

# **CEMENT AND CONCRETE REFERENCE LABORATORY**

## **PROFICIENCY SAMPLE PROGRAM**

**Final Report  
Portland Cement Proficiency Samples  
Number 209 and Number 210**



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

**SUBJECT: Final Report on Portland Cement Proficiency Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

Following is the final report for the current pair of CCRL **Portland Cement** Proficiency Samples which were distributed in June 2018. Portland Cement Sample No. 209 was an ASTM C150 meeting the specifications of Type I and Type II, and contained limestone additions. Portland Cement Sample No. 210 was an ASTM C150 meeting the specifications of Type I, and contained limestone additions.

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 2019.

Sincerely,

Kent Niedzielski  
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Cement and Concrete Reference Laboratory

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

**FROM: Kent Niedzielski, Program Manager PSP**

**SUBJECT: Explanation of Final Report on Results of Tests for Portland Cement Proficiency Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

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 2018. 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.

**CCRL PROFICIENCY SAMPLE PROGRAM**  
 Portland Cement Proficiency Samples No. 209 and No. 210

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**SUMMARY OF RESULTS**

		Sample No. 209			Sample No. 210		
Test (unit)	#Labs	Average	S.D.	C.V.	Average	S.D.	C.V.
<b>Silicon Dioxide (percent)</b>							
	215	20.21	0.24	1.20	20.01	0.26	1.28
	*209	20.20	0.19	0.92	20.00	0.18	0.92
* Labs Eliminated - 48, 159, 206, 440, 694, 2522							
<b>Aluminum Oxide (percent)</b>							
	214	4.95	0.15	3.1	4.76	0.17	3.5
	*209	4.95	0.09	1.9	4.75	0.10	2.1
* Labs Eliminated - 95, 206, 694, 4099, 4297							
<b>Ferric Oxide (percent)</b>							
	214	3.38	0.07	2.2	3.53	0.07	1.9
	*208	3.37	0.05	1.5	3.53	0.05	1.5
* Labs Eliminated - 206, 694, 2293, 4080, 4099, 4316							
<b>Calcium Oxide (percent)</b>							
	215	63.68	0.67	1.05	64.41	0.70	1.09
	*211	63.67	0.50	0.79	64.38	0.53	0.83
* Labs Eliminated - 107, 3990, 4316, 4325							
<b>Magnesium Oxide (percent)</b>							
	214	1.26	0.07	5.5	0.98	0.08	8.1
	*211	1.26	0.05	3.6	0.99	0.04	4.4
* Labs Eliminated - 3661, 4099, 4297							
<b>Sulfur Trioxide (percent)</b>							
	217	2.98	0.10	3.4	2.85	0.10	3.4
	*212	2.98	0.06	2.1	2.85	0.08	2.8
* Labs Eliminated - 4, 92, 95, 159, 203							
<b>Loss on Ignition (percent)</b>							
	220	2.76	0.27	9.6	2.79	0.25	8.9
	*206	2.80	0.07	2.7	2.82	0.08	3.0
* Labs Eliminated - 50, 125, 137, 152, 416, 691, 692, 1054, 1715, 2466, 3279, 3368, 4099, 4325							

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**SUMMARY OF RESULTS**

		Sample No. 209			Sample No. 210		
Test (unit)	#Labs	Average	S.D.	C.V.	Average	S.D.	C.V.
<b>Sodium Oxide (percent)</b>							
208		0.115	0.030	26	0.167	0.049	29
*191		0.114	0.016	14	0.164	0.018	11
* Labs Eliminated - 4, 50, 78, 99, 246, 309, 881, 975, 1054, 2352, 2465, 3238, 3605, 3606, 3607, 4051, 4270							
<b>Potassium Oxide (percent)</b>							
210		0.390	0.044	11.4	0.263	0.044	16.8
*200		0.388	0.014	3.6	0.261	0.015	5.9
* Labs Eliminated - 36, 95, 2293, 2412, 3606, 3661, 4099, 4297, 4325, 4350							
<b>Strontium Oxide (percent)</b>							
105		0.068	0.026	38	0.057	0.045	79
*95		0.064	0.004	6	0.050	0.004	8
* Labs Eliminated - 20, 40, 43, 74, 95, 151, 309, 1657, 4099, 4325							
<b>Titanium Dioxide (percent)</b>							
176		0.24	0.010	4.2	0.22	0.014	6.4
*173		0.23	0.008	3.2	0.22	0.007	3.4
* Labs Eliminated - 246, 4099, 4325							
<b>Phosphorus Pentoxide (percent)</b>							
172		0.137	0.016	11.6	0.098	0.015	14.9
*153		0.138	0.005	3.5	0.098	0.004	3.9
* Labs Eliminated - 10, 48, 90, 93, 99, 134, 247, 407, 504, 881, 975, 1942, 2466, 2490, 2491, 4099, 4115, 4270, 4325							
<b>Zinc Oxide (percent)</b>							
103		0.060	0.011	18.5	0.071	0.013	17.6
*94		0.060	0.003	5.5	0.072	0.004	5.6
* Labs Eliminated - 25, 94, 309, 768, 881, 1916, 4099, 4297, 4325							

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**SUMMARY OF RESULTS**

		Sample No. 209			Sample No. 210		
Test (unit)	#Labs	Average	S.D.	C.V.	Average	S.D.	C.V.
<b>Manganic Oxide (percent)</b>							
	140	0.163	0.019	11.5	0.024	0.021	90.7
	*126	0.165	0.007	4.4	0.020	0.003	17.7
* Labs Eliminated - 47, 84, 94, 101, 181, 205, 413, 667, 768, 2466, 3297, 4099, 4297, 4325							
<b>Chloride (percent)</b>							
	135	0.018	0.008	45	0.021	0.009	44
	*132	0.018	0.007	39	0.020	0.008	39
* Labs Eliminated - 18, 94, 497							
<b>Insoluble Residue (percent)</b>							
	197	0.37	0.10	28	0.44	0.10	23
	*193	0.37	0.09	23	0.44	0.09	21
* Labs Eliminated - 206, 255, 1053, 4325							
<b>Free Lime (percent)</b>							
	163	0.65	0.32	49	0.97	0.30	31
	*160	0.62	0.17	27	0.96	0.20	21
* Labs Eliminated - 60, 416, 881							
<b>Carbon Dioxide (percent)</b>							
	194	1.44	0.22	15.5	2.01	0.26	13.1
	*185	1.44	0.14	9.8	2.03	0.20	9.8
* Labs Eliminated - 15, 50, 137, 416, 542, 958, 1435, 3368, 4080							
<b>Limestone Content (percent)</b>							
	189	3.4	0.7	20.1	4.8	0.7	15.3
	*171	3.5	0.3	9.6	4.9	0.5	9.9
* Labs Eliminated - 15, 24, 26, 50, 64, 99, 137, 169, 246, 413, 542, 958, 1053, 1435, 2491, 3368, 4080, 4325							
<b>Chromium Oxide (percent)</b>							
	97	0.029	0.024	84	0.019	0.017	88
	*91	0.026	0.006	22	0.016	0.004	26
* Labs Eliminated - 19, 116, 206, 415, 502, 3368							

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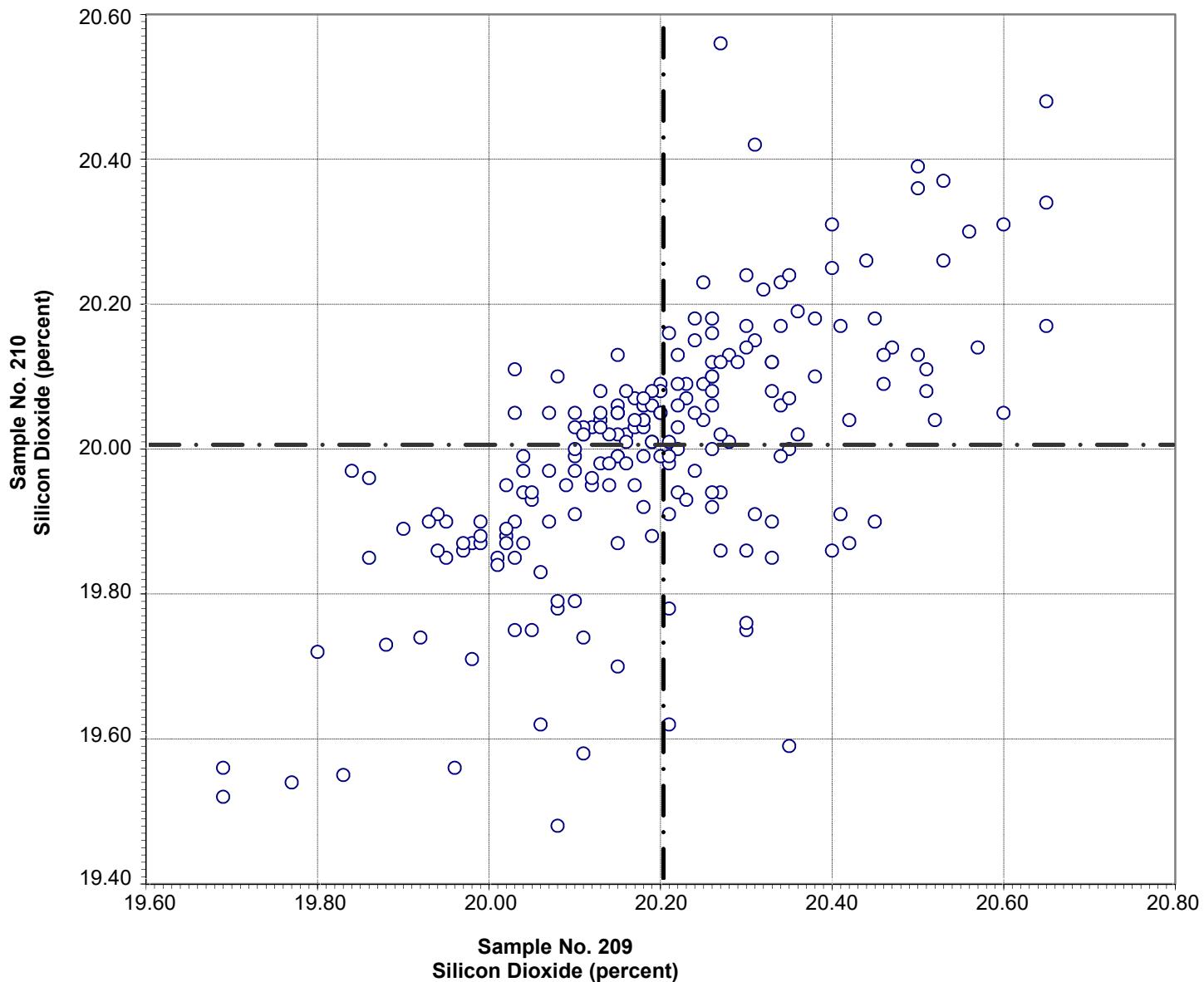
**SUMMARY OF RESULTS**

Sample No. 209	Sample No. 210
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Test (unit)	#Labs	Average	S.D.	C.V.	Average	S.D.	C.V.
<b>Tricalcium Silicate (percent)</b>							
189	50.9	4.6	9.1		57.9	4.6	8.0
*182	50.7	3.3	6.5		57.7	3.2	5.6
* Labs Eliminated - 107, 159, 206, 779, 4297, 4316, 4325							
<b>Dicalcium Silicate (percent)</b>							
189	18.9	3.6	19.3		13.1	3.8	29.0
*178	19.1	2.3	11.9		13.2	2.4	18.0
* Labs Eliminated - 98, 107, 159, 206, 221, 694, 779, 3238, 4297, 4316, 4325							
<b>Tricalcium Aluminate (percent)</b>							
189	7.2	0.5	7.0		6.5	0.5	7.4
*186	7.2	0.3	4.2		6.5	0.3	4.8
* Labs Eliminated - 95, 3238, 4297							
<b>Tetracalcium Aluminoferrite (percent)</b>							
189	10.1	0.3	2.5		10.6	0.2	2.0
*181	10.1	0.2	1.8		10.7	0.2	1.6

\* Labs Eliminated - 41, 206, 438, 694, 3238, 3368, 4080, 4316

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Silicon Dioxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**



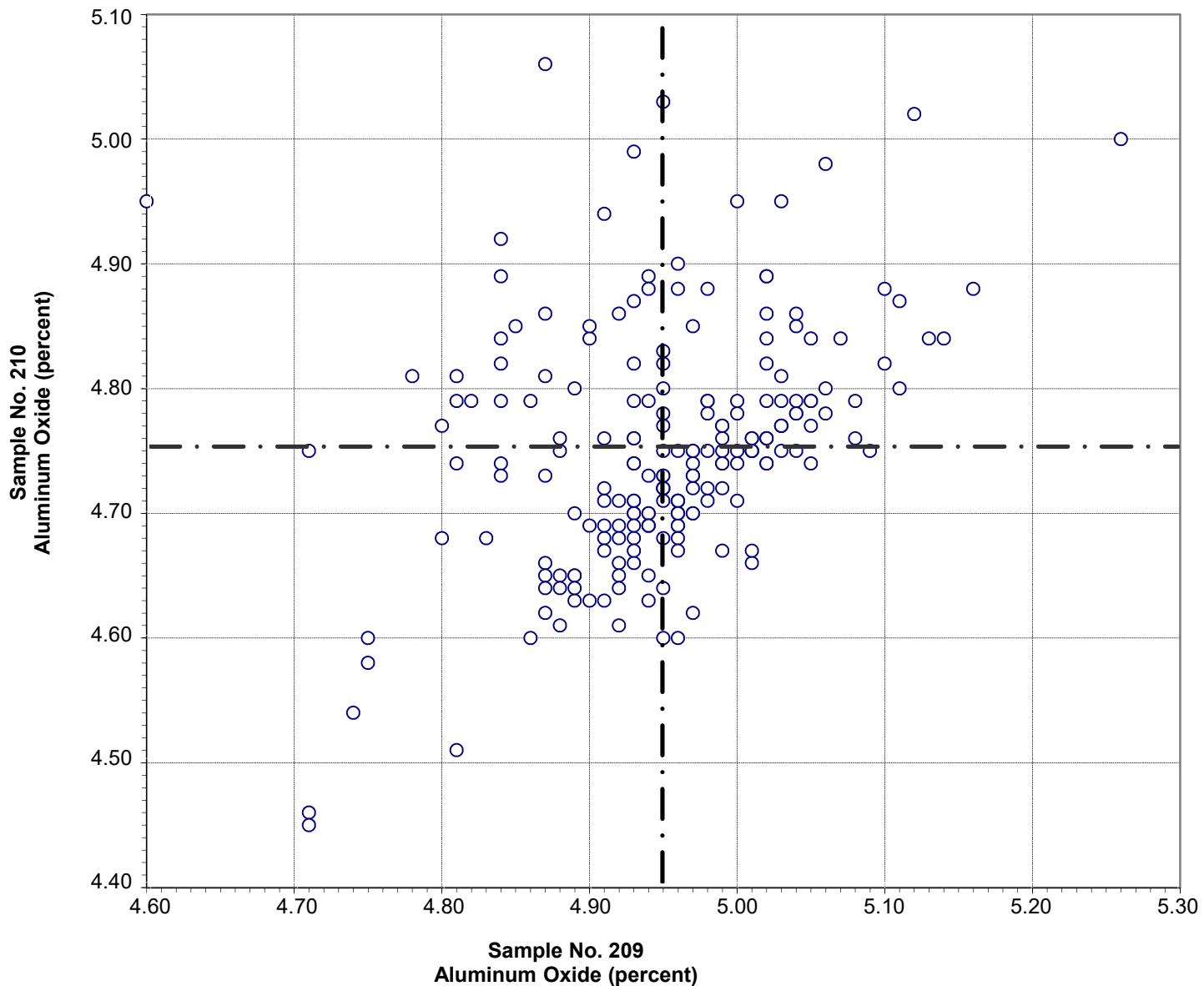
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Sample No. 209	Ave 20.20	S.D. 0.19	C.V. 0.92
Sample No. 210	Ave 20.00	S.D. 0.18	C.V. 0.92

Labs Eliminated: 48, 159, 206, 440, 694, 2522

Labs off Diagram: 4297, 1079

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Aluminum Oxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**



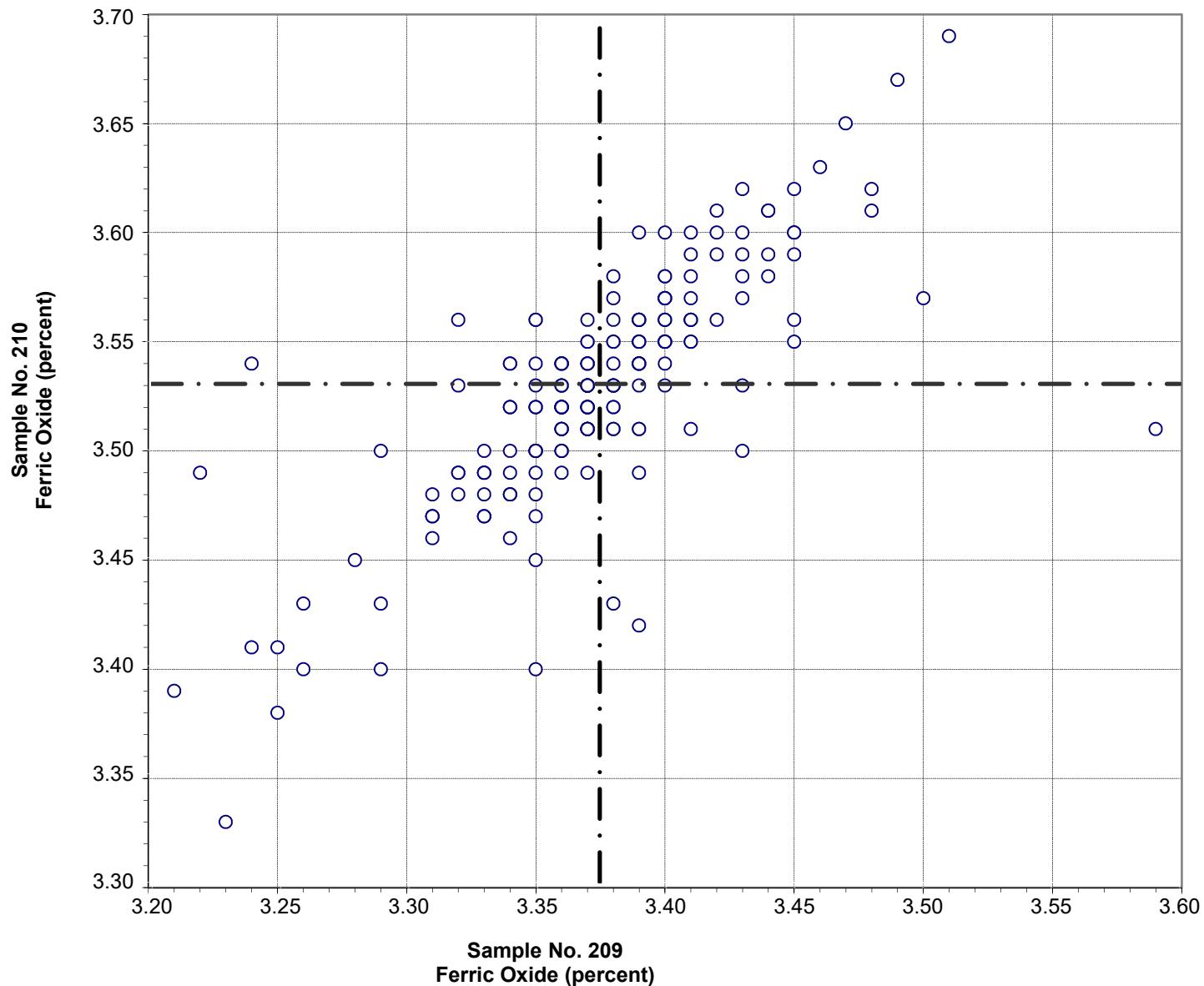
Test No. 21   Aluminum Oxide   207 Points

Sample No. 209   Ave 4.95   S.D. 0.09   C.V. 1.9  
 Sample No. 210   Ave 4.75   S.D. 0.10   C.V. 2.1

Labs Eliminated: 95, 206, 694, 4099, 4297

Labs off Diagram: 159, 3606

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Ferric Oxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**



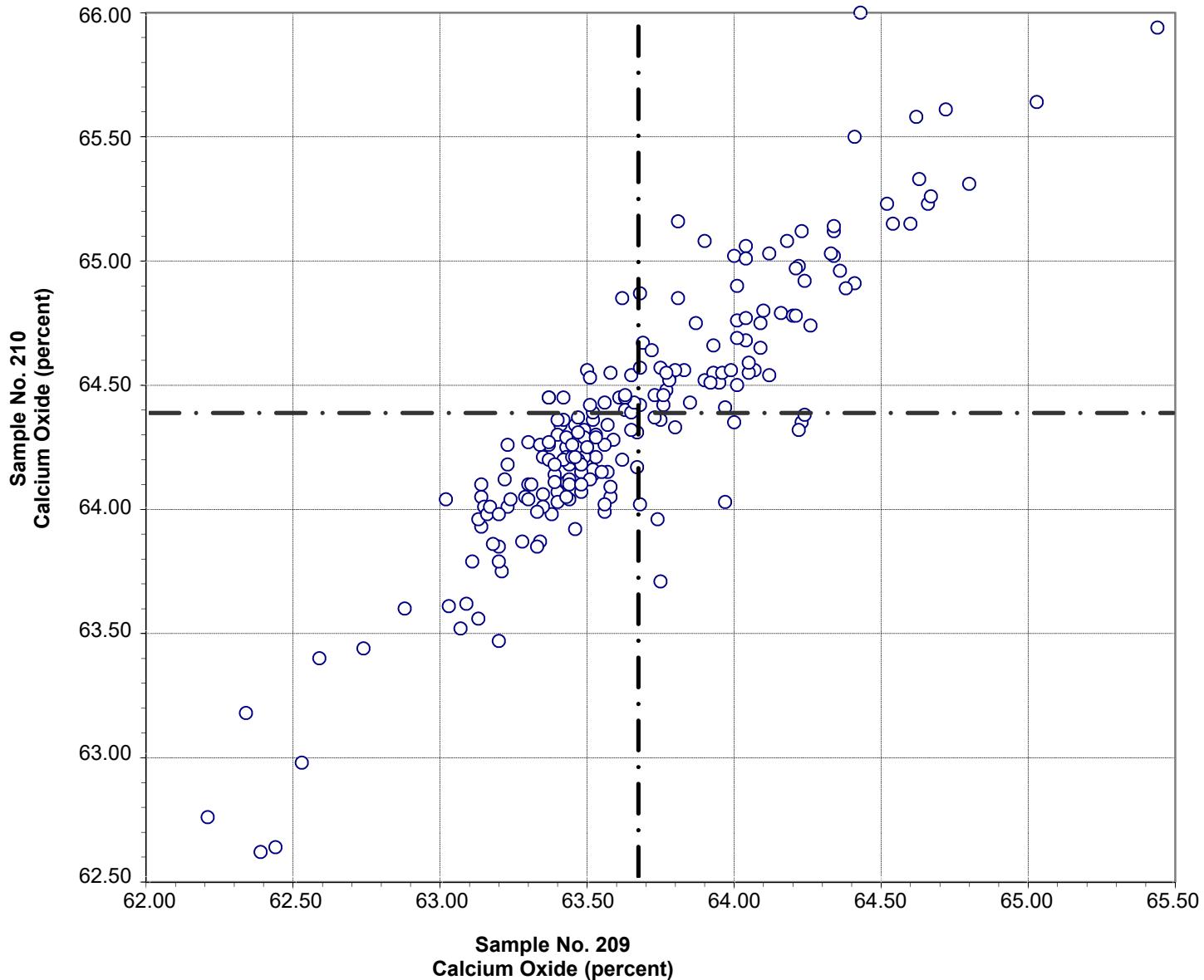
Test No. 30   Ferric Oxide   206 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 3.37	S.D. 0.05	C.V. 1.5
Sample No. 210	Ave 3.53	S.D. 0.05	C.V. 1.5

Labs Eliminated: 206, 694, 2293, 4080, 4099, 4316

Labs off Diagram: 22, 440

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Calcium Oxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**



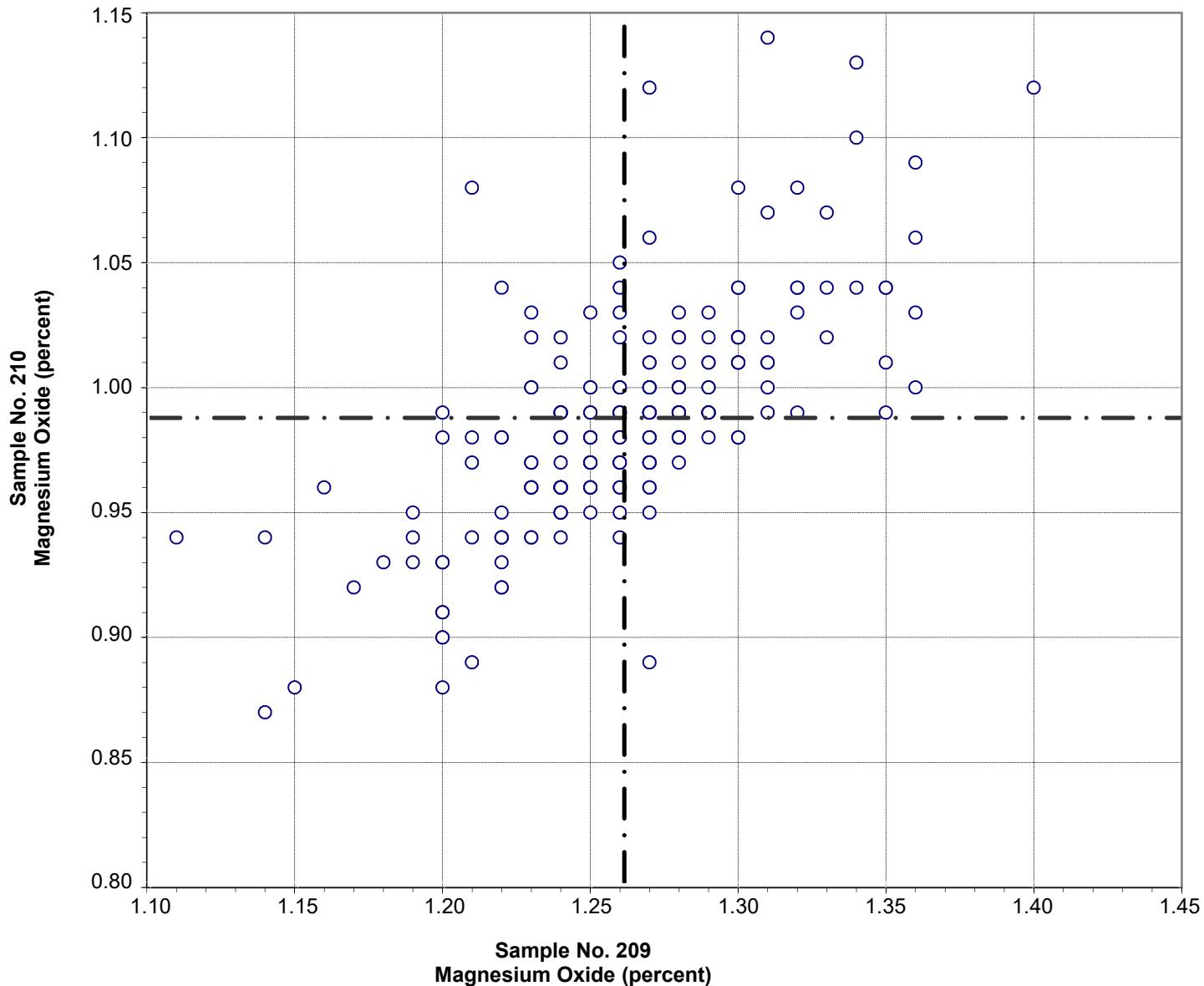
Test No. 40    Calcium Oxide    209 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 63.67	S.D. 0.50	C.V. 0.79
Sample No. 210	Ave 64.38	S.D. 0.53	C.V. 0.83

Labs Eliminated: 107, 3990, 4316, 4325

Labs off Diagram: 4, 1054

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Magnesium Oxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**



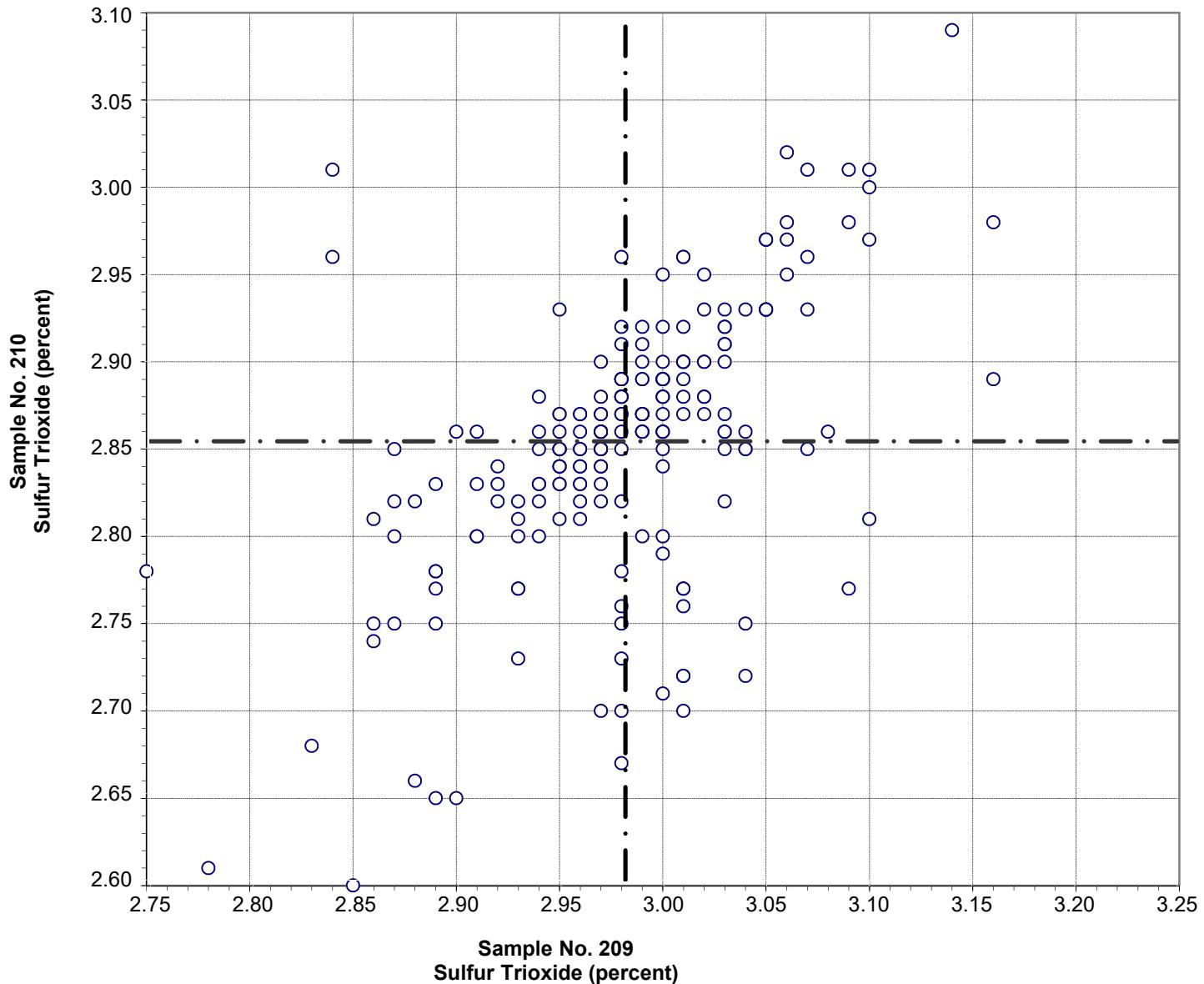
Test No. 50    Magnesium Oxide    210 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 1.26	S.D. 0.05	C.V. 3.6
Sample No. 210	Ave 0.99	S.D. 0.04	C.V. 4.4

Labs Eliminated: 3661, 4099, 4297

Labs off Diagram: 2491

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Sulfur Trioxide**  
**PORLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**



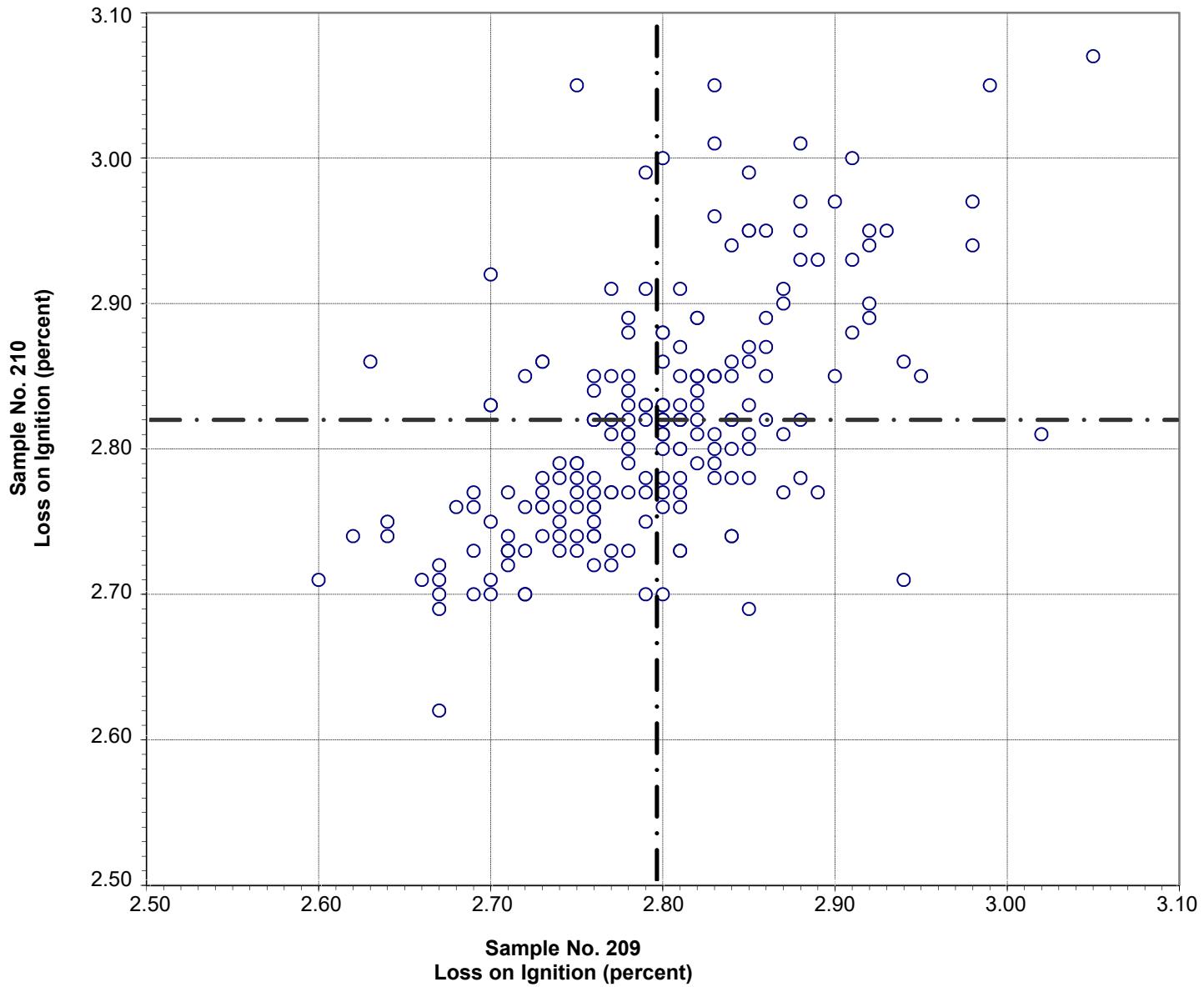
Test No. 60   Sulfur Trioxide   211 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 2.98	S.D. 0.06	C.V. 2.1
Sample No. 210	Ave 2.85	S.D. 0.08	C.V. 2.8

Labs Eliminated: 4, 92, 95, 159, 203

Labs off Diagram: 438

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Loss on Ignition**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**



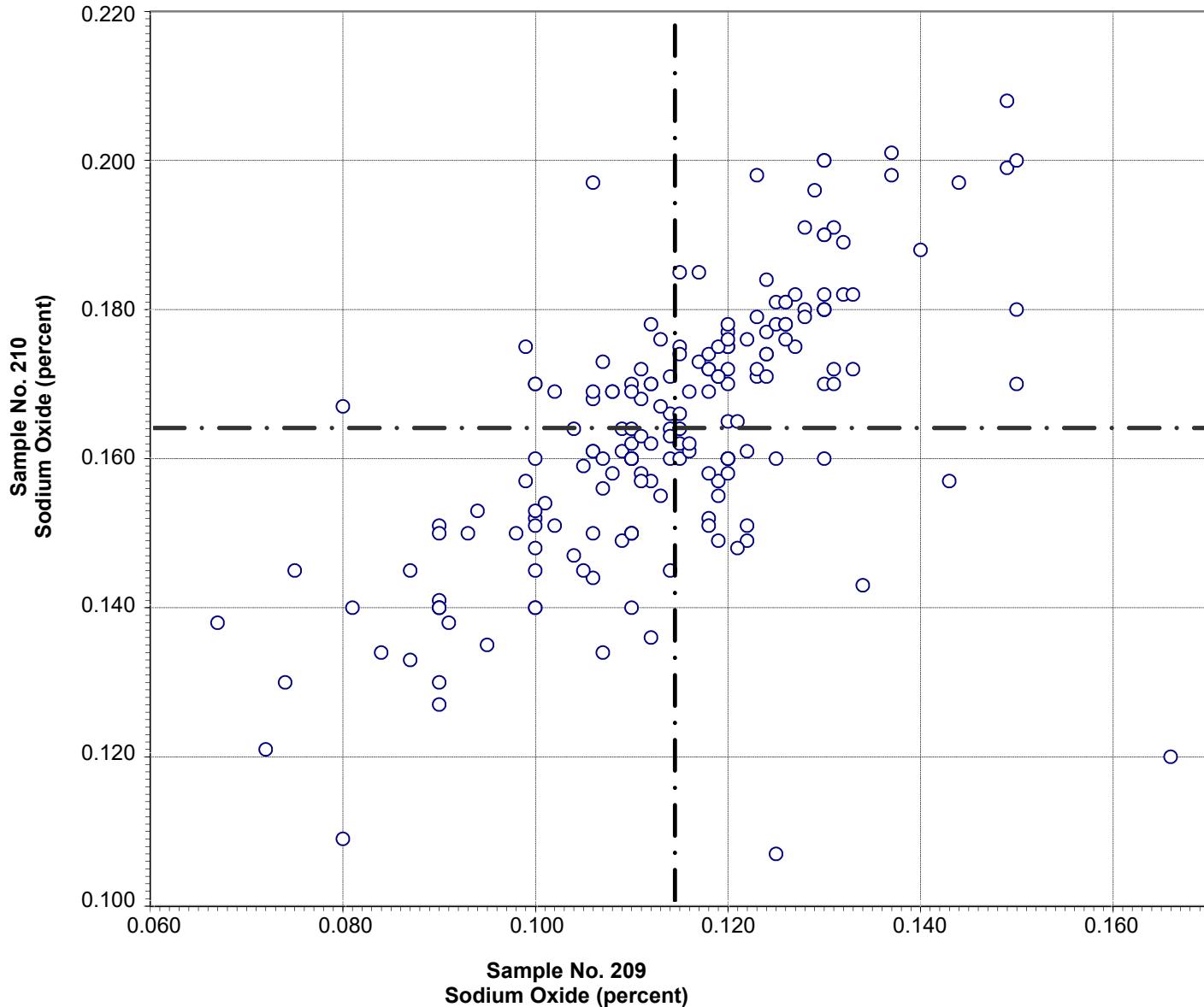
Test No. 70   Loss on Ignition   205 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 2.80	S.D. 0.07	C.V. 2.7
Sample No. 210	Ave 2.82	S.D. 0.08	C.V. 3.0

Labs Eliminated: 50, 125, 137, 152, 416, 691, 692, 1054, 1715, 2466, 3279, 3368,  
 4099, 4325

Labs off Diagram: 92

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Sodium Oxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

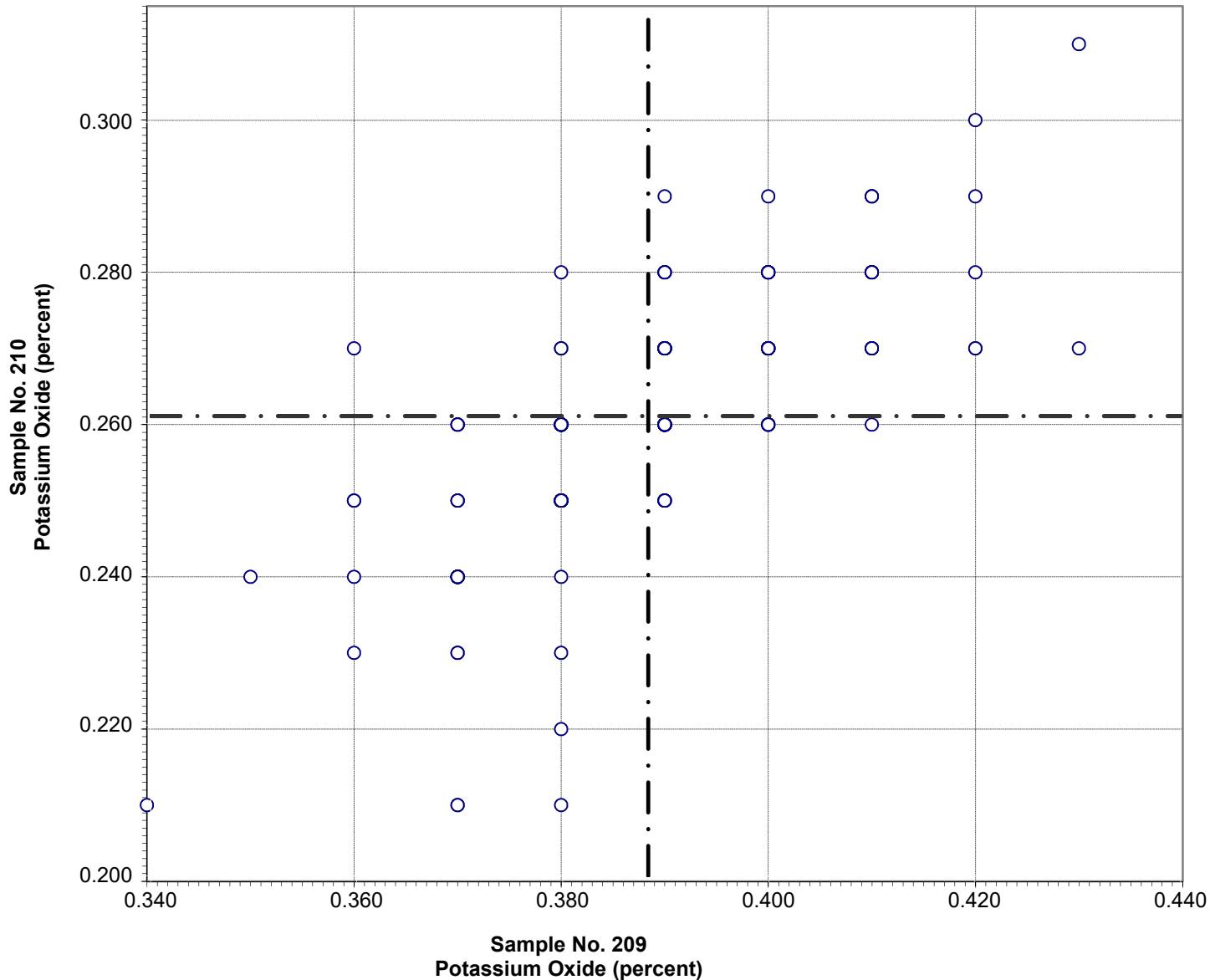


Test No. 90    Sodium Oxide    191 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 0.114	S.D. 0.016	C.V. 14
Sample No. 210	Ave 0.164	S.D. 0.018	C.V. 11

Labs Eliminated: 4, 50, 78, 99, 246, 309, 881, 975, 1054, 2352, 2465, 3238, 3605, 3606, 3607, 4051, 4270

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Potassium Oxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

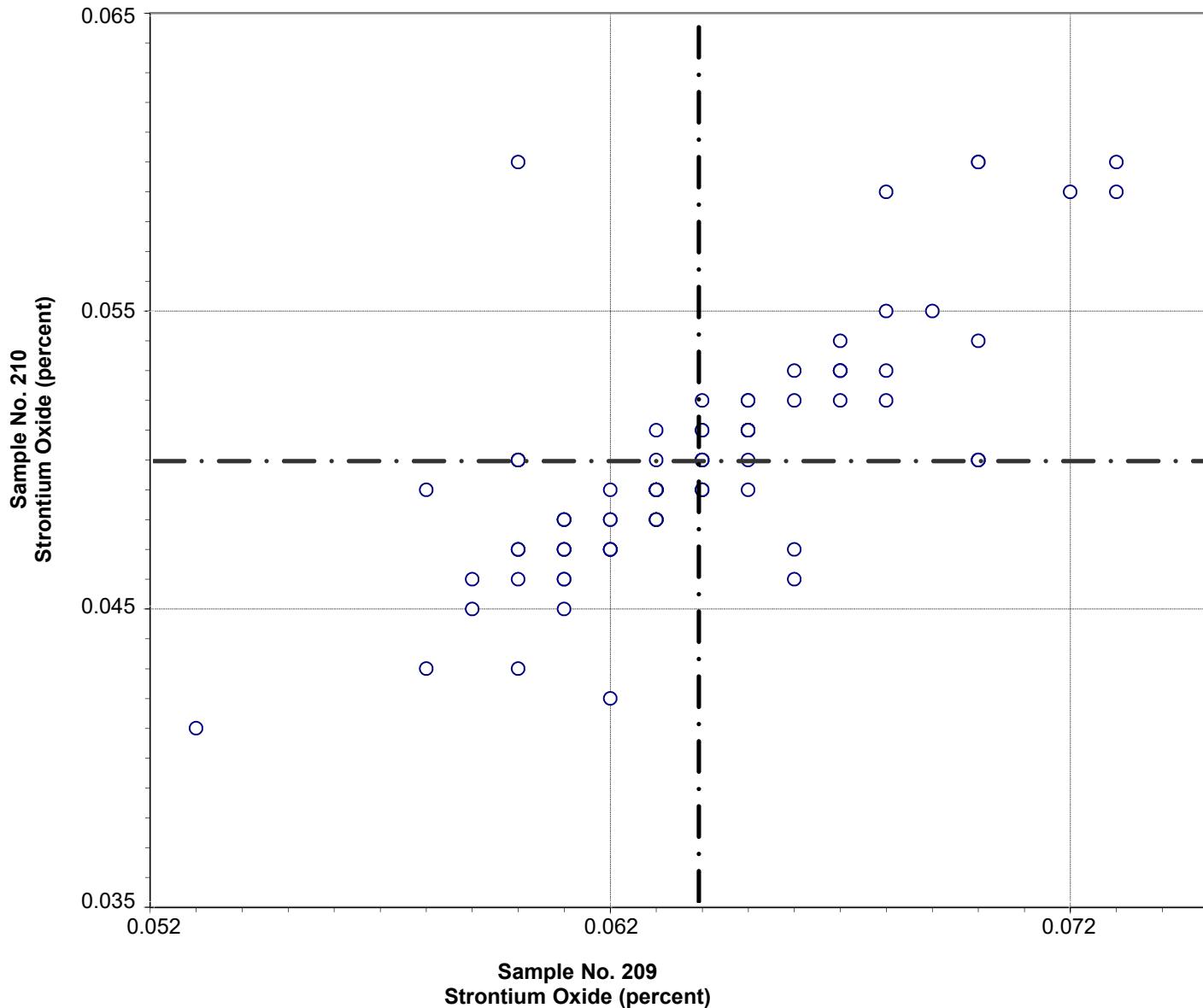


Test No. 100   Potassium Oxide   200 Points

Sample No. 209   Ave 0.388   S.D. 0.014   C.V. 3.6  
 Sample No. 210   Ave 0.261   S.D. 0.015   C.V. 5.9

Labs Eliminated: 36, 95, 2293, 2412, 3606, 3661, 4099, 4297, 4325, 4350

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Strontium Oxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

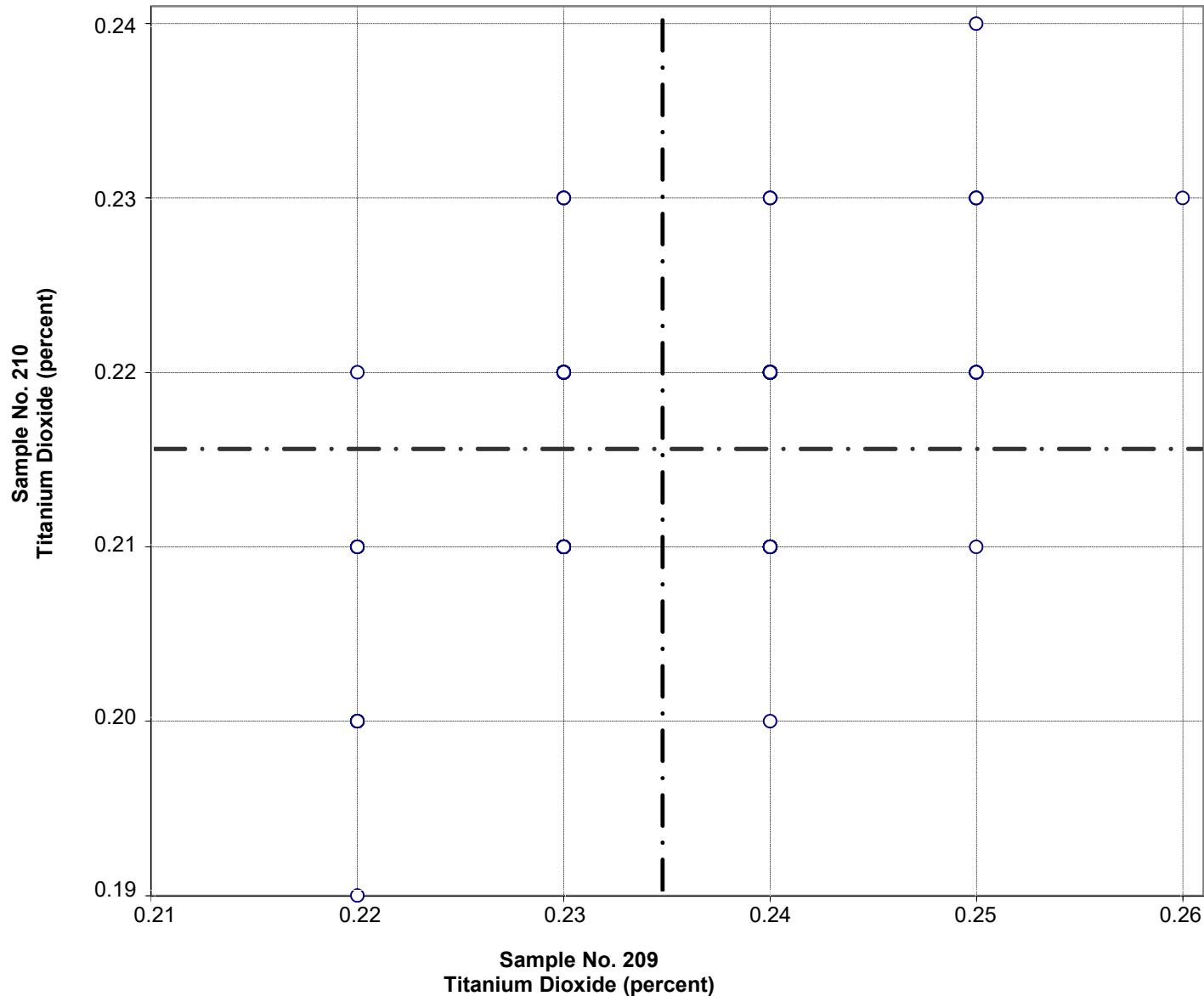


Test No. 92   Strontium Oxide   95 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 0.064	S.D. 0.004	C.V. 6
Sample No. 210	Ave 0.050	S.D. 0.004	C.V. 8

Labs Eliminated: 20, 40, 43, 74, 95, 151, 309, 1657, 4099, 4325

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program  
Titanium Dioxide  
PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

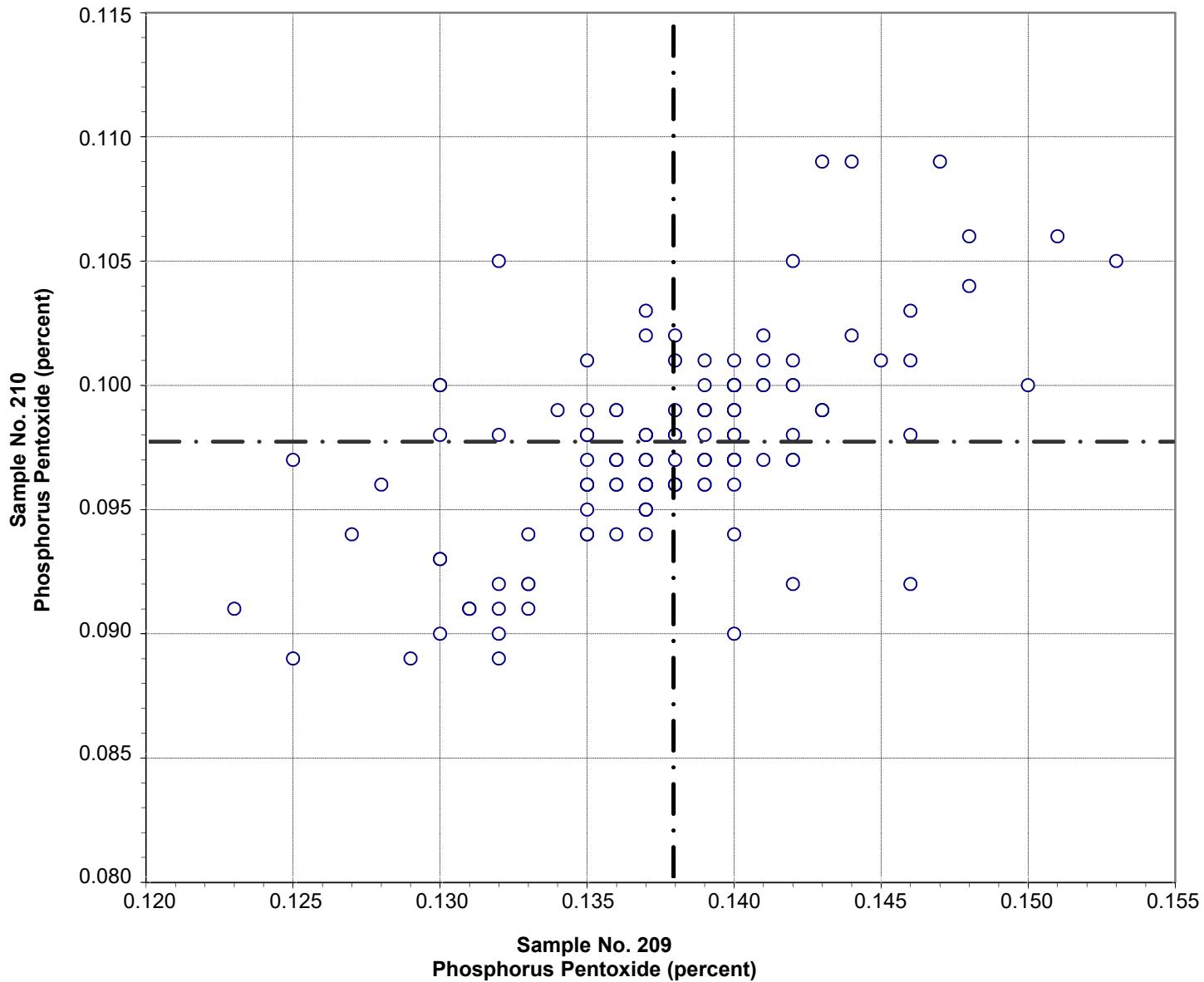


Test No. 103   Titanium Dioxide   173 Points

Sample No. 209   Ave 0.23   S.D. 0.008   C.V. 3.2  
Sample No. 210   Ave 0.22   S.D. 0.007   C.V. 3.4

Labs Eliminated: 246, 4099, 4325

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Phosphorus Pentoxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

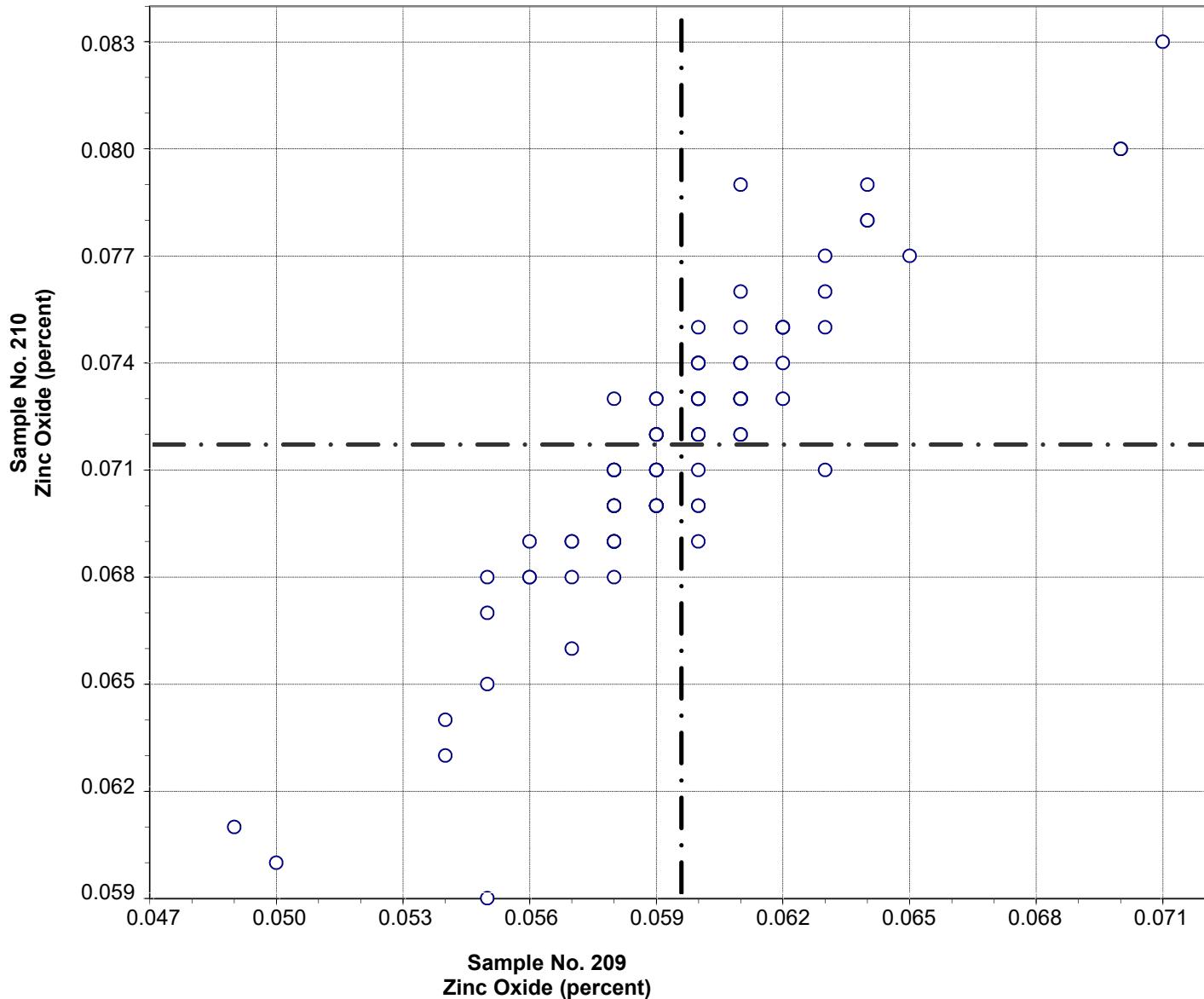


Test No. 102 Phosphorus Pentoxide 153 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 0.138	S.D. 0.005	C.V. 3.5
Sample No. 210	Ave 0.098	S.D. 0.004	C.V. 3.9

Labs Eliminated: 10, 48, 90, 93, 99, 134, 247, 407, 504, 881, 975, 1942, 2466, 2490, 2491, 4099, 4115, 4270, 4325

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Zinc Oxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

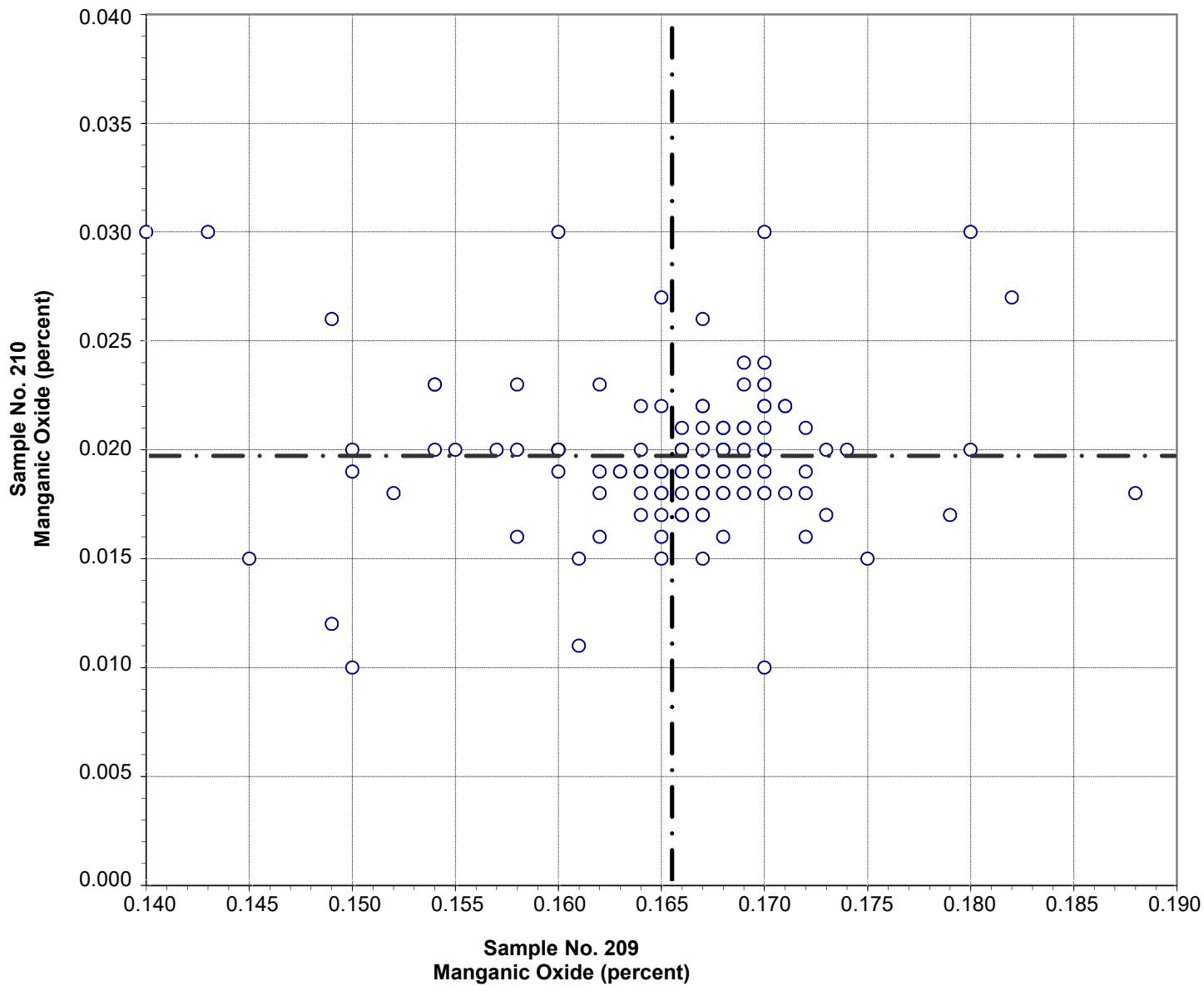


Test No. 99 Zinc Oxide 94 Points

Sample No. 209 Ave 0.060 S.D. 0.003 C.V. 5.5  
 Sample No. 210 Ave 0.072 S.D. 0.004 C.V. 5.6

Labs Eliminated: 25, 94, 309, 768, 881, 1916, 4099, 4297, 4325

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Manganic Oxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

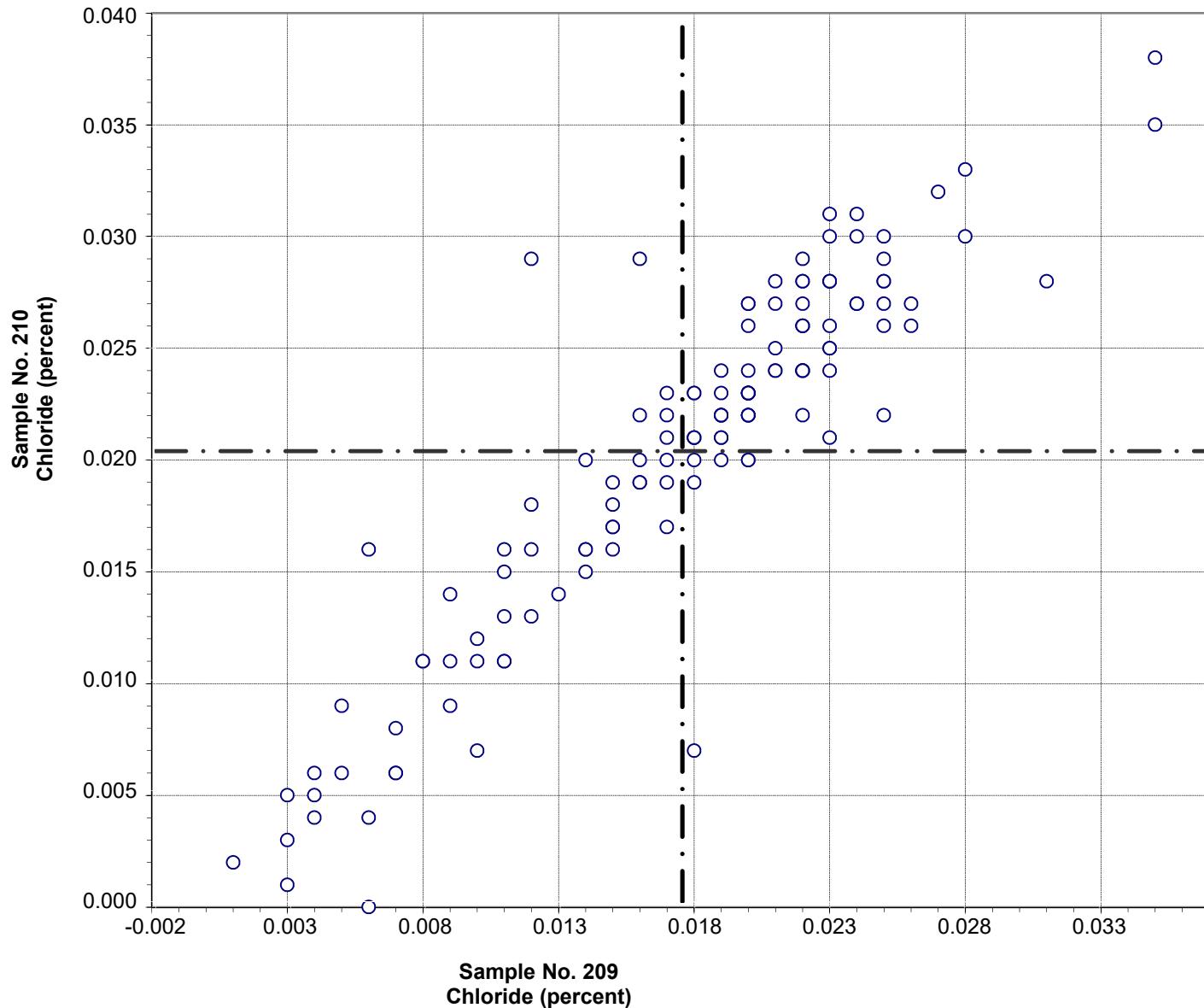


Test No. 101    Manganic Oxide    126 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 0.165	S.D. 0.007	C.V. 4.4
Sample No. 210	Ave 0.020	S.D. 0.003	C.V. 17.7

Labs Eliminated: 47, 84, 94, 101, 181, 205, 413, 667, 768, 2466, 3297, 4099,  
4297, 4325

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Chloride**  
**PORLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

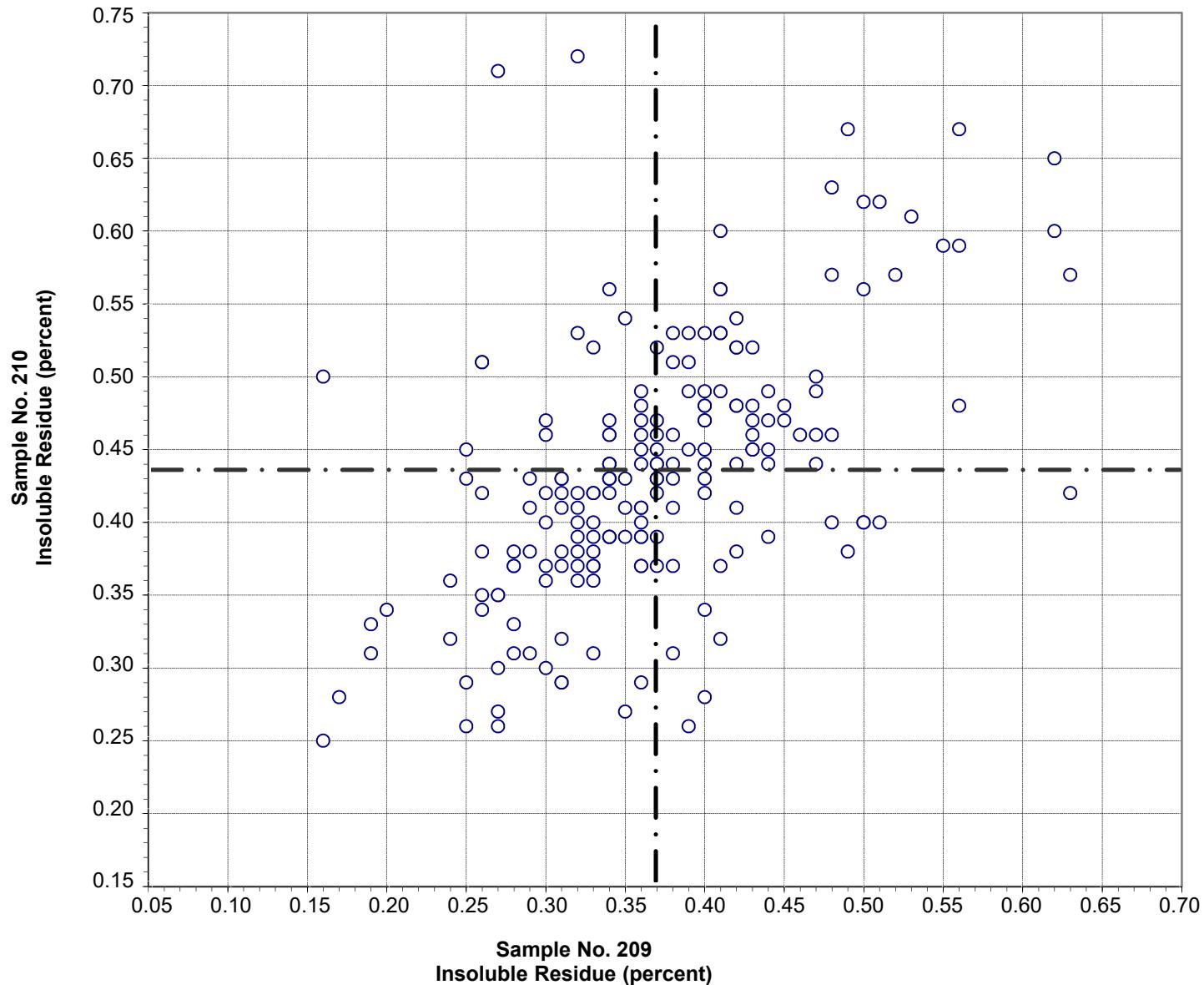


Test No. 104   Chloride   132 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 0.018	S.D. 0.007	C.V. 39
Sample No. 210	Ave 0.020	S.D. 0.008	C.V. 39

Labs Eliminated: 18, 94, 497

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Insoluble Residue**  
**PORLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

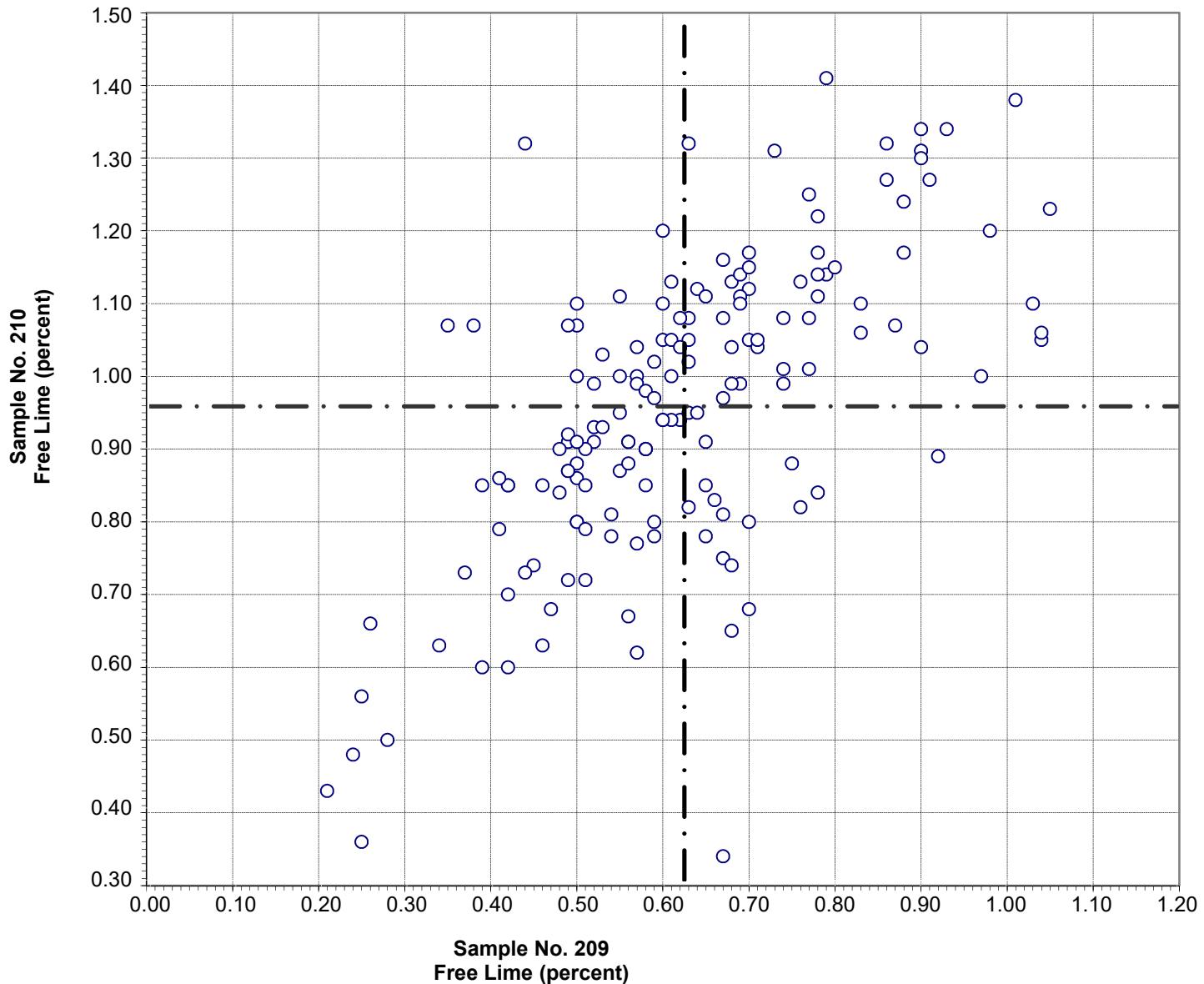


Test No. 80    Insoluble Residue    193 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 0.37	S.D. 0.09	C.V. 23
Sample No. 210	Ave 0.44	S.D. 0.09	C.V. 21

Labs Eliminated: 206, 255, 1053, 4325

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Free Lime**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

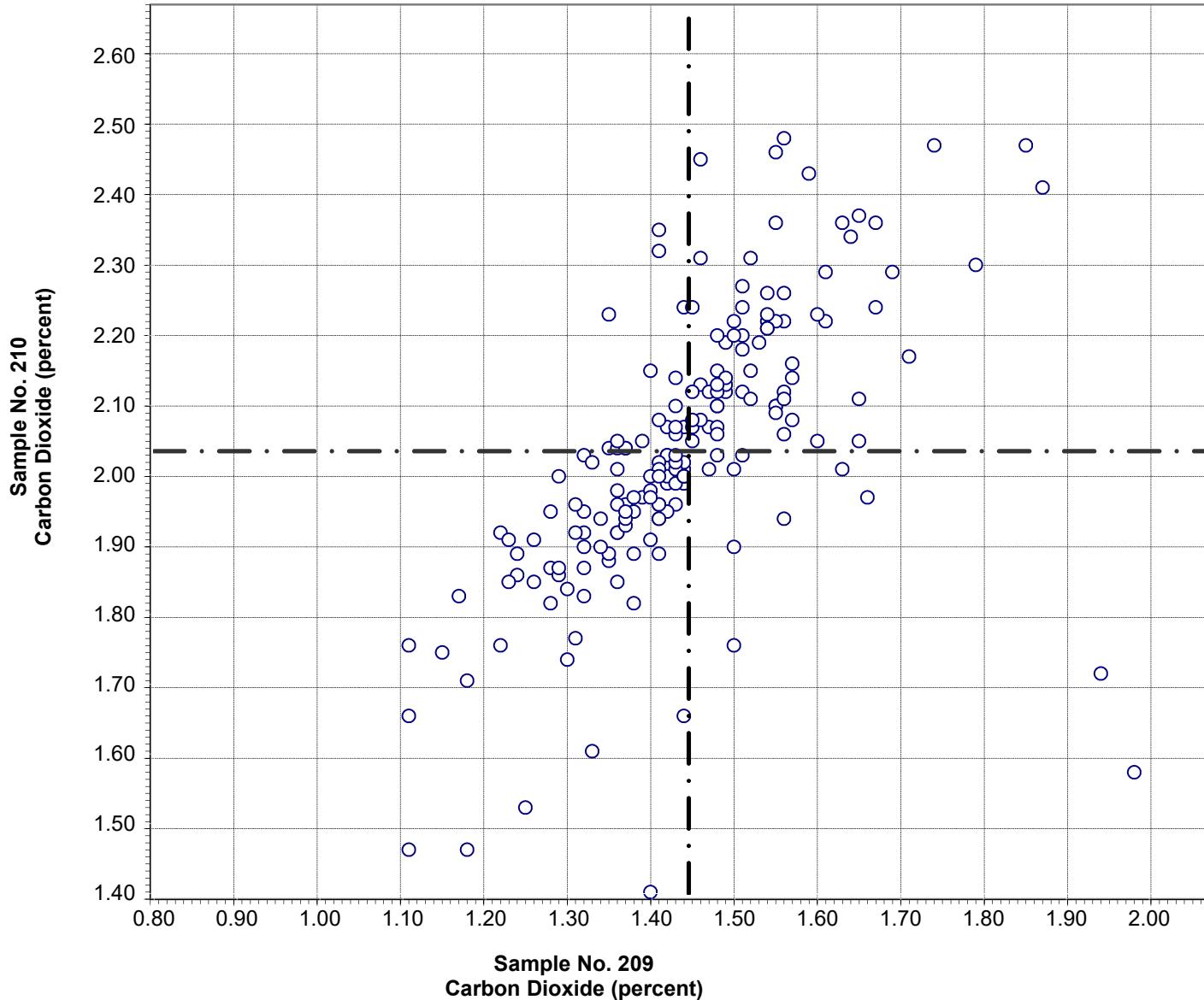


Test No. 41    Free Lime    160 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 0.62	S.D. 0.17	C.V. 27
Sample No. 210	Ave 0.96	S.D. 0.20	C.V. 21

Labs Eliminated: 60, 416, 881

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Carbon Dioxide**  
**PORLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**



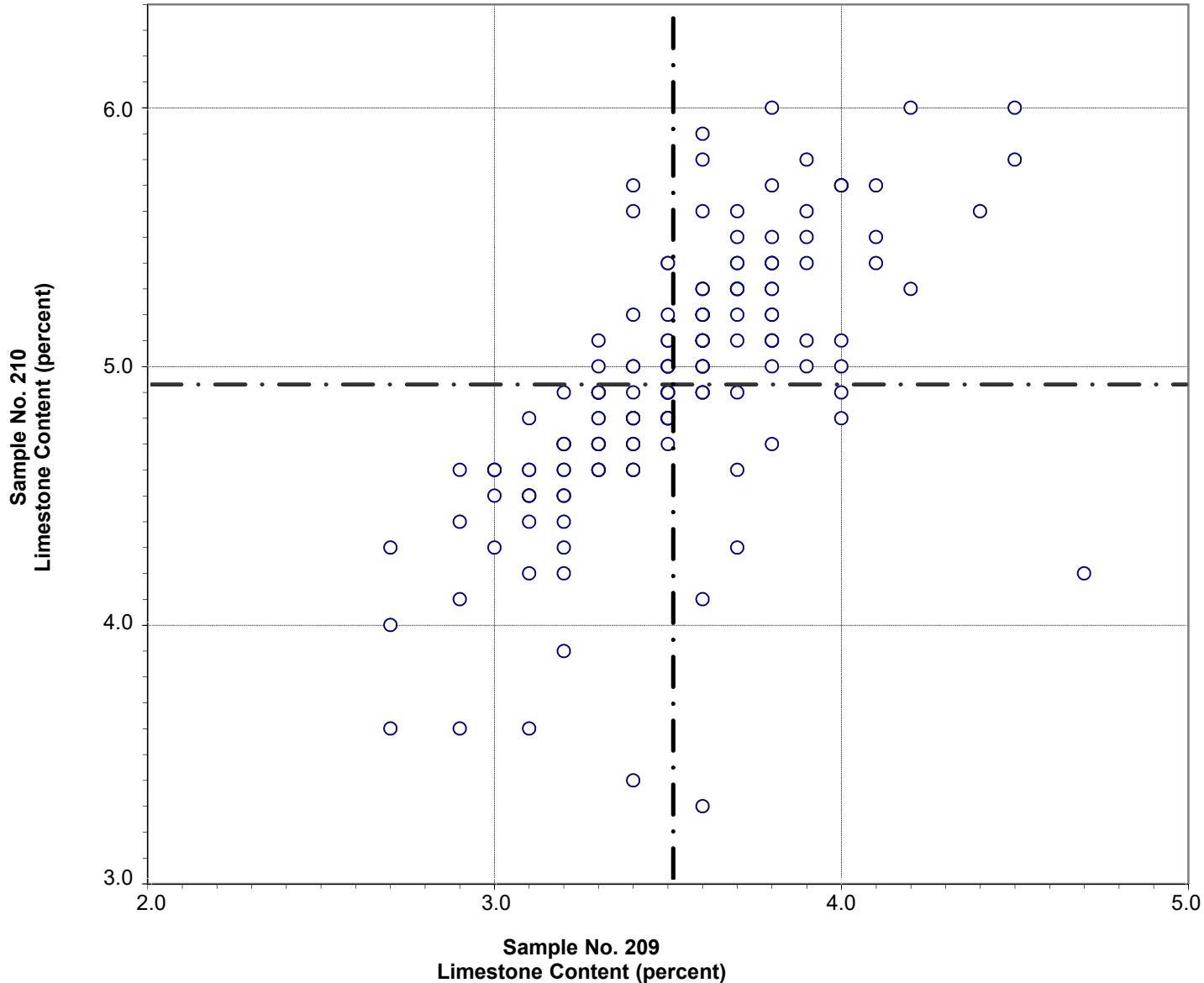
Test No. 97   Carbon Dioxide   184 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 1.44	S.D. 0.14	C.V. 9.8
Sample No. 210	Ave 2.03	S.D. 0.20	C.V. 9.8

Labs Eliminated: 15, 50, 137, 416, 542, 958, 1435, 3368, 4080

Labs off Diagram: 42

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Limestone Content**  
**PORLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

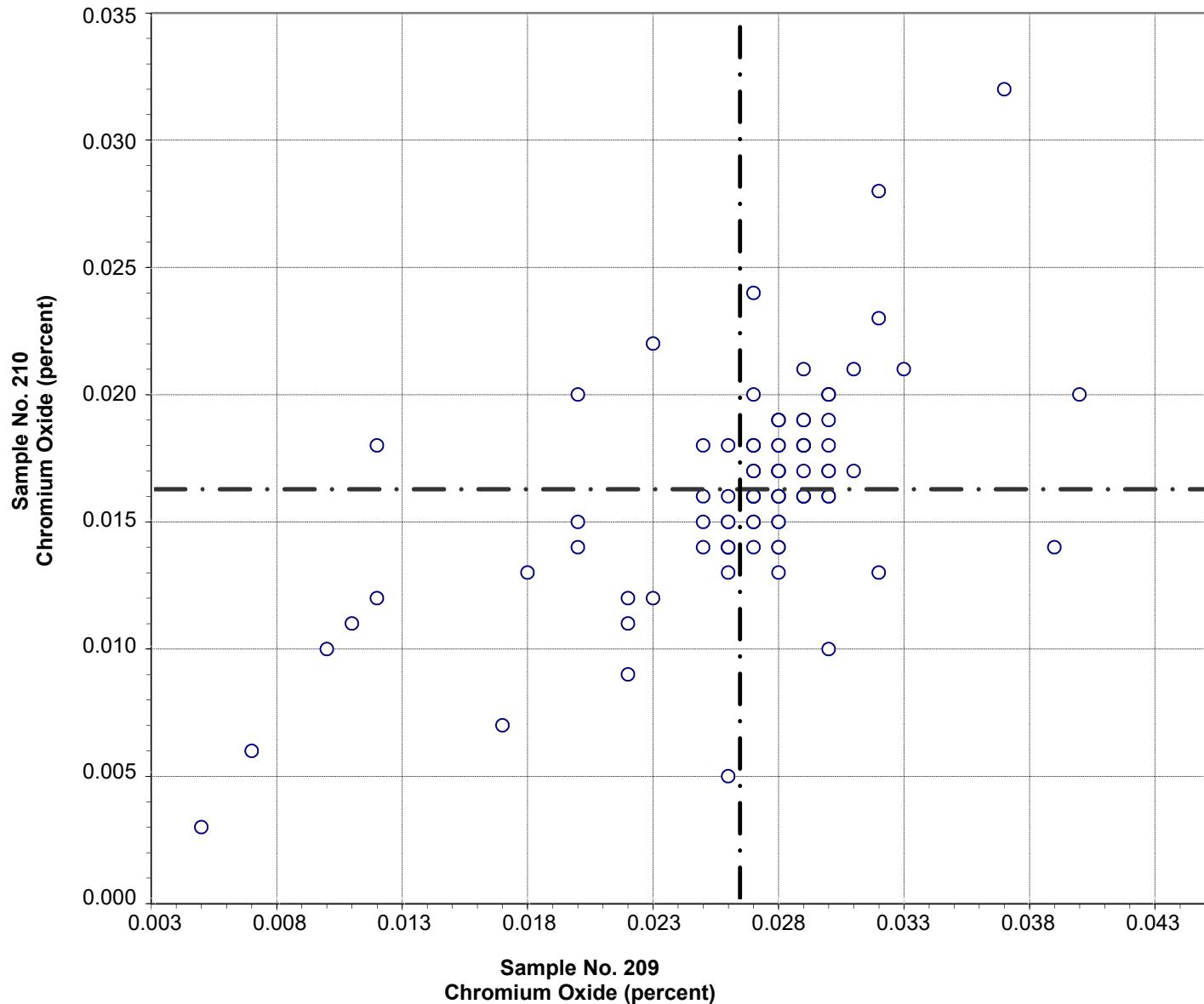


Test No. 98   Limestone Content   171 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 3.5	S.D. 0.3	C.V. 9.6
Sample No. 210	Ave 4.9	S.D. 0.5	C.V. 9.9

Labs Eliminated: 15, 24, 26, 50, 64, 99, 137, 169, 246, 413, 542, 958, 1053, 1435, 2491, 3368, 4080, 4325

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Chromium Oxide**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

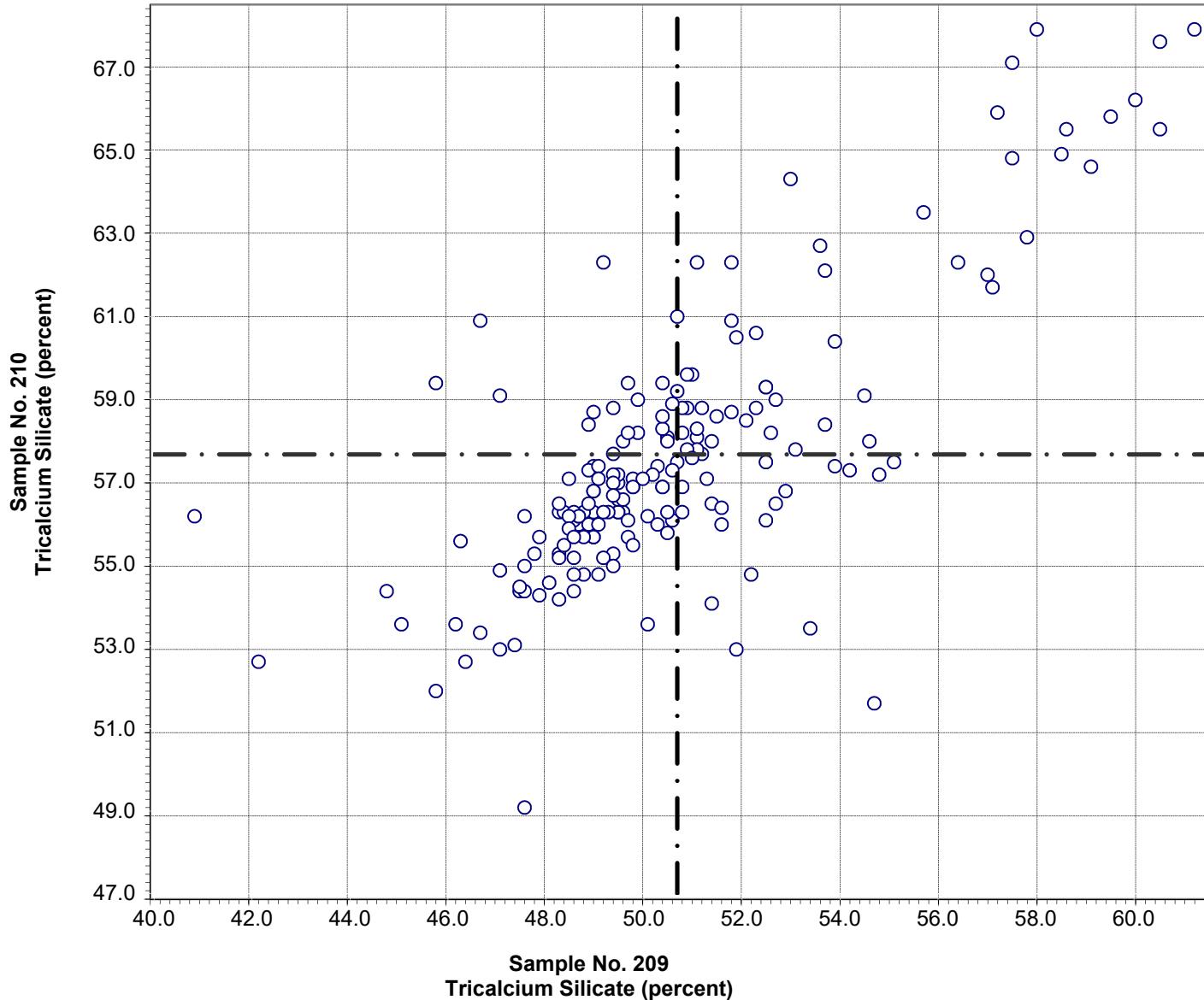


Test No. 105   Chromium Oxide   91 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 0.026	S.D. 0.006	C.V. 22
Sample No. 210	Ave 0.016	S.D. 0.004	C.V. 26

Labs Eliminated: 19, 116, 206, 415, 502, 3368

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Tricalcium Silicate**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

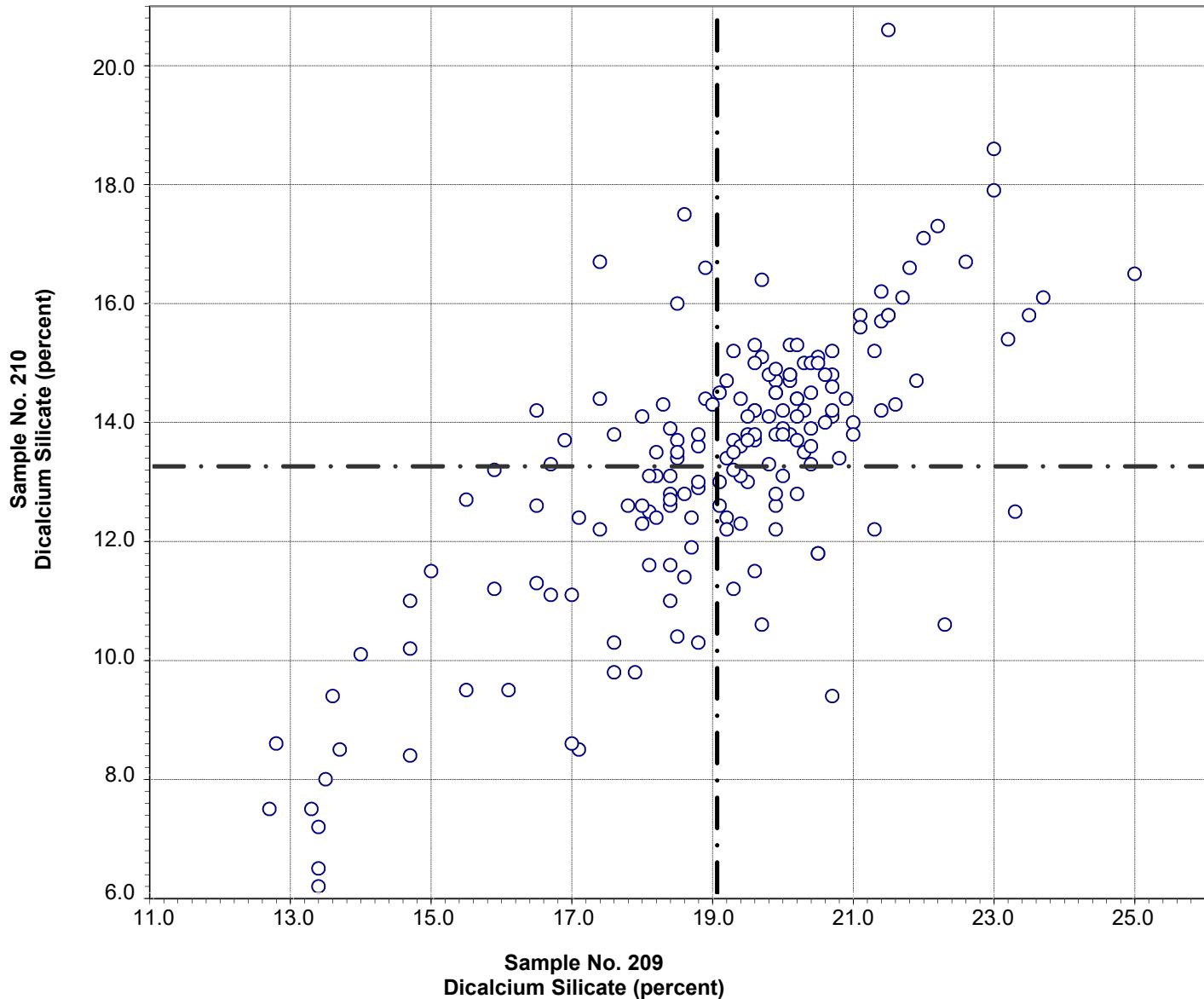


Test No. 106 Tricalcium Silicate 182 Points

Sample No. 209 Ave 50.7 S.D. 3.3 C.V. 6.5  
 Sample No. 210 Ave 57.7 S.D. 3.2 C.V. 5.6

Labs Eliminated: 107, 159, 206, 779, 4297, 4316, 4325

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Dicalcium Silicate**  
**PORLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**



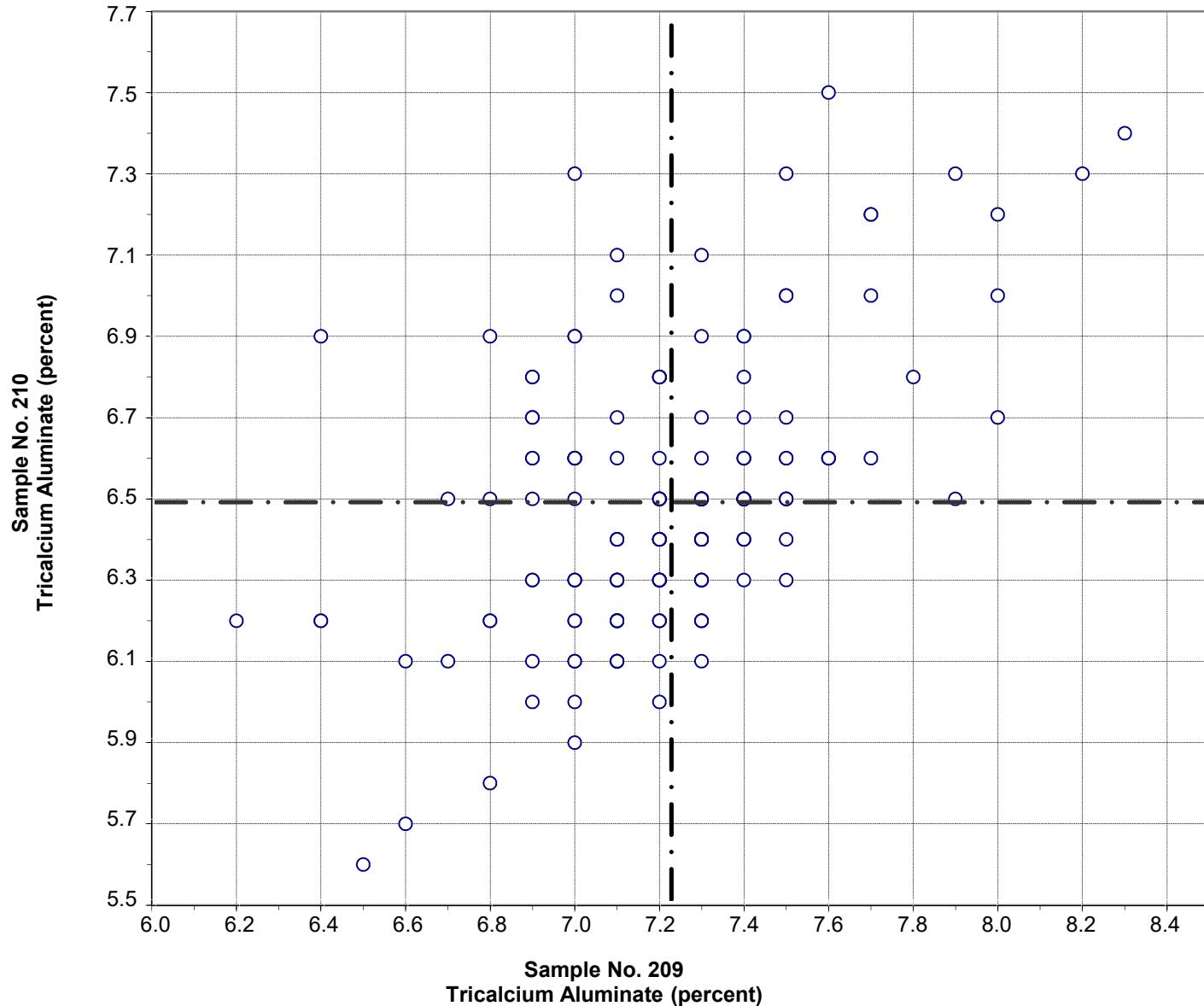
Test No. 107   Dicalcium Silicate   177 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave	19.1	S.D.	2.3	C.V.	11.9
Sample No. 210	Ave	13.2	S.D.	2.4	C.V.	18.0

Labs Eliminated: 98, 107, 159, 206, 221, 694, 779, 3238, 4297, 4316, 4325

Labs off Diagram: 142

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Tricalcium Aluminate**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

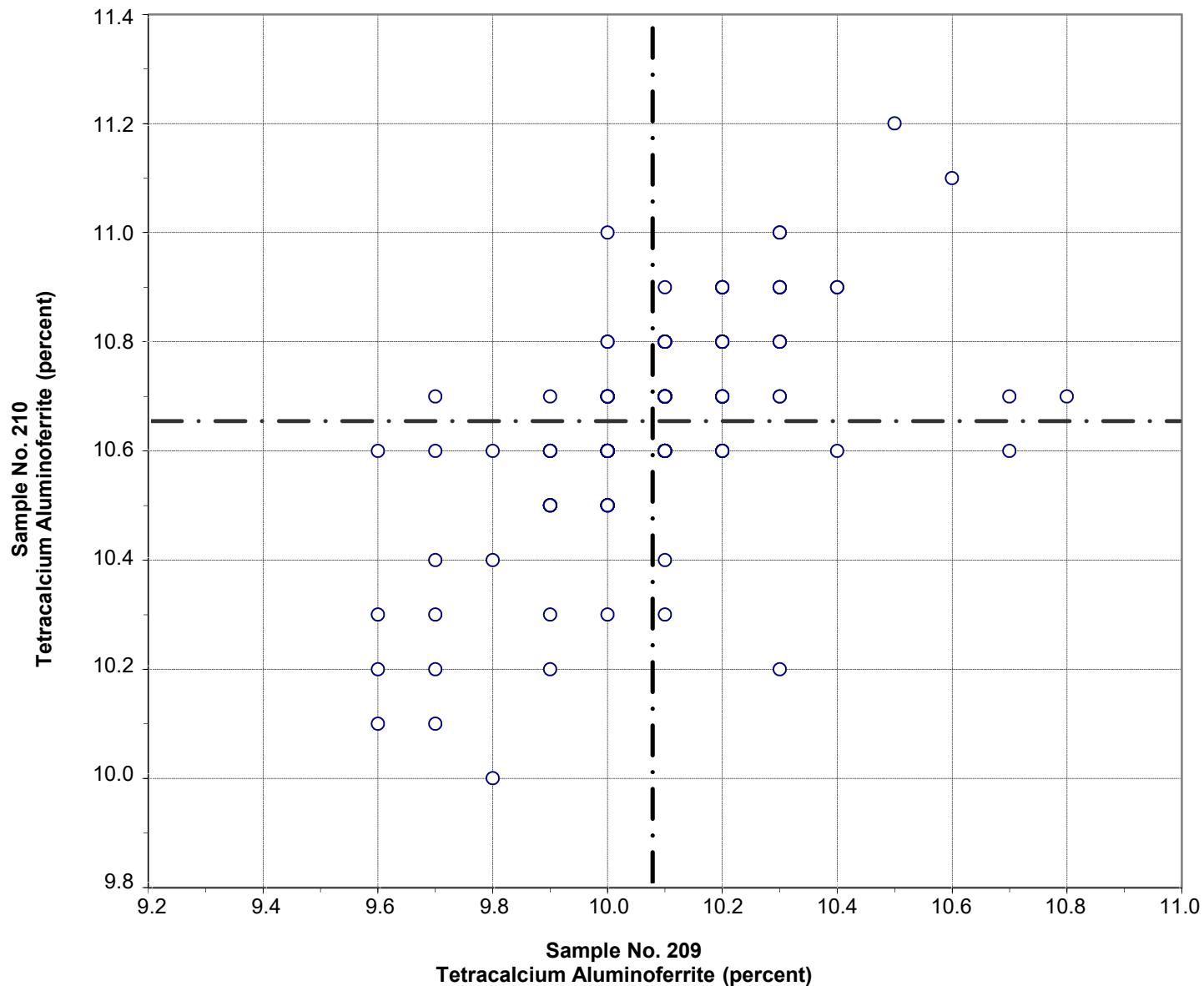


Test No. 108 Tricalcium Aluminate 186 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 7.2	S.D. 0.3	C.V. 4.2
Sample No. 210	Ave 6.5	S.D. 0.3	C.V. 4.8

Labs Eliminated: 95, 3238, 4297

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Tetracalcium Aluminoferrite**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**



Test No. 109    Tetracalcium Aluminoferrite    181 Points

Sample No. 209   Ave 10.1   S.D. 0.2   C.V. 1.8  
 Sample No. 210   Ave 10.7   S.D. 0.2   C.V. 1.6

Labs Eliminated: 41, 206, 438, 694, 3238, 3368, 4080, 4316

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**Sample No. 209**

**Sample No. 210**

Test (unit)	#Labs	Average	S.D.	C.V.	Average	S.D.	C.V.
<b>Normal Consistency - % Water (percent)</b>							
	236	25.0	0.91	3.60	26.1	0.91	3.50
	*235	24.9	0.43	1.70	26.0	0.55	2.10
* Labs Eliminated - 41							
<b>Vicat Time of Set - Initial (minutes)</b>							
	231	164	15	9	122	14	11
	*226	165	14	8	121	12	10
* Labs Eliminated - 156, 159, 557, 565, 2462							
<b>Vicat Time of Set - Final (minutes)</b>							
	222	271	33	12	220	26	12
	*219	272	30	11	221	26	12
* Labs Eliminated - 1, 557, 2462							
<b>Gillmore Time of Set - Initial (minutes)</b>							
	129	195	24	12	161	21	13
	*128	195	24	12	160	19	12
* Labs Eliminated - 51							
<b>Gillmore Time of Set - Final (minutes)</b>							
	129	304	36	12	256	35	13
	*127	304	32	11	256	31	12
* Labs Eliminated - 95, 450							
<b>False Set - Paste Method (percent)</b>							
	182	74	7.9	10.6	77	10.8	14.1
	*177	75	7.5	10.0	78	8.4	10.8
* Labs Eliminated - 25, 51, 103, 840, 4115							
<b>Autoclave Expansion (percent)</b>							
	223	-0.02	0.026	-185	-0.02	0.031	-233
	*212	-0.02	0.017	-117	-0.02	0.016	-119
* Labs Eliminated - 35, 56, 132, 148, 159, 176, 698, 996, 1054, 2352, 4350							

**CCRL PROFICIENCY SAMPLE PROGRAM**  
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	Sample No. 209			Sample No. 210			
Test (unit)	#Labs	Average	S.D.	C.V.	Average	S.D.	C.V.
<b>Air Content % (percent)</b>							
221		8.1	1.4	17	7.9	1.2	15
*218		8.1	1.2	15	7.9	1.2	15
* Labs Eliminated - 32, 52, 1251							
<b>Air Content - % Water (percent)</b>							
214		68.1	4.6	6.8	68.6	4.1	6.0
*206		67.9	2.5	3.8	68.6	2.5	3.7
* Labs Eliminated - 25, 35, 52, 209, 221, 407, 408, 3662							
<b>Air Content - Flow (percent)</b>							
215		89	5.5	6.2	88	4.6	5.2
*211		88	3.9	4.4	87	3.3	3.7
* Labs Eliminated - 175, 408, 1940, 3606							
<b>Compressive Strength - 3 day (psi)</b>							
239		3461	296	8.5	4191	293	7.0
*234		3442	266	7.7	4180	274	6.6
* Labs Eliminated - 38, 416, 3606, 3607, 4080							
<b>Compressive Strength - 7 day (psi)</b>							
241		4411	362	8.2	5379	366	6.8
*236		4413	318	7.2	5384	336	6.2
* Labs Eliminated - 36, 416, 1019, 2683, 4080							
<b>Compressive Strength - 28 day (psi)</b>							
229		6010	444	7.4	6942	490	7.1
*228		6001	425	7.1	6934	474	6.8
* Labs Eliminated - 4080							
<b>Compressive Strength - Flow (percent)</b>							
221		121	11	9.3	118	11	9.2
*220		121	11	9.0	119	11	8.9
* Labs Eliminated - 254							

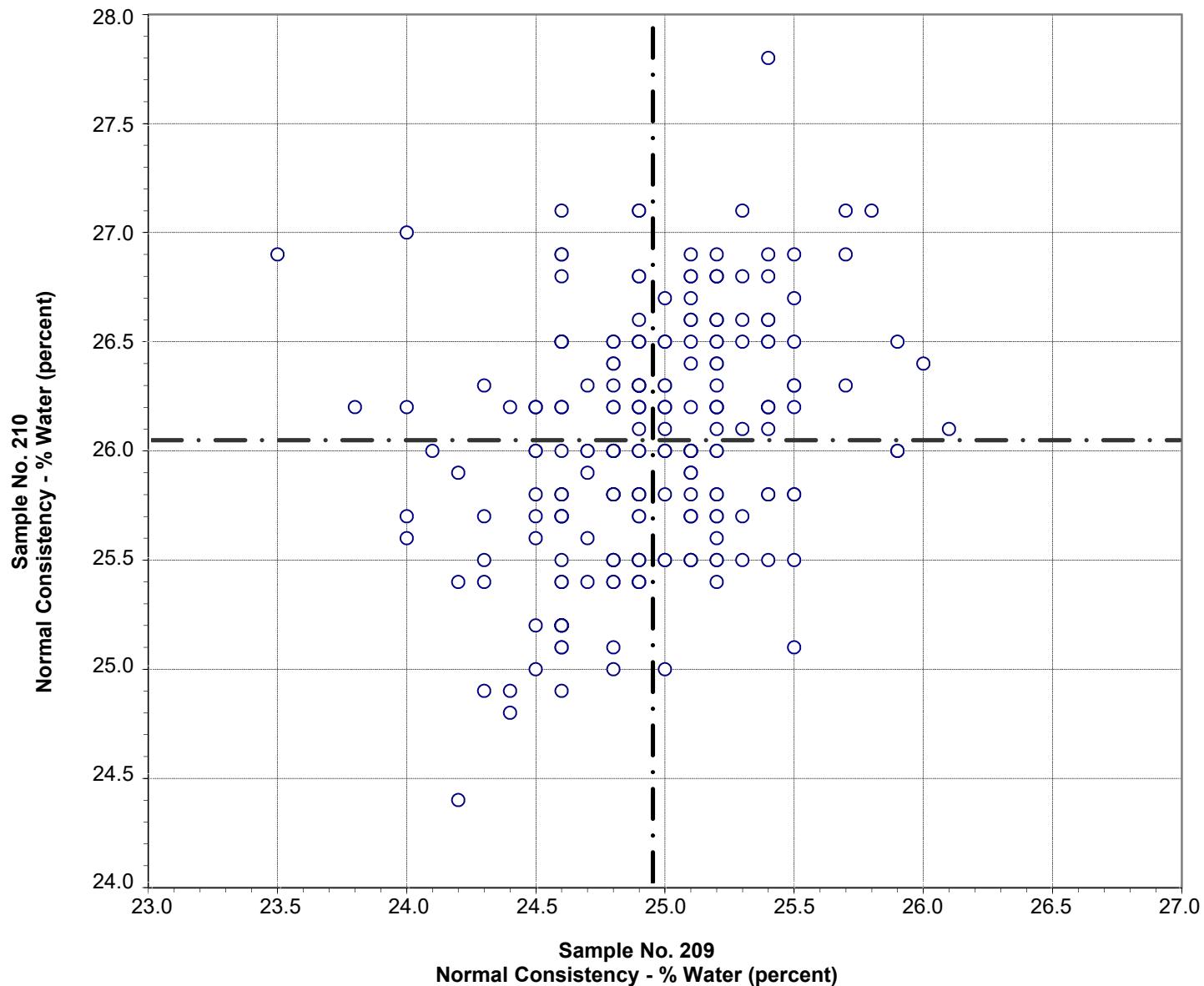
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	Sample No. 209			Sample No. 210			
Test (unit)	#Labs	Average	S.D.	C.V.	Average	S.D.	C.V.
<b>Fineness - Air Permeability (m<sup>2</sup>/kg)</b>							
236	397	14	3.5		407	15	3.6
*231	397	11	2.7		408	11	2.8
* Labs Eliminated - 1, 360, 1079, 1590, 3834							
<b>Fineness - 45µm Sieve (percent)</b>							
221	97.05	0.67	0.69		98.48	0.48	0.49
*215	97.08	0.53	0.55		98.53	0.32	0.32
* Labs Eliminated - 26, 116, 146, 222, 823, 4316							
<b>C1038 Mortar Bar Expansion (percent)</b>							
153	0.004	0.007	188		0.004	0.007	164
*149	0.003	0.003	108		0.004	0.004	95
* Labs Eliminated - 34, 143, 1054, 3297							

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Normal Consistency - % Water**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**



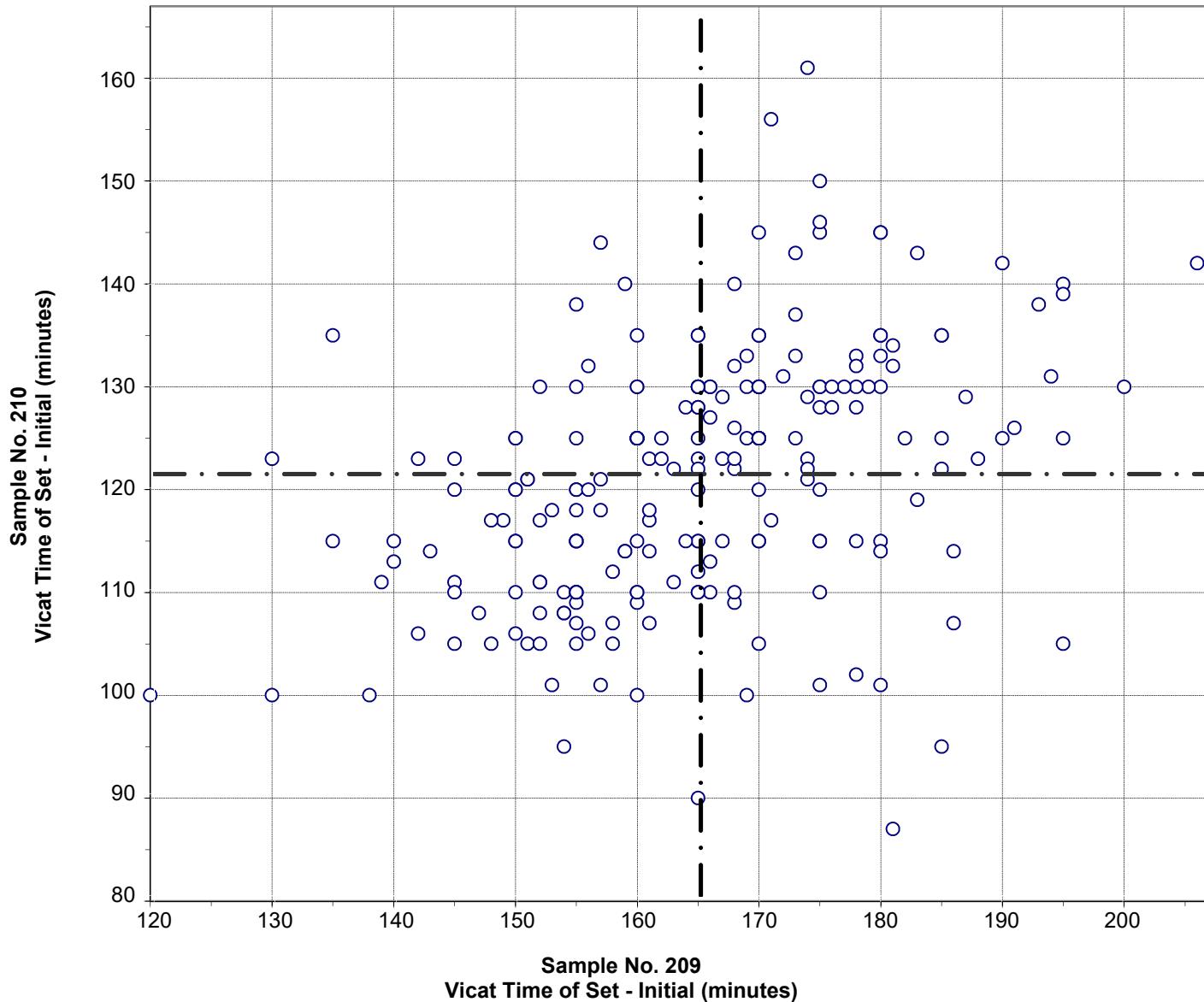
Test No. 110    Normal Consistency - % Water    234 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave	24.9	S.D.	0.43	C.V.	1.70
Sample No. 210	Ave	26.0	S.D.	0.55	C.V.	2.10

Labs Eliminated: 41

Labs off Diagram: 4080

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Vicat Time of Set - Initial**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

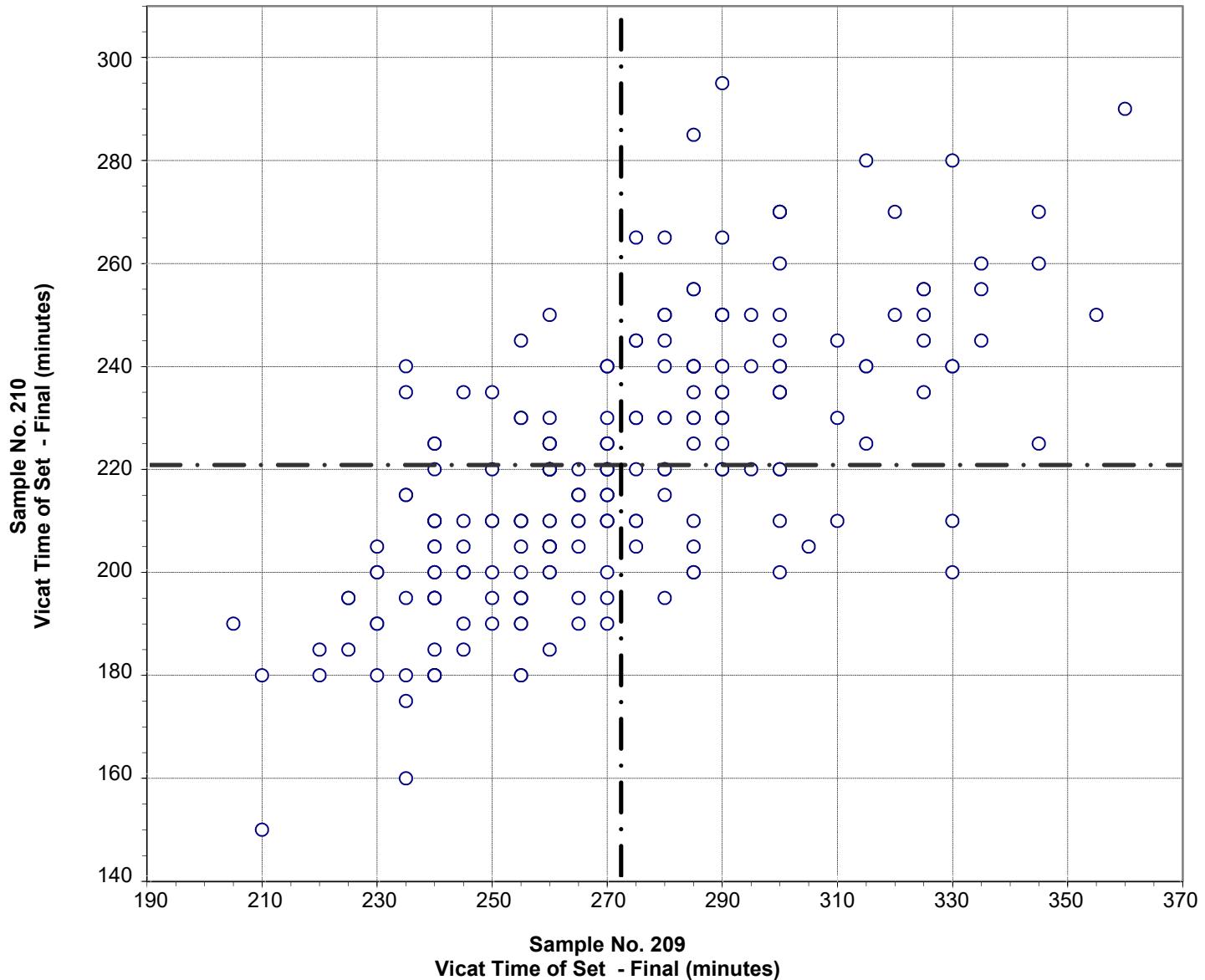


Test No. 120   Vicat Time of Set - Initial   226 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 165	S.D. 14	C.V. 8
Sample No. 210	Ave 121	S.D. 12	C.V. 10

Labs Eliminated: 156, 159, 557, 565, 2462

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Vicat Time of Set - Final**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

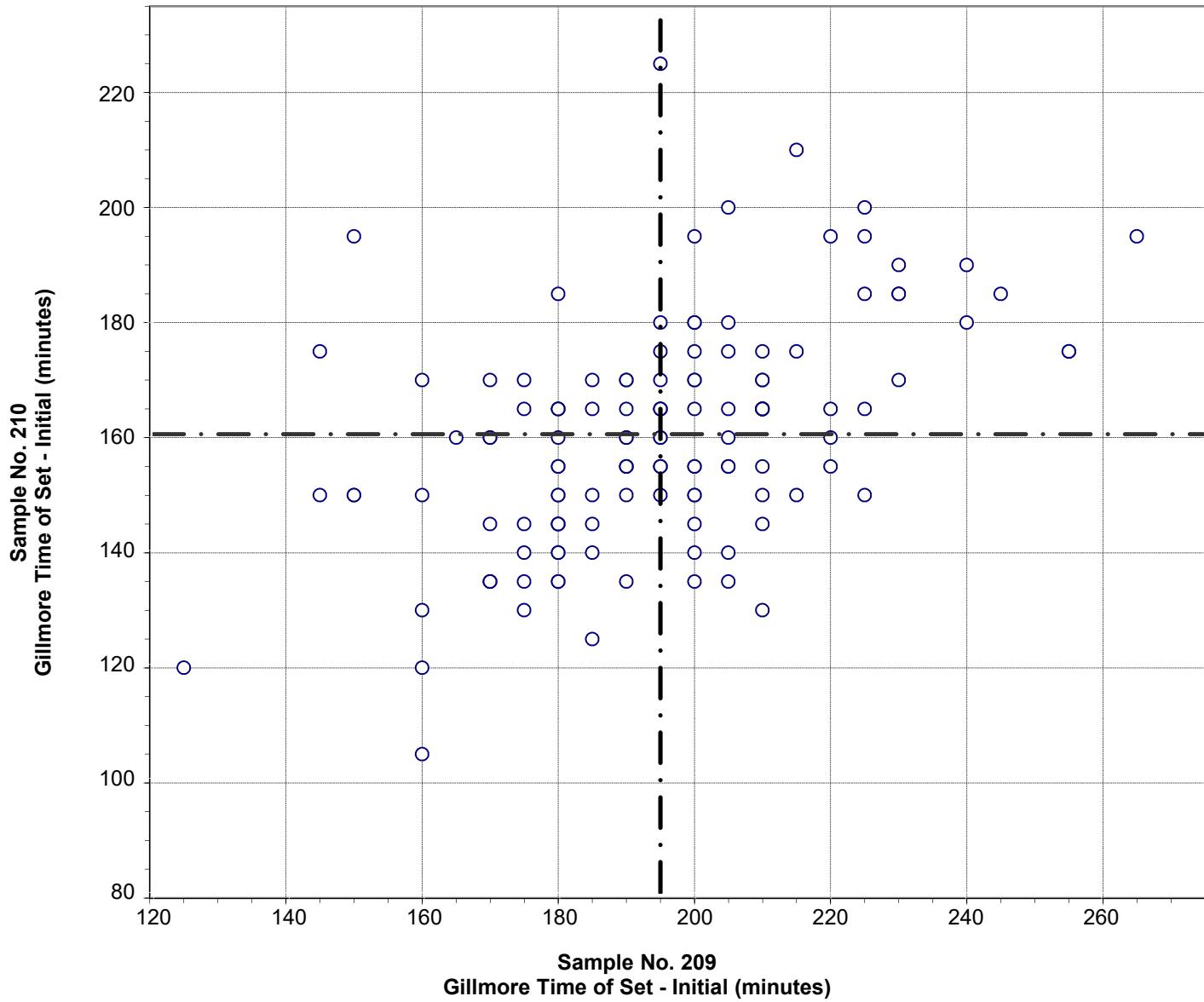


Test No. 121   Vicat Time of Set - Final   219 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 272	S.D. 30	C.V. 11
Sample No. 210	Ave 221	S.D. 26	C.V. 12

Labs Eliminated: 1, 557, 2462

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Gillmore Time of Set - Initial**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

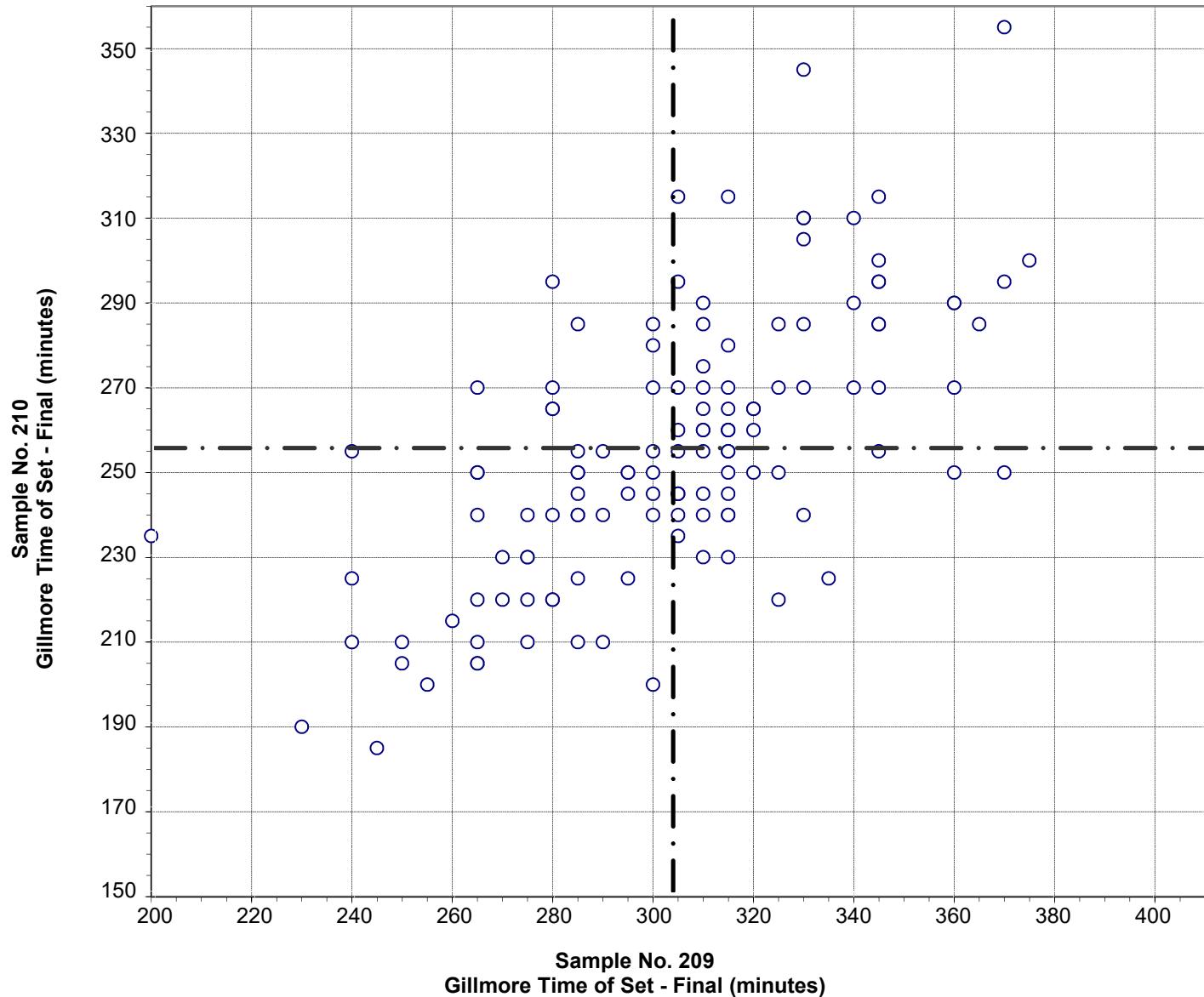


Test No. 130    Gillmore Time of Set - Initial    128 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 195	S.D. 24	C.V. 12
Sample No. 210	Ave 160	S.D. 19	C.V. 12

Labs Eliminated: 51

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Gillmore Time of Set - Final**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

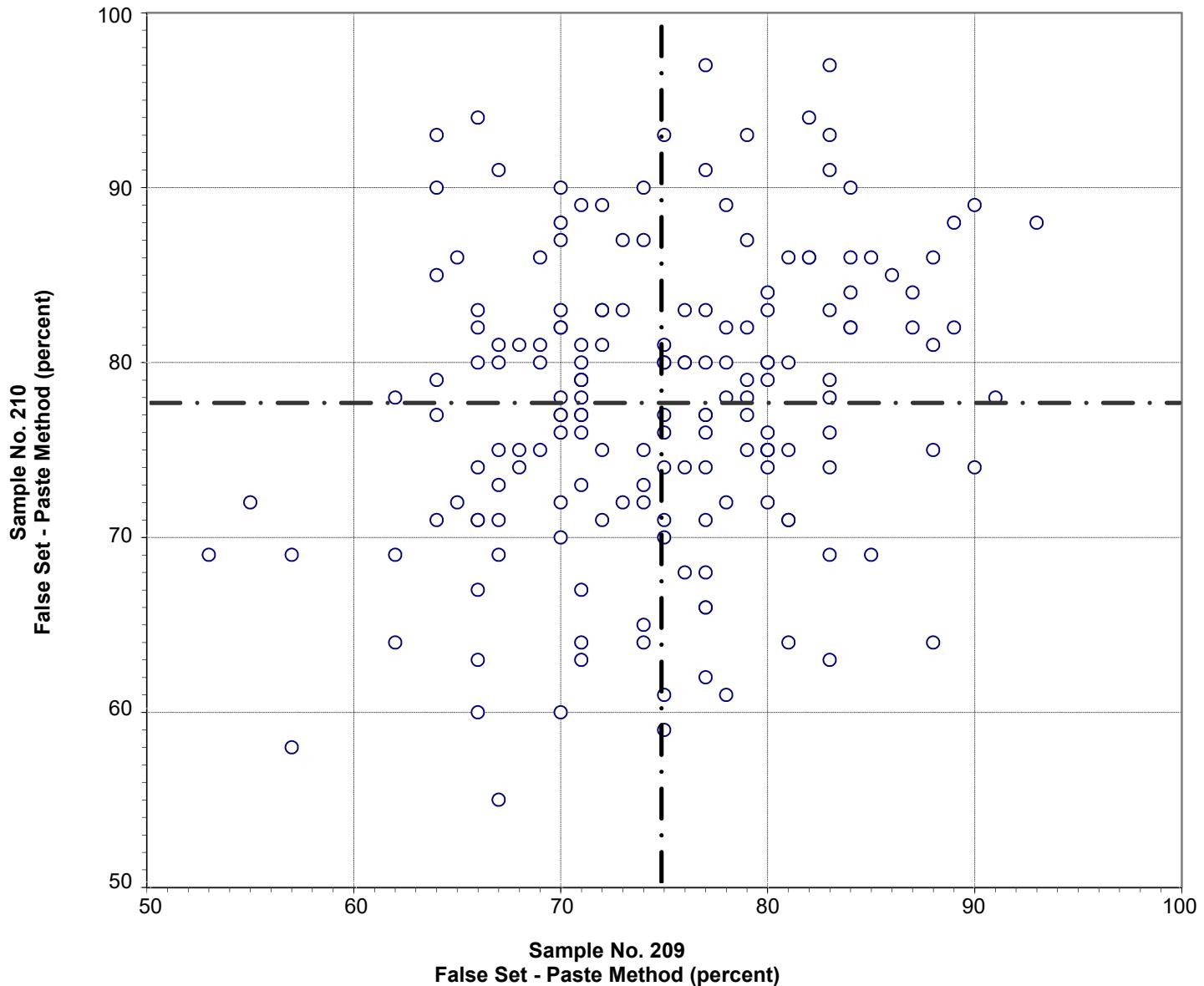


Test No. 140    Gillmore Time of Set - Final    127 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 304	S.D. 32	C.V. 11
Sample No. 210	Ave 256	S.D. 31	C.V. 12

Labs Eliminated: 95, 450

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**False Set - Paste Method**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

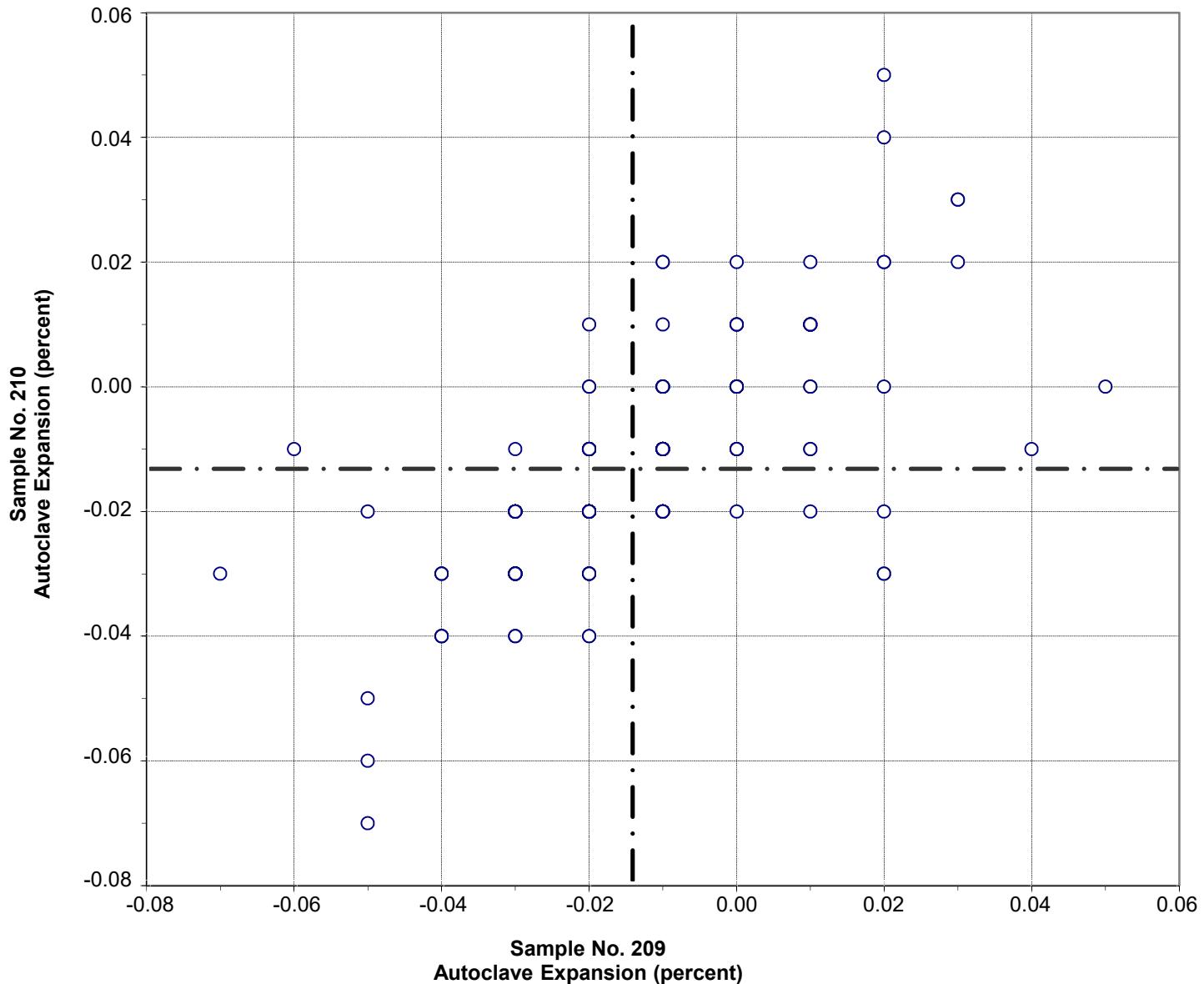


Test No. 150    False Set - Paste Method    177 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 75	S.D. 7.5	C.V. 10.0
Sample No. 210	Ave 78	S.D. 8.4	C.V. 10.8

Labs Eliminated: 25, 51, 103, 840, 4115

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Autoclave Expansion**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

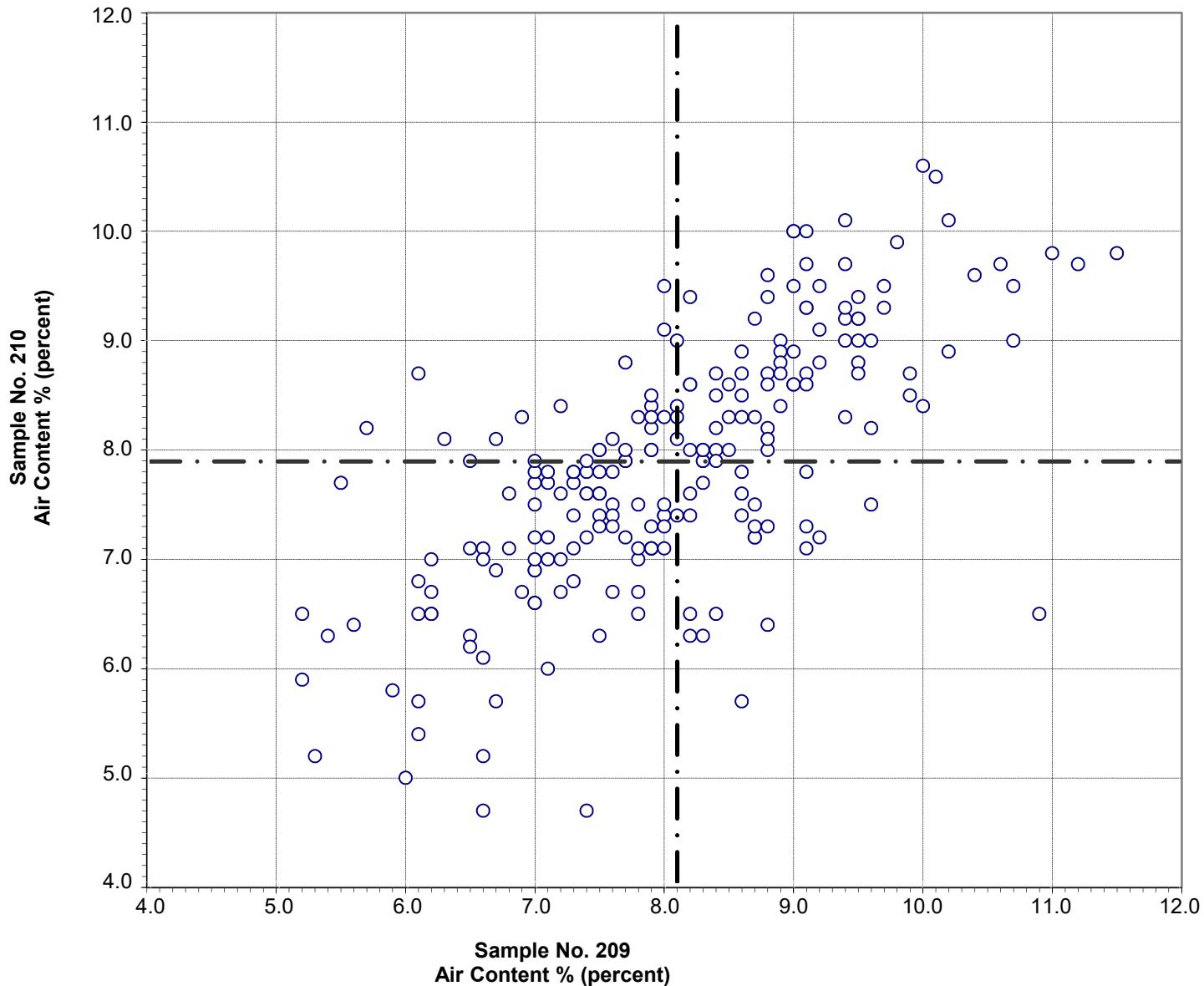


Test No. 160   Autoclave Expansion   212 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave -0.02	S.D. 0.017	C.V. -117
Sample No. 210	Ave -0.02	S.D. 0.016	C.V. -119

Labs Eliminated: 35, 56, 132, 148, 159, 176, 698, 996, 1054, 2352, 4350

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Air Content %**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**



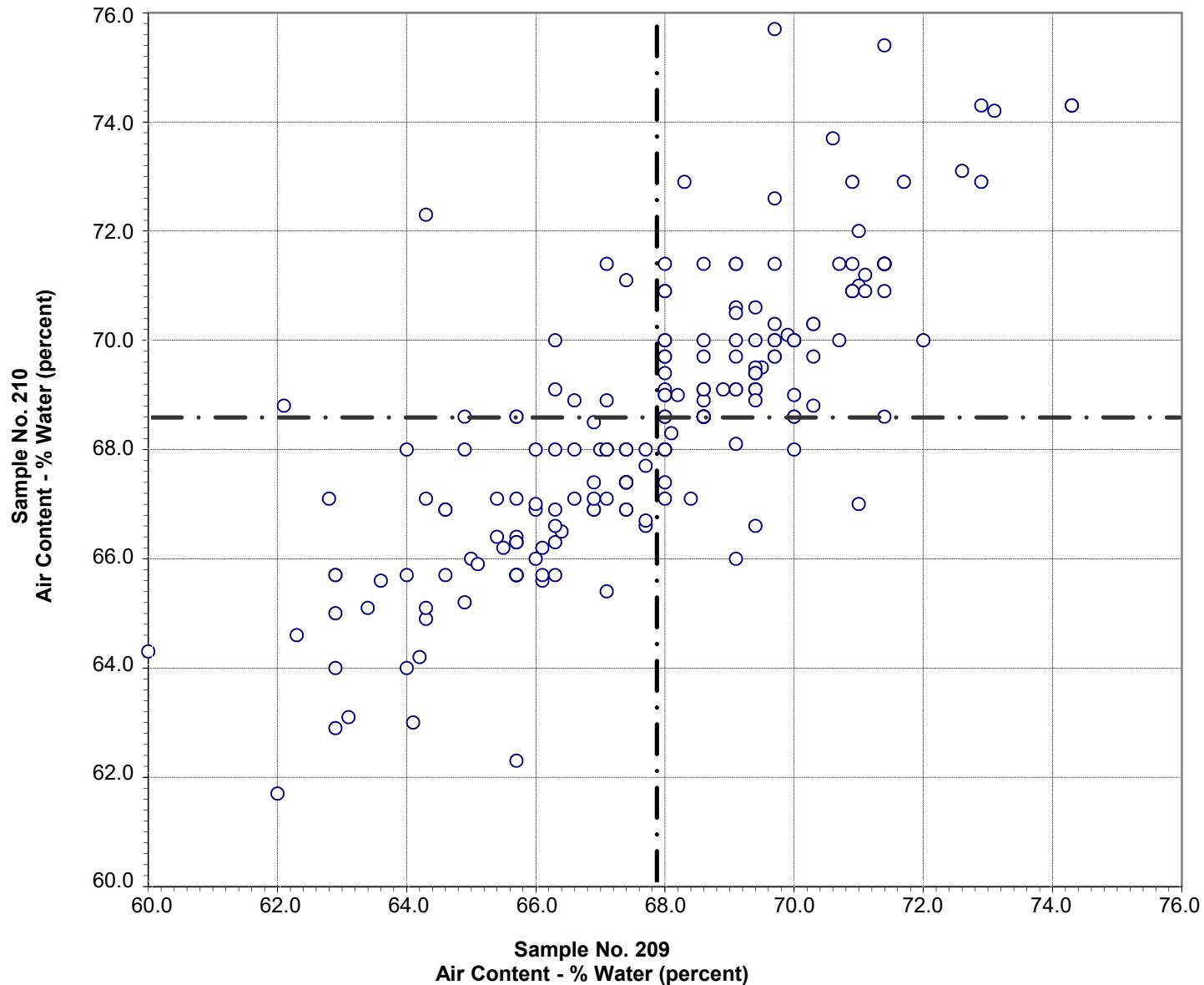
Test No. 170    Air Content %    217 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 8.1	S.D. 1.2	C.V. 15
Sample No. 210	Ave 7.9	S.D. 1.2	C.V. 15

Labs Eliminated: 32, 52, 1251

Labs off Diagram: 35

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Air Content - % Water**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**



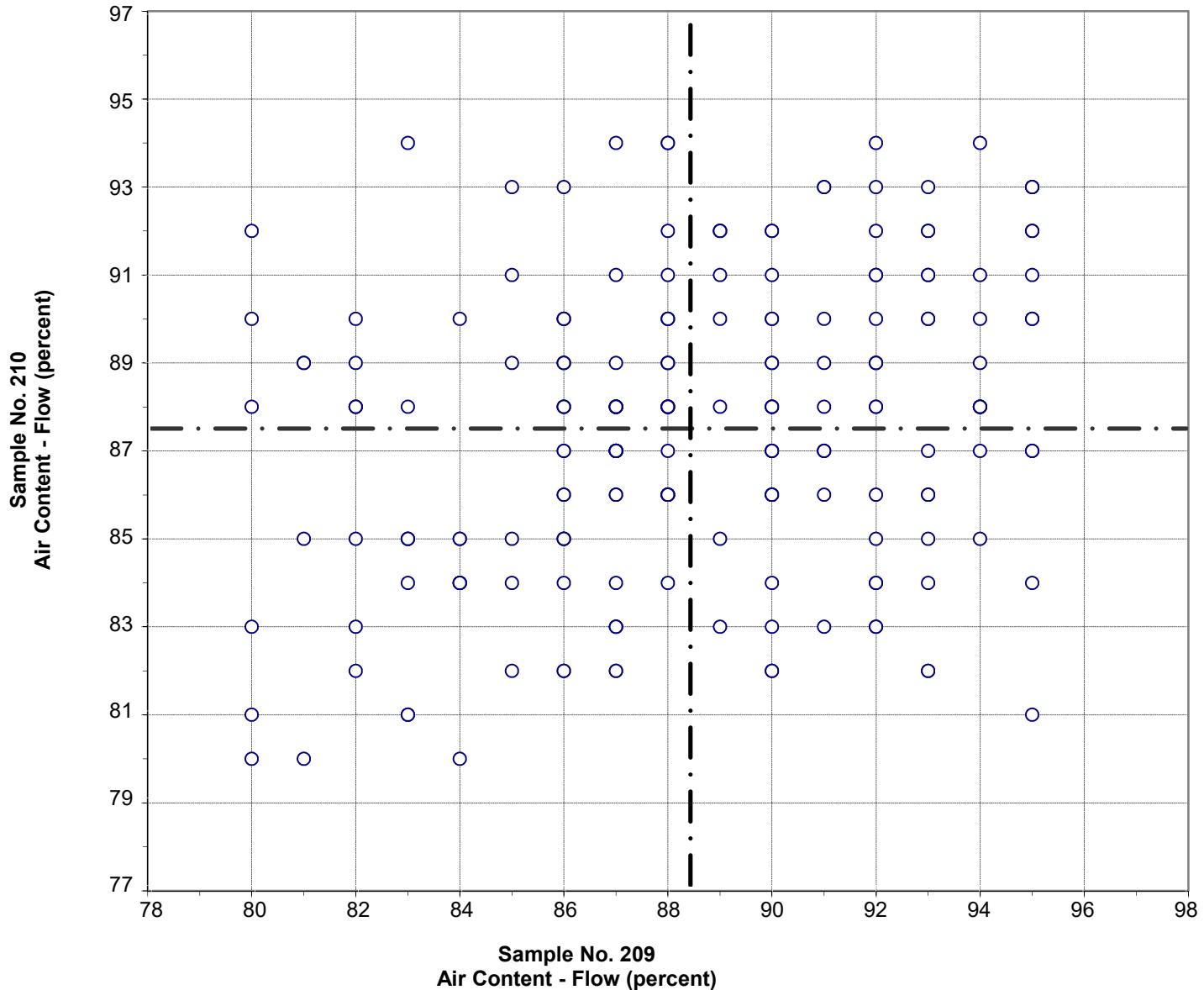
**Test No. 180 Air Content - % Water 205 Points**

Sample No. 209 Ave 67.9 S.D. 2.5 C.V. 3.8  
 Sample No. 210 Ave 68.6 S.D. 2.5 C.V. 3.7

Labs Eliminated: 25, 35, 52, 209, 221, 407, 408, 3662

Labs off Diagram: 3661

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Air Content - Flow**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

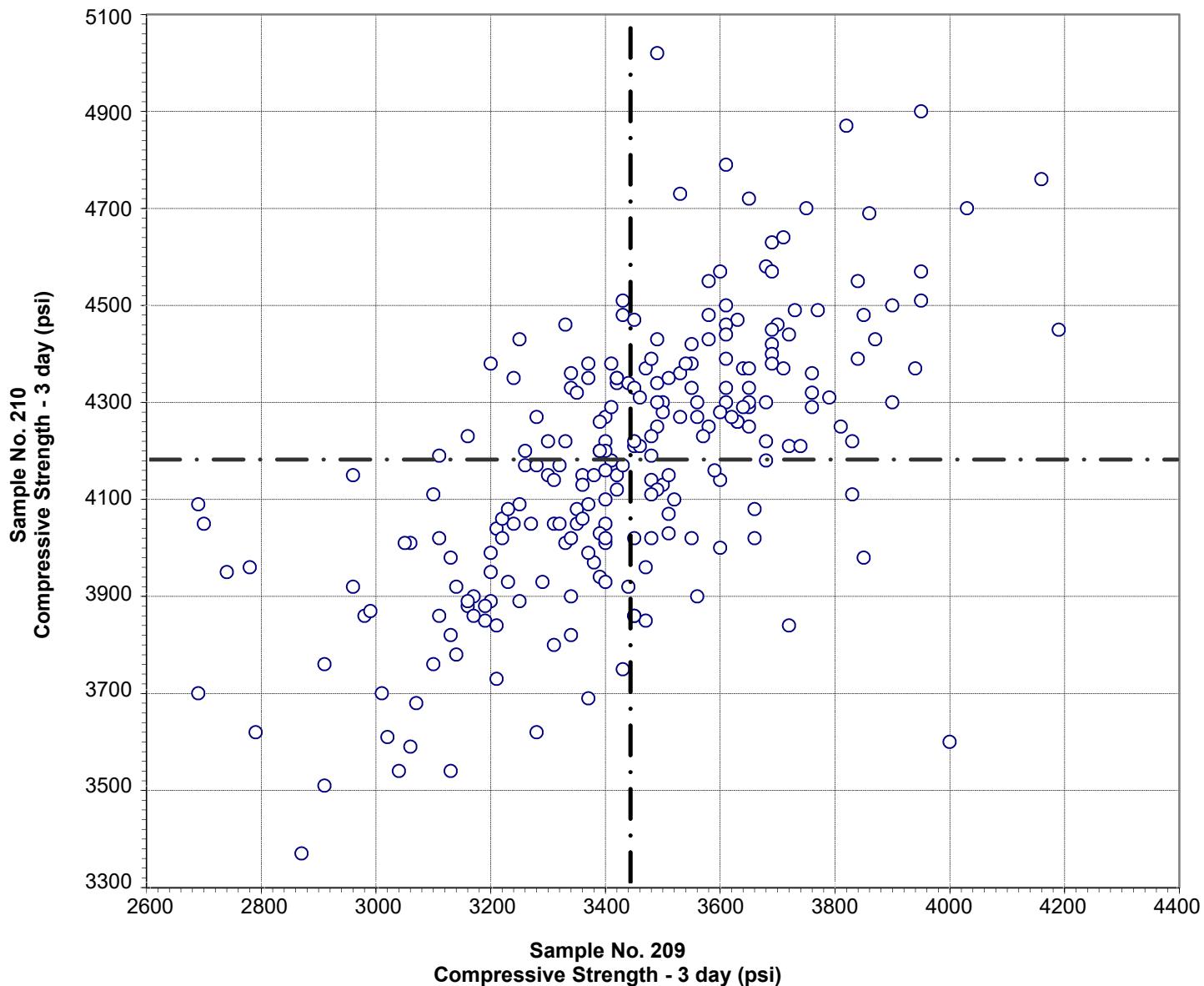


Test No. 190 Air Content - Flow 211 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 88	S.D. 3.9	C.V. 4.4
Sample No. 210	Ave 87	S.D. 3.3	C.V. 3.7

Labs Eliminated: 175, 408, 1940, 3606

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Compressive Strength - 3 day**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

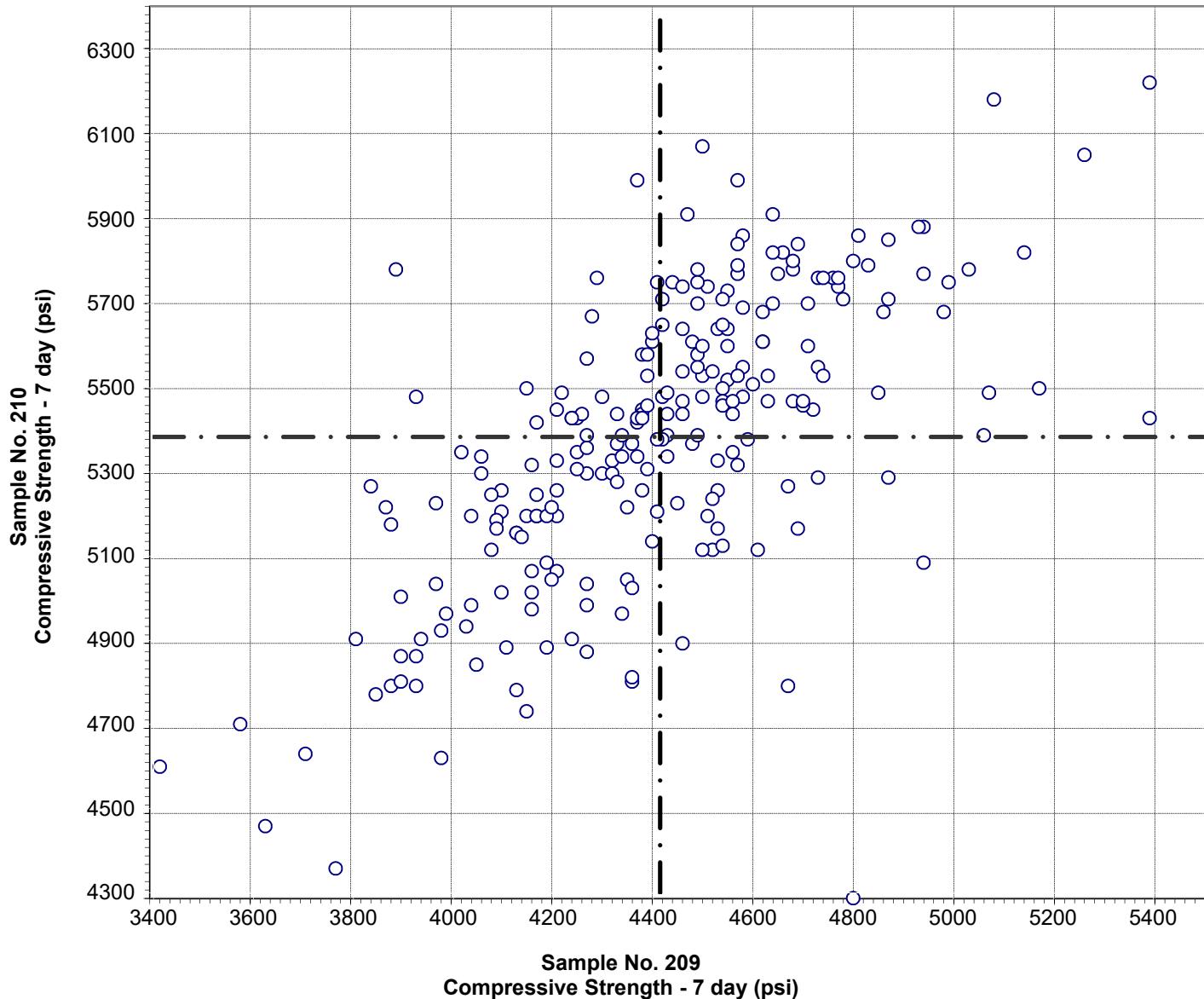


Test No. 200    Compressive Strength - 3 day    234 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 3442	S.D. 266	C.V. 7.7
Sample No. 210	Ave 4180	S.D. 274	C.V. 6.6

Labs Eliminated: 38, 416, 3606, 3607, 4080

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Compressive Strength - 7 day**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

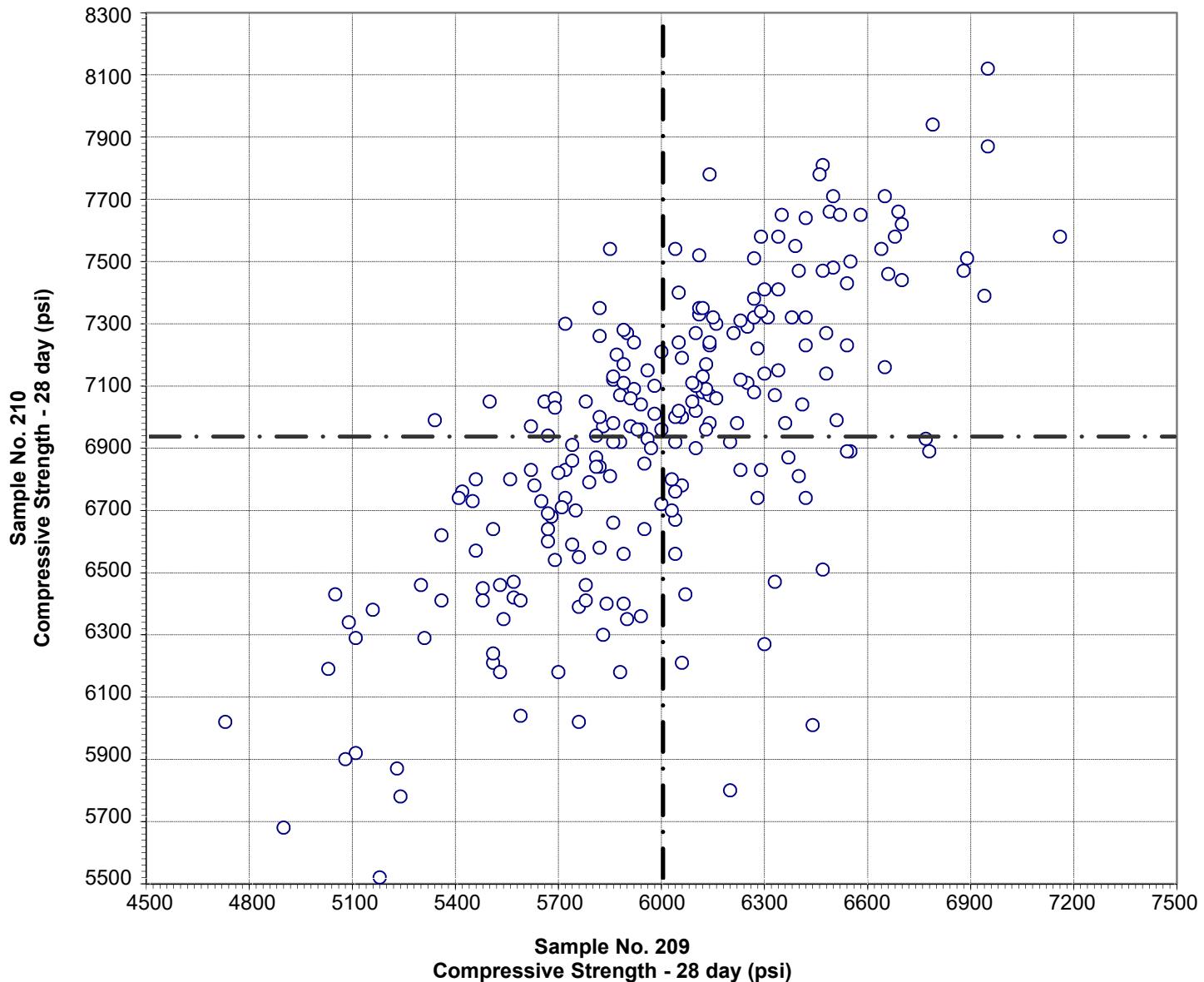


**Test No. 210    Compressive Strength - 7 day    236 Points**

Sample No. 209	Ave 4413	S.D. 318	C.V. 7.2
Sample No. 210	Ave 5384	S.D. 336	C.V. 6.2

Labs Eliminated: 36, 416, 1019, 2683, 4080

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Compressive Strength - 28 day**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**



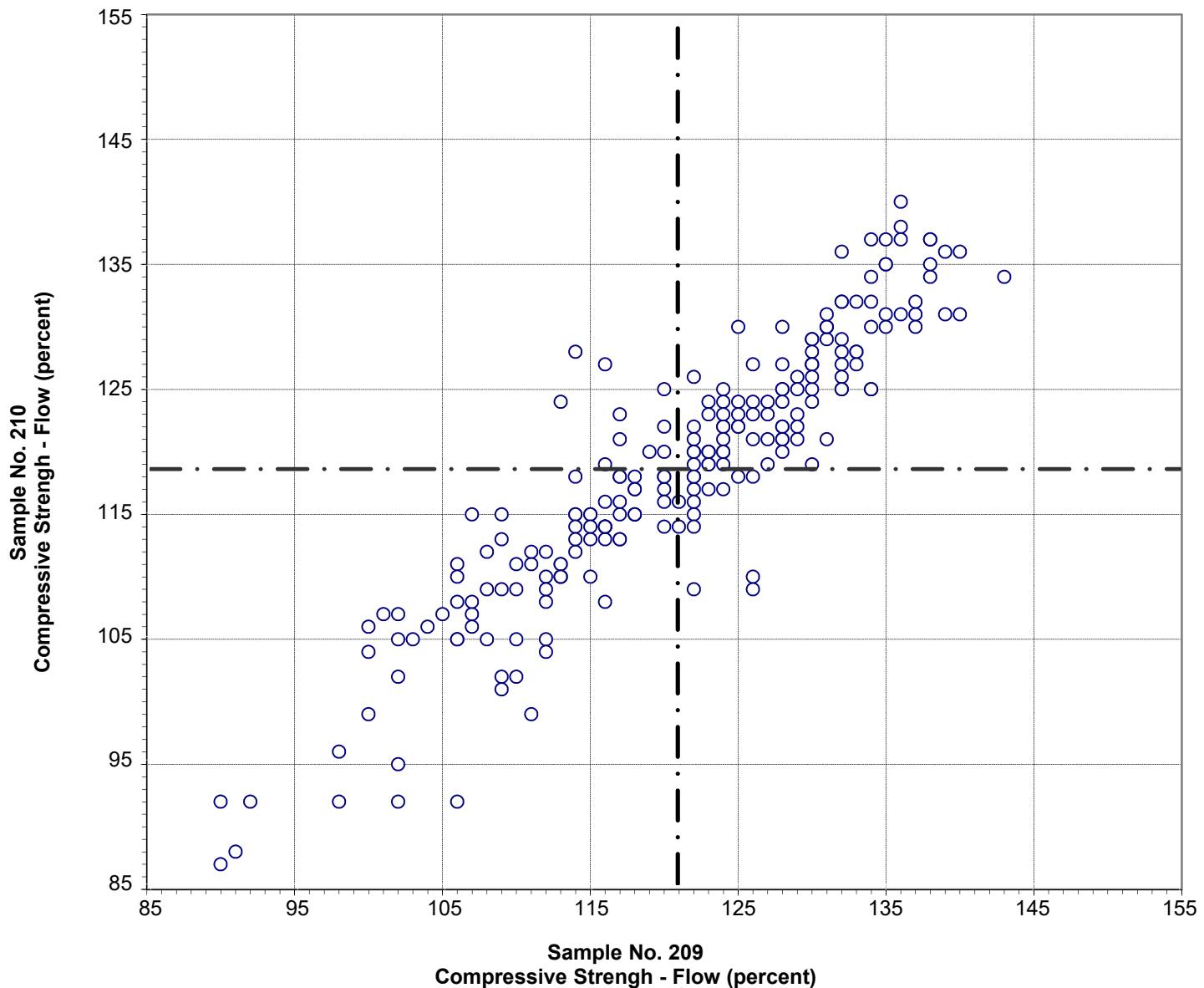
Test No. 211    Compressive Strength - 28 day    227 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 6001	S.D. 425	C.V. 7.1
Sample No. 210	Ave 6934	S.D. 474	C.V. 6.8

Labs Eliminated: 4080

Labs off Diagram: 9

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Compressive Strength - Flow**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

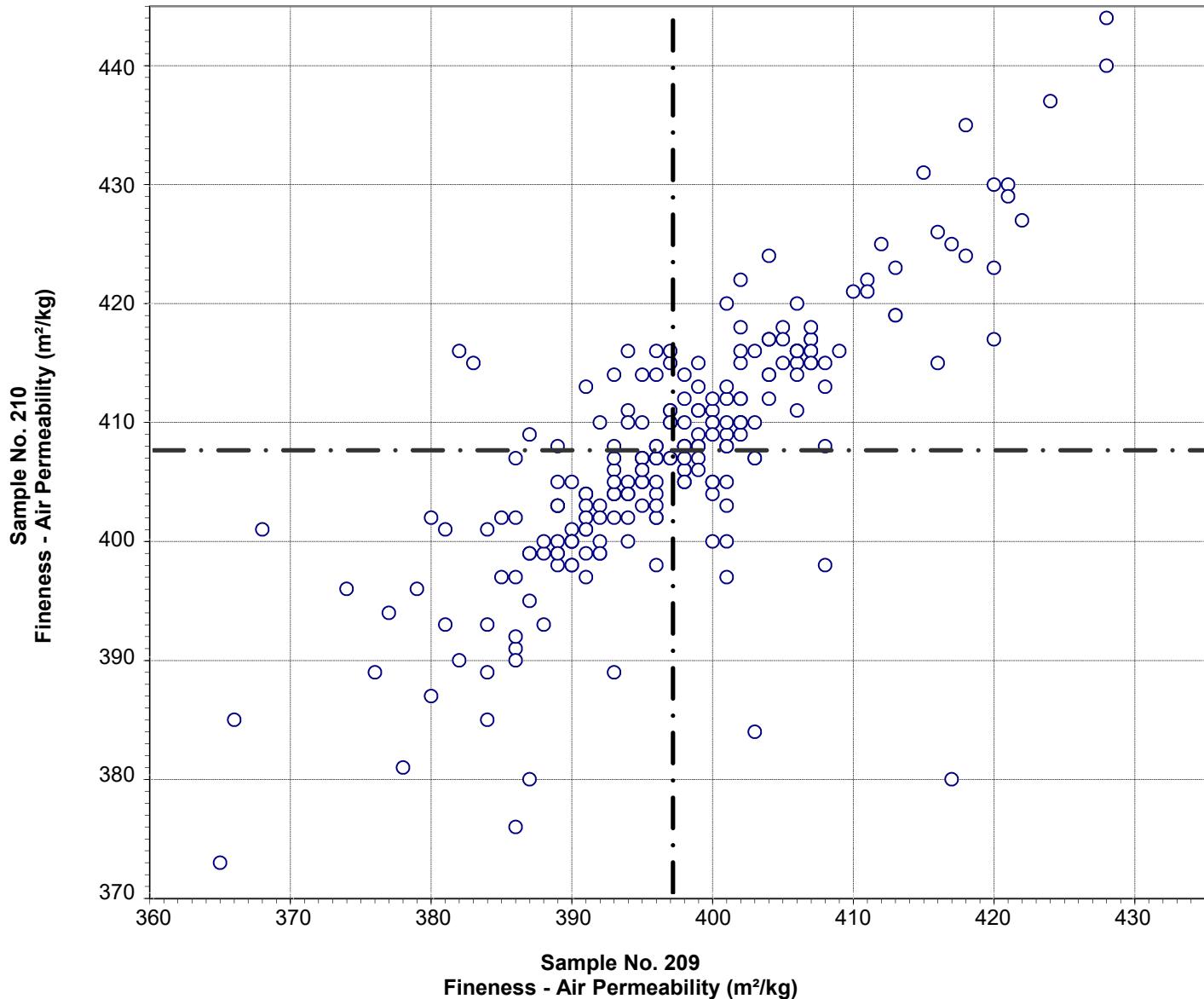


Test No. 230    Compressive Strength - Flow    220 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 121	S.D. 11	C.V. 9.0
Sample No. 210	Ave 119	S.D. 11	C.V. 8.9

Labs Eliminated: 254

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Fineness - Air Permeability**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**



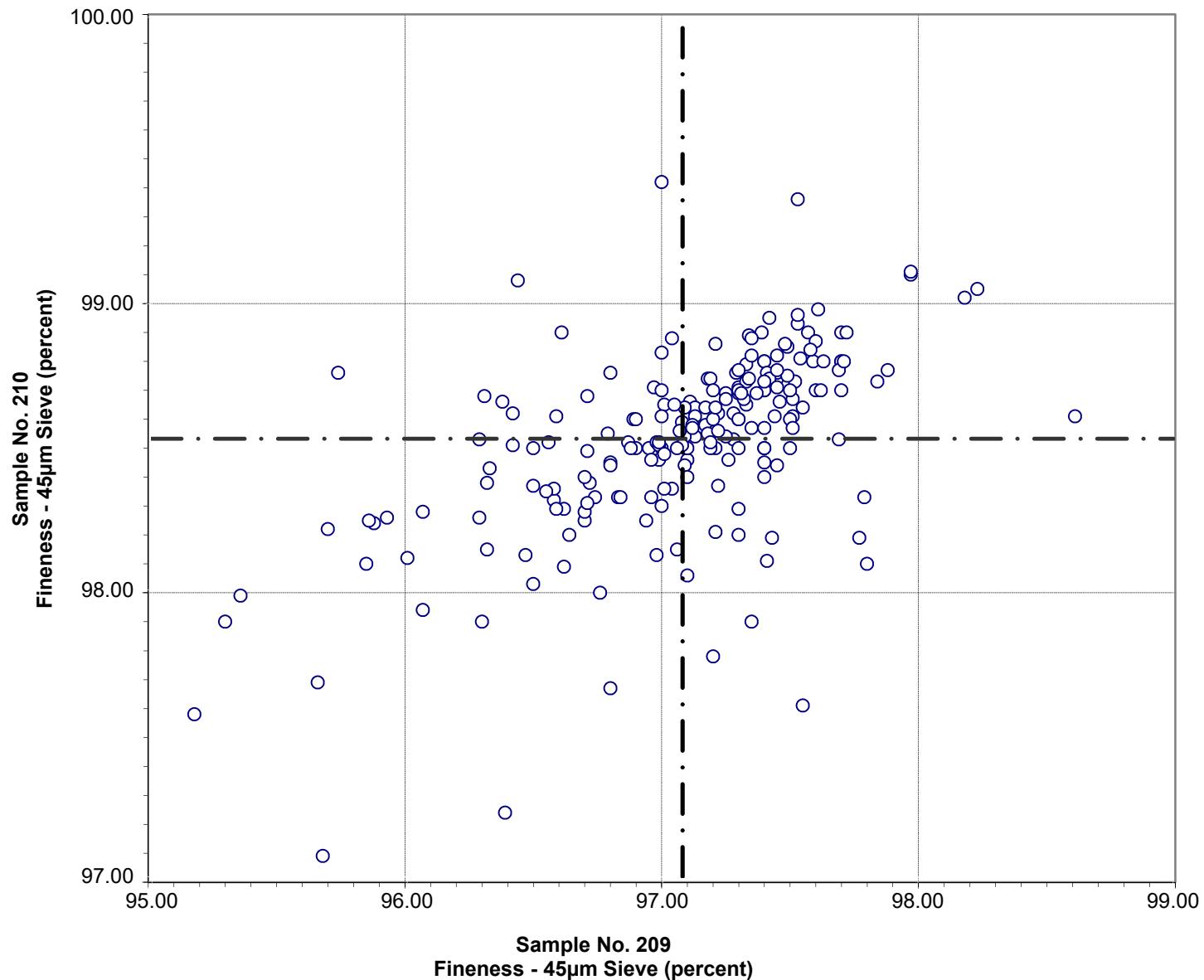
Test No. 270    Fineness - Air Permeability    229 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 397	S.D. 11	C.V. 2.7
Sample No. 210	Ave 408	S.D. 11	C.V. 2.8

Labs Eliminated: 1, 360, 1079, 1590, 3834

Labs off Diagram: 36, 69

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**Fineness - 45 $\mu$ m Sieve**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

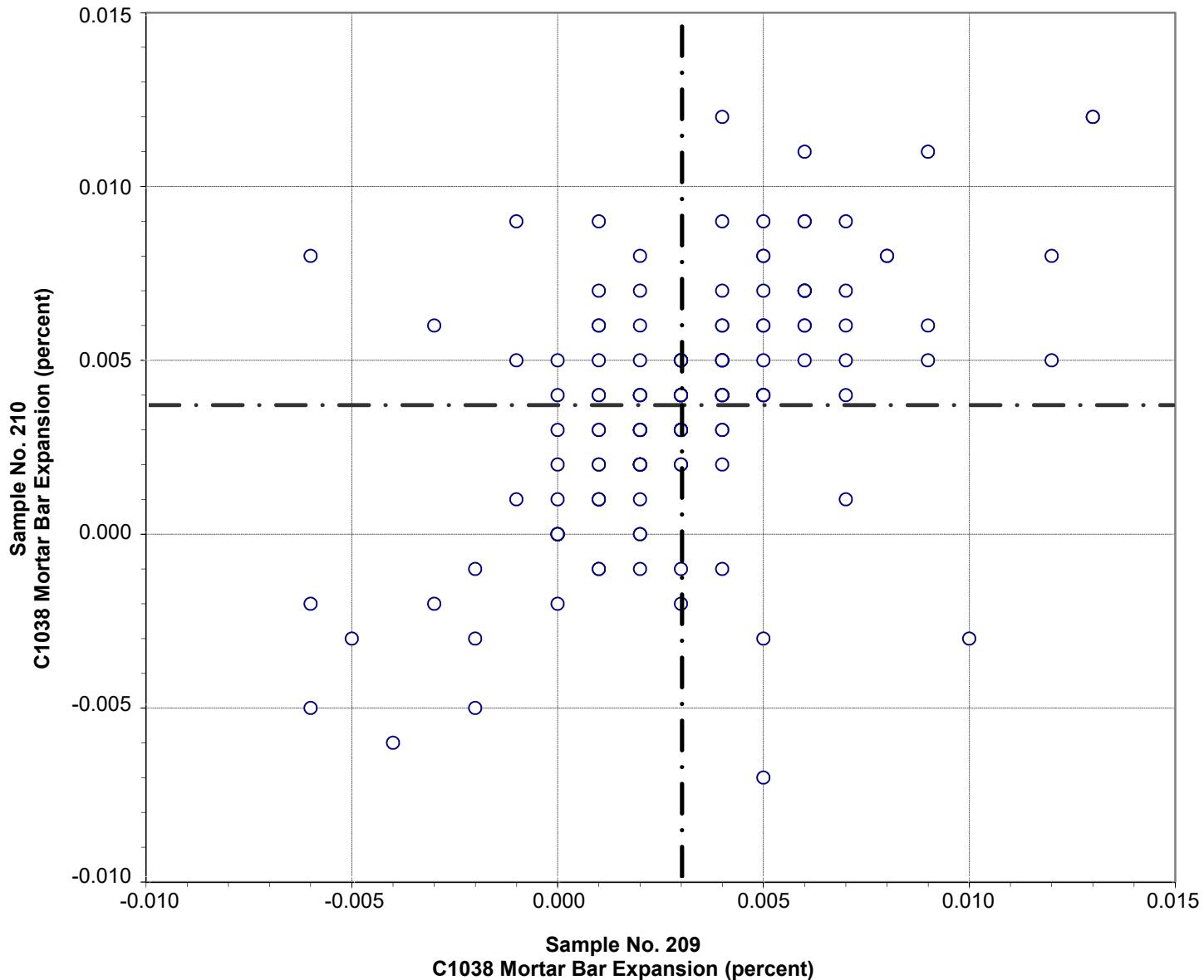


Test No. 281    Fineness - 45 $\mu$ m Sieve    215 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 97.08	S.D. 0.53	C.V. 0.55
Sample No. 210	Ave 98.53	S.D. 0.32	C.V. 0.32

Labs Eliminated: 26, 116, 146, 222, 823, 4316

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**C1038 Mortar Bar Expansion**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**



Test No. 400    C1038 Mortar Bar Expansion    149 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 0.003	S.D. 0.003	C.V. 108
Sample No. 210	Ave 0.004	S.D. 0.004	C.V. 95

Labs Eliminated: 34, 143, 1054, 3297

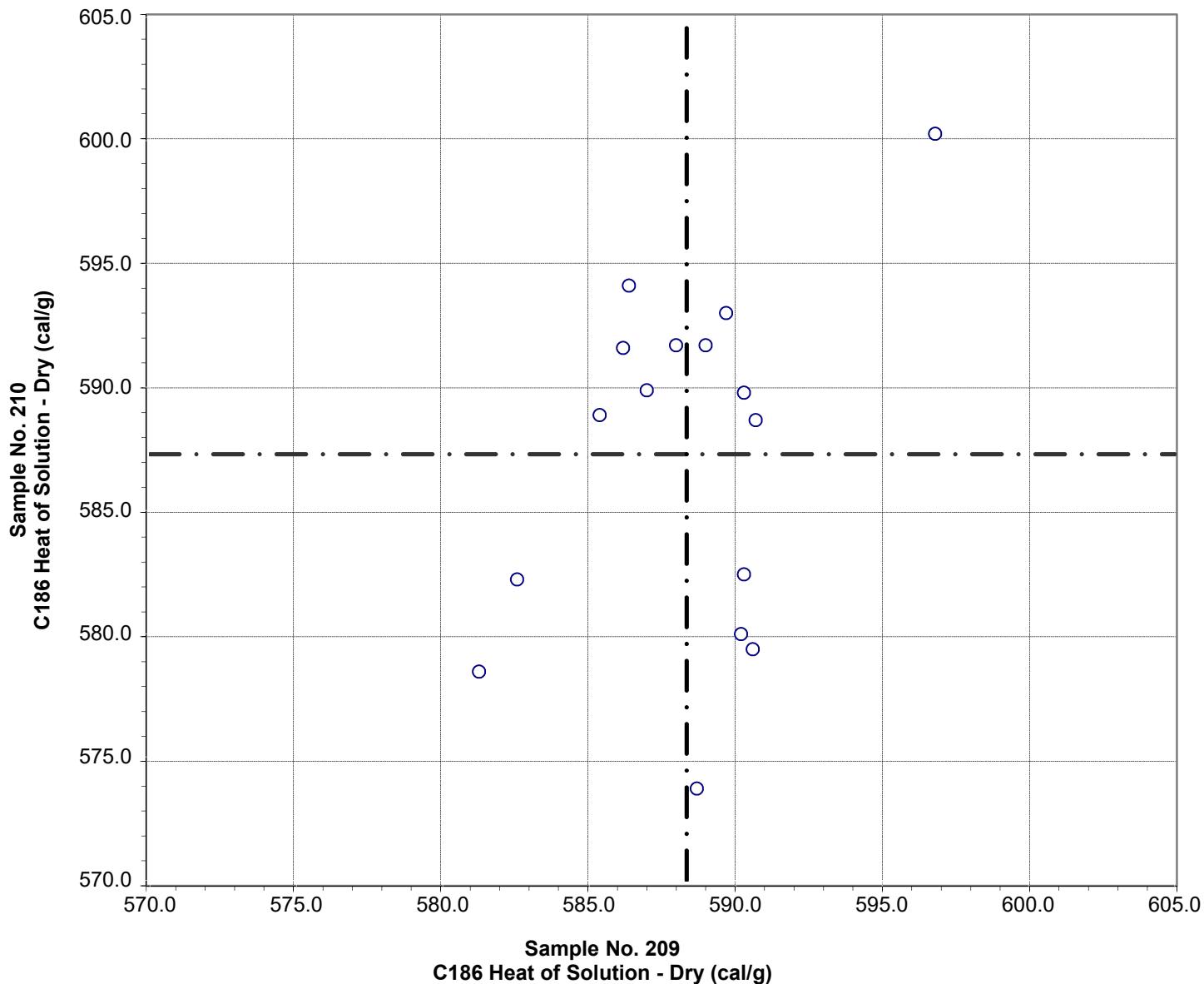
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 Portland Cement Proficiency Samples No. 209 and No. 210

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	Sample No. 209			Sample No. 210			
Test (unit)	#Labs	Average	S.D.	C.V.	Average	S.D.	C.V.
<b>C186 Heat of Solution - Dry (cal/g)</b>							
	17	588.0	3.8	0.6	585.0	11.5	2.0
	*16	588.3	3.6	0.6	587.3	7.0	1.2
* Labs Eliminated - 1916							
<b>C186 Heat of Solution - 7 day (cal/g)</b>							
	17	512.1	5.9	1.2	506.8	21.8	4.3
No Labs Eliminated for This Test							
<b>C186 Heat of Solution 28 day (cal/g)</b>							
	15	503.7	6.4	1.3	496.0	10.3	2.1
No Labs Eliminated for This Test							
<b>C186 Heat of Hydration - 7 day (cal/g)</b>							
	20	77.4	7.0	9.1	82.6	12.0	14.5
	*18	75.7	4.7	6.2	79.4	6.7	8.4
* Labs Eliminated - 176, 3834							
<b>C186 Heat of Hydration - 28 day (cal/g)</b>							
	17	85.5	6.8	7.9	88.6	5.6	6.3
No Labs Eliminated for This Test							
<b>C1702 Heat of Hydration - 3 day (J/g)</b>							
	16	278	25	9.1	275	25	9.1
	*15	283	15	5.5	280	15	5.5
* Labs Eliminated - 116							
<b>C1702 Heat of Hydration - 7 day (J/g)</b>							
	16	318	28	8.9	322	28	8.7
	*15	324	16	5.0	328	15	4.6
* Labs Eliminated - 116							

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program  
C186 Heat of Solution - Dry  
PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

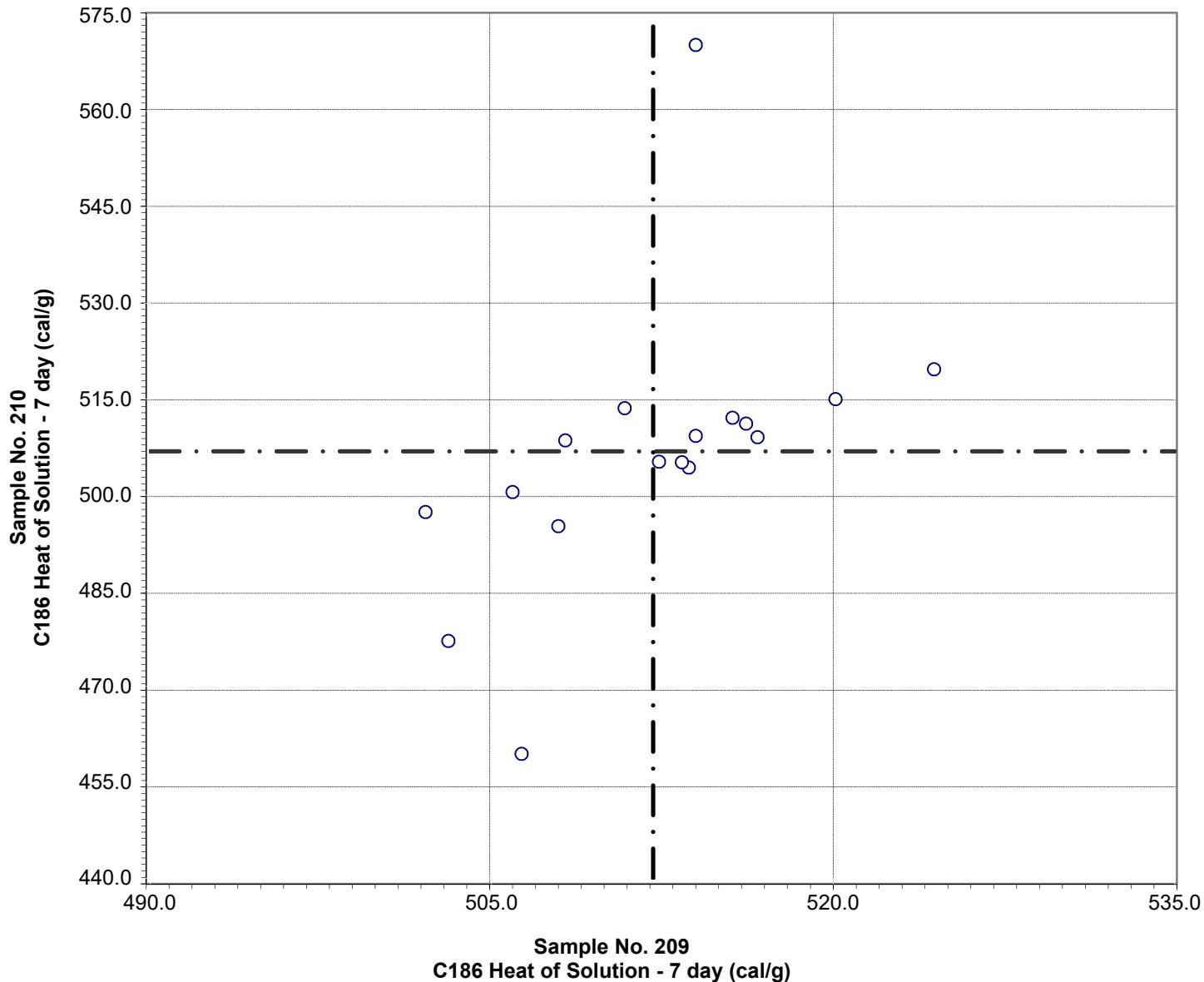


Test No. 291    C186 Heat of Solution - Dry    16 Points

Sample No. 209   Ave 588.3   S.D. 3.6   C.V. 0.6  
Sample No. 210   Ave 587.3   S.D. 7.0   C.V. 1.2

Labs Eliminated: 1916

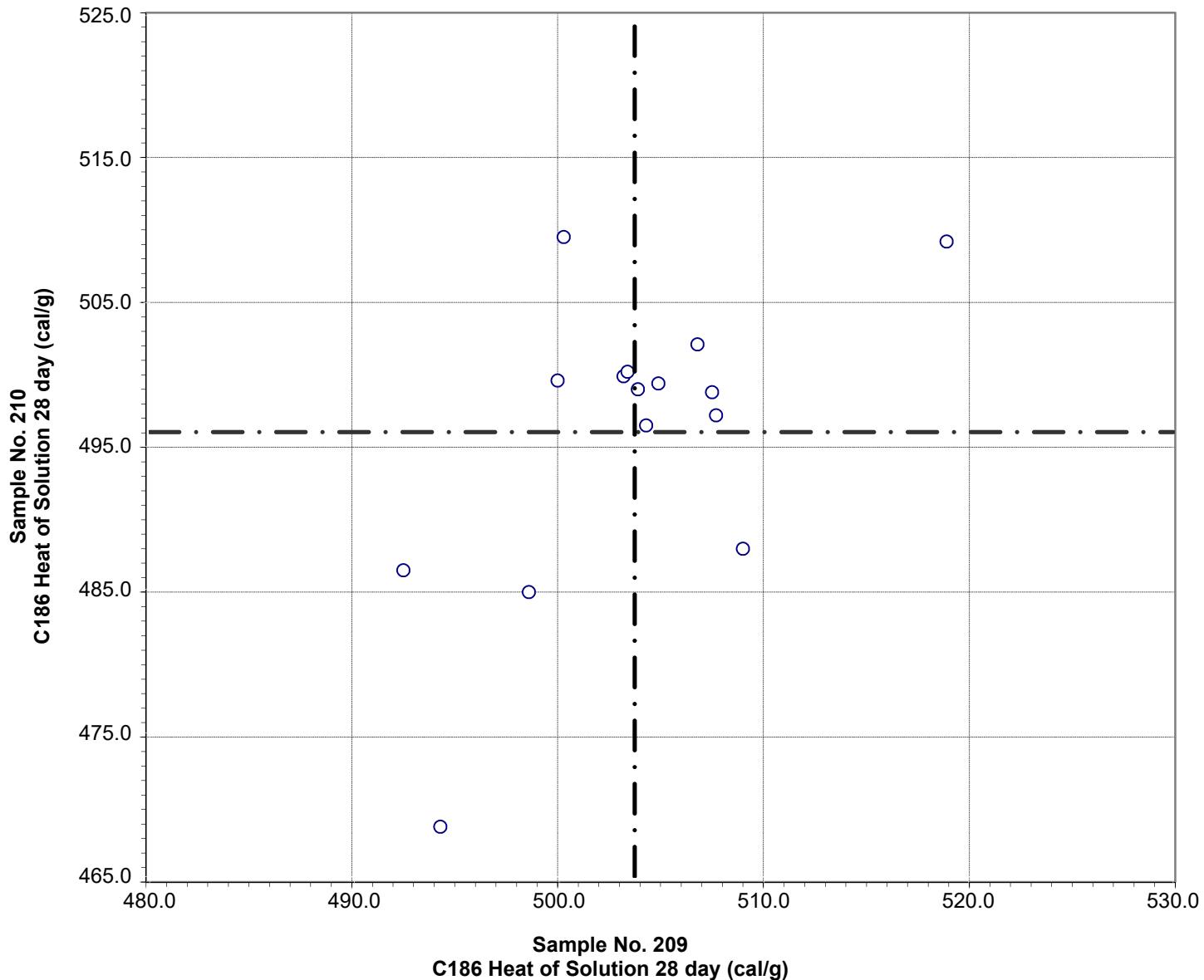
**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program  
C186 Heat of Solution - 7 day  
PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**



Test No. 292    C186 Heat of Solution - 7 day    17 Points

Sample No. 209    Ave 512.1    S.D. 5.9    C.V. 1.2  
Sample No. 210    Ave 506.8    S.D. 21.8    C.V. 4.3

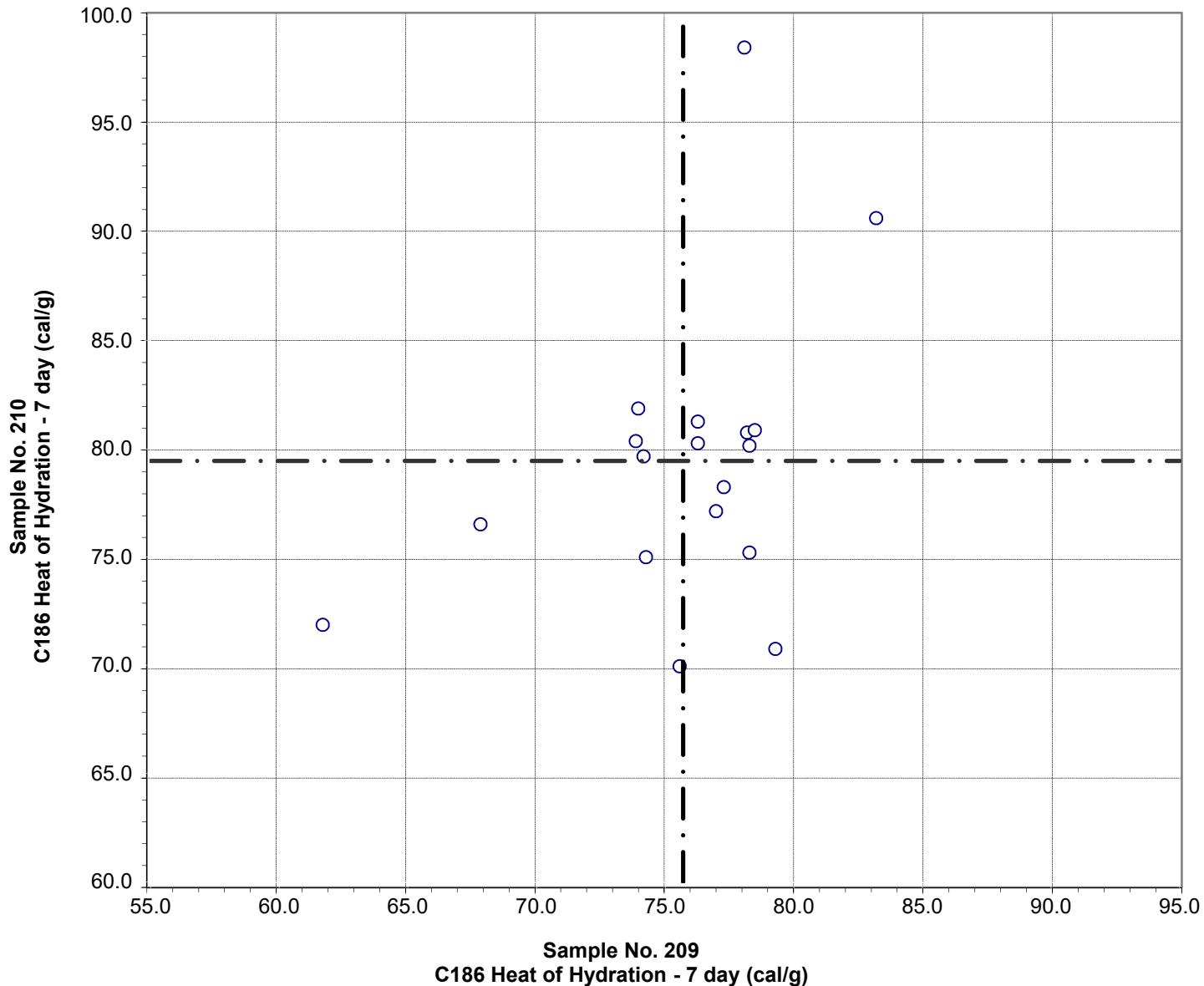
**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program  
C186 Heat of Solution 28 day  
PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**



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

Sample No. 209    Ave 503.7    S.D. 6.4    C.V. 1.3  
Sample No. 210    Ave 496.0    S.D. 10.3    C.V. 2.1

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C186 Heat of Hydration - 7 day  
PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

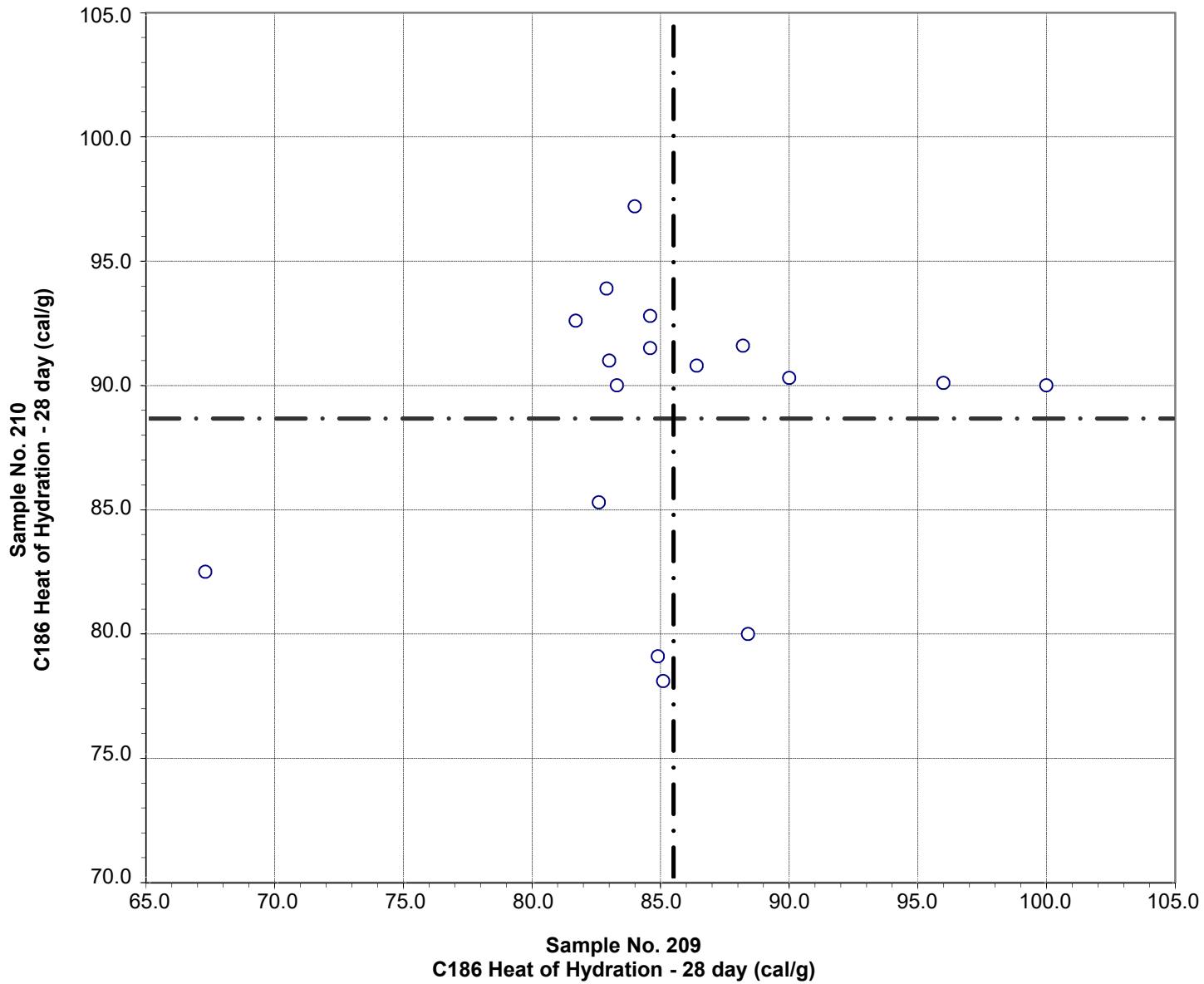


Test No. 290   C186 Heat of Hydration - 7 day   18 Points

Sample No. 209   Ave 75.7   S.D. 4.7   C.V. 6.2  
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Labs Eliminated: 176, 3834

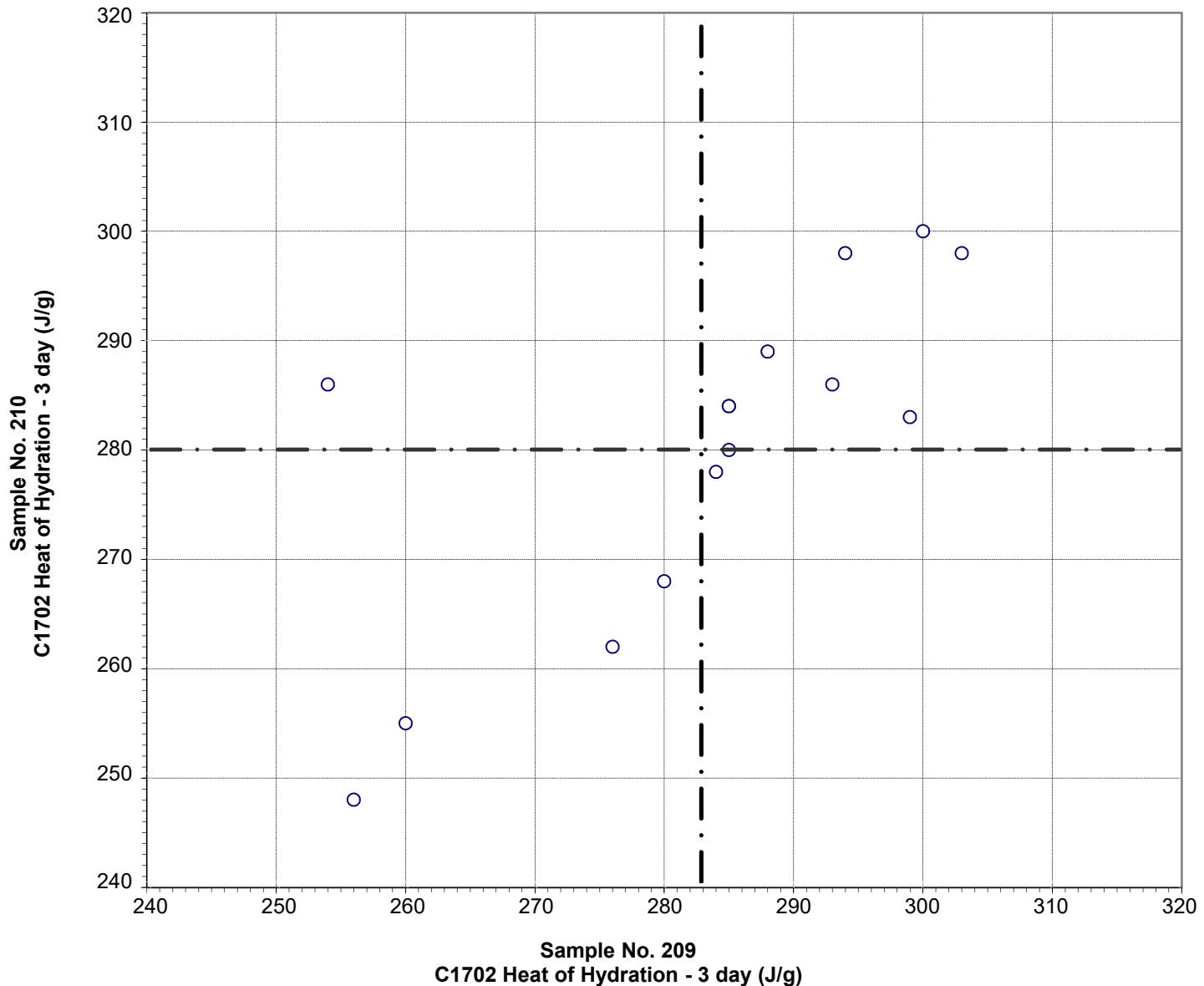
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Test No. 300    C186 Heat of Hydration - 28 day    17 Points

Sample No. 209	Ave 85.5	S.D. 6.8	C.V. 7.9
Sample No. 210	Ave 88.6	S.D. 5.6	C.V. 6.3

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program  
C1702 Heat of Hydration - 3 day  
PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**

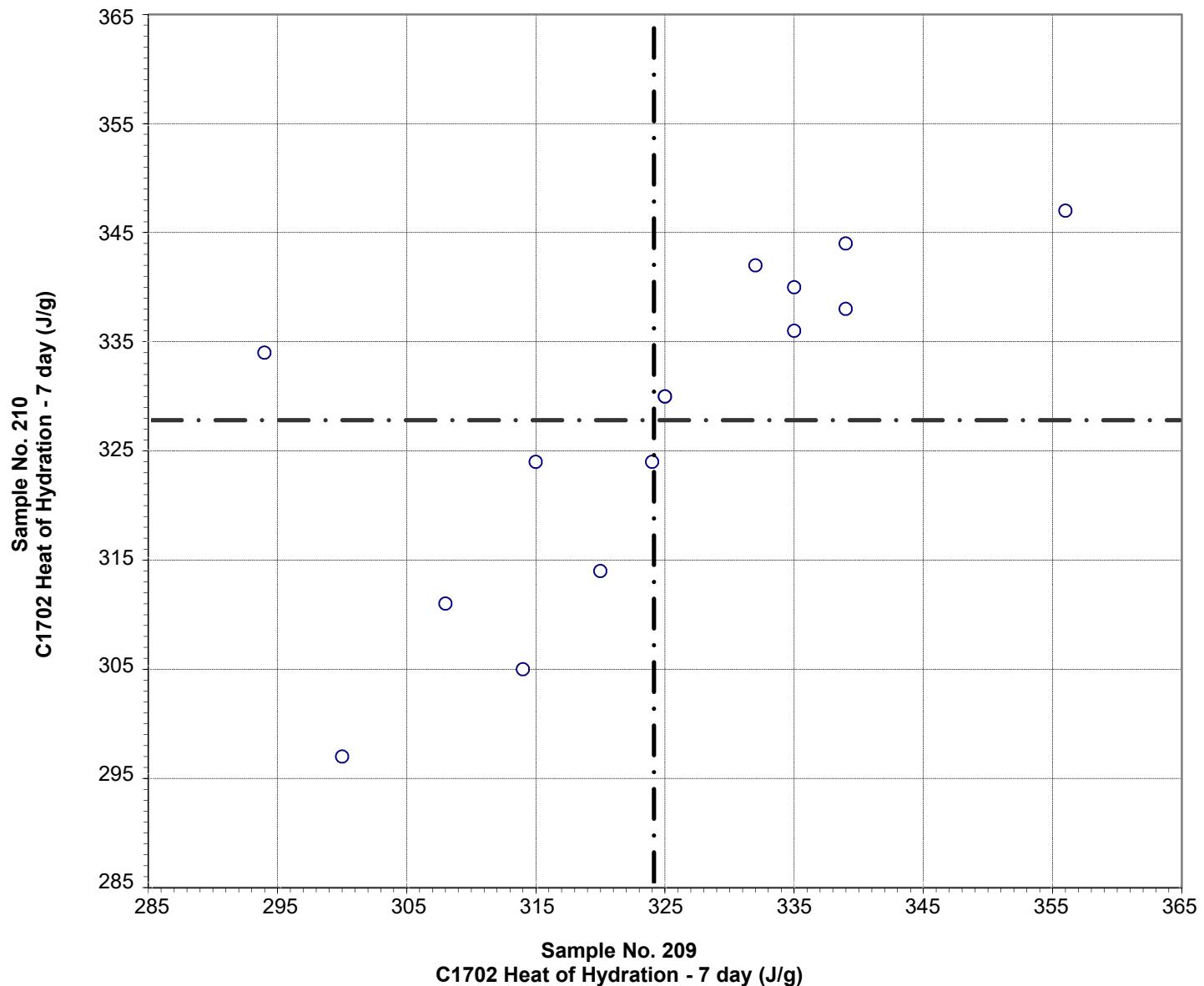


Test No. 500    C1702 Heat of Hydration - 3 day    15 Points

Sample No. 209   Ave 283   S.D. 15   C.V. 5.5  
Sample No. 210   Ave 280   S.D. 15   C.V. 5.5

Labs Eliminated: 116

**CCRL Proficiency Sample Program**  
**C1702 Heat of Hydration - 7 day**  
**PORTLAND CEMENT Samples No. 209 and No. 210**



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

Sample No. 209    Ave 324    S.D. 16    C.V. 5.0  
 Sample No. 210    Ave 328    S.D. 15    C.V. 4.6

Labs Eliminated: 116