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**Traditional Chinese medicine —  
*Schisandra chinensis* (Turcz.) Baill.  
seeds and seedlings**

*Médecine traditionnelle chinoise — Graines et plants de Schisandra chinensis (Turcz.) baill.*



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# Traditional Chinese medicine — *Schisandra chinensis* (Turcz.) Baill. seeds and seedlings

## 1 Scope

This document specifies minimum requirements and test methods for *Schisandra chinensis* (Turcz.) Baill. seeds and seedlings.

## 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.

International Seed Testing Association (ISTA):2016, *International Rules for Seed Testing*

International Seed Testing Association (ISTA), *Working Sheets on Tetrazolium Testing*

## 3 Terms and definitions

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- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
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### 3.1

#### **lot**

specified quantity of seeds or seedlings that are physically and uniquely identifiable

### 3.2

#### **primary sample**

portion taken from the *lot* (3.1) during one single sampling action

### 3.3

#### **composite sample**

formed by combining and mixing all the *primary samples* (3.2) taken from the *lot* (3.1)

### 3.4

#### **test sample**

portion of the *composite sample* (3.3) to which one of the test required in this document is applied

Note 1 to entry: The *test samples* (3.4) may be packed in different materials meeting conditions for specific tests [e.g. moisture or *purity* (3.6)].

### 3.5

#### **sealed**

condition whereby a container which contains seeds is closed in such a way that it cannot be opened to get access to the seed and be closed again without either destroying the seal or leaving evidence of tampering

Note 1 to entry: This definition refers to the sealing of seed lots, as well as of seed samples.