

# O, N determination in steel samples (single graphite crucibles)



## Suitable analyzers

- ON 900
- ONH 2000



Impulse furnace

## Used accessories

- Graphite crucibles (90190)
- Suitable calibration material (NIST or other)

## Settings

- Comparator level: 5 mV (low oxygen); 20 mV (other)
- Minimum time: 15 sec (oxygen); 35 sec (nitrogen)
- Maximum time: 3:00 min
- Post waiting: 20 sec
- Base line deviation: 20 mV; Step: 16 mV; Time: 10 sec
- Mode: continuous
- Outgas
  - Time: 45 sec
  - Power: 5 kW
- Time
  - Purge: 15 sec
  - Stability: 45 sec
- Integration delay
  - IR cell: 2 sec
  - TC cell: 10 sec
- Analyse (1)
  - Time: 40 sec
  - Power (1): 4 kW
  - Power (2): 4 kW



ON 900



ONH 2000

## Sample preparation

Make sure that the surface of the steel is free from contaminations; otherwise clean the sample with acetone p.a. and let dry at atmosphere.

## Procedure

- Prepare ELTRA analyzer (exchange anhydride, sodium hydroxide, copper oxide when necessary), clean furnace, sample drop mechanism, electrode tip
- Run three blanks with empty crucibles
- Calibrate the analyzer with suitable calibration material (NIST or other)
  - (1) Place empty crucible (90190) on the electrode tip, close furnace (F2 Button)
  - (2) Weigh calibration material (usually pins)
  - (3) Place calibration material in the sample drop mechanism and start analysis (F5 Button)

Repeat steps (1) – (3) at least three times; Mark the results and use the calibration function in the software.

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

Typical results		
Steel: Eltra 91100-1004		
Weight (mg)	ppm O	ppm N
1015.8	153.4	65.5
1016.0	153.2	64.8
1012.8	150.2	65.3
1015.0	140.6	64.9
1015.9	142.5	66.2
1011.8	141.8	62.6
1017.4	148.1	65.6
1017.7	147.7	61.7
1018.4	152.7	68.1
1017.1	153.2	63.3
Average values		
	148.34	64.8
Deviation		
	5.08 / 3.42%	1.85 / 2.86%

Typical results		
Steel: AR 659		
Weight (mg)	ppm O	ppm N
511.5	119.4	67.1
508.7	117.6	61.7
511.7	123.3	68.7
509.0	118.2	62.3
509.0	120.3	66.4
523.4	120.9	63.1
511.1	119.0	66.6
511.9	119.9	65.0
511.6	119.2	67.8
510.9	118.6	66.4
Average values		
	119.64	65.51
Deviation		
	1.61 / 1.34%	2.39 / 3.65%