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## Foreword

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# Laboratory glass and plastics ware — Tubes for the measurement of the erythrocyte sedimentation rate by the Westergren method

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies requirements for single-use and re-usable glass and plastics tubes for measuring the erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) by the Westergren method, and for a support to hold tubes during the performance of the test. These so-called “Westergren tubes” are also sometimes designated as “Westergren pipettes”. A procedure for measuring the erythrocyte sedimentation rate by the Westergren method is given in informative Annex D.

This International Standard does not apply to single-use containers for human venous blood specimen collection and their accessories for which other standards apply. It also does not apply for devices where the Westergren method has been used as basis to develop other, similar methods or equipment for the erythrocyte sedimentation rate determination.

## 2 Normative references

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 719, *Glass — Hydrolytic resistance of glass grains at 98 °C — Method of test and classification*

## 3 Material

### 3.1 General

**3.1.1** Westergren tubes shall be made from rigid, transparent plastics or from glass of Class HGB 1, HGB 2 or HGB 3 in accordance with ISO 719 so that:

- a) the rigidity, when tested according to Annex A, shall be such that the distortion does not exceed 1 mm for re-usable Westergren tubes and 1,5 mm for single-use Westergren tubes;
- b) the transparency shall be sufficient to permit the top of the column of blood and the top of the red cell layer to be seen clearly in relation to the scale.

**3.1.2** Westergren tubes shall be free from defects which impair observation of the top of the column of blood and of the top of the red cell layer.

### 3.2 Glass

The manufacturer of the glass tubes should ensure that the glass tubes are as free as possible from visible defects and reasonably free from internal stress.