

WHAT IS CHROMATOGRAPHY?

Gas chromatography (GC) is an analytical technique used to separate and detect the chemical components or a sample mixture to determine their presence or absence and/or quantities. Typical uses of GC include testing the purity of a particular substance, or separating the different components of a mixture.



Hydrogen Fuel Skid - Photo Credit: Georgia Power

- SERVICES SUMMARY -

- On site fuel sampling by industry Best Practices (GPA 2166 "Obtaining Natural Gas Samples for Analysis by Gas Chromatography")
- On site dangerous goods shipping to fuel Laboratory
- On site fuel analysis by gas chromatography following ASTM D 1945



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FUEL GAS SAMPLING & CHROMATOGRAPHY

Measurement Services

McHale provides on-site technician support for taking routine or test fuel gas sampling and dangerous good shipping for determining the composition and heating value of **natural gas and blended fuel gas for analysis**. McHale performs sampling by industry best practices, such as GPA 2166 "*Obtaining Natural Gas Samples for Analysis by Gas Chromatography*", including sampling probe kits to fully comply with the sampling methodology.

McHale performs natural gas analysis by chromatography following the methodology of **ASTM D 1945**. This method is a relative comparison test methodology where the response of gas constituents in the unknown fuel samples are compared to the response of gas constituents in a known fuel gas sample. McHale compares the unknown samples to a primary grade reference sample to provide the best comparative accuracy possible. McHale QA/QC provides confidence beyond the base requirements of the test methodologies by performing both pre-analysis calibration runs and post-analysis calibration runs, along with running each sample multiple times until sample analysis repeatability is demonstrated. The analysis results from McHale's laboratory and on site analysis are confirmed via inter-laboratory comparative studies to provide confidence and irrefutable analysis results.

PROJECT SAMPLE

In June of 2022, **McHale** supported a project with on-site fuel sampling and analysis of natural gas and up to 20% hydrogen fuel blend. The Mitsubishi Power, Georgia Power and Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) project at the McDonough-Atkinson Power Plant was the first to validate 20% hydrogen fuel blending on an advanced class M501G gas turbine in North America. See the project profile at: <u>Mitsubishi Power Americas, Inc.</u> <u>Mitsubishi Power, Georgia Power, EPRI Complete World's Largest Hydrogen Fuel Blending at Plant McDonough-Atkinson (mhi.com)</u>