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1 Scope

This document specifies an empirical method for the simultaneous direct determination of the fluorine, chlorine, bromine, and sulfur content in environmental solid matrices by oxidative pyrohydrolytic combustion at $(1\ 050 \pm 50)$ °C, followed by ion chromatography. The method is applicable for the determination of concentrations ≥ 10 mg/kg of each element based on dry matter. The upper limit and exact concentration range covered depends on the blank levels of the instrumentation and the capacity of the chromatographic separation column used for determination.

NOTE 1 Simultaneous determination of iodine content is possible but currently not validated.

NOTE 2 Other detection methods can be applied if validated.

2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

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

3.1

pyrohydrolysis

high temperature chemical reaction with water

3.2

test portion

analytical portion

quantity of material, of proper size, for measurement of the concentration or other property of interest, removed from the test sample

Note to entry 1: The test portion can be taken from the primary sample or from the laboratory sample directly if no preparation of sample is required (e.g. with liquids), but it is usually taken from the prepared test sample.

Note to entry 2: A unit or increment of proper homogeneity, size, and fineness, needing to further preparation, can be a test portion.

[SOURCE: EN ISO 11074:2015, definition 4.3.15]

4 Principle

The homogenized sample is combusted under oxidative conditions. For the determination of fluorine, the combustion is performed under pyrohydrolytic conditions. The combustion gases are absorbed in an aqueous solution. For the determination of sulfur the absorption solution contains an oxidizing agent to ensure complete conversion to sulfate. Changes in the volume of the absorption solution are considered for concentration calculations.

The anions of interest (bromide, chloride, fluoride, and sulfate) are separated by ion chromatography, and detected with a conductivity detector. To reduce the total conductivity caused by the eluent a suppressor unit (cation exchange unit) is used [4].