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Foreword

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Iron ores — Determination of phosphorus content — Titrimetric method

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies a titrimetric method for the determination of the phosphorus content of iron ores, using hexaammonium heptamolybdate (ammonium molybdate).

This method is applicable to a concentration range of 0,10 % (m/m) to 5,0 % $(m/m)^{1)}$ of phosphorus in natural iron ores, and iron ore concentrates and agglomerates including sinter products.

This International Standard provides a quality control method for the determination of phosphorus by titration, however, the method cannot be used for referee purposes.

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2 Normative references <u>SIST ISO 2599:2005</u>

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The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application 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.

ISO 648:1977, Laboratory glassware — One-mark pipettes

ISO 1042:1998, Laboratory glassware — One-mark volumetric flasks

ISO 3082:2000, Iron ores — Sampling and sample preparation procedures

ISO 3696:1987, Water for analytical laboratory use — Specification and test methods

ISO 7764:1985, Iron ores — Preparation of predried test samples for chemical analysis

3 Principle

The test portion is decomposed by treatment with hydrochloric, nitric and perchloric acids. The insoluble residue is filtered and the filtrate is reserved as the main solution.

The residue is ignited, treated with sulfuric and hydrofluoric acids to remove silicon dioxide, fused with sodium carbonate and the melt is leached with water. The alkaline solution is filtered and the residue is discarded.

¹⁾ This method has been tested internationally on samples containing phosphorus contents ranging from 0,03 % (m/m) to 1,50 % (m/m).

The filtrate from residue treatment is acidified using hydrochloric acid, iron(III) chloride is added and the phosphorus is collected by precipitation with ammonia solution. The precipitate is dissolved in hydrochloric acid and combined with the main solution. Hydrobromic acid is added and evaporated to fumes of perchloric acid to expel arsenic. The salts are dissolved in water and the solution, or an aliquot, is neutralized with ammonia solution and the acidity is adjusted using nitric acid. The solution is cooled to 20 °C and vanadium is reduced by iron(II) sulfate. Ammonium molybdate is added to the cold solution and the yellow precipitate of ammonium molybdophosphate is collected by filtration.

The precipitate is washed free of acid and dissolved in a slight excess of sodium hydroxide, the excess being titrated with nitric acid.

For test portions containing more than 18 mg of titanium, a modified procedure is used (see 7.4.1.2).

4 Reagents

During the analysis, use only reagents of recognized analytical grade, and only water that conforms to grade 2 of ISO 3696:1987.

- **4.1** Ammonium nitrate (NH_4NO_3) .
- **4.2** Sodium carbonate (Na₂CO₃), anhydrous.
- **4.3** Hydrochloric acid, ρ 1,16 g/ml to 1,19 g/ml
- **1.4** Hydrochloric acid, ρ 1,16 g/ml to 1,19 g/ml diluted 1 + 1.
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- **4.5** Nitric acid, ρ 1,42 g/ml.
- **4.6** Nitric acid, ρ 1,42 g/ml diluted 1 \pm 50 sist/c3aca71e-a124-4519-8da2-
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- **4.7** Nitric acid, ρ 1,42 g/ml diluted 1 + 5 000.
- **4.8** Sulfuric acid, ρ 1,84 g/ml.
- **4.9** Sulfuric acid, ρ 1,84 g/ml diluted 1 + 1.
- **4.10** Perchloric acid, *ρ* 1,54 g/ml, 60 % (*m/m*) solution, or *ρ* 1,67 g/ml, 70 % (*m/m*) solution.
- **4.11** Hydrofluoric acid, ρ 1,13 g/ml, 40 % (*m/m*) solution.
- **4.12** Hydrobromic acid, ρ 1,38 g/ml, 40 % (*m/m*) solution or ρ 1,48 g/ml, 47 % (*m/m*) solution.
- **4.13** Ammonia solution, ρ 0,9 g/ml.
- **4.14** Hydrogen peroxide, 30 % (*m/m*) solution, free from phosphate stabilizer.
- 4.15 Potassium nitrate, 10 g/l solution.
- 4.16 Ammonium molybdate, solution.

Dissolve 40 g of finely pulverized crystalline ammonium molybdate tetrahydrate $[(NH_4)_6Mo_7O_{24}\cdot 4H_2O]$ in 300 ml of warm water and 80 ml of ammonia solution (4.13). Allow the solution to cool and add this solution in small portions to 600 ml of nitric acid (1 + 1), while stirring. Add a few milligrams of sodium hydrogen phosphate and allow to stand for at least 2 d. Filter before use.

4.17 Iron(III) chloride solution, containing 3 g of Fe/l.

Dissolve 0,3 g of pure iron, with as small a content of phosphorus as possible, by treatment with hydrochloric acid (4.3), add a few drops of nitric acid (4.5) to oxidize the iron, and boil the mixture to remove chlorine.

Allow the solution to cool and dilute with water to 100 ml.

4.18 Iron(III) sulfate solution, 100 g/l.

Dissolve 100 g of iron(II) sulfate heptahydrate (FeSO₄·7H₂O) in 1 l of sulfuric acid (1 + 19).

4.19 Water, free of CO₂.

Heat distilled or deionized water to boiling point in a conical flask for 5 min to expel carbon dioxide. Cool, protecting the water in an appropriate way against any pickup of carbon dioxide.

4.20 Sodium hydroxide, standard volumetric solution, c(NaOH) = 0,2 mol/l approximately.

Dissolve 8 g of sodium hydroxide in 1 l of freshly boiled and cooled water (4.19). Standardize this solution using either amidosulfuric acid (sulfamic acid) or potassium hydrogen phthalate.

Dry either potassium hydrogen phthalate or sulfamic acid at 105 °C for 1 h and weigh, to the nearest 0,001 g, either approximately 1 g of potassium hydrogen phthalate or approximately 0,5 g of sulfamic acid. Dissolve either material in 50 ml of water free of CO_2 (4.19) and titrate with sodium hydroxide solution (4.20) using phenolphthalein solution (4.22) as indicator DARD PREVIEW

4.21 Nitric acid, standard volumetric solution $c(HNO_3) = 0.2 \text{ mol/l approximately}$.

Dilute 13 ml of nitric acid (4.5) with water, to 11 Jon 2599:2005

Standardize the solution as follows; accurately measure 25 ml of sodium hydroxide standard volumetric solution (4.20) and titrate with nitric acid solution, using phenolphthalein solution (4.22) as indicator.

4.22 3,3-Bis(4-hydroxyphenyl)phthalide (phenolphthalein) solution, 0,1 g/100 ml.

Dissolve 0,10 g of powdered phenolphthalein in 90 ml of ethanol, 95 % (V/V), and dilute with water, to 100 ml.

5 Apparatus

Ordinary laboratory apparatus, including one-mark pipettes and one-mark volumetric flasks in accordance with ISO 648 and ISO 1042.

6 Sampling and samples

6.1 Laboratory sample

For analysis, use a laboratory sample of $-100 \,\mu\text{m}$ particle size which has been taken and prepared in accordance with ISO 3082. In the case of ores having significant contents of combined water or oxidizable compounds, use a particle size of $-160 \,\mu\text{m}$.

NOTE A guideline on significant contents of combined water and oxidizable compounds is incorporated in ISO 7764.