

## APPLICATION NOTE

# Superphosphate & Potassic Super Fertilizer

## SUMMARY

This application note summarizes the digestion of Superphosphate & Potassic Super Fertilizers using ColdBlock™ Digestion CB15S Technology.

**Instrument:** ColdBlock CB15S sample digester, chiller, ICP-OES

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**Digestion Time:** 20 Minutes

**Acid Used:** Aqua Regia

**Average ColdBlock Recovery vs. CRM:**

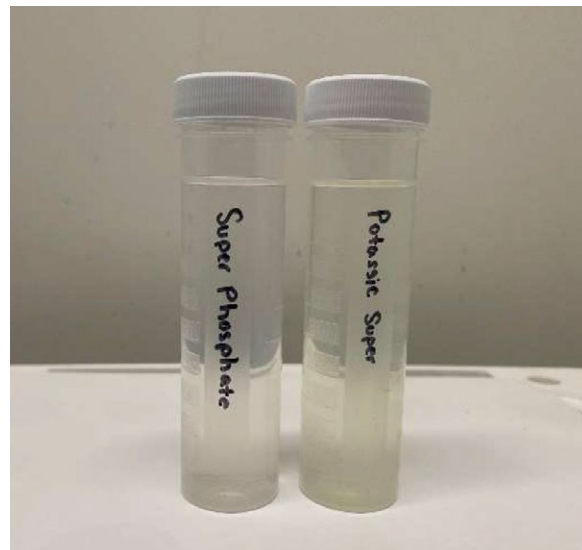
- 98% Calcium
- 99% Phosphorus
- 93% Potassium

## METHODOLOGY

1. Chiller temperature was set to 5°C
2. 0.5g of each sample was weighed and placed into a ColdBlock™ Digestion vessel
3. 20ml Aqua Regia was added
4. Sample was digested at 80% power for 20 minutes
5. Sample was cooled and bulked to 50mL using 2% HNO<sub>3</sub> v/v

## DISCUSSION

- After 20 minutes the samples were clear, and no visible sample material remains



*Superphosphate and Potassic Super after bulk up*

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### Results

| Superphosphate Fertilizer |                       |   |       |       |            |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---|-------|-------|------------|
| Method:                   | 05.g                  | 20mL Aqua Regia – Digest at 80% for 20 minutes. |       |       |            |
| Element                   | Reference Value (ppm) | ColdBlock Average (ppm)                         | Stdev | % RSD | % Recovery |
| Ca                        | 214680                | <b>211205</b>                                   | 2196  | 0.5   | <b>98%</b> |
| Cd                        | 18.22                 | <b>16.84</b>                                    | 0.07  | 0.7   | <b>92%</b> |
| P                         | 94860                 | <b>94293</b>                                    | 633   | 1     | <b>99%</b> |

| Potassic Super |                       |   |       |       |            |
|----------------|-----------------------|---|-------|-------|------------|
| Method:        | 05.g                  | 20mL Aqua Regia – Digest at 80% for 20 minutes. |       |       |            |
| Element        | Reference Value (ppm) | ColdBlock Average (ppm)                         | Stdev | % RSD | % Recovery |
| Ca             | 197140                | <b>194892</b>                                   | 165   | 0.1   | <b>99%</b> |
| Cd             | 19.94                 | <b>18.24</b>                                    | 0.685 | 3.8   | <b>91%</b> |
| K              | 104160                | <b>96619</b>                                    | 3360  | 3.5   | <b>93%</b> |
| P              | 83740                 | <b>80356</b>                                    | 3959  | 4.9   | <b>96%</b> |