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## **ANIMAL TISSUES IN MEDICAL DEVICES: GUIDANCE ON THE CONTROL OF SOURCE MATERIALS, AND THE VALIDATION AND ROUTINE CONTROL OF CHEMICAL METHODS USED FOR STERILISATION**

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**2. Member State**

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**3. Department Responsible**

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**3. Originating Department**

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**5. Title**

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GUIDANCE ON THE CONTROL OF SOURCE MATERIALS, AND THE  
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STERILISATION

**6. Products Concerned**

MEDICAL DEVICES INCORPORATING OR CONTAINING MATERIALS OF  
ANIMAL ORIGIN

**7. Notification Under Another Act**

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**8. Main Content**

THE DOCUMENT PROVIDES GUIDANCE ON PARTICULAR ASPECTS OF THE  
QUALITY ASSURANCE OF MEDICAL DEVICES WHICH CONTAIN ANIMAL  
TISSUES.

IT IS INTENDED TO ASSIST MANUFACTURERS IN IMPLEMENTING AN  
EFFECTIVE QUALITY ASSURANCE SYSTEM FOR THE CONTROL OF SOURCE  
MATERIALS AND THE VALIDATION AND ROUTINE CONTROL OF THE  
STERILIZATION PROCESS FOR SUCH DEVICES.

THE DOCUMENT HAS NO STATUTORY FORCE.

THE PROVISIONS OF EC GUIDELINES PREPARED FOR MEDICINAL  
PRODUCTS HAVE BEEN USED AS A BASIS FOR MUCH OF THE TEXT.

**9. Brief Statement of Grounds**

THERE ARE CURRENTLY NO NATIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL GUIDELINES  
COVERING THESE PARTICULAR QUALITY ASSURANCE ASPECTS FOR  
MEDICAL DEVICES. THE CURRENT SYSTEMS FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF  
QUALITY ASSURANCE OF MEDICAL DEVICE MANUFACTURES WOULD BE  
SUPPORTED BY THE PUBLICATION OF THESE GUIDELINES.

**10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts**

DRAFT DOCUMENT:

ANIMAL TISSUES IN MEDICAL DEVICES: GUIDANCE ON THE CONTROL  
OF SOURCE MATERIALS, AND THE VALIDATION AND ROUTINE CONTROL  
OF CHEMICAL METHODS USED FOR STERILIZATION.

**11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure**

NO

**12. Grounds for the Emergency**

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