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1 INTRODUCTION

During the contact of materials with food, molecules can migrate from the food contact material to the food. Because of this, in many countries regulations are made to ensure food safety. The framework Regulation (EC) No. 10/2011 (lit. 18 and lit. 19) applies to all food contact materials and describes a large number of requirements, e.g. limits for Overall Migration and specific limits for certain constituents. Article 12 of this regulation describes the Overall Migration limit, which is 10 mg/dm². Only when determined for food contact intended for infants and children, the Overall Migration is expressed in mg/kg food simulant with a limit of 60 mg/kg food simulant. The determination of specific migration requires additional analytical testing following the migration step, while the determination of the overall (also called global or total) migration requires weighing as only quantitative analytical technique.

Since 2012, the Institute for Interlaboratory Studies (iis) organizes a proficiency scheme for Overall Migration every year. During the annual proficiency testing program 2019/2020, it was decided to continue with the proficiency test for the determination of Overall Migration on food contact materials.

In this interlaboratory study 44 laboratories from 18 different countries registered for participation. See appendix 4 for the number of participants per country. In this report, the results of the 2019 proficiency test are presented and discussed. This report is also electronically available through the iis website www.iisnl.com.

2 SET UP

The Institute for Interlaboratory Studies (iis) in Spijkenisse, The Netherlands, was the organizer of this proficiency test (PT). Sample analyses for fit-for-use and homogeneity testing were subcontracted to an ISO/IEC17025 accredited laboratory. It was decided to send 1 sample, a blue PTFE square plate labelled #19620, positive on Overall Migration. Furthermore, a number of test conditions (type of simulant, exposure time, exposure volume, migration method, simulant volume and details about the contact surface testing) were prescribed. The participants were requested to report rounded and unrounded test results. The unrounded test results were preferably used for statistical evaluation.

2.1 ACCREDITATION

The Institute for Interlaboratory Studies in Spijkenisse, the Netherlands, is accredited in agreement with ISO/IEC17043:2010 (R007), since January 2000, by the Dutch Accreditation Council (Raad voor Accreditatie). This PT falls under the accredited scope. This ensures strict adherence to protocols for sample preparation and statistical evaluation and 100% confidentiality of participant's data. Feedback from the participants on the reported data is encouraged and customer's satisfaction is measured on regular basis by sending out questionnaires.

2.2 PROTOCOL

The protocol followed in the organization of this proficiency test was the one as described for proficiency testing in the report 'iis Interlaboratory Studies: Protocol for the Organisation, Statistics and Evaluation' of June 2018 (iis-protocol, version 3.5). This protocol is electronically available through the iis website www.iisnl.com, from the FAQ page.

2.3 CONFIDENTIALITY STATEMENT

All data presented in this report must be regarded as confidential and for use by the participating companies only. Disclosure of the information in this report is only allowed by means of the entire report. Use of the contents of this report for third parties is only allowed by written permission of the Institute for Interlaboratory Studies. Disclosure of the identity of one or more of the participating companies will be done only after receipt of a written agreement of the companies involved.

2.4 SAMPLES

The batch for sample #19620 (a blue PTFE square plate, 10 x 10 x 0.2cm) was used in a previous test of Overall Migration on food contact materials (iis13P05GM). Therefore, homogeneity of the subsamples #19620 was assumed.

To each of the participating laboratories one sample #19620 was sent on October 4, 2019.

2.5 ANALYSES

The participants were requested to determine Overall Migration on sample #19620 using the prescribed test conditions (total immersion, repeated use with double contact surface testing and distilled Water as simulatant for 2 hrs. at 70°C.)

In daily practise, not just one item, but more items for testing would have been sent. However, this sample is positive and especially prepared for this proficiency test. This means that one item of the sample is sufficient for the determination of Overall Migration. The participants were requested to report the test results of all three successive migration steps. It was also requested to report if the laboratory was accredited for this test and to report some analytical details.

It was explicitly requested to treat the sample as if it was a routine sample and to report the test results using the indicated units on the report form and not to round the test results, but report as much significant figures as possible. It was also requested not to report 'less than' test results, which are above the detection limit, because such results cannot be used for meaningful statistical evaluations.

To get comparable test results, a detailed report form and a letter of instructions are prepared. On the report form the reporting units are given as well as the appropriate reference test methods that will be used during the evaluation. The detailed report form and the letter of instructions are both made available on the data entry portal www.kpmd.co.uk/sgs-iis-cts/. The participating laboratories are also requested to confirm the sample receipt on this data entry portal. The letter of instructions can also be downloaded from the iis website www.iisnl.com.

3 RESULTS

During five weeks after sample dispatch, the test results of the individual laboratories were gathered via the data entry portal www.kpmd.co.uk/sgs-iis-cts/. The reported test results are tabulated per determination in appendix 1 of this report. The laboratories are presented by their code numbers.

Directly after the deadline, a reminder was sent to those laboratories that had not reported test results at that moment. Shortly after the deadline, the available test results were screened for suspect data. A test result was called suspect in case the Huber Elimination Rule (a robust outlier test) found it to be an outlier. The laboratories that produced these suspect data were asked to check the reported test results (no reanalyzes). Additional or corrected test results are used for data analysis and original test results are placed under 'Remarks' in the test result tables in appendix 1. Test results that came in after the deadline were not taken into account in this screening for suspect data and thus these participants were not requested for checks.

3.1 STATISTICS

The protocol followed in the organization of this proficiency test was the one as described for proficiency testing in the report 'iis Interlaboratory Studies: Protocol for the Organisation, Statistics and Evaluation' of June 2018 (iis-protocol, version 3.5).

For the statistical evaluation the *unrounded* (when available) figures were used instead of the rounded test results. Test results reported as '<...' or '>...' were not used in the statistical evaluation.

First, the normality of the distribution of the various data sets per determination was checked by means of the Lilliefors-test, a variant of the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test and by the calculation of skewness and kurtosis. Evaluation of the three normality indicators in combination with the visual evaluation of the graphic Kernel density plot, lead to judgement of the normality being either 'unknown', 'OK', 'suspect' or 'not OK'. After removal of outliers, this check was repeated. If a data set does not have a normal distribution, the (results of the) statistical evaluation should be used with due care.

According to ISO5725 the original test results per determination were submitted to Dixon's, Grubbs' and/or Rosner's outlier tests. Outliers are marked by D(0.01) for the Dixon's test, by G(0.01) or DG(0.01) for the Grubbs' test and by R(0.01) for the Rosner's test. Stragglers are marked by D(0.05) for the Dixon's test, by G(0.05) or DG(0.05) for the Grubbs' test and by R(0.05) for the Rosner's test. Both outliers and stragglers were not included in the calculations of averages and standard deviations.

For each assigned value, the uncertainty was determined in accordance with ISO13528. Subsequently the calculated uncertainty was evaluated against the respective requirement based on the target reproducibility in accordance with ISO13528. In this PT, the criterion of ISO13528, paragraph 9.2.1, was met for all evaluated tests, therefore, the uncertainty of all assigned values may be negligible and need not be included in the PT report.

Finally, the reproducibilities were calculated from the standard deviations by multiplying them with a factor of 2.8.

3.2 GRAPHICS

In order to visualize the data against the reproducibilities from literature, Gauss plots were made, using the sorted data for one determination (see appendix 1). On the Y-axis the reported test results are plotted. The corresponding laboratory numbers are on the X-axis. The straight horizontal line presents the consensus value (a trimmed mean). The four striped lines, parallel to the consensus value line, are the +3s, +2s, -2s and -3s target reproducibility limits of the selected reference test method. Outliers and other data, which were excluded from the calculations, are represented as a cross. Accepted data are represented as a triangle.

Furthermore, Kernel Density Graphs were made. This is a method for producing a smooth density approximation to a set of data that avoids some problems associated with histograms. Also, a normal Gauss curve was projected over the Kernel Density Graph for reference.

3.3 Z-SCORES

To evaluate the performance of the participating laboratories the z-scores were calculated. As it was decided to evaluate the performance of the participants in this proficiency test (PT) against the literature requirements, e.g. EN reproducibilities, the z-scores were calculated using a target standard deviation. This results in an evaluation independent of the variation in this interlaboratory study.

The target standard deviation was calculated from the literature reproducibility by division with 2.8. In case no literature reproducibility was available, other target values were used. In some cases, a reproducibility based on former iis proficiency tests could be used.

When a laboratory did use a test method with a reproducibility that is significantly different from the reproducibility of the reference test method used in this report, it is strongly advised to recalculate the z-score, while using the reproducibility of the actual test method used, this in order to evaluate whether the reported test result is fit-for-use.

The z-scores were calculated according to:

$$Z_{(\text{target})} = (\text{test result} - \text{average of PT}) / \text{target standard deviation}$$

The $Z_{(\text{target})}$ scores are listed in the test result tables in appendix 1.

Absolute values for $z < 2$ are very common and absolute values for $z > 3$ are very rare. The usual interpretation of z-scores is as follows:

| | | |
|-----|-----------|----------------|
| | $ z < 1$ | good |
| 1 < | $ z < 2$ | satisfactory |
| 2 < | $ z < 3$ | questionable |
| 3 < | $ z $ | unsatisfactory |

4 EVALUATION

In this interlaboratory study, no problems were encountered with the dispatch of the samples. One participant did not report any test results at all and two participants reported test results after the final reporting date. Finally, the 43 reporting laboratories reported 122 numerical test results for Overall Migration per contact surface. Observed were 5 outlying test results, which is 4.1%. In proficiency studies, outlier percentages of 3% - 7.5% are quite normal.

Not all original data sets proved to have normal Gaussian distribution. These are referred to as “not OK” or “suspect”. The statistical evaluation of these data sets should be used with due care, see also paragraph 3.1.

4.1 EVALUATION OF THE TEST RESULTS

In this section the reported test results are discussed. The test methods, which were used by the various laboratories were taken into account for explaining the observed differences when possible and applicable. These test methods are also in the tables together with the original data in appendix 1. The abbreviations, used in these tables, are listed in appendix 5.

In the past, iis has found that the Overall and Specific migration methods, limits and calculations are mixed up and used inappropriately by participants. So iis issued a White Paper on this subject in February 2018 (White Paper on the determination of Overall and Specific migration on food contact materials, lit. 20) to help participants understand the differences between the two methods, the units used for reporting and the regulated limits.

For the determination of Overall Migration (also called Global or Total Migration) on food contact material by total immersion, the EN1186 method series part 3 is considered to be the official EC test method. In method EN1186-3 it is described that three samples are needed. In this 2019 PT only one sample (a PTFE square plate) was sent for the determination of Overall Migration as the sample was positive on Overall Migration. The target reproducibility used for statistical evaluation was estimated from the EN1186-3 (Annex A) reproducibility of simulants A, B and C (based on 3 replicates).

In the evaluation of the test results of the 2019 PT some test results were excluded from statistical calculation in case:

- the participant has 1 or more outliers in Overall Migration (per contact surface) or
- it was not clear if the overall migration test was done with double contact surface testing (see also discussion in paragraph 4.4).

Overall Migration - 1st step in mg/dm²: This determination was problematic. Two statistical outliers were observed and five other test results were excluded. The calculated reproducibility after rejection of the suspect data is not in agreement with the target reproducibility estimated from EN1186-3:02.

Overall Migration – 2nd step in mg/dm²: This determination was not problematic. Two statistical outliers were observed and four other test results were excluded. However, the calculated reproducibility after rejection of the suspect data is in agreement with the target reproducibility estimated from EN1186-3:02.

Overall Migration – 3rd step in mg/dm²: This determination was problematic. One statistical outlier was observed and five other test results were excluded. The calculated reproducibility after rejection of the suspect data is not in agreement with the target reproducibility estimated from EN1186-3:02.

4.2 PERFORMANCE EVALUATION FOR THE GROUP OF LABORATORIES

A comparison has been made between the reproducibility of the relevant reference method and the reproducibility as found for the group of participating laboratories. The number of significant test results, the average test result, the calculated reproducibility (2.8 * standard deviation) and the estimated target reproducibility derived from the literature test method EN1186-3:02 are presented in the next table.

| Parameter | unit | n | average | 2.8 * sd | R (lit) |
|--|--------------------|----|---------|----------|---------|
| Overall Migration – 1 st step | mg/dm ² | 35 | 24.30 | 13.31 | 11.72 |
| Overall Migration – 2 nd step | mg/dm ² | 33 | 18.15 | 8.22 | 8.76 |
| Overall Migration – 3 rd step | mg/dm ² | 35 | 11.84 | 7.39 | 5.71 |

Table 1: reproducibilities of tests on sample #19620

Without further statistical calculations, it can be concluded that there is only for the 2nd Overall Migration step a good compliance of the group of participating laboratories with the target reproducibility estimated from EN1186-3:02.

4.3 COMPARISON OF PROFICIENCY TEST OF SEPTEMBER 2019 AGAINST PREVIOUS PTs

The evolution of the uncertainty for Overall Migration in mg/dm² as observed in this proficiency scheme and the comparison with the findings in previous rounds is listed in table 2.

| | article filling | total immersion | EN1186 |
|------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 2013 | ---- | 25-30% ⁽²⁾ | 11% (part 3) |
| 2014 | 18% ⁽¹⁾ | ---- | 17% (part 8) |
| 2015 | 14% ⁽¹⁾ | ---- | 8% (part 9) |
| 2016 | 17% ⁽¹⁾ | 29% ⁽³⁾ | 8% (part 9) – 13% (part 3) |
| 2017 | ---- | 32-36% ⁽³⁾ | 17% (part 3) |
| 2018 | 13-17% ⁽³⁾ | ----- | 17% (part 9) |
| 2019 | ----- | 16-22% ⁽³⁾ | 17% (part 3) |

Table 2: development of the uncertainties Overall Migration in mg/dm² over the years

⁽¹⁾ Three test items were used and the average of three test results was reported

⁽²⁾ Two test items were used and the average of two test results was reported

⁽³⁾ A single test item was used

In the 2019 PT as well in the 2013 PT the same batch of square plates was used. It can be concluded that there is an improvement in the uncertainty when the 2019 PT is compared with the 2013 PT. In general it can be concluded that there is an improvement for Overall Migration via total immersion when the 2019 PT is compared with the previous PTs.

4.4 EVALUATION OF THE ANALYTICAL DETAILS

Before the start of this PT it was clear that a wide range of test results would be reported when the choice of the test conditions would have been selected by the participating laboratories. Therefore, a set of prescribed test conditions (known to give a positive test result) was given together with the instructions to all participants:

| | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Sample ID | #19620 |
| Simulant | Distilled Water |
| Exposure time | 2 hours |
| Exposure temperature | 70°C |
| Migration method | Total immersion, repeated use |
| Simulant volume | As per method used |
| Contact surface testing | Double |

Table 3: prescribed test conditions used in this PT

The participants were requested to report the test results of all three successive migration steps. Additional details regarding preparation, residue, surface area, simulant volume and details about the evaporation step were also requested to be reported (see appendices 2 and 3).

Test method and accreditation

About 75% of the reporting participants mentioned to have used test method EN1186-3, a few participants mentioned to have used test method EN1186-1.

About 88% of the reporting participants mentioned that they are accredited for this test.

Preparation

Twenty-four participants reported not to clean the sample and ten participants used a lint free cloth/tissue or soft brush before the determination of the Overall Migration. Method EN1186-3 states in paragraph 3.41: "Before preparing test specimens, remove any surface contamination from the sample by gently wiping it with a lint free cloth, or by brushing with a soft brush."

Surprisingly a few participants reported to have used water, a detergent/soap or an ethanol solution to clean the test item prior to use. Method EN1186-3 states in paragraph 3.41: "under no circumstances wash the sample with water or solvent". However, in general can be concluded that it appears that these cleansing methods has a negligible effect on the Overall Migration in mg/dm².

Ratio dm² per 100 mL, contact surface and volume of simulant

Method EN1186-1 states in paragraph 9.3: "that the surface to volume ratio in the total immersion test is conventionally 1 dm² of food contact area to 100 mL of food simulant.", also in method EN1186-3 the ratio of 1 dm²/100mL is mentioned. In appendix 1, the statistical evaluation based on a migration with a reported ratio of 1 dm²/100mL are also presented. When the group using the ratio 1dm²/100mL is evaluated separately, the calculated reproducibility is in the 1st and 2nd Overall Migration step in line with the calculated reproducibility of the whole group.

Sample #19620 was a blue PTFE square plate of 10 x 10 x 0.2cm. When the whole plate was used for the total migration and when there was conducted a double contact surface testing (as prescribed), the exposed contact surface area should be at least 2 dm². Participants with a contact surface area below 2 dm² and no clear indication that the migration was done via double contact surface testing were excluded from the statistical evaluation of the Overall Migration in mg/dm².

Calculation of Overall Migration in mg/dm²

According to method EN1186-3, the Overall Migration in mg/dm² should be calculated taking the mass residue after evaporation of all simulant and corrected for a blank sample mass in mg by division of the surface area in dm². A few participants reported a test result of Overall Migration in mg/dm² which is not in line with the reported residue (mg) and the reported surface area (dm²). Some other test results of Overall Migration in mg/dm² were corrected without correction of the reported residue (mg) or the surface area (dm²)

Evaporation: temperature and time

After exposure of the plate to the simulant for the selected time, the simulant must be evaporated to dryness. The reported evaporation temperature varied from 70 to 350°C. About 60% of the reporting participants used an evaporation temperature between 100°C and 150 °C. The reported evaporation time varied from 60 to 2880 minutes. About 50% of the reporting participants used an evaporation time less than 240 minutes. The differences in evaporation temperature and time did not appear to be of influence.

5 DISCUSSION

Total immersion, repeated use

The prescribed test migration method for this PT was total immersion with repeated use. Therefore, it was requested to report the Overall Migration (mg/dm²) for three successive migration steps.

In this PT, the average Overall Migration in (mg/dm²) decreased in each successive migration step (step 1: 24 mg/dm², step 2: 18 mg/dm² and step 3: 12 mg/dm²). Almost all participants reported a decrease in the three successive steps.

Limits for Overall Migration from EU regulation No 10/2011

The EU regulation describes in article 12 that the limit for Overall Migration is 10 mg/dm². In this 2019 PT the sample #19620 was tested in three successive contact periods, using a new portion of simulant for each exposure period. The Overall Migration found in the third migration step should comply the limit for Overall Migration (10 mg/dm²). According to this limit thirty-one participants would have rejected sample #19620. However, ten participants would have accepted sample #19620 based on the test result of the third migration step. Based on only the first step almost all participants would have rejected sample #19620.

2019 iis PT vs 2013 iis PT

Sample #19620 was also used in a previous iis PT; labelled as sample #13183 in iis13P05GM.

| Parameter | unit | Sample #19620 | | | Sample #13183 | | |
|--|--------------------|---------------|---------|----------|---------------|---------|----------|
| | | n | average | 2.8 * sd | n | average | 2.8 * sd |
| Overall Migration – 1 st step | mg/dm ² | 35 | 24.30 | 13.31 | 53 | 26.46 | 9.70 |
| Overall Migration – 2 nd step | mg/dm ² | 33 | 18.15 | 8.22 | 54 | 18.72 | 13.35 |
| Overall Migration – 3 rd step | mg/dm ² | 35 | 11.84 | 7.39 | 52 | 12.17 | 10.33 |

Table 4: comparison sample #19620 vs #13183

The average test results of the 2019 PT are comparable with the average test results of the 2013 PT. The variation of the 1st step of the 2019 PT is somewhat larger than in the 2013 PT, whereas the variation of the 2nd and the 3rd step are smaller (see also table 2).

6 CONCLUSION

It is to be expected that the variation of the migration test results in real life practise will be larger than observed in this PT as the test conditions like time, temperature, etc. will not be prescribed but will be selected by the individual laboratories.

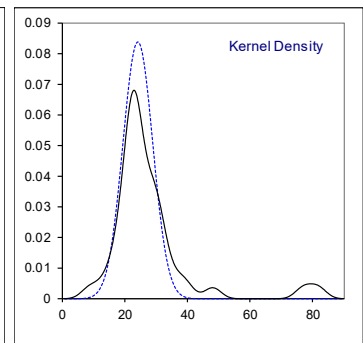
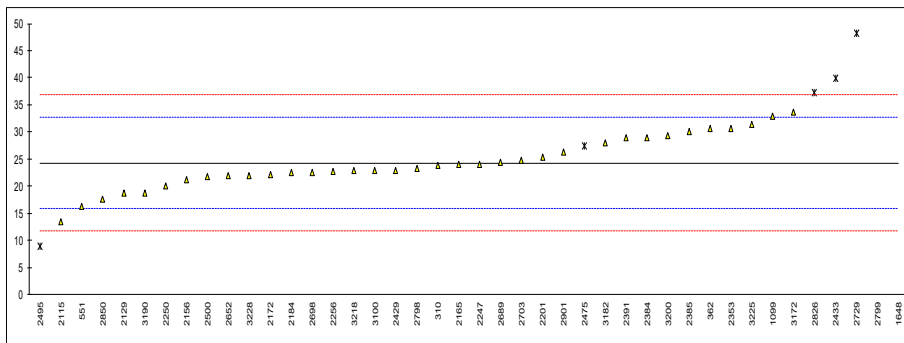
Each laboratory has to evaluate its performance in this study and make decisions about necessary corrective actions. Therefore, participation on a regular basis in this scheme could be helpful to improve the performance and the quality of the analytical results.

APPENDIX 1

Determination of 1st Overall Migration (per contact surface) on sample #19620; results in mg/dm²

| lab | method | value | mark | z(targ) | remarks |
|------|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| 310 | EN1186-3 | 23.85 | C | -0.11 | first reported 47.7 |
| 362 | EN1186-3 | 30.55 | C | 1.49 | reported 61.1 |
| 551 | EN1186-3 | 16.203 | | -1.93 | |
| 1099 | EN1186-3 | 32.9159 | | 2.06 | |
| 1648 | EN1186-3 | 81.832 | ex | 13.74 | excluded see § 4.1 |
| 2115 | EN1186-1 | 13.41 | | -2.60 | |
| 2129 | EN1186-3 | 18.67 | | -1.34 | |
| 2156 | EN1186-3 | 21.200 | | -0.74 | |
| 2165 | GB31604.8 | 23.942 | | -0.09 | |
| 2172 | EN1186-3 | 22.12 | | -0.52 | |
| 2184 | EN1186-3 | 22.45 | | -0.44 | |
| 2201 | EN1186-3 | 25.367 | | 0.26 | |
| 2247 | EN1186-1 | 24.01 | | -0.07 | |
| 2250 | EN1186-3 | 20.133 | | -1.00 | |
| 2256 | | 22.76 | | -0.37 | |
| 2353 | EN1186-3 | 30.555 | | 1.49 | |
| 2384 | EN1186-3 | 28.93 | | 1.11 | |
| 2385 | EN1186-3 | 30.14 | | 1.40 | |
| 2391 | EN1186-3 | 28.846 | | 1.09 | |
| 2429 | EN1186-3 | 22.95 | | -0.32 | |
| 2433 | EN1186-3 | 39.8 | ex, C | 3.70 | first reported 45.400, excluded see § 4.1 |
| 2475 | EN1186 | 27.4 | ex | 0.74 | excluded see § 4.1 |
| 2495 | EN1186-3 | 8.929 | ex | -3.67 | excluded as outlier in 2 nd Overall Migration (per contact surface) |
| 2500 | EN1186-9 | 21.83 | | -0.59 | |
| 2652 | EN1186-3 | 21.861 | | -0.58 | |
| 2689 | EN1186-3 | 24.33 | | 0.01 | |
| 2698 | EN1186-3 | 22.596 | | -0.41 | |
| 2703 | EN1186-3 | 24.8 | | 0.12 | |
| 2729 | National Standard | 48.2 | R(0.01) | 5.71 | |
| 2798 | EN1186-3 | 23.35 | | -0.23 | |
| 2799 | EN1186-3 | 77.2 | R(0.01) | 12.64 | |
| 2826 | EN1186-3 | 37.3 | ex | 3.11 | excluded see § 4.1 |
| 2850 | GUUE L12+230/22 | 17.65 | | -1.59 | |
| 2897 | | ---- | | ---- | |
| 2901 | EN1186-1 | 26.3750 | | 0.50 | |
| 3100 | EN1186-3 | 22.895 | | -0.34 | |
| 3118 | | ---- | | ---- | |
| 3172 | EN1186-3 | 33.68 | | 2.24 | |
| 3182 | EN1186-3 | 27.915 | | 0.86 | |
| 3190 | EN1186-3 | 18.75 | | -1.33 | |
| 3200 | EN1186-3 | 29.350 | | 1.21 | |
| 3218 | EN1186-3 | 22.80 | | -0.36 | |
| 3225 | EN1186-1/-3 | 31.4 | | 1.70 | |
| 3228 | EN1186-3 | 21.9 | | -0.57 | |

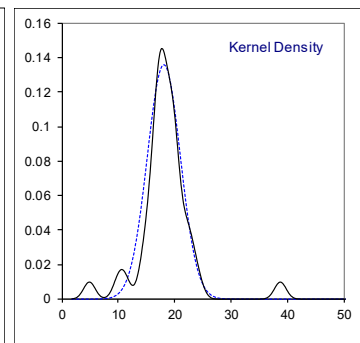
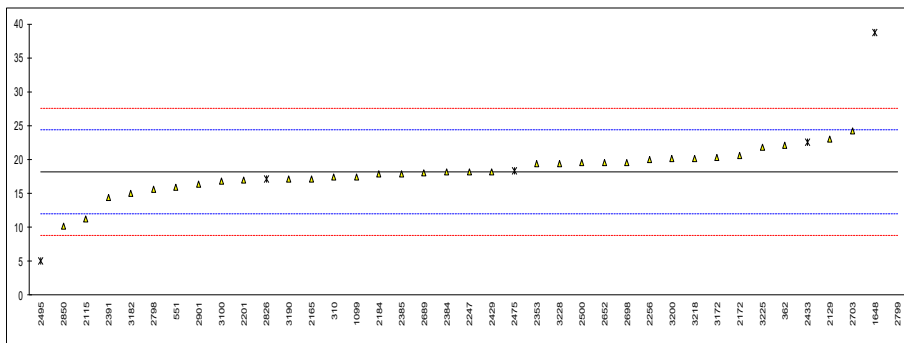
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|----------------------|-----------|-----------|------------------------------------|
| | | | <u>1 dm²/100mL only</u> |
| normality | OK | | OK |
| n | 35 | | 20 |
| outliers | 2 (+5 ex) | | 0 (+2 ex) |
| mean (n) | 24.300 | | 23.378 |
| st.dev. (n) | 4.7520 | RSD = 20% | 4.8018 RSD = 21% |
| R(calc.) | 13.306 | | 13.445 |
| st.dev.(EN1186-3:02) | 4.1861 | | 4.0273 |
| R(EN1186-3:02) | 11.721 | | 11.276 |



Determination of 2nd Overall Migration (per contact surface) on sample #19620; results in mg/dm²

| lab | method | value | mark | z(targ) | remarks |
|------|-----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------------------|
| 310 | EN1186-3 | 17.43 | C | -0.23 | first reported 34.9 |
| 362 | EN1186-3 | 22.05 | C | 1.25 | reported 44.1 |
| 551 | EN1186-3 | 15.964 | | -0.70 | |
| 1099 | EN1186-3 | 17.4682 | | -0.22 | |
| 1648 | EN1186-3 | 38.762 | ex | 6.59 | excluded see § 4.1 |
| 2115 | EN1186-1 | 11.25 | | -2.21 | |
| 2129 | EN1186-3 | 23 | | 1.55 | |
| 2156 | | ---- | | ---- | |
| 2165 | GB31604.8 | 17.115 | | -0.33 | |
| 2172 | EN1186-3 | 20.60 | | 0.78 | |
| 2184 | EN1186-3 | 17.79 | | -0.12 | |
| 2201 | EN1186-3 | 16.933 | | -0.39 | |
| 2247 | EN1186-1 | 18.15 | | 0.00 | |
| 2250 | | ---- | | ---- | |
| 2256 | | 20.04 | | 0.60 | |
| 2353 | EN1186-3 | 19.360 | | 0.39 | |
| 2384 | EN1186-3 | 18.13 | | -0.01 | |
| 2385 | EN1186-3 | 17.82 | | -0.11 | |
| 2391 | EN1186-3 | 14.423 | | -1.19 | |
| 2429 | EN1186-3 | 18.18 | | 0.01 | |
| 2433 | EN1186-3 | 22.600 | ex | 1.42 | excluded see § 4.1 |
| 2475 | EN1186 | 18.3 | ex | 0.05 | excluded see § 4.1 |
| 2495 | EN1186-3 | 4.976 | R(0.01) | -4.21 | |
| 2500 | EN1186-9 | 19.47 | | 0.42 | |
| 2652 | EN1186-3 | 19.515 | | 0.44 | |
| 2689 | EN1186-3 | 18.08 | | -0.02 | |
| 2698 | EN1186-3 | 19.519 | | 0.44 | |
| 2703 | EN1186-3 | 24.15 | | 1.92 | |
| 2729 | | ---- | | ---- | |
| 2798 | EN1186-3 | 15.60 | | -0.82 | |
| 2799 | EN1186-3 | 76.4 | R(0.01) | 18.63 | |
| 2826 | EN1186-3 | 17.1 | ex | -0.34 | excluded see § 4.1 |
| 2850 | GUUE L12+230/22 | 10.15 | | -2.56 | |
| 2897 | | ---- | | ---- | |
| 2901 | EN1186-1 | 16.3250 | | -0.58 | |
| 3100 | EN1186-3 | 16.747 | | -0.45 | |
| 3118 | | ---- | | ---- | |
| 3172 | EN1186-3 | 20.22 | | 0.66 | |
| 3182 | EN1186-3 | 14.929 | | -1.03 | |
| 3190 | EN1186-3 | 17.10 | | -0.34 | |
| 3200 | EN1186-3 | 20.150 | | 0.64 | |
| 3218 | EN1186-3 | 20.15 | | 0.64 | |
| 3225 | EN1186-1/-3 | 21.8 | | 1.17 | |
| 3228 | EN1186-3 | 19.4 | | 0.40 | |

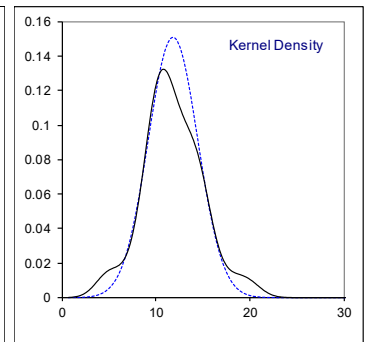
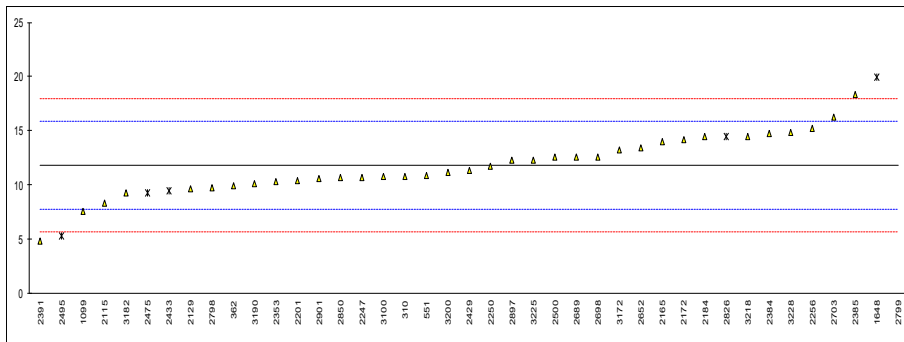
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|----------------------|-----------|-----------|------------------------------------|
| normality | suspect | | <u>1 dm²/100mL only</u> |
| n | 33 | | suspect |
| outliers | 2 (+4 ex) | | 19 |
| mean (n) | 18.152 | | 0 (+2 ex) |
| st.dev. (n) | 2.9356 | RSD = 16% | 17.730 |
| R(calc.) | 8.220 | | 3.1241 RSD = 18 % |
| st.dev.(EN1186-3:02) | 3.1270 | | 8.748 |
| R(EN1186-3:02) | 8.756 | | 3.0544 |
| | | | 8.552 |



Determination of 3rd Overall Migration (per contact surface) on sample #19620; results in mg/dm²

| lab | method | value | mark | z(targ) | remarks |
|------|-----------------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| 310 | EN1186-3 | 10.83 | C | -0.49 | first reported 21.7 |
| 362 | EN1186-3 | 9.90 | C | -0.95 | reported 19.8 |
| 551 | EN1186-3 | 10.882 | | -0.47 | |
| 1099 | EN1186-3 | 7.5318 | | -2.11 | |
| 1648 | EN1186-3 | 19.950 | ex | 3.98 | excluded see § 4.1 |
| 2115 | EN1186-1 | 8.31 | | -1.73 | |
| 2129 | EN1186-3 | 9.67 | | -1.06 | |
| 2156 | | ---- | | ---- | |
| 2165 | GB31604.8 | 14.038 | | 1.08 | |
| 2172 | EN1186-3 | 14.20 | | 1.16 | |
| 2184 | EN1186-3 | 14.47 | | 1.29 | |
| 2201 | EN1186-3 | 10.442 | | -0.68 | |
| 2247 | EN1186-1 | 10.66 | | -0.58 | |
| 2250 | EN1186-3 | 11.744 | | -0.05 | |
| 2256 | | 15.21 | | 1.65 | |
| 2353 | EN1186-3 | 10.310 | | -0.75 | |
| 2384 | EN1186-3 | 14.73 | | 1.42 | |
| 2385 | EN1186-3 | 18.32 | | 3.18 | |
| 2391 | EN1186-3 | 4.808 | | -3.45 | |
| 2429 | EN1186-3 | 11.38 | | -0.22 | |
| 2433 | EN1186-3 | 9.50 | ex | -1.15 | excluded see § 4.1 |
| 2475 | EN1186 | 9.3 | ex | -1.24 | excluded see § 4.1 |
| 2495 | EN1186-3 | 5.264 | ex | -3.22 | excluded as outlier in 2 nd Overall Migration (per contact surface) |
| 2500 | EN1186-9 | 12.55 | | 0.35 | |
| 2652 | EN1186-3 | 13.432 | | 0.78 | |
| 2689 | EN1186-3 | 12.55 | | 0.35 | |
| 2698 | EN1186-3 | 12.596 | | 0.37 | |
| 2703 | EN1186-3 | 16.3 | | 2.19 | |
| 2729 | | ---- | | ---- | |
| 2798 | EN1186-3 | 9.70 | | -1.05 | |
| 2799 | EN1186-3 | 71.3 | R(0.01) | 29.16 | |
| 2826 | EN1186-3 | 14.5 | ex | 1.31 | excluded see § 4.1 |
| 2850 | GUUE L12+230/22 | 10.65 | | -0.58 | |
| 2897 | | 12.27 | | 0.21 | |
| 2901 | EN1186-1 | 10.6250 | | -0.59 | |
| 3100 | EN1186-3 | 10.798 | | -0.51 | |
| 3118 | | ---- | | ---- | |
| 3172 | EN1186-3 | 13.22 | | 0.68 | |
| 3182 | EN1186-3 | 9.242 | | -1.27 | |
| 3190 | EN1186-3 | 10.15 | | -0.83 | |
| 3200 | EN1186-3 | 11.150 | | -0.34 | |
| 3218 | EN1186-3 | 14.50 | | 1.31 | |
| 3225 | EN1186-1/-3 | 12.3 | | 0.23 | |
| 3228 | EN1186-3 | 14.8 | | 1.45 | |

| | | | | | |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|--|------------------------------------|------------|
| | | | | <u>1 dm²/100mL only</u> | |
| normality | OK | | | OK | |
| n | 35 | | | 20 | |
| outliers | 1 (+5 ex) | | | 0 (+1 ex) | |
| mean (n) | 11.836 | | | 11.286 | |
| st.dev. (n) | 2.6379 | RSD = 22% | | 1.5575 | RSD = 14 % |
| R(calc.) | 7.386 | | | 4.361 | |
| st.dev.(EN1186-3:02) | 2.0390 | | | 1.9443 | |
| R(EN1186-3:02) | 5.709 | | | 5.444 | |



APPENDIX 2Details for calculation of Overall Migration on sample #19620: 1st step

| lab | total residue (mg) | mark | surface area (dm ²) | mark | volume simulant (ml) | mark | iis calc. ratio area/simulant (dm ² / 100 ml) | remarks |
|------|--------------------|------|---------------------------------|------|----------------------|------|--|---|
| 310 | 52 | | 1.09 | | 100 | | 1.09 | |
| 362 | 61.1 | C | 1 | | 100 | | 1.00 | surface=1 side?, test=2 side |
| 551 | 33.80 | | 2.086 | | 200 | | 1.04 | fr 0.0611, surface=1 side?, test=2 side |
| 1099 | 72.42 | | 2.20 | | 100 | | 2.20 | |
| 1648 | 83.9 | | 2.02 | | 100 | | 2.02 | |
| 2115 | 27.9 | | 2.08 | | 200 | | 1.04 | |
| 2129 | 56 | | 2 | | 330 | | 0.61 | |
| 2156 | 44.100 | | 2.080 | | 100.000 | | 2.08 | |
| 2165 | 49.8 | | 2.08 | | 347 | | 0.60 | |
| 2172 | 44.24 | | 2.00 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 2184 | 46.7 | | 2.08 | | 345 | | 0.60 | |
| 2201 | 50.733 | | 2.0 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 2247 | 50.0 | | 2.083 | | 200.0 | | 1.04 | |
| 2250 | 45.1 | | 2.0861 | | 200 | | 1.04 | |
| 2256 | 48.02 | | 2.11 | | 352 | | 0.60 | |
| 2353 | 30.555 | | 1.00 | | 100 | | 1.00 | |
| 2384 | 32.4 | | 1.12 | | 100 | | 1.12 | |
| 2385 | 36.2 | | 2 | | 333 | | 0.60 | |
| 2391 | 60.0 | | 2.08 | | 100 | | 2.08 | |
| 2429 | 50.5 | | 2.20 | | 367 | | 0.60 | |
| 2433 | 22.700 | | 0.50 | | 100 | | 0.50 | |
| 2475 | 27.8 | | 1 | | 100 | | 1.00 | |
| 2495 | 18.57 | | 2.08 | | 300 | | 0.69 | |
| 2500 | 45.4 | | 2.08 | | 315 | | 0.66 | |
| 2652 | 43.72 | | 1.9994 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 2689 | 50.6 | | 2.08 | | 200 | | 1.04 | |
| 2698 | 47.000 | | 2.080 | | 208.000 | | 1.00 | |
| 2703 | 49.6 | | 2 | | 100 | | 2.00 | |
| 2729 | 48.2 | | 1 | | 200 | | 0.50 | |
| 2798 | 46.7 | | 2 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 2799 | 77.2 | | 1 | | 400 | | 0.25 | |
| 2826 | 20.1 | | 0.539 | | 90 | | 0.60 | |
| 2850 | 35.4 | | 2 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 2897 | ---- | | ---- | | ---- | | ---- | |
| 2901 | 52.75 | C | 2 | | 200 | | 1.00 | first reported 0.05275 |
| 3100 | 45.8 | | 2.0004 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 3118 | ---- | | ---- | | ---- | | ---- | |
| 3172 | 70.8 | | 2.1021 | | 350 | | 0.60 | |
| 3182 | 58.9 | | 2.11 | | 900.0 | | 0.23 | |
| 3190 | 37.5 | | 2 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 3200 | 58.70 | | 2.00 | | 200.0 | | 1.00 | |
| 3218 | 46.00 | | 2.00 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 3225 | 31.4 | | 1.00 | | 100 | | 1.00 | |
| 3228 | 45.6 | | 2.08 | | 347 | | 0.60 | |

Details for calculation of Overall Migration on sample #19620: 2nd step

| lab | total residue (mg) | mark | surface area (dm ²) | mark | volume simulant (ml) | mark | iis calc. ratio area/simulant (dm ² / 100 ml) | remarks |
|------|--------------------|------|---------------------------------|------|----------------------|------|--|---|
| 310 | 38 | | 1.09 | | 100 | | 1.09 | |
| 362 | 44.1 | C | 1 | | 100 | | 1.00 | surface=1 side?, test=2 side |
| 551 | 33.30 | | 2.086 | | 200 | | 1.04 | fr 0.0441, surface=1 side?, test=2 side |
| 1099 | 38.43 | | 2.20 | | 100 | | 2.20 | |
| 1648 | 40.4 | | 2.02 | | 100 | | 2.02 | |
| 2115 | 23.41 | | 2.08 | | 200 | | 1.04 | |
| 2129 | 69 | | 2 | | 330 | | 0.61 | |
| 2156 | ---- | | ---- | | ---- | | ---- | |
| 2165 | 35.6 | | 2.08 | | 347 | | 0.60 | |
| 2172 | 41.20 | | 2.00 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 2184 | 37.0 | | 2.08 | | 345 | | 0.60 | |
| 2201 | 33.867 | | 2.0 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 2247 | 37.8 | | 2.083 | | 200.0 | | 1.04 | |
| 2250 | ---- | | 2.0861 | | 200 | | 1.04 | |
| 2256 | 42.28 | | 2.11 | | 352 | | 0.60 | |
| 2353 | 19.360 | | 1.00 | | 100 | | 1.00 | |
| 2384 | 20.3 | | 1.12 | | 100 | | 1.12 | |
| 2385 | 21.4 | | 2 | | 333 | | 0.60 | |
| 2391 | 30.0 | | 2.08 | | 100 | | 2.08 | |
| 2429 | 46.6 | | 2.20 | | 367 | | 0.60 | |
| 2433 | 11.300 | | 0.50 | | 100 | | 0.50 | |
| 2475 | 18.7 | | 1 | | 100 | | 1.00 | |
| 2495 | 10.35 | | 2.08 | | 300 | | 0.69 | |
| 2500 | 40.5 | | 2.08 | | 315 | | 0.66 | |
| 2652 | 39.07 | | 1.9994 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 2689 | 37.6 | | 2.08 | | 200 | | 1.04 | |
| 2698 | 40.600 | | 2.080 | | 208.000 | | 1.00 | |
| 2703 | 48.3 | | 2 | | 100 | | 2.00 | |
| 2729 | ---- | | ---- | | ---- | | ---- | |
| 2798 | 31.2 | | 2 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 2799 | 76.4 | | 1 | | 400 | | 0.25 | |
| 2826 | 9.2 | | 0.539 | | 90 | | 0.60 | |
| 2850 | 20.4 | | 2 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 2897 | ---- | | ---- | | ---- | | ---- | |
| 2901 | 32.65 | C | 2 | | 200 | | 1.00 | first reported 0.03265 |
| 3100 | 33.5 | | 2.0004 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 3118 | ---- | | ---- | | ---- | | ---- | |
| 3172 | 42.5 | | 2.1021 | | 350 | | 0.60 | |
| 3182 | 31.5 | | 2.11 | | 900.0 | | 0.23 | |
| 3190 | 34.2 | | 2 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 3200 | 40.30 | | 2.00 | | 200.0 | | 1.00 | |
| 3218 | 40.70 | | 2.00 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 3225 | 21.8 | | 1.00 | | 100 | | 1.00 | |
| 3228 | 40.3 | | 2.08 | | 347 | | 0.60 | |

Details for calculation of Overall Migration on sample #19620: 3rd step

| lab | total residue (mg) | mark | surface area (dm ²) | mark | volume simulant (ml) | mark | iis calc. ratio area/simulant (dm ² / 100 ml) | remarks |
|------|--------------------|------|---------------------------------|------|----------------------|------|--|---|
| 310 | 23.6 | | 1.09 | | 100 | | 1.09 | |
| 362 | 19.8 | C | 1 | | 100 | | 1.00 | surface=1 side?, test=2 side |
| 551 | 22.70 | | 2.086 | | 200 | | 1.04 | fr 0.0198, surface=1 side?, test=2 side |
| 1099 | 16.57 | | 2.20 | | 100 | | 2.20 | |
| 1648 | 21.4 | | 2.02 | | 100 | | 2.02 | |
| 2115 | 17.29 | | 2.08 | | 200 | | 1.04 | |
| 2129 | 29 | | 2 | | 330 | | 0.61 | |
| 2156 | ---- | | ---- | | ---- | | ---- | |
| 2165 | 29.2 | | 2.08 | | 347 | | 0.60 | |
| 2172 | 28.40 | | 2.00 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 2184 | 30.1 | | 2.08 | | 345 | | 0.60 | |
| 2201 | 20.883 | | 2.0 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 2247 | 22.2 | | 2.083 | | 200.0 | | 1.04 | |
| 2250 | 26.5 | | 2.0861 | | 200 | | 1.04 | |
| 2256 | 30.1 | | 2.11 | | 352 | | 0.60 | |
| 2353 | 10.310 | | 1.00 | | 100 | | 1.00 | |
| 2384 | 16.5 | | 1.12 | | 100 | | 1.12 | |
| 2385 | 22.0 | | 2 | | 333 | | 0.60 | |
| 2391 | 10.0 | | 2.08 | | 100 | | 2.08 | |
| 2429 | 33.6 | | 2.20 | | 367 | | 0.60 | |
| 2433 | 4.80 | | 0.50 | | 100 | | 0.50 | |
| 2475 | 9.7 | | 1 | | 100 | | 1.00 | |
| 2495 | 10.95 | | 2.08 | | 300 | | 0.69 | |
| 2500 | 26.1 | | 2.08 | | 315 | | 0.66 | |
| 2652 | 27.40 | | 1.9994 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 2689 | 26.1 | | 2.08 | | 200 | | 1.04 | |
| 2698 | 26.200 | | 2.080 | | 208.000 | | 1.00 | |
| 2703 | 32.6 | | 2 | | 100 | | 2.00 | |
| 2729 | ---- | | ---- | | ---- | | ---- | |
| 2798 | 19.4 | | 2 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 2799 | 71.3 | | 1 | | 400 | | 0.25 | |
| 2826 | 7.8 | | 0.539 | | 90 | | 0.60 | |
| 2850 | 21.4 | | 2 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 2897 | 25.03 | | 2.04 | | 100 | | 2.04 | |
| 2901 | 21.25 | C | 2 | | 200 | | 1.00 | first reported 0.02125 |
| 3100 | 21.6 | | 2.0004 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 3118 | ---- | | ---- | | ---- | | ---- | |
| 3172 | 27.8 | | 2.1021 | | 350 | | 0.60 | |
| 3182 | 19.5 | | 2.11 | | 900.0 | | 0.23 | |
| 3190 | 20.3 | | 2 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 3200 | 22.30 | | 2.00 | | 200.0 | | 1.00 | |
| 3218 | 29.40 | | 2.00 | | 200 | | 1.00 | |
| 3225 | 12.3 | | 1.00 | | 100 | | 1.00 | |
| 3228 | 30.8 | | 2.08 | | 347 | | 0.60 | |

APPENDIX 3

Summary of reported analytical details

| lab | ISO17025 accredited | Cleaned sample prior to migration step | Equipment used | Evaporation time (min) | | | Evaporation temperature (°C) | | |
|------|---------------------|--|----------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | | | | 1 st step | 2 nd step | 3 rd step | 1 st step | 2 nd step | 3 rd step |
| 310 | No | No | Oven | Overnight | Overnight | Overnight | 105 | 105 | 105 |
| 362 | Yes | Yes: soft brush | Incubator | 190 | 190 | 190 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| 551 | Yes | Yes: lint-free cloth | Oven | 180 | 180 | 240 | 110 | 110 | 110 |
| 1099 | Yes | Yes: dry lint-free cloth. | Oven | circa: 480 | circa: 480 | circa: 480 | 180-200 | 180-200 | 180-200 |
| 1648 | Yes | Yes: lint free cloth | Oven | 135 | 118 | 85 | 250 | 250 | 250 |
| 2115 | Yes | No | Oven | 120 | 120 | 120 | 70 | 70 | 70 |
| 2129 | Yes | No | Oven | 120 | 120 | 120 | 70 | 70 | 70 |
| 2156 | Yes | No | Oven | 240 | | | 110 | | |
| 2165 | Yes | Yes: lint free cloth | Oven | over night | over night | over night | 105 | 105 | 105 |
| 2172 | Yes | No | Oven | 120 | 120 | 120 | 105 | 105 | 105 |
| 2184 | Yes | No | Oven | 1440 | 1440 | 1440 | 105 | 105 | 105 |
| 2201 | Yes | No | Oven | 180 | 180 | 180 | 90 | 90 | 90 |
| 2247 | Yes | Yes: lint free tissue paper | Oven | 270 | 270 | 270 | 100-105 | 100-105 | 100-105 |
| 2250 | Yes | No | Oven | n.d. | n.d. | n.d. | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| 2256 | Yes | No | Oven | 240 | 220 | 220 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| 2353 | Yes | No | Oven | ~180 | ~180 | ~180 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| 2384 | Yes | Yes: lint-free tissue | Oven | 120-240 | 120-240 | 120-240 | 220 | 220 | 220 |
| 2385 | Yes | No | Oven | 480 | 480 | 480 | 105 | 105 | 105 |
| 2391 | No | Yes: lens tissue | Oven | 111 | 113 | 104 | 94.0 | 96.0 | 94.6 |
| 2429 | Yes | Yes: 10% ethanol solution | Oven | 120 | 120 | 120 | 105 | 105 | 105 |
| 2433 | Yes | No | Oven | 90 | 90 | 90 | 150 | 150 | 150 |
| 2475 | Yes | No | Oven | 1080-1night | 1080-1night | 1080-1night | 105 | 105 | 105 |
| 2495 | Yes | Yes: soap | Oven | 300 | 300 | 300 | 130 | 130 | 130 |
| 2500 | Yes | No | Oven | 120 | 120 | 120 | 70 | 70 | 70 |
| 2652 | Yes | No | Oven | | | | | | |
| 2689 | Yes | No | Incubator | 600 | 600 | 600 | 105 | 105 | 105 |
| 2698 | Yes | Yes: water | Oven | 120 | 120 | 120 | 105 | 105 | 105 |
| 2703 | Yes | No | Incubator | *) | *) | *) | 82 | 82 | 82 |
| 2729 | No | No | Oven | 120 | | | 70 | | |
| 2798 | Yes | Yes: lint free cloth | Oven | 360 | 360 | 360 | 105 | 105 | 105 |
| 2799 | Yes | No | Oven | 240 | 240 | 240 | 105 | 105 | 105 |
| 2826 | Yes | No | Oven | 60 | 60 | 60 | | | |
| 2850 | Yes | No | Oven | 2880 | 2880 | 2880 | 103 | 103 | 103 |
| 2897 | Yes | Yes | Oven | | | *) | | | 105 |
| 2901 | No | No | Oven | 180 | 180 | 120 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| 3100 | Yes | Yes: distilled water | Oven | 132 | 135 | 134 | 105 | 105 | 105 |
| 3118 | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |
| 3172 | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |
| 3182 | Yes | Yes: DI water | Oven | 295 | 300 | 299 | 98 | 98 | 98 |
| 3190 | Yes | Yes: washed by detergent | Oven | 360 | 360 | 360 | *) | *) | *) |
| 3200 | Yes | No | Oven | 480 | 480 | 480 | 105 | 105 | 105 |
| 3218 | Yes | Yes | Oven | 120 | 120 | 120 | 350 | 350 | 350 |
| 3225 | Yes | No | Oven | 720 | 720 | 720 | 105 | 105 | 105 |
| 3228 | Yes | Yes: lint-free cloth | Oven | overnight | overnight | overnight | 105 | 105 | 105 |

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Lab 2703 – evaporation time (min):

1st step: Exposure time = 120 minutes Evaporation time = 208 minutes2nd step: Exposure time = 123 minutes Evaporation time - Samples left to evaporate over approx. 60 hour period3rd step: Exposure time = 122 minutes Evaporation time - Samples left to evaporate over approx. 60 hour period

Lab 2897 – evaporation time (min):

3rd step: 60 minutes on heating plate and 1 night in oven (105 °C)

Lab 3190 – evaporation temperature (°C):

1st, 2nd and 3rd step: 1, hot plate over 200 °C till less than 10 ml; 2, oven 105 to dryness

n.d. = not determined

APPENDIX 4

Number of participants per country

2 labs in BRAZIL

1 lab in BULGARIA

1 lab in FRANCE

3 labs in GERMANY

1 lab in GREECE

4 labs in HONG KONG

1 lab in INDIA

1 lab in INDONESIA

5 labs in ITALY

3 labs in MALAYSIA

15 labs in P.R. of CHINA

1 lab in PHILIPPINES

1 lab in POLAND

1 lab in SOUTH KOREA

1 lab in THAILAND

1 lab in THE NETHERLANDS

1 lab in UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

1 lab in UNITED KINGDOM

APPENDIX 5

Abbreviations

| | |
|----------|--|
| C | = final test result after checking of first reported suspect test result |
| D(0.01) | = outlier in Dixon's outlier test |
| D(0.05) | = straggler in Dixon's outlier test |
| G(0.01) | = outlier in Grubbs' outlier test |
| G(0.05) | = straggler in Grubbs' outlier test |
| DG(0.01) | = outlier in Double Grubbs' outlier test |
| DG(0.05) | = straggler in Double Grubbs' outlier test |
| R(0.01) | = outlier in Rosner's outlier test |
| R(0.05) | = straggler in Rosner's outlier test |
| E | = possibly an error in calculations |
| ex | = test result excluded from statistical evaluation |
| n.a. | = not applicable |
| n.d. | = not detected |
| n.e. | = not evaluated |
| fr. | = first reported |

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