

BSI's perspective on Article 117 and Drug/ Device Combinations



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- About BSI
- BSI Regulatory Services
- Introduction to the Medicinal & Biologics Team
- Article 117
 - Impact
 - Review Process and Timelines
 - Documentation requirements
 - Lessons Learned
 - NBOp output
 - Design Changes

About BSI



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Our approach

Our business is enabling others to realize their potential and perform better. We provide a unique combination of complementary services and solutions managed through four global business streams:

Consulting Services

- Consultancy
- Supply Chain Solutions

Knowledge

- Standards Development
- Services
- Information Solutions

Assurance Services

- Systems Certification
- Product Certification
- Training

Regulatory Services

- Systems and Product Certification of Medical Devices

We operate across many sectors, and focus on four areas of specialization:

Aerospace and
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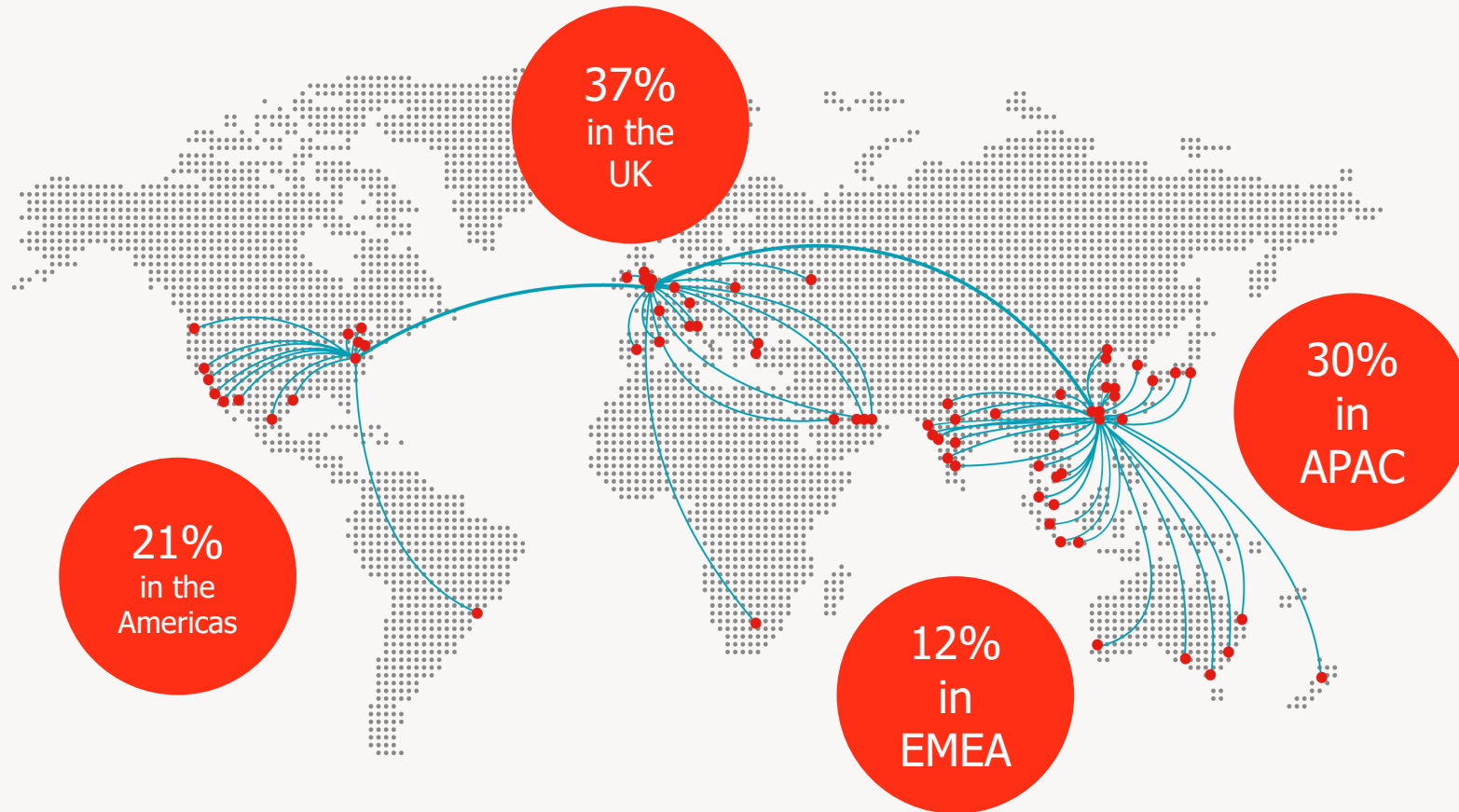
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BSI is an integrated global enterprise, able to serve clients from 84 offices in 31 countries across the world.

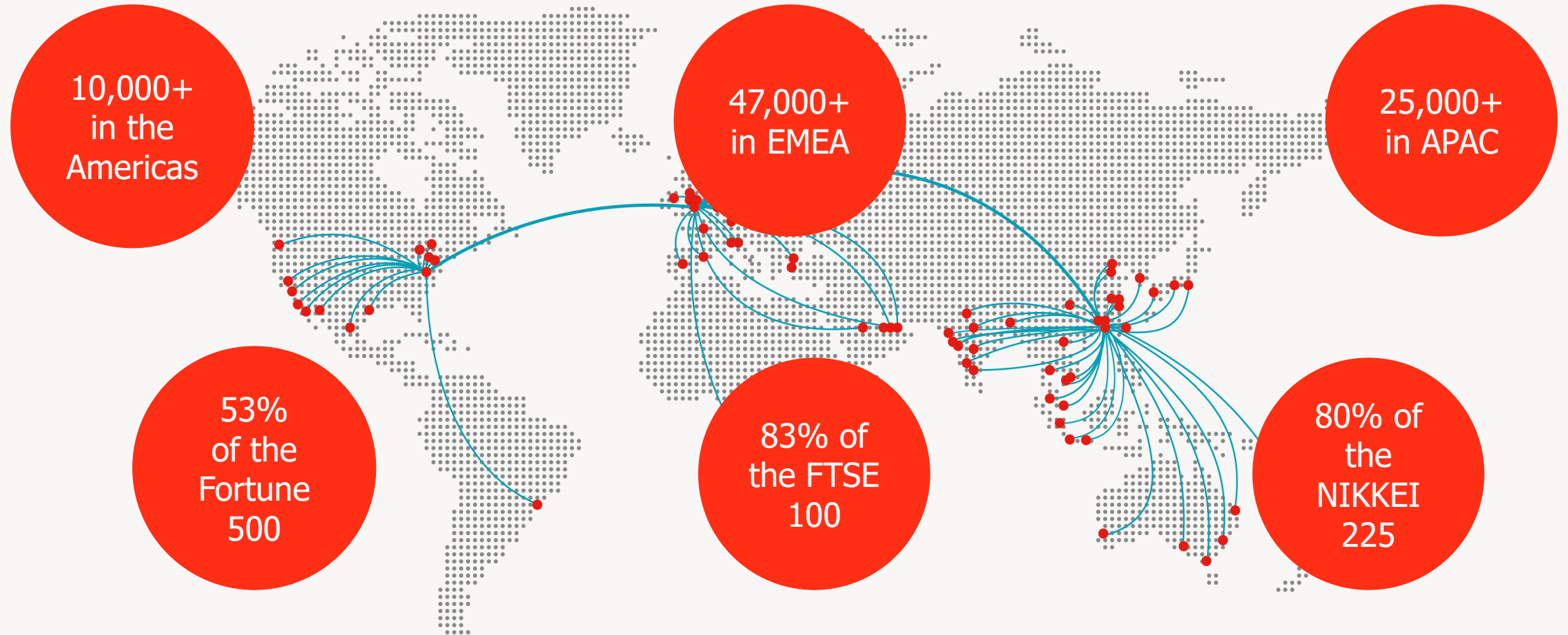


Our **5,089** worldwide colleagues are operating in **195** countries with

- **893** supporting Business Delivery through HR, IT, Finance, Management, Legal, Communications and Facilities.
- **724** in Sales and Business Development
- **547** in Consulting
- **1,422** in System Certification
- **177** in Product Certification
- **700** in Regulatory Services
- **210** in Marketing

Serving a global network of clients

Our 84,000 clients range from globally recognized brands to small local companies in 195 countries across a range of industries.



BSI Regulatory Services



About BSI Regulatory Services

96%

96% of the world's top 25
medical device manufacturers work with BSI

700+

Over 700
colleagues worldwide

Market leader

Largest Notified Body
globally; BSI is a market leader

**Two full scope
Notified Bodies**

Designated with full scope
to the MDD, AIMDD, IVDD, MDR and IVDR

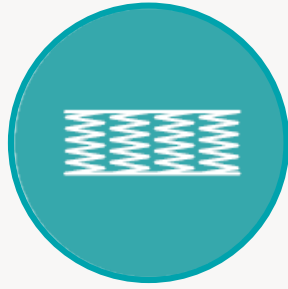
**Designated and
Accredited**

Designated by MHRA, IGJ
Accredited by UKAS, SCC and RvA
Recognized by MHLW/PMDA, TFDA, MDB, INMETRO, MDSAP RAs

BSI Medical Devices - Industries covered



Orthopaedic Devices
Joints, implants & cements



Vascular Devices
Heart valves, vascular grafts & stents



Active Devices
Medical imaging equipment, patient monitors & incubators



Microbiology and sterile devices
Devices, packaging & processes



In Vitro Diagnostic Devices
Pregnancy tests, blood glucose monitors & HIV tests



Dental Devices
Dental implants, coatings & instruments



Active Implantable Devices
Pacemakers, neurostimulators & radiation therapy devices



General Devices
Woundcare devices, ophthalmic devices, IVF devices & contraceptive devices



Devices utilizing animal tissue
Bone void fillers, dural grafts & haemostats



Device-Drug Combinations
Drug eluting stents, wound dressings & sutures

Medicinal & Biologics Team

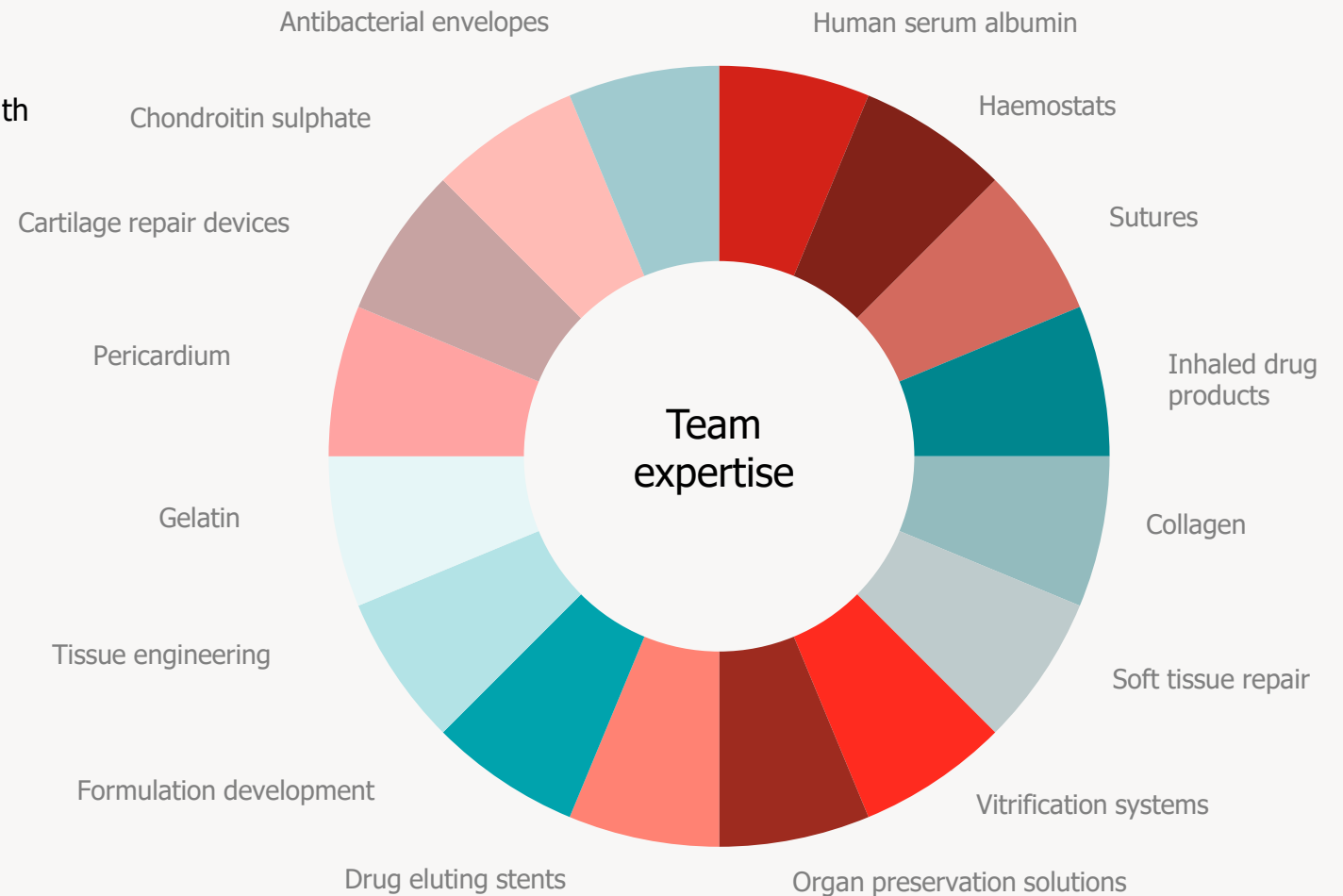


Unrivalled expertise from BSI's Medicinal and Biologics team

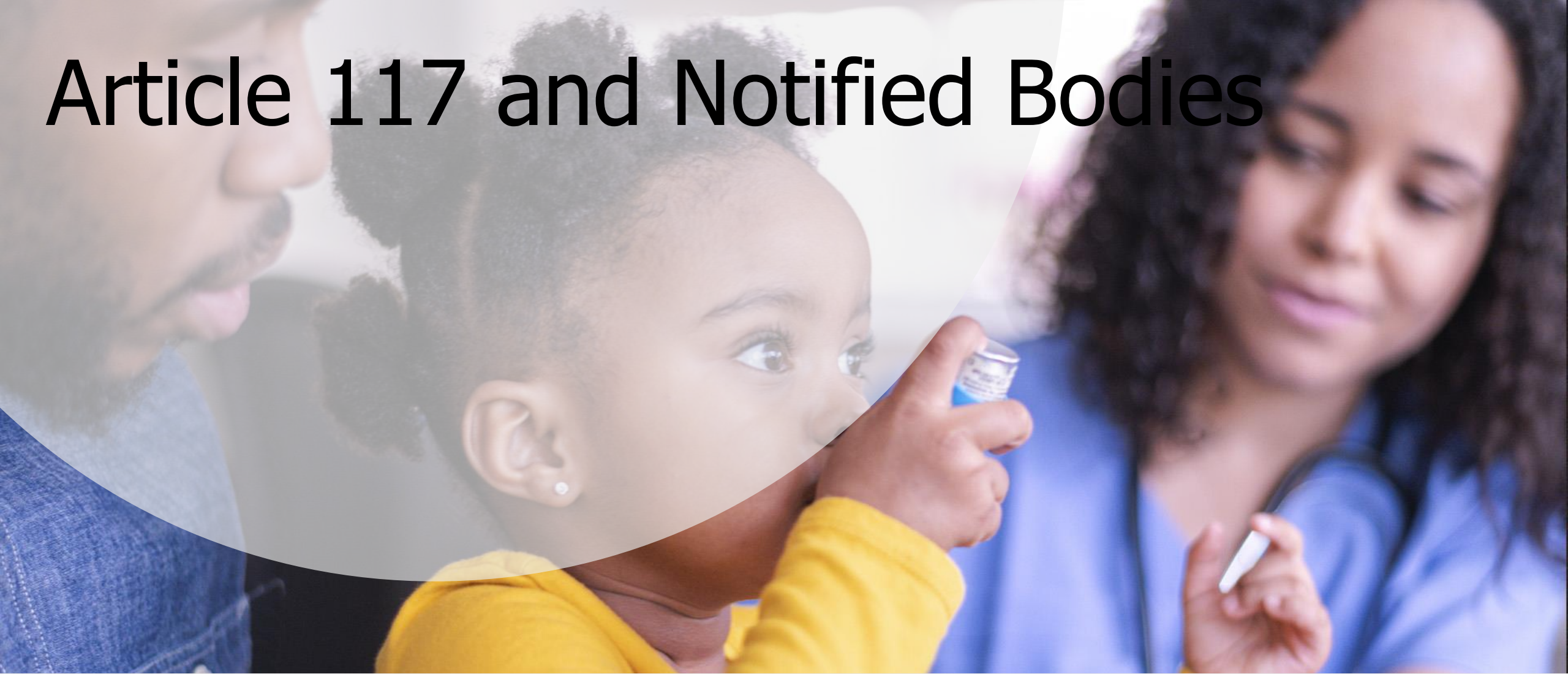
- The BSI Medicinal and Biologics team is made up of specialists with expertise in devices utilizing biological substances, medicinal substances and IVF/ART devices.
- The team have over 20 graduate degrees between them.

The BSI Medical Devices Medicinal and Biologics team combined experience

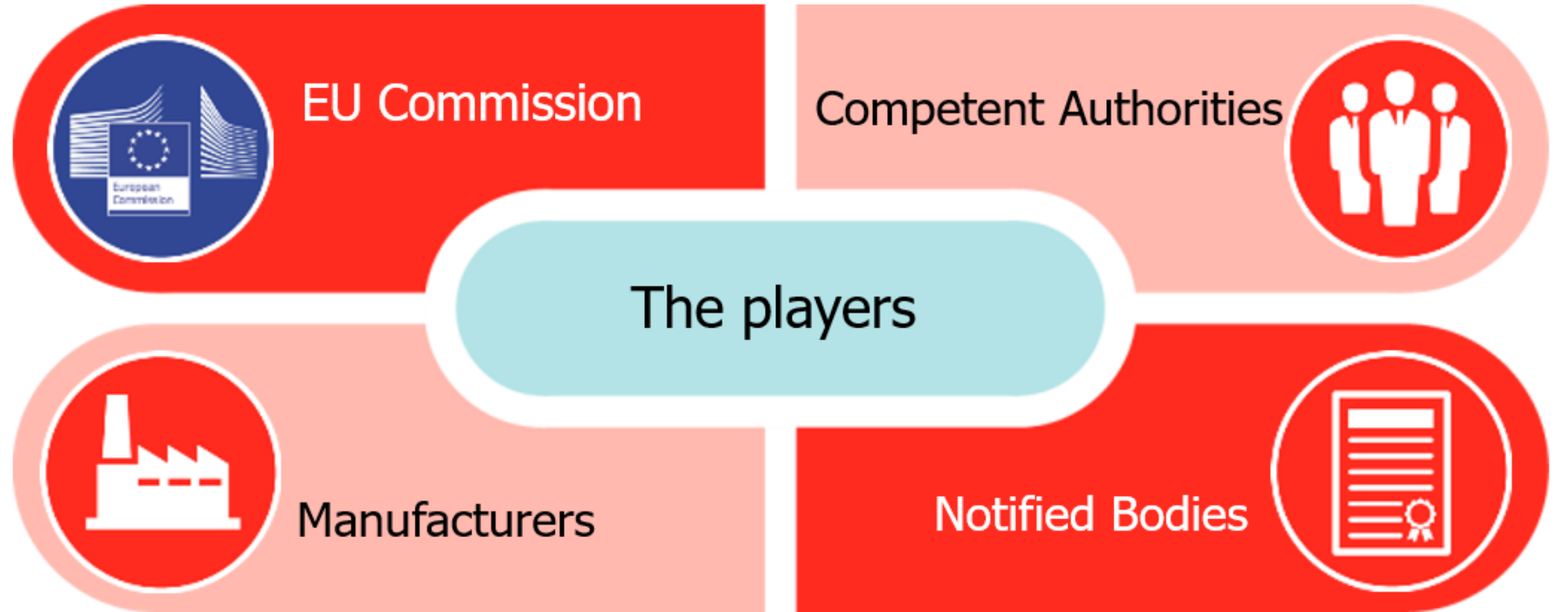
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YEARS



Article 117 and Notified Bodies



Who is involved in the Article 117 Process



Article 117



Article 117 with BSI

- What is Article 117?
 - What is in scope and what is out of scope
- The process for DDC manufacturers
- BSI process
- Documentation requirements
- Output of the process
- Guidance
- <https://www.bsigroup.com/globalassets/meddev/localfiles/en-gb/brochures/mdr-article-117-drug-device-combination-products-application-process-brochure.pdf>

Examples of drug-device combination products requiring Notified Body Opinion



Drug-device combinations

Autoinjector

Inhaler

Pre-filled nebuliser

Pre-filled pen

Pre-filled syringe

Transdermal patch



Article 117



Amendment to Directive 2001/83/EC

In Annex I to Directive 2001/83/EC, point 12 of Section 3.2. is replaced by the following:

- (12) Where, in accordance with the second subparagraph of Article 1(8) or the second subparagraph of Article 1(9) of Regulation (EU) 2017/745 of the European Parliament and of the Council (*), a product is governed by this Directive, the marketing authorisation dossier shall include, where available, the results of the assessment of the conformity of the device part with the relevant general safety and performance requirements set out in Annex I to that Regulation contained in the manufacturer's EU declaration of conformity or the relevant certificate issued by a notified body allowing the manufacturer to affix a CE marking to the medical device.

If the dossier does not include the results of the conformity assessment referred to in the first subparagraph and where for the conformity assessment of the device, if used separately, the involvement of a notified body is required in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2017/745, the authority shall require the applicant to provide an opinion on the conformity of the device part with the relevant general safety and performance requirements set out in Annex I to that Regulation issued by a notified body designated in accordance with that Regulation for the type of device in question.

Drug Device Combinations-

Single integral, exclusively for use, not reusable

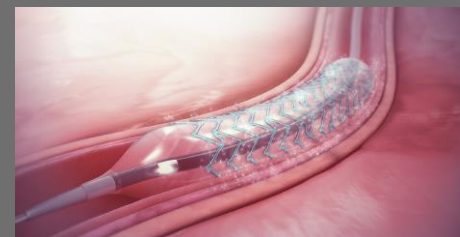
- Example DDCs in scope



9. Any device which is intended to administer a medicinal product as defined in point 2 of Article 1 of Directive 2001/83/EC shall be governed by this Regulation, without prejudice to the provisions of that Directive and of Regulation (EC) No 726/2004 with regard to the medicinal product.

However, if the device intended to administer a medicinal product and the medicinal product are placed on the market in such a way that they form a single integral product which is intended exclusively for use in the given combination and which is not reusable, that single integral product shall be governed by Directive 2001/83/EC or Regulation (EC) No 726/2004, as applicable. In that case, the relevant general safety and performance requirements set out in Annex I to this Regulation shall apply as far as the safety and performance of the device part of the single integral product are concerned.

- Not in scope



Current Process for Drug Device Combinations

Medical Device intended to administer a Medicinal Product



Autoinjector



Pre-Filled Pen



Pre-Filled Syringe



Inhaler



Pre-Filled IV Bag



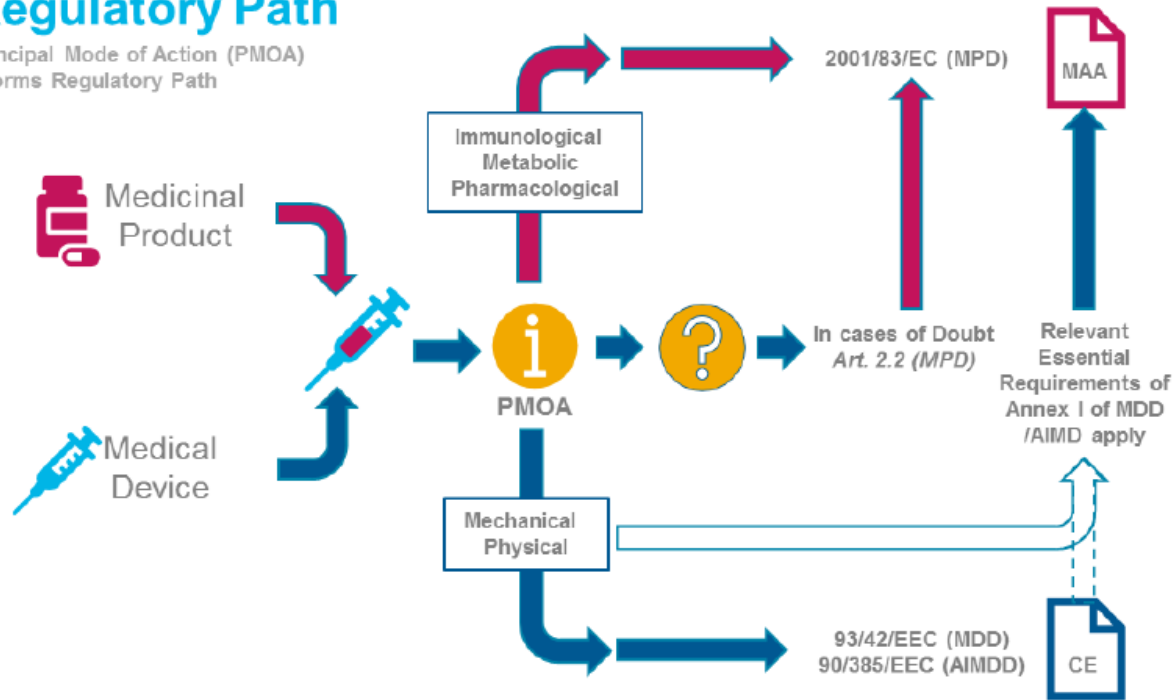
Transdermal Patch

single integral product, not reusable

AS-IS PROCESS

Regulatory Path

Principal Mode of Action (PMOA)
Informs Regulatory Path



Future Process for Drug Device Combinations- Under MDR

Medical Device intended to administer a Medicinal Product



Autoinjector



Pre-Filled Pen



Pre-Filled Syringe



Inhaler



Pre-Filled IV Bag



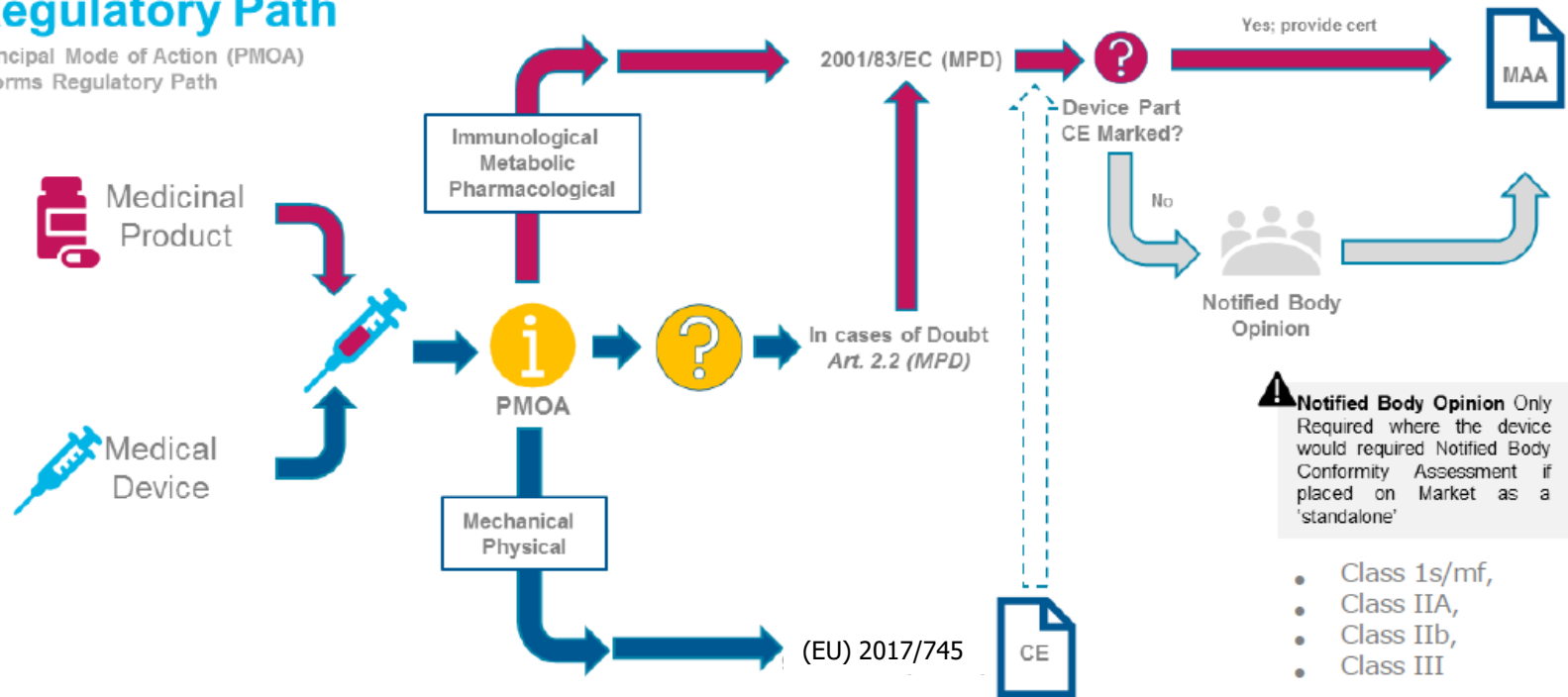
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single integral product, not reusable

TO-BE PROCESS (from 26 May 2021)

Regulatory Path

Principal Mode of Action (PMOA)
Informs Regulatory Path



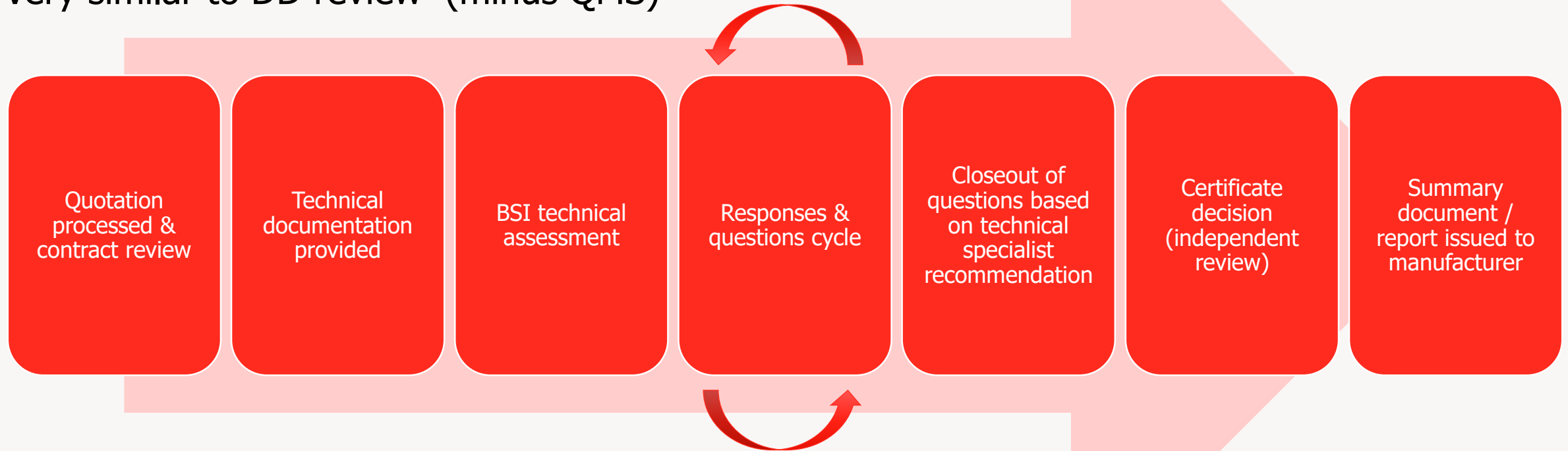
Impact of Article 117 on Pharmaceutical Industries

- The **relevant** General Safety and Performance Requirement (GSPR) of MDR Annex I will apply to the device component.
- Need to find & work with a designated Notified Body
 - This is a big concern- availabilities and timelines **BSI is open to this new business**
- Obtain Notified Body assessment report
- Include this assessment report in the MAA
- No grandfathering so any **new** submission after **26th May 2021** needs NBOp
- **In case of changes to device**, Notified Body reassessment required for significant change to the device

Notified Body Assessment: Article 117

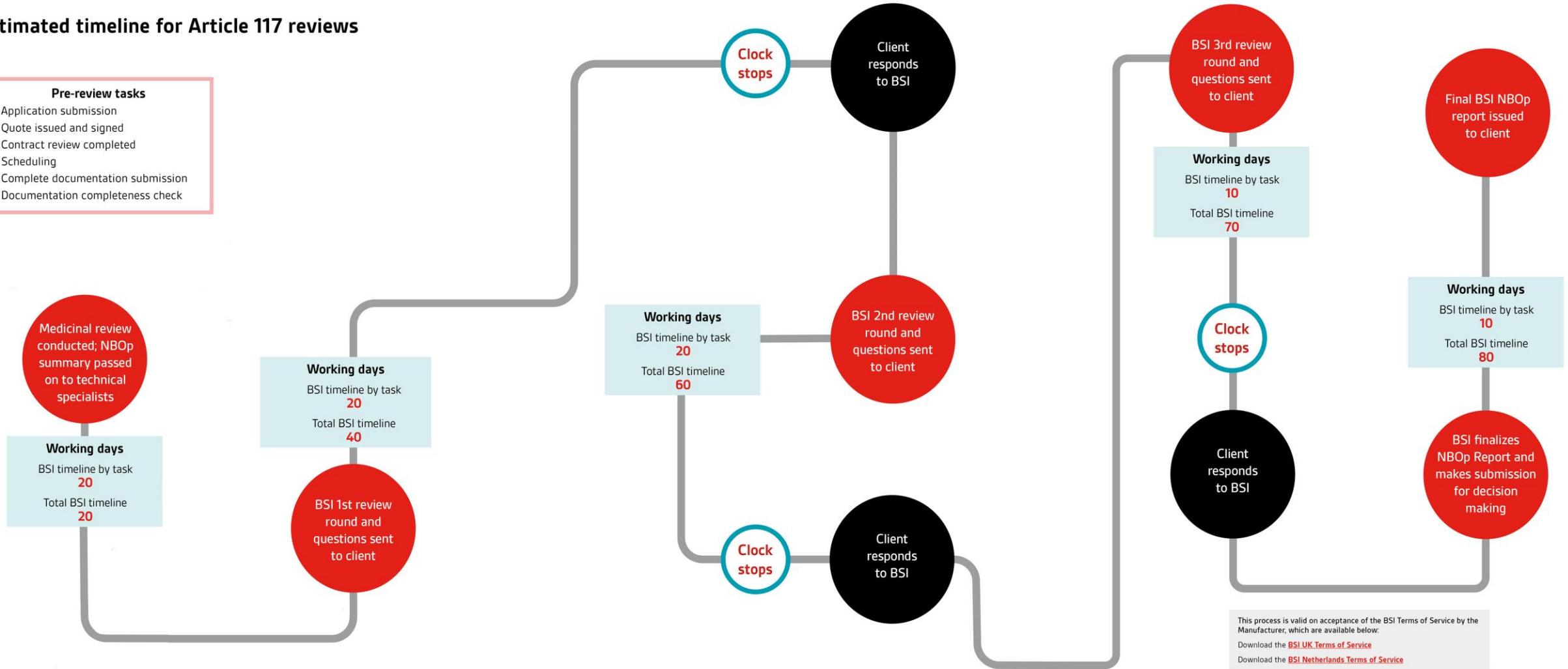
BSI Review Process:

Very similar to DD review (minus QMS)



Estimated timeline for Article 117 reviews

- Pre-review tasks**
- Application submission
 - Quote issued and signed
 - Contract review completed
 - Scheduling
 - Complete documentation submission
 - Documentation completeness check



This process is valid on acceptance of the BSI Terms of Service by the Manufacturer, which are available below:
 Download the [BSI UK Terms of Service](#)
 Download the [BSI Netherlands Terms of Service](#)

Annex I – Safety and performance requirements

1. Safe, Perform as Intended, State of the Art



2. Risk reduction as far as possible

3. **Risk Management**



4. Risk Control

5. Risk of **Use Error**



6. Lifetime



7. Packaging, Transport, Storage



8. Undesirable side-effects minimised & Risks < Benefits

9. Annex XVI “no risk at all” or “no more than the maximum acceptable risk”



10. **Chemical, Physical & Biological Properties**



11. Infection & Microbial Contamination



12. Devices incorporating a medicinal product and devices composed of substances that are absorbed by or locally dispersed in the human body

13. Devices incorporating **materials of biological origin**



14. Construction and **interaction with the environment**

15. Devices with a diagnostic or measuring function



16. Protection against radiation



17. **Electronic programmable systems**



18. Active devices and devices connected to them

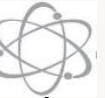


19. Requirements for AIMD



20. Protection against mechanical and thermal risks

21. Protection against the risks posed to the patient or user by supplied energy or substances



22. Protection against the risks posed by medical devices intended for use by lay persons



23. **Information Supplied**



Article 117 Documentation



Annex II: Technical Documentation

4. GENERAL SAFETY AND PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

The documentation shall contain information for the **demonstration of conformity with the general safety and performance requirements** set out in Annex I that are **applicable to the device taking into account its intended purpose**, and shall include **a justification, validation and verification of the solutions adopted** to meet those requirements. The demonstration of conformity shall include:

- (a) the general safety and performance requirements that apply to the device and an explanation as to why others do not apply;
- (b) the method or methods used to demonstrate conformity with each applicable general safety and performance requirement;
- (c) the harmonised standards, CS or other solutions applied; and
- (d) the precise identity of the controlled documents offering evidence of conformity with each harmonised standard, CS or other method applied to demonstrate conformity with the general safety and performance requirements. The information referred to under this point shall incorporate a cross-reference to the location of such evidence within the full technical documentation and, if applicable, the summary technical documentation.

Documentation Learning Points



GSPR Checklist to show what the evidence is and where it is in the document (hyperlinked)

Detail from subcontractors and suppliers

If it is all there and accessible the review is smoother

Documentation Learning Points- Example



GSPR Checklist

GSPR 10.1: 'Evidence is presented in Biocompatibility Summary Report'



Biocompatibility Summary Report

'As part of an ISO 10993-1 approach supplier statements of conformity were reviewed'



Supplier statements of conformity

'We confirm studies compliant with ISO 10993-1 have demonstrated conformity...'



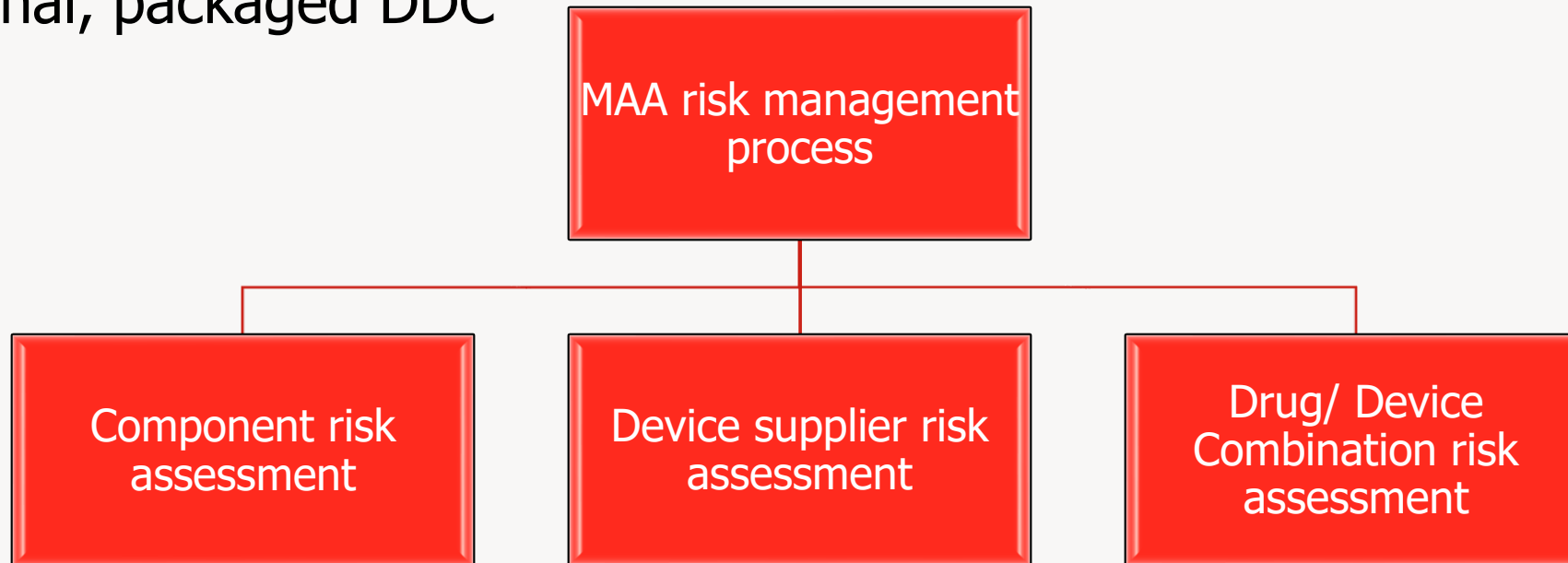
ISO 10993-1 Assessment of Biocompatibility of component X

Data, Data, Data, Data, Discussion, Conclusion

In order to verify compliance to the GSPR the notified body will want to see all of these reports.

Documentation Learning Points

- Conformity to GSPRs may be demonstrated with data:
 - On component
 - On device
 - On final, packaged DDC



Notified Body Opinion

Will take the form of a report

- Clear which version of the device has been evaluated
 - Clear to Competent Authority what has been looked at
 - Sufficient detail to avoid duplication/ overlap
 - Sufficient detail to give confidence
 - Any gaps clear to Competent Authority
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- NBOp template offered as addition to QWP/BWP guideline
 - Team-NB will looking at publishing separately.

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Drug/ Device Combination Summary Report
Revision No 0 (May 2019)

Drug/ Device Combination
Summary Opinion.
MANUFACTURER NAME
Drug/ Device Name
Reference #

Report Author:
Report Approved by:
Date:

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Notified Body Opinion

18.8	Design & manufacture – avoid unauthorized access	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL	The product is provided in “tamper proof” packaging. IFU warns not to use the device if the seal is broken and to perform a visual inspection and not use the device if it looks damaged or if it has been dropped.
19.1	Active implantable devices – reduce risks as far as possible connected with use of energy sources, medical treatment, where maintenance and calibration are impossible	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	N/A – appropriate rationale given

Article 117 – Guidance



- Current Guidance
- Areas where further guidance is needed
 - Classification
 - Platforms
 - Changes

Guidance



EUROPEAN MEDICINES AGENCY
SCIENCE MEDICINES HEALTH

April 2020
EMA/CHMP/QWP/BWP/259165/2019
Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP)

Guideline on the quality requirements for drug-device combinations



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21 October 2019 Rev.1
EMA/37991/2019
Human Medicines Evaluation Division

Questions & Answers on Implementation of the Medical Devices and In Vitro Diagnostic Medical Devices Regulations ((EU) 2017/745 and (EU) 2017/746)



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Medical Devices - Notified Bodies

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Team-NB Position Paper

on Documentation Requirements for Drug Device Combination Products

Falling in the Scope of Article 117 of MDR 2017/745.

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Drug-device combination products

MDR Article 117:

Drug-device combination products application process

Introduced by the European Commission under the Medical Devices Regulation (MDR), Article 117 requires manufacturers placing drug-device combination products onto the market as an integral device and marketing them as a "medicinal product" to seek a Notified Body Opinion (NBO). The notified body then confirms whether the device is compliant with the relevant General Safety and Performance Requirements (GSPR) and provides an NBO Report to the manufacturer to include in the Market Authorisation Application (MAA).

What is the role of a notified body?

A notified body, such as BSI, is designated by the Competent Authority to conduct a conformity assessment under the relevant EU regulations. For specific drug-device combination products, the conformity assessment requires a review of the relevant technical documentation provided by the manufacturer in support of the safety and performance claims for the device. The technical documentation is assessed against the GSPR of the EU regulations, taking into consideration the relevant guidance set out by the EU.

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A note on Classification of DDCs

If the dossier does not include the results of the conformity assessment referred to in the first subparagraph and where for the conformity assessment of the device, if used separately, the involvement of a notified body is required in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2017/745, the authority shall require the applicant to provide an

Type of integral device included in the MAA	New submissions as of 26 th May 2020
Class I (sterile, measuring or reusable surgical instrument*), Class IIa, Class IIb Class III	The marketing authorisation dossier should include a Declaration of Conformity or EU notified body certificate for the medical device, where available. If the above mentioned documentation is not available then an opinion** from a notified body must be provided for the medical device
Class I (non-sterile, non-measuring, or non-reusable surgical instrument)	The marketing authorisation dossier should include a Declaration of Conformity for the medical device, where available.
* the reader should note that integral DDC as referred to in second subparagraph of Regulation 2017/745 Article 1(9) are not reusable **opinion on the conformity of the device part with the relevant general safety and performance requirements set out in Annex I to Regulation 2017/745	

Changes

In cases where the MAH introduces substantial changes to the medical device component, a new (updated) EU certificate / declaration of conformity / opinion from a notified body will need to be provided as part of the variation/extension application, as appropriate.

Changes to the device component are considered substantial if the changes affect the performance and safety characteristics of the device.

It is the responsibility of the marketing authorisation holder to determine if the changes are substantial and EMA/NCAs expect that the MAHs liaise with the notified body and submit to EMA/NCA the necessary documentation as part of a variation/extension application.

This requirement applies to all marketing authorisations, even those that had complied with Article 117 MDR with their initial MAA.

- Applies to all marketing authorisations
- Substantial changes need NBOp as part of variation
 - Changes that affect performance and safety characteristics
- Responsibility of MAH to determine if changes are substantial
 - Do liaise with NB to obtain NBOp
 - Don't liaise with NB to determine if change is substantial

Platforms

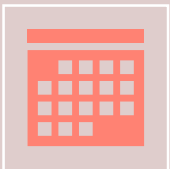


- Not mentioned in QWP/BWP Guideline
- Still being discussed by industry groups including Team-NB
- Needs agreed definitions and framework
- Savings possible for subsequent DDCs with same 'platform' with BSI

Key Take-aways



Do not delay your Article 117 plans



Engage and plan with your NB

Drug-device combination products under MDR Article 117



Are you a manufacturer of drug-device combination products? If so, you need to be aware of the changes in Article 117 of the Medical Device Regulation (MDR).

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The notified body then confirms whether the device is compliant with the relevant General Safety and Performance Requirements (GSPR) and

provides an NBOp Report to the manufacturer to include in the Market Authorisation Application (MAA).

Examples of drug-device combination products requiring NBOp include autoinjectors, inhalers, pre-filled nebulisers, pre-filled pens, pre-filled syringes and transdermal patches.

Manufacturers of combination products will need to obtain the services of a Notified Body; come and [talk to BSI](#) early in your planning.

Questions and Answers

<https://www.bsigroup.com/en-GB/medical-devices/technologies/drug-device-combination-products/>

