



National Institute of Standards & Technology

Certificate of Analysis

Standard Reference Material[®] 2175

Refractory Alloy MP-35-N

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

This Standard Reference Material (SRM) is in the form of chips sized between 0.50 mm and 1.18 mm sieve openings (35 mesh and 16 mesh) intended for use primarily in chemical methods of analysis. Material from the same lot is available in disk form as SRM 1775 for use in optical emission and X-ray spectrometric methods of analysis. A unit of SRM 2175 consists of 150 g of chips.

The certified values for 10 elements are listed in Table 1; reference values for four elements are listed in Table 2; information values for four elements are listed in Table 3. For all elements, values are reported as mass fractions [1]. Value assignment categories are based on the definitions of terms and modes used at NIST for chemical measurement of reference materials [2] and uncertainties are assessed according to the ISO Guide [3]. Table 4 summarizes the analytical chemical methods applied at NIST for the characterization of the composition of this SRM.

Certified Values and Uncertainties: The certified values for cobalt, chromium, nickel, molybdenum, and sulfur were determined by primary methods at NIST with confirmation from either a second NIST method or data from the cooperating laboratories. The certified values for manganese, vanadium, titanium, boron, and iron are certified on the basis of one method at NIST in combination with data from the outside participating laboratories. The uncertainties in the certified values are reported as ku_c , where k is the coverage factor for a 95 % confidence level and u_c is the “combined standard uncertainty” calculated according to the ISO Guide [3]. The value of u_c is intended to represent, at the level of one standard deviation, the combined effect of all the uncertainties in the certified values. For elements certified by multiple independent analytical methods, the procedure of Schiller and Eberhardt was used to combine the data [4].

Reference Values and Uncertainties: The reference values for aluminum, carbon, and copper are derived from data provided by the cooperating laboratories. The reference value for phosphorus is derived from NIST radiochemical neutron activation analysis (RNAA). Uncertainties are calculated in the same manner as for certified values.

Information Values: Information values are provided in Table 3 for niobium, nitrogen, silicon, and tungsten. No uncertainties are reported for these values as there is insufficient information with which to make the appropriate statistical assessments.

Expiration of Certification: The certification of this SRM is valid, within the measurement uncertainties specified, until **01 March 2015**, provided the SRM is handled in accordance with instructions given in this certificate (see Instructions for Use). This certification is nullified if the SRM is damaged, contaminated, or modified in any way other than its intended use.

Instructions for Use: A minimum sample mass of 250 mg is recommended for chemical analyses. The contents of the unit should be mixed by gently tumbling the contents of the bottle before sampling.

The support aspects involved in the preparation, certification, and issuance of the SRM were coordinated through the NIST Standard Reference Materials Program by N.M. Trahey.

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Alloy Preparation: UNS R30035 Refractory Alloy MP-35-N (Cr20-Ni35-Mo9, Co balance) was cast, under contract, by Carpenter Technology Corporation, Port Washington, PA, USA. In accordance with NIST specifications, the four cast billet lengths supplied were all the same heat with minimum compositional differences. Two of the billet lengths were chipped by NIST and designated SRM 2175. D.K. Associates, Buffalo, NY, USA, forged, under contract, the remaining two billet lengths into four rods 3.5 cm in diameter and ~335 cm in length (1 1/2 in × ~11 ft). The forged rods were cut into disks by NIST and designated SRM 1775.

Table 1. Certified Values for SRM 2175

Element	Composition mass fraction (in %)		
Chromium	20.472	±	0.035
Cobalt	33.352	±	0.027
Iron	0.92	±	0.10
Molybdenum	9.508	±	0.012
Nickel	34.911	±	0.029
Titanium	0.731	±	0.028
mass fraction (in mg/kg)			
Boron	97	±	23
Manganese	120	±	17
Sulfur	13	±	1
Vanadium	100	±	16

Table 2. Reference Values for SRM 2175

Element	Composition mass fraction (in %)		
Aluminum	0.024	±	0.003
mass fraction (in mg/kg)			
Carbon	51	±	11
Copper	46	±	4
Phosphorus	6	±	1

Table 3. Information Values for SRM 2175

Element	Composition mass fraction (in %)
Niobium	0.03
Nitrogen	0.002
Silicon	0.02
Tungsten	0.02

Table 4. NIST Analytical Methods

Methods Used	Elements Determined
ICP-OES	Chromium, Cobalt, Molybdenum, Nickel
ID-TIMS	Sulfur
INAA	Chromium, Manganese, Nickel
PGAA	Boron
RNAA	Phosphorus
XRF	Chromium, Cobalt, Iron, Molybdenum, Nickel, Niobium, Titanium, Tungsten, Vanadium
ICP-OES	Inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry
ID-TIMS	Isotope dilution thermal ionization mass spectrometry
INAA	Instrumental neutron activation analysis
PGAA	Prompt gamma activation analysis
RNAA	Radiochemical neutron activation analysis
XRF	X-ray fluorescence spectrometry

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