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**safety and essential performance of**  
**cerebral tissue oximeter equipment**

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## Introduction

The estimation of blood oxygen saturation in the brain tissue by *cerebral tissue oximetry equipment* is increasingly used in many areas of medicine. This document covers *basic safety* and *essential performance* requirements achievable within the limits of existing technology.

Annex AA contains a rationale for some of the requirements. It is included to provide additional insight into the reasoning of the committees that led to a requirement and into the *hazards* that the requirement addresses.

Annex BB is a literature review and provides recommendations relevant to determining the maximum safe temperature of the interface between a *cerebral tissue oximeter probe* and a *patient's* tissue.

Annex CC discusses both the formulae used to evaluate the *StO<sub>2</sub> accuracy* of *cerebral tissue oximeter equipment* measurements, and the names that are assigned to those formulae.

Annex DD presents guidance on using in-vitro methods (phantoms) for *verification* of *StO<sub>2</sub> accuracy* of *cerebral tissue oximeter equipment*.

Annex EE presents a guideline for an in-vivo (human subjects) *controlled desaturation study* for the *verification* of *StO<sub>2</sub> accuracy* of *cerebral tissue oximeter equipment*.

Annex FF is a description of *functional testers* for use with *cerebral tissue oximeter equipment*.

Annex GG describes concepts of *cerebral tissue oximeter equipment* response time.

Annex HH describes data interface requirements.

Annex II is a comparison between human desaturations (in-vivo) and *tissue haemoglobin phantom* desaturations (in-vitro) for assessing *StO<sub>2</sub> accuracy*.

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