

# CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

**34X 79830 (batch A)**

## Certified Reference Material Information

Type: NICKEL SILVER (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	Sn	Pb	Zn	Fe	Ni	Co	Mn	Al
Value <sup>1</sup>	0.1158	2.033	41.80	0.079	9.76	(0.0012)	0.311	0.0012
Uncertainty <sup>2</sup>	0.0015	0.012	0.09	0.002	0.05	-	0.003	0.0002

Element	Sb	P	As	Ag	S	C	Cu
Value <sup>1</sup>	0.0041	0.0047	0.0070	0.0028	(0.0005)	(0.0052)	45.88
Uncertainty <sup>2</sup>	0.0004	0.0003	0.0005	0.0003	-	-	0.07

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.

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on 18<sup>th</sup> August 2014

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## **Method of Preparation**

This reference material was produced from commercial barstock to UNS C79830. The metal was continuous cast, hot-rolled and cold-finished.

## **Sampling**

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

## **Homogeneity**

The discs were checked for sample and batch uniformity using an optical emission spectrometer.

Using the meaned 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 mostly 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, described 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: Copper alloys are generally prepared by machining on a mill or a lathe. 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.

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	Sn	Pb	Zn	Fe	Ni	Co	Mn	Al
1	0.1134	2.010	41.69	0.0745	9.661	0.0005	0.300	0.0007
2	0.1138	2.016	41.72	0.0748	9.661	0.0006	0.300	0.0010
3	0.1140	2.024	41.72	0.0766	9.710	0.0008	0.304	0.0010
4	0.1140	2.024	41.75	0.0766	9.717	0.0008	0.307	0.0011
5	0.1141	2.025	41.75	0.0769	9.724	0.0013	0.308	0.0011
6	0.1147	2.028	41.77	0.0772	9.731	0.0014	0.309	0.0012
7	0.1155	2.032	41.77	0.0776	9.735	0.0014	0.310	0.0012
8	0.1156	2.036	41.82	0.0787	9.759	0.0018	0.311	0.0014
9	0.1160	2.039	41.90	0.0798	9.787	0.0018	0.311	0.0014
10	0.1169	2.039	41.93	0.0800	9.808	0.0019	0.312	0.0014
11	0.1189	2.043	41.95	0.0805	9.820	0.0019	0.313	0.0016
12	0.1190	2.044		0.0806	9.823		0.315	0.0016
13	0.1193	2.049		0.0812	9.841		0.317	
14		2.050		0.0813	9.863		0.320	
15				0.0828			0.321	
<b>Mean</b>	<b>0.1158</b>	<b>2.033</b>	<b>41.80</b>	<b>0.0786</b>	<b>9.760</b>	<b>(0.0012)</b>	<b>0.311</b>	<b>0.0012</b>
<b>Std Dev</b>	0.0021	0.012	0.09	0.0025	0.065	-	0.006	0.0003
<b>C<sub>(95%)</sub></b>	0.0013	0.007	0.06	0.0014	0.037	-	0.003	0.0002

Sample	Sb	P	As	Ag	S	C	Cu
1	0.0033	0.0040	0.0053	0.0021	0.0001	0.0034	45.75
2	0.0036	0.0040	0.0056	0.0022	0.00015	0.0047	45.76
3	0.0036	0.0041	0.0062	0.0023	0.0002	0.0053	45.80
4	0.0039	0.0042	0.0067	0.0024	0.00028	0.0055	45.85
5	0.0040	0.0044	0.0068	0.0025	0.00099	0.0070	45.87
6	0.0041	0.0045	0.0069	0.0026	0.00151		45.89
7	0.0042	0.0046	0.0070	0.0026	<0.002		45.90
8	0.0043	0.0049	0.0073	0.0027			45.90
9	0.0046	0.0050	0.0074	0.0027			45.90
10	0.0047	0.0052	0.0075	0.0028			45.91
11	0.0051	0.0052	0.0076	0.0031			45.92
12		0.0053	0.0077	0.0031			45.94
13		0.0056	0.0078	0.0031			45.96
14			0.0079	0.0034			45.99
15				0.0037			
<b>Mean</b>	<b>0.0041</b>	<b>0.0047</b>	<b>0.0070</b>	<b>0.0028</b>	<b>(0.0005)</b>	<b>(0.0052)</b>	<b>45.88</b>
<b>Std Dev</b>	0.0005	0.0005	0.0008	0.0005	-	-	0.07
<b>C<sub>(95%)</sub></b>	0.0004	0.0003	0.0005	0.0003	-	-	0.04

Note: C<sub>(95%)</sub> 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 Ltd	Middlesbrough, England	UKAS accreditation 0239
Sheffield Assay Office	Sheffield, England	UKAS accreditation 0012
Universal Scientific Laboratory Pty Ltd	Milperra, NSW, Australia	NATA accreditation 0492
Laboratory Testing, Inc	Hatfield, PA, USA	A2LA accreditation 0117
Luo Yang Copper	Luo Yang, He Nan, China	CNAL accreditation 0173
Shanghai Jinyi Test Tech Co	Shanghai, China	CNAS accreditation L0041
Shandong Metallurgical & Science Research	Jinan, Shandong, China	CNAS accreditation 1461
Bureau Veritas CPS Pvt Ltd	Chennai, India	NABL accreditation 0025
Raghavendra Spectromet Laboratory	Bangalore, India	NABL accreditation 0371
TCR Engineering Services Ltd	Mumbai, India	NABL accreditation 0367
Institute of Non-Ferrous Metals	Gliwice, Poland	PCA accreditation AB274
Tec-Eurolab	Campogalliano, Italy	ACCREDIA accreditation 52
Colonial Metals Co	Columbia, PA, USA	
London & Scandinavian Met. Co	Rotherham, England	
Colehill Laboratories Ltd	Birmingham, England	
Lithea sro	Brno, Czech Republic	

Note: to achieve the above accreditation (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	
Tin	1, 5, 7-13	2, 6	3 4	XRF volumetric (iodate)
Lead	2, 3, 5-7, 9-11, 14	4, 8, 13	1 12	volumetric (EDTA) electrogravimetric
Zinc	3, 4, 6, 7, 11	-	1, 2, 5, 8-10	volumetric (EDTA)
Iron	2-5, 7-9, 11, 13-15	1, 6, 10, 12		
Nickel	2, 4, 5, 7-9, 13	10, 14	1, 6 3, 11 12	photometric (dimethyl glyoxime) gravimetric (dimethyl glyoxime) XRF
Cobalt	2, 4-7, 9-11	1, 3, 8		
Manganese	1-3, 6, 7, 9, 11-13	4, 5, 8, 14	10	XRF
Aluminium	3-7, 9-12	1, 2, 8		
Antimony	2, 3, 5, 8-11	1, 4, 6	7	photometric (crystal violet)
Phosphorus	2-4, 6, 8, 9, 12	-	1, 5, 7 10, 11, 13	photometric (molybdenum yellow) volumetric (alkalimetric)
Arsenic	1, 2, 4, 5, 7-14	3, 6		
Silver	1, 3-5, 7, 9, 11-15	2, 6, 8, 10		
Sulfur	4, 5	-	1-3, 6, 7	combustion (IR or volumetric detection)
Carbon	-	-	all	combustion (IR or volumetric detection)
Copper	1, 6, 9, 12, 13	-	4, 5, 7, 11 2, 3, 8, 10, 14	electrogravimetric volumetric (thiosulfate)

## Notes

This Certified Reference Material has been produced and certified, wherever possible, 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 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. Technical support for this certification will therefore expire in August 2034, although we reserve the right to make changes as issue revisions, in the intervening period.

This sample is also available in the form of chippings.

The manufacture, analysis and certification of this product were supervised by C Eveleigh, PhD, Technical Director, MBH Analytical Ltd.

The material to which this certificate of analysis refers is supplied subject to our general conditions of sale.