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Foreword

This document (EN 16168:2012) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 400 "Project Committee - Horizontal standards in the fields of sludge, biowaste and soil", the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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Introduction

This European Standard is applicable and validated for several types of matrices as indicated in Table 1 (see also Annex A for the results of the validation).

Table 1 — Matrices for which this European Standard is applicable and validated

Matrix	Materials used for validation
Sludge	Municipal sludge
Biowaste	Fresh compost Compost
Soil	Sludge amended soil Agricultural soil

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