

Calcium carbide ampoules for taking moisture measurements using the “carbide bomb” method

**Application**

- For measuring the moisture content of certain materials using the “carbide bomb” method

**Properties**

- The measurement can be done on site.
- Fast results.
- The measurement is not influenced by the presence of salts.

**Directions**

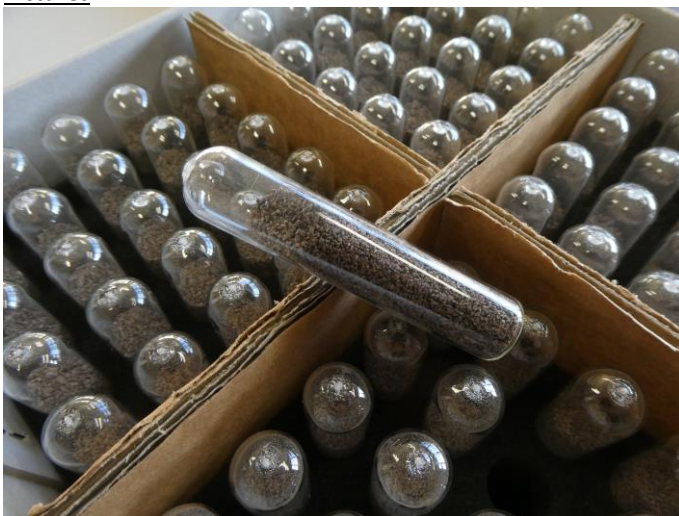
**Work method**

- Take a sample from the substrate (between 5 gr and 20 gr) by slow drilling or chiselling.
- Grind the sample down if needed.
- Weigh accurately.
- Place the sample, the steel balls and a **calcium carbide ampoule** inside the pressure vessel.
- Seal the pressure vessel.
- Shake the vessel so the steel balls break the **calcium carbide ampoule** inside.
- Moisture in the sample will come into contact with the calcium carbide from the ampoule and form acetylene gas, creating pressure.
- Read the moisture content on the manometer. The value is indicated next to the number of grams used.

**Important remarks**

- For a detailed description of this and other measurement methods, please refer to the BBRI’s technical information note (NIT/TV) 252 (available in Dutch or French). The carbide bomb method is described in paragraph 3.1.2.2.

**Pictures**



**Packaging**

Box of 100 ampoules

**Safety information – Transport – Handling and storage - Waste**

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