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Introduction

This part of ISO 11979 contains methods for which requirements are given and methods for which no requirements are formulated. The former are considered essential for the safety or performance of the intraocular lens, while the latter provide essential information to the ophthalmic surgeon or are used for other purposes.

A special purpose is the use of mechanical data to assess the need for clinical investigation of modifications of existing models as described in ISO 11979-7^[7]. Because of the complexity of this analysis, detailed descriptions and examples have been given in ISO/TR 22979^[8]. Due to the wide variety of intraocular lens designs already on the market, it has not been possible to devise test methods that are applicable to every design under all circumstances. It can be anticipated that new materials currently under development will result in drastically new designs that will require modified or other test methods. As with all standards, it is then up to the parties using the standard to modify or develop corresponding methods and give rationale and validation for them in a spirit that is consistent with this part of ISO 11979.

In cases where different tolerances have been given depending on material or design, they reflect an existing situation with well-established products.

Ophthalmic implants — Intraocular lenses —

Part 3: Mechanical properties and test methods

1 Scope

This part of ISO 11979 specifies requirements and test methods for certain mechanical properties of intraocular lenses (IOLs).

It is applicable to all types of IOLs intended for implantation in the anterior segment of the human eye, excluding corneal implants, provided that the test method is appropriate to the particular IOL design.

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 11979-1, *Ophthalmic implants — Intraocular lenses — Part 1: Vocabulary*

ISO 11979-2, *Ophthalmic implants — Intraocular lenses — Part 2: Optical properties and test methods*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 11979-1 apply.

4 Requirements

4.1 General

For all IOLs, the mechanical properties shall be determined at *in situ* conditions. The precise composition of the solution used shall be reported in all cases. Alternative test conditions, e.g. room temperature conditions, may be used if a justification to deviate from *in situ* is given. The alternative test conditions shall be specified in the test reports.

For each of the methods described below, tests shall be performed on a minimum of three IOL lots of medium dioptric power. If dioptric power affects the property tested, the lots shall comprise one each of low, medium and high dioptric powers. For toric intraocular lenses, half of each of these three lots shall contain intraocular lenses with the highest cylindrical power, and the other half shall contain intraocular lenses with the lowest cylindrical power. The minimum sample size for each test shall be 10 IOLs per lot. The lots shall be representative of IOLs being marketed. In all cases, the sampling criteria applied shall be reported. Means and standard deviations shall be reported for the pooled samples.

If, for certain designs and certain applications, a specific test method described in this part of ISO 11979 is not applicable, the IOL manufacturer can devise a corresponding test method and provide a validation and rationale for it.

For accommodating IOLs (AIOLs) the theoretical mechanism of action to change the power of the eye shall be described e.g. the change of curvature or the movement of lens elements under compression. The general factors determining this action shall be characterized and specified. Further mechanical testing over a range that includes the maximum and minimum limits of the theoretical mechanism of