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How to Achieve Significant Cost Reduction in Polymer Production

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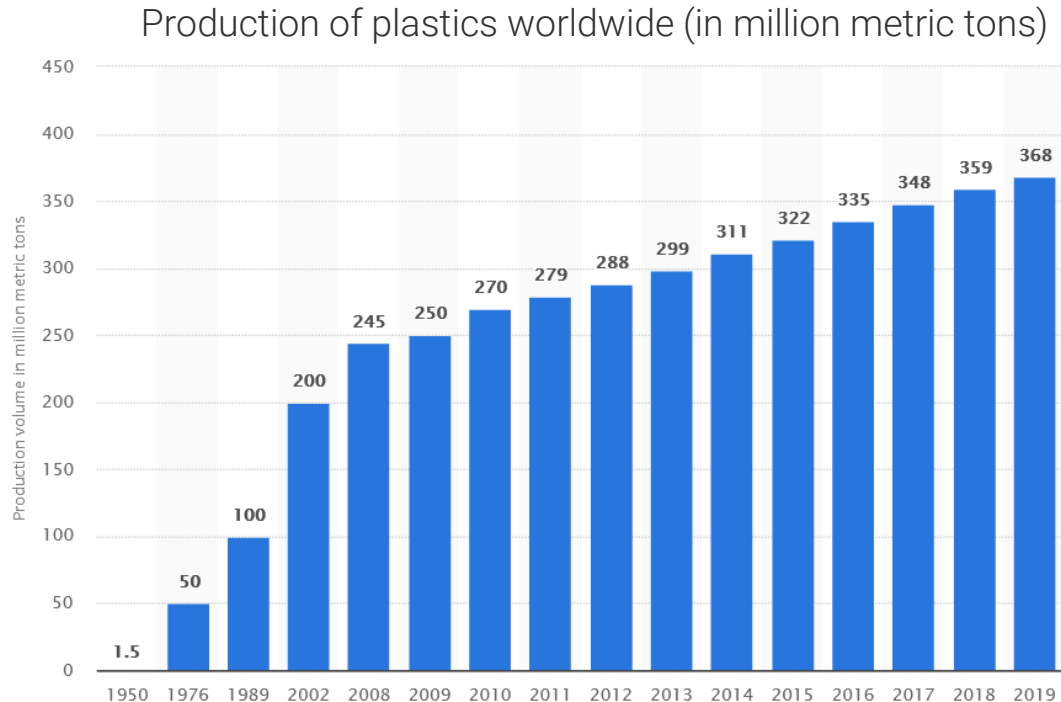
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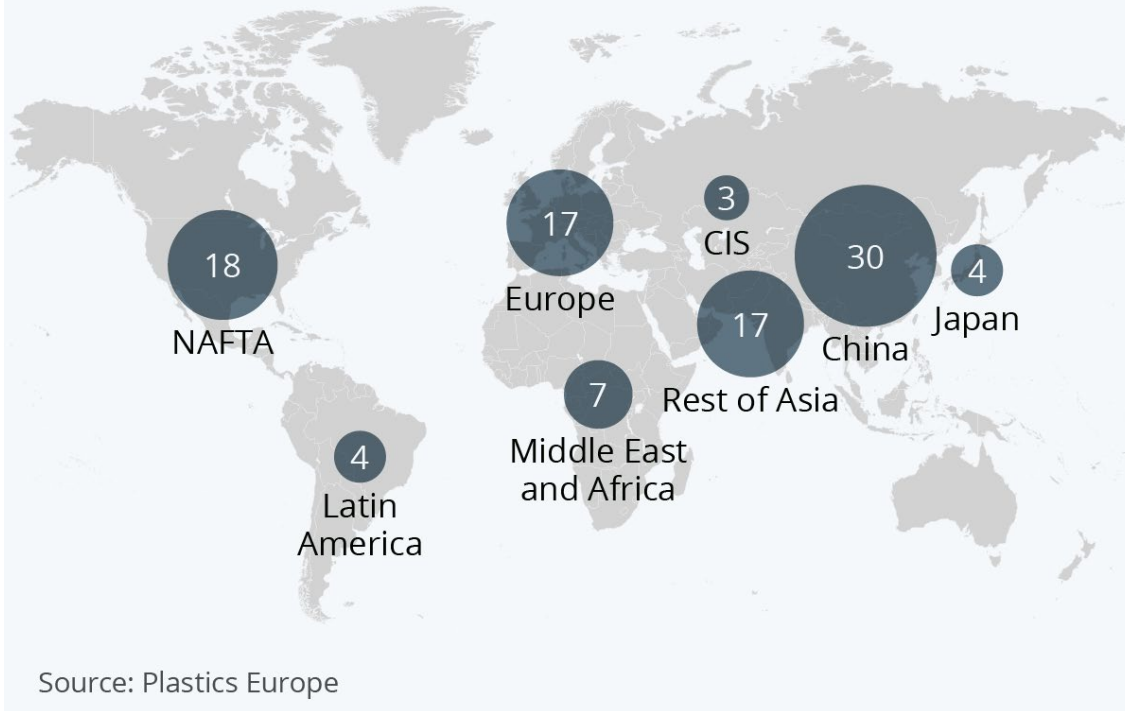
Changing everyday products, develop the world – with Polymers



- PE, PP, PVC and PS are very popular polymers and have replaced a lot of traditional materials, such as metal or wood, due to longer lifetime and lower weight, better shaping and coloring characteristics at lower costs
- ABS, PET and Teflon are replacing other materials, such as ceramics and glass, in technologically advanced products
- Polymers and plastics have made a lot of products available for everybody at lower costs
 - Household appliances
 - Electronics/Entertainment equipment
 - Toys, clothes, shoes

Why to be in Plastics Markets?

■ Plastic production by region in 2018 (in percent)

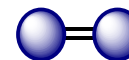
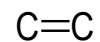
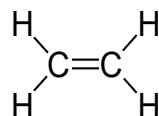


- The production of the majority of polymers is mainly linked to oil production and refineries -> the gas fraction is the source for PE and PP
- The biggest share is now in Asia (Middle East and China) -> Asia produces half the plastic of the world
- US and Europe are falling behind due to major shift of production to Asia
 - Specialty products still being made in US/EU

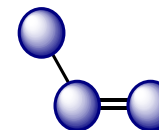
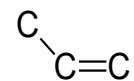
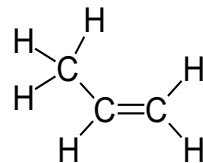
Typical Building Blocks (Monomers)

- Monomers are main products of refineries, linked to polymer producers:

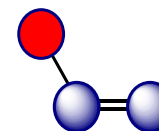
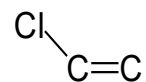
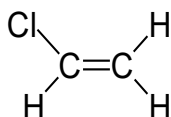
Ethylene



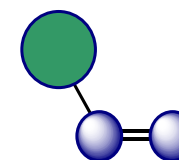
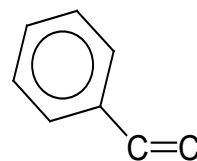
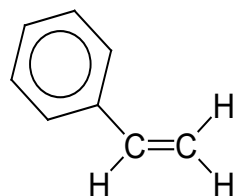
Propylene



Vinyl chloride

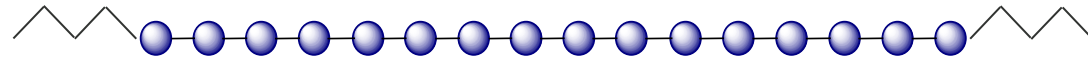


Styrene

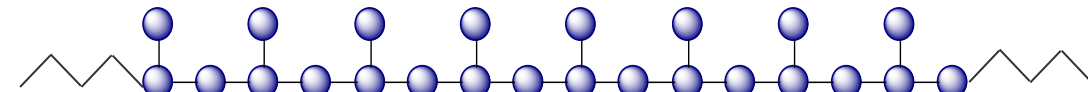


The respective Homopolymers

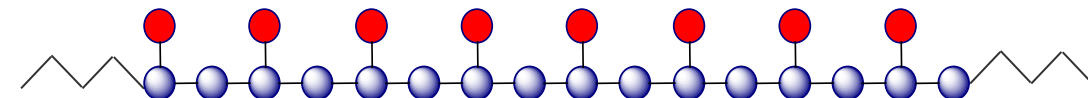
- Important: Poly(ethylene) (PE)



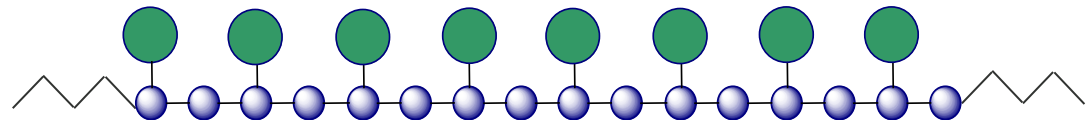
Poly(propylene) (PP)



Poly(vinylchloride) PVC



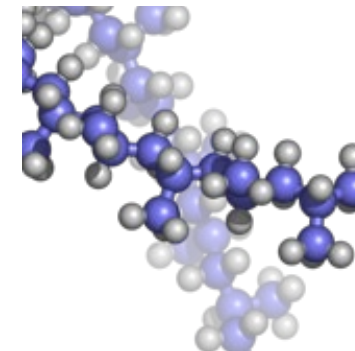
Poly(styrene) (PS)



Polymers

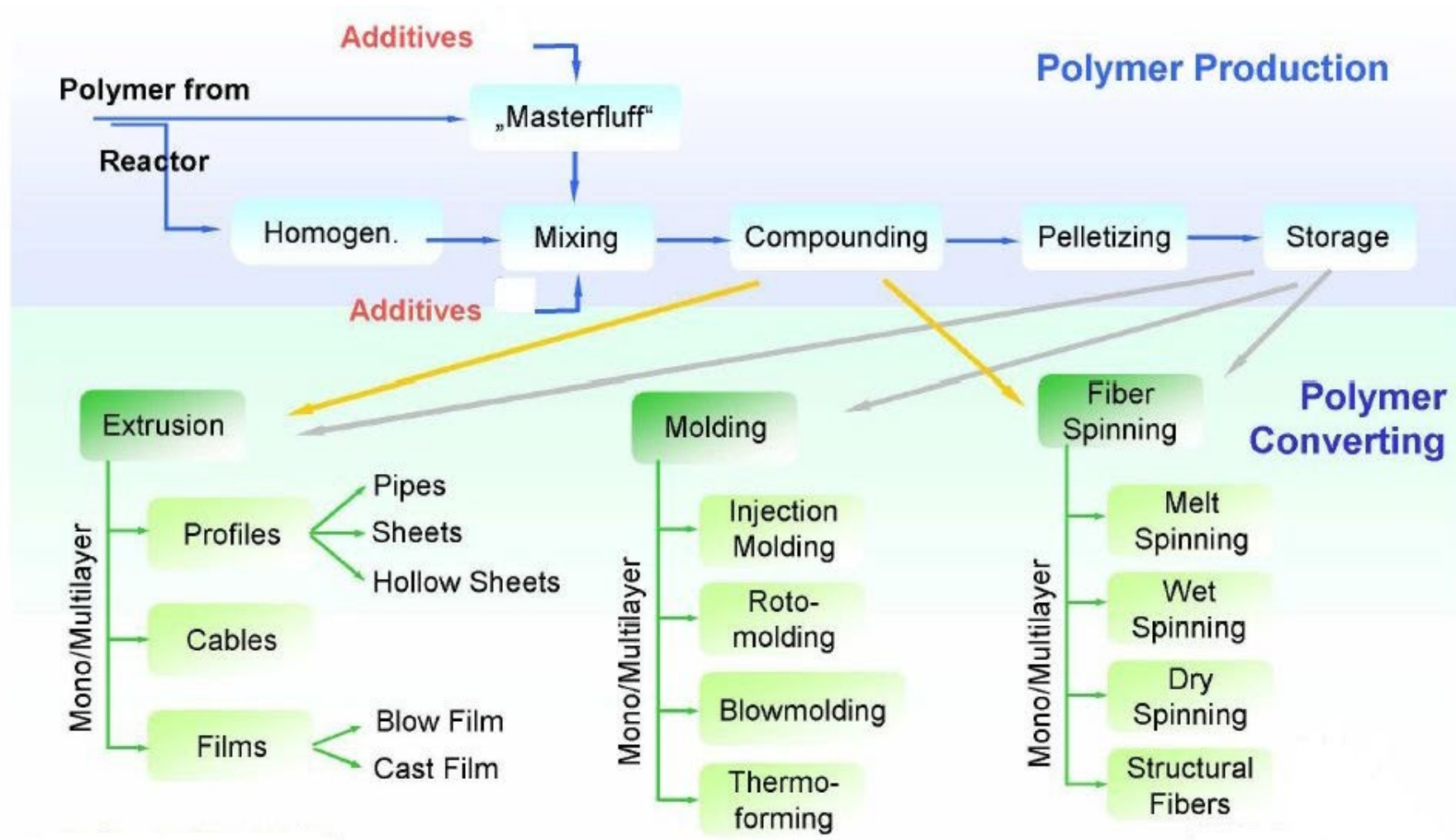
The pure polymer is expensive and will not withstand the conditions the final product is exposed to.

- Additives
- Catalysts Residues
- Impurities
- Toxic and regulated elements
- are influencing durability, quality, product characteristic, efficient production



The element concentrations determine the final product quality, therefore the product value for the later use!

Processing Chain / Workflow



Additives

Make Polymers fit for Purpose

Typical additives:

- Thermal stabilizers (processing, long term)
- UV stabilizers
- Pigments
- Carbon black
- Processing aids
- Anti-block
- Anti-statics
- Slip agents
- Flame retardant

Characteristics

- Durability
- Colors
- Protection

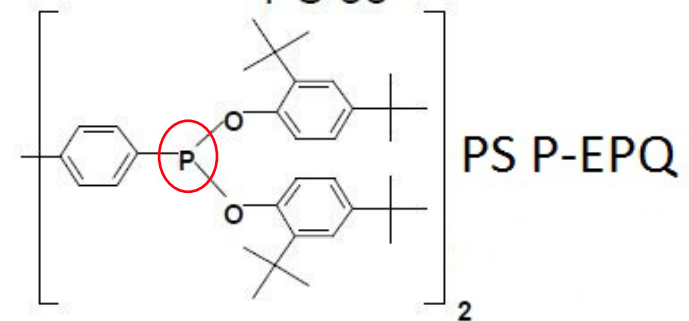
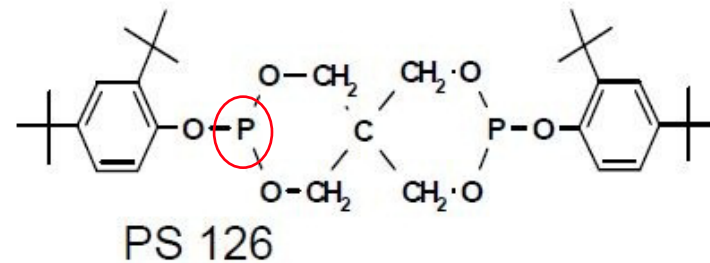
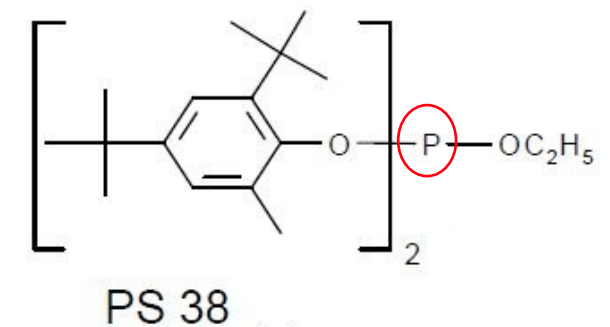
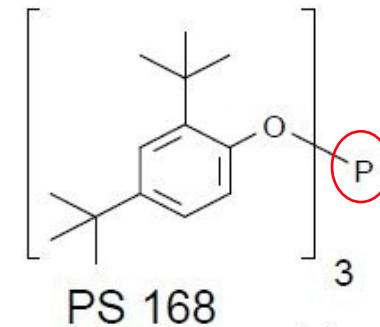
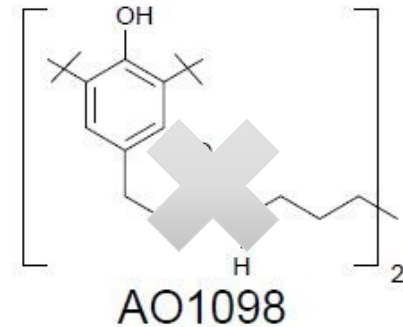
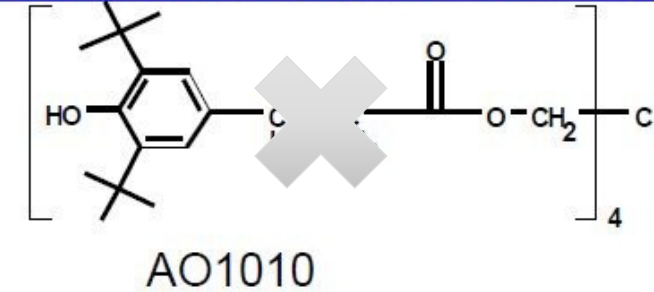
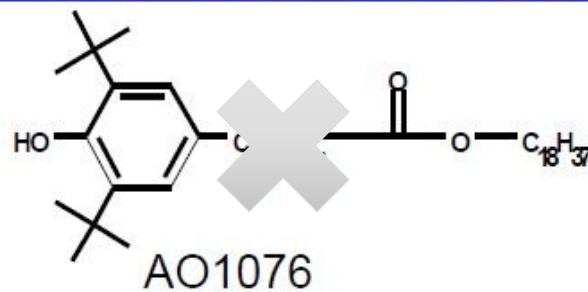
Plastics are a main source of environmental pollution, but it is not that easy:

- Polymer packaging are helping to extend the storage life of food products ensuring longer shelf life, lower wasting of food



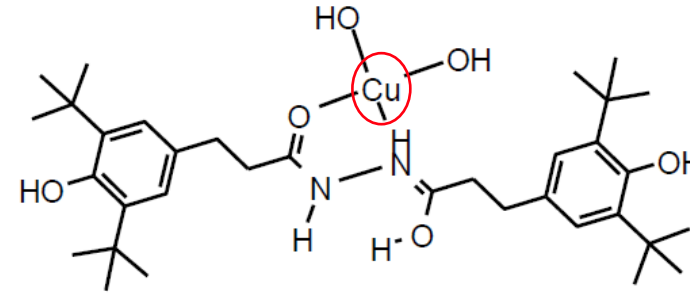
Chemical Structures of Main Antioxidants

- Exposing a polymer to sunlight and air/water/heat will lead to decay
- Polymers need to be stabilized and protected versus early aging
- Expensive and partially hazardous substances are used

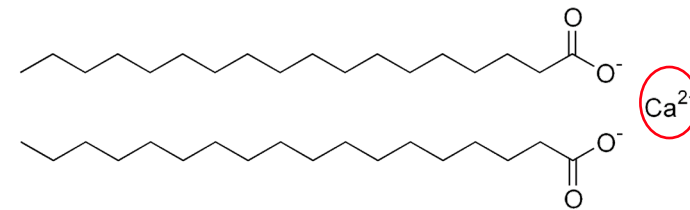


Stabilizer and Processing Aids

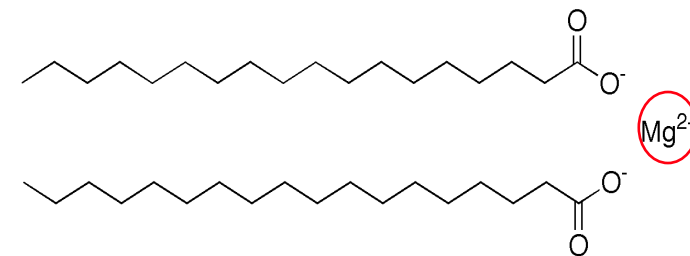
- Metal deactivators form stable complexes with metal ions thus improving stability



- Calciumstearate

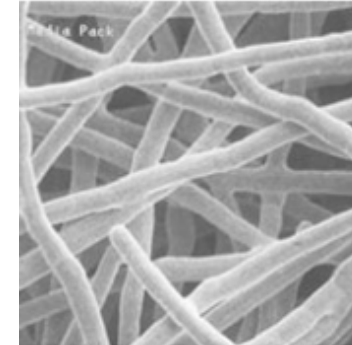
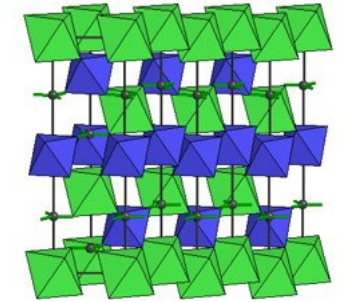


- Magnesiumstearate



Fillers

- Polymer itself is too expensive
 - Fillers are used to dilute
 - And to modify
- Talc ($\text{Mg}_3\text{Si}_4\text{O}_{10}(\text{OH})_2$)
 - Dolomite ($((\text{CaMg})(\text{CO}_3)_2)$)
 - Magnesite (MgCO_3)
 - Conductive fillers
 - Stainless steel fibers
 - Coated mica
 - Glas fibers
 - Aluminum flakes
 - Tracer



Pigments

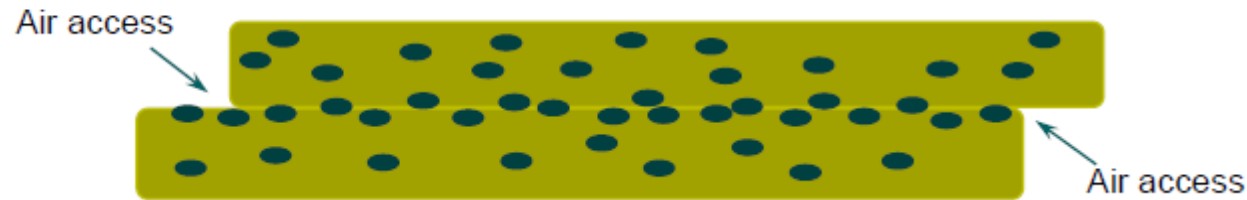
Coloring of polymers

- Ultramarine Blue $\text{Na}_{8-x}[(\text{Al}, \text{Si})_{12}\text{O}_{24}(\text{Sy})_2]$
- Red Iron Oxides (Fe_2O_3)
- Yellow Iron Oxides (FeOOH)
- Black Iron Oxides (Fe_3O_4)
- Brown Iron Oxides (Fe_2O_3 , FeOOH , Fe_4O_4)
- Chrome Yellows (PbCrO_4 , PbSO_4)



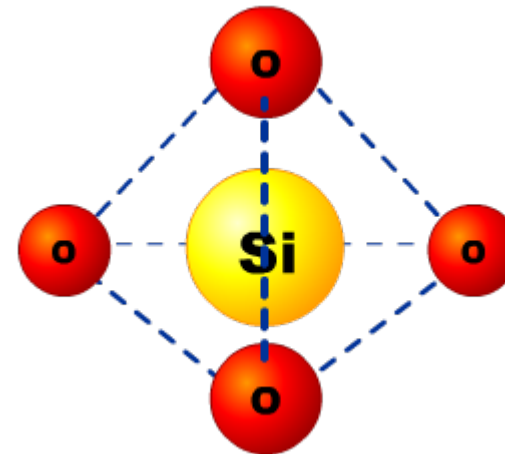
Anti-blocking Agents

Antiblocking = air buffer build-up between films



In principal inorganic particles are used:

- Silica (SiO_2)
- Talc ($\text{Mg}_3\text{Si}_4\text{O}_{10}(\text{OH})_2$)



How does current Polymer Analysis often look like?

Atomic Absorption Spectrometry (AAS)

- Sample must be prepared/**digested**/diluted
- Requires daily instrument calibration
- Requires gases for flame or graphite tubes
- Usually, single element analysis

Inductively Coupled Plasma Spectrometry (ICP-OES)

- Similar to AAS
- Requires expensive Argon gas for plasma
- Requires adjustment of plasma gas conditions

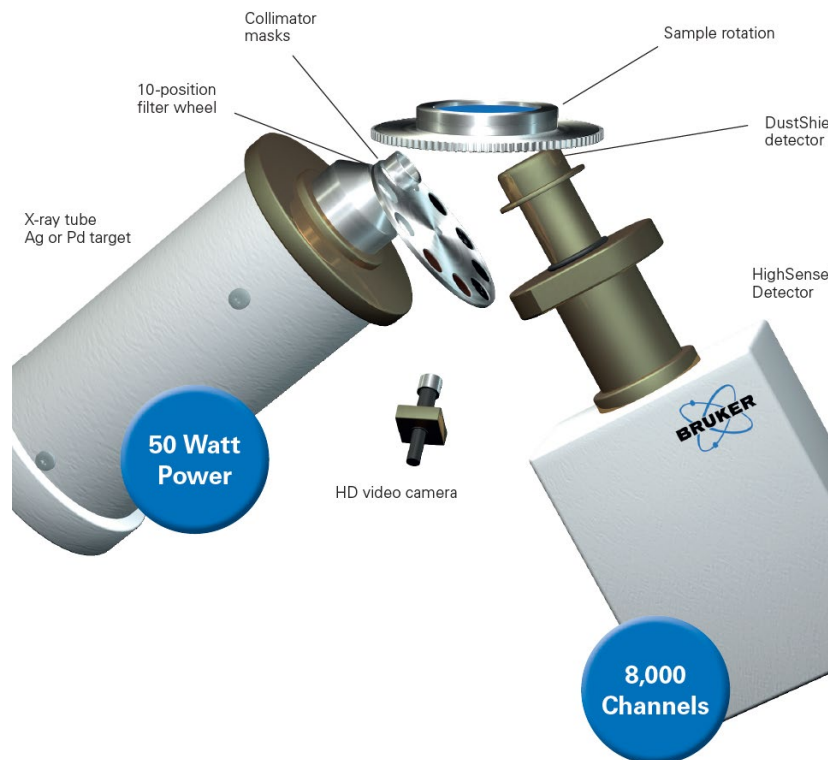
UV/VIS Spectroscopy (UV)

- Requires reagents for UV reaction

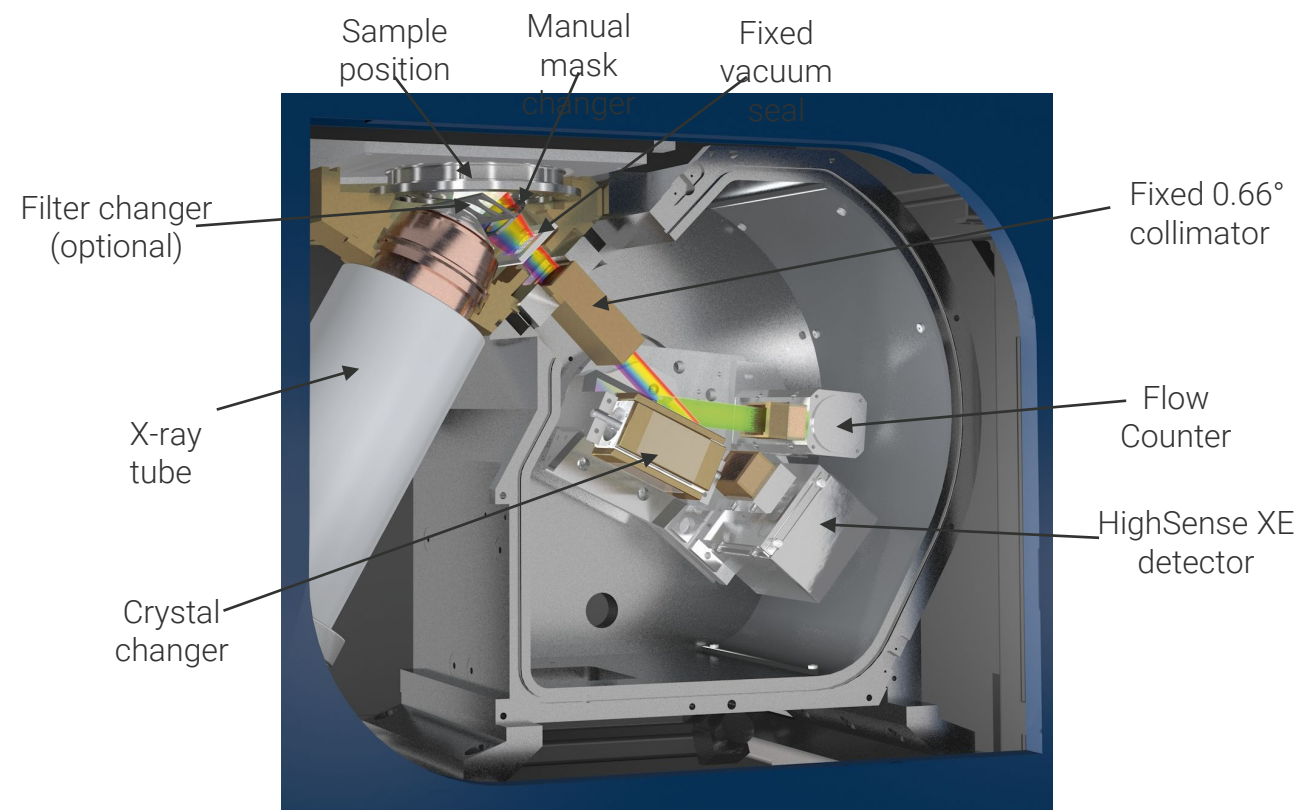


Energy-Dispersive XRF (EDXRF) vs. Wavelength-Dispersive XRF (WDXRF)

EDXRF



WDXRF



X-ray Fluorescence Analysis (XRF)

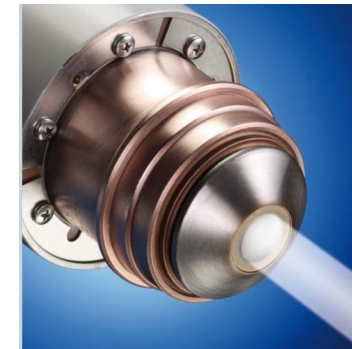
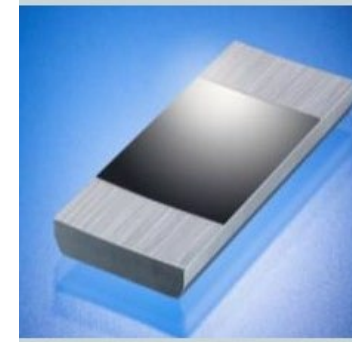
The Comparison of Energy and Wavelength Dispersive Spectrometers

EDXRF

- Mechanical simplicity
- Cheaper
- Sensitivities: down to the ppm level
- Easy operation
- Smaller, “can be brought to the sample”

WDXRF

- High precision mechanics
- Higher capital
- Precision: <0.05%
- Higher resolution
- Sensitivities: down to the ppm level, but roughly one to two orders more sensitive
- Very fast analysis
- Highest sample throughput



Polypropylene (PP) Application

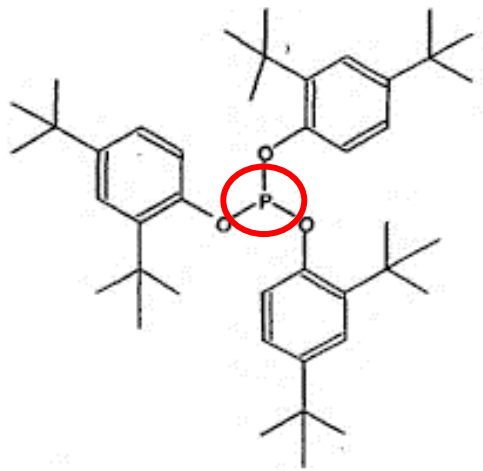
- Polypropylene (PP) is a thermoplastic polymer
- Used in wide variety of applications as plastic and fiber in:
 - Industrial applications
 - Consumer goods
 - Packaging industry
 - Automotive industry
- Direct analysis of granules, prepared as solid specimen (PUK) after hot pressing
- Analysis of granules in liquid cups
- Additives in polymer processing
 - Talc (Si)
 - IRGAFOS 168 (P)
- Calibration for Si and P, or directly by additive concentration



Polymer Analysis with XRF

How does it work?

- Additive compound IRGAFOS 168

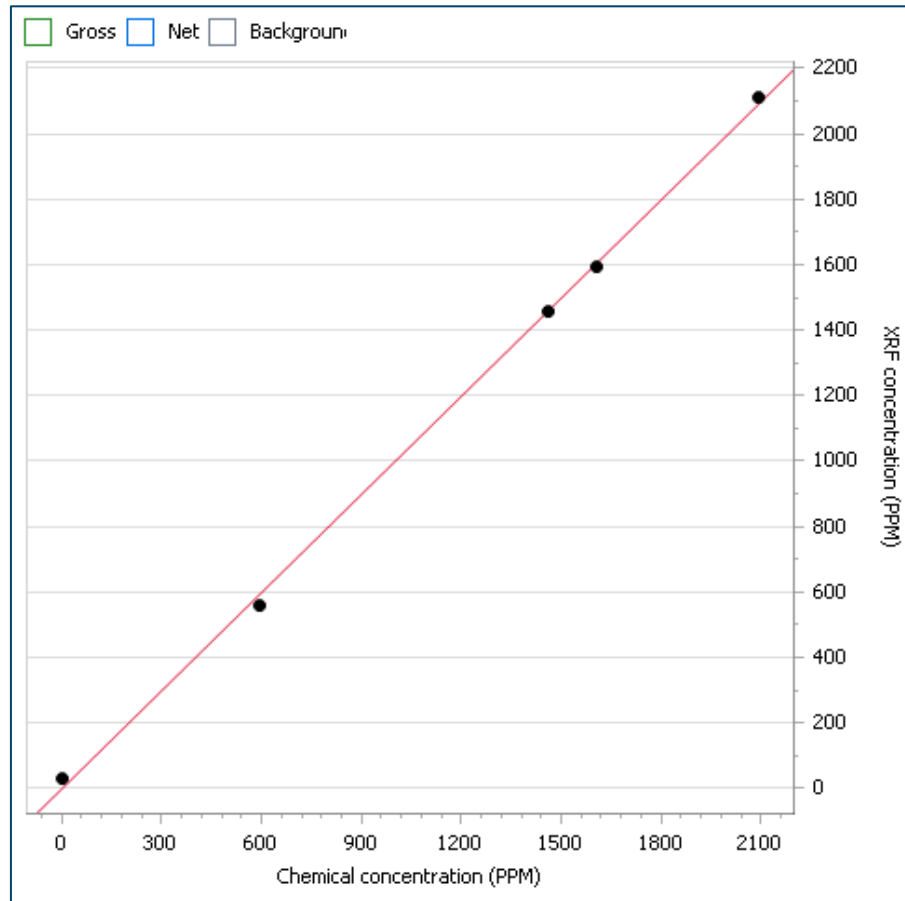


- XRF provide elemental information
- Stoichiometry by calculation or user input
- Evaluation based on 100% known matrix, i.e. everything is measured
- Polymer: matrix is balance (100-X) as $\{C_xH_yO_z\}$

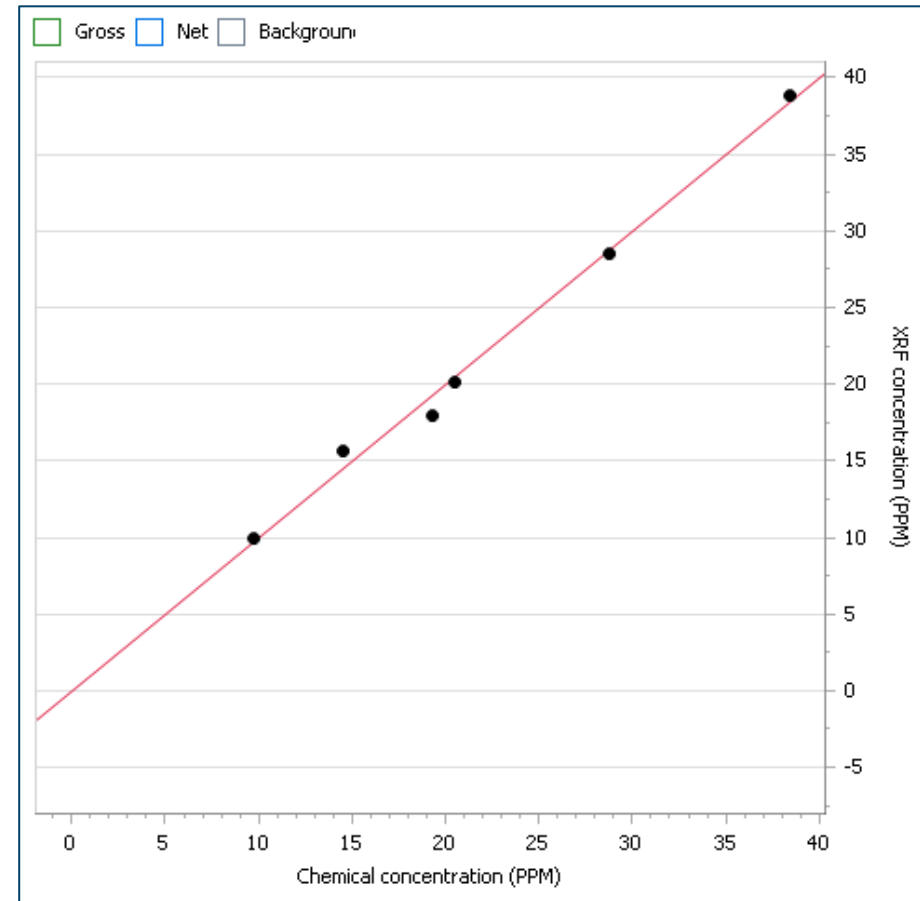


Si and P in Polypropylene (PP)

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- Si in PP – up to 2100 ppm (LLD: 0.7 ppm)



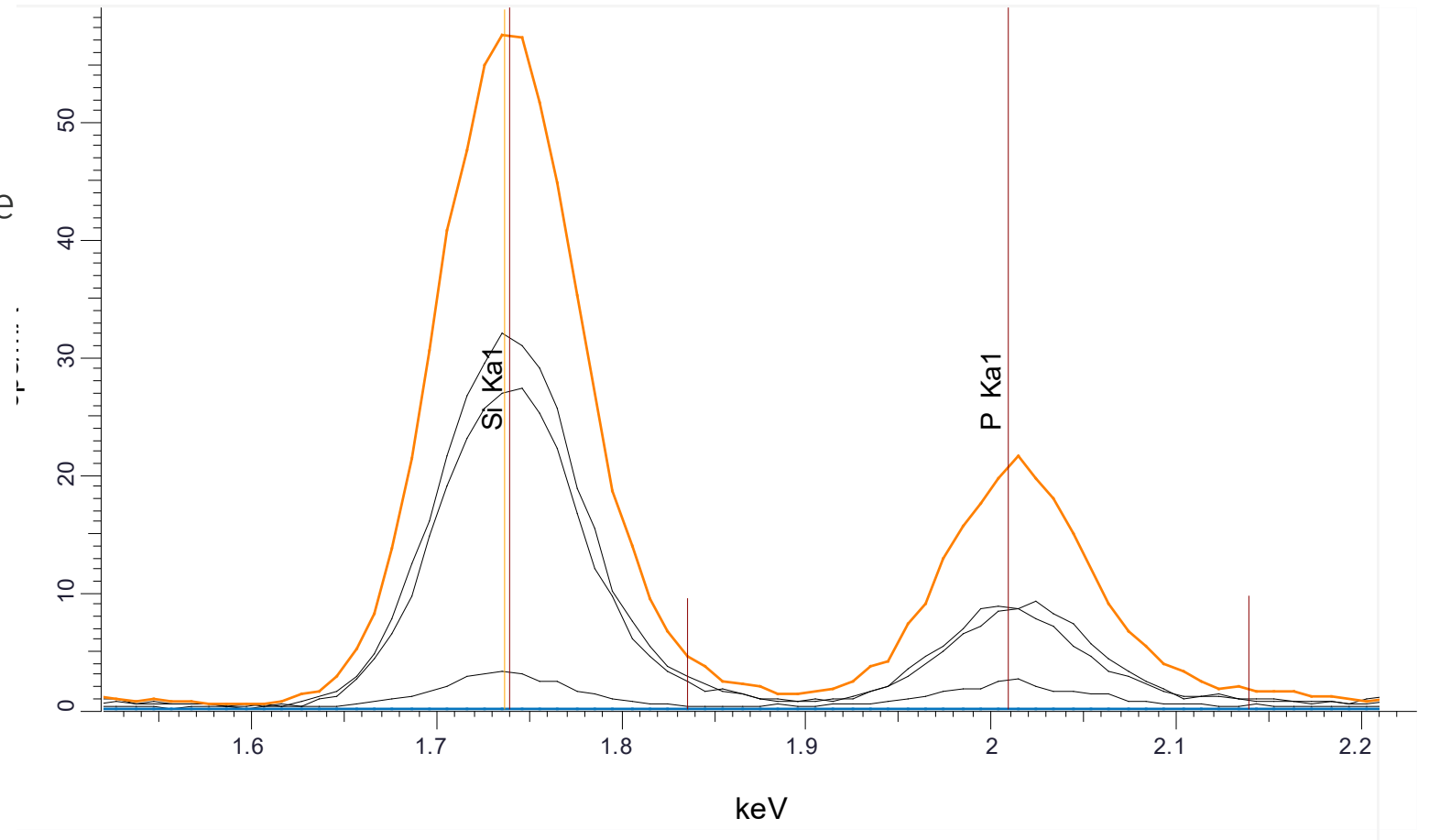
- P in PP – up to 40 ppm (LLD: 0.3 ppm)

Si and P in Polypropylene (PP)

S2 POLAR

Advantages of XRF

- Simple sample preparation
- Quantitative and qualitative possible
- Fast screening
- Fingerprint material identification
- Linearity from ppm to 100%
- Long term stability
- No daily recalibration
- Process monitoring
- Quality control



- Excellent separation of Si and P element lines

Polypropylene (PP) Application

SPECTRA.ELEMENTS Feature

- Many users in polymer industry, do not directly report measured concentration for process control
- Bruker's software feature allow customized module for data reporting
- E.g. Si concentration is reported as "Talc" by a conversion formula: $\text{Si (\%)} \times 3.375 \times 10^5$

Module Na...	Formula	Unit Group	Unit	Name of the calculation / module:	Module
▶ Talc	[Silicon] * 3.375 Exp(5)	Concentration	%	[Silicon] * 3.375 Exp(5)	

- It is also possible to setup in house calibration directly with the compounds "Talc"

Benchtop EDXRF for Petrochemical Applications S2 POLAR

- Elemental analysis of key additives in polymers
- Very small, compact footprint
- For space-saving analysis in labs
- Also important for on-site process control with limited space in refineries, tank terminals, depots
- Ready-to-analyze 'One Button' solutions, e.g.
- Norm-compliant to ASTM D7220, D4294, ISO 13032



One instrument does it all for refineries:

From Ultra-Low Sulfur (ULS) in fuels to % in crudes

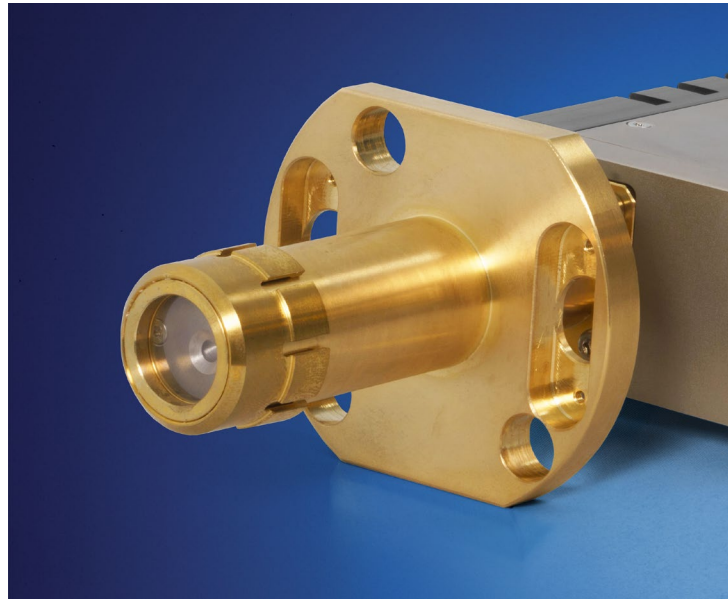


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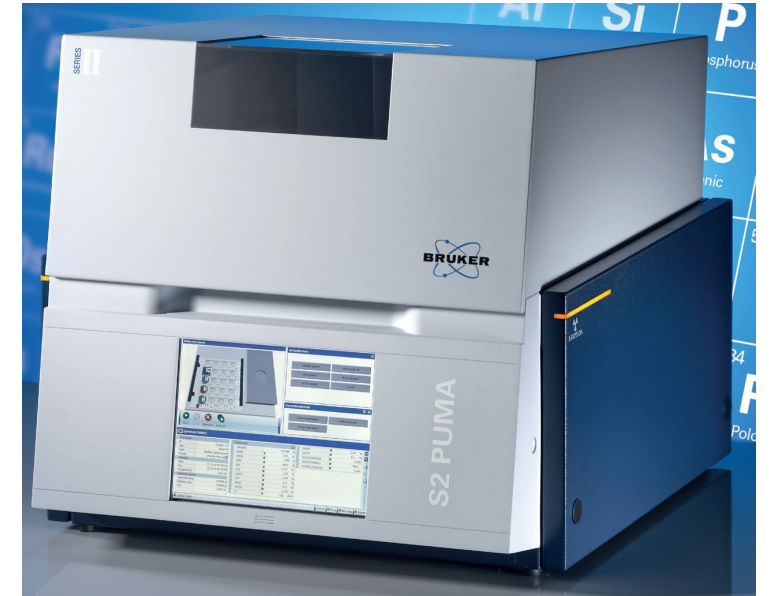
Now available for the S2 PUMA Series 2

State-of-the-Art Hardware & Next Generation Software

- New premium detector for all elements (C to Am)
- Robust, high transmission Graphene window (non-toxic)
- Bruker's detector chip technology
- Further enhanced cooling (Peltier) performance
- New SPECTRA.ELEMENTS with Dynamic Detector Profiling



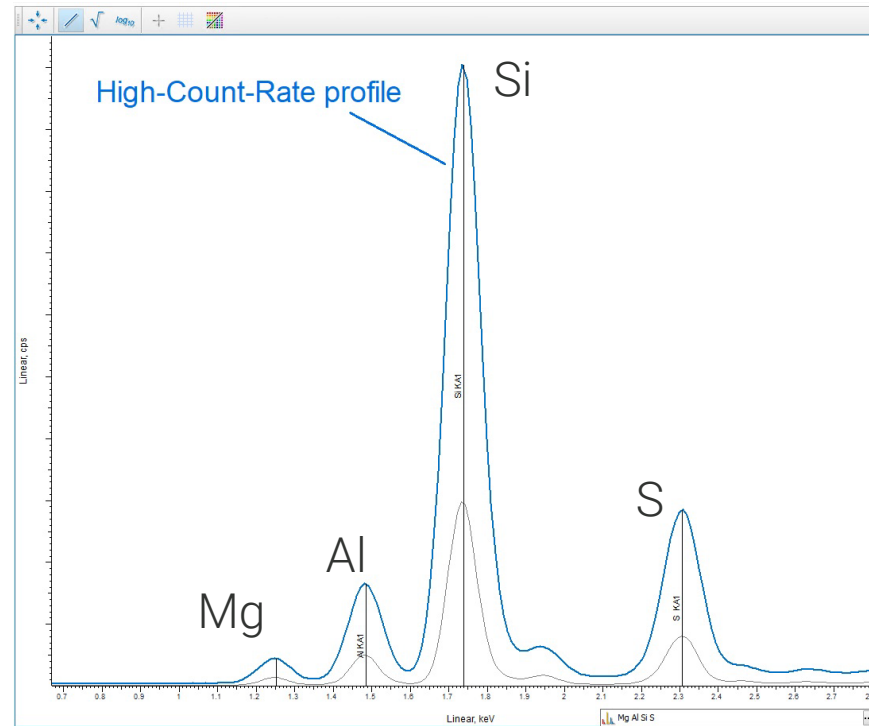
New HighSense XP Detector



S2 PUMA Series 2 with XY Autochanger

The Benefits of Detector Profiling

- New, fully integrated feature in SPECTRA.ELEMENTS
- Flexible: Make your selection each analytical range
 - **High Resolution** for optimal peak separation of neighboring elements
 - **High-Count-Rate** to boost the throughput or decrease LLD



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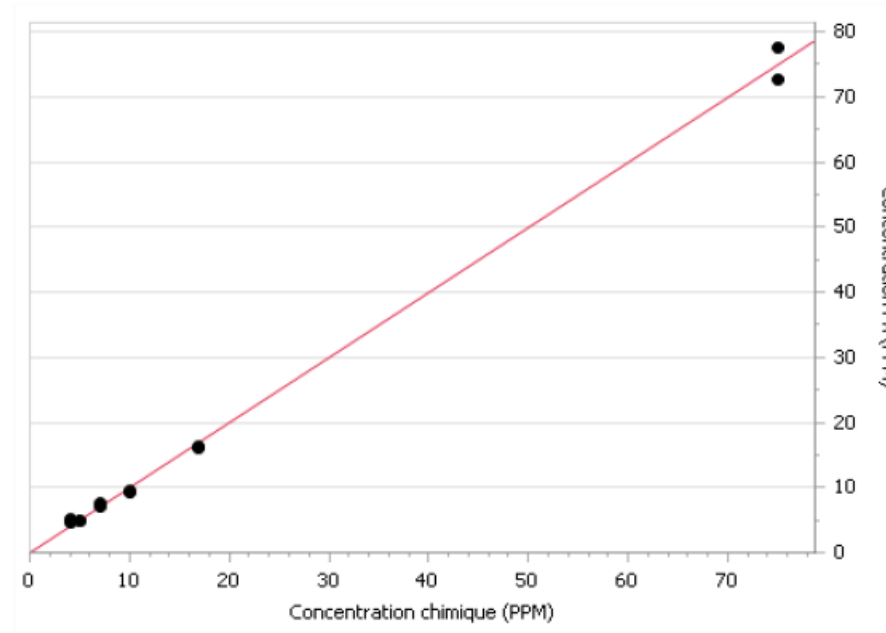
Easy. Fast. Smart. Powerful.

Achieve up to 4 x higher net intensity with the High-Count-Rate profile

→ Enhance the performance for heavy trace elements in polymers

Ni in Polymer Powder S2 PUMA

- The direct excitation of the S2 PUMA results in better performance for heavier elements when compared to the S2 POLAR
- Example Ni measured in polymer powder samples w/o any sample preparation in liquid cup under air
- Excellent repeatability at such low concentration levels



# Measurement	Ni [ppm]
1	4.9
2	5.0
3	5.0
4	4.9
5	5.0
6	4.9
7	4.9
8	4.9
9	4.8
10	5.0
Average	4.9
Std. Dev.	0.1
Rel. Std. Dev.	1.29 %

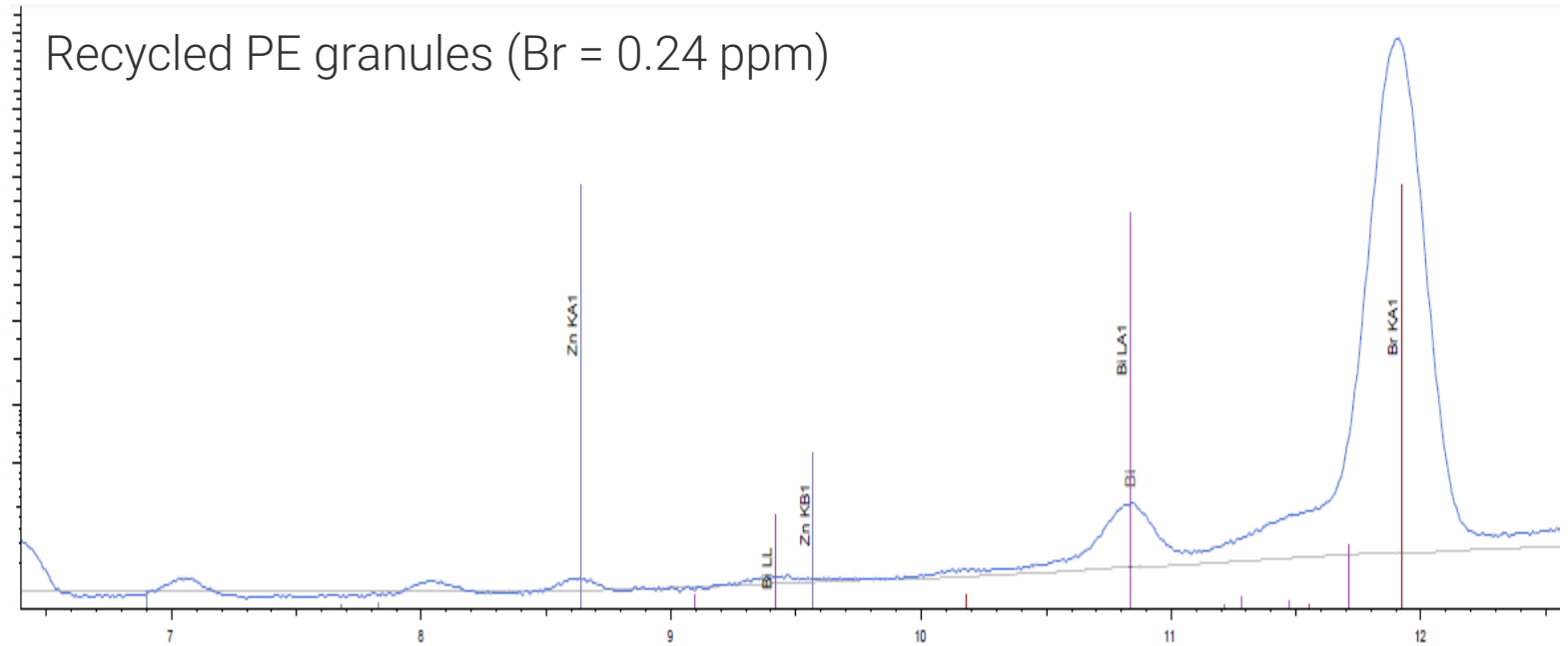
SMART-QUANT FP

Best Standardless Analysis with EDXRF

SMART-QUANT FP is set up to work in full Fundamental Parameter (FP) mode – this means no calibrations necessary!

Excellent for raw material testing and whenever special samples outside the analytical routing need to be measured.

- Fluorine to Americium
- ppm to 100%
- Air, Helium, Vacuum
- 30 and 50 kV

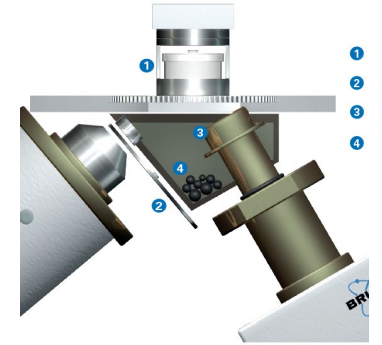
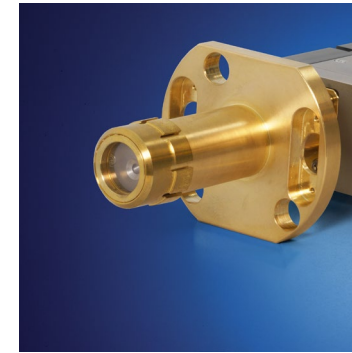


SMART-QUANT: Push-button solution for quick and reliable analysis of unknown samples

S2 PUMA Series 2

A versatile Benchtop EDXRF

- 50 W X-ray tube
- Direct excitation
- HighSense detector technology
- SampleCare™
- SMART-QUANT FP
- Elemental analysis of all kinds of additives, such as stabilizers, fillers, processing aids, pigments, anti-block/static agents, flame retardants, ...
- Sample Handling for all needs:
 - **Single** (for manual loading, few samples/day)
 - **XY-Autochanger** (for high throughput)
 - **Carousel** (for large polymer samples, various sizes)
 - **Mapping-Stage** (multi-spot analysis on polymer discs, up to 6 inch)



S6 JAGUAR - Benchtop WDXRF

High Performance Benchtop WDXRF

Configurable from single element analyzer for S to multi-purpose unit for the periodic table

All-new technology and software:

- Long lifetime X-ray tube
- Compact goniometer with high precision gears and closely coupled X-ray beam path
- Optimized analyzer crystals for the entire element range and special applications
- HighSense detection with 2 Mcps countrate
- HighSense XE detector for medium and heavy elements
- SPECTRA.ELEMENTS analytical SW
- SMART-QUANT WD with new FP algorithms

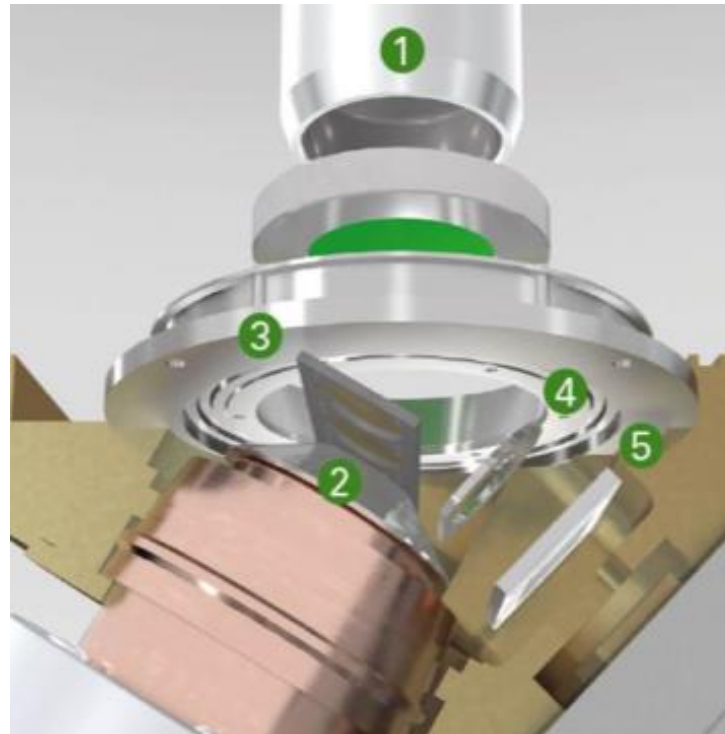


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400 W excitation

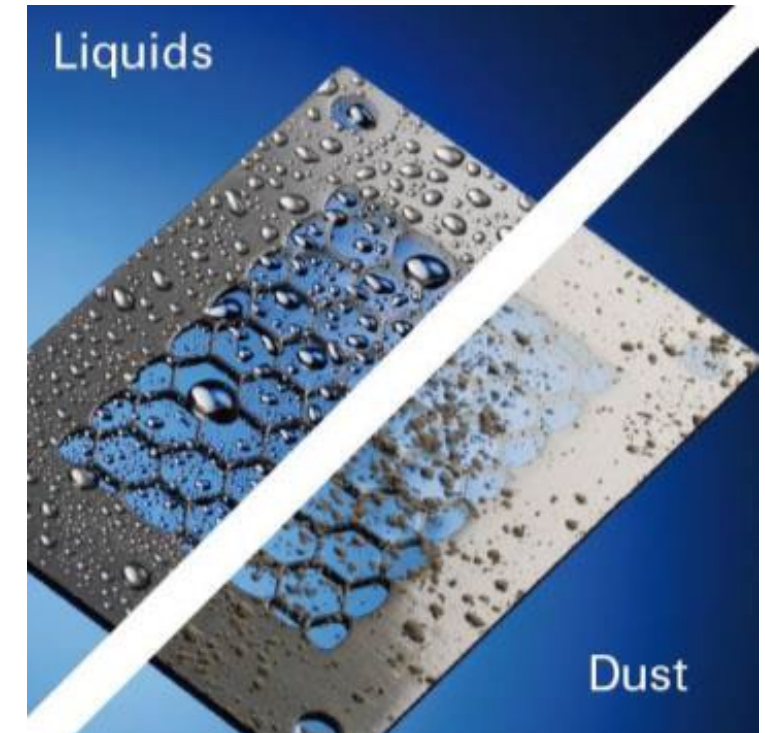
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SampleCare™: High Instrument Uptime & Low cost of operation

- High instrument uptime due to unique protection during loading and unloading
- Two contamination shields to protect tube window and goniometer
- Unique Vacuum Seal with high transmission window for goniometer protection
- Low helium consumption
 - Flushing of sample chamber only
 - Goniometer chamber remains in vacuum all the time



- 1 Grabber with automatic sample detection
- 2 Tube shield
- 3 Filter changer
- 4 Mask holder
- 5 Vacuum seal



Unique High Transmission Vacuum Seal

Additives in Polymer

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Analysis of additives and impurities in virgin polymers:

- Mg, Al, Si, P, Cl, Ca, Ti, Zn Zr in the lower ppm range
- Aim: High accuracy in the trace element region
- Direct analysis of solid specimen (PUK), after hot pressing
- Analysis of granules in liquid cups



Polymer prepared as PUK (Hot press) or mold



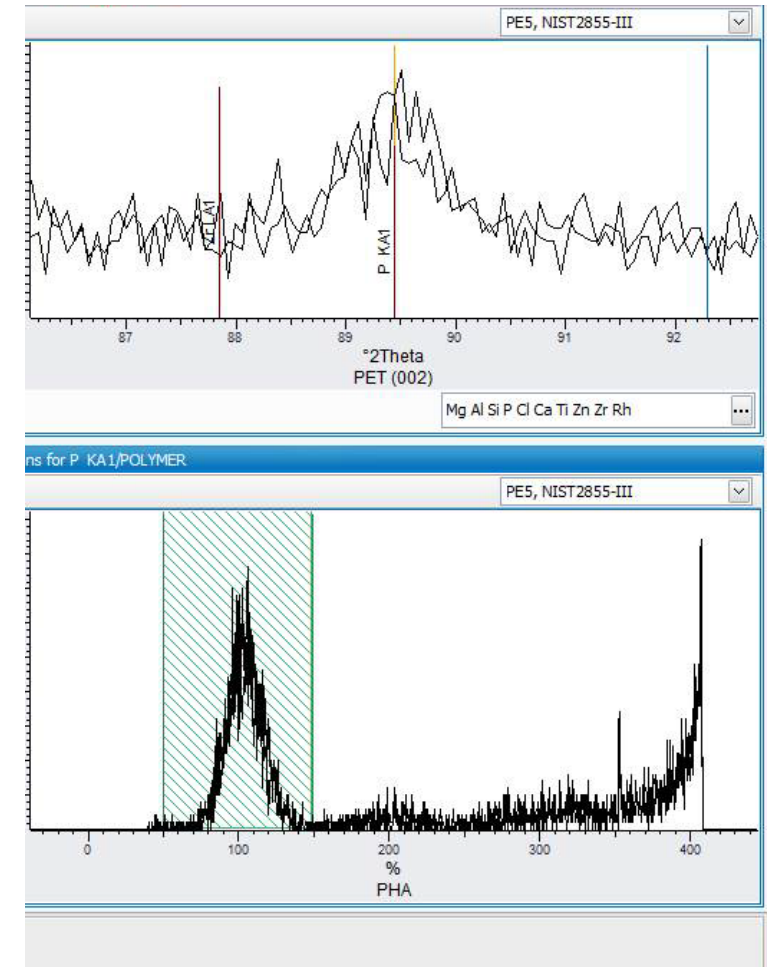
Granulate directly analyzed in a liquid cup with thin film bottom

Additives in Polymer

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Setup scans for P Ka in Polymers

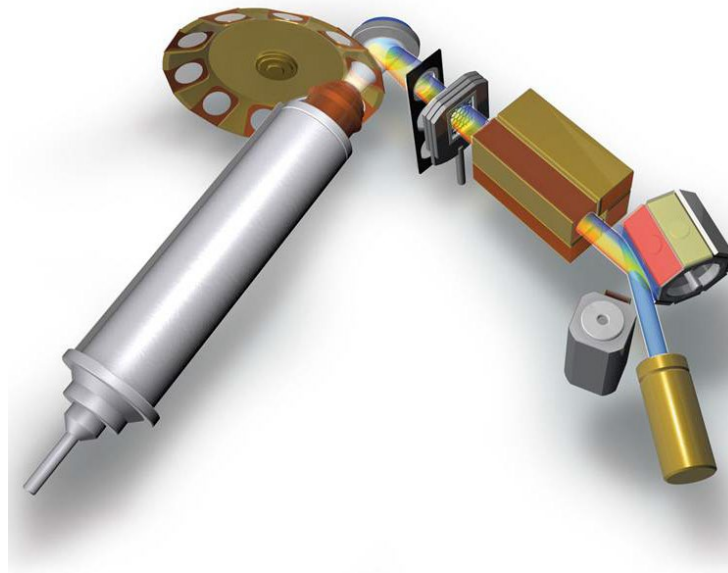
- High resolving WDXRF separates Zr La from P Ka
- High power setup with closely coupled beam path leads to optimal detection limits
- Low temperature tube head maintains samples (no decomposition)



Multi Purpose Sequential WDXRF Spectrometer S8 TIGER for the Central Lab

Analytical flexibility and high performance for sub-ppm traces

- 4 kW excitation
20 – 60 kV
- 5 – 170 mA
- 10 beam filters
- 4 collimators
- 8 crystals
- 2 detectors



S8 TIGER WDXRF Beam path



Floor standing WDXRF S8 TIGER
with 1, 3 or 4 kW

Efficient tube head cooling prevents samples from decomposition

XRF - Solutions for Industry and Research

S8 TIGER

Ready-To-Analyze Solutions for optimal Performance

- Factory setup
- Quick start into routine
- Ease-of-Use
- Best results
- Bruker expertise built in



POLYMER-QUANT A S8 TIGER

POLYMER-QUANT is the ready-to-analyze solution for additives in polymers:

- covering more than 10 elements
- in polymer disks and granules
- contains certified standard materials from NIST as acceptance test sample



- Contains all relevant additive elements and catalyst residues in polymers
- Covers the analysis of virgin polymers with typical concentration ranges
- In all CH based polymer types with the variable alpha model (PE, PP, PET, ABS,...)

POLYMER-QUANT A

Covered Concentration Range

- Concentration ranges are covering the typical range (Remember, an additive just contains partially Ca, Mg,.. remaining rest of the weight is the “soap, additive,...”

	Mg [ppm]	Al [ppm]	Si [ppm]	P [ppm]	S [ppm]	Cl [ppm]	Ca [ppm]	Ti [ppm]	Zn [ppm]	Zr [ppm]
Min.	2	26	5	1	1	10	0	0	0	3.5
Max.	495	260	1198	210	41	1250	125	99	807	76

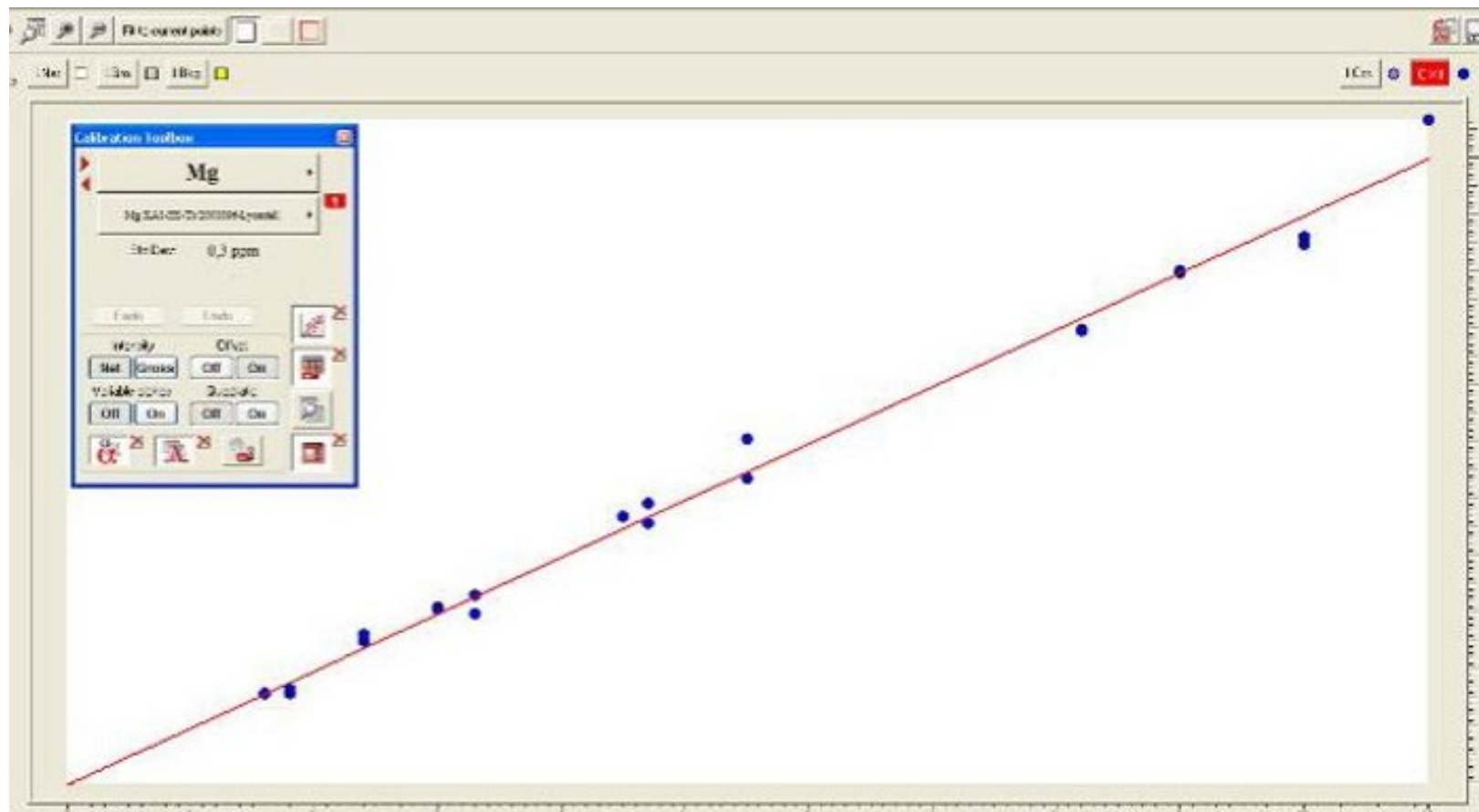


Traces of Mg in Polymers

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Mg in Polyethylene:

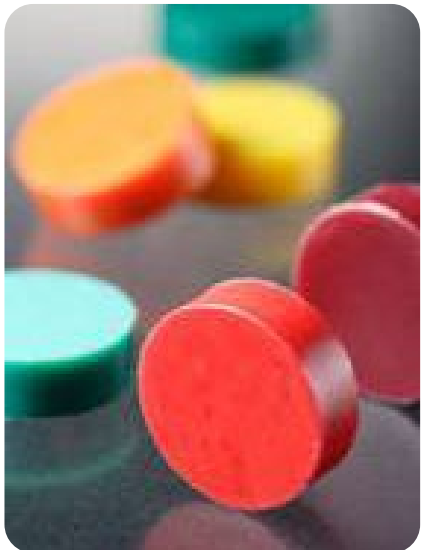
- Impurity from production
- Efficiency improved due to reduced loss of catalyst
- LLD: 0.2 ppm



Traces of Mg in Polymers

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- Excellent analytical precision of less than 0.1 ppm @ 5 ppm enables accurate determination and control of the additive



# Measurement	Sample 1 Mg [ppm]	Sample 2 Mg [ppm]
1	5.5	1.8
2	5.7	1.6
3	5.6	1.7
4	5.4	1.5
5	5.6	1.8
6	5.7	1.7
7	5.8	1.6
8	5.7	1.5
9	5.7	1.6
10	5.4	1.6
Average	5.6	1.6
Std. Dev.	0.1	0.1

POLYMER-QUANT A – Set of Standards S8 TIGER

POLYMER-QUANT A

- Contains calibration standards (Polyethylene and Polypropylene) as granules
- NIST certified reference material as acceptance test samples
- Drift correction samples
- Operators Manual
- Installation CD



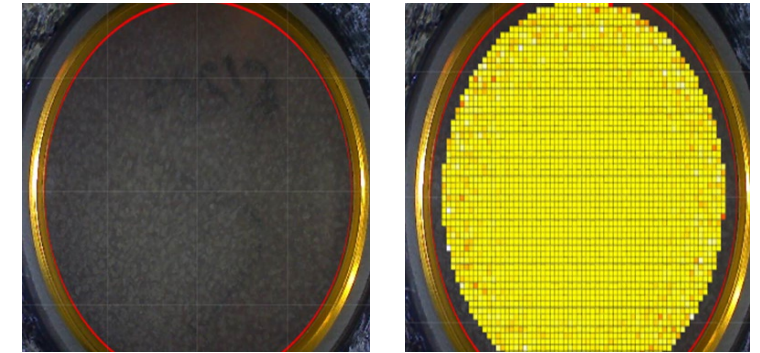
Analyzing just the Element Concentration? Get the Distribution!

Analyzing the distribution of an element inside the sample

- The all-new S8 TIGER Series 2 XRF²: TiO₂ in polymers
- Mapping
- 300 µm spot size
- Ti Ka1; 4 s

Homogenous distribution, no hot spot

- TiO₂ as additive in virgin polymer (PE)
- Question solved: Homogenous Distribution of the TiO₂ in the polymer



Analysis of Additives

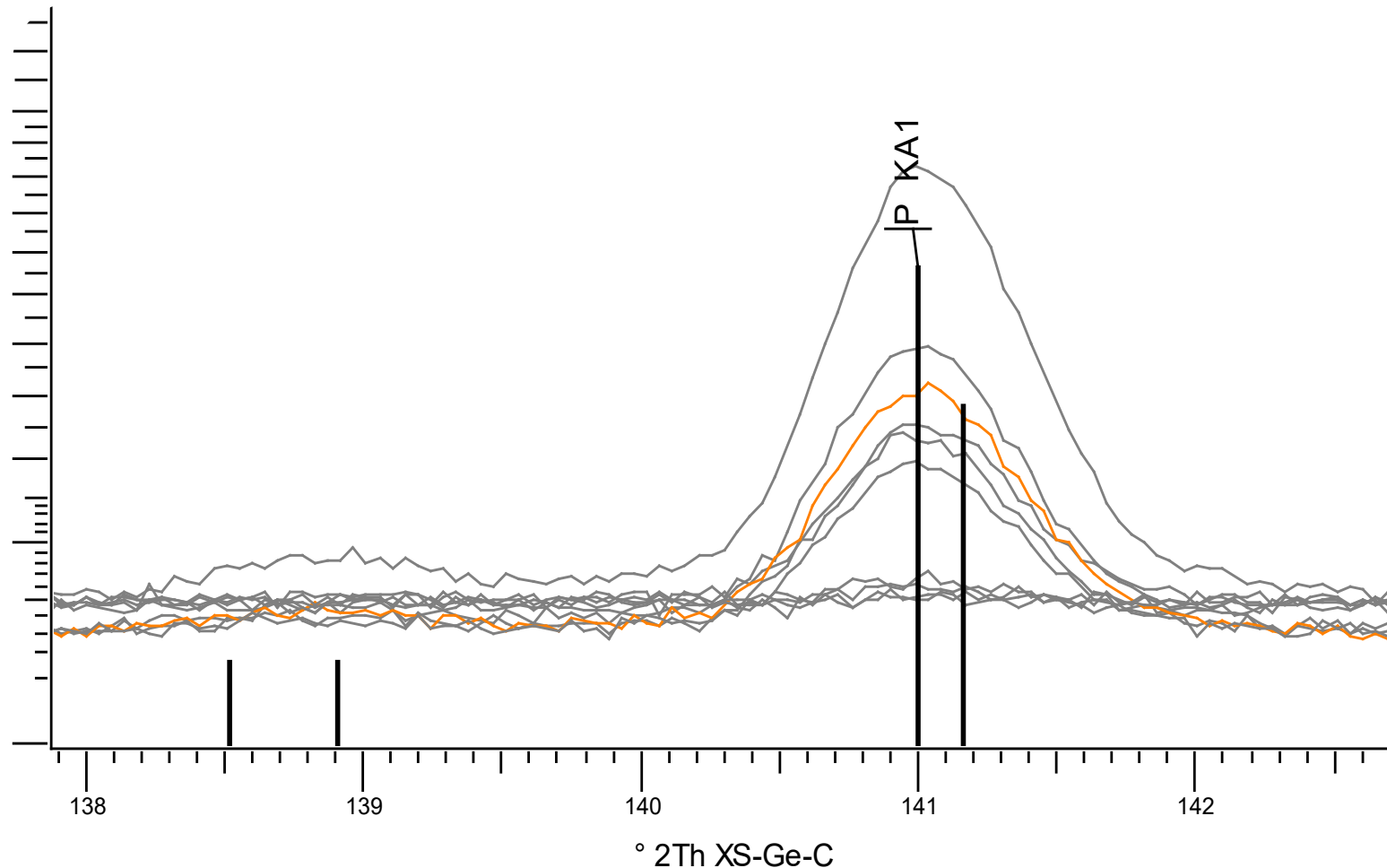
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- Determination of additives
 - Precise evaluation of the concentration level for the optimal dosing of valuable substances
 - Selection of tracer element for organic additives, which cannot be determined directly
 - e.g. P as marker for PS 38 or PS P-EPQ
- Analysis of solids as hot pressed PUK under vacuum
- Analysis of granules in sample cups under helium
- Selection of soft excitation condition to reduce the heat dissipation from tube to sample



Additives in PE

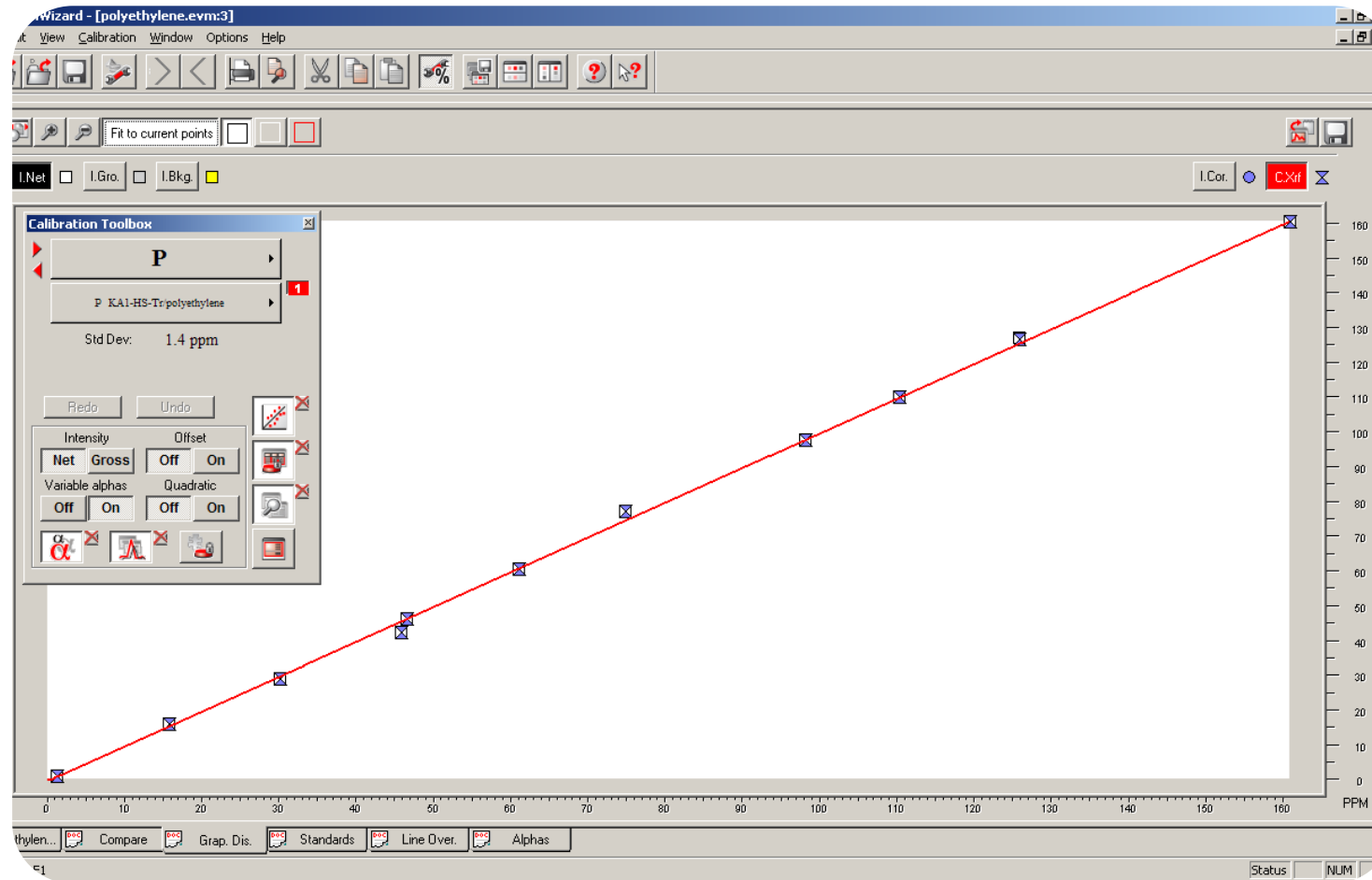
Analysis of Phosphorus with the S8 TIGER



- Separation of P Ka from neighboring peaks
- Use of high intensity and best resolution crystal XS-Ge-C

Additives in PE

Analysis of Phosphorus with the S8 TIGER



- Linear range of up to 160 ppm P
- Calibration Std. Dev. max 1.4 ppm
- Zero ppm offset

Additives in PE

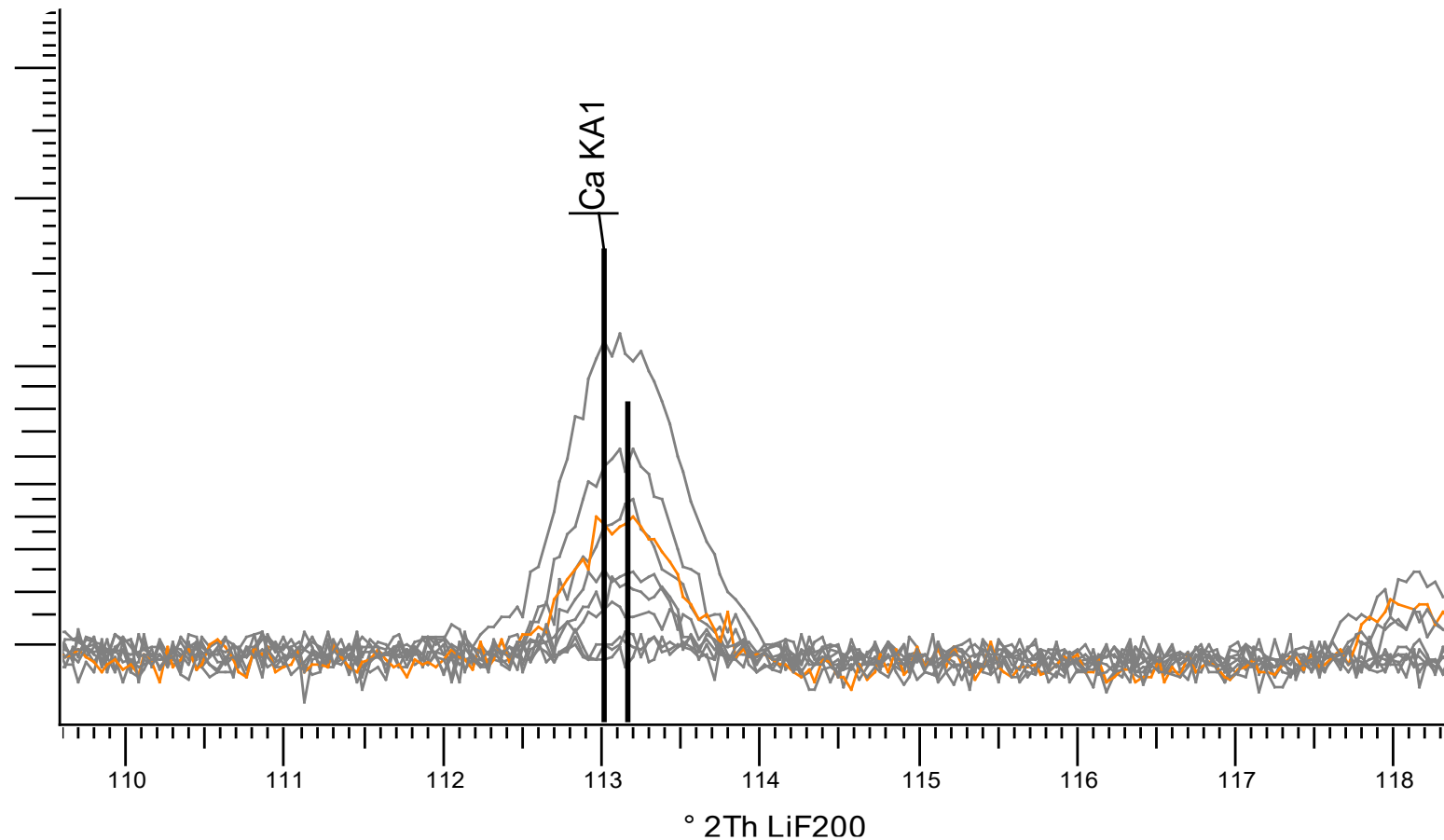
Analysis of Phosphorus with the S8 TIGER

- Direct analysis of solid samples (disks - PUK) from a hot press or as granules
- Detection limit of 0.3 ppm (3σ , 60 s)
- Optimal detection with clear separation from other elements

Number	Standard Name	Chemical Concentration	XRF Concentration	Absolute Deviation	Relative Deviation	LLD (PPM)
14	AB-1	1.3	1.2	-0.1		0.3
10	AB-2	15.7	16	0.3	1.7	0.3
20	AB-3	30.1	29	-1.1	-3.5	0.3
17	AB-4	45.8	42.6	-3.2	-7.1	0.3
15	AB-5	46.6	46.4	-0.2	-0.36	0.3
13	AB-6	61	60.5	-0.5	-0.75	0.3
11	AB-7	74.8	77.4	2.6	3.4	0.4
16	AB-8	98.2	97.7	-0.5	-0.48	0.5
12	AB-9	110.3	110.1	-0.2	-0.16	0.5
18	AB-10	125.8	126.9	1.1	0.87	0.5
19	AB-11	160.8	160.4	-0.4	-0.23	0.6

Additives in PE

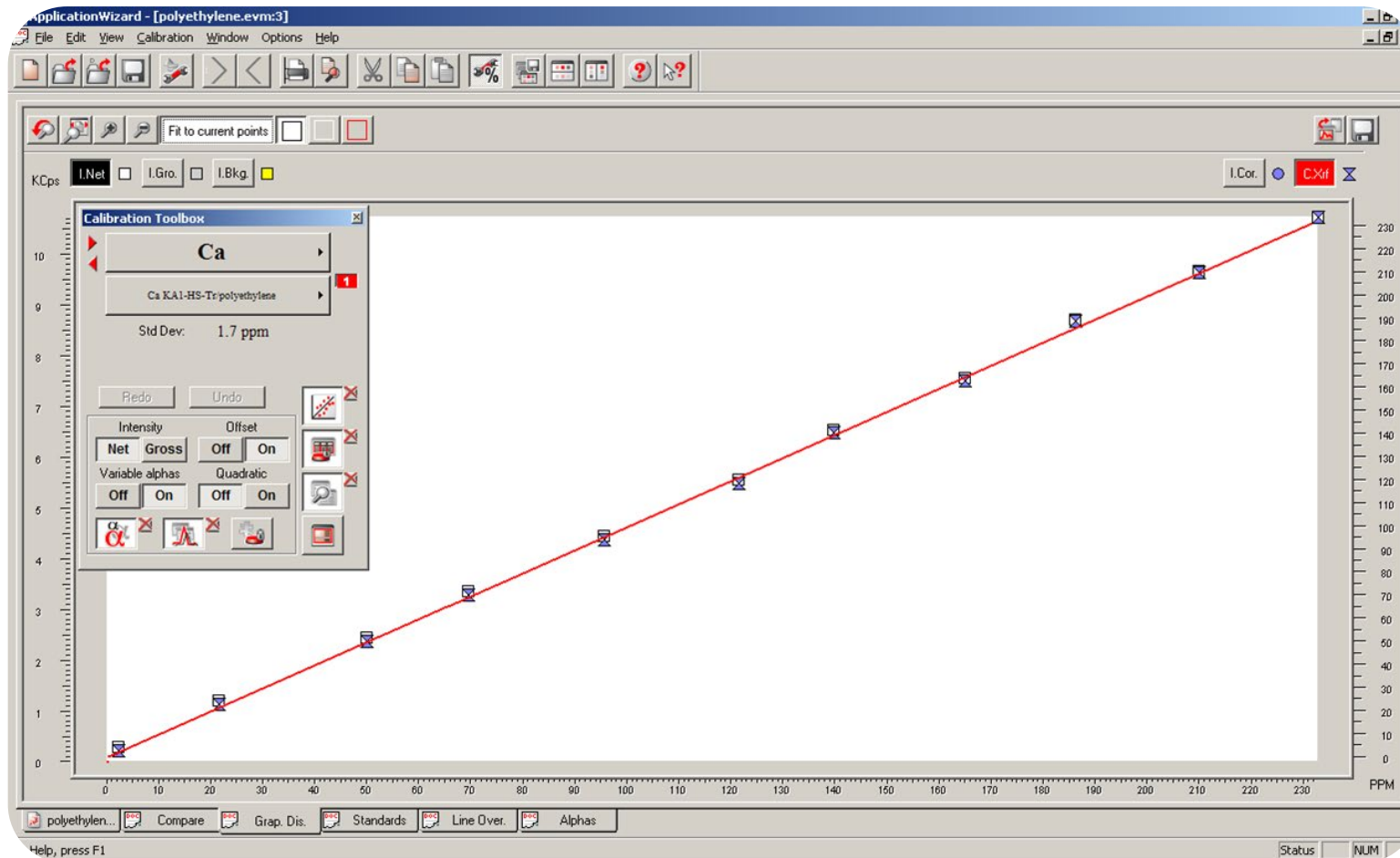
Analysis of Calcium with the S8 TIGER



- Separation of Ca K α from neighboring peaks
- Flat background, no background determination required

Additives in PE

Analysis of Calcium with the S8 TIGER



- Optimal linear range of up to 300 ppm Ca
- Calibration Std. Dev. of less than 2 ppm
- Extended range to % level possible

Additives in PE

Analysis of Calcium with the S8 TIGER

- High accuracy allows exact determination of the mixture of polymer with the additive
- Maximum deviation 2 ppm (1% relative)
- Detection limit of 1 ppm (3 σ , 60 s)
- Less thermal stress on samples reducing the measurement time
- No background measurements required

Number	Standard Name	Chemical Concentration	XRF Concentration	Absolute Deviation	Relative Deviation	LLD (PPM)
1	P1	2.3	2.5	0.2		0.5
2	p2	21.6	22.8	1.2	5.4	0.5
3	p3	50	50.1	0.1	0.24	0.6
4	p4	69.4	70.2	0.8	1.2	0.7
5	p5	95.6	94	-1.6	-1.7	0.9
6	p6	121.5	118.5	-3	-2.5	1
7	p7	139.6	140.4	0.8	0.6	1.1
8	p8	165	162.9	-2.1	-1.2	1.1
9	p9	186.2	189	2.8	1.5	1.1
10	p10	210	209.8	-0.2	-0.073	1.4
11	p11	232.7	233.6	0.9	0.37	1.4

Analysis of Initiator Residues

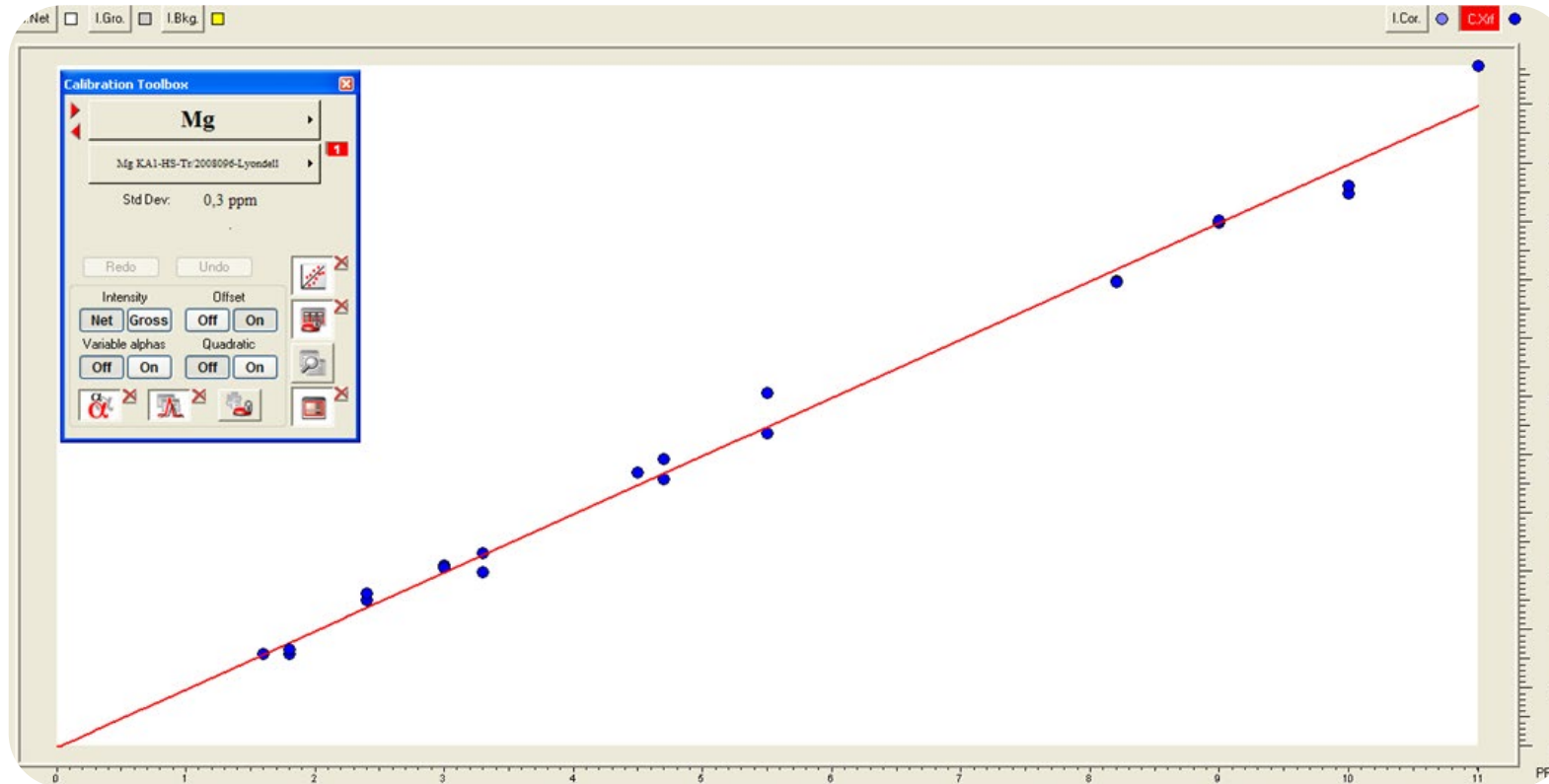
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- Analysis of initiator residues
 - Mg beside high Al concentration in Ziegler-Natta Systems
 - Cr or Ti in 3d-element based initiator system
- Early recognition of initiator losses requires precise trace element determination
- Avoidance of high initiator concentrations in order to maintain long polymer life
- Meet regulation such as packaging directives, food safety and consumer product safety



Initiator Residues in PE

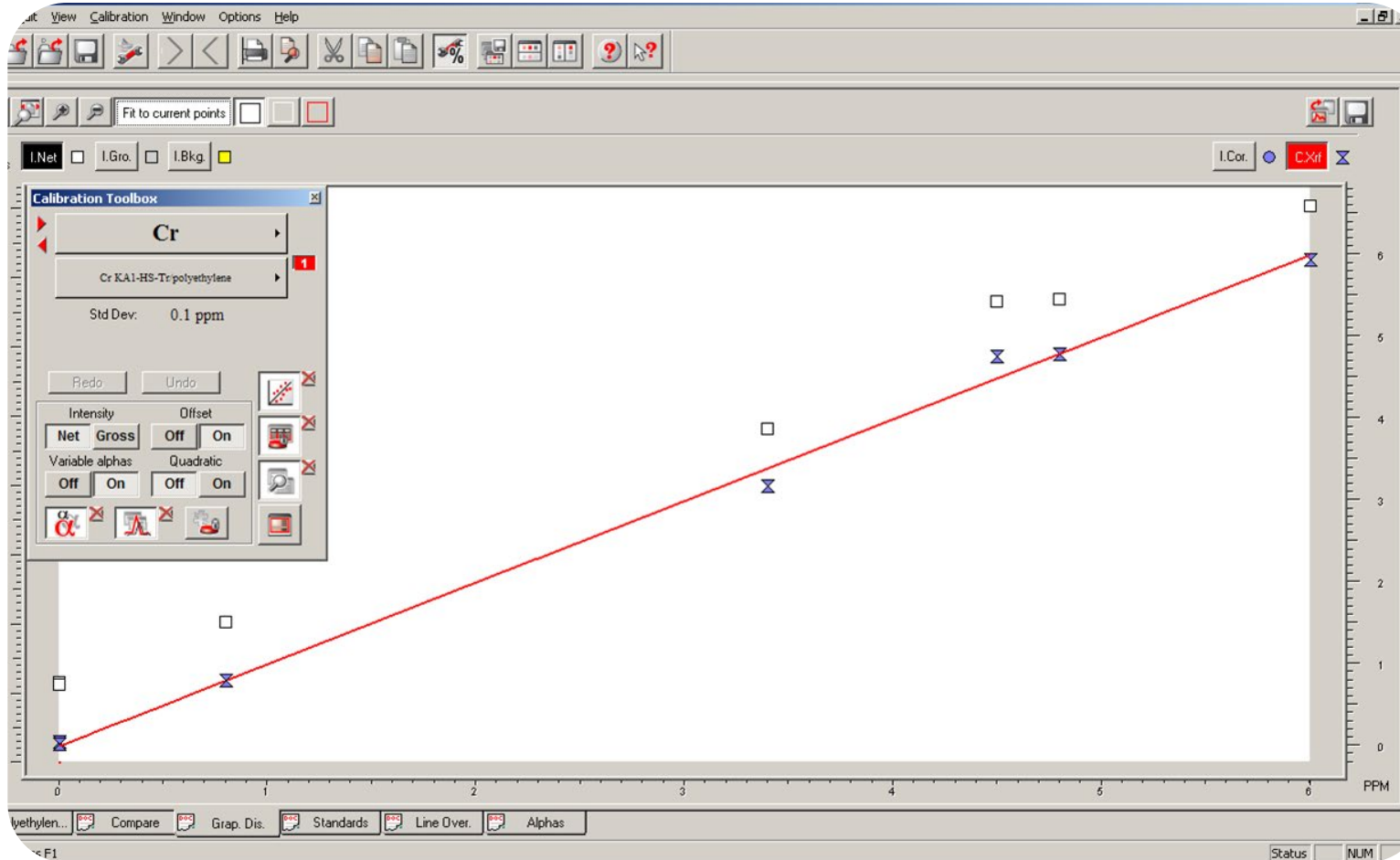
Analysis of Magnesium with the S8 TIGER



- Impurity from production
- Efficiency improved by reduced Mg concentration
- LLD: 0.2 ppm Mg

Initiator Residues in PE

Analysis of Chromium with the S8 TIGER



- Calibration Std. Dev. of 0.1 ppm
- Dedicated concentration range to max. 6 ppm Cr for optimal trace detection

Initiator Residues in PE

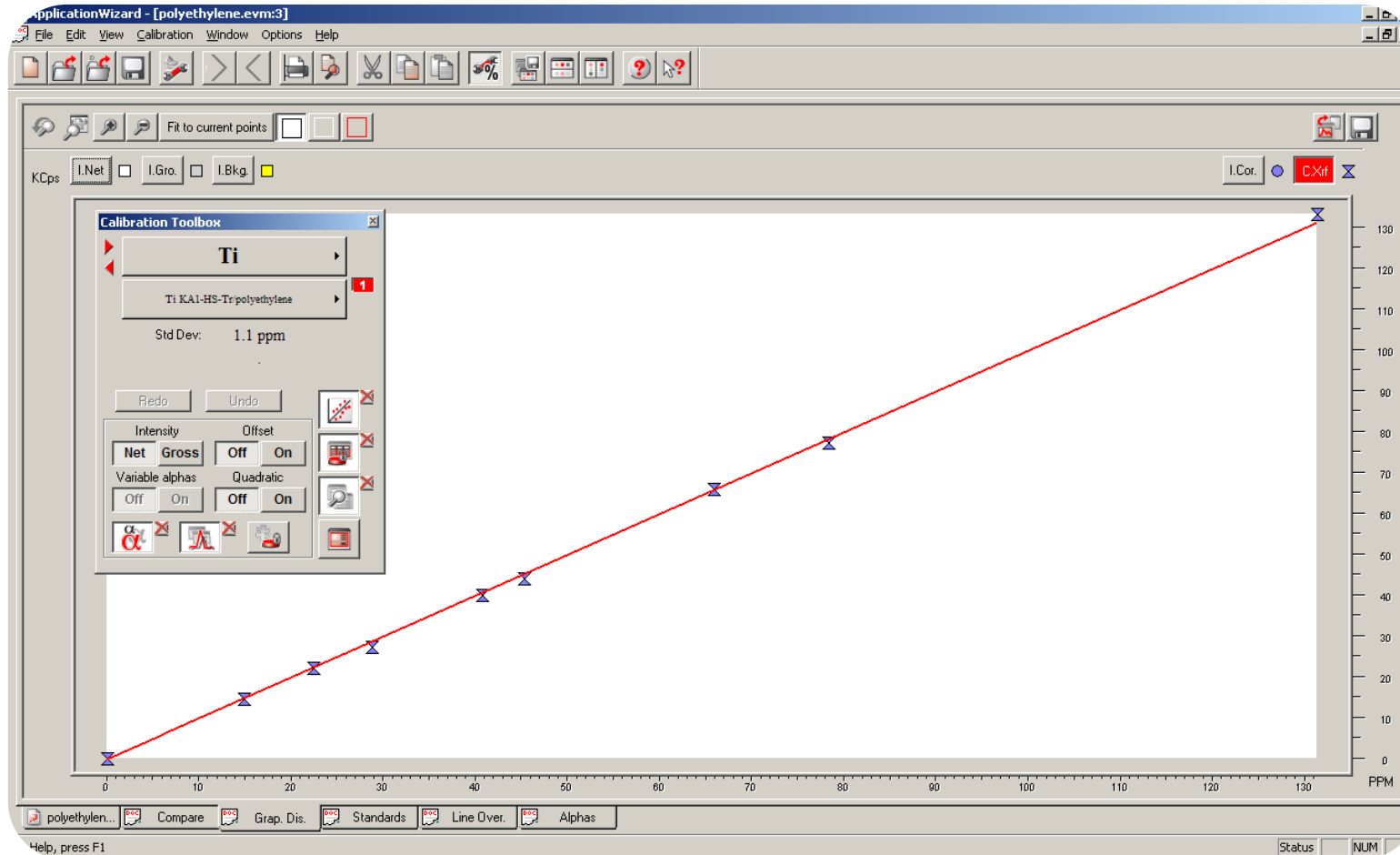
Analysis of Chromium with the S8 TIGER

- Optimal accuracy of less than 0.3 ppm deviation allows early recognition of initiator losses
- Detection limit of 0.2 ppm (3σ , 60 s)
- Excellent precision
- Dedicated trace calibration enhances WDXRF performance
- Unrivalled accuracy of WDXRF in comparison to other methods such as ICP or AAS – due to little sample preparation

Number	Standard Chemical Name	Concentration	XRF Concentration	Absolute Deviation	Relative Deviation	LLD (PPM)
1	CR1		0.8	0.8	0	0.2
2	CR2		3.4	3.2	-0.2	0.2
3	CR5		4.5	4.8	0.3	0.2
4	CR4		4.8	4.8	0	0.2
5	CR3		6	5.9	-0.1	0.3

Initiator Residues in PE

Analysis of Titanium with the S8 TIGER



- Calibration Std. Dev. of 1 ppm
- Dedicated concentration range to max. 200 ppm Ti

Initiator Residues in PE

Analysis of Titanium with the S8 TIGER

- Direct analysis of solid samples (disks - PUK) from a hot press or as granules
- Detection limit of 0.3 ppm (3 σ , 60 s) for low ranges or 1 ppm for higher ranges
- 1 ppm deviation for higher concentration ranges

Number	Standard Name	Chemical Concentration	XRF Concentration	Absolute Deviation	Relative Deviation	LLD (PPM)
1	TITAN003	0.1	0	-0.1		0.2
2	TITAN009	14.9	14.4	-0.5	-3.3	0.3
3	TITAN019	22.4	22.1	-0.3	-1.1	0.4
4	TITAN023	28.8	27.1	-1.7	-5.8	0.5
5	TITAN034	40.8	39.9	-0.9	-2.3	0.6
6	TITAN038	45.3	44	-1.3	-2.9	0.7
7	TITAN048	65.9	65.9	0	-0.025	1
8	TITAN052	78.3	77.2	-1.1	-1.4	1
9	TITAN061	131.3	133.1	1.8	1.4	1

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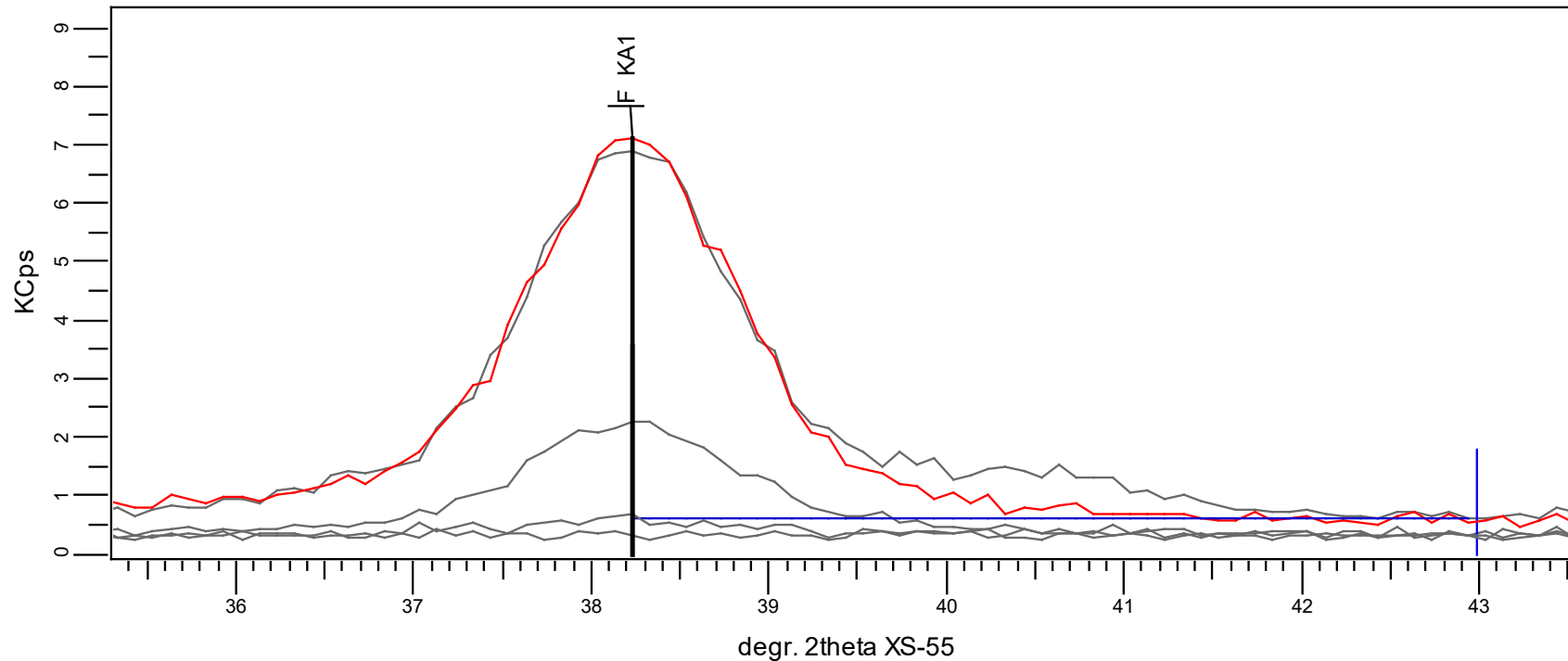
Analysis of Impurities

- Impurities from the production process influences polymer quality, such as iron and other elements from steel used for the piping and machineries
- Halogens decrease polymer life
- In solid samples the detection of F is possible with WDXRF in hot pressed samples



Impurities in PE

Analysis of Fluorine with the S8 TIGER



- Separation of F K α from neighboring peaks, such as Fe L
- Use of the high resolution crystal XS-55 (multilayer optic)

Impurities in PE

Analysis of Fluorine with the S8 TIGER

- Direct analysis of solid samples (disks - PUK) from a hot press in vacuum
- Analysis of granules in polymer cups is not feasible due to absorption of F $K\alpha$ in the foil
- Detection limit of 13 ppm F
- Excellent precision

Number	Standard Name	Chemical Concentration	XRF Concentration	Absolute Deviation	Relative Deviation	LLD (PPM)
1	F1	0	-1	-1		11.7
2	F2	1630	1904	274	17	12
3	F3	3418	4667	1249	37	12.9
4	F4	4378	4424	46	1	12.8
5	F5	6543	6264	-279	-4	13.3
6	F6	7444	6400	-1044	-14	13.4
7	F7	10238	10409	171	2	15.2

WDXRF

Analysis of Regulated Hazardous Elements

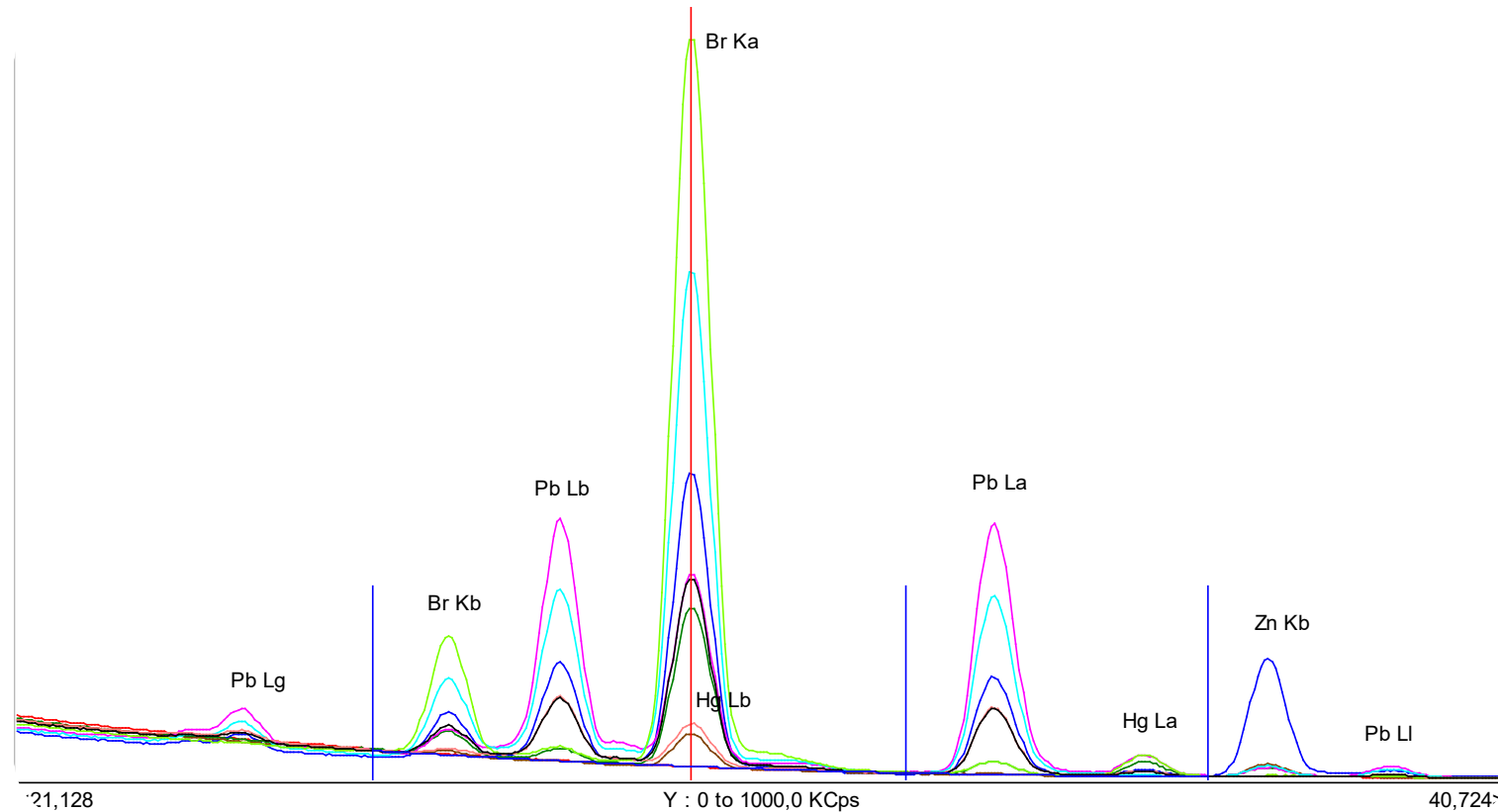
- Detection and analysis of regulated toxic elements are possible with WDXRF down to the sub-ppm range
- EDXRF is not capable of separating elements such as Hg, Br and Pb from each other
 - Low spectral resolution



Regulated Toxic Elements

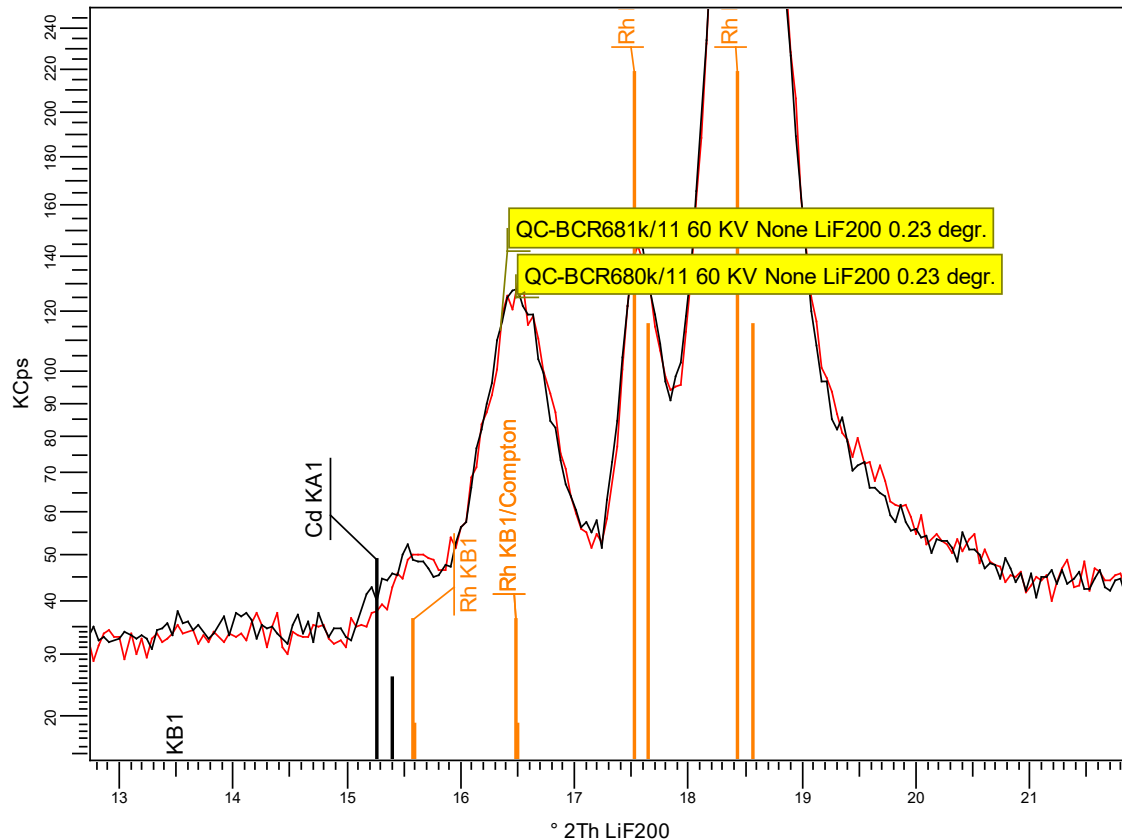
Analysis of RoHS Elements with the S8 TIGER

- Optimal resolution
- WDXRF separates neighboring lines
- Clear identification of Hg, Pb, and Br



Regulated Toxic Elements

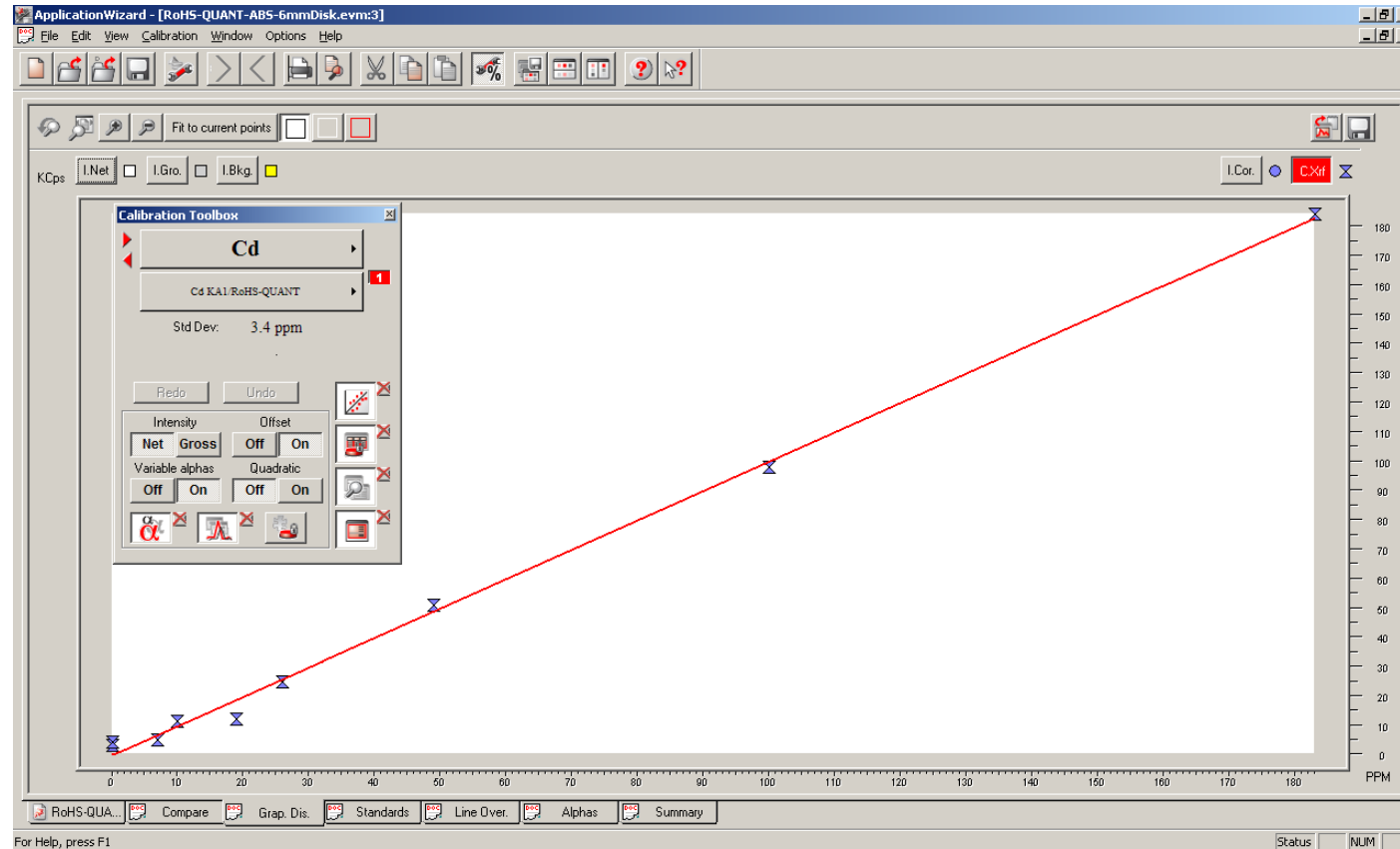
Analysis of Cadmium with the S8 TIGER



- Separation of Cd from tube lines (Rh K α for the S8 TIGER) with LiF 200, better with LiF 220

Regulated Toxic Elements Analysis of Cadmium with the S8 TIGER

- Calibration range up to 200 ppm Cd
- Calib. Std. Dev. of less than 4 ppm
- High linearity



Regulated Toxic Elements

Analysis of RoHS Elements with the S8 TIGER

Sample	Date	Cr (%)	Br (%)	Hg (%)	Pb (%)	Cd (%)
Average (n=83)	every 10 min	0.0479	0.0346	0.0288	0.0333	0.0017
Stdev		0.0002	0.0005	0.0001	0.0001	0.0001
COV		0.5%	1.4%	0.4%	0.4%	6.0%

QC_RoHS-QUANT-ABS-6mmDisk	12/10/2008 9:18	503	227	95	401	475
QC_RoHS-QUANT-ABS-6mmDisk/1	12/10/2008 9:27	504	227	95	402	473
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QC_RoHS-QUANT-ABS-6mmDisk/4	12/10/2008 9:54	503	227	92	402	474
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QC_RoHS-QUANT-ABS-6mmDisk/10	12/10/2008 10:47	504	227	94	400	476
QC_RoHS-QUANT-ABS-6mmDisk/11	12/10/2008 10:56	503	227	94	400	473
QC_RoHS-QUANT-ABS-6mmDisk/12	12/10/2008 11:05	504	226	96	401	474
Average		504	227	94	401	475
Std.Dev.		1	0	1	1	1
Rel.Std.Dev.		0.14%	0.20%	1.32%	0.26%	0.17%

- Excellent precision of less than 1.5 % relative in ppm levels

WDXRF Performance S8 TIGER

- Accuracy and precision fit to demands for the analysis of
 - Additives
 - Initiator residues
 - Impurities
 - Regulated elements
- Simple sample preparation
 - For integration into process control regime and quality checks close to production
- Detection of traces to sub-ppm with standard instrument configuration
- Ready to analyze solutions available



BRUKER's Strength Complete Product Range for Polymers

From Dedicated Performer to a full versatile XRF for all

S2 POLAR:

- Compact instrument with very low LLD for lighter elements

S2 PUMA:

- Versatile Benchtop XRF for broader applications

S6 JAGUAR:

- Benchtop WDXRF with high resolution for difficult applications, but few samples per day

S8 TIGER:

- Versatile instrument for all applications, incl traces

XRF – the most versatile, flexible and fast Method

- Direct analysis of liquids and solids w/o sample prep
- Down to sub ppm levels of hazardous elements and important traces, such as Cl or Ti
- High precision for additives, less than 1 % relative
- High flexibility for almost the entire PSE
- Ready for future tasks, e.g. food packaging, TiO_2 ,...



Any Questions?

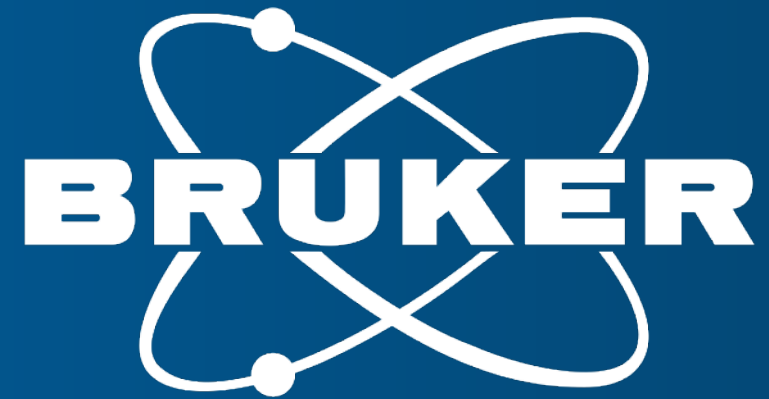
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