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		Standard Operating Procedure	Title: LA-ICP-MS Guide	
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## 1. Scope and Application

- 1.1 The scope of this SOP is train researchers...
- ${\bf 1.2}$  The applications of this SOP are for...

## 2. Summary of Method

2.1 This SOP does this...

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## 3. Acknowledgements

## 4. Definitions

**4.1** Term1: is...

#### 5. Biases and Interferences

**5.1** Biases and interferences can come from...

## 6. Health and Safety

**6.1** Describe the risk...

## Safety and Personnnel Protective Equipment

## 7. Personnel & Training Responsibilities

- **7.1** Researchers training is required before this the procedures in this method can be used...
- 7.2 Researchers using this SOP should be trained for the following SOPs:
- SOP01 Laboratory Safety
- SOP02 Field Safety

## 8. Required Materials and Apparati

- **8.1** Item 1 w/catalog number!
- **8.2** Item 2

## 9. Reagents and Standards

#### 10. Consumables

- Sample Cone
- Skimmer Cone
- peristaltic pumps
- bonnet and quartz stuff
- Pump Oil

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#### 11. Estimated Time

11.1 This procedure requires XX minutes...

## 12. Sample Collection, Preservation, and Storage

#### 13. Procedure

## Set up

- 13.1 Option versus Dilution gas
- **13.2** Check tubing, replace drain tubing Monthly.
- 13.3 Check gas supply regulators pressures

Gas	Pressure	Reorder #
Argon	100 psi	??
Oxygen		

- 13.4 Turn on chiller
- **13.5** Open argon valve
- 13.6 Connect drain and sample tubes to peristaltic pump and clamp.
- 13.7 Connect internal standard, should be diluted to 1 ppm or  $1\mu/mL$ .
- 13.8
- **13.9** Prepare . . .
- 13.10

#### 14. Maintenance

## Cleaning Nebulizer

- 14.1 Soak components in 5% nitric acid. Do not sonicate the nebularizer.
- **14.2** Neebulizer should be tight.
- 14.3 Replace jacket

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## Pump Oil

**14.4** Replace pump oil every 3-4 months. Pump oil will break down and be the final resting place for all ions.

14.5

## **Checking Torch**

- 14.6 Open cover
- 14.7 Shield can get ugly and needs to be replaced.
- 14.8 Don't seem to worry about finger prints on the outside.
- 14.9 Replace tab and torch bonnet stuff yearly

#### Sample and Skimmer Cone

- **14.10** Use software to "maintenance" and torch is moved.
- **14.11** Check and potentially Replace cones... depends on sample matrix, often a recently replaced cone are not stable.
- **14.12** Unscrew ring (use tool if needed)
- **14.13** Clean with sonicator, <?1% citronox dilute.
- 14.14 Use skimmer cone tool and unscrew it.
- **14.15** Be careful of the graphite o-ring
- **14.16** To replace, finger tighten skimmer cone.
- 14.17 Do not use skimmer cone tool until it's been finger threaded.
- 14.18 Replace sample cone
- 14.19 Initialize to put torch back in.
- **14.20** Close cover

#### Lenses

- 14.21 Using 3mm allen wrench...
- 14.22 Do not touch lens with hands w/o gloves

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- 14.23 Loosen and pull them out.
- **14.24** Omega lens...
- 14.25 Cleaned as part of the PM (preventative maintance).
- 14.26 Can check lens test via software.
- 15. Data Analysis and Calculations
- 16. QC/QA Criteria
- 17. Trouble Shooting
- 18. References
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