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#### Käsitlusala:

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# **Foreword**

This European Standard (EN 12014-4:2005) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 275 "Food analysis - Horizontal methods", the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

This European Standard shall be given the status of a national standard, either by publication of an identical text or by endorsement, at the latest by November 2005, and conflicting national standards shall be withdrawn at the latest by November 2005.

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This series Foodstuffs - Determination of nitrate and/or nitrite content consist of the following parts:

- Part 1: General considerations;
- Part 2: HPLC/IC method for the determination of nitrate content of vegetables and vegetable products;
- Part 3: Spectrometric determination of nitrate and nitrite content of meat products after enzymatic reduction of nitrate to nitrite:
- Part 4: Ion-exchange chromatographic (IC) method for the determination of nitrate and nitrite content of meat products;
- Part 5: Enzymatic determination of nitrate content of vegetable-containing food for babies and infants;
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NOTE Validation data obtained from interlaboratory studies show that this method may also be applied to the determination of nitrate in vegetables and baby food, see [1], [2]. Furthermore, the method may be applied for the determination of nitrite in meat products having a nitrite content greater than 40 mg/kg.

#### 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.

EN ISO 3696, Water for analytical laboratory use - Specification and test methods (ISO 3696:1987)

## 3 Principle

Nitrate and nitrite are extracted from the test sample with hot water. The aqueous solution is treated with acetonitrile to remove any interfering substance. The nitrate and nitrite contents of the solution are then determined by ion-exchange chromatography (IC) and ultraviolet (UV) detection at a wavelength of 205 nm.

# 4 Reagents

#### 4.1 General

During the analysis, unless otherwise stated, use only reagents of recognized analytical grade and water of at least grade 3 according to EN ISO 3696. When preparing solutions, the purities of the reagents available shall be taken into account.

#### 4.2 Acetonitrile

#### 4.3 Glycerol

#### 4.4 Lithium hydroxide, anhydrous, or lithium hydroxide monohydrate

4.5 Boric acid, having a mass fraction of 99 %

#### **4.6 Hydrochloric acid,** c (HCI) = 1,8 mol/ $l^{-1}$ )

Dilute 15 ml of hydrochloric acid of  $\rho_{20}$  (HCl) = 1,18 g/ml in a 100 ml volumetric flask to the mark with water and mix.

#### **4.7 Hydrochloric acid,** c (HCI) $\approx 0.1$ mol/l

Dilute 5 ml of hydrochloric acid (4.6) in a 100 ml volumetric flask to the mark with water and mix.

<sup>1)</sup> c is the substance concentration