



## CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

### Tin alloy

The assigned values<sup>1</sup> and uncertainties<sup>2</sup> in % w/w

Element	No.	LCA6	
Cu		<b>5.461</b>	±0.066
Pb		<b>0.304</b>	±0.012
Sb		<b>0.393</b>	±0.040
Bi		<b>0.216</b>	±0.014
Ag		<b>2.664</b>	±0.044
As		<b>0.0622</b>	±0.0032
Cd		<b>0.0037</b>	±0.0003
Fe		<b>0.0221</b>	±0.0022
Ni		<b>0.0202</b>	±0.0021
Sn		base	

<sup>1</sup> 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.

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

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Certified on December 2015



Description of the material:

The certified reference materials are available in the form of discs (40 mm diameter and ~25 height).

Traceability:

Most of the analytical work performed to assess this material has been carried out by laboratories with proven competence, often indicated by the national authority. LCA6 is in accordance with LBA series produced by IMN and CRMs 71X SR3 and 74X AO produced by MBH Analytical Ltd.

Analytical methods applied:

Cu, Pb, Sb, Bi, Ag, As, Cd, Fe, Ni – Inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry (ICP OES),  
Spark optical emission spectrometry (spark OES)  
Flame atomic absorption spectrometry (FAAS),

Participants:

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- Optical Emission Spectrometry Laboratory
- Atomic Absorption Spectrometry Laboratory

Universal Scientific Laboratory Pty Ltd, Milperra, Australia

Exova Ltd, Middlesbrough, England

Intended use:

The CRM is intended for establishing or checking the calibration of optical emission and X-ray spectrometers for analysis of samples of similar matrix composition (for micro-analysis is not verified).

Instructions for use:

Before every use, the surface of CRM must be prepared by milling or turning on a lathe. Samples should be prepared in the same way as the CRM.

Brief description of the production and certification process:

The CRM<sub>s</sub> – LCA6 was made by melting of all components in the inductive, of crucible furnace and by casting into special moulds protecting elimination of segregation of the components during solidification. Homogeneity testing were made taking into account over 50% of the material produced. Investigations were carried out using atomic emission spectrometry method with low voltage spark. Homogeneity was estimated statistically with application of the test F.

The certification of LCA6 is valid indefinitely, within the measurement uncertainties specified, provided the CRM is handled in accordance with the instructions given in this certificate.