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| Project: | ANIMIDA III | | | | | | |
| Parameters: | TPH and SHC | | | | | | |
| Laboratory: | Battelle, Norwell, MA | | | | | | |
| Matrix: | Tissue | | | | | | |
| Data Set: | DP-14-0586 | | | | | | |
| Analytical SOP: | 5-202 | | | | | | |
| Method Reference: | Modified EPA Method 8015C | | | | | | |
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| Sample Custody | Receipt Date | | | Temp (°C) | | | |
| 8/14/2014 | | | 4.0 | | | |
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| Corrective Actions | None. | | | | | | |
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| Sample Storage | The samples were stored in an access-limited freezer until sample preparation could begin. | | | | | | |
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|  | METHOD SUMMARIES |  | | |  |  | |
| Sample Preparation | Tissue samples were homogenized with titanium blades and split for metals analysis at Sequim and FIT.    The tissue samples were extracted following a modified EPA Method 3510C. Samples were prepared for analysis by weighing approximately 5-20 grams of sample material into a pre-cleaned extraction vessel and dried using sodium sulfate.  Each sample was spiked with PAH, Biomarker and SHC surrogates and extracted 3 times using methylene chloride by tissuemizer.  The combined extracts were dried over sodium sulfate and concentrated by Kuderna-Danish (KD) and nitrogen evaporation techniques. Sample clean-up was performed on the extracts using alumina columns. Extracts were further cleaned up and fractionated using silica gel columns. The F1 fraction was collected and split for TPH/SHC and biomarker analyses. The F2 fraction was collected for PAH and alkyated PAH analysis. The extracts were concentrated and spiked with IS for analysis. | | | | | | |
| Prep comments | Another NSC for FID was added to the batch because the original NSC was made with ID61. 1mL of IC44 used to make the NSC.  The batch average dry weight is being applied to samples M5856, M5857, M5859, M5860, M5862, M5863, M5865, M5866, M5867, M5869, M5870, M5871, M5880, M5903 and M5904 as there was not enough material to perform separate dry weights. | | | | | | |
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| Analysis | TPH/SHC was measured by gas chromatography with flame ionization detection (GC/FID). An initial calibration consisting of target analytes was completed prior to analysis to demonstrate the linear range of analysis. Calibration verification was performed at the beginning and end of each 24 hour period (or 10 injections) in which samples were analyzed. Concentrations of TPH/SHC were calculated by the internal standard method. Normal alkanes were quantified using the average RF generated from the initial calibration. TPH concentrations were quantified using the average RF of nC9 through nC40. All data is reported as surrogate corrected versus dry weight. The NSC and CO are reported as not surrogate corrected versus oil weight. | | | | | | |
| Analysis comments | None. | | | | | |  |
| Holding Times | Extraction Date(s) |  | Analysis Date(s) | | | |  |
|  | 10/17, 29/2014 and 11/19,20/2014 | 11/5-6/2014 and 11/15, 18-19,20/2014 | | | | | |

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| Procedural Blank (PB) | A PB was prepared with this analytical batch to ensure the sample extraction and analysis methods are free of contamination. |
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| PB <5 X MDL  Samples must be >5x PB | No exceedences noted. |
| Comments: None. |
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| Laboratory Control Spike (LCS) | A LCS was prepared with this analytical batch. The percent recoveries of target analytes were calculated to measure accuracy. |
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| Recovery of 70-130% | One exceedence noted. |
| Comments: The LCS failed for Nonane below the MQO criteria. It was re-analyzed on a different instrument with similar results. No further actions taken. |
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| North Slope Crude (NSC) | A NSC Reference Oil was prepared with this batch to evaluate the instrumental accuracy and also provide petroleum pattern information, aiding in the qualitative identification of target analytes. |
| < 30% RPD for 90% of analytes | No exceedences noted. |
| Comments: None. |
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| Surrogate Recovery | Surrogate compounds were added prior to extraction. The surrogate recoveries are calculated to measure extraction efficiency. |
| Recovery of 40-120% | No exceedences noted. |
| Comments: None. |
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| Sample Duplicate (QADUP) | A QADUP was prepared with this analytical batch. The RPD of target analytes were calculated to measure data quality in terms of accuracy. |  |
| Relative Percent Difference (RPD) < 30% | No exceedences noted. |  |
| Comments: None. |  |
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| Initial Calibration (ICAL) | The GC/FID is calibrated with a minimum 5 level curve for all compounds. |
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| Individual RSD ≤25%; Mean RSD ≤20% | No exceedences noted. |
| Comments: None. |
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| Independent Calibration Check (ICC) | The independent check was run after each initial calibration to verify the calibration. This standard is from a different source than the ICAL. |
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| Individual and Mean PD <25% | No exceedences noted. |
| Comments: None. |
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| Continuing Calibration Verification (CCV) | Continuing calibration standards were run every 24 hours to ensure that initial calibration is still valid. |
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| Individual RSD ≤25%; Mean RSD ≤20% | No exceedences noted. |
| Comments: None. |
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