

# Quality Measurement of Non-Traditional Parameters

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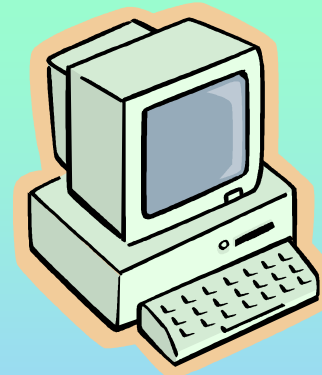
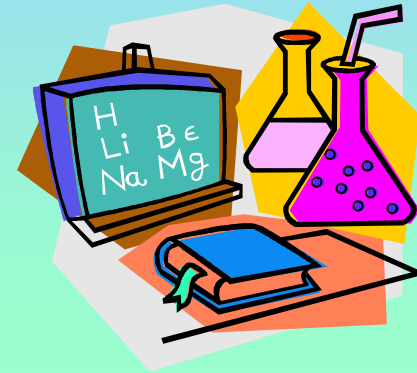
# Overview

## ◆ List Parameters:

- Example of Use
- Method
- QA/QC:
  - Applicable
  - Unapplicable

## ◆ QAPP 4.0

## ◆ Summary



# Parameters

- ◆ SVE vapors/Soil gas
- ◆ Dissolved gases
  - Methane, Ethane, Ethene ...
  - Hydrogen
  - Acetylene
  - 1,3 Butadiene
- ◆ Volatile Fatty Acids
  - Lactic, Pyruvic, Acetic, Propionic ...
- ◆ Ferrous and Ferric Iron

# Vapor Samples - Example

Used to monitor a soil vapor remediation in CA.

- ◆ Contaminants: mostly PCE, minor TCE and 1,1,1-TCA
- ◆ Measured Extraction effectiveness
  - Allowed point-wise optimization
- ◆ Monitored Treatment effectiveness
- ◆ Number of samples: 85
- ◆ Closing soon
- ◆ \$17,000 savings in analytical
  - (Summa rental + TO14 analysis) \$300/smpl
  - Microseeps analysis \$100/smpl

# Vapor Samples - Method

- ◆ No EPA method.
- ◆ Microseeps' AM4.02.
- ◆ GC/ECD and GC/FID.
- ◆ Designed using QC standards of SW846 8000.
- ◆ Use glass vials and autosampler equipped with sample pre-heat to desorb contaminants from sample walls.



# Vapor Samples – QA/QC

- ◆ RSD calibration of GC/FID.
- ◆ Rigorous, multi-level “point-to-point” calibration of ECD.
  - ECD exhibits extreme non-linearity.
  - Recoveries best with “point-to-point”.
- ◆ Use CCV’s, CCB’s and second sources at 8000 recommended frequency.
- ◆ Can not spike, so no surrogates or MS/MSD’s.

# Dissolved Gases - Example

- ◆ Numerous
  - MEE – MNA/EPR of PCE/TCE in ground water
  - Methane – MNA of gasoline in GW
  - Hydrogen – map redox zones in GW
    - Our Sampling Cell
  - Acetylene, Propane, Butane & Butadiene
    - Iron Wall treatment of GW
    - Abiotic
- ◆ Low PQL for MEE means see onset of reductive dechlorination sooner.

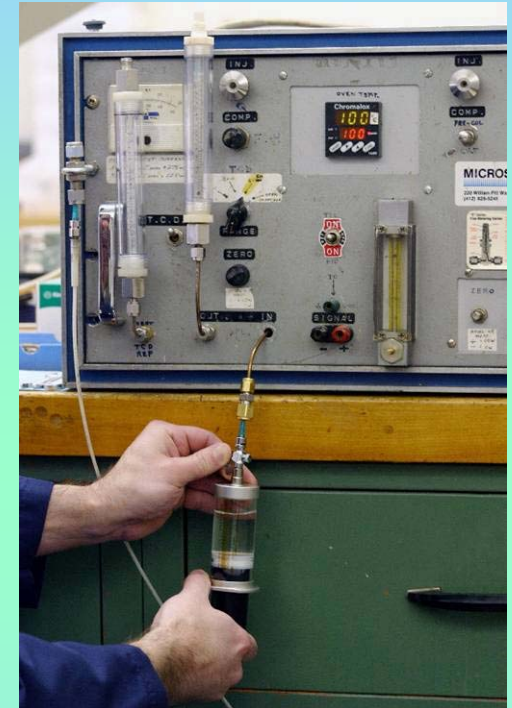
# Dissolved Gases – Hydrogen Sampler





# Dissolved Gases - Method

- ◆ Dissolved gases unregulated.
- ◆ Microseeps AM20GAX
  - If no H<sub>2</sub>: prep PM01, fill VOA vial for sampling
  - If H<sub>2</sub>, sampling method SM9, no prep.
- ◆ GC/TCD, GC/FID, GC RGD
- ◆ Designed using QC standards of SW846 8000.



# Dissolved Gases– QA/QC

- ◆ Linear calibration of all detectors.
- ◆ Use CCV's, CCB's and second sources at 8000 recommended frequency.
- ◆ Do MS/MSD on samples NOT collected for hydrogen.
- ◆ No good surrogate spike.
- ◆ For samples collected for hydrogen, matrix eliminated as part of sampling – lab can not do MS/MSD.

# Volatile Fatty Acids - Example

- ◆ Remediating chlorinated solvents in GW.
- ◆ Initial Site Assessment – is there any good carbon?
  - Much more sensitive than TOC.
  - Speciated (VFA's are very bioavailable).
- ◆ Monitor effectiveness of carbon substrate injections
  - Ethanol: EtOH down, acetic acid up.
    - Too quick? Need more complex substrate.
    - Too slow? Bacterial Population insufficiently active.
  - Allows delivery effectiveness assessment.
- ◆ Monitor throughout stimulation phase.
  - Take a VOA sample, take a VFA sample

# Volatile Fatty Acids - Method

- ◆ VFA's unregulated (but stinky).

- Lactic
- Acetic
- Pyruvic
- Propionic
- Butyric
- iso-Pentanoic
- Pentanoic
- Iso-Hexanoic
- Hexanoic

- ◆ PQL: 0.07 mg/l (0.1 for hexanoic's)

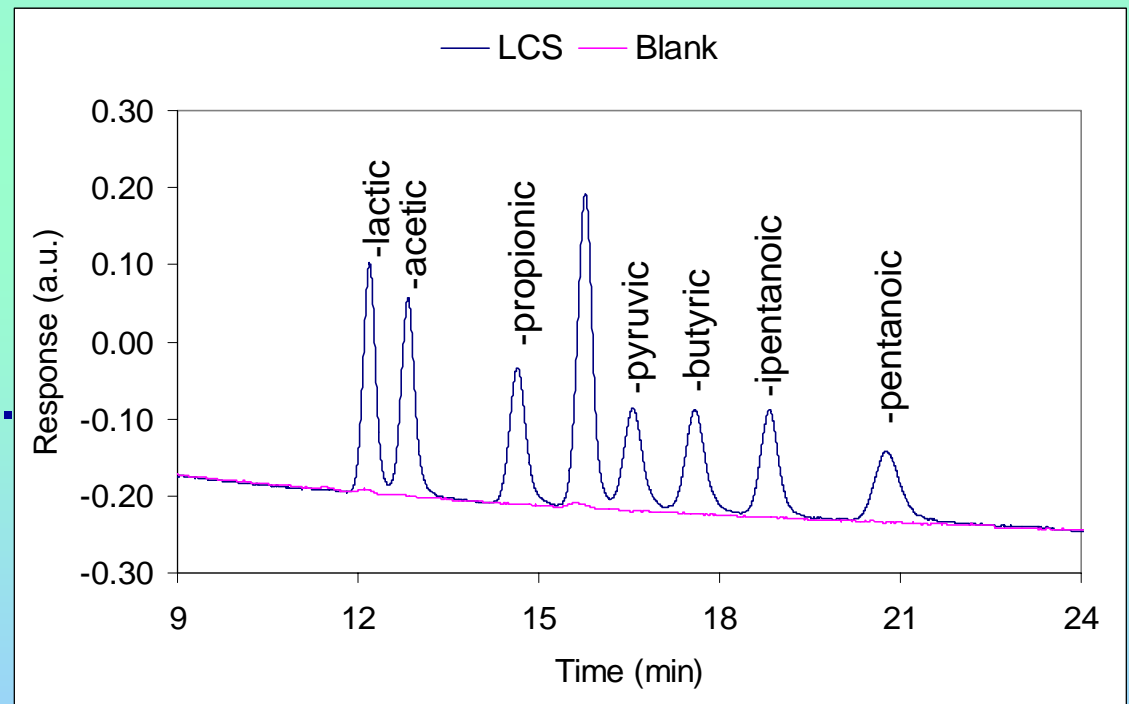
- ◆ Microseeps AM23G.

- ◆ IC based with conductivity detection.

- ◆ Designed using QC standards of SW846 8000.

# Volatile Fatty Acids – QA/QC

- ◆ 5 Point linear calibration.
- ◆ Standard SW846-8000
  - CCV's.
  - CCB's.
  - MS/MSD's.
  - No surrogate.



# Ferrous and Ferric Iron - Example

- ◆ Ferrous = Dissolved Iron
  - By Conventional Wisdom
  - Perfect Theory
  - Problem: Oxidation of Ferrous during filtering
  - Consequence: Underestimate ferrous iron concentration
- ◆ Ferrous & Ferric by IC – just fill VOA vial

# Ferrous and Ferric Iron - Method

- ◆ Considered “Modified” SW846-7196.
- ◆ IC
  - post column derivatization.
  - single wavelength absorption detection.
- ◆ Collect using
  - glass vial with DG septa.
  - HCl preservative.
- ◆ Gets both Ferric and Ferrous Iron

# Ferrous and Ferric Iron– QA/QC

- ◆ 5 Point linear calibration.
- ◆ QA/QC according to 7196:
  - CCV's.
  - CCB's.
  - MS/MSD's.
  - No surrogate.



# QAPP 4.0

- ◆ QAPP 4.0 does not directly address.
- ◆ Provide Data Pkg. w/ QA/QC and raw data.
- ◆ Provide
  - ERPIMS “like” EDD.
  - Clients preferred EDD format.
- ◆ Have Participated in Many AFCEE Projects.

# Summary

## ◆ Non-Standard Methods

- Soil Vapor Extraction/Vapor Intrusion.
- Dissolved Gases.
- Volatile Fatty Acids.
- Ferrous and Ferric Iron.

## ◆ Documented

- Procedure.
- Quality Control.

## ◆ EDD support.

## ◆ AFCEE experience.



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