

Supplementary Materials

Discontinuous Geochemical Monitoring of the Galleria Italia Circumneutral Waters (Former Hg-Mining Area of Abbadia San Salvatore, Tuscany, Central Italy) Feeding the Fosso Della Chiusa Creek

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Table S1. Description of QA/QC, the criterion of acceptability and the frequency adopted during the analysis of this work.

QA/QC Protocol	Acceptability Criterion	Measurement Frequency
Instrument Detection Limits (IDLs)	< LLOQ (lower limit of quantitation)	At least once when a new instrumentation is set up, after instrumental maintenance and/or according to the QC protocol
Method blank	< ½LLOQ	For each batch of samples and when the reactants are changed
Linear range	Within 10%	For each analytical sequence
Matrix spike, Matrix spike	Within ± 25%. RPD precision < 20%	For each analytical sequence and at least every 20 samples
Laboratory control sample (LCS)	Within 20%	For each analytical sequence and at least every 20 samples
Lower limit of quantitation check sample (LLOQ)	Within ± 35%. RSD precision < 20%	Every 3 months
Spectral interference check solution (SIC)	Unspiked elements are to be < 2xLLOQ	To be read at the beginning of each analytical batch and every 12 h when the instrument is used continuously
Internal Standard	<30%	
Calibration blank (ICB/CCB)	ICB ≤ LLOQ CCB < LLOQ	ICB = initial calibration blank to be analyzed after the calibration curve. CCB = continuing calibration blank to be read every 10 samples and at the end of each batch of samples.
Initial calibration verification/Continuing calibration verification standard (ICV/CCV)	Within ± 10% with respect to the real value	Every 10 samples and at the end of each batch of samples.