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Certificate of Analysis

Chlorophyll and Pheopigments in seawater

REFERENCE MATERIAL

AQ11 sample 76

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General Information

In this report an overview is given of analytical data for this sample collected in our proficiency testing program. The consensus values are calculated using a robust statistical model. With this NDA model mean and standard deviation are calculated using all reported data when at least 4 results are left after removal of reported 'lower than' (<) and 0 (= zero) values. No outliers are removed.

This report is divided into two sections: Consensus Values and Indicative Values. The division is made on the reliability of the data. Consensus Values are based on at least 10 results while the relative uncertainty is smaller than 6.25%. Indicative Values are based on a relative uncertainty of maximum 35% with at least 4 and less than 10 results or a relative uncertainty higher than 6.25%.

For each determinand the following parameters are given: mean, standard deviation, coefficient of variation, number of results, median, MAD (Median of Absolute Deviation) and the uncertainty in the assigned value. The confidence limits (at 95 % probabilty) are calculated for these determinands.

The results of each determinand is expressed on volumetric basis.

Sample information

QUASIMEME reference materials cover a range of natural AQ11 species from contaminated waters from the North Sea and/or Mediterranean.

This AQ11 sample 76 of Filter with natural algae from Lake "Veerse meer" (brackish) is prepared for the QUASIMEME proficiency programs. The results on which the values in this report are based were taken from the periods given in the following table.

Year.Round	Program	Sample Round Id
2022.1	AQ11	QCH108SW

Consensus Values AQ11

Method: Pigments - AQ11

Element	Unit	Mean	Std.Dev.	CV %	N	Median	MAD	Uncertainty	95 % confidence limits
Chlorophyll-a	µg/l	1.34	0.307	22.8	27	1.28	0.200	0.074	1.22 - 1.47

Indicative Values AQ11

Method: Pigments - AQ11

Element	Unit	Mean	Std.Dev.	CV %	N	Median	MAD	Uncertainty	95 % confidence limits
Chlorophyll-b	µg/l	0.409	0.0676	16.5	4	0.432	0.0500	0.0422	0.315 - 0.503
Pheopigments	µg/l	0.780	0.4571	58.6	14	0.727	0.3105	0.1527	0.518 - 1.04
Chlorophyll-a (Corr.)	µg/l	1.09	0.260	23.8	11	1.09	0.163	0.098	0.920 - 1.27

Method: Pigments-HPLC - AQ11

Element	Unit	Mean	Std.Dev.	CV %	N	Median	MAD	Uncertainty	95 % confidence limits
Chlorophyll-a (HPLC)	µg/l	1.14	0.317	27.9	5	1.11	0.200	0.177	0.771 - 1.50
Chlorophyll-b (HPLC)	µg/l	0.343	0.0821	23.9	4	0.315	0.0605	0.0513	0.229 - 0.457