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## Foreword

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ISO 4689-3 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 102, *Iron ore and direct reduced iron*, Subcommittee SC 2, *Chemical analysis*.

This first edition, in part cancels and replaces ISO 4690:1986, which has been technically revised.

ISO 4689 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Iron ores — Determination of sulfur content*:

— *Part 2: Combustion/titration method*

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— *Part 3: Combustion/infrared method*

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The following part is under preparation:

— *Part 1: Barium sulfate gravimetric method*

## Introduction

This part of ISO 4689 is a new procedure. ISO 4689-2 was originally published as ISO 4690:1986, *Iron ores — Determination of sulfur content — Combustion method*. Under a policy of rationalization of the numbering system used in ISO/TC 102, it has been decided to re-designate ISO 4690:1986 as ISO 4689-2. It was further decided to introduce a combustion/infrared method, numbered ISO 4689-3, i.e. this part of ISO 4689.

When next revised, ISO 4689:1986, *Iron ores — Determination of sulfur content — Barium sulfate gravimetric method*, will be re-designated 4689-1.

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# Iron ores — Determination of sulfur content —

## Part 3:

### Combustion/infrared method

**WARNING** — This part of ISO 4689 may involve hazardous materials, operations and equipment. This part of ISO 4689 does not purport to address all of the safety problems associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this part of ISO 4689 to establish appropriate health and safety practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.

## 1 Scope

This part of ISO 4689 specifies a combustion/infrared method, using a high-frequency induction furnace, for the determination of the sulfur content of iron ores.

This method is applicable to sulfur contents between 0,002 % (mass fraction) and 0,25 % (mass fraction) in natural iron ores, iron ore concentrates and agglomerates, including sinter products. The method is not applicable to iron ores containing more than 1,0 % (mass fraction) of combined water. The apparatus, of which the metal filter is equipped with a heating device, can be applied to iron ores containing less than 3,0 % (mass fraction) of combined water.

## 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 385-1:1984, *Laboratory glassware — Burettes — Part 1: General requirements*

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

## 3 Principle

The sample is mixed with a flux containing iron, tin and tungsten and heated in a high-frequency induction furnace, using oxygen as a supporting fuel and carrier gas.

The evolved sulfur dioxide is carried by oxygen into the cell of an infrared detector, where the absorption scale is read.

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## 4 Reagents

During analysis, use only reagents of recognized analytical grade, and only distilled water or water of equivalent purity.

- 4.1 Metallic iron**, particle size 0,2 mm to 1,2 mm and containing less than 0,001 % sulfur.
- 4.2 Magnesium perchlorate**,  $Mg(ClO_4)_2$  anhydrous, free flowing, particle size 0,5 mm to 2 mm.
- 4.3 Iron(III) oxide**, containing less than 0,003 % sulfur.
- 4.4 Metallic tin**, particle size 0,2 mm to 1,2 mm, containing less than 0,001 % sulfur.
- 4.5 Metallic tungsten**, particle size 0,2 mm to 1,2 mm, containing less than 0,001 % sulfur.
- 4.6 Soda-asbestos**, particle size 0,5 mm to 2 mm.
- 4.7 Sodium hydroxide**, particle size 0,5 mm to 2 mm.
- 4.8 Standard sulfur solution**, prepared as follows.

Dry 8 g of potassium sulfate (purity > 99,9 % (mass fraction) to constant mass at 105 °C to 110 °C and cool in a desiccator. Weigh the dried masses of potassium sulfate specified in Table 1, and dissolve each portion in water. Cool, transfer each portion to separate 100 ml volumetric flasks and dilute to volume with water.

Table 1 — Sulfur standard solution (calibration series)

Solution No.	Mass of potassium sulfate	Concentration of sulfur
1	0,543 5	1,00
2	1,087 0	2,00
3	1,902 2	3,50
4	2,717 4	5,00

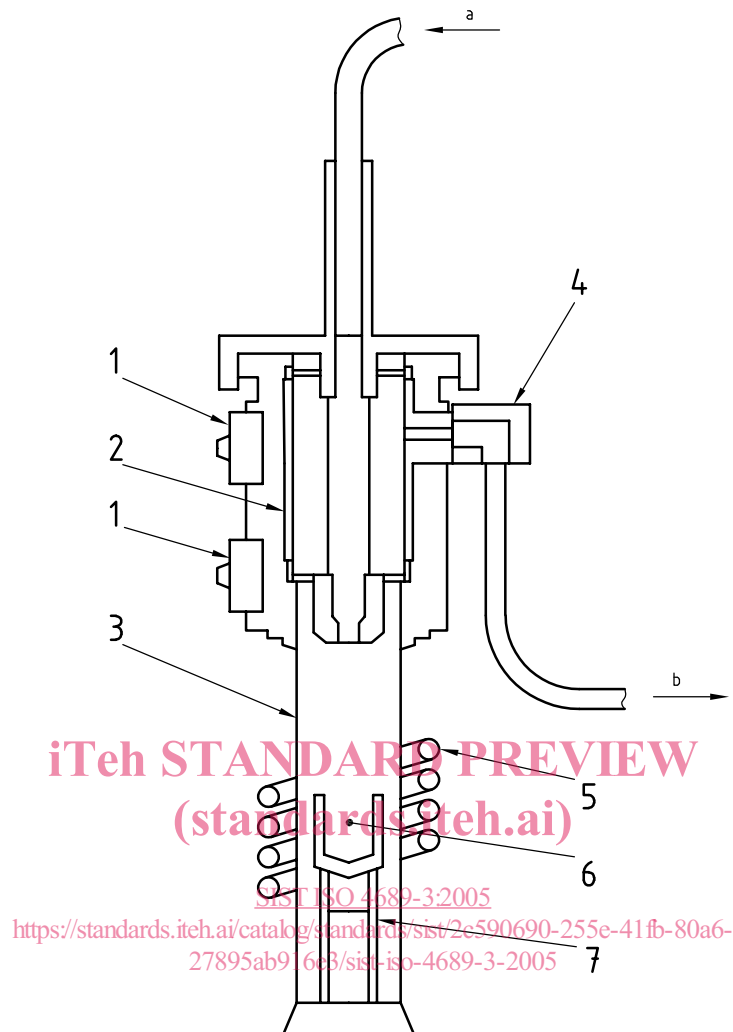
## 5 Apparatus

Ordinary laboratory apparatus, including one-mark pipettes and one-mark volumetric flasks complying with the specifications of ISO 648:1977 and ISO 1042 respectively as well as the following.

- 5.1 Oxygen supply**.
- 5.2 Absorption tower**, containing soda-asbestos (4.6) or sodium hydroxide (4.7).
- 5.3 Drying tower**, containing magnesium perchlorate (4.2).
- 5.4 High-frequency induction furnace**, having a heating induction coil (height 30 mm to 55 mm, 4 to 5 rolls), capable of heating to a temperature of 1 200 °C.

An example of a combustion furnace, with combustion gas-refining section, is given in Figure 1.

- 5.5 Combustion tube**, quartz.
- 5.6 Refractory combustion crucible**.

**Key**

- 1 metal filter
- 2 heating device
- 3 quartz combustion tube
- 4 dust trap
- 5 high-frequency induction coil
- 6 crucible
- 7 holder

a Oxygen.

b Combustion gas.

**Figure 1 — Example of combustion furnace with combustion gas-refining section**