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**Textiles — Quantitative chemical  
analysis —**

Part 4:

**Mixtures of certain protein and certain  
other fibres (method using hypochlorite)**

*Textiles — Analyse chimique quantitative —*

*Partie 4: Mélanges de certaines fibres protéiniques et de certaines  
autres fibres (méthode à l'hypochlorite)*

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ISO 1833 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Textiles — Quantitative chemical analysis*:

- *Part 1: General principles of testing*
- *Part 2: Ternary fibre mixtures*
- *Part 3: Mixtures of acetate and certain other fibres (method using acetone)*
- *Part 4: Mixtures of certain protein and certain other fibres (method using hypochlorite)*
- *Part 5: Mixtures of viscose, cupro or modal and cotton fibres (method using sodium zincate)*
- *Part 7: Mixtures of polyamide and certain other fibres (method using formic acid)*
- *Part 8: Mixtures of acetate and triacetate fibres (method using acetone)*
- *Part 9: Mixtures of acetate and triacetate fibres (method using benzyl alcohol)*
- *Part 10: Mixtures of triacetate or polylactide and certain other fibres (method using dichloromethane)*
- *Part 11: Mixtures of cellulose and polyester fibres (method using sulfuric acid)*
- *Part 12: Mixtures of acrylic, certain modacrylics, certain chlorofibres, certain elastanes and certain other fibres (method using dimethylformamide)*
- *Part 13: Mixtures of certain chlorofibres and certain other fibres (method using carbon disulfide/acetone)*
- *Part 14: Mixtures of acetate and certain chlorofibres (method using acetic acid)*

- *Part 15: Mixtures of jute and certain animal fibres (method by determining nitrogen content)*
- *Part 16: Mixtures of polypropylene fibres and certain other fibres (method using xylene)*
- *Part 17: Mixtures of chlorofibres (homopolymers of vinyl chloride) and certain other fibres (method using sulfuric acid)*
- *Part 18: Mixtures of silk and wool or hair (method using sulfuric acid)*
- *Part 19: Mixtures of cellulose fibres and asbestos (method by heating)*
- *Part 21: Mixtures of chlorofibres, certain modacrylics, certain elastanes, acetates, triacetates and certain other fibres (method using cyclohexanone)*

The following parts are under preparation:

- *Part 6: Mixtures of viscose or certain types of cupro or modal or lyocell and cotton fibres (method using formic acid and zinc chloride)*
- *Part 20: Mixtures of elastane and certain other fibres (method using dimethylacetamide)*
- *Part 22: Mixtures of viscose or certain types of cupro or modal or lyocell and flax fibres (method using formic acid and zinc chlorate)*
- *Part 23: Mixtures of polyethylene and polypropylene (method using cyclohexanone)*
- *Part 24: Mixtures of polyester and some other fibres (method using phenol and tetrachloroethane)*

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# Textiles — Quantitative chemical analysis —

## Part 4:

### Mixtures of certain protein and certain other fibres (method using hypochlorite)

#### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 1833 specifies a method, using hypochlorite, to determine the percentage of protein fibre, after removal of non-fibrous matter, in textiles made of binary mixtures of certain non-protein fibres and one protein fibre, as follows:

- wool, chemically-treated wool, other animal-hair fibres, silk, regenerated protein fibres based on casein, and
- cotton, cupro, viscose, modal, acrylic, chlorofibres, polyamide, polyester, polypropylene, glass and elastane.

If several protein fibres are present, the method gives the total of their amounts but not their individual quantities.

#### 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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*

#### 3 Principle

The protein fibre is dissolved out from a known dry mass of the mixture with alkaline sodium hypochlorite. The residue is collected, washed, dried and weighed; its mass, corrected if necessary, is expressed as a percentage of the dry mass of the mixture. The percentage of protein fibre is found by the difference.

#### 4 Reagents

Use the reagents described in ISO 1833-1 together with those given in 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3.

**4.1 Sodium hypochlorite**, 1 mol/l sodium hypochlorite solution to which has been added a sufficient quantity of sodium hydroxide to bring the concentration of sodium hydroxide to 5 g/l. The solution may be standardized iodometrically but its concentration is not critical within the range 0,9 mol/l to 1,1 mol/l.

#### 4.2 Lithium hypochlorite.

Lithium hypochlorite may be used as an alternative solvent to sodium hypochlorite solution containing  $(35 \pm 2)$  g/l of active chlorine (approximately 1 mol/l) to which  $(5 \pm 0,5)$  g/l of previously dissolved sodium hydroxide is added. To prepare, dissolve 100 g of lithium hypochlorite containing 35 % active chlorine (or 115 g containing 30 % active chlorine) in approximately 700 ml of distilled water, add 5 g of sodium hydroxide dissolved in approximately 200 ml of distilled water and make up to 1 l with distilled water. The solution which has been freshly prepared does not need to be checked iodometrically.

#### 4.3 Acetic acid, dilute solution.

Dilute 5 ml of glacial acetic acid to 1 l with water.

### 5 Apparatus

Use the apparatus described in ISO 1833-1 together with those given in 5.1 and 5.2.

#### 5.1 Conical flask, minimum capacity 250 ml.

#### 5.2 Water-bath at temperature $(20 \pm 2)$ °C.

### 6 Test procedure

Follow the general procedure described in ISO 1833-1, and then proceed as follows.

To the specimen contained in the glass beaker, add 100 ml of hypochlorite reagent per gram of specimen, agitate vigorously to wet out the specimen and agitate continuously for 40 min in a water bath at  $(20 \pm 2)$  °C.

Filter the contents of the beaker through the weighed filter crucible and transfer any residual fibres to the crucible by washing out the beaker with a little hypochlorite reagent.

Drain the crucible using suction and wash the residue successively with water, dilute acetic acid, and finally water, draining the crucible using suction after each addition. Do not apply suction until each washing liquor has drained under gravity.

Finally, drain the crucible using suction, dry the crucible and residue, then cool and weigh them.

### 7 Calculation and expression of results

Calculate the results as described in the general instructions of ISO 1833-1.

The value of  $d$  is 1,00, except for raw cotton for which  $d = 1,03$ , and for cotton, viscose, modal for which  $d = 1,01$ .

### 8 Precision

On a homogeneous mixture of textile materials, the confidence limits of the results obtained by this method are not greater than  $\pm 1$  for the confidence level of 95 %.