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New PAL
focusing on clinical evidence
requirements in Japan
&
Clinical Requirements
in EU

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EU

Clinical Data / Clinical Evaluation

Japan

Clinical Investigations

EU

Clinical Data / Clinical Evaluation

- i) The Literature Route, or**
- ii) The Clinical Investigation Route, or**
- iii) A combination of (i) & (ii)**

Japan

Clinical Investigations

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A manufacture must think which route is appropriate.

Japan

Clinical Investigations

A manufacture must decide if clinical investigation is legally required or not

1. Overview of requirements

Japan

Clinical investigations

Japan

Class 3 & 4 medical devices

Clinical investigations legally required

- **When a device is not identical with any approved devices**
- **When there are no approval criteria**

Japan

Class 2 “New medical devices”

Clinical investigations legally required

- **When the devices are categorized as “New medial devices”**

Japan

Normal Class 2 medical devices

No clinical investigations required

- **Demonstration of equivalence to existing medical devices**

Q1: Summarize when Clinical Investigations necessary?

A1: In general, new medical devices.

For example, or any medical devices whose nomenclature are not still defined

PAL Article 14

Application (form #22-3)

**+ Attachments for detailed information
(no form specified)**

see Article 38-40 of

MHLW Ordinance, PAL Enforcement Regulations

❖ **Application form**

- ✓ **Category**
- ✓ **General Name and Model Name**
- ✓ **Intended use, Medical effectiveness**
- ✓ **Construction**
- ✓ **Materials, components**
- ✓ **Specifications**
- ✓ **Instruction for use**
- ✓ **Production methods**
- ✓ **Expire date, Storage condition**
- ✓ **Manufacturing facility of the end product**
- ✓ **Manufacturing facility of materials**
- ✓ **Applicant**

❖ Attachments

- ✓ **Background of the development of the devices**
- ✓ **Specifications**
- ✓ **Stability and durability**
- ✓ **Compliance to essential principles**
- ✓ **Functions**
- ✓ **Labeling**
- ✓ **Risk Analysis**
- ✓ **Manufacturing processes**
- ✓ **Clinical investigations**

❖ **Clinical investigation documents attached to the approval application**

- ✓ **Clinical Investigation Report**
- ✓ **Clinical Investigation Protocol**
- ✓ **Clinical Investigation Record Sheets for each trial (Sample is OK)**

❖ What is GCP?

- ✓ **MHLW Ministerial Ordinance No.36, 2005 “Good Clinical Investigation Practice” (GCP)**
- ✓ **Requirements for documented procedures**
- ✓ **Requirements for safety tests in prior to C. I.**
- ✓ **Requirements for Protocol**
- ✓ **Requirements for the contracts with hospitals**
- ✓ **Clinical Trial In-Country Care Taker for foreign manufacturer**

Q2: Are Clinical Investigations in foreign countries be acceptable?

A2: Yes, but

- Follow GCP (or equivalent)**
- Evaluate & justify the difference of the patients' races**

Q3: Will English language Clinical Investigations data be accepted ?

A3: Yes, but

- Attach Japanese translation (summary)



2. Recommendation

In Japan

Japan

General consensus

It should be avoided as far as possible that clinical investigation results be rejected after the clinical investigation is done !

Japan

So, how a manufacturer may avoid rejection in Japan?

It is highly recommended that a meeting with the PMDA be held.

It must done at the protocol stage of the clinical investigation



Japan

If not ?

You must be a very challenging guy !



Japan

And then?

**100% follow the agreements at
the meeting**

Japan

Any other recommendations ?

Avoid

- ✓ **Deviations form the GCP**
- ✓ **Safety tests not completed**
- ✓ **Unclear description of advantages from existing devises in the documents**

and

- ✓ **Show complete data package and prepare to make 20 minutes presentation at the meeting**

3. Overview of requirements

EU

Clinical data

EU

Clinical Data / Clinical Evaluation

Required for all classes medical devices

**Technical Documentation must include
Clinical Data**

EU

Clinical Data / Clinical Evaluation

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4. Recommendations / Expectation

In EU

EU

Recommendations?

Avoid typical rejections

#1 Clear deviations from MEDDEV 2.7.2

April 2003, especially in case of literature route

EU

Recommendations?

Avoid typical rejections

(continued)

For example?

A protocol is missing.

According to MEDDEV guidance, a protocol should be made before reviewing literatures

EU

Recommendations?

Avoid typical rejections

#2 Questionable equivalence of the evaluated medical device to device shown in the literature

EU

Recommendation?

Avoid typical rejections

**#3 Wide applications of intended use
with very limited applications shown in
the clinical data**

EU

Recommendation?

Avoid typical rejections

Others

- ✓ **Isolated case reports**
- ✓ **Random experiences**
- ✓ **A report lacking sufficient detail**
- ✓ **Unsubstantiated opinion**

Any question?

