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## Introduction

This International Standard outlines procedures for conducting acute tests for sediment toxicity, using one or more amphipod species that are found primarily below the sediment surface in coastal marine and estuarine waters. The biological endpoint for the test is percent mortality at day 10.

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# Water quality — Determination of acute toxicity of marine or estuarine sediment to amphipods

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a method for the determination of acute toxicity to amphipods exposed over a period of 10 d to

- a) samples of contaminated marine or estuarine sediment,
- b) chemical, industrial or municipal sludge, or other solid wastes that may combine with marine or estuarine sediments, or
- c) chemicals or preparations spiked into clean sediment.

## 2 Principle

Marine or estuarine amphipods which typically live below the sediment surface are exposed for 10 d to contaminated sediment or to sediment spiked with a test chemical. The endpoint for the test is percent mortality. The test is performed in 1-litre vessels with 175 ml of solid-phase sediment and overlying water. Salinity and temperature are dependent on the species of amphipod used in testing.

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## 3 Test environment

### 3.1 Facilities

The test facility shall be well ventilated, isolated from physical disturbances and free from dust and fumes.

### 3.2 Lighting

All test vessels shall receive direct, overhead illumination that provides normal laboratory lighting (i.e. 500 lx to 1 000 lx) at the water surface. Illumination should be uniform and shall be continuous throughout the test period to inhibit the nocturnal migration of amphipods into the water column<sup>[39]</sup>.

## 4 Reagents and materials

### 4.1 Test organism

#### 4.1.1 General

One of the marine or estuarine sediment-dwelling amphipod species listed in Annex B should be used as test organism for the method in this International Standard. The species identification should be conducted using taxonomic keys<sup>[18]</sup> and confirmed by a qualified taxonomist familiar with identifying marine or estuarine amphipods.