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CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

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1.0 ACCREDITATION / REGISTRATION

INORGANIC VENTURES is accredited to ISO Guide 34, "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 (SAI Global File Number 010105).

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Testing Laboratory
Certificate 883.01

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Reference Material Producer
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2.0 PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Product Code:	Single Analyte Custom Grade Solution
Catalog Number:	CGCR(6)1
Lot Number:	K2-CR03115
Matrix:	H2O
Value / Analyte(s):	1 000 µg/mL ea: Chromium+6
Starting Material:	Ammonium Dichromate
Starting Material Lot#:	1932
Starting Material Purity:	99.9954%

3.0 CERTIFIED VALUES AND UNCERTAINTIES

Certified Value: 999 ± 3 µg/mL

Certified Density: 1.000 g/mL (measured at 20 ± 1 ºC)

Assay Information:

Assay Method #1 **998 ± 4 µg/mL**
ICP Assay NIST SRM 3112a Lot Number: 030730

Assay Method #2 **999 ± 3 µg/mL**
Redox NIST SRM 136f Lot Number: 136f

- 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 Methods

Certified Value, $X_{CRM/RM}$, where two methods of characterization are used is the weighted mean of the two results:

$X_{CRM/RM} = [(w_a)(X_a) + (w_b)(X_b)]$

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

X_b = mean of Assay Method B with standard uncertainty $u_{char\ b}$

w_a and w_b = the weighting factors for each method calculated using the inverse square of the variance:

$w_a = (1/u_{char\ a})^2 / ((1/u_{char\ a})^2 + (1/u_{char\ b})^2))$

$w_b = (1/u_{char\ b})^2 / ((1/u_{char\ a})^2 + (1/u_{char\ b})^2))$

CRM/RM Expanded Uncertainty (±) = $U_{CRM/RM} = k\,(u^2_{char\ a\&b} + u^2_{bb} + u^2_{lts} + u^2_{sts})^{1/2}$

k = coverage factor = 2 in all cases at Inorganic Ventures

$u_{char\ a\&b} = [(w_a)^2 (u_{char\ a})^2 + (w_b)^2 (u_{char\ b})^2]^{1/2}$ where $u_{char\ a}$ and $u_{char\ b}$ are the square root of the sum of the squares of errors from characterization which include instrument measurement, density, NIST SRM uncertainty, weighing, and volume

u_{bb} = bottle to bottle homogeneity standard uncertainty

u_{lts} = long term stability standard uncertainty (storage)

u_{sts} = short term stability standard uncertainty (transportation)

Characterization of CRM/RM by One Method

Certified Value, $X_{CRM/RM}$, where one method of characterization is used is the mean of individual results:

$X_{CRM/RM}$ = mean of Assay Method A with standard uncertainty $u_{char\ a}$

CRM/RM Expanded Uncertainty (±) = $U_{CRM/RM} = k\,(u^2_{char\ a} + u^2_{bb} + u^2_{lts} + u^2_{sts})^{1/2}$

k = coverage factor = 2 in all cases at Inorganic Ventures

$u_{char\ a}$ = square root of the sum of the squares of the errors from characterization which include instrumental measurement, density, NIST SRM uncertainty, weighing, and volume

u_{bb} = bottle to bottle homogeneity standard uncertainty

u_{lts} = long term stability standard uncertainty (storage)

u_{sts} = short term stability standard uncertainty (transportation)

4.0 TRACEABILITY TO NIST

- This product is traceable to NIST via an unbroken chain of comparisons. The uncertainties for each certified value are reported, taking into account the SRM/RM uncertainty error and the measurement, weighing and volume dilution errors. In rare cases where no NIST SRM/RM are available, the term 'in-house std.' is specified.

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	<	0.002865	M	Eu	<	0.002388	O	Na		0.009516	M	Se	<	0.006447	M	Zn	<	0.001671
M	Al		0.000298	M	Fe		0.001030	M	Nb	<	0.010507	O	Si		0.001022	M	Zr	<	0.000238
M	As		0.000422	O	Ga	<	0.051550	M	Nd	<	0.000238	M	Sm	<	0.000238				
M	Au	<	0.004067	M	Gd	<	0.000238	M	Ni	<	0.004776	M	Sn	<	0.001194				
M	B		0.000401	M	Ge	<	0.002865	M	Os	<	0.000239	M	Sr	<	0.016716				
M	Ba		0.000154	M	Hf	<	0.000238	i	P	<		M	Ta	<	0.000238				
M	Be	<	0.000477	M	Hg	<	0.003827	M	Pb		0.000988	M	Tb	<	0.000238				
M	Bi	<	0.002149	M	Ho	<	0.000238	M	Pd	<	0.002870	M	Te	<	0.014806				
O	Ca		0.001427	M	In	<	0.000238	M	Pr	<	0.000238	M	Th	<	0.000955				
M	Cd	<	0.002865	M	Ir	<	0.000239	M	Pt	<	0.000238	M	Ti	<	0.002865				
M	Ce		0.000061	O	K		0.012717	i	Rb	<		M	Tl	<	0.002865				
M	Co	<	0.003343	M	La	<	0.000955	M	Re	<	0.000477	O	Tm	<	0.020620				
s	Cr	<		M	Li	<	0.002149	M	Rh	<	0.105077	M	U	<	0.001910				
M	Cs	<	0.001432	M	Lu	<	0.000238	M	Ru	<	0.001913	M	V		0.045424				
M	Cu	<	0.002865	O	Mg		0.000168	i	S	<		M	W	<	0.010268				
M	Dy	<	0.000238	M	Mn	<	0.000477	M	Sb	<	0.003343	M	Y	<	0.000238				
M	Er	<	0.012418	M	Mo	<	0.003582	M	Sc	<	0.004298	M	Yb	<	0.000238				

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

- For the calibration of analytical instruments and validation of analytical methods as appropriate.

7.0 INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CORRECT USE OF THIS REFERENCE MATERIAL

7.1 Storage and Handling Recommendations

- Keep cap tightly sealed when not in use. Store and use at 20 ± 4° C. Do not pipette from the container. Do not return removed aliquots to container.

Atomic Weight; Valence; Coordination Number; Chemical Form in Solution - 52.00 +3 6 $Cr(H_2O)_6^{3+}$
Chemical Compatibility -Stable in HCl, HNO_3, H_2SO_4, HF, H_3PO_4. Avoid basic media. Stable with most metals and inorganic anions in acidic media.
Stability - 2-100 ppb levels stable for months in 1% HNO_3 / LDPE container. 1-10,000 ppm solutions chemically stable for years in 1-5% HNO_3 / LDPE container.
Cr6 Containing Samples (Preparation and Solution) -Metal (soluble in HCl); Oxides/Ores (Chrome ore/oxides are very difficult to dissolve. The following procedures [A-D] are commonly used: A. Fusion with $KHSO_4$ and extraction with hot KCl. The residue fused with Na_2CO_3 and $KClO_3$, 3:1. B. Fusion with $NaKSO_4$ and NaF 2:1, C. Fusion with magnesia or lime and sodium or potassium carbonates, 4:1. D. Fusion with Na_2O_2 or NaOH and KNO_3 or NaOH and Na_2O_2. Nickel, iron, copper, or silver crucibles should be used for D. Platinum may be used for A, B, C); Organic Matrices (ash at 4500C followed by one of the fusion methods above or sulfuric/hydrogen peroxide acid digestions may be applicable to non oxide containing samples).
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 52 amu	40 ppt	N/A	36S16O, 36Ar16O - The 50Cr, 53Cr, 54Cr lines suffer from many more potential interferences from sulfur, chlorine and argon compounds of oxygen, nitrogen and carbon.
ICP-OES 205.552 nm	0.006/0.0008 µg/mL	1	Os
ICP-OES 276.654 nm	0.01/0.001 µg/mL	1	Cu, Ta, V
ICP-OES 284.325 nm	0.008/0.0007 µg/mL	1	

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 10CFR50 Appendix B - Nuclear Regulatory Commission

- Domestic Licensing of Production and Utilization Facilities

10.2 10CFR21 - Nuclear Regulatory Commission

- Reporting defects and Non-Compliance

10.3 ISO 9001 Quality Management System Registration

- SAI Global File Number 010105

10.4 ISO/IEC Guide 17025 "General Requirements for the Competence of Testing and Calibration Laboratories"

- Chemical Testing - Accredited / A2LA Certificate Number 883.01

10.5 ISO/IEC Guide 34 "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, EXPIRATION AND PERIOD OF VALIDITY

11.1 Certification Issue Date

January 27, 2016

11.2 Expiration Date

11.3 Period of Validity

- The certification is valid within the measurement uncertainty specified provided the CRM/RM is handled and stored in accordance with instructions given in Sec 7.0 and used prior to the date given in Sec 11.2. This certification is nullified if the CRM/RM is damaged, contaminated, or otherwise modified.

12.0 NAMES AND SIGNATURES OF CERTIFYING OFFICERS

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