

# Portable X-Ray Fluorescence

## Trace Metal Screening



### Portable X-Ray Fluorescence Analyzation of Soil

Portable X-ray fluorescence (PXRF) analyzers provide reliable, cost-effective, and timely onsite soil screening of lead, arsenic, and other potentially problematic trace metals in soils, enabling rapid and comprehensive investigations to help determine best management practices.

PXRF is ideal at assessing spatial variability, locating any “hot spots,” and avoids the loss of time and resources while collecting and processing aggregated or non-representative samples.



### Elements of Interest

<b>Mg</b>	Magnesium	<b>Ga</b>	Gallium
<b>Al</b>	Aluminum	<b>As</b>	Arsenic
<b>Si</b>	Silicon	<b>Se</b>	Selenium
<b>P</b>	Phosphorus	<b>Br</b>	Bromine
<b>S</b>	Sulfur	<b>Rb</b>	Rubidium
<b>Cl</b>	Chlorine	<b>Sr</b>	Strontium
<b>K</b>	Potassium	<b>Zr</b>	Zirconium
<b>Ca</b>	Calcium	<b>Mo</b>	Molybdenum
<b>Ti</b>	Titanium	<b>Ag</b>	Silver
<b>Cr</b>	Chromium	<b>Cd</b>	Cadmium
<b>V</b>	Vanadium	<b>Sn</b>	Tin
<b>Mn</b>	Manganese	<b>Sb</b>	Antimony
<b>Fe</b>	Iron	<b>Ba</b>	Barium
<b>Co</b>	Cobalt	<b>Hg</b>	Mercury
<b>Ni</b>	Nickel	<b>Tl</b>	Thallium
<b>Cu</b>	Copper	<b>Pb</b>	Lead
<b>Zn</b>	Zinc		

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### Applications

- Urban Agriculture
- Community Gardens
- Sediments
- Fill material
- Soil amendments
- Compost



State Soil Scientist Edwin Muniz uses a portable X-ray Fluorescence analyzer in the field.



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