

## **ANALYTICAL SERVICES**

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Throughout its 40 year history, the Analytical Services Group of Specialty Minerals Inc (SMI) has provided analytical and investigative services to Minteq, Pyrogenics and SMI's Research, Sales, Marketing, and Quality Assurance departments. These same services are now commercially available. The Group will function as both a service organization and a research facility engaged in developing new and improved analytical methods.

The Analytical Services Group is accredited by the American Association for Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA) to comply with ISO/IEC 17025-2005. The services are problem solving as well as solely analytical. We strongly recommend that the analysis objective, problem to be solved, or question to be answered be discussed and reviewed with SMI prior to sample submission. This discussion will guide the selection of appropriate methods, sampling techniques and control samples. Contact us at 610-250-3380 for a quotation.

## **Material Characterization**

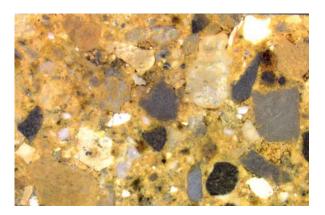
- Refractory materials
- Slag reaction zones
- Contaminants
- Steel Inclusions
- Quantitative Mineral Identification
- Thermal Properties
- Research Projects

# **Chemical Analysis**

- Bulk Elemental Analysis
  - Refractory materials
  - Steel
  - Glass
  - Minerals
  - Steelmaking slag
  - Process water
- Organic Identification
- Low Temperature Carbon

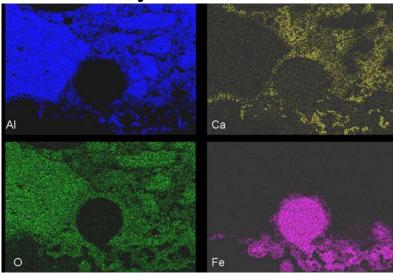
# **Microscopy**

- Particle Size and Shape
- Elemental and Phase Mapping
- Grain Size





- Slag Reactions
- Thickness and Identification of multiple layers
- Porosity



# **Capabilities List**

Analysis is customized per client's request.

Contact asg@mineralstech.com or 484-541-7043 for test details, sample size, turnaround time and quotation.

## **Light Microscopy**

Transmitted and reflected with Bright Field, Darkfield, Differential Interference Contrast, Phase Contrast, Fluorescence, Imaging and Polarized Light Illumination

#### **SEM**

Scanning Electron Microscopy

#### **FESEM**

Field Emission Scanning Electron Microscopy

#### **XEDS**

Xray Energy Dispersive Spectroscopy

#### **EBSD**

**Electron Back Scatter Diffraction** 

### **Quantitive Image Analysis**

Computerized image analysis system used for size analysis, coating coverage, And more

#### **XRD**

Qualitative phase identification as major, minor or trace Semi-quantitative estimates as a range of the percent present

## Surface XRD

Surface layer phase identification using Parallel Beam Optics

### Thermal XRD

Mineral phase characterization vs. temperature to 1550C

#### Thermal Characterization

TGA-DTA - Scouting Runs to 1685C

TGA-DTA - Quantitative testing to evaluate temperature of chemical and physical changes, monitor mass losses & assist phase identification

TGA-DSC - Enthalpy to 150°C

## Trace Elemental Analysis ICP-MS

Elements determined by client.

## **Anion Analysis**

F, Cl, NO2, NO3, PO4, SO4,

#### **FTIR**

Characterization by FTIR

#### **Solvent Extractive**

Determine weight extracted with specified solvent

## Loss On Ignition (LOI)

Determine weight loss of volatile compounds, performed at specified time and temperature

## pН

Cold or Hot Extraction

#### **Ash Content**

Determine weight of residue at specified time and temperature

## Additional Charges per quote

Sample Preparation, polish

Custom Reporting per quote

## Rush Analyses (call for availability)

3-5 Day turnaround	100%	Premium
24-48 hour Turnaround	200%	Premium

### **Multiple Sample Discounts**

6-10	5%	Discount
11-20	10%	Discount
21-40	15%	Discount

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