

Results of the 2013 CORESTA Part Filter Method ring trial and Comparison with the 2012 ring trial

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Objective of the Ring Trial

To gain a measure of the *repeatability* and *reproducibility* of the Part-Filter Method to estimate nicotine and tar yields across laboratories

Repeatability (r) = within lab variation

Reproducibility (R) = within and between lab variation

Reach a position on whether the method should be written up as a CORESTA Recommended Method (CRM)



Diagrammatic of the PFM (Part-Filter Method)









2013 Ring Trial – Eight laboratories returned valid data

BAT (Germany) GmbH, Bayreuth, Germany Essentra PLC (formerly FILTRONA), Jarrow, UK Japan Tobacco Inc, Tokyo, Japan KT&G Central Research Institute, Daejeon, ROK Labstat International ULC, Kitchener, Canada BAT Souza Cruz, Porto Allegra, Brazil BAT GR&D, Southampton, UK * Imperial Tobacco Group, Fleury-les-Aubrais, France **

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2013 Results: repeatability (r) and Reproducibility (R) for <u>Nicotine</u>

Estimated nicotine yield from tip nicotine	Number of labs included in statistical evaluation	mean (mg/cig)	r (mg/cig)	R (mg/cig)	CV r (%)	CV R (%)
1mg ISO 'tar' - Low Regime	8	0.29	0.05	0.10	6.0	12.5
1mg ISO 'tar' - High Regime	8	0.70	0.08	0.22	4.2	11.2
10mg ISO 'tar' - Low Regime	8	1.01	0.16	0.29	5.6	10.1
10mg ISO 'tar' - High Regime	7	1.81	0.17	0.23	3.4	4.5

Low test regime: 55mL/2s/60s High test regime: 65mL/2s/30s



2013 Results: repeatability (r) and Reproducibility (R) for <u>NFDPM</u>

Estimated NFDPM yield from tip UV absorbance	Number of labs included in statistical evaluation	mean (mg/cig)	r (mg/cig)	R (mg/cig)	CV r (%)	CV R (%)
1mg ISO 'tar' - Low Regime	7	3.07	0.79	2.52	9.1	29.0
1mg ISO 'tar' - High Regime	7	7.58	1.10	7.36	5.1	34.3
10mg ISO 'tar' - Low Regime	7	13.58	1.38	7.48	3.6	19.5
10mg ISO 'tar' -High Regime	7	24.56	1.68	15.25	2.4	22.0

Estimated NFDPM yield from <u>tip solanesol</u>	Number of labs included in statistical evaluation	mean (mg/cig)	r (mg/cig)	R (mg/cig)	CV r (%)	CV R (%)
1mg ISO 'tar' - Low Regime	5	3.24	0.64	1.07	6.9	11.7
1mg ISO 'tar' - High Regime	4	7.30	0.50	1.77	2.4	8.6
10mg ISO 'tar' - Low Regime	5	13.87	3.21	4.90	8.2	12.5
10mg ISO 'tar' -High Regime	5	25.15	3.07	6.17	4.3	8.7



Estimated nicotine yield from tip nicotine: 1mg product



10mg product – similar results, one laboratory excluded as outlier



Estimated NFDPM by tip UV absorbance: 10mg product



1mg product – similar results, no laboratory excluded as outlier



Estimated NFDPM from tip solanesol: 1mg product



10mg product – similar results, no laboratory excluded as outlier



Comparison of two ring trials

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		2012			<u>2013</u>			
		Mean (mg/cig)	CV r (%)	CV R(%)	Mean (mg/cig)	CV r (%)	CV R(%)	
nicotine by tip nicotine	1mg tar Low	0.11	16.3%	23.5%	0.29	6.0%	12.5%	
	1mg tar High	0.35	3.9%	24.5%	0.70	4.2%	11.2%	
	10mg tar Low	0.89	4.0%	14.6%	1.01	5.6%	10.1%	
	10mg tar High	1.13	4.2%	13.4%	1.81	3.4%	4.5%	
NFDPM by tip UV	1mg tar Low	0.98	16.8%	48.4%	3.07	9.1%	29.0%	
	1mg tar High	3.43	7.4%	18.0%	7.58	5.1%	34.3%	
	10mg tar Low	10.91	3.9%	6.2%	13.58	3.6%	19.5%	
	10mg tar High	13.35	3.4%	8.5%	24.56	2.4%	22.0%	
NFDPM by tip solanesol	1mg tar Low	1.06	16.2%	57.8%	3.24	6.9%	11.7%	
	1mg tar High	3.74	4.2%	15.5%	7.30	2.4%	8.6%	
	10mg tar Low	11.75	5.6%	5.6%	13.87	8.2%	12.5%	
	10mg tar High	14.31	6.2%	12.8%	25.15	4.3%	8.7%	



Key differences between the two ring trials - 2012 and 2013

- Different test tips regimes
 - > Low test regime: $40mL/2s/60s \rightarrow 55mL/2s/60s$ > High test regime: $65mL/1s/50s \rightarrow 65mL/2s/30s$

- Smoking calibration regimes simplified → no vents blocked regimes included, 4 puff regime included
- Differences in cohort of laboratories taking part

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Acceptability Criteria

According to AIAG* a general rule for the *variation* introduced by the measurement system is:

Under 10 percent reproducibility variation is acceptable

10 percent to 30 percent variation suggests that the system may be acceptable

Over 30 percent variation is considered unacceptable, and you should improve the measurement system

*AIAG Automotive Industry Action Group



2013 Ring Trial Summary

- CV for <u>repeatability</u> (within lab variation) for estimated nicotine and NFDPM remains satisfactory, showed some improvement compared with 2012 ring trial
- CV for <u>reproducibility</u> for estimated nicotine were in the range 5 to 13%, compared with 13 to 25% in 2012 a considerable improvement. Indicates method is under control
- CV for <u>reproducibility</u> for estimated NFDPM by UV were in the range 20 to 34%, compared to 6 to 48% previously. Indicates this measurement requires further attention



2013 Ring Trial Summary

Estimated NFDPM values by tip solanesol are similar to estimated NFDPM by tip UV absorbance

- CV for <u>reproducibility</u> for estimated NFDPM by tip solanesol were in the range 9 to 13%, compared to 6 to 58% previously
- There is evidence that estimation of NFDPM is best completed using tip solanesol measurements

However <u>only five</u> laboratories submitted data for NFDPM by tip solaneso



Estimated NFDPM by tip solanesol is similar to estimated NFDPM by tip UV absorbance



Data were shown to be normally distributed



- CORESTA Recommended Method is written based on method for estimated nicotine yield by tip nicotine
- CORESTA Recommended Method is produced based on method for estimated NFDPM by tip solanesol

Unable to recommend progression of estimated NFDPM by tip UV

Draft <u>CRM</u> will be forwarded to the Scientific Commission by end 2014

A <u>manuscript</u> based on the ring trial results will be distributed within the Smoking Behaviour sub-group (by May 2015 meeting) followed by the Scientific Commission for intended publication in a peer-reviewed journal



We wish to extend our thanks and appreciation to all the participating laboratories

Thank you for your kind attention

Questions welcomed !