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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 Custom Grade Solution  
Catalog Number: CGOS1  
Lot Number: V2-OS741558  
Matrix: 15% (v/v) HCl  
Value / Analyte(s): 1 000 µg/mL ea:  
Osmium  
Starting Material: Hexachlorodiammonium Osmate, (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Os (IV) Cl<sub>6</sub>  
Starting Material Lot#: 2333  
Starting Material Purity: 99.9932%

## 3.0 CERTIFIED VALUES AND UNCERTAINTIES

**Certified Value:** 997 ± 4 µg/mL  
**Density:** 1.031 g/mL (measured at 20 ± 4 °C)

### Assay Information:

**Assay Method #1**                      **997 ± 3 µg/mL**  
ICP Assay Traceability: Primary Certified Reference Material (PCRM™): PCRM-OS-1000  
PCRM™ LOT#: T2-PCRMOS717957

- The Calculated Value is a value calculated from the weight of a starting material that has been certified directly vs. a National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) SRM/RM. See Sec 4.2 for balance traceability.

The following equations are used in the calculation of the certified value and the uncertainty. Reported uncertainties represent expanded uncertainties expressed at approximately the 95% confidence level using a coverage factor of k = 2.

### Characterization of CRM/RM by Two or More Methods

**Certified Value, X<sub>CRM/RM</sub>**, where two or more methods of characterization are used is the weighted mean of the results:

$$X_{CRM/RM} = \sum(w_i)(X_i)$$

$X_i$  = mean of Assay Method  $i$  with standard uncertainty  $u_{char\ i}$   
 $w_i$  = the weighting factors for each method calculated using the inverse square of the variance:  
 $w_i = (1/u_{char\ i})^2 / (\sum(1/(u_{char\ i})^2))$

$$CRM/RM \text{ Expanded Uncertainty } (\pm) = U_{CRM/RM} = k (u_{char}^2 + u_{bb}^2 + u_{Its}^2 + u_{ts}^2)^{1/2}$$

$k$  = coverage factor = 2  
 $u_{char}$  =  $[\sum((w_i)^2 (u_{char\ i})^2)]^{1/2}$  where  $u_{char\ i}$  are the errors from each characterization method  
 $u_{bb}$  = bottle to bottle homogeneity standard uncertainty  
 $u_{Its}$  = long term stability standard uncertainty (storage)  
 $u_{ts}$  = transport stability standard uncertainty

### Characterization of CRM/RM by One Method

**Certified Value, X<sub>CRM/RM</sub>**, where one method of characterization is used is the mean of individual results:

$$X_{CRM/RM} = (X_a)(u_{char\ a})$$

$X_a$  = mean of Assay Method A with  
 $u_{char\ a}$  = the standard uncertainty of characterization Method A

$$CRM/RM \text{ Expanded Uncertainty } (\pm) = U_{CRM/RM} = k (u_{char\ a}^2 + u_{bb}^2 + u_{Its}^2 + u_{ts}^2)^{1/2}$$

$k$  = coverage factor = 2  
 $u_{char\ a}$  = the errors from characterization  
 $u_{bb}$  = bottle to bottle homogeneity standard uncertainty  
 $u_{Its}$  = long term stability standard uncertainty (storage)  
 $u_{ts}$  = transport stability standard uncertainty

## 4.0 METROLOGICAL TRACEABILITY

For this CRM, the accurate mass determinations and purity assessments realized traceability to the kilogram, a base unit of the SI .

The traceability was established through an unbroken chain of calibrations / comparisons, with their associated uncertainties, using accurate mass determinations by gravimetric reduction. Quantified uncertainties were determined by error budget analysis . Quantitative purity analyses were performed using ICP-OES and ICP-MS for Trace Metallic Impurities analysis (TMI) and inert gas fusion analysis for oxygen, nitrogen, and hydrogen .

The United State National Metrology Institute (NMI) is the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). The NIST Policy on Metrological Traceability<sup>i</sup> recommends adopting the definition of metrological traceability as stated in the most recent version of the International Vocabulary of Metrology (VIM)<sup>ii</sup>. The metrological traceability of this CRM was established by implementing the VIM definition. The VIM defines Metrological traceability as a “property of a measurement result whereby the result can be related to a reference (for this CRM the SI reference is the kilogram) through a documented unbroken chain of calibrations, each contributing to the measurement uncertainty.” In VIM<sup>iii</sup>, traceability to the SI is defined as “metrological traceability to a measurement unit of the International System of Units”. Purity analysis and use of primary reference measurement procedures<sup>iv</sup>, e.g., amount of substance, are at the apex of the hierarchy in establishing SI units.<sup>v</sup>

### 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)

CRM/RMs are tested for trace metallic impurities by Axial ICP-OES and ICP-MS. The result from the most sensitive method for each element, is reported below. Solutions tested by ICP-MS were analyzed in an ULPA-Filtered Clean Room. An ULPA-Filter is 99.9985% efficient for the removal of particles down to 0.3 µm.

M Ag <	0.000270	M Eu <	0.000011	O Na	0.016000	M Se <	0.000550	M Zn <	0.001700
M Al <	0.001500	M Fe	0.012000	M Nb <	0.000011	O Si	0.032000	M Zr <	0.000430
M As	0.008900	M Ga <	0.000011	M Nd <	0.000011	M Sm <	0.000011		
M Au <	0.000350	M Gd <	0.000011	M Ni <	0.001100	M Sn	0.000660		
M B <	0.000680	M Ge	0.003200	s Os <		M Sr <	0.000021		
O Ba <	0.000110	M Hf <	0.000011	O P	0.031000	M Ta <	0.000011		
M Be <	0.000150	M Hg <	0.000820	M Pb	0.004900	M Tb <	0.000011		
M Bi <	0.000330	M Ho <	0.000011	M Pd	0.000450	M Te <	0.000160		
O Ca	0.015000	M In <	0.000011	M Pr <	0.000011	M Th <	0.000061		
M Cd <	0.000031	M Ir	0.013000	M Pt	0.000510	O Ti <	0.000210		
M Ce <	0.000021	O K	0.015000	M Rb	0.000200	O Tl <	0.110000		
M Co <	0.000071	M La <	0.000011	M Re <	0.000130	M Tm <	0.000011		
M Cr <	0.000760	M Li <	0.000011	M Rh <	0.000130	M U	0.003600		
M Cs <	0.000130	M Lu <	0.000011	M Ru	0.002600	O V <	0.000520		
M Cu	0.001000	M Mg	0.000710	O S <	0.110000	M W <	0.000041		
M Dy <	0.000011	M Mn <	0.000150	M Sb	0.000480	M Y <	0.000021		
M Er <	0.000021	M Mo <	0.000081	M Sc <	0.000011	M Yb <	0.000011		

M - Checked by ICP-MS      O - Checked by ICP-OES      i - Spectral Interference  
n - Not Checked For      s - Solution Standard Element

## 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), <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** - 190.20 +4 4,5,6,8 OsCl<sub>6</sub><sup>2-</sup>  
**Chemical Compatibility** - Stable in HCl. Stable with most metals and inorganic anions as the OsCl<sub>6</sub><sup>2-</sup> in dilute HCl media. DO NOT EXPOSE TO NITRIC ACID - FORMATION OF THE VERY VOLATILE AND TOXIC OsO<sub>4</sub> WILL RESULT. Any oxidizing condition must be avoided.

**Stability** - 2-100 ppb levels are not stable in 1% HNO<sub>3</sub> / LDPE container. The stability of HCl solutions at ppb levels has not been determined by our laboratory. 1-10,000 ppm solutions are presumed chemically stable for years in 10%HCl / LDPE container, stability studies have not been performed.

**Os Containing Samples (Preparation and Solution)** -Oxides (fuse with KOH / KNO<sub>3</sub> in a Ag<sub>0</sub> crucible and dissolve in water being sure to avoid addition of any acid); Ores ( See Oxides); Organics (The OsO<sub>4</sub> is volatile and acidic oxidizing preparations should be used with caution. The preferred approach is the KOH / KNO<sub>3</sub> fusion and dissolution of the fuseate in water. Our laboratory has used APDC to help stabilize Os solutions but more work is required to validate effectiveness.)

#### Atomic Spectroscopic Information

Technique/Line	Estimated Detection Limits (DLs)	Order	Interferences (underlined indicates severe)
ICP-MS 192 mu	1 ppt (part per trillion)	n/a	<u><sup>76</sup>Yb<sup>16</sup>O</u> , <u><sup>176</sup>Lu<sup>16</sup>O</u> , <u><sup>176</sup>Hf<sup>16</sup>O</u> , <u><sup>192</sup>Pt</u>
ICP-OES 225.585 nm	0.03 µg/mL – Radial DL 0.001µg/mL - Axial DL	1	Fe, Ta, Ge, Ir, Cr

## 8.0 HAZARDOUS INFORMATION

- Please refer to the Safety Data Sheet for information regarding this CRM/RM. Avoid dilutions with oxidizing acids such as concentrated HNO<sub>3</sub>, due to the formation of toxic osmium tetroxide.

## 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

### 10.2 ISO/IEC 17025 "General Requirements for the Competence of Testing and Calibration Laboratories"

- Chemical Testing - Accredited / A2LA Certificate Number 883.01

### 10.3 ISO 17034 "General Requirements for the Competence of Reference Material Producers"

- Reference Material Producer - Accredited / A2LA Certificate Number 883.02

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## 11.0 CERTIFICATION, LOT EXPIRATION AND PERIOD OF VALIDITY

### 11.1 Certification Issue Date

March 15, 2024

- 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

- **March 15, 2029**

- 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 Prepared By:

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Custom Processing Supervisor



### Certificate Approved By:

Muzzammil Khan  
Stock Laboratory Supervisor



### Certifying Officer:

Paul Gaines  
Chairman / Senior Technical Director



<sup>i</sup> <https://www.nist.gov/calibrations/traceability>, Created February 12, 2010, Updated April 20, 2021

<sup>ii</sup> Joint Committee for Guides in Metrology (2012, 3rd Edition, International Bureau of Weights and Measures (BIPM)). VIM, 2.41, p.29. <https://www.bipm.org/en/committees/jc/jcgm/publications>

<sup>iii</sup> Ibid. VIM, 2.43, p.30

<sup>iv</sup> Ibid. VIM, 5.4, p.47

<sup>v</sup> <https://www.nist.gov/mml/csd/organic-chemical-metrology/primary-focus-areas/fundamental-chemical-metrology/si>