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Annex ZA
 (informative)

Relationship between this European Standard and the essential requirements of Directive 93/42/EEC [OJ L 169] aimed to be covered

This European Standard has been prepared under a Commission’s joint standardization request M/BC/CEN/89/9 concerning harmonized standards relating to horizontal aspects in the field of medical devices to provide one voluntary means of conforming to essential requirements of Council Directive 93/42/EEC of 14 June 1993 concerning medical devices [OJ L 169].

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NOTE 1 Where a reference from a clause of this standard to the risk management process is made, the risk management process needs to be in compliance with Directive 93/42/EEC as amended by 2007/47/EC. This means that risks have to be reduced ‘as far as possible’, ‘to a minimum’, ‘to the lowest possible level’, ‘minimized’ or ‘removed’, according to the wording of the corresponding essential requirement.

NOTE 2 The manufacturer’s policy for determining acceptable risk must be in compliance with Essential Requirements 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11 and 12 of the Directive.

NOTE 3 This Annex ZA is based on normative references according to the table of references in the European foreword, replacing the references in the core text.

NOTE 4 When an Essential Requirement does not appear in Table ZA.1, it means that it is not addressed by this European Standard.

Table ZA.1 — Correspondence between this European Standard and Annex I of Directive 93/42/EEC [OJ L 169]

Essential Requirements of Directive 93/42/EEC	Clause(s)/subclause(s) of this EN	Remarks/Notes
7.1 (First and second indent)	4, 5, and Annex A	ER 7.1 is only partly covered by EN ISO 10993-16, since the standard does not provide requirements on design and manufacture, and the compatibility between the materials used and biological tissues, cells and body fluids. However, this standard provides a means to evaluate the absorption, distribution, metabolism and excretion, with time, of degradation products and leachables from materials which are used in the device and circumstances in which such studies shall be considered. Other forms of toxicity and flammability are not dealt with in this standard.

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7.2	4, 5, and Annex A	<p>ER 7.2 is not covered by EN ISO 10993-16, since the standard does not provide requirements on design and manufacture and does not oblige to minimize risk.</p> <p>However, this standard provides a means to evaluate the absorption, distribution, metabolism and excretion, with time, of residuals in exposed persons and circumstances in which such studies shall be considered. This evaluation can be a preliminary step for risk minimization. Other forms of toxicity are not dealt with in this standard.</p>
7.5 (First paragraph)	4, 5, and Annex A	<p>ER 7.5 is not covered by EN ISO 10993-16, since the standard does not provide requirements on design and manufacture and does not oblige to minimize risk.</p> <p>However, this standard provides a means to evaluate the absorption, distribution, metabolism and excretion, with time, of substances leaking from the device and circumstances in which such studies shall be considered. This evaluation can be a preliminary step for risk minimization. Other forms of toxicity are not dealt with in this standard.</p>

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Annex ZB
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Relationship between this European Standard and the essential requirements of Directive 90/385/EEC [OJ L 189] aimed to be covered

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Once this standard is cited in the Official Journal of the European Union under that Directive, compliance with the normative clauses of this standard given in Table ZB.1 confers, within the limits of the scope of this standard, a presumption of conformity with the corresponding essential requirements of that Directive and associated EFTA regulations.

NOTE 1 Where a reference from a clause of this standard to the risk management process is made, the risk management process needs to be in compliance with Directive 90/385/EEC as amended by 2007/47/EC. This means that risks have to be reduced ‘as far as possible’, ‘to a minimum’, ‘to the lowest possible level’, ‘minimized’ or ‘removed’, according to the wording of the corresponding essential requirement.

NOTE 2 The manufacturer’s policy for determining acceptable risk must be in compliance with Essential Requirements 1, 4, 5, 8, 9 and 10 of the Directive.

NOTE 3 This Annex ZB is based on normative references according to the table of references in the European foreword, replacing the references in the core text.

NOTE 4 When an Essential Requirement does not appear in Table ZB.1, it means that it is not addressed by this European Standard.

Table ZB.1 — Correspondence between this European Standard and Annex I of Directive 90/385/EEC [OJ L 189]

Essential Requirements of Directive 90/385/EEC	Clause(s)/subclause(s) of this EN	Remarks/Notes
9 (only first and second indent)	4, 5, and Annex A	The first and second indents of this relevant Essential Requirement are only partly covered by EN ISO 10993-16, since the standard does not provide requirements on design and manufacture. However, this standard provides a means to evaluate the absorption, distribution, metabolism and excretion, with time, of degradation products and leachables from materials which are used in the device and circumstances in which such studies shall be considered. Other forms of toxicity are not covered.

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Foreword

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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 194, *Biological and clinical evaluation of medical devices*.

This third edition cancels and replaces the second edition (ISO 10993-16:2010), which has been technically revised with the following changes:

- a) definition in [3.1](#) has been modified for clarification;
- b) [Clause 4](#) has been modified for clarification;
- c) [Clause 5](#) has been modified for clarification;
- d) information regarding toxicokinetic studies on nano-objects have been added;
- e) [A.4](#) has been modified for clarification.

A list of all the parts in the ISO 10993 series can be found on the ISO website.

Introduction

Toxicokinetics describe the absorption, distribution, metabolism and excretion, with time, of foreign compounds in the body. Essential to the evaluation of the safety of a medical device is consideration of the stability of the material(s) *in vivo* and the disposition of intended and unintended leachables and degradation products. Toxicokinetic studies can be of value in assessing the safety of materials used in the development of a medical device or in elucidating the mechanism of observed adverse reactions. Toxicokinetic studies can also be applicable to medical devices containing active ingredients, in which case, pharmaceutical legislation are to be considered. The need for and extent of toxicokinetic studies should be carefully considered based on the nature and duration of contact of the device with the body (see [A.2](#)). Existing toxicological literature and toxicokinetic data can be sufficient for this consideration.

The potential hazard posed by a medical device can be attributed to the interactions of its components or their metabolites with the biological system. Medical devices can release leachables (e.g. residual catalysts, processing aids, residual monomers, fillers, antioxidants, plasticizers, etc.) and/or degradation products which migrate from the material and have the potential to cause adverse effects in the body.

A considerable body of published literature exists on the use of toxicokinetic methods to study the fate of chemicals in the body (see Bibliography). The methodologies and techniques utilized in such studies form the basis of the guidance in this document. [Annex A](#) provides a rationale for the use of this document.

Biological evaluation of medical devices —

Part 16: Toxicokinetic study design for degradation products and leachables

1 Scope

This document provides principles on designing and performing toxicokinetic studies relevant to medical devices. [Annex A](#) describes the considerations for inclusion of toxicokinetic studies in the biological evaluation of medical devices.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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 10993-1, *Biological evaluation of medical devices — Part 1: Evaluation and testing within a risk management process*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 10993-1 and the following apply.

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

3.1

absorption

process of uptake of substance into or across tissue, blood and/or lymph system

3.2

bioavailability

extent of systemic *absorption* ([3.1](#)) of specified substance

3.3

biodegradation

degradation due to the biological environment

Note 1 to entry: Biodegradation might be modelled by *in vitro* tests.

3.4

bioresorption

process by which a biomaterial is degraded in the physiological environment and the product(s) eliminated and/or absorbed

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