

Appendix 5a. Additional method information environmental samples.

| Participant | L01 Water sample | L02 Water sample | L03 Water sample | L04 Water sample | L07 Water sample | L08 Water sample | L09 Water sample | L10 Water sample |
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| | | | | | | | | |
| Sample pretreatment | Add.of int. Stds., subsampling 100mL | | | - | None | - | not applicable | shaking |
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| Extraction technique: | SPE, 1.7g Chromabond HR-P | SPE; STRATA X-AW | SPE , t-C18 (1 g) | - | SPE (Oasis HLB 6 cc) | SPE | SPE extraction | SPE |
| Extraction solvents: | Elution 60mL MeOH | MeOH; ACN/ACE (1 % AA); | | - | MeOH | MeOH | methanol | methanol |
| | Evaporation to 1mL | MeOH (0.1 % NH3) | | | | | | |
| Clean Up: | no cleanup | incl. in extraction technique | | SPE w/Oasis WAX 3cc 60mg 30um | | SPE (HLB Oasis, 3ml) | not applicable | filter (RC 0.2µm) |
| LC column: | Phenomenex Synergi Polar+Hydro | Synergy 4u Fusion RP C-18 | Betasil C18 | BEH C18 1.7um 2.1 x 100mm | Waters Acquity UPLC BEH C18 1.7µm | Atlantis T3 (100 mm x 4 mm i.d.; 5 µm) | Zorbax Eclipse Plus C18 Narrow Bore | C18 |
| | 50+75mm, D=2mm | (100 mm × 2.0 mm i.d.) | 2.1 x 50 mm, 5 µm | Methanol, water, ammoniumacetate | 2.1x100 mm | gradient | RR 2.1*50mm 3.5µm | |
| | | | linear | | Solvent A: H2O/ACN (95/5) + 2mM NH4Ac; Solvent B: ACN + 2mM NH4Ac | MeOH - 2mM ammonium acetate | 85% (2mM (NH4)2OAc in H2O) - 15%Methanol | |
| LC/MS(MS): | API5500QTrap | Varian Model 1200; LC-MS/MS-ESI | API2000 (Sciex) | Waters Aquity UPLC | Acquity UPLC system with Micromass Quattro Premier XE tandem mass spectrometer (MS/MS) from Waters | Alliance 2695/Quattro Premier XE, Waters (USA) | 5% (2mM (NH4)2OAc in H2O) - 95%Methanol | Quattro Premier XE |
| | | | ESI negative | Waters Quattro Premier/XE | | ESI- | LC/MSMS | |
| | | | | ESI- | Negative Electrospray ionisation | MS/MS (triple quadrupole) | | |
| (Mass Labelled) Internal Standards: | PFOS-13C4, PFOA-13C2, PFHxS-18O3 | 7 | | 9: HxS,OS,BA,HxA,OA,NA,DA,UnDA,DoDA | 7 (13C4-PFBA, 13C2-PFHxA, 13C4-PFOA, 13C5-PFNA, 13C2-PFDA, 13C2-PFDoA, 13C4-PFOS) | | 5 (MPFOS, MPFOA, MPFHxS, MPFHxA, MPFBA) | - |
| | | | | | 15 (PFBA, PFPA, PFHxA, PFHpA, PFOA, PFNA, PFDA, PFUnA, PFDoA, PFTeA, PFBS, PFHxS, PFOS, PFDS, 0 PFOSA) | | 5 (MPFOS, MPFOA, MPFHxS, MPFHxA, MPFBA) | 13C-PFOA |
| (Mass Labelled) Recovery Standards: | MCPA-D3, MCPA-D6, Mecoprop-D3 | 1 | 13C PFOA; 13C PFOS, 13C PFDA | | | | | |
| Results Corrected for Recovery: | yes | No | No | No | No | | yes | no |
| Results Corrected for Blanks: | yes | Yes | Yes | No | No | | | no |
| Standard Method: | custom | ISO 25101:2009 | | - | ISO/CD 25101:2006 | | | |
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| Comments: | | | | | | | | |

| L11 Water sample | L12 Water sample | L13 Water sample | L14 Water sample | L15 Water sample | L16 Water sample | L17 Water sample | L18 Water sample | L19 Water sample |
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| | none | --- | Filtering, pH adjustment | Formic acid addition | | No | - | |
| | | SPE, Strata X-AW 6 mg (conditioned with 3 mL methanol and 3 mL water, washed with 1 ml methanol, eluted with 2 mL 0.1% ammonia in methanol); The extracts were evaporated at 39 °C under nitrogen gas to dryness and reconstituted with 250 µL of methanol:water (1:1; v:v). | | | | | | |
| SPE | Yamashita et al. method using an OASIS WAX cartridge | | SPE | SPE on HLB plus | SPE with Oasis HLB 200mg | SPE | SPE (WAX, 150 mg cartridge) | SPE |
| MeOH | | --- | Methanolic ammonium hydroxide | | Methanol | Methanol | MeOH | MeOH |
| | methanol | | | | | | | |
| wash MeOH/H2O (40:60); dispersive clean up with ENVI-Carb | none, no filtration, but there is a wash step that was discarded | --- | SPE | none | | Water+20%Methanol | - | |
| C-18 | Luna C8, 50 x 2 mm, 3 micron (Phenomenex, Torrance, CA, USA, part number 00B-4248-B0) for PFHxS, PFOA to PFDoA, and PFOS For PFBA, PFPeA, PFHxA, PFHpA, and PFBS, used Shodex Rspak JJ-50 2D anion exchange/reverse phase column, 15 x 2 mm, 5 um (part number J803002, Shodex, Shanghai) | BEH C18 column (1.7 µm; 2.1 x 50 mm; waters) with precolumn (BEH C18; 1.7µm; 2.1 x 5mm, waters). | C-18 | Ace 3 C18, 3 um particles, | Hypersil Gold column | C18- Alltima | Nucleodur C18 Gravity | C-18 |
| 150mm x 21mm, 3µm | | | 100 x 2.1 mm | 150 mm length, 2.1mmi.d. | Thermo Electron Corp. | 4.6mm x 50mm | 2.0 x 70 mm (3 µm) | |
| | 2mM NH4OAc in MeOH and H2O; start 50:50; 5min 85:15; 10min 85:15; 11min 99:1; 20min 99:1; 21min 50:50; 28min 50:50; | | Up to 90% CH3CN and 12.1 mM NH4OAc in 0.1% AcOH | Methanol/water with 2 mM NH4OAc | 100 x 2.1 mm, 3 um particles | 40 H2O+60MeOH->5H2O+95MeOH | 30% MeOH t=O, in 2 min to 60%, in 4 min; to 77% and in 3 min to 85% | |
| Waters, Micromass Q-TOF micro | | Aquity UPLC (waters) with MS/MS (TQ-Detector, waters) | Waters, MS/MS | Quattro II, Micromass, MS/MS | Waters Quattro Micro LC-MS-MS | Thermofisher- IT | Varian Prostar 210 HPLC, Varian 1200 MS/MS | Time of Flight (TOF) |
| ESI neagtive | LC is Agilent 1100 pump MS/MS was done using Sciex AB 4000 Qtrap; used calibration curve with relative response to internal standards | negative electrospray mode with MRM | ESI- | ESI neg | ESI | ESI negative mode | ESI | |
| | | 6 IS (MPFBA, MPFHxA, MPFOA, MPFOS, MPFNA, MPFDA) | 7; ¹³ C ₄ -PFBA, 13C4-PFHxA, 13C4-PFOA, 13C4-PFNA, 13C4-PFDA, 13C4-PFDoA, 13C4-PFOS | | | | 6, MPFBA, MPFHxA, MPFOA, MPFDA, MPFHxS, MPFOS | 6: C ¹³ PFOS, C ¹³ PFOA, C ¹³ PFNA, C ¹³ PFDA, C ¹³ PFDoA, C ¹³ PFHxA |
| 2, PFOA, PFOS | C13 PFOA, PFNA, PFDA, PFUnA, PFDoA, and PFOS, and 18O PFHxS all from Wellington | | | | | | | |
| 3,7-diMe-PFOA | recovery was conducted using 13C1,2-PFOA | | 1; 13C2-FOUEA | | | 3, MPFOA, MPFNA, MPFOS | - | - |
| no | no see comment | No | YES | | | Yes (only for native with labeled standard) | No | No |
| no | no see comment | No | NO | | | NO | No | No |
| | no | | | | | | - | |
| | WATER method: Did not correct for blanks. Method blanks were clean with the exception of 0.006 ng PFOA, 0.0048 ng PFNA, 0.0021 ng PFUnA, 0.0045 ng PFOS. Did not correct for recovery; however, recovery corresponded to 120% for PFOA, 90% PFNA, 100% PFDA, 110% PFUnA, 95% PFDoA, 95% PFTrA, 99% PFOS and 97% PFHxS in serum. For fish tissue, results obtained with external calibration agreed with those via standard addition within 15%. Sludge recoveries via spike and recovery corresponded to 90 to 100% for PFOA, PFNA, PFDA, PFUnA, PFDoA, 85% for PFTrA, 80% for PFHxS but was poor for PFOS (981%); For PFBA, PFPeA, PFHxA, PFHpA, and PFBS, used Shodex Rspak JJ-50 2D anion exchange/reverse phase column, 15 x 2 mm, 5 um (part number J803002, Shodex, Shanghai) | | | | | | | |

| L20 Water sample | L21 Water sample | L23 Water sample | L25 Water sample | L26 Water sample | L28 Water sample | L29 Water sample | L31 Water sample | L33 Water sample |
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| | | | | | | | | |
| none | | none | Acid treatment, Centrifugation | None | None | Adding formic acid (pH 4) | none | / |
| | | | | | SPE; Standards and QC samples were prepared by spiking 40 mL of reverse osmosis water with target analytes and internal standards at required levels. Forty microleters of a 250 ug/mL sodium thiosulfate solution was added to each standard, QC and study sample. Forty mL of sample was loaded on a pre-conditioned Water tC18 SPE cartridge. Target analytes were eluted with 5.0 nmL of methanol | | | |
| SPE Waters OASIS WAX (30 um) 150mg/6 mL | SPE | SPE; Waters 3cc(60mg) HLB cartridges | SPE (Oasis HLB Plus) | None | | SPE: OASIS WAX 150 mg | Oasis HLB, 60 mg, 3 cc | SPE |
| 0.1% NH4OH/methanol | MeOH | Methanol | 1 % NH3 in MeOH | None | | | ACN with 1% NH4OH | ACN |
| no volume reduction under nitrogen stream | | | | | | | | |
| wash 1: 25 mM NH4OAc; wash 2: methanol | | none | Active carbon | None | None | | none | |
| Thermo Hypersyl Gold 100X2.1mm, 5um | Phenomenex, Synergie, polar RP, 80 A, 4µ (150 x 2mm) | Grace Vydac Genesis C18 | C-18 | Atlantis dC-18 (Waters) | Betasil C18 | Phenomenex LUNA (PFP2) | Betasil C8 | BEH C 18 |
| A (MeOH): B (water LC-MS 2mM NH4OAc, 5%MeOH) | | 50mm x 2.1mm i.d. x 4um particles | 2,1x50 mm | 2.1 x 100mm, 3µm | 2.1 x 100 mm, 5 micron | 150*3.0 mm, 5µm | 3um, 2.1 x 50 mm 0.1% formic acid in H2O and 0.1% formic acid in CAN; at 400 uL/min, 30%B, 0.25 min. Ramp to 90%B over 2 min. Hold @90%B till 7 min. 7.01 min, 30%B & 500 uL/min, hold till 8.5 min. 8.51 min, reduce flow rate to 400 ul/min | 2,1 x 50 mm |
| 0 min (5:95);1 min (5:95); 2 min (45:55); 30 min (95:5); 35 min (95:5); 36 min (5:95); 50 min (5:95) | | MeOH & H2O (10mM Ammounim Acetate); isocratic 80:20 MeOH:H2O | Gradient | Gradient with MeOH and Water, each with 0.1% NH4Ac | | A: MeOH / B: NH4Ac (PH 3.5); (A: 60% (0min) --> 100 % (12min) | | ACN + 0,1 % formic acid and (start 65%); reversed osmose water+ 0,1 % formic acid |
| LC-ESI-ITMS(MS) | MS/MS | ABS Sciex 4000Qtrap MS/MS | Waters UPLC-TQMS/MS | Varian 1200L, MS/MS | Agilent 1100 HPLC with heated column compartment. Applied Biosystems API 5000 | Waters LC Quattro, MS/MS | Applied Biosystems 4000 Qtrap | Waters, quadrupole MS/MS, TQD |
| Thermo LCQ DECA XP MAX | | negative ESI - MRM | ESI | ESI | Electrospray (Negative) Ionization | ESI | | - ES' |
| | | | | | [1,2,3,4-13C4]PFBA; [1,2-13C2]PFHxA; [1,2,3,4-13C4]PFOA; [1,2,3,4,5-13C5]PFNA; [1,2-13C2]PFDA; [1,2-13C2]PFUnA; [1,2-13C2]PFDoA; [18O2]PFBS; [18O2]PFHS; [1,2,3,4-13C4]PFOS; [18O2]FOSA | 9 (PFBA, PFHxA, PFOA, PFDA, PFUDA, PFDoA, PFTeA, PFHxS, PFOS) | MPFBA, MFPHxA, MPFOA, MPFNA, MPFDA, MPFHxS, MPFOS | 7; PFBA, PFHxA, PFOA, PFNA, PFDA, PFOS, PFHxS |
| no | | | 3: 13C-PFOS, 13C-PFHxA, 13C-PFDA | 0 | | | | |
| MPFAC-MXA-100 and Perfluoro-n-[1,2,3,4-13C4]octanoic acid and Sodium perfluoro-1-[1,2,3-13C4]octanesulphonate | 13C4-FBA, 13C2-PFHxA, 18O-PFHxA, 13C4-PFOA, 13C5-PFNA, 13C4-PFOS, 13C2-PFDA, 13C2-PFUDa, 13C2-PFDoA | 6 - ¹³ C ₄ -PFOS, ¹³ C ₂ -PFOA, ¹³ C ₅ -PFNA, ¹³ C ₂ -PFDA, ¹³ C ₂ -PFDoA, ¹³ C ₄ -PFOA | 1: 13C-PFOA | 2 (13C4-PFOA, 13C4-PFOS) | | | 0 none | none |
| yes | Yes | yes | Yes | Yes | No | no | no | yes (with internal standards) |
| no | Yes | no | Yes | Yes | No | no | no | yes |
| no | | in-house developed method | PERFORCE, Powley method, modified | None | Internal Method | no | | |
| | | | | | Samples were analyzed in triplicate, with duplicate lab matrix spikes at concentrations of 200 ng/L and 5000 ng/L. All lab matrix spike recoveries were within ±18% (with a single exception). Reported values reflect the average concentration ± percent relative standard deviation (%RSD); Samples were quantitated against reverse osmosis treated lab water used for the standard curve and LCS sampels. | | | |
| | | | | | | | 10 mL extracted and run using a solvent based curve; matrix effects (signal enhancement) observed for PFPeA, peak detected, but not quantified. | Unextracted calibration; inclusive branched PFOS |

| L34 Water sample | L35 Water samples | L36 Water samples | L37 Water samples | L38 Water samples | L39 Water samples | L40 Water samples | L42 Water samples | L43 Water samples |
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| filtration glass fiber filter | formic acid 99% to pH 3 | | NO | spiked with mass labelled standards, frozen | Acid treatment : pH 3 with H2SO4 | sonication / acidification | Mixing, acidifying to pH 3 with H2SO4 | adding internal standard in water samples; with NaCl 40 g/L, pH 4 with H2SO4 |
| Waters Oasis WAX SPE | SPE : OASIS WAX 6cc,150 mg | | NO | SPE with cartridges Oasis HLB 6cc 200mg | LLE | LLE | LLE | |
| | 0.1% ammoniac in MeOH and MeOH | | NO | MeOH and a solution of ammonia/MeOH 0.1% | MTBE | MTBE | MTBE | turbovap concentration nearly dryness, adding 1 ml MeOH - Liquid/Liquid extraction; with MTBE (methyl tert-butyl ether) |
| | acid water pH 3 | SPE OASIS HLB | NO | | none | None | None | no |
| same | C18 | C18 | Altech altima C18 150x2,1 5µm | Acquity UPLC BEH C18 1.7µm (WATERS) | C18, 2,1*50mm; 1,7µm | modified C-18 | C18 | C18 |
| | 50*2.1mm, 3µm | 3µm (50 x 2,0 mm) | Gradient Water/ Acetonitril 0.1% HCOOH | 2.1*100mm | Phases : MeOH / Water + 10mM | 2.1mm*100mm*1.8µm | | |
| | 30% (2 mM acetate ammonium/ MeOH [9-1]) / 70% MeOH; 100% MeOH in 10 minutes | A : MeOH ; B : H2O/AcONH4 0.02M - 50/50 (0.5 min) until 100/0 in 6.5 min ; 100/0 for 5 min | | | ammonium acetate | initial 70% (Water+ACO2NH4)/30% MEOH | | |
| same | MSMS TSQ QUANTUM | LC-MS/MS Agilent QqQ 6410 | Thermo QUANTUM ULTRA MS/MS | Acquity UPLC (WATERS) | API4000, LC(ESI-)/MS/MS | WATERS MS/MS | Agilent 6410 LC-MS/MS, ESI- | LC-MS-MS : internal calibration method |
| | ES - | ESI | ES | MS/MS : Quattro micro (MICROMASS) | | ES | | with dope evian water |
| | | | Direct injection 1 ml | ES | | | | |
| | 3 IS : MPFHxA / MPFOA and MPFOS | 8 | PFAOC13 and PFOSC13 | 2 : MPFOA ¹³ C ₄ ¹² C ₄ HF ₁₅ O ₂ and MPFOS ¹³ C ₄ ¹² C ₄ F ₁₇ SO ₃ Na | N/A | 2 used (MPFOS/MPFOA) | | ¹³ C ₄ PFBA, ¹³ C ₂ PFHxA, ¹³ C ₄ PFOA, ¹³ C ₅ PFNA, ¹³ C ₂ PFDcA, ¹³ C ₂ PFUdA, ¹³ C ₄ PFHxS, ¹³ C ₄ PFOS, 18 O2 PFOSA |
| same | MPFHxA: 115% , MPFOA: 86% and MPFOS:77% | 1 | Direct injection no recovery standards | 2 : MPFOA ¹³ C ₄ ¹² C ₄ HF ₁₅ O ₂ and MPFOS ¹³ C ₄ ¹² C ₄ F ₁₇ SO ₃ Na | N/A | | N.A. | |
| | yes | Yes | no | yes | No | N | Yes | |
| | No | Yes | no | yes | No | Y | Yes | |
| ISO 2501 | DRAFT-ISO-25101 | Internal method | Internal method | ISO 25101 (march 2009) | | internal | Internal | |
| | | | | In water samples, the mass labelled standards mixture used is the solution sent by EIL staff (MPFAC-MXA-100). The concentration of this mixture doesn't correspond to the concentration mentionned in the Internationnal Standard ISO 25101 (march 2009), paragraph 5-6. So, for the calibration levels, we have used an other mixture of mass labelled supplied by Wellington Laboratories. | | | | |

| Participant | L01 | L02 | L03 | L04 | L07 | L08 | L09 | L10 | L11 | L12 | L13 | L14 | L15 |
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| | Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample |
| Sample pretreatment | 1g sample, Addition of int. Stds. | | | No | Homogenisation | - | because the sample had 2 layers, we mixed it with a spoon | rehomogenisation | | homogenization | --- | Shaking with methanolic KOH | |
| Extraction technique: | solid/liquid, shaking, 3-times | LL | IPE | Ultrasound | LSE | solvent shaking | weighed 1 gram of sample, added 3mL 50-50 methanol/water; vortexed for 30 sec, centrifuged; supernatant collected; added 3mL 50-50 methanol/water; vortexed for 30 sec, centrifuged; supernatant collected; added 4mL 50-50 methanol/water; vortexed for 30 sec, centrifuged; supernatant collected; shake the collected fractions; mix 0.5mL fraction + 0.5mL IS ; filter trough 0.45µm | sonication | LSE | ion pairing extraction using 0.5 M TBAS and methyl tert butyl ether | | SPE | LSE |
| Extraction solvents: | ACN, 3x10mL | 0.05 N KOH/MeOH | 0.5 M tetrabutylammonium hydrogen sulfate (TBA);0.25 M natrium carbonat/natrium bicarbonat buffer ;MTBE | Methanol | ACN | MeOH | methanol and water | methanol | ACN | MTBE | H2O, ACN | Methanolic ammonium hydroxide | Acetonitrile |
| Clean Up: | Evaporation to 3mL; Freezing and centrifugation | SPE; STRATA X-AW | | SPE w/Oasis WAX 3cc 60µm 30um | active carbon | activated charcoal | not applicable | filter (RC 0.2µm) | dispersive clean up with ENVI-Carb | none, no filtration | Quicher's Mix, formic acid (0,1%), methanol (see above) | SPE | Graphitised carbon |
| LC column: | Phenomenex Synergi Polar+Hydro | Synergi 4u Fusion RP C-18 | Betasil C18 | BEH C18 1.7µm 2.1 x 100mm | Waters Acquity UPLC BEH C18 1.7µm | Atlantis T3 (100 mm x 4 mm i.d.; 5 µm) | Zorbax Eclipse Plus C18 Narrow Bore | C18 | C-18 | Luna C8, 50 x 2 mm, 3 micron (Phenomenex, Torrance, CA, USA, part number 00B-4248-B0) | Luna C 18. 150x 3mm, 3 µm with precolumn | C-18 | Ace 3 C18, 3 um particles, |
| | 50+75mm, D=2mm | (100 mm x 2.0 mm i.d.) | 2.1 x 50 mm, 5 µm | Methanol, water, ammoniumacetate | 2.1x100 mm | gradient | RR 2.1*50mm 3.5µm | | 150mm x 21mm, 3µm | | | 100 x 2.1 mm | 150 mm length, 2.1mm.i.d. |
| | | | linear | | Solvent A: H2O/ACN (95/5) + 2mM NH4Ac Solvent B: ACN + 2mM NH4Ac | MeOH - 2mM ammonium acetate | 85% (2mM (NH4)2OAc in H2O) - 15%Methanol 5% (2mM (NH4)2OAc in H2O) - 95%Methanol | | 2mM NH4OAc in MeOH and H2O; start 50:50 5min 85:15; 10min 85:15; 11min 99:1; 20min 99:1; 21min 50:50; 28min 50:50; | | | Up to 90% CH3CN and 12.1 mM NH4OAc in 0.1% AcOH | Methanol/water with 2 mM NH4OAc |
| LC/MS(MS): | API5500QTrap | Varian Model 1200; LC-MS/MS-ESI | API2000 (Sciex) | Waters Aquity UPLC | Acquity UPLC system with Micromass Quattro Premier XE tandem mass spectrometer (MS/MS) from Waters | Alliance 2695/Quattro Premier XE, Waters (USA) | LC/MSMS | Quattro Premier XE | Waters, Micromass Q-TOF micro | | Waters 2695 HPLC with MS/MS (Micromass Quattro micro API) | Waters, MS/MS | Quattro II, Micromass, MS/MS |
| | | | ESI negative | Waters Quattro Premier/XE; ESI- | Negative Electrospray ionisation | ESI-; MS/MS (triple quadrupole) | | ESI neagitive | | LC is Agilent 1100 pump; MS/MS was done using Sciex AB 4000 Qtrap; calibration curve was conducted using internal standards, also used the standard addition method with comparable results | negative electrospray mode with MRM | ESI- | ESI neg |
| (Mass Labelled) Internal Standards: | PFOS-13C4, PFOA-13C2, PFHxS-18O3 | 7 | | 9: HxS,OS,BA,HxA,OA,NA,DA,UnDA,DoDA | 7 (13C4-PFBA, 13C2-PFHxA, 13C4-PFOA, 13C5-PFNA, 13C2-PFDA, 13C2-PFDoA, 13C4-PFOS) | yes 2 (Perfluoro-n-[1,2,3,4-13C4]octanoic acid-PFOA; Sodium perfluoro-1-[1,2,3,4-13C4]octasulfonate - PFOS) | 5 (MPFOS, MPFOA, MPFHxS, MPFHxA, MPFBA) | - | 2, PFOA, PFOS | C13 PFBA, PFHxA, PFOA, PFNA, PFDA, PFUnA, PFDoA, and PFOS, and 18O PFHxS all from Wellington | 6 IS (MPFBA, MPFHxA, MPFOA, MPFOS, MPFNA, MPFDA) | 7: ¹³ C ₄ -PFBA, 13C4-PFHxA, 13C4-PFOA, 13C4-PFNA, 13C4-PFDA, 13C4-PFDoA, 13C4-PFOS | 8, MPFHxS, MPFOS, MPFHxA, MPFOA, MPFNA, MPFDcA, MPFUnA, MPFDcA |
| (Mass Labelled) Recovery Standards: | MCPA-D3, MCPA-D6, Mecoprop-D3 | 1 | 13C PFOA; 13C PFOS, 13C PFDA | | 15 (PFBA, PFPA, PFHxA, PFHpA, PFOA, PFNA, PFDA, PFUnA, PFDoA, PFTeA, PFBS, PFHxS, PFOS, PFDS, 0 PFOSA) | - | 5 (MPFOS, MPFOA, MPFHxS, MPFHxA, MPFBA) | 13C-PFOA | 3,7-diMe-PFOA | recovery was conducted using native standards spiked into serum. | | 1; 13C4-PFOA | 1, di-methyl branched PFDcA |
| Results Corrected for Recovery: | yes | No | No | No | No | No | yes | no | no | no see comment | No | YES | Only via internal standard quantification, no additional correction. |
| Results Corrected for Blanks: | yes | Yes | Yes | No | No | No | no | no | no | no see comment | No | NO | Yes, see comments |
| Standard Method: | custom | inhouse method | | - | ISO/CD 25101:2006 | | own method | | | no | | | No |
| Comments: | Altering to ACN as solvent to increase the extraction of long chain substances (Biota and Sediment); Methods under development for the adaption to the new much more sensitive LC-MS-MS. | | | | | Currently, the list of target PFCs has been expanded; since the validation of the LC/MS method for new analytes has not been completed, we report quantitative data only for two major PFCs present in the sample. In the addition to them we have detected following compounds (in brackets only semiquantitative results are given - fish sample ng/g): PFNA (0.9); PFDA (2.9); PFUdA (1.8); PFDoA (0.3); sludge sample (ng/g): PFHxA (0.7); PFHpA (0.4); PFNA (0.4); PFDA (0.7); std IVM PFC-MXA (ng/ml): PFBS (42); PFHxA (37); PFHxS (32); PFHpA (26); PFNA (54); PFDA (36); PFUdA (29); PFDoA (32) | | | | FISH method: Did not correct for blanks. Triplicate method blanks were clean with the exception of PFOA (0.05 ng/ml), PFNA (0.001 ng/ml), PFHxS (0.001ng/ml) and PFOS (0.004 ng/ml); Did not correct for recovery; however, recovery corresponded to 120% for PFOA, 90% PFNA, 100% PFDA, 110% PFUnA, 95% PFDoA, 95% PFTrA, 99% PFOS and 97% PFHxS in serum. For fish tissue, results obtained with external calibration agreed with those via standard addition within 15%. Sludge recoveries via spike and recovery corresponded to 90 to 100% for PFOA, PFNA, PFDA, PFUnA, PFDoA, 85% for PFTrA, 80% for PFHxS but was poor for PFOS (981%); For PFBA, PFPeA, PFHxA, PFHpA, and PFBS, used Shodex Rspak JJ-50 2D anion exchange/reverse phase column, 15 x 2 mm, 5 um (part number J803002, Shodex, Shanghai) | | All sulfonate concentrations are given on the basis of the sulfonate anion; PFOS has been quantified in both transitions, m/z 499>80 and m/z 499>99. The water sample contained a high proportion of branched isomers, the linear isomer is valid; New parts in the LC pump led to relatively high background contamination with several PFCAs. We chose therefore to subtract the blank value from all results (including sulfonates). fish and sludge samples only contained moderate amounts of isomers, the two results correspond quite well and quantification against therefore, the two results deviate substantially and the quantification against the pure linear isomer (as performed here) will be inaccurate. The | |

| L16 | L17 | L19 | L20 | L21 | L23 | L25 | L28 | L29 | L33 | L34 |
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| Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample |
| | Homogenized | | homogenised | grinding with silica | homogenized with tissue tearor | | Residual dry ice allowed to sublime before weighing sample aliquots for matrix were accurately weighed (frozen). Aliquots were allowed to equilibrate to room temperature and then were spiked with IS/surrogates | | | Homog. by grinding |
| LSE; 2 h shacking | Sonication 30 minutes | LSE | LSE; sonication 40 min; shaking 16h | ultrasonic bath | LLE; modified 2001 Hansen ion pairing method | Sonication | Acetonitrile; Tissue/ACN homogenates placed in -20°C for at least 1 hour. Centrifuged at -5°C for 20 minutes at 3000 rpm. 1 mL of clarified supernate transferred to a 2 mL autovial spiked with 10 mL of 10%formic acid. | ASE | Solvent extraction | vortex and sonication |
| Methanol | Methanol 2 times | ACN | 2mL 0.2MKOH/methanol + 20 mL methanol | MeOH, H2O | MTBE, 0.25M Na2CO3, 0.5M TBAS | ACN | | MeOH / H2O | ACN | Acetonitrile |
| 30 mg Envi-Carb,Vortex mixing | Filtration - 0.2 µm | SPE | 5 mL of extraction solvent (after settling) were diluted to 500 mL with MQ and extracted according to extraction procedure of the water sample | SPE | none / dilution | Active carbon | | SPE: OASIS WAX 150 mg | Active Carbon | Waters Oasis WAX SPE; Supelclean ENVI-Carb |
| Hypersil Gold column | C18- Alltima | C-18 | Thermo Hypersil Gold 100X2.1mm, 5um | Phenomenex, Synergie, polar RP, 80 Å, 4µ (150 x 2mm) | Grace Vydac Genesis C18 | C-18 | Thermo Scientific PRISM RP column for analysis of PFBA, PFPeA, and PFHxA; 2.1mm x 50 mm; 5 µ particle size, Thermo Scientific Betasil™ C18 analytical column (for analysis of PFCAs (C7-C12) and PFASs 2.1mm x 100 mm; 5 µ particle size); Extraction Pre-Column: Oasis® HLB on-line extraction column (20 mm x 3.0 mm, 25 m particle size) with the outlet directed to a column switching valve where the first five minutes were diverted to waste. After 5 minutes effluent directed to analytical column; | Phenomenex LUNA (PFP2) | BEH C 18 | Acquity BEH C18 |
| Thermo Electron Corp. | 4.6mm x 50mm | | A (MeOH): B (water LC-MS 2mM NH4OAc, 5%MeOH) 0 min (5:95);1 min (5:95); 2 min (45:55); 30 min (95:5); 35 min (95:5); 36 min (5:95); 50 min (5:95) | | 50mm x 2.1mm i.d. x 4um particles | 2,1x50 mm | | 150*3.0 mm, 5µm | 2,1 x 50 mm | 50*2.1mm, 1.7um |
| 100 x 2.1 mm, 3 um particles | 40 H2O+60MeOH->5H2O+95MeOH | | 200 µL/min | | MeOH & H ₂ O (10mM Ammounim Acetate) | Gradient | | A: MeOH / B: NH4Ac (PH 3.5) (A: 60% (0min) --> 100 % (12min) | ACN + 0.1 % formic acid and (start 65%) reversed osmose water+ 0,1 % formic acid | |
| Waters Quattro Micro LC-MS-MS | ThermoFisher- IT | Time of Flight (TOF) | LC-ESI-ITMS(MS) | MS/MS | ABS Sciex 4000Qtrap MS/MS | Waters UPLC-TQMS/MS | Agilent 1100 HPLC with Applied Biosystems API 4000 Q-trap; Electrospray (Negative) Ionization | Waters LC Quattro, MS/MS | Waters, quadrupole MS/MS, TQD | Acquity UPLC |
| ESI | ESI negative mode | | Thermo LCQ DECA XP MAX | | negative ESI - MRM | ESI | | ESI | - ES' | Quattro Premier XE MS/MS |
| Provided IS-mix 13C | | 6: C ¹³ PFOS, C ¹³ PFOA, C ¹³ PFNA, C ¹³ PFDA, C ¹³ PFDoA, C ¹³ PFHxA | no | | 5 - ¹³ C ₄ -PFOS, ¹³ C ₂ -PFOA, ¹³ C ₅ -PFNA, ¹³ C ₂ -PFDA, ¹³ C ₂ -PFDoA | 3: 13C-PFOS, 13C-PFHxA, 13C-PFDA | [1,2,3,4-13C4]PFBA; [1,2-13C2]PFHxA; [1,2,3,4-13C4]PFOA; [1,2,3,4,5-13C5]PFNA; [1,2-13C2]PFDA; [1,2-13C2]PFUNA; [1,2- ¹³ C ₂]PFDoA; [18O2]PFBS; [18O2]PFHS; [1,2,3,4-13C4]PFOS; [18O2]FOSA | 9 (PFBA, PFHxA, PFOA, PFDA, PFUDA, PFDoA, PFTeA, PFHxS, PFOS) | 7: PFBA, PFHxA, PFOA, PFNA, PFDA, PFOS, PFHxS | C6,C8 sulfonates, C4,C5,C8,C9,C10;c11,C12 carboxylates |
| Wellington 12C mix | 3, MPFOA, MPFNA, MPFOS | - | MPFAC-MXA-100 and Perfluoro-n-[1,2,3,4-13C4]octanoic acid and Sodium perfluoro-1-[1,2,3-13C4]octanesulphonate | 13C4-FBA, 13C2-PFHxA, 18O-PFHxA, 13C4-PFOA, 13C5-PFNA, 13C4-PFOS, 13C2-PFDA, 13C2-PFUDa, 13C2-PFDoA | 1 - ¹³ C ₄ -PFOA | 1: 13C-PFOA | | | 0 none | 7H-PFHpA |
| yes | Yes | No | yes | Yes | no | Yes | No - see below | no | yes (with internal standards) | yes |
| no | NO | No | no | Yes | no | No | See below | no | yes | no (blanks insignificant) |
| | | | no | | in-house developed method | PERFORCE, Powley method | In house | no | | |
| | | | | | native PFCs quantitation (calibration) standards contain branched & linear isomers; all results are reported in terms of the anion | In the UPLC we have a PFC-isolation kit (Waters) for background elimination. | A set of LCS were spiked with BHT at a level of 200 ug/g (0.02%) and without BHT to evaluate any interference that may arise from the preservative. No effect was shown by the presence of the BHT preservative. The study sample was extracted in triplicate. Reported results reflect the average concentration ± percent relative standard deviation (%RSD). Triplicate lab matrix spikes (LMSs) of the study sample were prepared at a low concentration (~1 ng/g) and a high concentration (~10 ng/g) for all analytes except PFOS. PFOS LMS concentrations were 75 ng/g and 150 ng/g. Average LMS recoveries were within 100±20% for all reported analytes. Recoveries of the mass-labelled recovery standards (surrogates) were within 100±13% for all sample and QC replicates. Sample results were quantitated using an extracted calibration curve prepared in purchased walleye fillet control tissue. Calibration standards ranged from 0.025 ng/g to 25 ng/g. Lower limits of quantitation generally ranged from 0.05-0.25 ng/g. If PFC target analytes were detected in the control matrix, method of standard additions was used to determine the endogenous concentration. Concentrations of the calibration standards and laboratory control QC were then corrected for the endogenous levels present before the study samples and QC were quantitated. IS and recovery standard (surrogates) were spiked at a nominal concentration of 1 ng/g. Final extracts were diluted 1:25 post-extraction for PFOS analysis - diluted extract spiked with additional IS to a final concentration of ~ 1 ng/g. | | Unextracted calibration | |

| L36 | L41 | L42 |
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| Fish sample | Fish sample | Fish sample |
| | Dilution D10 | Homogenisation |
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| | | |
| Liquid/Solid extraction | Grinding | LSE |
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| MeOH | MeOH | MeOH |
| | | |
| Active Carbon; (Powley's method) | Filtration | Envicarb (Powley method0 |
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| | Phenomenex Hydro RP C18 | C18 |
| | 150x2 mm*4µm | |
| | Formate Buffer/ Water+MeOH | |
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| | MS/MS ES(-) | Agilent 1200 HPLC coupled to Agilent 6410 LC-MS/MS ESI- |
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| 8 | No | 13C4 PFBA, 13C2 PFHxA, 13C4 PFOA, 13C5 PFNA, 13C2 PFDCa, 13C2 PFUDA, 13C4 PFHxS, 13C4 PFOS, 18 O2 PFOSA |
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| 1 | No | N.A. |
| Yes | No | Yes |
| Yes | No | Yes |
| Internal method | - | Internal |