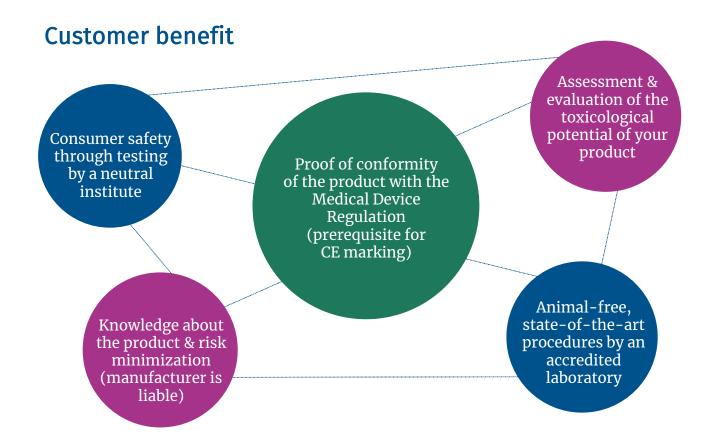


Biocompatibility of medical devices







The basis for the biological assessment of medical devices is the series of standards DIN EN ISO 10993. The DIN EN ISO 10993-1 specifies which endpoints you must consider in the biological risk assessment of your product.

Tests

- Chemical characterization according to DIN EN ISO 10993-18
 - ⇒ Basic information on the toxicological risk of the test sample
- Cytotoxicity according to DIN EN ISO 10993-5
 - ⇒ Determination of growth inhibition of skin cells
- Cytotoxicity according to DIN EN ISO 10993-5 in combination with Wiegand, C. et al. (2017)
 - ⇒ for elastane-containing materials (e.g. medical compression stockings)
- Sensitization
 - ⇒ Recognized screening test or alternative to animal testing according to DIN EN ISO 10993-10
 - Assessment of the risk potential of the tested substances to cause allergies
- HET-CAM according to DB-ALM Method Summary n° 96
 - ⇒ Recognized alternative to animal testing (Draize Test) according to DIN EN ISO 10993-10
 - Exclusion of chemical irritation

Test sample requirements

General

- If dyestuffs, auxiliaries or avivages are used in different quantities, always select the articles with the highest input quantity (worst case)
- When sending several samples, ensure that substances contained in the samples are not transferred to other samples, i.e. pack them separately in plastic bags
- Provide sufficiently precise designations of the test sample (material composition, item number, LOT/batch number, etc.)

Quantity of material

• Total product, at least 40 g (for each individual test)

Test duration

• Usually 10–15 working days (per individual test); date confirmation after receipt of test sample