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1. Introduction

During the TC-F annual meeting, held in Boras in 2015, it was agreed to perform the follow up of the CCM.FF-K4.1.2011 [1] organized for the EURAMET NMIs for Volume of Liquids at 20 L. INRIM offered to act as the pilot laboratory, and IPQ as co-pilot. This comparison was registered at BIPM as EURAMET.M.FF-K4.1.2016.

The transfer standard (TS) was a 20 L pipette supplied by CENAM (s/n 710-06FYV) which was remanufacturing for the intended purpose.

The main purpose of this project was to compare the experimental results and uncertainty calculations in calibrating this 20 L pipette and linking the intra-regional European results with the results obtained in the previous inter-regional CIPM key comparison CCM.FF-K4.1.2011 [1].

The participants of this comparison also involved in the comparison CCM.FF-K4.1.2011 were: CENAM, INRIM, IPQ, RISE and VSL. CENAM was involved in the first measurement, performed just before to sent the transfer standard to INRIM.

The protocol was essentially equivalent to the protocol of CCM.FF-K4.1.2011, where the information concerning the 100 mL pycnometer were removed.

The comparison was organized in two petals, in the first took part laboratories which need ATA Carnet. INRIM perform three measurements, at the beginning, after the first petal and at the end of the circulation.

Each participant had 3 weeks to receive the TS, make the measurements and send the TS to the next participant.

The comparison measurements started in April 2016 and ended in October 2017.

2. Participants and schedule

Twenty-one laboratories took part in the comparison, nineteen from EURAMET and two from outside Euramet: AMK from Kosovo (Liaison Organisation of EURAMET) and CENAM from Mexico (SIM), with the consent of all participating members of EURAMET.

FORCE from Denmark, was initially among the participants, but was not able to perform the measurements due to problems with the balance, so it was removed from the comparison.

List of the participants and the circulation scheme is shown in table 1.

3. Transfer Standard

The TS consist of a 20 L pipette (see figure 1) made of stainless steel, it has been designed to:

- a) Minimize the contribution of the meniscus reading to the volume uncertainty,
- b) Provide a leak-free metal to metal seal between the two parts of the container,
- c) Minimize the risk of volume changes,
- d) Keep the air/liquid interface as small as possible.

The temperature of the water inside the TS was measured using a hand held digital thermometer (supplied with the TS) coupled to fixed installed 4-wire Pt-100 temperature sensor, with a standard uncertainty of 0,015 °C.

A torque wrench was supplied with the transfer package to provide repeatable and reproducible torque values while assembling the transfer standard. The wrench has been set to 16 Nm for assembling purposes.

Table 1. Circulation scheme of the comparison.

| Country NMI | Contact Person | Measurements |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Mexico, CENAM | Roberto Arias | April 2016 |
| Italy, INRIM | Andrea Malengo | May 2016 |
| Serbia, DMDM | Ljiljana Mićić | June 2016 |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina, IMBIH | Alen Bošnjaković | July 2016 |
| Montenegro, MBM | Mihailović Mirjana | July 2016 |
| Albania, DPM | Erinda Piluri | August 2016 |
| Norway, JV | Gunn Kristin Svendsen | September 2016 |
| Switzerland, METAS | Marc de Huu | October 2016 |
| R. Macedonia, BoM | Anastazija Sarevska | November 2016 |
| Italy, INRIM | Andrea Malengo | November 2016 |
| Slovakia, SMU | Milan Mišovich | December 2016 |
| Slovenia, MIRS | Urška Turnšek | January 2017 |
| Republic of Kosovo, AMK | Agim Xhuraj | January 2017 |
| Bulgaria, BIM | Mariana Miteva | February 2017 |
| Lithuania, VMC | Ilona Milkamanavičienė | March 2017 |
| Portugal, IPQ | Elsa Batista | April 2017 |
| Netherlands, VSL | Erik Smits | May 2017 |
| Spain, CEM | Jose Ángel Terradillos González | June 2017 |
| Sweden, RISE | Per Wennergren | July 2017 |
| Austria, BEV | Anton Niessner | July 2017 |
| Hungary, MKEH | Csaba Czibulka | August 2017 |
| CMI, Czech Republic | Miroslava Benkova | August 2017 |
| Italy, INRIM | Andrea Malengo | October 2017 |



Figure 1. The 20 L pipette.

4. Comparison Protocol

The participating laboratories determined the volume of water that the TS of 20 L is able to deliver after a 60 second period of dripping-off at a reference temperature of 20 °C.

Based on experience and on reference data, cubic coefficient of expansion for the TS was $(47.7 \pm 2.0) \times 10^{-6} \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$ (uncertainty expressed as standard uncertainty).

The transfer package included a temperature measurement system.

The transfer standard had to be cleaned and assembled by each participant before starting the measurements.

Each participating laboratory performed 10 measurements on the transfer standard. .

During the comparison no significant damages of the inner surfaces of the TS were observed.

5. Methods of measurement and working conditions

According to the protocol all the participating NMIs applied a gravimetric method to determine the volume.

The majority of the NMIs used distilled water, the Tanaka density formula and balances with a resolution of 10 mg, a summary of the equipments used and the working conditions employed at the different NMIs is given in table 2.

Table 2. Summary of the equipments used and working conditions. Water: O Inverse osmosis; DI distilled, DE demineralized.

| Country NMI | Balance range, resolution | Water | De-aerated water | Density formula | Water temp./°C | Air temp. /°C |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Mexico, CENAM | 60 kg, 0,01 g | DE | no | Tanaka et al | 21,2 | 19,2 |
| Italy, INRIM (first) | 64 kg, 0,005 g | DI | no | Tanaka et al | 19,9 | 19,6 |
| Serbia, DMDM | 120 kg, 0,1 g | DI | no | Tanaka et al | 20,6 | 20,6 |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina, IMBIH | 64 kg, 0,1 g | DI | yes | Tanaka et al | 20,6 | 21,1 |
| Montenegro, MBM | 60 kg, 0,01 g | DI | no | Tanaka et al | 19,7 | 20,6 |
| Albania, DPM | 64 kg, 0,01 g | DI | no | Spieweck et al | 19,9 | 19,9 |
| Norway, JV | 600 kg, 0,01 g | DE | yes | Spieweck et al | 20,8 | 22,6 |
| Switzerland, METAS | 50 kg, 0,005 g | DE | no | Tanaka et al | 17,1 | 21,3 |
| R. Macedonia, BoM | 60 kg, 0,002 g | DE+O | no | Kell | 20,6 | 22,1 |
| Italy, INRIM (second) | 64 kg, 0,005 g | DI | no | Tanaka et al | 19,9 | 20,0 |
| Slovakia, SMU | 64 kg, 0,1 g | DI | no | Tanaka et al | 19,9 | 19,7 |
| Slovenia, MIRS | 32 kg, 0,1 g | DE | no | Kell | 19,7 | 20,7 |
| Republic of Kosovo, AMK | 30 kg, 0,01 g | DI | yes | Tanaka et al | 20,1 | 20,3 |
| Bulgaria, BIM | 60 kg, 1 g | DI | no | Tanaka et al | 22,2 | 22,5 |
| Lithuania, VMC | 60 kg, 0,01 g | DI | no | Tanaka et al | 18,3 | 19,3 |
| Portugal, IPQ | 150 kg, 0,05 g | DI | no | Tanaka et al | 20,1 | 20,8 |
| Netherlands, VSL | 64 kg, 0,01 g | DE | no | Spieweck et al | 20,1 | 23,0 |
| Spain, CEM | 50 kg, 0,01 g | DE | no | Tanaka et al | 19,8 | 19,9 |
| Sweden, RISE | 30 kg, 0,005 g | DE | yes | Tanaka et al | 20,5 | 21,2 |
| Austria, BEV | 30 kg, 0,01 g | DI | no | Spieweck | 20,0 | 19,7 |
| Hungary, MKEH | 64 kg, 0,01 g | DE | no | Spieweck | 20,5 | 20,7 |
| CMI | 35 kg, 0,01 g | DI | no | Tanaka et al | 19,4 | 19,4 |
| Italy, INRIM (third) | 64 kg 0,005 g | DI | no | Tanaka et al | 19,7 | 20,3 |

6. Uncertainty due to the Transfer Standard

The stability of the transfer standard was checked by the pilot laboratory, before starting the first petal, at the end of the first petal and at the end of the comparison. The results are shown in table 3.

The maximum variation, observed between the first and the second measurement, was $\Delta V = 0,25 \text{ mL}$, the values between the second and third measurement were almost similar. Although all the three measurements are consistent, the variation of 0,25 mL can be due to the instability of the transfer standard.

It has been evaluated an uncertainty contribution u_{inst} considering a rectangular distribution

$$u_{\text{inst}} = \frac{\Delta V}{2\sqrt{3}} = 0,07 \text{ mL.} \quad (1)$$

This uncertainty contribution has been taken into account for the evaluation of the degrees of equivalence, both for the first and second petal.

INRIM also performed the check of the supplied thermometer, the stability was within 0,005 °C.

Table 3. Measurements performed by the pilot laboratory.

| Volume V/mL | Uncertainty $U(V) / \text{mL}$ | Date |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
| 19 995,37 | 0,38 | May 2016 |
| 19 995,12 | 0,38 | November 2016 |
| 19 995,15 | 0,38 | October 2017 |

The INRIM value for the comparison as been calculated as mean value of the three measurements:

| INRIM Volume V/mL | Uncertainty $U(V) / \text{mL}$ |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 19 995,21 | 0,38 |

7. Results

The measurement results presented by each participant are shown in table 4 and figure 2 (uncertainties and error bars given in term of expanded uncertainty). The summary of the uncertainty budget for each participant is shown in Appendix A tables 9 and 10. The uncertainty contribution "Other" includes uncertainties due to: evaporation, meniscus, air bubble, draining and stability.

Table 4. Results as reported by the participants.

| NMI | V/mL | $U(V) / \text{mL}$ |
|-------|---------------|--------------------|
| CENAM | 19 995,56 | 0,77 |
| INRIM | 19 995,21 | 0,38 |
| DMDM | 19 996,06 | 1,69 |
| IMBIH | 19 994,94 | 0,58 |
| MBM | 19 994,50 | 1,24 |
| DPM | 19 999,22 | 1,04 |
| JV | 19 995,30 | 0,52 |
| METAS | 19 994,73 | 2,11 |
| BoM | 19 994,22 | 1,70 |
| SMU | 19 995,01 | 0,67 |
| MIRS | 19 995,20 | 1,00 |
| AMIK | 19 994,18 | 2,80 |
| BIM | 19 996,50 | 1,60 |
| VMC | 19 995,18 | 1,52 |
| IPQ | 19 994,87 | 1,70 |
| VSL | 19 995,42 | 0,72 |
| CEM | 19 994,88 | 0,72 |
| RISE | 19 995,33 | 0,55 |
| BEV | 19 995,40 | 0,77 |
| MKEH | 19 995,14 | 0,39 |
| CMI | 19 995,05 | 0,66 |

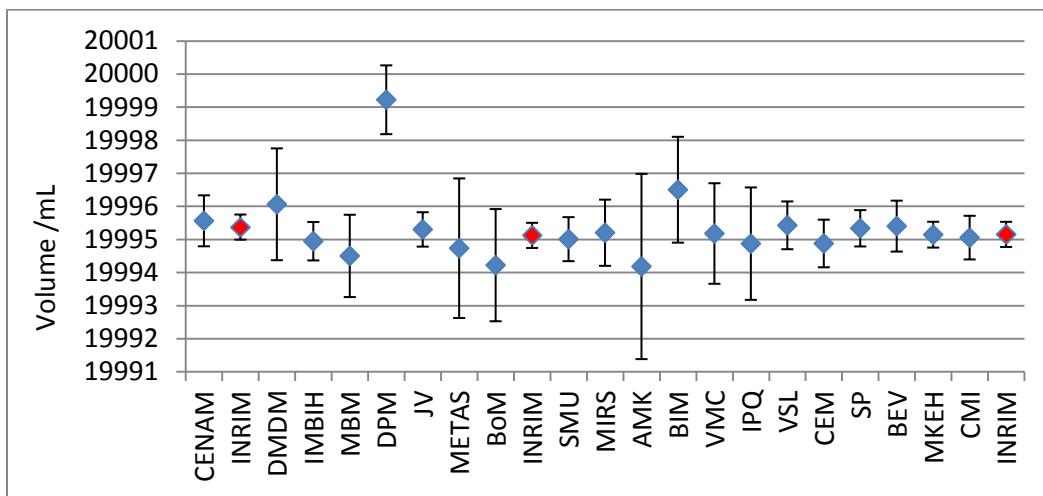


Figure 2. Results as reported by the participants. Results from the INRIM pivot laboratory in red.

8. Link to CCM.FF-K4.1.2011 and Degrees of equivalence

According to the EURAMET Guide No. 4 [2] in this EURAMET key comparison no reference value was determined, the degrees of equivalence were calculated by linking to the *KCRV* of the CCM key comparison CCM.FF-K4.1.2011 in which two 20 L pipettes supplied by CENAM, the pilot laboratory, were used as travelling standard.

The link to CCM.FF-K4.1.2011 has been provided by CENAM, INRIM, VLS, IPQ and RISE. The EURAMET participants performed their measurements in 2012.

Table 5 lists the degrees of equivalence of the volume measurements on the TS No. 710-04 as determined in the CCM.FF-K4.1.2011 comparison. In the Final Report of CCM.FF-K4.1.2011 this standard has been suggested as TS to be used to link others comparisons.

The *KCRV* value and the associated standard uncertainty of the TS no. 710-04 were:

$$KCRV = 19\ 990,75 \text{ mL}, u(KCRV) = 0,10 \text{ mL}$$

Table 5. Degrees of equivalence for the linking laboratories in CCM.FF-K4.1.2011 comparison.

| CCM.FF-K4.1.2011, TS 710-04 | | | | |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| Linking laboratories | $D_i/x_{\text{ref}} \times 10^6$ | $U(D_i)/x_{\text{ref}} \times 10^6$ | D_i / mL | $U(D_i) / \text{mL}$ |
| CENAM | -0,08 | 39 | -0,002 | 0,780 |
| IPQ | -2,7 | 84 | -0,054 | 1,679 |
| VSL | -11 | 32 | -0,220 | 0,640 |
| RISE | -6,5 | 23 | -0,130 | 0,460 |
| INRIM | -1,05 | 16 | -0,021 | 0,320 |

The difference D_{CCM} evaluated as weighted mean [3] of the D_i of the linking laboratories was:

$$D_{\text{CCM}} = -0,07 \text{ mL},$$

with a standard uncertainty

$$u(D_{\text{CCM}}) = 0,12 \text{ mL},$$

this result is used to correct the value obtained in this EURAMET comparison by the linking laboratories.

In table 6 the results obtained by the linking laboratories in this comparison are given.

Table 6. Results of the linking laboratories in EURAMET.M.FF-K4.1.2016.

| EURAMET.M.FF-K4.1.2016 | | |
|------------------------|-----------|---------|
| Linking laboratories | V/mL | u(V)/mL |
| CENAM | 19 995,56 | 0,39 |
| IPQ | 19 994,87 | 0,85 |
| VSL | 19 995,42 | 0,36 |
| RISE | 19 995,33 | 0,27 |
| INRIM | 19 995,21 | 0,19 |

From the results in table 6, by the weighted mean method the value V_{Eur} and the associated standard uncertainty $u(V_{\text{Eur}})$ have been evaluated:

$$V_{\text{Eur}} = 19 995,30 \text{ mL, and } u(V_{\text{Eur}}) = 0,13 \text{ mL}$$

In order to link the EURAMET.M.FF-K4.1.2016 comparison to the *KCRV* of the CCM.FF-K4.1.2011, the difference has been calculated as:

$$D_{\text{Eur}-\text{KCRV}} = V_{\text{Eur}} - D_{\text{CCM}} - KCRV = 4,62 \text{ mL} \quad (2)$$

As consequence the reference value of this comparison is:

$$V_{\text{ref}} = V_{\text{Eur}} - D_{\text{CCM}} = 19 995,37 \text{ mL} \quad (3)$$

The correlation coefficient associated with a measured values provided by the linking laboratories in this comparison and the CCM.FF-K4.1.2011 *KCRV* value can be considered negligible, based on the relative long time between the CCM comparison and this comparison.

Considering the uncertainty contribution due to the instability, evaluated in chapter 6, the standard uncertainty associated to $D_{\text{Eur}-\text{KCRV}}$ is given by:

$$u(D_{\text{Eur}-\text{KCRV}}) = \sqrt{u^2(V_{\text{Eur}}) + u^2(D_{\text{CCM}}) + u^2(KCRV) + u_{\text{inst}}^2} = 0,21 \text{ mL} \quad (4)$$

To calculate the degrees of equivalence D_i between the laboratories results x_i and the *KCRV*, the following formula is used:

$$D_i = x_i - D_{\text{Eur}-\text{KCRV}} - KCRV \quad (5)$$

$$U(D_i) = 2\sqrt{u^2(x_i) + u^2(D_{\text{Eur}-\text{KCRV}})} \quad (6)$$

In table 7 and figure 3 the results are shown, the normalized error E_n is calculated as:

$$E_n = \frac{D_i}{U(D_i)} \quad (7)$$

The DPM from Albania result was discrepant, the pilot laboratory informed DPM about this anomaly in the value, but no mistake in the result was found.

Table 7. Degrees of equivalence with $KCRV$, and the E_n value.

| NMI | D_i/mL | $U(D_i)/\text{mL}$ | E_n |
|-------|-----------------|--------------------|-------|
| INRIM | -0,16 | 0,58 | -0,27 |
| CENAM | 0,19 | 0,89 | 0,21 |
| DMDM | 0,69 | 1,75 | 0,40 |
| IMBIH | -0,43 | 0,73 | -0,58 |
| MBM | -0,87 | 1,32 | -0,66 |
| DPM | 3,85 | 1,13 | 3,41 |
| JV | -0,07 | 0,68 | -0,10 |
| METAS | -0,64 | 2,16 | -0,30 |
| BoM | -1,15 | 1,75 | -0,66 |
| SMU | -0,36 | 0,80 | -0,46 |
| MIRS | -0,17 | 1,09 | -0,16 |
| AMK | -1,19 | 2,83 | -0,42 |
| BIM | 1,13 | 1,66 | 0,68 |
| VMC | -0,19 | 1,58 | -0,12 |
| IPQ | -0,50 | 1,76 | -0,28 |
| VSL | 0,05 | 0,85 | 0,06 |
| CEM | -0,49 | 0,84 | -0,59 |
| RISE | -0,04 | 0,69 | -0,05 |
| BEV | 0,03 | 0,89 | 0,03 |
| MKEH | -0,23 | 0,59 | -0,39 |
| CMI | -0,32 | 0,79 | -0,40 |

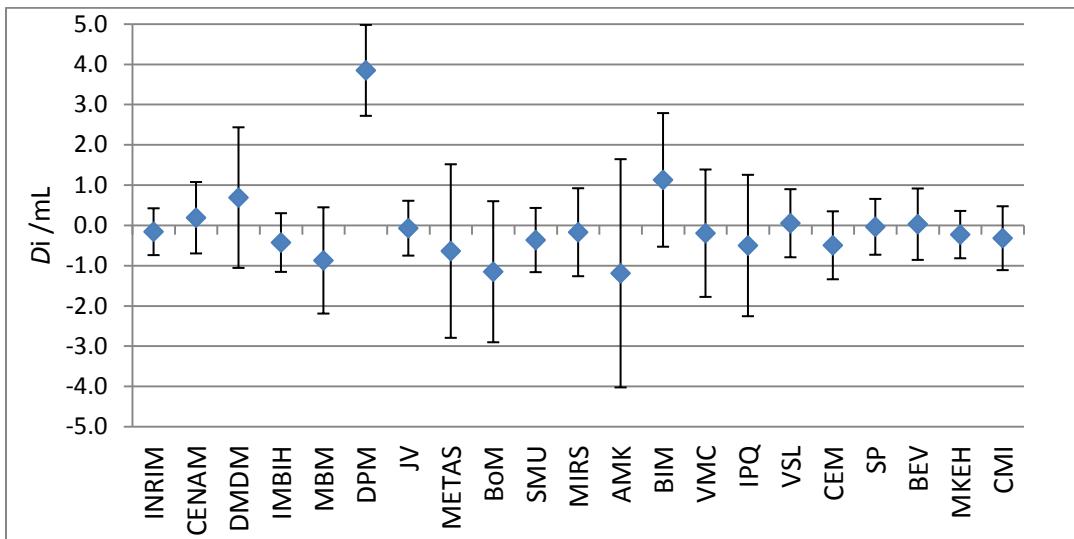


Figure 3. Degree of equivalence with *KCRV*.

The degrees of equivalence between laboratories have been evaluated as:

$$D_{i,j} = x_i - x_j \quad (8)$$

$$U(D_{i,j}) = 2\sqrt{u^2(x_i) + u^2(x_j) + u_{inst}^2} \quad (9)$$

In Appendix A, in tables 11, 12 and 13, the results are shown.

9. Summary and Conclusions

The comparison EURAMET.M.FF-K4.1.2016 was piloted by INRIM, twenty-one NMIs tested the 20 L transfer standard.

The comparison was conducted during April 2016 – October 2017.

Although negligible, an uncertainty contribution due to the instability ($u_{inst}=0,07$ mL) of the transfer standard as been considered in the evaluation of the degrees of equivalence.

The degrees of equivalence of this key comparison have been evaluated with the linkage to the *KCRV* value of the CCM.FF-K4.1.2011. Five laboratories were used as linking laboratories: CENAM, INRIM, IPQ, RISE and VSL.

Only one participant produced anomalous result, however, at present, it does not have CMCs on volume of liquid.

It should be noted that most of the participants (thirteen) declared an expanded uncertainty less than 0,005 %.

In order to assess the support of CMCs entries provided by this comparison, it is necessary to compare D_i against declared uncertainty values from the CMC tables. It is expected that D_i values are smaller than U_{CMCs} for supporting purposes, results are in table 8.

For NMIs without CMC on 20 L at present, the label n/a is shown, for the others NIMs all the CMCs are supported.

It is to be noted that METAS in this comparison declared an expanded uncertainty bigger than the CMC.

Table 8. Consistency check for CMC entries for volume of liquids at 20 L.

| NMI | $U_{CMCs} / \%$ | $U_{K4.1.2016} / \%$ | $\frac{d_i}{x_{KCRV}} / \%$ | Passed/Failed K4.1.2016 | CMCs supported |
|-------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| INRIM | 0,005 | 0,001 9 | -0,000 8 | Passed | Yes |
| CENAM | 0,004 | 0,003 9 | 0,001 0 | Passed | Yes |
| DMDM | 0,020 | 0,008 5 | 0,003 5 | Passed | Yes |
| IMBIH | n/a | 0,002 9 | -0,002 1 | Passed | n/a |
| MBM | 0,020 | 0,006 2 | -0,004 4 | Passed | Yes |
| DPM | n/a | 0,003 3 | 0,019 3 | Failed | n/a |
| JV | 0,006 | 0,002 6 | -0,000 4 | Passed | Yes |
| METAS | 0,006 | 0,010 6 | -0,003 2 | Passed | No |
| BoM | n/a | 0,008 5 | -0,005 8 | Passed | n/a |
| SMU | 0,040 | 0,003 3 | -0,001 8 | Passed | Yes |
| MIRS | 0,020 | 0,005 0 | -0,000 9 | Passed | Yes |
| AMK | n/a | 0,014 0 | -0,006 0 | Passed | n/a |
| BIM | n/a | 0,008 0 | 0,005 7 | Passed | n/a |
| VMC | n/a | 0,007 6 | -0,001 0 | Passed | n/a |
| IPQ | 0,010 | 0,008 5 | -0,002 5 | Passed | Yes |
| VSL | 0,010 | 0,003 6 | 0,000 3 | Passed | Yes |
| CEM | 0,020 | 0,003 6 | -0,002 5 | Passed | Yes |
| RISE | 0,003 | 0,002 7 | -0,000 2 | Passed | Yes |
| BEV | 0,005 | 0,003 9 | 0,000 2 | Passed | Yes |
| MKEH | 0,020 | 0,002 0 | -0,001 1 | Passed | Yes |
| CMI | 0,010 | 0,003 3 | -0,001 6 | Passed | Yes |

10. Appendix A

Table 9. Uncertainty contributions (in milliliters) to the uncertainty of the measurand (no.1).

| | INRIM | CENAM | DMDM | IMBIH | MBM | DPM | JV | METAS | BoM | SMU | MIRS |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|-------|-------|-------|----------|-------|
| Weighing | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Balance | 0,058 | 0,147 | 0,041 | 0,147 | 0,175 | 0,328 | 0,110 | 0,184 | 0,115 | 0,084 | 0,401 |
| Mass standards | 0,011 | 0,012 | 0,392 | 0,025 | | 0,035 | 0,039 | | 0,015 | 0,039 | 0,025 |
| Water Density | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Density | 0,100 | 0,008 | 0,151 | 0,204 | 0,071 | 0,224 | 0,068 | 0,480 | 0,606 | 0,062 | 0,244 |
| Temperature | 0,085 | 0,343 | 0,114 | 0,031 | 0,031 | 0,004 | | | 0,138 | | |
| Ambient Conditions | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Temperature | 0,016 | 0,016 | 0,005 | 0,005 | 0,005 | 0,001 | 0,013 | 0,090 | 0,008 | 0,00001 | 0,044 |
| Humidity | 0,004 | 0,001 | | | | 0,0002 | | | | 0,000001 | |
| Pressure | 0,005 | 0,006 | | | | 0,00005 | | | | 0,000003 | |
| Artifact | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Expansion coefficient | 0,005 | 0,025 | 0,025 | 0,025 | 0,187 | | 0,033 | 0,820 | 0,006 | 0,000004 | 0,014 |
| Temperature | 0,095 | | | | | | 0,014 | | | 0,00008 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Repeatability | 0,040 | 0,083 | 0,207 | 0,058 | 0,121 | 0,328 | 0,146 | 0,400 | 0,139 | 0,034 | 0,151 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Others | 0,040 | 0,015 | 0,695 | 0,125 | 0,548 | 0,010 | 0,050 | | 0,548 | 0,297 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Standard uncertainty | 0,190 | 0,385 | 0,847 | 0,297 | 0,622 | 0,520 | 0,263 | 1,057 | 0,848 | 0,333 | 0,499 |
| k | 2,00 | 2,00 | 2,00 | 2,00 | 2,00 | 2,00 | 2,00 | 2,00 | 2,00 | 2,00 | 2,00 |
| Expanded uncertainty | 0,38 | 0,77 | 1,69 | 0,60 | 1,24 | 1,04 | 0,53 | 2,11 | 1,70 | 0,67 | 1,00 |

Table 10. Uncertainty contributions (in milliliters) to the uncertainty of the measurand (no.1).

| | AMK | BIM | VMC | IPQ | VSL | CEM | RISE | BEV | MKEH | CMI |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| Weighing | | | | | | | | | | |
| Balance | 0,227 | 0,758 | 0,570 | 0,240 | 0,049 | 0,146 | 0,005 | 0,050 | 0,016 | 0,023 |
| Mass standards | 0,017 | 0,014 | 0,025 | 0,017 | | 0,015 | 0,064 | 0,004 | 0,028 | 0,032 |
| Water Density | | | | | | | | | | |
| Density | 0,063 | 0,081 | 0,100 | 0,072 | 0,250 | 0,309 | 0,230 | 0,359 | 0,066 | 0,300 |
| Temperature | | 0,014 | 0,021 | 0,014 | 0,214 | 0,068 | 0,054 | 0,109 | 0,097 | 0,090 |
| Ambient Conditions | | | | | | | | | | |
| Temperature | 0,005 | 0,037 | 0,065 | 0,00005 | 0,012 | 0,019 | 0,021 | 0,020 | 0,001 | 0,008 |
| Humidity | | | 0,480 | | | | 0,005 | 0,004 | 0,001 | 0,001 |
| Pressure | | | 0,048 | | | | 0,002 | 0,004 | 0,000 | 0,037 |
| Arifact | | | | | | | | | | |
| Expansion coefficient | 0,003 | 0,087 | 0,000 | 0,003 | 0,002 | 0,007 | 0,019 | 0,030 | 0,019 | 0,000 |
| Temperature | | | 0,015 | | 0,049 | | 0,054 | 0,028 | 0,014 | 0,007 |
| Repeatability | 0,009 | 0,024 | 0,025 | 0,075 | 0,017 | 0,092 | 0,020 | 0,032 | 0,051 | 0,091 |
| Others | 1,390 | | 0,036 | 0,816 | 0,130 | | 0,087 | 0,049 | 0,141 | |
| Standard uncertainty | 1,410 | 0,800 | 0,760 | 0,860 | 0,361 | 0,360 | 0,268 | 0,383 | 0,195 | 0,331 |
| k | 2,00 | 2,00 | 2,00 | 2,00 | 2,00 | 2,00 | 2,05 | 2,00 | 2,00 | 2,00 |
| Expanded uncertainty | 2,82 | 1,60 | 1,52 | 1,70 | 0,72 | 0,72 | 0,55 | 0,77 | 0,39 | 0,66 |

Table 11. Degrees of equivalence between laboratories (no.1).

| | X_j | | INRIM | | CENAM | | DMDM | | IMBIH | | MBM | | DPM | | JV | |
|-------|---------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| X_i | $D_i/x_{ref} \times 10^6$ | $U(D_i/x_{ref} \times 10^6)$ | $D_{ij}/x_{ref} \times 10^6$ | $U(D_{ij}/x_{ref} \times 10^6)$ |
| INRIM | -8 | 29 | | | -17 | 45 | -42 | 87 | 13 | 35 | 36 | 65 | -200 | 56 | -4 | 33 |
| CENAM | 10 | 44 | 17 | 45 | | | -25 | 93 | 31 | 49 | 53 | 74 | -183 | 65 | 13 | 47 |
| DMDM | 35 | 87 | 42 | 88 | 25 | 94 | | | 56 | 90 | 78 | 105 | -158 | 99 | 38 | 89 |
| IMBIH | -21 | 36 | -13 | 38 | -31 | 50 | -56 | 90 | | | 22 | 69 | -214 | 60 | -18 | 40 |
| MBM | -44 | 66 | -36 | 67 | -53 | 75 | -78 | 105 | -22 | 69 | | | -236 | 81 | -40 | 68 |
| DPM | 193 | 56 | 200 | 57 | 183 | 66 | 158 | 99 | 214 | 60 | 236 | 81 | | | 196 | 59 |
| JV | -4 | 34 | 4 | 35 | -13 | 49 | -38 | 89 | 18 | 40 | 40 | 68 | -196 | 59 | | |
| METAS | -32 | 108 | -24 | 108 | -41 | 113 | -66 | 135 | -11 | 110 | 12 | 123 | -224 | 118 | -28 | 109 |
| BoM | -58 | 88 | -50 | 88 | -67 | 94 | -92 | 120 | -36 | 90 | -14 | 105 | -250 | 100 | -54 | 89 |
| SMU | -18 | 40 | -10 | 41 | -28 | 53 | -53 | 91 | 3 | 45 | 25 | 71 | -211 | 62 | -15 | 43 |
| MIRS | -9 | 55 | -1 | 55 | -18 | 65 | -43 | 98 | 13 | 58 | 35 | 80 | -201 | 72 | -5 | 57 |
| AMK | -60 | 142 | -52 | 142 | -69 | 146 | -94 | 164 | -38 | 143 | -16 | 153 | -252 | 150 | -56 | 143 |
| BIM | 57 | 83 | 64 | 83 | 47 | 90 | 22 | 117 | 78 | 85 | 100 | 102 | -136 | 96 | 60 | 84 |
| VMC | -10 | 79 | -2 | 80 | -19 | 86 | -44 | 114 | 12 | 82 | 34 | 98 | -202 | 92 | -6 | 81 |
| IPQ | -25 | 88 | -17 | 88 | -35 | 94 | -60 | 120 | -4 | 90 | 19 | 106 | -218 | 100 | -22 | 89 |
| VSL | 3 | 42 | 11 | 43 | -7 | 55 | -32 | 92 | 24 | 47 | 46 | 72 | -190 | 64 | 6 | 45 |
| CEM | -25 | 42 | -17 | 43 | -34 | 55 | -59 | 92 | -3 | 47 | 19 | 72 | -217 | 64 | -21 | 45 |
| RISE | -2 | 35 | 6 | 36 | -11 | 49 | -36 | 89 | 20 | 40 | 42 | 68 | -194 | 59 | 2 | 38 |
| BEV | 2 | 44 | 9 | 45 | -8 | 56 | -33 | 93 | 23 | 49 | 45 | 74 | -191 | 65 | 5 | 47 |
| MKEH | -11 | 29 | -4 | 31 | -21 | 46 | -46 | 87 | 10 | 36 | 32 | 66 | -204 | 56 | -8 | 33 |
| CMI | -16 | 40 | -8 | 41 | -25 | 53 | -50 | 91 | 5 | 45 | 28 | 71 | -208 | 62 | -12 | 43 |

Table 12. Degrees of equivalence between laboratories (no.2).

| | X_j | | METAS | | BoM | | SMU | | MIRS | | AMK | | BIM | | VMC | |
|-------|---------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| X_i | $Dij/x_{ref} \times 10^6$ | $U(Dij)/x_{ref} \times 10^6$ |
| INRIM | -8 | 29 | 24 | 107 | 50 | 87 | 10 | 39 | 1 | 54 | 52 | 141 | -64 | 83 | 2 | 79 |
| CENAM | 10 | 44 | 41 | 113 | 67 | 93 | 28 | 51 | 18 | 64 | 69 | 145 | -47 | 89 | 19 | 86 |
| DMDM | 35 | 87 | 66 | 135 | 92 | 120 | 53 | 91 | 43 | 98 | 94 | 164 | -22 | 117 | 44 | 114 |
| IMBIH | -21 | 36 | 11 | 110 | 36 | 90 | -3 | 45 | -13 | 58 | 38 | 143 | -78 | 85 | -12 | 82 |
| MBM | -44 | 66 | -12 | 123 | 14 | 105 | -25 | 71 | -35 | 80 | 16 | 153 | -100 | 102 | -34 | 98 |
| DPM | 193 | 56 | 224 | 118 | 250 | 100 | 211 | 62 | 201 | 72 | 252 | 150 | 136 | 96 | 202 | 92 |
| JV | -4 | 34 | 28 | 109 | 54 | 89 | 15 | 43 | 5 | 57 | 56 | 143 | -60 | 84 | 6 | 81 |
| METAS | -32 | 108 | | | 26 | 136 | -14 | 111 | -23 | 117 | 28 | 175 | -88 | 133 | -22 | 130 |
| BoM | -58 | 88 | -26 | 136 | | | -39 | 91 | -49 | 99 | 2 | 164 | -114 | 117 | -48 | 114 |
| SMU | -18 | 40 | 14 | 111 | 39 | 91 | | | -10 | 60 | 41 | 144 | -75 | 87 | -9 | 83 |
| MIRS | -9 | 55 | 23 | 117 | 49 | 99 | 10 | 60 | | | 51 | 149 | -65 | 95 | 1 | 91 |
| AMK | -60 | 142 | -28 | 175 | -2 | 164 | -41 | 144 | -51 | 149 | | | -116 | 161 | -50 | 159 |
| BIM | 57 | 83 | 88 | 133 | 114 | 117 | 75 | 87 | 65 | 95 | 116 | 161 | | | 66 | 111 |
| VMC | -10 | 79 | 22 | 130 | 48 | 114 | 9 | 83 | -1 | 91 | 50 | 159 | -66 | 111 | | |
| IPQ | -25 | 88 | 7 | 136 | 33 | 120 | -7 | 92 | -17 | 99 | 35 | 164 | -82 | 117 | -15 | 114 |
| VSL | 3 | 42 | 35 | 112 | 60 | 92 | 21 | 50 | 11 | 62 | 62 | 145 | -54 | 88 | 12 | 84 |
| CEM | -25 | 42 | 7 | 112 | 33 | 92 | -7 | 50 | -16 | 62 | 35 | 145 | -81 | 88 | -15 | 84 |
| RISE | -2 | 35 | 30 | 109 | 56 | 89 | 16 | 43 | 7 | 57 | 58 | 143 | -58 | 85 | 8 | 81 |
| BEV | 2 | 44 | 33 | 113 | 59 | 93 | 20 | 51 | 10 | 64 | 61 | 145 | -55 | 89 | 11 | 86 |
| MKEH | -11 | 29 | 20 | 108 | 46 | 87 | 7 | 39 | -3 | 54 | 48 | 142 | -68 | 83 | -2 | 79 |
| CMI | -16 | 40 | 16 | 111 | 42 | 91 | 2 | 47 | -7 | 60 | 44 | 144 | -72 | 87 | -6 | 83 |

Table 13. Degree of equivalence between laboratories (no.3).

| X_j | X_j | | IPQ | | VSL | | CEM | | RISE | | BEV | | MKEH | | CMI | |
|-------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | $D_{ij}/x_{ref} \times 10^6$ | $U(D_{ij})/x_{ref} \times 10^6$ |
| INRIM | -8 | 29 | 17 | 87 | -11 | 41 | 17 | 41 | -6 | 34 | -9 | 44 | 4 | 28 | 8 | 39 |
| CENAM | 10 | 44 | 35 | 94 | 7 | 53 | 34 | 53 | 11 | 47 | 8 | 55 | 21 | 44 | 25 | 51 |
| DMDM | 35 | 87 | 60 | 120 | 32 | 92 | 59 | 92 | 36 | 89 | 33 | 93 | 46 | 87 | 50 | 91 |
| IMBIH | -21 | 36 | 4 | 90 | -24 | 47 | 3 | 47 | -20 | 40 | -23 | 49 | -10 | 36 | -5 | 45 |
| MBM | -44 | 66 | -19 | 106 | -46 | 72 | -19 | 72 | -42 | 68 | -45 | 74 | -32 | 66 | -28 | 71 |
| DPM | 193 | 56 | 218 | 100 | 190 | 64 | 217 | 64 | 194 | 59 | 191 | 65 | 204 | 56 | 208 | 62 |
| JV | -4 | 34 | 22 | 89 | -6 | 45 | 21 | 45 | -2 | 38 | -5 | 47 | 8 | 33 | 12 | 43 |
| METAS | -32 | 108 | -7 | 136 | -35 | 112 | -7 | 112 | -30 | 109 | -33 | 113 | -20 | 108 | -16 | 111 |
| BoM | -58 | 88 | -33 | 120 | -60 | 92 | -33 | 92 | -56 | 89 | -59 | 93 | -46 | 87 | -42 | 91 |
| SMU | -18 | 40 | 7 | 92 | -21 | 50 | 7 | 50 | -16 | 43 | -20 | 51 | -7 | 39 | -2 | 47 |
| MIRS | -9 | 55 | 17 | 99 | -11 | 62 | 16 | 62 | -7 | 57 | -10 | 64 | 3 | 54 | 7 | 60 |
| AMK | -60 | 142 | -35 | 164 | -62 | 145 | -35 | 145 | -58 | 143 | -61 | 145 | -48 | 142 | -44 | 144 |
| BIM | 57 | 83 | 82 | 117 | 54 | 88 | 81 | 88 | 58 | 85 | 55 | 89 | 68 | 83 | 72 | 87 |
| VMC | -10 | 79 | 15 | 114 | -12 | 84 | 15 | 84 | -8 | 81 | -11 | 86 | 2 | 79 | 6 | 83 |
| IPQ | -25 | 88 | | | -28 | 93 | 0 | 93 | -23 | 89 | -27 | 94 | -14 | 88 | -9 | 91 |
| VSL | 3 | 42 | 28 | 93 | | | 27 | 51 | 4 | 46 | 1 | 53 | 14 | 42 | 19 | 49 |
| CEM | -25 | 42 | 0 | 93 | -27 | 51 | | | -23 | 45 | -26 | 53 | -13 | 42 | -9 | 49 |
| RISE | -2 | 35 | 23 | 89 | -4 | 46 | 23 | 45 | | | -3 | 47 | 10 | 34 | 14 | 43 |
| BEV | 2 | 44 | 27 | 94 | -1 | 53 | 26 | 53 | 3 | 47 | | | 13 | 44 | 17 | 51 |
| MKEH | -11 | 29 | 14 | 88 | -14 | 42 | 13 | 42 | -10 | 34 | -13 | 44 | | | 4 | 39 |
| CMI | -16 | 40 | 9 | 91 | -19 | 49 | 9 | 49 | -14 | 43 | -17 | 51 | -4 | 39 | | |

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