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Sample #	Sample Identification	³ H dpm/m ²			¹⁴ C dpm/m ²		
				error	activity	error	
1	1st Vial background	0	±	0	0	±	0
2	Initial bucket blank	9	±	500	0	±	0
Aft/Wet L	ab (See Figure 1)						
3	Inside fume hood	108	±	62	0	±	0
4	Deck at entrance to fume hood room	66	\pm	58	0	\pm	0
5	Benchtop forward of sink	25	\pm	44	9	\pm	33
6	Inside roper freezer top	47	±	45	6	\pm	25
7	Inside roper refrigerator bottom	19	±	63	0	\pm	0
8	Inside small black GE refrigerator	0	±	0	8	±	45
9	Forward bench top	1	±	8	8	±	37
10	Center bench top	31	±	53	0	\pm	0
11	Deck at forward entrance	47	±	60	0	±	0
Dry Lab (S	See Figure 1)						
12	Bench top aft of sink	0	±	0	0	±	0
13	Bench top forward of sink	7	±	30	8	±	36
14	Forward benchtop	41	\pm	50	10	\pm	31
15	Deck at starboard entrance	60	\pm	66	0	\pm	0
16	Deck at entrance to infirmary	11	\pm	462	0	\pm	0
17	Deck at top of stairs	13	±	94	0	\pm	0
18	Deck in front of ice machine in mess	0	±	0	0	±	0
19	Center bench top	13	±	639	0	±	0
Main Lab	(See Figure 1)						
20	Port aft. freezer	200	±	43	* 65	±	33
21	Starboad aft freezer	0	±	0	0	\pm	0
22	Bench top aft of sink	22	\pm	123	0	\pm	0
23	Bench top forward of sink	0	\pm	0	0	\pm	0
24	Inside clean air bench top	0	±	0	0	±	0
25	Starboard bench top	14	±	65	0	±	0
26	Aft bench top	36	±	55	0	±	0

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Main Lab (con't)							
27	Deck in front of freezers	19	±	73	0	±	0
28	Deck in front of starboard bench	54	±	94	0	±	0
29	Deck in fron of aft bench	13	\pm	149	0	±	0
30	Center bench top	291	±	70	0	±	0
31	Intermediate bucket blank	0	±	0	0	±	0
UNOLS V	an #2409-01 (See Figure 2)						
32	Inside fume hood	225	\pm	68	0	±	0
33	Inside refrigerator	* 2100	\pm	137	* 55	±	14
34	Bench top next to LSC	137	\pm	67	0	±	0
35	Bench top sround sink	469	\pm	79	0	\pm	0
36	Forward bench top	108	\pm	59	0	\pm	0
37	Deck between LSC and hood	* 1616	\pm	108	* 676	±	53
38	Deck at entrance	182	\pm	55	45	±	32
39	Top of LSC	239	±	69	0	\pm	0
40	Final bucket blank	0	±	0	1	±	0

Comments

Please note that the error reported for each isotope is the two-standard deviation counting error. All areas on the Atlantic Explorer were free of radioisotope contamination except for the port aft freezer in the Main Lab, which had small amount of ³H and ¹⁴C. This freezer should be cleaned. Minor detectable amounts of ³H were found throughout the shared use van. It is recommended that the refrigerator and the deck between the hood and LSC be cleaned to prevent tracking of ³H and ¹⁴C into the ship

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