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# NUCLEAR INSTRUMENTATION – HOUSED SCINTILLATORS – TEST METHODS OF LIGHT OUTPUT AND INTRINSIC RESOLUTION

## 1 Scope

This document is applicable to housed scintillators for registration and spectrometry of alpha-, beta-, gamma-, X-ray and neutron radiation.

The main parameters, such as a light output and intrinsic resolution are established. This document specifies the requirements for the testing equipment and test methods of the basic parameters of housed scintillators, such as:

- the direct method is applicable to measure the light output of housed scintillators based on scintillation material. The housed scintillators certified by this method can be used as working standard of housed scintillators (hereinafter: working standard) when performing measurements by a relative method of comparison.
- the relative method of comparison with the working standard is applicable to housed scintillators based on the same scintillation material as the working standard.

This document does not apply to gas or liquid scintillators and scintillators for counting and current modes.

The numerical values of the parameters are set to the specific type of scintillators in the specifications.

## 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

## 3 Terms, definitions, symbols and abbreviated terms

### 3.1 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

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#### 3.1.1

##### **scintillator**

luminescent material, usually liquid or solid, showing radioluminescence with a short afterglow

[SOURCE: IEC 60050-845:1987, 845-04-37]

#### 3.1.2

##### **housed scintillator**

scintillator, housed in a container with a reflector and optical window