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1 Scope and field of application

This International Standard specifies the characteristics of, and corresponding mechanical test methods for metal bone screws used in surgery.

It applies to screws of stainless steel conforming to the dimensional requirements of ISO 5835/2.

2 References

ISO 5832/1, *Implants for surgery — Metallic materials — Part 1 : Wrought stainless steel.*

ISO 5835/2, *Implants for surgery — Metal bone screws — Dimensions — Part 2 : Screws with asymmetrical thread, constant fitting (spherical).*

3 Material

Bone screws conforming to this specification shall be manufactured from stainless steel, composition B, covered by ISO 5832/1.

4 Dimensions

Each of the screws in the test sample shall be examined for conformity with the dimensional requirements specified in ISO 5835/2.

5 Mechanical properties

Each of the screws in the test sample shall be tested for the minimum breaking torque and minimum angle of rotation to failure (see clause 8).

The minimum breaking torque and minimum angle of rotation to failure shall be as specified in the table.

Table — Mechanical properties

Code and diameter of thread	Breaking torque	Angle of rotation to failure
	min.	min.
	N·m	° of arc
HA 2,7	1,0	180
HA 3,5	2,3	180
HA 5,0	5,5	180
HB 4,0	1,3	90

6 Surface finish

The surface of metal bone screws shall be free, when examined with the naked eye, of imperfections such as nicks, scratches and other defects that would impair the serviceability of the screw.

The final finish shall be continuous and free, when examined with the naked eye, of marks which are the results of previous operations such as grinding, polishing, burnishing, tumbling, etc.

7 Compliance and retests

Should any of the screws in the test sample not comply with any of the requirements, a further sample, comprising at least twice the number of screws of the original test sample, shall be taken from the lot in question and all tested as described above.

Any failure amongst the second sample of screws shall constitute failure of the particular lot of screws to comply with this International Standard.

8 Method of test — Determination of breaking torque and angle of rotation at failure

8.1 Test equipment

The testing equipment shall be acceptable to a national testing or verification authority.