## **RDC-141** <sup>§</sup> CO<sub>2</sub> REACTIVITY COKE

## GRANULAR PITCH ELECTRODES LINING



To minimize the net anode consumption in the electrolysis cells, it is important to use anodes with low reactivity to CO<sub>2</sub> gas, which can be measured by the RDC-146 apparatus. This allows increasing the quantity of carbon available for the production of aluminium and decreasing the excess carbon consumption, which reduces the aluminium production cost.

As the CO<sub>2</sub> reactivity of the baked anodes is strongly impacted by the reactivity of the calcined cokes, it is worthwhile to measure it on a routine basis to predict and anticipate any anode quality variations.

The measurement is conducted with the RDC-141 apparatus, where a calcined coke sample is heated at 1000 °C during a given period of time while it is exposed to a saturated  $CO_2$  atmosphere. At the end of the heating cycle, the sample is weighed and the mass loss, in percent, is used to express the  $CO_2$  reactivity of the sample.

| Technical information | Standard Method:                                    | ISO 12981–1                        |
|-----------------------|---|------------------------------------|
|                       | <b>Property:</b><br>CO <sub>2</sub> Reactivity Coke | [%]                                |
|                       | Sample:   | 5 g of coke (1.4–1 mm)             |
|                       | Process Time:                                       | ~ 3 hours                          |
|                       | Installation:                                       | Workbench under fume hood          |
|                       | Dimensions (LxWxH):                                 | 60 x 40 x 68 cm                    |
|                       | Weight:   | 53 kg                              |
|                       | Electrical Property:                                | 230V 1/N/PE, 50 Hz<br>0.90 kW, 4 A |
|                       | Fluid Property:                                     | CO <sub>2</sub> , 50 l/h, 3-7 bar  |
|                       | Certified Reference Standard:                       | RDC-1141                           |
|                       | Database Connection:                                | Yes                                |

Additional Recommended Equipment:

Oil content (RDC–176 or RDC–208) Drying oven (min. temperature 110 °C) Weighing scale with an accuracy of 0.001 g Crusher (<1.5 mm) Sieving machine (1.4 mm and 1 mm sieves)



## **RDC 1141**

