

**Advanced technical ceramics - Test methods for
ceramic powders - Determination of calcium,
magnesium, iron and aluminium in silicon nitride by
using flame atomic absorption spectroscopy (FAAS) or
inductively coupled plasma atomic emission
spectroscopy (ICP-AES)**

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Foreword

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1 Scope

This European Prestandard specifies methods for the determination of calcium, magnesium, iron, and aluminium, using flame atomic absorption spectroscopy (FAAS), or inductively coupled plasma atomic emission spectroscopy (ICP-AES).

The methods are applicable to the concentration ranges given in clause 3.

2 Normative references

This European Prestandard incorporates, by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text, and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Prestandard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies (including amendments).

ISO 3696, *Water for analytical laboratory use - Specification and test methods*.

3 Concentration ranges

The method is applicable to concentration ranges for each element as follows:

Calcium	5×10^{-6} to 500×10^{-6} (w/w);
Magnesium	5×10^{-6} to 200×10^{-6} (w/w);
Iron	5×10^{-6} to 250×10^{-6} (w/w);
Aluminium	5×10^{-6} to 1000×10^{-6} (w/w).

4 Principle

The test sample is decomposed using either acid pressure digestion, or acid pressure microwave digestion.

The resulting solution is diluted to a defined volume and nebulization into a flame for FAAS, or into a plasma, for ICP-AES (see clause 1).

For each element, comparison is made of the recorded absorbance or emitted intensity for a determined analytical peak with those of a range of solutions of known concentrations.

5 Sampling

Bulk sampling is not within the scope of this European Prestandard and the method starts with a laboratory sized sample.