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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 6, *Paper, board and pulps*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 12830:2011), which has been technically revised. The main changes to the previous edition are as follows:

- the scope has been changed to include cellulose nanomaterials in addition to paper, board and pulps;
- a definition of cellulose nanomaterial has been incorporated, along with additional instructions for sampling, sample preparation, incineration and dissolution of the residue for cellulose nanomaterials;
- additional instructions are given on how to express results when an element is not detected.

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Introduction

This document combines the determination of the acid-soluble part of magnesium (Mg), calcium (Ca), manganese (Mn), iron (Fe), copper (Cu), sodium (Na) and potassium (K) into a single document. The scope of this document covers only the acid-soluble part of the elements.

ISO 17812^[1] specifies the procedure for the determination of total magnesium, total calcium, total manganese, total iron and total copper by atomic absorption spectrometry (AAS) or by inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometry (ICP/ES).

In the context of this document, “cellulose nanomaterial” refers specifically to cellulose nano-objects (see [3.1](#) to [3.3](#)). Owing to their nanoscale dimensions, these cellulose nano-objects can have intrinsic properties, behaviours or functionalities that are distinct from those associated with paper, board and pulps.

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WARNING — The method specified in this document involves the use of some hazardous chemicals and of gases that may form explosive mixtures with air. Care should be taken to ensure that the relevant precautions are observed.

WARNING — The method specified in this document involves the use of nanomaterials. Care should be taken to ensure observation of the relevant precautions and guidelines for nanotechnology laboratory safety and best practices.

1 Scope

This document specifies the procedure for the determination of acid-soluble magnesium, calcium, manganese, iron, copper, sodium and potassium by atomic absorption spectrometry (AAS) or by inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometry (ICP/ES). The acid-soluble element comprises the acid-soluble part of the incineration residue, i.e. that part of the ignition residue obtained after incineration which is soluble in hydrochloric acid or nitric acid. In cases where the residue is completely soluble, the result obtained by the procedure specified in this document is a measure of the total amount of each element in the sample.

This document is applicable to all types of paper, board, pulps and cellulose nanomaterials.

The limit of determination depends on the element and on the instrument used.

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 186, *Paper and board — Sampling to determine average quality*

ISO 638, *Paper, board and pulps — Determination of dry matter content — Oven-drying method*

ISO 1762, *Paper, board and pulps — Determination of residue (ash) on ignition at 525 °C*

ISO 3696, *Water for analytical laboratory use — Specification and test methods*

ISO 7213, *Pulps — Sampling for testing*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

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