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This second edition cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 17131:2012), which has been technically revised. The main changes to the previous edition are as follows:

- light microscope phase contrast cross-section photographs added in a new normative [Annex C](#);
- [Clauses 5](#) and [6](#) have been modified to include the preparation for this light microscopy technique.

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