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# Air quality — Test method for filtration characterization of cleanable filter media

Qualité de l'air — Méthode d'essai pour la caractérisation de la filtration des filtres lavables



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## Foreword

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### Introduction

Cleanable filters are usually employed for the separation of particles from gases containing dust concentrations in the range of some hundred milligrams per cubic metre up to some hundred grams per cubic metre. Depending on the inlet dust concentrations concerned, a dust cake is more or less rapidly formed upon the surface of the filter medium which is periodically removed in order to maintain the filtration process. With most filters in use at the time of publication, this is usually accomplished by injecting a pulse of compressed air from the clean-gas side, i.e. inside the filter bag or cartridge. The design service life of these filters is usually 2 years to 4 years. They provide clean-gas concentrations of some milligrams per cubic metre without an excessive rise in residual pressure drop for the cleaned filter and a low cleaning frequency, respectively.

Although extensive investigations have been carried out concerning the operating conditions and design of filters and cleaning systems as well as the design and selection of the filter media (References [14] to [17]), the layout and operation of bag filters are still extensively based on data which were empirically obtained in industrial-sized installations or pilot plants.

The systematic characterization and evaluation of filter media with respect to their relevant long-term operational properties (filtration and cleaning behaviour) and emission, in addition to their well-defined textile properties, are still a major problem not only for the developers and manufacturers of filter media, but also for the producers and users of filter installations.

Therefore there is a demand for improved methods for the characterization and evaluation of cleanable filter media. This demand concerns data allowing statements about the filtration properties of a medium in long-term operation, which exceed the data supplied by filter media manufacturers about the non-dusted material.

This International Standard is based on VDI 3926 Part 1:2004<sup>[13]</sup>, ASTM D6830-02:2008<sup>[8]</sup>, JIS Z 8909-1:2005<sup>[10]</sup>, and GB/T 6719:2009<sup>[9]</sup>.