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# **About Platinum**

Platinum is a white, very ductile metal that remains bright in air at all temperatures. At room temperature, Platinum resists practically all reagents except aqua regia and possibly bromine. Platinum forms alloys with many metals. The most useful Platinum alloys are made with the addition of other platinum group metals, which impart hardness to the platinum without sacrificing its inherent corrosion resistance and ability to withstand high temperatures.

Of the Platinum group metals, Platinum is least rare and is most widely used. Platinum of the highest purity is required for use in resistance thermometers and thermocouple wires. Platinum and its alloys are used for chemical production, manufacturing spinnerettes for staple fibres, anodes, jewellery and various fabrications in the Glass Industry.

Platinum is also an outstanding material as a catalyst for oxidation in the production of nitric acid. One of the largest uses of Platinum is in the production of auto catalyst for reduction of toxic gases.

## **Properties of Platinum**

Density	21.45 g/cm <sup>3</sup>		
Melting Point	1770 °C		
Electrical Resistivity at 0°c	9.85 μΩcm		
Temp coeff of resistance (0-100°C)	0.0039 °c-1		
Annealed Hardness	40 H <sub>v</sub>		
Ultimate Tensile Strength at 20°C	125 N/mm <sup>2</sup>		
Tensile Elongation at 20°C	40 %		
100-Hour Rupture Stress at 1450°C	0.9 N/mm <sup>2</sup>		
100-Hour Rupture Stress at 1250°C	3.8 N/mm <sup>2</sup>		
Glass Wetting Resistance (Equilibrium Contact Angle of "E" Glass at 1200°C)	26		



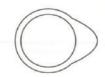
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## PLATINUM CRUCIBLE SHAPE "BZ / UB"









Top Diameter = T.D.

Height = H.

MMC		Capacity	Top Diameter mm	Height mm	Appropriate Weight (gram)		
	No.	GC			Crucible	Reinforced rim	Lid
	114	10	29	24	08	09.5	03.0
PLATINUM CRUCIBLE	115	15	32	26	13	15.0	05.0
SHAPE "BZ / UB" &	116	20	37	30	16	18.0	05.0
ммс	117	25	41	34	20	23.0	06.5
0	118	35	44	36	30	33.0	08.0
	119	50	49	40	42	45.0	10.0
	120	70	55	45	60	64.0	16.0

Crucibles in this series have nominal capacities ranging from 10 cc to 70 cc. These crucibles have broader diameter and the base, in tender for furnace ignition. All crucibles of this series are exactly similar in shape & dimensions confirming simple ratios. Unless specified, crucibles in this range is always supplied having plain rim and with lid. The purity of Platinum used for manufacture of these crucibles is 99.95% at least.

# J LAWRENCE SMITH TYPE CRUCIBLE No. 121







## For Alkali Determination.



Capacity : 20 cc
Height : 90 mm
Top Diameter : 21 mm
Approximate Weight : 34 gram



This is a special type of crucible with round base and fit cap which is used for silicate analysis.

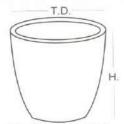


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# PLATINUM CRUCIBLE SHAPE "AZ / UA"









Top Diameter = T.D.

Height = H

			Тор	Unight	Approp	oriate Weight	(gram)
	No.	Capacity	Diameter mm	Height	Crucible	Reinforced Rim	Lid
	101	10	26	29	08	09.5	02.5
	102	15	29	33	11	13.0	04.0
	103	20	32	36	16	18.0	04.5
PLATINUM CRUCIBLE	104	25	35	39	20	23.0	05.0
LID	105	30	37	41	25	28.0	05.0
No.	106	35	39	43	29	32.0	06.0
	107	40	41	46	33	36.5	07.0
	108	50	44	49	42	46.0	08.0
	109	75	50	55	60	65.0	10.0
	110	100	56	62	80	85.0	16.0

Crucibles in this series have nominal capacities ranging from 10 cc to 100 cc. All crucibles are exactly similar in shape and proportion with dimensions confirming simple ratios. These crucibles are designed with extra thick base, to withstand heavy wear. Unless specified, crucibles is always supply having plain rim and with lid. The purity of Platinum metal used for manufacture of these crucibles is 99.95% at least.

# PLATINUM MICRO CRUCIBLE











		Capacity	Top Diameter mm	Height	Weight gram		
	No.	cc		mm	Crucible	Lid	
Ī	111	1	12.0	13	2.0	0.50	
Ì	112	3	17.0	19	4.5	1.50	
Ì	113	5	20.5	22	5.5	1.75	



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1	Capacity	Тор		Appropriate Weight (gram)		
No.	СС	Diameter mm	mm	Dish	Reinforced rim	Lid
131	10	35	17	08	10	5
132	15	38	19	10	13	6
133	20	42	20	13	17	8

Dishes in this series are available from 10 to 700 cc / ml capacities, having similar in shapes & proportionate dimensions & weights. These dishes have rounded thick base, to withstand heavy wear. These dishes are normally supplied with pouring lip & without lid. Lids for these dishes can be manufactured against specific order. The purity of the platinum utilized is 99.95% at least. Shallow dishes for iron & steel, water & sugar analysis are manufactured against order.

## PLATINUM ALLOY SPATULA No. 134





Spatula of special hard platinum alloy is available in flat type 99 mm long weight 14.0 gram (approximate).

## **PLATINUM SPOONS No. 135**





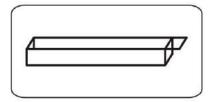


Platinum spoons of hemispherical shape has wire handle of 1.5 mm thick and 35 mm long weighing 4.0 gram (approximate).

## PLATINUM COMBUSTION BOATS WITH WELDED EDGE











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## Combustion Boats with or without handle are available in the following size.

No. Capacity Width mm	Capacity	Width Height	Length	Appropriate Weight (gram)		
	mm	mm	With Handle	Without Handle		
136	00.25	05	05	010	01	00.75
137	03.00	09	09	060	06	05.75
138	12.00	15	13	100	18	16.00

## PLATINUM TIPPED 'SS' TONGS & FORCEPS No. 139



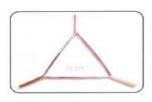




No.	Size (cm)	Weight of the tips (gram)
139a	15.00	1.500 - 2.000
139b	20.00	1.500 - 2.000
139c	30.00	2.000 - 3.000
139d	45.00	4.000 - 6.000
139e	60.00	6.000 - 8.000

Platinum Tipped 'SS' tongs and forceps with pointed tips and rounded tips are also available with us.

# **PLATINUM TRIANGLES No. 140**







Platinum Triangles with twisted / welded ends available for all crucibles.



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# **PLATINUM FILTER CONES No. 141**





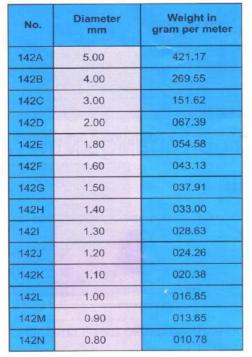


Platinum Filter Cones are manufactured from perforated sheet with 36 X 0.9 mm holes / cm in following sizes.

No.	Diameter (mm)	Depth (mm)	Weight (gram)
141a	20	17	01.5
141b	25	22	03.0
141c	50	43	12.0

## **PLATINUM WIRES No. 142**







No.	Diameter mm	Weight in gram per meter
1420	0.70	8.250
142P	0.60	6.060
142Q	0.55	5.100
142R	0.50	4.210
1425	0.45	3.410
142T	0.40	2.690
142U	0.35	2.060
142V	0.30	1.520
142W	0.25	1.050
142X	0.20	0.675
142Y	0.15	0.379
142Z	0.12	0.243
142AA	0.10	0.168



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# PLATINUM - PLATINUM / RHODIUM THERMOCOUPLE WIRES No. 143

	Wire D	iameter	Weight	Weight	Weight	
No.	Mm	Swg	gram / metre Pt. Pure	gram / metre Pt. / Rh 10%	gram / metre Pt. / Rh 13%	
143A	1.00	19.0	16.85	15.70	15.38	
143B	0.70	22.0	08.25	07.69	07.53	
143C	0.55	24.0	05.10	04.75	04.65	
143D	0.50	25.0	04.21	03.92	03.84	
143E	0.45	26.0	03.41	03.19	03.11	
143F	0.40	27.5	02.69	02.51	02.45	

## OTHER SIZE WIRES ARE ALSO AVAILABLE

N. B. Thermocouple Wires supplied in double running length. Since, are calibrated as per IS Temp. v / s emf. values

# **PLATINUM FOILS No. 144**







No.	Thickness mm	Weight gram / 100 Sq cm
144A	1.00	214
144B	0.90	192
144C	0.80	171
144D	0.70	149
144E	0.60	128
144F	0.50	107

No.	Thickness mm	Weight gram / 100 sq cm
144G	0.40	86.50
144H	0.30	64.20
1441	0.25	53.50
144J	0.20	42.80
144K	0.15	32.15
144L	0.10	21.40

Other size & thickness can be offered against specific inquiry





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# PLATINUM IRIDIUM 10% ELECTRODES No. 145

No.	145A	145B	145C	
	H h	H h	H h	
Height Overall (H)	125 mm	140 mm	140 mm	
Height of Cylinder (h)	045 mm	032 mm	032 mm	
Diameter of Cylinder (D)	045 mm	032 mm	032 mm	
Approximate Weight	034 gram	019 gram	013 gram	
Approximate Surface Area	125 cm <sup>2</sup>	070 cm <sup>2</sup>	0.75 cm <sup>2</sup>	

90% Platinum 10% Iridium Electrode is use for Copper Deposition Other size electrodes can be prepared against specific inquiry.

No.	145D	145E	145F	
	H	H	H	
Height Overall (H)	150 mm	170 mm	140 mm	
Height of Cylinder (h)	<b>04</b> 5 mm	045 mm	030 mm	
Diameter of Cylinder (D)	045 mm	025 mm	010 mm	
Approximate Weight	031 gram	036 gram	010 gram	
Approximate Surface Area	125 cm <sup>2</sup>	070 cm <sup>2</sup>	0.35 cm <sup>2</sup>	

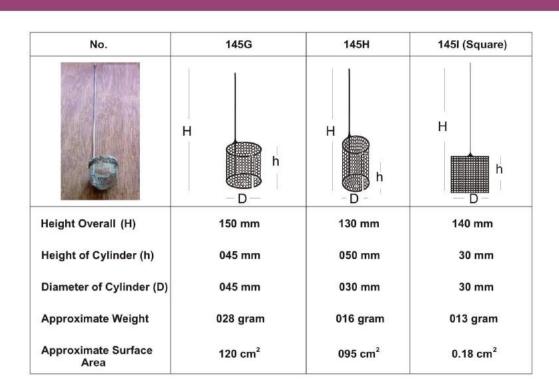
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## PRECIOUS METAL SALTS No. 146

## Salts of Platinum & Platinum Group Metals & Silver are available with us:

- 01. 60% Palladium Chloride
- 02. Palladium Sponge 99.9%
- 03. 80% Platinum Oxide
- 04. 40% Platinum Chloride (minimum 5 gram packing)
- 05. Platinum Sponge 99.9%
- 06. Rhodium Sponge
- 07. Rhodium Trichloride 39%
- 08. Ruthenium Sponge 99.9%
- 09. Gold Potassium Cyanide
- 10. Platinum Black
- 11. Rhodium Black
- 12. Palladium Black
- 13. Rhodium Sulphate
- 14. Chloroplatinic Acid
- 15. Potassium Chloroplatinate
- Ammonium Chloroplatinate
- 17. Potassium Silver Cyanide 54%

Minimum ordering quantity 10 gram

Any other Precious Metal Salts made of Platinum Rhodium, Palladium,

Gold & Silver against specific orders undertaken.

All items manufactured from special platinum guarantee 99.95% and over unless otherwise specified.

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## SILVER PRODUCTS No. 147

Wires, Bars, Strips, Anodes, Foils, Capacitor Caps etc. to the consumers specifications of Purity 99.9% & 99.99%.

## PALLADIUM METAL PRODUCTS No. 148

Crucibles, Lids, Wires, Bars, Strips, Anodes, Foils, Capacitor Caps etc. to the consumers specifications of Purity 99.9% & 99.99%.

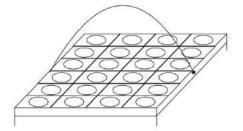
## PLATINUM PARTING TRAY No. 149

Parting Tray is utilized for analysis of Gold Samples. It is made out of the Alloy with composition of pure metal of purity 99.95% of metals with composition platinum / 5% or 10% of tray & handle and the cuples (cups) of pure platinum or 2% alloy of Pt-Ir. The tray are available in the various size with 4, 24 & 36 cuples and its corresponding weights are :









No.	Cuples	Weight (gram)
149A	04	050.000 - 060.000
149B	16	110.000 - 125.000
149C	24	170.000 - 190.000
149D	36	275.000 - 300.000

# **IRIDIUM PELLETS No. 150**



No.	Diameter (mm)	Thickness (mm)	Weight (gram)		
150A	2.7	0.3	0.040		
150B	20	1.0	6.000		
150C	25	1.0	10.000		
150D	30	1.0	15.000		

These Pellets are utilized for Rally Camera.

These Pellets are non-radiated & can be activated by Atomic Energy Department only. Other size and dimension can also be manufactured as per the order.

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# PLATINUM GOLD ALLOY CRUCIBLE & MOULD No. 151

These Platinum Gold Alloy Apparatus having non-sticky properties & therefore it is used for glass & cement / geology analysis.

Other size and dimension can also be manufactured as per the order.









# **PLATINUM SOLDER No. 152**

Platinum solder in strip & foil form

A. 1000°C &

B. 1100°C



## **PLATINUM BLANKS No. 153**

Platinum blanks are used for fluorometry analysis especially for Uranium Determination.





No.	Capacity cc	Upper Diameter mm	Height mm	Slant Height mm	Base Diameter mm	Thickness mm	Approximate Weight (gram)
153	0.4	16	3.2	4	10	0.40	2.50



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## **USE AND MAINTENANCE**

## APPLICATION AND LIMITATIONS

#### **FUSIONS:**

The Pure platinum recipients can be used to melt the following:

- 1.Sodium or Potassium carbonate.
- 2. Sodium carbonate, sodium nitrite or nitrate.
- Sodium borate or sodium metaphosphate. (The platinum is slightly attacked at very high temperature or in reducing atmosphere).
- Alkaline bifluorides.
- 5.Alkaline bisulphate. (The platinum is slightly attacked above 700 degree centigrade; this can be reduced through the addition of ammonium sulphate).
- 6.Alkaline or alkaline earth chlorides in natural atmosphere (The platinum is slightly attacked in the presence of air and above 1000 degree centigrade through the release of chlorine. There is no attack in natural atmosphere).

Nevertheless, platinum does have certain application limits.

Thus the following should not be melted in such recipients.

- A. Free metals.
- B. Alkaline Oxides, hydroxides and peroxides.
- C. Salts of heavy metals (Lead, Tin, Bismuth, Antimony) as well as their organic compounds.
- D. Phosphates in the presence of substances which reduce compounds capable of releasing chlorine.
- E. Cyanides or sulphides.

## **EVAPORATION:**

The pure platinum recipients may be used for evaporation with:

- a. Sulphuric acid in the presence or absence of hydrofluoric acid.
- b. Hydrofluoric acid in the absence of chlorides and other halides.
- c. Hydrochloric acid in absence of oxidizing agents.
- d. Hydroxides or alkaline carbonates.

All basic or neutral solutions may be evaporated in platinum recipient, as can acid solutions except for those containing hydrochloric acid in the presence of an oxidizing agent.

## ELECTROLYSIS:

Platinum is used:

- 1.As an anode in most electrolytes, except for strongly hydrochloric solutions.
- 2.As a cathode for deposition of metals using acid solution.

For electrolysis of tin, silver, zinc, gallium and bismuth salts, the platinum electrodes should first be copper plated to prevent superficial alloying with the deposited metal.

#### PRECAUTION TO BE TAKEN WHEN USING PLATINUM EQUIPMENT:

Chemists using platinum laboratory apparatus must take the following precautions to prevent irreparable damage to them:

## **HEATING:**

0. Flame heating.

Platinum instruments must always be heated in an oxidizing atmosphere, i.e. out side the reducing part of the flame. In order to prevent contamination while the crucible or dish is being heated, it is to be placed on a triangle made of platinum and not on a base metal screen or triangle.

- Electric heating in air is the choice procedure and the heating plates are to be covered with clean asbestos sheet. In general, a higher temperature than is absolutely necessary should be held neither needlessly nor too long.
- Platinum undergoes superficial alternation when heated in an atmosphere of ammonia, sulphuric gas or chlorine.



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Contacts in all forms including contact press work.

Wire and Strip in all contact materials.

In-laid and on-laid contact bi-metal.

Platinum/Rhodium-Platinum thermocouples.

Resistance and potentiometer wires in Noble metals.

Platinum wire for resistance thermometry.

Silver tape, strip and wire.

Noble metals and alloys for semi-conductor manufacture, including fine Gold wires.

Silver metallizing preparations.

Salts and anodes for electrodeposition of Noble metals.

## FOR METAL JOINING INDUSTRY:

Lower temperature Silver brazing alloys in the form of strip, wire, rod, foil, wire rings, washers and special inserts.

Noble metal brazing alloys.

Brazing fluxes.

# FOR CHEMICAL, GLASS, METALLURGICAL INDUSTRIES AND FOR ANALYSIS AND RESEARCH:

Platinum/Rhodium-Platinum thermocouples.

Platinum equipment for glass melting and for glass fibre production.

Platinum-clad, Silver Lined and Silver process equipment.

Rhodium-Platinum catalyst gauzes for ammonia oxidation.

Catchment gauzes for recovery of Platinum in ammonia convertors.

Silver crystal and Silver gauze catalyst for production of formaldehyde and acetic acid. Precious metal salts.

# FOR PHARMACEUTICAL, DYESTUFF AND CHEMICAL INDUSTRY:

Platinum group metal salts.

Precious metal homogeneous catalysts.

## SERVICES:

We are equipped to handle the recovery of precious metals from old and used precious metal products, their wastes and scrap, refining into required degree of purity and remaking/refabricating/reprocessing into the required articles, salts etc.



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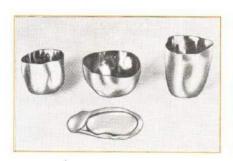
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# Replacement of Damaged Platinum Apparatus:

Platinum apparatus are subject to wear and tear after normal use. They get damaged and unserviceable after some time and because of greater scrap value, users can send their old damaged apparatus to us for replacement with new ones by paying normal charges.

## PLATINUM IS PRECIOUS -

but susceptible to wear and tear like any apparatus. Greater scrap value and low manufacturing costs allow processing of damaged and old Platinum ware into new ones economically.





# CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF PLATINUM LABORATORY APPARATUS:

- Ensure prevention of platinum being oxidised in air at any temperature or attacked by acid.
- Alkaline earths, caustic alkalies, nitrates and hydroxides of barium and lithium attack platinum at high heat.
- Platinum apparatus should not be treated with easily reducible metals like lead.
- Avoid heating platinum with phosphorous and arsenic.
- Clean well, handle gently and place on clean refractory surface after use.
- · Remove stains by boiling dilute nitric acid.
- Polish dulled surfaces with red sand available with our compliments.