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## Laboratory glassware — Petri dishes

*Verrerie de laboratoire — Boîtes de Petri*





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## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies requirements and tests for glass Petri dishes intended for general laboratory purposes and microbiological work.

## 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 719, *Glass — Hydrolytic resistance of glass grains at 98 °C — Method of test and classification*

## 3 Types

Two types of Petri dishes are specified in this International Standard.

Type 1 – Thick-walled Petri dishes

Type 2 – Thin-walled Petri dishes

## 4 Nominal sizes and series

### 4.1 Nominal sizes

Petri dishes shall have the following nominal sizes.

50, 60, 80, 100, 120, 150 and 200 millimetres

NOTE For Series B, nominal sizes refer to the external diameter of the bottom dish.

### 4.2 Series

Petri dishes shall comply with the following dimensional requirements.

Series A – Dimensions in accordance with Table 1

Series B – Dimensions in accordance with Table 2

## 5 Designation

Petri dishes in accordance with this International Standard shall be designated by their nominal size followed by the type and the series.

Designation of a thick-walled Petri dish with nominal size of 120 mm, Type 1, Series A:

Petri dish ISO 13132 – 120 × 20 – 1A

If bottom dishes (2) and top dishes (1) are ordered separately, the following designations shall be used.

Designation of a thick-walled bottom dish (2) of nominal size 120 mm, Type 1, Series A:

Petri bottom dish ISO 13132 – 120 × 20 – 1A – 2

Designation of a thick-walled top dish (1) of nominal size 120 mm, Type 1, Series A:

Petri top dish ISO 13132 – 120 × 20 – 1A – 1

## 6 Material

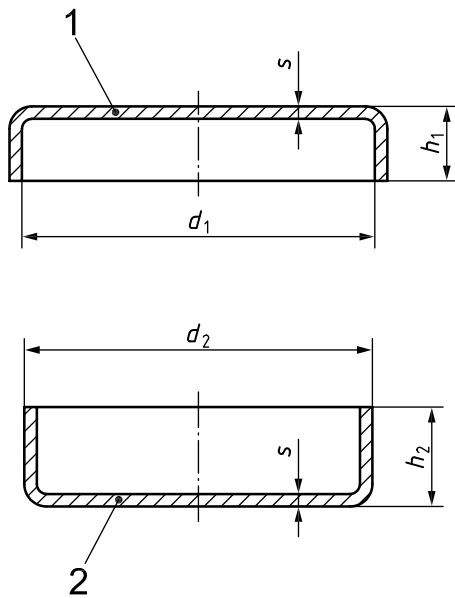
Petri dishes shall be manufactured from transparent glass of hydrolytic resistance Class HBG 1, Class HBG 2 or Class HGB 3 in accordance with ISO 719. The glass shall be reasonably free from residual strain and from defects which might impair safety, durability or appearance such as mould marks and waviness.

The glass shall not have any pronounced tint.

## 7 Dimensions

### 7.1 Series A Petri dishes

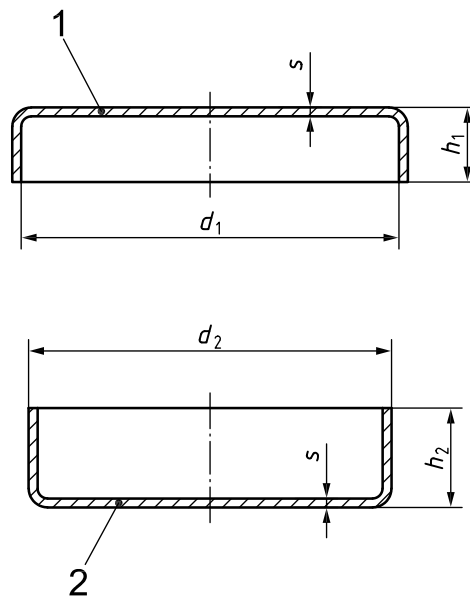
Series A Petri dishes shall comply with the dimensions specified in Table 1.



**Key**

- 1 top dish
- 2 bottom dish

**Figure 1 — Thick-walled Petri dish**



**Key**

- 1 top dish
- 2 bottom dish

**Figure 2 — Thin-walled Petri dish**

Table 1 — Dimensions for Series A Petri dishes

Dimensions in millimetres

Nominal size	Type 1 – Thick-walled (see Figure 1)					Type 2 – Thin-walled (see Figure 2)				
	$d_1$	$d_2$ 0 -1	$h_1$ $\pm 1$	$h_2$ $\pm 1$	$s$ $\approx$	$d_1$ $\pm 1$	$d_2$ $\pm 1$	$h_1$ $\pm 1,5$	$h_2$ $\pm 1,5$	$s$ $\pm 0,3$
50 × 12	—	—	—	—	—	47	45	9	14	1,3
60 × 20	$55^{+1,5}_0$	54	15	20	2,5	56	53	15	20	1,8
80 × 15	—	—	—	—	—	77	74	11	15	1,3
80 × 20	$71^{+1,5}_0$	70	15	20	2,5	76	73	15	20	1,8
100 × 15	$91^{+1,5}_0$	90	13	15	3	96	93	11,5	15	1,8
100 × 20				20					20	
120 × 20	$111^{+1,5}_0$	110	15	20	3,5	116	113	15	20	1,8
150 × 30	$140^{+2}_0$	139	15	30	4	146	142	18	27	1,8
200 × 30	—	—	—	—	—	197	193	23	29	1,6

## 7.2 Series B Petri dishes

Series B Petri dishes shall comply with the dimensions specified in Table 2. For any pair of Series B Petri dishes, the difference between the internal diameter of the top dish and external diameter of the bottom dish shall be between 2 mm to 4 mm.

Table 2 — Dimensions for Series B Petri dishes

Dimensions in millimetres

Nominal size	Type 2 – Thin-walled (see Figure 2)				
	$d_1$ $+1$ 0	$d_2$ 0 -1	$h_1$ 0 -1	$h_2$ $+1$ 0	$s$ min.
50 × 17	53	50	15	17	1,0
80 × 17	83	80	15	17	1,0
100 × 17	103	100	15	17	1,5
150 × 20	153	150	17	20	1,5
200 × 20	203	200	20	20	1,5

## 8 Construction

### 8.1 Basic requirements

Petri dishes shall be regular in shape (see e.g. Figure 1) and smoothly finished. They shall be symmetrical about the axis which shall be perpendicular to the plane of the base.

## 8.2 Base and side

The bases of both the bottom and top dishes shall be, as far as possible, in one plane surface and the sides shall be perpendicular to the base with a maximum deviation of 3°. The bases may be given a slight crown to prevent rocking.

## 8.3 Edge

The edges of the side wall of both bottom and top dishes shall be smoothly ground, fire-polished or clean pressed. The edges shall be in a plane parallel to their bases. If the edges are finished by burn-off process, there shall not be any tear-drop extending above the plane of cut-off in the bottom dish. In the top dish such protrusion up to 1 mm is permissible.

## 8.4 Flatness of bottom dishes

The inside depth at any two points on the base of the bottom dish shall not vary by more than 1,2 mm when measured in accordance with Annex A.

## 8.5 Performance requirements

Petri dishes shall not show visible decrease of transparency, opalescence, iridescence, frosting or cracks after testing by the following procedures:

- minimum 15 min wet sterilization at minimum 120 °C;
- minimum 1 h dry sterilization at minimum 160 °C.

## 9 Marking

Petri dishes shall be permanently and legibly marked on its sidewall with the following information:

- a) manufacturer's and/or supplier's name and/or trade mark;
- b) optionally the number of this International Standard, "ISO 13132".



## Annex A (normative)

### Test method for flatness

The following type test procedure applies for measurement of flatness of the inner surface of the Petri bottom dish.

- a) Affix a dial gauge to a stand.
- b) Place both the measuring equipment and the Petri dish under test on the same flat and firm surface.
- c) Lower the dial gauge in such a way that the pointer is pressed against the inner surface of the Petri dish so that some deflection is seen on the pointer.
- d) Then measure with the dial gauge the difference between the deepest and the highest point of the inner surface which should not exceed the value specified in 8.4.

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