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Foreword

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Introduction

The intent of this International Standard is to ensure that medical grade tubing in single-use tubing packs for the transfer of blood and fluid during the period of cardiopulmonary bypass (CPB) and extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO) is adequately tested for both safety and function. The user commonly provides the specifications for the tubing pack. Furthermore, the purpose of this International Standard is to ensure that the tubing pack characteristics be appropriately disclosed in the labelling and manufacturing information package. Tubing performance characteristics are specifically addressed within the context of this International Standard as a component part of a single-use tubing pack.

This International Standard therefore contains recommended procedures to evaluate such medical grade tubing intended for use during CPB procedures and ECMO. Test procedures to determine the material characteristics, the useful life of the tubing when used in a roller pump, and cleanliness are described. The limits for these characteristics are not specified.

This International Standard also includes minimum reporting requirements. Ready identification of the performance characteristics should assist the user in the selection of such medical grade tubing for the procedure appropriate to the patient and procedure. This information may be useful in a clinic's quality control process that aims to improve the safety of CPB and ECMO procedures.

This International Standard makes reference to other International Standards, which references methods for the determination of characteristics common to medical devices.

Requirements for animal and clinical studies are not included in this International Standard. Such studies, however, may be part of a manufacturer's quality system.

This International Standard contains only those requirements that are specific to such medical grade tubing for use during CPB and ECMO. Non-specific requirements are covered by reference to other International Standards listed in the Normative References section.

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Cardiovascular implants and artificial organs — Requirements for single-use tubing packs for cardiopulmonary bypass and extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO)

1 Scope

This International Standard specifies requirements for single-use tubing packs for cardiopulmonary bypass and extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO). This International Standard is applicable to all medical tubing intended for cardiopulmonary bypass (CPB) and/or extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO), but specific requirements and tests are included for tubing intended for use with peristaltic pumps during (short-term, i.e. < 6 h duration) CPB surgery, or (long-term, i.e. > 24 h) ECMO procedures. The sterility and non-pyrogenicity provisions of this International Standard are applicable to tubing packs labelled as “sterile”.

This International Standard is applicable only to the tubing aspects for multifunctional systems that may have integral components such as blood gas exchangers (oxygenators), reservoirs, blood filters, defoamers, blood pumps, etc.

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 34-1, *Rubber, vulcanized or thermoplastic — Determination of tear strength — Part 1: Trouser, angle and crescent test pieces*

ISO 527-1, *Plastics — Determination of tensile properties — Part 1: General principles*

ISO 868, *Plastics and ebonite — Determination of indentation hardness by means of a durometer (Shore hardness)*

ISO 9352, *Plastics — Determination of resistance to wear by abrasive wheels*

ISO 1183-1, *Plastics — Methods for determining the density of non-cellular plastics — Part 1: Immersion method, liquid pycnometer method and titration method*

ISO 10993-1, *Biological evaluation of medical devices — Part 1: Evaluation and testing within a risk management process*

ISO 10993-7, *Biological evaluation of medical devices — Part 7: Ethylene oxide sterilization residuals*

ISO 10993-11, *Biological evaluation of medical devices — Part 11: Tests for systemic toxicity*

ISO 11134, *Sterilization of health care products — Requirements for validation and routine control — Industrial moist heat sterilization*

ISO 11135, *Sterilization of health-care products — Ethylene oxide — Requirements for the development, validation and routine control of a sterilization process for medical devices*

ISO 11137-1, *Sterilization of health care products — Radiation — Part 1: Requirements for development, validation and routine control of a sterilization process for medical devices*

ISO 11137-2, *Sterilization of health care products — Radiation — Part 2: Establishing the sterilization dose*

ISO 11607-1, *Packaging for terminally sterilized medical devices — Part 1: Requirements for materials, sterile barrier systems and packaging systems*

ISO 11607-2, *Packaging for terminally sterilized medical devices — Part 2: Validation requirements for forming, sealing and assembly processes*

ISO 14937, *Sterilization of health care products — General requirements for characterization of a sterilizing agent and the development, validation and routine control of a sterilization process for medical devices*

ASTM D792-00, *Standard test methods for density and specific gravity (relatively density) of plastics by displacement*

ASTM D2240-04, *Standard test method for rubber property — Durometer hardness*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

- 3.1 durometer hardness**
measure of hardness of elastic materials by Shore A range
- 3.2 elongation**
increase in linear dimension
- 3.3 tensile strength**
force per unit of original cross section on elongation to rupture
- 3.4 tear strength**
measure of stress needed to continue rupturing a sheet of rubber or plastic, usually after an initial cut
- 3.5 tubing pack**
consists of tubing sections joined by extracorporeal connectors and/or connected to extracorporeal devices intended for CPB or ECMO applications
- 3.6 specific gravity**
ratio of the mass of a body to the mass of an equal volume of water at 4 °C
- 3.7 spallation**
phenomenon whereby particles dislodge from a surface under cyclical stress
- 3.8 brittle point**
temperature at which 50 % of test samples exhibit cracking or breakage after linear impact at a specified speed

4 Requirements

4.1 Biological characteristics

4.1.1 Sterility and non-pyrogenicity

The blood pathway shall be sterile and non-pyrogenic. Compliance shall be verified in accordance with [5.2.1](#).

4.1.2 Biocompatibility

All parts of the tubing pack that may come in direct contact with the patient's blood pathway shall be biocompatible with respect to their intended use.

Compliance shall be verified in accordance with [5.2.2](#).

4.2 Physical characteristics

4.2.1 General

When tested in accordance with [5.3.1](#), the blood pathway shall not leak.

4.2.2 Dimensions

The dimensions of the tubing (e.g. inner diameter, wall thickness, segment lengths) shall conform to the specifications of the user.

4.2.3 Material properties

The tubing material shall be tested or specified by the manufacturer or extruder to determine that the material properties listed in this subclause conform to the manufacturer's specifications as reported in [6.4](#) b). Upon request, the manufacturer should make them available in a technical data sheet. The material properties include:

- a) durometer hardness;
- b) ultimate elongation;
- c) tensile strength;
- d) brittle point;
- e) specific gravity;
- f) tear strength.

4.3 Performance characteristics

4.3.1 Priming volume

The priming volume shall be measured or calculated and reported in [6.2](#) e). Results shall indicate the priming volume over the entire range of tubing size provided by the manufacturer. Testing shall be performed according to the manufacturer's protocol.

Some of these tests may be combined and performed at the same time.