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## **Method Summary**

# **Determination of Major Cations in Water by iCap 6500 Duo ICP-OES**

## **Scope and Range**

This method is applicable to the analysis of major cations in both pre-filtered neat and unfiltered acid digested water samples by ICP-OES.

Element	Calibration Range mg/l	LOD Dissolved Metals (mg/l)	LOD Unfiltered Method (mg/l)
Са	0 - 400	0.012	0.057
Fe	0 - 25	0.019	0.024
K	0 - 400	1	2
Mg	0 - 400	0.036	0.05
Na	0 - 400	0.076	0.047
S	0 - 400	1	Not Validated

## References

none

## **Principle**

Preparation and Extraction:

#### Dissolved Metals

Neat (filtered) samples are received and acidified to matrix-match them to the standards.

## **Unfiltered Metals**

30ml of sample is acidified with Aqua Regia before it is placed in a digiblock at 110°C for 25 minutes. A portion of the sample is then decanted prior to analysis.

## Analysis:

Samples are analysed using a ThermoFisher iCap 6500 duo ICP-OES instrument with associated autosampler.

## **Interferences**

None observed.