# APMP Supplementary Comparison APMP.QM-S19 Toxic Elements in Seafood Progress update

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## Sample, Measurand and Scope

- Comparison Material: Dried shrimp spiked with selected analytes
  - Sample bottling and irradiation completed
  - Homogeneity and stability studies are underway
- Measurand and Range: Arsenic (total), cadmium, lead & mercury

As-tot: 0.2 - 50 mg/kg Cd: 0.04 - 10 mg/kg

Pb: 0.04 - 10 mg/kg Hg: 0.02 - 5 mg/kg

Scope: HFTLS

- (a) Toxic elements of total arsenic, cadmium, lead, mercury
  - Possible extension: antimony, chromium, nickel etc.
  - Reason: no significant difference in difficulties of measurement from similar sample matrices
- (b) Sample Matrix in Cat. 11 (Food): Seafood of animal origin
  - Possible extension: high protein food
  - Reason: no significant difference in matrix digestion







# Tentative Schedule (revised)

Revised schedule	Phase			
Nov 2018 – Dec 2019	Presentation of the proposed study at the APMP TCQM and CCQM IAWG meetings			
April 2020 – November 2020	Presentation of the progress update and sample preparation at the APMP TCQM and CCQM IAWG meetings			
April 2021	Presentation of the homogeneity and stability studies at the CCQM IAWG meeting			
January July 2021	Call for registration			
March September 2021	Deadline for registration			
April October 2021	Distribution of samples			
October 2021 April 2022	Deadline for submission of results			
Nov/Dec 2021 Nov/Dec 2022	Presentation of first report in APMP TCQM meeting			



## **IAWG Core Capability table**

Analyte groups	Matrix challenges					
	Water	High Silica content (e.g. Soils, sediments, plants,)	High salts content (e.g. Seawater, urine,)	High organics content (e.g. high carbon) (e.g. Food, blood/serum, cosmetics,)	Difficult to dissolve metals (Autocatalysts,)	High volatile matrices (e.g. solvents, fuels,)
Group I and II: Alkali and Alkaline earth						
(Li, Na, K, Rb, Cs, Be, Mg, Ca, Sr, Ba)						
Transition elements (Sc, Ti, V, Cr, Mn, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, Y, Zr, Nb, Mo, Tc, Ag, Cd, Ta, W, Au, Hg, Al, Ga, In, Tl, Pb, Po)						
				Cd, Hg, Pb		
Platinum Group elements (Ru, Rh, Pd, Os, Ir, Pt)						
Metalloids / Semi-metals (B, Si, Ge, As, Sb, Te, Se)						
				As		
Non-metals (P, S, C, N, O)						
Halogens (F, Cl, Br, I)						
Rare Earth Elements (Lanthanides, Actinides)						

**Low level** (e.g. below 50 μg/kg)

High level (e.g. above 50 μg/kg)



#### **Enquiries/Comments**

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Thank you!

