

# **Certificate of Analysis**

# **Hexavalent Chromium CRM**

Catalog Number: SQCI-003

Lot Number: S0221

Manufacture Date: 01/07/21 Certified Date: 01/18/21

**Expiration:** 03/31/2025

Matrix: Solid Hazards: Irritant

|                     | Study       | Certified            | Acceptance    |
|---------------------|-------------|----------------------|---------------|
| <u>Analyte</u>      | <u>Mean</u> | <b>Concentration</b> | <u>Limits</u> |
|                     | (mg/kg)     | (mg/kg)              | (mg/kg)       |
| Hexavalent Chromium | 151         | 135 ± 1.26           | 44.8 - 218    |

This certified reference material (CRM) was manufactured by NSI Lab Solutions following quality procedures meeting the requirements of ISO 9001, ISO 17025, and ISO 17034. Acceptance limits are set at current NELAC standards. The certified concentration is the gravimetric true value determined during manufacture, masses traceable to NIST. The study mean is set at the robust mean of an interlaboratory proficiency testing study with outlier rejection. This CRM is intended to be used to validate analytical methods, for detection limit studies, and analyst proficiency testing.

#### **Storage & Instructions For Use**

### Store this sample at 2-8°C.

Mix sample prior to use.

Open sample in a fume hood to prevent exposure to dust.

No modification to the sample prior to sub-sampling is necessary.

No dry weight correction is required. Assume sample is 100% solids.

Do not correct the analytical results for matrix spike recovery bias.

#### **Traceability Information**

Analyte Source Materials: The highest purity analyte source materials are used in the manufacture of this CRM.

**Balance:** All analytical balances are calibrated on a semiannual basis by an ISO 17025 accredited calibration laboratory and are traceable to NIST. Traceable Calibration Certificate available upon request.

All balances are checked daily by an in-house standard operating procedure. The weights used for this daily verification are calibrated annually by an ISO 17025 accredited calibration laboratory and are certified traceable to NIST. Certificate of Calibration and Traceability available upon request.

**Thermometer:** All thermometers are NIST traceable through thermometers that are calibrated annually by an ISO 17025 accredited calibration laboratory.







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**Glassware:** All glassware used in the manufacture of our CRMs is Class A. An in-house standard operating procedure is used to verify all glassware prior to it being placed into service. Volumetric pipetors are calibrated every four months by an ISO 17025 accredited calibration laboratory.

## Homogeneity/Stability/Expiration

This CRM was thoroughly mixed in production. Batch homogeneity was established through analyses of samples chosen at random. The stability of this CRM is based on short-term and long-term monitoring of the certified concentration. The expiration date is guaranteed to be valid from the manufacture date and is based on results of long-term monitoring.

## **Uncertainty**

The ± uncertainty associated with the certified concentration is the expanded uncertainty at 95% confidence interval (CI) with K=2. This expanded uncertainty incorporates contributions from manufacturing, homogeneity, and stability.

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