

DECLARATION OF CYTOCOMPATIBILITY

ALLOY TESTED:

AUROCAST 3

Casting alloy with 75.0% of gold and platinum group metals

Chemical composition:

Au 72,5 - Pd 2,4 - Ag 14,6 - Cu 8,4 - Zn 2,0 - Ir x

% (m/m) Determined by Emission Spectrometric Analysis.

Manufacturer:

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I declare that cytotoxicity properties of **AUROCAST 3** were evaluated according to International Standard ISO 10993-5 Biological Evaluation of Medical Devices- Part 5, Tests for cytotoxicity: *in vitro* methods.

In particular, the alloy samples were tested with L929 mouse fibroblasts in a direct cell contact assay.

Microscopic examination, vital staining and MTT test at the end of the incubation time were performed in order to establish cytotoxic effects, in comparison with negative (Tissue Culture Polystyrene) and positive (Cu-Ni-Al alloy) control samples. Tests were performed on six samples produced by sintering technique according to manufacturer directions.

Results for AUROCAST 3 cytotoxicity tests were always similar to those obtained for negative control samples.

AUROCAST 3 EXHIBITED NO CYTOTOXIC ACTIVITY

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