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**Source No. OY 620**

Kalibrierschein  
*Calibration Certificate*

Kalibrierzeichen  
*Calibration label*

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Gegenstand  
*Object*

**Alpha Wide Area Reference Source**

Hersteller  
*Manufacturer*

**QSA Global GmbH**

Typ  
*Type*

**AMR06032**

Strahler-Nr.  
*Source number*

**OY 620**

Auftraggeber  
*Customer*

**QSA Global Inc.  
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Auftragsnummer  
*Order No.*

**110383**

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*Number of pages of the certificate*

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Datum der Kalibrierung  
*Date of calibration*

**16 March 2007**

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### Alpha Wide Area Reference Source

Source no.	OY 620
Drawing	VZ-0626/1
Nuclide	Americium-241
Activity	2.91 kBq
Alpha surface emission rate	$1.41E03 \text{ s}^{-1}$ in $2 \pi$ steradian
Reference date	16 March 2007 at 12:00 UTC
Dimensions of active surface	100 mm x 100 mm
Overall dimensions	120 mm x 120 mm x 3 mm
Leakage and contamination test	The amount of the removable activity is less than 0.1 % of the total activity but does not exceed 200 Bq. (Wipe test according to ISO 9978, no. 5.3.1)
Date of wipe test	23 March 2007
Construction	Am-241 is incorporated into the surface of an anodized aluminium foil of 0.3 mm thickness. The thickness of the activated layer is approximately 6 $\mu\text{m}$ . The activated foil is mounted into a holder.
Measuring method	The activity was determined by comparison with a reference source of the same construction. The alpha surface emission rate was measured using a windowless proportional counter.
Traceability	Additional to the direct traceability to the PTB through the DKD this product complies with the requirements for traceability to NIST specified in the American National Standard "Traceability of Radioactive Sources to the NIST and Associated Instrument Quality Control (ANSI N42.22-1995)". As a requirement of the ANSI N42.22-1995 QSA Global GmbH participates in the NEI/NIST Measurements Assurance Program of the Nuclear Power Industry.
Uncertainty	The relative uncertainty of the activity is 3 %, the relative uncertainty of the alpha surface emission rate is 3 %. The reported uncertainty, determined according to the DKD-3 report is based on the standard uncertainty multiplied by a coverage factor of $k = 2$ , providing a level of confidence of 95 %. (Ref. NIST Technical Note 1297/"Guide to the Expression of Uncertainty in Measurement" ISO Guide, 1995)
Radioactive impurities	Related to Am-241 (equal 100 %) the following radioactive impurities were detected: none
Quality assurance system	The quality assurance system of QSA Global GmbH was certified by Lloyd's Register Quality Assurance (LRQA) according to ISO 9001, issue 2000. Isotrak products meet the requirements of 10CFR50 Appendix B in the USA.
Uniformity	The uniformity of the surface emission rate is better than 10 %.
Remark	According to ISO 8769 this is a Class 2 reference source.