

# REEF ICP

**Methodology:** ICP-OES specific for seawater. Further methods possible via upgrades.

Recommended values are optimized for coral reef aquariums.

**Sample ID:** 01156904  
**Analysis ID:** 234172  
**Booked upgrades:** non

Sampling Point: Aquarium 1  
 Volume in Liters: 662  
 Sampling Date: 07-22-2025  
 Sample Arrival: 07-31-2025

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## MACROELEMENTS, CALCIUM BALANCE ELEMENTS, AND HALOGENS in mg/Liter

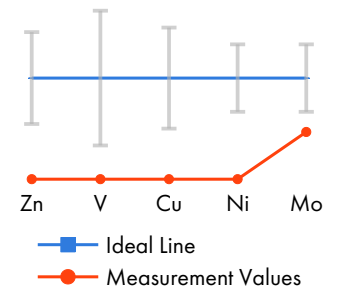
		measured	Reference Range
Sodium	Na	11203	9500 - 10700 - 11500
Sulfur	S	915	850 - 900 - 950
Sulfate	SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	2741	2550 - 2700 - 2850
Potassium	K	437	380 - 395 - 420
Boron	B	4,49	3,8 - 4,5 - 5,5
Magnesium	Mg	1431	1200 - 1350 - 1450
Calcium	Ca	428	400 - 425 - 440
Strontium	Sr	8,1	6,5 - 8,0 - 9,0
Bromine (total bromine, ICP-OES)	Br	69	55 - 67 - 75
Iodine (Total Iodine, ICP-OES)	I	0,015	0,055 - 0,065 - 0,080

## MACRO NUTRIENTS in mg/Liter

		measured	Reference Range
Phosphorus (ICP-OES)	P	0,004	0,006 - max. 0,060
Total Phosphate (calculated)	PO <sub>4</sub> <sup>3-</sup> <sub>tot.</sub>	0,012	0,02 - 0,18
Silicon	Si	0,08	0,1 - 0,2
Silicate (calculated)	SiO <sub>2</sub>	0,17	0,2 - 0,4

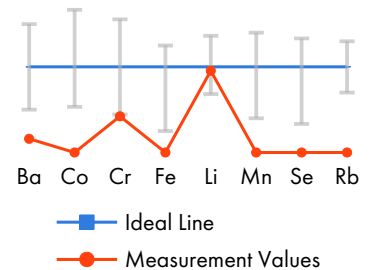
## Dynamic Elements in µg/Liter

		measured	Reference Range
Zinc	Zn	n.d.	3 - 5,5 - 8
Vanadium	V	n.d.	2 - 6 - 10
Copper	Cu	n.d.	2 - 4 - 6
Nickel	Ni	n.d.	3 - 4,5 - 6
Molybdenum	Mo	7	10 - 15 - 20



## PHYSIOLOGICALLY RELEVANT TRACE ELEMENTS in µg/Liter

		measured	Reference Range
Barium	Ba	1,6	5 - max. 50
Cobalt	Co	n.d.	n.d. - max. 1,9
Chromium	Cr	0,76	n.d. - max. 2,3
Iron	Fe	n.d.	n.d. - max. 2,5
Lithium	Li	210	180 - max. 350
Manganese	Mn	n.d.	n.d. - max. 0,25
Selenium	Se	n.d.	n.d. - max. 2

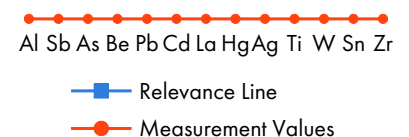


only with ICP-MS upgrade:

Rubidium	Rb	not measured	
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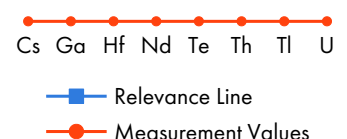
## OTHER TRACE ELEMENTS AND POTENTIAL POLLUTANTS in µg/Liter

		measured	Reference Range
Aluminum	Al	n.d.	5 - 30
Antimony	Sb	n.d.	n.d. - max. 10
Arsenic	As	n.d.	n.d.
Beryllium	Be	n.d.	n.d.
Lead	Pb	n.d.	n.d.
Cadmium	Cd	n.d.	n.d.
Lanthanum	La	n.d.	2 - 10
Mercury	Hg	n.d.	n.d.
Silver	Ag	n.d.	n.d. - max. 10
Titanium	Ti	n.d.	n.d. - 3,5
Tungsten	W	n.d.	n.d. - max. 30
Tin	Sn	n.d.	n.d. - max. 10
Zirconium	Zr	n.d.	n.d. - 2,2



only with ICP-MS upgrade:

Cesium	Cs	not measured	
Gallium	Ga	not measured	
Hafnium	Hf	not measured	
Neodymium	Nd	not measured	
Tellurium	Te	not measured	
Thorium	Th	not measured	
Thallium	Tl	not measured	
Uranium	U	not measured	



## ORGANIC FACTORS

		measured	Reference Range
SAK254 (m <sup>-1</sup> )		not measured	only with SAK254 upgrade
NPOC (mg/l)	C	not measured	only with organic upgrade
TNb (mg/l)	N	not measured	only with organic upgrade

## Overview of dosages

Product	Total quantity	spread over ...	corresponds	Priority	Checkbox
SALINITY	no need for action				
ELEMENTALS S	No dosage				
ELEMENTALS K	Water change			1	
ELEMENTALS B	No dosage				
ELEMENTALS MG	No dosage				
ELEMENTALS SR	No dosage				
ELEMENTALS BR	No dosage				
TRACE I	33,1 ml	2 days	16,6 ml/day	2	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
ELEMENTALS P	No dosage				
TRACE ZN	3,6 ml	2 days	1,8 ml/day	3	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
TRACE V	7,9 ml	4 days	2,0 ml/day	3	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
TRACE CU	26,5 ml	2 days	13,3 ml/day	3	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
TRACE NI	7,4 ml	2 days	3,7 ml/day	3	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
TRACE MO	8,8 ml	2 days	4,4 ml/day	3	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
TRACE BA	111,0 ml	2 days	55,5 ml/day	4	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
TRACE CO	1,7 ml	1 day	1,7 ml/day	4	<input type="checkbox"/>
TRACE CR	No dosage				
TRACE FE	2,5 ml	2 days	1,3 ml/day	4	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
TRACE LI	No dosage				
TRACE MN	0,3 ml	1 day	0,3 ml/day	4	<input type="checkbox"/>
TRACE SE	42,4 ml	4 days	10,6 ml/day	4	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
TRACE RB	No dosage				

### Upgrade options for a Reef ICP:

**ICP-MS upgrade:** Analysis of all trace elements (except aluminum and lithium) by ICP-MS with up to 1000x higher sensitivity compared to ICP-OES and analysis of exclusive elements. ICP-MS exclusive elements cannot be determined by ICP-OES, or not with sufficient sensitivity.

**Organic upgrade:** Determination of the concentrations of organic carbon (NPOC) and total nitrogen (TNb).

**SAK254 upgrade:** Determination of the indicator value for the concentration of unsaturated organic compounds.

### Detection limits

Time-averaged detection limits for all relevant values are published regularly on [lab.fauamarin.de](http://lab.fauamarin.de).

### Abbreviations:

ICP-OES (inductively coupled plasma with optical emission spectrometry), ICP-MS (inductively coupled plasma with mass spectrometry), SAK254 (spectral absorption coefficient at 254 nm), NPOC (not easily expelled organic carbon), TNb (total bound nitrogen), n.d. (not detectable).