Quality Assurance for the highest medical standards.



ZEISS Medical Industry Solutions



FDA

European Medicines Agency

NMPA





Quality and Compliance

The hurdles of the medical industry

Proof of Quality

Authorities and patients demand a complete and provable correctness of the quality assurance results in the medical industry and their application. However, the large number of different medical technology components – made from various materials and in diverse shapes – from small plastic parts in insulin pumps to implants made of ceramics and metals represents a direct challenge to the quality process.

Guideline Compliance

Global companies need to fulfill the regulations of various authorities. In Europe for example, these rules are defined in different EC directives (regulations and guidelines of the European Communities) and summarized in the MDR (Medical Device Regulations). In the USA, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is the relevant regulative body. Additionally, China, Canada, South America etc. have their own guidelines.

ZEISS understands your challenges

With its high regulatory requirements and a large number of products that have a direct impact on the quality of peoples' lives, the medical technology industry depends on reliable quality assurance systems.

ZEISS understands the regulations, their requirements and the challenges faced by manufacturers and their quality departments. Our connected quality intelligence portfolio offers tailored hardware and software solutions that support industry standards and work as a coherent system to give the manufacturers the certainty they need to gain the productivity they desire.

Data Handling Regulations

21 CFR Part 11 in the FDA's Code of Federal Regulations defines the criteria under which electronic records and electronic signatures are considered trustworthy, reliable, and equivalent to paper records. It requires companies in the medical industry to implement controls for software and systems used to process electronic data regulated by the FDA. The GxP (Good 'X' Practice) guidelines serve as a best practices handbook that helps manufacturers comply with the respective rules.

Quality Management Regulations

ISO 13485:2016 is a comprehensive management system specifically directed towards the production of medical devices. The FDA's equivalent is 21 CFR Part 820 – a quality system regulation for all finished products and devices intended for human use. Manufacturers need to ensure that their quality management processes fulfill those norms, including all of their suppliers.

Clearing all Hurdles

With the connected ZEISS portfolio

To fulfill the regulatory demands of medical technology authorities, manufacturers must go beyond the usual requirements in quality assurance. Not only must industry-specific workflows be correctly set up, manufacturers must be able to document and validate that these workflows are consistently followed. To this end, the quality assurance hardware and software must work hand in hand and provide the appropriate functionality.

ZEISS offers a comprehensive and connected portfolio of hardware solutions that includes tactile and optical coordinate measuring machines (CMMs), 3D scanners, microscopes as well as CT and X-ray solutions. Our customers benefit from class-leading resolution, accuracy, measurement speed and powerful automation functions.

The key for regulatory compliance however lies in the ZEISS software that fits the hardware perfectly and supports manufacturers in fulfilling their required step-by-step processes. For our microscopes and their unified ZEISS ZEN core software, we offer a GxP module. For every other device the ZEISS GUARDUS MES (Manufacturing Execution System) system* is available, enabling fully traceable workflows through all stages of production starting with the raw material all the way to the finished product.

With over 100 years of experience in metrology and quality assurance solutions and our longstanding experience as a global supplier that knows the global regulation requirements, manufacturers find in ZEISS a trusted one-stop solution provider that helps them achieve their quality, efficiency and compliance goals.

ZEISS software solutions include:

- Compliance with the requirements of DIN EN ISO 13485 and FDA 21 CFR Part 11
- Secure user management
- Integration of audit trail and release management
- Automated creation of certificates and manufacturer test certificates
- Continuous validation
- Versioning of documents and protection from modification
- Detailed authorization concepts including electronic signatures
- Disaster recovery
- Company-wide online performance indicators and key performance indicators



^{*} currently available only in specific regions



Quality SolutionsFor all types of implants

Implants remain in the human body for years or decades and must function flawlessly in terms of mechanics and biology. This leads to exceptionally high quality requirements and an enormous responsibility of manufacturers to fulfill them.

For example, ensuring biocompatibility is essential – the implant must not trigger an immune response. It is also important that the implant functions mechanically, withstands stress and is durable. To this end, the highest regulatory requirements, such as FDA Class II or III and FDA 21 CFR Part 820 must be met. Consequently, the materials used for implants are diverse today. They range from plastic (polyethylene, PEEK, UHMWP, etc.) to various metal alloys (stainless steel, titanium alloy, etc.). Each manufacturing process has its specific quality challenges that require specialized equipment and processes. ZEISS delivers a connected quality control solution portfolio for all types of implants and every quality gate in their individual manufacturing process.

Assure Quality

Overview of orthopedic implants

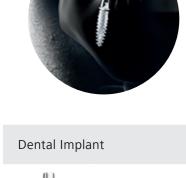
Different implants, same manufacturing processes

While many different implants and fixation philosophies exist, and the solutions are diverse, the manufacturing processes of the individual components remain similar. Due to their material properties, orthopedic implants can be classified according to the manufacturing processes. This enables us to offer tailored quality solutions in the individual segments, which leads to an increase in productivity in your process. In the following sections we will introduce you to our solutions for the metal and plastic processes, where you will find necessary quality gates along the entire production chain.









Implant







Shoulder Implants

Spinal Implants



Monoaxial pedicle Screw



Glenosphere

Peripheral Screws



Spinal Rods



Glenoid implant



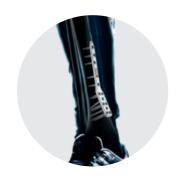
Humeral Stem



Intervertebral Disc







Hip Implants

Knee Implants

Trauma & Extremities

Bone Screws Metal Working



Metal Working

Process

Manufacturing



Acetabular Cup



Femoral Implant

Tibial insert

Plastic

Working



Femoral Head

Polyethylene

Liner



Femoral Stem



Tibial tray



Bone Plate

Metal Working

Ceramic & Metal

Metal working process

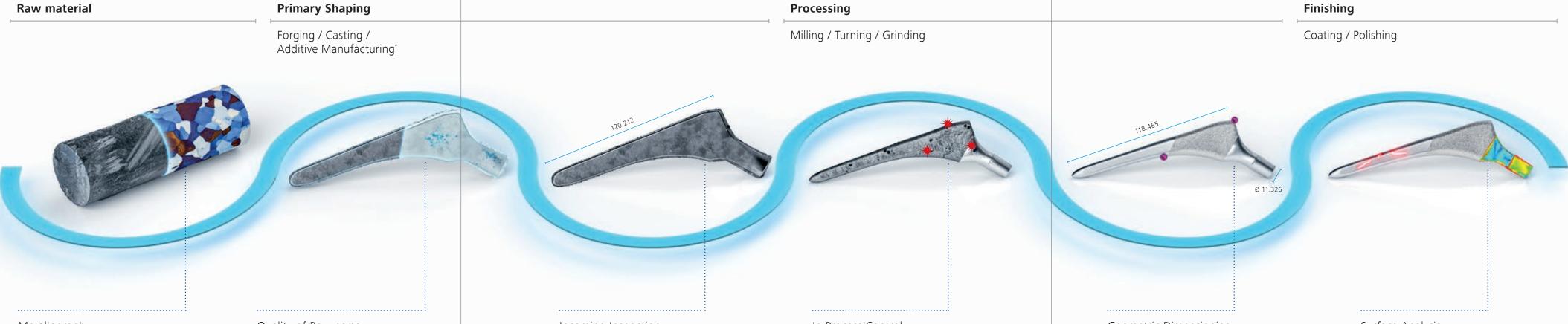




Orthopedic implants must function flawlessly even under the demanding physiological conditions in the human body. This makes it a central requirement for manufacturers to gain a deep understanding of orthopedic materials - metallic compounds, ceramic, and polymers - and the resulting organic reaction. One of the most important steps in the metal working process is assessing the raw materials properties to ensure the performance of the product. Other important challenges are the geometric dimensioning, technical cleanliness during the manufacturing process and efficiency gains through minimizing waste.

From Raw Material to Finished Part

Quality Gates and Solutions



Metallography

Analyze the structure and evolution of your steel and other metals from a micro to nano scale. An accurate characterization will enable maximum understanding for the quality of your raw material in terms of purity, nonmetallic inclusions or grain size analysis.

Quality Solution:

Microscopy Analysis

Metallography investigations with light microscopes or material analysis with scanning electron microscopes. Qualify composition of raw powder or bulk material. Analysis of grain structure, chemical composition, and inclusions possible at nano and micro level.





Quality of Raw parts

The primary shaping process can be controlled and optimized in all process steps from tool to product. Ensuring initial part form is without fissures voids, cracks or critical inclusions. By defining acceptance criterion, bad parts can be directly disposed.

Quality Solution:

Void Inspection

CT and X-ray inspection with our ZEISS METROTOM and ZEISS BOSELLO systems.

Full-field dimensioning and virtual assembly of tool and form components using ATOS Q from GOM.



Geometrical Inspection





Incoming Inspection

Verify if the product arrived in required condition at your warehouse before accepting it into your stock to avoid unnecessary processing of bad parts. Optimize your machining time and potentially turn waste parts into products.

Quality Solution:

Efficient Inspection

Fast geometric dimensioning measurement with e. g. ZEISS DuraMax, ZEISS CONTURA. Full-field Inspection

Full-field automated inspection and optimization with ATOS Q from GOM.



In Process Control

Observe your in process steps dimensionally to avoid further processing of scrap parts. Detect and classify particulate contamination to fulfill the medical industry standards. This can be checked along the entire manufacturing process.

Quality Solution:

Technical Cleanliness

Characterize process-critical particles and identify killer particles using Correlative Automated Particle Analysis (CAPA), which combines your data from both light and electron microscopes in a single workflow.

Process Monitoring

Check your semi-finished parts before further processing them to avoid unnecessary further processing using ATOS ScanBox from GOM.





Geometric Dimensioning

A special challenge is the final check for allowed variations of the produced component to the nominal CAD model. Most implants have finished or polished surfaces, so optical quality assurance can be required.

Quality Solution:

Precise Measurement

Industry leading precision using ZEISS CONTURA or ZEISS PRISMO equipped with our VAST technology, ZEISS DotScan, or our multisensor CMM ZEISS O-INSPECT. And fully automated batch inspection using ATOS ScanBox from GOM.



Surface Analysis

Finally the finished product has to be checked to guarantee the correct layer thickness and a flawless surface quality.

Quality Solution:

Visual Inspection

With ZEISS solutions we can map, image and measure layer thickness and surface characteristics at multiple regions of interest by using e. g. ZEISS SmartProof 5, ZEISS AxioImager 2, ZEISS SurfMax.







Solutions for Quality Gates

Metallography

Analysis of Raw Material

Challenges

- Assure constant quality of material with respect to e.g. porosity, voids, cracks, fissures and grain size
- Rapidly identifying common inclusion types found in metal
- Assessing the material further by determining its chemical composition
- The phase of the Titanium (Ti) alloys can affect the strength and elasticity of the final component. Different Ti alloys will have different phases and this can be dependent on the other elements present and what heat treatment the component has gone through
- Finding the source of failure through an insight on a macro, micro and nano structure

Quality Solution:

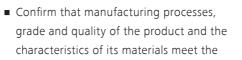
Microscopy Analysis

- A portfolio of connected and correlated solutions for quantifying the chemistry, crystallography, topography and tomography of cracks, fissures and deformations in your metallic samples
- Optical, electron and X-ray imaging, as well as energy dispersive X-ray spectroscopy, electron backscatter diffraction, focused ion beam milling techniques including non-destructive large volume techniques using X-ray microscopy
- Software solutions designed around the user to quickly generate actionable information, to solve and prevent recurrence of failures



Added value

strict specifications



- Assess minor impurities or defects that can cause a component to fail
- Determine the root cause of failure to improve overall reliablity

Quality of Raw parts

Inspection of Primary Shape

Challenges

- Verifying that the components are produced in a good shape and specified dimensional quality before accepting it
- Check parts for critical defects as voids, cracks and inclusions before further processing
- Gaining information of defect number, type (inclusion, crack, void), size (dimensions, volume), position (e.g. distance to outer surface) and distribution

Quality Solution:

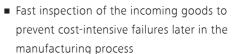
Void Inspection

- Visual inspection of your incoming goods
- All defects inside the part can be detected
- Rapid location of defects without destroying the component
- Bosello Systems for fast and automated 2D inspections
- ZEISS METROTOM systems for high-precision 3D inspection
- ZEISS Xradia systems for high resolution 3D analysis and inspection

Geometrical Inspection

- Inspection of complete shape and assembly of process tools
- Validation of unfinished products to reduce waste
- ATOS from GOM for full digitization of components

Added value



Incorrect stock can later not only lead to costs in production, but must also be reimbursed by the supplier. A careful inspection of incoming goods can prevent this and ensure that only the correct quality is used in the production process

Incoming Inspection

Efficient Verification of supplied parts

Challenges

- Ensuring supplied parts are within the margins for machining and
- Verifying the allowance on machining areas
- Fast inspection cycle times to reduce probability of bottlenacking
- Tracking warping or bending that happens after heat treating

Quality Solution:

Efficient Inspection

- CMMs (ZEISS DuraMax, ZEISS CONTURA) inspect forged part surfaces with the highest possible accuracy results can be trusted, changes to the die or forging process are trackable
- Fringe projection sensors (ZEISS DuraMax, ZEISS CONTURA) allow a complete evaluation of the forged part surface by comparing it to the CAD data

Full-field Inspection

- Verification of material allowance on entire part
- Alignment on milling machine for machine time reduction
- Creating a digital twin using ATOS ScanBox from GOM



Added value

- Programable inspection plans, which are executable in CNC
- Quality control during production allows sorting out existing defects before further processing occurs
- Cost-intensive rejects and complicated repairs can be avoided

Solutions

for Quality Gates

In Process Control

Observation of processing quality

Challenges

- Suppliers, manufacturers and end users demand everincreasing quality standards, so an advanced technical cleanliness program is fundamental to eradicating contamination of manufactured parts and components along the entire production process
- Manufacturing processes vary. A inspection of in process steps is necessary to control the processing and avoiding unnecessary further scrap

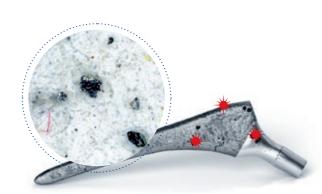


Technical Cleanliness

- Automated Particle Analysis with Light and Electron
 Microscopes: detect and classify particulate contamination
 to fulfill industry standards and GxP regulations
- ZEISS Technical Cleanliness Analysis (TCA) with medical standards (VDI 2083 part 21, Cleanliness of medical products in the manufacturing process, GxP compliance & traceability of workflows for medical companies)

Process Monitoring

 Manual or automated inspection, suing ATOS from GOM systems, of any process step to avoid further processing of scrap parts



Added value

- Quantify particulate contamination according to medical standards
- Combine particle detection and classification in a highly efficient workflow that not only finds particles, but also helps classify them by contamination or wear origin
- Avoid scrap parts or even turn those into final products
- Reduce machining time

Geometric Dimensioning

Final Dimensioning

Challenges

- Critical factors for quality assurance are cycle time and the reliability of results
- Expensive material and difficult machining drive require manufacturers to make the forged part small with minimal material removal
- An optical inspection can be required, if the parts have highly polished sections and cannot be touched due to the risk of micro scratches
- Tight profile tolerance on polished surfaces are a challenge for traditional inspection methods

Quality Solution:

Precise Measurement

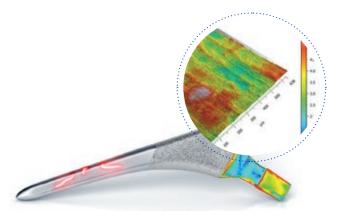
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- ZEISS DotScan enables the possibility to measure tight profiles on polished surfaces
- ZEISS METROTOM can measure interior and exterior features simultaneously
- Complete dimensioning and evaluation of the characteristics included in the report
- ATOS ScanBox from GOM to inspect automatically batches of parts



Added value



 Reduce operator influence and need time for manual inspection by using CNC-inspection



Surface Analysis

Final Visual Inspection

Challenges

- Polishing results in a mirror-like finish that poses challenges for optical inspection
- Check surface morphology on critical surfaces
- Final inspection without operator influence

Quality Solution:

Visual Inspection

- ZEISS Smartproof 5 can provide morphological results on highly reflective surfaces optically
- ZEISS SurfMax enables detection of scratches and blemishes consistently

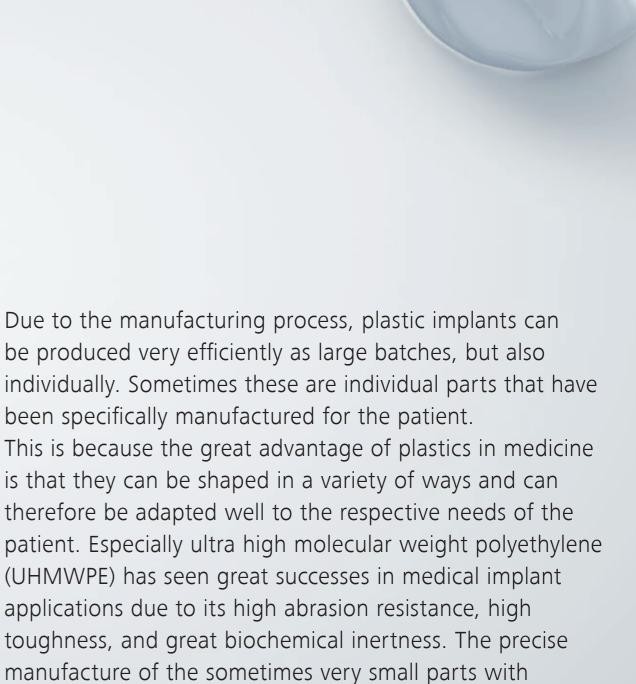
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Reproducable and fast results in final inspection

Plastic manufacturing process





complex geometries is now technologically possible thanks

to ultra-modern machines and systems.

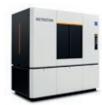


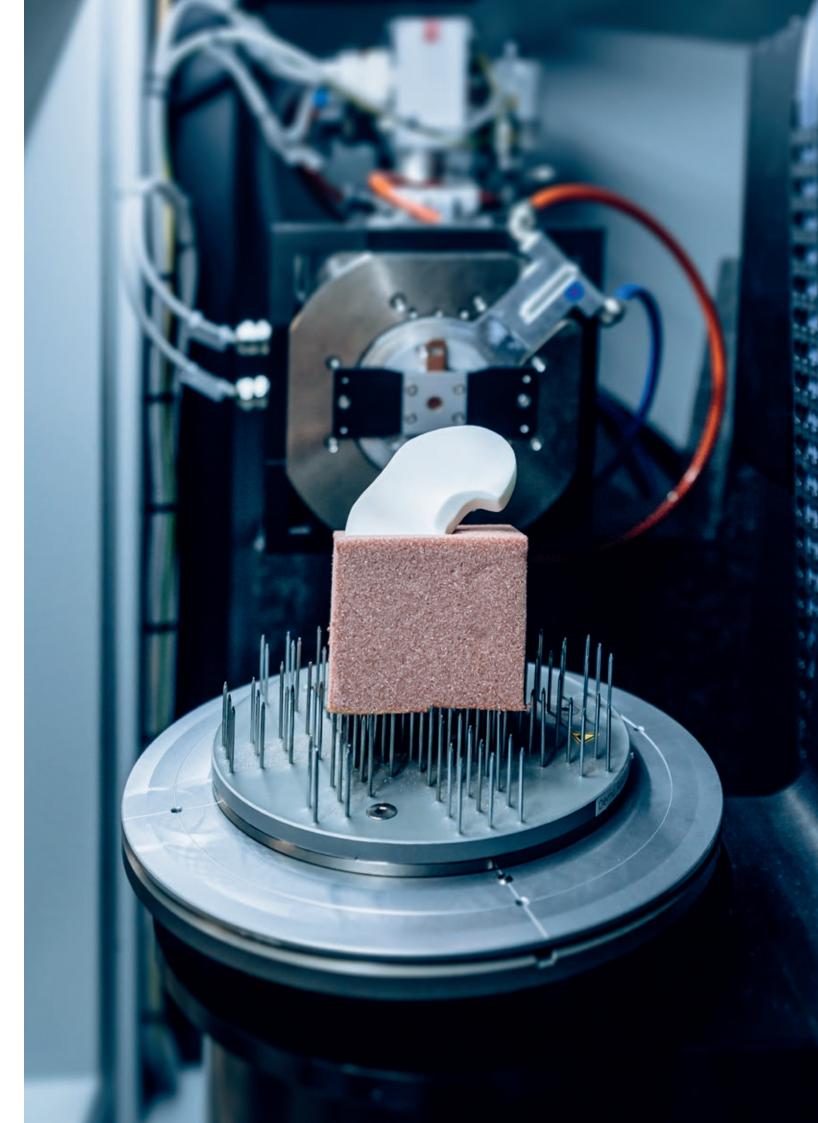
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Solutions for Quality Gates

Incoming Inspection

Efficient Verification of Stock

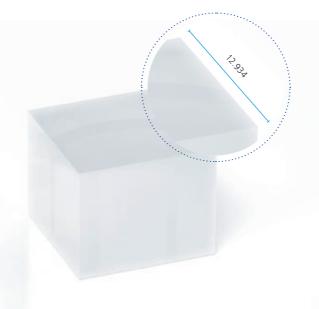
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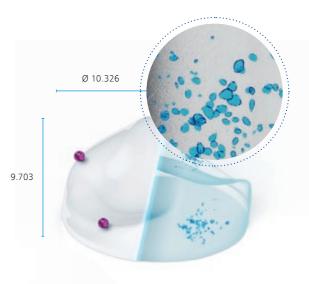
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Shape and dimensional inspection

- ATOS systems from GOM to inspect the digitial twin of the component
- ZEISS METROTOM 6 scout to measure interior and exterior features simultaneously



Added value



- Increase usable acceptance range by decreasing measurement uncertainty
- Reduce operator influence and needed time for manual inspection by using CNC-inspection

ZEISS Portfolio

Our propositions for Medical Industry





ZEISS GUARDUS

MES & CAQ software solution

Standards such as DIN EN ISO 13485 or FDA 21 CFR Part 11 provide clear guidelines what IT systems have to achieve. In addition to the comprehensive MES functionalities, ZEISS GUARDUS supports these requirements.



ZEISS ZEN core with GxP Module

Microscopy software suite

ZEN core is the most comprehensive suite of imaging, analysis, and connectivity tools for multi-modal microscopy in connected material laboratories. The GxP module makes all your analyses traceable and therefore compliant with regulation and certification requirements.



ZEISS CALYPSO

Measurement software

With ZEISS CALYPSO you can measure your workpiece easily, quickly and reliably. In addition to comprehensive identity management (e.g. via LDAP) and the comparison of inspection plan versions, a wide range of functions are available to provide security and increase efficiency.





ZEISS PiWeb

Reporting & Statistical Analysis

ZEISS PiWeb is a scalable reporting and statistical analysis software that helps you to transform measurement data into meaningful results.



ZEISS FACS

Automation software

ZEISS FACS is the flexible automation software for increasing productivity by connecting loading systems up to full automation of your measuring process.



GOM Volume Inspect

Trend analysis on volume data

With Volume Inspect from GOM, you can look inside your part and analyze geometries, voids or internal structures and assembly situations. Intuitive operation, high performance: CT data analysis has never been easier!





ZEISS Visioner 1

Visual Inspection

Digital Microscope with real-time all-in-focus visualization, for the most comprehensive inspection task with documentation.



ZEISS Axio Zoom V.16

Automated Inspection and Analysis

Perform accurate and repeatable analyses with this fully automated digital zoom microscope that supports rapid large field scanning and extended analyses requirements.



ZEISS Axio Imager 2

High resolution analysis

Meet your high-resolution optical analysis requirements with this fully automated microscope for fast and precise measurement of various applications.

ZEISS Portfolio

Our propositions for Medical Industry







ZEISS EVOC-SEM with EDS

Utilize this SEM/EDS system for routine failure or particle analyses applications. ZEISS EVO enables imaging and analysis of non-conductive samples, such as particle filters membranes.



ZEISS Smartproof 5Surface Characterization

Combination of fast confocal technology for roughness and topography measurements of sensitive surfaces with light microscopy imaging and documentation functions.



ZEISS SurfMax

Reliable High-Speed Visual Defect Detection

ZEISS SurfMax provides the most consistent feedback and high-speed performance for visual defect detection and classification through manufacturing process steps.



Coordinate Measuring Machines



ZEISS DuraMax

Shopfloor Inspection

Stable scanning measurements over a large temperature range. With a space saving design and no compressed air required the DuraMax can go anywhere along the production line.



ZEISS O-INSPECT

Multisensor CMMs

Suitable for components where tactile precision is needed, but also where an optical solution is required for surface-sensitive sections. Optimally measure each characteristic every time.



ZEISS CONTURABridge Type CMMs

Measurement results with high accuracy are particularly important for quality assurance. Brige type coordonate measuring machines from ZEISS enable you to be prepared today for the measuring requirements of tomorrow. The various solutions and systems can be tailored directly to individual requirements.





ZEISS BOSELLO MAX

2D X-Ray Inspection

Fast, non-destructive 2D scans of safety-relevant parts. Equipped with X-ray sources from 160 kV up to 450 kV or micro-focus sources up to 150 kV.



ZEISS METROTOM 800

225 kV HR

Measure and inspect inner structures

With an industrial CT system from ZEISS, you can perform complete measuring and defect analysis with only one X-ray scan. Scan fast and denser parts.



ZEISS METROTOM 6 scout

The powerhouse of resolution for CT inspection and metrology

ZEISS METROTOM 6 scout (GOM CT) digitizes complex parts including the internal geometries at the finest level of detail. You get a complete 3D image for GD&T analyses or nominal-actual comparisons. The metrology CT particularly excels in digitizing small plastic parts.



Manual and automated scanning from GOM



ATOS Q

ATOS Compact Class

Industrial, non-contact, structured 3D light scanner delivers precise scans with detailed resolution at high speed. The light and flexible 3D scanner ATOS Q is ideal for small to medium-sized components.



ATOS ScanBox

Measurement of Small Complex Components

Fully automated digitizing and inspection process to ensure an operator independent measurement process.

Combined with ATOS sensors smallest details with high accuracy are provided.

Your Global Partner – Present in all regions

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Sales & Service
Organizations

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Production Sites

Medical parts are rarely produced in a single location. Yet measurement and inspection issues can pop up in any country and at any supplier. Our global network of application engineers and service are here to help solve your quality-assurance challenges so you can keep traceability and quality at a consistently high level.

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