



Cybersecurity aspects in the development of a medical device

State of the Art and Challenges

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Introduction

Basic Concepts





Cybersecurity – Cybercrime

As usual: **someone has** something of value (assets) that **someone else wants**:

Processing → crypto mining

- **Storage** → file dump (e.g. child porn, warez)

- **Information** → steal (espionage), hold hostage (ransomware), damage (vandalism, sabotage)

- **Bandwidth** → attack other targets

- **Services** → use for free, prevent use (denial of service)

Multiplication possible — automatically attack many targets — improved return on investment: with multiple attacks (e.g. ransomware) some are bound to succeed.

Note: Cybercrime is a billion dollar industry attracting a lot of professionals and state-sponsored actors





Cybersecurity – Cyberwar

Political motivation, same basic principle; someone has, someone else wants:

- **Active warfare** (e.g. Israel Iran, China Rest of the world)
- **Preparation** (e.g. USA "I hunt sysadmins", attain strike capability)
- **Clandestine operations** (pretty much everyone)
- **Economic warfare** (e.g. USA China)

Mostly **state actors** (APT – Advanced Persistent Threat, usually "deniable assets").

Preparation for TAO (Tailored Access Operations), Sabotage, False flag operations, offensive and defensive capabilities.

Note: High level of skill, budget, infrastructure, persistence. Virtually impossible to defend against an active, targeted attack from an APT. Still, we can make their life harder and try to limit the impact.





Cybersecurity – Medical Devices

Attacks on medical devices and healthcare providers used to be accidental / opportunistic; i.e. a medical device / system was just another networked computer.

Targeted attacks, specifically ransomware, **are becoming the norm**; the health sector is an easy target: security has been neglected for a long time (manufacturers, regulators, and operators), IT systems in use are complex and long-lived, higher willingness and ability to pay ransom.







Note: Cybersecurity is not a new thing, other industries have been targeted for decades. Healthcare is lagging behind while the (cyber-)world has become increasingly more dangerous.







Cybersecurity – Basic Principles applied to Medical Devices

Integrity

The integrity of the medical device is protected; e.g. the software, configuration data, patient data are protected against accidental or malicious modification and corruption → the device works correctly

Availability

The medical device is available when needed

Confidentiality

The medical device or system protects information from unauthorized access; e.g. patient information and health records

Note: For medical devices, the priorities differ from normal InfoSec: a device that is available is of no use if it is unsafe because integrity has been lost, while confidentiality usually has the least impact on patient safety.





Take home message

- Medical devices are targets
 (even if it is just a means to an end)
- Medical device manufacturers are targets (supply chain attacks, industrial espionage)
- Your customers are targets
- Attackers are many





Regulatory Requirements

An Overview

Two different perspectives to consider



Manufacturers



Customers









Legislation – Strategic Level

Legislation	Title	Applies to	Core Topics
NCS	National Cybersecurity Strategy	Switzerland	Critical Infrastructure
NIS Directive	Network Information Security Directive	European Member States	Critical Infrastructure
KRITIS / BSI-Gesetz	Verordnung zur Bestimmung Kritischer Infrastrukturen nach dem BSI-Gesetz	Germany	Critical Infrastructure
2008/114/EG	Ermittlung und Ausweisung europäischer kritischer Infrastrukturen	European Member States	Critical Infrastructure

Note: Healthcare is critical infrastructure, where healthcare usually means healthcare delivery organizations (HDO) i.e. hospitals, doctors offices

Note: These directives and regulations have no or only very indirect impact on MD







Legislation – Industry Level

Legislation	Title	Applies to	Core Topics	
MDR	Medical Device Regulation	Europe, Medical Devices	Risk Management, Information Basic Safety / Safety Lifecycle	
MedDO	Medical Devices Ordinance	Switzerland, Medical Devices	Risk Management, Information Basic Safety / Safety Lifecycle	
BSI Gesetz / B3S	Branchenspezifischer Sicherheitsstandard (B3S) für Krankenhäuser	Germany, Hospitals (HDO, Operators)	Risk Management, Cybersecurity	
21CFR820.30	Quality System Regulation	USA, Medical Devices	Risk Management, Safety Lifecycle	
GDPR	General Data Protection Regulation	Europe++, Personal information	Privacy	

Note: These directives and regulations do have an impact on MD









Medical Device Regulation (MDR)

In contrast to the MDD, the MDR directly addresses cybersecurity issues

General Safety and Performance Requirements:

- 17.2. ...software shall be developed and manufactured in accordance with the **state of the art** taking into account the principles of development life cycle, risk management, including **information security** ...
- 17.4. Manufacturers shall **set out minimum requirements** concerning hardware, **IT networks characteristics** and **IT security measures**, including protection against unauthorized access, necessary to run the software as intended.









Legislation in Switzerland – Outlook on the «MDR» Update

The new version of the MedDO (MepV) will place responsibility for cybersecurity on the health delivery organizations:

Art. 74 Cybersicherheit

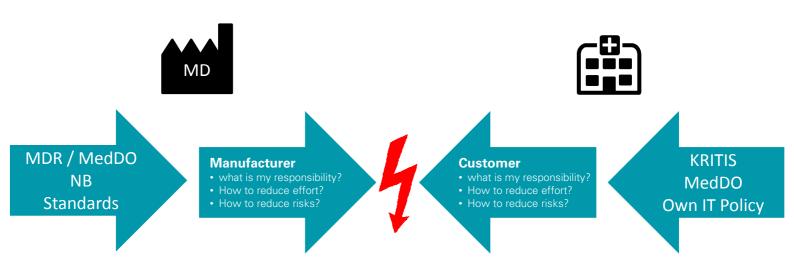
«Gesundheitseinrichtungen treffen alle technischen und organisatorischen Massnahmen, die nach dem Stand der Technik notwendig sind, um bei netzwerkfähigen Produkten den Schutz vor elektronischen Angriffen und Zugriffen sicherzustellen.»

(will come into force on the 26th of May 2021)





Where does that leave us?



Usually, the customer is in a strong position, meaning <u>we</u> (industry) have to move





Take home message

Direct and indirect requirements for your MD

Legislation revolves around (overlapping) core topics:

- Risk Management and Control
- Security Life Cycle
- Information from manufacturer to integrators, operators, and users
- Post Market Activities
- Vulnerability Disclosure

As usual: Legislation provides us with the «why» and «what», while standards and guidelines are supposed to provide us with the «how».





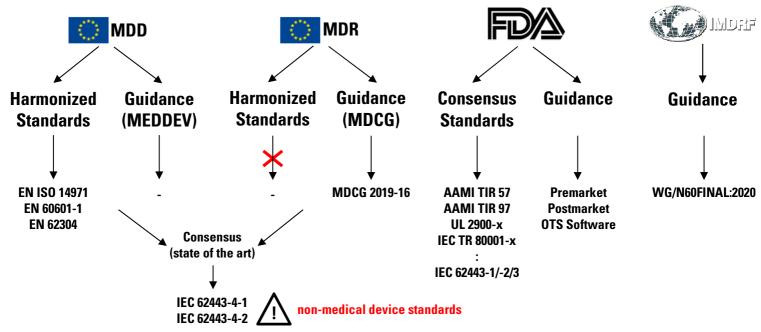
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The Challenge: The Current Situation







The Solution: Bridging the Gap

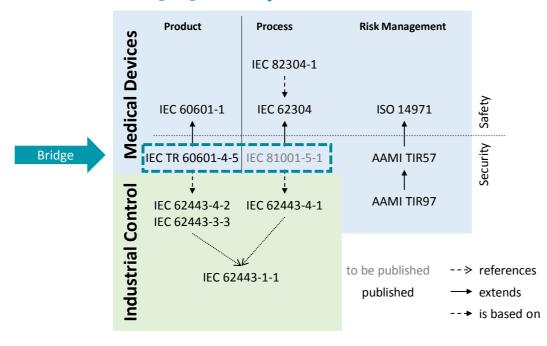




Table 1 – Mapping of single requirements to capability security levels (SL-C)

Component requirements (CR) and requirement enhancements (RE)		SL-C 2	SL-C 3	SL-C 4		
FR 1 – Identification and AUTHENTICATION control (IAC)						
CR 1.1 - Human user identification and AUTHENTICATION	✓	✓	✓	✓		
RE (1) Unique identification and AUTHENTICATION		✓	✓	✓		
RE (2) Multifactor AUTHENTICATION for all interfaces			✓	✓		
CR 1.2 - Software PROCESS and device identification and AUTHENTICATION		✓	✓	✓		
RE (1) Unique identification and AUTHENTICATION ^a			✓	✓		
CR 1.3 – Account management	✓	✓	✓	✓		
CR 1.4 – Identifier management	✓	✓	✓	✓		
CR 1.5 – Authenticator management	✓	✓	✓	✓		
RE (1) Hardware SECURITY for authenticators			✓	✓		

Source: IEC 60601-4-5:2021



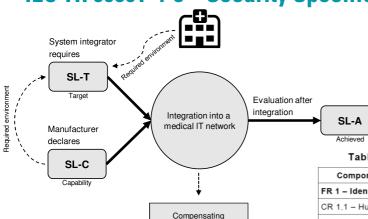
defines product requirements and a method of cooperation







IEC TR 60601-4-5 – Security Specifications



countermeasures

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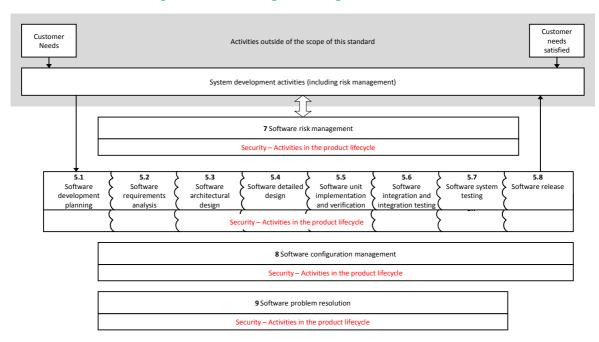
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IEC 80001-5-1 extends IEC 62304 lifecycle processes

Source: IEC/DIS 81001-5-1

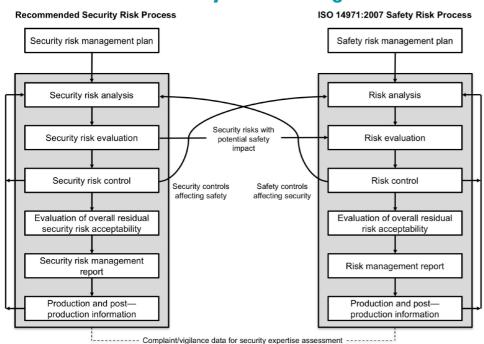
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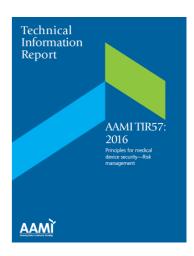






AAMI TIR 57 – Security Risk Management





Source: AAMI TIR57:2016





In Practice

Hints from our experience





Notified Bodies – What did they want to know?

Focused on MDR requirements

- Risk management documentation
- Threat analysis (assets, vulnerabilities, threats)
- Measures to prevent unauthorized access
- Measures to **ensure confidentiality** of personally identifiably information
- Measures to **ensure integrity** of data and systems
- Measures to **ensure availability** of data and systems
- Risk management of service and maintenance, including software updates
- Measures to ensure detection, response, and recovery
- Cybersecurity development process





What to do?

If you're not already doing it:

- Perform threat analysis (assets, vulnerabilities, impact)
- Use risk management to:
 - Identify and analyse security risks with impact to safety
 - Implement risk control measures and security controls
 - Make sure security controls don't negatively impact safety
- Extend Post Market activities to cover SOUP (repeat it on a regular base)
- Provide information to integrators and users
- Be prepared for security vulnerabilities
- Work with authorities

Ask us if you need support.





Questions

