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Foreword

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Introduction

Instrumental methods for the analysis of carbon, hydrogen and nitrogen are now in widespread and in regular use, often in preference to formerly developed chemical methods for which International Standards exist.

The reliable determination of carbon, hydrogen and nitrogen is important for quality control and the results can be used as input parameters for calculations applied to the combustion of solid biofuels. The environmental importance of the nitrogen content is linked to emissions of NO_x (formation of fuel NO_x). Hydrogen content is important for calculation of the net calorific value. Carbon content is required for the determination of CO_{2^-} emissions.

It is recognized that the Kjeldahl method is most reliable for determining nitrogen contents with a concentration lower than 0,1 %. Possible suitable methods are summarised in the bibliography.



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