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de la teneur en carbone (C), hydrogène (H), azote (N) et soufre (S) par  
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### Foreword

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## **Introduction**

The determination of total content of carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen and sulfur is usually performed using instrumental methods. Depending on the amount of test portion used two different types of instrumental methods can be used: micro methods require few milligrams of sample; macro methods use grams of sample. Micro methods require a very careful preparation of the test sample for Solid Recovered Fuel (SRF) analysis.



# Solid recovered fuels — Methods for the determination of carbon (C), hydrogen (H), nitrogen (N) and sulphur (S) by the instrumental method

## 1 Scope

This document specifies the determination of total content of carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen and sulfur in solid recovered fuels by instrumental method. Depending on the amount of test portion, micro or macro instrumental apparatus are used.

This method is applicable for concentrations on dry matter basis of C > 0,1 %, N > 0,1 %, H > 0,1 % and S > 0,05 %.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 21637, *Solid recovered fuels — Terminology, definitions and descriptions*

ISO 21660-3<sup>1)</sup>, *Solid recovered fuels — Determination of moisture content using the oven dry method — Part 3: Moisture in general analysis sample*

ISO 21646<sup>2)</sup>, *Solid recovered fuels — Sample preparation*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 21637 and the following apply.

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— ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>

— IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

### 3.1

#### coefficient of variation

estimate of the standard deviation of a population from a *sample* (3.10) of n results divided by the mean of that sample

Note 1 to entry: Frequently stated as a percentage.

Note 2 to entry: Adapted from Eurachem/Citac Guide CG 4.

### 3.2

#### dry basis

calculation basis in which the material is considered free from *moisture* (3.6)

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