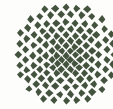




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## Comparison of different evaluation and assessment procedures

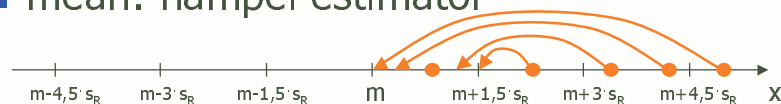
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## Method 1 – Hampel estimator / q-method $Z_U$ -scores

- from DIN 38402 –A45
- robust method used in Germany
- mean: hampel estimator



- std: q-method
  - from 1<sup>st</sup> quartile of the absolute differences
- modified, unsymmetrical Z-scores



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## Method 2 – Median / normalized IQR

- method used by Umgeni for the evaluation
- mean: median (central value)
- std: normalized IQR
  - difference between 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> quartile, normalized to a standard deviation with a factor 0.7413
- Z-scores

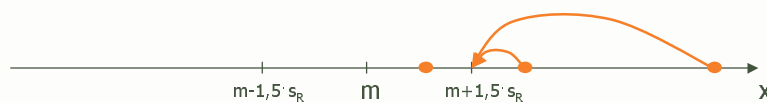
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## Method 3 – Algorithm A

- recommended by ISO/DIS 13528
- mean: Huber estimator



- std:

$$s = 1.134 \sqrt{\frac{(x_i^* - m^*)^2}{n-1}}$$

$x_i^*$ : transformed values

- Z-scores

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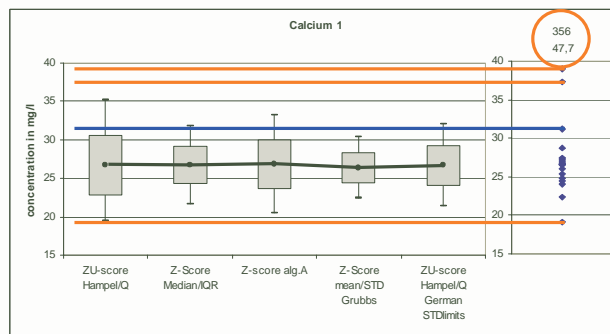
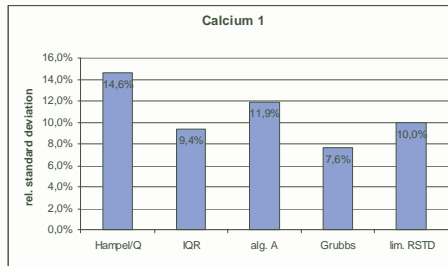
## Method 4 – mean/std with Grubbs-test

- Conventional statistics after elimination of outliers with the Grubbs-test
- Z-scores

## Method 5 – limited std

- identical with method 1, but with limitation of the standard deviation based on experience from previous PTs
  - sulphate: 8%
  - chloride: 9%
  - Ca, Mg, Na, nitrate: 10%
  - K, Fe, fluoride: 12%
  - Mn: 15%
  - Al: 30%

## Calcium - 1

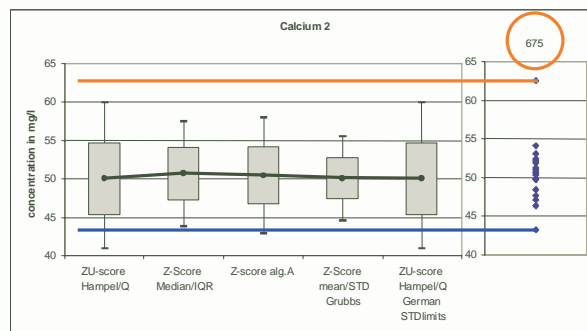
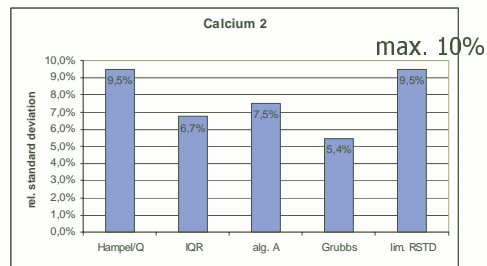


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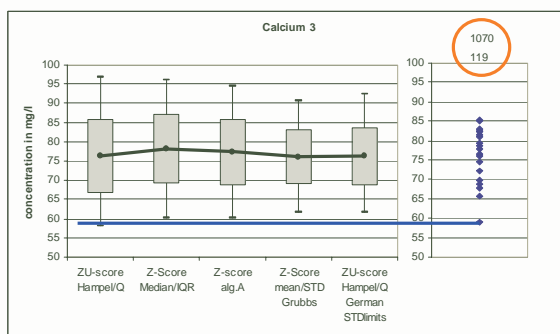
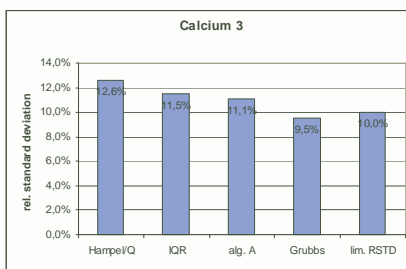


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## Calcium - 3



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## Calcium

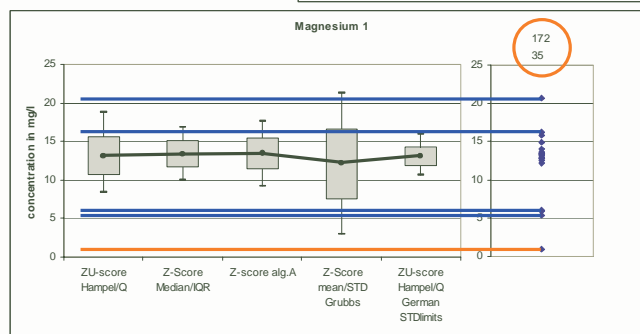
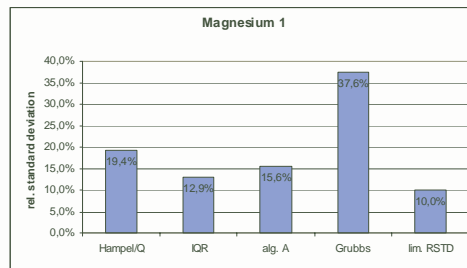
- convention: 2 wrong values → not successful
- 5 labs completely out of range
- no difference in the assessment of labs between the 5 methods

	calcium success				
	ZU-score Hampel/Q	Z-Score Median/IQR	Z-score alg.A	Z-Score mean/STD Grubbs	ZU-score Hampel/Q German STDlimits
1					
2					
3	N	N	N	N	N
4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
6	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
7	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
8	N	Y	N	Y	N
9	N	N	N	N	N
10	N	N	N	N	N
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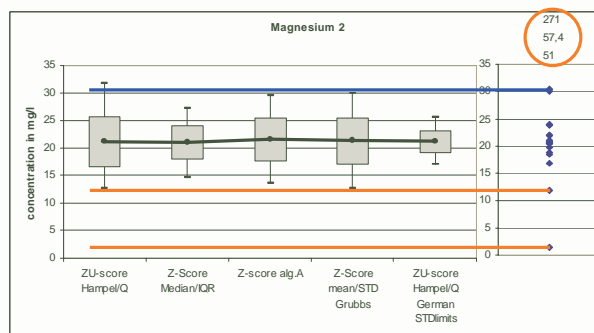
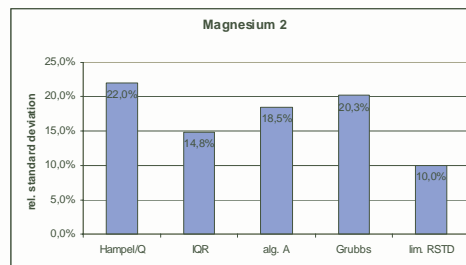
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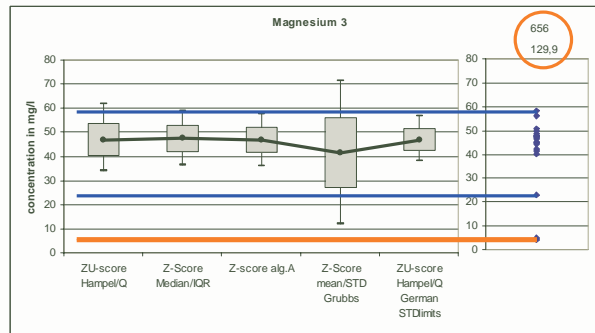
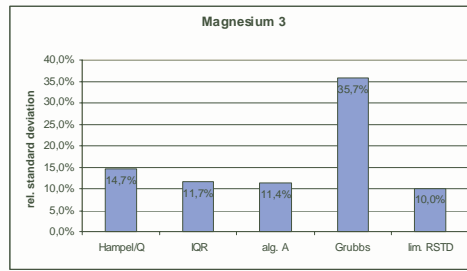
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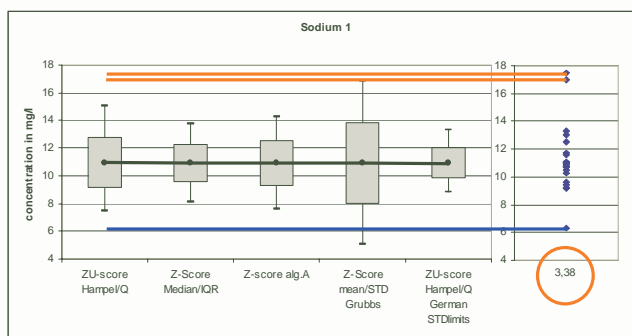
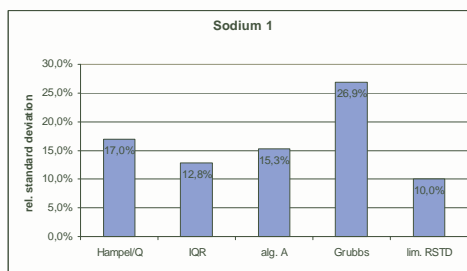


# Magnesium

- 5(4) labs completely out of range
- 1 additional lab failed when using median/IQR, algorithm A or limited std (10%)
- 2 additional labs failed when using limited std (10%)

	magnesium success				
	ZU-score Hampel/Q	Z-Score Median/IQR	Z-score alg.A	Z-Score mean/STD Grubbs	ZU-score Hampel/Q German STDlimits
1					
2					
3	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
6	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
7	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
8	N	N	N	N	N
9	N	N	N	N	N
10	N	N	N	N	N
11					
12	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
13	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
14	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
15					
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17	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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23	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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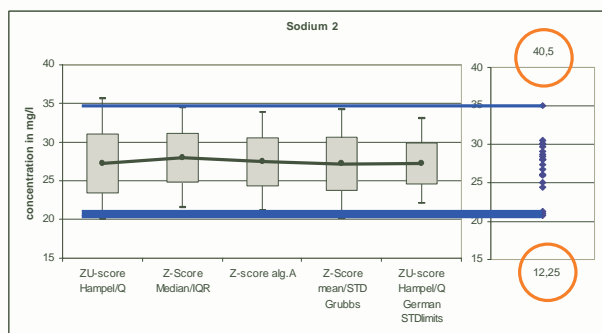
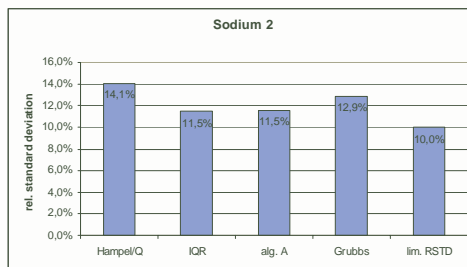
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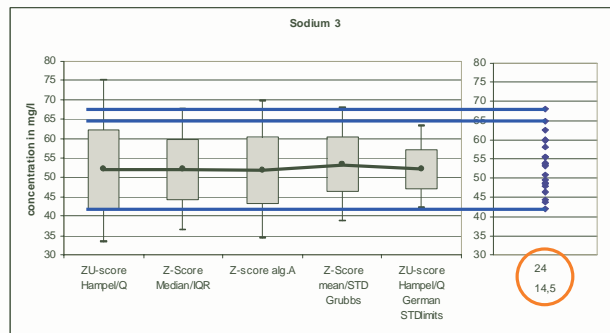
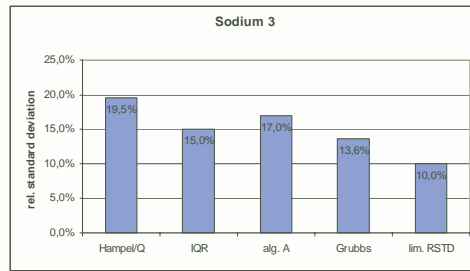


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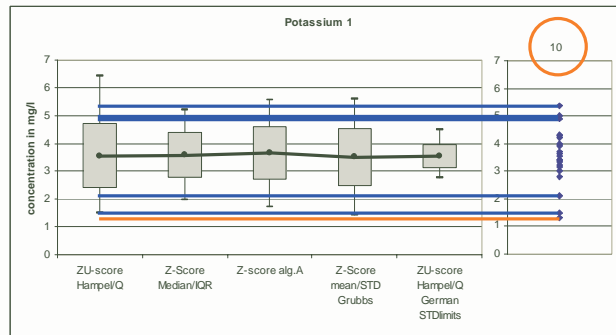
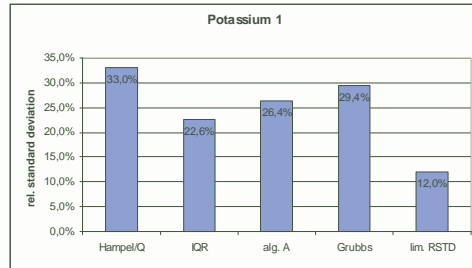


# Sodium

- 2 labs completely out of range
- 1 additional lab failed when using median/IQR or limited std (10%)
- 2 additional labs failed when using limited std (10%)

	sodium success				
	ZU-score Hampel/Q	Z-Score Median/IQR	Z-score alg.A	Z-Score mean/STD Grubbs	ZU-score Hampel/Q German STDlimits
1					
2					
3	Y	Y	N	Y	N
4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
6	Y	Y	Y	N	Y
7	<del>N</del>	<del>Y</del>	<del>N</del>	<del>N</del>	<del>N</del>
8					
9	N	Y	Y	N	Y
10	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
11	<del>N</del>	<del>N</del>	<del>N</del>	<del>N</del>	<del>N</del>
12	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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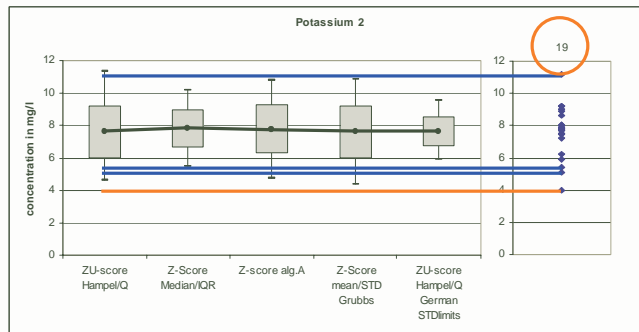
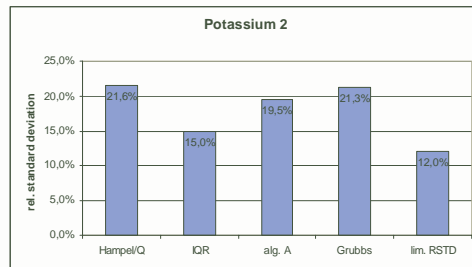
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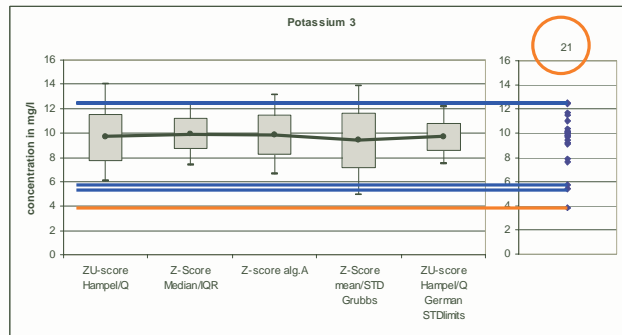
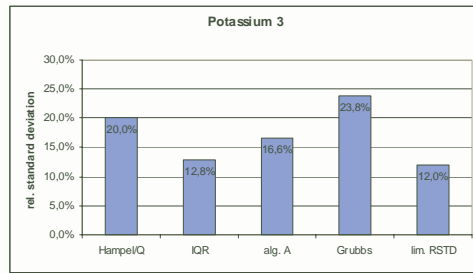
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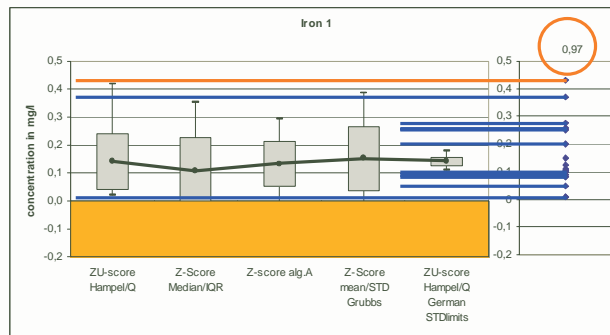
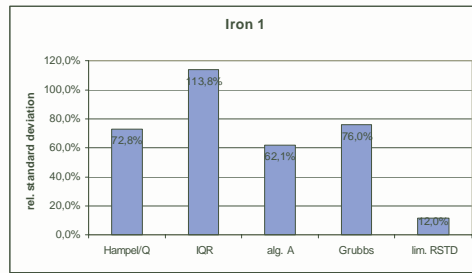


# Potassium

- 2 labs completely out of range
- 2 additional labs out of range except for mean/std with Grubbs-test
- 1 additional lab failed when using median/IQR or limited std (12%)
- 1 additional lab failed when using limited std (12%)

	potassium success				
	ZU-score Hampel/Q	Z-Score Median/IQR	Z-score alg.A	Z-Score mean/STD Grubbs	ZU-score Hampel/Q German STDlimits
1					
2					
3	<del>Y</del>	<del>N</del>	<del>Y</del>	<del>N</del>	<del>N</del>
4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
6	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
7	<del>N</del>	<del>N</del>	<del>N</del>	<del>N</del>	<del>N</del>
8					
9	<del>N</del>	<del>N</del>	<del>N</del>	<del>N</del>	<del>N</del>
10	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
11	<del>N</del>	<del>N</del>	<del>N</del>	<del>N</del>	<del>N</del>
12	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
13	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
14	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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16					
17	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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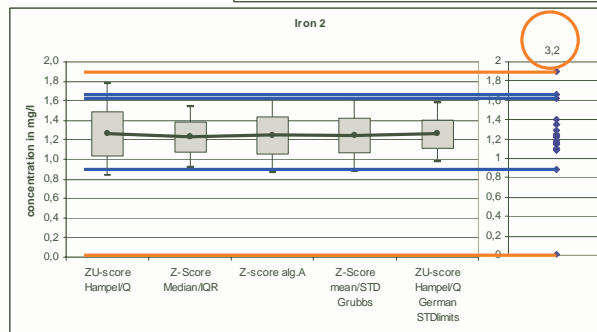
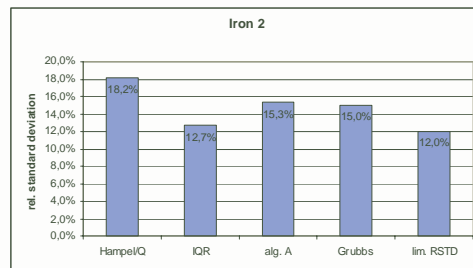
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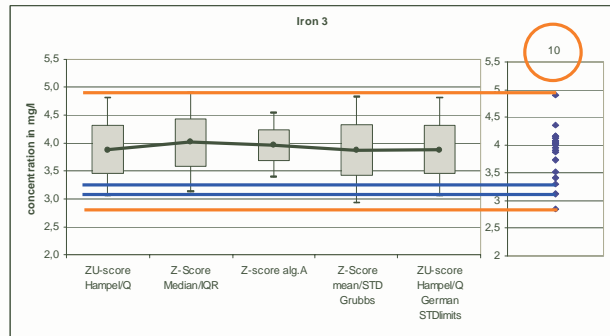
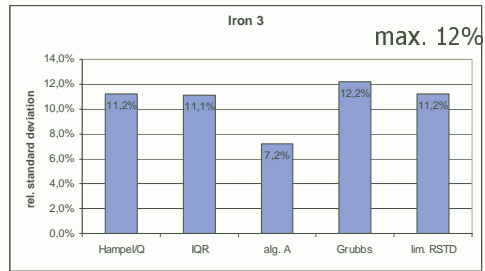
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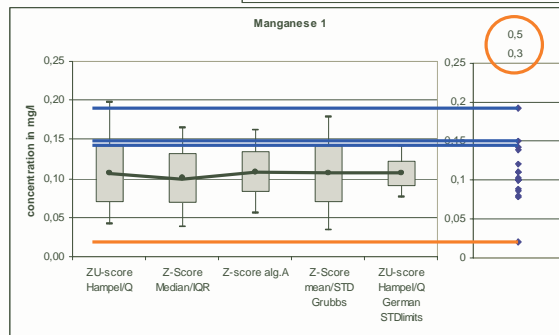
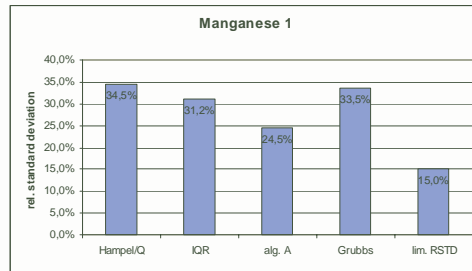


# Iron

- 2 labs completely out of range
- 1 additional lab out of range except for Hampel/ $Z_U$
- 1 additional lab failed when using Hampel/ $Z_U$  or limited std (12%)
- 2 additional labs failed when using limited std (12%)

	iron success				
	ZU-score Hampel/Q	Z-Score Median/IQR	Z-score alg.A	Z-Score mean/STD Grubbs	ZU-score Hampel/Q German STDlimits
1					
2					
3	Y	Y	N	N	N
4	N	Y	Y	N	Y
5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
6	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
7	N	Y	Y	N	Y
8	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
9	N	N	Y	N	Y
10	N	N	N	N	N
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20					
21	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
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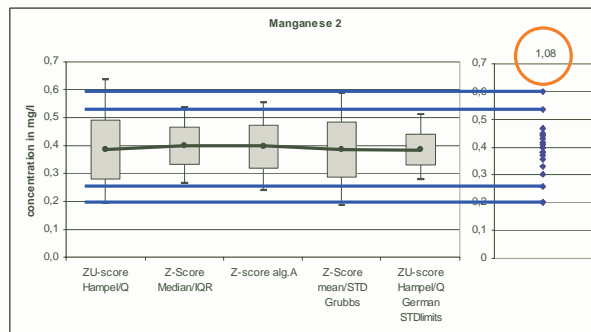
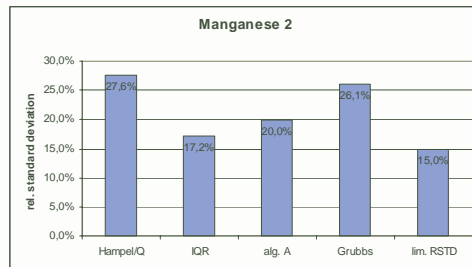


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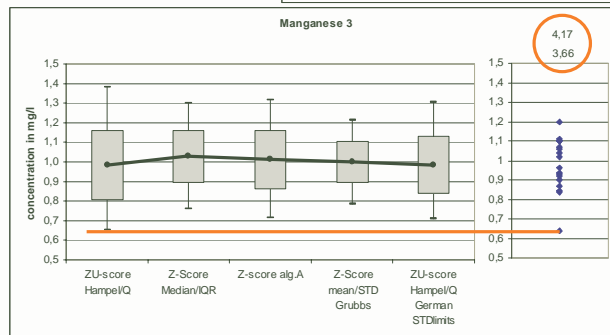
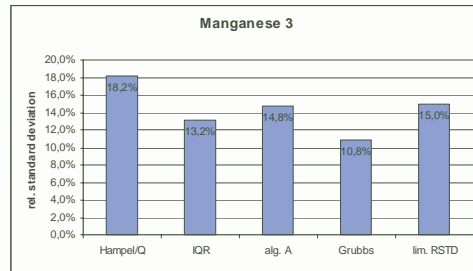


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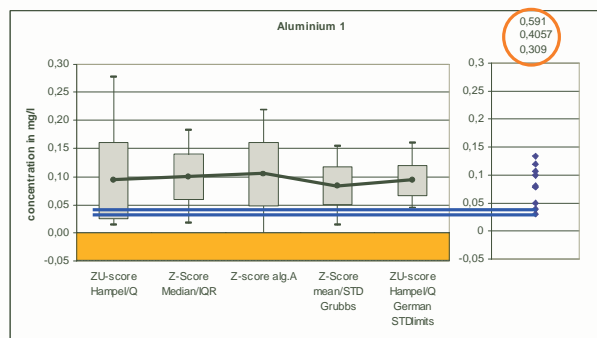
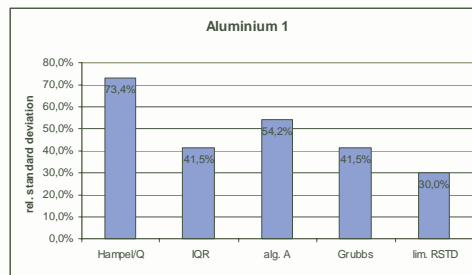


# Manganese

- 1 lab completely out of range
- 1 additional labs out of range except for Hampel/ $Z_U$
- 1 additional lab out of range except for Hampel/ $Z_U$  and mean/std with Grubbs-test
- 1 additional lab failed when using median/IQR or limited std (15%)

manganese success					
	ZU-score Hampel/Q	Z-Score Median/IQR	Z-score alg.A	Z-Score mean/STD Grubbs	ZU-score Hampel/Q German STDlimits
1					
2					
3	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
6	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
7	Y	Y	N	Y	N
8	N	Y	N	N	N
9					
10	Y	Y	Y	N	Y
11	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
12					
13	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
14	Y	Y	N	Y	N
15					
16	N	Y	Y	N	Y
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18	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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21	N	Y	N	N	N
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23					
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## Aluminium - 1

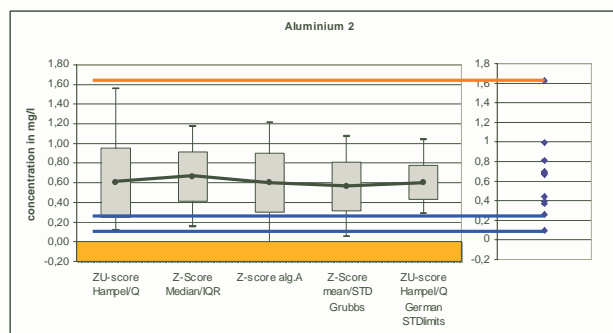
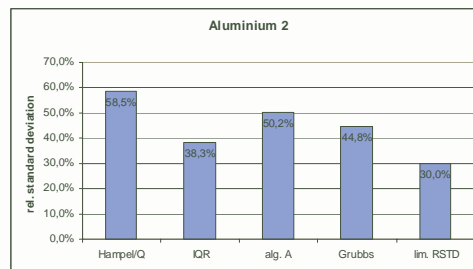


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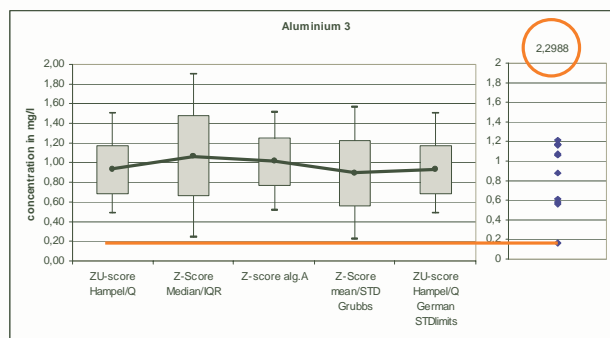
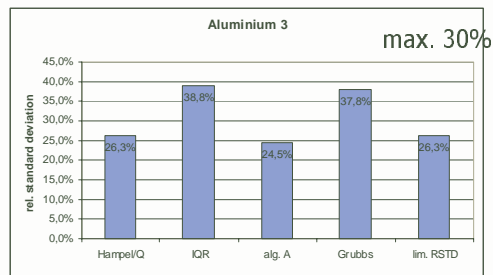
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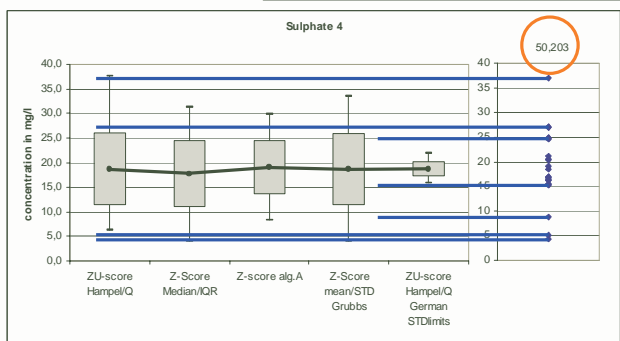
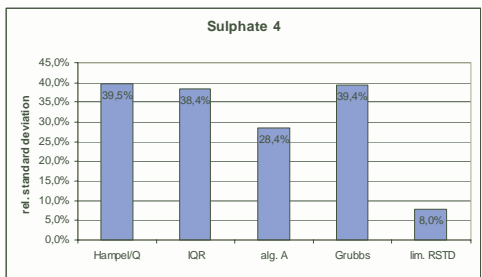


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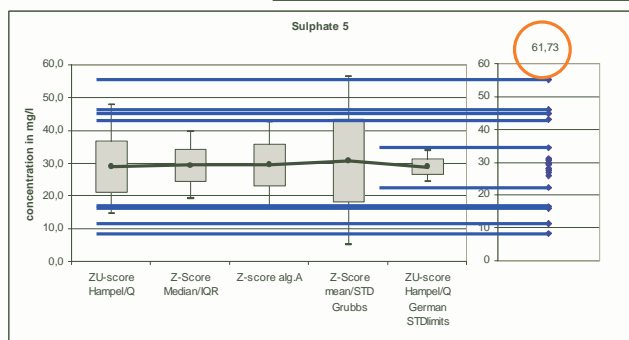
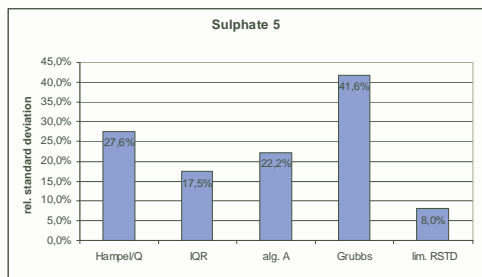
- 1 lab completely out of range
- 1 additional lab out of range except for algorithm A and mean/std with Grubbs-test
- 1 additional lab failed when using limited std (30%)

	success				
	ZU-score Hampel/Q	Z-Score Median/IQR	Z-score alg.A	Z-Score mean/STD Grubbs	ZU-score Hampel/Q German STDlimits
1					
2					
3					
4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
5	N	Y	Y	N	Y
6	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
7					
8	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
9					
10					
11					
12					
13	N	N	N	N	N
14					
15					
16					
17	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
18					
19					
20	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
21	N	Y	Y	N	N
22	N	Y	Y	N	Y
23					
24	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
25	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
26	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
27	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

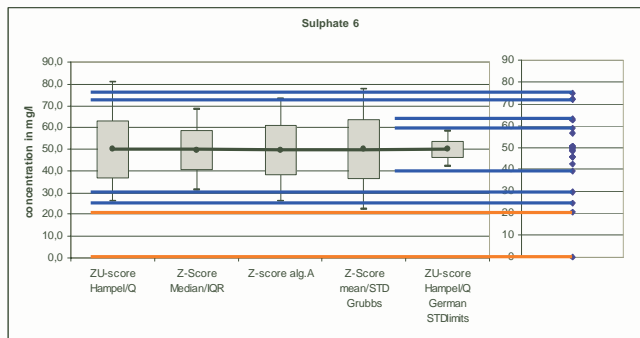
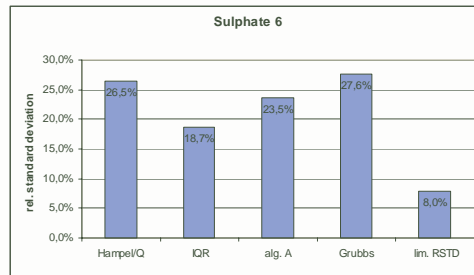
## Sulphate - 4



## Sulphate - 5



# Sulphate - 6



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# Sulphate

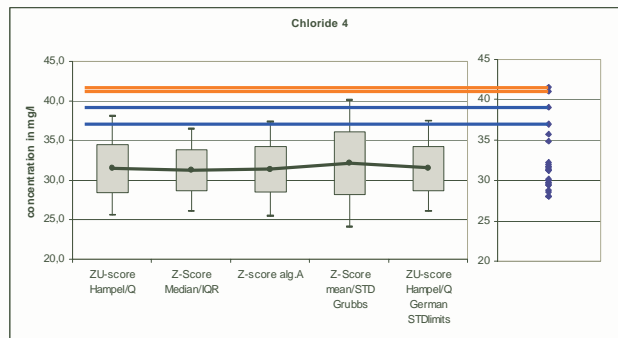
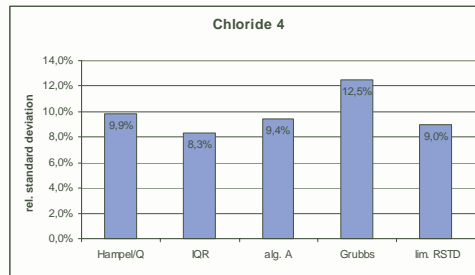
- 2 labs completely out of range
- 2 additional labs out of range except for mean/std with Grubbs-test
- 2 additional labs out of range except for Hampel/Z<sub>U</sub> and mean/std with Grubbs-test
- 1 additional lab failed when using median/IQR or limited std (8%)
- 5 additional labs failed when using limited std (8%)

sulphate success					
	ZU-score Hampel/Q	Z-Score Median/IQR	Z-score alg.A	Z-score mean/STD Grubbs	ZU-score Hampel/Q German STDlimits
1					
2					
3	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
6	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
7	N	Y	N	N	N
8	Y	N	N	N	N
9	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
10	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
11	N	N	N	N	N
12	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
13	N	N	N	N	N
14	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
15					
16	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
17	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
18	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
19	N	N	N	N	N
20	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
21	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
22	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
23	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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26	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
27	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

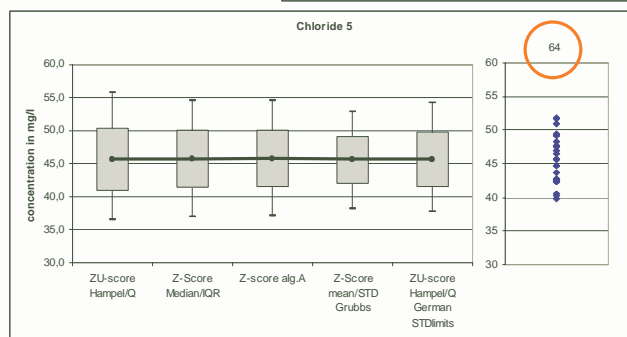
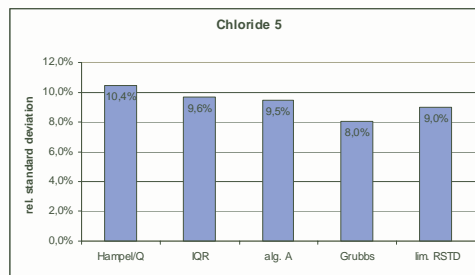
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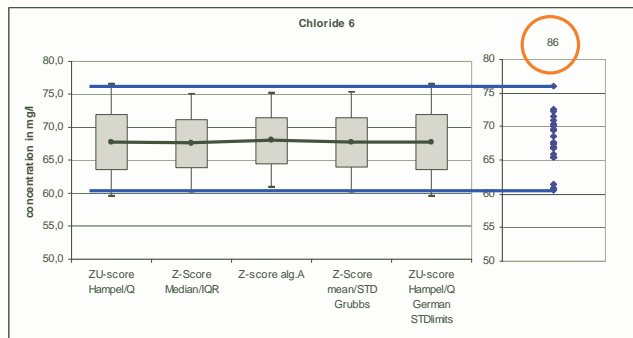
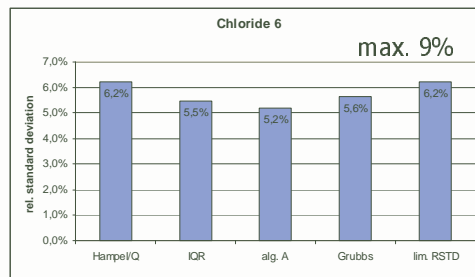
# Chloride - 4



# Chloride - 5



# Chloride - 6

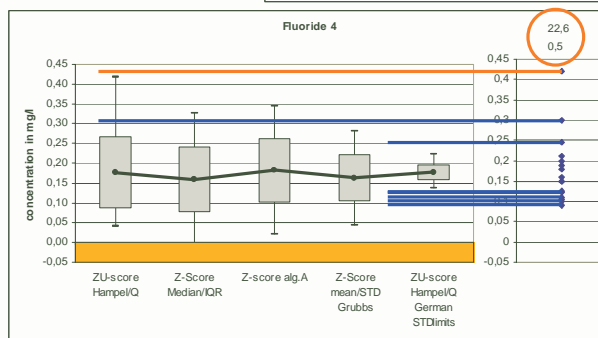
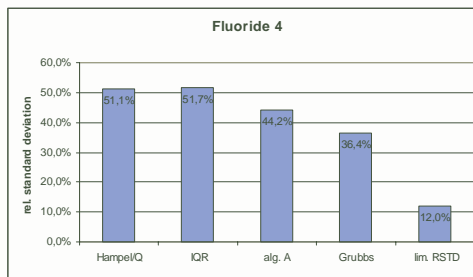


# Chloride

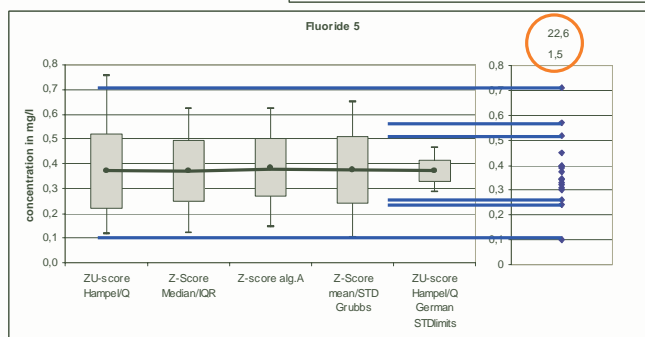
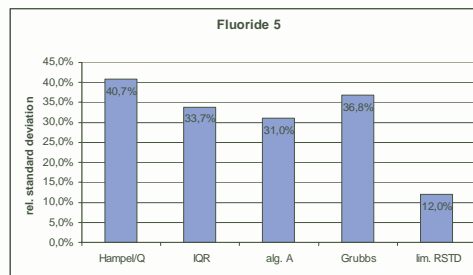
- 1 lab completely out of range

	chloride success				
	ZU-score Hampel/Q	Z-Score Median/IQR	Z-score alg.A	Z-Score mean/STD Grubbs	ZU-score Hampel/Q German STDlimits
1					
2					
3	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
6	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
7	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
8	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
9	N	N	N	N	N
10	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
11	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
12	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
13	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
14	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
15					
16	N	Y	Y	N	Y
17	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
18	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
19	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
20	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
21	N	Y	Y	N	Y
22	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
23	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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26	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
27	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

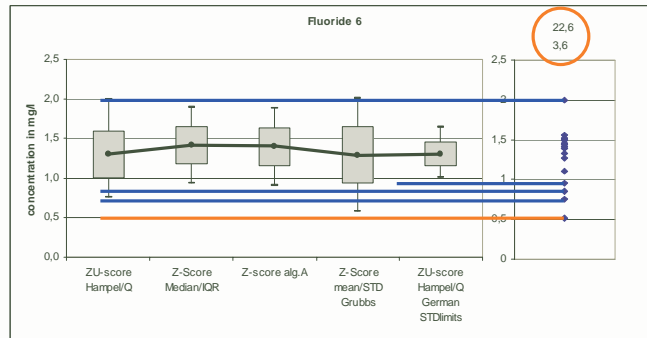
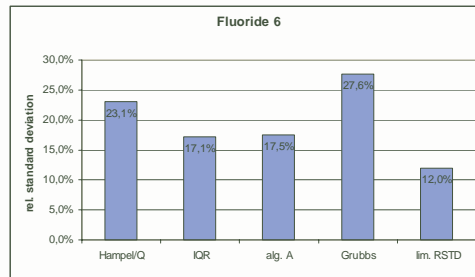
# Fluoride - 4



# Fluoride - 5



# Fluoride - 6

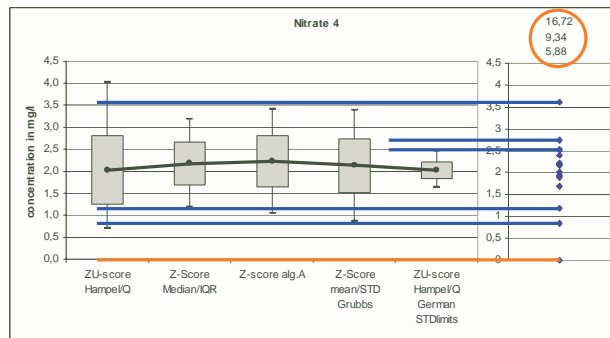
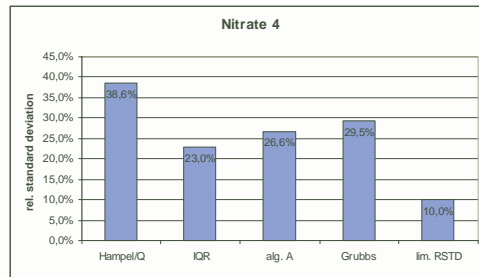


# Fluoride

- 3 labs completely out of range
- 1 additional lab out of range except for mean/std with Grubbs-test
- 3 additional labs failed when using limited std (12%)

	fluoride success				
	ZU-score Hampel/Q	Z-Score Median/IQR	Z-score alg.A	Z-Score mean/STD Grubbs	ZU-score Hampel/Q German STDlimits
1					
2					
3	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
6	N	N	N	N	N
7	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
8	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
9	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
10					
11					
12	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
13	N	N	N	N	N
14	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
15					
16	N	N	N	N	N
17	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
18	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
19					
20	N	N	N	N	N
21					
22					
23	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
24	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
25	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
26	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
27	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

## Nitrate - 4

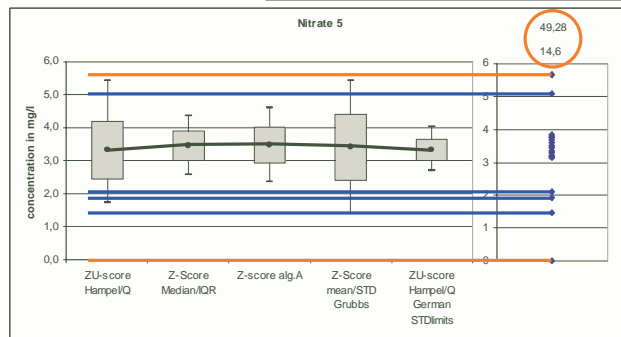
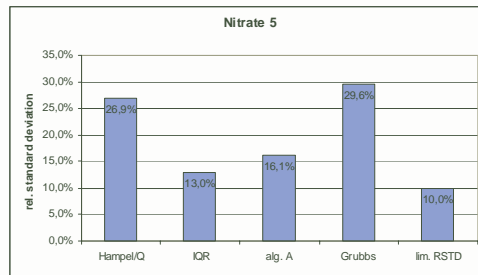


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## Nitrate - 5



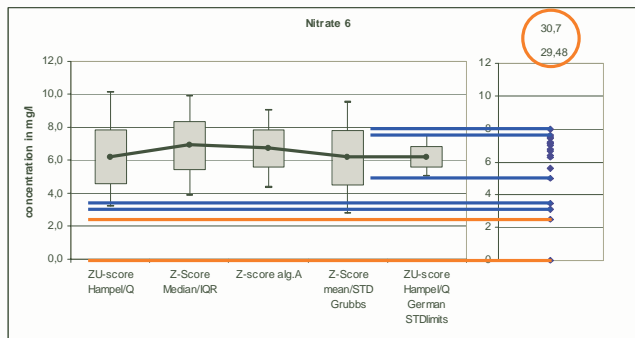
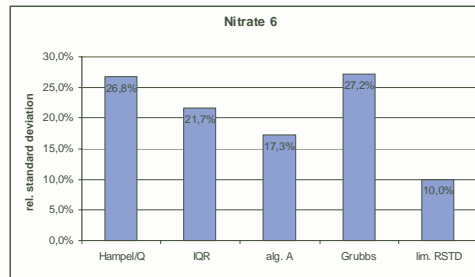
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# Nitrate - 6

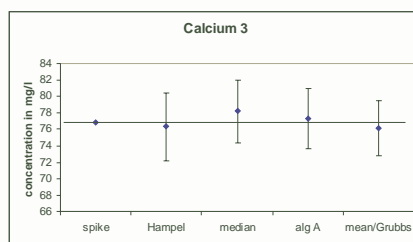
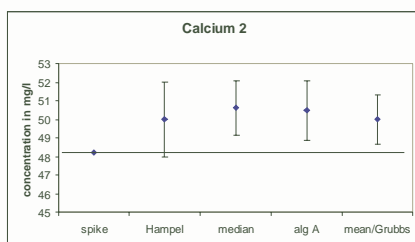
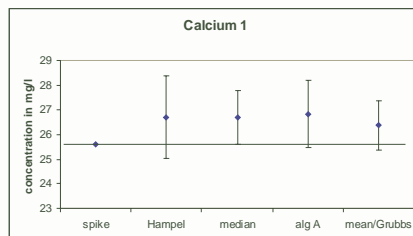


# Nitrate

- 3 labs completely out of range
- 1 additional lab out of range except for mean/std with Grubbs-test
- 1 additional lab out of range except for Hampel/Z<sub>U</sub>
- 2 additional labs out of range except for Hampel/Z<sub>U</sub> and mean/std with Grubbs-test
- 2 additional labs failed when using limited std (10%)

	nitrate success				
	ZU-score Hampel/Q	Z-Score Median/IQR	Z-score alg.A	Z-Score mean/STD Grubbs	ZU-score Hampel/Q German STDlimits
1					
2					
3	N	N	N	N	N
4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
5	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
6					
7	Y	N	N	Y	N
8	Y	N	N	Y	N
9	N	N	N	N	N
10					
11					
12	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
13					
14	N	Y	N	Y	N
15					
16	N	N	N	N	N
17	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
18	Y	N	N	N	N
19	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
20	Y	Y	N	Y	N
21	Y	N	N	Y	N
22	N	Y	N	Y	N
23	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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26	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
27	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

## Calcium

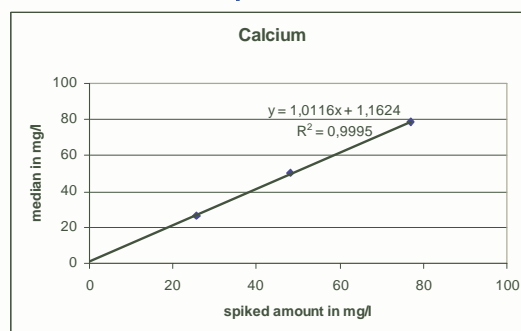


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## Calcium Median vs. spiked amount



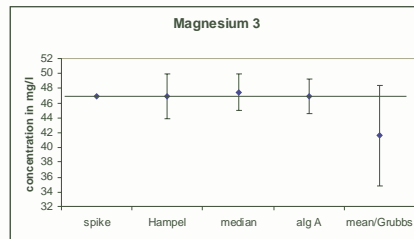
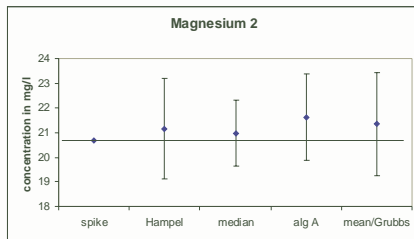
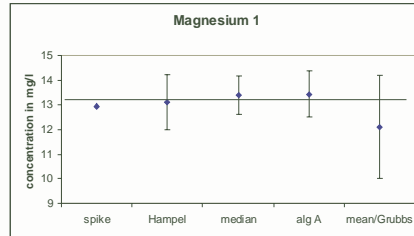
- recovery rate: 101.2 %
- constant bias: 1.2 mg/l (4.54% of the lowest value)

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# Magnesium

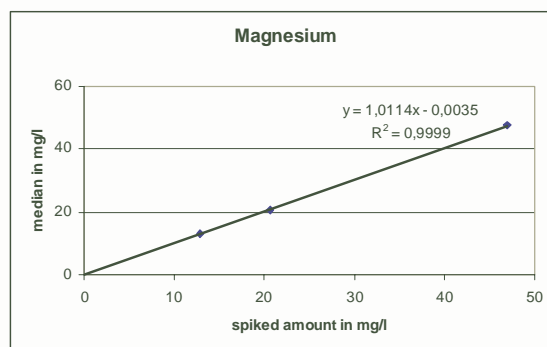


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# Magnesium Median vs. spiked amount



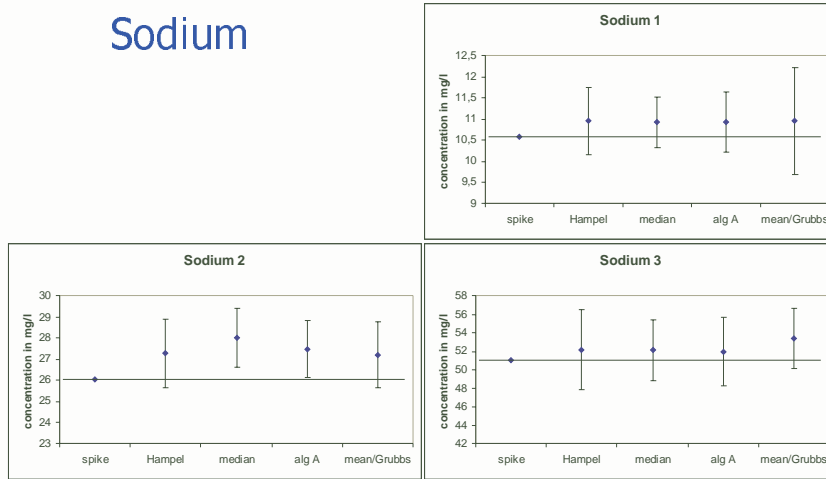
- recovery rate: 101.1 %
- constant bias: -0.004 mg/l (-0.03% of the lowest value)

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# Sodium

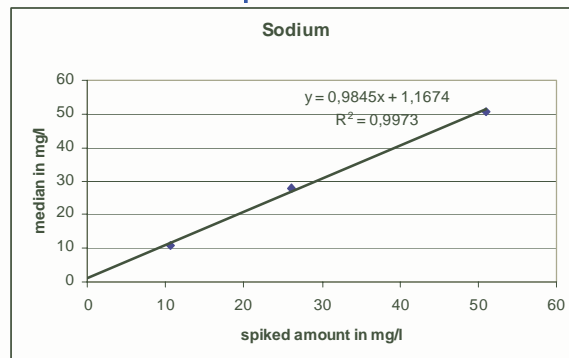


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# Sodium Median vs. spiked amount



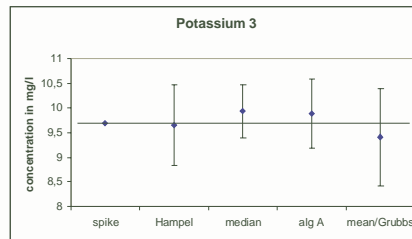
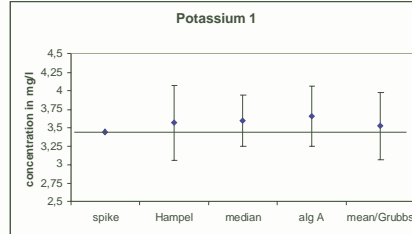
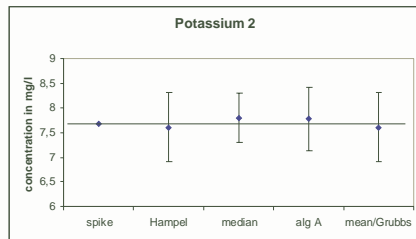
- recovery rate: 98.5%
- constant bias: 1.2mg/l (11.03% of the lowest value)

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## Potassium

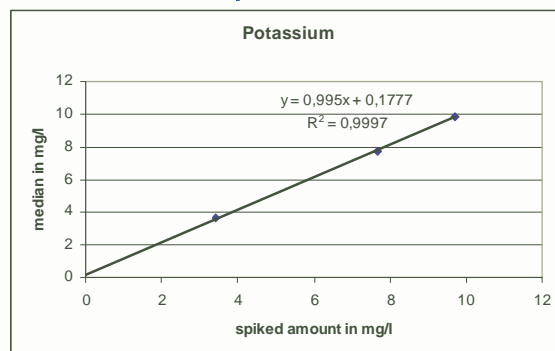


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## Potassium Median vs. spiked amount



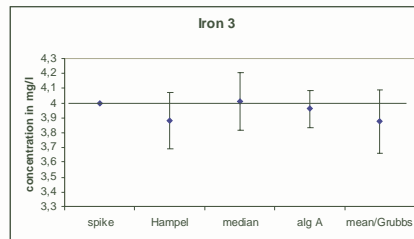
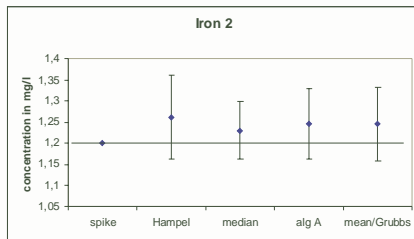
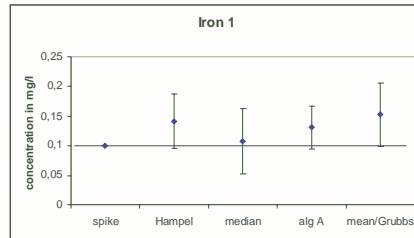
- recovery rate: 99.5%
- constant bias: 0.18mg/l (5.17% of the lowest value)

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## Iron

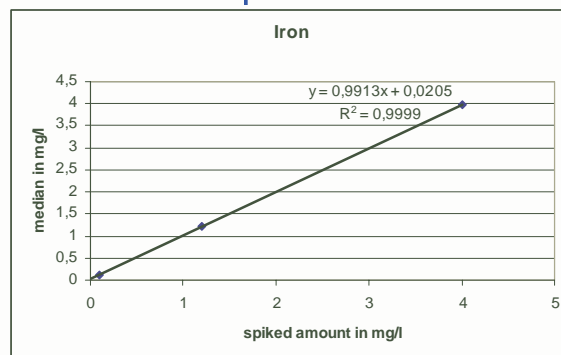


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## Iron Median vs. spiked amount



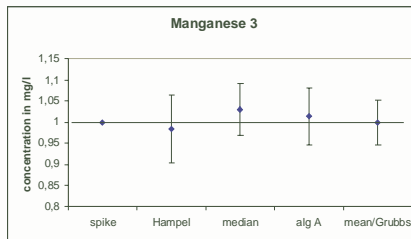
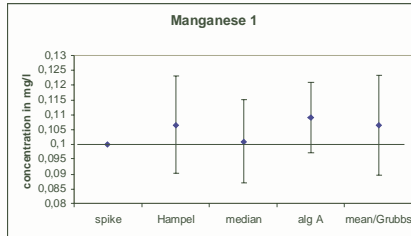
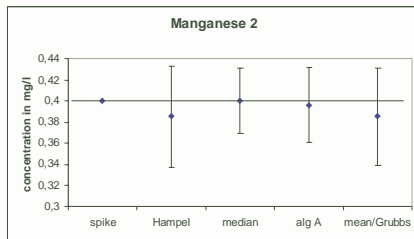
- recovery rate: 99.1%
- constant bias: 0.02mg/l (20% of the lowest value, 1.67% of the second value)

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## Manganese

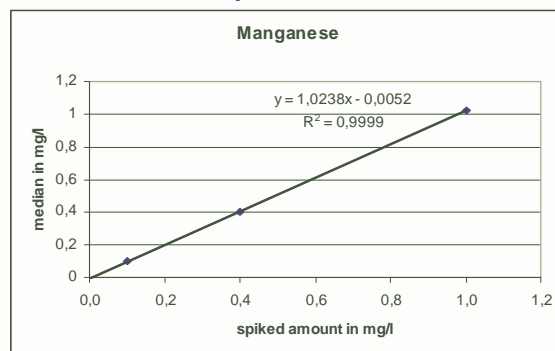


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## Manganese Median vs. spiked amount



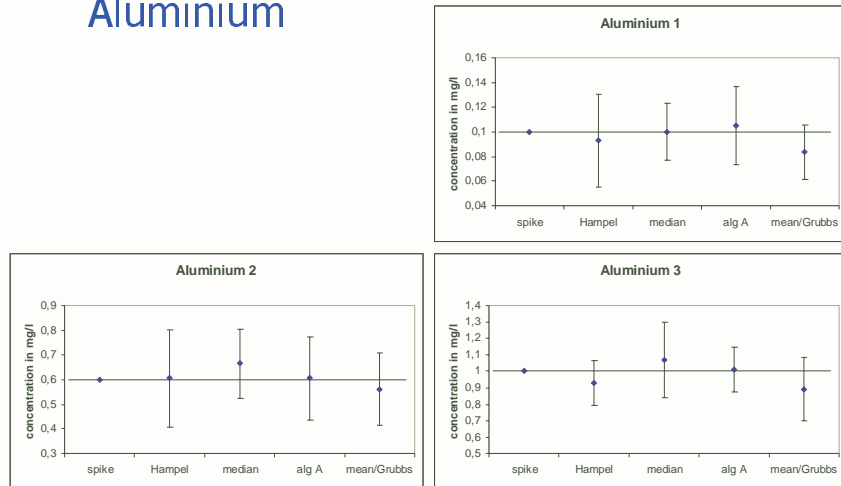
- recovery rate: 102.4%
- constant bias: -0.005mg/l (-5.2% of the lowest value, -1,3% of the second value)

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## Aluminium

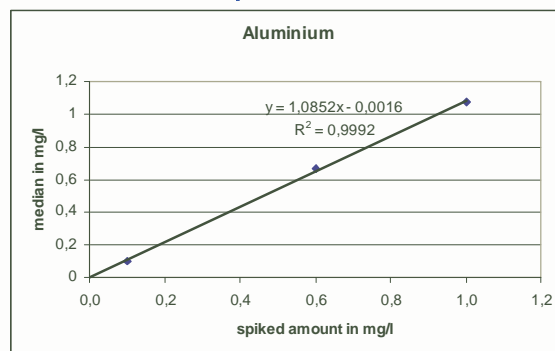


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## Aluminium Median vs. spiked amount



- recovery rate: 108.5%
- constant bias: -0.002mg/l (-1.6% of the lowest value)

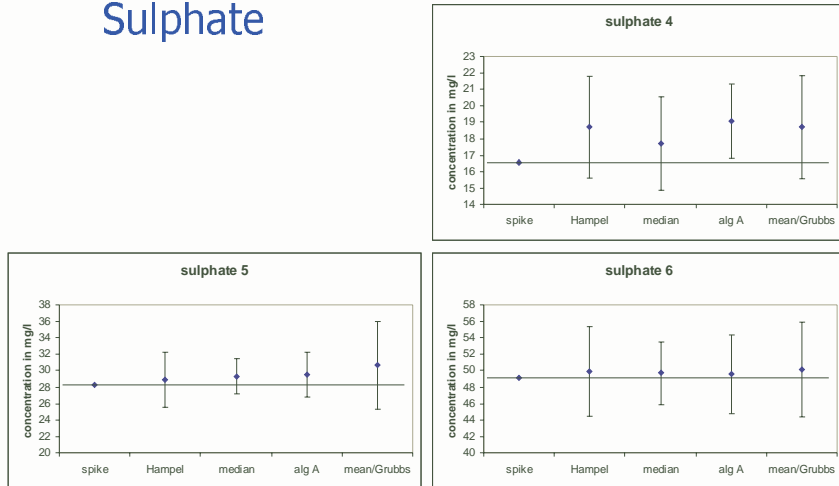
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## Sulphate

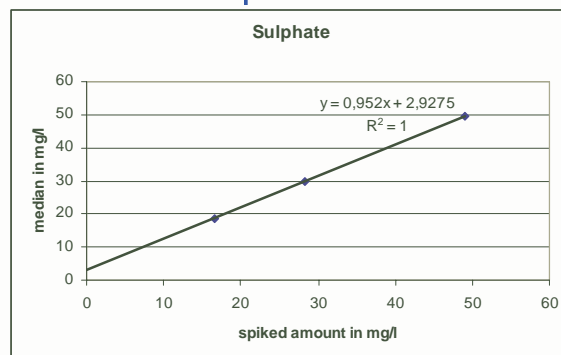


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## Sulphate Median vs. spiked amount



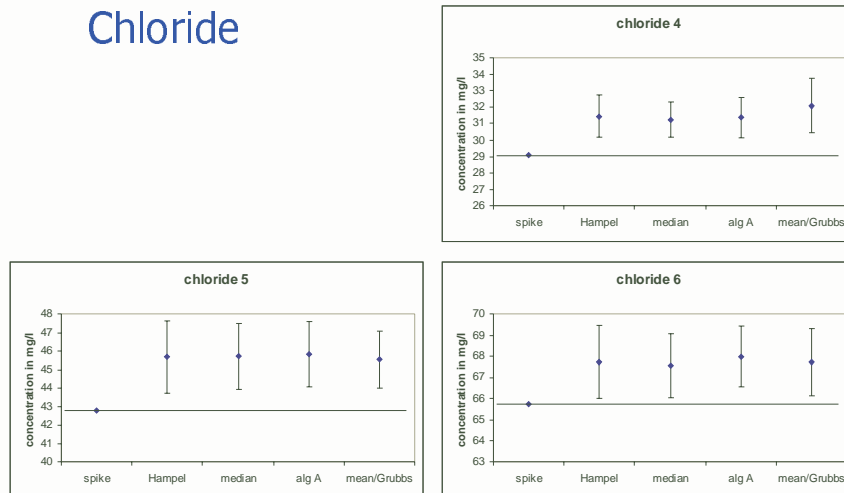
- recovery rate: 95.2%
- constant bias: 2.9mg/l (17.66% of the lowest value)

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## Chloride

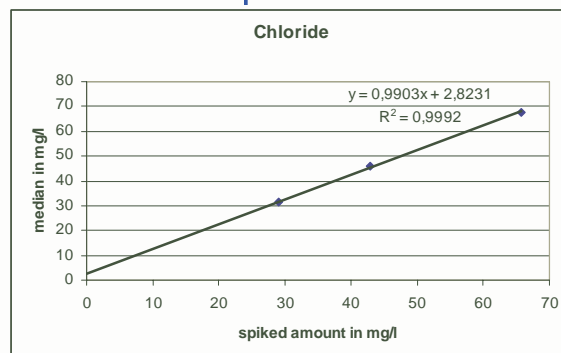


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## Chloride Median vs. spiked amount



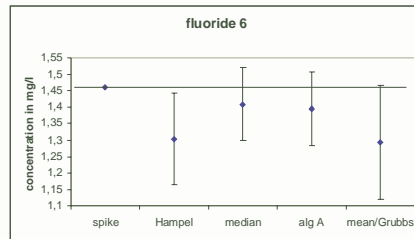
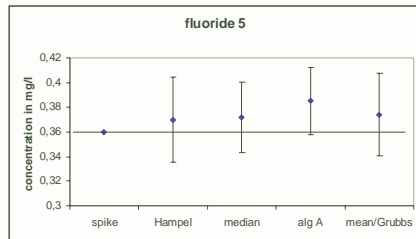
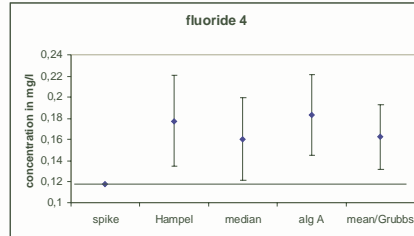
- recovery rate: 99.0%
- constant bias: 2.8mg/l (9.7% of the lowest value)

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## Fluoride

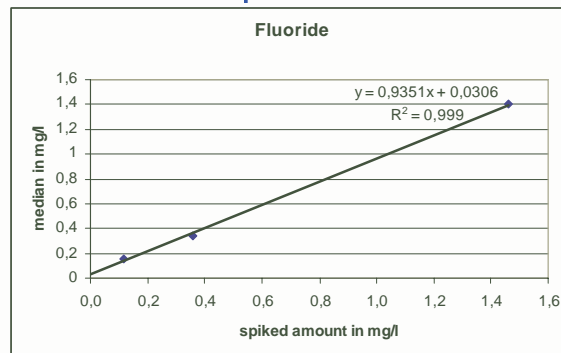


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## Fluoride Median vs. spiked amount



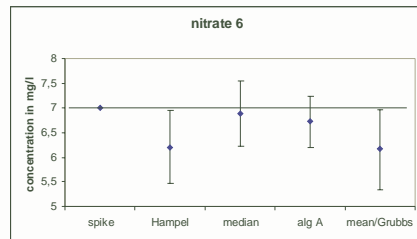
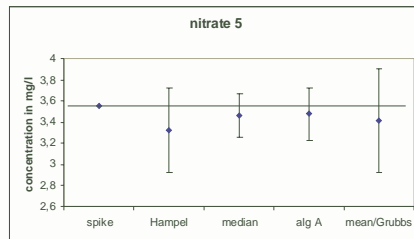
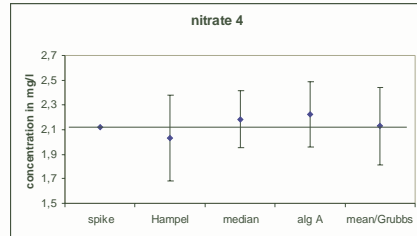
- recovery rate: 93.5%
- constant bias: 0.03mg/l (25.9% of the lowest value)  
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## Nitrate

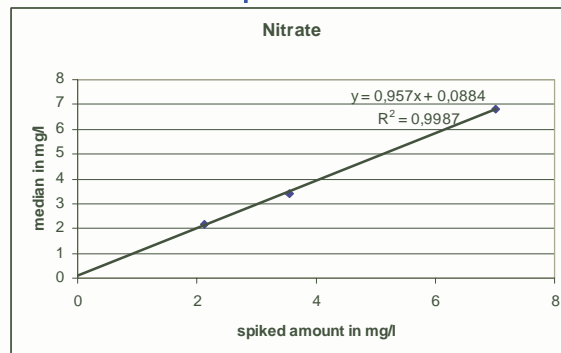


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## Nitrate Median vs. spiked amount



- recovery rate: 95.7%
- constant bias: 0.09mg/l (4,17% of the lowest value)  
(might be an artefact due to the high value for sample 4)

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## Method 1 Hampel estimator / q-method Z<sub>U</sub>-scores

Hampel / Q-method												
Lab-No.	Ca	Mg	Na	K	Fe	Mn	Al	SO4	Cl	F	NO3	
1												
2												
3	-	+	+	-	+	+		+	+	+	-	7 of 10 70%
4	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
5	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
6	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	9 of 10 90%
7	+	+	-	-	+	+		+	+	+	+	8 of 10 80%
8	+	-			+	+	+	+	+	+	+	8 of 9 89%
9	-	-	+	-	-			+	-	+	-	3 of 9 33%
10	-	-	+	+	-	+		+	+			5 of 8 63%
11			-	-	+	+		+	+			3 of 6 50%
12	+	+	+	+	+			+	+	+	+	9 of 9 100%
13	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-		6 of 10 60%
14	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	+	+	+	10 of 10 100%
15												
16					+	+		+	+	-	-	4 of 6 67%
17	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	10 of 11 91%
18	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	+	+	-	9 of 10 90%
19	+		+	+				-	+	+		5 of 6 83%
20	+	-	+	+		-	+	-	+	-	+	6 of 10 60%
21	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	9 of 10 90%
22	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	10 of 10 100%
23	+	+	+	+	+			+	+	+	+	9 of 9 100%
24	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
25	-	-	+	+		+	+	+	+	+	+	8 of 10 80%
26	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
27	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
												7 below 80%
												9 with 100%

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## Method 2 Median / norm. IQR Z-scores

Median / IQR												
Lab-No.	Ca	Mg	Na	K	Fe	Mn	Al	SO4	Cl	F	NO3	
1												
2												
3	-	+	+	-	-	+		+	+	+	-	6 of 10 60%
4	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
5	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
6	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	9 of 10 90%
7	+	+	-	-	+	+		-	+	+	-	6 of 10 60%
8	+	-			+	-	+	-	+	+	-	5 of 9 56%
9	-	-	+	-	+			+	-	+	-	4 of 9 44%
10	-	-	+	+	-	+		+	+			5 of 8 63%
11			-	-	+	+		-	+			3 of 6 50%
12	+	+	+	+	+			+	+	+	+	9 of 9 100%
13	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-		6 of 10 60%
14	+	+	+	+	-	-		+	+	+	+	8 of 10 80%
15												
16					+	+		+	+	-	-	4 of 6 67%
17	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	9 of 11 82%
18	+	-	+	+	+	+		+	+	+	-	8 of 10 80%
19	+		+	+				-	+	+		5 of 6 83%
20	+	-	+	+		-	+	-	+	-	+	6 of 10 60%
21	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	6 of 10 60%
22	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	10 of 10 100%
23	+	+	+	+	+			+	+	+	+	9 of 9 100%
24	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	10 of 11 91%
25	-	-	+	+		+	+	+	+	+	+	8 of 10 80%
26	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
27	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
												10 below 80%
												7 with 100%

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### Method 3 Algorithm A Z-scores

Algorithm A												
Lab-No.	Ca	Mg	Na	K	Fe	Mn	Al	SO4	Cl	F	NO3	
1												
2												
3	-	+	+	-	-	+		+	+	+	-	6 of 10 60%
4	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
5	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
6	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-		9 of 10 90%
7	+	+	-	-	+	+		-	+	+	-	6 of 10 60%
8	+	-			+	-	+	-	+	+	-	5 of 9 56%
9	-	-	+	-	+		+	+	+	+	-	4 of 9 44%
10	-	-	+	+	-	+		+	+			5 of 8 63%
11			-	-	+	+		+	+			3 of 6 50%
12	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	+	+	+	9 of 9 100%
13	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-		6 of 10 60%
14	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	+	+	+	10 of 10 100%
15												
16					+	+	+	+	+	-	-	4 of 6 67%
17	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	10 of 11 91%
18	+	-	+	+	+	+		+	+	+	-	8 of 10 80%
19	+	+	+	+	+	+		-	+	+	+	5 of 6 83%
20	+	-	+	+		-	+	-	+	-	+	6 of 10 60%
21	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-		8 of 10 80%
22	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	10 of 10 100%
23	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	+	+	+	9 of 9 100%
24	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
25	-	-	+	+		+	+	+	+	+	+	8 of 10 80%
26	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
27	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
												9 below 80%
												9 with 100%

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### Method 4 Arithm. Mean / Std. after Grubbs outlier test Z-scores

Arithm. mean / Std after Grubbs test												
Lab-No.	Ca	Mg	Na	K	Fe	Mn	Al	SO4	Cl	F	NO3	
1												
2												
3	-	+	+	-	-	+		+	+	+	-	6 of 10 60%
4	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
5	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
6	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-		9 of 10 90%
7	+	+	-	+	+	+		+	+	+	+	9 of 10 90%
8	+	-			+	-	+	+	+	+	+	7 of 9 78%
9	-	+	+	-	+		+	+	+	+	-	5 of 9 56%
10	-	-	+	+	-	+		+	+			5 of 8 63%
11			-	-	+	+		+	+			4 of 6 67%
12	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	+	+	+	9 of 9 100%
13	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-		6 of 10 60%
14	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	+	+	+	10 of 10 100%
15												
16					+	+	+	+	+	-	-	4 of 6 67%
17	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	10 of 11 91%
18	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	+	+	+	10 of 10 100%
19	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	+	+	+	6 of 6 100%
20	+	-	+	+		-	+	+	+	+	+	8 of 10 80%
21	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-		9 of 10 90%
22	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	10 of 10 100%
23	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	+	+	+	9 of 9 100%
24	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
25	-	-	+	+		+	+	+	+	+	+	8 of 10 80%
26	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
27	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
												7 below 80%
												11 with 100%

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## Method 1 Hampel estimator / q-method with lim. std $Z_U$ -scores

Hampel / Q-methode with limitations												
Lab-No.	Ca	Mg	Na	K	Fe	Mn	Al	SO <sub>4</sub>	Cl	F	NO <sub>3</sub>	
1												
2												
3	-	-	+	-	-	+		+	+	+	-	5 of 10 50%
4	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	10 of 11 91%
5	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	10 of 11 91%
6	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	-		6 of 10 60%
7	+	+	-	-	+	+		-	+	+	-	6 of 10 60%
8	+	-			+	-	+	-	+	+	-	5 of 9 56%
9	-	-	+	-	-		+	-	-	-	-	2 of 9 22%
10	-	-	+	+	-	+		-	+			4 of 8 50%
11			-	-	+	+		-	+			3 of 6 50%
12	+	+	+	+	+			-	+	+	+	8 of 9 89%
13	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-		6 of 10 60%
14	+	+	+	+	-	-		-	+	+	+	7 of 10 70%
15												
16					+	+		+	+	-	-	3 of 6 50%
17	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	7 of 11 64%
18	+	-	+	+	+	+		-	+	-	-	6 of 10 60%
19	+		+	+				-	+	+	+	5 of 6 83%
20	+	-	+	+			+	-	+	-	-	5 of 10 50%
21	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	+		-		5 of 10 50%
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24	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	9 of 11 82%
25	-	-	+	+			+	+	+	+	+	8 of 10 80%
26	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
27	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	11 of 11 100%
14	below		with		80%							
3					100%							

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## Conclusions

- 4 different statistical procedures showed:
  - mean values laying close together
  - sometimes big differences in the standard deviation
- but all methods are widely accepted by the scientific community
- statistics always are to some extent arbitrary
- the standard deviations in many cases are too high, not fit for the purpose
- if the calculated standard deviations are used for the assessment, this gives a falsely good impression about the quality of the analyses
- for some parameters the means of the participants are strongly biased
- a reference values should be preferred in these cases

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