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ISO 12966 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Gas chromatography of fatty acid methyl esters*:

- Part 1: Guidelines on modern gas chromatography of fatty acid methyl esters
- Part 2: Preparation of methyl esters of fatty acids
- Part 3: Preparation of methyl esters using trimethylsulfonium hydroxide (TMSH)
- Part 4: Determination by capillary gas chromatography

Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Gas chromatography of fatty acid methyl esters —

Part 4:

Determination by capillary gas chromatography

1 Scope

This part of ISO 12966 specifies a method for the determination of fatty acid methyl esters (FAMEs) derived by transesterification or esterification from fats, oils, and fatty acids by capillary gas chromatography (GLC). Fatty acid methyl esters from C8 to C24 can be separated using this part of ISO 12966 including saturated fatty acid methyl esters, *cis*- and *trans*-monounsaturated fatty acid methyl esters, and *cis*- and *trans*-polyunsaturated fatty acid methyl esters.

The method is applicable to crude, refined, partially hydrogenated, or fully hydrogenated fats, oils, and fatty acids derived from animal and vegetable sources.

This method is not suitable for the analysis of dairy, ruminant fats and oils, or products supplemented with conjugated linoleic acid (CLA). Milk and milk products (or fat coming from milk and milk products) are excluded from the scope of this part of ISO 12966.

This part of ISO 12966 is not applicable to di-, tri-, polymerized and oxidized fatty acids, and fats and oils.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 661, Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Preparation of test sample

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

ISO 6353, Reagents for chemical analysis

ISO 12966-2, Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Gas chromatography of fatty acid methyl esters — Part 2: Preparation of methyl esters of fatty acids

ISO 12966-3, Animal and vegetable fats and oils — Gas chromatography of fatty acid methyl esters — Part 3: Preparation of methyl esters using trimethylsulfonium hydroxide (TMSH)

3 Principle

Using capillary gas chromatography, FAMEs are separated on a highly polar stationary phase with respect to their chain length, degree of (un)saturation, and geometry and position of the double bonds.

4 Reagents and materials

Unless otherwise stated, use only reagents as specified in ISO 6353-2 and ISO 6353-3 (if listed there). If not, then use reagents of recognized analytical grade and water of at least grade 3, as defined in ISO 3696.