

Table 1 Concentrations of Hg and Cd in marine organisms across the globe.

Organism	Region	Metal	Concentration	Reference
Mollusk	Spanish coastline	Cd	0.400 – 2.00 µg g ⁻¹ d.w.	Bartolome <i>et al.</i> , 2010
		Hg	50.00 – 350.00 µg g ⁻¹ d.w.	Fernandez <i>et al.</i> , 2010
	Marmara Sea, Bosphorus	Hg	0.140–2.940 µg g ⁻¹ d.w.	Kayhan, 2007
	Asian and European side	Cd	8.95–10.68 µg g ⁻¹ d.w.	
	Adriatic Sea, Croatia	Hg	8.58 µg g ⁻¹ d.w.	Stankovic <i>et al.</i> , 2011
	Taranto Gulf	THg	n.d. to 1.87 µg g ⁻¹ d.w.	Spada <i>et al.</i> , 2012
		MHg	n.d. to 1.32 µg g ⁻¹ d.w.	
	Taranto Gulf	THg	0.324 to 1.74 µg g ⁻¹ d.w.	
		MHg	0.190 to 1.040 µg g ⁻¹ d.w.	
	Izmir Bay,	Hg	0.014 – 0.500 µg g ⁻¹ wet wt.	Kucuksezgin <i>et al.</i> , 2011
Fish	Eastern Aegean	Cd	0.0001 – 0.010 µg g ⁻¹ wet wt.	
	Adreatic sea	Hg	0.001–2.070 µg g ⁻¹ wet wt.	Bilandzic <i>et al.</i> , 2011
		Cd	0.001–0.850 µg g ⁻¹ wet wt.	
	Black Sea, Turkey	Hg	25.0–84.0 µg g ⁻¹ d.w.	
	Black Sea, Turkey	Cd	0.180–0.350 µg g ⁻¹ d.w.	Mendil <i>et al.</i> , 2012
	Persian Gulf	THg	0.0614 to 0.433 µg g ⁻¹ d.w.	Agah <i>et al.</i> , 2007
	Caspian Sea	THg	0.102 to 0.108 µg g ⁻¹ w.w.	
	Atlantic ocean	Hg	0.0116–0.0003 µg g ⁻¹ w.w	Vieira <i>et al.</i> , 2011
		Cd	0.0019–0.015 µg g ⁻¹ w.w	
	Baltic Sea	Hg	0.033 -0.121 µg g ⁻¹	Polak-Juszczak, 2012
Harbour seal (Liver)	Alaska	Hg	1.700 – 393.00 µg g ⁻¹ d.w.	Marino <i>et al.</i> , 2011
	Magellanic penguins –feathers (<i>Spheniscus magellanicus</i>)	Hg	<0.0014 and 0.367 µg g ⁻¹ d.w.	Frias <i>et al.</i> , 2012
Fish and shellfish	Spain	Hg	0.0038–1.621 µg g ⁻¹ w.w.	Calatayud <i>et al.</i> , 2012