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Initial considerations to 3D print in a certified MedTech environment

researchXchange Seminar / IEEE



MedTech Additive Manufacturing

spine cages

Example of Metallic Use Cases



removable denture



custom cranial implant

bone reamer

acetabulum cup



Opportunities

Individualization (lot size one)

Short Lead Time

Manufacturing of Complex Shapes

Anatomical Shape

Improved properties and functionalities

Challenges

Adapted design strategy

Control of process parameters

Surface finishing and cleaning

Initial Investments

Acetabulum Cup

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Acetabular cup with lattice structure used in total hip replacement (THR) surgeries or hip revision surgeries. The polyethylene or ceramic inlay is fixed in the inner cup geometry.

Material: Ti-6AI-4V Grades 5 and 23 (ELI), ASTM F136 Process: Electron Beam or SLM, post processing Regulatory Pathway: Non-active implant class III Implant functionality: Load carrier and bone ingrowth promoter





Quality

Powder management

Know-how

Safety

Standards

Design

Process

Cost structure

Mechanical properties

Validation & Verification

Machine characteristics







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8 10 12 Strain [%]

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ISO 13485 is a standard defining the aspects of a Quality Management System (QMS) for medical devices.

Depending on the service you are providing is specific to the medical device industry, ISO 13485 might appropriate to be implemented.

It is also about building trust in the MedTech Industry.



Ref: <u>https://www.avanti-europe.ch/who-needs-to-get-certified-according-iso-13485/</u> https://www.sourcebioscience.com/news/iso-90012015-quality-management-system-qms/





Manufacturing MedTech AM Route

AM has to be integrated into a supply chain under a defined QMS

- 1) Powder inspection
- 2) Data preparation
- 3) Build job (Additive Manufacturing)
- 4) Unpacking / (de-powdering)
- 5) Heat treatment / Pressing
- 6) Support removal / post machining
- 7) (Hot isostatic pressing)
- 8) Sand blasting / vibration grinding
- 9) Surface treatment / Polishing
- 10) Laser marking
- 11) Cleaning
- 12) Sterilization



Internal and external processes



A Different Risk Perspective





Starting from a bar of metal, we use a CNC equipment to remove material until we obtain the right dimensions. The subtractive process is well know, the risks as well. Mitigation measures are in place

For 3D printing, everything is built from a powder. What is inside the part cannot be inspected. The remaining questions are: "Did the laser power really melted the metal on all the

The remaining questions are: "Did the laser power really melted the metal on all the layer? Is this reliable and reproducible?"

Validation activity should now see the process in a different way than a CNC process. The parameters are different and the risks are also different.

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Unpacking / Depowdering...





Production Qualification



1) Machine Qualification

IQ: Installation Qualification OQ: Operational Qualification PQ: Performance Qualification



2) Working Instruction

Personnel Qualification SOP: Standard Operating Procedures Checklists



3) Process Validation

AM Post-processing

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ASTM ISO/ASTM52930-21: Guide for Additive manufacturing – Installation/Operation and Performance Qualification (IQ/OQ/PQ) of Laser-Beam Powder Bed Fusion Equipment for Production Manufacturing.

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V&V and ISO 13485



In the MedTech filed, validation is part of the Norm ISO 13485.

Under the clause 7.5.6, EN ISO 13485 mandates that organizations validate those processes for which verification is not possible.



OQ / PQ Runs @ m4m





OQ Build Jobs

8 worst case runs

Min / Max investigation



PQ Build Jobs

30 nominal runs

Consistency / powder degradation

OQ Runs: Min / Max Definition







Minimum energy density Maximum energy density

OQ / PQ Runs @ m4m





Acceptance Criteria	Торіс				
ASTM B348-B348M	Material (TI64)				
ASTM F136	Material (TI64)				
ASTM F899	Material (SST)				
ISO 10993	Biocompatibility				





Material Qualification



Energy density is used as base for material qualification. Density and mechanical performance are defined as testing criteria.



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Machine Acceptance Build Job





Source: SLM

Biocompatibility Assessment



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Testing and Evaluation Strategies for the Biological Evaluation of Medical Devices submitted for CE Mark and FDA Approval

Table 1: ISO 10993-1 Biocompatibility Testing Selection Criteria

Medical device categorization by		Biological Effect *								
Nature of bo Category	dy contact Contact	Contact duration A - limited (≤ 24 h) B - prolonged (> 24 h to 30 d) C - permanent (> 30 d)	Cytotoxicity	Sensitization	Irritation or intracutaneous reactivity	Systemic toxicity (acute)	Subchronic toxicity (subacute toxicity)	Genotoxicity	Implantation	Haemocompatibility
		Α	x	x	x					<u> </u>
Surface device	Skin	B	x	x	X					<u> </u>
		c	X	x	X					-
		A	X	X	X					
	Mucosal membrane	В	X	X	X					
		c	X	X	X		х	х		
	Breached or compromised surface	A	x	X	X					
		В	х	X	X					
		C	х	X	Х		Х	х		
External communicating device	Blood path, indirect	A	х	X	Х	Х				X
		В	Х	X	Х	Х				Х
		С	х	Х		Х	Х	х		X
	Tissue/bone/ dentin	A	х	X	X					
		В	х	Х	X	Х	Х	х	Х	
		с	х	Х	X	Х	Х	х	Х	
	Circulating blood	A	х	Х	Х	Х				X
		В	х	Х	X	Х	Х	х	Х	
		с	х	X	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	
Implant device	Tissue/bone	A	х	X	Х					
		В	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	
		С	Х	X	X	Х	Х	Х	Х	
	Blood	A	Х	X	X	Х	Х		Х	Х
		В	Х	X	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
		C	х	X	X	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х

Testing to make sure the 3D printed materials are safe to use in conjunction with the human body and medical procedures.

Table 1. ISO 10993-1, simplified by UL.

Medical Device Classification (MDR)





MD Classification (MDR)



Classification of a medical device will depend upon a series of factors, including:

- how long the device is intended to be in continuous use
- whether or not the device is invasive or surgically invasive,
- whether the device is implantable or active
- whether or not the device contains a substance, which in its own right is considered to be a medicinal

substance and has action ancillary to that of the device.

IN VASIVE DEVICES





ASTM F42 / ISO TC 261





General Top-Level AM Standards

- General concepts
- Common requirements
- · Generally applicable

Category AM Standards

Specific to material category or process category

Specialized AM Standards

Specific to material, process, or application



ASTM F42 / ISO TC 261





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Ausrüstung Equipment



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