

Austria

Regulatory Submission – Austria (Summary of ethical and regulatory requirements)

Type of trial		Requirements by law					Approval required by				Time to approval	Insurance required
		A	B	C	D	E	Local EC ¹	Lead EC ²	CA - AGES PharmMed	CA - MH		
Interven-tional	Medicinal product	X			X	X	X ¹	X ²	X		35 d	yes
	Medical device		X		X	X	X ¹	X ²	X		60 d	yes
	Gene therapy	X		X	X		X ¹	X ²	X	X	90 + 90 d	yes
	Advanced therapy	X		X ³	X		X ¹	X ²	X ⁴	X	90 + 90 d	yes
Non-interven-tional		X	X	X	X	X		X ⁵	X ⁵			no

Legends & Comments:

¹ In multicenter trials the local ethics committee of every site involved needs to be informed about the trial. There is no approval required from these local ECs in multicenter trials.

² One of the seven lead ECs in Austria needs to be chosen for a multicenter trial. Usually this is the EC of the site with the national coordinating investigator.

³ If genetically engineered material is used.

⁴ A formal approval of the CA is required for advanced therapies.

⁵ The Competent Authority needs to be informed about non-interventional trials. It is also advised to submit a statement from a lead Ethics Committee documenting that the trial is of non-interventional nature to the CA in addition.

Submission of an application for clinical trials with a **medicinal product** to:

Bundesamt für Sicherheit im Gesundheitswesen (BASG)
Österreichische Agentur für Gesundheit und Ernährungssicherheit (AGES)
Institut Zulassung & LifeCycleManagement/KPPS
Traisengasse 5; A-1200 Wien

Submission of an application for clinical trials with a **medical device** to:

Bundesamt für Sicherheit im Gesundheitswesen (BASG)
Österreichische Agentur für Gesundheit und Ernährungssicherheit (AGES)
Institut Inspektionen, Medizinprodukte und Haemovigilanz
Traisengasse 5; 1200 Wien

⁽³⁾ **Table 1. National Legislation**

No.	Title	Type of document	Country	Year	URL Translation
A	Medical drug act (Arzneimittelgesetz – AMG)	Act	Austria	1983	http://www.ris.bka.gv.at/defaultEn.aspx http://www.ris.bka.gv.at/GeltendeFassung.wxe?Abfrage=Bundesnormen&Gesetzesnummer=10010441
B	Medical devices act (Medizinproduktgesetz – MPG)	Act	Austria	1996	http://www.ris.bka.gv.at/GeltendeFassung.wxe?Abfrage=Bundesnormen&Gesetzesnummer=10011003
C	Genetic engineering act (Gentechnikgesetz – GTG)	Act	Austria	1994	http://www.ris.bka.gv.at/GeltendeFassung.wxe?Abfrage=Bundesnormen&Gesetzesnummer=10010826&ShowPrintPreview=True http://www.ris.bka.gv.at/GeltendeFassung.wxe?Abfrage=Bundesnormen&Gesetzesnummer=10010826
D	Data protection act (Datenschutsgesetz – DSG)	Act	Austria	1999	http://www.ris.bka.gv.at/GeltendeFassung.wxe?Abfrage=bundesnormen&Gesetzesnummer=10001597 http://www.ris.bka.gv.at/Dokumente/Erv/ERV_1999_1_165/ERV_1999_1_165.pdf
E	Hospital act (Krankenanstalten und Kuranstaltengesetz – KAKuG)	Act	Austria	1957	http://www.ris.bka.gv.at/GeltendeFassung.wxe?Abfrage=Bundesnormen&Gesetzesnummer=10010285&ShowPrintPreview=True http://www.ris.bka.gv.at/GeltendeFassung.wxe?Abfrage=Bundesnormen&Gesetzesnummer=10010285

⁽⁴⁾ **Table 2. Approval required by Organisations:**

Abbr.	Title	Country	URL	URL language
Local EC	Local ethics committee ¹	Austria	http://www.ethikkommissionen.at/	German
Lead EC	Lead Ethics Committee (Leit-ethikkommission)	Austria	http://www.meduni-graz.at/ethikkommission/Forum/Mitglieder/frame.htm	German
CA – AGES PharMed	Competent Authority - AGES PharmMed	Austria	http://www.ages.at/ages/en/ages-austrian-agency-for-health-and-food-safety/	German, English
CA – MH	Competent Authroity - Ministry of Health	Austria	http://www.bmwf.gv.at/	German

⁽⁶⁾ Table 4. (Additional) Questions and Answers (Country: Austria):

Q1	How is the insurance of patients and treating physicians regulated in your country?
A1	The treating physician needs to have insurance against malpractice. The sponsor of a clinical trial needs to take out insurance for patients within the clinical trial covering any harm that might be caused by the procedures, drugs, etc used in the trial
Q2	Are submission timelines different for specific types of trials (medicinal product, medical device, gene therapy, advanced therapy, non-interventional)?
A2	Gene therapy and advanced therapy trials need to be submitted to the Ministry of Health in addition to the EC and the CA (Ages PharmMed). Non-interventional trials need to have a statement from the EC that the trial is indeed non-interventional before submitting to the CA. The CA only needs be informed of the non-interventional trial and the participating sites need to be registered.
Q3	Do you have special regulations for Orphan diseases?
A3	No.