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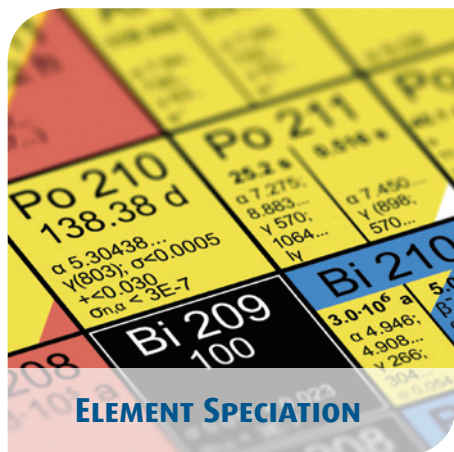
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Indicator and inorganic parameters

Parameter	LOQ	Sample amount*
conductivity	1 mS/m	plastic, 50 g
pH	-	plastic, 20 g
chloride	40 mg/kg DW	plastic, 20 g
fluorine, total	300 mg/kg DW	plastic, 50 g
cyanide (easily releasable; free or toxic)	0.1 mg/kg DW	plastic, 50 g
cyanide, total	0.1 mg/kg DW	plastic, 50 g
cyanides, complexing	0.1 mg/kg DW	plastic, 50 g
ammonia and ammonium ions	0.5 mg/kg DW	plastic, 50 g
nitrate	20 mg/kg DW	plastic, 50 g
nitrite	0.05 mg/kg DW	plastic, 50 g
nitrate nitrogen	4 mg/kg DW	plastic, 50 g
nitrite nitrogen	0.02 mg/kg DW	plastic, 50 g
Kjeldahl nitrogen	50 mg/kg DW	plastic, 50 g
nitrogen, organic	5 mg/kg DW	plastic, 50 g
nitrogen, total	50 mg/kg DW	plastic, 50 g
phosphorus (total)	0.05% DW	plastic, 50 g
silica (as SiO ₂)	0.1% DW	plastic, 50 g
sulfur from sulfides	1 mg/kg DW	plastic, 50 g
sulfur (total)	0.01% DW	plastic, 50 g
sulfate	0.1% DW	plastic, 50 g
sulphur total – gravimetry, sulphur total as SO ₃	0.1 % DW 0.25 % DW	plastic, 50 g
dry matter	0.1%	plastic, 10 g
loss on ignition (550°C)	0.1% DW	plastic, 50 g
loss on ignition (1100°C)	0.1% DW	plastic, 50 g
FOS/TAC ratio	0.01	plastic, 50 g
specific gravity	0.01 g/cm ³	plastic, 50 g
organic dry matter	0.1% DW	plastic, 50 g
powder density	0.01 g/dm ³	plastic, 1,5 kg
TIC (total inorganic carbon)	0.1 % DW	glass, 50 g
TC (total carbon)	100 mg/kg DW	glass, 50 g

* Sample amount in dry weight (DW). Sample amount can be less, based on the different parameters required for the package. Please contact your local sales representative.

Total grain size analysis

Parameter	LOQ	Sample amount*
12 fractions (< 0.002 mm - > 2 mm):		
< 0.002 mm	0.01%	plastic, 500 g
0.002 - 0.004 mm	0.01%	
0.004 - 0.008 mm	0.01%	
0.008 - 0.016 mm	0.01%	
0.016 - 0.032 mm	0.01%	
0.032 - 0.063 mm	0.01%	
0.063 - 0.125 mm	0.01%	
0.125 - 0.25 mm	0.01%	
0.25 - 0.5 mm	0.01%	
0.5 - 1 mm	0.01%	
1 - 2 mm	0.01%	
> 2 mm	0.01%	

*sample amount in dry weight (DW).



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fractions can
be arranged.
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Microbiological parameters

Parameter	Sample amount
<i>Campylobacter</i>	sterile glass, 50 g
<i>Clostridium perfringens</i>	sterile glass, 50 g
coliform bacteria - enumeration	sterile glass, 50 g
<i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>	sterile glass, 50 g
enterococci	sterile glass, 50 g
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	sterile glass, 50 g
helminths	sterile glass, 50 g
helmini (living stage) - enumeration	sterile glass, 50 g
<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i>	sterile glass, 50 g
moulds - enumeration	sterile glass, 50 g
<i>Salmonella</i>	sterile glass, 50 g
<i>Shigella spp.</i>	sterile glass, 50 g
thermotolerant coliforms	sterile glass, 50 g
yeast - enumeration	sterile glass, 50 g
<i>Yersinia enterocolitica</i>	sterile glass, 50 g

Note:

Depending on the combination of requested parameters, the total amount of sample necessary for analysis can be diminished. Please contact your local sales representative for further information.

Elemental analysis - N, C, H, S

Parameter	LOQ (%)	Parameter	LOQ (%)
nitrogen - elemental	0.10	carbon - elemental	0.10
sulfur - elemental	0.10	hydrogen - elemental	0.10

Minimum sample amount:

plastic, 30 g

Method:

GC-TCD

Note:

Elemental oxygen can be calculated in certain cases.

Metals (group 1)

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
Sb	0.5	Fe	10	Ag	0.5
As	0.5	Pb	1	Sr	0.1
Ba	0.2	Li	1	Tl	0.5
Be	0.01	Mn	0.5	Sn	1
Cd	0.4	Hg	0.2	V	0.1
Cr	0.5	Mo	0.4	Zn	3
Co	0.2	Ni	1		
Cu	1	P	5		

Minimum sample amount:

plastic, 50 g

Method:

ICP-OES

Metals (group 2)

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
Al	1	K	5	Te	1
Bi	1	Se	2	Ti	0.2
B	1	Si	50	Zr	5
Ca	50	Na	15		
Mg	5	S	30		

Minimum sample amount:

plastic, 50 g

Method:

ICP-OES

Metals (group 3)

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
Ge	5	Nb	1	Rb	1
Au	1	Os	5	Ta	1
Hf	5	Pb	1	W	1
Ir	5	Pt	1	U	1
La	1	Rh	1		

Minimum sample amount: plastic, 50 g
Method: ICP-OES

Total chromium, Cr (III) and Cr (VI)

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
Cr (III) - calculation	0.5	Cr	0.5
Cr (VI) - IC	0.06		
Dry matter at 105°C			

Minimum sample amount: plastic, 50 g
Method: ICP-OES, ion chromatography

Hexavalent chromium - Cr (VI)

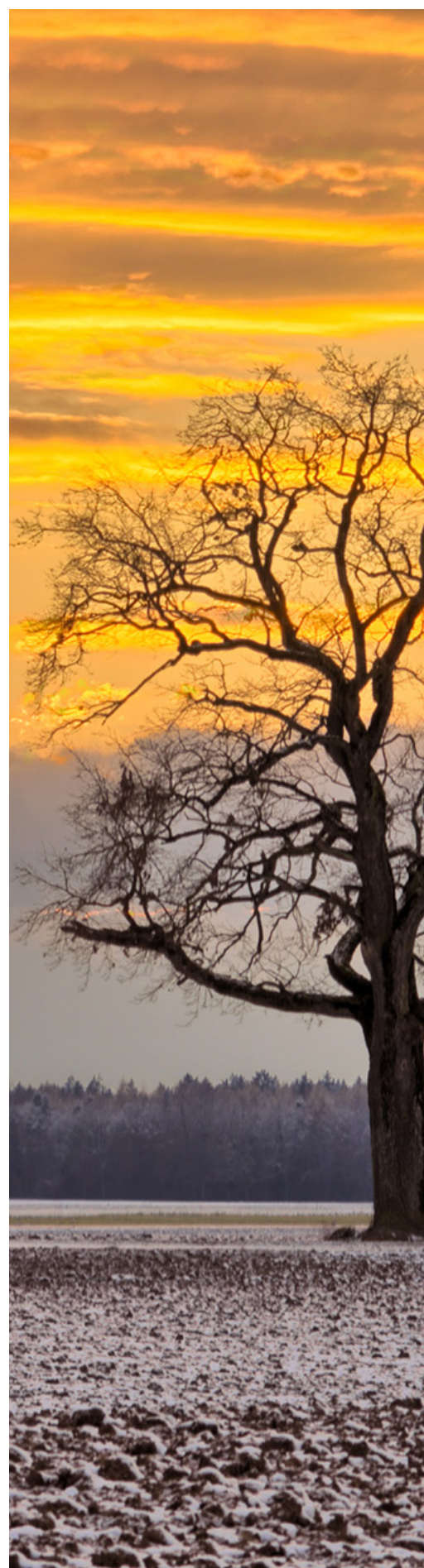
Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
chromium (VI)	0.06

Minimum sample amount: plastic, 50 g
Method: ion chromatography

Mercury

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Sample amount
mercury total digestion	0.01	plastic, 50 g
mercury - low limit total digestion	0.001	plastic, 50 g

Minimum sample amount: plastic, 50 g
Method: atomic fluorescence spectrometry



**Methylmercury**

Parameter	LOQ (µg/kg)
methylmercury	0.05

Minimum sample amount: plastic, 10 g
Method: GC-ICP-SFMS

**Organotin compounds**

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
monobutyltin	0.001	monooctyltin	0.001	diphenyltin	0.001
dibutyltin	0.001	dioctyltin	0.001	triphenyltin	0.001
tributyltin (TBT)	0.001	tricyclohexyltin	0.001		
tetrabutyltin	0.001	monophenyltin	0.001		

Minimum sample amount: glass, 20 g
Method: GC-ICP-SFMS

**Arsenic speciation**

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
As (III)	0.01	monomethylarsonate MMA (V)	0.02
As (IV)	0.04	dimethylarsinate	0.01

Minimum sample amount: plastic, 1-10 g
Method: LC-HG-ICP-MS

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Asbestos - qualitative determination of fibres

Asbestos can be present as contamination in soil where asbestos containing-material has been exposed during a longer time period, or where asbestos has been released by friction and then mixed with soil.

Parameter	Parameter
actinolite	chrysotile
amosite	crocydolite
anthophyllite	tremolite

Minimum sample amount:

plastic, 250 g

Method:

optical microscopy

Note:

Chrysotile, amosite and crocydolite asbestos can be distinguished; however, anthophyllite cannot be so easily separated from tremolite and actinolite.



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Volatile organic compounds (VOC-EPA 8260)

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
1,1,1,2-tetrachloroethane	0.01	ethyl tert-butyl ether (ETBE)	0.05
1,1,1-trichloroethane	0.01	ethylbenzene	0.02
1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane	0.1	hexachlorobutadiene	0.1
1,1,2-trichloroethane	0.04	chlorobenzene	0.01
1,1-dichloro-1-propene	0.1	chloroethane	0.1
1,1-dichloroethane	0.01	chloromethane	1
1,1-dichloroethene	0.01	chloroform	0.03
1,2,3-trichlorobenzene	0.02	indane	0.1
1,2,3-trichloropropane	0.01	isopropyl benzene	0.1
1,2,4-trichlorobenzene	0.03	m, p-xylenes	0.02
1,2,4-trimethylbenzene	0.1	methyl tert-butyl ether (MTBE)	0.05
1,2-dibromo-3-chloropropane	0.1	naphthalene	0.1
1,2-dibromoethane (EDB)	0.1	n-butylbenzene	0.1
1,2-dichlorobenzene	0.02	n-propylbenzene	0.1
1,2-dichloroethane	0.05	o-xylene	0.01
1,2-dichloropropane	0.1	p-isopropyltoluene	0.1
1,3,5-trichlorobenzene	0.05	sec-butylbenzene	0.1
1,3,5-trimethylbenzene	0.1	styrene	0.04
1,3-dichlorobenzene	0.02	sum of 3 dichlorobenzenes	0.06
1,3-dichloropropane	0.1	sum of 3 trichlorobenzenes	0.1
1,4-dichlorobenzene	0.02	sum of 4 trihalomethanes	0.11
1,4-dioxan	5	sum of 5 chlorinated ethenes	0.05
2,2-dichloropropane	0.1	sum of BTEX	0.11
2-chlorotoluene	0.1	sum of BTEXS	0.15
4-chlorotoluene	0.1	sum of TEX	0.1
benzene	0.01	suma of xylenes	0.03
bromobenzene	0.1	tert-amyl ethyl ether (TAE)	0.05
bromodichloromethane	0.02	ter-amyl methyl ether (TAME)	0.05
bromochloromethane	0.2	tert-butyl alcohol (TBA)	0.8
bromomethane	0.1	tert-butylbenzene	0.1
bromoform	0.04	tetrachloroethene	0.02
cis-1,2-dichloroethene	0.02	tetrachloromethane	0.01
cis-1,3-dichloro-1-propene	0.1	toluene	0.05
dibromochloromethane	0.02	trans-1,2-dichloroethene	0.01
dibromomethan	0.1	trans-1,3-dichloropropene	0.1
dichlorodifluoromethane	0.1	trichloroethene	0.01
dichloromethane	0.08	trichlorofluoromethane	0.1
diisopropylether (DIPE)	0.02	vinylchloride	0.1

Minimum sample amount: glass, 30 g
Method: GC-MS

Trihalomethanes (VOC)

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
trichloromethane	0.03	bromodichloromethane	0.02
tribromomethane	0.04	sum of trihalomethanes	0.11
dibromochloromethane	0.02		

Minimum sample amount: glass, 30 g
Method: GC-MS

**Customisation
of VOC package?
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Fuel additives/acetone

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Sample amount
MTBE (methyl tert-butyl ether) TBA (tert-butyl alcohol)	0.05 0.8	glass, 30 g
ETBE (ethyl tert-butyl ether) TAME (tert-amyl methyl ether)	0.05 0.05	glass, 30 g
ethanol diisopropylether (DIPE) tetraethyl lead (TEL)	20 0.02 0.5	glass, 30 g
acetone	0.1	glass, 30 g

Method: GC-MS

Organic indicator parameters

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Sample amount
anionic tensides (surfactants)	0.2	glass, 50 g
AOX	30	glass, 50 g
TIC (total inorganic carbon)	100	glass, 50 g
TC (total carbon)	100	glass, 50 g
TOC (total organic carbon)	100	glass, 50 g
EOX (Cl)	1	glass, 50 g
extractable compounds	20	glass, 30 g
TOX (total organic halogens)	10	glass, 50 g
phenol index	0.2	glass, 250 g
formaldehyde	0.5	glass, 50 g

Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (EPA PAH)

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
naphthalene	0.01	chrysene	0.01
acenaphthylene	0.01	benzo(b)fluoranthene	0.01
acenaphthene	0.01	benzo(k)fluoranthene	0.01
fluorene	0.01	benzo(a)pyrene	0.01
phenanthrene	0.01	dibenzo(ah)anthracene	0.01
anthracene	0.01	benzo(ghi)perylene	0.01
fluoranthene	0.01	indeno(123cd)pyrene	0.01
pyrene	0.01	sum of PAHs	0.16
benzo(a)anthracene	0.01		

Minimum sample amount: glass, 50 g

Method: GC-MS

Total petroleum hydrocarbons by GC-FID

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
fraction C10-C12	2	fraction C35-C40	5
fraction C12-C16	3	fraction C10-C40	20
fraction C16-C35	10		

Minimum sample amount: glass, 50 g

Method: GC-FID





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fractions needed
for petroleum
hydrocarbons?
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Petroleum hydrocarbons by FTIR*

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
total extractable aliphatics	21	total extractable aromatics	20
non-polar aliphatics	21		

*perchloroethylene extraction

Minimum sample amount: glass, 50 g

Method: FTIR

Total petroleum hydrocarbons (qualitative determination)

Parameter
type of petroleum contamination and chromatogram profile

Minimum sample amount: glass, 50 g

Method: GC-FID

Petroleum hydrocarbons - fractions C5 - C40 with aliphatic and aromatic fractions

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
fraction C5 - C6	1	fraction C10-C12	5	fraction C35-C40	5
fraction C6 - C8	2	fraction C12-C16	10	fraction C5 - C10	5
fraction C8 - C10	2	fraction C16-C35	30	fraction C5 - C40	55
ALIPHATIC FRACTION					
aliphatic fraction C5 - C6	1	aliphatic fraction C10 - C12	5	aliphatic fraction C35 - C40	5
aliphatic fraction C6 - C8	2	aliphatic fraction C12 - C16	10	aliphatic fraction C5 - C10	5
aliphatic fraction C8 - C10	2	aliphatic fraction C16 - C35	30	aliphatic fraction C5 - C40	55
AROMATIC FRACTION					
aromatic fraction C5 - C7	2	aromatic fraction C12 - C16	10	aromatic fraction C5 - C10	5
aromatic fraction C7 - C8	1	aromatic fraction C16 - C21	10	aromatic fraction C5 - C40	55
aromatic fraction C8 - C10	2	aromatic fraction C21 - C35	20		
aromatic fraction C10 - C12	5	aromatic fraction C35 - C40	5		

Minimum sample amount: glass, 50g

Method: GC-FID

Organochlorinated pesticides

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
1,2,3,4-tetrachlorbenzene	0.01	cis-heptachlor epoxide	0.01	hexachloroethane	0.01
1,2,3,5+1,2,4,5-tetrachlorbenzenes	0.02	oxychlordane	0.01	trifluralin	0.01
pentachlorobenzene	0.01	chlordane-trans	0.01	alachlor	0.01
hexachlorobenzene	0.005	chlordane-cis	0.01	methoxychlor	0.01
alpha-hexachlorocyclohexane	0.01	endosulfane sulfate	0.01	sum of DDT-4 isomers	0.04
beta-hexachlorocyclohexane	0.01	o,p-DDD	0.01	sum of DDT-6 isomers	0.06
delta-hexachlorocyclohexane	0.01	o,p-DDE	0.01	sum of 4 hexachlorocyclohexanes	0.04
gamma-hexachlorocyclohexane	0.01	o,p-DDT	0.01	sum of 3 tetrachlorbenzenes	0.03
aldrin	0.01	p,p-DDD	0.01	nonachlor-trans	0.01
dieldrin	0.01	p,p-DDE	0.01	nonachlor-cis	0.01
endrin	0.01	p,p-DDT	0.01	mirex	0.01
isodrin	0.01	alpha-endosulfane	0.01	PBB 153	0.01
telodrin	0.01	beta-endosulfane	0.01		
heptachlor	0.01	hexachlorobutadiene	0.01		

Minimum sample amount: glass, 50g

Method: GC-ECD

Acidic pesticides - direct injection

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
acifluorfen	0.01	ioxynil	0.01	4-CPP	0.01
bentazone	0.01	MCPA	0.01	2,4-D	0.01
bromoxynil	0.01	MCPB	0.01	2,4-DP (isomers)	0.01
dicamba	0.01	MCPB (isomers)	0.01	2,4-DB	0.01
diclofop	0.01	propoxycarbazone sodium	0.01	2,4,5-T	0.01
DNOC	0.01	triclopyr	0.01	2,4,5-TP	0.01
fluroxypyr	0.01	triclosan	0.01		

Minimum sample amount: glass, 50g

Method: LC-MS-MS

Pesticides - direct injection

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
acetochlor	0.01	hexaionon	0.01	phosalon	0.01
alachlor	0.01	chlorfenvinphos	0.01	phoshamidon	0.01
ametryn	0.01	chlorotoluton	0.01	prometon	0.01
atrazine	0.01	chlorpyrifos	0.01	prometryn	0.01
atrazine-2-hydroxy	0.01	isoproturon	0.01	propazin	0.01
atrazine-desethyl	0.01	malathion	0.01	sebuthylazin	0.01
atrazine-desisopropyl	0.01	metamitron	0.01	simazin	0.01
carbofuran	0.01	metazachlor	0.01	simetryn	0.01
cyanazin	0.01	methidathion	0.01	terbutylazin	0.01
desmetryn	0.01	metalochlor (isomers)	0.01	terbutylazin-desethyl	0.01
dimethoat	0.01	metribuzin	0.01	terbutylazin-hydroxy	0.01
diuron	0.01	pendimethalin	0.01	terbutryn	0.01
fonofos	0.01	phorat	0.01		

Minimum sample amount: glass, 50g

Method: LC-MS-MS

Organic acids

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
formic acid	7.5	butyric and isobutyric acids	7.5	caproic acid	15
acetic acid	7.5	valeric acid	7.5	lactic acid	7.5
propionic acid	7.5	isovaleric acid	7.5		

Minimum sample amount: glass, 100 g
Method: capillary electrophoresis

Nonylphenol, octylphenol and their ethoxylates

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
4-tert-octylphenol	0.01	4-tert-octylphenol triethoxylate	0.01	nonylphenol diethoxylate	0.1
4-tert-octylphenol monoethoxylate	0.01	nonylphenol	0.1	nonylphenol triethoxylate	0.1
4-tert-octylphenol diethoxylate	0.01	nonylphenol monoethoxylate	0.1		

Minimum sample amount: glass, 50 g
Method: GC-MS

Nonylphenol and nonylphenol ethoxylates

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
nonylphenol	10	nonylphenol diethoxylate	10
nonylphenol monoethoxylate	10	nonylphenol triethoxylate	10

Minimum sample amount: glass, 50 g
Method: GC-MS

Phenol and cresols

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
phenol	0.1	2,3-dimethylphenol	0.1	2,6-dimethylphenol	0.1
o-cresol	0.1	2,4+2,5-dimethylphenols	0.2	3,4-dimethylphenol	0.1
m,p-cresol	0.2	3,5-dimethylphenol	0.1	sum of cresols	0.3

Minimum sample amount: glass, 50 g
Method: GC-MS



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Chlorophenols

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
2-monochlorophenol	0.02	2,4,6-trichlorophenol	0.02
3-monochlorophenol	0.02	3,4,5-trichlorophenol	0.02
4-monochlorophenol	0.02	2,3,4,5-tetrachlorophenol	0.02
2,3-dichlorophenol	0.02	2,3,4,6-tetrachlorophenol	0.02
2,4+2,5-dichlorophenols	0.04	2,3,5,6-tetrachlorophenol	0.02
2,6-dichlorophenol	0.02	pentachlorophenol	0.006
3,4-dichlorophenol	0.02	sum of 3 monochlorophenols	0.06
3,5-dichlorophenol	0.02	sum of 6 dichlorophenols	0.12
2,3,4-trichlorophenol	0.02	sum of 6 trichlorophenols	0.12
2,3,5-trichlorophenol	0.02	sum of 3 tetrachlorophenols	0.06
2,3,6-trichlorophenol	0.02	sum of 19 chlorophenols	0.366
2,4,5-trichlorophenol	0.02		

Minimum sample amount: glass, 50 g
Method: GC-MS

Chlorobenzenes

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
1,2-dichlorobenzene	0.02	1,2,3,4-tetrachlorobenzene	0.01
1,3-dichlorobenzene	0.02	1,2,3,5+1,2,4,5-tetrachlorobenzenes	0.02
1,4-dichlorobenzene	0.02	monochlorobenzene	0.01
1,2,3-trichlorobenzene	0.02	pentachlorobenzene	0.01
1,2,4-trichlorobenzene	0.03	hexachlorobenzene	0.005
1,3,5-trichlorobenzene	0.05	sum of chlorobenzenes	0.4

Minimum sample amount: glass, 80 g
Method: GC-ECD, GC-MS

Phthalates

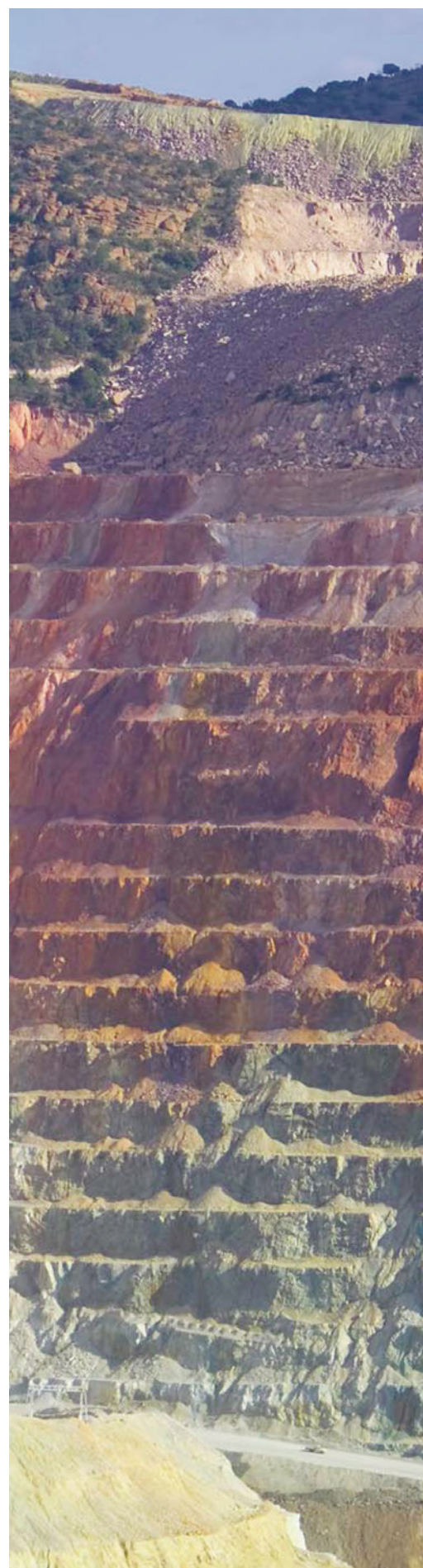
Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
dimethylphthalate	0.8	di-n-octylphthalate (DNOP)	0.8
diethylphthalate	0.8	bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (DEHP)	0.8
di-n-propylphthalate	0.8	butylbenzylphthalate (BBP)	0.8
di-n-butylphthalate (DBP)	0.8	di-cyclohexylphthalate	0.8
di-isobutylphthalate	0.8	sum of phthalates	8
di-pentylphthalate (DPP)	0.8		

Minimum sample amount: glass, 50 g
Method: GC-MS

Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB 7)

Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (mg/kg DW)
PCB 28	0.003	PCB 118	0.003	PCB 180	0.003
PCB 52	0.003	PCB 138	0.003	Sum of PCB	0.021
PCB 101	0.003	PCB 153	0.003		

Minimum sample amount: glass, 50 g
Method: GC-ECD





Coplanar PCBs and indicator PCBs

Parameter										
Non-ortho PCB		Mono-ortho PCB				Di-ortho PCB	Indicator PCB			
PCB 77	PCB 126	PCB 105	PCB 118	PCB 156	PCB 167	PCB 170	PCB 28	PCB 101	PCB 138	PCB 180
PCB 81	PCB 169	PCB 114	PCB 123	PCB 157	PCB 189	PCB 180	PCB 52	PCB 118	PCB 153	

LOQ is 0.001 ng TEQ/g DW for total coplanar PCBs and 17 ng/g DW for sum of indicator PCBs.

Minimum sample amount: 25 g

Method: HRGC-HRMS

Note: Homologue groups can be determined. Dioxins and dioxin-like PCBs can be determined together. Please contact your local sales representative for further information.



Dioxins (PCDD/F)

Parameter							
2,3,7,8-PCDD/F congeners					Other congeners		
2,3,7,8-TCDD	1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD	1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF	1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF	OCDF	tetra-CDD	OCDD	hepta-CDF
1,2,3,7,8-PeCDD	1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD	2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF	2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF		penta-CDD	tetra-CDF	OCDF
1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD	OCDD	1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF	1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF		hexa-CDD	penta-CDF	
1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD	2,3,7,8-TCDF	1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF	1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF		hepta-CDD	hexa-CDF	

LOQ is 4 ng I-TEQ/kg DW for total 2,3,7,8-PCDD/F congeners

Minimum sample amount: 25 g

Method: HRGC-HRMS

Note: Results can also be expressed according to WHO factors. Dioxins and dioxin-like PCBs can be determined together. Please contact your local sales representative for further information.



Polybrominated diphenylethers

Parameter	LOQ (µg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (µg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (µg/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (µg/kg DW)
BDE 28	25	BDE 99	63	BDE 153	20	BDE 183	64
BDE 47	270	BDE 100	20	BDE 154	20	BDE 209	640

Minimum sample amount: glass, 25 g

Method: HRGC-HRMS

Note: Homologue groups and other congeners can also be determined. Please contact your local sales representative.



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Ecotoxicological testing

Test on aquatic species

For tests requiring homogenisation and leach, the sample is grinded and homogenised at a grain size < 10 mm, then the leach is prepared at a ration 1:10 during a 24 hours period. Volume of leach and therefore the amount of input material depends on the type of test.

Fast ecotoxicological test - Microtox

Parameter
Bacterial bioluminescent test on <i>Vibrio fischeri</i> + homogenisation + preparation of leach

Minimum sample amount: glass or plastic, 100 g

Basic test

Parameter	Sample amount
acute toxicity on fish <i>Poecilia reticulata</i> (LC ₅₀) +homogenisation +preparation of leach 3 litres	glass or plastic, 1000 g
acute toxicity on aquatic arthropods <i>Daphnia magna</i> (EC ₅₀) +homogenisation +preparation of leach 2 litres	glass or plastic, 200 g
acute toxicity on green algae <i>Scenedesmus subspicatus</i> (<i>Desmodemus Subspicatus</i>) (IC ₅₀) +homogenisation +preparation of leach 1 litre	glass or plastic, 150 g
acute toxicity on the seed crop plants <i>Sinapis alba</i> (IC ₅₀) +homogenisation +preparation of leach 1 litre	glass or plastic, 100 g
acute toxicity - growth inhibition of duckweed (<i>Lemna minor</i>) +homogenisation +preparation of leach 2 litres	glass or plastic, 500 - 1000 g

Limit test

Parameter	Sample amount
acute toxicity on fish <i>Poecilia reticulata</i> (LC ₅₀) - limit test 10 ml/l +homogenisation +preparation of leach 3 litres	glass or plastic, 400 g
acute toxicity on aquatic arthropods <i>Daphnia magna</i> (EC ₅₀) - limit test 10ml/l +homogenisation +preparation of leach 1 litre	glass or plastic, 100 g
acute toxicity on green algae <i>Scenedesmus subspicatus</i> (<i>Desmodemus Subspicatus</i>) (IC ₅₀) - limit test 10ml/l +homogenisation +preparation of leach 1 litre	glass or plastic, 100 g
acute toxicity on the seed crop plants <i>Sinapis alba</i> (IC ₅₀) - limit test 10ml/l +homogenisation +preparation of leach 1 litre	glass or plastic, 100 g

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**Verification test**

Parameter	Sample amount
acute toxicity on fish <i>Poecilia reticulata</i> - verification test +homogenisation +preparation of leach 3 litres	glass or plastic, 400 g
acute toxicity on aquatic arthropods <i>Daphnia magna</i> - verification test +homogenisation +preparation of leach 1 litre	glass or plastic, 100 g
acute toxicity on green algae <i>Scenedesmus subspicatus</i> (<i>Desmodemus Subspicatus</i>) - verification test +homogenisation +preparation of leach 1 litre	glass or plastic, 100 g
acute toxicity on the seed crop plants <i>Sinapis alba</i> - verification test +homogenisation +preparation of leach 1 litre	glass or plastic, 100 g
acute toxicity - growth inhibition of duckweed (<i>Lemna minor</i>) - verification test +homogenisation +preparation of leach 1 litre	glass or plastic, 250 - 500 g

Note: depending on the combination of requested parameters, the total amount of sample necessary for analysis can be diminished. Please contact your local sales representative for further information.

Test on terrestrial species**Acute toxicity**

Parameter	Sample amount
acute toxicity on enchytraeids (<i>Enchytraeus crypticus</i>) - sediment	glass or plastic, 1 kg
acute toxicity on springtails (<i>Folsomia candida</i>) - sediment	glass or plastic, 1 kg
acute toxicity on the growth of higher plants (<i>Lactuca sativa</i>) - sediment	glass or plastic, 2 kg

Phytotoxicity test

Parameter	Sample amount
index of germination of seeds - <i>Lepidium sativum</i> +homogenisation +preparation of leach 1 litre (1 hour leach)	glass or plastic, 500 g
relative seed germination - <i>Lepidium sativum</i> +homogenisation +preparation of leach 1 litre (1 hour leach)	glass or plastic, 500 g

Nitrification activity

Parameter	Sample amount
nitrification activity and inhibition of nitrification	glass or plastic, 1 kg



Radiochemical parameters – alpha and beta activities

Parameter	LOQ (Bq/kg DW)	Sample amount
gross alpha activity	500	plastic, 2 g
gross beta activity	500	plastic, 2 g
gross beta activity corrected for K 40 K	500 0.15 5 (mg/kg DW)	plastic, 5 g



Radiochemical parameters

Parameter	LOQ (Bq/kg DW)	Sample amount
lead-210	25	plastic, 5 g
polonium-210	50	plastic, 5 g
radium-226	30	plastic, 5 g
strontium-90	5	plastic, 80 g
strontium-90 – low limit	0.5	plastic, 200 g
uranium (photometry), calculation of U-238 activity	50	plastic, 5 g



Gamma spectrometry - artificial radionuclides emitting gamma ray

Parameter	LOQ (Bq/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (Bq/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (Bq/kg DW)
Cs 134	1	Co 60	0.2	Am 241	1
Cs 137	1	I 131	1		

Minimum sample amount:

plastic, 500 g

Method:

HRGS (with correction to matrix composition)

Note:

Other artificial radionuclides can be determined. Please contact your local sales representative for further information.



Gamma spectrometry - natural radionuclides emitting gamma ray

Parameter	LOQ (Bq/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (Bq/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (Bq/kg DW)
Ac 227	1	Ra 226	1	Th 234	10
K 40	10	Ra 228	1	U 235	1
Pb 210	50	Th 227	1	U 238	10
Pa 231	5	Th 228	1		
Ra 223	1	Th 230	50		

Minimum sample amount:

plastic, 500 g

Method:

HRGS (with correction to matrix composition)



Gamma spectrometry - natural radionuclides emitting gamma ray - construction material

Parameter	LOQ (Bq/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (Bq/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (Bq/kg DW)
Ra 226	1	Th 228	1	Index of mass activity	0.05
K 40	10				

Minimum sample amount:

plastic, 700 g



Natural isotopes of uranium and thorium

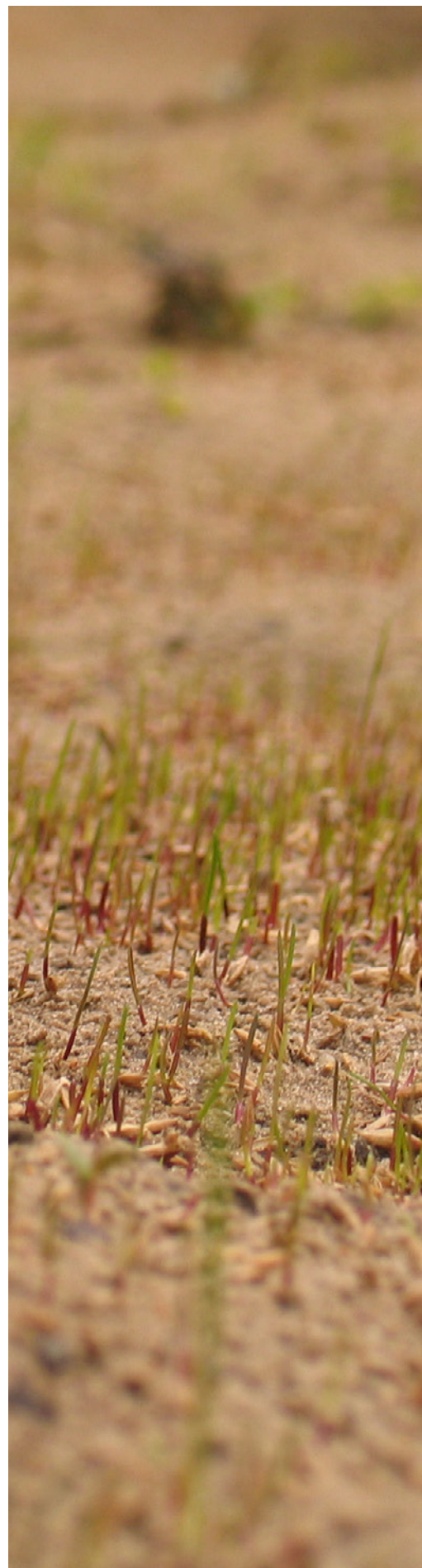
Parameter	LOQ (Bq/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (Bq/kg DW)	Parameter	LOQ (Bq/kg DW)
Th 232	0.1	U 238	0.1	U 234	1
Th 230	8	U 235	0.1		

Minimum sample amount:

plastic, 5 g

Method:

ICP-SFMS





Ra-226
Pb-210
Po-210
Ra-228

U-238
U-234
Th-230
Th-232



Th-228
Cs-134
Cs-137
Sr-90

Am-241
K-40
Rn-222
Ra-224

I-131
Tritium
C-14
Pu-239

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Specific requirements on sediment

Local legislation or specific determinations focused on the matrix type, here sediment, can influence on the analytical sets of analysis. Here are introduced some of ALS Life Sciences analytical solutions for sediment.

Sediment for use on agricultural land – risk parameters

Parameter	LOQ (unit)	Parameter	LOQ (unit)
As	5 mg/kg DW	V	0.5 mg/kg DW
Be	0.1 mg/kg DW	Zn	0.5 mg/kg DW
Cd	0.3 mg/kg DW	BTEX	0.17 mg/kg DW
Co	0.5 mg/kg DW	PAU	0.12 mg/kg DW
Cr	0.5 mg/kg DW	PCB	0.14 mg/kg DW
Cu	0.5 mg/kg DW	Petroleum hydrocarbons C10-C40	20 mg/kg DW
Hg	0.5 mg/kg DW	DDT – sum of 6 isomers	0.06 mg/kg DW
Ni	0.5 mg/kg DW	skeleton 2-4 mm	0.01 %
Pb	5 mg/kg DW	skeleton over 4 mm	0.01 %

Minimum sample amount: plastic, 250 g
Method: ICP-OES, AAS-AMA, GC-MS, GC-ECD, GC-FID

Sediment for use on agricultural land – ecotoxicological tests

Parameter	Parameter
toxicity test on enchytraeids (<i>Enchytraeus crypticus</i>)	inhibition of nitrification
toxicity test na springtails (<i>Folsomia candida</i>)	growth inhibition of higher plants (<i>Lactuca sativa</i>)

Minimum sample amount: plastic, 2 kg of sediment and 2 kg of soil

Sediment for use on agricultural land – microbiology

Parameter
thermotolerant coliform bacteria
enterococci
<i>Salmonella sp.</i>

Minimum sample amount: 5x sterile glass, 5x 200 g for one sample

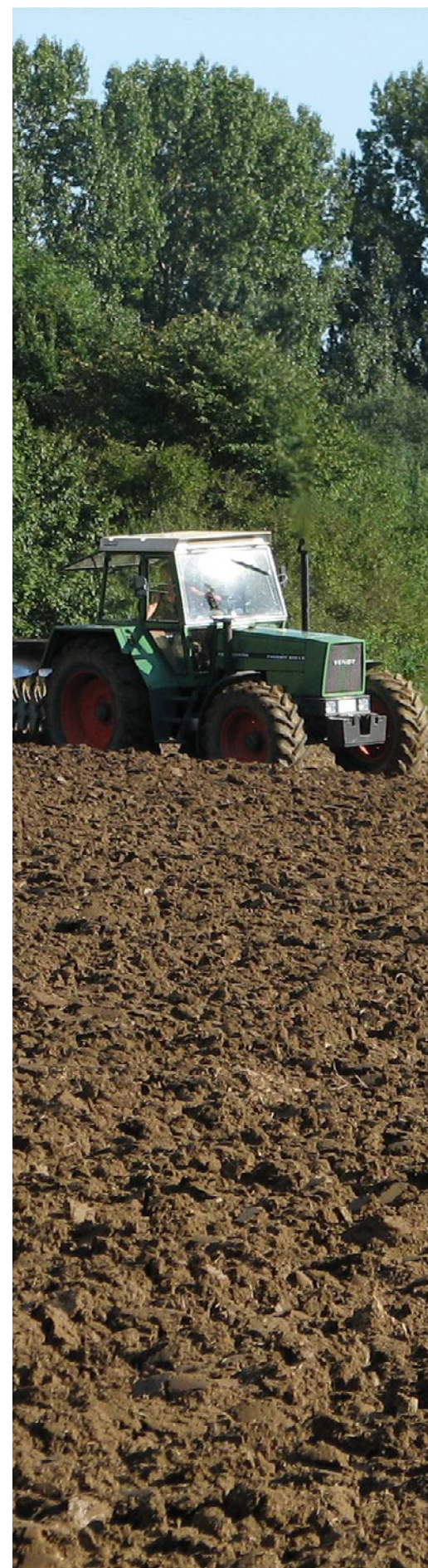
Sediment for use on agricultural land – properties

Parameter	LOQ (unit)	Parameter	LOQ (unit)
pH (CaCl ₂)	1	Ca	5 mg/kg DW
Loss on ignition – organic matters	0.1 % DW	Mg	5 mg/kg DW
N – total nitrogen	50 mg/kg DW	K	5 mg/kg DW
NH ₄ -N – ammoniacal nitrogen	0.4 mg/kg DW	P	5 mg/kg DW
NO ₃ -N – nitrate nitrogen	4 mg/kg DW		

Minimum sample amount: plastic, 250 g
Method: ICP-OES, spectrometry

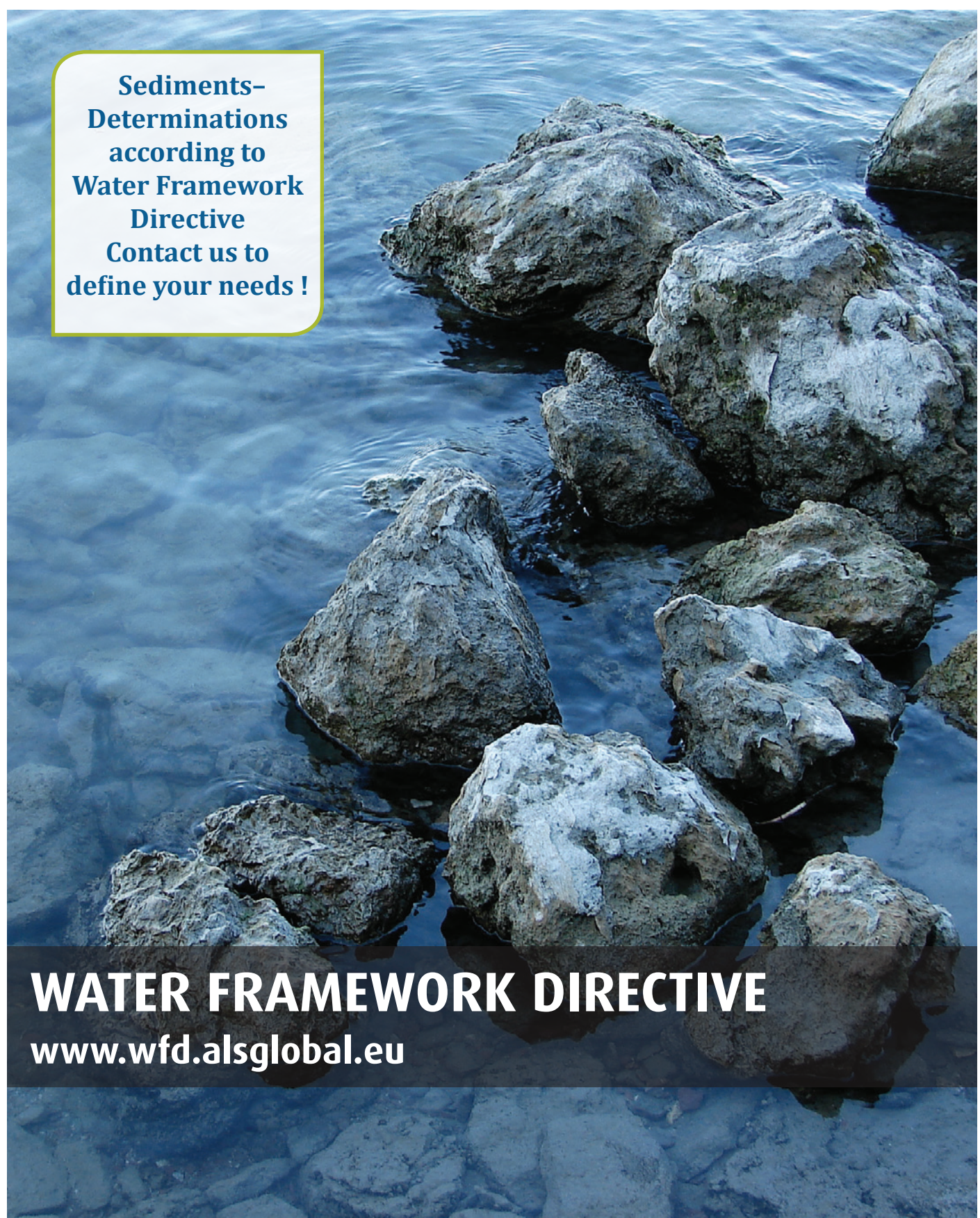
Sediment for use on agricultural land – grain size analysis – fine particles and texture

Parameter	LOQ (unit)	Sample amount
particles <0,01mm	0.01 %	plastic, 100 g
texture	-	



Water framework directive - sediment analysis

Priority substances and hazardous substances including pesticides, chloroalkanes and brominated diphenyl ethers can be determined at set environmental quality standards (EQS levels).



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Sludge amount and sludge index

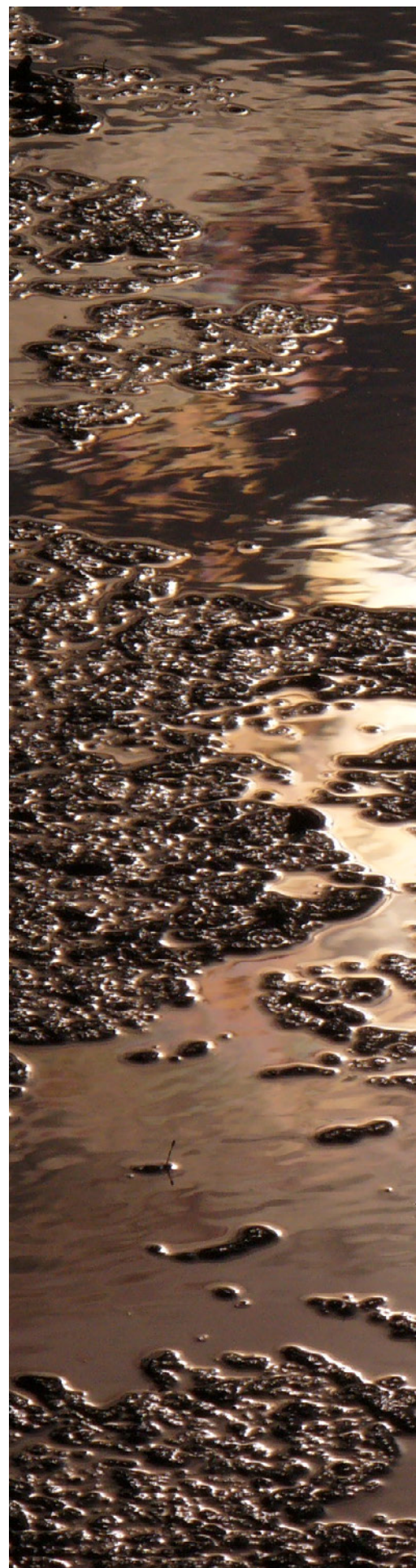
Parameter	LOQ	Parameter	LOQ
suspended matter	5 mg/l	sludge index	20 ml/g
sludge amount	0.1 ml/l		

Minimum sample volume: glass, 1000 ml

Sludge for use on agricultural land

Parameter	LOQ (unit)	Parameter	LOQ (unit)
loss on ignition at 550 °C	0.1 % DW	Cr - chromium	0.5 mg/kg DW
total nitrogen	50 mg/kg DW	Cu - copper	0.5 mg/kg DW
ammoniacal nitrogen (N-NH ₄)	0.4 mg/kg DW	Hg - mercury	0.3 mg/kg DW
nitrate nitrogen	4 mg/kg DW	Ni - nickel	0.5 mg/kg DW
Ca - calcium	5 mg/kg DW	Pb - lead	5 mg/kg DW
Mg - magnesium	5 mg/kg DW	Zn - zinc	0.5 mg/kg DW
K - potassium	5 mg/kg DW	AOX	30 mg/kg DW
P- phosphorus	5 mg/kg DW	PCB - sum of congeners	0.12 mg/kg DW
pH	1 mg/kg DW	thermotolerant coliform bacteria	-
As - arsenic	5 mg/kg DW	enterococci	-
Cd - cadmium	0.4 mg/kg DW	<i>Salmonella sp.</i>	-

Minimum sample amount: glass, 400 g + sterile glass, 500 g
Method: ICP-OES, AAS-AMA, GC-ECD, spectrometry, coulometry





Passive sampling offers several advantages over conventional sampling. The sampler is deployed for extended periods of time (often days or weeks), enriching trace analytes to facilitate their detection and quantification. The results obtained are concentrations averaged over the sampling time. ALS offers passive samplers for metals in soil/sediment.

PS Metal

PS Metal is used to sample metals in situ in soil and sediment. The simple plastic sampler contains a filter, a hydrogel, and an ion exchange resin. Metal ions in water diffuse through the filter and the gel, and finally accumulate in the ion exchange resin. The longer the sampling time, the larger the amounts of ions accumulated. The ions are then eluted from the resin with acid, and can be determined by ICP-AES or ICP-MS.

Analyses for PS Metal

Analytical package
Basic metal package (Al, Cd, Co, Cr, Cu, Fe, Mn, Ni, Pb, U, Zn)
Extended metal package (Ag, Al, Ba, Ca, Cd, Ce, Co, Cr, Cu, Dy, Er, Eu, Fe, Gd, Ho, La, Lu, Mg, Mn, Nd, Ni, Pb, Pr, Sm, Sr, Tb, Tm, U, Yb, Zn)

LOQs depend on sampling times. Please contact your local sales representative for further information.

The sampler for sediment is in the shape of a narrow wedge that is pushed into the sediment. The final result is a concentration profile with high spatial resolution. Metal toxicity is strongly influenced by the complexation reactions that take place in natural aquatic systems. In many cases, the concentration of trace metal that is available for aquatic organisms differs from both the total concentration and from that of dissolved metal. In sampling with PS Metal, particle-bound and strongly complexed metal will be excluded in a manner which corresponds to their non-availability for biota. Consequently, PS Metal is not directly comparable to either total or dissolved concentrations in an ordinary water sample. Quantitative results can be calculated for all elements that are included in our PS Metal analytical packages.



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