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Re: K170726
Trade/Device Name: Biopsy Forceps
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 870.4075
Regulation Name: Endomyocardial Biopsy Device
Regulatory Class: Class II
Product Code: DWZ
Dated: March 6, 2017
Received: March 9, 2017

Dear Mr. Briest:

We have reviewed your Section 510(k) premarket notification of intent to market the device referenced above and have determined the device is substantially equivalent (for the indications for use stated in the enclosure) to legally marketed predicate devices marketed in interstate commerce prior to May 28, 1976, the enactment date of the Medical Device Amendments, or to devices that have been reclassified in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (Act) that do not require approval of a premarket approval application (PMA). You may, therefore, market the device, subject to the general controls provisions of the Act. The general controls provisions of the Act include requirements for annual registration, listing of devices, good manufacturing practice, labeling, and prohibitions against misbranding and adulteration. Please note: CDRH does not evaluate information related to contract liability warranties. We remind you, however, that device labeling must be truthful and not misleading.

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If you desire specific advice for your device on our labeling regulation (21 CFR Part 801), please contact the Division of Industry and Consumer Education at its toll-free number (800) 638-2041 or (301) 796-7100 or at its Internet address

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<http://www.fda.gov/MedicalDevices/Safety/ReportaProblem/default.htm> for the CDRH's Office of Surveillance and Biometrics/Division of Postmarket Surveillance.

You may obtain other general information on your responsibilities under the Act from the Division of Industry and Consumer Education at its toll-free number (800) 638-2041 or (301) 796-7100 or at its Internet address

<http://www.fda.gov/MedicalDevices/ResourcesforYou/Industry/default.htm>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. D. Zuckerman", is written over a large, light blue, semi-transparent "FDA" watermark.

for
Bram D. Zuckerman, M.D.
Director
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Enclosure

Indications for Use

510(k) Number (if known)
K170726

Device Name
Biopsy Forceps

Indications for Use (Describe)

FEHLING biopsy forceps are used to obtain endomyocardial biopsy specimens from the right and left ventricle via percutaneous arterial or venous approach.

Type of Use (Select one or both, as applicable)

Prescription Use (Part 21 CFR 801 Subpart D)

Over-The-Counter Use (21 CFR 801 Subpart C)

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510(k) Summary

1. Submission Sponsor and Application Correspondent

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2. Date Prepared

Date Prepared: May 15, 2017

3. Device Identification

Trade/Proprietary Name: Biopsy Forceps
Device: Device, Biopsy, Endomyocardial
Regulation Description: Endomyocardial biopsy device
Classification Regulation: 21 CFR 870.4075
Product Code: DWZ
Device Class: Class 2
Classification Panel: Cardiovascular

4. Legally Marketed Predicate Devices

Primary Predicate:

K973818 – Boston Scientific Corporation Northwest Technology Center, Inc.; T-REX™- Biopsy forceps, cleared December 16, 1997

Additional Predicate:

K881412 – Fehling Medizintechnik GmbH, Myocard Biopsy Forcep, cleared September 8, 1988

5. Device Description

The Biopsy Forceps are designed to allow percutaneous access to the right or left ventricles of the heart to obtain diagnostic tissue samples. The forceps consist of three main components:

1. an actuating handle ergonomically designed for comfortable use,
2. a flexible shaft,
3. and surgical stainless steel cutting jaws.

At the distal end of the forceps is a pair of stainless steel jaws used to obtain the tissue samples. At the proximately end of the forceps is the actuation handle used to activate the jaws and steer the device.

The product is provided single for use and sterile.

6. Indications for Use

FEHLING biopsy forceps are used to obtain endomyocardial biopsy specimens from the right and left ventricle via percutaneous arterial or venous approach.

7. Substantial Equivalence Discussion

The Biopsy Forceps have the same intended use, similar performance characteristics, are manufactured from similar materials and are similar in design to the predicate devices.

The Biopsy Forceps are identical in design, material and intended to the previously cleared Biopsy Forceps by Fehling.

| | Biopsy Forceps (subject device) | MYOCARD BIOPSY FORCEP | T-REX™ Biopsy | Substantial Equivalence |
|-----------------------|--|----------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|
| 510k Reference | (subject device) | K881412 | K973818 | - |
| Product Code | DWZ | DWZ | DWZ | Identical |
| Regulation # | 870.4075 | 870.4075 | 870.4075 | Identical |
| Class | II | II | II | Identical |

| | Biopsy Forceps Bioptome (subject device) | MYOCARD BIOPSY FORCEP | T-REX™ Biopsy | Substantial Equivalence |
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| Manufacturer | FEHLING INSTRUMENTS GmbH & Co. KG | FEHLING INSTRUMENTS GmbH & Co. KG | Boston Scientific Corporation Northwest Technology Center, Inc. | - |
| Indication for Use | FEHLING biopsy forceps are used to obtain endomyocardial biopsy specimens from the right and left ventricle via percutaneous arterial or venous approach. | The Fehling Myocardial Biopsy Forceps are intended for use in ventricular endomyocardial biopsy | The T-REX biopsy forceps is used to obtain endomyocardial biopsy specimens from the right and left ventricle via percutaneous arterial or venous approach. | Similar |
| Sterility | Sterile | Sterile | Sterile | Identical |
| Sterilization | ETO, SAL 10 ⁻⁶ | ETO, SAL 10 ⁻⁶ | ETO, SAL 10 ⁻⁶ | Identical |
| Utility | Single Use | Single Use | Single Use | Identical |
| End-Effector and Jaw Assembly | | | | |
| Jaws | Proprietary sharpening method | Proprietary sharpening method | Proprietary sharpening method | Identical |
| Actuator links | Hardened stainless steel | Hardened stainless steel | Hardened stainless steel | Identical |
| Actuator/ pull wire connection | Laser Welded | Laser Welded | Laser Welded | Identical |
| Housing | Slotted jacket | Slotted jacket | Laser welded housing halves | Similar |
| Housing to outer Jacket Connection | Laser Welded | Laser Welded | Laser welded | Identical |
| Crank length / lever angle | 1.6mm jaws; 1.8mm jaws; 2.2mm jaws; | 1.6mm jaws; 1.8mm jaws; 2.2mm jaws; | 1.8mm jaws; 2.2mm jaws; 15° | Similar |
| Length of Shaft | 510 mm 800 mm 1000 mm 1200 mm | 510 mm 800 mm 1000 mm 1200 mm | - | Identical (additional 1200 mm length offering for 2.2 mm jaws) |
| Attachment of actuator/ actuator links and jaws/housing | Captured by slotted jacket | Captured by slotted jacket | Captured by laser welded housing halves | Similar |
| Body | | | | |
| Pull Wire | Solid Stainless Steel Wire | Solid Stainless Steel Wire | Solid Stainless Steel Wire | Identical |
| Shape | Flexible | Flexible | Flexible and pre-curved | Similar |
| Liner | --- | --- | Liner between outer jacket and pull wire | Identical |

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| Jacket sheath | Jacket sheath covering the outer jacket | Jacket sheath covering the outer jacket | Jacket sheath covering the outer jacket | Similar |
| Handle Assembly | | | | |
| Handle transition to outer jacket | Crimped joint with internal rope | Crimped joint with internal rope | Crimped joint with integral strain relief | Similar |
| Handle transition to handle body | Plastic handle transition press fit into tapered handle body | Plastic handle transition press fit into tapered handle body | Stainless steel handle transition press fit into tapered handle body | Similar |
| Finger Grip / Handle body | Pusher for holding jaws open during specimen | Pusher for holding jaws open during specimen | Locking feature for holding jaws open during specimen removal | Similar |
| Finger grip insert for attachment of pull wire | Plastic (POM) | Plastic (POM) | Aluminum / Press fit | Similar |
| Handle Spring | 20mm coil spring | 20mm coil spring | 12,7 mm Spring coil | Similar |
| Package | | | | |
| Configuration | Single Barrier | Single Barrier | Single Barrier | Similar |
| Product Holder | Blister Package | Blister Package | Coil or Card | Similar |
| Similar basic design and shape, fitting the indication, dimensions are adjusted accordingly | | | | |

8. Non-Clinical Performance Data

Biocompatibility

Biocompatibility testing on the Fehling-Biopsy Forceps was conducted and evaluated per ISO 10993-1.

Cytotoxicity

The full strength EMEM10 test article showed no cytotoxic potential to L-929 mouse fibroblast cells.

Chemical Characterization

The Biopsy Forceps, were exhaustively extracted in Purified Water, Ethanol, and Hexane. The resulting extracts were analyzed by Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy (FTIR) and Gas Chromatography (GC-MS). The ethanol and hexane test extracts were analyzed by Ultra Performance Liquid Chromatography – Mass Spectroscopy (UPLC-MS). The purified water test extract was analyzed by Inductively Coupled Plasma-Optical Emission Spectroscopy (ICP-OES) and Ion Chromatography.

Conclusion:

The biological risk assessment performed was supported by information on the Biopsy Forceps materials of construction, gathered toxicological data on these materials, available chemical characterization and biological data on Biopsy Forceps. This information and related analysis provides the evidence required to conclude that additional biocompatibility testing is not needed. The Biopsy Forceps therefore meets the requirements of ISO 10993-1 and 2016 FDA Guidance for

externally communicating devices with limited contact (<24 hours) with circulating blood and can be considered biocompatible for use.

Non-Clinical Performance Testing

No performance standards have been promulgated under Section 514 of the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act for these devices.

Dimensional Verification Tests

Dimensional verification testing was performed to evaluate the Biopsy Forceps.

All samples passed the test and met the acceptance criteria.

Tensile Tests

Tensile Tests on critical joints were performed on the Biopsy Forceps to evaluate the mechanical stability of the product.

All samples passed the test and met the acceptance criteria.

Simulation Test – Insertion and Taking of Tissue Samples

The purpose of the test was to evaluate the introduction of the device to a worst case anatomical structure and to harvest tissue samples using fresh porcine heart specimens. The process was repeated 10 times per device.

All samples passed the test and met the acceptance criteria.

Shelf Life Testing and Transport Simulation

Shelf Life Testing and Transport Simulation testing was performed to support the shelf life of 5 years and the safe transport of the Biopsy Forceps.

All samples passed the test and met the acceptance criteria. The Biopsy Forceps have a shelf life of 5 years.

9. Clinical Performance Data

There was no clinical testing required to support the medical device.

10. Statement of Substantial Equivalence

The information presented in this 510(k) submission demonstrates that the differences between the Biopsy Forceps and the predicate devices do not raise any questions regarding safety and effectiveness.

Performance testing and compliance with voluntary standards demonstrate that the Fehling- Biopsy

Forceps are substantially equivalent to the relevant aspects of the predicate devices in terms of design, components, materials, principals of operation, biocompatibility, performance characteristics, and intended use.

The Biopsy Forceps are determined to be substantially equivalent to the referenced predicate devices.