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Introduction

This document is used for the quantitative analysis of textiles containing mixtures of fibres which cannot be separated readily by mechanical methods or by chemical methods, as described in the different parts of ISO 1833.

The quantitative microscopical analysis rely on the ability of a fibre analyst to identify and count, by means of a microscope [light microscope (LM) or scanning electron microscope (SEM)], the relative number of fibres of each type in a prepared test specimen (based on fibre apparent diameter of a longitudinal view or fibre section area of a cross view, depending on the fibre types).

Fibre counts lead to the calculation of the percentage in the mixture of the test specimen by number of fibres (based on fibre apparent diameter or fibre section area) and by their respective density. And then, the calculation of the fibre percentage by mass of the laboratory sample is carried out in relation to its structure (loose fibres, yarns, woven fabrics, knitted fabric, etc.).

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Textiles — Quantitative microscopical analysis — General principles of testing

1 Scope

This document specifies common methods for the quantitative microscopical analysis of various mixtures of fibres. The methods described are based on the use of a light microscope (LM) or a scanning electronic microscope (SEM), on the measurements of the fibre apparent diameter (preparation of longitudinal views) or on the measurements of fibre section area (preparation of cross views), depending on the section shape of the fibres.

NOTE 1 When the section shape is circular or almost circular, the longitudinal views are appropriate. For the other section shapes, the cross views are adequate and Annex A lists conventional density of fibres to be used for the calculation of the mass percentage of the components. Pictures of section shapes of fibres can be found in ISO/TR 11827.

NOTE 2 Annex B presents statistical data on fibre diameter measurements (longitudinal view) and on fibre area measurements (cross view).

The given procedures apply to fibres in any textile form when mixtures of fibres cannot be separated by manual methods or by chemical methods.

Examples of mixtures of fibres are cashmere and wool, cotton and flax, flax and hemp.

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 1833-1, *Textiles — Quantitative chemical analysis — Part 1: General principles of testing*

