



# National Institute of Standards & Technology

## Certificate of Analysis

### Standard Reference Material C1154a

#### Stainless Steel, 19 Cr - 13 Ni

(In Cooperation with the American Society for Testing and Materials)

This Standard Reference Material (SRM) is in the form of a disk approximately 32 mm (1 1/4 in) in diameter and 19 mm (3/4 in) thick, intended for use in optical emission and x-ray spectrometric methods of analysis.

<u>Element</u>	<u>Certified Value,<sup>1</sup> % by wt.</u>	<u>Estimated Uncertainty<sup>2</sup></u>
Carbon	0.100	0.005
Manganese	1.44	0.03
Phosphorus	0.06	0.01
Sulfur	0.051	0.002
Silicon	0.53	0.02
Copper	0.44	0.02
Nickel	13.08	0.06
Chromium	19.31	0.06
Vanadium	0.135	0.005
Molybdenum	0.068	0.005
Cobalt	0.38	0.01
Lead	0.017	0.001

<sup>1</sup> The certified value listed for a constituent is the present best estimate of the "true" value based on the results of the cooperative program for certification.

<sup>2</sup> The estimated uncertainty listed for a constituent is based on judgment and represents an evaluation of the combined effects of method imprecision, possible systematic errors among methods, and material variability. No attempt was made to derive exact statistical measures of imprecision because several methods were involved in the determination of most constituents.

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**METALLURGICAL CONDITION:** The specimens were chill cast by a rapid unidirectional solidification technique.

**CERTIFIED PORTION:** The certified portion for each specimen is that extending upward 16 mm (5/8 in) from the chill cast or test surface (the largest surface opposite the numbered surface). This portion only was analyzed in the cooperative program for certification.

The overall coordination of the technical measurements leading to certification was performed under the direction of J.I. Shultz, Research Associate, ASTM/NIST Research Associate Program.

The technical and support aspects involved in the preparation, certification, and issuance of this Standard Reference Material were coordinated through the Standard Reference Materials Program by P.A. Lundberg.

**PLANNING, PREPARATION, TESTING, ANALYSIS:** This stainless steel SRM is one of a set of four that has been prepared in a cooperative Industry-NIST program. The compositions have been tailored to provide concentration ranges for the elements normally specified in most austenitic stainless steels of the typical 18 Cr - 8 Ni type. A concentration range for a number of trace elements also has been provided to enhance the utility of the four standards.

The material for this standard was melted and cast at Esco Corporation, Portland, Oregon, L.E. Finch, under a NIST contract with the Steel Founders' Society of America (SFGA). A massive water-cooled, copper-plate mold assembly made by Esco for the SFGA was used in the preparation of the chill-castings. The preparation and plan for homogeneity testing was similar to that described in NBS Misc. Publ. 260-1, Standard Reference Materials: Preparation of NBS White Cast Iron Spectrochemical Standards, Robert E. Michaelis and LeRoy L. Wyman, June 19, 1964.

Homogeneity testing was carried out at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) by metallographic studies, C.H. Brady; by optical emission analysis, J.A. Norris, and by x-ray fluorescence analysis, P.A. Pella.

Composite samples for chemical analyses were prepared in the form of milling cut from the certified portion of representative specimens of the lot of chill castings.

Cooperative analyses for certification, carried out under the auspices of the ASTM/NIST Research Associate Program, were performed in the following analytical laboratories.

-Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corporation, Flat Rolled Products Division, Brackenridge, PA, A.I. Fulton and C.W. Hartig.

-Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corporation, Research Center, Brackenridge, PA, M.A. McMahon.

-Bethlehem Steel Corporation, Sparrows Point Plant, Sparrows Point, MD, F.T. Kowalczyk.

-Cyclops Corporation, Universal Cyclops Specialty Steel Division, Titusville, PA, A.V. Mirarchi and R.A. Hall.

National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Center for Analytical Chemistry, Inorganic Analytical Research Division, B.I. Diamondstone, J.D. Fassett, H.M. Kingston, L.A. Machlan, E.J. Maienthal, L.J. Moore, J.A. Norris, and P.J. Paulsen.

**Additional Information on the Composition:** Certification is made only for the elements indicated. This SRM, however, contains additional elements as indicated below. These are not certified, but are given as additional information on the composition.

<u>Element</u>	<u>Non-Certified Value</u> <u>% by wt.</u>
Arsenic	(0.030)
Boron	(0.002)
Niobium	(0.22)
Nitrogen	(0.077)
Selenium	(0.006)
Silver	(0.003)
Tantalum	(0.045)
Tellurium	(0.002)
Tin	(0.024)
Zirconium	(<0.001)

**CAUTIONS:**

1. Analyses made on other than the chill-cast surface and within the portion certified are not recommended because of the unidirectional solidification structure.
2. This stainless steel standard is designed for calibration in the analysis of samples prepared in the same manner; samples prepared by other casting techniques or having other than a chill-cast structure may exhibit systematic errors in the analytical results.