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52	Quartz	14808-60-7	238-878-4

No.	Source and method name	Language	Year of publication	Principle of the method	Flow rate/ Recommended air volume	LOQ/ Validated working range	Indicative rating	Remarks
1	MDHS 101 Crystalline silica in respirable airborne dust – Direct on-filter analysis by infrared spectroscopy and X-ray diffraction	English	2005	A sample of respirable dust is collected on a 25 mm PVC or Ag filter using a respirable dust sampler (cyclone). The filter is analysed directly by placing it into the sample beam of either an FTIR or an XRD.	Flow rate: <i>DO cyclone:</i> 1,7 l/min <i>HD cyclone:</i> 2,2 l/min <i>GK2.63 cyclone:</i> 4,2 l/min Sampling time: ≥4 h Nominal volume: 0,6 m ³	XRD: LOQ _{Quartz} : 0,05 mg/m ³ LOQ _{Cristobalite} : 0,05 mg/m ³ Filter deposit: ≤2 mg FTIR: LOQ _{Crystalline silica} : 0,02 mg/m ³ Filter deposit: ≤1mg	A	Allows analysis of the sample directly on the air sampling filter At least the XRD version of this method can be extended to tridymite, see e.g. NIOSH 7500
2	MétroPol 049 Silice Cristalline par Diffraction des Rayons X	French	1999	Airborne respirable crystalline silica is sampled by a DO cyclone and collected onto a 25 mm PVC filter. For a dust deposit ≤0,6 mg/cm ² , the filter is analysed directly. Otherwise the filter is ashed in a muffle furnace or a RF plasma asher. The sample is redeposited onto a polycarbonate filter with pore size ≤0,8 µm. Analysis by XRD.	Flow rate: 1,7 l/min Sampling time: 6 h Nominal volume: 0,6 m ³	LOQ _{Quartz} : 0,050 mg/m ³	B	Allows analysis of the sample directly on the air sampling filter Performance data in AFNOR X43-296 Similar to methods described in MDHS 101 and NIOSH 7500
3	BIA 8522 Quarz	German	1995	Airborne respirable quartz is sampled by an FSP-BIA cyclone and collected onto a 37 mm 8 µm MCE filter. The filter is (low or high temperature) ashed, and the sample is mixed with KCl and pressed into a pellet. Analysis by FTIR at two wavelengths.	Flow rate: 2 l/min Sampling time: 8 h Nominal volume: 1 m ³	LOQ _{Quartz} : 0,035 mg/m ³	B	Brief method description The method can be extended to christobalite Amorphous silica interferes with the analysis

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4	INSHT MTA/MA-036 Determination of Quartz in Air – Membrane Filter Method/ X-ray Diffraction	Spanish English (draft)	2000 2004	Airborne respirable quartz is sampled by a DO cyclone and collected onto a 37 mm PVC filter with pore size 5µm. The filter is ashed in a muffle furnace. To the sample is added 0,2 mg fluorite as internal standard and then all is redeposited onto a 25 or 37 mm PVC filter with pore size ≤0,8 µm. Analysis by XRD.	Flow rate: 1,7 l/min Sampling time: ≥4 h Nominal volume: 0,4 m ³	LOQ _{Quartz} : 0,06 mg/m ³ Filter deposit: ≤2 mg	B	The method can be extended to tridymite and cristobalite Similar to method described in NIOSH 7500
5	INSHT MTA/MA-057 Determinación de sílice libre cristalina en material particulada (fracción respirable), en aire. Método del filtro de membrana/ Espectrofotometría de infrarojos	Spanish	2004	Airborne respirable crystalline silica is sampled by a DO cyclone and collected onto a 37 mm PVC filter. The filter is ashed in a muffle furnace. The sample is mixed into a KBr pellet and analysed by IR spectrophotometry.	Flow rate: Depends on sampler type Sampling time: ≥3 h	Refers to NIOSH	B	Similar to method described in NIOSH 7602 No performance data published in the method
6	NIOSH 7500 Crystalline Silica, by XRD (filter redeposition)	English	2003	Airborne respirable crystalline silica is sampled by a cyclone and collected onto a 37 mm 5 µm PVC filter in a preferably conducting filter cassette. The filter is ashed in a muffle furnace or a RF plasma asher, or dissolved in tetrahydrofuran. The sample is redeposited onto a 0,45 µm Ag filter. Analysis by XRD.	Flow rate: <i>DO cyclone</i> : 1,7 l/min <i>HD cyclone</i> : 2,2 l/min <i>HD cyclone (aluminium)</i> : 2,5 l/min Sampling time: 4-8 h Nominal volume: 0,5 m ³	LOQ _{Quartz} : 0,03 mg/m ³	B	Fully evaluated by NIOSH

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8	NIOSH 7603 Quartz in coal mine dust, by IR (redeposition)	English	2003	Airborne respirable coal mine dust is sampled by a cyclone and collected onto a 37 mm 5 µm PVC filter in a preferably conducting filter holder. The filter is ashed in a muffle furnace or a RF plasma asher. The sample is redeposited onto a 0,45 µm PVC-acrylonitrile filter. Analysis by IR spectrophotometry. Corrections can be made for kaolinite and calcite.	Flow rate: <i>DO cyclone:</i> 1,7 l/min <i>HD cyclone:</i> 2,2 l/min Sampling time: 4-8 h Nominal volume: 0,5 m ³	LOQ _{Quartz} : 0,065 mg/m ³	B	Evaluation unrated by NIOSH
9	OSHA ID-142 Quartz and Cristobalite in Workplace Atmospheres	English	1996	Airborne respirable quartz is sampled by a DO cyclone and collected onto a 37 mm 5 µm PVC filter. The filter is dissolved in tetrahydrofuran. The sample is redeposited onto an Ag filter. Analysis by XRD.	Flow rate: 1,7 l/min Sampling time: 4-8 h Nominal volume: 0,4 m ³	LOQ _{Quartz} : 0,025 mg/m ³ LOQ _{Cristobalite} : 0,08 mg/m ³ Filter deposit: ≤3 mg	A	Similar to method described in NIOSH 7500 The method can be extended to tridymite if reference material is available