



# ALS Paragon



## Metals Case Narrative

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### **Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission**

**Complaint 200204503**

**Work Order Number: 0903158**

1. This report consists of 1 water sample.
2. The sample was received cool and intact by ALS Paragon on 03/20/09.
3. The sample was to be analyzed for dissolved metals. The sample was filtered through a 0.45 micron filter and preserved with nitric acid to a pH less than two prior to analysis.
4. The sample was prepared for analysis based on Methods for the Determination of Metals in Environmental Samples – Supplement 1 procedures.

Prior to analysis by Trace ICP, an ionization buffer was added to the sample and associated QC to improve the sodium and potassium quantitation.

For analysis by Trace ICP and ICP-MS, the sample was digested following method 200.2 and SOP 806 Rev. 13.

The sample was prepared for ICP-MS analysis of arsenic and selenium by passing the digested sample and associated QC through a cation exchange column. The cation exchange column removes cations from the matrix and eliminates the  $\text{CaCl}^+$  (mass 75) interferences on arsenic.

5. The sample was analyzed following Methods for the Determination of Metals in Environmental Samples – Supplement 1 procedures.

Analysis by Trace ICP followed method 200.7 and SOP 807 Rev. 11.

The relationship between intensity and concentration for each element is established using at least four standards, one of which is a blank solution.

During sample analysis concentrations are computed by the software and the results are printed in mg/L. The instrument software does not provide a printout which gives both intensity and concentration. The validity of the calibration equation is tested by analyzing the following



solutions: a blank, a low level check solution with concentrations near the reporting limit, an Initial Calibration Verification (ICV) standard from a 2<sup>nd</sup> source standard solution with concentrations near the middle of the analytical range, a Continuing Calibration Verification (CCV) standard with concentrations at two times those in the ICV, and a readback of the highest calibration standard.

These solutions provide verification that the calibration equations are functioning properly throughout the analytical range of the instrument. During sample analysis dilutions are made for analytes found at concentrations above the highest calibration standard. No results are taken from extrapolations beyond the highest standard.

Analysis by ICP-MS followed method 200.8 and SOP 827 Rev. 6.

The relationship between intensity and concentration for each element is established using at least four standards, one of which is a blank solution. A calibration equation relating instrument response to concentration is developed by the instrument software. The equation is a higher order polynomial. This type of equation is used to improve quantitation accuracy at lower concentrations where the relationship between concentration and instrument response is non-linear.

During sample analysis concentrations are computed by the software and the results are printed in ug/L. The validity of the calibration equation is tested by analyzing the following solutions: a blank, a low level check solution with concentrations near the reporting limit, an Initial Calibration Verification (ICV) standard from a 2<sup>nd</sup> source standard solution with concentrations near the middle of the analytical range, a Continuing Calibration Verification (CCV) standard with concentrations near the middle of the analytical range but different than those in the ICV, and a readback of the highest calibration standard.

These solutions provide verification that the calibration equations are functioning properly throughout the analytical range of the instrument. During sample analysis dilutions are made for analytes found at concentrations above the highest calibration standard. No results are taken from extrapolations beyond the highest standard.

6. All standards and solutions are NIST traceable and were used within their recommended shelf life.
7. The sample was prepared and analyzed within the established hold times.

All in house quality control procedures were followed, as described below.

8. General quality control procedures.

- A filter (method) blank and laboratory control sample were filtered, preserved, and digested at the same time as the samples. There were not more than 20 samples associated with the filtered blank and laboratory control sample.
- The filter (method) blank associated with this digestion batch was below the practical quantitation limit for each requested analyte.



- The laboratory control sample associated with this digestion batch was within the acceptance limits for each analyte, with the exception of iron. Iron was not detected above the reporting limit in the associated sample. A Non-Conformance Report (NCR) has been included to document this occurrence.
- All initial and continuing calibration blanks associated with each analytical batch were below the practical quantitation limits for the requested analytes.
- All initial and continuing calibration verifications associated with each analytical batch were within the acceptance criteria for the requested analytes, with the exception of CCV2 for zinc. None of the samples associated with this order number were bracketed by this CCV.
- The interference check samples associated with Method 200.8 were analyzed, and the high standard readbacks were within acceptance criteria.
- The interference check samples and high standard readbacks associated with Method 200.7 were within acceptance criteria.

9. Matrix specific quality control procedures.

Per method requirements, matrix QC was performed for each analysis. Since a sample from this order number was not the selected quality control (QC) sample, matrix specific QC results are not included in this report.

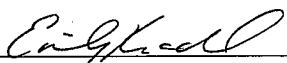
10. It is a standard ALS Paragon practice that samples for ICP-MS are analyzed at a dilution.

11. Sodium Adsorption Ration (SAR) was determined by calculation based on a reference from the client. Calcium, magnesium, and sodium concentrations were determined by ICP, Method 200.7.

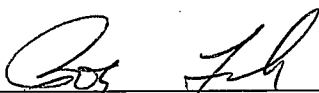
$$SAR = Na / (((Ca + Mg) / 2)^{1/2})$$

The analyte results are the me/L concentrations based on conversions from their mg/L concentrations. Please note that the SAR value is unitless.

The data contained in the following report have been reviewed and approved by the personnel listed below. In addition, ALS Paragon certifies that the analyses reported herein are true, complete and correct within the limits of the methods employed.

  
Emily Knodel  
Inorganics Primary Data Reviewer

03-31-09  
Date

  
Inorganics Final Data Reviewer

3/31/09  
Date



### **Inorganic Data Reporting Qualifiers**

The following qualifiers are used by the laboratory when reporting results of inorganic analyses.

- Result qualifier -- If the analyte was analyzed for but not detected a “U” is entered.
- QC qualifier -- Specified entries and their meanings are as follows:
  - E - The reported value is estimated because of the presence of interference. An explanatory note may be included in the narrative.
  - M - Duplicate injection precision was not met.
  - N - Spiked sample recovery not within control limits. A post spike is analyzed for all ICP analyses when the matrix spike and or spike duplicate fail and the native sample concentration is less than four times the spike added concentration.
  - Z - Spiked recovery not within control limits. An explanatory note may be included in the narrative.
  - \* - Duplicate analysis (relative percent difference) not within control limits.
  - S - SAR value is estimated as one or more analytes used in the calculation were not detected above the detection limit.

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## Sample Number(s) Cross-Reference Table

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**Paragon OrderNum:** 0903158

**Client Name:** Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission

**Client Project Name:** Complaint 200204503

**Client Project Number:**

**Client PO Number:** OE PHA 090000000004

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Client Sample Number	Lab Sample Number	COC Number	Matrix	Date Collected	Time Collected
VanAlestyn 090319	0903158-1		WATER	19-Mar-09	12:40

0903158

**Chain-of-Custody** Date 3/19/09 Page 1 of 1

**Originator: Retain pink copy!**

Project Name/No.: NER  
 Sampler(s): C. Wainwright  
 Turnaround (circle one) Standard or Rush (Due 14) Dispose: 360 or 360  
 Return to Client

Report To: Peter Gintantus  
Phone: 719-846-3091  
Fax:  
E-mail: peter.gintantus@state.co.us  
Company: Colo. Oil & Gas Conservation Comm.  
Address:  
Comments: RESISTER W/2002041502  
VANAGESTIN W/2002041503

**Circle method (right); provide additional information as needed (comments).**

[illegible]

\* Time Zone: EST CST MST PST      Matrix Key: O = oil, S = soil, NS = non-soil solid, W = water, L = liquid, E = extract, F = filter

**Comments:**

Comments: Filter + pressure modification react

Anions = Br, Cl, F, NO<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>4</sub>

$$200.7 = \text{Ba, Be, B, Ca, Cr, Cu, Fe, Li, Mn, Mg, Ni, K, Na, Sr, Zn}$$

700.6 = Sb, As, Cd, Pb, Mo, Se, Ag, Tl, U

Relinquished By: <u>Chris Moore</u>	(1)	Relinquished By:	(2)
Signature _____		Signature _____	
Printed Name <u>CHRISTIE E. WILSON</u>		Printed Name _____	
Date <u>3/19/09</u> Time <u>16:30</u>		Date _____ Time _____	
Company <u>WILSON ASSOCIATES</u>		Company _____	
Received By: <u>Jane Torban</u>	(1)	Received By:	(2)
Signature _____		Signature _____	
Printed Name <u>Jane Torban</u>		Printed Name _____	
Date <u>3/26/09</u> Time <u>09:30</u>		Date _____ Time _____	
Company <u>ALS Packaging</u>		Company _____	

## CONDITION OF SAMPLE UPON RECEIPT FORM

Paragon Analytics

Client: COGCCWorkorder No: 09 03 158Project Manager: AWInitials: LJODate: 3/20/09

1. Does this project require any <b>special handling</b> in addition to standard Paragon procedures?	YES	<u>NO</u>
2. Are custody <b>seals</b> on <b>shipping containers</b> intact?	NONE	<u>YES</u> NO
3. Are Custody seals on <b>sample containers</b> intact?	<u>NONE</u>	YES NO
4. Is there a <b>COC (Chain-of-Custody)</b> present or other representative documents?	<u>YES</u>	NO
5. Are the <b>COC and bottle labels complete and legible</b> ?	<u>YES</u>	NO
6. Is the <b>COC in agreement</b> with samples received? (IDs, dates, times, no. of samples, no. of containers, matrix, requested analyses, etc.)	* <u>YES</u>	NO
7. Were <b>airbills / shipping documents</b> present and/or removable?	DROP OFF <u>YES</u>	NO
8. Are all aqueous <b>samples requiring preservation preserved correctly</b> ? (excluding volatiles)	N/A <u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
9. Are all aqueous <b>non-preserved samples pH 4-9</b> ?	N/A <u>YES</u>	NO
10. Is there <b>sufficient sample</b> for the requested analyses?	<u>YES</u>	NO
11. Were all samples placed in the <b>proper containers</b> for the requested analyses?	<u>YES</u>	NO
12. Are all samples within <b>holding times</b> for the requested analyses?	<u>YES</u>	NO
13. Were all sample containers received <b>intact</b> ? (not broken or leaking, etc.)	<u>YES</u>	NO
14. Are all samples requiring <b>no headspace (VOC, GRO, RSK/MEE, Rx CN/S, radon)</b> headspace free? <b>Size of bubble:</b> _____ < green pea _____ > green pea	N/A <u>YES</u>	NO
15. Do perchlorate LCMS-MS samples <b>have</b> headspace? (at least 1/3 of container required)	<u>N/A</u> YES	NO
16. Were samples checked for and free from the presence of <b>residual chlorine</b> ? (Applicable when PM has indicated samples are from a chlorinated water source; note if field preservation with sodium thiosulfate was not observed.)	<u>N/A</u> YES	NO
17. Were the samples <b>shipped on ice</b> ?	<u>YES</u>	NO
18. Were cooler temperatures measured at 0.1-6.0°C? IR gun used*: <u>#2</u> #4 RAD ONLY <u>YES</u>	<u>YES</u>	NO
Cooler #: <u>1</u>		
Temperature (°C): <u>2.2</u>		
No. of custody seals on cooler: <u>1</u>		
External µR/hr reading: <u>13</u>		
Background µR/hr reading: <u>11</u>		
Were external µR/hr readings ≤ two times background and within DOT acceptance criteria? <u>YES</u> NO / NA (If no. see Form 008.)		

Additional Information: PROVIDE DETAILS BELOW FOR A NO RESPONSE TO ANY QUESTION ABOVE, EXCEPT #1 AND #16.

\* 3 of ~~16~~ 40 ml vials for methane analysis listed no sample time on labels.  
 4/3/20/09

• The 500ml poly for metals analysis needs to be filtered and preserved in house.

If applicable, was the client contacted? YES / NO / NA Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_Project Manager Signature / Date: Aw 3/23/09

\*IR Gun #2: Oakton, SN 29922500201-0066

\*IR Gun #4: Oakton, SN 2372220101-0002

# Dissolved Metals by 200.7

Method EPA200.7 Revision 4.4

## Sample Results

Lab Name: ALS Paragon

Work Order Number: 0903158

Client Name: Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission

ClientProject ID: Complaint 200204503

Field ID: VanAlestyn 090319

Lab ID: 0903158-1

Sample Matrix: WATER

% Moisture: N/A

Date Collected: 19-Mar-09

Date Extracted: 25-Mar-09

Date Analyzed: 26-Mar-09

Prep Method: EPA200.2 Rev 2.8

Prep Batch: IP090325-5

QCBatchID: IP090325-5-1

Run ID: IT090326-2A3

Cleanup: NONE

Basis: As Received

File Name: 090326A.

Sample Aliquot: 50 g

Final Volume: 50 g

Result Units: MG/L

Clean DF: 1

CASNO	Target Analyte	Dilution Factor	Result	Reporting Limit	Result Qualifier	EPA Qualifier
7440-39-3	BARIUM	1	0.18	0.1		
7440-41-7	BERYLLIUM	1	0.002	0.002	U	
7440-42-8	BORON	1	0.1	0.1	U	
7440-70-2	CALCIUM	1	41	1		
7440-47-3	CHROMIUM	1	0.01	0.01	U	
7440-48-4	COBALT	1	0.01	0.01	U	
7440-50-8	COPPER	1	0.01	0.01	U	
7439-89-6	IRON	1	0.1	0.1	U	
7439-93-2	LITHIUM	1	0.01	0.01	U	
7439-95-4	MAGNESIUM	1	9.5	1		
7439-96-5	MANGANESE	1	0.01	0.01	U	
7440-02-0	NICKEL	1	0.02	0.02	U	
7440-09-7	POTASSIUM	1	2.4	1		
7440-23-5	SODIUM	1	44	1		
	SODIUM ADSORPTION RATIO	1	1.6	0.17		
7440-24-6	STRONTIUM	1	1.1	0.01		
7440-66-6	ZINC	1	0.02	0.02	U	

Data Package ID: IT0903158-1

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# Dissolved Metals by 200.8

Method EPA200.8 Revision 5.4

## Sample Results

Lab Name: ALS Paragon

Work Order Number: 0903158

Client Name: Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission

ClientProject ID: Complaint 200204503

Field ID: VanAlestyn 090319

Lab ID: 0903158-1

Sample Matrix: WATER

% Moisture: N/A

Date Collected: 19-Mar-09

Date Extracted: 25-Mar-09

Date Analyzed: 26-Mar-09

Prep Method: EPA200.2 Rev 2.8

Prep Batch: IP090325-5

QCBatchID: IP090325-5-2

Run ID: IM090326-1A3

Cleanup: NONE

Basis: As Received

File Name: 26MAR09A

Sample Aliquot: 50 g

Final Volume: 50 g

Result Units: UG/L

Clean DF: 1

CASNO	Target Analyte	Dilution Factor	Result	Reporting Limit	Result Qualifier	EPA Qualifier
7440-36-0	ANTIMONY	10	0.46	0.3		
7440-38-2	ARSENIC	10	2	2	U	
7440-43-9	CADMIUM	10	0.3	0.3	U	
7439-92-1	LEAD	10	0.5	0.5	U	
7439-98-7	MOLYBDENUM	10	1	1	U	
7782-49-2	SELENIUM	10	1	1	U	
7440-22-4	SILVER	10	0.1	0.1	U	
7440-28-0	THALLIUM	10	0.2	0.2	U	
7440-61-1	URANIUM	10	0.1	0.1	U	

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# Metals by 200.7

## Method EPA200.7 Revision 4.4

### Method Blank

Lab Name: ALS Paragon

Work Order Number: 0903158

Client Name: Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission

ClientProject ID: Complaint 200204503

Lab ID: F090324-1MB

Sample Matrix: WATER

% Moisture: N/A

Date Collected: N/A

Date Extracted: 25-Mar-09

Date Analyzed: 26-Mar-09

Prep Method: EPA200.2 Rev 2.8

Prep Batch: IP090325-5

QCBatchID: IP090325-5-1

Run ID: IT090326-2A3

Cleanup: NONE

Basis: N/A

File Name: 090326A.

Sample Aliquot: 50 g

Final Volume: 50 g

Result Units: MG/L

Clean DF: 1

CASNO	Target Analyte	DF	Result	Reporting Limit	Result Qualifier	EPA Qualifier
7440-39-3	BARIUM	1	0.1	0.1	U	
7440-41-7	BERYLLIUM	1	0.002	0.002	U	
7440-42-8	BORON	1	0.1	0.1	U	
7440-70-2	CALCIUM	1	1	1	U	
7440-47-3	CHROMIUM	1	0.01	0.01	U	
7440-48-4	COBALT	1	0.01	0.01	U	
7440-50-8	COPPER	1	0.01	0.01	U	
7439-89-6	IRON	1	0.1	0.1	U	
7439-93-2	LITHIUM	1	0.01	0.01	U	
7439-95-4	MAGNESIUM	1	1	1	U	
7439-96-5	MANGANESE	1	0.01	0.01	U	
7440-02-0	NICKEL	1	0.02	0.02	U	
7440-09-7	POTASSIUM	1	1	1	U	
7440-23-5	SODIUM	1	1	1	U	
7440-24-6	STRONTIUM	1	0.01	0.01	U	
7440-66-6	ZINC	1	0.02	0.02	U	

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## Method EPA200.7 Revision 4.4

### Laboratory Control Sample

Lab Name: ALS Paragon

Work Order Number: 0903158

Client Name: Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission

ClientProject ID: Complaint 200204503

Lab ID: F090324-1LCS

Sample Matrix: WATER

% Moisture: N/A

Date Collected: N/A

Date Extracted: 03/25/2009

Date Analyzed: 03/26/2009

Prep Method: EPA200.22.8

Prep Batch: IP090325-5

QCBatchID: IP090325-5-1

Run ID: IT090326-2A3

Cleanup: NONE

Basis: N/A

File Name: 090326A.

Sample Aliquot: 50 g

Final Volume: 50 g

Result Units: MG/L

Clean DF: 1

CASNO	Target Analyte	Spike Added	LCS Result	Reporting Limit	Result Qualifier	LCS % Rec.	Control Limits
7440-39-3	BARIUM	2	2.03	0.1		101	85 - 115%
7440-41-7	BERYLLIUM	0.05	0.0492	0.002		98	85 - 115%
7440-42-8	BORON	1	1.04	0.1		104	85 - 115%
7440-70-2	CALCIUM	40	42.5	1		106	85 - 115%
7440-47-3	CHROMIUM	0.2	0.206	0.01		103	85 - 115%
7440-48-4	COBALT	0.5	0.51	0.01		102	85 - 115%
7440-50-8	COPPER	0.25	0.256	0.01		102	85 - 115%
7439-89-6	IRON	1	2.01	0.1	N	201	85 - 115%
7439-93-2	LITHIUM	0.5	0.525	0.01		105	85 - 115%
7439-95-4	MAGNESIUM	40	41.5	1		104	85 - 115%
7439-96-5	MANGANESE	0.5	0.493	0.01		99	85 - 115%
7440-02-0	NICKEL	0.5	0.516	0.02		103	85 - 115%
7440-09-7	POTASSIUM	40	43.5	1		109	85 - 115%
7440-23-5	SODIUM	40	41.7	1		104	85 - 115%
7440-24-6	STRONTIUM	0.5	0.493	0.01		99	85 - 115%
7440-66-6	ZINC	0.5	0.494	0.02		99	85 - 115%

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# Metals by 200.8

## Method EPA200.8 Revision 5.4

### Method Blank

Lab Name: ALS Paragon

Work Order Number: 0903158

Client Name: Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission

ClientProject ID: Complaint 200204503

Lab ID: F090324-1MB

Sample Matrix: WATER

% Moisture: N/A

Date Collected: N/A

Date Extracted: 25-Mar-09

Date Analyzed: 26-Mar-09

Prep Method: EPA200.2 Rev 2.8

Prep Batch: IP090325-5

QCBatchID: IP090325-5-2

Run ID: IM090326-1A3

Cleanup: NONE

Basis: N/A

File Name: 26MAR09A

Sample Aliquot: 50 g

Final Volume: 50 g

Result Units: UG/L

Clean DF: 1

CASNO	Target Analyte	DF	Result	Reporting Limit	Result Qualifier	EPA Qualifier
7440-36-0	ANTIMONY	10	0.3	0.3	U	
7440-38-2	ARSENIC	10	2	2	U	
7440-43-9	CADMIUM	10	0.3	0.3	U	
7439-92-1	LEAD	10	0.5	0.5	U	
7439-98-7	MOLYBDENUM	10	1	1	U	
7782-49-2	SELENIUM	10	1	1	U	
7440-22-4	SILVER	10	0.1	0.1	U	
7440-28-0	THALLIUM	10	0.2	0.2	U	
7440-61-1	URANIUM	10	0.1	0.1	U	

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## Method EPA200.8 Revision 5.4

### Laboratory Control Sample

Lab Name: ALS Paragon

Work Order Number: 0903158

Client Name: Colorado Oil & Gas Conservation Commission

ClientProject ID: Complaint 200204503

Lab ID: FM90324-1LCS

Sample Matrix: WATER

% Moisture: N/A

Date Collected: N/A

Date Extracted: 03/25/2009

Date Analyzed: 03/26/2009

Prep Method: EPA200.22.8

Prep Batch: IP090325-5

QCBatchID: IP090325-5-2

Run ID: IM090326-1A3

Cleanup: NONE

Basis: N/A

File Name: 26MAR09A

Sample Aliquot: 50 g

Final Volume: 50 g

Result Units: UG/L

Clean DF: 1

CASNO	Target Analyte	Spike Added	LCS Result	Reporting Limit	Result Qualifier	LCS % Rec.	Control Limits
7440-36-0	ANTIMONY	20	20.5	0.3		103	85 - 115%
7440-38-2	ARSENIC	40	39.2	2		98	85 - 115%
7440-43-9	CADMIUM	20	20.6	0.3		103	85 - 115%
7439-92-1	LEAD	100	104	0.5		104	85 - 115%
7439-98-7	MOLYBDENUM	20	20.6	1		103	85 - 115%
7782-49-2	SELENIUM	40	42	1		105	85 - 115%
7440-22-4	SILVER	20	21	0.1		105	85 - 115%
7440-28-0	THALLIUM	1	1.03	0.2		103	85 - 115%
7440-61-1	URANIUM	20	21	0.1		105	85 - 115%

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## CONTROLLED NON-CONFORMANCE REPORT

### Non-Conformance

**Initiated By:** Roy French on 3/27/2009

**Event Type:** Method Requirements Not Met -- LCS/LCSD

**Event Explanation:** The LCS for prep batch IP090325-5 had a 200% recovery for Fe. The W.O. affected 0903156, 0903157, 0903158 and 0903159. None of the samples contained Fe.

**Action To**

**Prevent Recurrence:** Discussion with analyst.

### Corrective Action

**Corrective Action:** Document in Narrative

**Department Manager Approval:** Roy French

**Approval Date:** 3/27/2009

**Corrective Action Comments:** Double spiking error suspected.

#### Workorders Affected

Workorder -- Procedure

0903156 -- EPA200.7

0903157 -- EPA200.7

0903158 -- EPA200.7

0903159 -- EPA200.7

Peter Gintautas was contacted on 3/27/2009

Approved By

Amy R. Wolf

Approval Date

3/27/2009

### Associated Batches

The samples were originally associated with the following Batch(es):

IT090326-2A3 created on 3/26/2009

All rework was completed in the following Batch(es):

**Not Applicable**

### NCR Approval

**Project Manager Approval:** ARW on 3/27/2009

**Department Manager Approval:** Roy French on 3/27/2009

**QA Manager Approval:** Deb Scheib on 3/29/2009