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## ISO 10872:2020(E)

## Foreword

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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 147, *Water quality*, Subcommittee SC 5, *Biological method*.

This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 10872:2010), which has been technically revised. The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- the title has been changed to achieve a better perception in the field soil toxicity testing;
- for soil testing, the method has been modified in terms of a reduced water content of the test material;
- cited references and standards have been refreshed;
- information on the control soil and restrictions for tested soils has been added;
- the document has been editorially revised.

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## Introduction

Nematodes are one of the most abundant and species-rich metazoans in sediments<sup>[1]</sup> and soils<sup>[2]</sup> and possess key positions in benthic and soil food webs due to the evolution of various feeding types (bacterial, algal, fungal and plant feeders, omnivores, predators see References <sup>[3]</sup> and <sup>[4]</sup>). Moreover, they are well acknowledged as environmental indicators for assessing the toxicity of chemicals and the quality of sediments and soils (see References <sup>[5]</sup>, <sup>[6]</sup>, <sup>[7]</sup>, <sup>[8]</sup> and <sup>[9]</sup>).

The test organism *Caenorhabditis elegans* (Maupas, N2 var. Bristol) is a bacterivorous nematode that is found primarily in microbe-rich, decaying plant material (see Reference <sup>[10]</sup>) and belongs to the family of Rhabditidae, frequently found in terrestrial soils and aquatic sediments (see References <sup>[11]</sup> and <sup>[12]</sup>). Moreover, individuals of *C. elegans* were already found in sediments of polysaprobial fresh-water systems (see References <sup>[13]</sup> and <sup>[14]</sup>). Due to its easy cultivation and short life cycle<sup>[15]</sup>, *C. elegans* has become a well-studied model organism in biomedical and ecotoxicological research (see References <sup>[16]</sup>, <sup>[17]</sup> and <sup>[18]</sup>).

The test is designed for measurement of the response to dissolved and particle-bound substances<sup>[19]</sup>. It applies to the testing of sediments, soils, waste, pore water, elutriates and aqueous extracts (see e.g. References <sup>[20]</sup>, <sup>[21]</sup>, <sup>[22]</sup> and <sup>[23]</sup>).

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