



## E-max

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**Quantify Cadmium and Other  
Heavy Metals in Soil and Water**

*Real-time analysis of Cd, As,  
Cu, Zn, Pb, Ni, Ca, and Sn.*

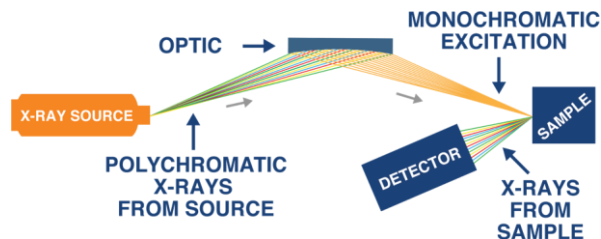




## Quantifiable Cd Analysis with MXRF

E-max is powered by Monochromatic X-ray Fluorescence technology: an elemental analysis technique offering significantly enhanced detection performance over traditional Energy Dispersive X-ray Fluorescence (EDXRF) technology. This technique applies state-of-the-art monochromating and focusing optics, enabling dramatically higher signal-to-background ratio compared to traditional polychromatic X-ray Fluorescence. **Figure 1** shows the basic configuration of MXRF and its use of focused monochromatic excitation.

**Figure 1: MXRF Technology**



## Features

1. Ultra-high signal-to-background ratio and ultra-low detection limit
2. Portable design: light-weight and comfortable to carry;
3. Minimum sample preparation enables on-site sampling and quantification

**Figure 2: On-site Rapid Screening**



## Quantify Cd at Unprecedented Low Level

- Meets the challenge of measuring low level Cd in agriculture soil.
- Offers simultaneous measurement of other heavy metals like As, Pb, Cu, Ni, and Cr in soil and water.

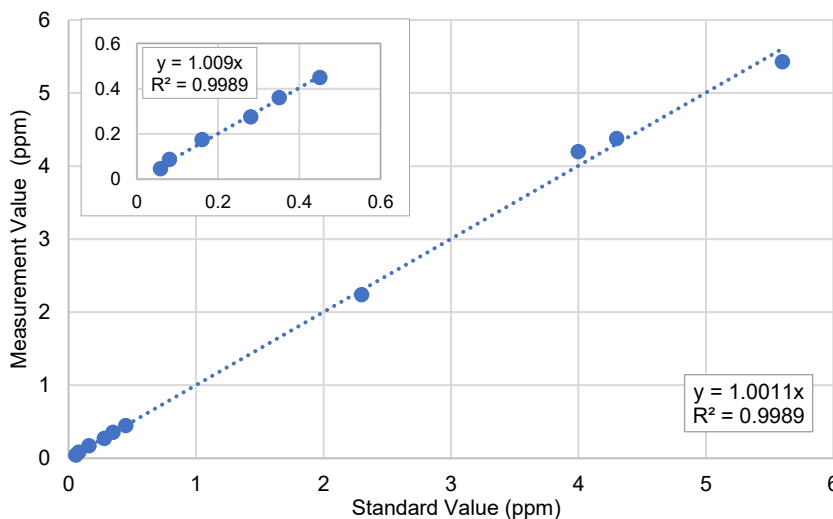
Whether you are an agricultural inspector or environmental assessor, E-max enables you to run more samples in less time, allowing you to conduct a more thorough analysis for improved site remediation and land use decisions.



## Accuracy

With complex matrices such as soil, it is essential to demonstrate accurate results that compare well with various standards. **Figure 3** shows that MXRF can deliver accurate results across a wide range of Cd concentrations, including soils that have contamination below 0.3 ppm.

**Figure 3: Cd Concentration vs Certified Reference Standard**



Reliable data is repeatable when following the same measurement process with well-prepared samples. **Table 1** depicts repeatable results for the reference standard Gss-29 with below-limit concentration of Cd in soil.

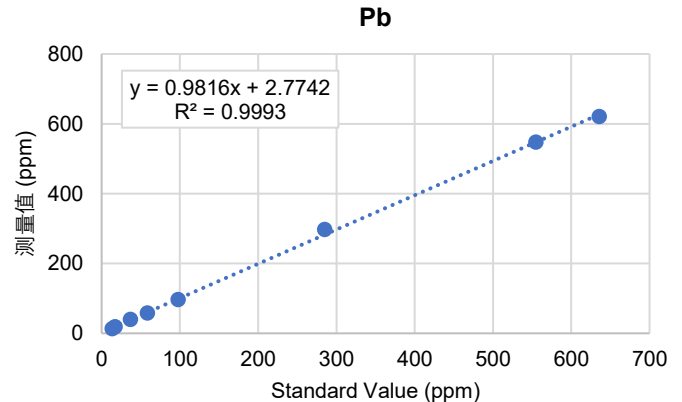
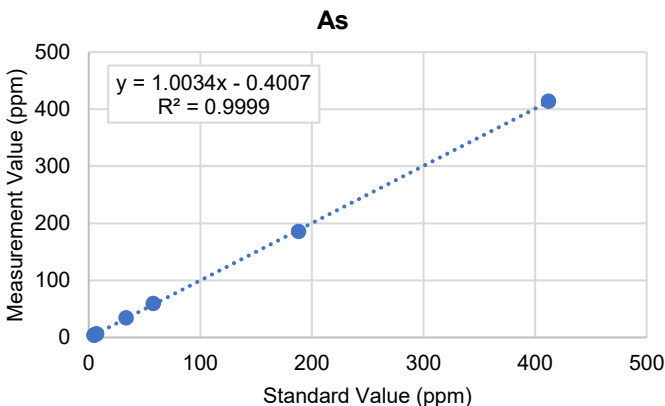
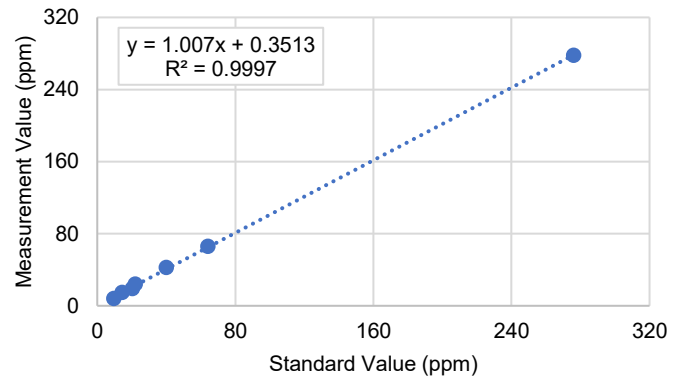
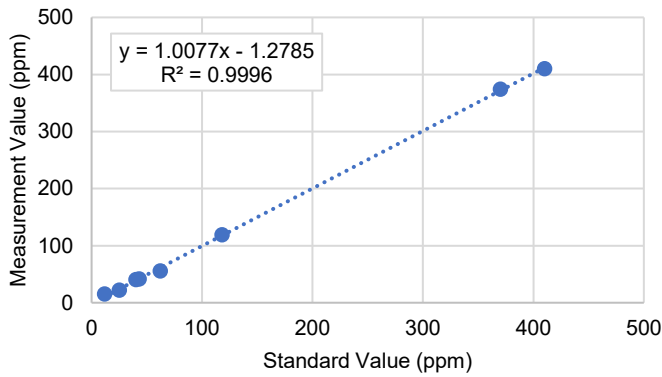
**Table 1: Repeats of Reference Standard Gss-29 (unit: ppm)**

Repeat	Cr	Mn	Ni	Cu	Zn	As	Cd	Sn	Sb	Pb
gss-29-1	77.95	752.61	37.92	34.62	92.59	10.15	0.27	7.29	1.06	30.72
gss-29-2	78.60	756.14	37.71	34.76	92.46	10.13	0.27	7.35	1.11	31.04
gss-29-3	80.11	759.12	37.85	35.18	92.70	9.99	0.28	7.28	1.16	31.05
gss-29-4	79.17	756.44	37.43	35.26	92.19	9.81	0.28	7.34	1.26	31.07
gss-29-5	78.17	756.50	37.21	34.17	93.02	9.94	0.29	7.22	1.16	31.05
gss-29-6	80.55	754.76	38.09	34.54	92.66	10.07	0.26	7.36	1.25	30.88
gss-29-7	79.32	759.32	36.75	34.42	92.90	10.01	0.32	7.22	1.15	31.16
gss-29-8	78.60	757.92	37.31	35.02	92.45	9.99	0.28	7.26	1.13	31.40
gss-29-9	77.50	756.25	37.81	35.09	92.65	9.89	0.28	7.32	1.06	31.14
gss-29-10	77.97	757.98	37.69	34.60	92.46	9.80	0.26	7.29	1.17	31.34
<b>Avg</b>	78.79	756.70	37.58	34.77	92.61	9.98	0.28	7.29	1.15	31.08
<b>SV</b>	80.00	760.00	38.00	35.00	96.00	9.30	0.28	7.20	1.16	32.00
<b>SD</b>	0.99	2.03	0.40	0.36	0.24	0.12	0.02	0.05	0.07	0.20
<b>RSD(%)</b>	1.25	0.27	1.07	1.03	0.26	1.21	6.24	0.70	5.91	0.64
<b>LOD</b>	2.96	6.08	1.21	1.08	0.72	0.36	0.05	0.15	0.20	0.60

**Multi-elemental Analysis in Soil**

E-max delivers multi-elemental analysis for other metal contaminants, including Cr, Mn, Ni, Cu, Zn, As, Hg, Pb, Sn, Sb, and other heavy metals. As shown in **Figure 4**, E-max gives accurate results for Cr, Ni, As and Pb for various types of soil standards.

**Figure 4: Quantification of multi-elements in soil**





## Technical Specifications


### E-max Limit of Detection (ppm) Application: Trace Heavy Metals in Soil

Element	Cd	As	Hg	Pb	Cr	Cu	Ni	Zn	Mn	Co	Se	V	Sb	Tl	Mo
Screening	0.15	0.6	1.2	2.0	15	1.5	3	1.5	15	40	1.5	100	0.2	1.2	1.5
Quantification	0.05	0.2	0.4	0.8	5	0.5	1	0.5	5	16	0.5	40	0.07	0.4	0.5

### E-max Limit of Detection (ppm) Application: Trace Heavy Metals in Water

Element	Cd	As	Hg	Pb	Cr	Cu	Ni	Zn	Mn	Co	Se	V	Sb	Tl	Mo
Screening	0.1	0.15	0.2	0.2	9	1.5	3	0.6	15	40.0	1.5	100.0	0.12	0.2	0.12
Quantification	0.03	0.05	0.07	0.07	3	0.5	1	0.2	5	16.0	0.5	40.0	0.04	0.07	0.04

### E-max Specifications

Method Compliance	EPA 6200
Measurement Time	30 - 1200 seconds
Element Range	Up to 40 Elements from Al - U
Data Storage & Output	Printout, Ethernet, USB, Internal Storage
I/O Ports	Ethernet 10/100, USB
Power Supply	110-240 VAC $\pm$ 10%, 50-60 Hz (hertz)
Operating Temperature And Humidity	+41°F - 104°F (5°C - 40°C), 30 - 85 %
Weight	9 kg
Dimensions	32 cm W x 23 cm L x 26 cm H 



## Z-Spec

Z-Spec is a fast-growing manufacturer of advanced X-ray analyzers, founded by the inventor of the MXRF technique, Dr. Zewu Chen. Its portable HDXRF systems deliver rapid, near real-time elemental analysis for applications like soil, water, food, and agriculture. With non-destructive testing and no sample preparation, Z-Spec enables faster workflows, reduced waste, and confident, on-the-spot decisions.

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