

Certificate

Produced in double accredited
laboratory fulfilling
ISO/IEC 17025 and
ISO Guide 34

This certificate is designed in accordance with ISO Guide 31^[1].

Object of certification: **Phthalate standard for IC**
 Product no.: **90677**
 Lot no. **BCBN9178V**
 Composition: Potassium phthalate monobasic (high purity quality) in high-purity water (18.2 MΩ·cm, 0.22 μm filtered). The bottled solution is stabilized with sodium azide (about 5 mg/L) and additionally filtered through a 0.2 μm membrane.
 Intended use: Calibration of ion chromatography or any other analytical technique.
 Storing and handling: This reference material shall be stored between 5°C and 30°C. Before every use of the material the bottle must be shaken well and its temperature has to be 20°C. If storage of a partially used bottle is necessary, the cap should be tightly sealed and the bottle should be stored at reduced temperature (e.g. refrigerator) to minimize transpiration rate.
 Expiry date: **OCT 2017**
 Certificate issue date: 27 MAR 2015
 Bottle opening date: -----

The certified values and uncertainties are according to ISO Guide 35^[2] and Eurachem/CITAC Guide^[3]

Constituent	Certified value at 20°C and expanded uncertainty [$U = k u_c$; $k = 2$]	
Phthalate	1'001 mg kg⁻¹ ± 4 mg kg⁻¹	1'000 mg L⁻¹ ± 4 mg L⁻¹
Traceability ^[4]	NIST SRM 84k, Potassium Hydrogen Phthalate	

Measurand	Certified value and expanded uncertainty [$U = k u_c$; $k = 2$]
Density at 20°C	0.9989 g mL⁻¹ ± 0.0005 g mL⁻¹

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1. CONCEPT OF CERTIFICATION

The certified concentrations and expanded uncertainties of the analyte are based on the results obtained from gravimetric production and from the analytical results determined using acid-base titration.

Gravimetric preparation using well defined and pure materials is a practical realization of concentration units, through conversion of mass to amount of substance^[4]. All high-precision balances are periodically calibrated by a third party and certified according to DAkkS guidelines (DAkkS = Deutsche Akkreditierungsstelle GmbH, which is the national accreditation body for the Federal Republic of Germany).

Production and certification of this CRM are performed under double-accreditation in accordance with ISO/IEC 17025^[5] and also ISO Guide 34^[6]. Storage stability, leaching and homogeneity tests are also considered for certification.

2. STARTING MATERIAL CONTENT BY TITRATION

The content of the starting material (potassium phthalate monobasic, P/N 60357, Lot BCBH6361V) is performed by volumetric acid-base titrations with carbonate free 1 mol/L NaOH-solution using a combined pH-electrode.

Thirty-five starting material samples and eight reference material samples are prepared separately and then titrated in one set. All results are traced gravimetrically to National Bureau of Standards (NIST) Standard Reference Material 84k acidimetric standard, potassium hydrogen phthalate (99.9911%).

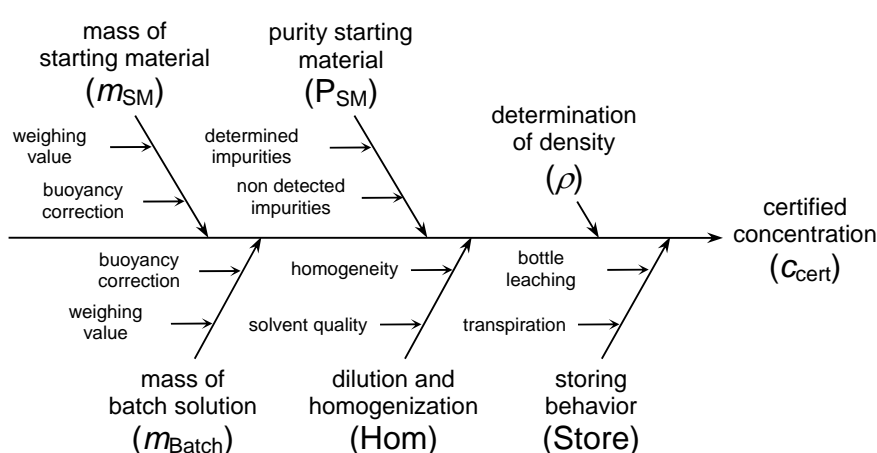
Content of starting material: 99.970 %
Expanded uncertainty ($k=2$): 0.070 %

3. DENSITY MEASUREMENT

The density measurement is carried out according to ISO 15212-1^[7] and using the digital density meter DMA 4500M from Anton Paar with an oscillating U-tube installed. The measurement uncertainty is calculated according to Eurachem/CITAC Guide and reported as combined expanded uncertainty at the 95% confidence level.

4. UNCERTAINTY EVALUATION

All uncertainties are calculated according to Eurachem/CITAC Guide^[3] and reported as combined expanded uncertainties at the 95% confidence level. For gravimetric preparation the uncertainty contributions are illustrated by the following cause-effect diagram^[8]:



Typical contributions:

$u(m_{SM}) < 0.01\%$
 $u(m_{Batch}) < 0.01\%$
 $u(P_{SM}) < 0.05\%$
 $u(Hom) < 0.03\%$
 $u(Store) < 0.20\%$
 $u(\rho) < 0.05\%$

Combined uncertainty^[9]:

$u_c(C_{cert}) < 0.2\%$

Expanded uncertainty:

$U(C_{cert}) < 0.4\%$

References

- [1] ISO Guide 31:2000, "Reference materials - Contents of certificates and labels"
- [2] ISO Guide 35:2006, "Reference materials - General and statistical principles for certification"
- [3] Eurachem/CITAC Guide, 3rd Ed. (2012), "Quantifying uncertainty in analytical measurement"
- [4] Eurachem/CITAC Guide, 1st Ed. (2003) "Traceability in chemical measurement"
- [5] ISO/IEC 17025, 2nd Ed. (2005), "General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories"
- [6] ISO Guide 34:2009, "General requirements for the competence of reference material producers"
- [7] DIN EN ISO 15212-1:1998, Oscillation-type density meters - Part 1: Laboratory instruments
- [8] Reichmuth, A., Wunderli, S., Weber, M., Meyer, V. R. (2004), "The uncertainty of weighing data obtained with electronic analytical balances", Microchimica Acta 148: 133-141.
- [9] Calculated by combination of the squared contribution values