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## Part 6: Measurement of passive intermodulation in antennas

### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 62037 defines the test fixtures and procedures recommended for measuring levels of passive intermodulation generated by antennas, typically used in wireless communication systems. The purpose is to define qualification and acceptance test methods for antennas for use in low intermodulation (low IM) applications.

### 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

### 3 Terms, definitions and abbreviated terms

#### 3.1 Terms and definitions

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#### 3.2 Abbreviated terms

AIM	Active intermodulation
AUT	Antenna under test
ESD	Electrostatic discharge
HPA	High power amplifier
IM	Intermodulation
LNA	Low noise amplifier
PIM	Passive intermodulation
RF	Radio frequency

#### 4 Definitions of antenna as it pertains to PIM

##### 4.1 Antenna

An antenna is that part of a radio transmitting or receiving system which is designed to provide the required coupling between a transmitter or a receiver and the medium in which the radio wave propagates.