



# **PROFICIENCY TESTING DIRECTORY**

## **PURPOSE**

This document lists proficiency testing schemes and intercomparisons available to laboratories in the Asia Pacific region. The listing of a scheme in this directory does not imply its endorsement by APLAC.

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Pesticides in fruit/vegetables and soil  
Environmental contaminants in soils and water  
Controlled drugs

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Metals in Food

Folic acid in Flour

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Chemical residues and environmental contaminants in meat and meat products, grain and grain products, horticultural matrices, liquid milk, eggs, fish, aquatic animals, honey, nuts, wool fibres, animal tissue and animal body fluids

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Wide range of analytes in wine

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Advice and support is given to members during the vintage season and throughout the year, to ensure accurate results are met.)

Fire assay gold, aqua regia gold, gold in loaded and barren carbon, low level (ppb) gold, Cu, Pb, Zn, Ni, As, Ag, Co, ore grade base metals and S in pulps

Gases  
Natural Gas  
Industrial and Environmental gases

### **Chemical/Construction Materials Testing**

Cement

### **Electrical Testing**

Approval tests on electrical appliances and accessories

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EQAS for serology of HIV, HCV, HBV, HTLV,  
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## Microbiological Testing

Food matrices  
Cosmetic/pharmaceutical matrices  
Environmental  
General  
Industrial  
Legionella

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#### Microbiological Proficiency Testing

DairyChek Programme  
MilkChek Programme

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## Chemical/Microbiological Testing

Wide range of chemical/microbiological tests for food including:

Milk Chemistry & Microbiology  
Ice Cream Chemistry & Microbiology  
Dairy Products Chemistry & Microbiology  
Vitamins, Minerals, Trace elements in Dairy Products  
Meat Chemistry & Microbiology  
Shellfish Microbiology  
Tallow Chemistry  
Food Microbiology  
Water Microbiology: Potable, Receiving, Effluent, Pool, Sea  
Pathogens including Salmonella & *Listeria monocytogenes*, *E. coli* 0157:H7

The above programs are accredited by IANZ

Wine Chemistry  
Water Chemistry: Potable, Effluent & Chemical Residue  
Timber Preservation  
Antimicrobials in Milk  
BactoScan  
*Campylobacter* & *Vibrio parahaemolyticus*

## Mechanical Testing

MUST System (8 different paper and paperboard tests in system, plus different levels of test)

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Carbon Steel  
Low-Alloy Steel  
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1. Accidents low-energy photons
2. accidents high-energy photons
3. low-energy photons
4. high-energy photons
5. beta particles
6. photon mixture (a combination of categories 3 and 4)
7. beta-photon mixture (a combination of categories 4 and 5)
8. neutron-photon mixture
9. angles of incidence photons (a combination of categories 3-B and 4)

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pH  
Suspended Solids  
Total dissolved solids

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### Chemical Testing (Food and Feed)

Feeding Stuffs  
Flour  
Starch  
Milk powder

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### Chemical Testing

Low Alloy Steel  
Carbon Steel

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### Microbiological Testing (Food and feed)

Aerobic Plate Count in starch  
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**Calibration**

Volumetric Flasks  
Volumetric Pipettes  
Vernier  
Analog Micrometer  
Digital Micrometer  
Dial Gauge  
Dial Gauge Indicator  
Dial Gauge Tester

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## CANADA, CALA

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#### Environmental Water – Inorganic

C-1A	Major Ions
C-1B	NH <sub>3</sub> /DOC/o-P04/Br/NO <sub>2</sub>
C-2A	Dissolved Metals/Metal Hydrides
C-2B	Dissolved metals (high range)
C-2C	Total metals
C-3	TKN and TP
C-4A	TSS, VSS, TDS
C-4B	BOD/CBOD
C-4C	Turbidity
C-4D	COD
C-14	CN (SAD)
C-15	pH
C-19	Mercury
C-32	Residual Chlorine

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#### Environmental Water – Organic

C-6-A	OCP
C-6-B	PCB
C-7	PAH
C-16	BTEX/THM/VOC
C-22	OP Pesticides
C-24	Arloxy Acid Pesticides
C-25	Phenolic Compounds
C-27	Glyphosphate
C-29	Aldicarb
C-33	Phenolics
C-34	Total oil and grease

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### Environmental Water - Toxicology

C-11 Trout LC50  
C-12 Daphnia LC50  
C-13 Microtox IC50

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### Environmental Water - Microbiology

C-5A Microbiology  
C-5B Microbiology (presence/absence)

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### Environmental Oil – transformer

C-8 Total PCB in Oil

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### Environmental Air filter (quartz)

C-9 Metals on Air Filters  
C-10 Major Ions on Air

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**Environmental Soil/Sediment**

C-17 Metals in Soil  
C-18 PAH in Soil  
C31A PHC/BTEX in Soil  
C31B PHC in Soil  
C-35 PCBs in Soil  
C-36 VOCs in Soil

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### Occupational Health

\*Asbestos reference slides/filter wedges  
C-20 Asbestos  
Air filter (cellulose ester) – metals  
C-21 Metals in Air  
Charcoal Tube - organics  
C-28 Aromatic Organics in Air

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### CANADA, SCC and Other

#### PROGRAM

Accredited SCC Proficiency Testing  
Programs

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#### Mineral Analysis Testing

Element concentrations in mineralogical  
test samples: Au, Ag, Pt, Pd, Cu, Zn,  
Pb, Ni, Co

SCC Accredited (No. 420) to ISO Guide 43  
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### Trace Metals in biological samples

ICP-MS Comparison Program for trace metals in biological samples (Human urine, whole blood, hair or biological tissues) for Ag, Al, As, Ba, Be, Cd, Co, Cr, Cu, Hg, Mn, Mo, Ni, Pb, Pt, Sb, Se, Sn, Te, Tl, U, V, Zn. 3 samples/round

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### Organics in biological samples

AMAP Ring Test for PCBs and OC pesticides in human serum

- Congeners of Polychlorinated biphenyls, polybrominated diphenyls ethers, toxaphenes and organochlorinated pesticides in human serum

### Environmental water – microbiology

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Escherichia coli (MF), Escherichia coli (MPN), Faecal coliforms (MF), Faecal coliforms (P/A), Faecal streptococci (MF), Hetrotrophic plate count, Pseudomonas aeruginosa (MF), Salmonella spp (P/A), Staphylococcus aureus (MF), Total coliforms (MF), Total coliforms (P/A)

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### Environmental water - inorganic chemistry

Absorbable organic halides, BOD(5 days), Boron, Bromates, Bromides, COD, Chlorides, Color, Conductivity, Corrosivity, Cyanide, Flouride, Mercury, Metals-high and low levels (Al, Sb, Ag, As, Ba, B, Cd, Cr, Co, Cu, Fe, Mg, Mn, Mo, Ni, Pb, Se, Na, Tl, V, Zn), Nitrates, Nitratyes and nitrites, Nitrites, Nitrogen and phosphorus, pH, Phenolics (4-AAP), Solids (suspended, volatile, total, dissolved), Sulphates, Sulphides, Total organic carbon, Turbidity

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**Environmental water - organic chemistry**

Aldicarb, Aryloxy Acid pesticides, Dioxines and furanes, Diquat and paraquat, Glyphosate, NTA, OCL pesticides, Oil and grease, hydrocarbons C10-C50, OP pesticides, PCBs Arochlor, Phenolics compounds, Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH), Volatile organic compounds, BTEX and THM

**Environmental soil, sludge, oil - inorganic chemistry**

Bromides (soil), Leaching (TCLP) (soil), Metals (soil) (Al, Ag, As, Ba, B, Cd, Ca, Cr, Co, Cu, Sn, Mg, Mn, Hg, Mo, Ni, Pb, K, Se, Zn), Nitrogen and phosphorus (soil), pH (sludge), Soilds (sludge), Total halogenes (Oil)

**Environmental soil, oil - organic chemistry**

Dioxines and furnanes, Hydrocarbons C10-C50 (soil), PCBs Arochlor (oil), PCB Arochlor (soil), PCB congener (soil), Phenolic compound (soil), Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH) (soil), Volatile organic compound and BTEX (soil)

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**Environmental Water - Inorganics**

Major Ions & Nutrients in Acid Rain & Soft Waters (1-60mS) 10 sample set

Major Ions & Nutrients in Surface Waters (50-1000mS) 10 sample set

Trace Elements in Surface Waters (1-500mg/L) 10 sample set

Total Phosphorus in Fortified Waters (0-0.5mg/L) 10 sample set

Total Mercury in Fortified Waters (0-0.5g/L) 10 sample set (in Sept/Oct only)

CWA-Water; SDWA-Water; RCRA-Solid; SDWA-Radiochemistry; Environmental Toxicology; Water Pollution; Water Supply; Drinking Water; Soil/Hazardous Waste; Underground Storage Tank; Radiochemistry; DMR-QA; Pharmaceutical

Gage Blocks; Long Gage Blocks; Hand Gages; Plain Ring Gages; Thread Plug Gages; Thread Wires; CMM Measurement; Digital Multimeter; Temperature Simulation; Plain Plug Gages; Optical 2D Measurement; Dimensional Inspection; RF Power Sensor Calibration; Microwave Attenuator Calibration; Micrometer Master Rod Calibration; Mass Measurement; Torque Wrench Calibration; Electrical - DC Low Frequency; Rf Microwave; Mechanical- Pressure; vacuum; torque; force, durometers, scales and balances; Period Time; Frequency

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**Radiological Imaging**

thyroid, whole body, lung, urine and fecal

Drinking Water; Environmental Analysis  
Water; Solid/Hazardous Waste; Waste;  
Air Emissions

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DMR-QA

Water Supply

Water Pollution

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Drinking Water

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Asbestos content in building materials;  
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Measurements**

Conducted Emissions  
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**IHPAT –**  
(1) metals, organics, asbestos, silica  
quarterly)  
(2) Diffusive samples (semi-annually)

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**BAPAT - bulk asbestos (quarterly) \*\***

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A2LAaccredited PLM laboratories)

**ELPAT – Pb in paint, soil, dust wipes, air  
(quarterly) \*\***

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**EMPAT – fungi and bacteria (three times  
per year)**

**BePAT – Beryllium (three times per year)**

**AAT – Asbestos air samples (quarterly) \*\***

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PCM laboratories)

**Smalley Program**

Edible Oils  
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**Food microbiology and food chemistry Samples**

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**CCRL, AMRL, AASHTO \*\***

Concrete, Cement, Soils, Asphalt  
Aggregate

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Animal Drug Samples

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Ores Containing Gold, Silver, Platinum,  
Palladium, Copper, Zinc, Lead, Nickel,  
Cobalt

Mineral Analysis Laboratories  
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Salt Spray (ASTM B117)  
CASS Test (ASTM B368)  
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Mass, Length, Volume

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Fertilizers

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Putting Green Samples \*\*

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**Chemical Testing**

**Coal, coke**

Ash, Volatile matter, Sulfur, Calorific value

**Spirit:**

Methanol, Fusel oil, Manganese, Lead

**Milk powder**

Ash, Protein, Vitamine

**Copper concentrates**

Silver, Arsenic, Lead, Zinc

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**Ceramics**

Lead and Cadmium Extracted from  
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**Water**

Heavy metal elements, Organic component, etc.

**Gas**

SO<sub>2</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>, etc.

**Environmental components**

Water except salt water, Air, Soil, Solid waste Chromium sludge, Solid waste Lead zinc sludge

**Workplace ambient and hazardous materials**

Organic vapours, Inorganic gases, Engine's emissions

**Coal**

Proximate analysis, Ultimate analysis

**Coal ash**

Component analysis, Fusibility

**Coke**

Proximate analysis, Total sulfur, Calorific value

**Chemical Testing /Mechanical Testing**

**Metals or Metallic Products**

Tensile, Rockwell hardness, Impact, Micro-beam analysis

**Metals and Alloys**

Iron & Steel, Aluminium and aluminium alloy, Magnesium and magnesium alloy, Zinc and zinc alloy, Silicon metal, Micro-beam analysis

**Ore and mineral**

Iron ore, Micro-beam analysis

**Clay, pottery**

Firebrick material, Micro-beam analysis

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**Chemical Testing/Microbiological  
Testing/ Animal quarantine**

**Food**

Toxicology test, Microbiology exam,  
Inherited material test, Chemical test,  
Residue in food

**Grain**

Weed

**Petroleum products**

Distillation □ Flash and fire points, etc.

**Iron Ore**

Total Fe, Fe, Si, Ca, Mn, Al, Ti, Mg, P

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**Copper Concentrate**

Cu

**Chrome Ore**

Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Total Fe

**Manganese Ore**

Mn

Animals and animal products quarantine

**Chemical/Construction Materials Testing**

**Concrete specimens**

Compressive strength

**Concrete admixtures**

Reduled water rate, The ratio of bleeding rate, Content of gas, Setting time  
Reinforcing, Steel rust

**Concrete structures**

Resist thickness for steel

**Water-proof materials**

Tensile properties

**Fly ash**

Fineness Water demand rate, Ignition  
Invariability, Strength activity index

**Building materials**

Radionuclides

**Indoor air**

Formaldehyde concentration,  
Ammonia concentration, Benzene  
concentration, TVOC

**Insulating materials**

Density, Thermal conductivity

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Methods for chemical analysis of gypsum,  
Methods for chemical analysis of iron  
correting materials for cement industry,  
Harmful substances in solvent coatings  
for woodenware,  
Radionuclide in building materials,  
Proximate analysis of coal

## Forensic Science

### Document Examination

Examination for Handwriting, Stamp  
Impressions, Printed Documents and  
Questioned Documents

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### Forensic Medicine

Forensic examination of cadaver's  
surface, Forensic autopsy, Forensic  
detection of organ or tissue, Evaluation of  
personal injuries, Assessment of body  
impairment

### Forensic Toxicology

Detection for ethanol in blood,  
Determination of abuse drugs and  
pesticides in blood and urine

### Forensic Biology

Individual identification (including  
paternity and maternity test)

## Microbiological Testing

### **Peanut or Peanuts butter**

Aflatoxin B1 B2 G1 G2

### **Food**

Parathion, Cypermethrin, Fenvalate, Chlorpyrifos, Aerobic bacterial count, Salmonella, Vibrio parahaemolyticus, Lead, Total arsenic, Cadmium, Total mercury

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### **Iron ores**

Total iron content, Sulphur, Silicon, Calcium, Manganese, Aluminium, Titanium, Magnesium, Phosphorus

### **Petroleum and liquid petroleum products**

Water content, Density, Kinematic viscosity, Sulphur, Ash, Flash point □ closed cup □, Flash point □ open cup □, Sulphated ash, Pour point, Distillation

## Quarantine

Animal quarantine

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## Health Testing

### **Blood**

Anti-HIV, Anti-TP, HBsAg, Anti-HCV

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