Standard Specification for Wrought Nitrogen Strengthened-21 Chromium—10 Nickel—3 Manganese—2.5 Molybdenum Stainless Steel Bar for Surgical Implants¹

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1. Scope

- 1.1 This specification covers the requirements for wrought nitrogen strengthened-21 chromium—10 nickel—3 manganese—2.5 molybdenum stainless steel bar for the manufacture of surgical implants.
- 1.2 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as the standard. The SI units in parentheses are for information only.

2. Referenced Documents

- 2.1 ASTM Standards:
- A 262 Practices for Detecting Susceptibility to Intergranular Attack in Austenitic Stainless Steels²
- A 484/A 484M Specification for General Requirements for Stainless and Heat-Resisting Steel Bars, Billets, and Forgings³
- A 751 Test Methods, Practices, and Terminology for Chemical Analysis of Steel Products²
- E 10 Test for Brinell Hardness of Metallic Materials⁴
- E 18 Tests for Rockwell Hardness and Rockwell Superficial Hardness of Metallic Materials⁴
- E 45 Practice for Determining the Inclusion Content of Steel⁴
- E 112 Test Methods for Determining Average Grain Size⁴ F 746 Test Method for Pitting or Crevice Corrosion of Metallic Surgical Implant Materials⁵
- F 981 Practice for Assessment of Compatibility of Biomaterials (Nonporous) for Surgical Implants with Respect to Effect of Materials in Muscle and Bone⁵
- 2.2 ASQC Standard:
- C1 Specification of General Requirements for a Quality Program⁶
- 2.3 ISO Standard:

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- ² Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.03.
- ³ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 01.05.
- ⁴ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 03.01.
- ⁵ Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 13.01.
- ⁶ Available from American Society for Quality Control, 161 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53203.

ISO 5832-9/1992: Wrought High Nitrogen Stainless Steel⁷

3. General Requirement for Delivery

- 3.1 In addition to the requirements of this specification, all requirements of the current editions of Specifications A 484/A 484M shall apply.
- 3.2 In cases where a conflict exists between this specification and the standards listed in 2.1 and 2.2, this specification shall take precedence.

4. Ordering Information

- 4.1 Inquiries and orders for material under this specification shall include the following information:
 - 4.1.1 Quantity (weight or number of pieces),
 - 4.1.2 ASTM desgination,
 - 4.1.3 Form,
 - 4.1.4 Condition (see 5.1),
- 4.1.5 Mechanical properties (if applicable, for special conditions),
 - 4.1.6 Finish (see 5.2),
- 4.1.7 Applicable dimensions including size, thickness, width, and length (exact, random, or multiples) or print number, and
 - 4.1.8 Special requirements.

5. Materials and Manufacture

- 5.1 *Condition*—Bars shall be furnished to the implant manufacturer, as specified, in the annealed, medium hard, or hard condition.
- 5.2 Finish—Types of finish available in bar products are pickled, ground, ground and polished, or as specified in the implant manufacturer's purchase order.

6. Chemical Composition

- 6.1 The heat analysis shall conform to the requirements as to chemical composition specified in Table 1.
- 6.1.1 Requirements for the major and minor elemental constituents are listed in Table 1. Also listed are important residual elements. Analysis for elements not listed in Table 1 is not required to verify compliance with this specification.

⁷ Available from American National Standards Institute, 11 W. 42nd St., 13th Floor, New York, NY 10036.