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Standard Sample 15 E
Basic Open-Hearth Steel, 0.1% Carbon

ANALYST	C	Mn		P	S			Si	Cu	Ni	Cr	V	Mo	N	
	Direct combustion	Bismuthate (FeSO ₄ -KMnO ₄)	Persulfate-Arsenite	Gravimetric (weighed as Mg ₂ O ₇ after removal of arsenic)	Alkali-Molybdate ^a	Gravimetric (direct oxidation and precipitation after reduction of iron)	Combustion	Evolution with HCl (1-1) ZnS-Iodine (theoretical sulfur titre) ^b	Sulfuric acid dehydration	H ₂ S-CuS-CuO	Weighted as nickel dimethylglyoxime	FeSO ₄ -KMnO ₄ titration		Photometric	Distillation-titration
1	0.105		^c 0.440	0.015	^d 0.016	0.022	^e 0.021	0.021	^f 0.085	^g 0.036	0.036	^h 0.032	ⁱ 0.001	0.009	^j 0.010
2	.103		^k .447	1.015	.017	.021		.020	^f .086	.037	^m .038	^k .031		.006	
	.106		^k .438		.017	.022		.022	^f .087	.034	^m .043	^k .027		.008	
4	.108		ⁿ .435	1.017	^d .017	^o .025		.025	.082	.036	^m .034	.030	.001	.008	
5	.108	.44	^k .44	1.018	^k .017			^p .023	.084	^q .038	^m .037			.007	
6	.106		^k .442		^d .015			^e .022	^p .023	.086	.032	^m .031	^r .029	^s .002	.008
7	.110		.435	.016	.017	.023	^e .023	^p .023	.087	^q .036	^t .038	.028	^u .001	.006	
Average	0.107	0.44	0.440	0.016	0.017	0.023	0.022	0.022	0.085	0.036	0.037	0.030	0.001	0.007	
General average	0.107	0.440		0.016		0.022			0.085	0.036	0.037	0.030	0.001	0.007	

^a Precipitated at 40° C, washed with a 1-percent solution of KNO₃ and titrated with alkali standardized by the use of acid potassium phthalate and the ratio 23 NaOH : 1P.
^b Value obtained by standardizing the titrating solution by means of sodium oxalate through KMnO₄ and Na₂S₂O₃ and use of the ratio 2I : 1S.
^c Potentiometric titration.
^d Molybdenum-blue photometric method. See J. Research NBS 26, 405 (1941) RP1386.
^e 1-g sample burned in oxygen at 1,425° C, and sulfur dioxide absorbed in starch-iodine solution. Iodine liberated from iodide by titration, during the combustion, with

standard KIO₃ solution based on 93 percent of the theoretical factor.
^f Double dehydration with intervening filtration.
^g Diethyldithiocarbamate photometric method. See J. Research NBS 47, 380 (1951) RP2265.
^h Chromium separated from the bulk of the iron in a 10-g sample by NaHCO₃ hydrolysis, oxidized with persulfate, and titrated potentiometrically with ferrous ammonium sulfate.
ⁱ Vanadium separated as in (h), oxidized with HNO₃ and titrated potentiometrically with ferrous ammonium sulfate.
^j Sulfuric acid digestion for 4 hours of 0.5-g sample. See J. Research NBS 43, 201 (1949) RP2021.

^k Titrating solution standardized by use of a standard steel.
^l Weighed as ammonium phosphomolybdate.
^m Dimethylglyoxime photometric method.
ⁿ Periodate photometric method.
^o Meineke method.
^p Absorbed in ammoniacal cadmium chloride.
^q KI-Na₂S₂O₃ titration.
^r Chromate photometric method.
^s Peroxide-HF photometric method.
^t Glyoxime precipitation-cyanide titration.
^u Cupferron precipitation-KMnO₄ titration.

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