

**Application of the Particle BackScattering Method
for the Certification of the Oxide Protective
Coatings at the Surface of Al Alloys,
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MATI-Russian St. Technology University - Oxide coatings
at the surface of Al alloys are widely used as the wear-,
heat- and corrosion-resistant, electric-insulating coatings.
For the certification the analysis of the coatings was carried
out by Rutherford (RBS) and Nuclear (NBS)
Backscattering methods. RBS-spectra were measured
using 1.5 MeV alpha-particle beam of the Electrostatic
Generator EG-8 of the Institute of Nuclear Physics (INP)
and NBS-spectra - using 7.8 MeV proton beam of the INP
cyclotron. The industrial Al alloys with oxide coatings
were used as the targets. The coatings were prepared by the
Surface Treatment at Electrolytic Plasma (STEP). It results
in the formation of the ceramic-like coatings with the high
exploitation properties. The concentration profiles of the
light elements were obtained by NBS up to 160 microns
depth with the depth resolution of 0.7 micron. RBS
analysis allowed to detect the low concentrations of the
alloying elements Cu and Mg and electrolyte ingredients Si
and Na.