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Evaluación de la Incertidumbre en el
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Documento de Referencia

GUM (BIPM, IEC, IFCC, ISO, IUPAC, OIML)
Guía para la Expresión de la Incertidumbre de Medida
(ISO, Ginebra, 1993 – Revisión 1995)
ISBN: 92-67-10188

Todas las directrices o recomendaciones específicas en cualquier campo para la evaluación de la incertidumbre de medida tendrán que ser compatibles con la GUM

Accreditación e Incertidumbre

ISO/IEC 17025

Requisitos Generales relativos a la Competencia de los Laboratorios de Ensayo y Calibración (1999 – Revisión 2005)

Especifica requisitos detallados en relación a la incertidumbre de medida y como debe ésta indicarse en los informes de ensayo

Directrices – Entidades de Acreditación

ILAC-G17:2002

Introducing the Concept of Uncertainty of Measurement in Testing in Association with the Application of the Standard ISO/IEC 17025

EA-4/16

Guidelines on the Expression of Uncertainty in Quantitative Testing

(Rev. 00, December 2003)

G-ENAC-09

Guía para la Expresión de la Incertidumbre en los Ensayos Cuantitativos (traducción literal de EA-4/16)

(Rev. 1, Julio 2005)

Directrices – Análisis Químicos

EURACHEM / CITAC Guide CG 4 (QUAM:2000.1)
Quantifying Uncertainty in Analytical Measurement
(2nd Edition, 2000)

EURACHEM / CITAC Guide
Use of Uncertainty Information in Compliance Assessment
(1st Edition, 2007)

EUROLAB Technical Report No. 1/2002
Measurement Uncertainty in Testing
(June 2002)

EUROLAB Technical Report No. 1/2006
*Guide to the Evaluation of Measurement Uncertainty
for Quantitative Test Results*
(August 2006)

EUROLAB Technical Report No. 1/2007
*Measurement Uncertainty Revisited: Alternative Approaches
to Uncertainty Evaluation*
(March 2007)

Directrices - Codex Alimentarius

Generales para los Análisis Químicos
(Codex Committee on Methods of Analysis and sampling - CCMAS)

CAC / GL 54-2004

Directrices sobre la Incertidumbre de Medida

Directrices - Codex Alimentarius

Específicas para el Análisis de Residuos de Plaguicidas
(Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues - CCPR)

CAC / GL 59-2006

Directrices sobre la Estimación de la Incertidumbre de los Resultados

ALINORM 09/32/24 (Appendix X)

Proposed draft revision of the Guidelines on the estimation of uncertainty of results for the determination of pesticide residues (CAC/GL 59-2006) at step 3

Definición ISO - GUM de Incertidumbre de Medida

‘Parámetro asociado al resultado de una medida, que caracteriza la dispersión de los valores que pueden atribuirse razonablemente al mesurando’

Este parámetro puede ser:

- una desviación estándar (*incertidumbre estandar combinada*)
- una parte de un intervalo indicando un cierto nivel de confianza (*incertidumbre expandida*)

Resultado = Valor \pm incertidumbre

0.85 \pm 0.30 mg/kg ($k = 2$; 95%)

¡entre 1.15 y 0.55 mg/kg!

Formas de Expresar un Resultado



Folleto informativo publicado en el año 2000 por el "SP-Swedish NTRI" para ser entregado a los clientes de los laboratorios junto a los informes de ensayo

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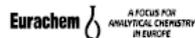
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Los resultados de los análisis no pueden ser perfectos....

Utilizamos el término:
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para describir esta falta de perfección.

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En cada etapa del trabajo analítico, desde el muestreo hasta la medida final, ocurren desviaciones del valor verdadero y las condiciones de medida varían.

Nosotros tomamos medidas y realizamos controles regularmente para conseguir que estas desviaciones y variaciones juntas sean suficientemente pequeñas para asegurar que el resultado final se ajuste a sus necesidades.....

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La Exactitud de los resultados no debe ser, por supuesto, demasiado baja, pero tampoco demasiado alta, ya que ésto incrementaría los costes.

Debería ajustarse al propósito perseguido.

Si no está seguro del nivel de exactitud que necesita, no dude en contactar con el laboratorio.

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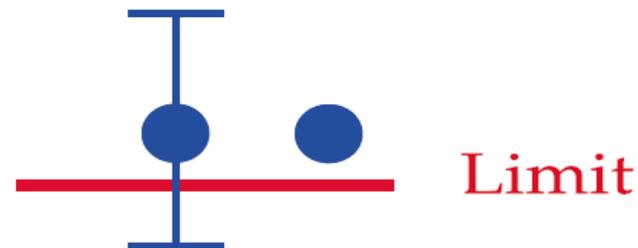


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Muchos análisis se realizan para asegurar que no se superan unos valores límite.

Sin información sobre la Incertidumbre de Medida puede parecer muy fácil el tomar decisiones, pero estas decisiones pueden ser incorrectas....

Con una Incertidumbre de Medida realista la información incluida en el resultado se hace mucho más útil.



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En su lugar, dicha información únicamente se da al cliente cuando éste la pide.

En el futuro, la información sobre la Incertidumbre de Medida aparecerá mas frecuentemente en el informe de ensayo.... nuevas guías y estándares internacionales....

Uno de los objetivos es el hacerle al cliente más fácil la comparación de los resultados de los ensayos.

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A la hora de presentar los resultados de ensayo daremos la información normal sobre lo que hemos medido. Cuando los resultados van seguidos por indicaciones de la Incertidumbre, éstos se presentan como intervalos en los que se espera se encuentren los valores verdaderos con un determinado nivel de confianza (usualmente 95%).

Contenido en Plomo:
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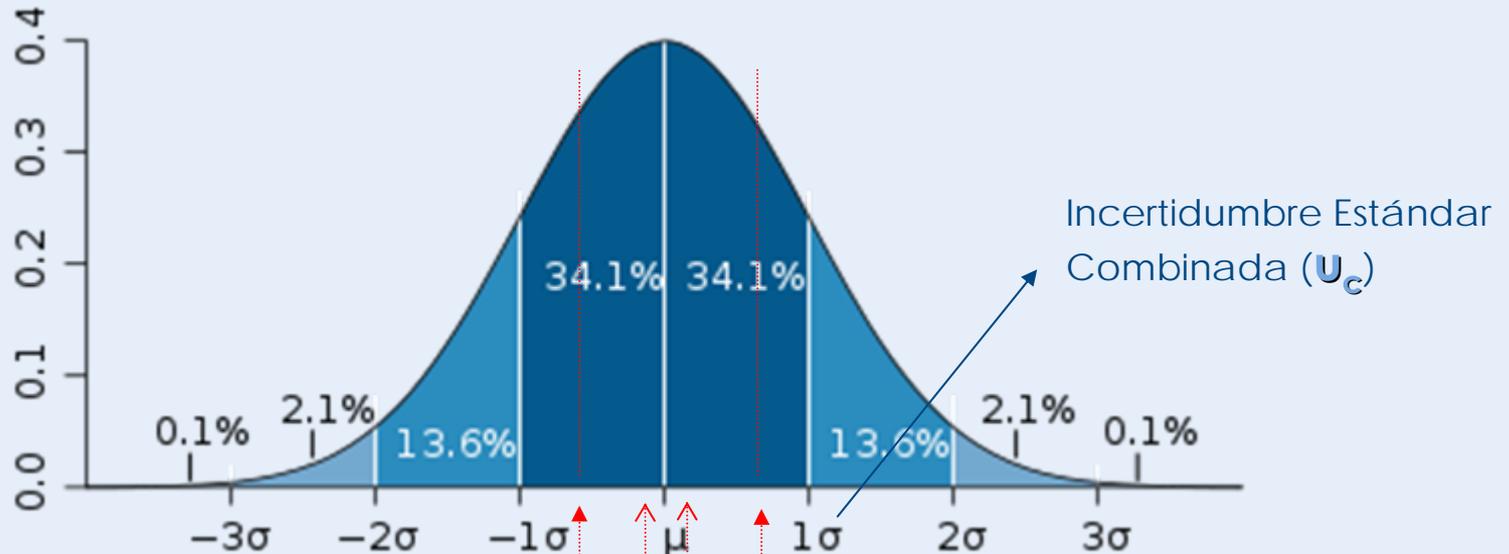
Incertidumbre de Medida Expandida (U)
Incertidumbre Estándar Combinada (u_c)
Factor de Cobertura (k)
 ($k = 2$ aprox. 95% nivel de confianza)

$$U = k \times u_c$$

Formas de Expresar un Resultado



“Calidad” del Resultado



0.85 mg/kg (¿10%?)

Valor

0.845 - 0.854

0.85 ± 0.10 mg/kg (¿50%?)

con precisión

0.75 - 0.95

0.85 ± 0.30 mg/kg (95%)

con incertidumbre
K=2 (U = k x u_c)

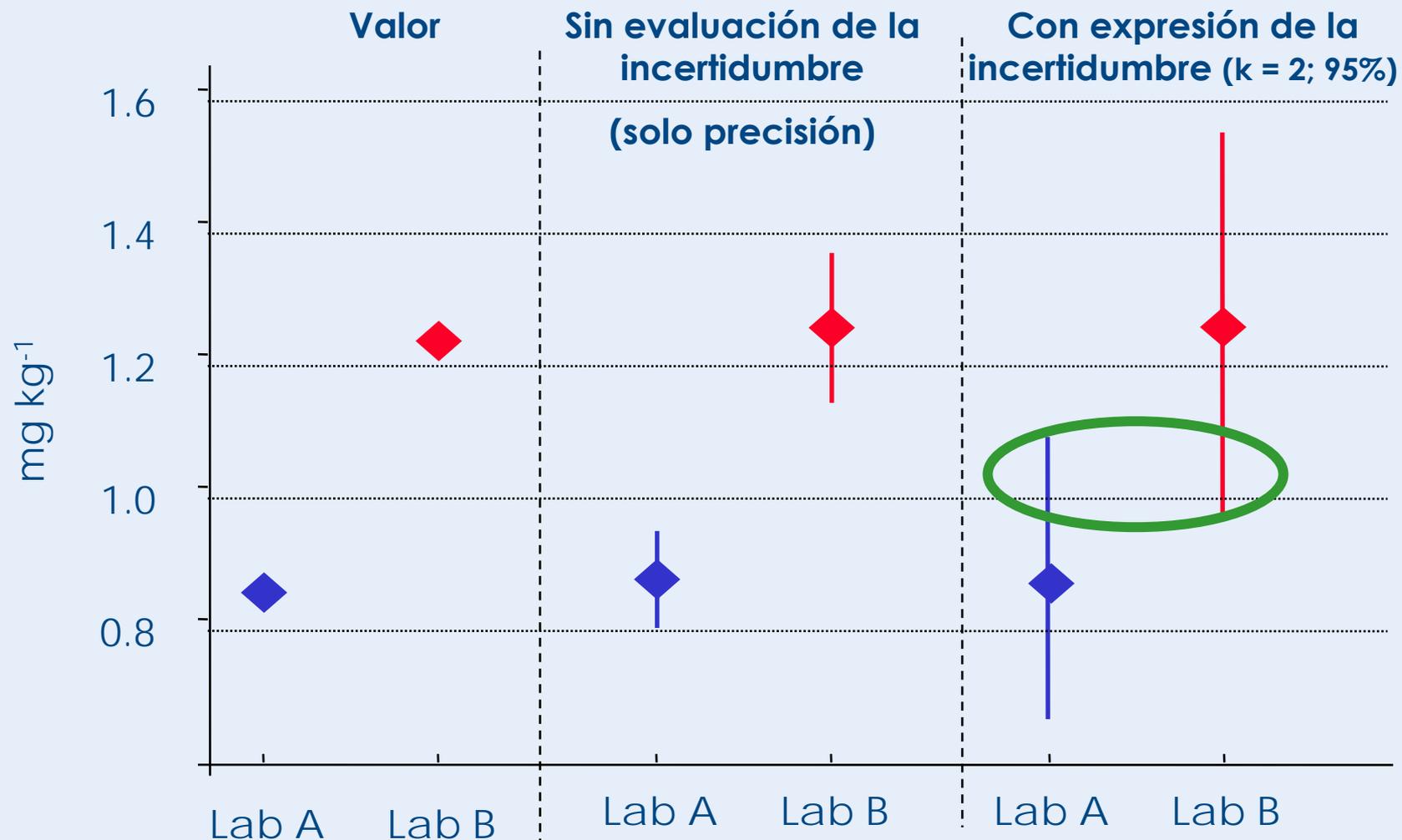
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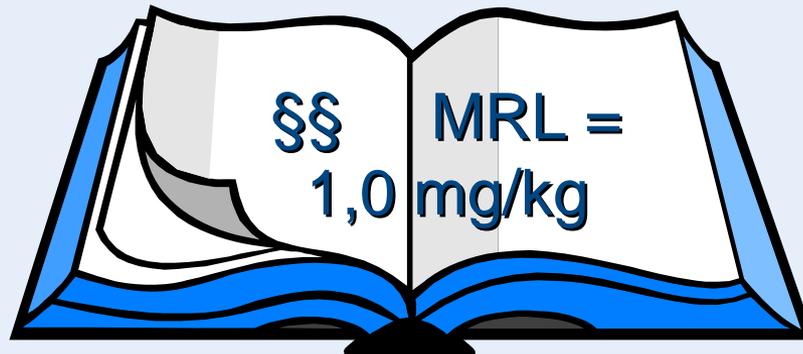
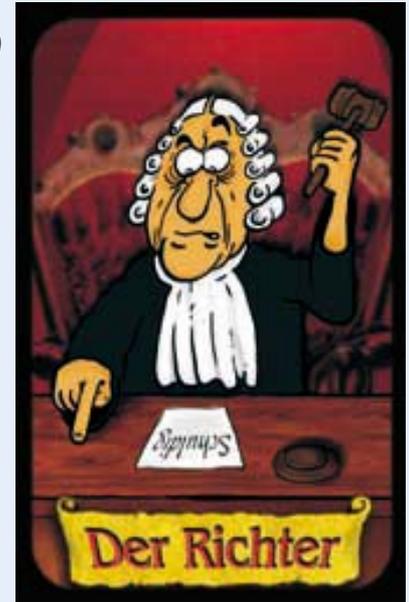
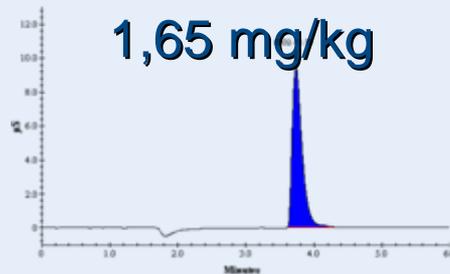
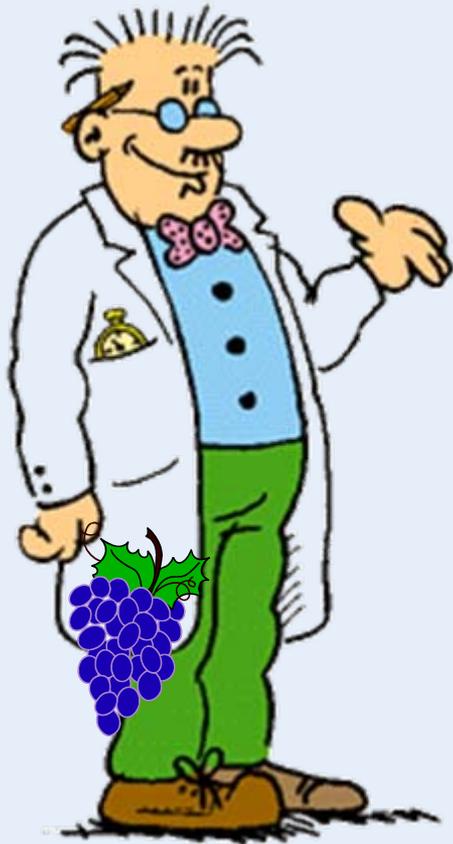
- **Apreciación de la incertidumbre como un aspecto siempre positivo**
- **Aporta calidad al resultado, sea ésta grande o pequeña**
- **Se consideran todas las magnitudes que pueden influir en el mensurando**
- **Procedimiento simple y estandarizado de evaluación y expresión**
- **Evaluaciones Tipo A y Tipo B (no usa errores aleatorios y sistemáticos)**
- **Incertidumbre Estándar Combinada (u_c) / Incertidumbre Expandida (U)**

¿Son estos resultados diferentes?



¿Resultado Violativo o no Violativo?

Resultado = $1,65 \pm 0,82$ mg/kg ($k = 2; 95\%$)



Procedimiento de Evaluación - GUM

- Definir el Mensurando
- Desarrollo del Modelo de Medida (magnitudes, ecuación, diagrama causa-efecto, ...)
- Identificar todas las posibles fuentes de incertidumbre
- Estimar el valor de las magnitudes que influyen en el mensurando
- Evaluar incertidumbre estándar asociada a cada magnitud ($u_i = SD_i$)
- Calcular el valor del mensurando (ecuación modelo)
- Combinar las u_i (ley de propagación: $u_c = (u_1^2 + u_2^2 + u_3^2 + \dots)^{1/2}$)
- Calcular e informar la incertidumbre expandida ($U = k \times u_c$)
k = Factor de Cobertura (distribución; nivel de confianza)
Usualmente $k = 2$ (distribución normal; $\approx 95\%$)

Factores que pueden contribuir a la Incertidumbre de Medida

- Toma, Manejo, Almacenamiento de la Muestra
- Preparación de la Muestra Analítica
- Propiedades del Objeto Analizado
- Condiciones Ambientales
- Patrones y Materiales de Referencia
- Métodos y Equipos
- Operador
- Corrección de Resultados (efectos sistemáticos)
- etc.

¿Cómo evaluar las muchas componentes de la Incertidumbre de Medida?

Componente por componente

(mathematical / modelling / "down-top" approach)

Inviabile para ensayos analíticos complicados

De forma global, agrupando muchas componentes

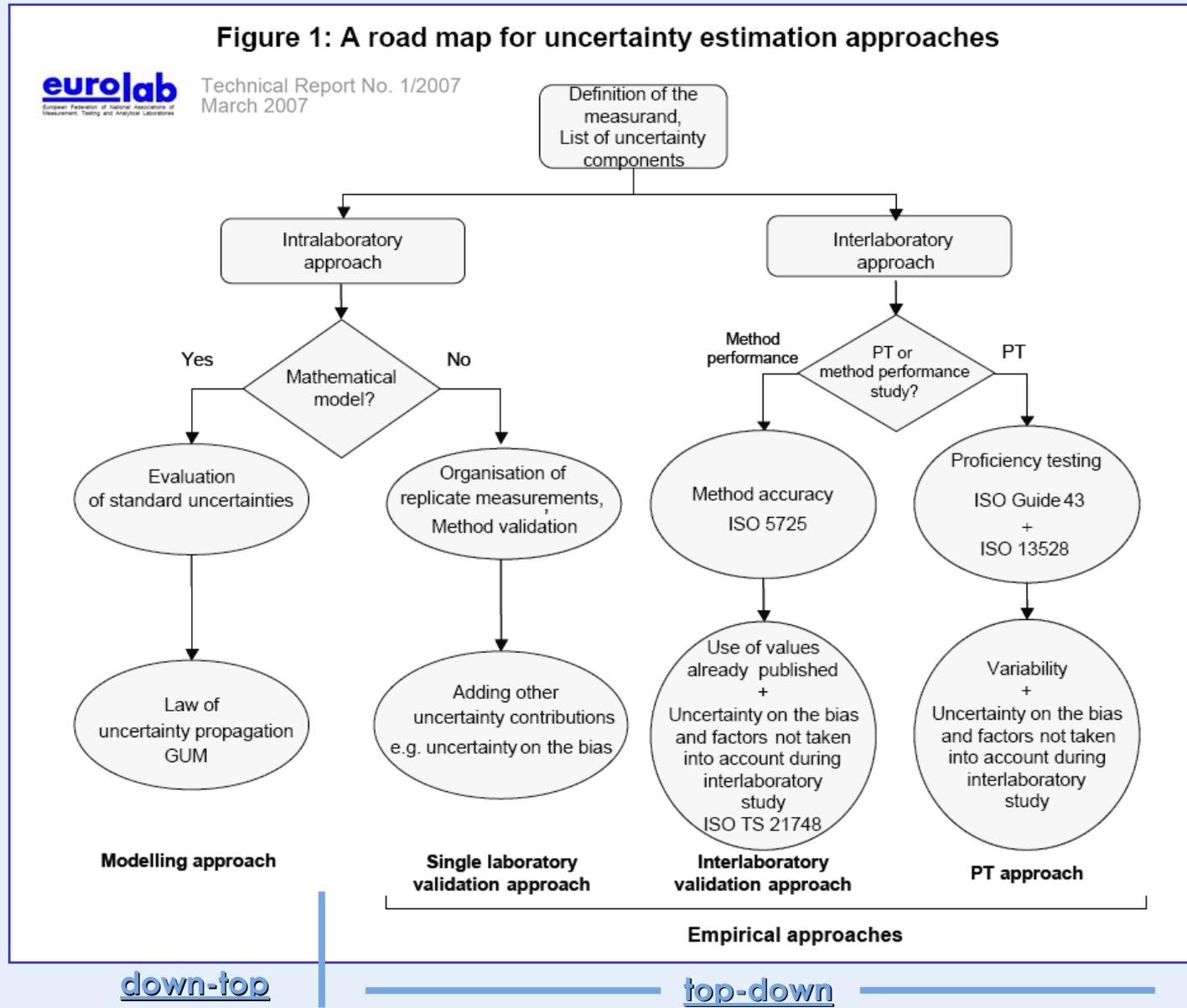
(empirical / "top-down" approaches)

Datos de Validación / Control de Calidad

Estudios de Intercomparación

Ensayos de Aptitud (PTs)

Figure 1: A road map for uncertainty estimation approaches



Análisis Multi-Residuos de Pesticidas

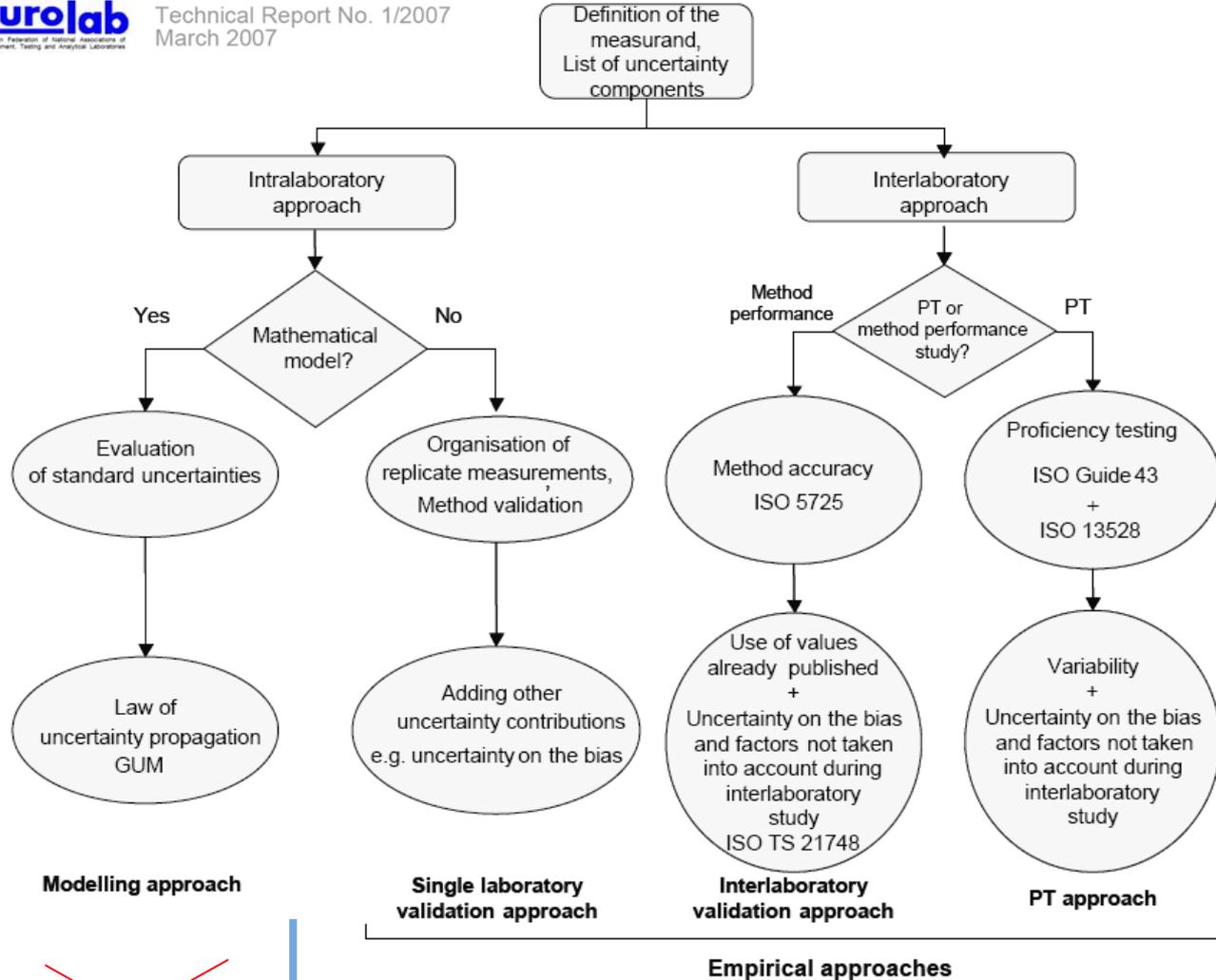
COMPLICADOS / ELEVADA INCERTIDUMBRE

- Gran influencia de la destreza del analista,
- y del estado de mantenimiento de los equipos.
- Respuesta de los equipos variable con el tiempo.
- "Efecto Matriz" imprevisible.
- Interferencias imprevisibles (matriz, reactivos, etc.).
- Inexistencia de "Materiales de Referencia".
- Gran número de combinaciones pesticida/matriz.

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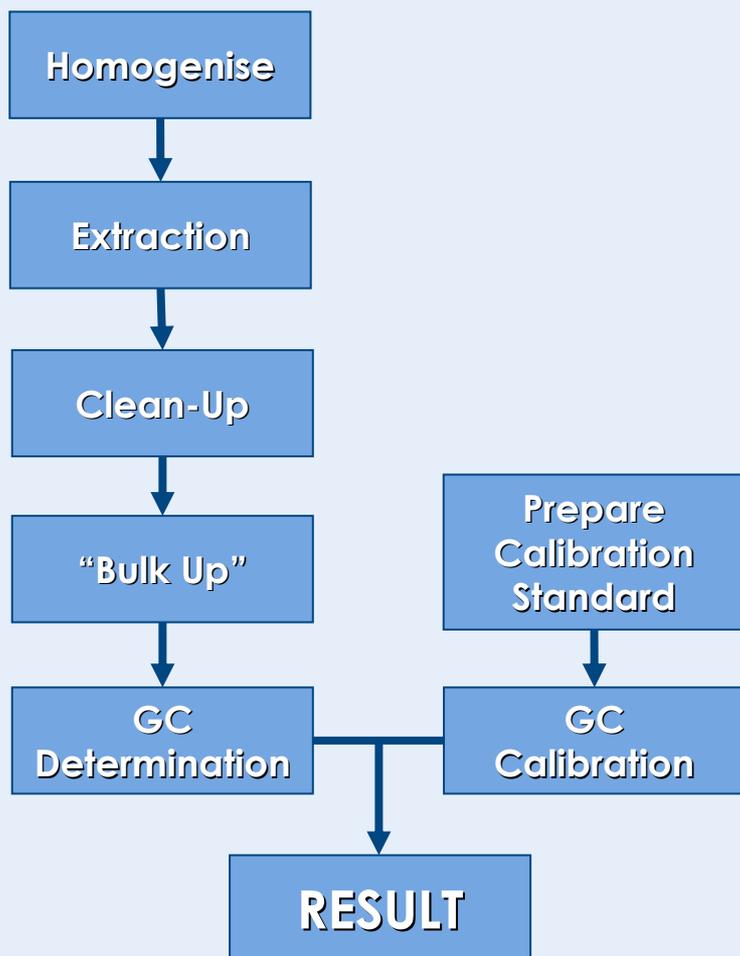
**Ejemplo de evaluación de la Incertidumbre a
partir de estudios de validación “in-house”:**

(Example A4)

**Determinación de Plaguicidas
Organofosforados en Pan**

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Organophosphorus Pesticides Analysis



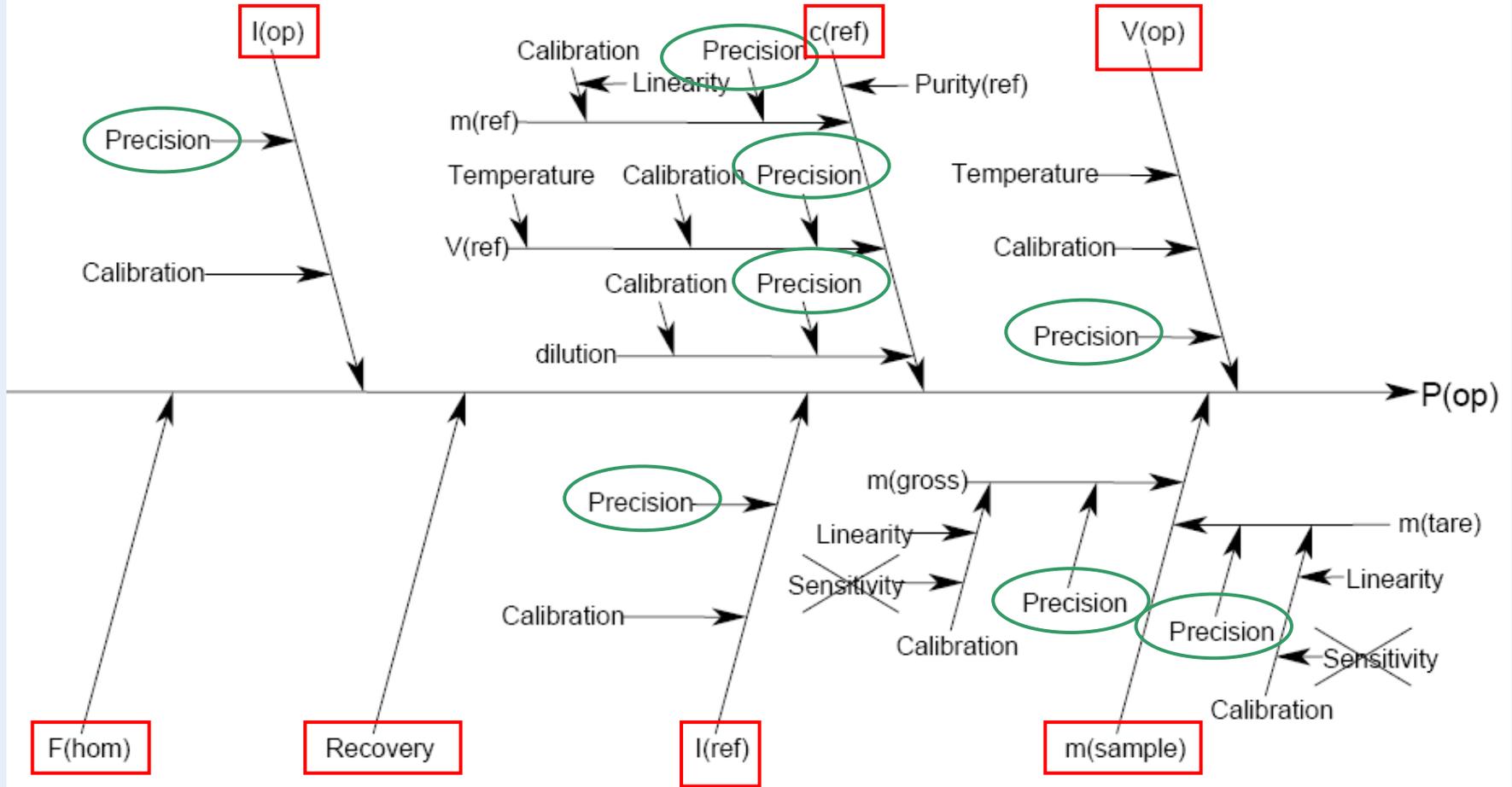
Measurand:

$$P_{op} = \frac{I_{op} \cdot C_{ref} \cdot V_{op}}{I_{ref} \cdot \text{Rec} \cdot m_{sample}} \cdot F_{hom} \text{ mg kg}^{-1}$$

- P_{op} : Level of pesticide in the sample (mg kg^{-1})
- I_{op} : Peak intensity of the sample extract
- C_{ref} : Mass concentration of the reference standard ($\mu\text{g ml}^{-1}$)
- V_{op} : Final volume of the extract (ml)
- I_{ref} : Peak intensity of the reference standard
- Rec:** Recovery
- m_{sample} : Mass of the investigated sub-sample (g)
- F_{hom} :** Correction factor for sample inhomogeneity

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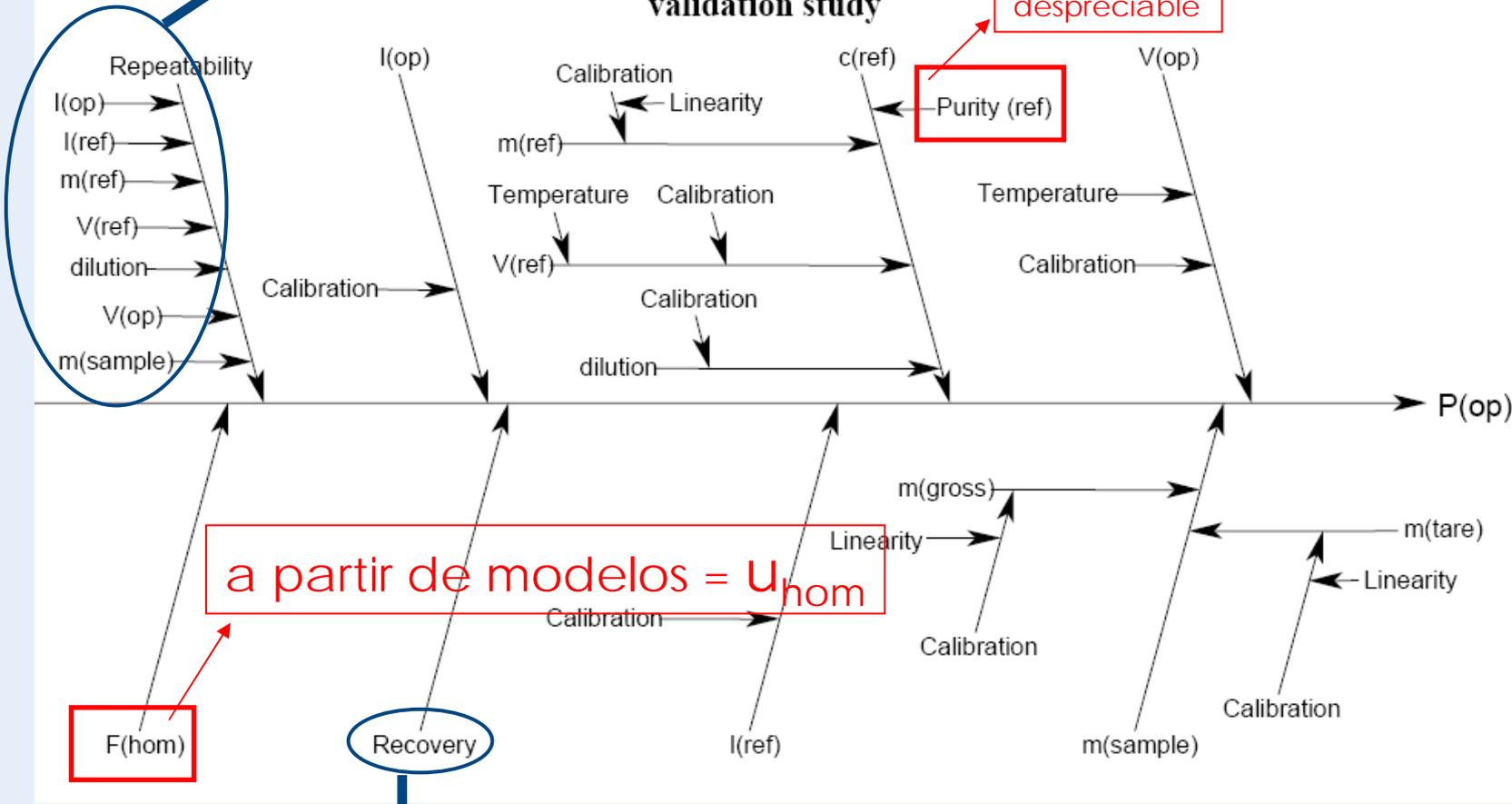
Figure A4.5: Cause and effect diagram with added main branch for sample inhomogeneity



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Estudio precisión (Validación) = U_{rep}

Figure A 4.6: Cause and effect diagram after rearrangement to accommodate the data of the validation study



Estudio sesgo-recuperación (Validación) = U_{rec}

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(Example A4)

$$s = 0.382$$

**Table A4.2: Results of duplicate pesticide analysis (in bread)**

| Residue | D1 [mg kg ⁻¹] | D2 [mg kg ⁻¹] | Mean [mg kg ⁻¹] | Difference D1-D2 | Difference/ mean |
|---------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Malathion | 1.30 | 1.30 | 1.30 | 0.00 | 0.000 |
| Malathion | 1.30 | 0.90 | 1.10 | 0.40 | 0.364 |
| Malathion | 0.57 | 0.53 | 0.55 | 0.04 | 0.073 |
| Malathion | 0.16 | 0.26 | 0.21 | -0.10 | -0.476 |
| Malathion | 0.65 | 0.58 | 0.62 | 0.07 | 0.114 |
| Pirimiphos Methyl | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.00 | 0.000 |
| Chlorpyrifos Methyl | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.085 | -0.01 | -0.118 |
| Pirimiphos Methyl | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.000 |
| Chlorpyrifos Methyl | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.015 | -0.01 | -0.667 |
| Pirimiphos Methyl | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.015 | 0.01 | 0.667 |
| Chlorpyrifos Methyl | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.025 | 0.01 | 0.400 |
| Chlorpyrifos Methyl | 0.04 | 0.06 | 0.05 | -0.02 | -0.400 |
| Pirimiphos Methyl | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.75 | -0.10 | -0.133 |
| Chlorpyrifos Methyl | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.10 | 0.00 | 0.000 |
| Pirimiphos Methyl | 0.06 | 0.03 | 0.045 | 0.03 | 0.667 |

Estudio precisión

$$U_{\text{rep}} = 0.382 / 2^{1/2} = 0.27$$

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(Example A4)

Table A4.3: Results of pesticide recovery studies

| Substrate | Residue Type | Conc. [mg kg ⁻¹] | N ¹⁾ | Mean ²⁾ [%] | s ²⁾ [%] |
|---------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| Waste Oil | PCB | 10.0 | 8 | 84 | 9 |
| Butter | OC | 0.65 | 33 | 109 | 12 |
| Compound Animal Feed I | OC | 0.325 | 100 | 90 | 9 |
| Animal & Vegetable Fats I | OC | 0.33 | 34 | 102 | 24 |
| Brassicas 1987 | OC | 0.32 | 32 | 104 | 18 |
| Bread | OP | 0.13 | 42 | 90 | 28 |
| Rusks | OP | 0.13 | 30 | 84 | 27 |
| Meat & Bone Feeds | OC | 0.325 | 8 | 95 | 12 |
| Maize Gluten Feeds | OC | 0.325 | 9 | 92 | 9 |
| Rape Feed I | OC | 0.325 | 11 | 89 | 13 |
| Wheat Feed I | OC | 0.325 | 25 | 88 | 9 |
| Soya Feed I | OC | 0.325 | 13 | 85 | 19 |
| Barley Feed I | OC | 0.325 | 9 | 84 | 22 |

(1) The number of experiments carried out

(2) The mean and sample standard deviation s are given as percentage recoveries.

$$U_{\text{rec}} = 0.28 / 42^{1/2} = 0.043$$

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(Example A4)

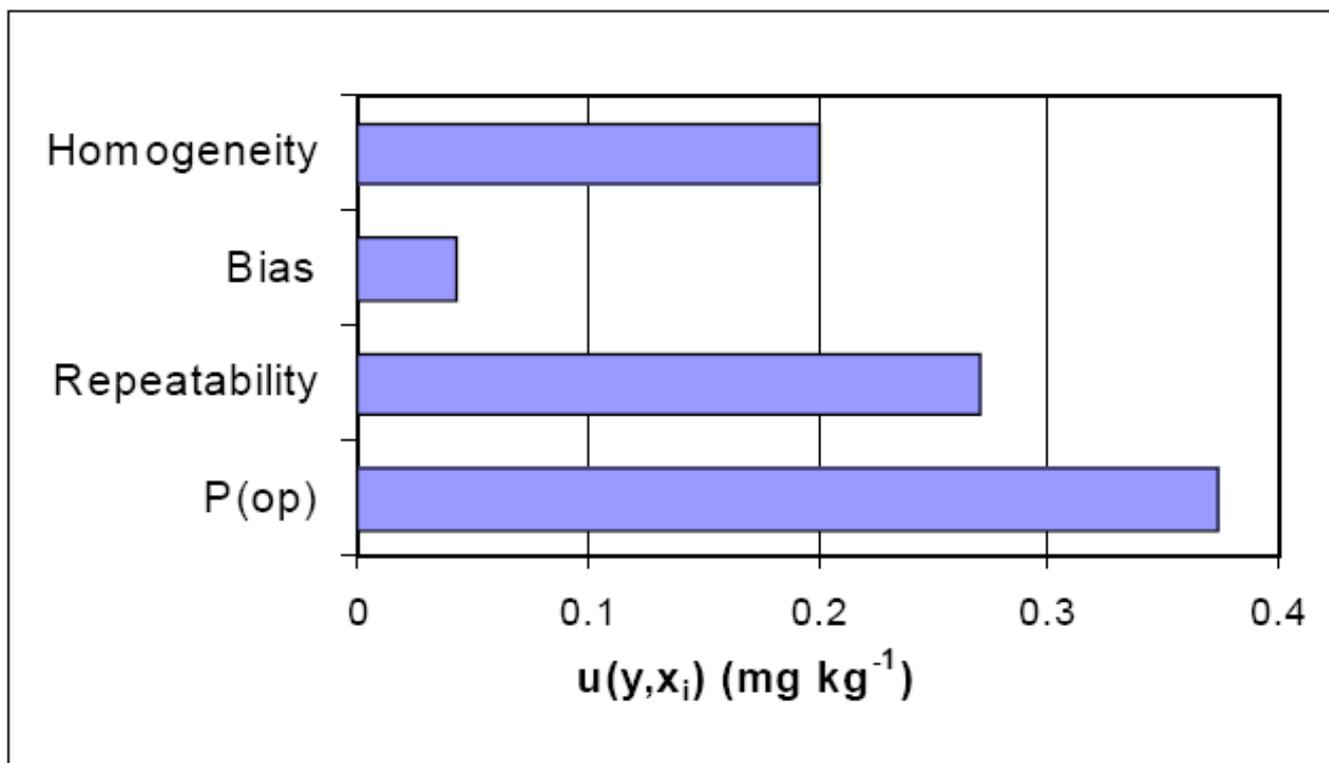
Patrón: 99.53% ± 0.06% $U_{\text{ref}} = 0.0006/3^{1/2}$ (*distribución rectangular*) $U_{\text{ref}} = 0.00035 = \underline{\text{DESPRECIABLE}}$ **Table A4.4: Uncertainties in pesticide analysis**

| Description | Value x | Standard uncertainty $u(x)$ | Relative standard uncertainty $u(x)$ | Remark |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| Repeatability(1) | 1.0 | 0.27 | 0.27 | Duplicate tests of different types of samples |
| Bias (<i>Rec</i>) (2) | 0.9 | 0.043 | 0.048 | Spiked samples |
| Other sources (3) (Homogeneity) | 1.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | Estimations founded on model assumptions |
| P_{op} | -- | 0.373 | 0.34 | |

$$U_c = \sqrt{U_{\text{hom}}^2 + U_{\text{rep}}^2 + U_{\text{rec}}^2}$$

- Preparación muestra analítica (hom)
- Precisión (rep)
- Sesgo-Bias (rec)

Figure A4.8: Uncertainties in pesticide analysis



$$U_c = \sqrt{U_{\text{hom}}^2 + U_{\text{rep}}^2 + U_{\text{rec}}^2}$$

- Preparación muestra analítica
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Quantifying Uncertainty in Analytical Measurement
(2nd Edition, 2000) (Example A4)

Análisis Multirresiduos (Plaguicidas/Vegetales)



Incertidumbre de Medida de un Laboratorio: *Desviación Estándar (S_L) ó Desviación Estándar Relativa (CV_L)*

(SP) Preparación Muestra S_{sp} / CV_{SP}

Fase Analítica (A)

Extracción

S_A / CV_A

Clean-up

Etapa determinación

GC

LC

NPD - FPD - PFPD - ECD

MS

UV/DAD Fluorescencia

CAC / GL 59-2006**Cuadro 1: Fuentes de error en la preparación de la porción de prueba**

| | Fuentes de errores sistemáticos | Fuentes de errores aleatorios |
|--|--|--|
| Preparación de la muestra | La porción de muestra por analizar (muestra analítica) puede elegirse incorrectamente | La muestra analítica está en contacto con otras porciones de la muestra y es contaminada por ésta |
| | | El enjuagado y lavado se efectúan en distinta medida; tallos y piedras pueden eliminarse diferentemente |
| Procesamiento de la muestra (S_{Sp}) | Descomposición del analito durante el procesamiento de la muestra, contaminación cruzada de las muestras | Falta de homogeneidad del analito en unidades individuales de la muestra analítica |
| | | Falta de homogeneidad del analito en la muestra analítica molida/picada |
| | | Variación de temperatura durante el proceso de homogenización |
| | | La textura (madurez) de los materiales de la planta afecta a la eficiencia del proceso de homogenización |

CAC / GL 59-2006**Cuadro 2: Fuentes de errores en el análisis (S_A):**

| | Fuentes de errores sistemáticos | Fuentes de errores aleatorios |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| Extracción / limpieza | Recuperación incompleta del analito | Variación de la composición (p.ej. contenido de agua, grasa y de azúcar) de los materiales de muestra tomados de un producto |
| | Interferencia de materiales extraídos simultáneamente (carga del adsorbente) | Temperatura y composición de la muestra/matriz soluble |
| Determinación cuantitativa | Interferencia de los compuestos extraídos simultáneamente | Variación del volumen nominal de los mecanismos dentro de los intervalos de tolerancia permitidos |
| | Pureza incorrecta del patrón analítico | Precisión y linealidad de balances |
| | Mediciones desviadas del peso/volumen | Reacciones de derivación incompletas y variables |
| | Sesgo del operador al leer instrumentos y equipo análogos | Cambio de las condiciones del entorno-laboratorio durante el análisis |
| | Determinación de sustancia que no es originaria de la muestra (p.ej. contaminación del material de envasado) | Condiciones de detección, cromatográficas y de inyección variables, (efecto matriz, inactividad del sistema, respuesta del detector, variación de señal a ruido, etc.) |
| | Determinación de sustancia que difiere de la definición de residuo | Efectos del operador (falta de atención) |
| | Calibración desviada | Calibración |

Incertidumbre de Medida

$$S_{Res} = \sqrt{S_S^2 + (S_{Sp}^2 + S_A^2)} \quad ; \quad S_{Res} = \sqrt{S_S^2 + S_L^2}$$

$$CV_{Res} = \sqrt{CV_S^2 + CV_L^2} \quad \text{and} \quad CV_L = \sqrt{CV_{Sp}^2 + CV_A^2}$$

Muestreo (CV_S)

Preparación Muestra (CV_{Sp})

Etapa Analítica (CV_A)

Laboratorio (CV_L)

Reproducibilidad
Intra-laboratorio

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| | | |
|--|--|---|
| <p>Procesamiento de la muestra</p> <p>Incluye la operación física realizada para homogeneizar la muestra analítica y el submuestreo, pero excluye la descomposición y evaporación de analitos.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CV_{SP}</p> | <p>Varía en gran medida dependiendo de la matriz de muestra y el equipo. No puede darse ningún valor típico. Los analistas tienen que intentar mantenerlos^c por debajo del 8-10%.</p> | <p>Puede verse influido por el equipo utilizado para picar/homogeneizar la muestra y la matriz de muestra, pero es independiente del analito.</p> |
| <p>Análisis</p> <p>Incluye todos los procedimientos realizados desde el punto de fijar las porciones de prueba.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CV_A</p> | <p>Dentro de la reproductibilidad de laboratorio: 16-53% para concentraciones de 1µg/kg a 1 mg/kg^c.</p> <p>La media entre reproductibilidad de laboratorios dentro de 0,001-10 mg/kg: 25%^d</p> | <p>El CV_A típico puede determinarse adecuadamente partiendo de estudios de recuperación realizados con varias combinaciones de plaguicidas -productos en días diferentes y durante el uso del método.</p> |

Preparación Muestra (CV_{SP})Etapa Analítica (CV_A)Laboratorio (CV_L)

$$CV_L = \sqrt{CV_{Sp}^2 + CV_A^2}$$

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$$CV_L = \sqrt{CV_{Sp}^2 + CV_A^2}$$

¡Evaluar la incertidumbre mediante estudios de validación y control de calidad sobre una gama representativa de analitos y matrices!

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$$CV_L = \sqrt{CV_{Sp}^2 + CV_A^2}$$

Incorporar la incertidumbre asociada a la recuperación cuando el resultado se ha corregido en cuanto a recuperación (u_{bias})

$$u_c = \sqrt{u_{hom}^2 + u_{rep}^2 + u_{bias}^2}$$

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¿Cuántas evaluaciones de incertidumbre (validaciones) han de hacerse en un laboratorio?

| <i>Incertidumbre depende de</i> | <i>Si</i> | <i>No</i> | <i>Max.</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|--------------|
| Analitos | X | | 800 | 800 |
| Matrices | X | | 25 | 20,000 |
| Concentración | X | | 3 | 60,000 |
| Métodos | | X | | 60,000 |
| Laboratorios | | X | | 60,000 |

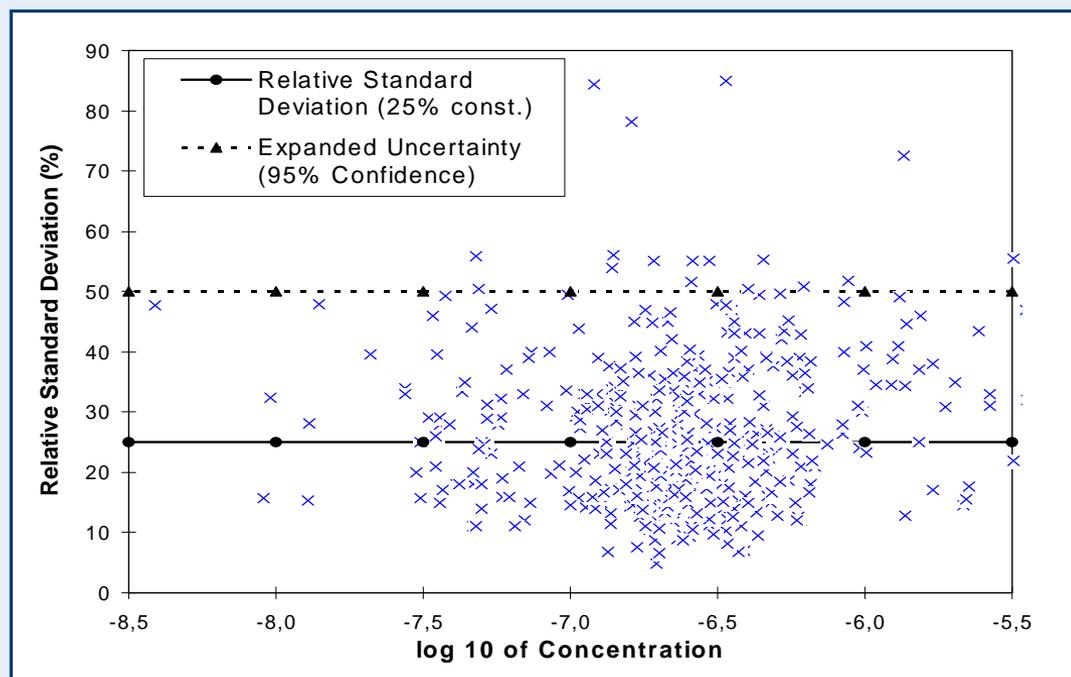
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Además de las incertidumbres estimadas por laboratorios individuales, las autoridades de control y demás gestores de riesgos pueden decidir sobre una incertidumbre expandida por defecto de las mediciones que puede utilizarse para estimar el cumplimiento de los LMR (véase la sección 5) a partir de valores de reproductibilidad entre laboratorios. Por ejemplo, una incertidumbre expandida del 50% para CV_L se considera que es un valor por defecto razonable.

Alder et al. (2001) J. AOAC Int. 84, 1569-1578



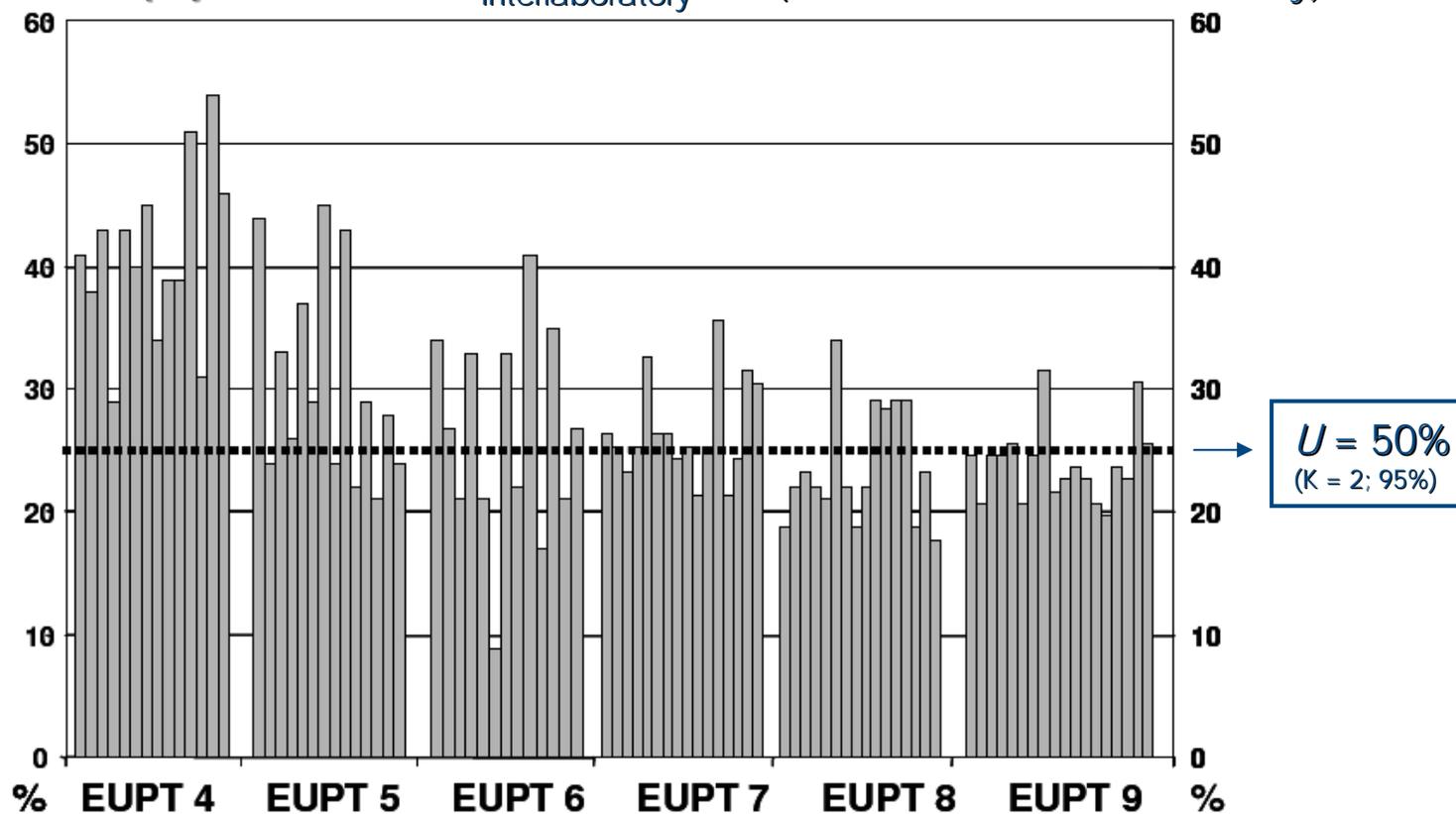
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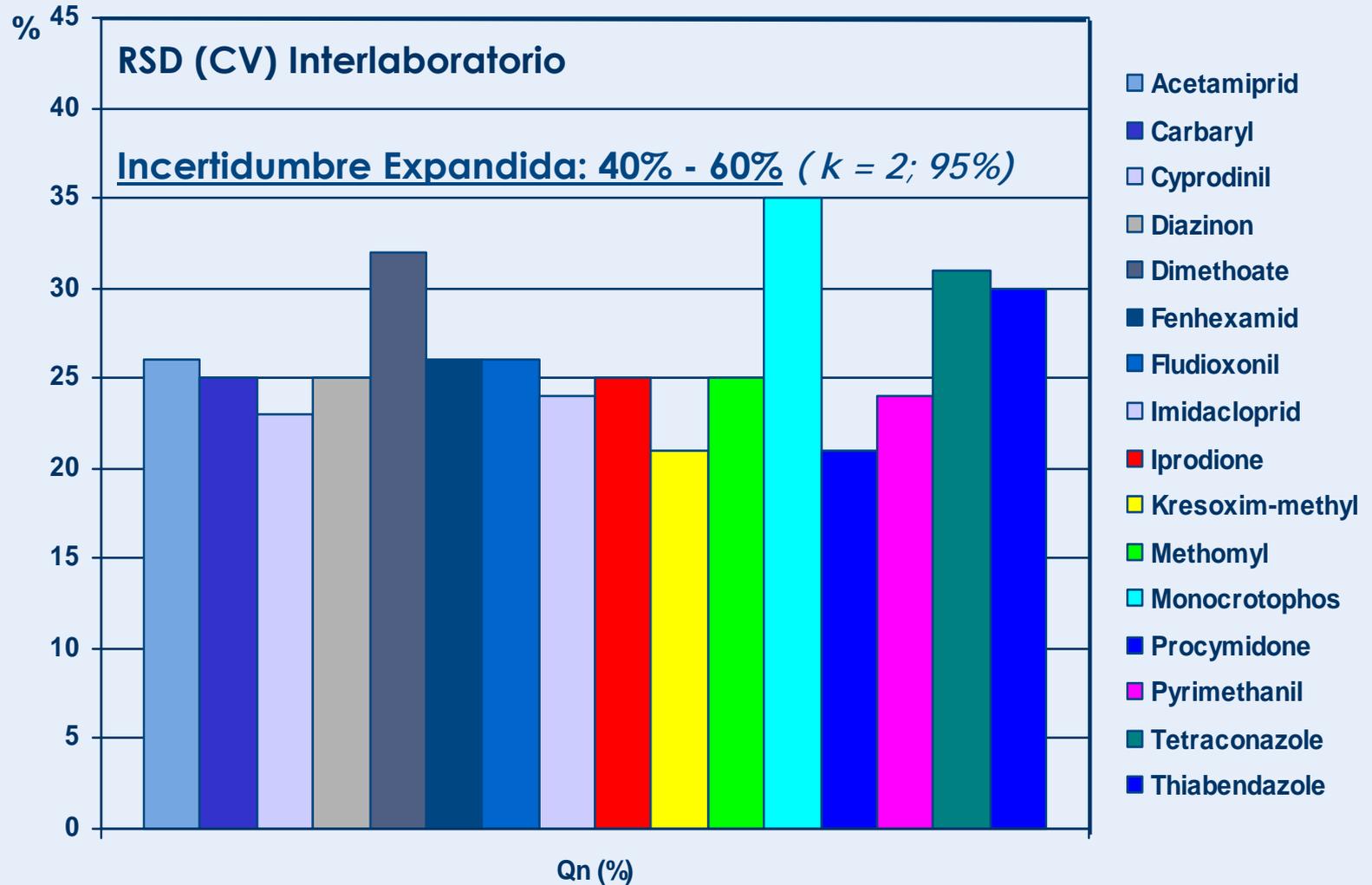
Figure 3

Q_n (%) = Robust $RSD_{\text{Interlaboratory}} = U$ (relative standard uncertainty)



“Proficiency Test” Europeo EUPT-07 (2005)

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Project Document: Proposal for new work on the revision and extension of Guidelines CAC/GL 59-2006

CX/PR 08/40/5 y CX/PR 09/41/5

Discussion paper on the estimation of Uncertainty of Results for the determination of pesticide residues prepared by IAEA



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Proposed draft revision of the Guidelines on the estimation of uncertainty of results for the determination of pesticide residues (CAC/GL 59-2006) at step 3

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PROPOSED DRAFT REVISION OF THE GUIDELINES ON THE ESTIMATION OF
UNCERTAINTY OF RESULTS FOR THE DETERMINATION OF PESTICIDE RESIDUES
(CAC/RCP 59-2006) AT STEP 3

Directrices sobre estimación de la incertidumbre a partir de:

- Resultados de participación en PTs (*NORDTEST approach*)

⁷ NORDTEST Report TR 537, HANDBOOK FOR CALCULATION OF MEASUREMENT UNCERTAINTY IN ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORIES, EDITION 2

- Otras "top-down/empirical approaches"

i) Ecuación de Horwitz

ii) Un valor por defecto y generalizado ($U = 50\%$) (*EU approach*)

⁵ Document N° SANCO/2007/3131 - METHOD VALIDATION AND QUALITY CONTROL FOR PESTICIDE RESIDUE ANALYSIS IN FOOD AND FEED (www.crl-pesticides.eu)

Estimación de la incertidumbre a partir de PTs:

- 1) **Reproducibilidad intra-laboratorio (validación/QC)**
- 2) **Sesgo del laboratorio-método (resultados obtenidos en al menos 6 diferentes PTs con matrices y plaguicidas incluidos en el alcance del método)**

$$U' = k * u'$$

$$u' = \sqrt{u'(R_w)^2 + u'(bias)^2}$$

(Validation/QC data)

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where:

$$u'(bias) = \sqrt{RMS'_{bias}{}^2 + u'(C_{ref})^2}$$

and:

$$RMS'_{bias} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (bias'_i)^2}{m}}$$

and:

$$u'(C_{ref}) = \frac{\sum_i \frac{S'_{Ri}}{\sqrt{n_i}}}{m}$$

- U' = expanded relative uncertainty
- k = coverage factor
- u' = combined relative standard uncertainty
- u'(R_w) = intermediate precision relative standard uncertainty

- u'(bias) = relative standard uncertainty component from method and laboratory bias, based on PT data
- RMS'_{bias} = root mean square of relative bias values
- bias'_i = relative bias of PT i [obtained result_i – assigned value_i]/assigned value_i
- u'(C_{ref}) = average relative standard uncertainty of assigned values
- S'_{Ri} = interlaboratory relative standard deviation of PT i
- n_i = number of participants in PT i
- m = total number of PT schemes

**Validation/QC data
(average RSD intralab-reproducibilities)**

Ejemplo Estimación de la incertidumbre a partir de PTs

2.4.1 Estimating $u(bias)$ – the uncertainty component from method & lab bias

Uncertainty component for the uncertainty of the assigned value

PT providers increasingly report uncertainties for their assigned values. If the provider reports an uncertainty, use the uncertainty estimate supplied.

| Step | Example |
|--|---|
| Find the interlaboratory standard deviations, s_R , for all laboratories participating in the exercises. | The s_R has been on average 9 % in six exercises. Mean number of participants = 12 |
| Calculate the uncertainty of the assigned value, $u(C_{ref})$ ^{Note 1} | $u(C_{ref}) = \frac{s_R}{\sqrt{n}} = \frac{9}{\sqrt{12}} = 2.6 \%$ |

Note 1: If the assigned value is a median value the equation will, following the principles of ISO 13528 [12], be $u(C_{ref}) = 1.253 \cdot s_R / \sqrt{n}$.

Uncertainty component for laboratory and method bias for a specific laboratory

| Step | Example |
|---|---|
| Obtain the laboratory's deviations from the assigned value for at least six PT rounds | The relative bias has been 2 %, 7 %, -2 %, 3 %, 6 % and 5 %. |
| Quantify the components | $RMS_{bias} = 4.6 \%$, $u(C_{ref}) = 2.6 \%$ |
| Calculate uncertainty component arising from method and laboratory bias, $u(bias)$ | $u(bias) = \sqrt{RMS_{bias}^2 + u(C_{ref})^2} = \sqrt{4.6^2 + 2.6^2} = 5.3\%$ |

¹ The use of an RMS value is equivalent to an estimated standard deviation around an assumed value of bias equal to zero. This implies that the RMS value takes into account both the bias and the variation of bias.

$$u' = \sqrt{u'(R_W)^2 + u'(bias)^2}$$

$$u'(bias) = \sqrt{RMS'_{bias}{}^2 + u'(C_{ref})^2}$$

and:

$$RMS'_{bias} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (bias'_i)^2}{m}}$$

and:

$$u'(C_{ref}) = \frac{\sum \frac{S'_{Ri}}{\sqrt{n_i}}}{m}$$

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| Sample type | Analyte ^{Note 1} | Estimated uncertainty (RSD ^{Note 2}) |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| Fruit and vegetable | Multiple organochlorine pesticides | 0.17 (17%) |
| Meat product (kidney fat) | Multiple organochlorine pesticides | 0.18 (18%) |

Note 1: "Analyte" = chemical material of interest. The corresponding measurand is the analyte concentration, usually expressed as a mass fraction.

Note 2: Expressed as a relative standard deviation

Validation/QC data: $u(R_w)$

* Strictly, the mean RSD is biased slightly low, but across a wide range of materials and analytes, the relative standard deviations are sufficiently consistent to make more rigorous treatment unnecessary in this case.

$$U = k * u = \sqrt{u(R_w)^2 + u(bias)^2}$$

$$u(bias) = \sqrt{RMS_{bias}^2 + u(C_{ref})^2} = 0.16 (16\%)$$

$$RMS_{bias} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (bias_i)^2}{n}} = 0.16 (16\%)$$

$$u(C_{ref}) = \frac{S_R}{\sqrt{n}} = 0.20/10 (2\%)$$

- Media de 100 labs
- 20% de media de la RSD-interlabs

$u = 24\%$

EXAMPLE 9: PESTICIDE RESIDUES IN FOODSTUFFS

| Sector | Measurand / Matrix | Technique | Approaches for | |
|------------|------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| | | | estimation | verification |
| Food chain | Organochlorine pesticides and PCBs | Gas chromatography / Mass spectrometric detection (GC-MS) | Single laboratory validation data | PT performance |

Table 2: PT results for pesticides in food matrices (source: FAPAS reports [1])

| Round | Material | Pesticide | Assigned value x_{ref} ug kg ⁻¹ | Laboratory value x_i ug kg ⁻¹ | Difference ($x_i - x_{ref}$) ug kg ⁻¹ | Relative difference ($(x_i - x_{ref}) / x_{ref}$) |
|-------|---------------|--------------------------|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | HVO* | heptachlor | 64.6 | 58 | -6.6 | -0.10 |
| 1 | HVO | PCB 101 | 35.4 | 32 | -3.4 | -0.10 |
| 1 | HVO | PCB 52 | 25.9 | 23 | -2.9 | -0.11 |
| 1 | HVO | p,p'-DDT | 65.5 | 68 | 2.5 | 0.04 |
| 2 | Milk powder | cis-chlordane | 32.3 | 38 | 5.7 | 0.18 |
| 2 | Milk powder | γ-HCH | 41 | 47 | 6 | 0.15 |
| 2 | Milk powder | p,p'-DDE | 36 | 36 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 2 | Milk powder | trans-chlordane | 38.5 | 40 | 1.5 | 0.04 |
| 3 | Chicken | β-HCH | 31.8 | 55 | 23.2 | 0.73 |
| 3 | Chicken | p,p'-DDE | 34.8 | 37 | 2.2 | 0.06 |
| 3 | Chicken | trans-heptachlor epoxide | 50 | 45 | -5 | -0.10 |
| 4 | HVO | γ-HCH | 39.6 | 41 | 1.4 | 0.04 |
| 4 | HVO | oxychlordane | 44.2 | 45 | 0.8 | 0.02 |
| 4 | HVO | trans-chlordane | 64.6 | 65 | 0.4 | 0.01 |
| 5 | HVO | aldrin | 41.4 | 35 | -6.4 | -0.15 |
| 5 | HVO | α-endosulfan | 40.6 | 34 | -6.6 | -0.16 |
| 5 | HVO | PCB 101 | 41.3 | 35 | -6.3 | -0.15 |
| 5 | HVO | quintozene | 52.4 | NA | | |
| 6 | Milk powder | dieldrin | 32.9 | 37 | 4.1 | 0.12 |
| 6 | Milk powder | γ-HCH | 45.5 | 56 | 10.5 | 0.23 |
| 6 | Milk powder | o,p'-DDT | 49.1 | 54 | 4.9 | 0.10 |
| 6 | Milk powder | PCB 52 | 37.8 | 45 | 7.2 | 0.19 |
| 7 | Chicken | α-HCH | 30.5 | 28.6 | -1.9 | -0.06 |
| 7 | Chicken | α-endosulfan | 37.2 | 29.4 | -7.8 | -0.21 |
| 7 | Chicken | pp'-DDT | 41.8 | 31.4 | -10.4 | -0.25 |
| 8 | Vegetable oil | γ-HCH | 33.7 | 30.8 | -2.9 | -0.09 |
| 8 | Vegetable oil | oxychlordane | 41.6 | 36.4 | -5.2 | -0.13 |
| 8 | Vegetable oil | PCB 101 | 46.8 | 38.1 | -8.7 | -0.19 |
| 8 | Vegetable oil | PCB 118 | 44.5 | 32 | -12.5 | -0.28 |
| 8 | Vegetable oil | PCB 138 | 62.1 | 49.8 | -12.3 | -0.20 |
| 8 | Vegetable oil | PCB 153 | 52.6 | 38.6 | -14 | -0.27 |
| 8 | Vegetable oil | PCB 180 | 52.3 | 37.8 | -14.5 | -0.28 |
| 8 | Vegetable oil | PCB 28 | 26.9 | 21.1 | -5.8 | -0.22 |
| 8 | Vegetable oil | PCB 52 | 34.1 | 27.9 | -6.2 | -0.18 |

*HVO = hydrogenated vegetable oil

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Los datos de los PTs también pueden formar, por sí mismos, la base para una estimación de la incertidumbre



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U (%) ~ Desviación estándar de las diferencias relativas

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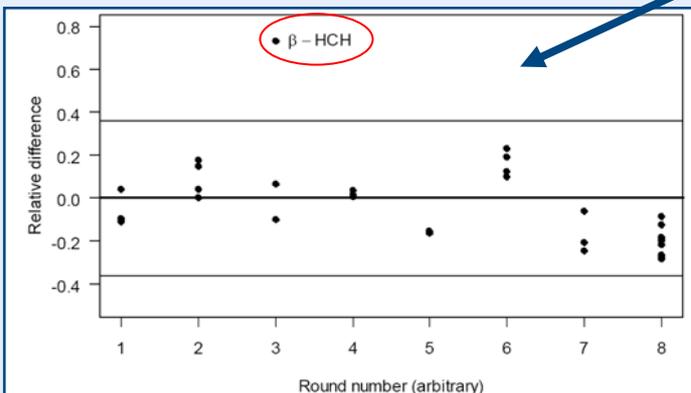
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| 4 | HVO | oxychlordane | 44.2 | 45 | 0.8 | 0.02 |
| 4 | HVO | trans-chlordane | 64.6 | 65 | 0.4 | 0.01 |
| 5 | HVO | aldrin | 41.4 | 35 | -6.4 | -0.15 |
| 5 | HVO | α-endosulfan | 40.6 | 34 | -6.6 | -0.16 |
| 5 | HVO | PCB 101 | 41.3 | 35 | -6.3 | -0.15 |
| 5 | HVO | quintozene | 52.4 | NA | | |
| 6 | Milk powder | dieldrin | 32.9 | 37 | 4.1 | 0.12 |
| 6 | Milk powder | γ-HCH | 45.5 | 56 | 10.5 | 0.23 |
| 6 | Milk powder | o,p'-DDT | 49.1 | 54 | 4.9 | 0.10 |
| 6 | Milk powder | PCB 52 | 37.8 | 45 | 7.2 | 0.19 |
| 7 | Chicken | α-HCH | 30.5 | 28.6 | -1.9 | -0.06 |
| 7 | Chicken | α-endosulfan | 37.2 | 29.4 | -7.8 | -0.21 |
| 7 | Chicken | pp'-DDT | 41.8 | 31.4 | -10.4 | -0.25 |
| 8 | Vegetable oil | γ-HCH | 33.7 | 30.8 | -2.9 | -0.09 |
| 8 | Vegetable oil | oxychlordane | 41.6 | 36.4 | -5.2 | -0.13 |
| 8 | Vegetable oil | PCB 101 | 46.8 | 38.1 | -8.7 | -0.19 |
| 8 | Vegetable oil | PCB 118 | 44.5 | 32 | -12.5 | -0.28 |
| 8 | Vegetable oil | PCB 138 | 62.1 | 49.8 | -12.3 | -0.20 |
| 8 | Vegetable oil | PCB 153 | 52.6 | 38.6 | -14 | -0.27 |
| 8 | Vegetable oil | PCB 180 | 52.3 | 37.8 | -14.5 | -0.28 |
| 8 | Vegetable oil | PCB 28 | 26.9 | 21.1 | -5.8 | -0.22 |
| 8 | Vegetable oil | PCB 52 | 34.1 | 27.9 | -6.2 | -0.18 |



S = 15 %

The figure shows relative deviation from assigned values, grouped by round, for a range of different pesticides and PCBs. The eight rounds span two years' participation. Horizontal lines at ± 0.36 are approximate 95% confidence limits predicted from the laboratory's estimated uncertainty of 18% of the value.

*HVO = hydrogenated vegetable oil

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MU estimation based on Horwitz formulas

$$RSD_R = 2^{1-0.5 \log c} = 2 * c^{-0.1505}$$

C (kg/kg): i.e., 0.01 mg/kg = 0.00000001 kg/kg

0.01 mg/kg ⇒ 32.0 %

0.1 mg/kg ⇒ 22.6 %

1 mg/kg ⇒ 16.0 %

$$U = k \cdot RSD_R$$

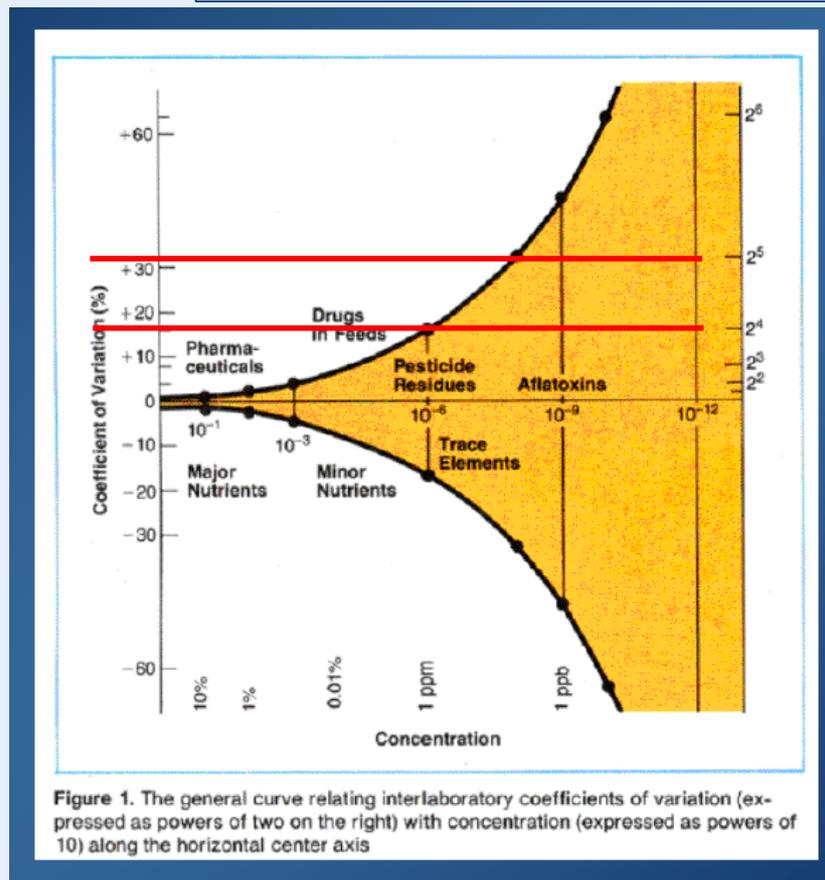


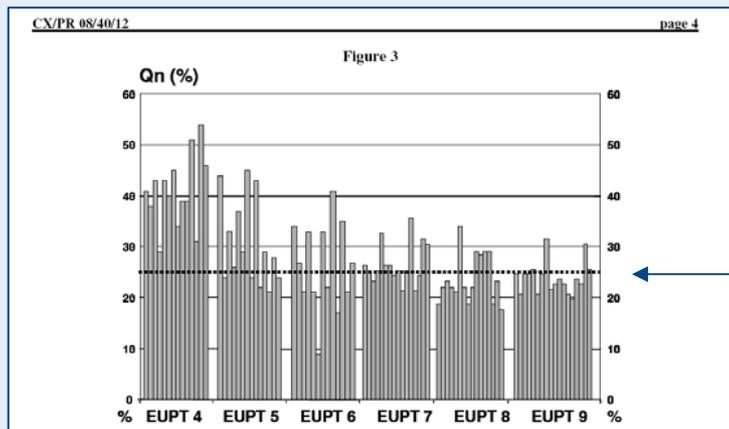
Figure 1. The general curve relating interlaboratory coefficients of variation (expressed as powers of two on the right) with concentration (expressed as powers of 10) along the horizontal center axis

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21. As is an emerging practice in the EC and elsewhere already, empirical top-down estimation of $\pm 50\%$ MU could complement a mathematically stringent bottom-up calculation model if the respective empirical quality criteria are met. Alternatively the Horwitz formula approach of estimating concentration-dependent MU based on the evaluation of results of interlaboratory collaborative tests could be applied as well. However, the laboratory must prove the applicability of this uncertainty value to their measurements.

20. Applying a PT-based simplified $\pm 50\%$ MU approach should only be used by individual laboratories if the following analytical performance and quality criteria can be demonstrated:

- (a) Within-laboratory SD smaller than the between-laboratories SD.
- (b) Successful participation in PT schemes (z-score $\leq |2|$ for 95%, z-score $\leq |3|$ for not more than 5% of the values).
- (c) Small bias from method and/or laboratory recovery tests.
- (d) Verification of analytical performance by regularly analysing suitable reference material, if available.



$U = 50\%$
($K = 2$; 95%)

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Utilización de los PTs para "Verificar" la Incertidumbre estimada mediante otras aproximaciones

$$\zeta = \frac{x - x_a}{\sqrt{u(x)^2 + u(x_a)^2}}$$

Valor absoluto entre 0 y 2

Valor absoluto > 2

→ Correcta

→ Infraestimada

with:

x = laboratory result

x_a = assigned value

$u(x)$ = standard uncertainty of laboratory results

$u(x_a)$ = standard uncertainty of assigned values

Uncertainties are considered correct if $|\zeta|$ is in the range 0 to 2; underestimated if $|\zeta|$ is frequently over 2.

¿Resultado Violativo o no Violativo?

Resultado = $1,65 \pm 0,82$ mg/kg ($k = 2; 95\%$)

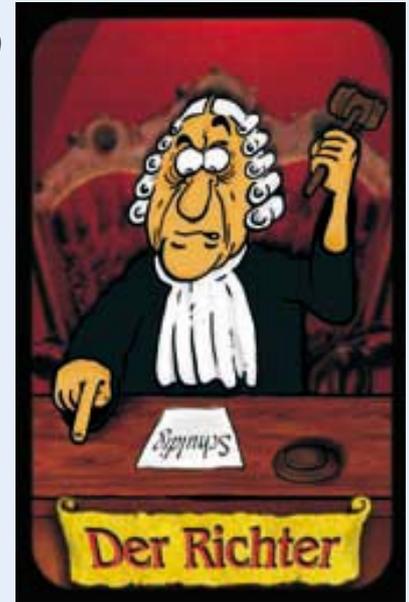
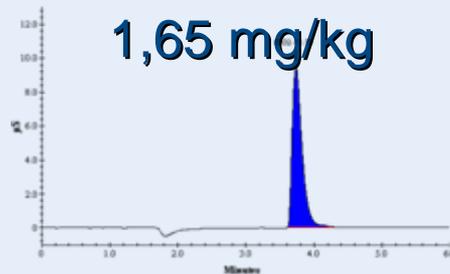
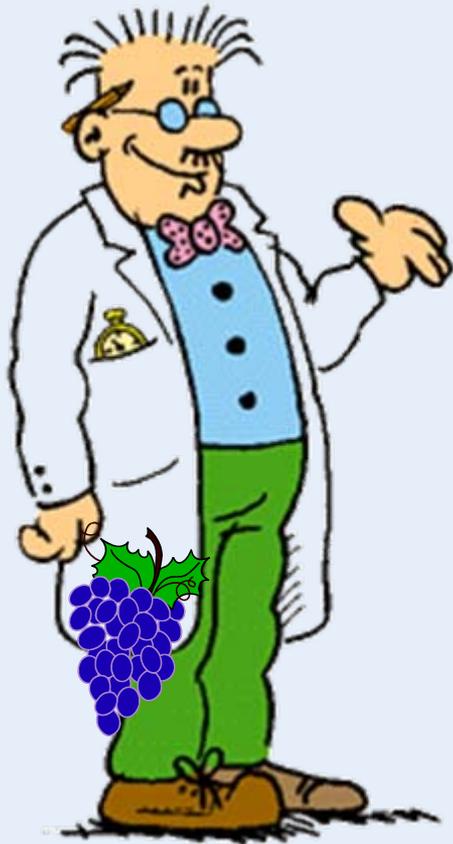
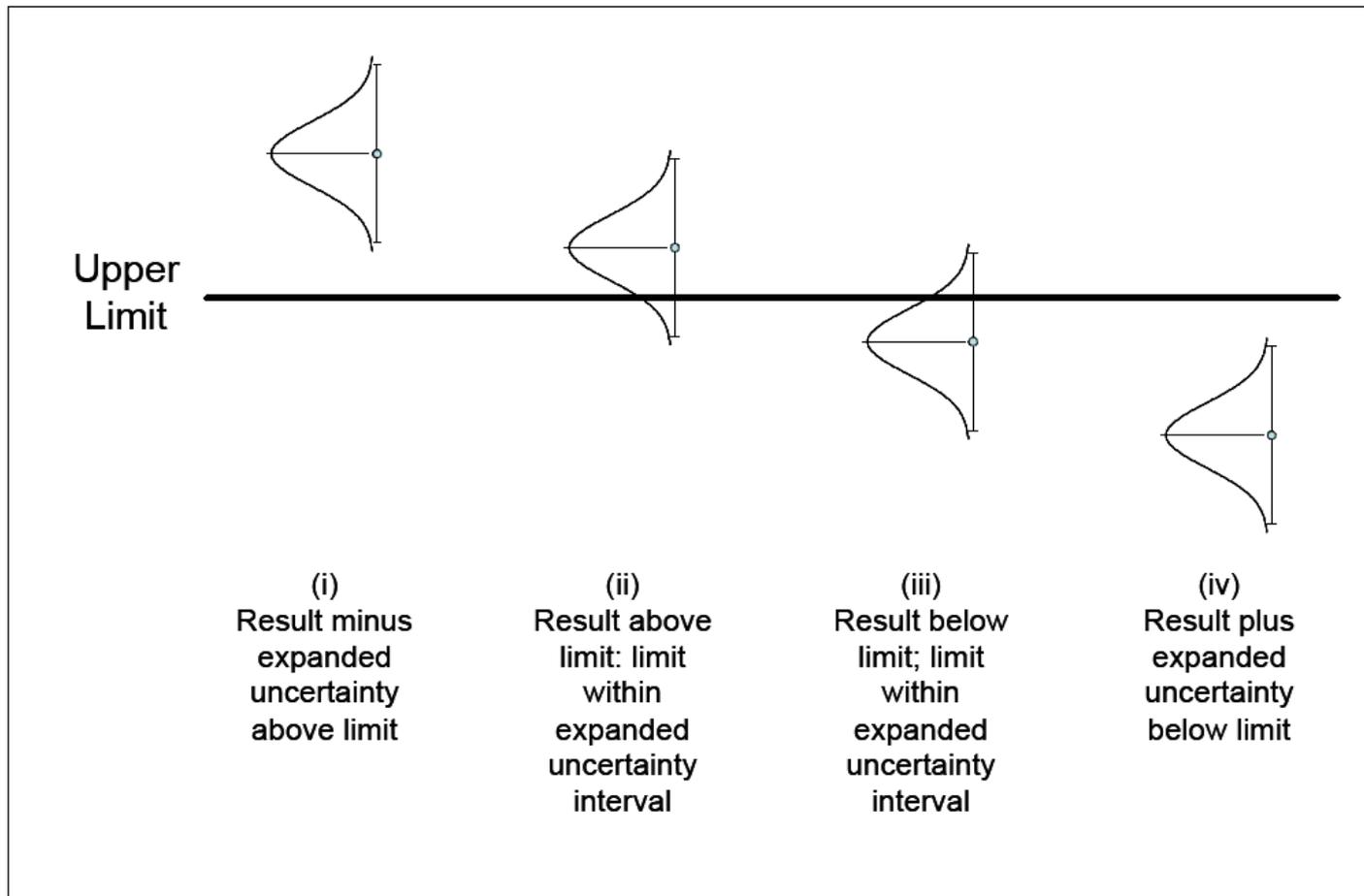


Figure 1 Assessment of Compliance with an Upper Limit



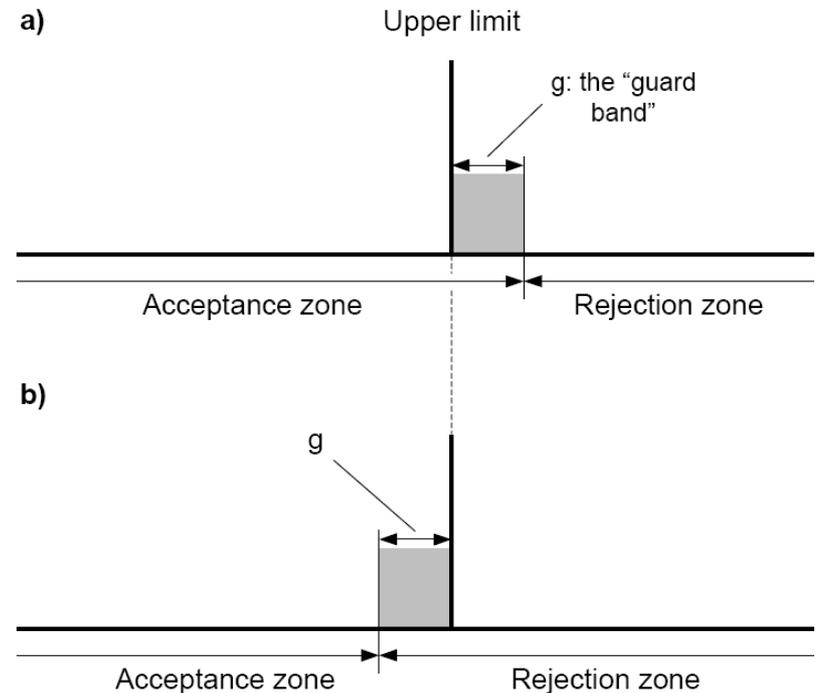
4. Decision rules and Acceptance zones

The key to the assessment of compliance is the concept of “Decision rules”. These rules give a prescription for the acceptance or rejection of a product based on the measurement result, its uncertainty and the specification limit or limits, taking into account the acceptable level of the probability of making a wrong decision. On the basis of the Decision rules, an “Acceptance zone” and a “Rejection zone” are determined, such that if the measurement result lies in the acceptance zone the product is declared compliant and if in the rejection zone it is declared non-compliant.

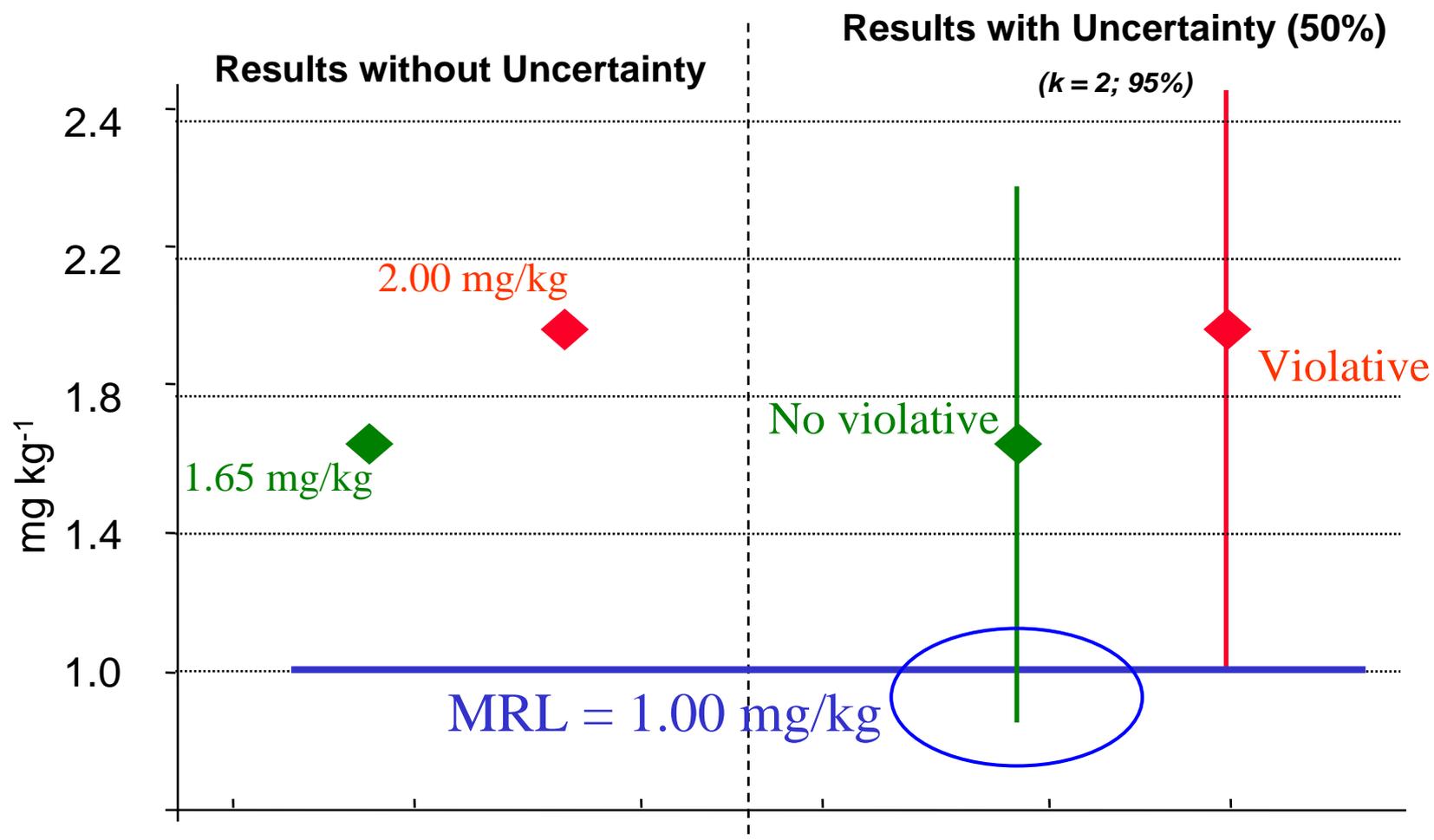
a) High confidence of correct rejection →

b) High confidence of correct acceptance →

Figure 2: Acceptance and Rejection zones for an Upper Limit



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Con una Incertidumbre expandida del 50% un resultado (X) será violativo cuando $X > 2 \text{ MRL}$