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chromatography —**

**Part 1:  
Acetonitrile extraction method**

*Cuir — Dosage chimique des agents de conservation (TCMTB, PCMC,  
OPP, OIT) dans le cuir par chromatographie en phase liquide —*

*Partie 1: Extraction à l'acétonitrile*



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## Foreword

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This first edition of ISO 13365-1, together with ISO 13365-2, cancels and replaces ISO 13365:2011, which has been technically revised and split into two parts. The main changes in ISO 13365-1 from ISO 13365:2011 are as follows:

- the title has been changed to indicate the method of extraction;
- the use of HPLC with mass spectrometric (MS) detection has been included;
- [Clause 5](#) (former Clause 4) has been technically modified. In addition, the calibration information (previously in 6.4) is now included in [Clause 5](#);
- the chromatographic conditions (previously in 6.3) are now included in a new [Annex A](#). [Annex A](#) also includes additional conditions for use with MS detection.

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# Leather — Chemical determination of the preservative (TCMTB, PCMC, OPP, OIT) content in leather by liquid chromatography —

## Part 1: Acetonitrile extraction method

### 1 Scope

This document specifies a test method by acetonitrile solvent extraction for the determination of the total content (solvent extractible) of the following preservative agents in leather by liquid chromatography:

- 2-(thiocyanomethylthio)-benzothiazole (TCMTB);
- 4-chloro-3-methylphenol (PCMC);
- 2-phenylphenol (OPP);
- 2-octylisothiazol-3(2H)-one (OIT);

This method can also be used to determine breakdown products of these preservative agents, which protect leather from microbiological attack.

### 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 2418, *Leather — Chemical, physical and mechanical and fastness tests — Sampling location*

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

ISO 4044, *Leather — Chemical tests — Preparation of chemical test samples*

ISO 4684, *Leather — Chemical tests — Determination of volatile matter*

### 3 Terms and definitions

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

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- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

### 4 Principle

Extraction of the leather sample is performed with a suitable solvent using ultrasonic waves. The filtered extract is analysed by high-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) with ultraviolet (UV) or mass spectrometry (MS) detection.