

# Instructions for Catalog # 666 WatR™ Supply Mercury

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#### **Description:**

- This standard is packaged in a 15 mL screw-top vial containing approximately 14 mL of standard concentrate.
- This concentrate is preserved with approximately 1%(v/v) nitric acid and 0.04%(w/v) potassium dichromate.
- The concentrate can be stored at room temperature.
- This product is intended to be used as a quality control check of the entire analytical process for the analytes/matrix included in the standard.
- The dilution instructions below represent the minimum suggested sample size for this product. Using a smaller sample size may invalidate the assigned value and/or uncertainty shown on the certificate of analysis.
- The certified values apply to the diluted sample after following the stated dilution instructions.

## **Helpful Hints:**

- This standard has been prepared as a concentrate and must be diluted prior to analysis.
- Mercury is present as a mixture of both organic and inorganic forms and must, therefore, be analyzed as Total Mercury. If you are using a Cold Vapor AA method, an aliquot of the diluted standard must be digested prior to analysis.
- This standard should be analyzed as soon as possible after the concentrate is diluted.

#### Instructions:

- 1. Add 100-200 mL of deionized water and approximately 2 to 5 mL of nitric acid to a clean 500 mL class A volumetric flask.
- 2. Shake the Mercury vial prior to opening.
- 3. Using a clean, dry, class A pipet, volumetrically pipet 5.0 mL of the concentrate into the 500 mL volumetric flask.
- 4. Dilute the flask to final volume with deionized water.
- 5. Cap the flask and mix well.
- 6. Immediately analyze the diluted sample by your normal procedures.

## Safety:

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