

INRiM Activities in AUV

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INRiM is active in Sound in air, Ultrasound and Vibration.

Due to a reorganisation of INRiM structure, Sound in Air and Vibration depends from STALT (“Servizio Tecnico per le Attività rivolte ai Laboratori di Taratura”) and Ultrasound from “Qualità della Vita” division, in which researchers working in physical acoustic also operate.

Sound in water in Italy is an activity carried out by IDAC of CNR (National Research Council), whose application to become a DI for Italy is still in progress.

Sound in air.

INRiM is responsible for the national standards of acoustical pressure and provides traceability to 18 calibration laboratories in the Italian Accredia accreditation scheme. INRiM declares 23 CMCs for Sound in air, one for Reference Sound Sources power calibration.

INRiM participated in the CCAUV.AUV.A-K5 comparison on Pressure Calibration of LS1p microphones and is one of the linking laboratories in the following EURAMET.AUV.A-5 supplementary comparison, now in its completion stage, and participates in the EURAMET.AUV.A-S2 on free field comparison calibration of measurement microphones.

INRiM is participating in the SIB 56 “SoundPwr” EMRP research project that aims at establishing a new standard for sound power and improve the uncertainty of sound sources calibration. INRiM developed 2 primary power sources, one for the 100 Hz to 2 kHz frequency range and one for the 1-10 kHz frequency range. Agreement with conventional measurement is of the order of 0,5 dB, except at narrow frequency bands where emission from the mounting support is maximum due to mode resonances.

Building Acoustics measurement capabilities and facilities include standard test rooms for aerial and impact sound transmission loss measurement according to ISO standard, and extension to lower frequency range is active as a research experiment, and it is planned to establish a regular measurement service.

Activity in the sound emission quality evaluation of turbo_molecular vacuum pumps goes on and its findings have been beneficial for product development.

Ultrasound

INRiM is responsible for the national standards of ultrasound power. INRiM declares 2 CMC for US in the ultrasound power service.

INRiM participated in the CCAUV.AUV.A-K3.1 comparison on ultrasound power. The goal of the key comparison was to show the capabilities of the participating laboratories to determine the acoustic radiation conductance of an ultrasonic transducer by measuring the total time-averaged ultrasonic power emitted for an applied rms voltage in the nominal frequency range from 2 MHz to 16 MHz and for nominal output power values between 10 mW and 15 W.

INRiM participates in the HLT03-DUTy EMRP research project that aims at establishing a new standard for ultrasound dose. INRiM is responsible of WP4: Intercomparison of Method and was a pilot institute for the comparison. The NMIs involved were: Istituto Nazionale di Ricerca Metrologica (INRIM, Italy – the pilot institute), National Physical Laboratory (NPL, UK), Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt (PTB, Germany) and Ulusal Metroloji Enstitüsü (TÜBİTAK-UME, Turkey).

INRiM work on study described here was to quantitatively assess thermal and mechanical effects of therapeutic ultrasound (US) by sonicating a joint-mimicking phantom, made of muscle-equivalent material, using clinical US equipment. In particular INRiM characterized the ultrasound field generated by seven different physiotherapy ultrasound equipment of the Department of Orthopaedics, Traumatology and Rehabilitation, CTO Hospital, Torino, Italy .

INRiM developed an ultrasound generator system, for in vitro sonodynamic treatment on HT-29 cell line, therefore a complete characterization of the ultrasound field in measurement conditions has been carried out .

Vibration and acceleration

INRiM is responsible for the national standard of acceleration.

INRiM provides traceability to two calibration laboratories dealing with accelerometer calibration. There are 17 CMCs in the field of vibration.

INRiM is one of the NMIs working in IND05 “MeproVisc” EMRP research project. A measurement apparatus and technical procedure for the determination of Dynamic Young’s Modulus of polymeric materials has been designed and realized.

Vibrations measurement capabilities and facilities include standard test for mechanical properties of materials (dynamic stiffness, damping, elastic modulus).

Among the support to industry, a study has been carried out to characterize peculiar devices (equipped with tri-axial accelerometer and inclinometer) used in rehabilitation medicine (MIUR Minister Project: TorinoWireless, Project n. DM49702).

2-days course on “Dynamic Acceleration” has been organized and held at INRiM in April 2014.

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