

# **CEMENT AND CONCRETE REFERENCE LABORATORY**

## **PROFICIENCY SAMPLE PROGRAM**

**Final Report  
Portland Cement Proficiency Samples  
Number 205 and Number 206**

August 2017



August 31, 2017

**To: Participants in the CCRL Portland Cement Proficiency Sample Program**

**SUBJECT: Final Report on Portland Cement Proficiency Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

Following is the final report for the current pair of CCRL **Portland Cement** Proficiency Samples which were distributed in June 2017. Portland Cement Samples No. 205 was an ASTM C150 meeting the specifications of Type I. Portland Cement No. 206 was an ASTM C150 meeting the specifications of Type I and Type II, and contained an inorganic processing addition.

This report consists of a statistical Summary of Results, a set of general Scatter Diagrams, and associated detailed information. The Table of Results with individualized information for participating laboratories can be downloaded at our website located at: <http://www.ccrl.us/>. Additional information is provided in the following pages.

The CCRL Proficiency Sample Programs are intended for internal use by the laboratory as a tool to identify potential problems in laboratory procedures or test equipment and to initiate remedial actions. These programs are designed to complement the CCRL Laboratory Inspection Program as part of a total quality system. Care should be taken when using this program for any other purpose.

**Additional samples of these two cements and other CCRL samples are available for purchase.** These samples may be useful for equipment verification, technician training, and research. Contact CCRL for availability and price.

It is presently anticipated that the next Portland Cement Proficiency Samples will be distributed in January 2018.

Sincerely,

Robin K. Haupt  
Supervisor, Proficiency Sample Programs  
Cement and Concrete Reference Laboratory

**To: Participants in the CCRL Portland Cement Proficiency Sample Program**

**FROM: Robin K. Haupt, Supervisor PSP**

**SUBJECT: Explanation of Final Report on Results of Tests for Portland Cement Proficiency Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

This letter, and the material included with it, constitutes the final report, and summary of results for the current pair of Portland Cement Proficiency Samples, which were distributed in June 2017. This material includes a Table of Results for individual laboratory data, a statistical Summary of Results, and a set of general Scatter Diagrams. Your unique laboratory number is displayed at the top of the individual Table of Results.

An explanation of the program is contained in the paper: "Statistical Evaluation of Interlaboratory Cement Tests" by J. R. Crandall and R. L. Blaine [View Document](#), and "Statistical Aspects of the Cement Testing Program" by W.J. Youden [View Document](#), which can be found in Volume 59, Proceedings of the 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society, June 25, 1959, American Society for Testing and Materials.

Each laboratory receives an individualized Table of Results. The Table of Results shows the, test title, and the reporting unit in the first two columns. After that it lists in order, the laboratory's results for the odd and even numbered samples, overall averages for the odd and even numbered samples, and the laboratory's ratings for the odd and even samples.

Laboratory ratings, shown in the Table of Results for the individual laboratory, were determined in the manner described by Crandall and Blaine using a rating scale of 1 to 5 instead of 0 to 4. The ratings have no valid standing beyond showing the difference between the individual laboratory result and the average for a particular test.

The following table details the relationship between the ratings and the averages.

Ratings	Range (Number of Standard Deviations)	Number (Per 100) of Laboratories achieving the rating <sup>1</sup>
5	Less than 1	69
4	1 to 1.5	18
3	1.5 to 2	9
2	2 to 2.5	3
1	Greater than 2.5	1

The sign of the rating merely shows whether the result reported was greater or less than the average obtained.

Participants subscribing to the primary chemical analysis portion of this report should note that the statistics were calculated using data obtained by wet methods, and rapid methods of chemical analysis. Participants in the secondary chemical analysis should note that laboratory ratings are assigned using primary chemical statistics.

Please note that individual laboratory ratings were not given for the flow of air content mortar (test no. 190) and compressive strength mortar (test no. 230). Air content flows in the range of  $87.5 \pm 7.5$  are satisfactory; labs with flow values outside this range will be flagged as a "Labs Eliminated" or "Labs Off Diagram" on the scatter diagram. Averages, standard deviations, and a scatter diagram are provided for your information. This information may be a helpful indicator of a problem with flow table apparatus or mortar mixing

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<sup>1</sup>Youden, W.J., "Statistical Aspects of the Cement Testing Program", Volume 59, *Proceedings of the 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society, June 25, 1959, American Society for Testing and Materials.*

procedures. Flow values of 151 were assigned to laboratories reporting a mortar flow off the flow table top.

In cases where some laboratories' results are eliminated, averages, standard deviations, coefficients of variation, and the ratings of the other laboratories' results, are recalculated using the data remaining after the elimination. Since the laboratory ratings given are the results from this one series of tests, you need not attach too much significance to a single low rating, or pair of ratings, from this one series. A continuing tendency to get low ratings on several pairs of samples should lead a laboratory to consider the types of error, systematic and random, contribute to ratings that are low. Systematic error, which is indicated by low ratings with the same signs on each pair of samples, means a consistent error is occurring in equipment and/or test procedures. One indication of random error is low ratings on both samples with different signs. Since systematic error occurs with more regularity, its cause is generally easier to find than the cause of random error.

### Summary of Results

Usually, averages, standard deviations, and coefficients of variation are given with all results reported, and then with one or more outlying results omitted. Sometimes, two or more recalculations with laboratories omitted, have been done for the same test. In these cases, all of the laboratories omitted in previous recalculations are also omitted in subsequent ones. Results omitted are values that are more than three standard deviations from the mean of one or both samples. Often, elimination of these outlying results has little effect on the average, but may have a more pronounced effect on the standard deviation and coefficient of variation.

### Scatter Diagrams

General scatter diagrams are supplied with this report. Crandall and Blaine describe the manner of preparing scatter diagrams, and their interpretation, in the paper published in the 1959 ASTM Proceedings. Each laboratory will receive a complete set of diagrams according to their subscription to the given program.

Using the results received from each laboratory, a scatter diagram is generated for each test method by plotting the value for the odd numbered samples on the X, or horizontal axis, against the value for the even numbered samples on the Y, or vertical axis. To find your point, just plot as you would when plotting any scatter diagram. Vertical and horizontal dashed lines, which divide the diagrams into four sections or quadrants, place the average values for the odd and even numbered samples, respectively. The first line of print under the diagram includes the test number, as given on the data sheet, the test title, and the number of data points on the diagrams. The number of plotted points may not agree with the total number of data pairs included in the analysis because a few points may be off the diagram, and some points may represent several data pairs, which are identical. Laboratories whose points are off the diagram will have a rating of  $\pm 1$  for that particular test. As described in Crandall and Blaine, a tight circular pattern of points around the intersection of the median lines is the ideal situation. Stretching out of the pattern into the first (upper right) and third (lower left) quadrants, suggests some kind of bias, or tendency for laboratories to get high or low results on both samples. Examination of the scatter diagrams indicates strong evidence of bias on many tests.

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**SUMMARY OF RESULTS**

	Sample No.205			Sample No. 206			
Test (unit)	#Labs	Average	S.D.	C.V.	Average	S.D.	C.V.

<b>Chloride (percent)</b>							
	133	0.009	0.007	78	0.015	0.007	50
	*128	0.008	0.004	47	0.014	0.006	40

\* Labs Eliminated - 219, 667, 692, 886, 2360

<b>Insoluble Residue (percent)</b>							
	205	0.39	0.28	71	0.27	0.35	133
	*192	0.34	0.08	24	0.22	0.09	40

\* Labs Eliminated - 4, 34, 47, 146, 222, 246, 2465, 2466, 3249, 3368, 3413, 4155, 4251

<b>Free Lime (percent)</b>							
	165	0.76	0.18	24	0.98	0.23	23
	*161	0.74	0.15	20	0.97	0.23	23

\* Labs Eliminated - 124, 132, 457, 493

<b>Chromium Oxide (percent)</b>							
	101	0.017	0.046	274	0.012	0.006	52
	*93	0.011	0.003	30	0.011	0.003	26

\* Labs Eliminated - 78, 116, 415, 493, 883, 3368, 3752, 4099

<b>Tricalcium Silicate (percent)</b>							
	187	60.6	3.4	5.7	53.7	3.7	6.8
	*179	60.4	2.4	3.9	53.5	2.2	4.1

\* Labs Eliminated - 8, 15, 42, 50, 206, 247, 284, 2352

<b>Dicalcium Silicate (percent)</b>							
	186	13.8	3.2	22.9	15.9	2.7	17.0
	*175	13.9	2.2	15.5	15.9	1.9	11.8

\* Labs Eliminated - 15, 24, 42, 50, 134, 206, 247, 284, 698, 1644, 2352

<b>Tricalcium Aluminate (percent)</b>							
	187	6.2	0.60	9.6	8.0	0.38	4.8
	*180	6.2	0.26	4.1	8.0	0.25	3.1

\* Labs Eliminated - 8, 42, 94, 698, 3238, 3607, 4251

# **CCRL PROFICIENCY SAMPLE PROGRAM**

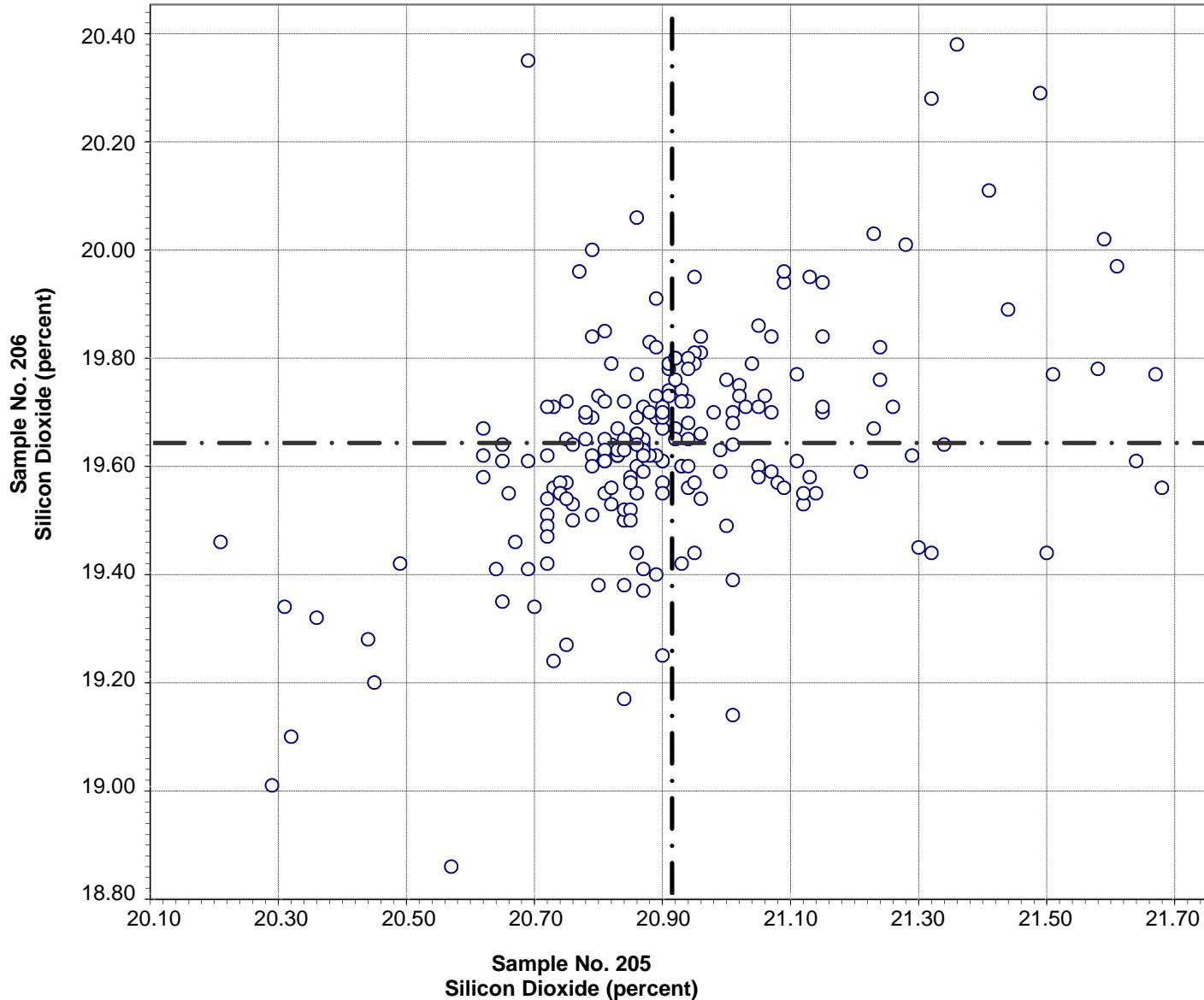
Portland Cement Proficiency Samples No. 205 and No. 206

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## SUMMARY OF RESULTS

\* Labs Eliminated - 15, 139, 206, 883, 975, 3238, 3368, 3707, 4137, 4251

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Silicon Dioxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**



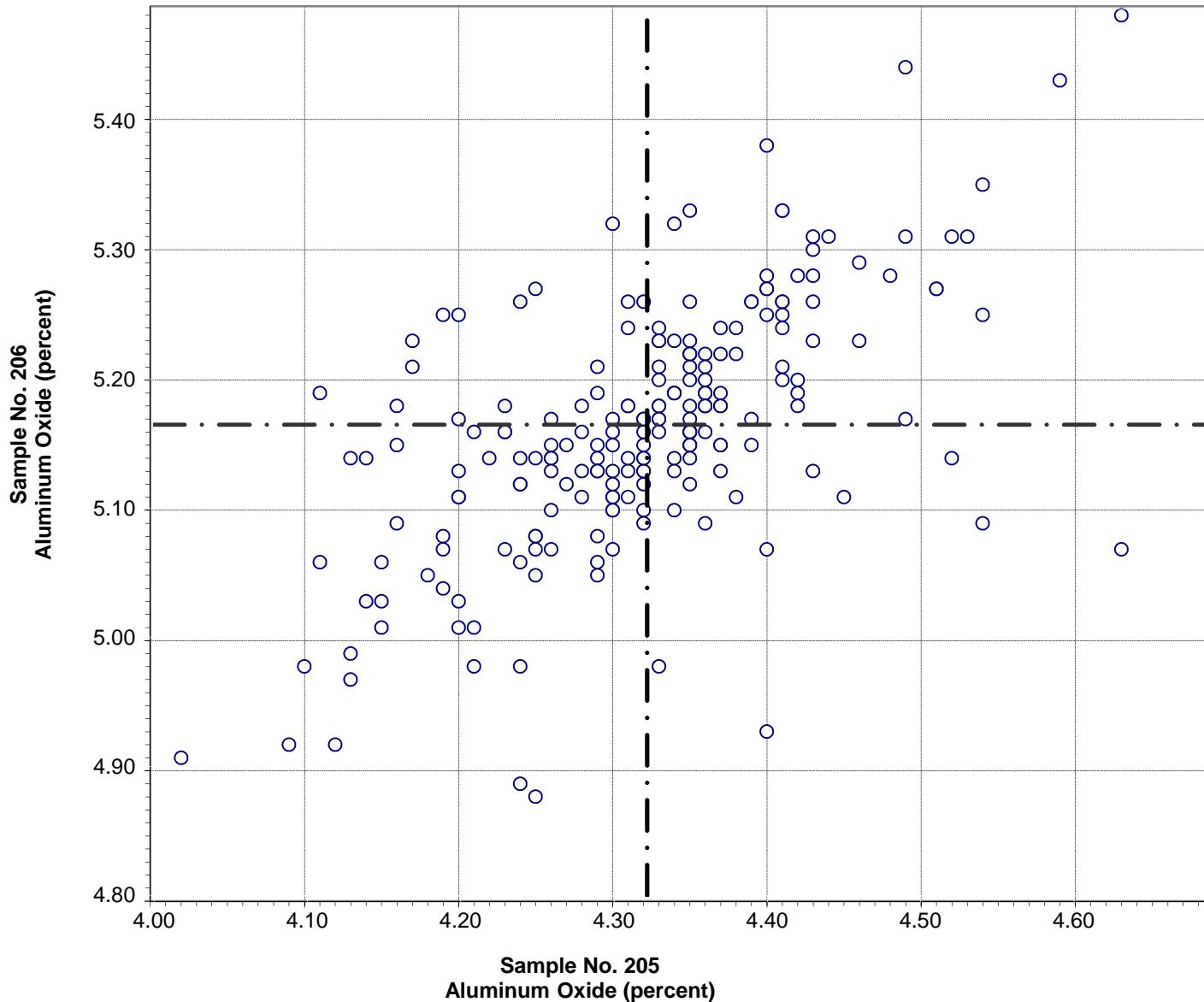
Test No. 10   Silicon Dioxide   212 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 20.91	S.D. 0.26	C.V. 1.26
Sample No. 206	Ave 19.64	S.D. 0.21	C.V. 1.08

Labs Eliminated: 15, 24, 50, 206, 1644

Labs off Diagram: 284, 7, 4099

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Aluminum Oxide**  
**PORLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**



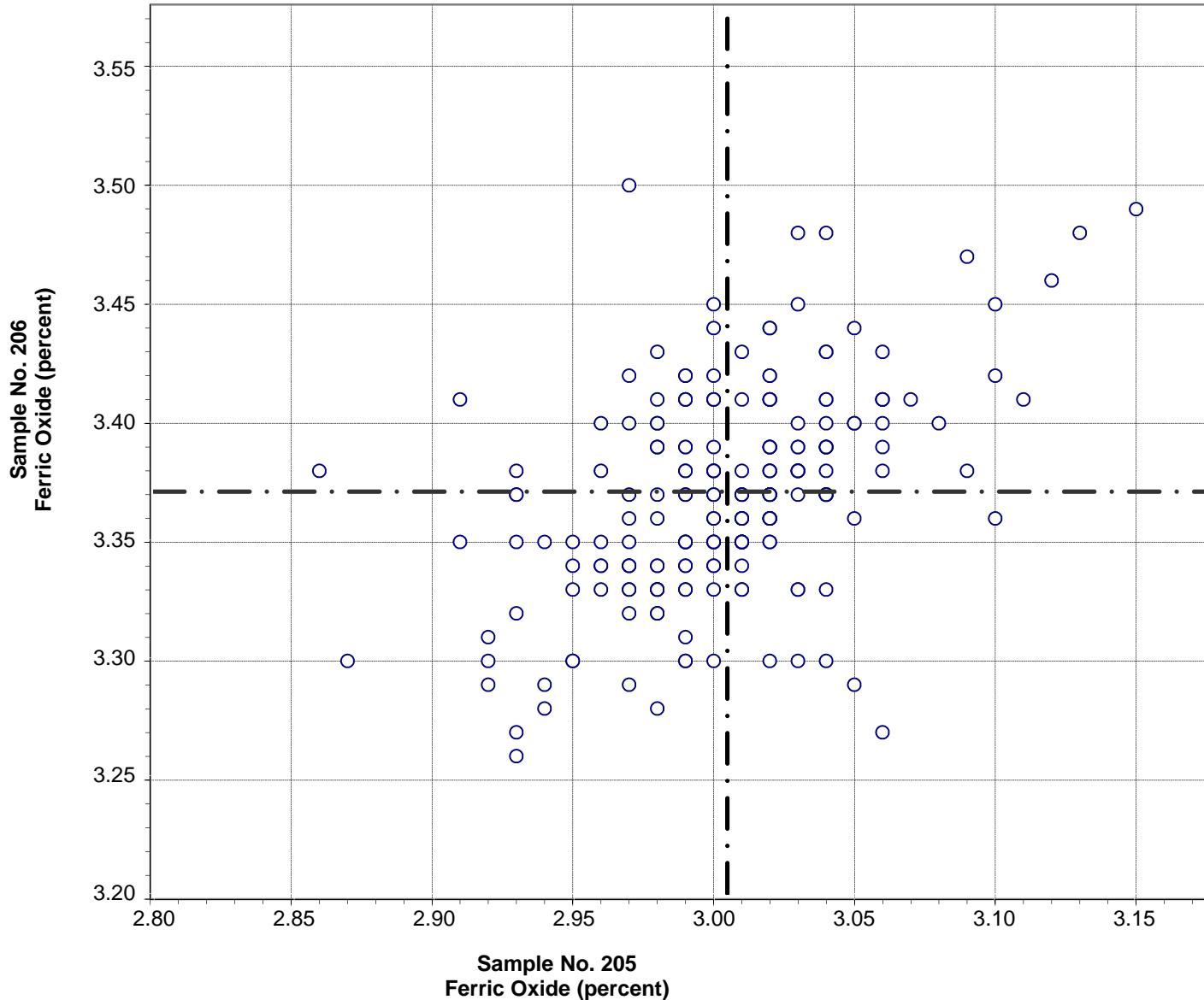
Test No. 21    Aluminum Oxide    214 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 4.32	S.D. 0.10	C.V. 2.4
Sample No. 206	Ave 5.16	S.D. 0.10	C.V. 1.9

Labs Eliminated: 8, 15, 42, 698

Labs off Diagram: 206

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Ferric Oxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

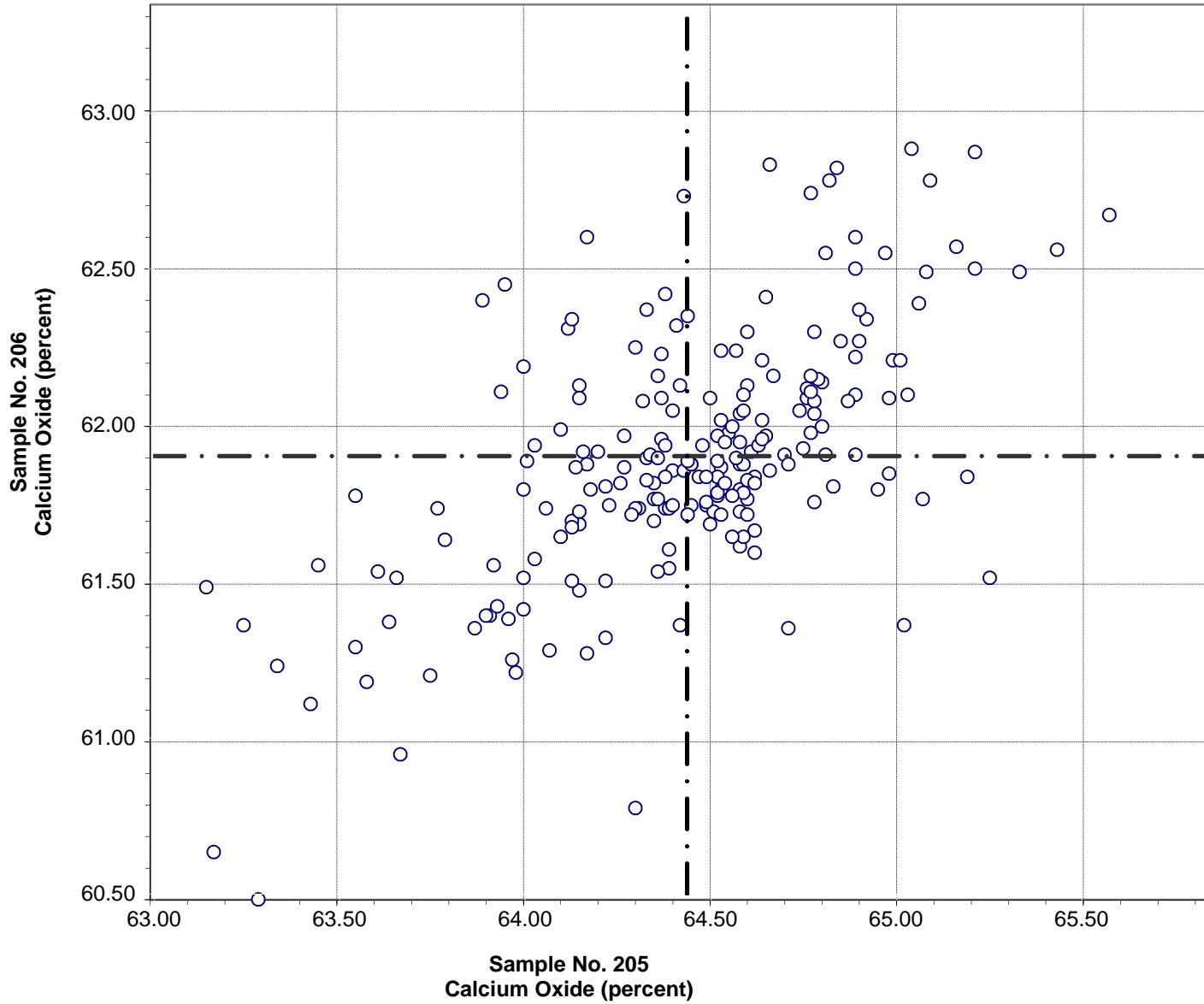


Test No. 30   Ferric Oxide   209 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 3.00	S.D. 0.04	C.V. 1.4
Sample No. 206	Ave 3.37	S.D. 0.04	C.V. 1.3

Labs Eliminated: 15, 206, 883, 2463, 3059, 3368, 4099, 4137, 4251

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Calcium Oxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

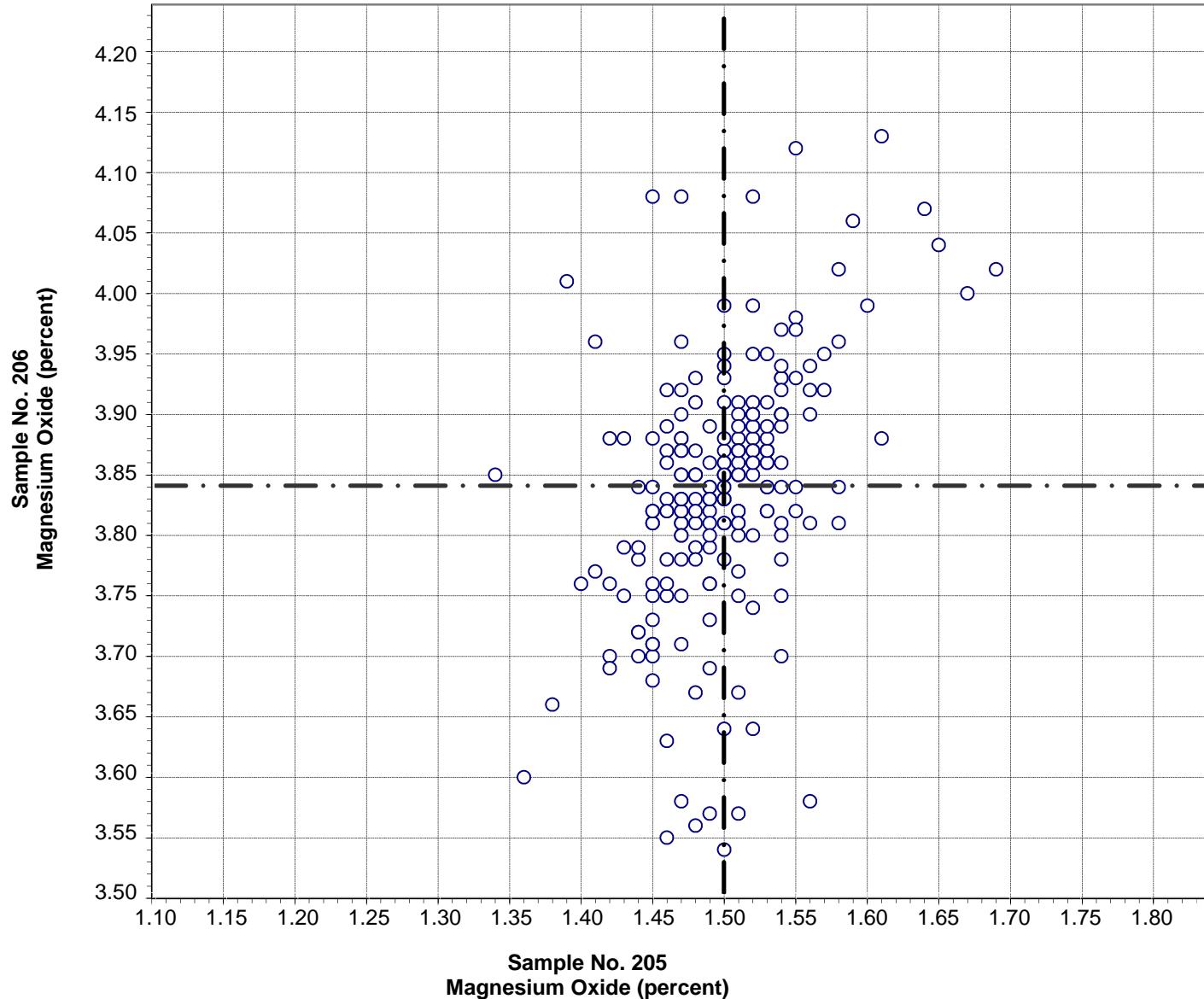


Test No. 40    Calcium Oxide    214 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 64.44	S.D. 0.42	C.V. 0.66
Sample No. 206	Ave 61.90	S.D. 0.39	C.V. 0.64

Labs Eliminated: 8, 15, 42, 47, 2437, 4099

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Magnesium Oxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

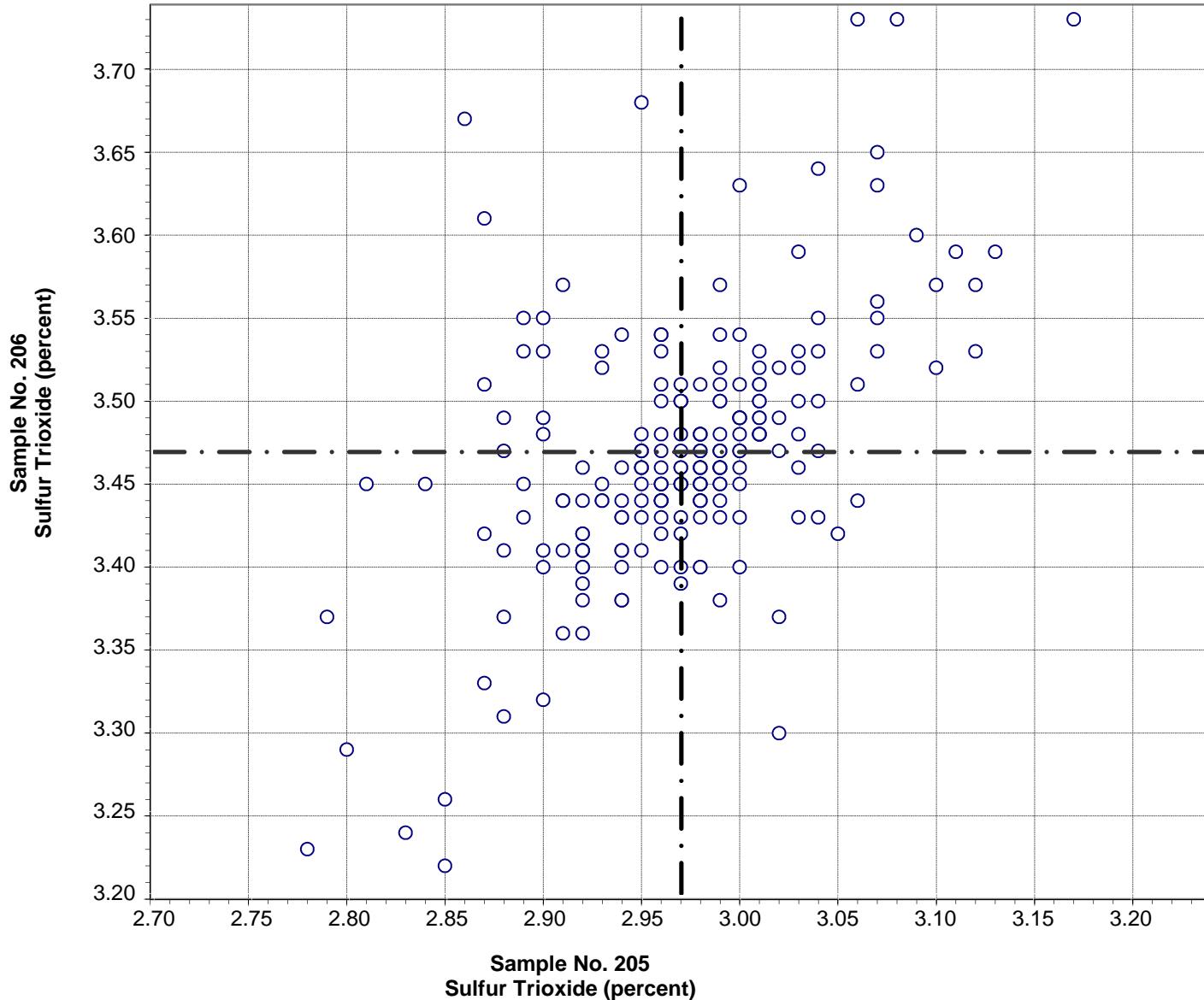


Test No. 50    Magnesium Oxide    213 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 1.50	S.D. 0.05	C.V. 3.3
Sample No. 206	Ave 3.84	S.D. 0.10	C.V. 2.7

Labs Eliminated: 14, 125, 206, 493, 779, 4080, 4099

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Sulfur Trioxide**  
**PORLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

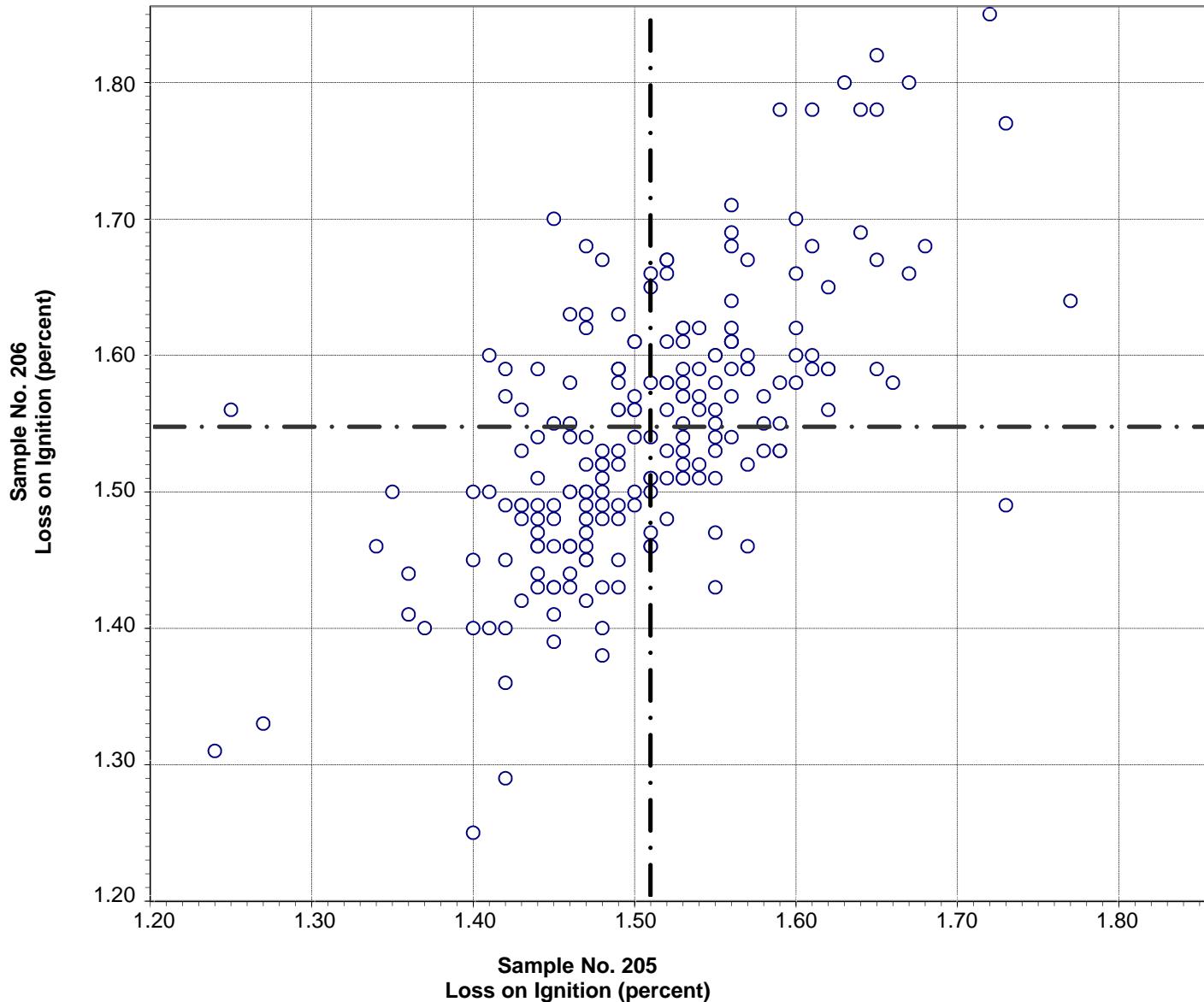


Test No. 60   Sulfur Trioxide   212 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 2.97	S.D. 0.06	C.V. 2.1
Sample No. 206	Ave 3.47	S.D. 0.08	C.V. 2.2

Labs Eliminated: 15, 35, 203, 2116, 2360, 2934, 3279

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Loss on Ignition**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**



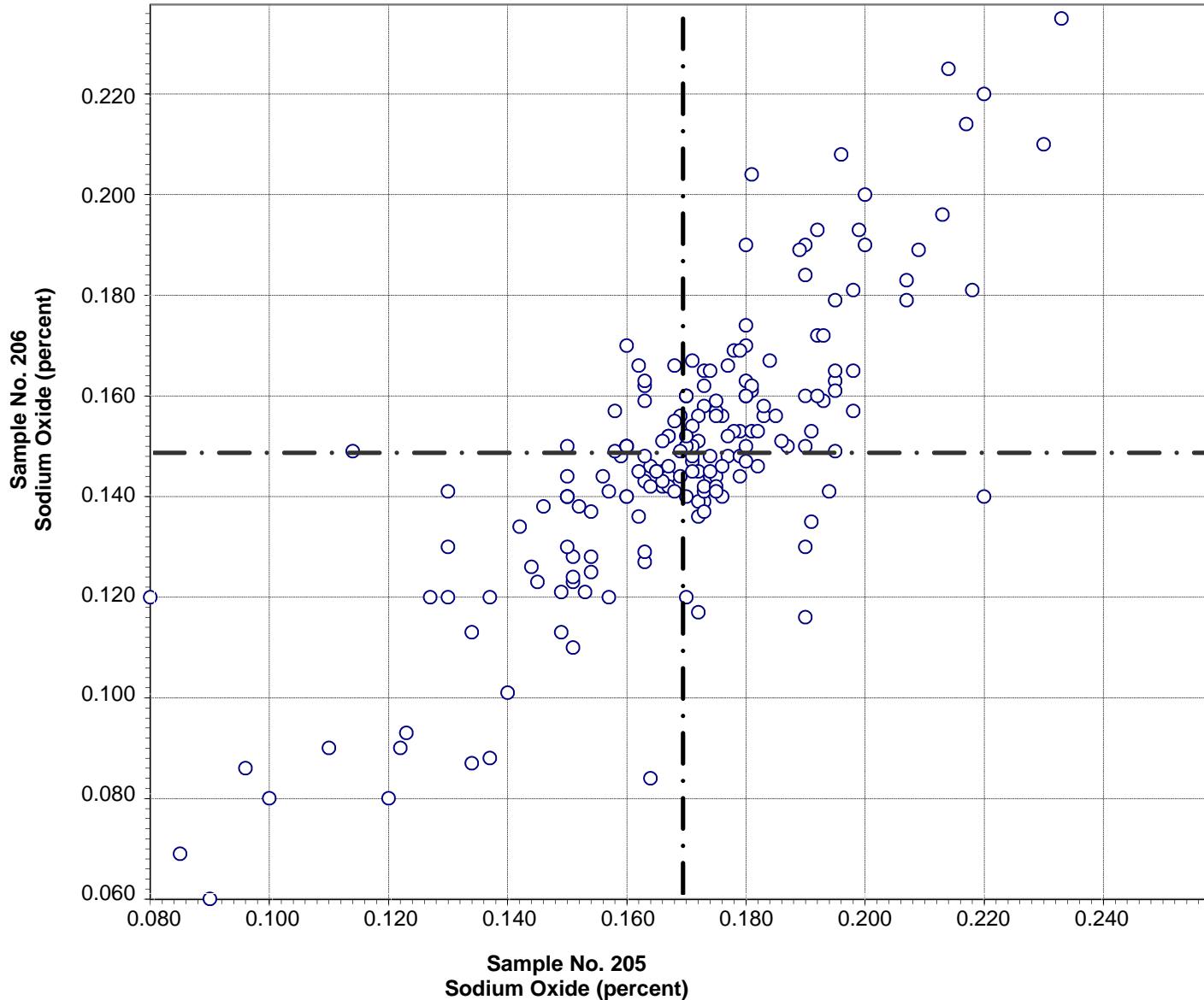
Test No. 70   Loss on Ignition   207 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 1.51	S.D. 0.08	C.V. 5.3
Sample No. 206	Ave 1.55	S.D. 0.10	C.V. 6.5

Labs Eliminated: 8, 34, 35, 42, 56, 95, 134, 457, 881, 2683, 3368, 4099, 4155

Labs off Diagram: 125

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Sodium Oxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

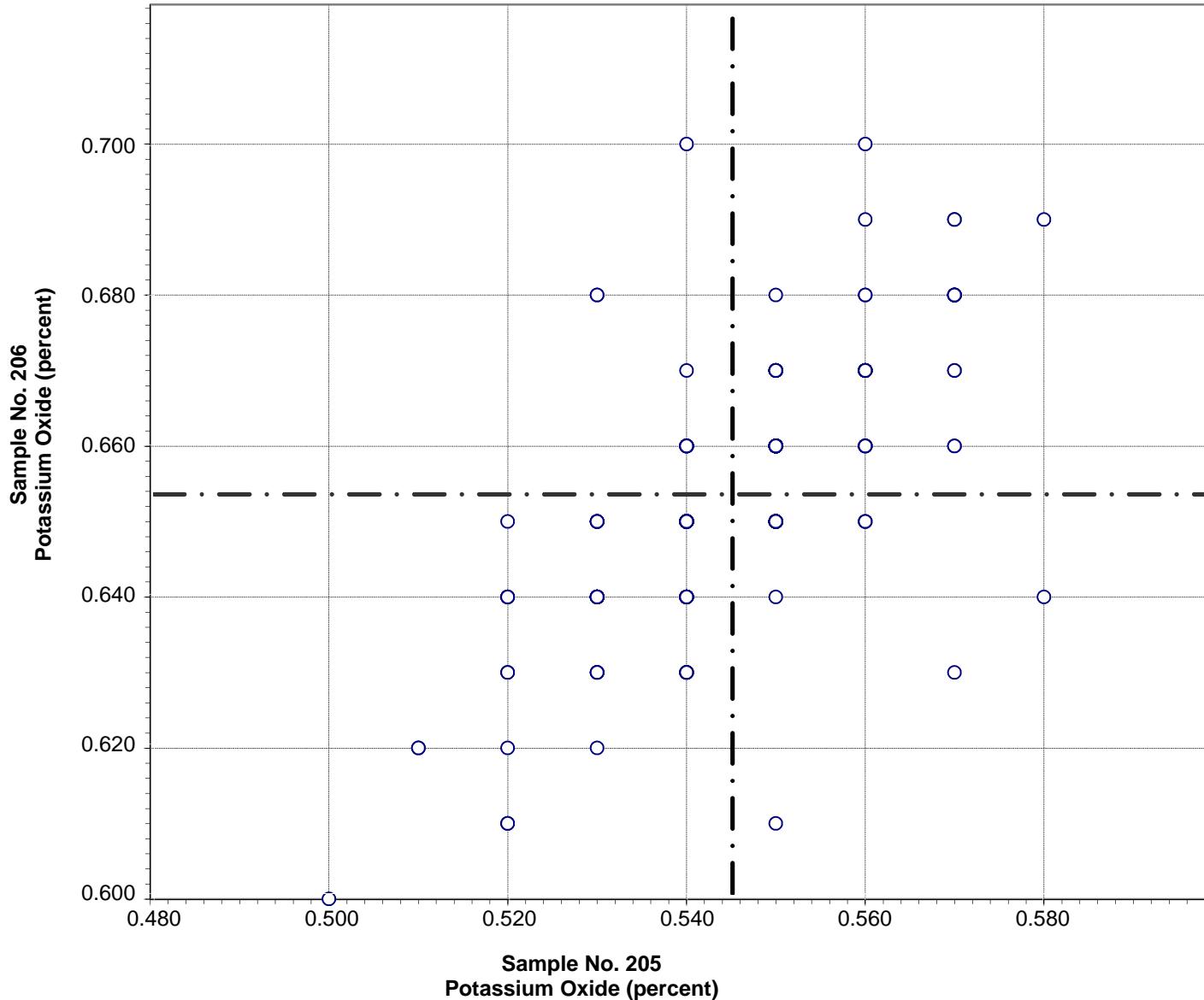


Test No. 90    Sodium Oxide    194 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 0.169	S.D. 0.024	C.V. 14
Sample No. 206	Ave 0.148	S.D. 0.027	C.V. 18

Labs Eliminated: 14, 35, 41, 99, 134, 137, 407, 494, 1942, 2360, 2465, 2490,  
 3607, 4099, 4251

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Potassium Oxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

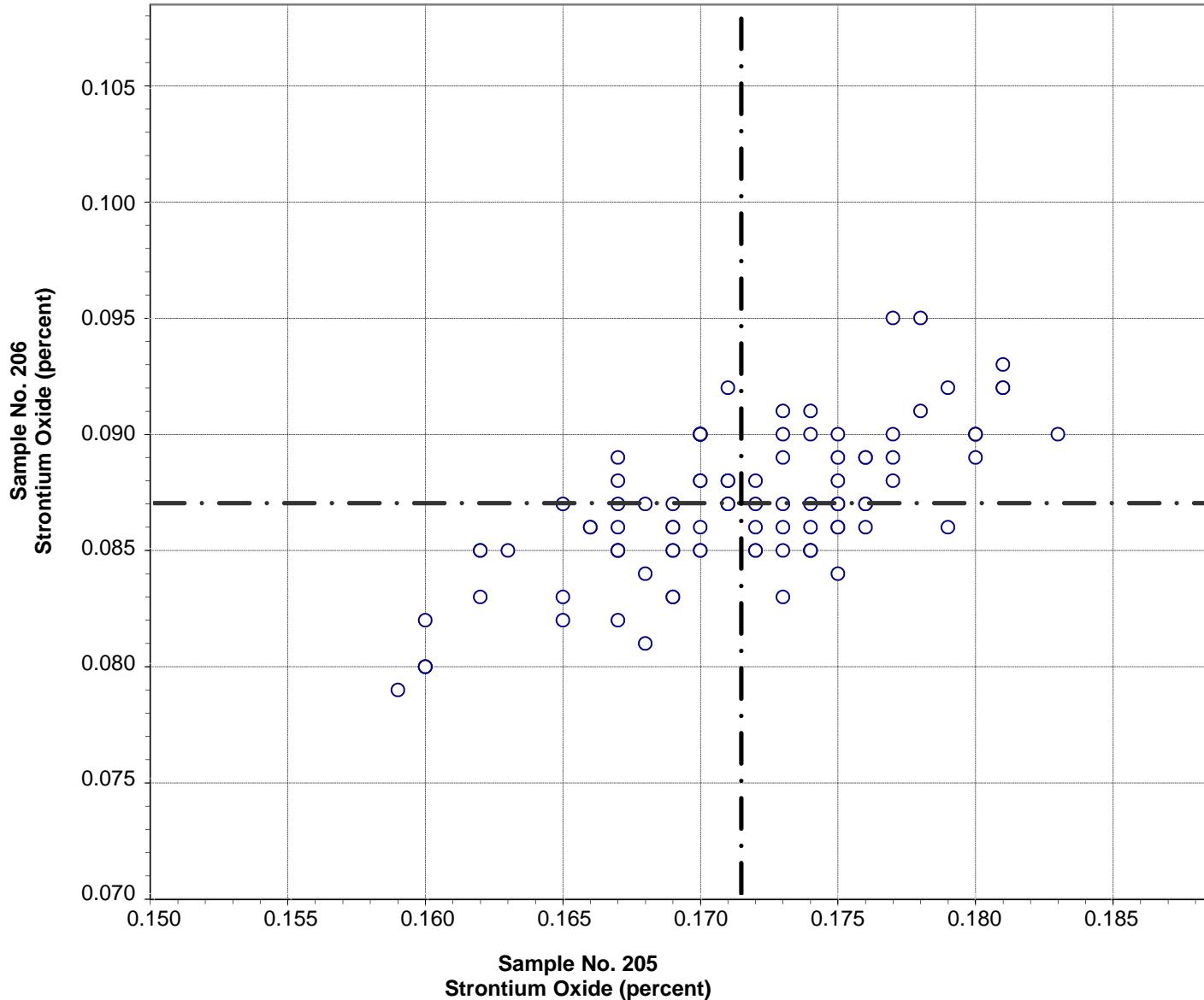


Test No. 100   Potassium Oxide   203 Points

Sample No. 205   Ave 0.545   S.D. 0.013   C.V. 2.5  
 Sample No. 206   Ave 0.653   S.D. 0.016   C.V. 2.5

Labs Eliminated: 36, 50, 407, 1435, 2463, 2466, 4099, 4131, 4138, 4251

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Strontium Oxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

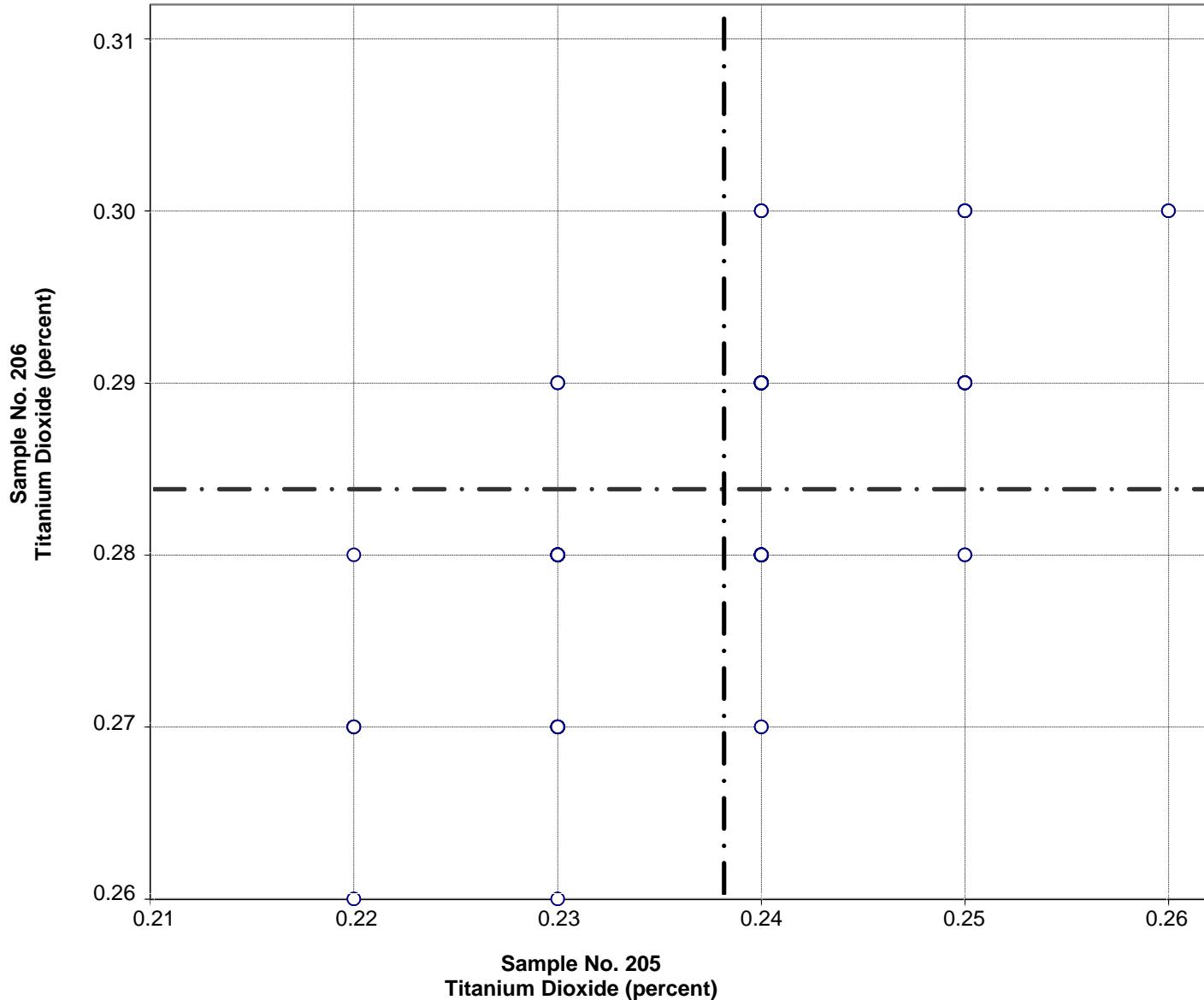


Test No. 92   Strontium Oxide   96 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave	0.171	S.D.	0.005	C.V.	3.1
Sample No. 206	Ave	0.087	S.D.	0.003	C.V.	3.7

Labs Eliminated: 15, 84, 101, 116, 206, 219, 491, 493, 494, 1916, 2463, 4137

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program  
Titanium Dioxide  
PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

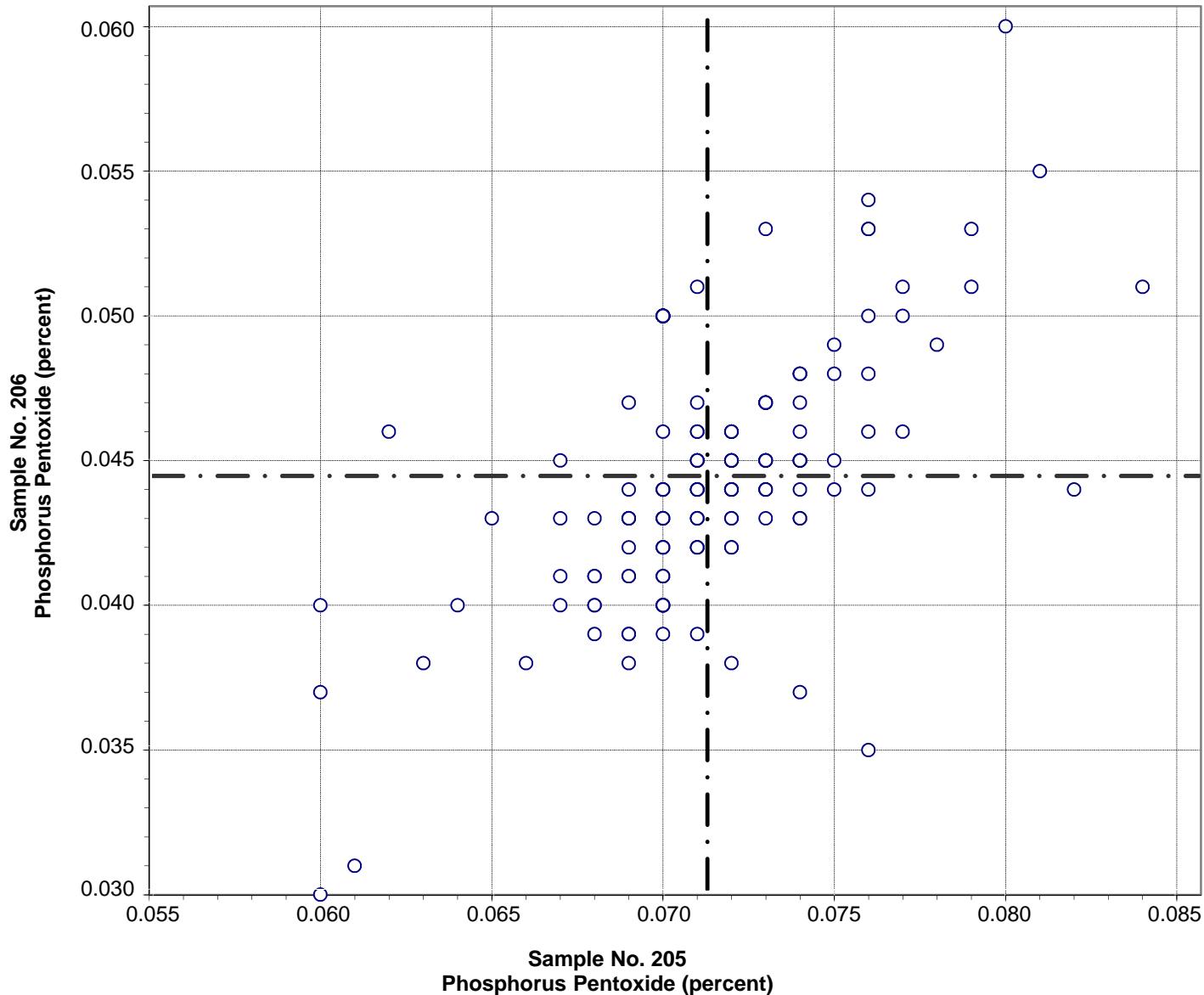


Test No. 103   Titanium Dioxide   166 Points

Sample No. 205   Ave 0.24   S.D. 0.007   C.V. 3.0  
Sample No. 206   Ave 0.28   S.D. 0.008   C.V. 2.8

Labs Eliminated: 246, 407, 493, 698, 2412, 2490, 2491, 4099, 4137

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Phosphorus Pentoxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**



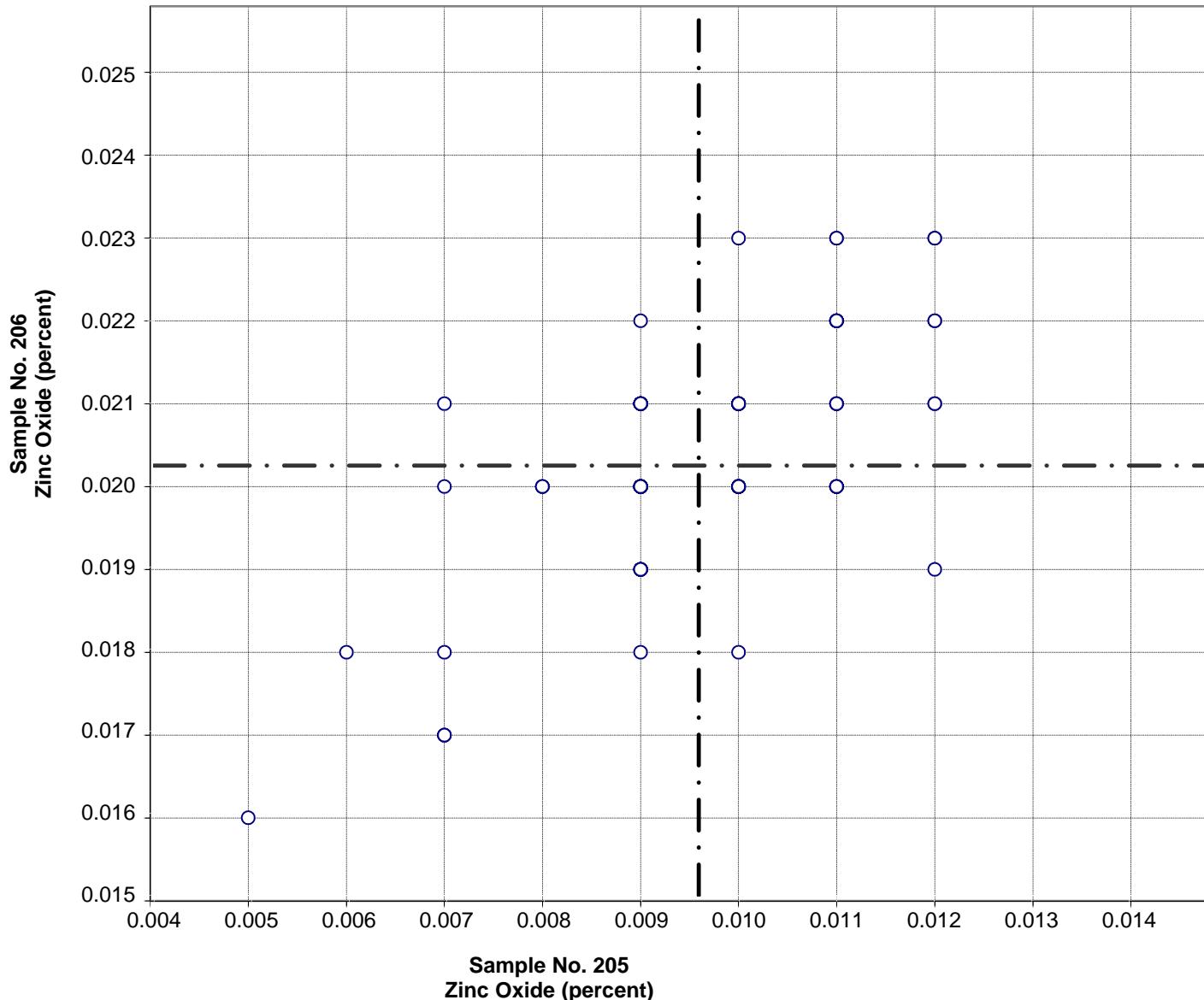
Test No. 102 Phosphorus Pentoxide 153 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 0.071	S.D. 0.004	C.V. 5.4
Sample No. 206	Ave 0.044	S.D. 0.005	C.V. 10.2

Labs Eliminated: 8, 41, 48, 60, 78, 90, 206, 219, 247, 407, 494, 1079, 2463, 2466,  
 2491, 3059, 3255, 3279, 4099, 4131

Labs off Diagram: 134

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Zinc Oxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**



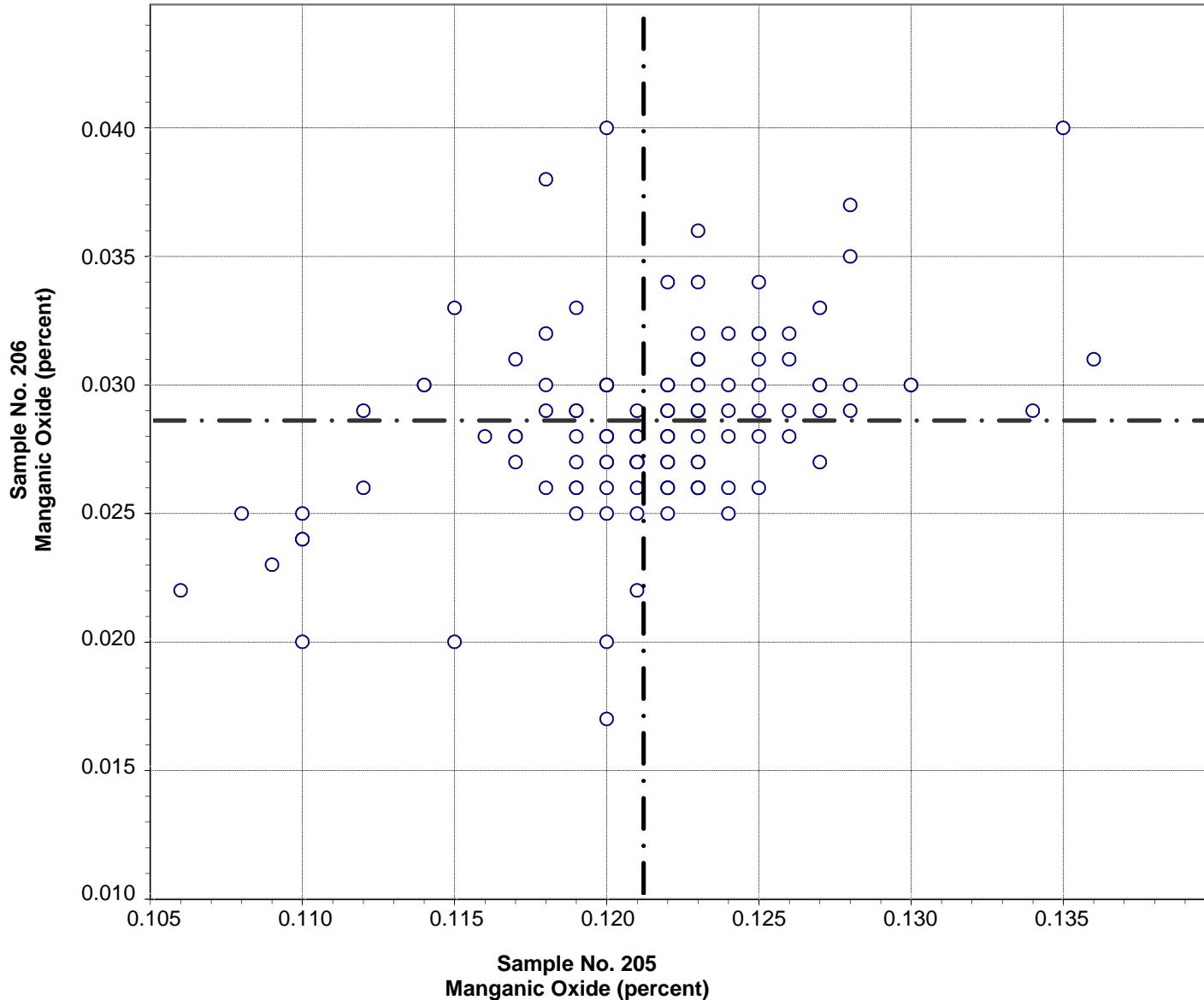
Test No. 99 Zinc Oxide 98 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave	0.010	S.D.	0.002	C.V.	16.2
Sample No. 206	Ave	0.020	S.D.	0.002	C.V.	7.9

Labs Eliminated: 19, 78, 101, 491, 493, 684, 2463

Labs off Diagram: 440, 768, 4099

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Manganic Oxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**



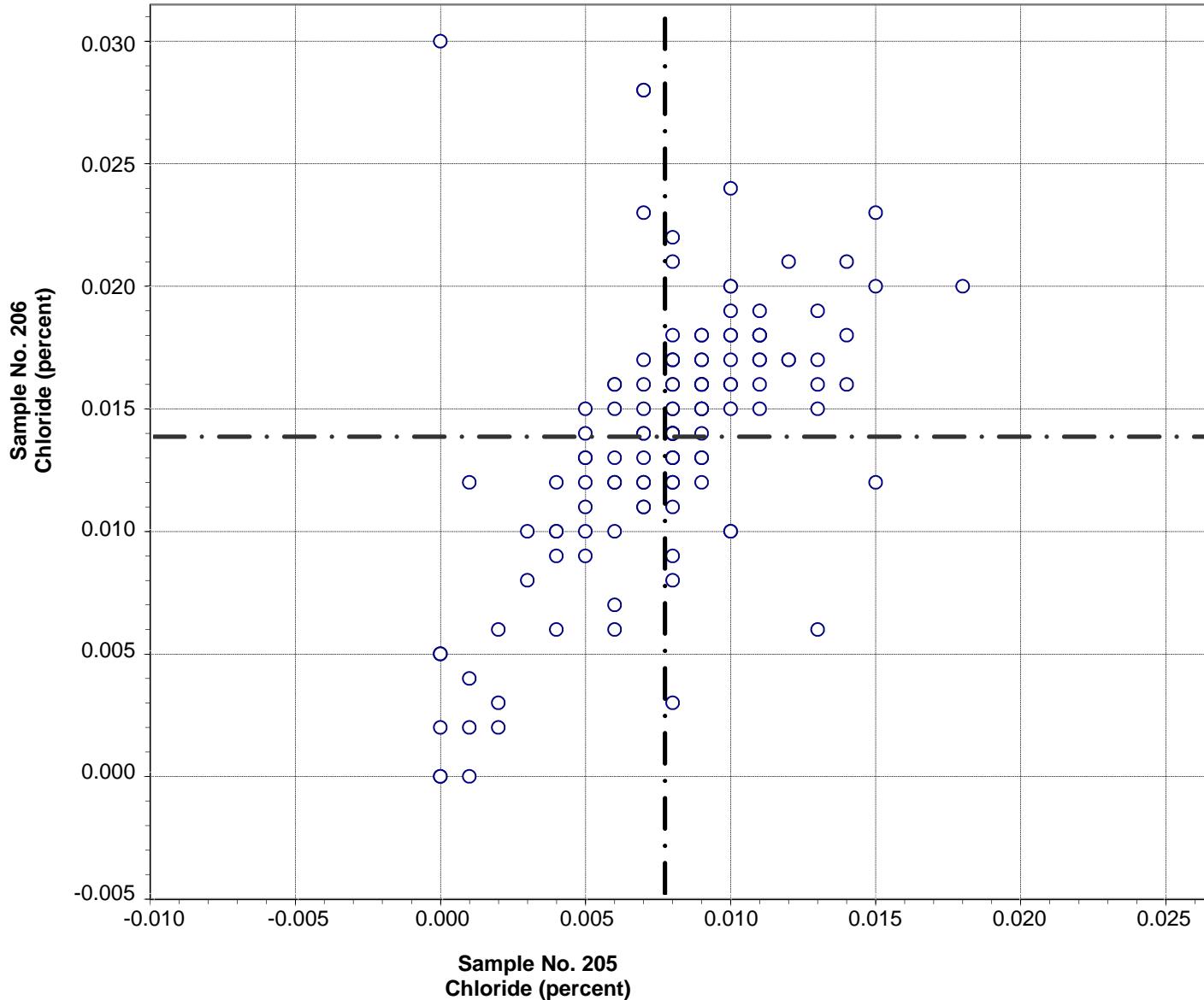
Test No. 101    Manganic Oxide    136 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 0.121	S.D. 0.005	C.V. 4.1
Sample No. 206	Ave 0.029	S.D. 0.003	C.V. 12.0

Labs Eliminated: 41, 84, 94, 181, 203, 284, 493, 2466, 2484, 3297, 4099

Labs off Diagram: 4138

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Chloride**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

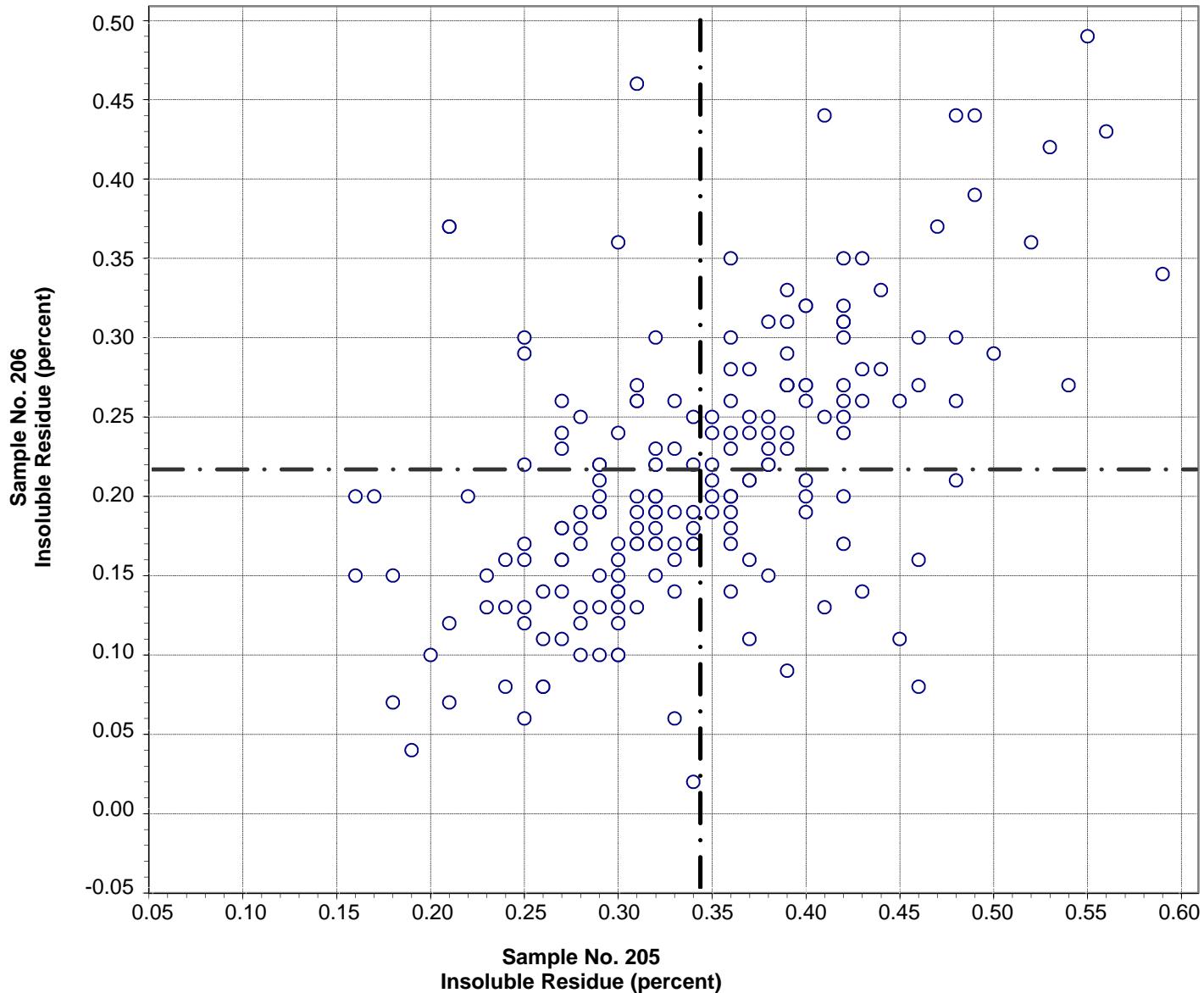


Test No. 104   Chloride   128 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 0.008	S.D. 0.004	C.V. 47
Sample No. 206	Ave 0.014	S.D. 0.006	C.V. 40

Labs Eliminated: 219, 667, 692, 886, 2360

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Insoluble Residue**  
**PORLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

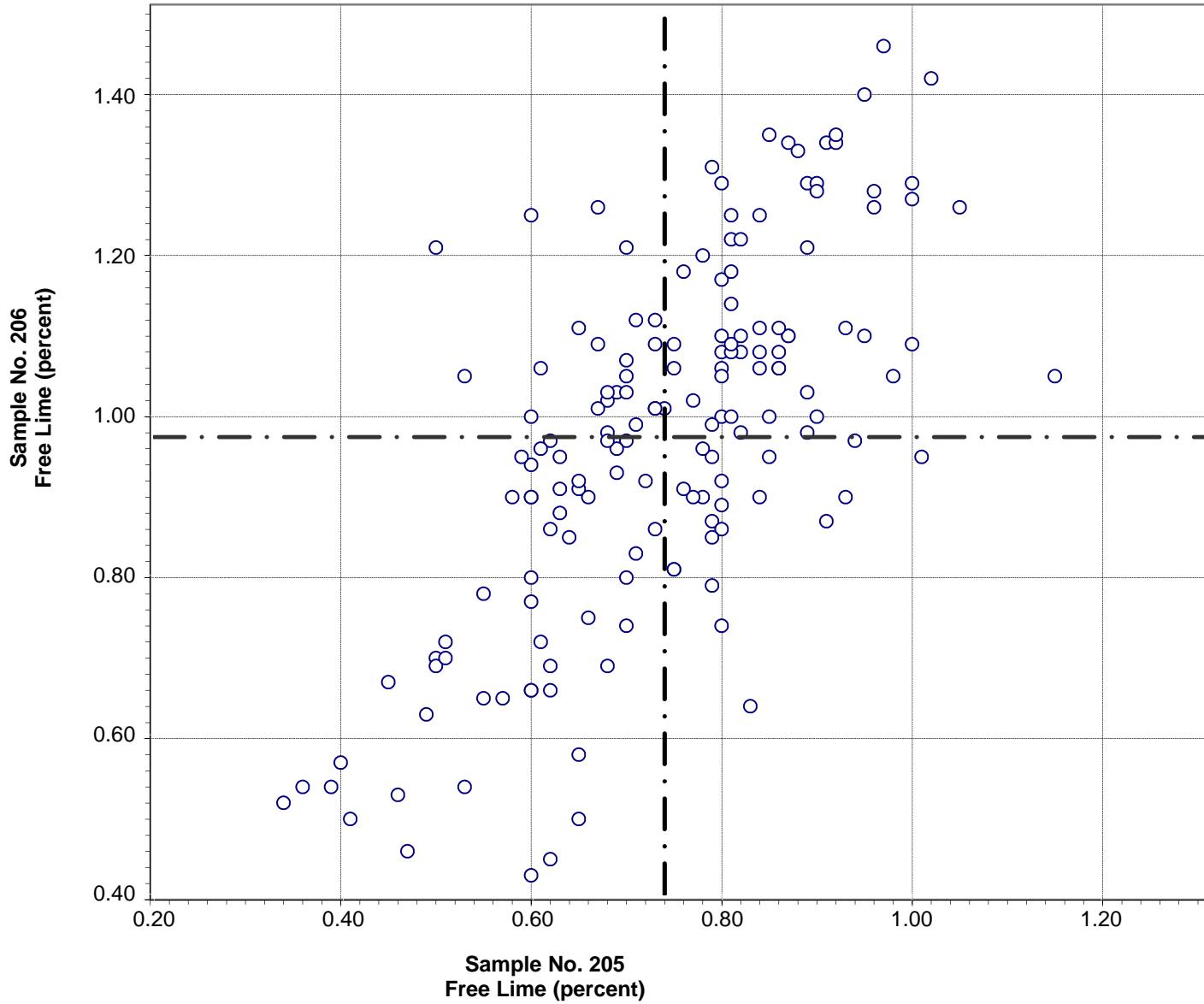


Test No. 80    Insoluble Residue    192 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 0.34	S.D. 0.08	C.V. 24
Sample No. 206	Ave 0.22	S.D. 0.09	C.V. 40

Labs Eliminated: 4, 34, 47, 146, 222, 246, 2465, 2466, 3249, 3368, 3413, 4155,  
 4251

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Free Lime**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

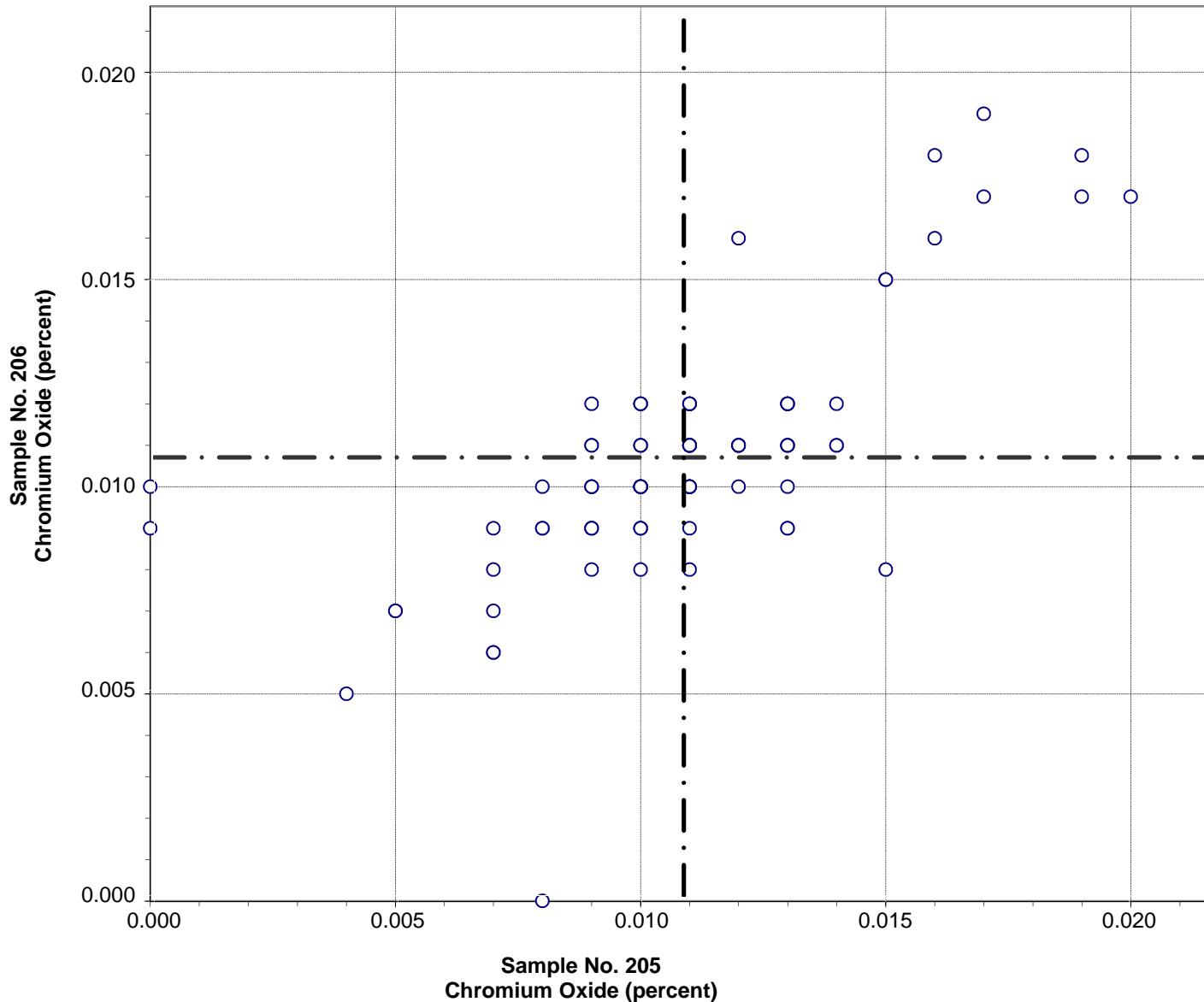


Test No. 41    Free Lime    161 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 0.74	S.D. 0.15	C.V. 20
Sample No. 206	Ave 0.97	S.D. 0.23	C.V. 23

Labs Eliminated: 124, 132, 457, 493

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program  
Chromium Oxide  
PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

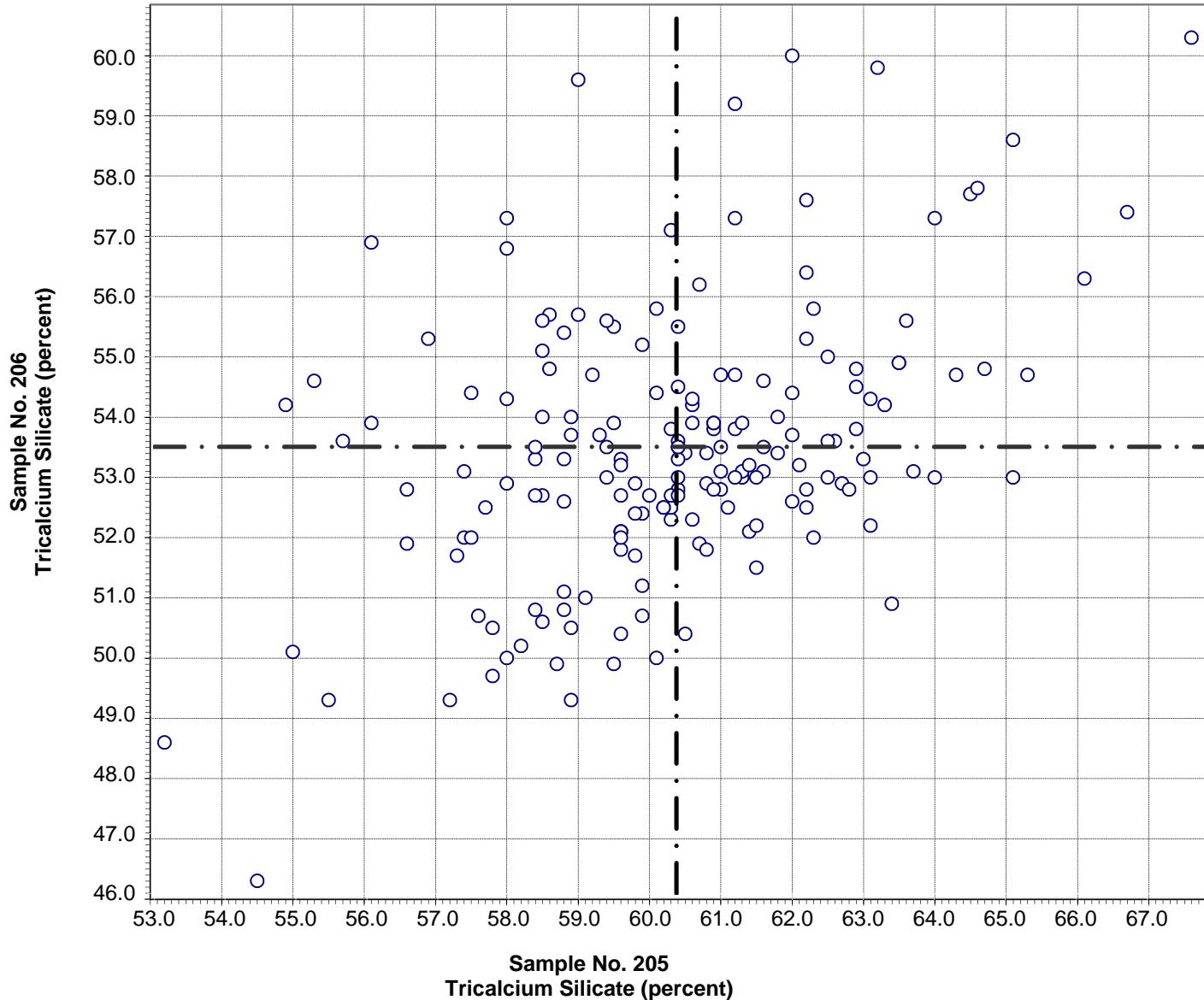


Test No. 105   Chromium Oxide   93 Points

Sample No. 205   Ave 0.011   S.D. 0.003   C.V. 30  
Sample No. 206   Ave 0.011   S.D. 0.003   C.V. 26

Labs Eliminated: 78, 116, 415, 493, 883, 3368, 3752, 4099

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Tricalcium Silicate**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

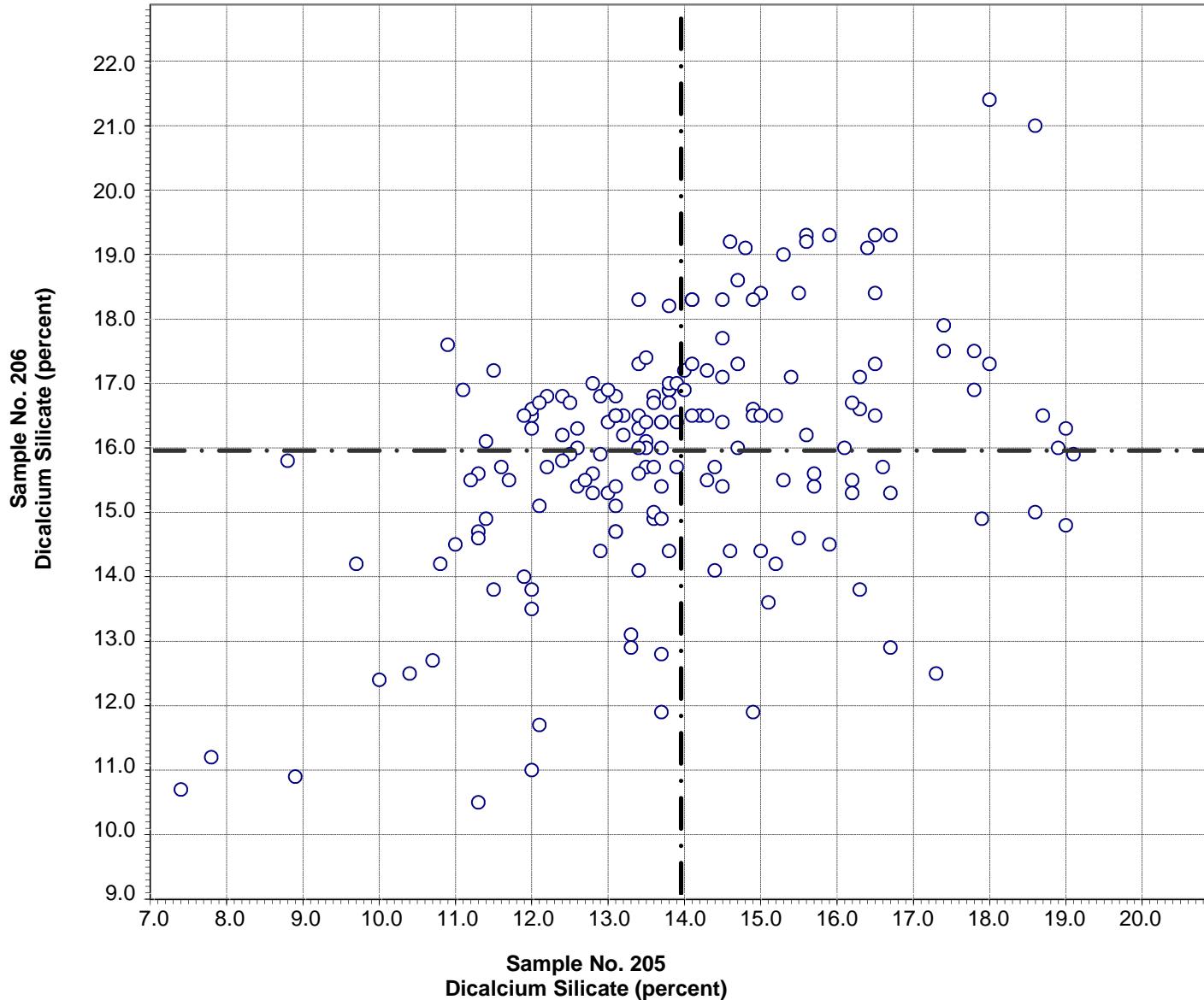


Test No. 106 Tricalcium Silicate 179 Points

Sample No. 205 Ave 60.4 S.D. 2.4 C.V. 3.9  
 Sample No. 206 Ave 53.5 S.D. 2.2 C.V. 4.1

Labs Eliminated: 8, 15, 42, 50, 206, 247, 284, 2352

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Dicalcium Silicate**  
**PORLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

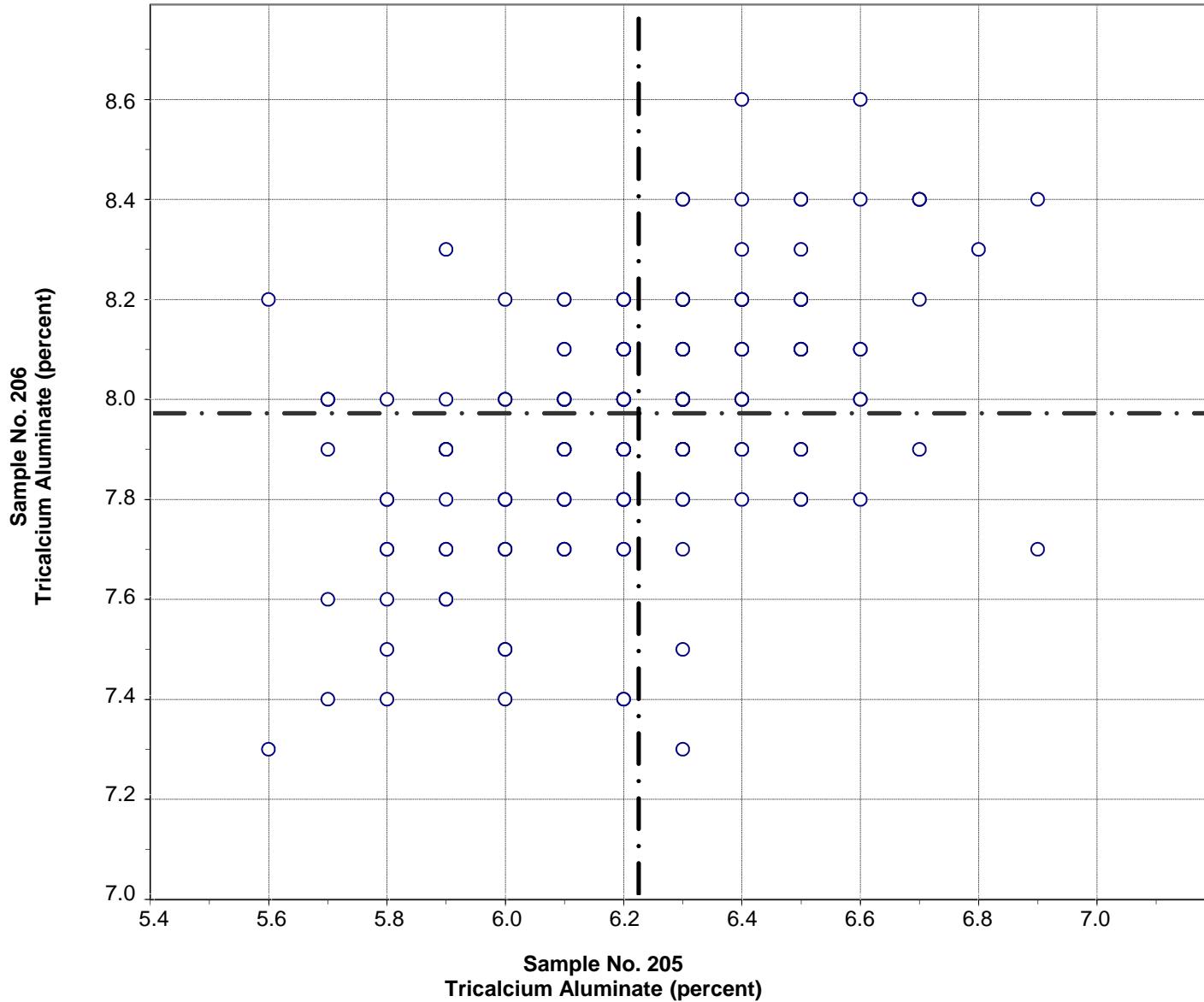


Test No. 107   Dicalcium Silicate   175 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave	13.9	S.D.	2.2	C.V.	15.5
Sample No. 206	Ave	15.9	S.D.	1.9	C.V.	11.8

Labs Eliminated: 15, 24, 42, 50, 134, 206, 247, 284, 698, 1644, 2352

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Tricalcium Aluminate**  
**PORLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**



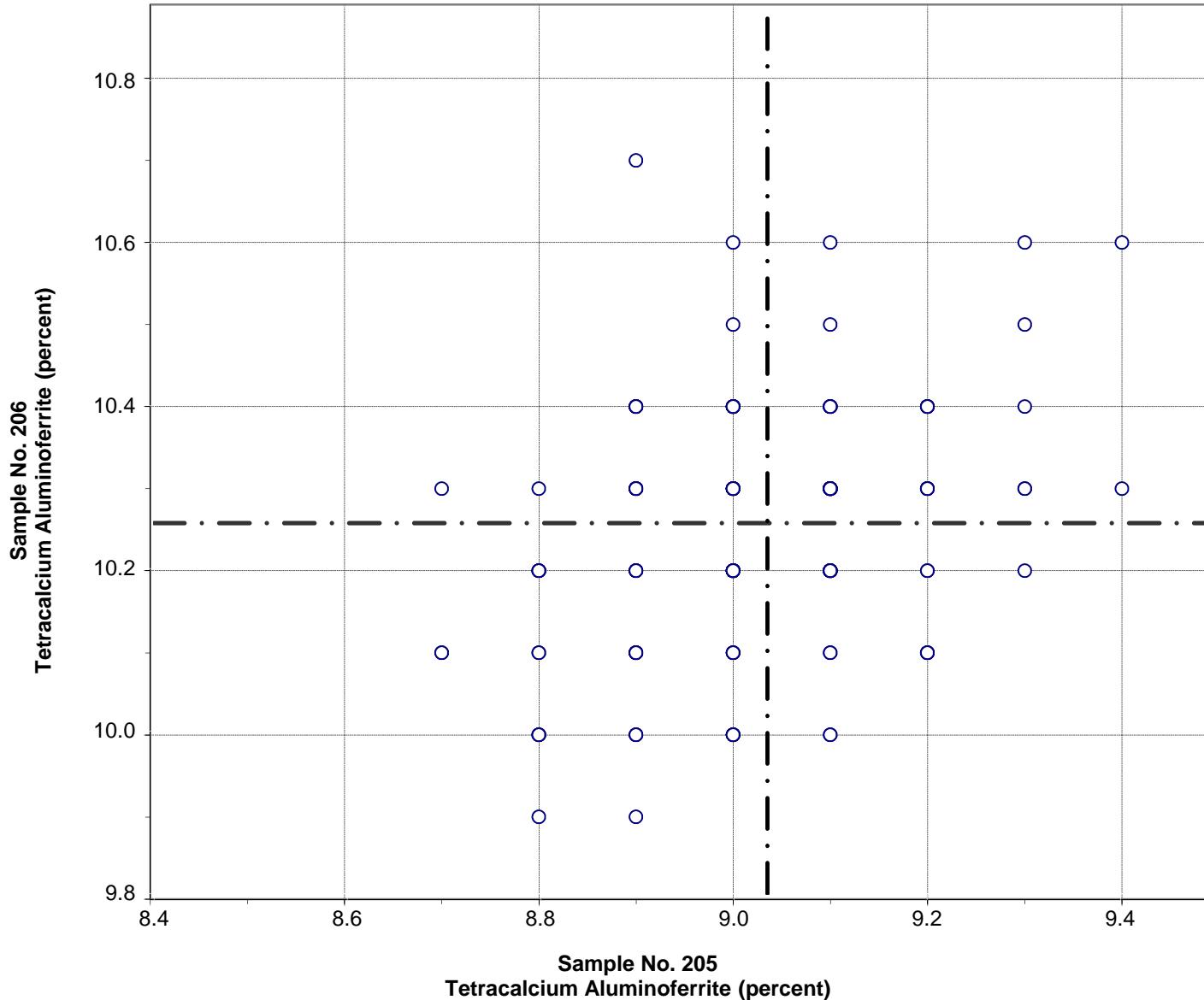
Test No. 108   Tricalcium Aluminate   179 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 6.2	S.D. 0.26	C.V. 4.1
Sample No. 206	Ave 8.0	S.D. 0.25	C.V. 3.1

Labs Eliminated: 8, 42, 94, 698, 3238, 3607, 4251

Labs off Diagram: 66

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Tetracalcium Aluminoferrite**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**



Test No. 109    Tetracalcium Aluminoferrite    173 Points

Sample No. 205   Ave 9.0   S.D. 0.14   C.V. 1.6  
 Sample No. 206   Ave 10.3   S.D. 0.15   C.V. 1.4

Labs Eliminated: 15, 139, 206, 883, 975, 3238, 3368, 3707, 4137, 4251

Labs off Diagram: 8, 42, 1054

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**SUMMARY OF RESULTS**

Sample No.205	Sample No. 206
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Test (unit)	#Labs	Average	S.D.	C.V.	Average	S.D.	C.V.
<b>Normal Consistency - % Water (percent)</b>							
	240	25.9	1.88	7.30	25.6	1.85	7.20
	*234	26.0	0.47	1.80	25.7	0.39	1.50
* Labs Eliminated - 1, 35, 690, 4051, 4080, 4097							
<b>Vicat Time of Set - Initial (minutes)</b>							
	236	137	14	10	146	21	14
	*229	137	11	8	145	17	12
* Labs Eliminated - 69, 90, 116, 243, 457, 840, 4137							
<b>Vicat Time of Set - Final (minutes)</b>							
	227	235	29	13	251	33	13
	*224	235	25	11	250	28	11
* Labs Eliminated - 34, 69, 457							
<b>Gillmore Time of Set - Initial (minutes)</b>							
	137	170	20	12	181	26	14
	*135	169	19	11	180	25	14
* Labs Eliminated - 176, 840							
<b>Gillmore Time of Set - Final (minutes)</b>							
	138	264	35	13	282	36	13
	*136	262	31	12	281	34	12
* Labs Eliminated - 41, 1054							
<b>False Set - Paste Method (percent)</b>							
	187	81	9.6	11.9	76	10.9	14.3
	*184	82	8.7	10.6	76	10.5	13.7
* Labs Eliminated - 103, 176, 493							
<b>Autoclave Expansion (percent)</b>							
	225	-0.03	0.046	-121	0.07	0.067	92
	*211	-0.03	0.026	71	0.07	0.034	46
* Labs Eliminated - 15, 25, 78, 84, 103, 143, 156, 203, 205, 221, 491, 684, 1773, 3413							

# **CCRL PROFICIENCY SAMPLE PROGRAM**

Portland Cement Proficiency Samples No. 205 and No. 206

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Sample No.205	Sample No. 206
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Test (unit)	#Labs	Average	S.D.	C.V.	Average	S.D.	C.V.
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**Fineness - Air Permeability (m<sup>2</sup>/kg)**

237	381	16	4.3	395	15	3.8
*229	381	10	2.6	396	11	2.7

\* Labs Eliminated - 3, 51, 222, 415, 474, 3245, 3658, 4051

**Fineness - 45µm Sieve (percent)**

222	96.79	0.67	0.69	96.79	0.70	0.72
*215	96.83	0.52	0.53	96.86	0.53	0.55

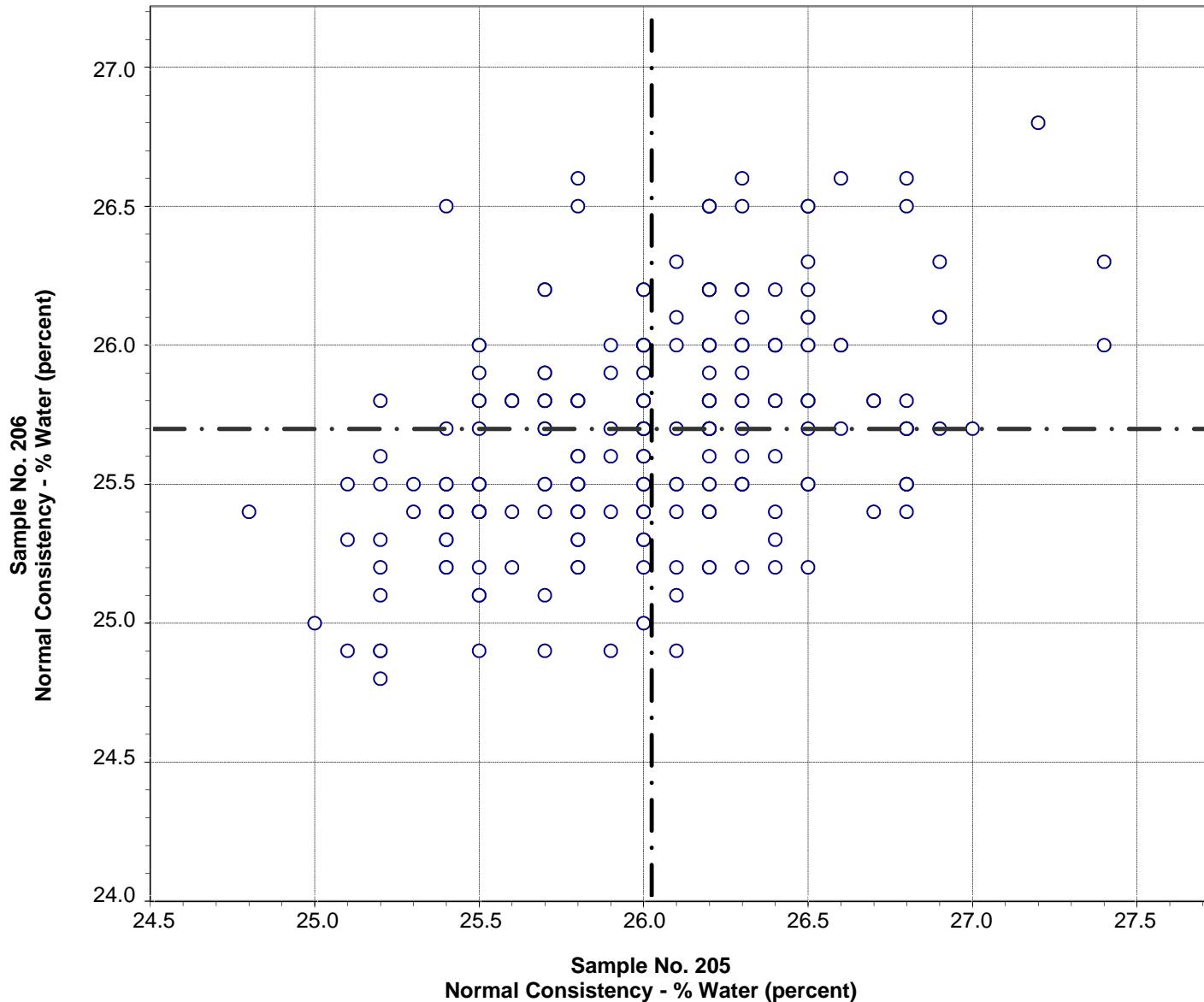
\* Labs Eliminated - 35, 64, 116, 148, 474, 2481, 3245

**C1038 Mortar Bar Expansion (percent)**

158	0.008	0.027	334	0.004	0.020	505
*150	0.005	0.003	67	0.006	0.003	60

\* Labs Eliminated - 99, 125, 203, 205, 221, 491, 497, 4051

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Normal Consistency - % Water**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

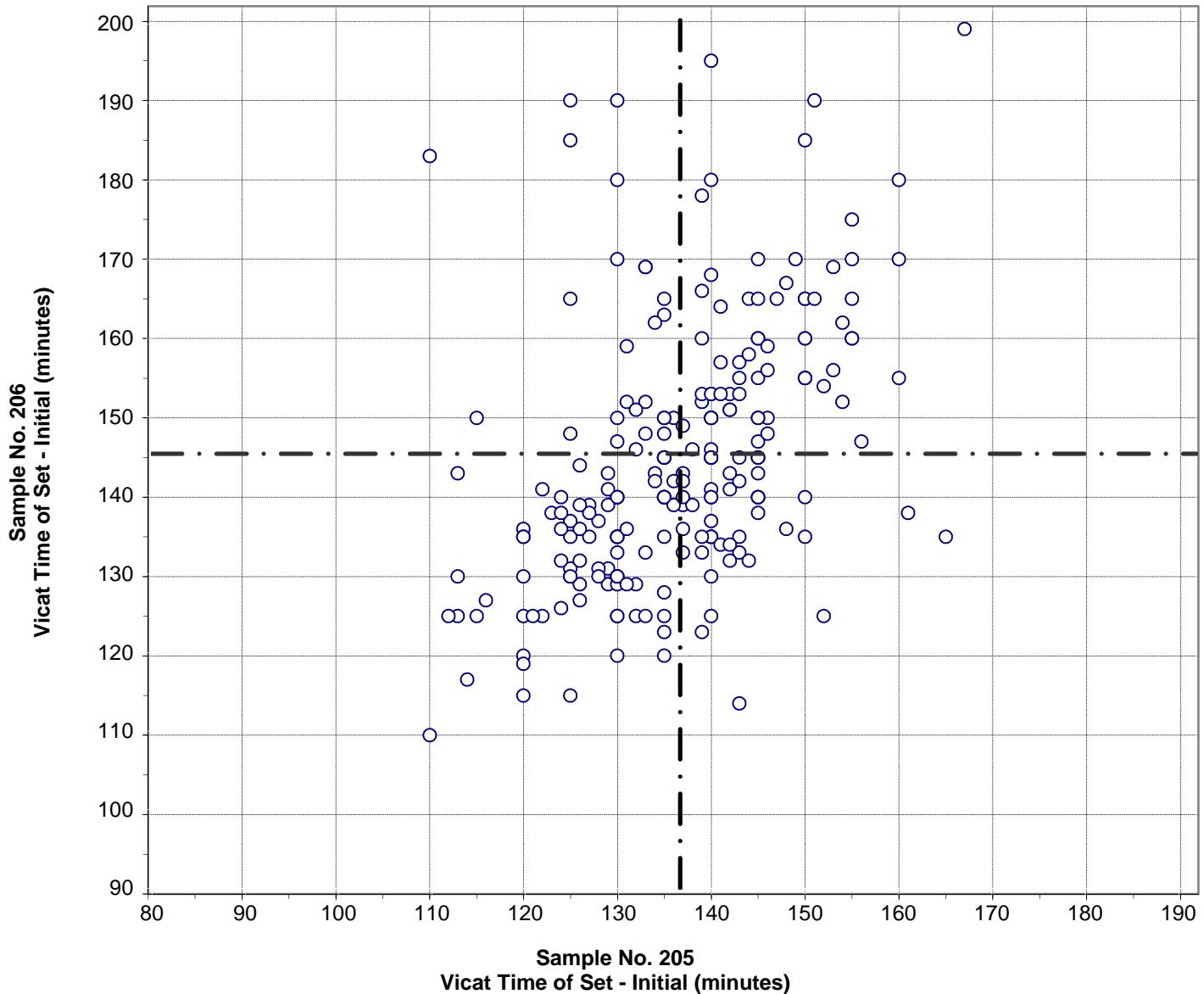


Test No. 110    Normal Consistency - % Water    234 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 26.0	S.D. 0.47	C.V. 1.80
Sample No. 206	Ave 25.7	S.D. 0.39	C.V. 1.50

Labs Eliminated: 1, 35, 690, 4051, 4080, 4097

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Vicat Time of Set - Initial**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**



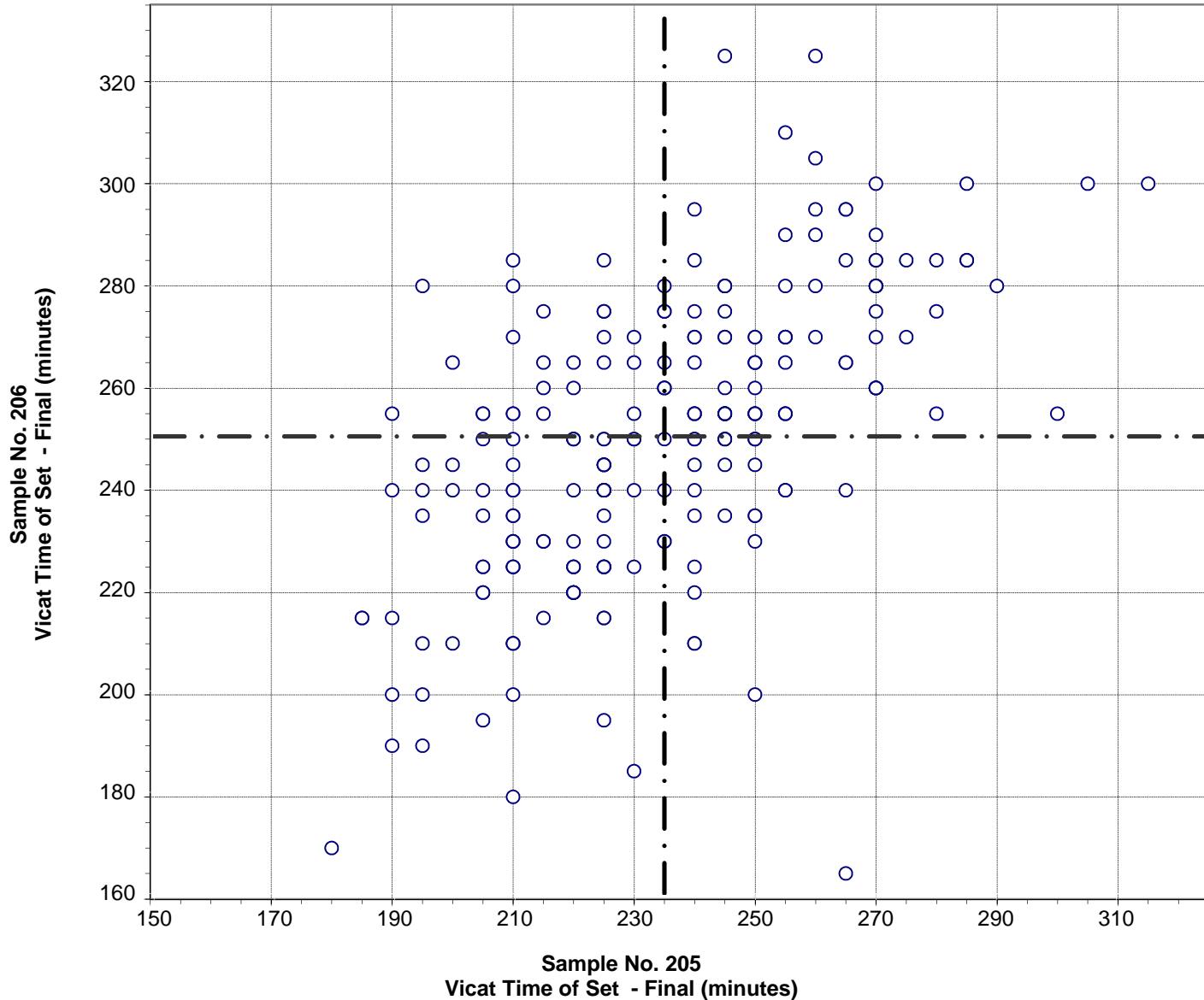
Test No. 120 Vicat Time of Set - Initial 228 Points

Sample No. 205 Ave 137 S.D. 11 C.V. 8  
 Sample No. 206 Ave 145 S.D. 17 C.V. 12

Labs Eliminated: 69, 90, 116, 243, 457, 840, 4137

Labs off Diagram: 41

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Vicat Time of Set - Final**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

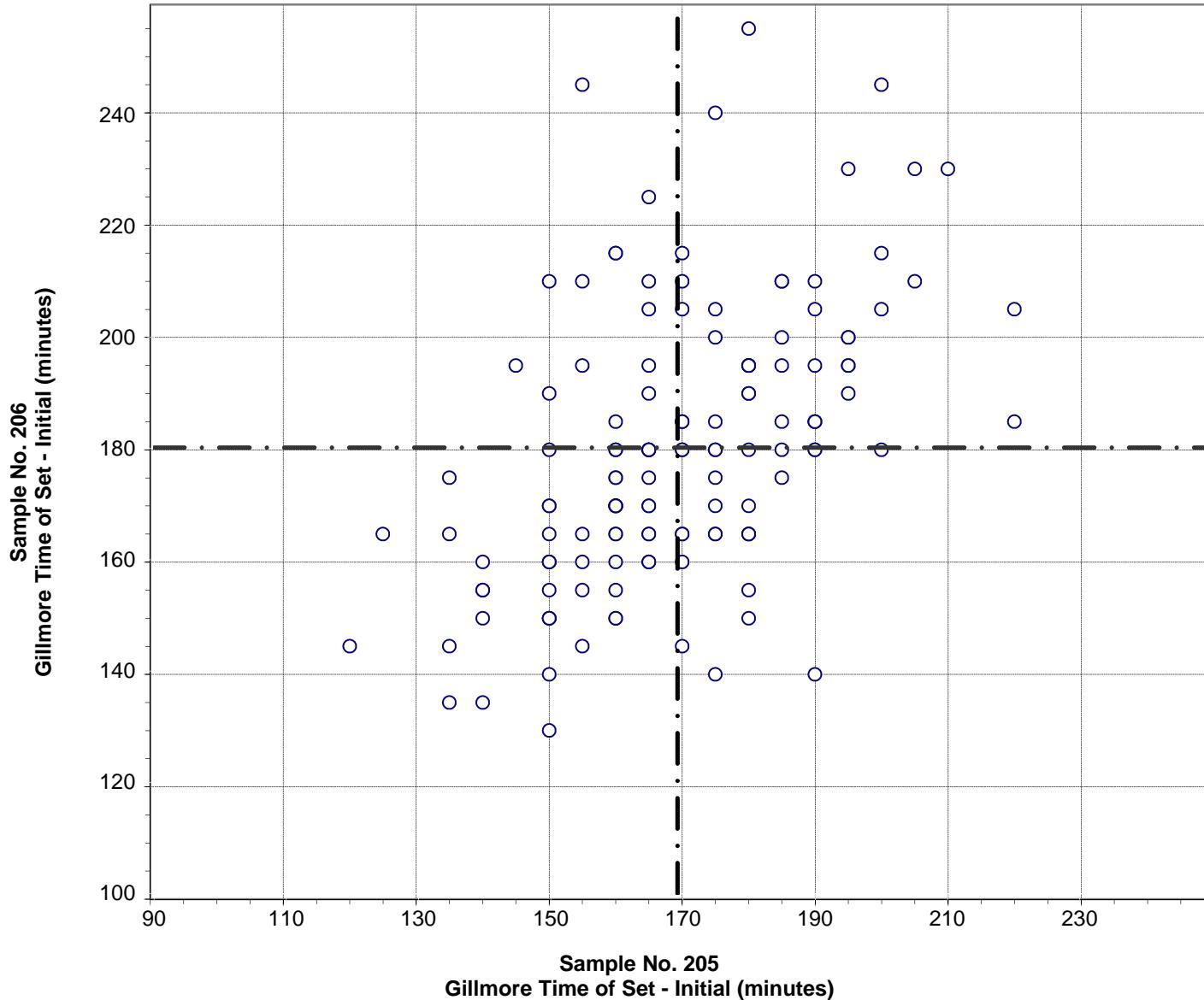


Test No. 121   Vicat Time of Set - Final   224 Points

Sample No. 205   Ave 235   S.D. 25   C.V. 11  
 Sample No. 206   Ave 250   S.D. 28   C.V. 11

Labs Eliminated: 34, 69, 457

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Gillmore Time of Set - Initial**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

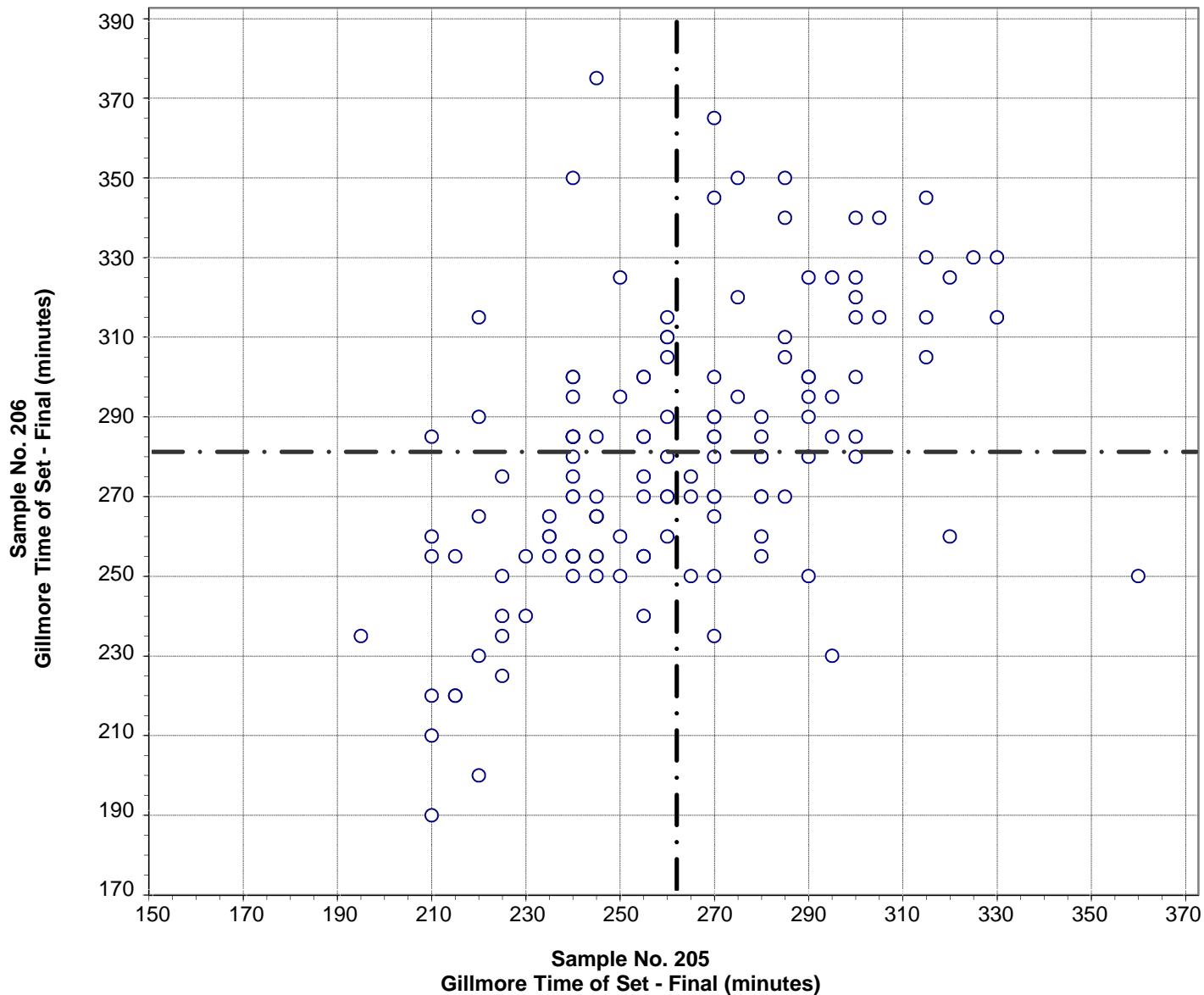


Test No. 130    Gillmore Time of Set - Initial    135 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 169	S.D. 19	C.V. 11
Sample No. 206	Ave 180	S.D. 25	C.V. 14

Labs Eliminated: 176, 840

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Gillmore Time of Set - Final**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

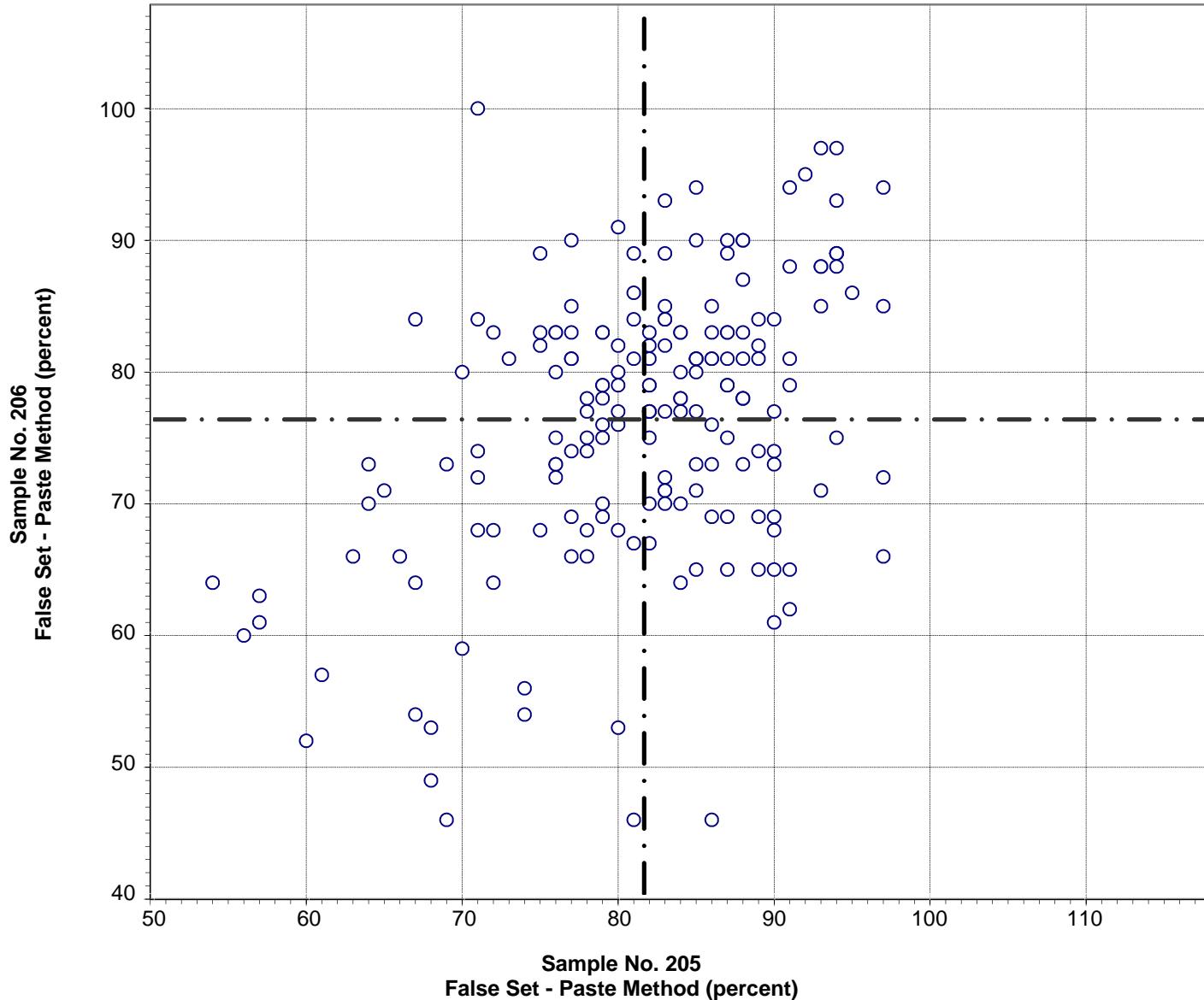


Test No. 140    Gillmore Time of Set - Final    136 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 262	S.D. 31	C.V. 12
Sample No. 206	Ave 281	S.D. 34	C.V. 12

Labs Eliminated: 41, 1054

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**False Set - Paste Method**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

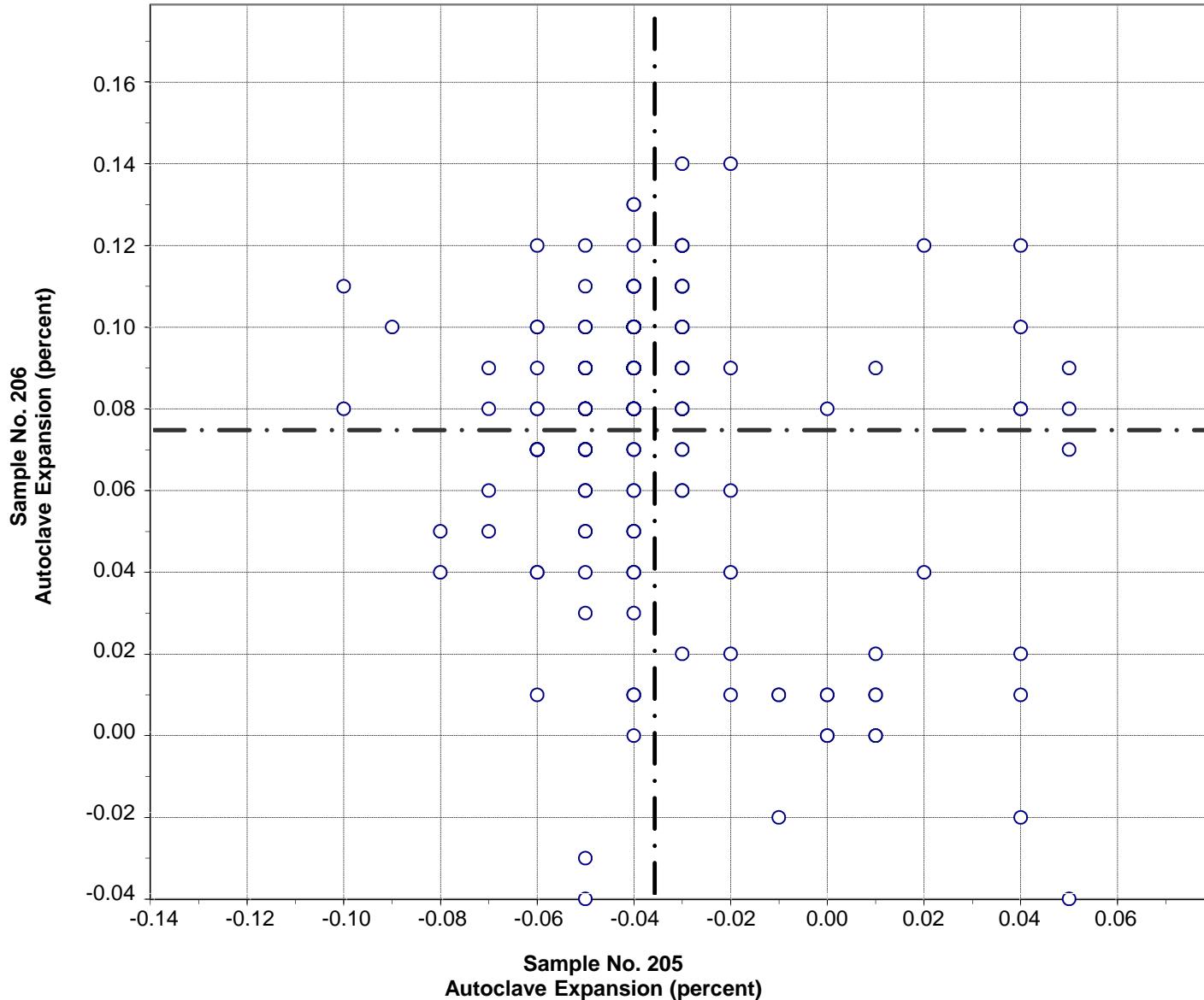


Test No. 150    False Set - Paste Method    184 Points

Sample No. 205   Ave 82   S.D. 8.7   C.V. 10.6  
 Sample No. 206   Ave 76   S.D. 10.5   C.V. 13.7

Labs Eliminated: 103, 176, 493

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Autoclave Expansion**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

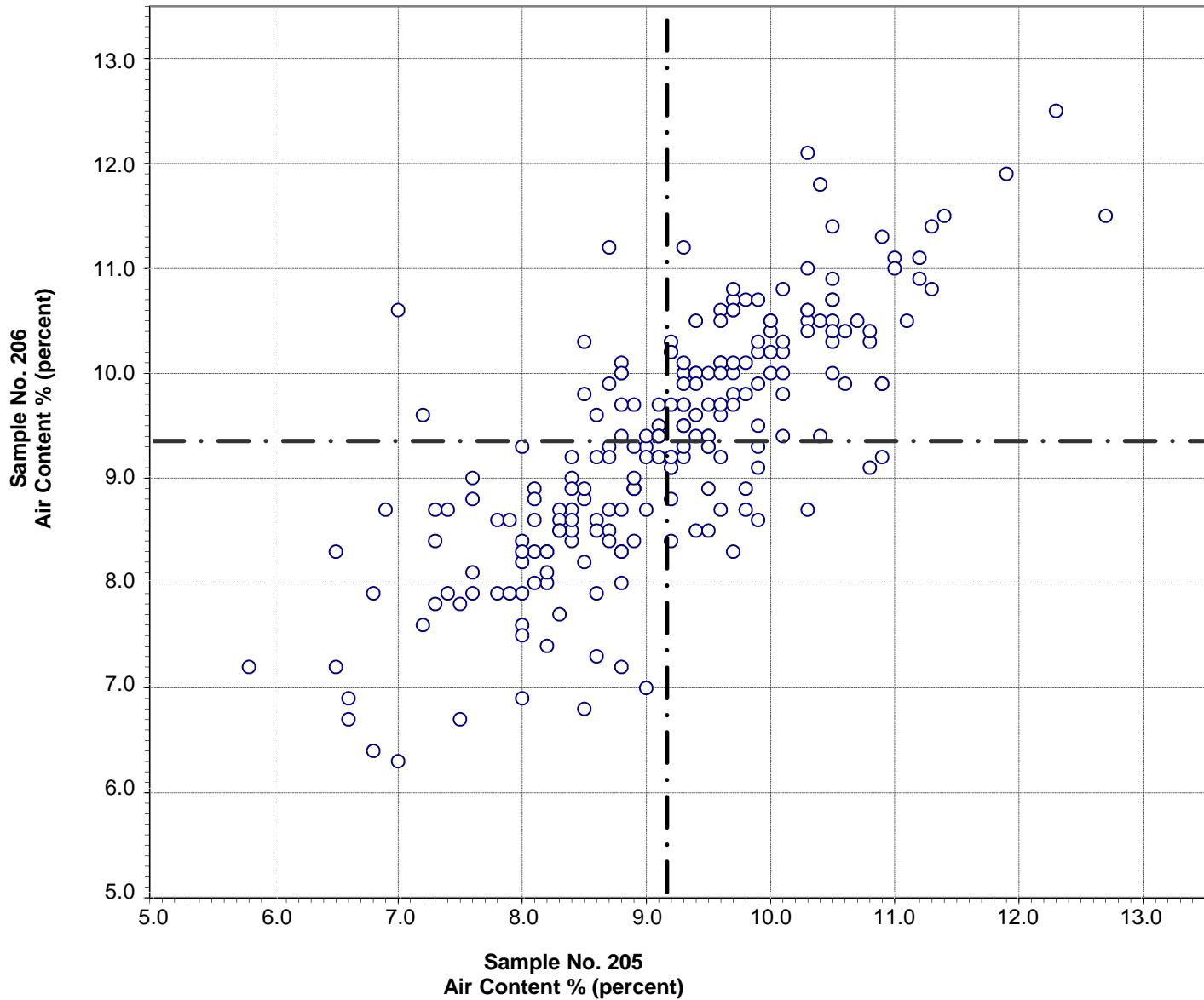


Test No. 160 Autoclave Expansion 211 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave -0.03	S.D. 0.026	C.V. 71
Sample No. 206	Ave 0.07	S.D. 0.034	C.V. 46

Labs Eliminated: 15, 25, 78, 84, 103, 143, 156, 203, 205, 221, 491, 684, 1773,  
 3413

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Air Content %**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

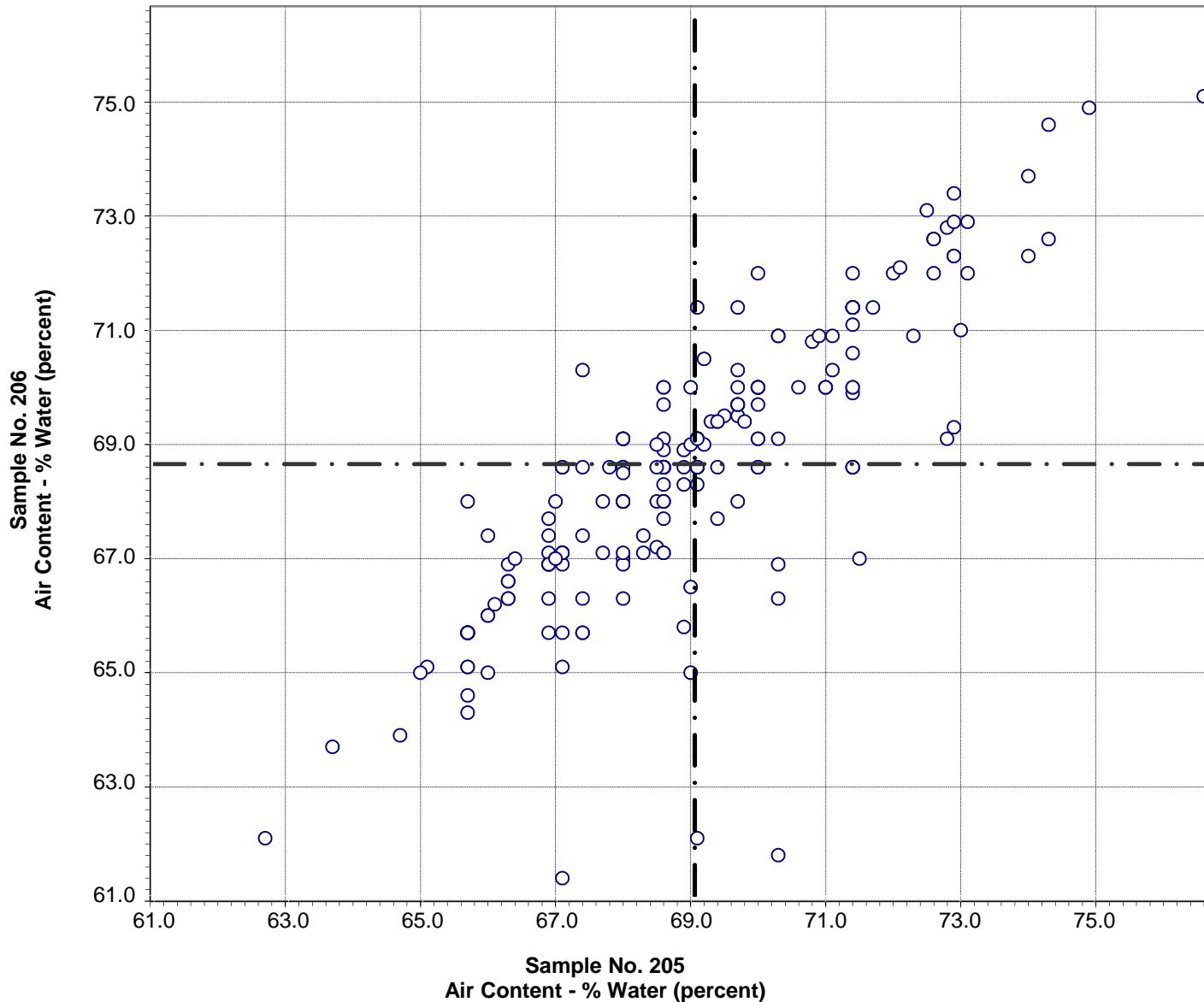


Test No. 170    Air Content %    224 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 9.2	S.D. 1.1	C.V. 12
Sample No. 206	Ave 9.3	S.D. 1.1	C.V. 12

Labs Eliminated: 52, 1644

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Air Content - % Water**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**



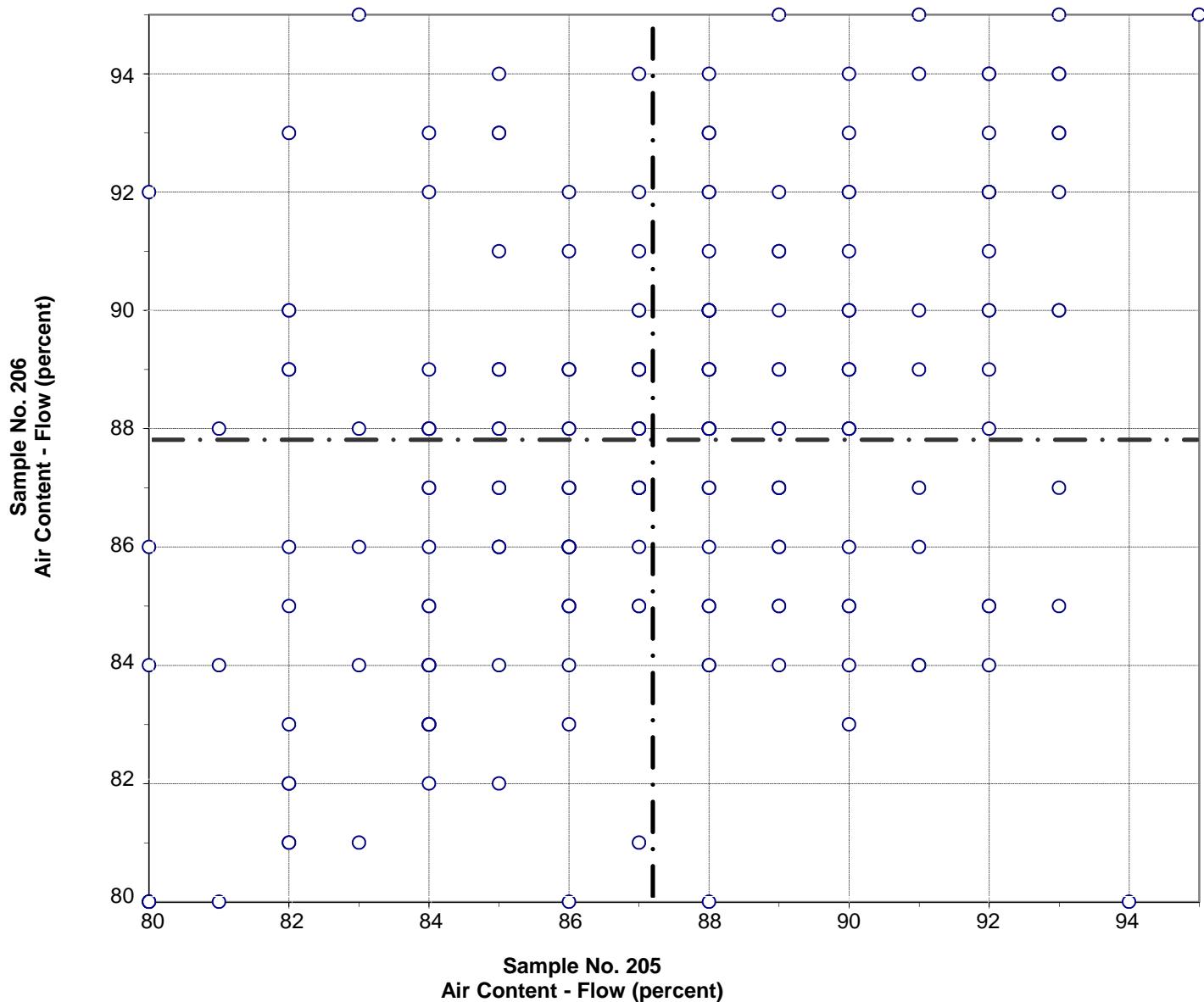
Test No. 180 Air Content - % Water 211 Points

Sample No. 205 Ave 69.0 S.D. 2.3 C.V. 3.3  
 Sample No. 206 Ave 68.6 S.D. 2.4 C.V. 3.5

Labs Eliminated: 35, 146, 159, 309, 407, 1644, 4131

Labs off Diagram: 52

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Air Content - Flow**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

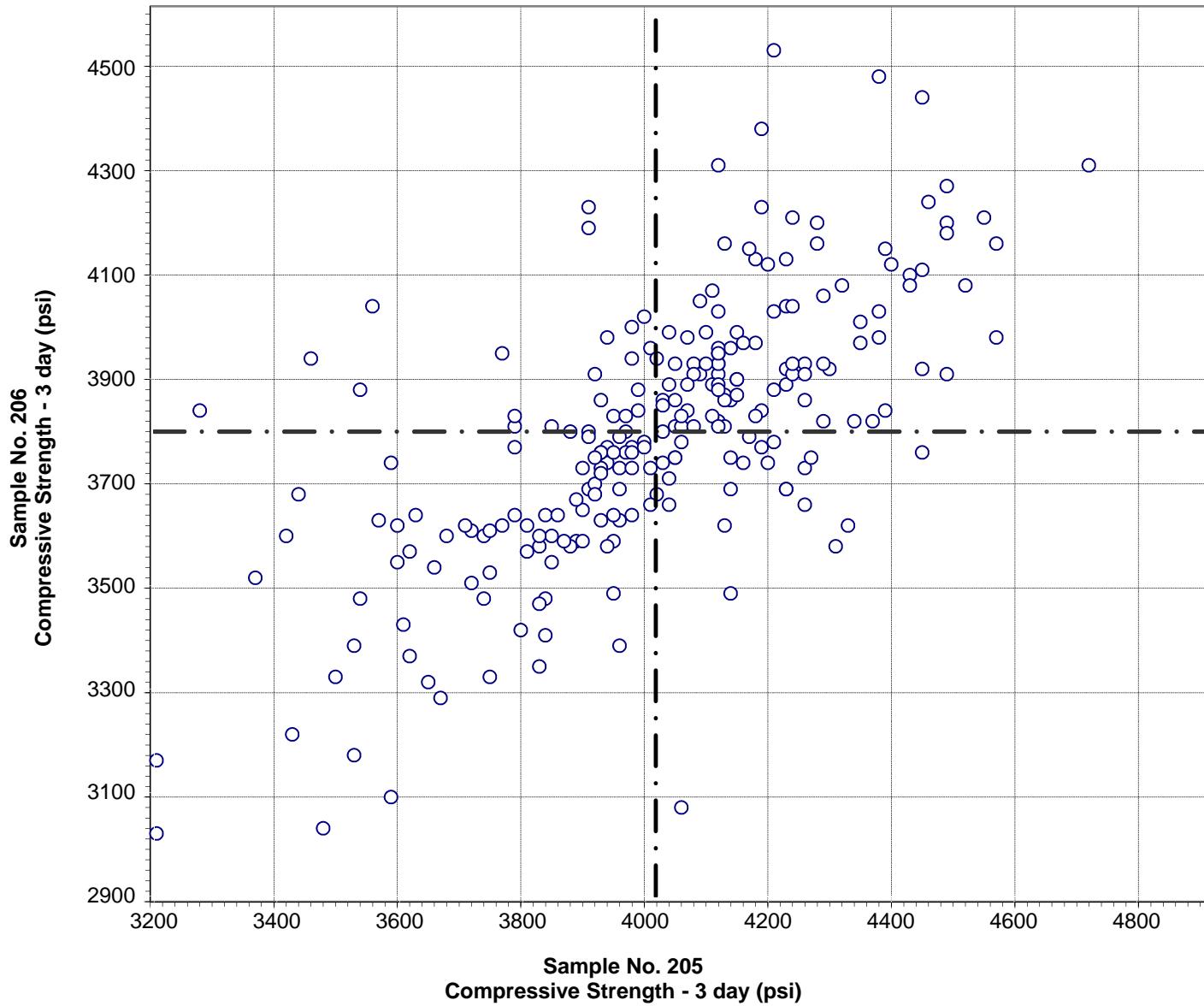


Test No. 190 Air Content - Flow 219 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 87	S.D. 3.3	C.V. 3.7
Sample No. 206	Ave 88	S.D. 3.6	C.V. 4.1

Labs off Diagram: 34

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Compressive Strength - 3 day**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**



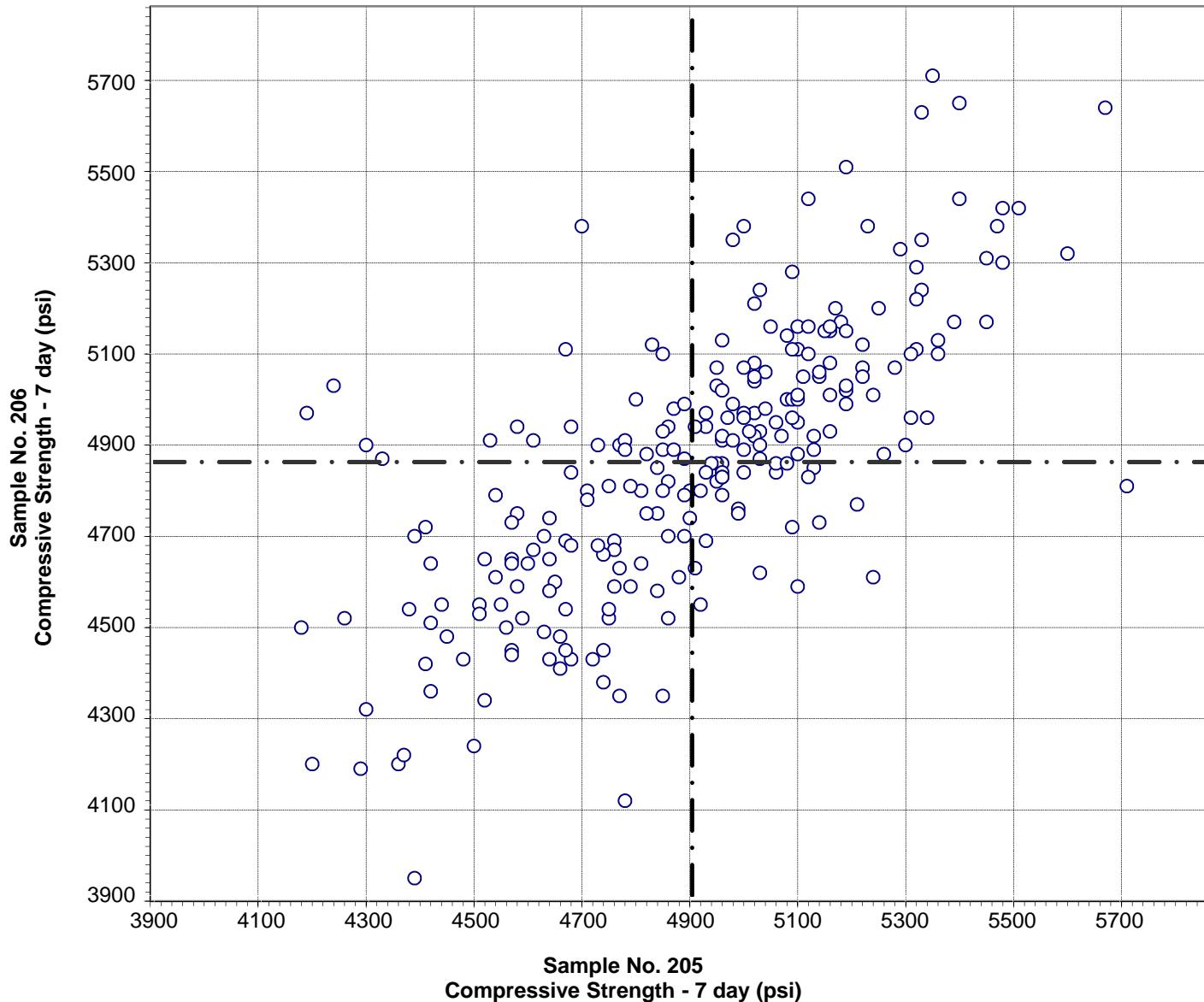
Test No. 200    Compressive Strength - 3 day    236 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave	4017	S.D.	271	C.V.	6.8
Sample No. 206	Ave	3798	S.D.	254	C.V.	6.7

Labs Eliminated: 30, 35, 48, 51, 103, 205, 640

Labs off Diagram: 360

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Compressive Strength - 7 day**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**



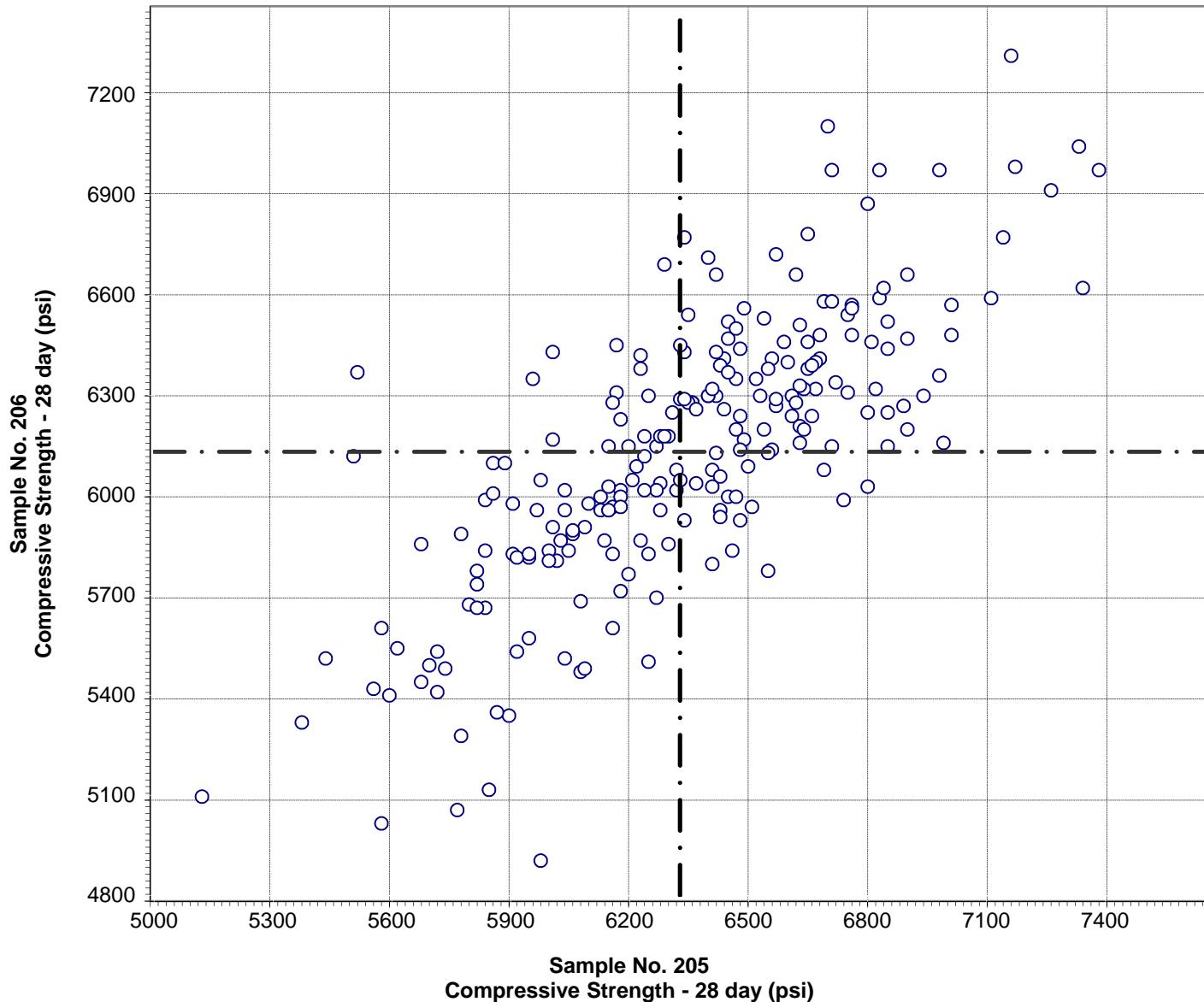
Test No. 210    Compressive Strength - 7 day    239 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 4903	S.D. 309	C.V. 6.3
Sample No. 206	Ave 4860	S.D. 300	C.V. 6.2

Labs Eliminated: 30, 103, 640, 1222

Labs off Diagram: 35

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Compressive Strength - 28 day**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**



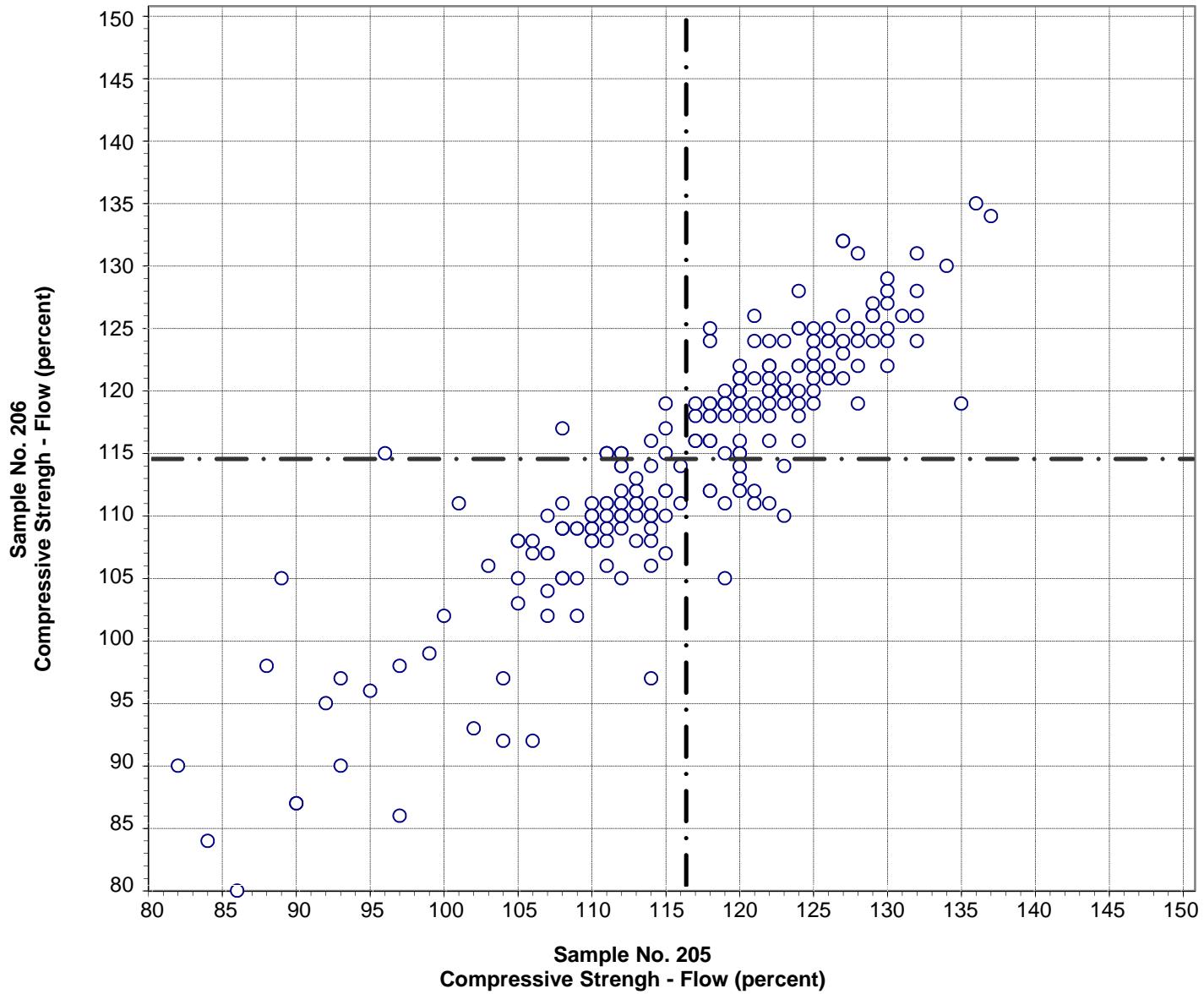
Test No. 211    Compressive Strength - 28 day    228 Points

Sample No. 205   Ave 6327   S.D. 429   C.V. 6.8  
 Sample No. 206   Ave 6130   S.D. 408   C.V. 6.7

Labs Eliminated: 3, 30, 203, 1222

Labs off Diagram: 25, 49, 360

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Compressive Strength - Flow**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

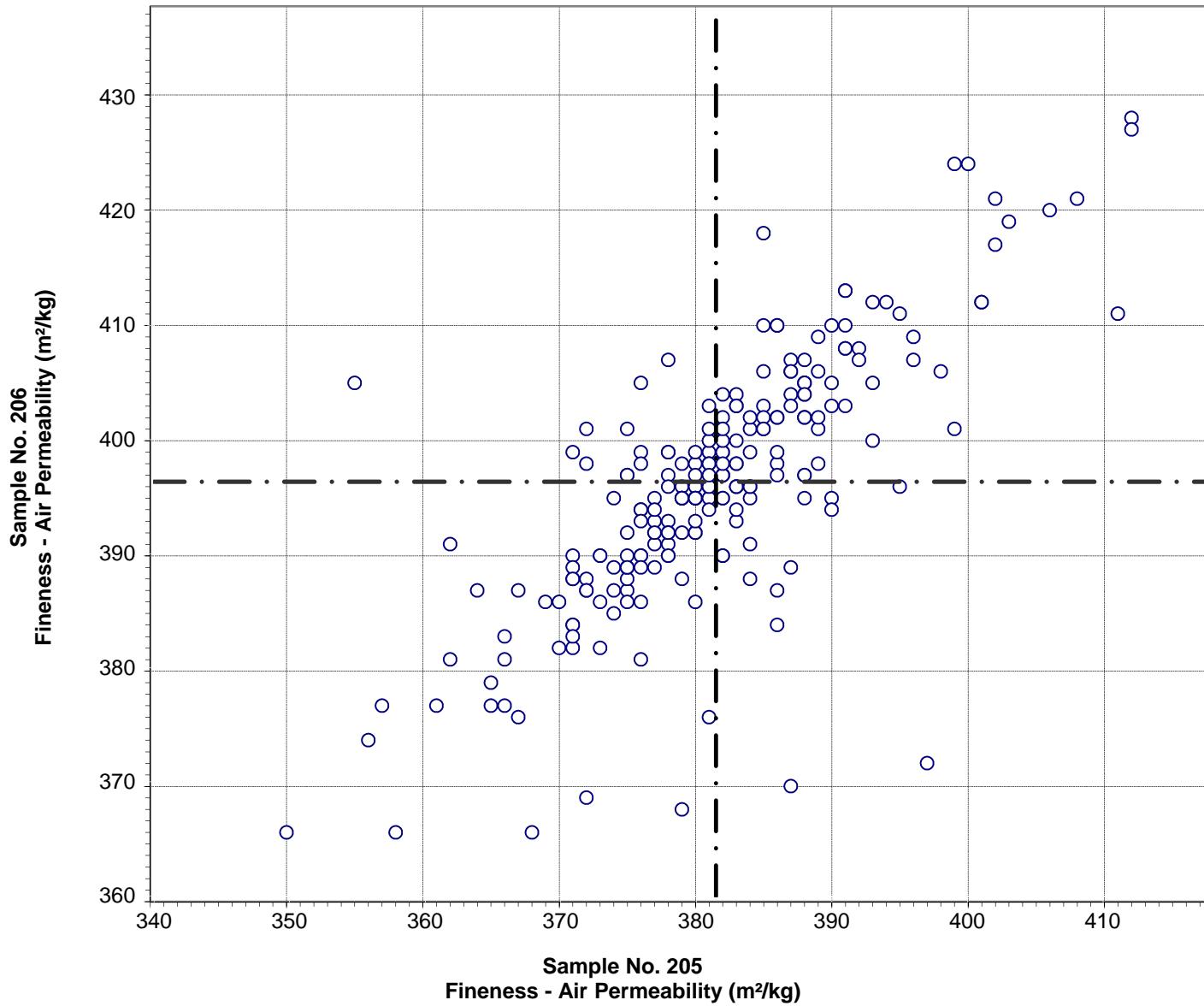


Test No. 230    Compressive Strength - Flow    217 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave	116	S.D.	10	C.V.	8.8
Sample No. 206	Ave	114	S.D.	10	C.V.	8.5

Labs Eliminated: 46, 94, 407, 2490

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Fineness - Air Permeability**  
**PORLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

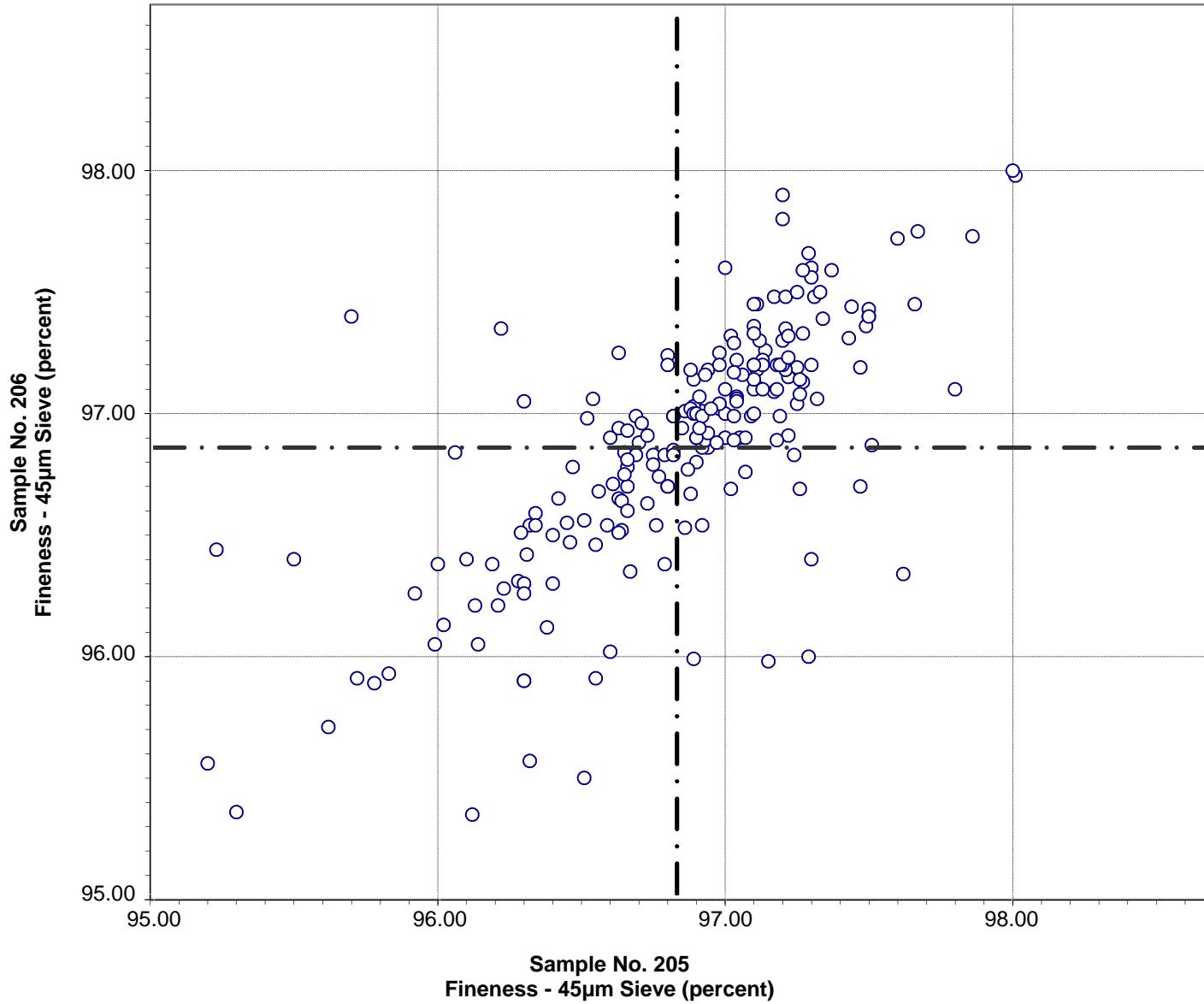


Test No. 270    Fineness - Air Permeability    229 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave	381	S.D.	10	C.V.	2.6
Sample No. 206	Ave	396	S.D.	11	C.V.	2.7

Labs Eliminated: 3, 51, 222, 415, 474, 3245, 3658, 4051

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Fineness - 45 $\mu$ m Sieve**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**



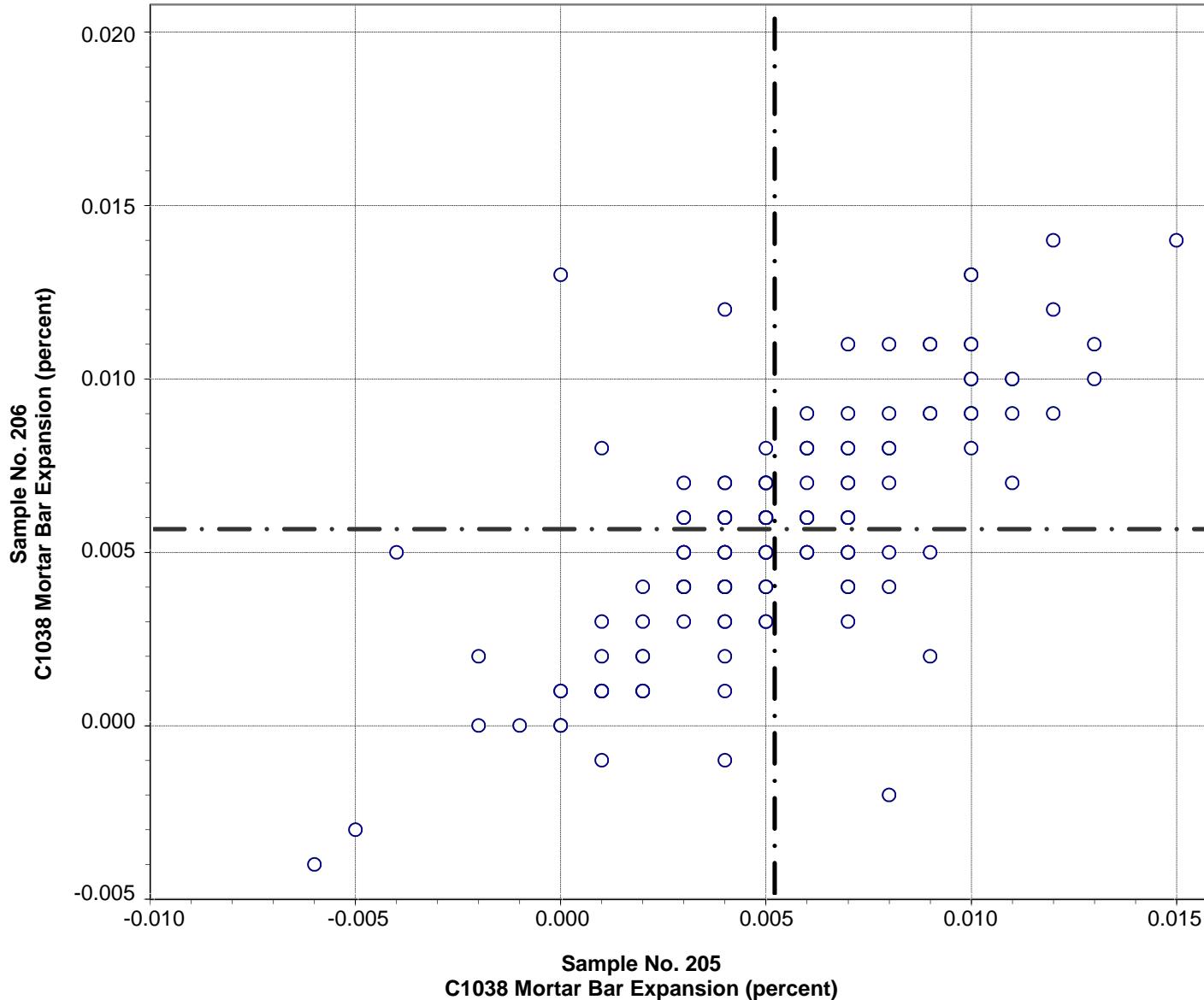
Test No. 281    Fineness - 45 $\mu$ m Sieve    212 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave	96.83	S.D.	0.52	C.V.	0.53
Sample No. 206	Ave	96.86	S.D.	0.53	C.V.	0.55

Labs Eliminated: 35, 64, 116, 148, 474, 2481, 3245

Labs off Diagram: 25, 36, 121

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**C1038 Mortar Bar Expansion**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**



Test No. 400    C1038 Mortar Bar Expansion    150 Points

Sample No. 205	Ave 0.005	S.D. 0.003	C.V. 67
Sample No. 206	Ave 0.006	S.D. 0.003	C.V. 60

Labs Eliminated: 99, 125, 203, 205, 221, 491, 497, 4051

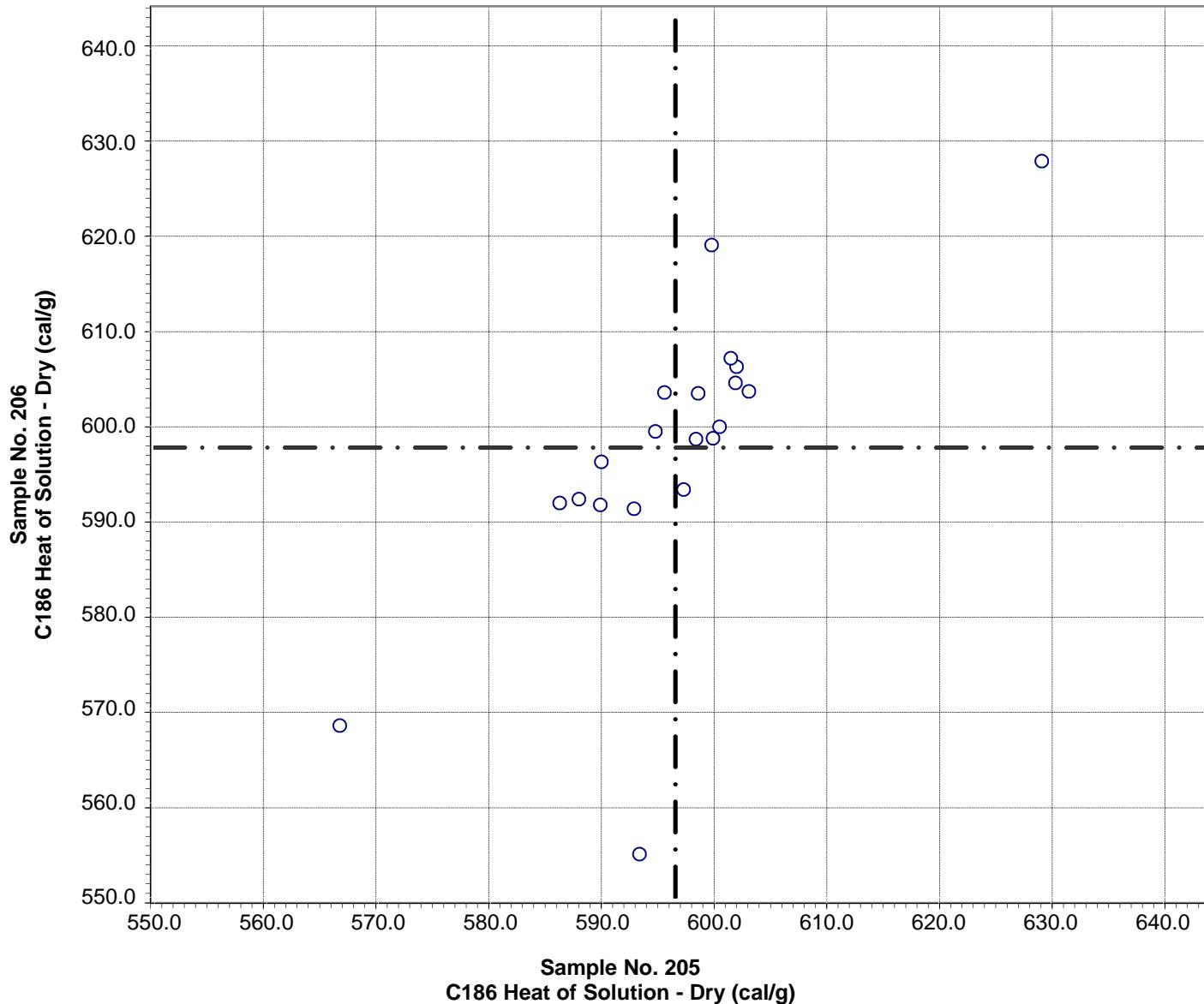
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**SUMMARY OF RESULTS**

Test (unit)	#Labs	Sample No.205			Sample No. 206		
		Average	S.D.	C.V.	Average	S.D.	C.V.
<b>C186 Heat of Solution - Dry (cal/g)</b>							
21	588.0	41.4	7.0		589.0	42.9	7.3
*20	596.0	11.3	1.9		598.0	15.4	2.6
* Labs Eliminated - 148							
<b>C186 Heat of Solution - 7 day (cal/g)</b>							
21	513.5	26.6	5.2		512.7	25.8	5.0
*20	518.5	13.8	2.7		517.7	12.4	2.4
* Labs Eliminated - 148							
<b>C186 Heat of Solution 28 day (cal/g)</b>							
16	501.2	26.1	5.2		500.0	25.0	5.0
*15	507.1	11.8	2.3		505.7	9.9	2.0
* Labs Eliminated - 148							
<b>C186 Heat of Hydration - 7 day (cal/g)</b>							
24	78.7	5.0	6.3		84.0	5.6	6.6
*23	79.5	3.1	3.9		84.0	5.7	6.8
* Labs Eliminated - 1644							
<b>C186 Heat of Hydration - 28 day (cal/g)</b>							
19	90.5	10.1	11.1		93.0	10.6	11.4
*18	92.5	4.6	5.0		95.2	4.6	4.8
* Labs Eliminated - 4115							
<b>C1702 Heat of Hydration - 3 day (J/g)</b>							
16	290	69	24.1		295	68	23.3
*15	300	42	13.9		305	40	13.0
* Labs Eliminated - 3605							
<b>C1702 Heat of Hydration - 7 day (J/g)</b>							
15	316	81	25.7		345	85	24.8
No Labs Eliminated for This Test							

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**C186 Heat of Solution - Dry**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

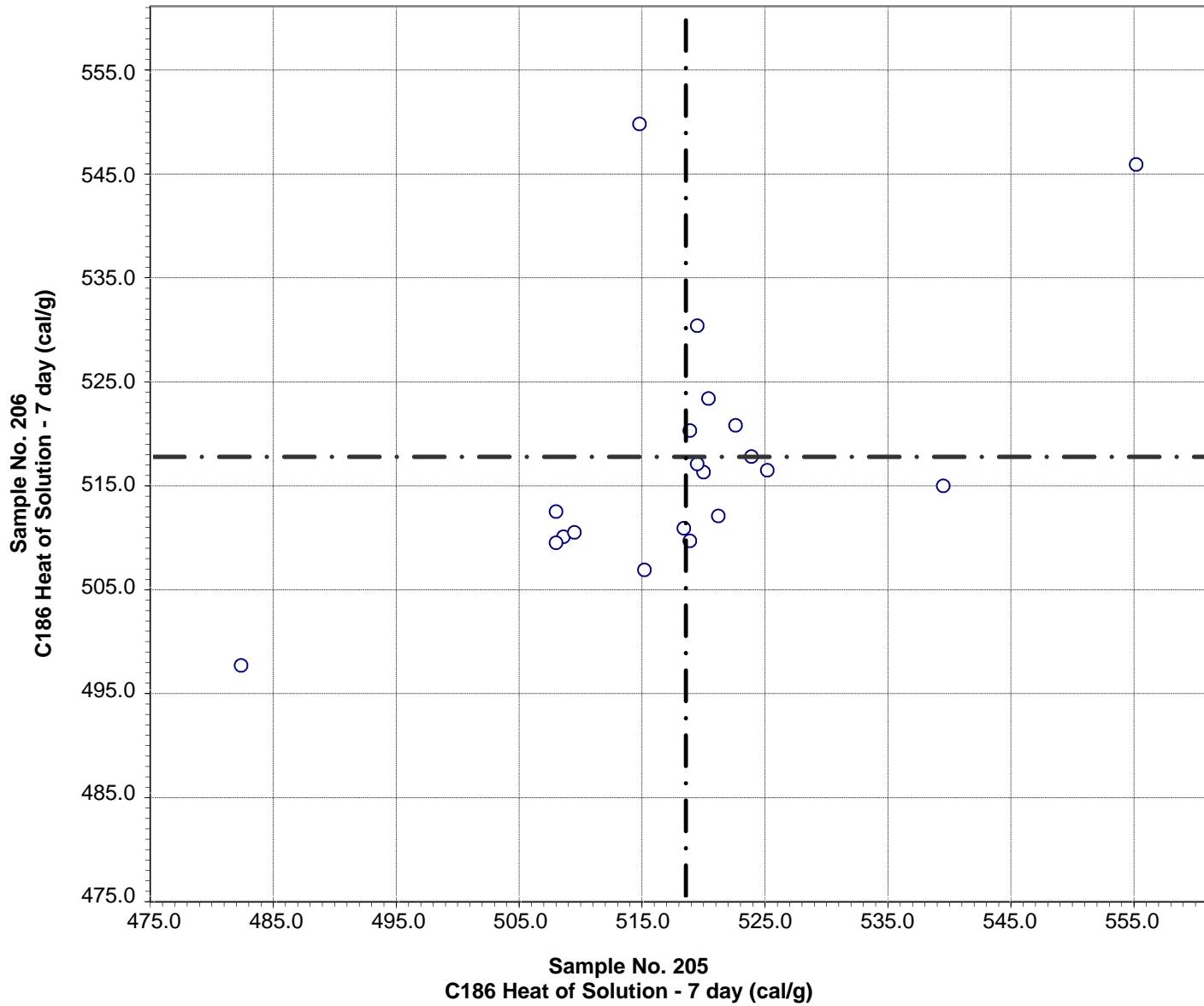


Test No. 291    C186 Heat of Solution - Dry    20 Points

Sample No. 205    Ave 596.0    S.D. 11.3    C.V. 1.9  
 Sample No. 206    Ave 598.0    S.D. 15.4    C.V. 2.6

Labs Eliminated: 148

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program  
C186 Heat of Solution - 7 day  
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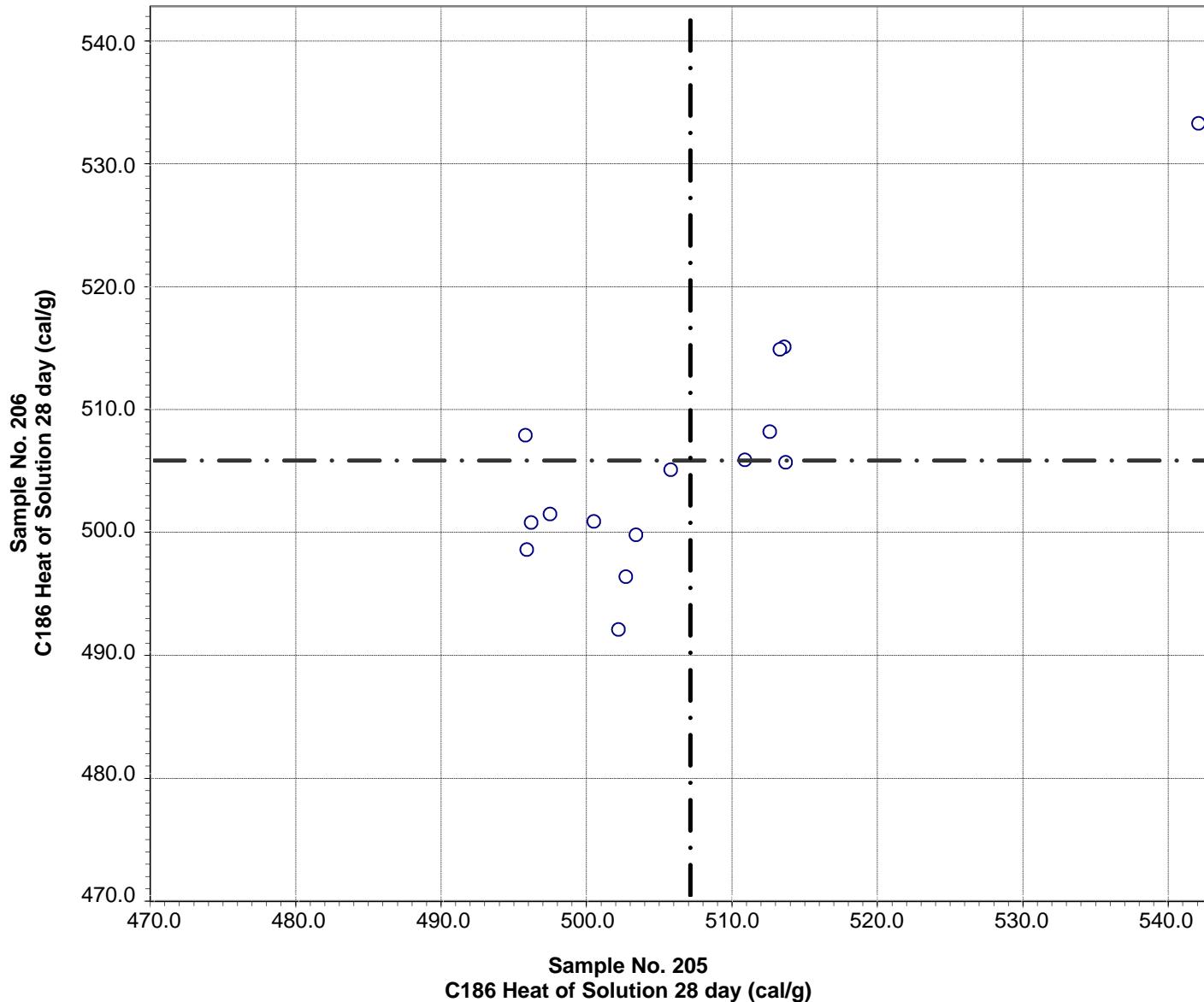


Test No. 292    C186 Heat of Solution - 7 day    20 Points

Sample No. 205   Ave 518.5   S.D. 13.8   C.V. 2.7  
Sample No. 206   Ave 517.7   S.D. 12.4   C.V. 2.4

Labs Eliminated: 148

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C186 Heat of Solution 28 day  
PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

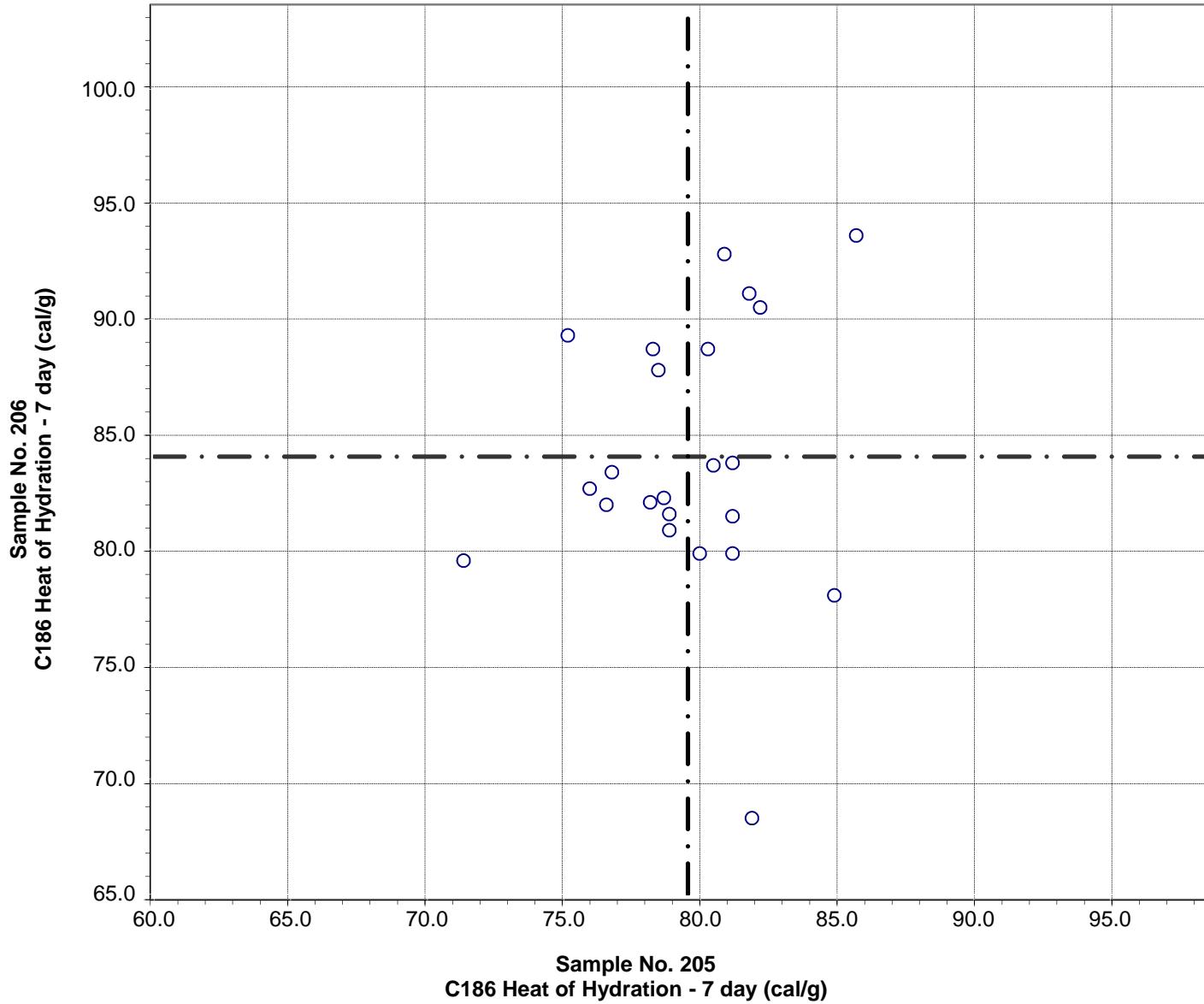


Test No. 301    C186 Heat of Solution 28 day    15 Points

Sample No. 205    Ave 507.1    S.D. 11.8    C.V. 2.3  
Sample No. 206    Ave 505.7    S.D. 9.9    C.V. 2.0

Labs Eliminated: 148

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program  
C186 Heat of Hydration - 7 day  
PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

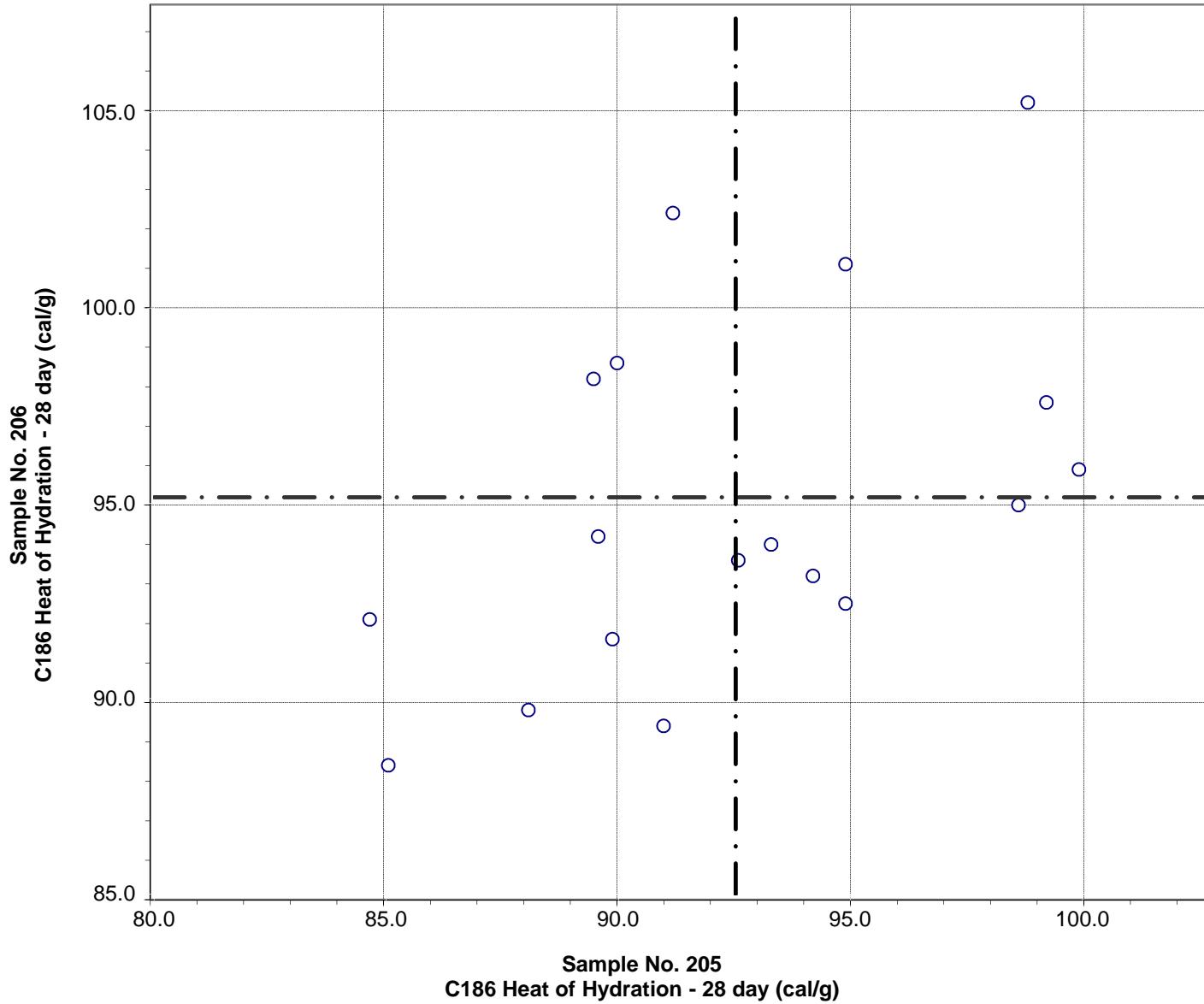


Test No. 290   C186 Heat of Hydration - 7 day   23 Points

Sample No. 205   Ave 79.5   S.D. 3.1   C.V. 3.9  
Sample No. 206   Ave 84.0   S.D. 5.7   C.V. 6.8

Labs Eliminated: 1644

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C186 Heat of Hydration - 28 day  
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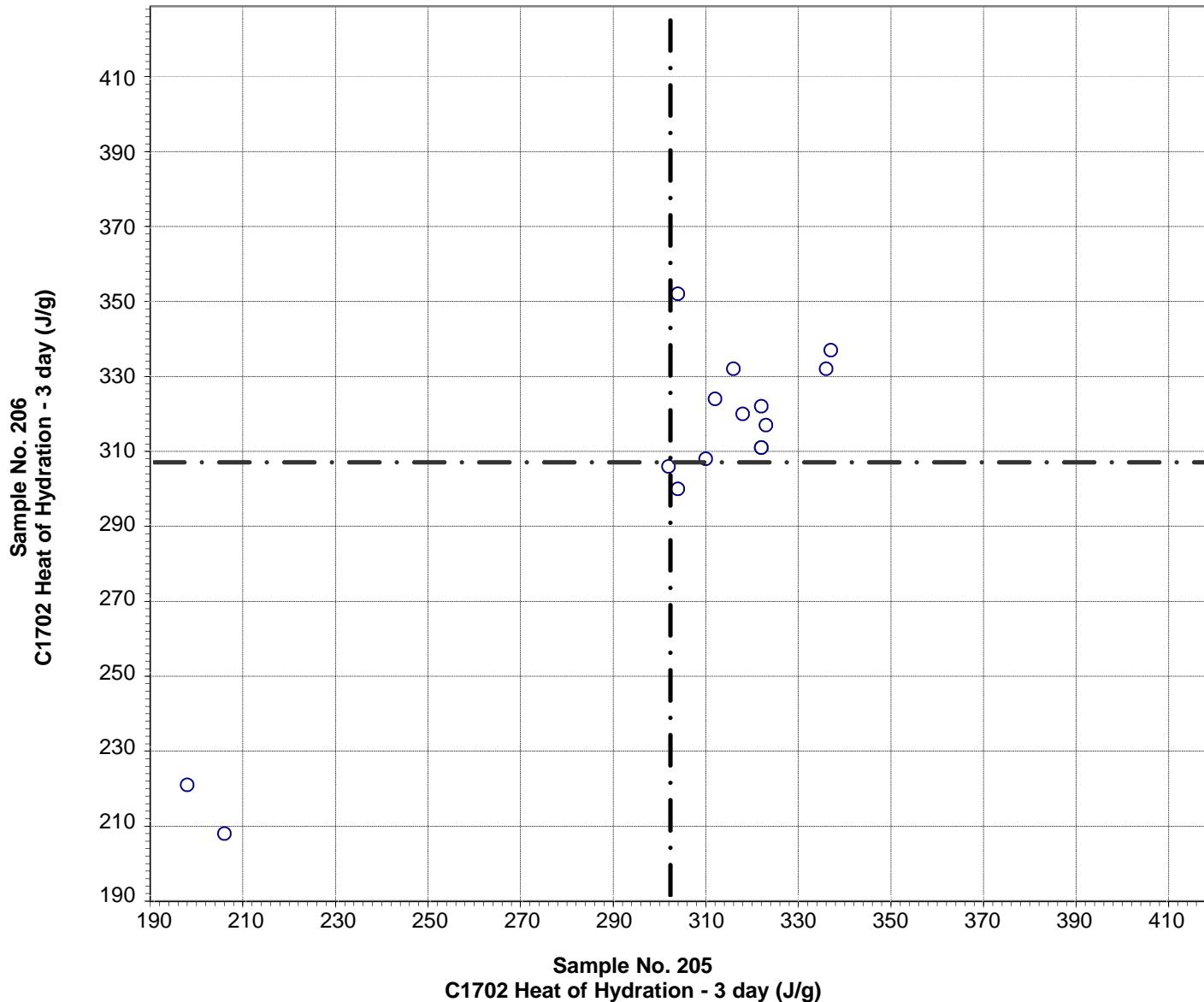


Test No. 300    C186 Heat of Hydration - 28 day    18 Points

Sample No. 205   Ave 92.5   S.D. 4.6   C.V. 5.0  
Sample No. 206   Ave 95.2   S.D. 4.6   C.V. 4.8

Labs Eliminated: 4115

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program  
C1702 Heat of Hydration - 3 day  
PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**

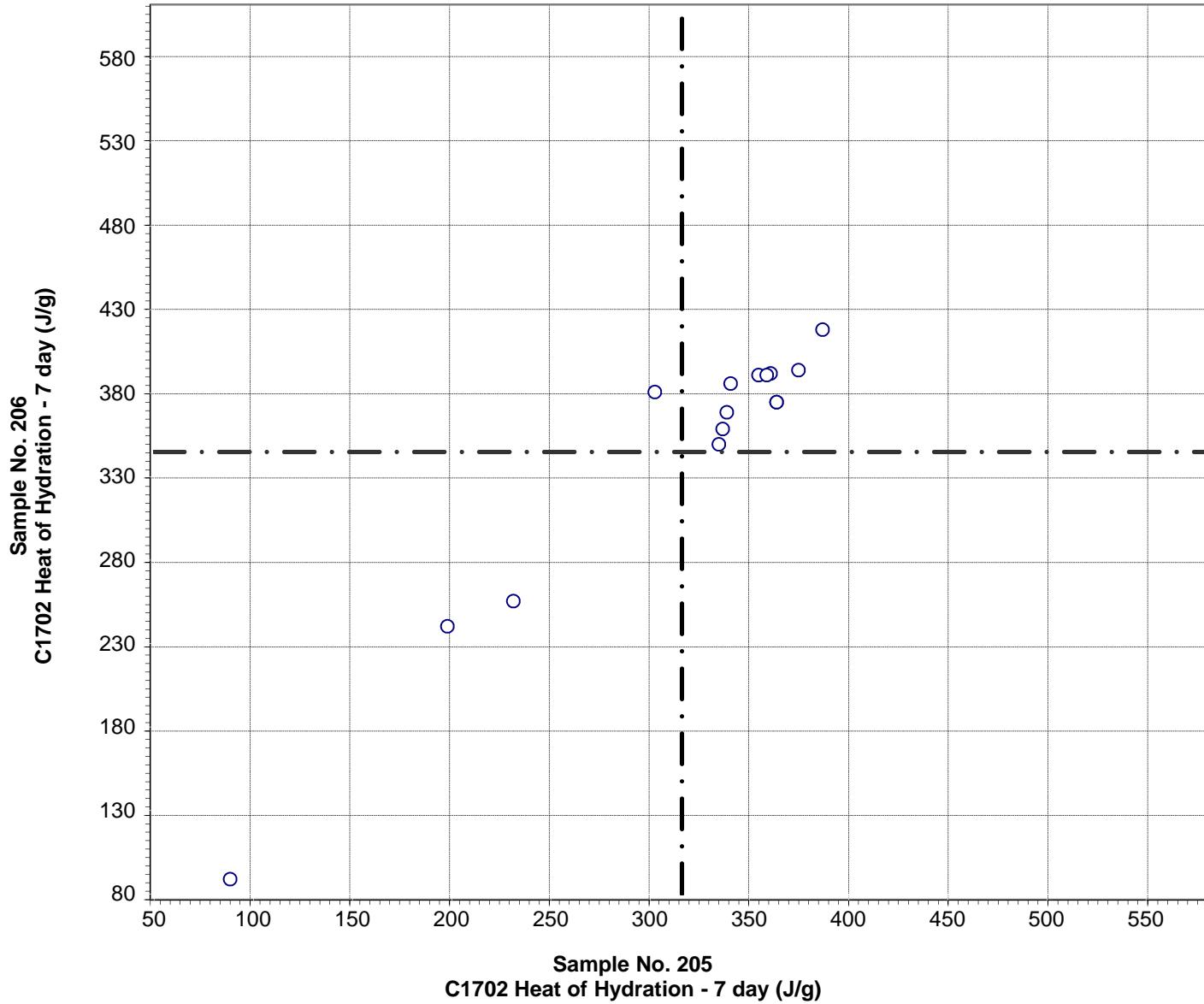


Test No. 500    C1702 Heat of Hydration - 3 day    15 Points

Sample No. 205   Ave 300   S.D. 42   C.V. 13.9  
Sample No. 206   Ave 305   S.D. 40   C.V. 13.0

Labs Eliminated: 3605

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program  
C1702 Heat of Hydration - 7 day  
PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 205 and No. 206**



Test No. 510   C1702 Heat of Hydration - 7 day   15 Points

Sample No. 205   Ave 316   S.D. 81   C.V. 25.7  
Sample No. 206   Ave 345   S.D. 85   C.V. 24.8