

# **FLX-CRM 113 Cement**

Mass fraction in %	Certified value <sup>1)</sup>	Uncertainty <sup>2)</sup>	Traceable to
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	5.06	0.07	NIST 1880B
CaO	63.63	0.25	SI unit kg/kg
Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.007	0.002	NIST 1880B
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	2.75	0.03	NIST 1880B
K₂O	0.619	0.025	NIST 1880B
MgO	2.49	0.06	NIST 1880B
Mn <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.233	0.020	NIST 1880B
Na₂O	0.092	0.027	NIST 1880B
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.135	0.003	NIST 1880B
SiO <sub>2</sub>	20.98	0.09	SI unit kg/kg
SO₃ total	2.47	0.12	NIST 1880B
SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> as SO <sub>3</sub>	2.40	0.15	SI unit kg/kg
SrO	0.064	0.019	NIST 1880B
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.231	0.013	NIST 1880B
ZnO	0.030	0.002	NIST 1880B
LOI	1.53	0.08	not certified, info only
S <sup>2-</sup>	0.137	0.019	not certified, info only

- 1) Certified value traceable to cement NIST 1880B or SI unit kg/kg based on original sample material.
- 2) Expanded uncertainty  $U_{CRM}$  calculated for a confidence interval of 95% (k=2) based on a combined uncertainty of characterization, homogeneity and long term stability.

The sum of all oxides is 100.31%. This includes  $SO_3$  total and LOI and excludes  $SO_4^{2-}$  as  $SO_3$  and  $S^{2-}$ .

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**Responsible Reference Materials** 

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## **Description of the CRM**

This reference material is an industrial product and was taken directly from the production stream. The complete batch was sealed into 30g bottles. This material is normally used as cement for constructions.

#### Intended use

Calibration and control sample for x-ray fluorescence (XRF) analysis.

#### Instructions for the correct use of the CRM

This material is moisture sensitive. It can only be used without any sample pretreatment if the original seal is intact. After opening the material has to be sealed again as soon as possible to avoid any change. Otherwise it has to be ignited for minimum 1 hour at 950°C prior to use. The ignition process must result in a constant weight. The ignited material must be stored in a desiccator not longer than 24h, then reignition might be necessary. The minimum sample quantity for analysis should be 1.0g to be in agreement with the stated uncertainties.

For XRF use, ignited samples should be prepared as a fused bead, e.g. in accordance with ISO 29581-2:2010.

$$conc_{ignited} = \frac{conc_{original} * Sum}{Sum - LOI}$$

FLX-CRM 113	Certified v	alues fo	r ignited sample
mass%	CONCignited	U <sub>CRM</sub>	Traceable to
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	5.14	0.07	NIST 1880B
CaO	64.61	0.25	SI unit kg/kg
Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.007	0.002	NIST 1880B
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	2.80	0.03	NIST 1880B
K₂O	0.628	0.026	NIST 1880B
MgO	2.52	0.06	NIST 1880B
Mn₂O₃	0.237	0.021	NIST 1880B
Na₂O	0.094	0.027	NIST 1880B
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.137	0.003	NIST 1880B
SiO <sub>2</sub>	21.31	0.09	SI unit kg/kg
SO₃ total	2.51	0.13	NIST 1880B
SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> as SO <sub>3</sub>			
SrO	0.065	0.019	NIST 1880B
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.234	0.013	NIST 1880B
ZnO	0.030	0.002	NIST 1880B
LOI			
S <sup>2-</sup>			
Sum	100.31		

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## **Expiration of Certification**

This certificate is valid, within the uncertainty specified, **until 31.05.2025**, provided the CRM is handled in accordance with instructions given in this certificate. The certification is nullified if the CRM is damaged, contaminated, or otherwise modified.

#### **Hazardous situation**

For this material an actual MSDS is available.

# Level of homogeneity

In accordance with ISO Guide 35: 2006 a homogeneity study was performed. A one-way ANOVA was used to calculate the batch inhomogeneity  $u_{hh}^2$ .

$$u^{2}_{bb} = \frac{MS_{among} - MS_{within}}{n}$$

 $MS_{among}$  $MS_{within}$ n quadratic mean of the results of homogeneity between bottle quadratic mean of the results of homogeneity within bottle number of measurements per bottle

# **Stability**

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### **Total expanded uncertainty**

The total expanded uncertainty  $U_{CRM}$  for a confidence interval of 95% (k=2) was calculated by taking into account the uncertainty from characterization  $u^2_{char}$ , from inhomogeneity  $u^2_{bb}$  and long term stability  $u^2_{lts}$  with the following formula:

$$U_{CRM} = k \times \sqrt{u^2_{char} + u^2_{bb} + u^2_{lts}}$$

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#### Methods used

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CRM used: NIST 1880B

Synthetic RMs made from pure chemicals by weighing

Measurement method used: ISO 29581-2:2010-03

#### **Further information**

The following table lists all results obtained for this sample material. Values in bold represent the results with the smallest uncertainty; i.e., those used for the certification.

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For comparison with the certified values, the results of an independently performed proficiency test are also given. A detailed report is available at <a href="https://www.fluxana.com">www.fluxana.com</a>.

FLX-CRM 113	Traceab	le to	Traceable to		For Comparison	
	NIST 1880B		SI unit kg/kg		results of PT	
mass%	X <sub>CRM</sub>	U <sub>CRM</sub>	X <sub>CRM</sub>	U <sub>CRM</sub>	$X_{PT}$	$U_{\mathtt{PT}}$
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	5.06	0.07			5.04	0.05
CaO	63.62	0.47	63.63	0.25	63.68	0.27
Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.007	0.002			0.008	0.001
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	2.76	0.03			2.76	0.03
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.619	0.025			0.586	0.028
MgO	2.49	0.06			2.45	0.03
Mn <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.233	0.020			0.22	0.02
Na₂O	0.092	0.027			0.106	0.031
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.135	0.003			0.137	0.007
SiO <sub>2</sub>	20.99	0.37	20.98	0.09	21.10	0.14
SO₃ total	2.47	0.12			2.55	0.07
SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> as SO <sub>3</sub>	2.40	0.15	2.40	0.151)		
SrO	0.064	0.019			0.063	0.01
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.231	0.013			0.231	0.01
ZnO	0.030	0.002			0.028	0.004
LOI	1.58	0.08	1.53	0.081)	1.47	0.06
S <sup>2-</sup>					0.137	0.019
Sum (w/o SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> +S <sup>2-</sup> )	100.36				100.43	

<sup>1)</sup> U<sub>CRM</sub> taken from the calculations based on NIST 1880B.



# **FLX-CRM 114 Cement**

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Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	6.94	0.08	NIST 1881A
CaO	51.29	0.14	SI unit kg/kg
Cr₂O₃	0.005	0.003	NIST 1881A
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1.37	0.15	NIST 1881A
K₂O	0.954	0.160	NIST 1881A
MgO	4.93	0.21	NIST 1881A
Mn <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.154	0.012	NIST 1881A
Na₂O	0.277	0.044	NIST 1881A
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.027	0.008	NIST 1881A
SiO <sub>2</sub>	28.61	0.26	SI unit kg/kg
SO₃ total	4.07	0.20	not certified, info only
SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> as SO <sub>3</sub>	2.50	0.02	SI unit kg/kg
SrO	0.108	0.027	NIST 1881A
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.525	0.011	NIST 1881A
ZnO	0.022	0.003	NIST 1881A
LOI	1.28	0.18	not certified, info only
S <sup>2-</sup>	0.676	0.182	not certified, info only

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- 2) Expanded uncertainty  $U_{CRM}$  calculated for a confidence interval of 95% (k=2) based on a combined uncertainty of characterization, homogeneity and long term stability.

The sum of all oxides is 100.55%. This includes SO<sub>3</sub> total and LOI and excludes SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> as SO<sub>3</sub> and S<sup>2-</sup>.

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mass%	CONCignited	U <sub>CRM</sub>	Traceable to
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	7.03	0.09	NIST 1881A
CaO	51.95	0.14	SI unit kg/kg
Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.005	0.003	NIST 1881A
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1.39	0.15	NIST 1881A
K₂O	0.966	0.162	NIST 1881A
MgO	4.99	0.22	NIST 1881A
Mn <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.156	0.012	NIST 1881A
Na₂O	0.281	0.045	NIST 1881A
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.028	0.008	NIST 1881A
SiO <sub>2</sub>	28.98	0.26	SI unit kg/kg
SO₃ total			
SO₄²- as SO₃			
SrO	0.109	0.028	NIST 1881A
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.532	0.011	NIST 1881A
ZnO	0.023	0.003	NIST 1881A
LOI			
S <sup>2-</sup>			

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#### **Hazardous situation**

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# Level of homogeneity

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FLX-CRM 114	Traceab	le to	Traceab	le to	For Comparison	
	NIST 188	31A	SI unit k	g/kg	results of PT	
mass%	X <sub>CRM</sub>	U <sub>CRM</sub>	X <sub>CRM</sub>	U <sub>CRM</sub>	$X_{PT}$	U <sub>PT</sub>
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	6.94	0.08			6.94	0.09
CaO	51.35	0.37	51.29	0.14	51.19	0.29
Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.005	0.003			0.009	0.002
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1.37	0.15			1.44	0.03
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.954	0.160			0.903	0.031
MgO	4.93	0.21			4.84	0.05
Mn <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.154	0.012			0.148	0.014
Na₂O	0.277	0.044			0.260	0.031
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.027	0.008			0.024	0.004
SiO <sub>2</sub>	28.66	0.30	28.61	0.26	28.70	0.16
SO₃ total					4.07	0.20
SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> as SO <sub>3</sub>	2.58 <sup>1)</sup>	0.02	2.50	0.023)		
SrO	0.108	0.027			0.102	0.013
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.525	0.011			0.518	0.014
ZnO	0.022	0.003			0.022	0.005
LOI	1.38 <sup>2)</sup>	0.18	1.28	0.18 <sup>3)</sup>	1.02	0.06
S <sup>2-</sup>					0.676	0.182
Sum (w/o SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> +S <sup>2-</sup> )					100.18	

<sup>1)</sup> Traceable to NIST 1880B.

<sup>2)</sup> Traceable to NIST 1888B.

<sup>3)</sup> U<sub>CRM</sub> taken from calculations based on NIST CRM.



# **FLX-CRM 115 Cement**

Mass fraction in %	Certified value <sup>1)</sup>	Uncertainty <sup>2)</sup>	Traceable to
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	8.13	0.08	NIST 1881A
CaO	53.93	0.22	SI unit kg/kg
Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.004	0.004	NIST 1881A
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.972	0.143	NIST 1881A
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.612	0.087	NIST 1881A
MgO	2.93	0.12	NIST 1881A
Mn <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.214	0.035	NIST 1881A
Na₂O	0.194	0.050	NIST 1881A
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.073	0.006	NIST 1881A
SiO <sub>2</sub>	27.29	0.06	SI unit kg/kg
SO₃ total	3.90	0.26	not certified, info only
SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> as SO <sub>3</sub>	2.41	0.02	SI unit kg/kg
SrO	0.117	0.014	NIST 1881A
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.610	0.018	NIST 1881A
ZnO	0.008	0.004	NIST 1881A
LOI	1.56	0.08	not certified, info only
S <sup>2-</sup>	0.611	0.340	not certified, info only

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Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	8.26	0.08	NIST 1881A
CaO	54.79	0.23	SI unit kg/kg
Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.004	0.004	NIST 1881A
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.987	0.145	NIST 1881A
K₂O	0.622	0.088	NIST 1881A
MgO	2.98	0.13	NIST 1881A
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Na₂O	0.197	0.051	NIST 1881A
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.074	0.007	NIST 1881A
SiO <sub>2</sub>	27.72	0.06	SI unit kg/kg
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FLX-CRM 115	Traceabl	e to	Traceable to		For Comparison	
	NIST 188	31A	SI unit k	g/kg	results of PT	
mass%	X <sub>CRM</sub>	U <sub>CRM</sub>	X <sub>CRM</sub>	U <sub>CRM</sub>	$X_{PT}$	$U_{\text{PT}}$
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	8.13	0.08			8.12	0.08
CaO	54.05	0.41	53.93	0.22	53.78	0.28
Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.004	0.004			0.008	0.003
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.972	0.143			1.06	0.02
K₂O	0.612	0.087			0.594	0.028
MgO	2.93	0.12			2.87	0.04
Mn <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.214	0.035			0.200	0.021
Na₂O	0.194	0.050			0.179	0.027
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.073	0.006			0.071	0.007
SiO <sub>2</sub>	27.39	0.16	27.29	0.06	27.32	0.19
SO₃ total					3.90	0.26
SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> as SO <sub>3</sub>	2.49 <sup>1)</sup>	0.02	2.41	0.023)		
SrO	0.117	0.014			0.11	0.013
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.610	0.018			0.597	0.016
ZnO	0.008	0.004			0.01	0.002
LOI	1.67 <sup>2)</sup>	0.08	1.56	0.083)	1.32	0.06
S <sup>2-</sup>					0.611	0.340
Sum (w/o SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2</sup> -+S <sup>2-</sup> )					100.13	

<sup>1)</sup> Traceable to NIST 1880B.

<sup>2)</sup> Traceable to NIST 1888B.

<sup>3)</sup> U<sub>CRM</sub> taken from calculations based on NIST CRM.



# **FLX-CRM 116 Cement**

Mass fraction in %	Certified value <sup>1)</sup>	Uncertainty <sup>2)</sup>	Traceable to
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	9.11	0.13	NIST 1881A
CaO	50.05	0.08	SI unit kg/kg
Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.005	0.002	NIST 1881A
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.86	0.12	NIST 1881A
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.693	0.129	NIST 1881A
MgO	4.47	0.20	NIST 1881A
Mn <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.238	0.035	NIST 1881A
Na₂O	0.201	0.049	NIST 1881A
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.034	0.007	NIST 1881A
SiO <sub>2</sub>	30.81	0.20	SI unit kg/kg
SO₃ total	3.14	0.24	not certified, info only
SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> as SO <sub>3</sub>	1.22	0.02	SI unit kg/kg
SrO	0.091	0.036	NIST 1881A
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.690	0.011	NIST 1881A
ZnO	0.015	0.004	NIST 1881A
LOI	-0.394	0.315	not certified, info only
S <sup>2-</sup>	0.737	0.249	not certified, info only

- 1) Certified value traceable to cement NIST 1881A or SI unit kg/kg based on original sample material.
- 2) Expanded uncertainty  $U_{CRM}$  calculated for a confidence interval of 95% (k=2) based on a combined uncertainty of characterization, homogeneity and long term stability.

The sum of all oxides is 100.02%. This includes SO<sub>3</sub> total and LOI and excludes SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> as SO<sub>3</sub> and S<sup>2-</sup>.

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**Responsible Reference Materials** 

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## **Description of the CRM**

This reference material is an industrial product and was taken directly from the production stream. The complete batch was sealed into 30g bottles. This material is normally used as cement for constructions.

#### Intended use

Calibration and control sample for x-ray fluorescence (XRF) analysis.

#### Instructions for the correct use of the CRM

This material is moisture sensitive. It can only be used without any sample pretreatment if the original seal is intact. After opening the material has to be sealed again as soon as possible to avoid any change. Otherwise it has to be ignited for minimum 1 hour at 950°C prior to use. The ignition process must result in a constant weight. The ignited material must be stored in a desiccator not longer than 24h, then reignition might be necessary. The minimum sample quantity for analysis should be 1.0g to be in agreement with the stated uncertainties.

For XRF use, ignited samples should be prepared as a fused bead, e.g. in accordance with ISO 29581-2:2010.

$$conc_{ignited} = \frac{conc_{original} * Sum}{Sum - LOI}$$

FLX-CRM 116	Certified v	alues fo	r ignited sample
mass%	CONCignited	U <sub>CRM</sub>	Traceable to
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	9.08	0.13	NIST 1881A
CaO	49.85	0.08	SI unit kg/kg
Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.005	0.002	NIST 1881A
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.860	0.123	NIST 1881A
K₂O	0.690	0.129	NIST 1881A
MgO	4.45	0.20	NIST 1881A
Mn <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.237	0.035	NIST 1881A
Na₂O	0.200	0.049	NIST 1881A
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.034	0.007	NIST 1881A
SiO <sub>2</sub>	30.69	0.20	SI unit kg/kg
SO₃ total			
SO₄²- as SO₃			
SrO	0.091	0.036	NIST 1881A
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.687	0.011	NIST 1881A
ZnO	0.015	0.004	NIST 1881A
LOI			
S <sup>2-</sup>			

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## **Expiration of Certification**

This certificate is valid, within the uncertainty specified, **until 31.05.2025**, provided the CRM is handled in accordance with instructions given in this certificate. The certification is nullified if the CRM is damaged, contaminated, or otherwise modified.

#### **Hazardous situation**

For this material an actual MSDS is available.

# Level of homogeneity

In accordance with ISO Guide 35: 2006 a homogeneity study was performed. A one-way ANOVA was used to calculate the batch inhomogeneity  $u_{hh}^2$ .

$$u^{2}_{bb} = \frac{MS_{among} - MS_{within}}{n}$$

 $MS_{among}$  $MS_{within}$ n quadratic mean of the results of homogeneity between bottle quadratic mean of the results of homogeneity within bottle number of measurements per bottle

# **Stability**

In accordance with ISO Guide 35: 2006 a stability study was performed. As a result the material was considered as stable. The uncertainty of long term stability u<sup>2</sup>lts was calculated.

### **Total expanded uncertainty**

The total expanded uncertainty  $U_{CRM}$  for a confidence interval of 95% (k=2) was calculated by taking into account the uncertainty from characterization  $u^2_{char}$ , from inhomogeneity  $u^2_{bb}$  and long term stability  $u^2_{lts}$  with the following formula:

$$U_{CRM} = k \times \sqrt{u^2_{char} + u^2_{bb} + u^2_{lts}}$$

# **Traceability**

The analytical work performed to assess this material was carried out by the FLUXANA laboratory, which works under DIN EN ISO/IEC 17025 accreditation.

All of the results derived as part of this testing program have traceability to NIST 1881A from NIST and some additionally to the SI unit kg.

#### Methods used

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this approach, samples of the test material that is to be the new reference material are prepared first. They are tested along with CRMs or synthetic RMs using a suitable method. The assigned values  $X_{CRM}$  and their uncertainties  $U_{CRM}$  are then derived from a calibration against the certified reference values of the CRMs. The error of the calibration used can be neglected because only the differences in the results between the new reference material and the CRM or synthetic RM are part of the evaluation.

CRM used: NIST 1881A

Synthetic RMs made from pure chemicals by weighing

Measurement method used: ISO 29581-2:2010-03

### **Further information**

The following table lists all results obtained for this sample material. Values in bold represent the results with the smallest uncertainty; i.e., those used for the certification.

Users who need all values traceable to a NIST CRM are provided with all results in the following table. However in comparison with the values traceable to the SI unit, they show a higher uncertainty.

For comparison with the certified values, the results of an independently performed proficiency test are also given. A detailed report is available at <a href="https://www.fluxana.com">www.fluxana.com</a>.

FLX-CRM 116	Traceab	le to	Traceable to		For Comparison	
	NIST 188	31A	SI unit k	SI unit kg/kg		PT
mass%	X <sub>CRM</sub>	U <sub>CRM</sub>	X <sub>CRM</sub>	U <sub>CRM</sub>	$X_{PT}$	$U_{PT}$
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	9.11	0.13			9.06	0.10
CaO	50.05	0.35	50.05	0.08	49.86	0.32
Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.005	0.002			0.007	0.003
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.864	0.123			0.966	0.023
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.693	0.129			0.662	0.028
MgO	4.47	0.20			4.40	0.05
Mn <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.238	0.035			0.221	0.023
Na₂O	0.201	0.049			0.208	0.036
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.034	0.007			0.029	0.004
SiO <sub>2</sub>	30.88	0.25	30.81	0.20	30.71	0.18
SO₃ total					3.14	0.24
SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> as SO <sub>3</sub>	1.30 <sup>1)</sup>	0.020	1.22	0.023)		
SrO	0.091	0.036			0.081	0.012
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.690	0.011			0.683	0.018
ZnO	0.015	0.004			0.016	0.003
LOI	-0.337 <sup>2)</sup>	0.455	-0.394	0.315 <sup>3)</sup>	-0.164	0.175
S <sup>2-</sup>					0.737	0.249
Sum (w/o SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> +S <sup>2-</sup> )					99.89	

<sup>1)</sup> Traceable to NIST 1880B.

<sup>2)</sup> Traceable to NIST 1888B.

<sup>3)</sup> U<sub>CRM</sub> taken from calculations based on NIST CRM.



# **FLX-CRM 117 Cement**

Mass fraction in %	Certified value <sup>1)</sup>	Uncertainty <sup>2)</sup>	Traceable to	
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	7.68	0.09	NIST 1881A	
CaO	54.22	0.11	SI unit kg/kg	
Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.004	0.005	NIST 1881A	
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1.37	0.16	NIST 1881A	
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.916	0.113	NIST 1881A	
MgO	2.95	0.17	NIST 1881A	
Mn <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.193	0.031	NIST 1881A	
Na₂O	0.223	0.046	NIST 1881A	
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.035	0.010	NIST 1881A	
SiO <sub>2</sub>	28.05	0.09	SI unit kg/kg	
SO₃ total	3.49	0.14	not certified, info only	
SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> as SO <sub>3</sub>	1.80	0.03	SI unit kg/kg	
SrO	0.098	0.018	NIST 1881A	
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.564	0.012	NIST 1881A	
ZnO	0.024	0.003	NIST 1881A	
LOI	0.402	0.251	not certified, info only	
S <sup>2-</sup>	0.602	0.395	not certified, info only	

- 1) Certified value traceable to cement NIST 1881A or SI unit kg/kg based on original sample material.
- 2) Expanded uncertainty  $U_{CRM}$  calculated for a confidence interval of 95% (k=2) based on a combined uncertainty of characterization, homogeneity and long term stability.

The sum of all oxides is 100.23%. This includes SO<sub>3</sub> total and LOI and excludes SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> as SO<sub>3</sub> and S<sup>2-</sup>.

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#### Intended use

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#### Instructions for the correct use of the CRM

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$$conc_{ignited} = \frac{conc_{original} * Sum}{Sum - LOI}$$

FLX-CRM 117	Certified values for ignited sample						
mass%	CONCignited	U <sub>CRM</sub>	Traceable to				
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	7.72	0.09	NIST 1881A				
CaO	54.44	0.11	SI unit kg/kg				
Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.004	0.005	NIST 1881A				
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1.37	0.16	NIST 1881A				
K₂O	0.920	0.113	NIST 1881A				
MgO	2.96	0.17	NIST 1881A				
Mn <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.194	0.031	NIST 1881A				
Na₂O	0.224	0.046	NIST 1881A				
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.035	0.010	NIST 1881A				
SiO <sub>2</sub>	28.16	0.09	SI unit kg/kg				
SO₃ total							
SO₄²- as SO₃							
SrO	0.099	0.018	NIST 1881A				
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.567	0.012	NIST 1881A				
ZnO	0.024	0.003	NIST 1881A				
LOI							
S <sup>2-</sup>							

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# Level of homogeneity

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FLX-CRM 117	Traceable to		Traceable to		For Comparison	
	NIST 1881A		SI unit kg/kg		results of PT	
mass%	X <sub>CRM</sub>	U <sub>CRM</sub>	X <sub>CRM</sub>	$U_{CRM}$	$X_{PT}$	$U_{\text{PT}}$
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	7.68	0.09			7.68	0.10
CaO	54.34	0.36	54.22	0.11	54.26	0.30
Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.004	0.005			0.007	0.003
Fe₂O <sub>3</sub>	1.37	0.16			1.46	0.02
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.916	0.113			0.871	0.038
MgO	2.95	0.17			2.88	0.05
Mn <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.193	0.031			0.181	0.017
Na₂O	0.223	0.046			0.205	0.025
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.035	0.010			0.030	0.005
SiO <sub>2</sub>	28.14	0.17	28.05	0.09	28.12	0.15
SO₃ total					3.49	0.14
SO₄²- as SO₃	1.87 <sup>1)</sup>	0.03	1.80 <sup>3)</sup>	0.03		
SrO	0.098	0.018			0.092	0.013
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.564	0.012			0.556	0.016
ZnO	0.024	0.003			0.023	0.004
LOI	0.4022)	0.251	0.345 <sup>3)</sup>	0.251	0.215	0.097
S <sup>2-</sup>					0.602	0.395
Sum (w/o SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> +S <sup>2-</sup> )					100.08	

<sup>1)</sup> Traceable to NIST 1880B.

<sup>2)</sup> Traceable to NIST 1888B.

<sup>3)</sup> U<sub>CRM</sub> taken from calculations based on NIST CRM.