

CERTIFICATE OF REFERENCE MATERIAL

BI
Ounce metal

The assigned certified values¹ and uncertainties²

	BI1		BI2		BI3		BI4	
Sn	%							
	3.19	±0.13	4.18	±0.18	5.011	±0.079	7.69	±0.14
Pb	%							
	-		-		4.522	±0.060	3.82	±0.24
Zn	%							
	3.55	±0.21	5.73	±0.35	7.23	±0.25	10.22	±0.42
Al	%							
	0.181	±0.043	-		0.0344	±0.0019	-	-
Fe	%							
	0.418	±0.031	0.308	±0.017	0.1669	±0.0059	0.0828	±0.0021
Sb	%							
	0.578	±0.023	0.432	±0.014	0.235	±0.012	0.0753	±0.0081
As	%							
	0.138	±0.013	-		0.0521	±0.0033	-	-
Ni	%							
	2.411	±0.089	1.457	±0.054	0.290	±0.020	0.0834	±0.0018
Mn	%							
	0.263	±0.025	0.146	±0.019	0.0821	±0.0040	0.0249	±0.0023
Bi	%							
	0.120	±0.018	0.0699	±0.0044	0.0284	±0.0021	29.6	±1.3
P	%							
	0.698	±0.061	0.585	±0.054	0.321	±0.017	0.0288	±0.0034
Si	%							
	0.233	±0.011	0.129	±0.012	0.0756	±0.0041	-	-
Cu	The rest							

¹ Unweighted mean value of the means of accepted sets of data, each set being obtained in a different laboratory and/or with a different method of determination.

² The certified uncertainty is the expanded uncertainty with a coverage factor $k=2$, corresponding to a level of confidence of about 95%.

Not certified values

	BI1	BI2	BI3	BI4
	%		mg/kg	
Pb	6.97	5.48	-	-
S	0.025	0.011	39	29
As	-	0.11	-	100
Si	-	-	-	97
Al	-	0.077	-	21

Value for Pb, S, As, Si, Al are presented as informative because the values were reported only by two laboratories

The work was carried out in co-operation with the National Institute of Standards and Technology NIST, USA

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Description of the material:

The certified reference material is available in the form of disc (40 mm in diameter and 25 mm height).

Traceability:

The certified values are traceable to the SI via calibration using pure metals, certified monoelement standard solutions and certified reference materials i.e. 33X 54400 (batch A), 33X GM21 (batch A) produced by MBH Analytical Ltd. All values were confirmed in an inter-laboratory comparison using independent analytical methods.

Analytical methods applied for characterization:

Sn – Inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry (ICP-OES), Atomic absorption spectrometry (AAS)

Pb – Inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry (ICP-OES), Atomic absorption spectrometry (AAS)

Zn – Inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry (ICP-OES), Atomic absorption spectrometry (AAS)

Al – Inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry (ICP-OES), Atomic absorption spectrometry (AAS) after Cu electrolysis

Fe – Inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry (ICP-OES), Atomic absorption spectrometry (AAS)

Sb – Inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry (ICP-OES), Atomic absorption spectrometry (AAS)

As – Inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry (ICP-OES), Atomic absorption spectrometry (AAS) directly and after co-precipitation on $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_3$

Ni – Inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry (ICP-OES), Atomic absorption spectrometry (AAS) and Spectrophotometric with dimethyl glyoxime

Mn – Inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry (ICP-OES), Atomic absorption spectrometry (AAS)

Bi – Inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry (ICP-OES), Atomic absorption spectrometry (AAS) after co-precipitation on $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_3$

P – Inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry (ICP-OES), Atomic absorption spectrometry (AAS)

Si – weight method, Optical emission spectrometry with low-voltage spark excitation (spark-OES)

S – Inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry (ICP-OES)

Participating laboratories:

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4. Walcowania Metali „Dziedzice” S.A., Czechowice – Dziedzice, Poland
5. Huta Metali Nieżelaznych „Szopienice” S.A., Katowice, Poland

Intended use:

The CRM is intended for establishing or checking the calibration of chemical analysis methods, for validation and to demonstrate results traceability of samples with similar matrix composition (not verified for micro-analysis).

Minimum sample size:

Minimum 0.5 g of the CRM is required.

Instructions for storage and use:

Storage the material in a dry and clean environment at room temperature.

Transport at normal conditions.

Overheating of the material during preparation should be avoided. Samples should be prepared in the same way as the CRM. Such preparation does not result in change of certified values.

Brief description of the production and certification process:

The material was produced by Łukasiewicz - IMN. Homogeneity investigations were made taking into account about 30% of the material produced. Investigations were carried out using optical emission spectrometry with low voltage spark excitation source (spark-OES). Homogeneity was estimated statistically with analysis of variance (ANOVA).

The certification of BI is valid 50 years, within the measurement uncertainties specified, provided the CRM is handled in accordance with the instructions given in this certificate.

Expired date:

50 years

Certificate Revision History: September 1999 (original certificate date); 30th of November 2024 (additional information about: expanded uncertainties, traceability, participating laboratories, methods used for certification, minimum sample size, instruction for storage and use and expire date was added, change of graphic design)

Since 2018 our production of the certified reference materials is carried out in accordance with requirements of the ISO 17034 standard.

The Łukasiewicz Research Network —Institute of Non-Ferrous Metals holds an accreditation of the Polish Centre for Accreditation as a reference material producer according to ISO 17034 with certificate number RM 006.

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