

Electronic Supplementary Material (ESI) for Analysis of BMAA in the Environment  
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Year	Reference	BMAA Detected?	BMAA Detected in Cyanobacteria <sup>1</sup> ?	BMAA Detected in Bioaccumulated Sources <sup>2</sup> ?	BMAA Detected in Phytoplankton or Zooplankton <sup>3</sup> ?	BMAA Detected in Human Tissues/Waste <sup>4</sup> ?	Chromatography	Column ID	Elution Buffer(s)	Derivative	Detection Method	Detector
2019	100	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Hypersil Gold C18 (2.1 x 150 mm; 1.9 µm)	0.075% acetic acid in water/0.075% acetic acid in acetonitrile	FLEC	MS/MS	Waters Xevo TQ-S
2019	106	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Phenomenex Kinetex (1.7 µm; 100 Å pore size)	0.1% formic acid in 45% water/0.1% formic acid in 55% methanol	PCF	MS/MS	Agilent 6490 Triple Quadrupole

A Systematic Review of Analytical Methods for Detection and Quantification of β-N-methylamino-L-alanine

### e (BMAA)

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### Supplementary Tables

**Table S1.** Comparison of chromatography methods used for detection of BMAA. <sup>1</sup>Includes cyanobacterial cultures grown *in-vitro*, and cyanobacterial samples collected from natural habitats. <sup>2</sup>Includes BMAA bioaccumulated in higher trophic level organisms such as traditional Chamorro dietary items such as cycad flour and flying foxes and seafoods such as mussels, lobster, fish and crab. <sup>3</sup>Phytoplankton include diatoms and dinoflagellates. <sup>4</sup>Includes human brain tissue and urine. Studies that did not analyze the specified sample type are labelled N/A. Derivatizing agents include 6-aminoquinoyl-*N*-hydroxysuccinimide (AQC), dansyl chloride (DC), ethyl chloroformate (ECF), (+)-1-(9-fluorenyl)-ethyl chloroformate (FLEC), fluorenylmethyloxycarbonyl (FMOC), isobaric tag for relative and absolute quantitation (iTRAQ), ninhydrin (post-column derivatization), and propyl chloroformate (PCF).

2019	35	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters C18 BEH (2.1 x 150 mm; 1.7 µm)	20 mM ammonium formate with 0.2% formic acid/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Waters Xevo TQ-S
2019	35	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.7)/52% aqueous acetonitrile	AQC	FD	Waters 2475 Multi-k-Fluorescence Detector
2019	107	Yes	Yes	No	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Phenomenex AAA-MS (250 x 2.0 mm; 4 µm)	10 mM Ammonium Formate in water/10 mM ammonium formate in Methanol	PCF	MS/MS	Agilent 1200 Infinity Series
2019	108	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	EclipseXDB C-18 (4.6 x 100 mm; 5 µm)	28% acetonitrile/0.1% ammonium formate in water	AQC	MS/MS	Agilent Technologies 1290/6460 MS
2018	25	Yes	No	Yes	N/A	N/A	HILIC	Tosoh TSKgel amide-80 (2.0 x 250 mm; 5 µm)	50 mM formic acid in water/50 mM formic acid in	none	DMS-MS/MS	AB Sciex SelexION (DMS)/AB Sciex Qtrap 5500 (MS)

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2018	48	No	N/A	No	N/A	N/A	HILIC	SeQuant ZIC-HILIC (dimensions unspecified)	0.1% formic acid in water/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	none	MS/MS	Thermo LTQ XL Linear Ion Trap MS
2018	26	Yes	Yes	No	N/A	No	HILIC	Tosoh TSKgel amide-80 (2.0 x 250 mm; 5 µm)	50 mM formic acid/5% 50 mM formic acid in 95% acetonitrile	none	MS/MS	Waters Xevo TQ-S
2018	47	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	HILIC	Tosoh TSKgel amide-80 (2.0 x 250 mm; 5 µm)	50 mM formic acid in water/50 mM formic acid in 95% acetonitrile	none	MS/MS	Agilent 6430 MS
2018	109	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Acquity BEH C18 (2.1 x 150 mm; 1.7 µm)	20 mM ammonium formate in water (pH 5.0)/methanol	AQC	MS/MS	Waters Xevo TQ-S/Thermo Scientific TSQ Quantiva
2018	26	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	No	RPLC	Phenomene x AAA-MS (2.0 x 250 mm; 4 µm)	10 mM ammonium formate in water/10 mM ammonium formate in methanol	PCF	MS/MS	Waters Xevo TQ-S

2018	26	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	No	RPLC	Waters Acquity BEH (2.1 x 150 mm; 1.7 µm)	20 mM ammonium formate in water (pH 5.0)/methanol	AQC	MS/MS	Waters Xevo TQ-S
2018	47	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Phenomenex Kinetex (2.1 x 100 mm; 1.7 µm)	20 mM ammonium formate in water (pH 5.0)/methanol	AQC	MS/MS	Agilent 6430 MS
2018	44	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Acquity BEH C18 (2.1 x 100 mm; 1.7 µm)	20 mM ammonium formate in water (pH 5.0)/methanol	AQC	MS/MS	Waters Xevo TQ-S
2018	81	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes	RPLC	Waters UltraTag C18 (2.1 x 100 mm; 1.7 µm)	5% acetonitrile in water with 0.3% acetic acid/acetonitrile with 0.3% acetic acid	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo Fisher TQS Vantage Triple Quad
2018	110	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters UltraTag C18 (2.1 x 100 mm; 1.7 µm)	0.1% (v/v) formic acid/0.1% (v/v) formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo Scientific Finnigan TSQ Quantum UltraAM
2018	111	Yes	Yes	No	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Phenomenex Kinetex C18, 100A (2.1 x 100 mm; 1.7 µm)	20 mM ammonium acetate (pH 5.0)/methanol	AQC	MS	Waters EMD 1000 Single Quad MS

2018	79	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	No	RPLC	Mac-Mod Analytical ACE Excel SuperC18 (2.1 x 100 mm; 2 µm)	0.1% (v/v) heptafluorobutyric acid/0.1% (v/v) heptafluorobutyric acid in methanol	none	MS/MS	Sciex 5500 Triple Quad MS
2018	112	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Phenomenex Kinetex C18 (2.1 x 150 mm; 1.7 µm)	0.1% (v/v) formic acid/0.1% (v/v) formic acid in methanol	PCF	MS/MS	Agilent Technologies 6490 Triple Quad MS
2018	113	Yes	N/A	Yes	Yes	N/A	RPLC	Phenomenex EZ:Faast™ AAA-MS (2 x 250 mm)	10 mM ammonium formate in water/10 mM ammonium formate in methanol	PCF	MS	Shimadzu 2010EV
2017	80	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes	HILIC	Waters Atlantis HILIC SILICA (2.1 x 100 mm; 3 µm)	50 mM formic acid in water/50 mM formic acid in 95% acetonitrile	none	MS/MS	Waters Xevo TQ-S
2017	90	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	HILIC	SeQuant ZIC-HILIC (2.1 x 100 mm; 5 µm); SeQuant (1 x 14 mm; 5 µm) guard column	0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile/0.1% formic acid in water	none	MS	Thermo LCQ Fleet Ion Trap
2017	114	No	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	HILIC	SeQuant ZIC-HILIC (2.1 x 150 mm; 5 µm)	0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile/0.1% formic acid in water	none	MS	Agilent Technologies 6490 Triple Quad MS

2017	115	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters UltraTag C18 (2.1 mm x 100 mm; 1.7 µm)	0.01% formic acid in 0.05% ammonia in water/0.01 % formic acid in methanol	AQC	MS/MS	Waters Xevo TQ-S
2017	116	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Phenomene x Chirex 3126 chiral column (4.6 x 250mm); Waters AccQ Tag Ultra (2.1 x 100 mm)	2 mM copper sulfate in water/2 mM copper sulfate in 15% aq. acetonitrile; 0.1% formic acid in water/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo Scientific Finnigan TSQ Quantum UltraAM
2017	117	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Thermo Hypesil GOLD C18 (2.1 x 100 mm, 1.9 µm); Thermo guard column (2.1 x 5 mm; 3 µm)	0.1% formic acid in water/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	DC7	HRMS	Thermo Fisher Q-Exactive MS
2016	94	Yes	No	Yes	N/A	No	HILIC	SeQuant ZIC-HILIC (2.1 x 150 mm; 5 µm)	0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile/ 0.1% formic acid in water	none	MS	Agilent Technologies 6490 Triple Quad MS

2016	105	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	HILIC	Waters Acquity BEH amide (2.1 x 100 mm; 1.7 µm); Waters Acquity BEH amide (2.1 x 5 mm) pre-column	acetonitrile/ 0.1% formic acid in water	none	MS/MS	Waters Xevo TQ-S
2016	118	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	HILIC	Waters Acquity BEH amide (2.1 x 100 mm; 1.7 µm); pre-column Waters Acquity BEH amide (2.1 x 5 mm)	acetonitrile/ 0.1% formic acid in water	none	MS/MS	Waters Xevo TQ-S
2016	49	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	N/A	HILIC	Merck SeQuant ZIC-HILIC (2.1 x 150 mm; 5 µm); TSKgel amide-80 guard column (2 x 10 mm; 5 µm)	0.1% formic acid in water / 0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	none	MS/MS	AB Sciex AP 5500 Qtrap Triple Quad MS
2016	5	Yes	N/A	N/A	Yes	N/A	HILIC	SeQuant ZIC-HILIC (2.1 x 150 mm; 5 µm); TSKgel amide-80 guard column (2 x 10 mm; 5 µm)	0.1% formic acid in water / 0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	none	MS/MS	Sciex Qtrap 5500 AB

2016	119	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	HILIC	Tosoh TSKgel Amide-80 (2.0 x 250 mm; 5 µm)	50 mM formic acid in water/50 mM formic acid in 95% acetonitrile	none	MS/MS	Agilent 6430 MS
2016	120	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.2)/52% acetonitrile in water	AQC	FD	Waters 2475 Multi λ-Fluorescence Detector
2016	120	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Acquity BEH C18 (2.1 x 150 mm; 1.7 µm)	20 mM ammonium formate in 0.2% formic acid/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Waters Xevo TQ-S
2016	7	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQ-Tag Ultra C18 (2.1 x 100 mm; 1.7 µm)	0.01% formic acid in 0.05% ammonia in water/0.01% formic acid in methanol	AQC	MS/MS	Waters Xevo TQ-S
2016	121	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters UltraTag C18 (2.1 mm x 100 mm; 1.7 µm)	0.1% formic acid in water / 0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo Scientific Finnigan TSQ Quantum UltraAM
2016	105	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Acquity BEH, 1.7 µm (2.1 x 100 mm); Waters C18 guard	0.1% formic acid in water / 0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	DC	MS/MS	Waters Xevo MS

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2016	85	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	No	RPLC	Waters Acquity BEH C18 (2.1 x 50 mm; 1.7 µm)	0.1% formic acid in water / 0.1% formic acid in methanol	DC	MS/MS	Waters Xevo TQ-S
2015	45	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	N/A	HILIC	Tosoh TSKgel amide-80 (2 x 250 mm; 5 µm)	50 mM formic acid in water/50 mM formic acid in acetonitrile	none	DMS-MS/MS	AB Sciex Qtrap 5500
2015	6	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	HILIC	SeQuant ZIC-HILIC (2.1 x 150 mm; 5µm); TSKgel amide-80 guard column (2 x 10 mm; 5 µm)	0.1% formic acid in water/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	none	MS/MS	AB Sciex Qtrap 5500
2015	122	No	No	N/A	Yes	N/A	HILIC	Tosoh TSKgel amide-80 (2 x 250 mm; 5 µm)	50 mM ammonium formate in water/50 mM ammonium formate in acetonitrile	none	MS/MS	AB Sciex API 4000 Qtrap/Agilent 6430
2015	123	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Phenomenex Kinetex C18 (2.1 x 100 mm; 1.7 µm)	0.1% formic acid in water/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo Scientific Finnigan TSQ Quantum UltraAM

2015	71	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Acquity BEH C18 (2.1 x 150 mm; 1.7 µm)	20 mM ammonium formate in water (pH 5.0)/methanol	AQC	MS/MS	Waters Xevo TQ-S
2015	124	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQ-Tag Ultra C18 (2.1 x 100 mm; 1.7 µm)	0.1% formic acid in water/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo Scientific Finnigan TSQ Quantum UltraAM
2015	7	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQ-Tag Ultra C18 (2.1 x 100 mm; 1.7 µm)	0.01% formic acid and 0.05% ammonia in water/0.01% formic acid in methanol	AQC	MS/MS	Waters Xevo TQ-S
2015	125	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Thermo Scientific Hypersil GOLD C18 (2.1 x 100 mm; 3 µm)	0.3% formic acid in water/0.3% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Agilent G6410B Triple Quad
2015	78	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes	RPLC	Waters Acquity BEH C18 (2.1 x 100 mm; 1.7µm)	0.01% formic acid and 0.05% ammonia in water/0.01% formic acid in methanol	AQC	MS/MS	Waters Xevo TQ-S
2015	126	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Acquity BEH (2.1 x 100 mm; 1.7 µm); Waters C18 guard column	0.1% formic acid in water / 0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	DC	MS/MS	Waters Xevo MS

2015	127	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Thermo Hypesil GOLD C18 (2.1 x 100 mm; 1.9 µm); Thermo guard column (2.1 x 5 mm; 3 µm)	0.1% formic acid in water / 0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	DC	HRMS	Thermo Fisher Q-Exactive MS
2015	128	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQ-Tag Ultra C18 (2.1 x 100 mm; 1.7 µm)	0.1% formic acid in water/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo Scientific Finnigan TSQ Quantum UltraAM
2014	101	Yes	No	Yes	N/A	N/A	HILIC	SeQuant ZIC-HILIC (2.1 x 150 mm; 5 µm); TSKgel amide-80 guard column (2 x 10 mm; 5 µm)	0.1% formic acid in water / 0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	none	MS/MS	Sciex Qtrap 5500 AB
2014	129	No	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	HILIC	Tosoh TSKgel Amide-80 (2.0 x 250 mm; 5 µm)	50 mM formic acid in water/50 mM formic acid in acetonitrile: water (95:5)	none	MS/MS	AB Sciex API4000 Qtrap
2014	130	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	No	HILIC	Merck Sequant ZIC-HILIC (2.1 x 150 mm; 3.5 µm)	0.1% formic acid in water / 0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	None	MS	Thermo TSQ Quantum Discovery Max

2014	131	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Kromasil-Thermohypersil C8 (4.6 x 250 mm)	not specified	AQC	FD	Waters 2475 Multi $\lambda$ -Fluorescence Detector
2014	131	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Thermo Hypurity C18 (2.5 x 250 mm; 5 $\mu$ m)	0.5 g/L ammonium formate in water/0.5 g/L ammonium formate in methanol	AQC	MS/MS	Finnigan LCQ Classic Ion Trap MS
2014	132	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQ Tag Ultra (2.1 x 100 mm)	0.1% formic acid in water/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo Scientific Finnigan TSQ Quantum UltraAM
2014	133	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQTag Ultra column (2.1 x 100 mm)	0.01% formic acid in 0.05% ammonia / 0.01% formic acid in methanol	AQC	MS/MS	Waters Xevo TQ-MS
2014	76	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.7)/52% acetonitrile in water	AQC	FD	Waters 2475 Multi $\lambda$ -Fluorescence Detector

2014	76	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters BEH C18 (2.1 x 150 mm; 1.7 µm)	20 mM ammonium formate with 0.2% formic acid/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Waters Xevo TQ-S
2014	93	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Agilent Eclipse XDB-C18 (4.6 x 100 mm; 5 µm)	28% acetonitrile in water with 0.1% ammonium acetate	AQC	MS/MS	Agilent
2014	24	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQ-Tag Ultra C18 (2.1 x 100 mm; 1.7 µm)	acetonitrile /formic acid	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo TSQ Vantage
2014	134	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Phenomene x AAA-MS (2.0 x 250 mm; 4 µm)	10 mM ammonium formate in water/10 mM ammonium formate in methanol	PCF	MS/MS	Waters Micromass Quattro Micro
2014	135	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Phenomene x AAA-MS (2.0 x 250 mm; 4 µm)	10 mM ammonium formate in methanol	PCF	MS/MS	Waters Micromass Quattro Micro
2013	136	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	HILIC	Merck Sequant ZIC-HILIC (2.1 x 150 mm; 3.5 µm)	0.1% formic acid in water / 0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	None	MS	Thermo TSQ Quantum Discovery Max

2013	137	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Kromasil-Thermohypersil C8 (4.6 x 250 mm)	140 mM ammonium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.7) in water/52% acetonitrile in water	AQC	FD	Waters 2475 Multi-Fluorescence Detector
2013	137	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Thermo Hypurity C18 (2.5 x 250 mm; 5 µm)	0.5 g/L ammonium formate in water/0.5 g/L ammonium formate in methanol	AQC	MS/MS	Finnigan LCQ Classic Ion Trap MS
2013	138	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQTag Ultra column (2.1 x 100 mm)	0.1% formic acid in water / 0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo Scientific Finnigan TSQ Quantum UltraAM
2013	139	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters C18 AccQ-Tag Ultra (2.1 x 100 mm)	0.1% formic acid in water/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Finnigan TSQ Quantum Ultra AM
2013	140	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Agilent Bonus RP Rapid Resolution High Throughput (2.1 x 100 mm, 1.8 µm)	acetonitrile/ formic acid	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo TSQ Vantage

2013	53	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Acquity BEH (2.1 x 100 mm; 1.7 µm); Waters C18 guard column	0.1% formic acid in water / 0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	DC	MS/MS	Waters Xevo MS
2013	141	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Phenomenex AAA-MS (2.0 x 250 mm; 4 µm)	10 mM ammonium formate in methanol	PCF	MS/MS	Thermo Scientific Finnigan TSQ Quantum UltraAM
2012	60	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters NovaPak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm; 4 µm)	140 mM sodium acetate and 5.6 mM triethylamine in water (pH 5.2)/acetonitrile/water	AQC	FLD	Agilent 1100
2012	60	No	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Agilent Zorbax Eclipse AAA (4.6 x 75 mm; 3.5 µm)	0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile/ 0.1% formic acid in water	AQC	MS/MS	Agilent 6401A QQQ
2012	60	No	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	HILIC	Sequant ZIC-HILIC (2.1 x 150 mm; 5 µm)	0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile/ 0.1% formic acid in water	none	MS/MS	Agilent 6401A QQQ
2012	95	No	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	HILIC	Tosoh TSK-gel Amide-80 (2.0 x 250 mm; 5 µm)	acetonitrile /formic acid	None	MS/MS	API 4000 Qtrap MS

2012	142	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.2)/60% acetonitrile	AQC	FLD	Waters 2487 Dual-I FLD
2012	142	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQTag Ultra (2.1 x 100 mm)	0.1% formic acid in water / 0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo Scientific Finnigan TSQ Quantum UltraAM
2012	143	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.2)/60% acetonitrile	AQC	FLD	Merck Hitachi L-7480 FLD
2012	46	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Agilent Bonus RP Rapid Resolution High Throughput (2.1 x 100 mm; 1.8 µm)	acetonitrile/ formic acid	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo TSQ Vantage
2012	144	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine/65% methanol in water	AQC	FLD	Merck Hitachi L-7480 FLD
2012	145	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Xbridge C18 (4.6 x 150 mm; 3.5 µm)	Waters AccQ-Tag Ultra Eluents A& B	AQC	MS/MS	Agilent G410A Triple Quad

2011	146	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	ESI	NA	0.1% formic acid/acetone nitrile	none	MS/MS	Sciex API 5000 Triple Quad
2011	146	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	GC	Fused silica (0.25 x 300 mm; 0.25mm) coated with DB-5	Helium Gas	ECF	MS	Shimadzu CLASS17A-QP5000
2011	51	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Phenomene x AAA-MS (2.0 x 250 mm; 4 µm)	10 mM ammonium formate in water/10 mM ammonium formate in methanol	PCF	MS	Shimadzu 2010EV
2011	68	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Phenomene x AAA-MS (2.0 x 250 mm; 4 µm)	10 mM ammonium formate in water/10 mM ammonium formate in methanol	PCF	MS	Shimadzu 2010EV
2011	147	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Phenomene x AAA-MS (2.0 x 250 mm; 4 µm)	10 mM ammonium formate in methanol	PCF	MS/MS	Thermo Scientific Finnigan TSQ Quantum UltraAM
2010	148	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	No	GCxGC	Restek RTX- 5MS (60 m x 0.25 mm; 0.25 µm)	helium gas	ECF	MS	HP 5971A GC/MS

2010	149	No	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	HILIC	Phenomene x Luna C18(2) (4.60 x 250 mm; 5 mm)	2 mM ammonium formate (pH 3) in water/2 mM ammonium formate (pH 3) in acetonitrile/water (90/10; v/v)	None	MS/MS	AB API 365
2010	150	No	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	HILIC	SeQuant ZIC-HILIC, 5 um (2.1 x 150 mm; 5 µm)	acetonitrile and 60 mM formic acid 60/40 (v/v), isocratic flow	None	MS/MS	Thermo Finnigan HPLC, Finnigan LCQ Deca XP Plus
2010	150	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters C18 AccQ-Tag Ultra (2.1 x 100 mm)	acetonitrile and 0.05% TFA; 70/30 (v/v), isocratic flow	AQC	MS/MS	Finnigan TSQ Quantum Ultra AM
2010	150	No	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	HILIC	Tosoh TSKgel amide-80 (2.0 x 250 mm; 5 µm)	acetonitrile and 0.05% TFA; 70/30 (v/v), isocratic flow	none	MS/MS	Micromass Quattro Ultima Pt
2010	66	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Thermo Hypersil GOLD (2.1 x 100 mm; 3 µm)	acetonitrile/formic acid	AQC	MS/MS	AB API 2000 Triple Quadrupole

2010	74	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	RPLC	Thermo Hypersil GOLD (2.1 x 100 mm; 3 µm)	acetonitrile/formic acid	AQC	MS/MS	AB API 2000 Triple Quadrupole
2010	27	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.2)/60% acetonitrile	AQC	FLD	Waters 2487 Dual-FLD
2010	27	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Thermo Hypersil GOLD (2.1 x 100 mm; 3 µm)	acetonitrile/formic acid	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo TSQ Quantum Discovery Max
2009	151	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	No	GC	Restek film RTX-5MS (60 m x 0.25 mm)	helium gas	ECF	MS	HP 5971A GC/MS
2009	152	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	HILIC	SeQuant ZIC-HILIC (2.1 x 150 mm; 5 µm)	acetonitrile/formic acid	None	MS/MS	Agilent G6410A
2009	59	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQTag Ultra (2.1 x 100 mm)	0.1% formic acid in water/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo TSQ Quantum Discovery Max
2009	59	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQTag Ultra (2.1 x 100 mm)	Waters AccQ-Tag Ultra Eluents A&B	AQC	MS	Waters EMD 1000 Single Quad

2009	59	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 column (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.2)/60% acetonitrile	AQC	FLD	Waters 2487 Dual-FLD,
2009	59	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQTag Ultra (2.1 x 100 mm)	Waters AccQ-Tag Ultra Eluents A&B	AQC	UV	Acquity UV Detector
2009	153	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Thermo Hypersil GOLD (2.1 x 100 mm; 3 µm)	0.1% formic acid in water/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo TSQ Quantum Discovery Max
2009	154	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	2 serially coupled Chromolith Perform RP-18e (3 mm)	20 mM sodium acetate (pH 5.5)/50/50 acetonitrile/water	AQC	FLD	Hitachi LaChrom FLD L-7485
2009	67	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQTag Ultra (2.1 x 100 mm)	0.1% formic acid in water/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS	Waters EMD 1000 Single Quad
2009	153	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.2)/60% acetonitrile	AQC	FLD	Waters 2487 Dual-Fluorescence Detector, Waters 2488 UV detector
2009	29	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes	RPLC	Thermo Hypersil GOLD (2.1 x 100 mm; 3	0.1% formic acid in water/0.1% formic acid	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo TSQ Quantum Discovery

								µm)	in acetonitrile			Max
2009	29	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.2)/60% acetonitrile	AQC	FLD	Waters 2487 Dual-FLD, Waters 2488 UV Detector
2009	155	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQTag Ultra (2.1 x 100 mm)	0.1% formic acid in water/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo Finnigan Ultra AM
2009	83	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQTag Ultra (2.1 x 100 mm)	0.1% formic acid in water/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo Finnigan Triple Quadrupole MS (model unspecified)
2009	156	No	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Supelco LC-18 (4.6 x 150 mm; 5 µm) with Zorbax C18 guard (4.6 x 12.5 mm; 5µm)	0.1 M ammonium formate (pH 4.0)/acetonitrile	FMOF	FD	Agilent 1100 LC-FLD
2009	157	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	No	RPLC	Agilent XDB C18 (2.1 x 50 mm; 1.8 µm)	10 mM formic acid/10 mM formic acid in acetonitrile	iTRAQ	MS/MS	Sciex API4000
2009	158	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Spherisorb ODS2 (4.6 x 250 mm; 5 µm)	acetonitrile /formic acid	None	MS	Thermo LCQ DecaXP Plus Ion Trap

2008	75	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	GC	ZB-AAA GC (10 m x 0.25 mm)	helium gas	ECF	EI-MS	Thermo Finnigan Trace MS Plus
2008	65	No	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	HILIC	Tosoh TSK-gel Amide-80 (2.0 x 250; 5 µm)	acetonitrile/water	None	MS	Shimadzu LCMS 2010A
2008	54	No	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	HILIC	SeQuant ZIC-HILIC (2.1 x 50; 5 µm/2.1 x 150; 5 µm)	acetonitrile/60 mM formic acid	None	MS/MS	Micromass Quattro Ultima or API 4000 QTRAP
2008	58	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQTag Ultra (2.1 x 100 mm)	0.1% formic acid in water/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS	Waters EMD 1000 Single Quad
2008	58	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQTag Ultra (2.1 x 100 mm)	Waters AccQ-Tag Ultra Eluents A& B	AQC	UV	Acquity UV Detector
2008	58	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.2)/60% acetonitrile	AQC	FLD	Waters 2487 Dual-I FLD
2008	58	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Thermo Hypersil GOLD (2.1 x 100 mm; 3 µm)	0.1% formic acid in water/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo TSQ Quantum Discovery Max

2008	159	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Thermo Hypersil GOLD (2.1 x 100 mm; 3 µm)	0.1% formic acid in water/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo TSQ Quantum Discovery Max
2008	159	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.2)/60% acetonitrile	AQC	FLD	Waters 2487 Dual-FLD, Waters 2488 UV Detector
2007	52	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	IEX	Hitachi Reaction with Li-form resin & Ion Exchange ammonia filter	proprietary eluents (Hitachi)	Ninhydrin	FLD	Hitachi Amino Acid Analyzer
2007	52	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQTag Ultra (2.1 x 100 mm)	0.1% formic acid in water/0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile	AQC	MS/MS	Thermo TSQ Quantum Discovery Max
2007	52	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQTag Ultra (2.1 x 100 mm)	Waters AccQ-Tag Ultra Eluents A& B	AQC	MS	Waters EMD 1000 Single Quad
2007	52	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.2)/60% acetonitrile	AQC	FLD	Waters 2487 Dual-FLD,

2007	52	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters AccQTag Ultra (2.1 x 100 mm)	Waters AccQ-Tag Ultra Eluents A& B	AQC	UV	Acquity UV Detector
2006	23	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.2)/60% acetonitrile	AQC	MS	Agilent SL Single Quad, DAD
2006	23	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.2)/60% acetonitrile	AQC	FLD	Waters 2487 Dual-I FLD, Waters 2488 UV Detector
2005	22	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.2)/60% acetonitrile	AQC	MS	Agilent SL Single Quad, DAD
2005	22	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.2)/60% acetonitrile	AQC	FLD	Waters 2487 Dual-I FLD, Waters 2488 UV Detector

2005	77	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	No	RPLC	Unspecified	Unspecified	FMOc	FLD	Unspecified
2004	28	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.2)/60% acetonitrile	AQC	MS	Agilent SL Single Quad, DAD
2004	160	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.2)/60% acetonitrile	AQC	FLD	Waters 2487 Dual-I FLD, Waters 2488 UV Detector
2004	160	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	RPLC	Waters Symmetry	acetonitrile/water	AQC	MS, DAD	Agilent SL Single Quad, DAD
2003	20	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	RPLC	Waters SymetryShield RP-18	acetonitrile/water	AQC	MS / UV	Agilent SL Single Quad, DAD
2003	161	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.2)/60% acetonitrile	AQC	FLD	Waters 2487 Dual-I FLD,

2003	21	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	RPLC	Waters Nova-Pak C18 (3.9 x 300 mm)	140 mM sodium acetate, 5.6 mM triethylamine (pH 5.2)/60% acetonitrile	AQC	FLD	Waters 2487 Dual-FLD,	<b>Table S2.</b> Comparison of non-chromatography method
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s used for detection of BMAA. <sup>1</sup>Includes cyanobacterial cultures grown *in-vitro*, and cyanobacterial samples collected from natural habitats. <sup>2</sup>Includes BMAA bioaccumulated in higher trophic level organisms such as traditional Chamorro dietary items such as cycad flour and flying foxes and seafoods such as mussels, lobster, fish and crab. <sup>3</sup>Phytoplankton include diatoms and dinoflagellates. <sup>4</sup>Includes human brain tissue and urine. Studies that did not analyze the specified sample type are labelled N/A.

Year	Reference	BMAA Detected?	BMAA Detected in Cyanobacteria <sup>1</sup> ?	BMAA Detected in Bioaccumulated Sources <sup>2</sup> ?	BMAA Detected in Phytoplankton or Zooplankton <sup>3</sup> ?	BMAA Detected in Human Tissues/Waste <sup>4</sup> ?	Separation	Separation Device	Elution Buffer(s)/ BGE	Derivative	Detection Method	Detector
2018	104	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	ELISA	Abraxis BMAA ELISA kit (PN 520040)	N/A	none	Spectrophotometer	Sunrise Absorbance Reader
2018	103	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	Chip-based CZE	908 Devices ZipChip HS Chip	2% formic acid in 50% methanol in water	none	MS/MS	Q Exactive HF MS (Thermo Fisher)
2018	162	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	ELISA	Abraxis BMAA ELISA kit (PN 520040)	N/A	none	Spectrophotometer	BioTek ELx800 Absorbance Microplate Reader
2017	80	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes	ELISA	Abraxis BMAA ELISA kit (PN 520040)	N/A	none	Spectrophotometer	BioTek Power Wave Spectrometer

2017	163	Yes	No	Yes	N/A	N/A	CE	Agilent G1600A CE System with custom interface	5 M formic acid with 10% acetonitrile	none	MS/MS	Sciex API-4000 MS
2016	97	No	N/A	No	N/A	N/A	ELISA	Abraxis BMAA ELISA kit (PN 520040)	N/A	none	Spectrophotometer	Microplate ELISA Photometer
2016	92	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	ELISA	Abraxis BMAA ELISA kit (PN 520040)	N/A	none	Spectrophotometer	Biotek Synergy HT
2013	57	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	ELISA	Abraxis BMAA ELISA kit (PN 520040)	N/A	none	MTP Reader	Biotek Synergy HT
2011	56	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	CE	fused-silica (50 cm x 75 µm)	5 mM sodium tetraborate (pH 9)	none	UV	Beckman Coulter P/ACE MDQ system
2009	55	Yes	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	none	<sup>1</sup> H NMR	Bruker DPX 300

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