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Bio-based products - Bio-based carbon content - Determination of the bio-based carbon content using the radiocarbon method

Produits biosourcés - Teneur en carbone biosourcé - Détermination de la teneur en carbone biosourcé par la méthode au radiocarbone

Biobasierte Produkte - Gehalt an biobasiertem Kohlenstoff - Bestimmung des Gehalts an biobasiertem Kohlenstoff mittels Radiokarbonmethode

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## 1 Modifications to Annex D

*Delete*

"D.5 Principle

The accelerator mass spectrometry (AMS) method determines the presence of  $^{14}\text{C}$  directly. The atoms in the sample are converted into a beam of ions. The formed ions are accelerated in an electric field, deflected in a magnetic field and detected in ion detectors resulting in the determination of the relative isotope abundances of these ions.

AMS uses a high potential electrostatic field, which serves not only to accelerate them but also to specifically form only  $\text{C}^{n+}$  ions ( $n = 1, \dots, 4$ ) that are allowed into the spectrometer, excluding all other ionic species. This greatly enhances sensitivity without compromising selectivity. As the  $^{14}\text{C}$  is determined in graphite (carbon), all the carbon in the samples has to be converted into graphite before analysing.

With AMS, the modern fraction in the carbon, present in the sample, is determined. The total carbon content is not determined with this technique and shall be determined separately."

*Subsequent subclauses renumbered:*

D.5 Procedure

D.6 Calculation of the results

## 2 Modifications to Annex E

*Insert*

"E.2 Principle

The accelerator mass spectrometry (AMS) method determines the presence of  $^{14}\text{C}$  directly. The atoms in the sample are converted into a beam of ions. The formed ions are accelerated in an electric field, deflected in a magnetic field and detected in ion detectors resulting in the determination of the relative isotope abundances of these ions.

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E.3 Reagents and materials

E.4 Apparatus

E.5 Procedure

E.6 Calculation of the results