

# CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

**13X 12534 (batch X)**

## Certified Reference Material Information

Type: AUSTENITIC STAINLESS STEEL (WROUGHT)  
Form and Size: Disc ~40mm diameter  
Manufactured by: Instytut Metalurgii Zelaza, Poland  
Certified and Supplied by: MBH Analytical Ltd

## Assigned Values

### Percentage element by weight

Element	C	Si	S	P	Mn	Ni	Cr	Mo
Value <sup>1</sup>	0.0716	0.811	0.0086	0.0192	0.589	8.50	17.71	2.04
Uncertainty <sup>2</sup>	0.0014	0.010	0.0006	0.0008	0.005	0.03	0.03	0.02

Element	Cu	Co	V	Nb	Al	Ti	Ta	W
Value <sup>1</sup>	0.0586	0.0602	0.110	0.201	0.0485	0.348	0.031	0.010
Uncertainty <sup>2</sup>	0.0007	0.0012	0.003	0.004	0.0013	0.003	0.002	0.001

## Definitions

- <sup>1</sup> The certified values are the present best estimates of the true content for each element. Each value is a panel consensus, based on the averaged results of an interlaboratory testing programme, detailed on page 3.
- <sup>2</sup> The uncertainty values are generated from the 95% confidence interval derived from the wet analysis results, in combination with a statistical assessment of the homogeneity data, as described on page 2.

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## **Method of Preparation**

This reference material was produced by vacuum induction melting and ingot casting, followed by hot forging.

## **Sampling**

Milled samples for chemical analysis were taken from several positions within the batch. In addition, at least 15% of all samples were selected for homogeneity checking.

## **Homogeneity**

Samples representative of the batch were checked for uniformity using an optical emission spectrometer. The testing procedure was in accordance with ASTM E826 and the material found acceptable.

From this test data, through-batch variation values were derived for each element as an indicator of any minor compositional variation (as determined for the specific sample size and other limitations of the spectrometer).

## **Chemical Analysis**

Analysis was carried out on millings taken from samples representative of the product. It was performed by a panel of laboratories operating within the terms of EN ISO/IEC 17025 - 2005, using documented standard reference methods and validated by appropriate reference materials.

The individual values listed overpage are the average of each analyst's results.

## **Estimation of Uncertainties**

Each element certified has been analysed by several laboratories, and 95% half-width confidence intervals ( $C_{(95\%)}$ ) for the resultant mean values have been derived by the method shown on page 3.

As a separate exercise, the degree of non-homogeneity of the batch for each element has been quantified by a programme of non-destructive application testing, discussed above.

The final certified uncertainty for each element has been derived by combining these two factors, using the square-root of the summed squares.

## **Traceability**

Much of the analytical work performed to assess this material has been carried out by laboratories with proven competence, as indicated by their accreditation to ISO 17025. It is an implicit requirement for this accreditation that analytical work should be performed with due traceability, via an unbroken chain of comparisons, each with stated uncertainty, to primary standards such as the mole, or to nationally- or internationally-recognised reference materials.

Of the individual results herein, some have traceability (to the mole) via primary analytical methods. Some are traceable to substances of known stoichiometry. Most have traceability via commercial solutions. Furthermore, some results have additional traceability to NIST standards, as part of the analytical calibration or process control.

## **Usage**

Intended use: With optical emission and X-ray fluorescence spectrometers.

Recommended method of use: Steels are generally prepared by finishing, grinding, turning or milling. However, users are recommended to follow the calibration and sample preparation procedures specified by the relevant instrument manufacturer. Preparation should be the same for reference materials and the samples for test.

For optical emission spectroscopy, a minimum of five consistent replicate analyses is recommended to provide the necessary sample size. Users are advised to check against possible bias between reference materials and production samples due to differences in metallurgical history, and be aware of possible inter-element effects.



## Analytical Data

### Percentage element by weight

Sample	C	Si	S	P	Mn	Ni	Cr	Mo
1	0.0689	0.7895	0.0072	0.0175	0.5769	8.4420	17.654	1.9840
2	0.0700	0.7900	0.0074	0.0179	0.5770	8.4464	17.662	1.9864
3	0.0703	0.7970	0.0077	0.0185	0.5814	8.4650	17.674	2.0080
4	0.0703	0.7980	0.0080	0.0187	0.5821	8.4870	17.688	2.0087
5	0.0714	0.8004	0.0081	0.0190	0.5824	8.5010	17.702	2.0133
6	0.0715	0.8010	0.0087	0.0192	0.5881	8.5070	17.707	2.0323
7	0.0721	0.8050	0.0088	0.0192	0.5881	8.5100	17.710	2.0362
8	0.0725	0.8131	0.0090	0.0194	0.5900	8.5116	17.712	2.0500
9	0.0728	0.8160	0.0090	0.0198	0.5910	8.5126	17.727	2.0500
10	0.0740	0.8230	0.0095	0.0199	0.5983	8.5182	17.745	2.0579
11	0.0740	0.8290	0.0096	0.0204	0.5998	8.5210	17.770	2.0600
12		0.8293	0.0100	0.0206	0.6000	8.5350	17.780	2.0670
13		0.8329			0.6020	8.5400		2.0716
14		0.8334				8.5567		2.0760
15								2.1008
16								2.1030
<b>Mean</b>	<b>0.0716</b>	<b>0.8113</b>	<b>0.0086</b>	<b>0.0192</b>	<b>0.5890</b>	<b>8.5038</b>	<b>17.711</b>	<b>2.0441</b>
<b>Std Dev</b>	0.0017	0.0160	0.0009	0.0009	0.0088	0.0336	0.040	0.0366
<b>C (95%)</b>	0.0011	0.0092	0.0006	0.0006	0.0053	0.0194	0.025	0.0195

Sample	Cu	Co	V	Nb	Al	Ti	Ta	W
1	0.0565	0.0567	0.1020	0.1940	0.0455	0.3420	0.0286	0.0089
2	0.0565	0.0574	0.1046	0.1940	0.0456	0.3439	0.0301	0.0094
3	0.0574	0.0578	0.1070	0.1946	0.0464	0.3459	0.0302	0.0095
4	0.0581	0.0580	0.1070	0.1950	0.0470	0.3459	0.0304	0.0097
5	0.0584	0.0589	0.1080	0.1960	0.0485	0.3460	0.0309	0.0097
6	0.0587	0.0594	0.1084	0.1984	0.0489	0.3462	0.0309	0.0099
7	0.0587	0.0598	0.1090	0.1998	0.0491	0.3470	0.0316	0.0100
8	0.0588	0.0600	0.1110	0.2003	0.0494	0.3492	0.0318	0.0112
9	0.0588	0.0601	0.1125	0.2030	0.0497	0.3500		0.0113
10	0.0589	0.0617	0.1128	0.2040	0.0498	0.3503		0.0118
11	0.0593	0.0618	0.1129	0.2050	0.0502	0.3540		
12	0.0600	0.0622	0.1131	0.2068	0.0522	0.3545		
13	0.0602	0.0624	0.1164	0.2083				
14	0.0605	0.0630		0.2096				
15		0.0632						
<b>Mean</b>	<b>0.0586</b>	<b>0.0602</b>	<b>0.1096</b>	<b>0.2006</b>	<b>0.0485</b>	<b>0.3479</b>	<b>0.0306</b>	<b>0.0101</b>
<b>Std Dev</b>	0.0012	0.0021	0.0040	0.0055	0.0020	0.0038	0.0010	0.0010
<b>C (95%)</b>	0.0007	0.0012	0.0024	0.0032	0.0013	0.0024	0.0008	0.0007

Note:  $C_{(95\%)}$  is the 95% half-width confidence interval derived from the equation:

$$C_{(95\%)} = (t \times SD) / \sqrt{n}$$

where n is the number of available values, t is the Student's t value for n-1 degrees of freedom, and SD is the standard deviation of the test results.