

Equipment Safety – A manufacturer's point of view



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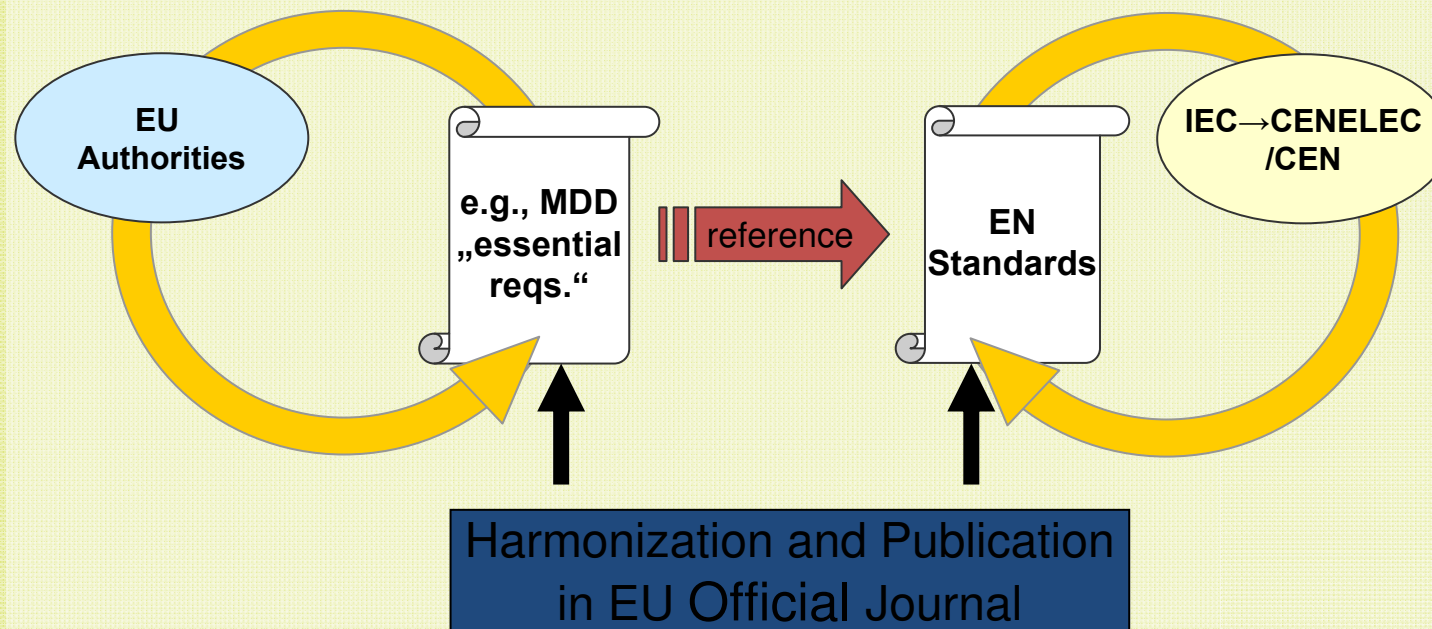
The background of the slide is a blue rectangle with twelve yellow stars arranged in a circle, similar to the European Union flag. In the center of this circle is a large white 'CE' mark. Three white rectangular boxes with folded corners are overlaid on the background. The top-left box contains text about the MDD Council Directive. The top-right box contains text about ISO 14971 Risk Management. The bottom-right box contains text about IEC 60601-1.

**MDD
Council Directive
93/42/EEC**

**ISO 14971
Risk
Management
to
medical devices**

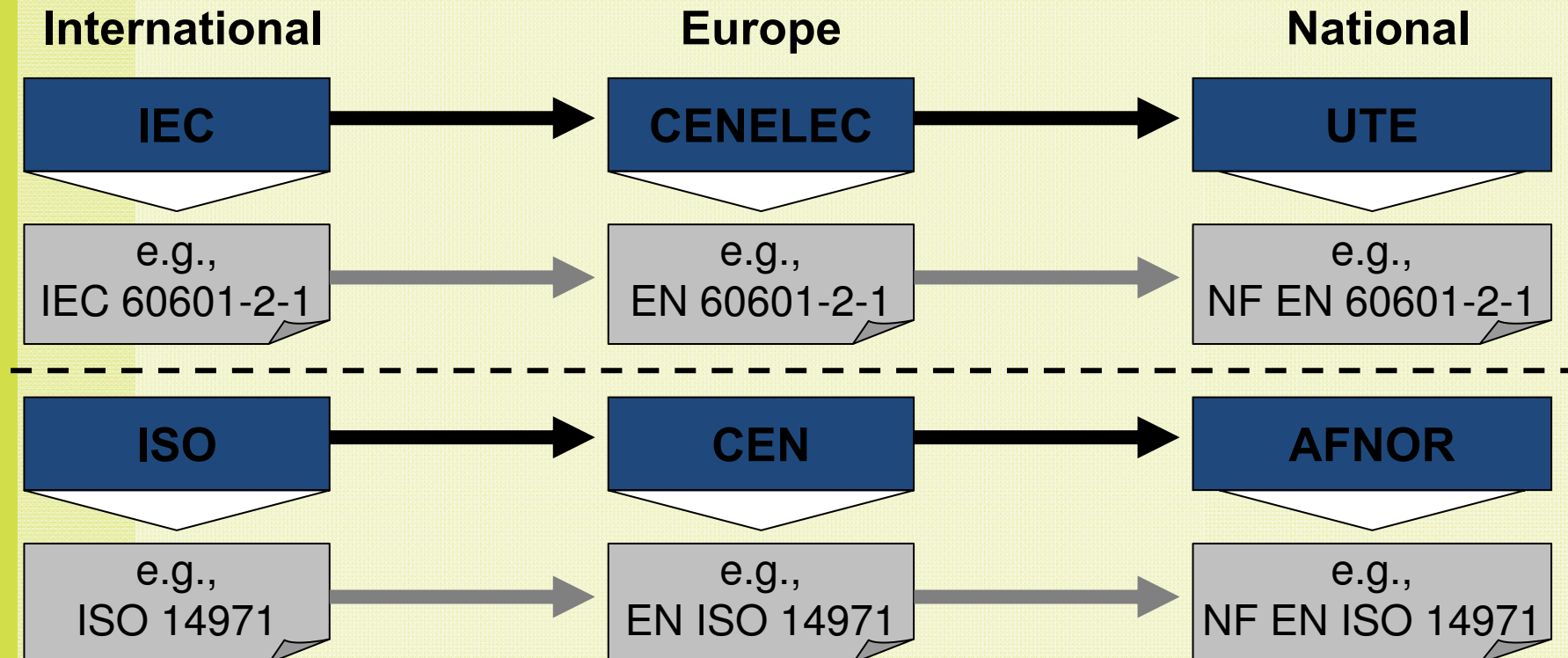
**IEC 60601-1
General require-
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Safety and
Essential
Performance
3rd edition**

A strong link between standards and regulations in the medical device market



- Standards detail the regulatory framework
- For “New Approach” directives, the compliance with the “Essential Requirements” is assumed if the products comply with the harmonized standards
- Legal requirements have a life time of approx. 15 years; standards help to describe legal goals in shorter cycles.

Transition of international standards to national standards



- Transition of international standards to **identical** European standards
- Transition of European standards to **identical** national standards
- European standards may be harmonized by the European Commission within the framework of “New Approach” Directives, e.g., Medical Device Directive

The medical market is a regulated market in most countries

- The objective for such regulations is due to the political mandate:
- *To provide people with safe and efficient healthcare*
- Provisions are for instance
- *Market approval* for medical devices
- *For safe use and efficacy*
 - Medical requirements (education, certified medical procedures, guidelines, clinical trial, quality control,...)
 - Technical requirements (basic safety, essential performance, quality assurance, market surveillance,...)
- Technical requirements as prerequisite for reimbursement

Standards play an important role in achieving these goals!

MDD 93/42/EEC

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Devices must be designed and manufactured such that ... if used for the purpose and under the conditions intended...

ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS

- ... they will not compromise the condition or safety of patients
- ... or safety and health of operators
- ... or other persons
- ... or any risks associated with the use constitute acceptable risks when weighted against the benefits for the patients

2. The solutions adopted by the manufacturer for the design and construc-

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6.4 Residual risk evaluation

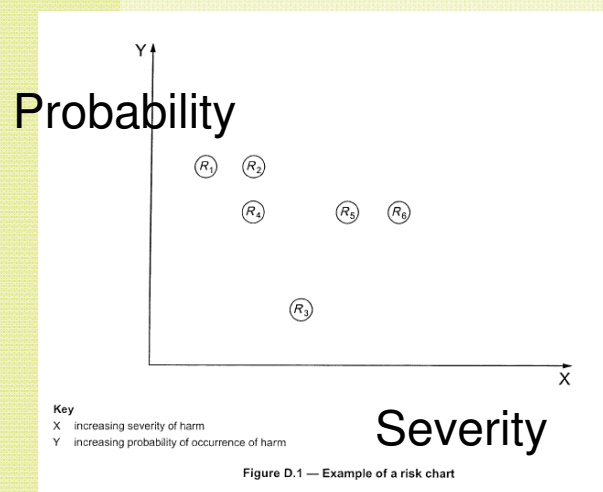
After the risk control measures are applied, any residual risk shall be evaluated using the criteria defined in the risk management plan. The results of this evaluation shall be recorded in the risk management file.

If the residual risk is not judged acceptable using these criteria, further risk control measures shall be applied (see 6.2).

For residual risks that are judged acceptable, the manufacturer shall decide which residual risks to disclose and what information is necessary to include in the accompanying documents in order to disclose those residual risks.

NOTE Guidance on how residual risk(s) can be disclosed is provided in Annex J.

Compliance is checked by inspection of the risk management file and the accompanying documents.



	Qualitative severity levels				
	Negligible	Minor	Serious	Critical	Catastrophic
Frequent					
Probable	R_1	R_2			
Occasional		R_4		R_5	R_6
Remote					
Improbable			R_3		

Key



unacceptable risk



acceptable risk

Figure D.5 — Example of a semi-quantitative risk evaluation matrix

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7 Evaluation of overall residual risk acceptability

After all risk control measures have been implemented and verified, the manufacturer shall decide if the overall residual risk posed by the medical device is acceptable using the criteria defined in the risk management plan.

- After all risk controls are implemented as designed... the manufacturer shall decide if the residual risk is acceptable

NOTE 1 For guidance on overall residual risk evaluation, see D.7.

- If the overall residual risk is not judged acceptable using the criteria established in the risk management plan, the manufacturer may gather further data and evidence to determine if the medical benefits of the intended use outweigh the overall residual risk. If this evidence supports the conclusion that the medical benefits of the intended use outweigh the overall residual risk, the overall residual risk is judged acceptable. Otherwise, the overall residual risk remains unacceptable.
- If the residual risk is judged unacceptable, the manufacturer may gather data and review data to determine if the medical benefits... outweigh the residual risk

For an overall residual risk that is judged acceptable, the manufacturer shall decide which information is necessary to include in the accompanying documents in order to disclose the overall residual risk.

- NOTE 2 Guidance on how residual risk(s) can be disclosed is provided in Annex D.
- For an overall residual risk that is judged acceptable, the manufacturer shall decide which information is necessary to disclose

The results of the overall residual risk evaluation shall be recorded in the risk management file. Compliance is checked by inspection of the risk management file and the accompanying documents.

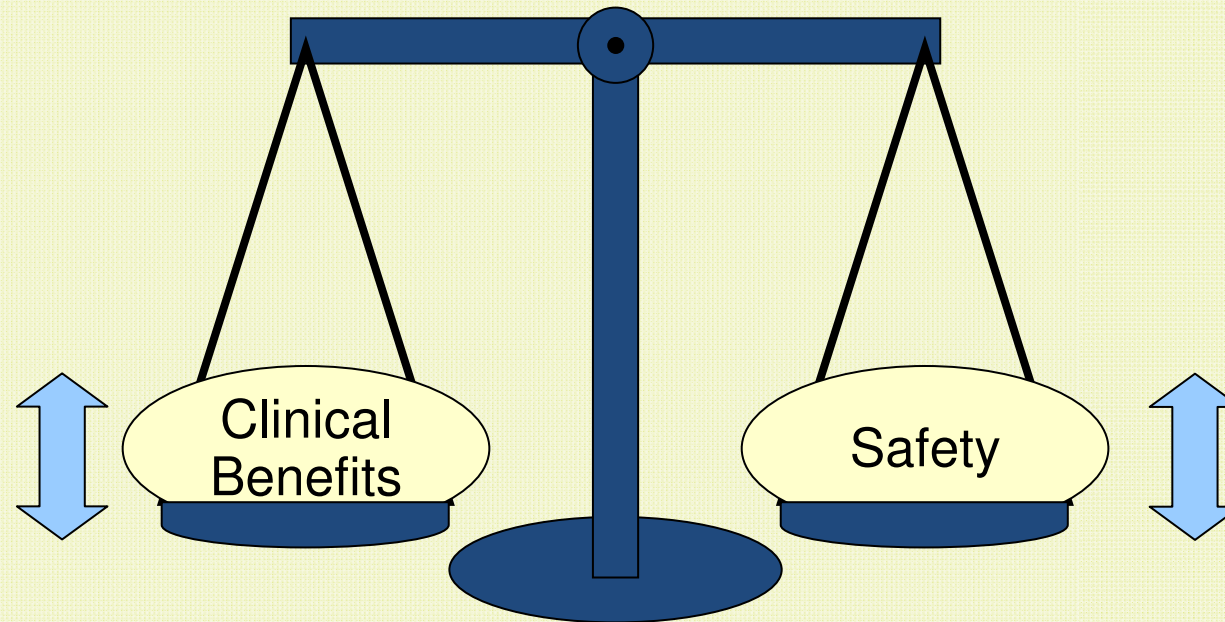
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- The manufacturer shall establish, document and maintain a system to collect and review information about the medical device... in the production and post-production phases

When establishing a system to collect and review information about the medical device, the manufacturer should consider among other things:

- When establishing a system.... The manufacturer shall consider:
 - a) the mechanisms by which information generated by the operator, the user, or those accountable for the installation, use, maintenance, or repair of the device is collected, recorded, and analyzed
 - Mechanisms by which the information is presented or processed
 - or
 - New or revised standards
 - b) new or revised standards.

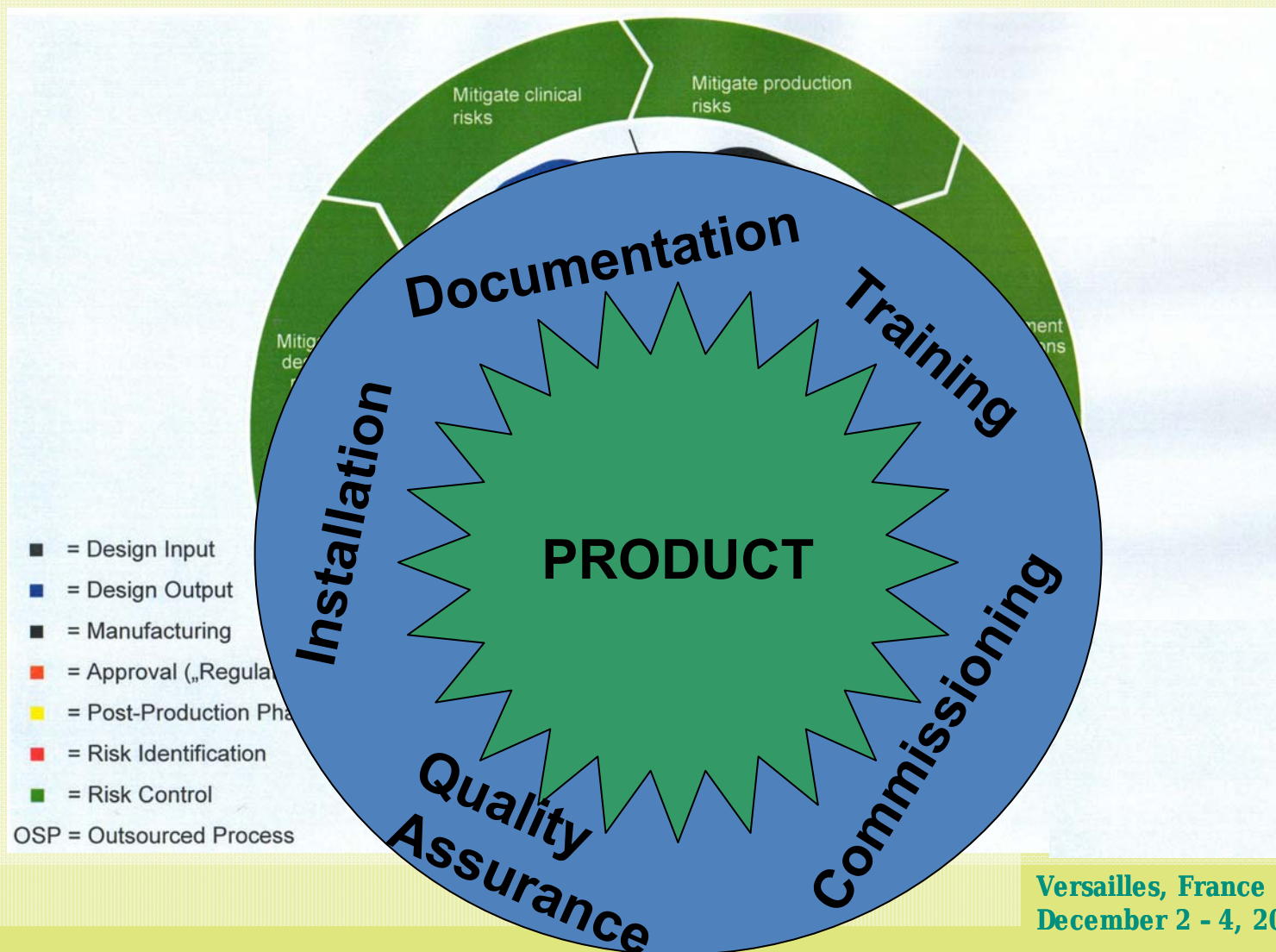
Goals of standardization for medical devices



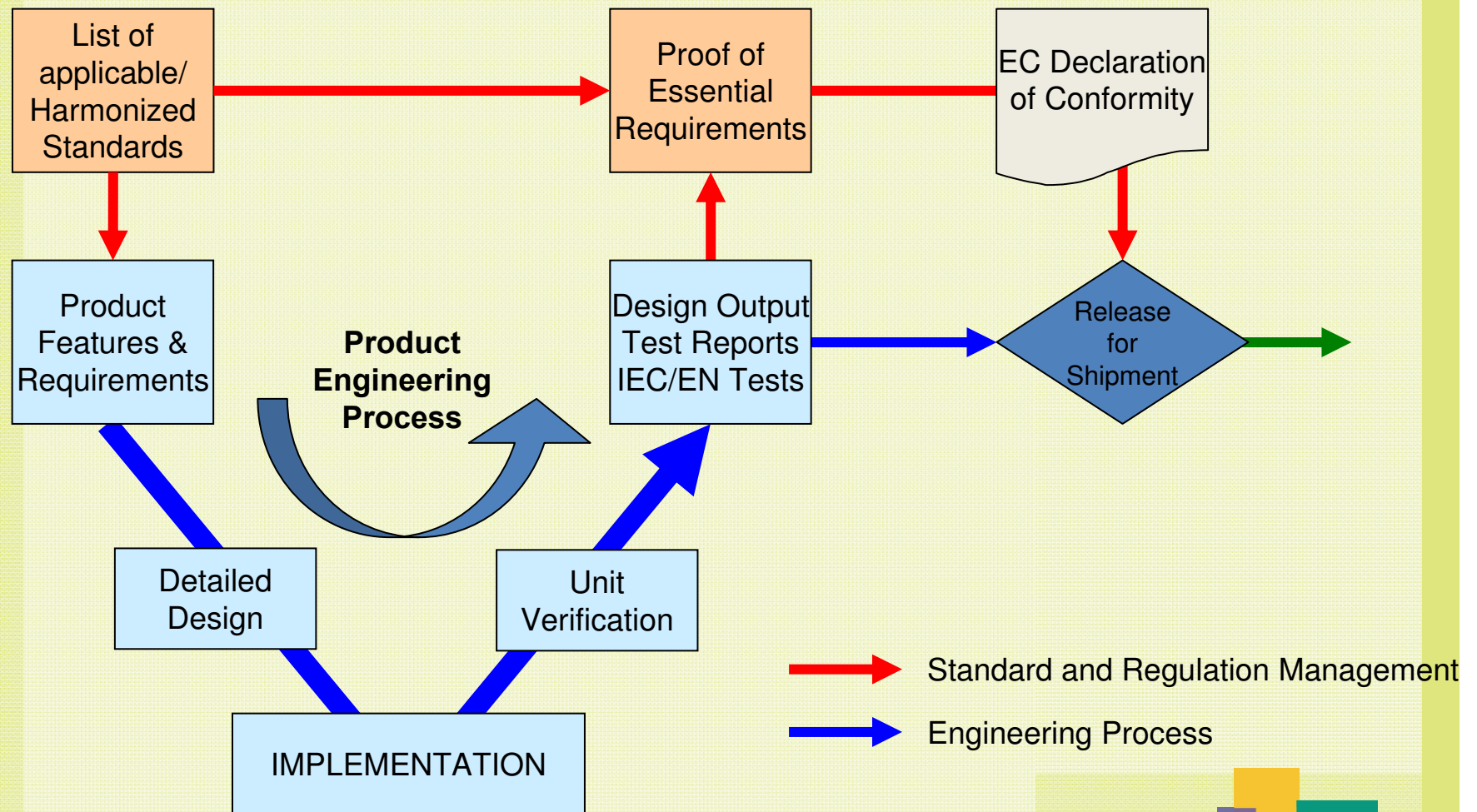
- Find the balance between **clinical benefits** and **safety interests**
- Give a common **technological baseline**, but allow **innovations**
- Describe a framework that is **acceptable for all stakeholders**

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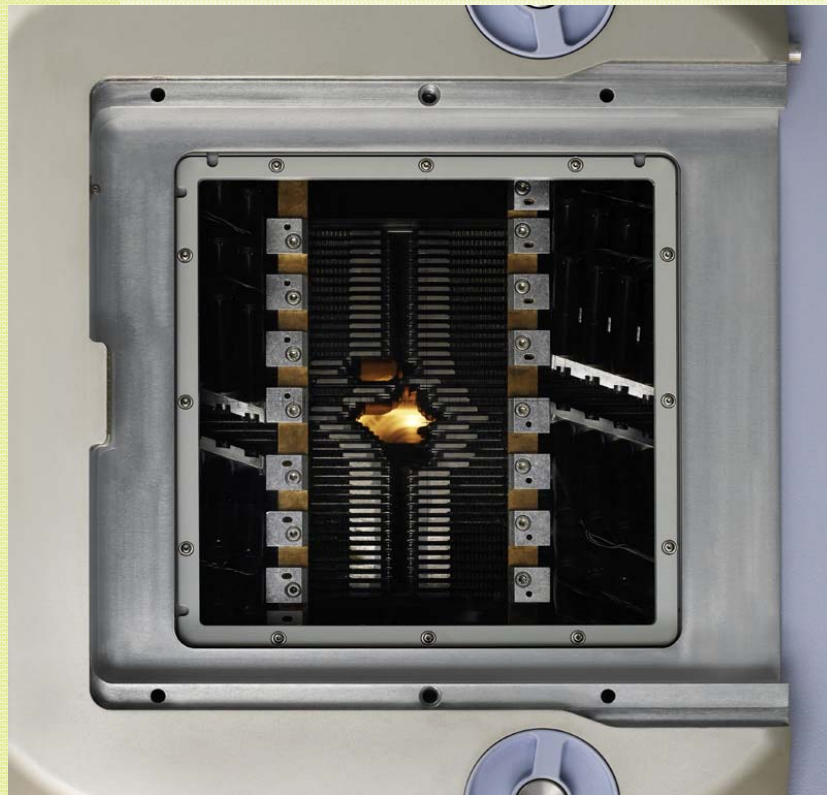
Risk Management within the Product Lifecycle



Ensuring standards compliance in product development



Example: MLC and IEC 60601 – 2- 1



- Multileaf collimators offer the opportunity to adapt the beam to the tumor shape, sparing healthy tissue
- However, there is some leakage radiation between the leaves
- IEC 60601-2-1 max. X-ray leakage through beam limiting device:
 - 1981: 2% (MLC not considered)
 - 1998: 5% for MLC
 - 2008 (CD): 2.5% (MLC for Intensity-Modulated Radiation Therapy)
 - ~~200X: 1%??~~

Implementation of ISO 14971

e.g. OCS –
Quality
Regulation for
Risk
Management

F Frequent						
E Probable				III		
D Occasional			II b			
C Remote		II a			Acceptance Threshold	
B Improbable	I					
A Impossible						
	1 Negligible	2 Moderate	3 Critical	4 Catastrophic		

- Low – residual risk acceptable, no active risk control
- Medium – two levels of acceptability:
 - Above acceptability level: risk-analysis to determine how to proceed
 - Below acceptability level: ALARP (as low as reasonably practicable)
- High – risk is intolerable; no risk-benefit analysis is acceptable.
Risks must be reduced at least to medium area

Implementation of ISO 14971

Class	1	2	3	4
Severity of Harm	Negligible	Moderate	Critical	Catastrophic
to Persons	Minor injury e.g. slight/insignificant bodily injury which requires no medical treatment	Moderate injury e.g. bodily injury of medium severity which requires medical treatment	Serious injury or death of one person e.g. severe injury / death (of an individual). Necessitates medical or surgical intervention to prevent permanent impairment of a body function or permanent damage to a body structure ¹ .	Serious injury or death of more than one person e.g. severe injury / death (of multiple persons). Necessitates medical or surgical intervention to prevent permanent impairment of a body function or permanent damage to a body structure.
to Goods	Damage e.g. Possible damage as the result of a malfunction	Destruction e.g. Possible destruction as the result of a malfunction	Long-term or wide area impact	Not practicable

Degree	Probability*	Definition of Probability*
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Example

⚠ Warning

Wear, damage, or overloading of the accessory holder, accessory trays, and accessory tray locks can result in injury to the patient, due to falling objects.

PHYSICAL INJURY, FALLING OBJECTS

- ♦ Regularly inspect these components for signs of wear or damage. Do not exceed the weight limit for block trays or the accessory holder, and replace trays that show discoloration, cracking, or damage.

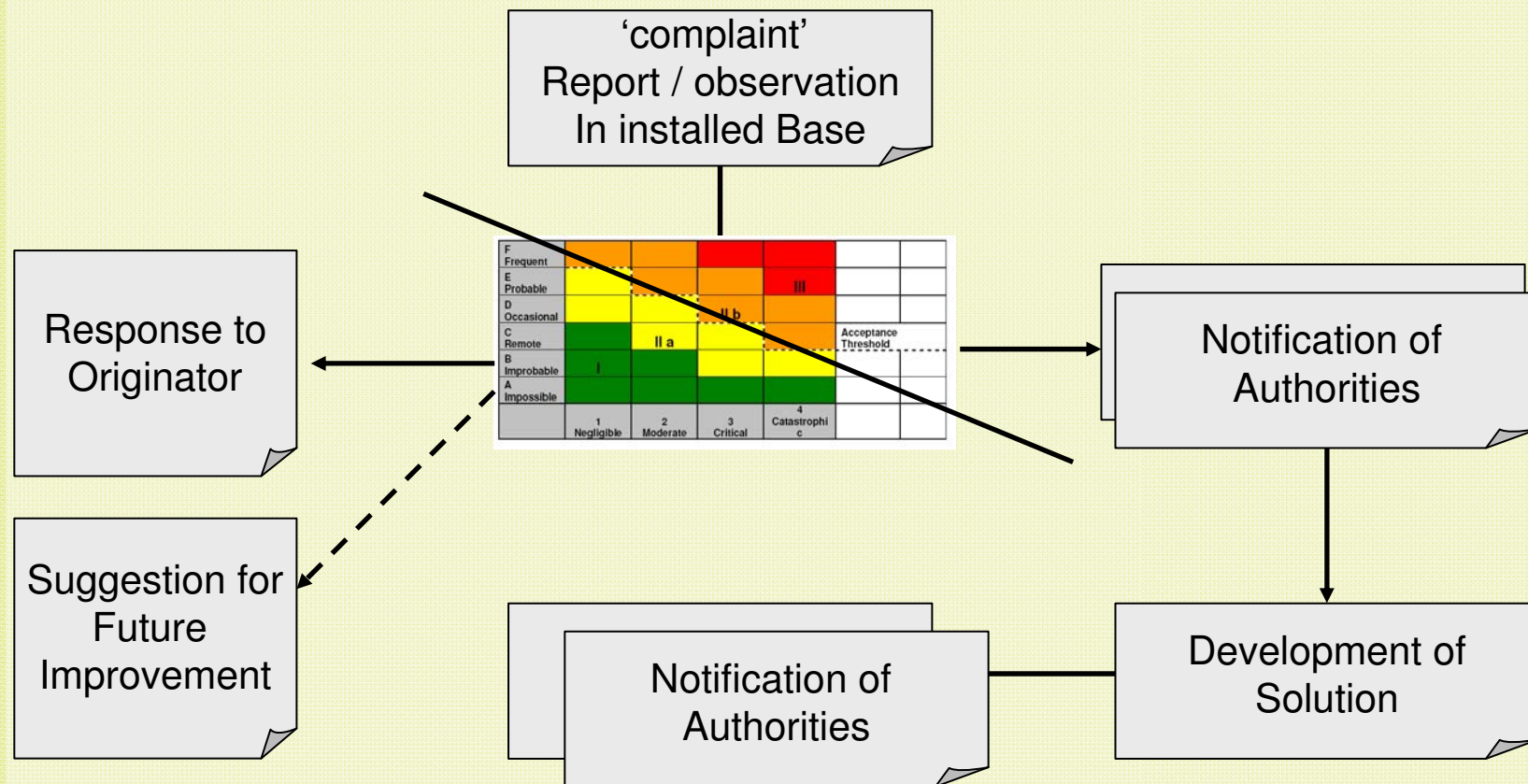
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Safety Management in Installed Base



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Thank you for your kind attention!