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This is the first edition of CSA Z23500-4, *Preparation and quality management of fluids for haemodialysis and related therapies — Part 4: Concentrates for haemodialysis and related therapies*, which is an adoption, with Canadian deviations, of the identically titled ISO (International Organization for Standardization) Standard 23500-4 (first edition, 2019-02). It replaces CAN/CSA-ISO 13958:15 (adopted ISO 13958:2014), *Concentrates for haemodialysis and related therapies*.

For brevity, this Standard will be referred to as “CSA Z23500-4” throughout.

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This document was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 150, *Implants for surgery*, Subcommittee SC 2, *Cardiovascular implants and extracorporeal systems*.

This first edition cancels and replaces ISO 13958:2014, which has been technically revised. The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- The document forms part of a revised and renumbered series dealing with the preparation and quality management of fluids for haemodialysis and related therapies. The series comprise ISO 23500-1 (previously ISO 23500), ISO 23500-2, (previously ISO 26722), ISO 23500-3, (previously ISO 13959), ISO 23500-4, (previously ISO 13958), and ISO 23500-5, (previously ISO 11663).

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## Introduction

The requirements and goals established by this document will help ensure the effective, safe performance of haemodialysis concentrates and related materials. This document reflects the conscientious efforts of concerned physicians, clinical engineers, nurses, dialysis technicians and dialysis patients, in consultation with device manufacturers and regulatory agency representatives, to develop a standard for performance levels that could be reasonably achieved at the time of publication. The term “consensus” as applied to the development of voluntary medical device standards does not imply unanimity of opinion, but rather reflects the compromise necessary in some instances when a variety of interests shall be merged.

The rationale for the development of this document is given in informative [Annex A](#).

Throughout this document, requirements and recommendations are made to use ISO-quality water. Therefore, it is recommended to refer to ISO 23500-3 along with this document.

For the purpose of this document, “concentrates” are a mixture of chemicals and water, or chemicals in the form of dry powder or other highly concentrated media, which are delivered to the end user to make dialysis fluid used to perform haemodialysis and related therapies.

# Preparation and quality management of fluids for haemodialysis and related therapies —

## Part 4: Concentrates for haemodialysis and related therapies

### 1 Scope

This document specifies minimum requirements for concentrates used for haemodialysis and related therapies.

This document is addressed to the manufacturer of such concentrates. In several instances in this document, the dialysis fluid is addressed, which is made by the end user, to help clarify the requirements for manufacturing concentrates. Because the manufacturer of the concentrate does not have control over the final dialysis fluid, any reference to dialysis fluid is for clarification and is not a requirement of the manufacturer.

This document includes concentrates in both liquid and powder forms. It also includes additives, also called spikes, which are chemicals that can be added to the concentrate to supplement or increase the concentration of one or more of the existing ions in the concentrate and thus in the final dialysis fluid.

This document also specifies requirements for equipment used to mix acid and bicarbonate powders into concentrate at the user's facility.

Concentrates prepared from pre-packaged salts and water at a dialysis facility for use in that facility are excluded from the scope of this document. Although references to dialysis fluid appear herein, this document does not address dialysis fluid as made by the end user. This document also excludes requirements for the surveillance frequency of water purity used for the making of dialysis fluid by the dialysis facility. This document does not address bags of sterile dialysis fluid or sorbent dialysis fluid regeneration systems that regenerate and recirculate small volumes of the dialysis fluid.

This document does not cover the dialysis fluid that is used to clinically dialyse patients. Dialysis fluid is covered in ISO 23500-5. The making of dialysis fluid involves the proportioning of concentrate and water at the bedside or in a central dialysis fluid delivery system. Although the label requirements for dialysis fluid are placed on the labelling of the concentrate, it is the user's responsibility to ensure proper use.

This document does not cover haemodialysis equipment, which is addressed in IEC 60601-2-16:2012.

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ISO 23500-5, *Preparation and quality management of fluids for haemodialysis and related therapies — Part 5: Quality of dialysis fluid for haemodialysis and related therapies*