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1 Scope

This part of IEC 60216 is intended to validate the procedures of IEC TS 60216-7-1 in providing a similar temperature index to conventional methods used in other parts of the IEC 60216 series.

The round robin test results do not provide statistical analysis for precision. The round robin test focuses on preliminary studies to understand the evaluation and calculation procedures, influence on apparatus, and data variance among laboratories before determination of precision.

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