

C, S determination in nickel alloy



Suitable analyzers

- ELEMENTRAC CS-i

Used accessories

- Ceramic crucibles (90149)
- Tungsten (90220)
- Suitable calibration material (NIST or other)



Application Settings

I) General

Sample type: Advanced
 Standby flow: 180 l/h
 Purging while closing: yes
 Open Furnace: yes
 Furnace purge through: Exhaust
 Furnace purge time: 3 sec
 Furnace purge flow: 180 l/h

Stabilizing

Stabilize by time: on
 Stabilize duration: 20 sec

II) Analysis

Voltage: 100 %
 Power duration: 80 sec
 Flow: 180 l/h
 Chamber only: 0 sec
 Lance and chamber: 0 sec
 Drift compensation: on

Channel	Max time [sec]	Min time [sec]	Integration delay [sec]	Comparator factor [%]
Low C	80	40	6	0.1
Low S	80	30	6	0.1

III) Postwaiting

Postwaiting time: 10 sec

Subject to technical modification and errors

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Sample preparation

Make sure that your sample is free from contaminations which could influence the carbon and sulfur determination. When necessary clean the sample with acetone p.a. or use abrasive paper to clean the surface.

Procedure

- Prepare ELTRA analyzer (e.g. exchange anhydron, sodium hydroxide, platin catalyst if necessary); clean the combustion tube, brush, heat shield, dust trap
- Run three warm up samples (e.g. steel samples (92400-3050) with a minimum weight of 500 mg; add 1.7 g tungsten)
- Calibrate the analyzer with suitable calibration material (NIST or other)

The procedure of analysis nickel alloys should be like this:

- (1) Weigh in approx. 500 mg of nickel alloy
- (2) Add 1.7 g of tungsten accelerator (90220)

Repeat steps (1) – (2) at least three times;

Mark the results and use the calibration function in the software.

-> **Now start with the actual analysis.**



Typical results		
BCS/SS-CRM No. 387/1 Nimonic 901 alloy C: 330 ppm ±20 ppm; S: 28 ppm ±5		
Weight (mg)	Carbon (ppm)	Sulfur (ppm)
500.1	328	27.4
503.6	332	28.5
500.0	329	27.3
500.1	331	27.9
500.4	329	27.8
501.6	327	28.2
505.7	332	28.3
499.4	328	27.5
501.0	330	28.2
502.1	329	27.5
Average Values		
	330	28
Deviation / Relative deviation (%)		
	1.8 ppm (0.5%)	0.4 ppm (1.5%)

