

TESTING AND CALIBRATION LABORATORY ACCREDITATION PROGRAM (LAP)

Scope of Accreditation

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Program Specialty Area:	Environmental Testing (ET) Forensic Mineral Analysis
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Most Recent Accreditation:	2025-11-20
Accreditation Valid to:	2030-02-27



SCC Group Accreditation:

This laboratory is a part of a Group Accreditation with the following facilities in accordance with SCC's policy on Group Accreditation documented in the Accreditation Services Accreditation Program Overview.

- File 15824 Activation Laboratories Ltd., Thunder Bay, Ontario, Accredited Laboratory
- File 15974 Activation Laboratories Ltd., Kamloops, British Columbia, Accredited Laboratory
- File 15986 Activation Laboratories Ltd., Timmins, Ontario, Accredited Laboratory

ENVIRONMENTAL AND OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

Environmental:

(Mercury - Soil/Cold Vapour FIMS)

QOP Hg FIMS	Mercury Analysis by Aqua Regia Leach and Cold Vapour
	Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometry

(Metals - Soil/ICP - digestion)

QOP AquaGeo	Multi-Element Analysis Using Aqua Regia Extraction and
	Inductively Coupled Plasma Atomic Emission Spectrometry
	Silver
	Aluminum
	Arsenic
	Boron
	Beryllium
	Bismuth
	Calcium
	Cadmium
	Chromium
	Cobalt
	Copper
	Iron
	Gallium
	Mercury
	Potassium
	Lanthanum
	Magnesium
	Manganese
	Molybdenum
	Sodium
	Nickel
	Phosphorus
	Lead
	Sulfur



Antimony
Scandium
Strontium
Tellurium
Thorium
Titanium
Thallium
Uranium
Vanadium
Tungsten
Yttrium
Zinc
Zirconium

(Metals - Soil/ICP-MS)

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QOP Ultra Trace 1	Trace elements by aqua regia digestion and ICP/MS
	Antimony
	Arsenic
	Beryllium
	Cadmium
	Chromium
	Cobalt
	Copper
	Lead
	Nickel
	Zinc

Water (Inorganic)

(Alkalinity - Water/Titrimetric)

QOP Alkalinity Titration method for the determination of alkalinity of water	
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(Ammonium - Water/pH/mV meter with ion selective electrode)

QOP Ammonia	Electrode method for the determination of ammonia in water
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(Conductivity - Water/Conductivity meter)

QOP Conductivity	Electrode method for measuring the conductivity of water





(Hydride Metals - Water/ICP-MS)

QOP HydroGeo	Hydrogeochemistry Determination of trace elements in water
	by inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectroscopy
	Total Antimony
	Total Arsenic
	Total Selenium

(lons - Water/Ion Chromatography)

QOP Anions	Determination of Inorganic anions in water by Ion Chromatography [EPA Method 300.1]
	Dissolved Orthophosphate Dissolved Bromide Dissolved Fluoride Dissolved Nitrate Dissolved Nitrite Dissolved Sulfate Dissolved Chloride

(Mercury - Water/Cold Vapour AA)

QOP Hg FIMS	Mercury Analysis by Aqua Regia Leach and Cold Vapour
	Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometry (Hg)

(Metals - Water/ICP-MS)

QOP HydroGeo	Hydrogeochemistry Determination of trace elements in water
	by inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectroscopy.
	Dissolved Aluminum
	Dissolved Barium
	Dissolved Beryllium
	Dissolved Boron
	Dissolved Cadmium
	Dissolved Calcium
	Dissolved Chromium
	Dissolved Cobalt
	Dissolved Copper
	Dissolved Iron
	Dissolved Lead
	Dissolved Magnesium
	Dissolved Manganese
	Dissolved Molybdenum
	Dissolved Nickel
	Dissolved Silver
	Dissolved Strontium
	Dissolved Thallium
	Dissolved Tin





Dissolved Titanium
Dissolved Uranium
Dissolved Vanadium
Dissolved Zinc
Potassium
Sodium

(Metals - Water/ICP-OES)

QOP Water	Determination of Multi-Elements in waters using inductively
	coupled plasma atomic emission spectrometry
	Dissolved Aluminum
	Dissolved Barium
	Dissolved Beryllium
	Dissolved Boron
	Dissolved Cadmium
	Dissolved Calcium
	Dissolved Chromium
	Dissolved Cobalt
	Dissolved Copper
	Dissolved Iron
	Dissolved Lead
	Dissolved Magnesium
	Dissolved Manganese
	Dissolved Molybdenum
	Dissolved Nickel
	Dissolved Phosphorus
	Dissolved Silica
	Dissolved Silver
	Dissolved Strontium
	Dissolved Thallium
	Dissolved Tin
	Dissolved Titanium
	Dissolved Uranium
	Dissolved Vanadium
	Dissolved Zinc

(pH - Water/pH meter)

QOP pH	pH Analysis of water



(Total Metals - Water/ICP-MS-digestion)

QOP HydroGeo	Hydrogeochemistry, Determination of trace elements in water
	by inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectroscopy
	Total Antimony
	Total Arsenic
	Total Cadmium
	Total Calcium
	Total Chromium
	Total Cobalt
	Total Copper
	Total Iron
	Total Lead
	Total Magnesium
	Total Manganese
	Total Nickel
	Total Phosphorus
	Total Selenium
	Total Vanadium
	Total Zinc

(Total Metals - Water/ICP-OES)

QOP Water	Determination of Multi Elements in water using inductively
	coupled plasma atomic emission spectrometry
	Total Antimony
	Total Arsenic
	Total Cadmium
	Total Calcium
	Total Chromium
	Total Cobalt
	Total Copper
	Total Iron
	Total Lead
	Total Magnesium
	Total Manganese
	Total Nickel
	Total Phosphorus
	Total Selenium
	Total Silica
	Total Vanadium
	Total Zinc

(TSS - Water/Gravimetric)

QOP TSS	Filter method for the measurement of total suspended solids
	in water





(Turbidity - Water/Nephelometric)

QOP Turbidity	Turbidimeter method for the measurement of turbidity of water

Occupational Health and Safety:

QOP Uranium Urine	Uranium concentration in urine by inductively coupled Plasma
	Mass Spectrometer

METALLIC ORES AND PRODUCTS

Articles of Metal:

(Chemical Tests)

QOP Carbon & Sulphur	Total Carbon and Sulphur Content in Metals by the Combustion Instrumental Method
QOP ICP MET	Only for Sulphur content Multi-Element Chemical Analysis of Metallic Material using (ICP-OES) for alloys of Steel, Stainless Steel, Copper, Aluminum, Nickel (Chemical analysis of metals for the following elements: Mn, P, Si, Cr, Ni, Mo, Cu, V, Al, Ti, Co, Zr, Pb, Nb, W, Mg, Fe, Sn, Sb, Cd)
QOP Carbon & Sulphur using Eltra CS 800	Analysis of Metals Bearing Ores and related materials by Combustion Infrared – Absorption Spectroscopy Carbon, sulphur

(Laboratory Corrosion Tests)

ASTM B117	Standard Practice for Operating Salt Spray (Fog) Apparatus

(Mechanical Tests)

ASTM E18	Standard Test Methods for Rockwell Hardness of Metallic
	Materials
ASTM E23	Standard Test Methods for Notched Bar Impact Testing of
	Metallic Materials
ASTM E517	Standard Test Methods for Plastic Strain Ratio r for Sheet
	Metal
ASTM E646	Standard Test Method for Tensile Strain-Hardening
	Exponents (n -Values) of Metallic Sheet Materials
ASTM E8	Standard Test Methods for Tension Testing of Metallic
	Materials

(Metallography)

ASTM E1077	Standard test method for estimating the depth of
	decarburization of steel specimens.





Metallic Ores:

Rocks and Ores

Refer to minor sub-heading: Sediments

Sediments

QOP H2O	Gravimetric Determination of H ₂ O- – and infrared Absorption
	Determination of H ₂ O of Soils and Rocks (Gravimetric
	Package 4F: H ₂ O+/H ₂ O-)
QOP Hg FIMS	Mercury Analysis by Aqua Regia Leach and Cold Vapour
	Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometry (Package 1G: Hg)

Mineral Analysis Testing

Contract Settlement Assaying

Refer to minor sub-heading: Geotechnical Testing

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Refer to minor sub-heading: Mineral Assaying

Mineral Assaying

QOP 1B2 ICP-MS	Platinum Group Elements using Analysis NiS Fire Assay and ICP-MS (Ir, Ru, Rh, Pt, Pd, and by Fire Assay with ICP-MS finish)
QOP AA – Au	Procedure for analysis of Gold and/or Silver by Fire Assay with AA or Gravimetric finish
QOP AquaGeo	Multi-Element Analysis Using Aqua Regia Extraction and Inductively Coupled Plasma Atomic Emission Spectrometry for Ag, Co, Cu, Ni, Pb, Zn, Al, As, B, Be, Bi, Ca, Cd, Cr, Fe, Ga, Hg, K, La, Mg, Mn, Mo, Na, P, S, Sb, Sc, Sr, Te, Th, Ti, U, V, W, Y, Zr
QOP ASSAY	Assay Analysis Using Aqua Regia and Inductively Coupled Plasma Atomic Emission Spectrometry for Ag, Co, Cu, Ni, Pb, Zn
QOP INAAGEO	Procedures for Instrumental Neutron Activation Analysis (INAA) for Mineral Samples As, Au, Cr, Co, Sb, Sc, Sn, Ta, U (238), U (235 by DNC, Delayed Neutron Counting), W
QOP PGE ICP-MS	Platinum Group Elements Analysis using Fire Assay and Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry for Au, Pt, Pd
QOP Sodium Peroxide	Multi-Element Analysis using Sodium Peroxide Extraction and Inductively Couple Plasma Atomic Emission Spectrometry for Al, As, Ca, Cr, Co, Cu, Fe, K, Li, Mg, Mn, Ni, Pb, Si, S, Ti, Zn
QOP TOTAL	Multi-Element Analysis Using Hydrofluoric/HNO ₃ /Perchloric/HCl Acid Digestion and Inductively Coupled Plasma Atomic Emission Spectrometry for Ag, Co, Cu, Ni, Pb, Zn, Al, As, Ba, Be, Bi,Ca, Cd, Cr, Fe, Ga, Li, Mg, Mn, Mo, Na, P, S, Sb, Sc, Sr, Te, Ti, Tl, U, V, W, Y, Zr





QOP Total Assay	Total Assay Digestion using Hydrofluoric/HNO ₃ /Perchloric/HCl Acid and Inductively Coupled Plasma Atomic Emission Spectrometry for Ag, Co, Cu, Ni, Pb, Zn
QOP UltraTrace-1	Trace elements by aqua regia digestion and ICP/MS-for Li, Be, B, Na, Mg, Al, K, Ca V, Cr, Mn, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, Ga, Ge, As, Se, Rb, Sr, Y, Zr, Nb, Mo, Ag, Cd, In, Sn, Sb, Te, Cs, Ba, La, Ce, Nd, Sm, Eu, Tb, Yb, Lu, Hf, Ta, W, Re, Au, Tl, Pb, Bi, Th, U
QOP WRA	Multi-Element Whole Rock Analysis - Using Multi-Element Fusion Inductively Coupled Plasma - Atomic Emission Spectrometer (Al ₂ O ₃ , CaO, Fe ₂ O ₃ , K ₂ O, LOI, MgO, MnO, Na ₂ O, P2O ₅ , SiO ₂ , TiO ₂ , Ba, Be, Sc, Sr, V, Y, Zr)
QOP WRA4B2	Whole Rock Analysis- by Fusion Method 4B2 and Inductively Coupled Plasma-Mass Spectrometer Ba, Hf, Nb, Rb, Sn, Ta, Th, U, V, Y, Zr, La, Ce, Pr, Nd, Sm, Eu, Gd, Tb, Dy, Ho, Er, Tm, Yb, Lu
QOP XRF FUSION	Fusion using XRF spectrometer (Quantify analytes by X-ray Fluorescence which are fused with Lithium and reported in the oxide form - SiO ₂ , Al ₂ O ₃ , Fe ₂ O ₃ , MnO, MgO, CaO, Na2O, K ₂ O, TiO ₂ , P ₂ O ₅ , Cr ₂ O ₃ , Co ₃ O ₄ , NiO, ZnO, SnO and CuO)
QOP Ultra Trace-4 Acid Digestion	Trace Element Analysis by 4-Acid Digestion and ICP/MS for Ag, Co, Cu, Ni, Pb, Zn

FORENSICS

Forensic Chemistry / Trace Evidence

Description of Technique:

QOP Ignitable Liquids	The analysis for the presence/absence of ignitable liquids in
	fire debris samples. By GC-MS

Number of Scope Listings: 44 Number of Forensic Techniques: 1

Notes:

RG - MINERAL: SCC Requirements and Guidance for the Accreditation of Mineral Analysis Testing Laboratories

RG - FORENSIC: SCC Requirements and Guidance for the Accreditation for Forensic Testing Laboratories

ASTM: ASTM International, formerly called American Society for Testing and Materials.

EPA: United States Environmental Protection Agency **QOP:** Quality Operating Procedure (developed in-house)





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