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## Oil of patchouli

*Huile essentielle de patchouli*

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## 1 SCOPE AND FIELD OF APPLICATION

This International Standard specifies certain characteristics of oil of patchouli, with a view to facilitating the assessment of its quality.

## 2 REFERENCES

ISO/R 210, *Essential oils – Packing.*

ISO/R 211, *Essential oils – Labelling and marking containers.*

ISO 212, *Essential oils – Sampling.*

ISO/R 279, *Determination of the density and relative density of essential oils.*

ISO 280, *Essential oils – Determination of refractive index.*

ISO 592, *Essential oils – Determination of optical rotation.*

ISO 709, *Essential oils – Determination of ester value.*<sup>1)</sup>

ISO 875, *Essential oils – Evaluation of miscibility with ethanol.*<sup>2)</sup>

ISO 1242, *Essential oils – Determination of acid value.*

## 3 DEFINITION

**oil of patchouli** : The oil obtained by steam distillation of the dried and non-fermented leaves of *Pogostemon cablin* (Blanco) Bentham of Malaysia, Indonesia, China, Brazil, Africa and U.S.S.R.

## 4 REQUIREMENTS

### 4.1 Appearance

Liquid, more or less viscous.

### 4.2 Colour

Reddish-brown to greenish-brown.

### 4.3 Odour

Characteristic, leafy, slightly camphoraceous.

### 4.4 Relative density at 20/20 °C

Minimum : 0,955

Maximum : 0,983

### 4.5 Refractive index at 20 °C

Minimum : 1,505 0

Maximum : 1,512 0

### 4.6 Optical rotation at 20 °C

Range – 66° to – 40° (exceptionally, to – 32°).

### 4.7 Miscibility with 90 % (V/V) ethanol, at 20 °C

The miscibility with 90 % (V/V) ethanol at 20 °C shall be 1 volume in 10 volumes to give a clear solution.

### 4.8 Acid value

Maximum : 4,0

### 4.9 Ester value

Maximum : 10

## 5 SAMPLING

See ISO 212.

Minimum volume of final sample : 20 ml.

## 6 METHODS OF TEST

### 6.1 Relative density at 20/20 °C

See ISO/R 279.

1) At present at the stage of draft. (Revision of ISO/R 709.)

2) At present at the stage of draft. (Revision of ISO/R 875.)