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**EUROPÄISCHES KOMITEE FÜR EISEN-UND STAHLNORMUNG**  
 EUROPEAN CERTIFIED REFERENCE MATERIAL (EURONORM – CRM)  
 CERTIFICATE OF CHEMICAL ANALYSIS  
 EURONORM – CRM No. **270-1** High alloy steel

**Similar to EN 1.4835**  
 LABORATORY MEANS (4 values) - Mass content in %

| Line No              | C             | Si            | Mn            | P             | S              | Cr            | Mo            | Ni            | Co            | Cu            | N             | V             | Ce            | La            |
|----------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1                    | 0.0718        | -----         | 0.5285        | -----         | 0.00043        | 20.763        | 0.1998        | 10.772        | 0.0653        | 0.1022        | 0.1380        | 0.0241        | 0.0449        | 0.0130        |
| 2                    | 0.0726        | 1.4920        | 0.5287        | 0.0176        | 0.00053        | 20.771        | 0.2028        | 10.774        | 0.0659        | 0.1048        | 0.1381        | 0.0242        | 0.0450        | 0.0141        |
| 3                    | 0.0732        | 1.4944        | 0.5294        | 0.0185        | 0.00055        | 20.825        | 0.2031        | 10.836        | 0.0670        | 0.1053        | 0.1391        | 0.0244        | 0.0452        | 0.0145        |
| 4                    | 0.0732        | 1.5025        | 0.5308        | 0.0188        | 0.00055        | 20.829        | 0.2043        | 10.841        | 0.0671        | 0.1056        | 0.1402        | 0.0247        | 0.0456        | 0.0147        |
| 5                    | 0.0732        | 1.5050        | 0.5327        | 0.0188        | 0.00060        | 20.835        | 0.2055        | 10.861        | 0.0673        | 0.1061        | 0.1402        | 0.0253        | 0.0466        | 0.0152        |
| 6                    | 0.0734        | 1.5080        | 0.5345        | 0.0192        | 0.00065        | 20.837        | 0.2065        | 10.867        | 0.0676        | 0.1063        | 0.1404        | 0.0253        | 0.0471        | 0.0152        |
| 7                    | 0.0735        | 1.5097        | 0.5358        | 0.0195        | -----          | 20.861        | 0.2074        | 10.868        | 0.0677        | 0.1064        | 0.1408        | 0.0257        | 0.0489        | 0.0153        |
| 8                    | 0.0737        | 1.5180        | 0.5387        | 0.0197        | 0.00069        | 20.868        | 0.2093        | 10.869        | 0.0683        | 0.1071        | 0.1411        | 0.0257        | 0.0490        | 0.0153        |
| 9                    | 0.0739        | 1.5185        | 0.5407        | 0.0197        | 0.00073        | 20.875        | 0.2095        | 10.875        | 0.0689        | 0.1076        | 0.1416        | 0.0258        | 0.0492        | 0.0155        |
| 10                   | 0.0743        | 1.5249        | 0.5408        | 0.0198        | 0.00073        | 20.886        | 0.2100        | 10.886        | 0.0691        | 0.1086        | 0.1417        | 0.0259        | 0.0492        | 0.0158        |
| 11                   | 0.0749        | 1.5261        | 0.5428        | 0.0199        | 0.00075        | 20.900        | 0.2111        | 10.896        | 0.0691        | 0.1090        | 0.1420        | 0.0261        | 0.0493        | 0.0159        |
| 12                   | 0.0750        | 1.5280        | 0.5441        | 0.0200        | 0.00075        | 20.932        | 0.2127        | 10.896        | 0.0694        | 0.1096        | 0.1434        | 0.0261        | 0.0498        | 0.0160        |
| 13                   | 0.0754        | 1.5284        | 0.5443        | 0.0201        | 0.00096        | 20.976        | 0.2130        | 10.897        | 0.0698        | 0.1102        | 0.1445        | 0.0262        | 0.0503        | 0.0163        |
| 14                   | 0.0769        | 1.5365        | 0.5458        | 0.0202        | -----          | 21.016        | 0.2139        | 10.911        | 0.0699        | 0.1103        | 0.1465        | 0.0269        | 0.0505        | 0.0163        |
| 15                   | 0.0776        | 1.5438        | 0.5504        | 0.0203        | -----          | 21.017        | 0.2140        | -----         | 0.0707        | 0.1104        | 0.1480        | 0.0277        | 0.0512        | 0.0168        |
| 16                   | -----         | -----         | 0.5517        | 0.0205        | -----          | -----         | 0.2145        | -----         | 0.0709        | -----         | -----         | -----         | 0.0513        | 0.0170        |
| 17                   | -----         | -----         | 0.5550        | 0.0206        | -----          | -----         | 0.2197        | -----         | -----         | 0.1124        | -----         | -----         | 0.0516        | -----         |
| 18                   | -----         | -----         | -----         | -----         | -----          | -----         | 0.2218        | -----         | 0.0711        | -----         | -----         | -----         | 0.0530        | -----         |
| <b>M<sub>M</sub></b> | <b>0.0742</b> | <b>1.5168</b> | <b>0.5396</b> | <b>0.0196</b> | <b>0.00066</b> | <b>20.879</b> | <b>0.2099</b> | <b>10.862</b> | <b>0.0685</b> | <b>0.1076</b> | <b>0.1417</b> | <b>0.0256</b> | <b>0.0487</b> | <b>0.0154</b> |
| <b>S<sub>M</sub></b> | 0.0016        | 0.0155        | 0.0084        | 0.0009        | 0.00014        | 0.079         | 0.0059        | 0.044         | 0.0018        | 0.0027        | 0.0029        | 0.0010        | 0.0025        | 0.0011        |
| <b>S<sub>w</sub></b> | 0.0005        | 0.0098        | 0.0030        | 0.0004        | 0.00005        | 0.024         | 0.0014        | 0.030         | 0.0009        | 0.0010        | 0.0011        | 0.0004        | 0.0010        | 0.0004        |

Additional values from laboratories, for information (in µg/g):

Al: 23, As: 34, Ba: 1.8, Dy: 0.01 and 0.015, Er: 0.004 and 0.005, Eu: 0.002 and < 0.001, Ga: 21, Gd: < 0.2 and 1.3, Ge: 6, Hf: 0.02, Ho: < 0.002 and 0.0015, Ir: 0.2, Lu: < 0.002 and < 0.001, Mg: 9, Nd: 74, 75 and 79, Os: 0.4, Pr: 29.5 and 29.5, Pt: 0.1, Rb: 6, Re: 0.4, Rh: 0.2, Ru: 2, Sb: 7, Sc: < 0.02 and < 0.006, Sm: 0.1 and < 0.006, Sn: 35, Ta: 0.1, Tb: < 0.045 and 0.033, Th: 0.002, Ti: 19, Tl: 0.006, Tm: < 0.002, U: 0.01, W: 244, Y: 0.014 and 0.18, Yb: < 0.003 and < 0.001, Zn: 7.4, Zr: 2

M<sub>M</sub>: Mean of the intralaboratory means

S<sub>M</sub>: Standard deviation of the intralaboratory means

S<sub>w</sub>: Intralaboratory standard deviation

The laboratory mean values have been examined statistically to eliminate outlying values.

Where a "-----" appears in the table it indicates that an outlying value has been eliminated by either the Cochran or Grubbs Test.

**CERTIFIED VALUES - Mass content in %**

|                      | C             | Si           | Mn           | P             | S             | Cr           | Mo            | Ni           |
|----------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| <b>M<sub>M</sub></b> | <b>0.0742</b> | <b>1.517</b> | <b>0.540</b> | <b>0.0196</b> | <b>0.0007</b> | <b>20.88</b> | <b>0.2099</b> | <b>10.86</b> |
| <b>C (95 %)</b>      | <b>0.0009</b> | <b>0.009</b> | <b>0.005</b> | <b>0.0005</b> | <b>0.0001</b> | <b>0.05</b>  | <b>0.0029</b> | <b>0.03</b>  |

|                      | Co            | Cu            | N             | V             | Ce            | La            |
|----------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>M<sub>M</sub></b> | <b>0.0685</b> | <b>0.1076</b> | <b>0.1417</b> | <b>0.0256</b> | <b>0.0487</b> | <b>0.0154</b> |
| <b>C (95 %)</b>      | <b>0.0009</b> | <b>0.0014</b> | <b>0.0016</b> | <b>0.0006</b> | <b>0.0013</b> | <b>0.0006</b> |

The half-width confidence interval C(95%) =  $\frac{t \times S_M}{\sqrt{n}}$  where "t" is the appropriate Student's t value and "n" is the number of acceptable mean values

For further information regarding the confidence interval for the certified value see ISO Guide 35:2006 sections 6.1 and 10.5.2

**This reference material was prepared in accordance with the recommendations set out in  
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EURONORM – CRM No. 270-1  
METHODS USED

| Element | Line number                        | Analytical methods  |
|---------|------------------------------------|---|
| C       | 1.2.3.4.5.6.7.8.9.10.11.12.13.15   | Combustion - infrared absorption  |
|         | 14                                 | Combustion - non-aqueous titration after absorption in organic solvent                                    |
| Si      | 2.3.5.6.9.10.12.13.14.15           | Gravimetry, dehydration with perchloric acid  |
|         | 4                                  | Spectrophotometry, molybdenum blue, without extraction  |
|         | 7.8.11.12                          | ICP-OES   |
| Mn      | 1.3.10.15.16                       | Spectrophotometry, periodate oxidation  |
|         | 2.5.6.7.8.9.12.13.14.17            | ICP-OES   |
|         | 4.11                               | FAAS  |
|         | 2.9.10.11.15                       | ICP-OES   |
| P       | 3                                  | ICP-MS  |
|         | 4.16                               | Spectrophotometry, molybdenum blue, extraction  |
|         | 5.6.14                             | Spectrophotometry, molybdenum blue, without extraction  |
|         | 7.8.12.13.17                       | Spectrophotometry, phosphovanadomolybdate, extraction   |
|         | 1.2.3.4.5.7.8.9.10.11.12           | Combustion - Infrared absorption  |
| S       | 13                                 | Spectrophotometry, methylene blue, evolution as H <sub>2</sub> S in hypophosphoric and formic acid medium |
|         | 1.5.10.12                          | ICP-OES   |
| Cr      | 2.3.4.6.7.9.11.14.15               | Titration with Fe (II), oxidation with persulphate  |
|         | 8                                  | Titration with Fe (II), oxidation with peroxide   |
|         | 13                                 | Titration with Fe (II), oxidation with perchloric acid  |
|         | 1.5.10.12                          | ICP-OES   |
| Mo      | 1.5.6.7.8.9.11.12.13.14.15.16.17   | ICP-OES   |
|         | 2                                  | Spectrophotometry, thiocyanate in presence of ascorbic acid, extraction                                   |
|         | 3                                  | ICP-MS  |
|         | 4                                  | FAAS  |
|         | 10                                 | Spectrophotometry, thiocyanate in presence of Sn (II), extraction   |
|         | 18                                 | Spectrophotometry, thiocyanate in presence of Sn (II), without extraction                                 |
| Ni      | 1.5                                | Titration with dichromate, separation with dimethylglyoxime   |
|         | 2.8.11.13                          | Gravimetry, dimethylglyoxime  |
|         | 3.4.7.9.10.12.14                   | ICP-OES   |
|         | 6                                  | Spectrophotometry, dimethylglyoxime, extraction   |
| Co      | 1.3.4.6.7.8.9.11.12.13.14.15.16    | ICP-OES   |
|         | 2.18                               | ICP-MS  |
|         | 5.10                               | FAAS  |
| Cu      | 1.2.7.8.9.11.12.13.14.15.17        | ICP-OES   |
|         | 3                                  | Spectrophotometry, diethyldithiocarbamate, extraction   |
|         | 4.10                               | FAAS  |
|         | 5                                  | ICP-MS  |
|         | 6                                  | Spectrophotometry, cuproine, without extraction   |
| N       | 1.2.3.4.5.6.8.9.10.11.13.14.15     | Thermal conductivity, decomposition in graphite crucible  |
|         | 7                                  | Spectrophotometry, indophenol blue, distillation  |
|         | 12                                 | Acidimetric titration after distillation, visual end point  |
| V       | 1.2.3.4.5.7.8.9.10.11.13.14.15     | ICP-OES   |
|         | 6                                  | ICP-MS  |
|         | 12                                 | FAAS  |
| Ce      | 1.2.4.5.6.7.8.10.11.12.13.14.15.18 | ICP-OES   |
|         | 3.9                                | ICP-MS  |
|         | 16                                 | Spectrophotometry, hydroxyquinoline   |
|         | 17                                 | GD-MS   |
| La      | 1.2.3.4.5.6.7.8.9.11.12.13.15      | ICP-OES   |
|         | 10.14                              | ICP-MS  |
|         | 16                                 | GD-MS   |

**Abbreviations:**

|         |  |
|---------|--|
| FAAS    | Flame Atomic Absorption Spectrometry                       |
| GD-MS   | Glow discharge – Mass Spectrometry                         |
| ICP-OES | Inductively Coupled Plasma – Optical Emission Spectrometry |
| ICP-MS  | Inductively Coupled Plasma – Mass Spectrometry             |

## DESCRIPTION OF THE SAMPLE

The ECRM 270-1 is available in the form of milling chips in bottles containing 100 g. It is also available as 38 mm diameter discs 25 mm thick. The chips were passed through a 2000 µm aperture sieve and further sieving was carried out to exclude chips passing through a 250 µm aperture sieve.

## INTENDED USE & STABILITY

The chip sample, ECRM 270-1 (C), is intended for the verification of analytical methods, such as those used by the participating laboratories, for the calibration of analytical instruments in cases where the calibration with primary substances (pure stoichiometric metals or compounds) is not possible and for establishing values for secondary reference materials.

It will remain stable provided that the bottle remains sealed and is stored in a cool, dry atmosphere. When the bottle has been opened the lid should be secured immediately after use. If the contents should become discoloured (eg oxidised) due to atmospheric contamination they should be discarded.

The solid (disc) sample, ECRM 270-1 (D), is intended for establishing and checking the calibration of instruments, such as Optical Emission Spectrometers and X-ray Spectrometers, for the analysis of samples of similar materials. The "as received" working surface of the sample should be finished before use in order to remove any protective coating. It will remain stable provided that it is not subjected to excessive heat (eg, during preparation of the working surface).

## TRACEABILITY

**The traceability of ECRM 270-1 has been established in accordance with principles of ISO Guides 30 – 35 and the International vocabulary of basic and general terms in metrology.**

The characterisation of this material has been achieved by inter-laboratory study, each laboratory using the method of their choice, details of which are given above. These methods are either stoichiometric analytical techniques or methods which are calibrated against pure metals or stoichiometric compounds. Most methods used were either international or national standard methods or methods which are technically equivalent.

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