

# Regulatory blood inspections: the European framework





# Legal base - EU action in health

The Treaty of the Functioning of the European Union – article 168 (former article 152 TEC)

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# EU legislation – substances of human origin

- Blood Directive (2002/98/EC)
  - 3 Implementing Directives (2004/33/EC, 2005/61/EC, 2005/62/EC)
- Tissues and Cells Directive (2004/23/EC)
  - 2 Implementing Directives (2006/17/EC, 2006/86)
- Directive on Organ Donation and Transplantation (May 2010)

(Directive 2010/53/EC)

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#### **TITLE XIII – Public Health -** *EU Treaty (Amsterdam)*

#### **Article 152 (4)a and (5) (Article 168)**

<u>If a Member State classifies blood as a medicinal product</u> as defined by the pharmaceutical legislation, then it must comply with the that legislation.

#### **Directive 2001/83/EC – Article 1 (2)**

#### Definition of a medicinal product :

Any substance or combination of substances presented for treating or preventing disease in human beings.

Any substance or combination of substances which may be administered to human beings with a view to making a medical diagnosis or to restoring, correcting or modifying physiological functions in human beings is likewise considered a medicinal product.



,the European blood legislation requirements'

#### Directive 2002/98/EC and its technical annexes.

Directive 2004/33/EC — Tech. Requirements

Directive 2005/61/EC — Traceability and SAR / SAE

Directive 2005/62/EC — Quality Management

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COMMISSION DIRECTIVE 2005/62/EC

of 30 September 2005

implementing Directive 2002/98/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards Community standards and specifications relating to a quality system for blood establishments

Article 2 (2005/62/EC). Good practice (GP) guidelines shall be developed by the Commission, .. the Commission shall take fully into account the detailed principles and guidelines of good manufacturing practice (GMP), as referred to in Article 47 of Directive 2001/83/EC.



## The Blood and blood components Legal Framework

- Supervision of blood and blood components collection, testing, processing, storage and distribution
- Designation, authorisation, accreditation or licensing of blood establishments
- Inspection and control measures
- Quality systems
- Traceability
- Notification of Serious Adverse Events and Reactions (SAE/SAR)





# **Blood Regulatory Framework**

#### SOURCE

Collection and testing of human blood and blood components whatever their intended purpose (including starting materials for medicinal products)

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**Blood Directive** 

#### **PROCESSING**

Processing, Storage and Distribution

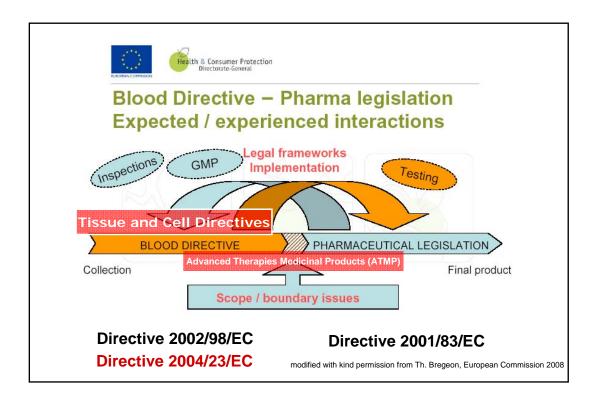
When intended for transfusion

**Blood Directive** 

Proprietary industrially-prepared medicinal products derived from human blood or plasma

Directive 2001/83/EC Community
Code relating to Medicinal
Products for human use

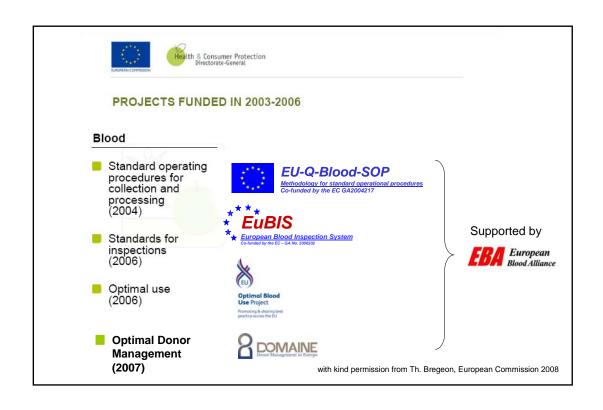
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# **Directive 2002/98/EC**Article 8 - Inspection and control measures

- 1. Member States shall ensure that the <u>competent authority (CA)</u> organise <u>inspections and appropriate control measures (ICM).</u>
- 2. The interval between two ICM shall not exceed two years.
- 3. Such ICM shall be carried out by officials representing the competent authority who must be empowered to:
- (a) inspect blood establishments as well as facilities of any third parties on its own territory
- (b) take samples for examination and analysis;
- (c) examine any documents relating to the object of the inspection,
- 4. The CA shall organise ICM as appropriate in the event of any serious adverse event or reaction (SAE/SAR) or suspicion thereof





# **Quality Management Standards** and Regulatory Inspections

#### **Directive 2005/62/EC Quality Management** Annex **1 General Principles** 6.5 Labelling 2 Personnel and Organisation 6.6 Release of blood and blood components 7 Storage and distribution 3 Premises **8 Contract Management** 4 Equipment and Materials 9 Non-Conformance **5 Documentation** 9.1 Deviations 6 Blood collection, testing and processing 9.2 Complains 6.1 Donor eligibility 9.3 Recall 6.2 Collection of blood and blood components 9.4 Corrective and preventive actions (CAPA) 6.3 Laboratory testing 10 Self-inspection, audits and improvements 6.4 Processing and validation

## EU-Q-Blood-SOP (EQUAL) www.equal-blood.eu





Manual describing a methodology based on good practice that

- (1) assists blood establishments to implement or expand their standard operating procedures (SOPs).
- (2) contributes to the understanding and management of quality processes in blood services.
- (3) assists blood establishments in preparing for the inspection of their services related to the implementation of quality relevant elements required by the EU directive 2002/98/EC.



## **EU SOP - Master**









#### **EuBIS - General Objectives**

- (1) define requirements for quality management systems of blood establishments based on the Directive 2005/62/EC.
- (2) develop a manual covering pan European standards and criteria for the inspection of blood establishments based on GMP guidelines to assist national inspections in implementing the Directive 2002/98/EC and its technical annexes.
- (3) develop a training programme for inspectors



# EuBIS Project: Working group participants and collaborating partners

Competent Authorities and Governmental Institutions
PEI (DE), RPDA (DE), IMB (IE), CVT/MoH (ES),
ISS (IT), MoH (CY), MoH (MT), MoH (RO), SAM (EE)
JAZM (SO), SUKL (CZ), AFSSAPS (FR)

#### **Blood Establishments**

GRC-BH (DE), Sanquin (NL), NHSBT (UK), EFS (FR), HNBTS (HU), RBS (AT), HBRK (BE), NBT (BG), FNSPO (CZ), BTS (IS), NBTS (IE), IBT (MT), IHBT (PL), FMP (RO), SBTS (SO), NEBS (EE),



EUROPEAN COMMISSION HEALTH & CONSUMER PROTECTION DIRECTORATE-GENERAL Directorate C - Public Health and Risk Assessment

C6 - Health measures

Meeting of the Competent Authorities (CA) on blood and blood components (Art. 25 Dir. 2002/98/EC)

18 October 2007 9.30 – 17.00

Brussels, Centre Albert Borschette (CCAB), (Rue Froissart 36, 1040 Bruxelles) Room: AB-3B



**EuBIS links:** 

EDQM (CoE)
WHO (SEE project)

**Eustite project** 

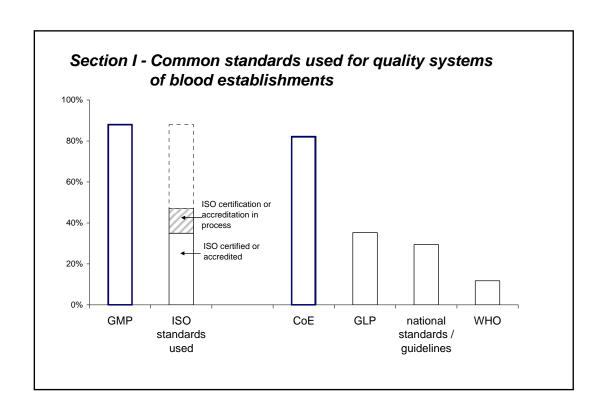
**Optimal Blood Use** 

**EBA** 

PIC/S

**Domaine** 

Activity	%
Blood component preparation	
Cellular (Erythrocyte and / or Platelet concentrates	100
Fresh Frozen Plasma (whole blood)	94
pheresis component preparation	
pheresis Erythrocyte / Platelet concentrates	100
Apheresis Fresh Frozen Plasma	75
ated preparations	
em cells	75
Cord blood	31
Granulocytes	69
Lymphocytes	50
Source Plasma for Fractionation	75
Cryoprecipitate	56
Autologous blood components	88





#### **EuBIS Working Groups**

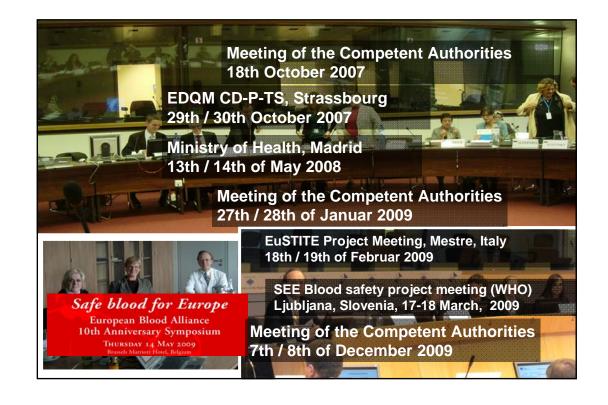
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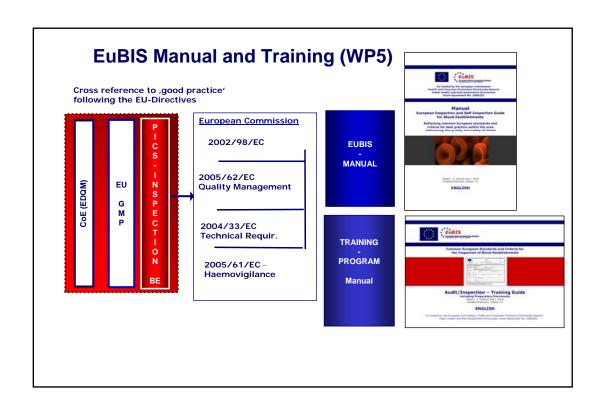
WG 2: Donor recruitment and blood collection

WG 3: Processing and testing

WG 4: Blood component issuing, storage and logistics









The **EuBIS manual**(s) are designed to be used as **tools** to advise



- blood establishments that wish to optimise their quality system and self-inspection process related to the requirements set by the EU blood directive
- **blood establishments to prepare** for regulatory inspections by competent authorities
- if wished by competent authority, to be used as a reference during the implementation process of the EU directive requirements





# Manual on common inspection standards and criteria

- EU LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS FOR QUALITY SYSTEMS OF BLOOD ESTABLISHMENTS
- 4 COMMON STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE INSPECTION OF BLOOD **ESTABLISHMENTS**
- 5 SELF-INSPECTIONS OF BLOOD ESTABLISHMENTS
- INSPECTIONS OF BLOOD ESTABLISHMENTS BY COMPETENT AUTHORITIES
- CONDUCT OF INSPECTION
- INSPECTION PROCEDURES AFTER THE INSPECTION
- 9 EVALUATION OF THE INSPECTION SYSTEM

ANNEX I MODIFIED SITE MASTER FILE FOR BLOOD ESTABLISHMENTS (SMF-BE)

ANNEX II EUBIS INSPECTION REPORT BY COMPETENT AUTHORITY

ANNEX III DOCUMENTS CONSULTED IN MANUAL'S DEVELOPMENT

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**EuBIS** 

## **Regulatory Inspection by Competent Authority**

#### **ANNEX I**

#### SITE MASTER FILE FOR BLOOD **ESTABLISHMENTS (SMF-BE)**

Section A - General

- Activity Profile and processes covered
- Blood components processed/manufactured

Section B Activity Details

Section C - Personnel

Section D - Facilities

Section E - Equipment

Section F – Documentation

Section G - Contracts

Sectino H – Haemovigilance

Section I – Complaints and product recall

Section J - Risk Management System

Section K - Quality System





#### **Regulatory Inspection by Competent Authority**

#### **ANNEX II**

# **EUBIS INSPECTION REPORT BY COMPETENT AUTHORITY**

Accrediation / designation / licensing number Inspection date

Name of Inspectors

Introduction

- Description of activity profile and processes
- Date of previous inspection
- Major changes since last inspection

Report on the inspection activites undertaken Inspection findings and observations

List of Non-Compliances (classified)

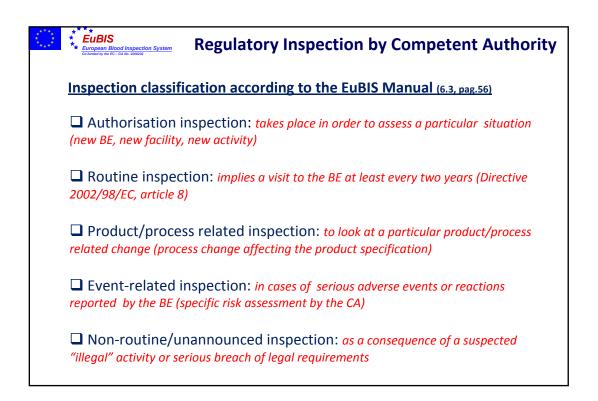
Suggestions

Summary and conclusion

Final statement

**Annexes** 



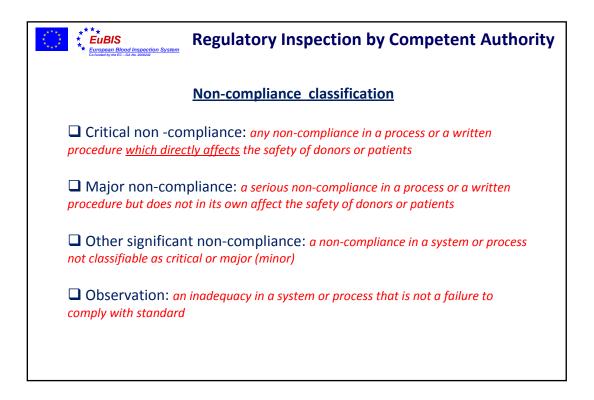




#### **Regulatory Inspection by Competent Authority**

#### **Type of inspection**

- **1. General system evaluation:** it focuses on the quality management through the evaluation of documented evidence (site master file, quality manual, quality policy, document change control....)
- **2.** Technical and process evaluation: it concentrates on assessing practical performance during work hours (handling procedures and qualification of the staff involved during collection, processing and testing of blood and blood components)





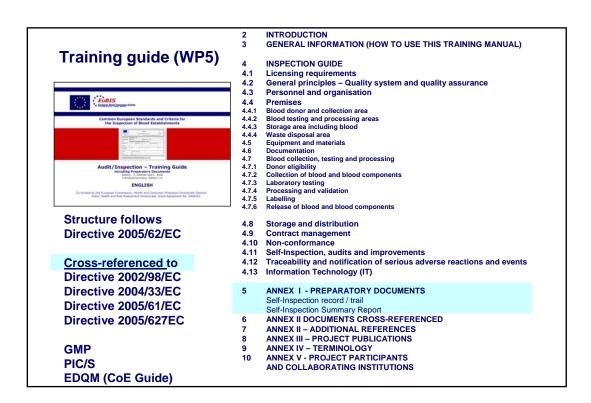
#### **EuBIS Inspection guide - content**

A training guide
Practical information / guidance
Provides:

- Detailed audit criteria
  - Critical control points in processes / procedures

Audit/Inspection - Training Guide including Preparatory Documents

- Example evidence to confirm conformance
- Cross references to audit standards:
  - Primary: EU Blood Directives
  - Secondary: GMP, EDQM (CoE), PIC/S
- Document templates
  - Self inspection record / audit trail.
  - Self inspection summary report



# **Risk-Management - Legal and normative basis**

- EuBIS manual and guide (Chapter 5 and 3) Quality Risk Management " Integration of quality risk management into self-inspection"
- GMP-Guideline (EudraLex Annex 20) referring to medicinal products (Directive 2001/83/EC)
- Blood Directive 2002/98/EC
- Blood Directive 2004/33/EC
- Blood Directive 2005/61/EC
- Blood Directive 2005/62/EC
- EDQM Council of Europe Guide
- PIC/S
- National Legal Requirements: e.g. AMG §63a/b:
- ISO standards

## Risk-Management – EuBIS manuals

### **EuBIS manual** (Chapter 5.3)



- -Quality Risk Management
- "Integration of quality risk management into self-inspection" GMP-Guideline (EudraLex Annex 20)

#### EuBIS guide (Chapter 3)



- "Equipment and materials" (Chapt. 3.4)
- "Blood collection, testing and processing" (Chapt. 3.5)
- "Non-Conformance" (Chapt. 3.8)
- "Self-Inspections, audits and imporvements" (Chapt.3.9)
- "Traceability and notification of serious adverse reactions and events" (Chapt. 3.10)

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"Integration of quality risk management into self-inspection"

Initiate
Quality Risk Management Process

Risk Assessment
Risk Assessment
Risk Assessment
Risk Reduction
Risk Reduction
Risk Reduction
Quality Risk Management Process
Risk Review
Review Events



# **EuBIS Self-inspection record / audit trail**

An easily adopted, comprehensive record of audit

- Document control (of form) section
- Audit detail:
  - Audit date and reference number
  - Department, audit scope, processes covered
  - Auditor(s) / auditee attendance lists / signatures
- Audit findings
  - Criterion number/code (e.g. ref. EuBIS inspection guide)
  - Details of inspection criterion / area examined
  - Auditors findings including evidence of non-conformance
  - Conclusion for each criterion Is there a non-conformance?
     What is the severity?





#### **EuBIS – Training programme**

#### Section 1 – Course (Educational material)

Basic and advanced
Exercises/Quiz/Case Studies/RolePlay/

#### Section 2 – Experimental audits/inspections

Joint inspections (On site visits)
Familiarisation visit to BE
Workshop(s) adapted to national requirements

#### based on the manuals

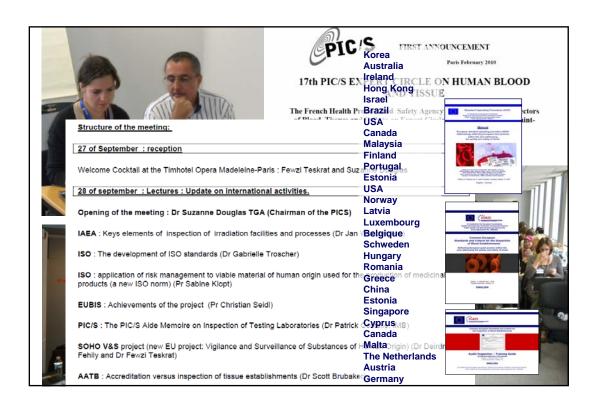


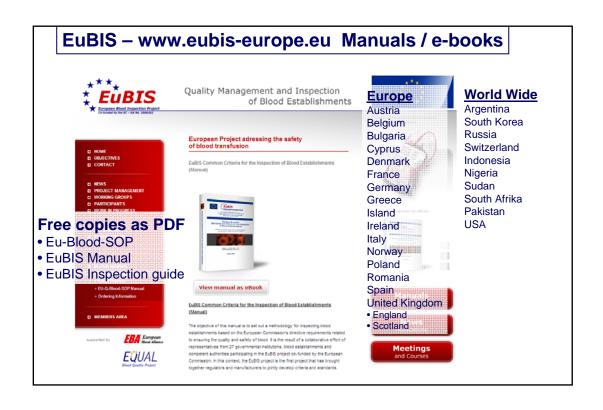


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