

EVALUATION OF MEASUREMENT UNCERTAINTY (MU)

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Evaluation of measurement uncertainty (MU) was calculated at the 95% confidence interval, coverage factor $k = 2$ using batch control sample results. The following MU values are derived from as mentioned batch control samples ranging from 10 to 100 times the limit of reporting (LOR). As analyte results decrease and approach the LOR, estimated MU will increase. At concentrations

< 5xLOR, MU will be reported as the LOR concentration. i/s indicates insufficient data for MU Evaluation.

Microbiological measurement uncertainty (MU) is evaluated by analysis of client unknowns and PT samples by a minimum of two analysts and calculated from the standard deviation of the reproducibility of the final results which is then used to evaluate the uncertainty associated with the method.

			Water	Water	Soil	Air
Method Number	Method Description	Test/Analyte	Relative MU % unless stated otherwise.			
AN014	HCl extractable sulfur	S _{HCl}			23.2	
AN101	pH (soil, sludge, sediment, water)	pH	0.2 pH Units		0.2 pH Units	
AN106	Conductivity and TDS by Calculation	Conductivity	4.0		4.0	
AN113	Total Dissolved Solids	TDS	11.6			
AN114	Total Suspended Solids	TSS	9.9			
AN119	Turbidity	Turbidity	7.6			
AN135	Alkalinity in Aqueous Solution	Total Alkalinity	6.7			
AN140	Acidity	Acidity	9.6			
AN141	Fluoride (ion selective)	Fluoride	9.2			
AN142	Fluoride - soils	Fluoride			15.8	
AN144	Chlorine free and total DPD (colourmetric)	Chlorine - Free/Total	6.4	13.3		
AN149	Sulphide - iodometric	Sulfide, S ²⁻	19.6			
AN156	Thiocyanate	Thiocyanate	17.7			
AN176	DO meter and Winkler Titration	Dissolved Oxygen	11.0			
AN183	Biochemical Oxygen Demand	BOD	16.4			
AN184	Oil & Grease and Hydrocarbons- Water- by Soxtec Extraction	Oil & Grease	5.4			
AN185	Oil and Grease and hydrocarbons - Water - Gravimetric	Oil & Grease	16.2			
AN190	TOC by NDIR	Non Purgeable Organic Carbon	11.0			
AN192	MBAS	MBAS	9.9			
AN214	Acid Neutralising Capacity (ANC) ASS	ANC BT			9.5	
AN216	Net Acid Generation (NAG)	Net Acid Generation			14.7	
AN217	Chromium Reducible Sulphur (CRS)	Cr _s			16.0	
AN218	TPA ANC SPOCAS	TPA			17.0	
		S Pos			26.5	
		Ca P			21.6	
		Mg P			16.0	
AN219	TAA SPOCAS	TAA			15.9	
		S KCl			18.1	
		Ca KCl			21.5	
		Mg KCl			19.0	
AN226	Formaldehyde	Formaldehyde	21.7			
AN240	Redox Potential (Eh)	Redox Potential (Eh)	5.3			
AN245	IC anions	Bromide	7.7			
		Bromate	13.5			
		Chlorate	9.2			

		Chlorite	16.4			
		Iodide	11.0			
AN258	Nitrate Nitrite CFA / FIA	NO _x	13.4		21.3	
		NO ₂	18.4		21.8	
AN261	Ammonia CFA / FIA	NH ₃ -N	14.0		15.6	
AN270	Silica by DA	Reactive Silica, Si	9.7			
AN271	Ferrous Iron DA	Ferrous Iron	14.8			
AN272	COD DA	Chemical Oxygen Demand	4.6			
AN274	Chloride DA	Chloride	7.2		8.2	
AN275	Sulfate DA - Turbidimetric	Sulfate	12.6		10.4	
AN278	Reactive Phosphorus DA	FRP	9.4			
AN279	Total Phosphorus DA	Total P	13.8			
AN281	TKN DA	TKN	14.7		12.3	
AN283	Hexavalent Cr(6+) DA	Hexavalent Chromium	13.5		17.7	
AN285	Colour DA	True Colour	9.8			
AN289	Phenols - colourmetric DA	Total Phenols	22.4			
AN296	Cyanide forms by SAN++ CFA	Free CN	20.2			
		WADCN	23.9		23.5	
		Total CN	22.6		17.6	
AN311	Metals Cold Vapour - Water only - Mercury	Mercury	15.6	25.2		
AN312	Metals Cold Vapour - Soils - Mercury	Mercury			25.9	
AN318	ICP MS	ICP MS	Soluble	Total		
		Aluminium	19.3	23.0		
		Antimony	28.6	18.5		
		Arsenic	20.5	21.8		
		Barium	19.1	21.7		
		Beryllium	19.0	11.4		
		Bismuth	24.1	15.8		
		Boron	24.1	19.0		
		Cadmium	17.0	11.9		
		Caesium	23.8	21.7		
		Chromium	17.2	15.4		
		Cobalt	16.4	11.4		
		Copper	23.1	19.7		
		Gallium	21.0	19.4		
		Iron	21.8	25.4		
		Lead	19.7	18.1		
		Lithium	23.3	16.1		
		Manganese	18.7	15.4		
		Molybdenum	14.5	11.8		

	Nickel	21.1	17.4		
	Niobium	23.6	20.8		
	Rubidium	22.5			
	Selenium	25.3	22.3		
	Silver	24.2	18.0		
	Strontium	22.5	22.7		
	Tellurium	18.2			
	Thallium	22.1	17.7		
	Thorium	36.5	29.0		
	Tin	16.6	12.8		
	Titanium	23.5	23.0		
	Tungsten	26.8			
	Uranium	21.5	20.2		
	Vanadium	19.9	12.9		
	Zinc	26.4	21.2		
	Zirconium	29.2	29.3		
AN320	Elements ICP OES	Elements ICP OES	Soluble	Total	
	Aluminium	9.5	10.6	19.8	
	Antimony			15.9	
	Arsenic	10.2	16.6	14.9	
	Barium	10.6	11.6	18.1	
	Beryllium	11.6	12.7	14.9	
	Boron	11.6	19.6	18.5	
	Cadmium	12.3	13.5	12.8	
	Calcium	11.8	12.1	13.3	
	Chromium	7.1		12.9	
	Cobalt	10.8		15.1	
	Copper	9.1	14.8	16.4	
	Iron	9.6	10.1	18.4	
	Lead	9.5	14.6	12.5	
	Magnesium	10.6	16.3	18.0	
	Manganese	8.8	12.0	15.8	
	Molybdenum	9.9	14.9	16.1	
	Nickel	8.7	12.3	15.6	
	Potassium	7.3	8.2	12.3	
	Phosphorus	12.9		27.2	
	Selenium			24.6	
	Silicon	14.6			
	Silver	15.7	15.3	15.6	
	Sodium	11.4	15.8	16.2	
	Strontium	11.2		11.5	

	Sulfur	10.0	13.9	20.2	
	Tin	11.3	13.2	18.4	
	Titanium			17.2	
	Vanadium		16.6	13.9	
	Zinc	9.0	16.5	13.9	
AN503	Deposit Gauge Dust Deposition In House				
	Total Solids				10.1
	Insoluble Solids				7.3
	Soluble Solids				13.9