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Standard Test Method for Major and Trace Elements in Limestone and Lime by Inductively Coupled Plasma-Atomic Emission Spectroscopy (ICP) and Atomic Absorption (AA)¹

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^{ε1} NOTE—A units statement was added editorially as new paragraph 1.3 and subsequent paragraphs were renumbered in June 2009.

1. Scope

1.1 The following test method covers the use of inductively coupled plasma-atomic emission spectroscopy (ICP) and atomic absorption spectroscopy (AA) in the analysis of major and trace elements in limestone and lime (calcined limestone).

1.2 **Table 1** lists some of the elements that can be analyzed by this test method and the preferred wavelengths. Also see U.S. EPA Methods 200.7 and 200.9.

1.3 The values stated in SI units are to be regarded as standard. No other units of measurement are included in this standard.

1.4 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards*:²

C51 Terminology Relating to Lime and Limestone (as used by the Industry)

D1193 Specification for Reagent Water

E135 Terminology Relating to Analytical Chemistry for Metals, Ores, and Related Materials

E863 Practice for Describing Atomic Absorption Spectrometric Equipment (Withdrawn 2004)³

E1479 Practice for Describing and Specifying Inductively-Coupled Plasma Atomic Emission Spectrometers

2.2 *U.S. EPA Standards*:

Methods for the Determination of Metals in Environmental Samples; U.S. EPA Methods 200.2, 200.7, and 200.9; Smoley, C. K., 1992⁴

~~Method 6010~~; **Method 6010** Inductively Coupled Plasma Method, SW-846, Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste⁵

3. Terminology

3.1 *Definitions*—Definitions for terms used in this test method can be found in Terminologies **C51** and **E135**.

3.2 *Additional Definitions*:

3.2.1 *total recoverable, n*—trace element concentration in an unfiltered sample after heating in acid.

3.2.2 *total digestion, n*—complete digestion of a sample, including silica and silicate minerals, using the fusion-flux method.

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² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

³ The last approved version of this historical standard is referenced on www.astm.org.

⁴ Available from CRC Press, 2000 Corporate Blvd., N. W., Boca Raton, FL 33431.

⁵ Available from U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402. Office Superintendent of Documents, 732 N. Capitol St., NW, Mail Stop: SDE, Washington, DC 20401, <http://www.access.gpo.gov>.

TABLE 1 Elements and Some Suggested Wavelengths^A

Major Elements	ICP Wavelength, nm	AA Wavelength, nm
Calcium	317.933 (315.887) ^B	422.7
Magnesium	279.079 (285.213)	285.2
Silicon	251.611 (288.160)	251.6
Aluminum	308.215 (309.271)	309.3
Iron	259.940	248.3
Manganese	257.610	279.5
Sodium	588.995 (589.59)	589.0
Potassium	766.491	766.5
Phosphorus	214.914 (213.618)	... ^C
Strontium	421.552	460.7
Trace Elements	ICP Wavelength, nm	AA Wavelength, nm
Antimony	206.833	217.6
Arsenic	193.696	193.7
Barium	455.403 (493.409)	553.6
Beryllium	313.042	234.9
Boron	249.773	249.8
Cadmium	226.502 (228.80)	228.8
Chromium	267.716 (205.552)	357.9
Cobalt	228.616	240.7 (242.5)
Copper	324.754	324.8
Lead	220.353	217.0 (283.3)
Molybdenum	202.030 (203.844)	313.3
Nickel	231.604 (221.647)	232.0
Selenium	196.090	196.0
Silver	328.068	328.1
Sulfur	180.731 (180.669)	... ^C
Thallium	190.864	276.8
Tin	189.989	235.5 (286.3)
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^A The suggested wavelengths may vary for your particular instrument.

^B Numbers in parentheses are alternate wavelengths.

^C Not recommended or not used.