

# S4 EXPLORER

## ANALYSIS OF TRACES IN CARBON MATRIX

### Introduction

This lab report will describe the procedures and results of a calibration of trace elements in carbon matrix.

### Preparation

A set of certified reference materials (anodes) were prepared with equal amounts of material and binder (wax).

### Calibration

Elements, concentration ranges, sensitivities and lower limits of detection are given in table 1.

### Results

Table 1 shows that the S4 EXPLORER is able to analyse trace elements in light matrix in the sub ppm range for many elements.



Table 1: Calibration data, Sensitivities and Lower Limits of Detection

<b>Element</b>	<b>Line</b>	<b>Concentration Range ppm</b>	<b>Calibration Std Dev ppm</b>	<b>Sensitivity kcps / %</b>	<b>LLD 100 s 3s ppm</b>
<b>Na</b>	Ka1	0 - 1000	(10)	6	10
<b>Al</b>	Ka1	0 - 700	12	14	1.2
<b>Si</b>	Ka1	0 - 500	10	10	3
<b>Ca</b>	Ka1	0 - 500	4	76	0.9
<b>V</b>	Ka1	0 - 100	1	146	0.7
<b>Fe</b>	Ka1	0 - 2000	20	431	0.5
<b>Ni</b>	Ka1	0 - 400	2	776	0.4
<b>Pb</b>	La1	0 - 20	1	803	0.6

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