

NIST 1849b – Infant Nutritional Formula

SUMMARY

The application note summarizes the digestion of NIST 1849b, an infant nutritional formula standard reference material using ColdBlock™ Digestion Pro Series Technology.

Instrument: ColdBlock CBM (with quartz test tubes), chiller, ICP-MS

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Digestion Time: 20 Minutes

Acid Used: HNO₃ & H₂O₂

Average ColdBlock Recovery vs. CRM:

- 101% Iron
- 101% Molybdenum
- 97% Selenium

METHODOLOGY

1. Chiller temperature was set to -5°C
2. 0.5g of each sample was weighed and placed into a quartz ColdBlock™ Digestion vessel
3. 10 mL of HNO₃ was added and mixed with the sample
4. Sample was digested at 65% power for 20 minutes
5. 2mL of ≥ 30% H₂O₂ was added
6. Samples were cooled and bulked to 40mL using 2% HNO₃ v/v

DISCUSSION

- Samples were digested in triplicate
- Samples were filtered prior to analysis by ICP-MS
- H₂O₂ (Sigma Aldrich 95321, Hydrogen peroxide solution ≥30%, for trace analysis)
- HNO₃ (Analytichem 250-038-175, Nitric Acid, PP, 67-70%)
- NIST 1849b is a milk-based, hybrid infant/adult nutritional powder, prepared by a manufacturer of infant formula and adult nutritional products



NIST 1849b after bulk-up to 40mL

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Results

| NIST 1849b – Adult/Infant Nutritional Formula I | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------------|---|-------|----------|----------|----------|-----------------|-------|-------|------------|
| Method: | 0.5g | 10mL HNO ₃ digested at 65% power for 20 minutes, then added 2mL H ₂ O ₂ , let cool and bulked to 40mL with 2% HNO ₃ v/v | | | | | | | | |
| Element | NIST Certified Values (mg/kg) | 95% Confidence Limits | | Sample A | Sample B | Sample C | Average (mg/kg) | Stdev | % RSD | % Recovery |
| | | Low | High | | | | | | | |
| Cr | 1.033 | 1.015 | 1.051 | 0.913 | 1.005 | 0.926 | 0.948 | 0.041 | 4.3% | 92% |
| Cu | 18.96 | 18.66 | 19.26 | 18.93 | 18.69 | 18.29 | 18.64 | 0.3 | 1.4% | 98% |
| Fe | 168 | 160.6 | 175.4 | 174 | 174 | 161 | 170 | 6.4 | 3.8% | 101% |
| Mg | 1570 | 1540 | 1600 | 1531 | 1599 | 1518 | 1549 | 36 | 2.3% | 99% |
| Mo | 1.741 | 1.678 | 1.804 | 1.764 | 1.766 | 1.740 | 1.757 | 0.012 | 0.7% | 101% |
| P | 3750 | 3620 | 3880 | 3802 | 3900 | 3952 | 3885 | 62 | 1.6% | 104% |
| Se | 0.816 | 0.791 | 0.841 | 0.759 | 0.802 | 0.822 | 0.794 | 0.026 | 3.3% | 97% |
| *Ca | 5050 | 4830 | 5270 | 5122 | 4975 | 4805 | 4968 | 129 | 2.6% | 98% |
| *Mn | 46.4 | 44.3 | 48.5 | 44.1 | 42.9 | 43.2 | 43.4 | 0.5 | 1.2% | 94% |
| *K | 9014 | 8924 | 9104 | 9035 | 8723 | 8964 | 8907 | 133 | 1.5% | 99% |
| *Na | 4155 | 4055 | 4255 | 5127 | 4103 | 4277 | 4502 | 448 | 9.9% | 108% |
| *Zn | 141.9 | 138 | 145.8 | 161.1 | 147.1 | 138.6 | 148.9 | 9.3 | 6.2% | 105% |

* Non-Certified Values