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ankle-joint prostheses — Loading
and displacement parameters
for wear-testing machines with
load or displacement control and
corresponding environmental
conditions for test**

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1 Scope

This document specifies the relative angular movement between articulating components, the pattern of the applied force, speed and duration of testing, sample configuration and test environment to be used for the wear testing of total ankle-joint prostheses in wear-testing machines with load or displacement control.

NOTE This document is based on the method described by ISO 14243-1 and ISO 14243-3 and allows for the use of the same test equipment as for total knee replacement wear testing.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 14243-2, *Implants for surgery — Wear of total knee-joint prostheses — Part 2: Methods of measurement*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

3.1

talar component

total ankle-joint prosthesis component attached to the talus

Note 1 to entry: Component that articulates against the bearing (see [Figure 1](#)).

3.2

tibial component

total ankle-joint prosthesis component attached to the tibia

3.3

bearing

total ankle-joint prosthesis component intended for articulating with both tibial component and talar component surfaces

Note 1 to entry: The superior bearing surface supports the tibial internal/external rotation, and the inferior bearing surface supports the talar plantar/dorsiflexion (see [Figure 1](#)).

**3.4
frontal plane**

plane that lies in the medial-lateral direction of the implant

Note 1 to entry: See G in [Figure 1](#).

**3.5
sagittal plane**

plane that lies perpendicular to the frontal plane

Note 1 to entry: See H in [Figure 1](#).

**3.6
talar plantar/dorsiflexion rotation**

angular movement of the talar component of the total ankle joint-prosthesis about a medial/lateral axis

Note 1 to entry: The plantar/dorsiflexion rotation is considered to be zero when the total ankle-joint prosthesis is in the *reference position* ([3.13](#)), is positive when the talar component is in dorsiflexion (+ve) and is negative when the talar component is in plantarflexion (see [Figure 1](#)).

**3.7
plantar/dorsiflexion test axis**

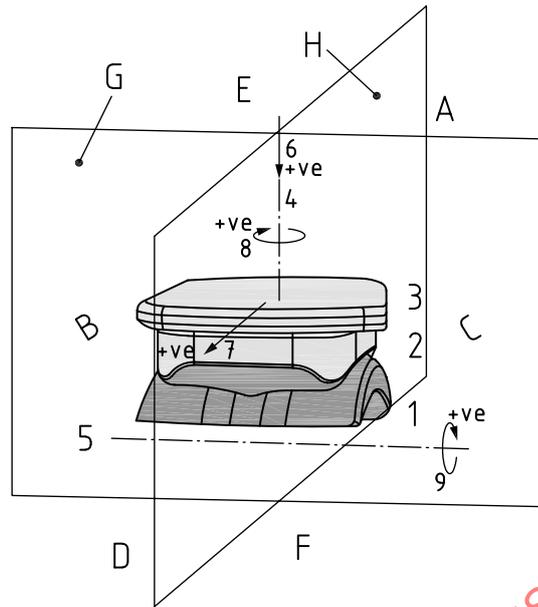
nominal axis of rotation of the talar component relative to the tibial component

Note 1 to entry: See 5 in [Figure 1](#).

Note 2 to entry: The test axis is the line parallel to the medial/lateral axis, and intersecting with both the plantar/dorsiflexion talar design axis provided by the manufacturer and the axis of internal/external rotation of the tibial component (see [Figure 2](#)).

Note 3 to entry: When the talar plantar/dorsiflexion design axis is horizontal, this axis is used as plantar/dorsiflexion test axis.

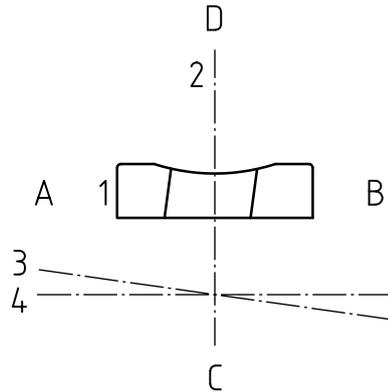
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Key

- 1 talar component
- 2 bearing
- 3 tibial component
- 4 axis of internal/external rotation for the tibial component, axial force axis
- 5 plantar/dorsiflexion test axis
- 6 axial force (on the tibial component)
- 7 AP displacement by the tibial component, AP force on the tibial component
- 8 tibial component internal/external rotation, tibial rotation torque
- 9 talar plantar/dorsiflexion rotation
- A posterior
- B medial
- C lateral
- D anterior
- E superior
- F inferior
- G frontal plane
- H sagittal plane

Figure 1 — Sign convention for the forces and motions, shown for a left total ankle joint-prosthesis



Key

- 1 talar component
- 2 axis of internal/external rotation for the tibial component
- 3 talar plantar/dorsiflexion design axis
- 4 plantar/dorsiflexion test axis
- A medial
- B lateral
- C inferior
- D superior

Figure 2 — Plantar/dorsiflexion test axis

3.8 anterior posterior (AP) displacement

displacement of the tibial component in the sagittal plane perpendicular to the axial force axis

Note 1 to entry: AP is an abbreviation for anterior posterior.

Note 2 to entry: The displacement is considered to be zero when the total ankle-joint prosthesis is in the *reference position* (3.13) and is considered to be positive (+ve) when the tibial component is moved to an anterior position (see Figure 1).

3.9 anterior posterior (AP) force

force applied to the tibial component in the sagittal plane perpendicular to the axial force axis

Note 1 to entry: AP is an abbreviation for anterior posterior.

Note 2 to entry: The force is considered to be zero when the total ankle joint-prosthesis is in the *reference position* (3.13) and is to be considered to be positive (+ve) when it acts from posterior to an anterior direction on the tibial component (see Figure 1).

3.10 tibial internal/external rotation

rotation of the tibial component of the total ankle-joint prosthesis about the axial force axis

Note 1 to entry: The tibial rotation is considered to be zero when the total ankle-joint prosthesis is in the *reference position* (3.13) and is considered to be positive (+ve) when the tibial component rotates internally (see Figure 1).

3.11 axial force

normal force applied to the ankle-joint prosthesis in a direction parallel to the tibial axis

Note 1 to entry: The axial force is considered to be positive (+ve) when the tibial component is loaded towards the talar component (see Figure 1).

3.12**axial force axis**

vertical line of action of the axial force taken to pass through a point on the tibial component of the total ankle-joint prosthesis which is in the centre of the medial-lateral width of the tibial component

Note 1 to entry: See 4 in [Figure 1](#).

Note 2 to entry: The axial force axis coincides with the axis of rotation for the tibial component.

3.13**reference position**

angular and linear alignment of the tibial component relative to the talar component which gives static equilibrium of the tibial component when it is loaded against the talar component by a positive axial force applied along the axial force axis, with the most proximal points on the talar bearing surface resting on the highest points on the tibial bearing surface

Note 1 to entry: The reference position is equivalent to the position of 0° talar plantar/dorsiflexion *in vivo*.

Note 2 to entry: For the purpose of determining the reference position, the effect of friction between the tibial and talar components is ignored.

Note 3 to entry: The reference position can be determined by geometrical calculations based on the three dimensional form of the tibial and talar surfaces. For the purpose of these calculations, the form of the tibial and talar surfaces can be taken either from design data or from co-ordinate measurements of an unworn total ankle-joint prosthesis.

Note 4 to entry: In a moderately constrained or flat design of tibial bearing component the lowest points on the tibial bearing surface can span a large (flat) range of anterior-posterior positions, such that there is no distinct lowest point. In such a situation, this definition of reference position cannot apply. In such situations, the prosthesis manufacturer should be consulted to decide what neutral position should be set and this should be noted in detail in the test report.

3.14**tibial axis**

nominal longitudinal axis of the tibia, corresponding to the central axis of the medullary cavity of the proximal tibia

3.15**tibial component rotational torque**

torque applied to the tibial component of the total ankle-joint prosthesis around the axial force axis

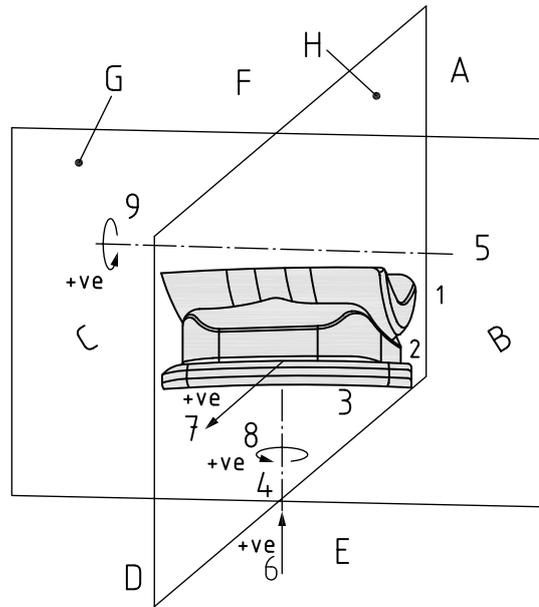
Note 1 to entry: The tibial component rotational torque is considered to be positive (+ve) when it rotates the tibial component internally (see [Figure 1](#)).

3.16**inverted position**

inverted orientation of the total ankle joint-prosthesis

Note 1 to entry: To enable testing of a total ankle joint-prosthesis in a knee simulator according to ISO 14243-1 and ISO 14243-3 an inverted position of the implant is required (see [Figure 3](#)).

Note 2 to entry: The sign convention shown in [Figure 2](#) is for informative purpose.



Key

- 1 talar component
- 2 bearing
- 3 tibial component
- 4 axis of rotation for the tibial component, axial force axis
- 5 plantar/dorsiflexion test axis
- 6 axial force (on the tibial component)
- 7 AP displacement by the tibial component, AP force on the tibial component
- 8 tibial component internal/external rotation, tibial rotation torque
- 9 talar plantar/dorsiflexion rotation
- A posterior
- B medial
- C lateral
- D anterior
- E inferior
- F superior
- G frontal plane
- H sagittal plane

Figure 3 — Sign convention for the forces and motions, shown for a left total ankle joint-prosthesis (inverted position)

4 Principle

The total ankle-joint prosthesis is mounted in an apparatus which applies a simultaneous cyclic variation of rotation actions (talar plantar/dorsiflexion rotation and tibial rotational torque) and contact forces (axial and AP forces) to the interface between tibial and talar components, simulating normal human walking.

NOTE Contact force actions were scaled by an assumed body weight of 720 N.

Wear testing of a total ankle-joint prosthesis in a knee simulator according to ISO 14243-1 and ISO 14243-3 requires an inverted position (see 3.16), with the talar component in superior position of

the total ankle-joint prosthesis. The tibial component position as given by ISO 14243-1 and ISO 14243-3 remains the tibial component position of the total ankle-joint prosthesis, and the femoral component position as given by ISO 14243-1 or ISO 14243-3 becomes the talar component position of the total ankle-joint prosthesis.

Great care should be taken not to confuse the directions of the motions because of the inverted position when implementing the curves.

The applied contact forces and rotation actions for wear-testing machines with load control are axial force, anterior posterior (AP) force, talar plantar/dorsiflexion rotation and tibial component rotational torque.

The applied contact forces and rotation actions for wear-testing machines with displacement control are axial force, anterior posterior (AP) displacement, talar plantar/dorsiflexion rotation and tibial component internal/external rotation.

The contacting surfaces of the tibial and talar components are immersed in a fluid test medium simulating human synovial fluid. If polymers are the object of investigation, a control specimen is subjected to the fluid medium and to the same time-varying axial force to determine the creep of the test specimen and/or the amount of mass change due to fluid transfer. The test takes place in a controlled environment simulating physiological conditions.

5 Specimens and lubricants

5.1 Fluid test medium, calf serum diluted with deionized water to have a protein mass concentration of $20 \text{ g/l} \pm 2 \text{ g/l}$.

Normally the fluid test medium is filtered through a $2 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ filter.

To minimize microbial contamination, the fluid test medium should be stored frozen until required for test. An anti-microbial reagent (such as sodium azide) may be added. Such reagents can be potentially hazardous.

Routine monitoring of the pH of the fluid test medium may be undertaken. If it is, the measured values should be included in the test report [see [Clause 8 g 5](#)].

NOTE The use of a fluid test medium of non-biological origin can be considered when performance requirements relating to this test method are being decided.

5.2 Test specimen, constituted by the tibial and talar components and the bearing of the total ankle joint-prosthesis.

These components shall be chosen so that their size combination and design detail represent the worst expected case for wear of the total ankle joint-prosthesis being tested. The user shall provide a justification for why the size combination and design detail represent the worst expected case for wear.

The tibial component should have the articulating surface attached by its normal immediate backing (for example bone cement or a machined replica of the inner surface of the tibial tray), unless this is impractical due to physical features of the implant system. If the component forming the articulating surface is fixed to the tibial tray by a rim/snap-fit system, the machined replica shall provide the same fixation conditions.

If it is not practical to use the normal backing or cement fixation due to physical features of the implant system, the support system for the tibial component should represent normal design features and conditions of use but should allow removal of the component for measurement of wear without destruction.

The components shall be sterilized in the same way as for clinical use because this might affect the wear properties of the materials. Sterilization of all test and control components within a specific test group should be done simultaneously (in a single container) when possible, to minimize variation.

5.3 Control specimen, identical to test specimen.

5.4 Sample size, at least three test specimens and one loaded soak control specimen shall be tested to represent the wear of each type of prosthesis.

6 Apparatus

6.1 Testing machine, capable of applying the forces and torque prescribed in association with corresponding displacements and rotations (see [Figure 1](#)) and operating at a frequency of $1,0 \text{ Hz} \pm 0,1 \text{ Hz}$.

6.2 Means of mounting and enclosing the test specimen, using a corrosion-resistant material, capable of holding tibial and talar components using attachment methods comparable to the intended anatomical fixation. An enclosure shall be provided which is capable of isolating the test specimen to prevent third body contamination from the testing machine and the atmosphere.

6.3 Means of aligning and positioning the tibial component of the test specimen in the reference position, so that the same position and orientation can be reproduced following the removal of the tibial component for measurement of wear.

6.4 Means of aligning and positioning the talar component of the test specimen in the inferior position so that the same position and orientation can be reproduced after its removal for measurement of wear.

6.5 Axial force control system, capable of generating an axial force following the cycle given in [Figure 6](#) with an accuracy of $\pm 3 \%$ of the cycle time for phasing and maintaining the magnitude of this force to a tolerance of $\pm 5 \%$ of the maximum value specified throughout the cycle. The axial force is applied along the axial force axis by applying the axial force to the tibial component of the total ankle-joint prosthesis (see [Figure 1](#)).

6.6 Plantar/dorsiflexion motion control system, capable of generating the plantar/dorsiflexion motion given in [Figure 8](#) with an accuracy of $\pm 3 \%$ of the cycle time for phasing and maintaining the magnitude of this motion to a tolerance of $\pm 5 \%$ of the maximum value specified throughout the cycle.

6.7 AP force control system, capable of generating an AP force following the cycle given in [Figure 7](#) with an accuracy of $\pm 3 \%$ of the cycle time for phasing and maintaining the magnitude of this force to a tolerance of $\pm 5 \%$ of the maximum value of the force specified throughout the cycle. The AP force is applied along the line of action that is perpendicular to both the tibial axis and the flexion/extension axis and which passes through the axial force axis.

6.8 AP motion restraint system, capable of applying a restraining AP force along its line of action (see [6.7](#)). The direction of the restraining AP force is such as to oppose AP movement of the tibial component. It should be $20 \text{ N/mm} \pm 1 \text{ N/mm}$ when the total ankle-joint prosthesis is in, or within 6 mm of, the reference position.

At a tibial AP displacement $> 6 \text{ mm}$, a tibial restraint of $140 \text{ N/mm} \pm 5 \text{ N/mm}$ should be used; at a tibial AP displacement $< 0 \text{ mm}$, a tibial restraint of $120 \text{ N/mm} \pm 5 \text{ N/mm}$ should be used (see [Figure 4](#)).

6.9 AP displacement control system, (for displacement control tests) capable of generating the AP displacement given in [Figure 9](#) with an accuracy of $\pm 3 \%$ of the cycle time for phasing and maintaining the magnitude of this motion to a tolerance of $\pm 5 \%$ of the maximum value specified throughout the cycle.

6.10 Tibial component rotational torque control system, capable of generating a tibial component rotational torque following the cycle given in [Figure 10](#) with an accuracy of $\pm 3 \%$ of the cycle time for

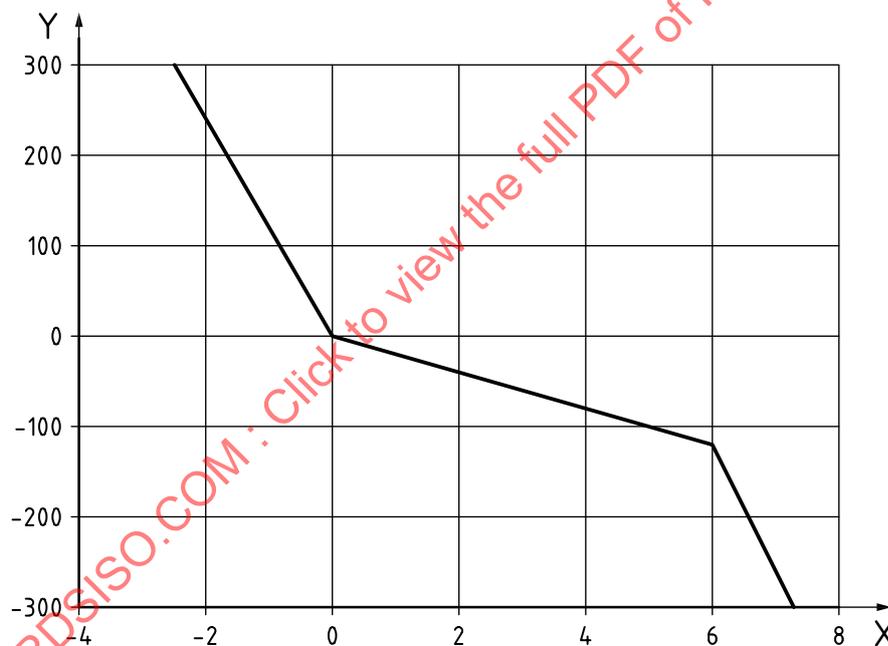
phasing and maintaining the magnitude of this torque to a tolerance of $\pm 5\%$ of the maximum value specified throughout the cycle. The tibial component rotational torque is applied about the axial force axis.

6.11 Tibial rotation restraint system, capable of applying a restraining tibial rotation torque about the same axis as that of the tibial component rotational torque (see 6.10). The direction of the tibial rotation torque is such as to oppose rotation of the tibial component. It should be zero when the total ankle-joint prosthesis is in, or within $\pm 4^\circ$ either sense away from, the reference position.

The magnitude of the restraining tibial rotation torque (outside the $\pm 4^\circ$ range) is proportional to the tibial rotation, the magnitude of the constant of proportionality being $0,60 \text{ Nm/}^\circ \pm 0,01 \text{ Nm/}^\circ$ for external rotation of the tibial component and $1,10 \text{ Nm/}^\circ \pm 0,01 \text{ Nm/}^\circ$ for internal rotation of the tibial component (see Figure 5).

NOTE The direction of the tibial rotation restraint system is inverted for a right side total ankle replacement.

6.12 Tibial rotation displacement control system, (for displacement control tests) capable of generating the tibial rotational motion given in Figure 11 with an accuracy of $\pm 3\%$ of the cycle time for phasing and maintaining the magnitude of this motion to a tolerance of $\pm 5\%$ of the maximum value specified throughout the cycle.

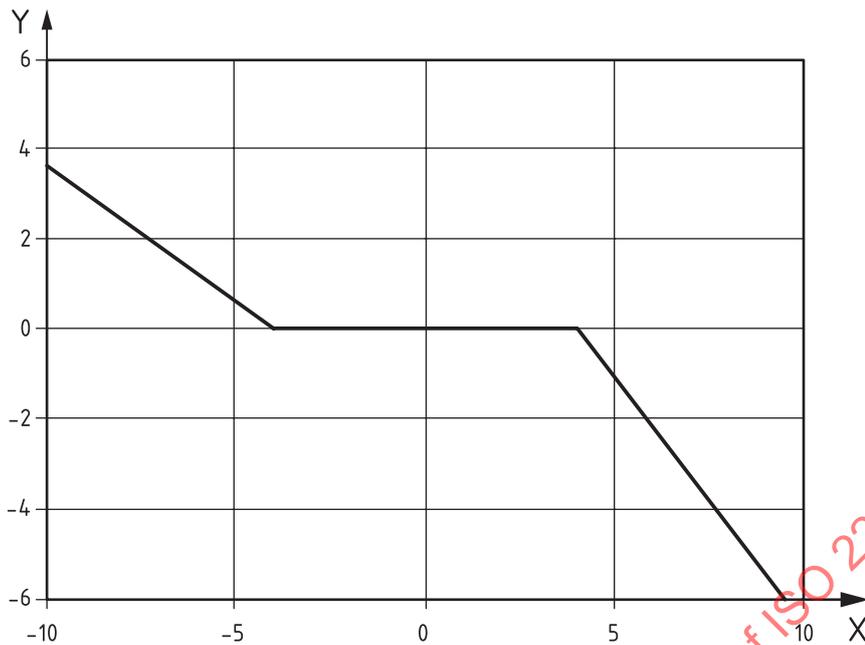


Key

X tibial anterior (+)/posterior (-) displacement in mm

Y tibial restraint force anterior (-)/posterior (+) in N

Figure 4 — Restraint model for the anterior posterior displacement of the tibial component (positive values indicate an anterior position of the tibial component)



Key

X tibial internal (+)/external (-) rotation in degrees

Y tibial restraint moment internal (-)/external (+) in newton metres

Figure 5 — Restraint model for the tibial component rotation (positive values indicate an internal rotation of the tibial component)

6.13 Lubrication system, capable of maintaining the contact surfaces immersed in the fluid test medium.

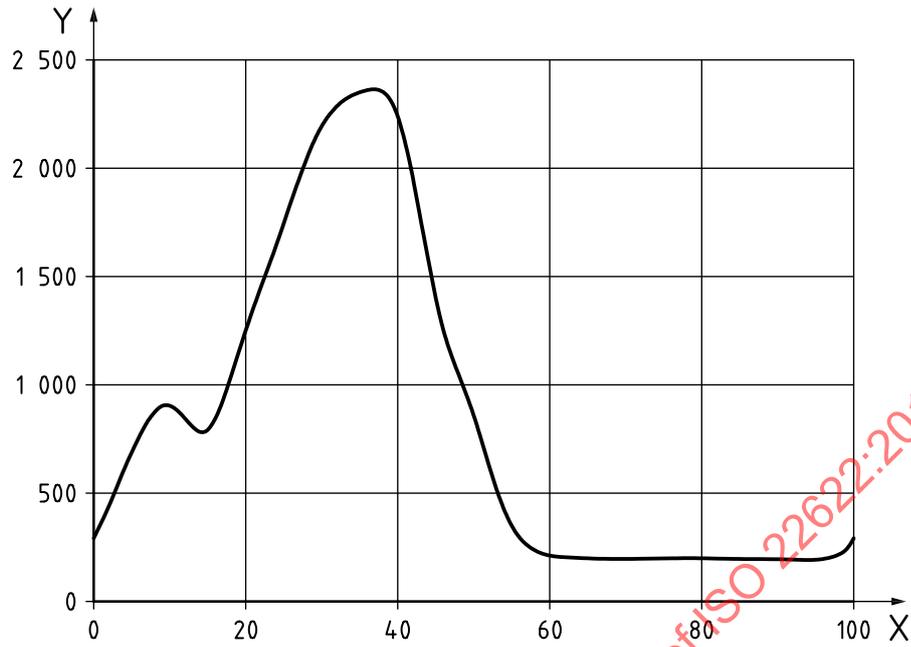
NOTE The use of sealed enclosures might prevent evaporation.

6.14 Temperature control system, capable of maintaining the temperature of the fluid test medium (5.1) at $37\text{ °C} \pm 2\text{ °C}$.

6.15 Control station, capable of applying the axial load shown in Figure 6, without the relative motions provided by the motion control system of the other test stations.

6.16 Measuring systems for tibial AP displacement and tibial rotation.

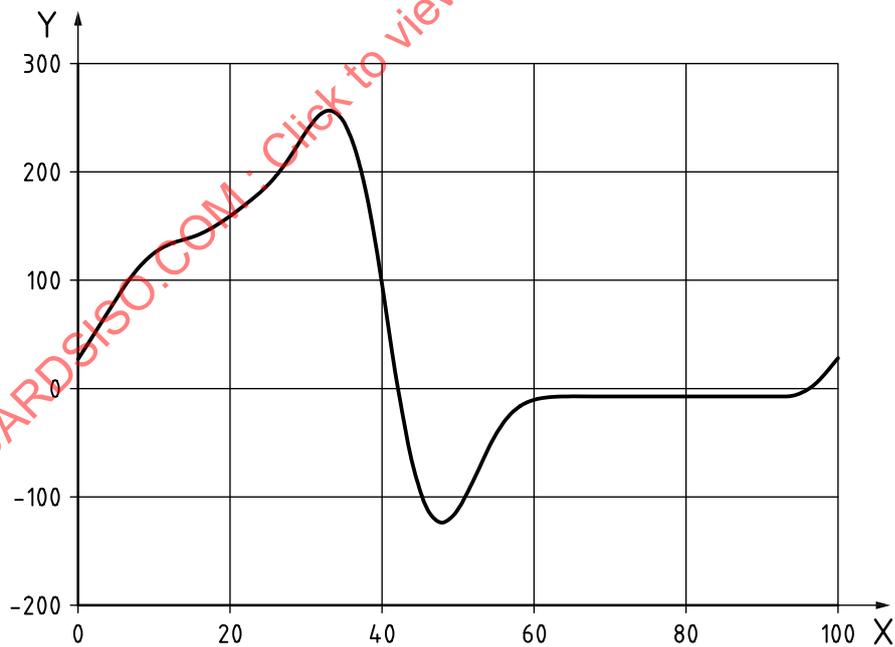
The recommended accuracy for the tibial AP displacement system is at least $\pm 0,1\text{ mm}$ and for the tibial rotation measuring system at least $\pm 0,1\text{ °}$. If the testing machine is intended to accommodate multiple total ankle-joint prostheses, then it should be possible to measure the tibial AP displacement and tibial rotation individually for each specimen.



Key

- X percentage of cycle time
- Y axial force, in newtons

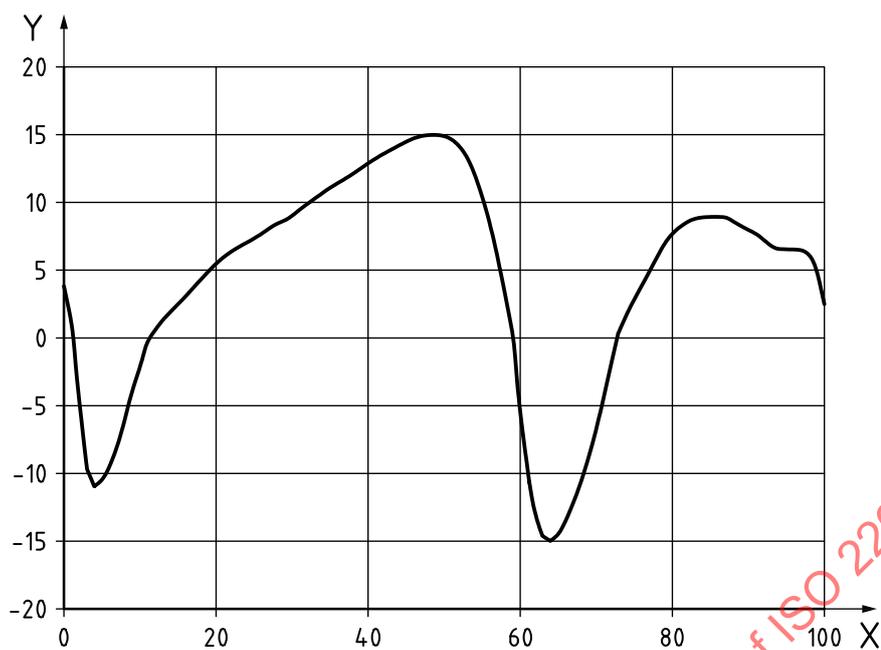
Figure 6 — Variation with time (percentage of gait cycle) of axial force



Key

- X percentage of cycle time
- Y tibial AP force, in newtons

Figure 7 — Variation with time (percentage of gait cycle) of AP force

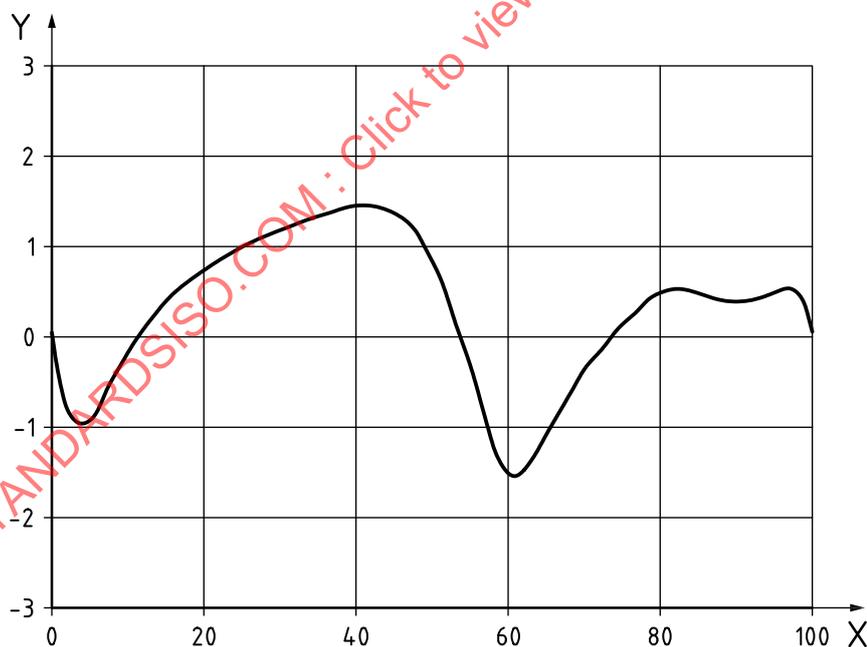


Key

X percentage of cycle time

Y talar plantar/dorsiflexion angle, in degrees

Figure 8 — Variation with time (percentage of gait cycle) of talar plantar/dorsiflexion angle

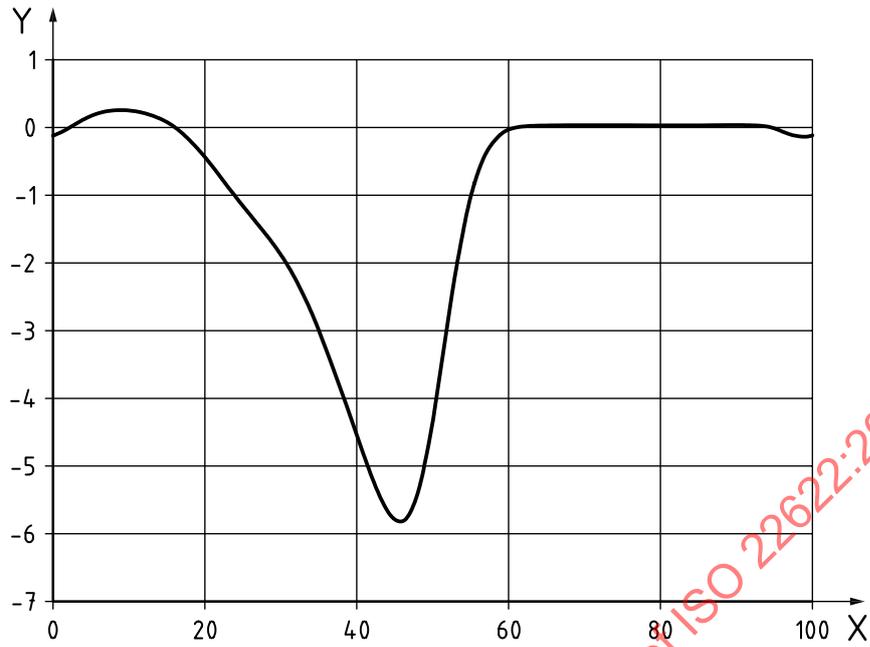


Key

X percentage of cycle time

Y tibial AP displacement, in millimetres

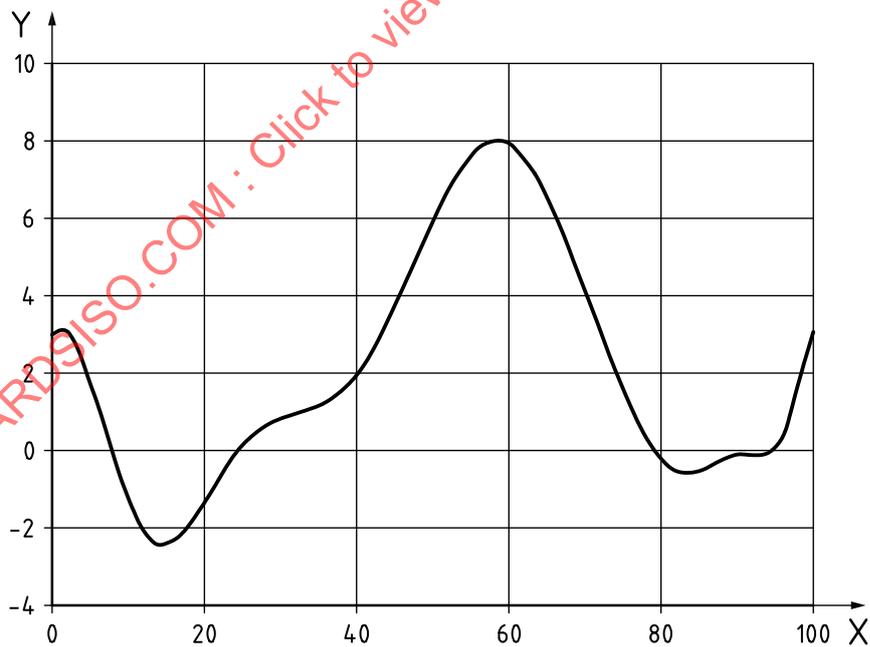
Figure 9 — Variation with time (percentage of gait cycle) of tibial AP displacement



Key

- X percentage of cycle time
- Y tibial torque, in newton metres

Figure 10 — Variation with time (percentage of gait cycle) of tibial rotational torque



Key

- X percentage of cycle time
- Y tibial rotation, in degrees

Figure 11 — Variation with time (percentage of gait cycle) of tibial rotation

7 Procedure

7.1 Make any initial measurements required to determine the subsequent amount of wear and/or creep.

NOTE A method of measurement of wear is given in ISO 14243-2.

7.2 Following the initial measurements, clean the test specimen as specified in ISO 14243-2.

7.3 Mount the tibial component of the total ankle-joint prosthesis in the testing machine with an alignment such that the direction of the axial force applied by the machine is parallel to the tibial axis to within $\pm 1^\circ$.

If the tibial component comprises an insert with a metal or other tray, the test should be conducted with the tray in place.

The tibial component follows the specific load (see [Figure 7](#)) or displacement (see [Figure 9](#)) variation in anterior-posterior direction relative to the talar component (see [Figure 1](#)).

The tibial component is free to move relative to the talar component in the medial-lateral direction to allow for self-alignment. This degree of freedom shall be removed for total ankle-joint prostheses that do not have a constraint in medial lateral direction.

The tibial component is free to move in the superior-inferior axial force axis under the cycle variation of the axial force.

The tibial component is free to rotate around an anterior-posterior axis that intersects the axial force axis to allow for self-alignment.

The tibial component is constrained in rotation in the frontal plane.

The tibial component follows the specific cycle variation in rotation around the axial force axis.

The direction of this rotation has to appropriate the intended side of the total ankle-joint prosthesis.

7.4 Mount the talar component of the test specimen in the testing machine, aligning it so that the AP force measurement system and the tibial torque measurement system result in an AP force and torque that are approximately zero.

The anterior-posterior, medial-lateral, and superior-inferior displacement of the talar component are constrained.

The talar component is constrained in rotation in the sagittal plane and around the superior-inferior axial force axis.

The rotation around the dorsiflexion-plantarflexion test axis of the talar component follows the specified cycle variation.

NOTE In some simulators the anterior-posterior displacement of the talar component is not constrained, to allow the variation of the talar component in the anterior-posterior direction (AP displacement).

7.5 Mount the soak control specimen as given in steps [7.3](#) and [7.4](#) in the reference station.

NOTE For implants of a specific design with the same material, shape and dimensions, control data from previous tests can be used optionally.

7.6 Introduce the fluid test medium (see [5.1](#)) to completely immerse the contact surfaces of the test specimen and the container of the soak control specimen. Maintain the temperature of the fluid test medium at $37^\circ\text{C} \pm 2^\circ\text{C}$, taking the measurement at a point representative of the bulk temperature of the fluid.

7.7 Start the testing machine and adjust it so that the loads and displacements specified in [Figures 6, 7, 8 and 10](#) (for wear testing machines with load control) or in [Figures 6, 8, 9 and 11](#) (for wear testing machines with displacement control) are applied to the test specimen, and the loads specified in [Figure 6](#) are applied to the control specimen. Record the displacement and load waveform at the start-up and after each change of fluid test medium.

NOTE 1 [Annex A](#) gives details of a typical set of test parameters equivalent to those described in [Figures 6, 7, 8 and 10](#).

NOTE 2 [Annex B](#) gives details of a typical set of test parameters equivalent to those described in [Figures 6, 8, 9 and 11](#).

7.8 Operate the testing machine at a frequency of $1,0 \text{ Hz} \pm 0,1 \text{ Hz}$.

7.9 Replace fluid lost by evaporation during the test at least daily, by adding deionized water where necessary. Replace the fluid test medium completely at least every 5×10^5 cycles.

7.10 Stop the test for measurements at least at 5×10^5 cycles, 1×10^6 cycles and at least every 1×10^6 cycles thereafter until the test is terminated (see [7.14](#)).

7.11 Remove the test specimen and soak control specimen and take wear measurements after cleaning as specified in ISO 14243-2.

7.12 Following wear measurements, re-install the test specimen and control specimen in the testing machine (see [7.3](#) to [7.5](#)).

7.13 Repeat the steps given in [7.6](#) to [7.12](#), until the test is terminated (see [7.14](#)).

7.14 Continue the test until one of the following events occurs.

a) Completion of 5×10^6 load cycles.

At the request of the party submitting the specimen, the test may be continued beyond this limit.

b) Break-up or delamination of the articulating surfaces.

c) Failure of the testing machine to maintain the force and displacement within the given tolerances (see [7.6](#) to [7.9](#)).

7.15 Calculate the gravimetric wear rate as specified in ISO 14243-2.

7.16 Photographic records should be taken from the articulating surfaces.

8 Test report

The test report shall include the following information:

a) a reference to this document and its year of publication, i.e. ISO 22622:2019;

b) the identity of the test specimens, as stated by the party submitting the specimen for test, including size, material, type, manufacturer, sterilization method and its parameters such as radiation type, dose, fluid test, medium and time;

c) a description of the talar plantar/dorsiflexion test axis;

d) a description of the testing machine, including number of stations, type of systems used for generating motions, torque and forces, range of motions, torque and forces, type of system used for

measuring motion, torque and forces, arrangement for mounting specimen (see 5.2), arrangement for lubrication of articulating surfaces, arrangement for temperature control and arrangement for the exclusion of contaminant particles;

- e) clear graphical plots of the “measured” flexion, forces and torque input waveforms that were logged at the start of the test, and at the start and end of every run period between wear measurements; these plots should be superimposed graphically against the “desired” input waveforms to assess how closely the inputs were controlled and this would verify the validity of actuation of these inputs in terms of magnitudes and relative phase relationships;
- f) whether control specimens were used, and if not, the reference to the tests from which the control data were taken;
- g) a statement of results including:
 - 1) the total number of cycles applied;
 - 2) the reason for terminating the test if fewer than 5×10^6 cycles were applied;
 - 3) a description of all the surfaces of both components at which relative movement has occurred;
 - 4) a description of the condition of the interfaces between sub-components, if the components were of modular construction;
 - 5) the values of pH if routine monitoring of the fluid test medium was undertaken (see 5.1);
- h) details on the measurement of wear and the results obtained (ISO 14243-2), namely:
 - 1) the method of wear measurement (i.e. gravimetric);
 - 2) the change of mass for each measurement using the gravimetric method;
 - 3) the gravimetric wear rate.

9 Disposal of test specimen

No part of the test specimen or control specimen shall be used for clinical purposes after testing.

Annex A (informative)

Details of load and displacement parameters for the test cycle described in [Figures 6, 7, 8](#) and [10](#) for wear-testing machines with load control

Percentage of cycle time %	Plantar/Dorsiflexion rotation angle ° (See Figure 8)	Axial force N (See Figure 6)	AP force N (See Figure 7)	Tibial rotational torque Nm (See Figure 10)
0,00	3,84	288,0	27,8	-0,12
1,00	1,11	362,9	38,0	-0,07
2,00	-4,74	438,3	48,7	-0,01
3,00	-9,63	521,1	59,7	0,05
4,00	-10,98	605,8	70,8	0,12
5,00	-10,48	687,5	82,0	0,17
6,00	-9,50	762,2	92,7	0,21
7,00	-8,01	826,3	102,6	0,24
8,00	-6,00	874,7	111,4	0,25
9,00	-3,98	901,9	118,9	0,25
10,00	-2,06	904,8	125,0	0,25
11,00	-0,28	883,5	129,6	0,23
12,00	0,57	845,7	133,0	0,21
13,00	1,28	805,4	135,5	0,18
14,00	1,92	780,6	137,6	0,14
15,00	2,49	790,0	139,8	0,08
16,00	3,05	839,7	142,3	0,01
17,00	3,65	925,2	145,5	-0,08
18,00	4,27	1 031,6	149,5	-0,19
19,00	4,87	1 143,4	154,0	-0,30
20,00	5,43	1 250,5	158,9	-0,44
21,00	5,96	1 350,8	164,1	-0,58
22,00	6,35	1 446,4	169,6	-0,72
23,00	6,69	1 541,8	175,2	-0,87
24,00	7,03	1 640,5	181,3	-1,01
25,00	7,36	1 742,8	188,0	-1,15
26,00	7,69	1 846,6	195,7	-1,29

Percentage of cycle time %	Plantar/Dorsiflexion rotation angle ° (See Figure 8)	Axial force N (See Figure 6)	AP force N (See Figure 7)	Tibial rotational torque Nm (See Figure 10)
27,00	8,07	1 947,9	204,6	-1,43
28,00	8,40	2 042,4	214,8	-1,57
29,00	8,65	2 125,4	225,9	-1,72
30,00	8,99	2 194,6	237,1	-1,88
31,00	9,44	2 248,3	246,9	-2,06
32,00	9,88	2 288,0	254,1	-2,25
33,00	10,28	2 316,1	257,0	-2,48
34,00	10,68	2 335,9	254,7	-2,72
35,00	11,08	2 350,6	246,4	-2,99
36,00	11,4	2 361,2	231,2	-3,28
37,00	11,74	2 365,7	208,8	-3,58
38,00	12,14	2 356,0	178,4	-3,89
39,00	12,49	2 320,0	140,9	-4,21
40,00	12,86	2 242,7	97,6	-4,53
41,00	13,24	2 118,7	51,5	-4,86
42,00	13,58	1 952,8	6,1	-5,16
43,00	13,88	1 762,9	-34,8	-5,43
44,00	14,22	1 572,1	-68,9	-5,65
45,00	14,51	1 401,2	-94,5	-5,79
46,00	14,72	1 259,5	-112,0	-5,83
47,00	14,86	1 147,7	-121,4	-5,72
48,00	14,97	1 053,1	-124,1	-5,45
49,00	15,00	962,0	-120,6	-4,99
50,00	14,93	862,3	-112,4	-4,39
51,00	14,65	751,4	-100,5	-3,67
52,00	14,19	635,2	-86,3	-2,93
53,00	13,38	523,7	-71,2	-2,21
54,00	12,20	428,0	-56,5	-1,58
55,00	10,59	352,3	-43,1	-1,07
56,00	8,54	297,7	-32,0	-0,68
57,00	6,19	260,4	-23,4	-0,40
58,00	3,44	236,8	-17,2	-0,22

Percentage of cycle time %	Plantar/Dorsiflexion rotation angle ° (See Figure 8)	Axial force N (See Figure 6)	AP force N (See Figure 7)	Tibial rotational torque Nm (See Figure 10)
59,00	0,53	221,9	-13,1	-0,11
60,00	-4,98	212,7	-10,4	-0,04
61,00	-9,69	207,0	-8,9	0,00
62,00	-12,89	203,3	-8,0	0,02
63,00	-14,58	200,9	-7,6	0,03
64,00	-15,00	199,2	-7,3	0,03
65,00	-14,57	197,2	-7,2	0,04
66,00	-13,57	196,2	-7,1	0,04
67,00	-12,23	195,1	-7,1	0,04
68,00	-10,73	194,5	-7,1	0,04
69,00	-8,98	194,2	-7,1	0,04
70,00	-6,99	194,2	-7,1	0,04
71,00	-4,58	194,6	-7,1	0,04
72,00	-1,97	195,0	-7,1	0,04
73,00	0,37	195,6	-7,1	0,04
74,00	1,61	196,4	-7,1	0,04
75,00	2,74	197,3	-7,1	0,04
76,00	3,69	197,8	-7,1	0,04
77,00	4,82	198,2	-7,1	0,04
78,00	5,85	198,3	-7,1	0,04
79,00	6,88	198,7	-7,1	0,04
80,00	7,64	199,3	-7,1	0,04
81,00	8,14	199,8	-7,1	0,04
82,00	8,55	199,7	-7,1	0,04
83,00	8,78	198,6	-7,1	0,04
84,00	8,89	196,8	-7,1	0,04
85,00	8,91	194,9	-7,1	0,04
86,00	8,98	193,6	-7,1	0,04
87,00	8,93	193,2	-7,1	0,04
88,00	8,62	193,3	-7,1	0,04
89,00	8,34	193,6	-7,1	0,04
90,00	7,99	193,4	-7,1	0,04

Percentage of cycle time %	Plantar/Dorsiflexion rotation angle ° (See Figure 8)	Axial force N (See Figure 6)	AP force N (See Figure 7)	Tibial rotational torque Nm (See Figure 10)
91,00	7,73	192,8	-7,0	0,04
92,00	7,27	191,9	-7,0	0,04
93,00	6,81	191,5	-6,7	0,03
94,00	6,54	191,9	-6,0	0,01
95,00	6,52	194,0	-4,2	-0,1
96,00	6,55	194,1	-1,1	-0,05
97,00	6,47	206,3	3,9	-0,09
98,00	6,18	214,5	10,6	-0,12
99,00	5,19	236,8	18,5	-0,14

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