
**Textiles — Man-made fibres —
Generic names**

Textiles — Fibres chimiques — Noms génériques

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Foreword

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This seventh edition cancels and replaces the sixth edition (ISO 2076:2013), which has been technically revised. The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- the mandatory [Clause 2](#) (Normative references) has been added and subsequent clauses have been renumbered;
- in [Table 1](#), the definition of protein (5.28) has been modified, chitosan (5.36), polyacrylate (5.37), polybenzoxazole (5.38) and polyarylate (5.39) as well as their respective definition have been added;
- in [Table D.1](#), chitosan, polyacrylate, polybenzoxazole and polyarylate have been added;
- in [Table E.1](#), polybenzoxazole and polyarylate have been added;
- in [Table F.2](#), protein (EU denomination) has been added.

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Introduction

The objective of this document is to propose a generic name of fibre (a generic name is unique by nature) within the framework of the ISO standardization for the textile products. It has been elaborated in order to present a compilation of generic names and the rules to create a new generic name for new fibres.

It is intended to be the reference for the ISO 1833 series^[1] and the Technical Report ISO/TR 11827^[3].

It can be used as a reference within the framework of the globalization since compilation of the generic names of man-made fibres is important for the global distribution of textile products due to national regulations for the declaration of fibre content and care labelling. It can be an answer to a universal need for the standardization of generic names that would foster easy movement of textiles across borders to facilitate trade, for example, for companies which might have plants in multiple countries and have innovations and business activities covering research and development in fibre-producing.

This document can be helpful for the coordination of national or regional authorities (for examples, FTC in the USA, European Commission in European Union, etc.) within the framework of regulations. [Annex F](#) links the generic names to the specific requirements regarding some national or regional regulations.

For example, products destined for the European market are labelled in accordance with the regulation identified as Regulation (EU) No. 1007/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 September 2011 on textile fibre names and related labelling and marking of the fibre composition of textile products. Regulation 1007/2011 repeals Council Directive 73/44/EEC and Directives 96/73/EC and 2008/121/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and includes some different and/or additional fibre denominations other than the present generic names (see [F.3](#) and [Table F.2](#)).

Annexes include the description of the fibre structures in case of fibre made of several components (see [Annex B](#)) and the description of modified fibres (see [Annex C](#)).

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1 Scope

This document defines the generic names used to designate the different categories of man-made fibres, based on a main polymer, currently manufactured on an industrial scale for textile and other purposes, together with the distinguishing attributes that characterize them. The term “man-made fibres” has been adopted for those fibres obtained by a manufacturing process, as distinct from materials which occur naturally in fibrous form.

This document gives recommendations of rules for the creation of the generic name (see [Annex A](#)).

NOTE These rules have been introduced in the sixth edition of ISO 2076, and thus, they are not applicable to the existing generic names of the previous editions.

2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

3 Terms and definitions

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

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>

3.1

man-made fibre

fibre obtained by a manufacturing process

Note 1 to entry: The term “man-made” fibre can be named “manufactured” fibre or “chemical” fibre.

4 General

4.1 Table entries

The entries in [Table 1](#) are organized into five principal elements: generic name, other denominations, abbreviated terms, distinguishing attributes and chemical formulae.

In some chemical formulae, k , m , n or p are used to express the repetition of the monomer or oligomer unit and R for radical group.

The entries of [Table D.1](#) in [Annex D](#) are an index of generic names in English and in French.

The entries of [Table E.1](#) in [Annex E](#) are an index of abbreviated terms in alphabetical order with English and French equivalents.

4.2 Generic name (for example, acetate)

This is the name to be used for the fibre whose attributes are described under the heading “Distinguishing attribute” in [Table 1](#). The use of this name shall be limited to those fibres that contain

not more than 15 % by mass of property-enhancing additives prior to spinning (no limit is placed upon the proportion of additives that are not property enhanced). In both the English and French languages, the generic name shall be written without capital letters.

The generic name may also apply to a man-made fibre which results from a manufacturing process that can confer a distinguishing attribute.

4.3 Other denominations

When relevant, this is the denomination used for the fibre name in the regulation of some countries, which differs from the generic name.

The given denominations are relative to the following countries: China (identified as CN), countries of the European Union (EU), Japan (JP) and the USA (US). For further information on the regulation related to these countries, see [Annex F](#).

NOTE The country list can be extended in relation to the contribution of the concerned countries.

4.4 Abbreviated terms (for example CA)

This is a two- to four-letter designation used to facilitate the naming of man-made fibres, for example in sales and technical literature. In some cases, the system of abbreviated terms given to textile fibres is different from the one used for plastics.

NOTE The system of abbreviated terms for plastics is given in ISO 1043-1^[2].

4.5 Distinguishing attributes

These are attributes that differentiate one fibre from all the others. Chemical difference, which often results in distinctive property differences, is the main basis for classification in this document; other attributes are used, where necessary, to differentiate between otherwise similar man-made fibres. The distinguishing attributes are not necessarily those by which the fibres can be identified or the same as those used for naming chemical molecules, nor are they necessarily suitable for the analysis of fibre mixtures.

NOTE In these descriptions, the concepts “group”, “linkage” and “unit” have been used in the following manner:

- “group” is used to denote a functional chemical unit, for example hydroxyl groups on acetate;
- “linkage” is used to denote a chemical bond;
- “unit” is used to denote a repeating element.

4.6 Chemical formulae

These are indications of the chemical structure of the fibre. The examples do not comprise mandatory elements of this document given that, in some cases, the same chemical formula can be shared by more than one fibre category; for example cellulose II is shared by cupro, lyocell, modal and viscose.

5 Generic names

See [Table 1](#).

Table 1 — Generic names

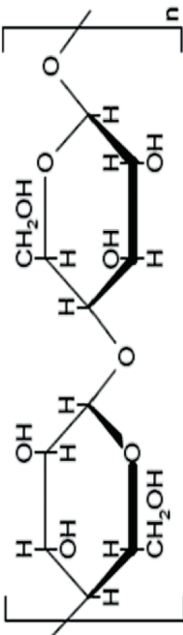
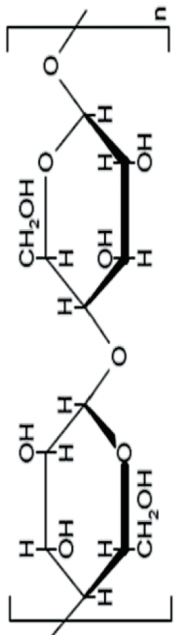
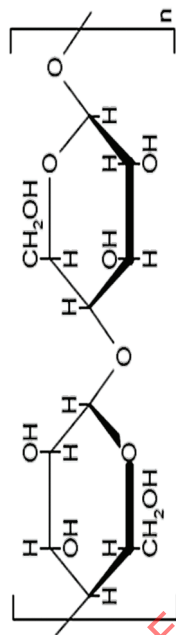
No.	Generic name	Other denominations	Abbr.	Distinguishing attribute	Examples of chemical formulae
5.1	cupro		CUP	Cellulose fibre obtained by the cuprammonium process.	Cellulose II: 
5.2	lyocell	rayon (US)	CLY	Cellulose fibre obtained by an organic solvent spinning process. It is understood that: 1) an “organic solvent” means essentially a mixture of organic chemicals and water; 2) “solvent spinning” means dissolving and spinning without the formation of a derivative.	Cellulose II: 
5.3	modal	rayon (US)	CMD	Cellulose fibre having a high breaking strength and a high wet modulus obtained by the viscose process. The breaking strength B_c in the conditioned state and the force B_w required to produce an elongation of 5 % in its wet state are $B_c \geq 1,3\sqrt{\rho_1 + 2\rho_2}$ $B_w \geq 0,5\sqrt{\rho_1}$ where ρ_1 is the mean linear density (mass per unit length), in decitex. B_c and B_w are expressed in centinewtons.	Cellulose II: 

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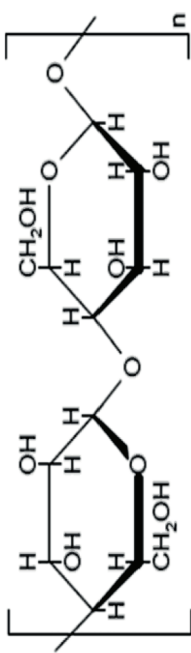
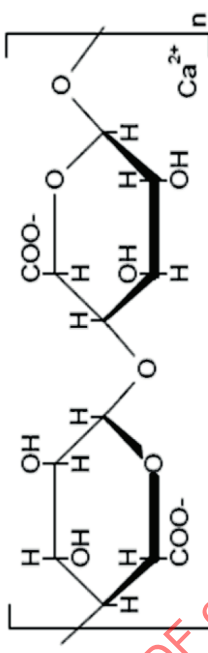
No.	Generic name	Other denominations	Abbr.	Distinguishing attribute	Examples of chemical formulae
5.4	viscose	rayon (JP, US)	CV	Cellulose fibre obtained by the viscose process.	Cellulose II: 
5.5	acetate		CA	Cellulose acetate fibre in which less than 92 %, but at least 74 %, of the hydroxyl groups are acetylated.	Secondary cellulose acetate: $\left[\text{C}_6\text{H}_7\text{O}_2(\text{OX})_3 \right]_n$ where X = H or CH₃CO and the degree of esterification is at least 2,22 but less than 2,76.
5.6	triacetate		CTA	Cellulose acetate fibre in which at least 92 % of the hydroxyl groups are acetylated.	Cellulose triacetate: $\left[\text{C}_6\text{H}_7\text{O}_2(\text{OX})_3 \right]_n$ where X = H or CH₃CO and the degree of esterification is between 2,76 and 3.
5.7	alginate		ALG	Fibre obtained from the metal salts of alginic acid.	Calcium alginate: 

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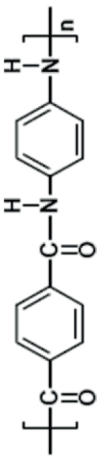
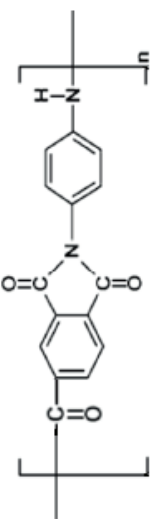
No.	Generic name	Other denominations	Abbr.	Distinguishing attribute	Examples of chemical formulae
5.8	acrylic		PAN	Fibre composed of linear macromolecules having, in the chain, at least 85 % by mass of acrylonitrile repeating units.	Acrylonitrile: $\left[\text{CH}_2 - \underset{\text{CN}}{\overset{\text{H}}{\text{C}}} \right]$ and acrylic copolymers: $\left[\left(\text{CH}_2 - \underset{\text{CN}}{\overset{\text{H}}{\text{C}}} \right)_m \left(\text{CH}_2 - \underset{\text{Y}}{\overset{\text{X}}{\text{C}}} \right)_n \right]_p$
5.9	aramid ^a		AR	Fibre composed of linear macromolecules made up of aromatic groups joined by amide or imide linkages, at least 85 % of the amide or imide linkages being joined directly to two aromatic rings and the number of imide linkages, if the latter are present, not exceeding the number of amide linkages.	EXAMPLE 1: para-aramid  EXAMPLE 2: polybenzimidazole  NOTE: In Example 1, the aromatic groups can be the same or different.
5.10	chlorofibre		CLF	Fibre composed of linear macromolecules having, in the chain, more than 50 % by mass of vinyl chloride or vinylidene chloride units (more than 65 % in the case in which the rest of the chain is made up of acrylonitrile, the modacrylic fibres being thus excluded).	Poly(vinyl chloride): $\left[\text{CH}_2 - \underset{\text{Cl}}{\overset{\text{H}}{\text{C}}} \right]_n$ And poly(vinylidene chloride): $\left[\text{CH}_2 - \underset{\text{Cl}}{\overset{\text{Cl}}{\text{C}}} \right]_n$

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No.	Generic name	Other denominations	Abbr.	Distinguishing attribute	Examples of chemical formulae
5.11	elastane	polyurethane (JP) spandex (US)	EL	Fibre composed of at least 85 % by mass of a segmented polyurethane and which, if stretched to three times its unstretched length, rapidly reverts substantially to the unstretched length when the tension is removed.	Macromolecules having alternate elastic and rigid segments with repetition of the group ---O---C---N--- $\text{O} \quad \text{H}$
5.12	elastodiene ^b		ED	Fibre composed of natural or synthetic polyisoprene, or of one or more dienes polymerized with or without one or more vinyl monomers, and which, if stretched to three times its unstretched length, rapidly reverts substantially to the unstretched length when the tension is removed.	Natural polyisoprene extracted from the latex of <i>Hevea brasiliensis</i> , vulcanized: $\begin{array}{c} \text{---CH}_2\text{---C---CH}_2\text{---} \\ \quad \\ \text{H} \quad \text{CH}_3 \\ \quad \\ \text{---CH}_2\text{---C---CH}_2\text{---} \\ \quad \\ \text{H} \quad \text{CH}_3 \end{array}$ $\text{---CH}_2\text{---C---CH}_2\text{---}$ $ \quad $ $\text{CH}_3 \quad \text{CH}_3$
5.13	fluorofibre		PTFE	Fibre composed of linear macromolecules made from aliphatic fluorocarbon monomers.	Polytetrafluoroethylene: $\text{---[---C---C---]}_n\text{---}$ $ \quad $ $\text{F} \quad \text{F}$
5.14	modacrylic		MAC	Fibre composed of linear macromolecules having, in the chain, at least 35 % and less than 85 % by mass of acrylonitrile.	Acrylic copolymers: $\text{---[---CH}_2\text{---C---]}_m\text{---[---CH}_2\text{---C---]}_n\text{---[---CH}_2\text{---C---]}_p\text{---}$ $ \quad \quad $ $\text{H} \quad \text{CN} \quad \text{X} \quad \text{Y}$ If X = H and Y = Cl: acrylonitrile (vinyl chloride) copolymer If X = Y = Cl: acrylonitrile (vinylidene chloride) copolymer

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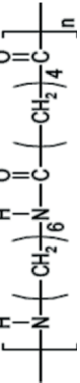
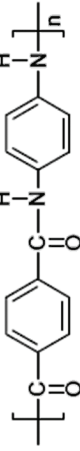
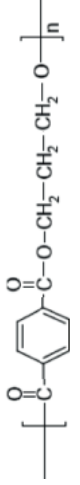
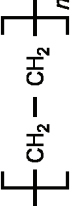
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5.15	polyamide ^c	polyamide or nylon (EU) NOTE The use of "nylon" denomination is restricted to polyamide 6.6 in some EU countries. polyamide or nylon (CN) nylon (JP, US)	PA	Fibre composed of linear macromolecules having, in the chain, recurring amide linkages, at least 85 % of which are joined to aliphatic or cycloaliphatic units.	Polyhexamethylene adipamide (polyamide 6-6):  Polycapraamide (polyamide 6): 
5.16	polyester	triexta (US, only for polytrimethylene terephthalate)	PES	Fibre composed of linear macromolecules having, in the chain, at least 85 % by mass of an ester of a diol and terephthalic acid.	Poly(ethylene terephthalate) - (PET):  Poly(butylene terephthalate) - (PBT):  Poly(trimethylene terephthalate) - (PTT): 
5.17	polyethylene ^d	olefin (US)	PE	Fibre composed of linear macromolecules of unsubstituted saturated aliphatic hydrocarbons.	Polyethylene: 

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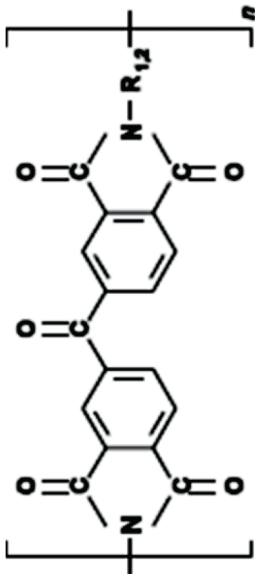
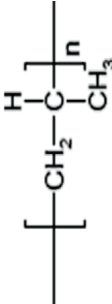
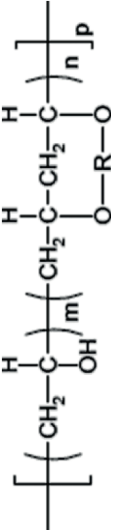
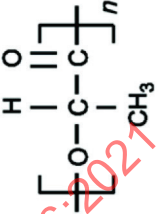
No.	Generic name	Other denominations	Abbr.	Distinguishing attribute	Examples of chemical formulae
5.18	polyimide		PI	Fibre composed of synthetic linear macromolecules having, in the chain, recurring imide units.	Polyimide:  where R₁ = aryl and R₂ = alkyl Polypropylene: 
5.19	polypropylene ^d	olefin (US)	PP	Fibre composed of linear macromolecules made up of saturated aliphatic hydrocarbon units in which one carbon atom in two carries a methyl side group, generally in an isotactic configuration and without further substitution.	
5.20	glass	glass fibre (CN, EU)	GF	Fibre obtained by drawing molten glass.	
5.21	vinylal		PVAL	Fibre composed of linear macromolecules of poly(vinyl alcohol) with different levels of acetalization.	Acetalized poly(vinyl alcohol):  where n > 0 and R is: CH₂
5.22	carbon	carbon fibre (CN)	CF	Fibre containing at least 90 % by mass of carbon obtained by thermal carbonization of organic precursors.	
5.23	metal ^e	metallic fibre (EU, US) metal fibre (CN)	MTF	Fibre obtained from metal.	
5.24	polylactide ^f	polylactide (EU, JP) ^g , PLA (US) ^g	PLA	Fibre formed of linear macromolecules having in chain at least 85 % by mass of lactic acid ester units.	

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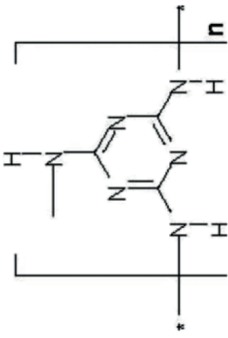
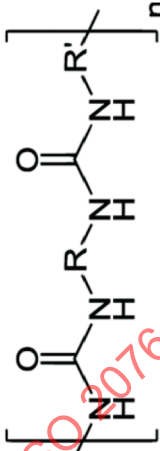
No.	Generic name	Other denominations	Abbr.	Distinguishing attribute	Examples of chemical formulae
5.25	elastolefin	lastol (US)	EOL	Fibre composed of at least 95 % by mass of partially cross-linked macromolecules, made up from ethylene and at least one other olefin, which, when stretched to one and a half times its original length and released, reverts rapidly and substantially to its initial length.	$\left[\text{---} (\text{CH}_2 - \text{CH}_2)_m - (\text{CH}_2 - \text{C})_n \text{---} \right]_p$ $\left[\text{---} (\text{CH}_2 - \text{CH}_2)_m - (\text{CH}_2 - \text{C})_n \text{---} \right]_p$
5.26	melamine		MEL	Fibre formed of at least 85 % by mass of cross-linked macromolecules made up of melamine derivatives.	
5.27	polyphenylene sulphide		PPS	Fibre composed of linear macromolecules having in the main chain <i>p</i> -phenylthio group.	
5.28	protein ^h	azlon (US)	—	fibre composed of natural protein substances or engineered protein substances, with or without stabilization through the action of chemical agents, at least 80 % by mass of protein.	
5.29	polycarbamide		—	fibre formed of linear macromolecules having in the chain the recurring ureylene (NH-CO-NH) functional group.	
5.30	triviny		—	fibre formed of acrylonitrile terpolymer, a chlorinated vinyl monomer and a third vinyl monomer, none of which represents as much as 50 % of the total mass.	

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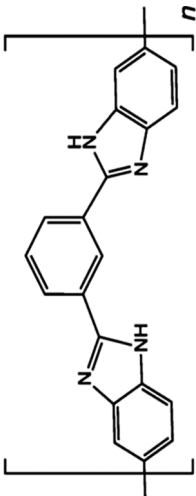
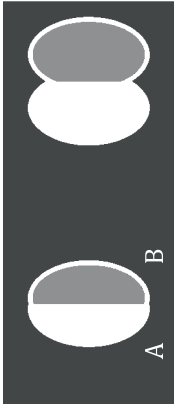
No.	Generic name	Other denominations	Abbr.	Distinguishing attribute	Examples of chemical formulae
5.31	polybenzimidazol		PBI	fibre formed of a long chain aromatic polymer having reoccurring imidazole groups as an integral part of the polymer chain.	
5.32	elastomultiter ⁱ	elasterell-p (US)	EVE	fibre formed by the interaction of two or more chemically distinct linear macromolecules in two or more phases (of which none exceeds 85 % by mass), which contains ester groups (at least 85 %) as the dominant function and suitable treatment, and which, when stretched by 50 %, and released, durably and rapidly reverts substantially to its unstretched length.	At least two ester macromolecules in each filament form an elastomer, for examples: $\left[\text{O}=\text{C}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)\text{O}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{O} \right]_n \quad \text{2GT plus}$ $\left[\text{O}=\text{C}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)\text{O}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{O} \right]_n \quad \text{3GT}$ Example of physical arrangement:  Parts A and B consist of different macromolecules with ester groups. GT = Glycol Terephthalate
5.33	polypropylene/polyamide bicomponent		—	a bicomponent fibre composed of between 10 % and 25 % by mass of polyamide fibrils embedded in polypropylene matrix.	
5.34	ceramic	ceramic fibre (CN)	CEF	a fibre composed of at least 40 % by mass of alumina (Al ₂ O ₃).	

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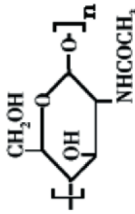
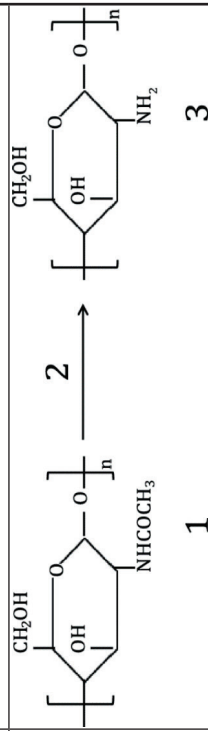
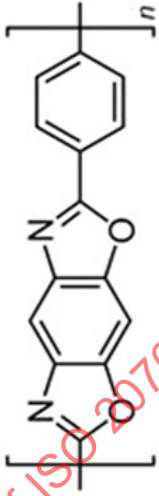
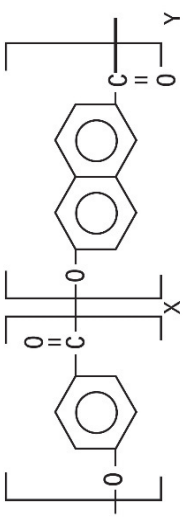
No.	Generic name	Other denominations	Abbr.	Distinguishing attribute	Examples of chemical formulae
5.35	chitin		CHT	a fibre made from chitin and its derivatives.	Chitin: 
5.36	chitosan ⁱ		—	fibre formed by chitin polymer in which at least 55 % acetylated groups have been deacetylated.	 Key 1 chitin 2 deacetylation 3 chitosan
5.37	polyacrylate		—	fibre formed of cross-linked macromolecules having more than 35 % (by mass) of acrylate groups (acid, light metal salts or esters) and less than 10 % (by mass) of acrylonitrile groups in the chain and up to 15 % (by mass) of nitrogen in the cross-linking.	
5.38	polybenzoxazole		PBO	fibre formed of a long chain aromatic polymer having reoccurring oxazole groups as an integral part of the polymer chain.	

Table 1 (continued)

No.	Generic name	Other denominations	Abbr.	Distinguishing attribute	Examples of chemical formulae
5.39	polyarylate		PAR	fibre composed of linear macromolecules made up of aromatic groups connected by ester linkages, at least 85% of the ester linkages being joined directly to two aromatic rings which shows crystallinity in liquid state.	Example of chemical formulae: Liquid-crystal polyester: (LCP) 

a The prefixes “para-” and “meta-” refer to the chemical vocabulary related to the positions of the linkages on the aromatic ring.

b The term “rubber” is used in some cases.

c The unique number following the name refers to the number of carbon in the monomer (for example, polyamide 6: 6 carbon in the monomer). The numbers following the name refer to the numbers of carbon in the monomers (for example, polyamide 6.10 with 6 carbons in one monomer and 10 in the other monomer).

d Forms part of the polyolefin class.

e Fibres can also be coated with metals, in which case they are described as “metallized fibres” and not “metal fibres”.

f The prefix “levo-” (or “L-”) refers to the important proportion of levorotary lactic acid occurring during the enzymatic process when produced from natural sugars (in this case, the melting point is at least 135 °C). In opposite, the prefix “dextro/levo-” (or “D/L-”) refers to the presence of both dextrorotary and levorotary lactic acid when produced from other diesel sources.

g The given definition in this table slightly differs from the definition in EU, Japan and the USA. Refer to [E.3](#), [E.4](#) and [E.5](#), respectively, in [Annex F](#) for further information.

h The complementary part of the mass includes residuals from the chemical reaction process (for example, fermentation process).

i Polyester/polyester bicomponent (see [Table 2](#), 6.1).

j In the textile industry, the deacetylation degree is generally more than 90 %.

6 Designation of the bicomponent fibres

[Table 2](#) lists only some bicomponent fibres currently in use and is not exhaustive as all possible combinations (in relation to polymer couples and their structures, see [B.2](#)) are not developed.

Table 2 — Bicomponent fibre designation

No.	Designations	Polymer couples (generic name of polymers: see Table 1)	Structure (see B.2)	Observations
6.1	polyester/polyester bicomponent	polyester (5.16), and polyester (5.16)	[S/S type]	elastomultiester (Table 1 , 5.32)
6.2	polyester/polyester bicomponent	polyester (5.16), and polyester (5.16)	[Sh/C type]	
6.3	polypropylene/polyamide bicomponent	polypropylene (5.19), and polyamide (5.15)	[M/F type]	polypropylene/polyamide bicomponent (Table 1 , 5.33)

Annex A (informative)

Rules related to the creation of a generic name

A.1 Unique generic name

The generic name shall be a unique term for a man-made fibre.

A.2 Use of the existing generic names

The list of the generic names of textile fibres is considered sufficient currently. This list being mainly based on the chemical nature of polymers, only the new character of the chemical nature of a new fibre can justify the creation of a new generic name.

The choice of the generic name of a fibre shall be led by comparing it to the list of the existing generic names.

A.3 Generic name based on chemical nature

As indicated in [A.1](#), only the new character of the chemical nature of a fibre can justify the creation of a new generic name.

In this case, the denomination of new fibre shall recall the chemical nature of major polymer.

The choice of the denomination of a fibre shall be led by the chemical nature of the major polymer.

A.4 Exclusion of functionalities or properties

The significant development of properties or functionalities given to fibres can involve the increase in qualifying terms of the fibres and, consequently, can lead to confusion or incomprehension.

NOTE Possible properties or functionalities concerned: fireproofing, protection against UV (Ultraviolet), the activity of microorganisms (effect bacteriostatic, fungicidal, etc.), hydration, thermoregulation, etc.

In order to be back to the original principle of this document, the generic name of fibres shall not take into account the properties or the functionalities of fibres, except for the elastic behaviour (as explained in [A.5](#)).

The generic name of a fibre shall mention neither property nor functionality, except possibly for the elastic behaviour defined in the requirement [A.5](#).

A.5 Reference to the elastic behaviour

The elastic behaviour of fibres is the only property implied in this document, where the prefix “elast-” is used several times.

The elastic behaviour of fibres is related to a fibre which, lengthened under a force of traction, reverts quickly and substantially to this length as soon as the force of traction ceases being applied.

The elastic behaviour of a fibre can be obtained in two ways:

- either the fibre is intrinsically elastic, by nature – for examples, elastodiene, elastane, elastolefin;
- or the conformation of fibre (by texturation, etc. thus developing a crimped fibre) confers a “mechanical” elasticity – for example, elastomultiester.

When the elastic behaviour is retained and proved, the generic name of fibre can use the prefix “elast-”.

A.6 Manufacture on an industrial scale

The generic name of a man-made fibre has to be based on fibres manufactured on an industrial scale for textile and other purposes in order to be listed in [Table 1](#).

The generic name of a man-made fibre shall be validated for fibre manufactured on an industrial scale.

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Annex B **(informative)**

Fibres made of several components

B.1 General

Some man-made fibres are manufactured based on generally two (or more) strongly bonded polymers of different chemical and/or physical construction.

When two components are used, the fibre is qualified as a bicomponent fibre.

B.2 Types of bicomponent fibre structure

B.2.1 General

The bicomponent fibre is classified in one type of the three following structures.

B.2.2 S/S structure

S/S type is used as the structure “Side by Side” of the components of the fibre. The structure of the component polymers is bilateral (see illustrations in [Table B.1](#)).

B.2.3 Sh/C structure

Sh/C type is used as the structure “Sheath and Core” of the components of the fibre. The structure of the component polymers is one external polymer, the “sheath”, covering one internal polymer, the “core” (see illustrations in [Table B.1](#)).

B.2.4 M/F structure

M/F type is used as the structure of “Fibrils in Matrix” of the components of the fibre. The structure of the component polymers is the fibrils of one polymer span inside the other polymer, the matrix (see illustrations in [Table B.1](#)).

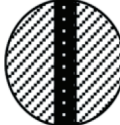
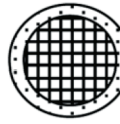
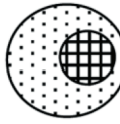
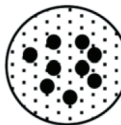
B.3 Name of a bicomponent fibre

The name of the bicomponent fibre shall be based on the generic name of both components, followed, if required, by the structure type.

The symbol “/” shall be used to represent the bond between the polymers.

EXAMPLE A bicomponent fibre made of two types of polyester bonded along the fibre is named as polyester / polyester [S/S type].

Table B.1 — Structures of bicomponent fibre (examples)

Structures	Bicomponent fibres			
[S/S type]				
[Sh/C type]				
[M/F type]				

Annex C **(informative)**

Modified fibres

C.1 General

Man-made fibre can be modified by addition of ingredient(s), which can alter some initial properties of the fibre.

NOTE The nature of the ingredients can be particles, molecules, etc., added in the spinnable material, and which differs from the polymer components as described in [Annex B](#).

Such an ingredient is said to be “embedded” in the major polymer.

C.2 Name of a modified fibre

The name of a modified fibre shall be composed of the generic name of the fibre (as a matrix), following by the term “with embedded xx”, where xx represents the term related to the ingredient.

NOTE The concept of the denomination is based on the application of the Chinese standard GB/T 29862^[4].

C.3 Examples

C.3.1 Modified vinylal

Soy proteins (molecules) have been used to be embedded in the acetalized polyvinyl alcohol polymer. Then the name of this modified fibre shall be “vinylal with embedded soy proteins”.

C.3.2 Modified acrylic

Milk protein (molecule) has been used to be embedded in the acrylic polymer. Then the name of this modified fibre shall be “acrylic with embedded milk protein”.

C.3.3 Modified viscose

Pearl powder (particles from crushed or milled pearls) has been used to be embedded in the viscose polymer. Then the name of this modified fibre shall be “viscose with embedded pearl powder”.

Annex D (informative)

Index of generic names in English and in French

See [Table D.1](#).

Table D.1 — Alphabetical index of generic names

English	French	Subclause number	Abbreviated term
acetate	acétate	5.5	CA
acrylic	acrylique	5.8	PAN
alginate	alginate	5.7	ALG
aramid	aramide	4.9	AR
carbon	carbone	5.22	CF
ceramic	céramique	5.34	CEF
chitin	chitine	5.35	CHT
chitosan	chitosan	5.36	—
chlorofibre	chlorofibre	5.10	CLF
cupro	cupro	5.1	CUP
elastane	élasthanne	5.11	EL
elastodiene	élastodiène	5.12	ED
elastolefin	élastoléfine	5.25	EOL
elastomultiester	élastomultiester	5.32	ELE
fluorofibre	fluorofibre	5.13	PTFE
glass	verre	5.20	GF
lyocell	lyocell	5.2	CLY
melamine	mélamine	5.26	MEL
metal	métal	5.23	MTF
modacrylic	modacrylique	5.14	MAC
modal	modal	5.3	CMD
polyacrylate	polyacrylate	5.37	—
polyamide	polyamide	5.15	PA
polybenzimidazol	polybenzimidazol	5.31	PBI
polycarbamide	polycarbamide	5.29	—
polyester	polyester	5.16	PES
polyethylene	polyéthylène	5.17	PE
polylactide	polylactide	5.24	PLA
polyarylate	polyarylate	5.39	PAR
polybenzoaxole	polybenzoaxole	5.38	PBO
polyimide	polyimide	5.18	PI
polyphenylene sulfide	polysulfure de phénylène	5.27	PPS
polypropylene	polypropylène	5.19	PP
polypropylene/polyamide bicomponent	bicomposant polypropylène/ polyamide	5.33	—