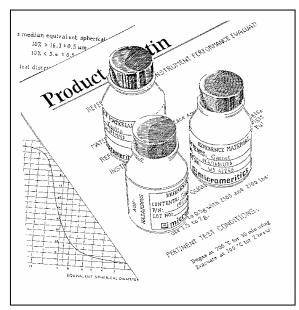
## **Reference Materials**

The performance of an analytical instrument needs to be verified from time to time. Routine verification can follow a fixed schedule, be done as needed, or use a combination of these two approaches. The need may arise from a change of operators, unexpected results, unfamiliar material(s), equipment wear and tear, or other situations where performance verification is justified. Micromeritics products seldom require calibration *per se*; since they derive results from well-established techniques that measure basic parameters such as time, temperature, mass, pressure, etc. Nevertheless, Micromeritics instruments are not exempt from the need for periodic performance verification.

Analyzing a material with known, well-characterized properties is an excellent way to verify instrument performance. The reference materials listed in the table are offered by Micromerities for this corroborative purpose. Each material has been carefully selected to be representative of the property for which it is recommended, to be non-hazardous, and to have an extended shelf life.

The material lot from which representative portions are taken is repeatedly analyzed. This is done with a number of instruments using different operators, and, in some cases, even using different techniques. Micromeritics reference materials are not standards. The extensive blind testing using independent labs, which is necessary for standards, was not done.



Each Reference Material Kit contains the sample stored in an air-tight plastic bottle and a procedural data sheet.

Micromeritics is confident, nevertheless, that an instrument giving a result within the limits specified with each reference material is operating satisfactorily.

Each reference material includes a procedural data sheet with a recommended test quantity appropriate for analysis, information on how best to prepare the material for analysis, and other essential information. The stated material properties include the limits of their accuracy.

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Property	Nominal Property Data	Part	Applicable
		Number	Instrument Models
PARTICLE SIZE	Garnet Powder (15 g)	004-16811-00	5000, 5000D, 5000E, 5000ET,
	Mass Median Diameter ≈ 11.6 μm		5100, 5120
	Glass Powder (15 g)	004-16814-00	
	Mass Median Diameter ≈ 1.7 μm		
	Calcium Carbonate Powder (28 g)	004-16835-00	
	Mass Median Diameter $\approx 0.77$ μm (traceable to N. I. S.T.)		
	Garnet Powder (20 g)	004-16837-00	
	Mass Median Diameter $\approx 3.77$ μm (traceable to N.I.S. T.)		
	Garnet Powder (1 g)	004-16841-00	5200, 5205
	Volume Median Spherical Diameter $\approx 4.85 \mu m$ (traceable to N. I. S. T.)		
	Monosize Polymer Microspheres (7 mL)		
	Nominal Diameter ≈ 1 µm	004-16840-00	5380, 5382, 5390
	Nominal Diameter $\approx 2 \mu m$	004-16840-01	
	Nominal Diameter ≈ 3 μm	004-16840-02	
	Nominal Diameter $\approx 5 \mu m$	004-16840-03	
	Nominal Diameter ≈ 10 μm	004-16840-04	
	Nominal Diameter $\approx 20 \ \mu m$	004-16840-05	
	Nominal Diameter $\approx 40 \ \mu m$	004-16840-06	
	Nominal Diameter ≈ 100 μm	004-16840-08	
MERCURY	Silica Alumina (15 g)	004-16822-00	9200, 9210, 9220, 9300, 9305,
POROSIMETRY	Average Pore Diameter $\approx 0.0073 \ \mu m$ Pore Volume $\approx 0.56 \ cm^3/g$		9310, 9320, 9400, 9405, 9410, 9420, 9500, 9505, 9510, 9520
	13X Molecular Sieve (10 g)	004-16826-00	2000 Micropore
MICROPORE	Pore Size $\approx 10.5$ Å using Ar adsorbate Pore Size $\approx 14$ Å using CO <sub>2</sub> adsorbate Pore Size $\approx 8.3$ Å using N <sub>2</sub> adsorbate		2010 Micropore
	13X Molecular Sieve (10 g)	004-16843-00	2020 Micropore
	Pore Size $\approx 10.5$ Å using Ar adsorbate Pore Size $\approx 14$ Å using CO <sub>2</sub> adsorbate Pore Size $\approx 8.3$ Å using N <sub>2</sub> adsorbate		·
	Y-Zeolite (2.5 g)	004-16844-00	2020 Micropore
	Pore Size $\approx 7.4$ Å using Ar adsorbate Pore Size $\approx 7.4$ Å using N <sub>2</sub> adsorbate		-
ZETA POTENTIAL	Kaolinite (120 g)	004-16824-00	1202
	Mean Zeta Potential = -60 mV		
CHEMISORPTION	Platinum Alumina Pellets (5 g)	004-16825-00	2000, 2010, 2020, 2700, 2705,
	Active Metal Dispersion: $\approx 39.9\%$ , 2000 and 2010 $\approx 48.6\%$ , all others		2800, 2810, 2900, 2910, 2920, 2950
	Silver Oxide (2 g)	004-16836-00	2700, 2705, 2900, 2910, 2920,
	Hydrogen Consumption $\approx 96.4 \pm 3 \text{ cc/g}$		2950

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Property	Nominal Property Data	Part Number	Applicable
			Instrument Models
	Alumina (15 g)	004-16816-00	2000, 2010, 2020, 2100, 2300, 2305,
	Specific Surface Area:		2310, 2360, 2370, 2375, 2380, 2385,
	$\approx 0.5 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}; 2360, 2370, 2375, 2380, 2385, N2 adsorbate$		2390, 2400, 2405, 2420, 2600, 2700, 2705, 2720, 2750, 2920, 2950, 3000, 3020
SURFACE AREA	$\approx 0.46 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}$ ; all others, Kr adsorbate		3020
	Glass Powder (10 g)	004-16818-00	
and	Specific Surface Area ≈ 5.3 m <sup>2</sup> /g		
	Silica Alumina Pellets (10 g)	004-16821-00	
GAS	Specific Surface Area ≈ 198 m <sup>2</sup> /g		
POROSIMETRY	Pore Volume $\approx 0.6 \text{ cm}^3/\text{g}$		
	Average Pore Diameter ≈ 115 Å		
	Carbon Black (10 g)	004-16833-00	
	Specific Surface Area ≈ 30.6 m <sup>2</sup> /g		

Current reference materials may not have the exact same property values listed in the table because supplies must be replenished from time to time. When this occurs, the new material will undergo the same, comprehensive analyses before becoming a reference material. Micromeritics reserves the right to add new reference materials, change specifications, and/or delete other materials as availability dictates.