Physicochemical properties of both drinking and domestic waters in Çorum

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Abstract

Water is the most basic need of life since the existence of living things. Physicochemical monitoring of water quality is important for public health. In this study, we aimed to research the quality of drinking and domestic waters in dams, sources, wells and water tanks, located in Corum in terms of several physicochemical parameters. In winter, spring and summer seasons we collected a total of 2894 water samples from 3 dams, 10 well-sources, and water tanks on a monthly basis; water tanks in the 80 different locations in the Center six days a week, and lastly domestic waters five days a week in 250 mL sterile water sampling bottles. We used the nephelometric method for determining the amount of turbidity, the electrometric method for analyzing conductivity, pH and issolved oxygen the photometric method for measuring free chlorine, the spectrophotometric method for determining the amount of sulphate, iron, nitrite, ammonia and manganese and lastly TS 266 volumetric titration for analyzing total alkalinity, organic matter, magnesium, calcium and total hardness. We monitored water height, filling rate, turbidity, pH and free chlorine control in each drinking water storage tanks in Çorum with the Scada System and free chlorine with both the Scada System and manually. Detected in the range of Ammonium and Iron (mg/L): <0.5; Nitrite (mg/L): <0.02; Manganese (mg/L): <0.01; Turbidity (NTU): between 0.1 and 0.4; Conductivity (µS/cm): between 400 and 600; pH: 7.5 to 8.0; Sulfate (mg/L): 10 to 45; Total Alkalinity (mg/L): between 180 and 250; Organic matter (mg/L): 1 to 3. In accordance with Turkish Regulation on Water Intended for Human Consumption, the several physicochemical parameters in drinking and domestic waters in Corum are in between stated values.

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1. Introduction

Although water is the most widely occurring substance on earth, only 2.53 percent is freshwater. Some about two-thirds of this freshwater is locked up in ice-field and consistent snow cover (WWAP 2003). The water quality is of major significance also for human lives as it is frequently consumed (Cieszynska et al., 2012). During the last decades, anthropogenic activities have deteriorated water quality of reservoirs worldwide (Çelekli and Öztürk, 2014).

One of the most prominent environmental challenges of this century is to sustain natural biological constructive and functional propertys of aquatic ecosystems, rivers in specific. This target requires that we know the condition of these active systems and how they are being affected by specific agent and potency (Aazami et al., 2015; Ogren, 2014). Today, we can readily see that there are many contaminants in the environment due to anthropogenic activities. The annihilation of natural habitats and the presence of environmental pollutants may affect the ecological equilibrate of every ecosystem (Begon et al., 2009; Aazami et al., 2015).

Evaluation and sorting of ecological water quality using indices-based near can help the preservation and direction of water. The measurement of physicochemical parameters is usually time-consuming, payment-intense and also dependent on exclusive instruments. However, physicochemical parameters can only indicate water quality at the moment of dimension, and these can change over time (Gholizadeh et al., 2016; Engman et al., 1991).

Water quality work is the process of defining the chemical, physical and biological characteristics of water mass and detecting the possible contamination sources that reduce the quality of water (Gholizadeh et al., 2016; Usali and Ismail, 2010). Reduction of the quality of water resources may result from waste emptys, pesticides, heavy metals, aliment microorganisms, and residues. Different water quality standards have been developed to help in inspecting the rate of water pollution, and can a result to protect these quality standards (Gholizadeh et al., 2016).

Necessities for water quality and preservation precaution of drinking water reservoirs: (1) to establish a decision-making model integrating GIS (Geographic Information Systems) and analyzing the probable factors effecting reservoir water quality; (2) to identify the parameters

that are most nearly concerned to water quality and define the quantitative importance of these factors on water quality; (3) to analyze the correlation between the identified necessary parameters and water quality and ensure basic knowledge for improving the protection of reservoir water resources (Gu et al., 2014).

Volumetric analysis, gravimetric analysis and colorimetric analysis methods are some of the methods used in physicochemical analysis. Volumetric analysis is based on volume measurement. The aim of the gravimetric analysis is to determine the weight of a substance. To be quantitatively analyzed by the colorimetric method, the compound must form certain characteristic colors, and the resulting color intensity must be directly commensurate to the concentration of these substances (Samsunlu, 2013).

There was no comprehensive study in the literature. It is clear that this study, prepared for the detection and prevention of substances which affect the life, will an example to many province and it will fill a significant gap in this area in terms of its application.

The study is first and original regarding the evaluation of physicochemical parameters of Çorum. In this study, we aimed to investigate some quality of physical chemistry of the dam, sources-well, tank and drinking water used in the center of Çorum. Furthermore, all the newly established Scada systems for drinking water used for consumption in the Çorum Province was controlled and supervised.

2. Materials and Methods

In Çorum province (center) water samples from three dams, ten sources-wells, and water tanks on a monthly basis; water tanks in the 80 different locations in the center six days a week, and lastly domestic waters five days a week were taken in compliance with the hygiene rules in 250 mL individual sterile drinking water bottles. In winter, spring and summer seasons, 2894 samples taken from dams, sources-wells, water tanks, and tap water in the region were used as the material (Table 1). The parameters analyzed physicochemically; Turbidity, pH, Conductivity, Dissolved Oxygen, Free Chlorine, Iron, Manganese, Ammonium, Nitrite, Sulfate, Total Hardness, Calcium, Magnesium, Organic matter, Total Alkalinity, Bicarbonate, Carbonate, Hydroxide. The methods used are; for Turbidity: Nephelometry Method (Turbiquant 3000 IR), for Dissolved Oxygen, pH and Conductivity:

Electrometric Method (Inolab Multi 9430), for Free Chlorine: Photometric Method (Lovibond MD100), for Sulphate, Iron, Manganese, Ammonia and Nitrite: Spectrophotometric Method (Prove 600), for Total Alkalinity, Total Hardness, Calcium, Magnesium, Organic Matter: TS 266 Volumetric Titration (Table 2). In Corum, water used for consumption supervised which has the height of all the storage of drinking water, fill rate, turbidity, pH, free chlorine control with Scada system; furthermore, free chlorine is supervised both Scada system and manually.

Monthly controlled dams, sources, wells, stations and tank; Hatap (dam), Yenihayat (dam), Çomar (dam); Pınarbaşı (well), Pınarbaşı (sources), Konaklı (well), Sağmaca (sources), Elmalı (sources), Kavacık (sources), Mürsel (sources), Ayarık (well), Eskice (station), Sıklık (tank). Five different endpoints for each tank where daily routine control is performed; There are 40 different localities belonging to Akkent, Ayarık, Bağcılar, Bahabey, Çamlık, Kale, Melikgazi and Nadık tanks (Figure 1-3). Images from all locations are created using the Google Earth Pro program. Coordinates of endpoints of all tanks can be obtained from the 1st register if requested (Table 3).

Water Sources	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	Total
Endpoints	3344	3040	3496	3040	3192	3040	3192	22344
Tank	3952	3648	4104	3800	3952	3648	3952	27056
Public Health	304	228	304	247	399	247	323	2052
Sources-	152	152	171	190	190	190	171	1216
Wells								
Hatap Dam	-	-	-	418	437	-	437	1292
Yenihayat	-	-	-	304	247	-	190	741
Dam								
Çomar Dam	-	-	-	-	247	-	190	437
Total	7752	7068	8075	7999	8664	7125	8455	55138

Table 1. The total number of analyzes between january and july

Parameter	Parametric Value	Unit
Ammonium	0.5	mg/L
Nitrite	0.5	mg/L
Turbidity	1	NTU
Conductivity	2500	μS/cm
pH	≥6.5 pH ≤9.5	pH Units
Iron	0.2	mg/L
Manganese	0.05	mg/L
Free Chlorine	0.1-0.5	mg/L
Temperature	-	°C
Sulfate	250	mg/L
Dissolved Oxygen	-	mg/L
Calcium	200	mg/L
Magnesium	-	mg/L
Total Hardness (CaCO ₃ / L)	-	mg/L
Organic Matter	-	mg/L
Total Alkalinity (CaCO ₃)	-	mg/L
Bicarbonate	-	mg/L
Carbonate	-	mg/L
Hydroxide	-	mg/L

Table 2. Physicochemical parameters for drinking and usage waters based on the "Turkish"

regulation on water intended for human consumption"

Table 3. Latitude and longitude of dams, source-wells and tanks

Dams, Sources-Wells and Tanks	Latitude	Longitude
Hatap dam	40.371560	34.802000
Yenihayat dam	40.393064	34.666789
Çomar dam	40.580818	34.988632
Pınarbaşı well	40.680239	35.289949
Pınarbaşı source	40.677296	35.314425
Konaklı well	40.631342	35.236364
Sağmaca source	40.593427	35.131958
Elmalı source	40.520783	35.027552
Kavacık source	40.553970	35.057642
Mürsel source	40.557053	35.005191
Ayarık well	40.594646	34.982869
Eskice station	40.612227	35.147155
Sıklık tank	40.592923	35.048109
Ayarık tank	40.586426	34.982597
Çamlık tank	40.556197	34.975061
Bahabey tank	40.556629	34.974697
Akkent tank	40.530988	34.890307
Nadık tank	40.552773	34.987481
Kale tank	40.531153	34.978864
Bağcılar tank	40.522415	34.955798
Melikgazi tank	40.559610	35.000202

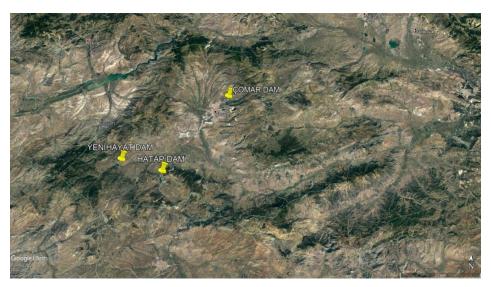


Figure 1. Dams in Çorum that were controlled monthly.

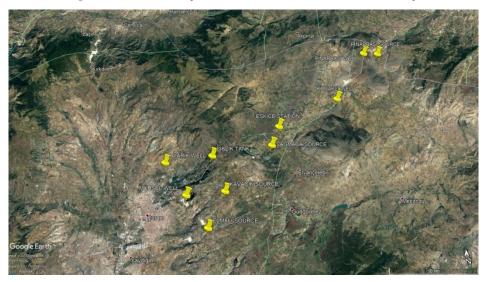


Figure 2. Sources, wells, station and tank facilities in Çorum that were controlled monthly.



Figure 3. Tanks in Çorum that were controlled daily.

Measurement of turbidity was carried out by nephometric (light scattering by the particle) method. When measuring, 20-25 mL of the water sample was taken into the reaction vessel, the sample was placed in the device, and the device performed automatic reading.

pH, conductivity, dissolved oxygen, temperature measurement was done by electrometric (method based on measuring an electrical property such as voltage current and conductivity) method. 250 mL of the water sample was taken, the measuring probe was placed on the example made, and the device was automatically read.

Free clorine was measured photometrically (quantitation method based on measurement of light intensity in a specific spectrum). The reaction vessel containing 10 mL of purified water was zeroed in the device, and then 10 mL of the water sample was read in the machine.

Spectrophotometric method (quantitative determination method based on absorption of some colors of light spectrum of light colored material placed between light source and prism and showing weak or strong band in the spectrum according to concentration) was used in the measurement of ammonium, nitrite, iron, manganese, and sulphate.

When making ammonium, 5 mL of sample was placed in the reaction bath and mixed, then 0.6 mL of NH₄-1 were added and stirred, then 1 level micro spoon NH₄-2 was added and mixed. It was waited 5 minutes. Four drops of NH₄-3 were added dropwise and stirred, again waiting for 5 minutes. The method was selected by placing the AutoSelector in the tub holder. Finally, the bathtub wassetin the recess, and automatic reading take was place.

When making nitrite; was put 5 mL of sample in a test tube, add one blue micro spoon NO₂-1, mixed to reagent dissolve. The reaction time was 10 minutes. The solution was transferred to the appropriate ampoule. The method was selected by placing the AutoSelector in the tub holder. Automatic reading was done by placing it in the bathtub socket.

When making iron; was put 5 mL of sample in a test tube, add three drops of Fe-1. Reaction time was 3 minutes. The solution was transferred to the appropriate ampoule. The method was selected by placing the AutoSelector in the tub holder. Automatic reading was done by puttingit in the bathtub socket.

When making manganese; was put 10 mL of sample in a test tube, add eight drops of Mn-1 and then add two drops of Mn-2. The reaction time was 2 minutes. Four drops of Mn-3 are added and mixed. The reaction time was 2 minutes. The solution was transferred to the appropriate ampoule. The method was selected by placing the AutoSelector in the tub holder. Automatic reading was done by placing it in the bathtub socket.

When making the sulphate; was pipet into the 0.5 mL SO₄-1 test tube. 5 mL of sample was added to the pipette and mixed. One blue micro spoon SO₄-2 was added. The reagent was stirred until the tube was dissolved. The reaction time was 2 minutes. The solution was transferred to the appropriate ampoule. The method was selected by putting the AutoSelector in the tub holder. Automatic reading was done by placing it in the bathtub socket.

The TS-266 wet method was used for determination of the organic matter. In the decision of the organic substance, 50 mL of the water sample was added to 100 mL of Erlenmeyer flask. 5 mL of dilute H₂SO₄ and 5 mL of KMnO₄ were added. The water bath was kept at 90°C for 30 minutes. The remaining color of the potassium permanganate was then removed by adding 5 mL of ammonium oxalate solution. If the color is white, it is titrated back to 0.01 N Potassium Permanganate until a slightly pink color appears on the sample. Two times the amount of Potassium Permanganate consumed gives the result of organic matter.

The TS-266 wet method was used for determination of hardness. Determination of hardness substance; C Consumption; 25 mL of water was added to 25 mL of purified water. Added 1 mL of Hydroxylamine Hydrochloride solution and 1 mL of Ammonium Chloride solution. Then add KromBlack T with the spatula tip. It was titrated with standard EDTA. The color was made gradually from reddish pink to blue.

A consumption; 25 mL of a suitable sample was taken, and 25 mL of purified water was added. 1 mL of Hydroxylamine Hydrochloride and 1 mL of Sodium Hydroxide were added to 1 mL of Sodium Cyanide. Added Calcium indicator with a spatula and titrate with standard EDTA. This process continues until the color changes from yellowish pink to orchid purple.

The TS-266 wet method was used for determination of alkalinity.

Phenolphthalein alkanity: Sample was taken from 50 mL sample. The pH meter was immersed in the stirred beaker in the magnetic stirrer. If the measured pH balance is higher than 8.3, 5-6 drops of phenolphthalein are instilled. $0.02 \text{ N H}_2\text{SO}_4$ and pH 8.3. The volume of titrant used was noted (Vp).

P = 20 x Vp

Total alkalinity: The same solution was instilled with 0.5 mL of methyl iodide. Take an orange color at pH 4.5 with 0.02 N H₂SO₄. The volume of titrant used was noted. (Vm)

If the initially measured pH is <8,3, titration is performed by adding a methyl oranj indicator.

 $T = (Vp + Vm) \times 20(Table 4)$

Titration	Carbonate Alkalinity	Bicarbonate Alkalinity	Hydroxide Alkalinity
Vp=Vm	2p	0	0
Vp=0	0	Т	0
Vm=0	0	0	Р
Vm>Vp	2p	T-2P	0
Vm <vp< td=""><td>2 (T-P)</td><td>0</td><td>2P-T</td></vp<>	2 (T-P)	0	2P-T

Table 4. Volumetric analysis of some chemical parameters

Water coming from Sağmaca (source), Konaklı (well), Pınarbaşı (well) and Pınarbaşı (source) is transferred to Eskice station; Water coming from Elmalı and Kavacık sources is transferred to Kale tank; The water coming from the Mürsel and Eskice stations is transferred to the Melikgazi tank, and also the water coming from the Eskice stations is transferred to the Ayarık tank and supplied to the network by chlorination. The water from Akkent, Bağcılar, Bahabey, Çamlık and Nadık tank is collected from Çomar, Hatap and Yenihayat Dams, which are treated and transferred from Treatment Plant in Çorum.

3. Results and Discussion

According to Turkish Regulation on Water Intended for Human Consumption; the results of the physicochemical parameter analysis of 2700 water samples taken from tanks and water faucetsbetween January and July in Çorum city center as a result of daily control and inspection, it was determined chlorine value the range of 0.2-0.5 mg/L. Detected in the range of Ammonium and Iron (mg/L): <0.5; Nitrite (mg/L): <0.02; Manganese (mg/L): <0.01; Turbidity (NTU): between 0.1 and 0.4; Conductivity (μ S/cm): between 400 and 600; pH: 7.5

to 8.0; Sulfate (mg/L): 10 to 45; Total Alkalinity (mg/L): between 180 and 250; Organic matter (mg/L): 1 to 3.

Temperature, dissolved oxygen, and total hardness values do not have an average parametric value specified in the regulation. According to the seasonal variation of sample results of the tank and endpoints physicochemical parameter analysis; Temperature value (°C): Detected in the range of 9 to 25, Dissolved Oxygen value: 10 to 7.5 and Total Hardness value: 190 to 270.

The analysis results of 108 tap water samples taken routinely in accordance with the program determined together with the environmental health teams of the Çorum provincial health directorate are shared.

Increase in turbidity, conductivity, dissolved oxygen, iron, manganese, ammonia, nitrite, sulfate, total hardness, organic matter, total alkalinity rate depending on the depth and seasonal variation in the total of 194 water samples taken from the dams, sources, and wells used for consumption in Çorum have been identified

Water hardness can occur in different shapes in each region. It is related to the geological structure of the location where water hardness of the Çorum province is located. Groundwater is known to be harder than surface waters. The total hardness of the analyzed welds and wells was higher than the total hardness of the dams. Research shows that; hard water does not make any impact on human health and does not cause health problems.

Variation in organic matter comes into play due to the circulation period in the water in sources. Anaerobic conditions occur because of the increase in the organic basement of the organic matter and the inability of the water and air to come into contact. When the organic matter is broken down, the formation of CO_2 in the bottom zone is observed. Thus, a decrease in the amount of dissolved oxygen is detected.

The physicochemical data of dams and all sources-wells were given in the following tables (Table 5-8).

Çomar Dam	According to the results of the analysis carried out 1-13 meter range in May and July
Ammonia and Iron:	less than 0.05 mg/L, showing only an increase in the 13th meter
Nitrite value:	less than 0.02 mg/L
Manganese value:	increased from 0.3 to 1.3 mg/L, only at the 13th meter
Conductivity value:	500 to 600 µS/cm
pH value:	between 7.4 and 8.8 in May; It varied from 8.3 to 9 in July
Sulphate value:	between 74 and 105 mg/L, the highest value was found at the 13t
-	meter
Organic matter value:	4 to 12 mg/L in May; It varied from 4 to 4.8 mg/L in July.
Turbidity value:	varied from 3.5 to 10 NTU. Although this value cannot depend o
	the depth, it differs only from the water sample at the 13th meter take
	from the dip
Temperature readings:	9 to 16 °C in May; seasonally varying between 14 and 23 °C in July
	Also, the temperature decreased with increasing depth in the wate
	samples taken from the bottom
Dissolved Oxygen level:	varied between 4 and 10 mg/L in May and between 0.6 and 8 mg/l
	in July. This variation showed a decrease in the amount of dissolve
	oxygen in the water samples taken from the bottom depending on th
	range of 1-13 meters
Total Hardness value:	around 230 mg/L.

Table 5. Physicochemical v	values of Çomar	dam
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Table 6. Physicochemical values of Hatap dam

Hatap Dam	According to the results of the analysis carried out 1-23 meters in April, May, and July		
Ammonium and Iron:	less than 0.05 mg/L, only increased by 23 meters		
Nitrite value:	less than 0.02 mg/L, showing an increase only at the23rd meter		
Manganese value:	increased between 0.01 and 0.7 mg/L, only at the 23rd meter		
Conductivity value:	Detected at between 468 and 560 μ S/cm		
pH value:	in the range of 7.2 to 8.6 in April and May; It varied from 7.2 to 8.		
-	in July		
Sulfate value:	between 28 and 63 mg/L, the highest amount was found at the 23		
	meter		
Organic matter value:	between 2.4 and 5.6 mg/L in April, May, and July		
Turbidity value:	between 1 and 57 NTU. Although this value cannot depend on the		
	depth, it differs only in the water sample taken at the 23rd meter take		
	from the dip in July		
Temperature values:	6 to 16 °C in April and May; seasonally varying between 6 and 2		
	°C in July. Also, the temperature decreased with increasing depth in th		
	water samples taken from the bottom		
Dissolved Oxygen level:	varied from 0.1 to 10 mg/L in April, May, and July. This variability		
	showed a decrease in the amount of dissolved oxygen in the water		
	samples taken from the bottom depending on the range of 1-23 meters		
Total Hardness value:	around 200 to 250 mg/L		

Yenihayat Dam	According to the results of the analysis carried out 1-16 meter	
	range in April, May, and July	
Ammonium and Iron:	between 0.05 and 1.5 mg/L in April and May, only at the 13th	
	meter; Increased by only 10 meters in the range of 0.4 to 1.5 mg/L in	
	July	
Nitrite value:	increased from 0.02 mg/L to 0.1 mg/L in July, while it was 0.02	
	mg/L in April and May	
Manganese value:	between 0.05 and 1.4 mg/L in April and May, only at the 13th	
C	meter; In July, it increased from 0.03 to 0.9 mg/L, only by the 10th	

Table 7. Physicochemical values of Yenihayat dam

	meter
Conductivity value:	610 to 670 µS/cm in April and May, and 580 to 640 µS/cm in
	July
pH value	in the range of 8.2 to 8.8 in April and May; It varied from 8 to 9
	in July. This variability was detected as a decrease in pH at the 10th
	month in July and at the 13th meter in April and May in water
	samples taken from the bottom
Sulphate value:	between 18 and 118 mg/L, the highest value was found at the
	13th meter in April and May
Organic matter value:	between 3.2 and 4.8 mg/L in April, May, and July. This increased
-	only 10th meters in July and 13th meters in April and May,
	depending on depth in the water samples taken from the dip
Turbidity value:	between 4.3 and 30 NTU in April and May; It is in the range of
	2.4 to 16 NTU in July. This increased only 10 meters in July and 13
	meters in April and May, depending on depth in the water samples
	taken from the dip
Temperature value:	9 to 16 °C in April and May; seasonally varying between 10 and
-	22 °C in July. Also, the temperature decreased with increasing depth
	in the water samples taken from the bottom
Dissolved Oxygen level:	between 0.2 and 8 mg/L in July and between 2.1 and 8.6 mg/L in
	April and May. This variability showed a decrease in the amount of
	dissolved oxygen in the water samples taken from the bottom
	depending on the range of 1-23 meters
Total Hardness value:	270 to 280 mg/L

Sources and wells	According to the analysis made during January-July
Ammonium and Iron:	less than 0.05 mg/L
Nitrite value:	less than 0.02 mg/L
Manganese value:	less than 0,01 mg / L
Conductivity value:	between 412 to 680 µS/cm
pH value:	between 6.5 and 8.63 (the highest value was found with the
	Elmalı source while the lowest value was found in the Mürsel well)
Sulphate value:	between 7 and 44 mg/L (the lowest value Sağmaca source while
	the highest value was Ayarık well)
Organic Matter Value:	min: 1 to max: 3.7 mg/L (while the highest value was the Elmalı
	source, the lowest value was seen in Pinarbaşi source and Pinarbaşi
	well)
Turbidity value:	between 0.07 and 1.21 mg/L (the highest value was the Konaklı
	well while the lowest value was found in the Mürsel well)
Temperature values:	min: 12 and max: 23 °C
Dissolved Oxygen value:	between 5.45 and 9.4 mg/L (while the highest value was
	Kavacık source, the lowest value was Ayarık well)
Total Hardness value	around 270 to 280 mg/L (the highest value is the Kavacık
	source while the lowest value is the Mürsel well)

Table 8. Physicochemical values of sources and wells

According to the Regulation on Waters for Human Consumption; because of daily control and inspection, 2894 water sample taken from reservoir outlet and faucet water in Çorum province center did not show any adverse effect on physicochemical parameters

3. Conclusion

All physicochemical properties were measure data the Laboratory and Scada Center of Çorum Municipality Water, and Sewerage Directorate, newly established in January of 2017 and the reported data are unique and new. Physicochemical studies, carried out in large cities of Turkey for years, have been started in Çorum province with this study. It is a very important step for obtaining qualified drinking and domestic water in Çorum province. As Çorum Municipality Laboratory and Scada Center unit, it is aimed to make better water quality and control by adding new analysis.

In line with these targets, the physicochemical parameters (anion and cation determination) of the dams, sources, wells and central tanks and drinking water used in Çorum will continue to be investigated by using chromatographic methods for more accurate analysis of water quality qualities (Table 9).

Parameter	Parametric Value	Unit
Fluoride	1.5	mg/L
Chloride	250	mg/L
Nitrate	50	mg/L
Bromate	10	μg/L
Potassium	10-12	mg/L
Sodium	200	mg/L
Lithium	-	mg/L

Table 9. Physicochemical parameters to be measured in the water resources in Corum

In many researches it is clearly seen that in scientific qualification data and methods are inadequate. It is expected that the method information and data transferred in this study will form the basis for the research groups that will work in this area in the future. It is thought that this work will serve as an example and helpful the water control in many municipalities.

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