

# CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

**13X 30908 (batch A)**

## Certified Reference Material Information

Type: STAINLESS STEEL type AISI 309 (WROUGHT)  
Form and Size: Disc, ~38mm diameter  
Manufactured by: Commercial Barstock  
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>	<b>0.0560</b>	<b>0.320</b>	<b>0.0011</b>	<b>0.0267</b>	<b>1.638</b>	<b>12.05</b>	<b>22.51</b>	<b>0.221</b>
Uncertainty <sup>2</sup>	0.0016	0.009	0.0002	0.0010	0.010	0.06	0.09	0.006

Element	Cu	Co	V	Nb	Al	Ca	B	N
Value <sup>1</sup>	<b>0.269</b>	<b>0.120</b>	<b>0.128</b>	<b>0.0142</b>	<b>0.0035</b>	<b>(0.0005)</b>	<b>0.0027</b>	<b>0.0652</b>
Uncertainty <sup>2</sup>	0.004	0.004	0.003	0.0012	0.0008	-	0.0004	0.0017

Note: values given in parentheses are not certified - they are provided for information only.

## 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.

## Certified by:

MBH ANALYTICAL LIMITED \_\_\_\_\_ on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2012  
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## **Method of Preparation**

This reference material was produced from commercial barstock to UNS S30908. The steel was EAF melted and AOD refined, but the metallurgical finishing practice for the bar is unknown.

## **Sampling**

Samples for chemical analysis were taken from various positions throughout the batch. At least 10% of all discs were selected for non-destructive homogeneity testing.

## **Homogeneity**

The discs were checked for lateral segregation, and for local and batch homogeneity using an optical emission spectrometer.

Using the combined data from each surface, standard deviation values were derived for each element as an indicator of any non-homogeneity (as determined for the specific sample size taken by 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. In addition, some of the results derived as part of this testing programme have 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.

The recommended sample size is at least five replicate analyses. 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	0.0520	0.310	0.0007	0.0240	1.605	11.90	22.30	0.210
2	0.0530	0.311	0.0008	0.0242	1.610	11.94	22.36	0.213
3	0.0533	0.312	0.0009	0.0254	1.626	11.98	22.37	0.213
4	0.0537	0.313	0.0009	0.0259	1.628	12.02	22.47	0.215
5	0.0551	0.315	0.0011	0.0259	1.632	12.03	22.49	0.217
6	0.0559	0.320	0.0012	0.0268	1.633	12.05	22.50	0.217
7	0.0570	0.323	0.0012	0.0268	1.640	12.05	22.55	0.221
8	0.0570	0.323	0.0012	0.0269	1.642	12.09	22.55	0.221
9	0.0577	0.325	0.0013	0.0270	1.652	12.10	22.57	0.224
10	0.0580	0.327	0.0013	0.0280	1.653	12.11	22.59	0.229
11	0.0589	0.337		0.0286	1.655	12.13	22.66	0.235
12	0.0599			0.0289	1.656	12.17	22.69	0.240
13				0.0292	1.656			
<b>Mean</b>	<b>0.0560</b>	<b>0.320</b>	<b>0.0011</b>	<b>0.0267</b>	<b>1.638</b>	<b>12.05</b>	<b>22.51</b>	<b>0.221</b>
<b>Std Dev</b>	0.0025	0.008	0.0002	0.0017	0.017	0.08	0.12	0.009
<b>C (95%)</b>	0.0016	0.006	0.0002	0.0010	0.010	0.05	0.08	0.006

Sample	Cu	Co	V	Nb	Al	Ca	B	N
1	0.260	0.112	0.121	0.0110	0.0015	0.0001	0.0019	0.0604
2	0.260	0.113	0.122	0.0116	0.0020	0.00014	0.0020	0.0627
3	0.261	0.116	0.122	0.0120	0.0025	0.00014	0.0022	0.0636
4	0.266	0.120	0.126	0.0135	0.0029	0.0002	0.0024	0.0644
5	0.267	0.120	0.128	0.0137	0.0029	0.0008	0.0025	0.0646
6	0.269	0.120	0.129	0.0144	0.0031	0.0009	0.0027	0.0647
7	0.270	0.122	0.129	0.0145	0.0031	0.0009	0.0029	0.0653
8	0.270	0.124	0.130	0.0146	0.0035		0.0033	0.0666
9	0.273	0.126	0.130	0.0155	0.0049		0.0034	0.0674
10	0.276	0.128	0.131	0.0160	0.0050		0.0037	0.0680
11	0.277		0.131	0.0166	0.0051			0.0690
12	0.279		0.132	0.0167	0.0055			
13			0.136					
<b>Mean</b>	<b>0.269</b>	<b>0.120</b>	<b>0.128</b>	<b>0.0142</b>	<b>0.0035</b>	<b>(0.0005)</b>	<b>0.0027</b>	<b>0.0652</b>
<b>Std Dev</b>	0.007	0.005	0.004	0.0019	0.0013	-	0.0006	0.0025
<b>C (95%)</b>	0.004	0.004	0.003	0.0012	0.0008	-	0.0004	0.0017

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.

## Participating Laboratories

Exova Materials Testing Metals Technology (Testing) Ltd Sheffield Assay Office Universal Scientific Laboratory Laboratory Testing, Inc 0117 Genitest, Inc 123077 Institute of Iron and Steel Technology Sargam Laboratory Pvt Ltd TCR Engineering Services Ltd Raghavendra Spectrometallurgical Lab. Instytut Metalurgii Zelaza De Bruyn Spectroscopic Solutions Ltd Coleshill Laboratories Ltd London & Scandinavian Met. Co Ltd	Middlesbrough, England Sheffield, England Sheffield, England Milperra, NSW, Australia Hatfield, PA, USA  Montreal, Canada  Shanghai, China Chennai, India Mumbai, India Bangalore, India Gliwice, Poland Johannesburg, South Africa Birmingham, England Rotherham, England	UKAS accreditation 0239 UKAS accreditation 0963 UKAS accreditation 0012 NATA accreditation 0492 A2LA accreditation  PRI accreditation  CNAL accreditation 0783 NABL accreditation T025 NABL accreditation 0367 NABL accreditation 0371 PCA accreditation AB554
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Note: to achieve the above-noted accreditation (eg UKAS, NATA, etc), test houses must demonstrate conformity to the general requirements of EN ISO/IEC 17025.

## Analytical Methods Used

ELEMENT	RESULT No. & METHOD		
	ICP-AES	FAAS	OTHER
Carbon	-	-	all combustion (IR or volumetric detection)
Silicon	1, 2, 5, 8, 10, 11	-	3, 6, 9 photometric (molybdenum blue) 4, 7 gravimetric (perchloric acid)
Sulfur	6, 10	-	1-5, 7-9 combustion (IR or volumetric detection)
Phosphorus	1-3, 5-8, 13	-	4, 9, 10 volumetric (alkalimetric) 11, 12 photometric (molybdenum blue)
Manganese	1, 2, 5, 9-13	3, 7, 8	4 volumetric (arsenite) 6 photometric (periodate)
Nickel	1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 10, 12	11	5, 6, 9 gravimetric (dimethyl glyoxime) 3 volumetric (dimethyl glyoxime/EDTA)
Chromium	1, 3, 5, 6, 8, 11, 12	-	2, 4, 7, 9, 10 volumetric (ferrous ammonium sulfate)
Molybdenum	1, 4-9, 11	2, 3, 12	10 photometric (thiocyanate)
Copper	2-5, 8, 10-12	1, 7, 9	6 photometric (BCO)
Cobalt	2, 3, 5-10	1, 4	
Vanadium	2-8, 10-12	9, 13	1 ICP-MS
Niobium	1-4, 6-11	-	5 photometric (chlorosulfophenol) 12 ICP-MS
Aluminium	1-7, 9, 10, 12	8, 11	
Calcium	2-7	1	
Boron	1-10	-	
Nitrogen	-	-	1 photometric (Nessler reagent) 3, 7 volumetric (hydrochloric acid) 2, 4-6, 8,-11 inert gas fusion (thermal conductivity)

## Notes

This Certified Reference Material has been produced and certified in accordance with the requirements of ISO Guide 34-2009, ISO Guide 31-2000 and ISO Guide 35-2006, taking into account the requirements of the ISO Guide to the Expression of Uncertainty in Measurement (GUM).

This certification is applicable to the whole of the disc. However, in accordance with normal practice for OES, it is appropriate to avoid usage of the central portion of approx 6mm diameter.

This material will remain stable indefinitely, provided adequate precautions are taken to protect it from cross-contamination, extremes of temperature and atmospheric moisture. All production records will be retained for a period of 20 years from the date of this certificate. This certification will therefore expire in August 2032, although we reserve the right to make changes as issue revisions, in the intervening period.