
Implants for surgery — Ultra-high-molecular-weight polyethylene —

**Part 2:
Moulded forms**

Implants chirurgicaux — Polyéthylène à très haute masse moléculaire —

Partie 2: Produits sous forme moulée



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Foreword

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This fifth edition cancels and replaces the fourth edition (ISO 5834-2:2011), which has been technically revised.

The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- requirement and test for maximum ash content removed;
- limit values and test methods harmonized with respective ASTM standards;
- editorial updates in line with all other parts of the ISO 5834 series.

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Implants for surgery — Ultra-high-molecular-weight polyethylene —

Part 2: Moulded forms

1 Scope

This document specifies the requirements and corresponding test methods for moulded forms, e.g. sheets and rods, made from ultra-high-molecular-weight polyethylene (UHMWPE) for use in the manufacture of surgical implants.

This document is not applicable to direct-moulded (near net shape), irradiated or finished products or products manufactured from polyethylene blended with additives or by blending different forms of polyethylene.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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 1183-1:2012, *Plastics — Methods for determining the density of non-cellular plastics — Part 1: Immersion method, liquid pycnometer method and titration method*

ISO 5834-1, *Implants for surgery — Ultra-high-molecular-weight polyethylene — Part 1: Powder form*

ASTM F648, *Standard specification for ultra-high-molecular-weight polyethylene powder and fabricated form for surgical implants*

3 Terms and definitions

No terms and definitions are listed in this document.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

4 Classification

The material moulded from Type 1, Type 2 or Type 3 powder as defined in ISO 5834-1 shall be classified as Type 1, Type 2 or Type 3 respectively.

5 Material

The moulded material shall be made from UHMWPE powder in accordance with the requirements of ISO 5834-1.