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Sequential Inductively Coupled Plasma Spectrometer



Precision Instruments Skyray Elaborates

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Skyray has built a strong reputation and has gained over 80% of the market share in XRF technology within the past 5 years alone. Skyray Instrument has stepped up to a level of highly reputable equipment, with some of the largest manufacturing companies entrusting us with supplying them with our analytical equipment, Skyray has built a strong ever lasting reputation globally.

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Skyray Instrument, as an industry technology leader, is constantly exploring the pinnacle of analytical field and providing customers with more advanced products and more satisfied services, meanwhile, providing more perfect solutions for electronics, electric appliances, jewelry, toys, food, construction materials, metallurgy, minerals, plastics, petroleum, chemistry, medicine and other industries.



ICP-2000 Sequential Inductively Coupled Plasma Spectrometer



Application fields:

ICP-2000 is capable of measuring approximately 70 trace to constant elements in different materials. Wide application extends to geology, metallurgy, rare earth materials, electroplating, cement, petroleum, chemical engineering, environmental monitoring, non-ferrous metals, medical science and hygiene, food, agriculture, scientific research Institutes, colleges, and other industrial enterprises.

Main characteristics of ICP-AES:

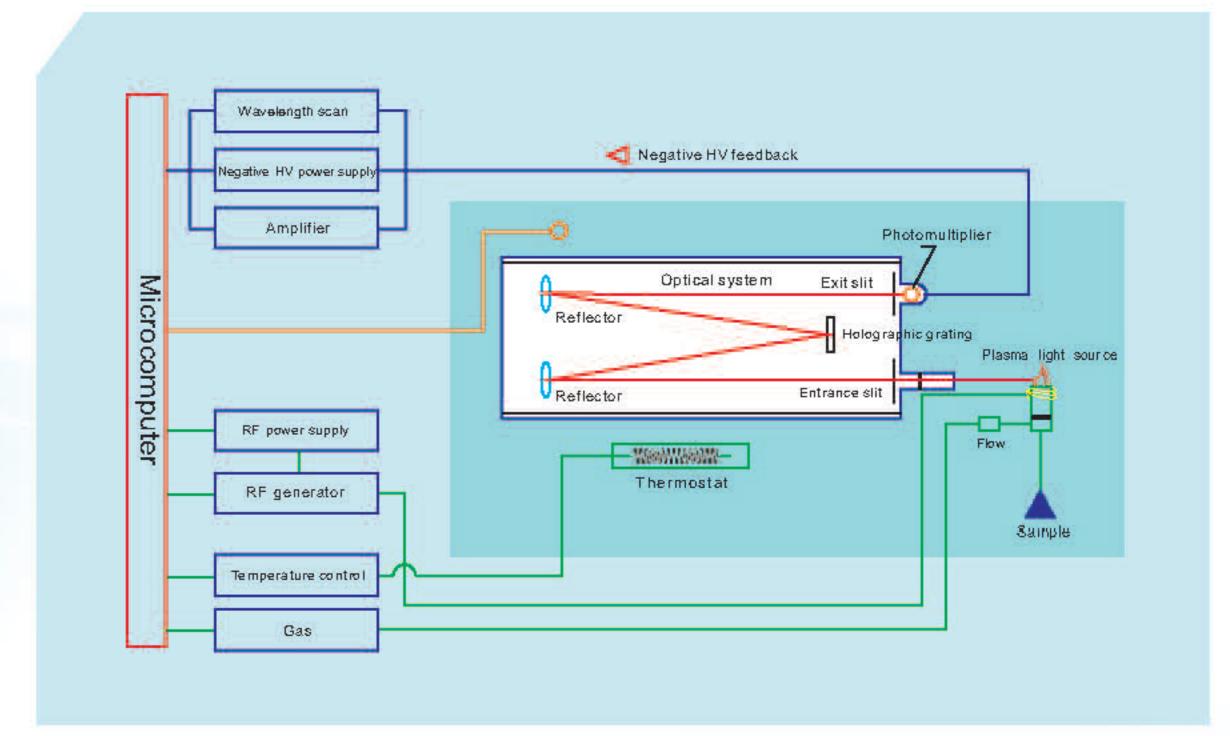
- Simultaneous measurement of multi elements
- Low detection limit: 0.1-10ppb, and even lower
- Wide density linear range, 5-6 digits
- Least chemical interference, maximum accuracy, RSD \leq 2 \%
- ○High analysis speed, low cost

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The Instrument Structure

The instrument consists of five parts:

- Radio Frequency Generator
- Sample Introduction System
- Optical System
- Photoelectric Conversion Device
- Computer



Radio Frequency Generator

RF generator's precision parts ensure stable output power; military electron tube offers increased reliability; improved feedback mechanism provides better stability.

RF Generator Specifications:

- 1). Circuit type: inductively feedback self-oscillation circuit, coaxial cable transmission, matched tuning, power feedback
- close loop auto control
- 2). Working frequency: 40MHz±0.05%
- 3).Frequency stability: < 0.1%
- 4).Power output: 800W 1200W
- 5). Power output stability: < 0.3%
- 6).Intensity of electromagnetic leakage: electric filed intensity: E:<2V/m @30cm form shell.



▲ High Frequency Box

High Frequency Box excites very stable plasma torch by exploiting the inductively feedback self-oscillation circuit. The circuit is transmitted by coaxial cable, matchingly tuned and implements close-loop auto-control by means of power feedback (National Patented Invention). Industrial argon can be used in this kind of generator, which not only makes the lighting the ICP torch easy but also saves the cost of highly purified argon.



The high performance match box is composed of vacuum ceramic adjustable capacitors and gas adjustable capacitors, which allows it to reach the best match state and achieve maximum effective



▲ Directional coupler

The stability of power output is achieved by controlling the anode voltage of oscillation valve after the power signals are sent out of the directional coupler and get amplified by the amplifier.

Sample introduction system specifications:

output on load coils.

- 1). Inner diameter of output coils: 25 mm, 3 coils
- 2). Torch: three concentric torches, outer diameter 20 mm, quartz
- 3). Outer diameter of coaxial nebulizer: 6mm
- 4). Outer diameter of double-pass spray chamber: 34mm
- 5). Specifications of Ar flowmeter and carrier gas pressure gauge:
 - ①Plasma gas flowmeter(100-1000) L/h (1.6-16L/min)
- ②Auxiliary gas flowmeter (10-100) L/h (0.16-1.66L/min)
- ③Carrier gas flowmeter10-100) L/h (0.16-1.66L/min)
- (0-0.4MPa)
- ⑤Cooling water: Water temperature:15-25℃ Water pressure: >0.1MPa Resistivity>1MΩ

Sample introduction system

In this system, coaxial nebulizer, double-pass and cyclone spray chambers, high salt and conventional torch tubes, and their free and optimized combinations all contribute to the measurement of various kinds of samples. Meanwhile, the system is easy to clean, replace and install. A 2-channel 10-roller peristaltic pump uses one of its channels for sample introduction, resulting in uniform and stable sample introduction, and the other channel for pumping away the waste, minimizing the influence the waste peristalsis has had on the sample introduction. Direct-drive and digital, the peristaltic pump delivers ease and simplicity of operation.

Both R.F generator and plasma load coils are cooled by circulated cooling water. ICP-2000 is equipped with the in-house designed AC-2500 auto temperature control water cooling system, which is characterized by good cooling results, strong cooling capability, wide range temperature control and low noise.



Auto temperature control water cooling system

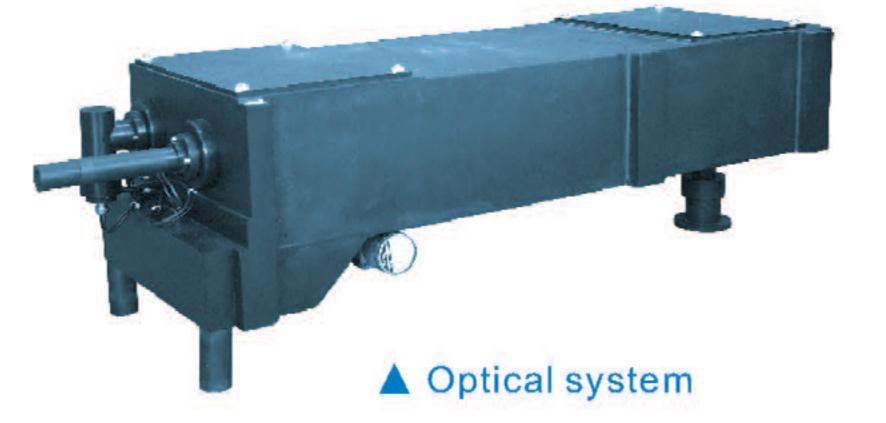
Q Optical system

The optical system utilizes the horizontal asymmetric optical path to reduce the width of the system and eliminate the interference of the stray lights. With adoption of large-area grating with long focal length, the relative aperture is broadened and sensitivity enhanced. At the same time, by using special metal material and finely-lapped fixed slits, it delivers superior measurement results in great precision.

By using the imported precise and reliable step motor as the drive device of the grating, the system offers stable mechanical transmission, resulting in good stability and repeatability. The rotation of the grating is driven by the fine-pitch worm gear directly, ensuring high precision and minimal accumulated error. The optical system offers the ultimate in temperature $32^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$ with the thermostatic device.



▲ Grating drive



Optical system specifications:

- 1). Optical path: Czerny-Turner
- 2).Focal length: 1000 mm
- 3).Grating specification: Holographic ion beam etched grating,Number of grooves: 3600 grooves/mm

Area of grooves: (80×110) mm

- (Optional grating with number of grooves: 2400 grooves/mm and area of grooves: 80×110)
- 4).Reciprocal linear dispersion: 0.26nm/mm
- 5).Resolution: ≤0.008nm
- 6). Wavelength range:
 - 3600 grooves/mm for 195 to 500nm 2400 grooves/mm for 195 to 800nm
- 7). Minimum step wavelength: 0.0006 nm
- 8).Exit, entrance slits: 20 μ m
- 9).Reflector: (78×105×16)mm
- 11). Temperature control: 32°C ±1°C

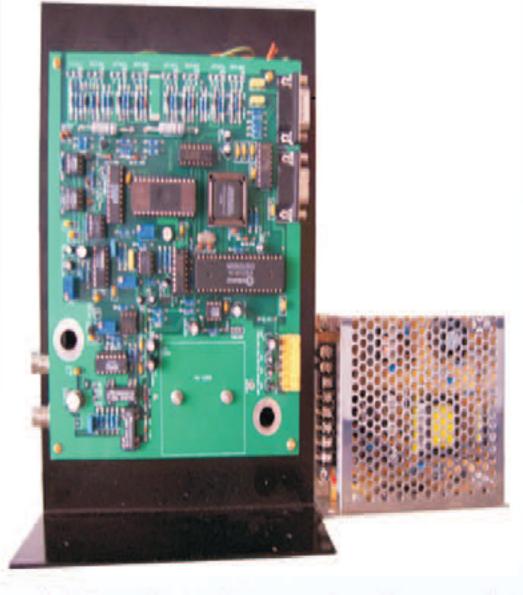
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Photoelectric Conversion Device

Precise control circuit and electronic measuring system includes Communication Interfaces System, Photomultiplier HV Power Supply and Control, Step Motor Control, and Signal Collection. The photomultiplier and components in use are new and high sensitive with wide strength range. The signal sampling is V/F convertering, which has wide range of the sample content, high sensitivity and exceptional stability.

Photoelectric Conversion Device:

- 1). Photomultiplier specifications: R212UH or R928
- 2). Negative HV power supply of photomultiplier: 200-1000V Stability: <0. 05%
- 3). Measurement range of photomultiplier current: 1nA 100 µ A
- 4). Signal collection is in V/F transfer: 1mV corresponds to 100Hz



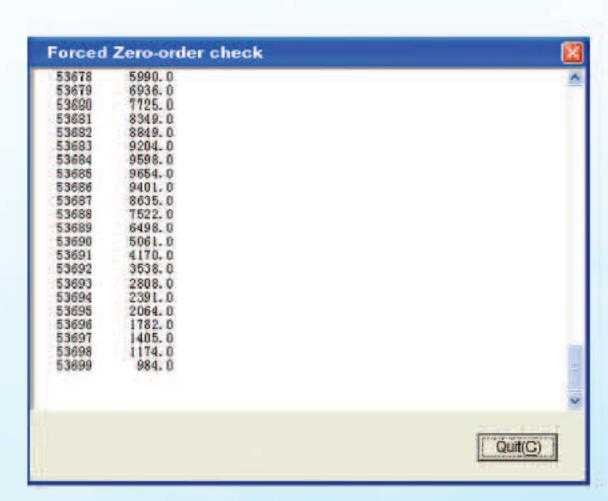
▲ Electronic control board

Personal computer

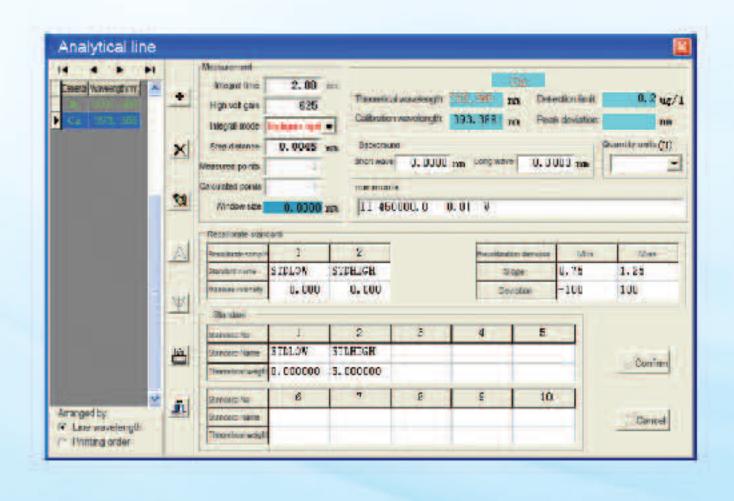
Personal computer configurations:

- 1). Brand name: FOUNDER Memory: 512MB Hard disc: 80GB
- 2). Display: 17-inch TFT LCD
- 3). Printer: Panasonic KX-P1121 24-pin printer

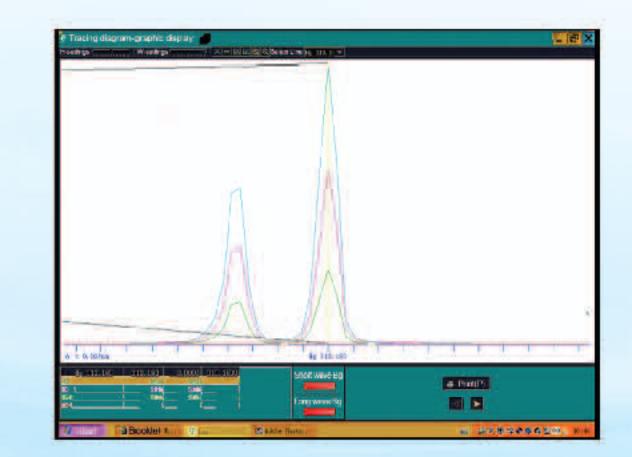
Functions of software



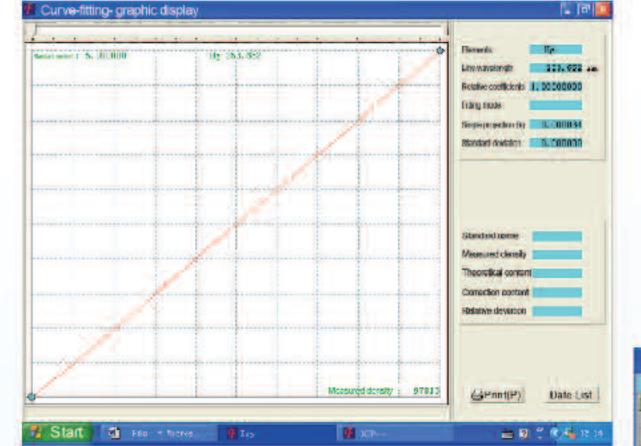
Zero-order searching is the foundation of preparing the instrument for measurement positioning. Your are suggested to perform a calibration using a blank to determine the mechanical zero point every time the instrument is turned on.



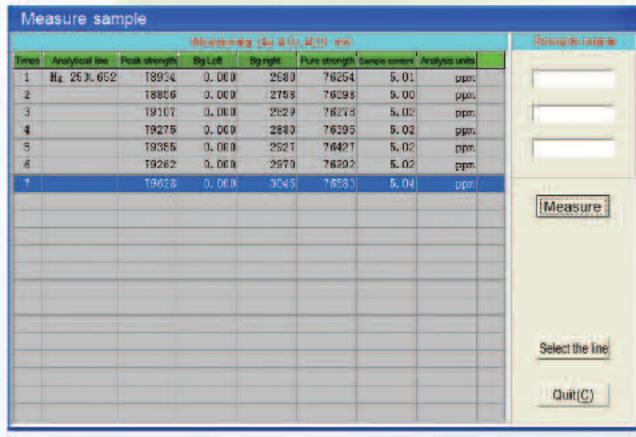
To develop methods, select the element of interest from the Periodic Table of Elements on the method interface according to its type after the program is started and select the line of the element.



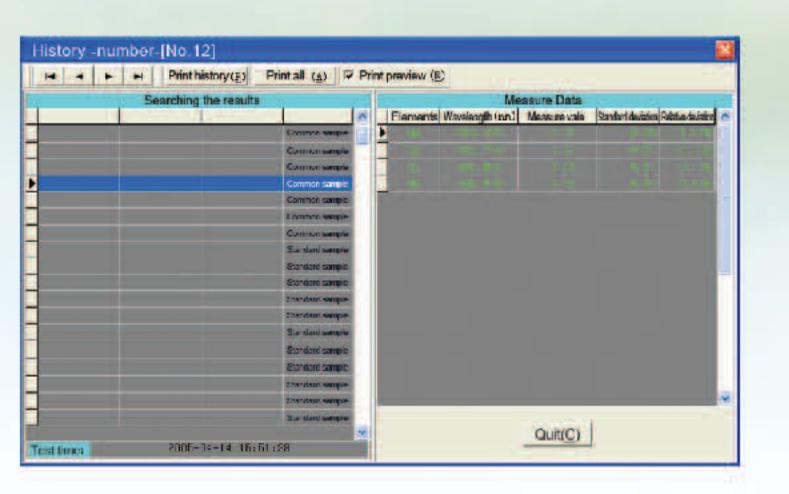
The spectrum analysis mode performs auto peak searching of the added spectrum with the help of the software. When several peaks coexist, the users can manually identify the peak so as to eliminate the interference produced by elements other than the tested one.



Prepare work curve

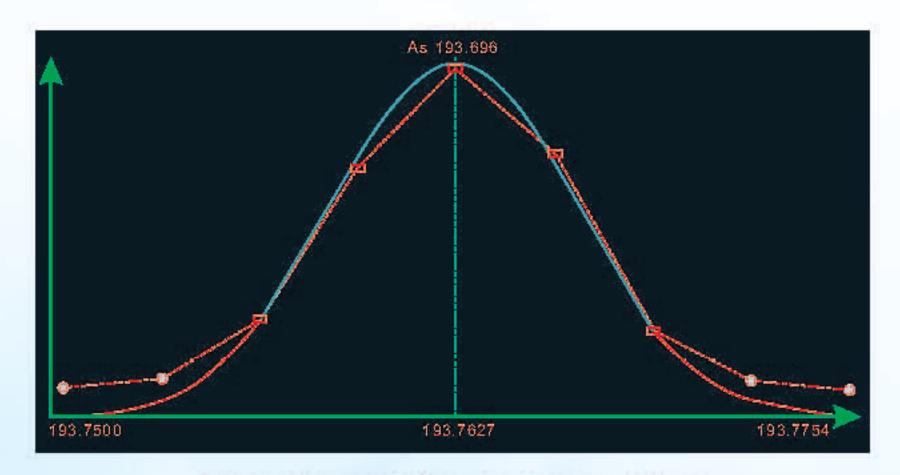


For sample measurement, the concentration units are in % or ppm or µg/ml.



Data and results can be printed out or saved in copies.

Test example



Spectrum of As in waste water



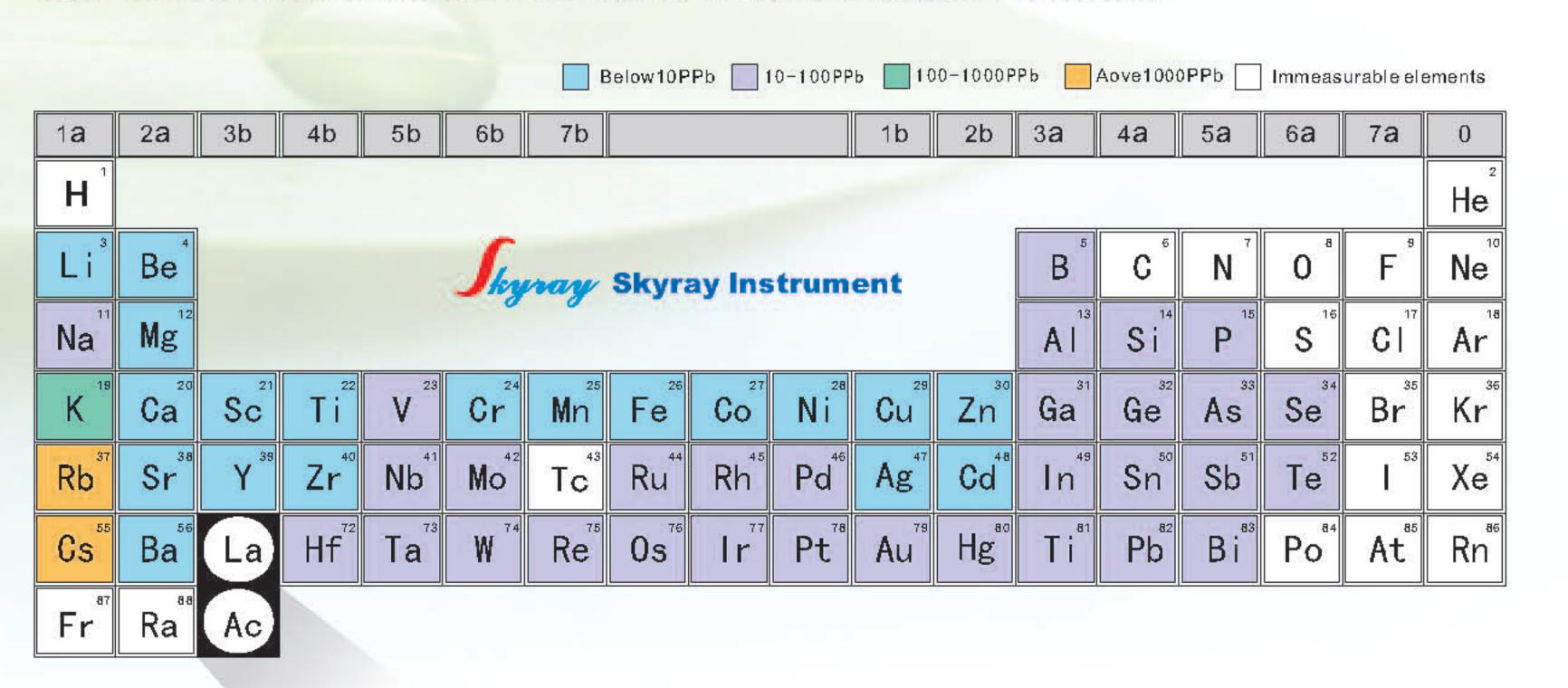
lement	Wavelength	Sample content	Relative deviation							
As	193.696	5.03 ppm	0.54%	Ī						
As	228.812	5.03 ppm	0.44%							
As	234.984	5.05 ppm	0.15%							
As	278, 022	5.00 ppm	0.31%							

Test results of As



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ICP-2000 Measurable elements and detection limits



La	La	Ce ⁵⁸	Pr	Nď	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gď	Τb [®]	Dy	Но	Er	Tm	Υb	Lu
Ac	Ac	Th	Pa	U	N p	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No	LW