

CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS FOR

SEDEX TYPE Zn-Pb-Ag ORE CERTIFIED REFERENCE MATERIAL OREAS 138

Summary Statistics for Key Analytes.

Constituent	Certified	1SD	95% Confid	dence Limits	95% Tolerance Limits		
Constituent	Value	טפ	Low	High	Low	High	
4-Acid Digestion							
Ag, Silver (ppm)	45.2	2.27	44.2	46.2	44.1	46.3	
Pb, Lead (wt.%)	1.23	0.031	1.22	1.24	1.21	1.26	
Zn, Zinc (wt.%)	8.19	0.108	8.14	8.23	8.09	8.28	

Note: intervals may appear asymmetric due to rounding.



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Table 1. Certified Values, SDs, 95% Confidence and Tolerance Limits for OREAS 138.

O-matition of	Certified	400	95% Confid	dence Limits	95% Tolerance Limits		
Constituent	Value	1SD	Low	High	Low	High	
4-Acid Digestion							
Ag, Silver (ppm)	45.2	2.27	44.2	46.2	44.1	46.3	
Al, Aluminium (wt.%)	4.32	0.285	4.19	4.46	4.23	4.42	
As, Arsenic (ppm)	275	14	269	280	265	285	
Be, Beryllium (ppm)	2.99	0.202	2.89	3.09	2.85	3.13	
Ca, Calcium (wt.%)	1.27	0.041	1.25	1.29	1.25	1.30	
Cd, Cadmium (ppm)	168	14	161	176	163	173	
Co, Cobalt (ppm)	26.7	2.14	25.6	27.8	25.9	27.6	
Cr, Chromium (ppm)	36.0	4.6	33.4	38.6	33.0	39.0	
Cs, Cesium (ppm)	4.21	0.300	4.01	4.40	4.10	4.32	
Cu, Copper (ppm)	266	13	260	272	260	271	
Dy, Dysprosium (ppm)	3.19	0.098	3.12	3.25	3.05	3.32	
Er, Erbium (ppm)	1.78	0.096	1.67	1.90	1.72	1.85	
Fe, Iron (wt.%)	11.02	0.573	10.75	11.29	10.78	11.26	
Ga, Gallium (ppm)	11.4	0.67	10.9	11.8	10.9	11.9	
Gd, Gadolinium (ppm)	3.94	0.276	3.69	4.19	3.77	4.11	
Hf, Hafnium (ppm)	2.80	0.215	2.68	2.93	2.69	2.92	
Ho, Holmium (ppm)	0.61	0.033	0.57	0.65	0.56	0.66	
In, Indium (ppm)	0.50	0.043	0.47	0.52	0.47	0.53	
K, Potassium (wt.%)	3.96	0.187	3.87	4.05	3.88	4.03	
Li, Lithium (ppm)	43.8	2.53	42.3	45.4	42.5	45.2	
Lu, Lutetium (ppm)	0.26	0.03	0.24	0.28	0.24	0.28	
Mg, Magnesium (wt.%)	0.644	0.048	0.623	0.666	0.631	0.657	
Mn, Manganese (wt.%)	0.459	0.020	0.450	0.468	0.451	0.467	
Mo, Molybdenum (ppm)	10.7	1.02	10.0	11.3	10.3	11.1	
Na, Sodium (wt.%)	0.131	0.009	0.126	0.136	0.127	0.136	
Nb, Niobium (ppm)	6.50	1.08	5.81	7.20	6.30	6.70	
Nd, Neodymium (ppm)	22.4	1.78	20.9	23.9	21.1	23.7	
Ni, Nickel (ppm)	37.7	2.89	36.2	39.1	36.0	39.3	
P, Phosphorus (wt.%)	0.090	0.005	0.088	0.093	0.088	0.093	
Pb, Lead (wt.%)	1.23	0.031	1.22	1.24	1.21	1.26	
Pr, Praseodymium (ppm)	5.75	0.374	5.35	6.14	5.41	6.08	
Rb, Rubidium (ppm)	178	10	172	185	173	183	
S, Sulphur (wt.%)	12.35	0.365	12.18	12.52	12.11	12.59	
Sb, Antimony (ppm)	34.9	3.9	32.8	36.9	33.4	36.4	
Sc, Scandium (ppm)	6.39	0.73	5.82	6.96	6.10	6.68	
Se, Selenium (ppm)	2.21	0.36	1.92	2.50	1.99	2.43	
Sm, Samarium (ppm)	4.71	0.220	4.52	4.89	4.48	4.93	
Sn, Tin (ppm)	1.82	0.19	1.69	1.95	1.61	2.04	
Sr, Strontium (ppm)	328	39	307	348	315	340	
Ti, Titanium (wt.%)	0.143	0.015	0.132	0.154	0.136	0.149	
TI, Thallium (ppm)	40.5	2.37	39.1	42.0	39.4	41.7	
Tm, Thulium (ppm)	0.25	0.03	0.23	0.28	0.23	0.28	

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Table 1 continued.

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Constituent	Certified	1SD	95% Confid	dence Limits	95% Tolera	ance Limits							
Oonstituent	Value	135	Low	High	Low	High							
4-Acid Digestion continued	l												
U, Uranium (ppm)	12.8	0.82	12.3	13.2	12.3	13.3							
V, Vanadium (ppm)	76	4.4	74	78	74	78							
W, Tungsten (ppm)	2.51	0.205	2.39	2.62	2.38	2.63							
Y, Yttrium (ppm)	17.2	1.00	16.6	17.8	16.7	17.6							
Yb, Ytterbium (ppm)	1.71	0.062	1.67	1.74	1.62	1.79							
Zn, Zinc (wt.%)	8.19	0.108	8.14	8.23	8.09	8.28							
Zr, Zirconium (ppm)	98	7.6	93	102	95	100							
Peroxide Fusion ICP													
Al, Aluminium (wt.%)	4.40	0.184	4.30	4.49	4.30	4.49							
As, Arsenic (ppm)	281	14	272	289	263	298							
Ca, Calcium (wt.%)	1.28	0.067	1.24	1.32	1.23	1.33							
Cd, Cadmium (ppm)	174	8	169	180	166	183							
Ce, Cerium (ppm)	56	5.2	50	63	53	60							
Cs, Cesium (ppm)	4.19	0.399	3.80	4.57	3.89	4.48							
Cu, Copper (ppm)	264	18	254	273	248	280							
Er, Erbium (ppm)	1.92	0.177	1.75	2.09	IND	IND							
Fe, Iron (wt.%)	10.97	0.376	10.79	11.15	10.76	11.18							
Ga, Gallium (ppm)	11.1	1.3	9.7	12.5	IND	IND							
In, Indium (ppm)	0.47	0.06	0.41	0.52	IND	IND							
K, Potassium (wt.%)	3.94	0.162	3.87	4.02	3.83	4.06							
La, Lanthanum (ppm)	27.5	2.50	25.0	29.9	25.0	29.9							
Li, Lithium (ppm)	46.2	3.63	44.2	48.3	43.5	48.9							
Mg, Magnesium (wt.%)	0.658	0.033	0.642	0.674	0.637	0.678							
Mn, Manganese (wt.%)	0.453	0.017	0.447	0.460	0.444	0.463							
Pb, Lead (wt.%)	1.22	0.053	1.20	1.25	1.18	1.26							
Pr, Praseodymium (ppm)	6.62	0.491	6.01	7.23	6.16	7.07							
Rb, Rubidium (ppm)	185	7	179	191	180	190							
S, Sulphur (wt.%)	12.42	0.236	12.28	12.56	12.15	12.69							
Sb, Antimony (ppm)	36.9	2.38	35.8	38.0	35.0	38.8							
Si, Silicon (wt.%)	19.85	0.560	19.56	20.15	19.64	20.07							
Sm, Samarium (ppm)	4.55	0.424	4.13	4.98	IND	IND							
Sr, Strontium (ppm)	404	50	371	436	383	424							
Tb, Terbium (ppm)	0.58	0.09	0.48	0.68	IND	IND							
Th, Thorium (ppm)	8.94	0.588	8.38	9.51	8.34	9.54							
Ti, Titanium (wt.%)	0.191	0.008	0.188	0.194	0.186	0.195							
TI, Thallium (ppm)	38.4	1.76	36.7	40.1	37.4	39.4							
U, Uranium (ppm)	12.6	0.68	12.1	13.1	11.9	13.3							
V, Vanadium (ppm)	81	6.0	76	87	77	85							
Y, Yttrium (ppm)	19.1	2.3	16.7	21.6	17.5	20.7							
Zn, Zinc (wt.%)	8.03	0.224	7.94	8.13	7.89	8.18							
Aqua Regia Digestion													
Ag, Silver (ppm)	45.1	2.06	44.2	46.1	44.1	46.2							
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	Certified	i abie i C	ontinued.	dence Limits	95% Tolerance Limits		
Constituent		1SD		1		I	
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Aqua Regia Digestion contin		0.064	0.760	0.025	0.762	0.924	
Al, Aluminium (wt.%)	0.794	0.064	0.762	0.825	0.763	0.824	
As, Arsenic (ppm)	278	13	272	283	269	286	
Bi, Bismuth (ppm)	4.92	0.59	4.52	5.33	4.76	5.09	
Ca, Calcium (wt.%)	1.25	0.068	1.22	1.29	1.22	1.29	
Cd, Cadmium (ppm)	164	14	157	171	160	169	
Ce, Cerium (ppm)	47.0	4.29	43.8	50.3	45.9	48.1	
Co, Cobalt (ppm)	24.7	2.21	23.8	25.6	23.5	25.9	
Cr, Chromium (ppm)	18.5	1.54	17.9	19.1	17.4	19.6	
Cs, Cesium (ppm)	1.88	0.159	1.76	2.00	1.81	1.95	
Cu, Copper (ppm)	263	8	259	266	255	270	
Fe, Iron (wt.%)	11.01	0.544	10.74	11.28	10.78	11.23	
Ga, Gallium (ppm)	4.35	0.50	3.96	4.75	4.16	4.54	
Gd, Gadolinium (ppm)	3.36	0.56	2.61	4.11	3.26	3.46	
Hf, Hafnium (ppm)	0.66	0.09	0.58	0.75	0.62	0.71	
Hg, Mercury (ppm)	2.49	0.207	2.30	2.68	2.41	2.56	
Ho, Holmium (ppm)	0.44	0.06	0.36	0.52	0.40	0.48	
In, Indium (ppm)	0.45	0.05	0.42	0.49	0.41	0.49	
K, Potassium (wt.%)	0.377	0.048	0.353	0.400	0.361	0.392	
La, Lanthanum (ppm)	21.5	3.2	19.2	23.7	20.5	22.4	
Li, Lithium (ppm)	25.8	4.2	22.7	28.9	24.8	26.7	
Lu, Lutetium (ppm)	0.14	0.02	0.11	0.17	IND	IND	
Mg, Magnesium (wt.%)	0.519	0.031	0.504	0.534	0.504	0.534	
Mn, Manganese (wt.%)	0.423	0.018	0.415	0.432	0.413	0.433	
Mo, Molybdenum (ppm)	10.4	0.79	9.9	10.9	10.0	10.8	
Na, Sodium (wt.%)	0.015	0.002	0.013	0.017	0.013	0.017	
Ni, Nickel (ppm)	37.3	3.8	35.6	39.1	35.4	39.2	
P, Phosphorus (wt.%)	0.088	0.007	0.085	0.091	0.085	0.092	
Pb, Lead (wt.%)	1.24	0.044	1.22	1.26	1.22	1.26	
Rb, Rubidium (ppm)	31.3	1.98	29.8	32.7	30.0	32.6	
S, Sulphur (wt.%)	12.04	0.813	11.49	12.59	11.75	12.33	
Sb, Antimony (ppm)	28.2	4.8	25.2	31.1	27.1	29.3	
Sc, Scandium (ppm)	2.73	0.49	2.37	3.08	2.57	2.88	
Sm, Samarium (ppm)	3.66	0.49	3.02	4.30	3.51	3.82	
Sr, Strontium (ppm)	51	10	46	56	49	53	
Te, Tellurium (ppm)	0.39	0.07	0.32	0.45	0.34	0.43	
Th, Thorium (ppm)	8.31	0.784	7.78	8.84	7.98	8.64	
Ti, Titanium (wt.%)	0.016	0.002	0.014	0.018	0.015	0.017	
TI, Thallium (ppm)	7.74	0.89	7.10	8.38	7.48	8.01	
U, Uranium (ppm)	11.3	0.57	10.8	11.8	11.0	11.6	
V, Vanadium (ppm)	36.0	4.0	34.2	37.9	34.4	37.6	
Y, Yttrium (ppm)	12.5	0.76	11.9	13.0	12.0	12.9	
Zn, Zinc (wt.%)	8.11				7.98		
Note: intervals may appear asymn		0.124	8.04	8.17	7.90	8.23	

Note: intervals may appear asymmetric due to rounding

Table 1 continued.

Constituent	Certified	1SD	95% Confid	dence Limits	95% Tolerance Limits		
Constituent	Value	130	Low	High	Low	High	
Aqua Regia Digestion contin	nued						
Zr, Zirconium (ppm)	21.8	3.4	19.0	24.7	20.7	22.9	
Infrared Combustion							
C, Carbon (wt.%)	4.03	0.112	3.98	4.09	3.99	4.08	
S, Sulphur (wt.%)	12.85	0.183	12.77	12.92	12.68	13.01	

Note: intervals may appear asymmetric due to rounding

INTRODUCTION

OREAS reference materials are intended to provide a low cost method of evaluating and improving the quality of analysis of geological samples. To the geologist they provide a means of implementing quality control in analytical data sets generated in exploration from the grass roots level through to prospect evaluation, and in grade control at mining operations. To the analyst they provide an effective means of calibrating analytical equipment, assessing new techniques and routinely monitoring in-house procedures.

SOURCE MATERIALS

OREAS 138 has been prepared from a blend of barren and ore grade SEDEX Type Zn-Pb-Ag materials sourced from the Dugald River deposit located in the Mt Isa Inlier, ~65km north-west of Cloncurry in north-west Queensland, Australia. The mineralisation style is dominated by sphalerite and galena with a gangue of graphitic slate, pyrrhotite and pyrite. The deposit is hosted within a sequence of upper greenschist to amphibolite facies metamorphic rocks consisting quartzite, schists, slates and dolomite.

COMMINUTION AND HOMOGENISATION PROCEDURES

The material constituting OREAS 138 was prepared in the following manner:

- Drying to constant mass at 85°C;
- Crushing and milling to 98% minus 75 microns;
- Preliminary homogenisation and check assaying of barren, low, medium and high grade source materials;
- Final homogenisation by blending the source materials in specific ratios to achieve target grades;
- Packaging in 10g units sealed under nitrogen in laminated foil pouches.

ANALYTICAL PROGRAM

Twenty four commercial analytical laboratories participated in the program to certify the analytes reported in Table 1. The following methods were employed:

• Four acid digestion for full ICP-OES and ICP-MS elemental suites except for one laboratory who used an AAS finish for Ag, two laboratories who used an AAS finish

for S and five laboratories who used an AAS finish for Pb and Zn (up to 23 laboratories depending on the element);

- Peroxide fusion for full ICP-OES and ICP-MS elemental suites except for one laboratory who used borate fusion with an ICP-OES finish for Si only (up to 18 laboratories depending on the element);
- Aqua regia digestion for full ICP-OES and ICP-MS elemental suites except for one laboratory who used an AAS finish for Ag, two laboratories who used an AAS finish for Pb and six laboratories who used an AAS finish for Zn (up to 20 laboratories depending on the element);
- C and S by IR combustion furnace (19 laboratories for C; 20 laboratories for S);

For the round robin program ten 300g test units were taken at predetermined intervals during the bagging stage, immediately following homogenisation and are considered representative of the entire 324kg batch. The six samples received by each laboratory were obtained by taking two 20g scoop splits from each of three separate 300g test units. This format enabled nested ANOVA treatment of the results to evaluate homogeneity, i.e. to ascertain whether between-unit variance is greater than within-unit variance. Table 1 presents the 127 certified values together with their associated 1SD's, 95% confidence and tolerance limits and Table 2 below shows 69 indicative values. Table 3 provides performance gate intervals for the certified values based on their associated pooled standard deviations. Tabulated results of all elements together with analytical method codes, uncorrected means, medians, standard deviations, relative standard deviations and per cent deviation of lab means from the corrected mean of means (PDM³) are presented in the detailed certification data for this CRM (OREAS 138 DataPack.xlsx).

Table 2. Indicative Values for OREAS 138.

Constituent	Unit	Value	Constituent	Unit	Value	Constituent	Unit	Value				
4-Acid Digestion												
В	ppm	1.16	Hg	ppm	0.73	Та	ppm	0.36				
Ва	ppm	1784	lr	ppm	0.005	Tb	ppm	0.54				
Bi	ppm	4.95	La	ppm	17.5	Te	ppm	0.39				
Ce	ppm	37.9	Pt	ppm	0.012	Th	ppm	6.79				
Eu	ppm	0.83	Re	ppm	0.014							
Peroxide Fusion I	СР											
Ag	ppm	41.5	Ge	ppm	6.99	Sc	ppm	6.11				
В	ppm	205	Hf	ppm	4.00	Se	ppm	< 20				
Ва	ppm	10520	Но	ppm	0.65	Sn	ppm	6.04				
Be	ppm	3.44	Lu	ppm	0.29	Та	ppm	0.57				
Bi	ppm	4.75	Мо	ppm	10.3	Te	ppm	< 1				
Co	ppm	26.4	Nb	ppm	6.14	Tm	ppm	0.28				
Cr	ppm	43.8	Nd	ppm	25.1	W	ppm	2.29				
Dy	ppm	3.36	Ni	ppm	34.8	Yb	ppm	1.83				
Eu	ppm	0.71	Р	wt.%	0.091	Zr	ppm	99				
Gd	ppm	3.95	Re	ppm	< 0.1							

Note: the number of significant figures reported is not a reflection of the level of certainty of stated values. They are instead an artefact of ORE's in-house CRM-specific LIMS.

Table 2 continued.

Constituent	Unit	Value	Constituent	Unit	Value	Constituent	Unit	Value
Aqua Regia Diges	tion							
Au	ppm	0.002	lr	ppm	0.006	Si	wt.%	0.103
В	ppm	5.32	Nb	ppm	0.55	Sn	ppm	1.97
Ва	ppm	35.3	Nd	ppm	20.6	Та	ppm	< 0.01
Be	ppm	1.38	Pd	ppm	< 0.01	Tb	ppm	0.44
Dy	ppm	2.46	Pr	ppm	5.15	Tm	ppm	0.14
Er	ppm	1.15	Pt	ppm	5.74	W	ppm	1.83
Eu	ppm	0.57	Re	ppm	0.013	Yb	ppm	1.01
Ge	ppm	0.50	Se	ppm	2.59			
Thermogravimetry	У							
LOI ¹⁰⁰⁰	wt.%	10.27						

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STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

Certified Values, Confidence Limits, Standard Deviations and Tolerance Limits (Table 1) have been determined for each analyte following removal of individual, laboratory dataset (batch) and 3SD outliers (single iteration). For individual outliers within a laboratory batch the z-score test is used in combination with a second method that determines the per cent deviation of the individual value from the batch median. Outliers in general are selected on the basis of z-scores > 2.5 and with per cent deviations (i) > 3 and (ii) more than three times the average absolute per cent deviation for the batch. In certain instances statistician's prerogative has been employed in discriminating outliers. Each laboratory data set mean is tested for outlying status based on z-score discrimination and rejected if > 2.5. After individual and laboratory data set (batch) outliers have been eliminated a non-iterative 3 standard deviation filter is applied, with those values lying outside this window also relegated to outlying status. The Certified Values are the means of accepted laboratory means after outlier filtering.

The 95% Confidence Limits are inversely proportional to the number of participating laboratories and inter-laboratory agreement. It is a measure of the reliability of the certified value. A 95% confidence interval indicates a 95% probability that the true value of the analyte under consideration lies between the upper and lower limits. 95% Confidence Limits should not be used as control limits for laboratory performance.

Standard Deviation values (1SDs) are reported in Table 1 and provide an indication of a level of performance that might reasonably be expected from a laboratory being monitored by this CRM in a QA/QC program. The SD's take into account errors attributable to measurement uncertainty and CRM variability. For an effective CRM the contribution of the latter should be negligible in comparison to measurement errors. The SD values thus include all sources of measurement uncertainty: between-lab variance, within-run variance (precision errors) and CRM variability. OREAS prepared reference materials have a level of homogeneity such that the observed variance from repeated analysis has its origin almost exclusively in the analytical process rather than the reference material itself.

The SD for each analyte's certified value is calculated from the same filtered data set used to determine the certified value, i.e. after removal of any individual, lab dataset (batch) and 3SD outliers (single iteration). These outliers can only be removed after the absolute homogeneity of the CRM has been independently established, i.e. the outliers must be confidently deemed to be analytical rather than arising from inhomogeneity of the CRM. The standard deviation is then calculated for each analyte from the pooled accepted analyses generated from the certification program.

In the application of SD's in monitoring performance it is important to note that not all laboratories function at the same level of proficiency and that different methods in use at a particular laboratory have differing levels of precision. Each laboratory has its own inherent SD (for a specific concentration level and analyte-method pair) based on the analytical process and this SD is not directly related to the round robin program.

The majority of data generated in the round robin program was produced by a selection of world class laboratories. The SD's thus generated are more constrained than those that would be produced across a randomly selected group of laboratories. To produce more generally achievable SD's the 'pooled' SD's provided in this report include inter-lab bias. This 'one size fits all' approach may require revision at the discretion of the QC manager concerned following careful scrutiny of QC control charts.

Table 3 shows **Performance Gates** calculated for two and three standard deviations. As a guide these intervals may be regarded as warning or rejection for multiple 2SD outliers, or rejection for individual 3SD outliers in QC monitoring, although their precise application should be at the discretion of the QC manager concerned. A second method utilises a 5% window calculated directly from the certified value. Standard deviation is also shown in relative percent for one, two and three relative standard deviations (1RSD, 2RSD and 3RSD) to facilitate an appreciation of the magnitude of these numbers and a comparison with the 5% window. Caution should be exercised when concentration levels approach lower limits of detection of the analytical methods employed as performance gates calculated from standard deviations tend to be excessively wide whereas those determined by the 5% method are too narrow.

Tolerance Limits (ISO Guide 3207) were determined using an analysis of precision errors method and are considered a conservative estimate of true homogeneity. The meaning of tolerance limits may be illustrated for zinc (Zn) by 4-acid digestion, where 99% of the time $(1-\alpha=0.99)$ at least 95% of subsamples (p=0.95) will have concentrations lying between 8.09 and 8.28 wt.%. Put more precisely, this means that if the same number of subsamples were taken and analysed in the same manner repeatedly, 99% of the tolerance intervals so constructed would cover at least 95% of the total population, and 1% of the tolerance intervals would cover less than 95% of the total population (ISO Guide 35). Please note that tolerance limits pertain to the homogeneity of the CRM only and should not be used as control limits for laboratory performance.

The homogeneity of OREAS 138 has also been evaluated in a **nested ANOVA** of the round robin program. Each of the twenty four round robin laboratories received six samples per CRM and these samples were made up of paired samples from three different, non-adjacent sampling intervals. The purpose of the ANOVA evaluation is to test that no statistically significant difference exists in the variance between-units to that of the variance within-units. This allows an assessment of homogeneity across the entire prepared batch of OREAS 138. The test was performed using the following parameters:

- Null Hypothesis, H₀: Between-unit variance is no greater than within-unit variance (reject H₀ if p-value < 0.05);
- Alternative Hypothesis, H₁: Between-unit variance is greater than within-unit variance.

P-values are a measure of probability where values less than 0.05 indicate a greater than 95% probability that the observed differences in within-unit and between-unit variances are real. The datasets were filtered for both individual and laboratory data set (batch) outliers prior to the calculation of p-values. This process derived no significant p-values across the entire 127 certified values except for tungsten (W) by 4-acid digestion but its failure can be explained by reading resolution errors in the data due to proximity to detection levels (~ 25 x LLD). The null hypothesis is therefore retained.

It is important to note that ANOVA is not an absolute measure of homogeneity. Rather, it establishes whether or not the analytes are distributed in a similar manner throughout the packaging run of OREAS 138 and whether the variance between two subsamples from the same unit is statistically distinguishable to the variance from two subsamples taken from any two separate units. A reference material therefore, can possess poor absolute homogeneity yet still pass a relative homogeneity test if the within-unit heterogeneity is large and similar across all units.

Based on the statistical analysis of the results of the inter-laboratory certification program it can be concluded that OREAS 138 is fit-for-purpose as a certified reference material (see 'Intended Use' below).

Table 3. Pooled-Lab Performance Gates for OREAS 138.

0	Certified		Absolute	Standard	Deviations	S	Relative	Relative Standard Deviations			5% window	
Constituent	Value	1SD	2SD Low	2SD High	3SD Low	3SD High	1RSD	2RSD	3RSD	Low	High	
4-Acid Digest	tion											
Ag, ppm	45.2	2.27	40.7	49.8	38.4	52.0	5.01%	10.02%	15.03%	43.0	47.5	
Al, wt.%	4.32	0.285	3.76	4.89	3.47	5.18	6.58%	13.16%	19.74%	4.11	4.54	
As, ppm	275	14	247	302	233	316	5.04%	10.08%	15.13%	261	288	
Be, ppm	2.99	0.202	2.59	3.39	2.38	3.60	6.76%	13.51%	20.27%	2.84	3.14	
Ca, wt.%	1.27	0.041	1.19	1.35	1.15	1.40	3.21%	6.42%	9.64%	1.21	1.34	
Cd, ppm	168	14	139	197	125	211	8.55%	17.10%	25.65%	160	176	
Co, ppm	26.7	2.14	22.5	31.0	20.3	33.2	7.99%	15.98%	23.97%	25.4	28.1	
Cr, ppm	36.0	4.6	26.8	45.2	22.2	49.8	12.80%	25.59%	38.39%	34.2	37.8	
Cs, ppm	4.21	0.300	3.61	4.81	3.31	5.11	7.12%	14.24%	21.36%	4.00	4.42	
Cu, ppm	266	13	240	291	227	304	4.82%	9.64%	14.46%	252	279	
Dy, ppm	3.19	0.098	2.99	3.38	2.89	3.48	3.09%	6.17%	9.26%	3.03	3.35	
Er, ppm	1.78	0.096	1.59	1.98	1.50	2.07	5.37%	10.74%	16.11%	1.69	1.87	
Fe, wt.%	11.02	0.573	9.87	12.17	9.30	12.74	5.20%	10.40%	15.60%	10.47	11.57	
Ga, ppm	11.4	0.67	10.0	12.7	9.4	13.4	5.87%	11.75%	17.62%	10.8	11.9	
Gd, ppm	3.94	0.276	3.39	4.49	3.11	4.77	7.00%	14.01%	21.01%	3.74	4.14	
Hf, ppm	2.80	0.215	2.37	3.24	2.16	3.45	7.68%	15.36%	23.04%	2.66	2.94	
Ho, ppm	0.61	0.033	0.54	0.68	0.51	0.71	5.45%	10.90%	16.35%	0.58	0.64	
In, ppm	0.50	0.043	0.41	0.59	0.37	0.63	8.70%	17.39%	26.09%	0.47	0.52	
K, wt.%	3.96	0.187	3.58	4.33	3.40	4.52	4.73%	9.45%	14.18%	3.76	4.16	
Li, ppm	43.8	2.53	38.8	48.9	36.2	51.4	5.77%	11.55%	17.32%	41.6	46.0	

Note: intervals may appear asymmetric due to rounding.

Table 3 continued.

	Table 3 continued. Absolute Standard Deviations Relative Standard Deviations 5% window												
Constituent	Certified		Absolute	Standard	Deviations	S	Relative	Standard D	eviations	5% w	indow		
Constituent	Value	1SD	2SD Low	2SD High	3SD Low	3SD High	1RSD	2RSD	3RSD	Low	High		
4-Acid Digest	ion continue	ed				ı				1			
Lu, ppm	0.26	0.03	0.20	0.32	0.17	0.35	11.86%	23.71%	35.57%	0.25	0.27		
Mg, wt.%	0.644	0.048	0.549	0.740	0.501	0.787	7.41%	14.81%	22.22%	0.612	0.677		
Mn, wt.%	0.459	0.020	0.420	0.498	0.400	0.518	4.28%	8.57%	12.85%	0.436	0.482		
Mo, ppm	10.7	1.02	8.6	12.7	7.6	13.7	9.61%	19.23%	28.84%	10.1	11.2		
Na, wt.%	0.131	0.009	0.113	0.150	0.104	0.159	7.06%	14.12%	21.18%	0.125	0.138		
Nb, ppm	6.50	1.08	4.33	8.67	3.25	9.75	16.67%	33.34%	50.01%	6.18	6.83		
Nd, ppm	22.4	1.78	18.8	26.0	17.1	27.8	7.95%	15.91%	23.86%	21.3	23.5		
Ni, ppm	37.7	2.89	31.9	43.4	29.0	46.3	7.68%	15.37%	23.05%	35.8	39.5		
P, wt.%	0.090	0.005	0.079	0.101	0.074	0.107	6.07%	12.13%	18.20%	0.086	0.095		
Pb, wt.%	1.23	0.031	1.17	1.29	1.14	1.32	2.50%	5.00%	7.49%	1.17	1.29		
Pr, ppm	5.75	0.374	5.00	6.50	4.63	6.87	6.50%	13.00%	19.51%	5.46	6.04		
Rb, ppm	178	10	159	197	150	207	5.35%	10.71%	16.06%	169	187		
S, wt.%	12.35	0.365	11.62	13.08	11.25	13.44	2.95%	5.91%	8.86%	11.73	12.97		
Sb, ppm	34.9	3.9	27.1	42.6	23.2	46.5	11.16%	22.31%	33.47%	33.1	36.6		
Sc, ppm	6.39	0.73	4.93	7.86	4.19	8.59	11.46%	22.91%	34.37%	6.07	6.71		
Se, ppm	2.21	0.36	1.48	2.94	1.12	3.30	16.47%	32.94%	49.40%	2.10	2.32		
Sm, ppm	4.71	0.220	4.26	5.15	4.04	5.37	4.68%	9.36%	14.03%	4.47	4.94		
Sn, ppm	1.82	0.19	1.43	2.21	1.24	2.40	10.61%	21.23%	31.84%	1.73	1.91		
Sr, ppm	328	39	249	406	210	446	11.99%	23.99%	35.98%	311	344		
Ti, wt.%	0.143	0.015	0.113	0.172	0.098	0.187	10.37%	20.74%	31.12%	0.136	0.150		
TI, ppm	40.5	2.37	35.8	45.3	33.4	47.6	5.85%	11.69%	17.54%	38.5	42.6		
Tm, ppm	0.25	0.03	0.20	0.31	0.17	0.34	11.26%	22.53%	33.79%	0.24	0.27		
U, ppm	12.8 76	0.82 4.4	11.1 67	14.4 85	10.3	15.3	6.44%	12.88% 11.67%	19.33%	12.1	13.4 80		
V, ppm W, ppm	2.51	0.205	2.10	2.92	63 1.89	89 3.12	5.84% 8.17%	16.33%	17.51% 24.50%	72 2.38	2.63		
Y, ppm	17.2	1.00	15.2	19.2	14.2	20.2	5.82%	11.64%	17.46%	16.3	18.0		
Yb, ppm	1.71	0.062	1.58	1.83	1.52	1.89	3.64%	7.29%	10.93%	1.62	1.79		
Zn, wt.%	8.19	0.108	7.97	8.40	7.86	8.51	1.32%	2.63%	3.95%	7.78	8.60		
Zr, ppm	98	7.6	82	113	75	120	7.82%	15.63%	23.45%	93	102		
Peroxide Fus		7.0	02	110	70	120	7.0270	10.0070	20.4070		102		
Al, wt.%	4.40	0.184	4.03	4.76	3.84	4.95	4.19%	8.37%	12.56%	4.18	4.62		
As, ppm	281	14	253	309	238	323	5.03%	10.07%	15.10%	267	295		
Ca, wt.%	1.28	0.067	1.15	1.42	1.08	1.48	5.24%	10.47%	15.71%	1.22	1.35		
Cd, ppm	174	8	158	191	149	200	4.80%	9.60%	14.39%	166	183		
Ce, ppm	56	5.2	46	67	41	72	9.23%	18.45%	27.68%	54	59		
Cs, ppm	4.19	0.399	3.39	4.99	2.99	5.39	9.53%	19.06%	28.58%	3.98	4.40		
Cu, ppm	264	18	228	300	210	318	6.85%	13.69%	20.54%	251	277		
Er, ppm	1.92	0.177	1.56	2.27	1.39	2.45	9.22%	18.43%	27.65%	1.82	2.01		
Fe, wt.%	10.97	0.376	10.22	11.72	9.84	12.10	3.43%	6.85%	10.28%	10.42	11.52		
Ga, ppm	11.1	1.3	8.5	13.7	7.2	15.0	11.67%	23.33%	35.00%	10.6	11.7		
In, ppm	0.47	0.06	0.34	0.59	0.28	0.66	13.64%	27.29%	40.93%	0.44	0.49		
K, wt.%	3.94	0.162	3.62	4.27	3.46	4.43	4.10%	8.20%	12.30%	3.75	4.14		
La, ppm	27.5	2.50	22.5	32.5	20.0	34.9	9.10%	18.20%	27.30%	26.1	28.8		
Note: interval		•				•	•			•			

Note: intervals may appear asymmetric due to rounding.



Table 3 continued.

	Table 3 continued. Absolute Standard Deviations Relative Standard Deviations 5% window											
Constituent	Certified		Absolute	Standard	Deviations	S	Relative	Standard D	eviations	5% w	indow	
Constituent	Value	1SD	2SD Low	2SD High	3SD Low	3SD High	1RSD	2RSD	3RSD	Low	High	
Peroxide Fus	ion ICP con	tinued				ı						
Li, ppm	46.2	3.63	39.0	53.5	35.3	57.1	7.85%	15.69%	23.54%	43.9	48.5	
Mg, wt.%	0.658	0.033	0.592	0.724	0.559	0.757	5.03%	10.06%	15.09%	0.625	0.691	
Mn, wt.%	0.453	0.017	0.420	0.487	0.403	0.504	3.69%	7.38%	11.07%	0.431	0.476	
Pb, wt.%	1.22	0.053	1.12	1.33	1.06	1.38	4.32%	8.64%	12.96%	1.16	1.28	
Pr, ppm	6.62	0.491	5.64	7.60	5.14	8.09	7.42%	14.83%	22.25%	6.29	6.95	
Rb, ppm	185	7	171	199	164	206	3.87%	7.73%	11.60%	176	194	
S, wt.%	12.42	0.236	11.95	12.89	11.71	13.13	1.90%	3.80%	5.70%	11.80	13.04	
Sb, ppm	36.9	2.38	32.1	41.6	29.8	44.0	6.45%	12.90%	19.35%	35.0	38.7	
Si, wt.%	19.85	0.560	18.73	20.97	18.17	21.53	2.82%	5.65%	8.47%	18.86	20.84	
Sm, ppm	4.55	0.424	3.71	5.40	3.28	5.83	9.31%	18.63%	27.94%	4.33	4.78	
Sr, ppm	404	50	304	504	254	554	12.40%	24.79%	37.19%	383	424	
Tb, ppm	0.58	0.09	0.41	0.76	0.32	0.84	15.08%	30.17%	45.25%	0.55	0.61	
Th, ppm	8.94	0.588	7.77	10.12	7.18	10.71	6.58%	13.15%	19.73%	8.50	9.39	
Ti, wt.%	0.191	0.008	0.175	0.206	0.167	0.214	4.08%	8.16%	12.24%	0.181	0.200	
TI, ppm	38.4	1.76	34.9	41.9	33.1	43.7	4.59%	9.18%	13.77%	36.5	40.3	
U, ppm	12.6	0.68	11.2	14.0	10.6	14.7	5.42%	10.84%	16.25%	12.0	13.2	
V, ppm	81	6.0	69	93	63	99	7.33%	14.66%	22.00%	77	85	
Y, ppm	19.1	2.3	14.6	23.7	12.3	25.9	11.91%	23.83%	35.74%	18.2	20.1	
Zn, wt.%	8.03	0.224	7.58	8.48	7.36	8.71	2.79%	5.58%	8.37%	7.63	8.43	
Aqua Regia D	1	T		T	T	T	T			T	I	
Ag, ppm	45.1	2.06	41.0	49.3	38.9	51.3	4.57%	9.14%	13.72%	42.9	47.4	
Al, wt.%	0.794	0.064	0.665	0.922	0.600	0.987	8.12%	16.24%	24.36%	0.754	0.833	
As, ppm	278	13	252	303	239	316	4.67%	9.33%	14.00%	264	291	
Bi, ppm	4.92	0.59	3.75	6.10	3.16	6.69	11.96%	23.92%	35.88%	4.68	5.17	
Ca, wt.%	1.25	0.068	1.12	1.39	1.05	1.46	5.42%	10.84%	16.26%	1.19	1.32	
Cd, ppm	164	14	136	193	122	207	8.59%	17.18%	25.77%	156	173	
Ce, ppm	47.0	4.29	38.4	55.6	34.1	59.9	9.13%	18.26%	27.39%	44.7	49.4	
Co, ppm	24.7	2.21	20.3	29.2	18.1	31.4	8.95%	17.91%	26.86%	23.5	26.0	
Cr, ppm	18.5	1.54	15.4	21.6	13.9	23.1	8.35%	16.71%	25.06%	17.6	19.4	
Cs, ppm	1.88 263	0.159 8	1.56	2.20	1.41	2.36	8.44%	16.88%	25.31%	1.79	1.98	
Cu, ppm Fe, wt.%	11.01	0.544	9.92	278 12.10	239 9.37	286 12.64	2.98% 4.94%	5.97% 9.89%	8.95% 14.83%	250 10.46	276 11.56	
,	4.35	0.544	3.35	5.35	2.85	5.85	11.49%	22.99%	34.48%	4.13	4.57	
Ga, ppm Gd, ppm	3.36	0.56	2.24	4.48	1.67	5.05	16.73%	33.47%	50.20%	3.19	3.53	
Hr, ppm	0.66 2.49	0.09	0.48 2.07	0.84 2.90	0.39 1.87	0.93 3.11	13.56% 8.31%	27.13% 16.62%	40.69% 24.94%	0.63 2.36	0.70 2.61	
Hg, ppm Ho, ppm	0.44	0.207	0.32	0.56	0.26	0.62	13.43%	26.87%	40.30%	0.42	0.46	
In, ppm	0.44	0.06	0.32	0.56	0.20	0.62	10.06%	20.07%	30.18%	0.42	0.46	
K, wt.%	0.43	0.03	0.30	0.34	0.32	0.59	12.62%	25.25%	37.87%	0.43	0.47	
La, ppm	21.5	3.2	15.2	27.8	12.0	30.9	14.69%	29.38%	44.08%	20.4	22.5	
Li, ppm	25.8	4.2	17.3	34.2	13.0	38.5	16.46%	32.92%	49.38%	24.5	27.0	
Lu, ppm	0.14	0.02	0.09	0.19	0.07	0.21	16.88%	33.75%	50.63%	0.13	0.15	
Mg, wt.%	0.14	0.02	0.09	0.19	0.07	0.613	6.05%	12.11%	18.16%	0.13	0.15	
Note: interval	l			l	l .	0.013	0.00/0	14.11/0	10.1070	0.430	0.040	

Note: intervals may appear asymmetric due to rounding.



Table 3 continued.

0	Certified		Absolute	Standard	Deviations	5	Relative	Standard D	eviations	5% w	indow
Constituent	Value	1SD	2SD Low	2SD High	3SD Low	3SD High	1RSD	2RSD	3RSD	Low	High
Aqua Regia D	igestion co	ntinued									
Mn, wt.%	0.423	0.018	0.388	0.459	0.370	0.477	4.22%	8.44%	12.67%	0.402	0.445
Mo, ppm	10.4	0.79	8.8	12.0	8.0	12.8	7.59%	15.17%	22.76%	9.9	10.9
Na, wt.%	0.015	0.002	0.011	0.019	0.008	0.022	14.73%	29.46%	44.18%	0.014	0.016
Ni, ppm	37.3	3.8	29.7	44.9	26.0	48.7	10.15%	20.31%	30.46%	35.5	39.2
P, wt.%	0.088	0.007	0.075	0.102	0.068	0.109	7.68%	15.36%	23.04%	0.084	0.093
Pb, wt.%	1.24	0.044	1.15	1.33	1.11	1.37	3.51%	7.01%	10.52%	1.18	1.30
Rb, ppm	31.3	1.98	27.3	35.2	25.3	37.2	6.33%	12.67%	19.00%	29.7	32.8
S, wt.%	12.04	0.813	10.42	13.67	9.60	14.48	6.75%	13.50%	20.25%	11.44	12.64
Sb, ppm	28.2	4.8	18.6	37.8	13.7	42.7	17.09%	34.19%	51.28%	26.8	29.6
Sc, ppm	2.73	0.49	1.75	3.70	1.26	4.19	17.89%	35.77%	53.66%	2.59	2.86
Sm, ppm	3.66	0.49	2.68	4.64	2.19	5.13	13.40%	26.80%	40.21%	3.48	3.84
Sr, ppm	51	10	31	72	21	82	19.86%	39.72%	59.59%	49	54
Te, ppm	0.39	0.07	0.25	0.53	0.17	0.60	18.23%	36.47%	54.70%	0.37	0.41
Th, ppm	8.31	0.784	6.74	9.88	5.95	10.66	9.44%	18.88%	28.32%	7.89	8.72
Ti, wt.%	0.016	0.002	0.011	0.020	0.009	0.023	14.53%	29.07%	43.60%	0.015	0.017
TI, ppm	7.74	0.89	5.96	9.53	5.06	10.42	11.54%	23.07%	34.61%	7.36	8.13
U, ppm	11.3	0.57	10.2	12.4	9.6	13.0	5.05%	10.09%	15.14%	10.7	11.9
V, ppm	36.0	4.0	28.1	44.0	24.1	47.9	11.02%	22.04%	33.06%	34.2	37.8
Y, ppm	12.5	0.76	10.9	14.0	10.2	14.7	6.09%	12.17%	18.26%	11.8	13.1
Zn, wt.%	8.11	0.124	7.86	8.35	7.73	8.48	1.53%	3.07%	4.60%	7.70	8.51
Zr, ppm	21.8	3.4	14.9	28.7	11.5	32.1	15.78%	31.56%	47.34%	20.7	22.9
Infrared Com	bustion										
C, wt.%	4.03	0.112	3.81	4.26	3.70	4.37	2.78%	5.55%	8.33%	3.83	4.24
S, wt.%	12.85	0.183	12.48	13.21	12.30	13.40	1.42%	2.85%	4.27%	12.21	13.49

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