

# National Bureau of Standards

## Certificate of Analysis

### Standard Reference Material 698

#### Bauxite (Jamaican)

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

(All analyses are based on samples dried 2 hours at 140 °C)

This material is in the form of fine powder (<0.08 mm) for use in checking chemical and instrumental methods of analyses.

| Constituent                    | Certified Value <sup>1</sup><br>Percent, by weight | Estimated<br>Uncertainty <sup>2</sup> |
|--------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> | 48.2   | 0.4                                   |
| Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> | 19.6   | .2                                    |
| SiO <sub>2</sub>               | 0.69   | .03                                   |
| TiO <sub>2</sub>               | 2.38   | .07                                   |
| ZrO <sub>2</sub>               | 0.061  | .009                                  |
| P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>  | .37  | .01                                   |
| V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>  | .064   | .005                                  |
| Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> | .080   | .006                                  |
| CaO                            | .62  | .02                                   |
| MgO                            | .058   | .008                                  |
| MnO                            | .38  | .03                                   |
| ZnO                            | .029   | .002                                  |
| K <sub>2</sub> O               | .010   | .002                                  |
| SO <sub>3</sub>                | .22  | .03                                   |
| Loss on Ignition <sup>3</sup>  | 27.3   | .2                                    |

<sup>1</sup>The certified value listed for a constituent is the *present best estimate* of the "true" value.

<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 for samples 1.0 g or more. (No attempt was made to derive exact statistical measures of imprecision because several methods were involved in the determination of most constituents.)

<sup>3</sup>Determined by igniting to constant weight at 1050 °C.

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE COMPOSITION

Elements other than those certified may be present in this material as indicated below. These are not certified but are given as additional information on the composition.

| <u>Constituent</u> | <u>Concentration,<br/>Percent by weight</u> | <u>Constituent</u> | <u>Concentration,<br/>Percent by weight</u> |
|--------------------|---|--------------------|---|
| BaO                | (0.008)                                     | Co                 | (0.0045)                                    |
| Na <sub>2</sub> O  | (0.015)                                     | Hf                 | (0.0015)                                    |
| Ce                 | (0.030)                                     | Sc                 | (0.0051)                                    |

The mineralogical composition of SRM 698 was determined by x-ray diffraction studies at the Geological Survey, U.S. Department of the Interior, Reston, Va., (J.W. Hosterman) to be 75% gibbsite, 20% hematite, and 5% anatase. These results are semiquantitative (to the nearest 5%).

## PLANNING, PREPARATION, TESTING, ANALYSIS:

The material for this SRM was mined in Jamaica, and was provided by the Reynolds Metals Company, Bauxite, Arkansas, through the courtesy of J. B. Ezell, Jr. It was processed (crushed, ground, sieved, and mixed) at the Colorado School of Mines Research Institute under a contract with the National Bureau of Standards.

Homogeneity testing was performed at NBS by J.S. Maples and T.E. Gills.

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The following table gives the values for four bauxite SRM's that are available in the form of fine powder (<0.08 mm) for use in chemical and instrumental methods of analysis. They are being issued as a culmination of a major Industry-ASTM-NBS cooperative program.

| SRM No.<br>Designation         | 69b<br>Arkansas      | 696<br>Surinam           | 697<br>Dominican | 698<br>Jamaican |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| <u>Constituent</u>             |                      | <u>Percent by Weight</u> |                  |                 |
| Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> | 48.8                 | 54.5                     | 45.8             | 48.2            |
| Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> | 7.14                 | 8.70                     | 20.0             | 19.6            |
| SiO <sub>2</sub>               | 13.43                | 3.79                     | 6.81             | 0.69            |
| TiO <sub>2</sub>               | 1.90                 | 2.64                     | 2.52             | 2.38            |
| ZrO <sub>2</sub>               | 0.29                 | 0.14                     | 0.065            | 0.061           |
| P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>  | 0.118                | 0.050                    | 0.97             | 0.37            |
| V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>  | 0.028                | 0.072                    | 0.063            | 0.064           |
| Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> | 0.011                | 0.047                    | 0.100            | 0.080           |
| CaO                            | 0.13                 | 0.018                    | 0.71             | 0.62            |
| MgO                            | 0.085                | 0.012                    | 0.18             | 0.058           |
| MnO                            | 0.110                | 0.004                    | 0.41             | 0.38            |
| ZnO                            | 0.0035               | 0.0014                   | 0.037            | 0.029           |
| BaO                            | (0.008) <sup>a</sup> | (0.004)                  | (0.015)          | (0.008)         |
| Na <sub>2</sub> O              | (0.025)              | (0.007)                  | (0.036)          | (0.015)         |
| K <sub>2</sub> O               | 0.068                | 0.009                    | 0.062            | 0.010           |
| SO <sub>3</sub>                | 0.63                 | 0.21                     | 0.13             | 0.22            |
| Loss on Ign.                   | 27.2                 | 29.9                     | 22.1             | 27.3            |
| Ce                             | (0.024)              | (0.0041)                 | (0.069)          | (0.030)         |
| Co                             | (0.0001)             | (0.00009)                | (0.0013)         | (0.0045)        |
| Hf                             | (0.0063)             | (0.0032)                 | (0.0014)         | (0.0015)        |
| Sc                             | (0.0008)             | (0.0008)                 | (0.0058)         | (0.0051)        |
| Total                          | (100.0)              | (100.1)                  | (100.1)          | (100.1)         |

<sup>a</sup>Values in parenthesis are *not certified*.

The value listed for a certified constituent is the *present best estimate* of the "true" value based on the results of the analytical program for certification (10-12 laboratories). The individual certificates of analysis list the "estimated uncertainties" associated with the certified values (also listed is a semiquantitative mineralogical composition ( $\pm 5\%$ ) as determined by x-ray diffraction studies at the U.S. Geological Survey).

Inquiries regarding the Bauxite SRM's 69b, 696, 697, and 698, should be directed to the Office of Standard Reference Materials, Chemistry Building, B311, National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D.C. 20234. (301) 921-2045.

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