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- Part 1: General principles and methods
- Part 2: Evaluation and interpretation of biocontamination data

#### Introduction

The principles described here are intended to promote appropriate hygienic practices. This part of ISO 14698 is one of a number of standards considering factors important for the creation of clean, controlled environments.

Hygiene has become increasingly important in many areas of modern society. In such areas, hygiene or biocontamination control methods are, or will be, used to create safe and stable products. International trade in hygiene-sensitive products has greatly increased. At the same time, the use of antimicrobial agents has been reduced or forbidden, creating a need for increased biocontamination control.

This part of ISO 14698 is the first general International Standard for biocontamination control. However, many factors besides cleanliness must be considered in the design, specification, operation and control of cleanrooms and associated controlled environments.

In some circumstances, relevant regulatory agencies could impose supplementary policies or restrictions. In of ti. such situations, appropriate adaptations of the standard testing procedures might be required.

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### Cleanrooms and associated controlled environments — Biocontamination control —

#### Part 1:

#### General principles and methods

#### 1 Scope

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Application-specific requirements are not given. Neither are fire and safety issues addressed; for these, see regulatory requirements and other national or local documentation.

#### 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 14644-4:2001, Cleanrooms and associated controlled environments — Part 4: Design, construction and start-up

ISO 14698-2:2003, Cleanrooms and associated controlled environments — Biocontamination control — Part 2: Evaluation and interpretation of biocontamination data

#### 3 Terms and definitions

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

#### 3.1 General

#### 3.1.1

#### action level

level set by the user in the context of controlled environments, which, when exceeded, requires immediate intervention, including investigation of cause, and corrective action

#### 3.1.2

#### alert level

level set by the user in the context of controlled environments, giving early warning of a drift from normal conditions, which, when exceeded, should result in increased attention to the process