.05, 0.07 | 0.57, 0.57, 0.55 |

*Results below detection limit. Flagged results.

Silver (Ag)

| Laboratory | Media blanks | Spiked filters |
|------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 | <0.006 ($\times 4$) | 0.453, 0.433, 0.453 |
| 2 | (0) | 0.496, 0.512, 0.507 |
| 3 | <0.05 ($\times 3$) | 0.529, 0.519, 0.520 |
| 4 | <10 ($\times 3$) | <10 ($\times 3$) |
| 5 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.49, 0.51, 0.48 |
| 6 | 0.001 ($\times 2$), 0.002 | 0.5 ($\times 3$) |
| 7 | -* ($\times 3$) | 0.294, 0.341, 0.358 |
| 8 | <0.009 ($\times 3$) | 0.531, 0.516, 0.507 |
| 9 | 0.001, 0.00 ($\times 2$) | 0.594, 0.605, 0.561 |
| 10 | - ($\times 3$) | 0.488, 0.482 ($\times 2$) |
| 11 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.67, 0.61 ($\times 2$) |
| 12 | - ($\times 3$) | 0.50, 0.46, 0.49 |
| 13 | 0.15, 0.10 ($\times 2$) | 0.60, 0.65, 0.65 |
| 14 | <0.186 ($\times 3$) | 0.244, [0.035, 0.143] [†] |
| 15 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 16 | 5.3, 7.9, 5.8 | 7.6, 10.5, 0.5 |
| 17 | (0) ($\times 3$) | (0) ($\times 3$) |
| 18 | [-0.003, -0.007, 0.006] [†] | [0.455, 0.944, -0.001] [†] |
| 19 | - ($\times 3$) | 0.47, 0.48, 0.78 |
| 20 | - ($\times 3$) | 0.62, 0.61, 0.58 |

*Results below detection limit. Flagged results. [†]Informational values.

Tin (Sn)

| Laboratory | Media blanks | Spiked filters |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | <0.187 ($\times 4$) | 0.473, 0.465, 0.475 |
| 2 | (0) | 0.512, 0.547, 0.554 |
| 3 | <0.13 ($\times 3$) | 0.514, 0.518, 0.510 |
| 4 | <0.25 ($\times 3$) | 0.5 ($\times 3$) |
| 5 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 6 | 0.002, 0.000, 0.001 | 0.51, 0.50, 0.51 |
| 7 | 0.034, 0.016, 0.009 | 0.582, 0.580, 0.566 |
| 8 | <0.008 ($\times 3$) | 0.484, 0.469, 0.486 |
| 9 | 0.007, 0.005 ($\times 2$) | 0.477, 0.499, 0.493 |
| 10 | 0.0013 ($\times 3$) | 0.485, 0.478, 0.479 |
| 11 | 0.31, 0.41, 0.39 | 0.92, 0.96, 0.93 |
| 12 | -* ($\times 3$) | 0.43, 0.42, 0.47 |
| 13 | 0.307, 0.301, 0.300 | 0.745, 0.756, 0.765 |
| 14 | <0.011 ($\times 3$) | 0.509, 0.523, 0.521 |
| 15 | <0.50 ($\times 3$) | <0.50 ($\times 3$) |
| 16 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 17 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.664, 0.68, 0.512 |
| 18 | -0.011 ($\times 3$) | 0.384, 0.352, 0.351 |
| 19 | - ($\times 3$) | 0.78, 0.53, 0.73 |
| 20 | - ($\times 3$) | 0.72, 0.65, 0.64 |

*Result below detection limit. Flagged results.

Uranium (U)

| Laboratory | Media blanks | Spiked filters |
|------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | <0.038 ($\times 4$) | 0.475, 0.453, 0.483 |
| 2 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.507, 0.511, 0.505 |
| 3 | <0.025 ($\times 3$) | 0.501, 0.492, 0.497 |
| 4 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 5 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 6 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 7 | 0.0132, 0.0079, 0.0062 | 0.489, 0.483, 0.480 |
| 8 | <0.0008 ($\times 3$) | 0.521, 0.520, 0.507 |
| 9 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.515, 0.533, 0.529 |
| 10 | -* ($\times 3$) | 0.487, 0.481, 0.482 |
| 11 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.45, 0.47, 0.47 |
| 12 | - ($\times 3$) | 0.45, 0.48, 0.47 |
| 13 | 0.243, 0.239 ($\times 2$) | 0.694, 0.692, 0.687 |
| 14 | <0.008 ($\times 3$) | 0.461, 0.454, 0.473 |
| 15 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 16 | <0.05 ($\times 3$) | 0.50, 0.49, 0.49 |
| 17 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 18 | -0.001 ($\times 3$) | 0.454, 0.462 ($\times 2$) |
| 19 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.50, 0.30, 1.08 |
| 20 | - ($\times 3$) | 5.5, 5.5, 5.4 |

*Result below detection limit. Flagged results.

Vanadium (V)

| Laboratory | Media blanks | Spiked filters |
|------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 | (no results) | (no results) |
| 2 | 0.0374, 0.0316, 0.0293 | 0.435, 0.456, 0.453 |
| 3 | <1.3 ($\times 3$) | <1.3 ($\times 3$) |
| 4 | <0.05 ($\times 3$) | <0.05 ($\times 3$) |
| 5 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.46, 0.48 ($\times 2$) |
| 6 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.47, 0.48 ($\times 2$) |
| 7 | 0.0015, 0.0097, 0.0031 | 0.510, 0.474, 0.457 |
| 8 | 1.06, 0.65, 1.22 | 1.08, 1.09, 1.55 |
| 9 | 0.013, 0.013, 0.013 | 0.289, 0.343, 0.272 |
| 10 | -* ($\times 3$) | 0.513, 0.512, 0.511 |
| 11 | (0) ($\times 3$) | (0) ($\times 3$) |
| 12 | 0.0085, 0.0065, 0.0075 | 0.48, 0.49, 0.46 |
| 13 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0.300, 0.321, 0.375 |
| 14 | <0.005 ($\times 3$) | 0.500, 0.489, 0.508 |
| 15 | <0.50 ($\times 3$) | <0.50 ($\times 3$) |
| 16 | <0.05 ($\times 3$) | 0.48, 0.47, 0.48 |
| 17 | (0) ($\times 3$) | 0, 0.116, 0.379 |
| 18 | [9.39, 8.66, 0.291] [†] | [12.5, 14.2, 2.86] [†] |
| 19 | - ($\times 3$) | 0.69, 0.46, 0.48 |
| 20 | - ($\times 3$) | 0.70, 0.64, 0.54 |

*Results below detection limit. Flagged results. [†]Informational values.

Zinc (Zn)

| Laboratory | Media blanks* | Spiked filters |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 | 0.440, 0.462, 0.430, 0.533 | 4.88 ($\times 2$), 4.55 |
| 2 | 0.602, 0.581, 1.85 | 5.35, 5.43, 5.68 |
| 3 | 5.08, 0.546, 1.85 | 5.52, 5.51, 5.46 |
| 4 | <0.25 ($\times 3$) | 5.2, 5.1, 4.8 |
| 5 | 1.44, 0.49, 0.50 | 5.15, 5.17, 5.32 |
| 6 | 2.79, 0.83, 0.87 | 5.89, 5.84, 5.82 |
| 7 | 0.515, 0.590, 0.527 | 5.72, 5.70, 5.61 |
| 8 | 0.54, 0.47, 0.46 | 5.14, 5.06, 5.12 |
| 9 | 0.698, 0.504, 0.527 | 5.71, 5.86, 5.68 |
| 10 | 0.697, 0.699, 0.693 | 5.96, 6.10, 5.97 |
| 11 | 0.58, 0.46, 0.54 | 6.3, 6.9, 6.1 |
| 12 | 0.59, 0.62, 1.4 | 5.4, 5.5, 5.0 |
| 13 | 1.11, 0.98, 0.96 | 5.54, 5.59, 5.77 |
| 14 | 1.05, 1.01, 0.900 | 6.57, 8.52, 6.49 |
| 15 | <0.50 ($\times 3$) | 4.81, 4.86, 4.97 |
| 16 | 1.3, 1.0, 0.5 | 5.2, 5.2, 5.1 |
| 17 | 0.657, 0.537, 0.578 | 5.59, 5.78, 5.64 |
| 18 | [1.066, 1.063, 0.740] [†] | 5.91, 6.12, 5.43 |
| 19 | -* ($\times 3$) | 5.53, 5.69, 4.16 |
| 20 | 0.79, 0.69, 11.35 | 6.39, 6.27, 6.01 |

*Highly significant blank levels. Flagged results. [†]Informational values. *Results below detection limit.