

Iso-Analytical Limited***Report of Analysis*****IA-R022 – ¹³C and ¹⁸O Calcium Carbonate Laboratory Standard**

This laboratory standard is intended to provide a sample of known isotope composition with ¹³C/¹²C and ¹⁸O/¹⁶O isotope ratios stated in parts per thousand difference (‰) from the V-PDB (Pee Dee Belemnite) isotope ratio standard. This laboratory standard is not certified, but is provided to allow routine checking of the overall quality of measurements performed by continuous-flow isotope ratio mass spectrometry, and may be used as part of a quality control program. It is not intended for use as a substitute for calibration materials or inter-comparison materials distributed by NIST or IAEA.

Analysis

The ¹³C/¹²C and ¹⁸O/¹⁶O isotope ratios of the laboratory standard were measured by acid digestion continuous-flow isotope ratio mass spectrometry using NBS-19 (limestone) as the calibration material. The ¹³C/¹²C and ¹⁸O/¹⁶O isotope ratios in the laboratory standard were measured five times on three separate occasions.

Isotope Abundance

The laboratory standard IA-R022 is compared to V-PDB for the ¹³C/¹²C and ¹⁸O/¹⁶O isotope ratios. The isotope composition of the laboratory standard in ‰ relative to V-PDB is:

Laboratory Standard	$\delta^{13}\text{C}_{\text{V-PDB}} (\text{‰})$ $\delta_m \pm \sigma_1$	$\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{V-PDB}} (\text{‰})$ $\delta_m \pm \sigma_1$
IA-R022	-28.63 ± 0.09	-22.69 ± 0.11

Note: $\delta_m = \sum_{i=1}^n \delta_i/n$; $\sigma_1 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (\delta_m - \delta_i)^2/(n-1)}$; n = 15 for ¹³C and n = 14 for ¹⁸O

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