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microscopique**

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Werkstoffen - Ätzungen für die
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Untersuchung**

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Foreword

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1 Scope

This technical report gives a non exhaustive list of etchants which can be used for the macroscopic and microscopic examination of welds in accordance with EN 1321 for the following groups of materials :

- carbon and low alloyed steels ;
- stainless steels ;
- nickel and nickel alloys ;
- titanium and titanium alloys ;
- copper and copper alloys ;
- aluminium and aluminium alloys.

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EN 1321	Destructive tests on welds in metallic materials - Macroscopic and microscopic examination of welds
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3 General

Where details of concentration or waters of crystallisation of reagents are not defined in the annexes, the table 1 apply. These should be confirmed by the suppliers of each etchant.