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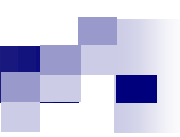


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May 4th and 5th, 2023 in Bonn  
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(Plenarsaal)

RAin Dr. Angela Graf (MHMM)



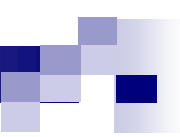


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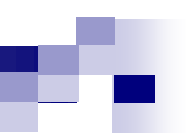


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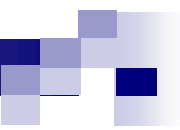


# Importance of clinical data

Confirmation of

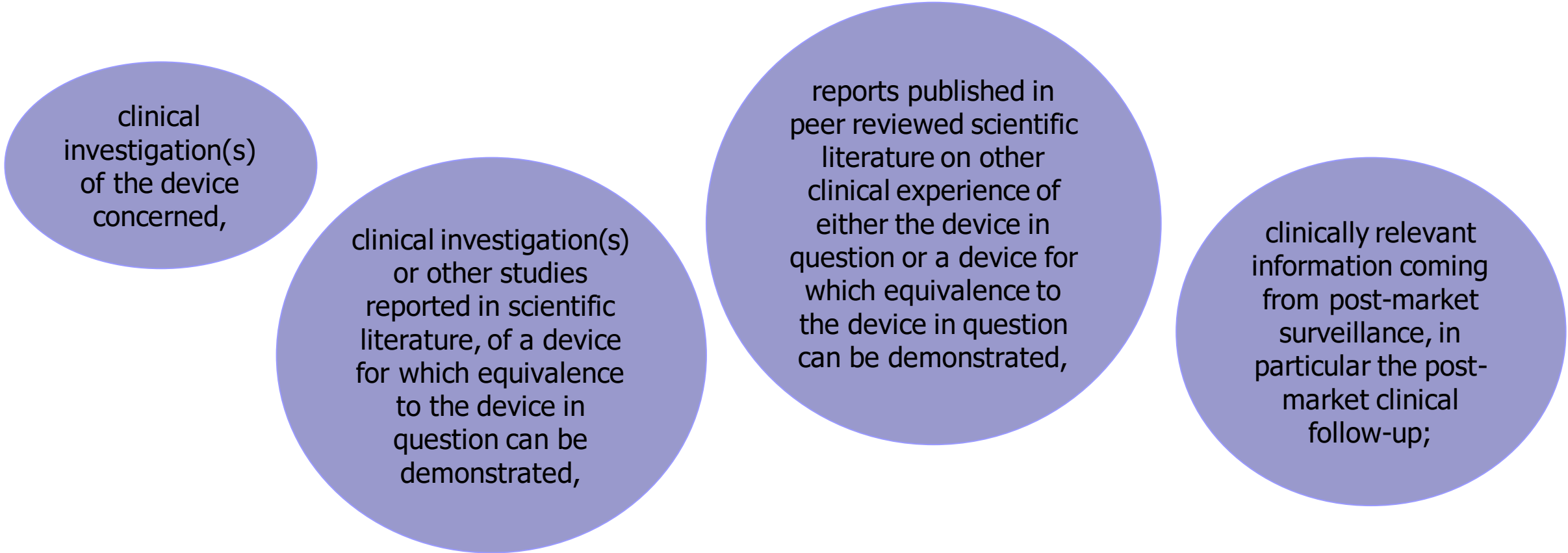
- conformity with relevant general safety and performance requirements
- the evaluation of the undesirable side-effects
- the acceptability of the benefit-risk- ratio

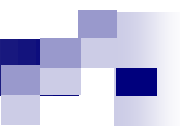
shall be based on clinical data providing sufficient clinical evidence



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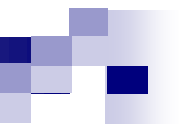
clinical investigation(s) of the device concerned,

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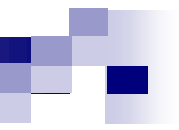
clinically relevant information coming from post-market surveillance, in particular the post-market clinical follow-up;

**'equivalence approach'** is still foreseen, but.....



# Quality of equivalence according to the MDR

- A clinical evaluation may be based on clinical data relating to a device for which **equivalence** to the device in question can be demonstrated.
- It shall be **clearly demonstrated** that manufacturers have **sufficient levels of access to the data relating to devices** with which they are claiming equivalence in order to justify their claims of equivalence.
- The following **technical, biological and clinical characteristics** shall be taken into consideration for the demonstration of equivalence.
- The characteristics listed in the first paragraph shall be similar to the extent that there would be **no clinically significant difference** in the safety and clinical performance of the device.

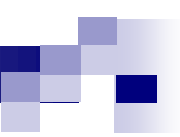


# Consequences

- Data that were crucial part of the clinical evaluation until now cannot be used any more
- **Problem:** There is no consistent distinction between high-risk products and low-risk medical devices

**Clinical trials** with medical devices will be increasingly necessary to place on the market a medical device.





# Equivalence approach not applicable

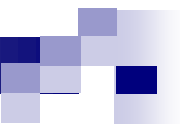
For implantable products and class III medical devices



**clinical investigations as principle**

*„To ensure a high level of safety and performance, demonstration of compliance with the general safety and performance requirements laid down in this Regulation should be based on **clinical data that, for class III devices and implantable devices should, as a general rule, be sourced from clinical investigations** that have been carried out under the responsibility of a sponsor. It should be possible both for the manufacturer and for another natural or legal person to be the sponsor taking responsibility for the clinical investigation.“*

(Recital 63)

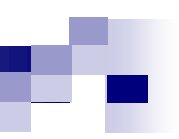


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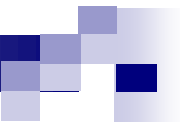
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# Drug-Device-combinations

## Forms of presentation:

- Medical device with integral drug component (wound irrigation solution, coated stent)
- Drug with integral medical device component (pre-filled insulin syringe)
- "co-packed" products (drug cartridge with inhaler)



# Drug-Device-combinations

On which product component is the focus of the function?



Drug

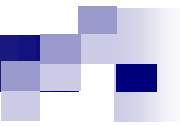
New rules: Art. 117 MDR changes  
Directive 2001/83/EC

(see next slide)



Device

- Rule 14 (formerly rule 13)
- Scientific opinion from one of the competent authorities designated by the Member States in accordance with Directive 2001/83/EC or from the EMA



# Drug is the "main actor"

Do drug and medical devices constitute a **"single integral product"**?

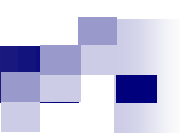
Yes

- Authorisation gem. RL 2001/83/EG
- Annex I MDR regarding the medical device part
- No CE-mark, but assessment report of the NB (except class I)

No

- „Co-packaged device“
- MDR is applicable for the medical device >> Art. 14??? Art. 22 ???
- CE-mark necessary???

**No consistent statements/action from  
EMA, national CA and NB**

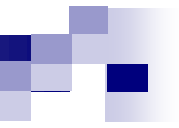


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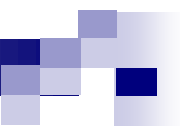
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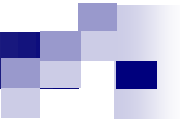


# Medical Devices Coordinating Group

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# MDCG Guidelines



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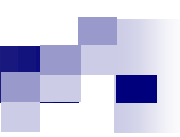
This page provides a range of documents to assist stakeholders in applying [Regulation \(EU\) 2017/745 on medical devices \(MDR\)](#) <sup>(EN | ...)</sup> and [Regulation \(EU\) 2017/746 \(IVDR\) on in vitro diagnostic medical devices](#) <sup>(EN | ...)</sup>. The majority of documents on this page are endorsed by the Medical Device Coordination Group (MDCG) in accordance with Article 105 of the MDR and Article 99 of the IVDR. They are drafted in collaboration with interested parties represented in the various groups and denominated by the following format: "MDCG Year-Number-revision".

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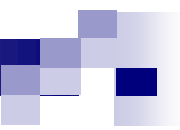
The updated list of the ongoing guidance documents will be available soon

[https://health.ec.europa.eu/medical-devices-sector/new-regulations/guidance-mdcg-endorsed-documents-and-other-guidance\\_en](https://health.ec.europa.eu/medical-devices-sector/new-regulations/guidance-mdcg-endorsed-documents-and-other-guidance_en)



# MDCG Subgroups

- Notified Body Organisation (NBO)
- Harmonised standards
- Clinical investigation and Evaluation (CIE)
- Post Market Surveillance and Vigilance (PMSV)
- Market Surveillance (MS)
- Borderline-Product and Classification (B&C)
- New Technologies
- EUDAMED
- Unique Device Identification (UDI)
- International Affairs
- In-vitro-Diagnostics (IVD)
- Nomenclature
- Annex–XVI–Products



# MDCG Guidelines concerning the following topics

**MDCG work in progress**

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**European Medical Device Nomenclature (EMDN)**

**Implant cards**

**In-house devices**

**Authorised Representatives, Importers, Distributors**

**In Vitro Diagnostic medical devices (IVD)**

**New technologies**

**Notified bodies**

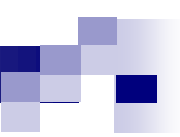
**Post-Market Surveillance and Vigilance (PMSV)**

**Standards**

**Unique Device Identifier (UDI)**

**Other topics**

**Other guidance documents**

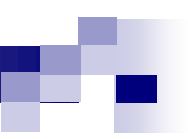


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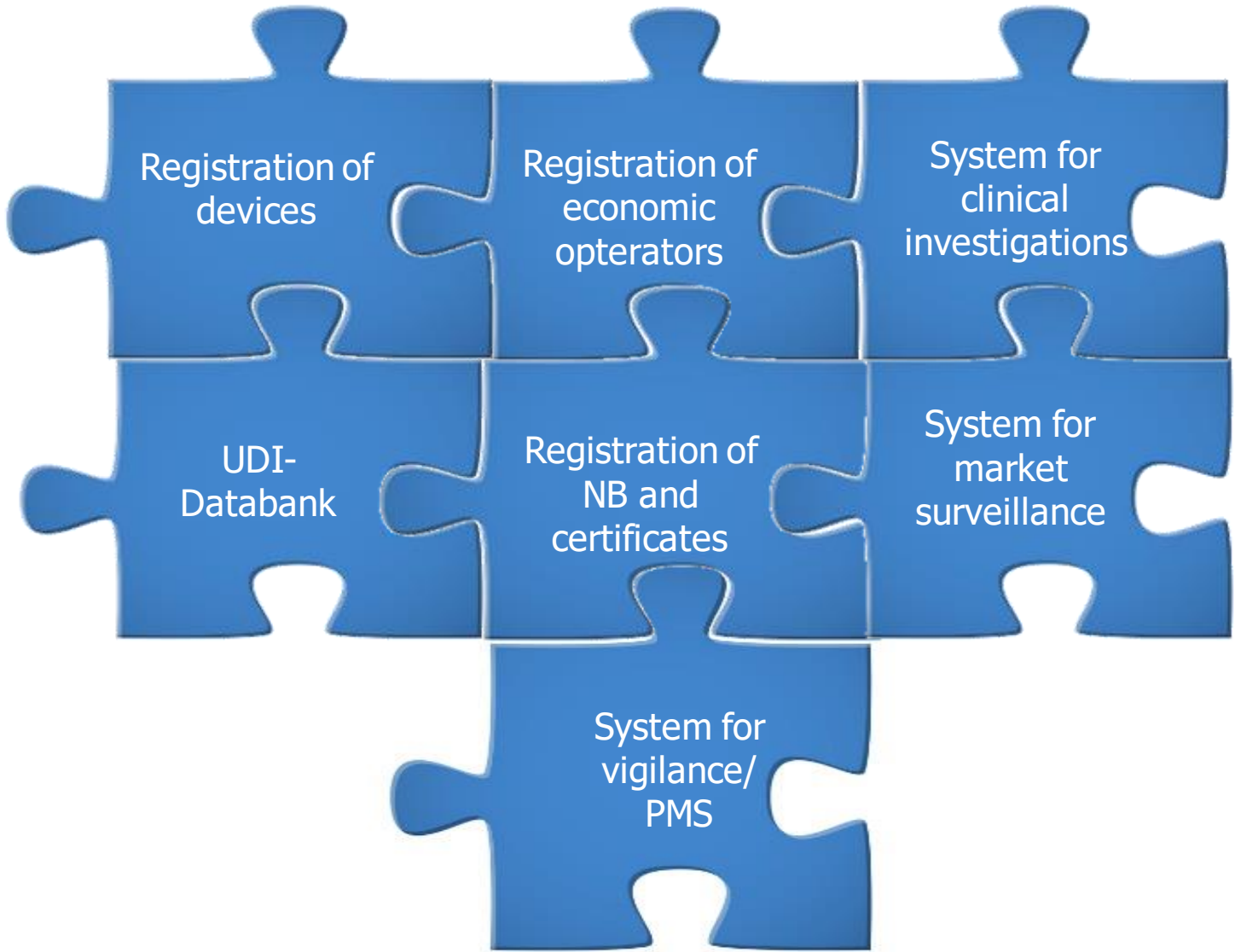
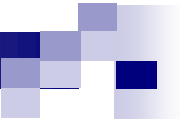
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# European database on medical devices

## Purposes

- Enable the public to be adequately informed about
  - devices placed on the market,
  - the corresponding certificates issued by notified bodies and
  - about the relevant economic operators
  - clinical investigations and
  - sponsors of clinical investigations
- Enable unique identification of devices within the internal market and to facilitate their traceability
- Vigilance Reporting
- Enable the CA of the MS and the Commission to carry out their tasks on a well-informed basis and to enhance the cooperation between them.



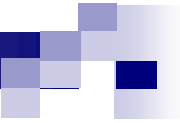


# Eudamed is the (overloaded) centerpiece of the functionality of the MDR... so...

*„The Commission **concluded** that it will only be possible to make EUDAMED operational once the entire system and its different modules have achieved full functionality and have been subject to an independent audit.*

*Therefore EUDAMED's launch will be done together for medical and in-vitro medical devices, at the original date foreseen for in-vitro medical devices i.e. **May 2022.**“*

- [https://ec.europa.eu/growth/sectors/medical-devices/new-regulations/eudamed\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/growth/sectors/medical-devices/new-regulations/eudamed_en) 30.10.2019



## Medical Devices

Medical Device Coordination Group Document

MDCG 2021-1

### **MDCG 2021-1**

### **Guidance on harmonised administrative practices and alternative technical solutions until EUDAMED is fully functional**

**February 2021**

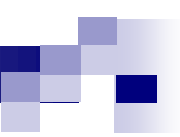


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# State of play


- The module on Actor registration is available since December 2020
- The module on UDI/device registration is available since October 2021
- The module on Notified Bodies and Certificates is available since October 2021 except for the mechanism for scrutiny and the clinical evaluation consultation procedure (CECP) functionalities.
- The remaining module (Vigilance, Clinical Investigation & Performance Studies and Market Surveillance) are under development and will be released when EUDAMED is declared fully functional.



## EUDAMED - European Database on Medical Devices

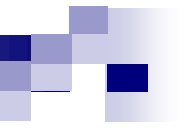
### EUDAMED Time line

The European Commission planning – June 2022



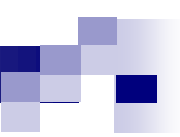
Q4 2023	Q1-Q2 2024	Q2 2024	Q2 2024	Q4 2024	Q2 2026
End of the EUDAMED MVP <sup>1</sup> development for all six modules	Independent <b>Audit</b>	Audit results presented to the Medical Devices Coordination Group (MDCG)	EUDAMED has achieved full functionality following the outcome of the Audit.  <b>Publication of a Commission notice in the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU)</b>	End of 6 months transitional period after publication of the notice in the OJEU.  <b>The full EUDAMED system (all 6 modules) is released.</b>  The use of <b>EUDAMED</b> becomes <b>mandatory</b> as regards obligations and requirements related to <b>Actors, Vigilance, Clinical Investigation &amp; Performance Studies and Market Surveillance</b> modules	End of 24 months transitional period after publication of the notice in the OJEU  The use of <b>EUDAMED</b> becomes <b>mandatory</b> as regards obligations and requirements related to <b>UDI/Device and NB &amp; Certificate modules</b>

<sup>1</sup> EUDAMED Minimum Viable Product (MVP) means that the system developed implements at least the minimum Medical Devices Regulations requirements and allows competent authorities and all stakeholders to comply with their legal obligations.



There is still hope...

Good things come to those who wait

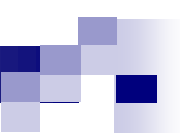


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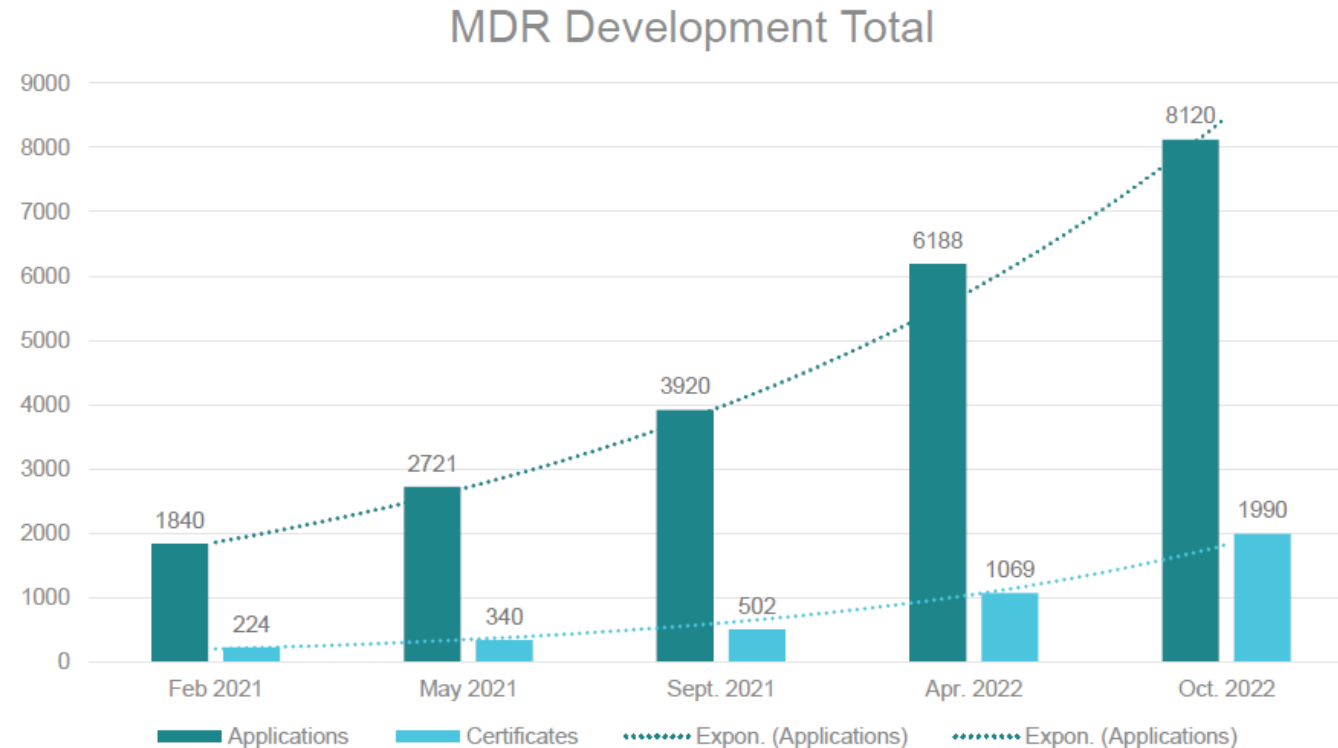
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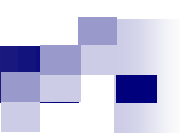


# The MDR requires a re-assessment of the entire MD market. At the same time, there is a lack of resources!

## MDR Applications filed and Certificates issued



Source:  
EU Commission: Notified  
Bodies Survey on  
certifications and  
applications (MDR/IVDR)  
MDCG & Stakeholders 24  
(Oct 2022)

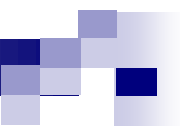


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# The problem reaches the patients



Bundesverband der Krankenhausträger  
in der Bundesrepublik Deutschland

## Pressemitteilung

### DKG zur Medizinprodukteverordnung der EU

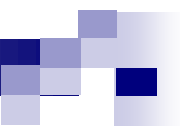
### **Dringender Handlungsbedarf: EU-Verordnung gefährdet die Patientenversorgung**

Berlin, 9. Juni 2022 – Die Deutsche Krankenhausgesellschaft (DKG) fordert die Europäische Kommission und deren Präsidentin Ursula von der Leyen auf, dringend die Medical Device Regulation (MDR) – die erst seit einem Jahr geltende Regulierungsverordnung für Medizinprodukte – zu überarbeiten. Die Zeit drängt, denn die neue Regulierung führt schon jetzt zu einer bedrohlichen Unterversorgung mit dringend benötigten Medizinprodukten. Bereits der Rat der EU-Gesundheitsministerinnen und -minister am 14. Juni muss für dieses Anliegen genutzt werden. Die DKG appelliert damit auch an Bundesgesundheitsminister Karl Lauterbach, die Initiative zu ergreifen.

„Gut gemeint ist nicht gut gemacht“, erklärt der DKG-Vorstandsvorsitzende

“Time is pressing, because the new regulation is already leading to a threatening undersupply of urgently needed medical devices.”

<https://www.dkgev.de/dkg/presse/details/dringender-handlungsbedarf-eu-verordnung-gefaehrdet-die-patientenversorgung/>



„The goal of MDR is to protect the European citizen by improving the safety of medical products. This goal probably will be reached in high-volume MD. However in niche fields with low-volume MDs, MDR will result in either withdrawal of MD from the market, or availability at a much higher price. This will not be beneficial for the European patient with an orphan disease..“

<http://www.aepc.org/news/the-implications-of-eu-mdr-for-the-treatment-of-congenital-heart-disease>

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## The implications of EU-MDR for the treatment of congenital heart disease

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Several companies have notified members of AEPC that they will or have already withdrawn several medical devices from the European market that are frequently used in the treatment of congenital heart disease.

The reason for this withdrawal is apparently the huge cost associated by the **European Medical Device Regulation (EU-MDR, 2017/745)**. This regulation aims to protect the European citizen and has little impact on devices from large companies with high volume well-priced devices. However, it has





## EU-Medizinprodukte-Verordnung (MDR): Drohende Engpässe bei orthopädischen und unfallchirurgischen Implantaten

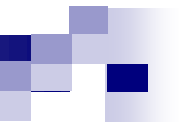
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"It is to be feared that we will soon have to tell some patients: We are sorry, we have to cancel your surgery appointment, we cannot get a suitable prosthesis for you."

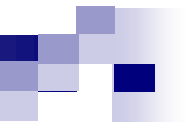
The Medical Device Regulation (MDR) entered into force in 2017 (...). As a result, the first products are already currently no longer available, the last approvals expire in 2024.

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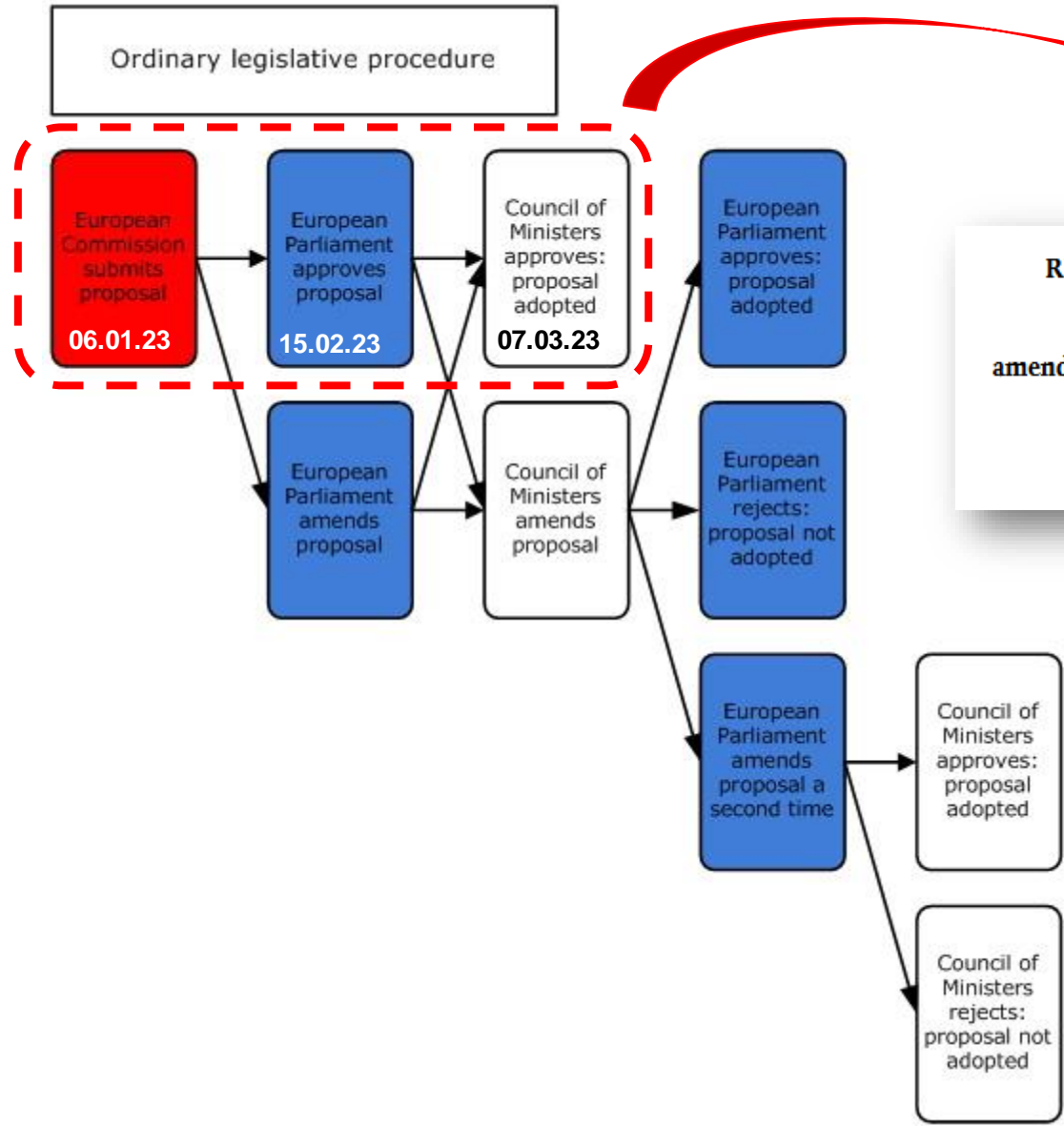


# Discussed "big" solutions

1. Special regulations for "orphan devices"
2. Certificates subject to conditions
3. Art. 97 MDR: "Other non-compliance".
4. Renewed change of transitional periods?



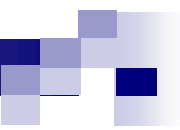
With other words...  
Who/what will get the cow of the ice???



**REGULATION (EU) 2023/607 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL**  
**of 15 March 2023**  
**amending Regulations (EU) 2017/745 and (EU) 2017/746 as regards the transitional provisions for certain medical devices and *in vitro* diagnostic medical devices**  
  
(Text with EEA relevance)

European Journal Publication and at the same time entry into force: **20.03.2023**

More information about the legislative procedure concerning Regulation (EU) 2023/607:  
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# EU legislation remains consistent: maximum complexity!

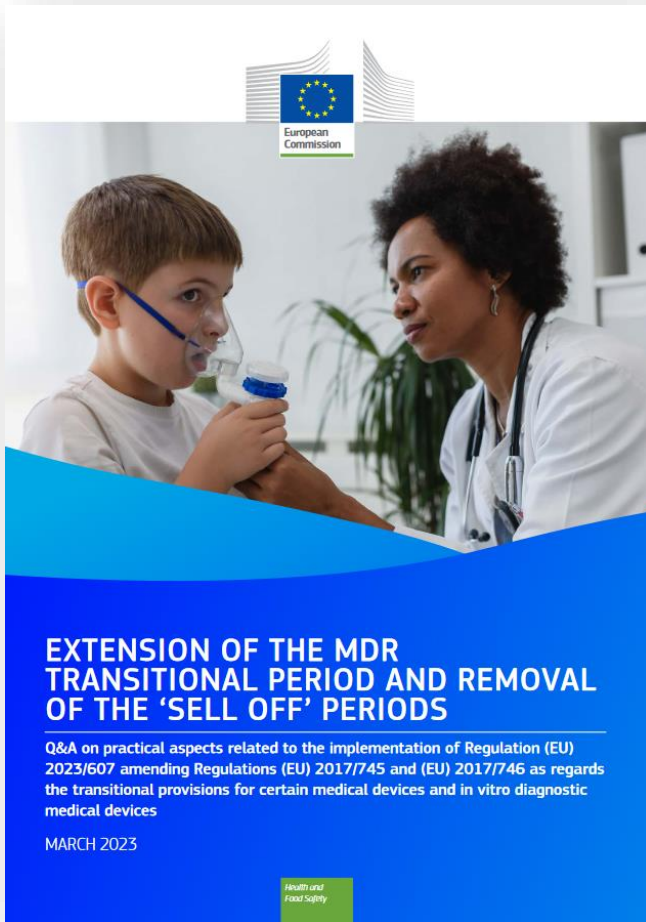
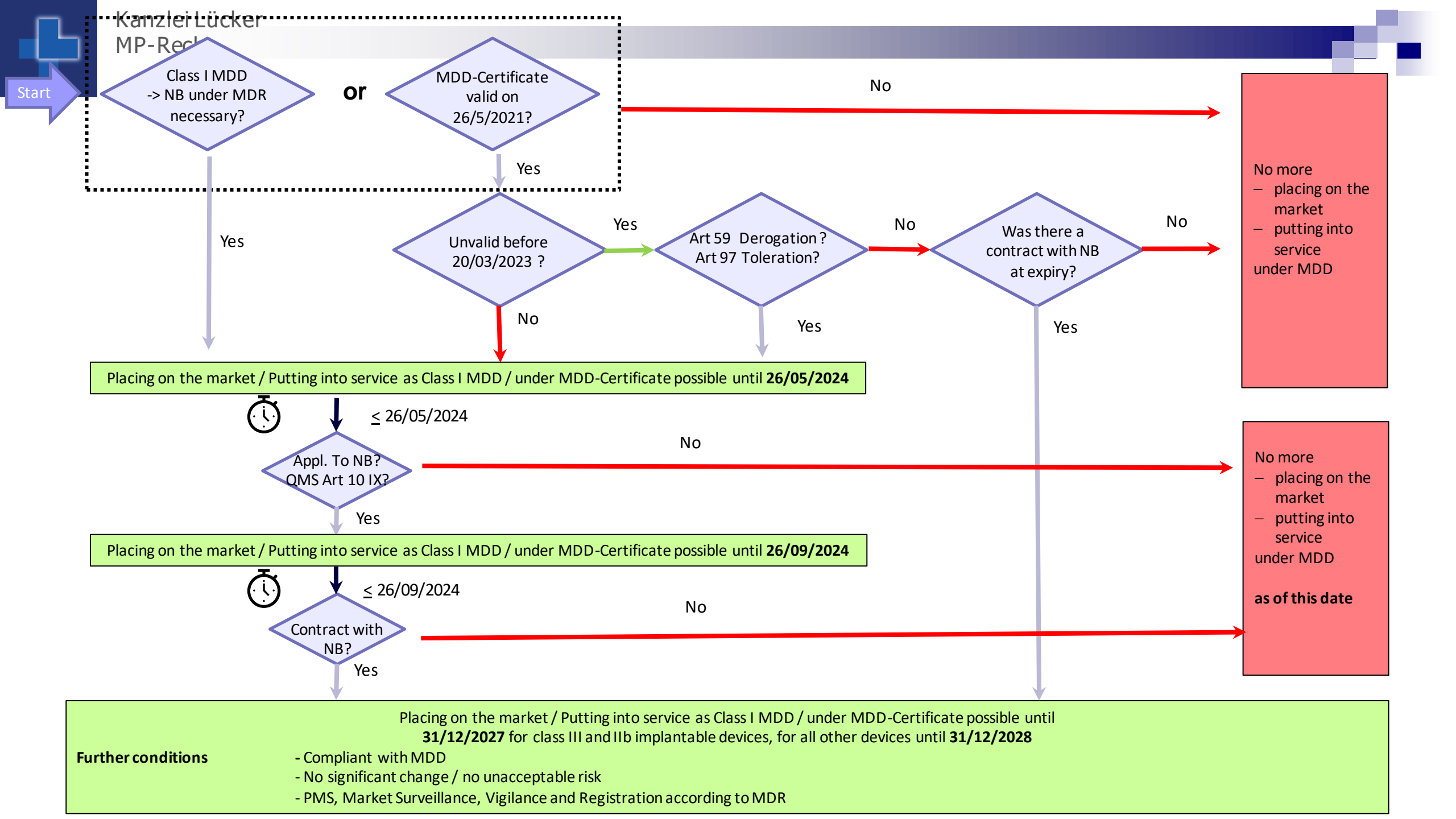


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Kanzler Lückert  
MP-Recht

Start

Class I MDD  
-> NB under MDR  
necessary?

or

MDD-Certificate  
valid on  
26/5/2021?

No

Yes

Yes

Yes

No

No

No

Yes

Yes

Placing on the market / Putting into service as Class I MDD / under MDD-Certificate possible until **26/05/2024**



≤ 26/05/2024

Appl. To NB?  
QMS Art 10 IX?

No

Yes

Placing on the market / Putting into service as Class I MDD / under MDD-Certificate possible until **26/09/2024**



≤ 26/09/2024

Contract with  
NB?

No

Yes

Placing on the market / Putting into service as Class I MDD / under MDD-Certificate possible until **31/12/2027** for class III and IIb implantable devices, for all other devices until **31/12/2028**

**Further conditions**

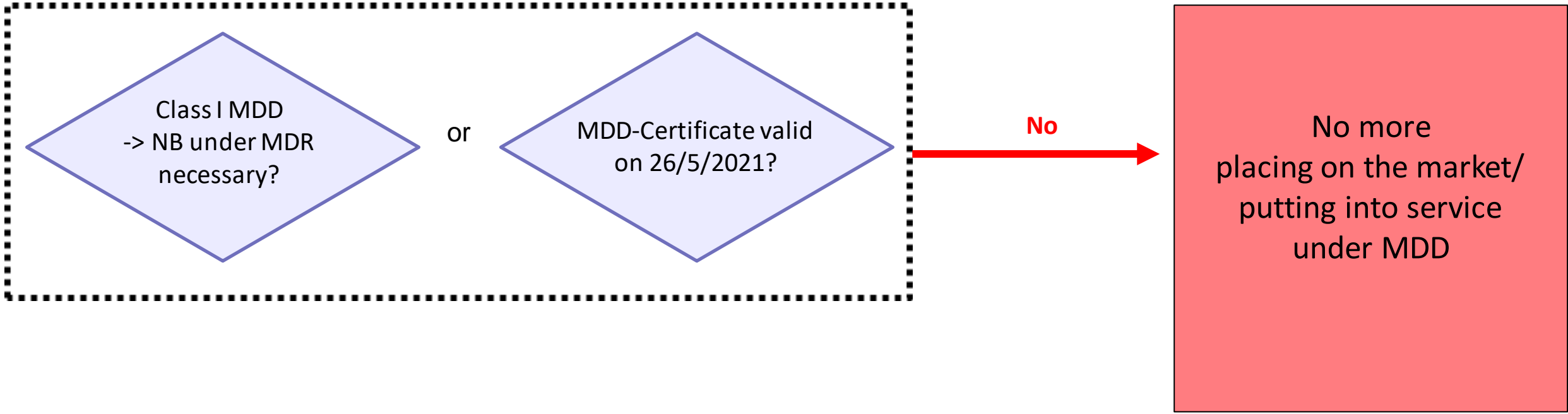
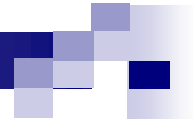
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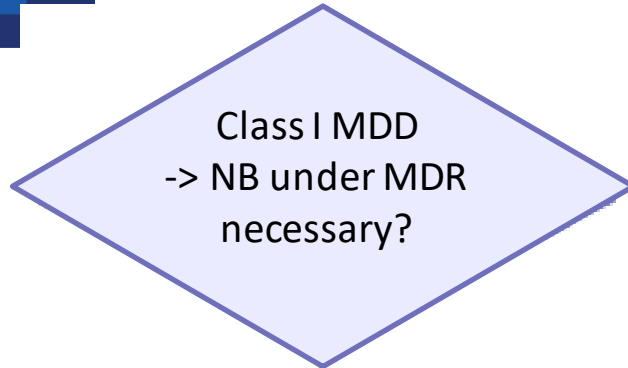
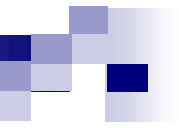
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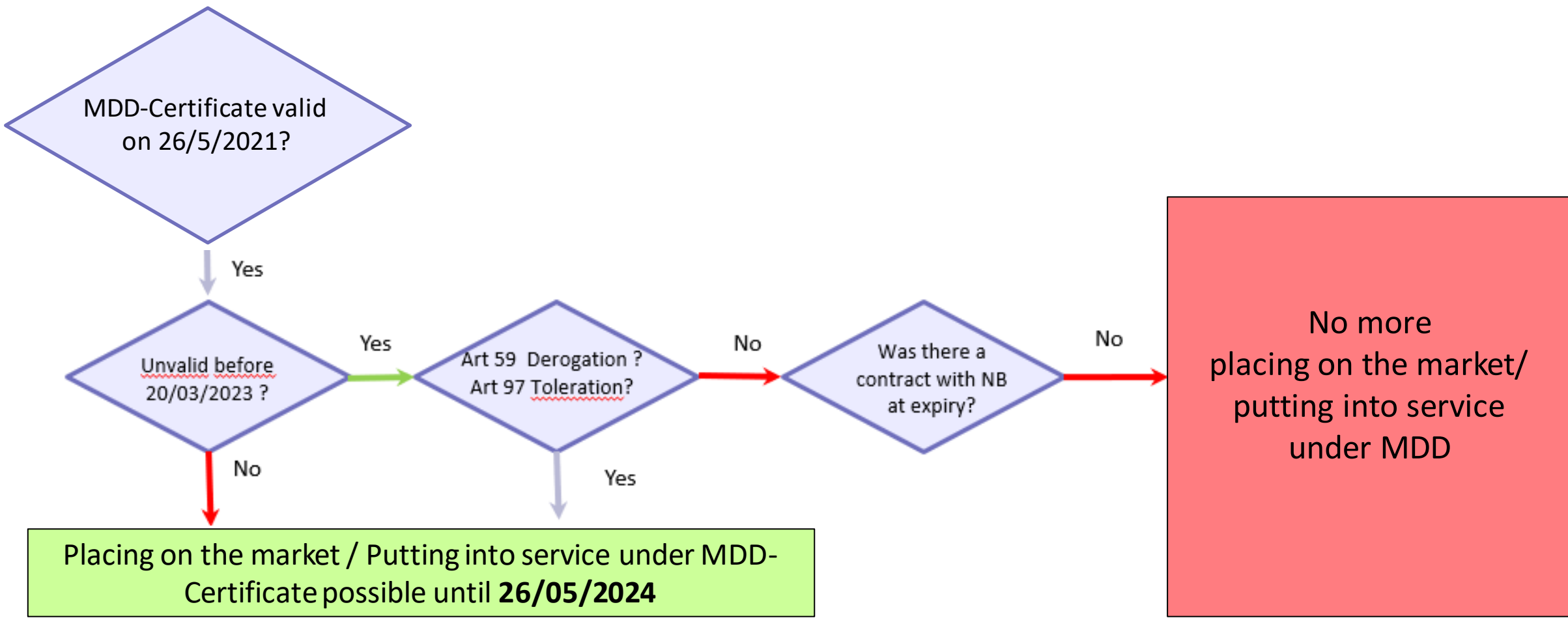
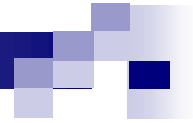


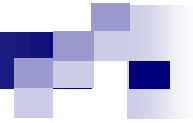


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Placing on the market / Putting into service as Class I MDD until  
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No

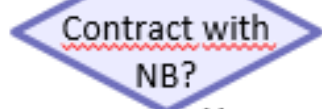


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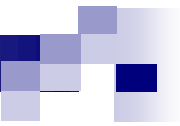
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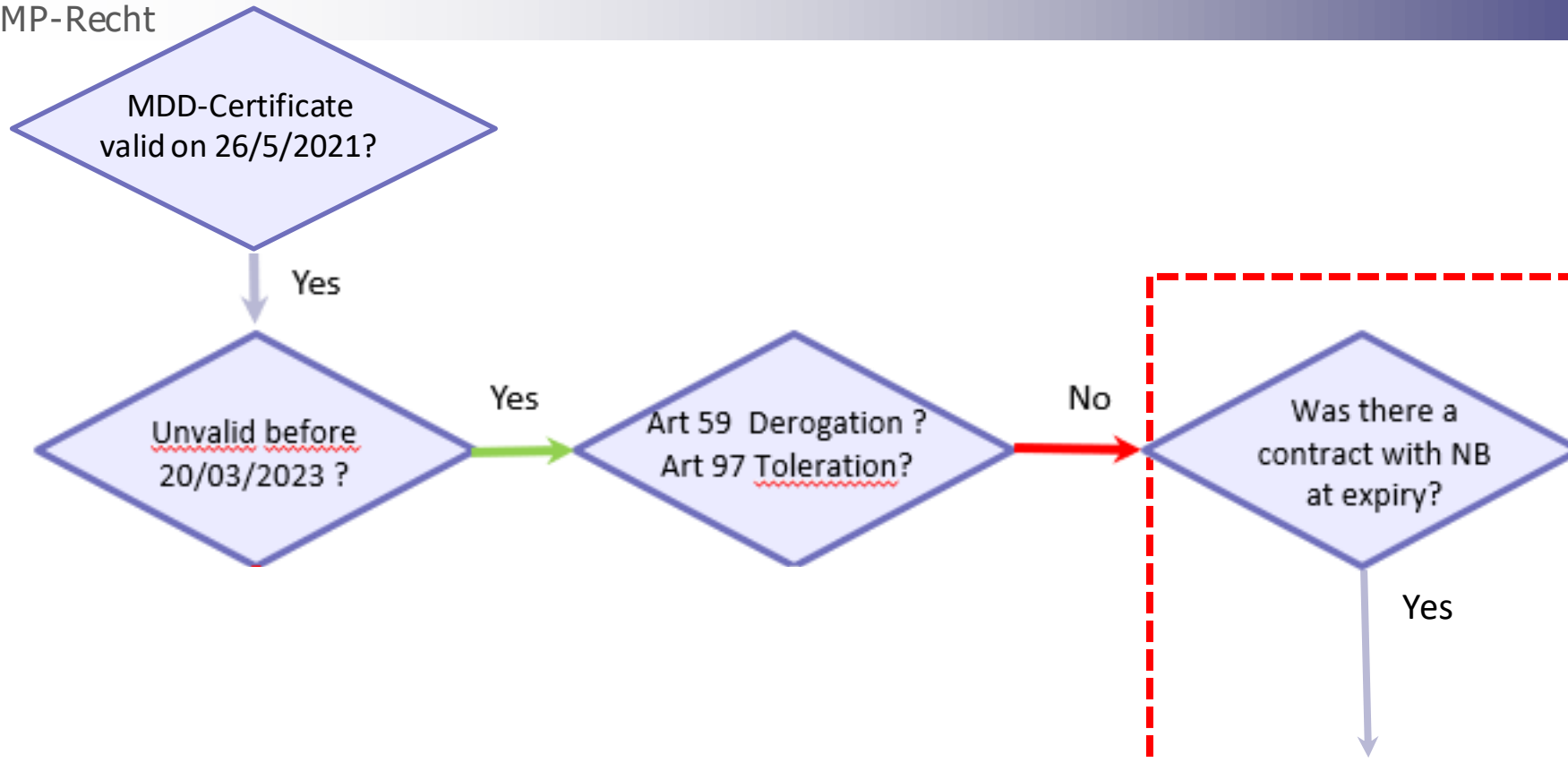
Kein Inverkehrbringen / Inbetriebnehmen  
  
**ab diesem Zeitpunkt**  
  
mehr unter MDD möglich



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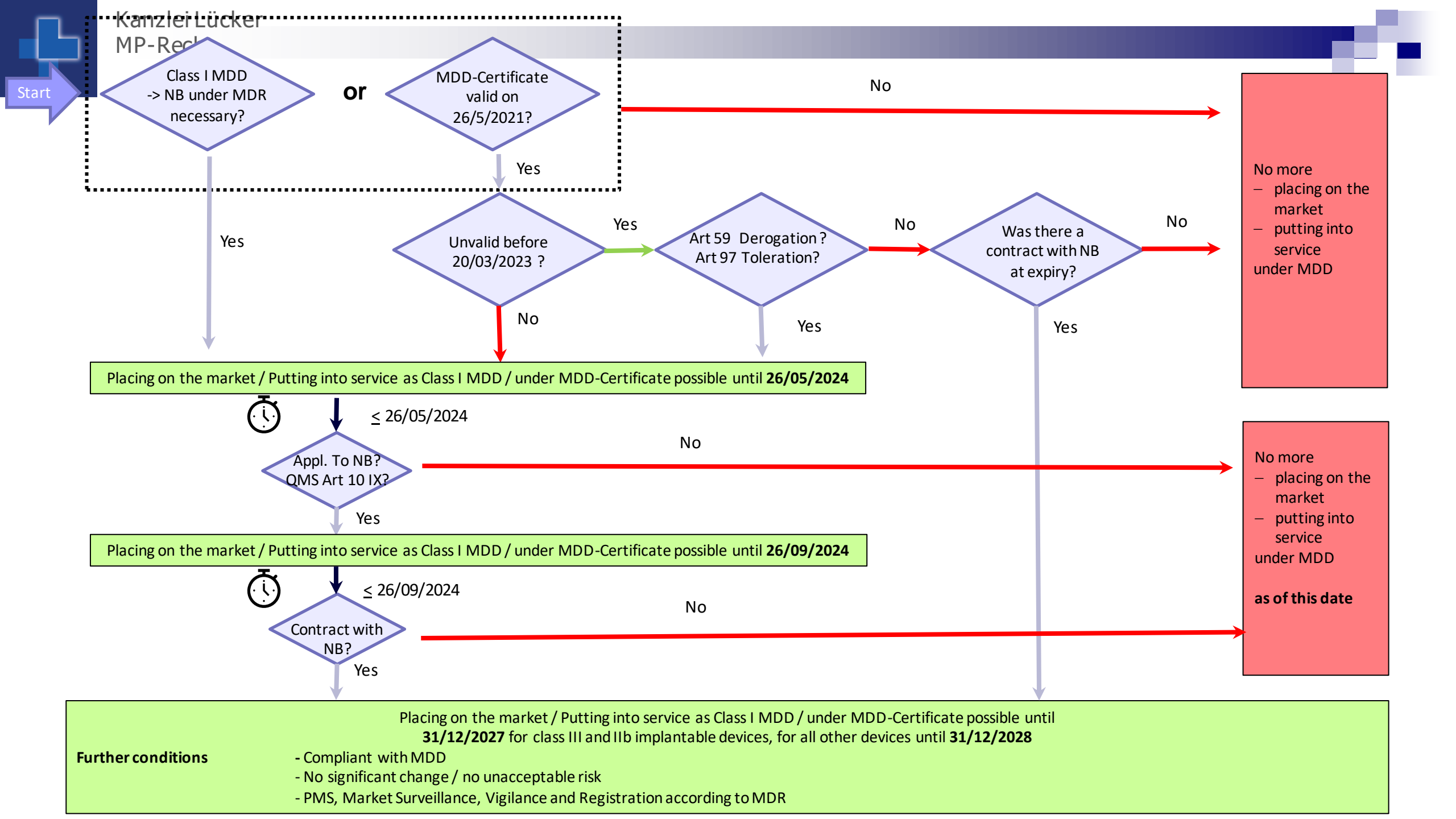
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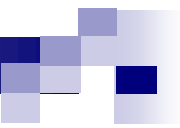


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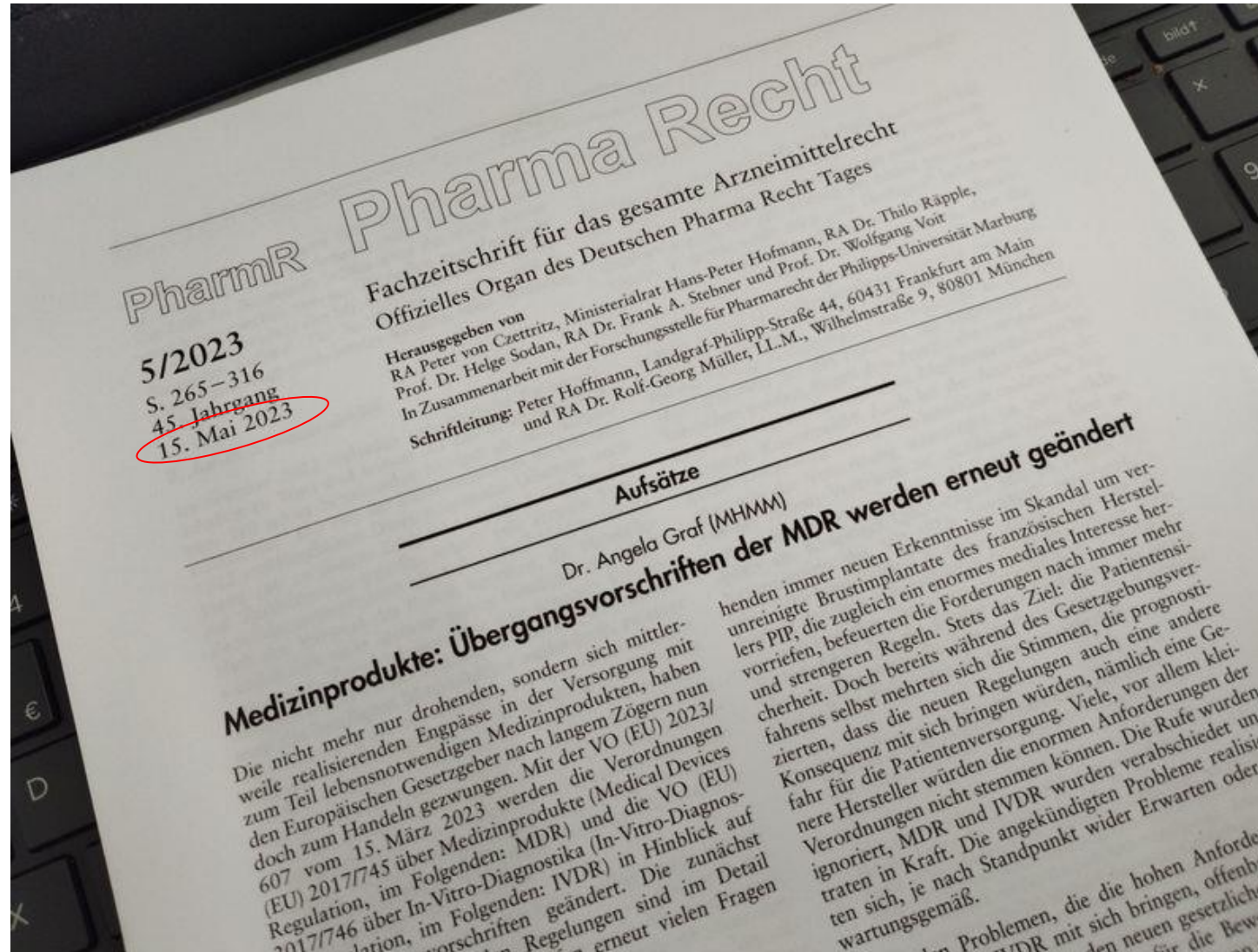


„We must not be satisfied with this emergency operation. The patient must now go to rehab.”

**Peter Liese**, Health policy spokesman of the Christian Democrats (EVP) in the European Parliament

## Argues for a comprehensive revision of the MDRs

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