

How to use a metal spectrometer

Article Overview

Using a spectrometer for metals involves careful sample preparation, instrument calibration, and measurement using optical emission spectrometry (OES) to determine elemental composition accurately.

Choosing the Right Spectrometer

For metals, optical emission spectrometers (OES) are commonly used. These instruments analyze solid metal samples by exciting atoms in the sample to emit light at characteristic wavelengths, which are then measured to determine elemental composition . OES is widely applied in steel, aluminum, and other alloy analysis for quality control, certification, and process monitoring .

Sample Preparation

- Clean the sample to remove surface contaminants like oil, rust, or paint.
- Grind or polish the surface to create a smooth, representative area for analysis. This ensures consistent spark generation and accurate readings .
- Homogenize the sample if necessary, especially for alloys, to avoid localized variations in composition .

Instrument Calibration

- Set up the spectrometer according to manufacturer instructions.
- Calibrate using standard reference materials to ensure wavelength accuracy, peak resolution, and baseline correction .
- Adjust parameters such as integration time, scanning speed, and spark current profiles for trace or major elements

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Spectrometer

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