# Certified Reference Material BAM-P114

BET Specific Surface Area of Titanium Dioxide (Anatase/Rutile) calculated from the nitrogen adsorption isotherm at 77.3 K

#### **Certified Value**

Property	Value	$oldsymbol{U}$ a	2· <i>s</i> <sub>x</sub> <sup>b</sup>	Unit
Specific surface area <sup>c</sup> $A_{BET}$	24.48	0.30	0.4	m²/g

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Expanded uncertainty  $U=k\cdot u_c$  calculated according to ISO Guide 35 and ISO/IEC Guide 98-3 with the coverage factor k=2 (giving a level of confidence of approximately 95%). The value of the combined standard uncertainty  $u_c$  of the certified property includes both an uncertainty contribution resulting from the interlaboratory characterization, the study of inhomogeneities, stability of the material, and the uncertainty contribution due to the measurement result variations of the single instruments (mean data set precision).

#### Validity of the Certificate

This certificate is valid for two years from the date of shipment provided the reference material is stored under the recommended conditions.

## **Date of Shipment from BAM:**

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> Twofold standard deviation s<sub>x</sub> of accepted laboratory means.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> Specific surface area  $A_{\text{BET}}$  calculated in a relative adsorption pressure range of  $0.05 \le p/p_0 < 0.3$  as multipoint BET model with a minimum of five supporting points as described in ISO 9277.

## **Material Description**

A unit of the BAM-P114 consists of a single glass bottle containing approximately 18 g of crystalline titanium dioxide ( $TiO_2$ ) powder consisting of a mix of the modifications anatase (56 %) and rutile (44 %) with a particle size distribution ranging from 10 to 100  $\mu$ m and a pore sizes of 30 nm.

#### **Recommended Use**

Prior to the measurement, outgassing of the sample is necessary. Outgassing must be carried out in vacuum with a final pressure below 10 Pa. For degassing in vacuum, the sample is to be heated with a rate of about 5 K/min to 453.15 K. Afterwards, this temperature must be maintained for at least three hours. During sample pre-treatment, a mass loss of 1.2 % is to be expected. After this period, the sample must be allowed to cool down slowly to ambient temperature.

The adsorption branch of the  $N_2$  isotherm must be measured at 77.3 K. The analysis should be performed according to the instrument manufacturer's instructions. The recommended sample intake is 1.5 g.

The sample preparation station should have a separate vacuum circuit in addition to the analysis station or the preparation should be carried out in a separate heating station. For instruments with a combined vacuum system, measurements and sample preparation should not be performed together, as condensation in glass vessels can occur during sample preparation.

The 2  $s_x$  "Twofold standard deviation of accepted laboratory means" can be used to validate gas sorption instruments in test laboratories and to carry out monitoring that is required according to ISO/IEC 17025.

This uncertainty represents the range of accepted laboratory means observed in the certification interlaboratory comparison.

#### Transport, Storage and Handling

BAM-P114 can be shipped at ambient temperature. Upon receipt, the material should be stored at a temperature below 30°C in its original tightly closed bottle. When handling the sample, the bottle should be opened as briefly as possible to avoid deterioration of the certified value. Before taking a sub-sample re-homogenisation by manual shaking of the closed bottle is strongly recommended.

#### **Analytical Method**

The reference material is intended for performance testing of gas sorption instruments operating by the static-volumetric method. For this purpose, the instrument must perform the nitrogen gas adsorption at 77 K.

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## Means of Accepted Interlaboratory Comparison Data Sets

	$A_{BET}$	
Data set no.	m²/g	
P01	24.4238	
P02	24.4984	
P03	24.8270	
P04	24.4258	
P05	24.1974	
P06	24.3032	
P07	24.5439	
P08	24.3904	
P09	24.4760	
P10	24.8130	
P11	24.4381	
P12	24.6270	
P13	24.2222	

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## **Metrological Traceability**

The certified specific surface area is determined according ISO 9277 and traceable to the base units of the SI via calibrated measurements of the quantities pressure, volume, and mass.

#### Literature

A detailed technical report describing the production, characterization and the treatment of the analytical data used to certify BAM-P114 is available on request or can be downloaded from BAM website (https://rrr.bam.de).

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BAM holds an accreditation as a reference material producer according to DIN EN ISO 17034:2017. This accreditation is valid only for the scope as specified in the certificate D-RM-11075-01-00.

DAkkS is a signatory of the multilateral agreement (MLA) between EA, ILAC and IAF for mutual acceptance.



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