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IEC 62321-2	-	Determination of certain substances in electrotechnical products - Part 2: Disassembly, disjunction and mechanical sample preparation	EN 62321-2	-
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INTRODUCTION

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1 Scope

Part 3-2 of IEC 62321 specifies the screening analysis of the total bromine (Br) in homogeneous materials found in polymers and electronics by using the analytical technique of combustion ion chromatography (C-IC).

This test method has been evaluated for ABS (acrylonitrile butadiene styrene), EMC (epoxy molding compound), and PE (polyethylene) within the concentration ranges as specified in Table 1.

The use of this method for other types of materials or concentration ranges outside those specified below has not been evaluated.

Table 1 – Tested concentration ranges for bromine by C-IC in various materials

Substance/element	Bromine			
Parameter	Unit of measure mg/kg	Medium/material tested		
Concentration or concentration range tested		ABS	EMC	PE
		124 to 890	195 to 976	96

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