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IEC 61102	1991	Measurement and characterisation of ultrasonic fields using hydrophones in the frequency range 0,5 MHz to 15 MHz	EN 61102	1993
IEC 61689	1996	Ultrasonics - Physiotherapy systems - Performance requirements and methods of measurement in the frequency range 0,5 MHz to 5 MHz	EN 61689	1996
IEC 61846	1998	Ultrasonics - Pressure pulse lithotripters - Characteristics of fields	EN 61846	1998

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INTRODUCTION

A number of measuring methods exist for the determination of the total emitted power of ultrasonic transducers ([1], [2], [3], see also Annex C). The purpose of this International Standard is to establish standard methods of measurement of ultrasonic power in liquids in the lower megahertz frequency range based on the measurement of the radiation force using a gravimetric balance. The great advantage of radiation force measurements is that a value for the total radiated power is obtained without the need to integrate field data over the cross-section of the radiated sound beam. This standard identifies the sources of errors and describes a systematic step-by-step procedure to assess overall measurement uncertainty as well as the precautions that should be undertaken, and uncertainties that should be taken into account, while performing power measurements

Basic safety requirements for ultrasonic physiotherapy devices are identified in IEC 60601-2-5 and make reference to IEC 61689, which specifies the need for acoustic power measurements with an uncertainty better than $\pm 15\%$. Considering the usual degradation of accuracy in the practical application of this standard, reference measurement methods need to be established with uncertainties better than $\pm 7\%$. Ultrasonic diagnostic device declaration requirements, including acoustic power, are specified in other IEC standards, as for example in IEC 61157.

The measurement of acoustic power accurately, precisely and repeatably using a radiation force balance as defined in this standard is influenced by a number of practical problems. As a guide to the user, additional information is provided in Annex A using the same section and clause numbering as the main body.

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ULTRASONICS – POWER MEASUREMENT – RADIATION FORCE BALANCES AND PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

1 Scope

This International Standard

- specifies a method of determining the total emitted acoustic power of ultrasonic transducers based on the use of a radiation force balance;
- establishes general principles for the use of radiation force balances in which an obstacle (target) intercepts the sound field to be measured;
- establishes limitations of the radiation force method related to cavitation and temperature rise;
- establishes quantitative limitations of the radiation force method in relation to diverging and focused beams;
- provides information on assessment of overall measurement uncertainties.

This International Standard is applicable to:

- the measurement of ultrasonic power up to 1 W based on the use of a radiation force balance in the frequency range from 0,5 MHz to 25 MHz;
- the measurement of ultrasonic power up to 20 W based on the use of a radiation force balance in the frequency range 0,75 MHz to 5 MHz;
- the measurement of total ultrasonic power of transducers, preferably with well-collimated beams;
- the use of radiation force balances of the gravimetric type or force feedback type.

NOTE The titles of all publications referred to in this Standard are listed in the Bibliography.

2 Normative references

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IEC 61846:1998, *Ultrasonics – Pressure pulse lithotripters – Characteristics of fields*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions as well as the definitions of IEC 60050-801 and IEC 60050-802 apply.

3.1

acoustic streaming

bulk fluid motion initiated by a sound field

3.2

free field

sound field in a homogeneous isotropic medium whose boundaries exert a negligible effect on the sound waves

[IEV 801-23-28, modified]

3.3

output power

time-average ultrasonic power emitted by an **ultrasonic transducer** into an approximately **free field** under specified conditions in a specified medium, preferably water

Symbol: P

Unit: watt, W

3.4

radiation force

acoustic radiation force

time-average force acting on a body in a sound field and caused by the sound field, excluding the component due to acoustic streaming; or more generally: time-average force (excluding the component due to acoustic streaming) in a sound field, appearing at the boundary surface between two media of different acoustic properties

Symbol: F

Unit: Newton, N

3.5

radiation pressure

acoustic radiation pressure

radiation force per unit area

NOTE This term is widely used in the literature. However, strictly speaking, the radiation force per unit area is a tensor quantity [4] and it should be referred to as the acoustic radiation stress tensor when a strict scientific terminology is to be used. The integral quantity "acoustic radiation force" is generally preferred in this International Standard. Whenever at some places the term "acoustic radiation pressure" appears, it is to be understood as the negative value of the normal radiation stress in the direction of the field axis.

Unit: Pascal, Pa

3.6

target

device specially designed to intercept substantially all of the ultrasonic field and to serve as the object which is acted upon by the **radiation force**

3.7

ultrasonic transducer

device capable of converting electrical energy to mechanical energy within the ultrasonic frequency range and/or reciprocally of converting mechanical energy to electrical energy

3.8

radiation conductance

ratio of the acoustic **output power** and the squared RMS transducer input voltage. It is used to characterize the electrical to acoustical transfer of **ultrasonic transducers**

Symbol: *G*

Unit: siemens, S

4 List of symbols

a radius of a source **ultrasonic transducer**

c speed of sound (usually in water)

d geometrical focal length of a focused **ultrasonic transducer**

F **radiation force** on a **target** in the direction of the incident ultrasonic wave

g acceleration due to gravity

G **radiation conductance**

k circular wavenumber ($2\pi/\lambda$)

P **output power** of an **ultrasonic transducer**

s normalized distance from an **ultrasonic transducer** ($s = z \lambda / a^2$)

z distance between a **target** and an **ultrasonic transducer**

α amplitude attenuation coefficient of plane waves in a medium (usually water)

γ focus (half-)angle of a focused **ultrasonic transducer** ($\arcsin a/d$)

θ angle between the direction of the incident ultrasonic wave and the normal to a reflecting surface of a **target**

λ ultrasonic wavelength

ρ (mass) density of the sound-propagating medium (usually water).

NOTE The direction of the incident wave mentioned above under *F* and θ is understood to be the direction of the field axis, i.e., it is understood in a global sense rather than in a local sense.

5 Requirements for radiation force balances

5.1 General

The **radiation force** balance shall consist of a **target** which is connected to a balance. The ultrasonic beam shall be directed vertically upwards or downwards or horizontally on the **target** and the **radiation force** exerted by the ultrasonic beam shall be measured by the balance. The ultrasonic power shall be determined from the difference between the force measured with and without ultrasonic radiation, in accordance with the formulae given in Annex B. Calibration can be carried out by means of small precision weights of known mass.

NOTE Different possible radiation force measurement set-ups are presented in Figures F.1 to F.7. Each measurement set-up has its own merits, which are also summarised in Annex F.