

INTERNATIONAL BIOFILM STANDARDS TASK GROUP

Guiding the international development and acceptance of standardized biofilm test methods in health care, the built environment, and industrial systems.

Mission Statement

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Mission

To drive the international development, harmonization and implementation of biofilm test methods and standards in health care, the built environment, and industrial systems

Goal

Enable informed and consistent global decision making on the regulation of biofilm products

Aims

Collaborate with regulatory decision makers to define the importance of using biofilm methods for biofilm specific label claims

Promote the need for harmonized global biofilm standards to public officials through a consortium of established and recognized regional expert organizations

Support the standardization and validation of biofilm test methods that are referenced in regulatory guidance documents

Promote the use of statistically validated biofilm methods in regulating products with biofilm label claims relevant to various industry and consumer segments

Leverage the global nature of the consortium to harmonize testing methods across geographies

Engage industry, research institutions, and academic stakeholders in the method development process in coordination with the various regulatory agencies

Champion biofilm methods in country and industry specific standard setting committees

Promote international consensus in the biofilm methods recognized in regulatory guidance documents