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Part 2: Filtration

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Foreword

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ISO 13408 consists of the following parts, under the general title Aseptic processing of health care products:

- Part 1: General requirements
- Part 2: Filtration

The following parts are under preparation:

- Part 3: Freeze-drying
- Part 4: Sterilization in place
- Part 5: Cleaning in place
- Part 6: Isolator/barrier technology

Introduction

During the process of preparing ISO 13408-1:1998, which addresses general requirements, several items, e.g. filtration, freeze-drying and steam-in-place, were found to be in need of supplementary information which was too large to be given in corresponding Annexes. This part of ISO 13408 includes requirements and guidance that are to be observed when aseptically manufacturing health care products by filtration.

ISO 13408-1:1998 will be revised soon after the publication of this part of ISO 13408, as clause 20 of ISO 13408-1:1998 is replaced by this part of ISO 13408.