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## 1.0 ACCREDITATION / REGISTRATION

**INORGANIC VENTURES** is accredited to ISO 17034, "General Requirements for the Competence of Reference Material Producers" and ISO/IEC 17025, "General Requirements for the Competence of Testing and Calibration Laboratories". Inorganic Ventures is also an ISO 9001 registered manufacturer (QSR Certificate Number QSR-1034).

## 2.0 PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Product Code: Single Analyte Atomic Absorption Solution  
Catalog Number: AAB11  
Lot Number: U2-BI733144  
Matrix: 5% (v/v) HNO<sub>3</sub>  
Value / Analyte(s): 1 000 µg/mL ea:  
Bismuth

## 3.0 CERTIFIED VALUES AND UNCERTAINTIES

**Certified Value:** 1000 ± 10 µg/mL  
**Density:** 1.025 g/mL (measured at 20 ± 4 °C)

## 4.0 TRACEABILITY TO NIST

The concentration of this solution standard has been verified by Inductively Coupled Plasma Spectroscopy (ICP) and is traceable to NIST SRM 3106.

### 4.1 Thermometer Calibration

- All thermometers are NIST traceable through thermometers that are calibrated by an accredited calibration laboratory.

### 4.2 Balance Calibration

- All analytical balances are calibrated by an accredited calibration laboratory and procedure. The weights used for testing are annually compared to master weights and are traceable to NIST.

### 4.3 Glassware Calibration

- An in-house procedure is used to calibrate all Class A glassware used in the manufacturing and quality control of CRM/RMs.

## 5.0 TRACE METALLIC IMPURITIES (TMI ) DETERMINED BY ICP-MS AND ICP-OES (µg/mL)

N/A

## 6.0 INTENDED USE

**6.1** This standard is intended for the calibration of analytical instruments and validation of analytical methods as appropriate. This CRM may be used in connection with EPA Methods 6010, 6020 (all versions), Standard Methods 3120 B and USP <232> / ICH Q3D.

**6.2** For products attaining traceability through Inorganic Ventures' Primary Certified Reference Materials (PCRM™) see the Limited License to Use PCRM™ in the Inorganic Ventures [Terms and Conditions of Sale](https://www.inorganicventures.com/terms-and-conditions-sale). The Terms and Conditions contain information on the use of materials traceable to PCRM™ certified reference materials. This Limited License agreement is especially pertinent for laboratories accredited under ISO:17034.

## 7.0 INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CORRECT USE OF THIS REFERENCE MATERIAL

### 7.1 Storage and Handling Recommendations

- Store between approximately 4° - 30° C while in sealed TCT bag.
- While stored in the sealed TCT bag, transpiration of this CRM/RM is negligible. After opening the sealed TCT bag transpiration of the CRM/RM will occur, resulting in a gradual increase in the analyte concentration(s). It is the responsibility of the user to account for this effect. When the bottle is weighed both before and after being placed in storage, the mass difference observed will be a measure of transpiration mass loss.
- After opening the sealed TCT bag, keep cap tightly sealed when not in use and store between 4° - 24° C to minimize the effects of transpiration. Use at 20° ± 4° C to minimize volumetric dilution error when using the reported density. Do not pipette from the container. Do not return removed aliquots to container.

- For more information, visit [www.inorganicventures.com/TCT](http://www.inorganicventures.com/TCT)

**Atomic Weight; Valence; Coordination Number; Chemical Form in Solution** - 208.98 +3 6 Bi(O)(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>x</sub>1+

**Chemical Compatibility** -Stable in HCl, HNO<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and HF. Avoid basic media forming insoluble hydroxide. Stable with most metals and inorganic anions in acidic media. Many salts that are insoluble in water are soluble in HCl, HNO<sub>3</sub> and HF. The major problem with Bi<sup>3+</sup> is its tendency to hydrolyze at higher concentrations or in dilute acid. Nitric acid solutions should be 5% to hold the Bi in solution in the 100 to 10000 µg/mL concentration range.

**Stability** - 2-100 ppb levels stable for months in 1% HNO<sub>3</sub> / LDPE container. 1-10,000 ppm solutions chemically stable for years in 5 - 7% HNO<sub>3</sub> / LDPE container.

**Bi Containing Samples (Preparation and Solution)** -Metal (soluble in HNO<sub>3</sub>); Oxides (Soluble in HNO<sub>3</sub>); Alloys (Dissolve in conc. 4:1 HCl /HNO<sub>3</sub>. Heating may be required.); Organic based (dry ash at 450EC and dissolve ash in HNO<sub>3</sub> or acid digestion with conc. hot sulfuric acid adding hydrogen peroxide dropwise and carefully until clear.)

**Atomic Spectroscopic Information (ICP-OES D.L.s are given as radial/axial view):**

Technique/Line	Estimated D.L.	Order	Interferences (underlined indicates severe)
ICP-MS 209 amu	2 ppt	N/A	193Ir16O
ICP-OES 222.825 nm	0.1/0.02 µg/mL	1	Cr, Hf, Ce, Os
ICP-OES 223.061 nm	0.04/0.005 µg/mL	1	Th, Ir, Ti Cu
ICP-OES 306.772 nm	0.08/0.01 µg/mL	1	Th, U, Zr, Hf, Fe

## 8.0 HAZARDOUS INFORMATION

- Please refer to the Safety Data Sheet for information regarding this CRM/RM.

## 9.0 HOMOGENEITY

- This solution was mixed according to an in-house procedure and is guaranteed to be homogeneous. Homogeneity data indicate that the end user should take a minimum sample size of 0.2 mL to assure homogeneity.

## 10.0 QUALITY STANDARD DOCUMENTATION

### 10.1 ISO 9001 Quality Management System Registration

- QSR Certificate Number QSR-1034

## 11.0 CERTIFICATION, LOT EXPIRATION AND PERIOD OF VALIDITY

### 11.1 Certification Issue Date

May 30, 2023

- The certification is valid within the measurement uncertainty specified provided the CRM/RM is stored and handled in accordance with instructions given in Sec 7.1. This certification is nullified if instructions in Sec 7.1 are not followed or if the CRM/RM is damaged, contaminated, or otherwise modified.

### 11.2 Lot Expiration Date

- **May 30, 2028**

- The date after which this CRM/RM should not be used.

- The lot expiration date reflects the period of time that the stability of a CRM/RM can be supported by long term stability studies conducted on properly stored and handled CRM/RMs. Lot expiration is limited primarily by transpiration (loss of water from the solution) and infrequently by chemical stability.

### 11.3 Period of Validity

- Sealed TCT Bag Open Date: \_\_\_\_\_

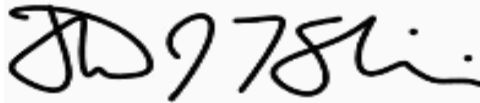
- This CRM/RM should not be used longer than one year (or six months in the case of a 30 mL bottle) from the date of opening the aluminized bag or after the date given in Sec. 11.2, whichever comes first. This is contingent upon the CRM/RM being stored and handled in accordance with the instructions given in Sec. 7.1.

## 12.0

### NAMES AND SIGNATURES OF CERTIFYING OFFICERS

#### Certificate Approved By:

Thomas Kozikowski  
Manager, Quality Control



#### Certifying Officer:

Paul Gaines  
Chairman / Senior Technical Director

