

Soil quality — Pretreatment of samples by freeze-drying for subsequent analysis

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National foreword

This British Standard is the UK implementation of EN ISO 16720:2007. It is identical with ISO 16720:2005.

The UK participation in its preparation was entrusted to Technical Committee EH/5, Sludge characterization.

BSI, as a member of CEN, is obliged to publish EN ISO 16720 as a British Standard. However, attention is drawn to the fact that during the transposition of ISO 16720 (a soil standard) into this European Standard, the UK committee voted against its approval as a European Standard because its performance has not been assessed for sludges. The effect of freeze-drying on the analysis of sludges was not considered, and the reproducibility of the results between laboratories has not been subjected to the rigour of the Business Plan objective of CEN/TC 308.

A list of organizations represented on this committee can be obtained on request to its secretary.

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