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Re: K172236
Trade/Device Name: Pantheris System
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 870.4875
Regulation Name: Intraluminal Artery Stripper
Regulatory Class: Class II
Product Code: MCW, NQQ
Dated: September 29, 2017
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Dear Mr. Lawson:

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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Sincerely,


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Enclosure

Indications for Use

510(k) Number (if known)

K172236

Device Name

Pantheris System

Indications for Use (Describe)

The Pantheris System is intended to remove plaque (atherectomy) from partially occluded vessels in the peripheral vasculature with a reference diameter of 3.0 mm to 7.0 mm, using OCT-assisted orientation and imaging. The system is an adjunct to fluoroscopy by providing images of vessel lumen, wall structures, and vessel morphologies. The Pantheris System is NOT intended for use in the iliac, coronary, cerebral, renal or carotid vasculature.

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

General Information

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Proposed Device

Trade Name	Pantheris System
Common Name	Avinger Pantheris Catheter
Regulation Number and Classification Name	21 CFR§870.4875, Intraluminal Artery Stripper 21 CFR§892.1560, Ultrasonic Pulsed Echo Imaging System
Product Code	MCW, NQQ
Regulatory Class	II

Predicate Device

Trade Name	Pantheris System
Common Name	Avinger Pantheris Catheter
Premarket Notification	K162326
Regulation Number and Classification Name	21 CFR§870.4875, Intraluminal Artery Stripper 21 CFR§892.1560, Ultrasonic Pulsed Echo Imaging System
Product Code	MCW, NQQ
Regulatory Class	II
Note: This predicate device has not been subject to a design-related recall.	

Device Description and Proposed Modifications

The Pantheris System (cleared initially under K152275) combines the use of Avinger's optical coherence tomography (OCT) technology with peripheral vascular atherectomy

capabilities. The Pantheris System consists of the Pantheris catheter, Lightbox Sled with integrated Umbilical (referred to as “Sled”) and the Lightbox HS Imaging Console (referred to as “Lightbox”).

The Pantheris Catheter comes in both a 7Fr and an 8Fr size. Both sizes have a working length of 110 cm and are sterile, single-use devices that are compatible with 7 and 8F sheaths (respectively) and 0.014” guidewires. The Pantheris Catheter incorporates an Optical Fiber that allows for real-time OCT guided directional atherectomy during the procedure.

The Pantheris catheter is connected to the Lightbox via the Sled. The Lightbox is an optical transceiver, transmitting light to the intraluminal environment through the optical fiber on the Pantheris Catheter and receiving and interpreting the signal from the tissue using a PC-based processing system. The Lightbox provides a visualization platform for the real-time OCT-assisted directional atherectomy. The Lightbox consists of a cart with two monitors, a PC-based processing system, software, an isolation transformer, and an OCT system.

The Pantheris catheter is to be used in a healthcare facility, such as a cardiac catheter lab or a hospital. It is to be used and in contact with patient tissue for less than 24 hours and is made of materials that are biocompatible.

The submission of K162326 for the Pantheris system was focused solely on a change in the system software that permits the use of OCT images to identify vessel lumen, wall structures, and vessel morphologies.

This Special 510(k) details modifications to improve manufacturing compatibility, modify accessories that have no direct patient contact, and describes a patch of the system software that allows the attenuation of the laser whenever the drive in the Sled is not rotating.

Indications for Use

The indications for use for the Pantheris System cleared under K163264 is not altered due to the software and other modifications disclosed in this submission:

The Pantheris System is intended to remove plaque (atherectomy) from partially occluded vessels in the peripheral vasculature with a reference diameter of 3.0mm to 7.0mm, using OCT-assisted orientation and imaging. The system is as an adjunct to fluoroscopy by providing images of vessel lumen, wall structures and vessel morphologies. The Pantheris System is NOT intended for use in the iliac, coronary, cerebral, renal or carotid vasculature.

Both the subject device and the predicate device have the same intended use for the removal of plaque from partially occluded vessels in the peripheral vasculature.

Comparison of Technological Characteristics with the Predicate Device

Excision of plaque from peripheral vessels through atherectomy is the technological principle for both the subject and predicate devices.

At a high level, the subject and predicate devices are based upon the same technological elements:

- Device is advanced to the point of treatment through an indwelling sheath;
- Measurement and display of vessel lumen, wall structures, and vessel morphology via the OCT-imaging component located directly behind the tissue cutter component;
- Rotation of the OCT-imaging and cutter components by drives in the Sled component of the system;
- Display of OCT-generated images on monitors attached to the Lightbox component of the system;
- Excision of targeted tissue by a cutter component; and
- Packing of excised tissue into the nosecone component of the catheter.

The only technological difference is that the patch release of the software in the subject device allows the attenuation of the laser whenever the drive in the Sled is not rotating. In the predicate device, the laser is not stopped when the drive is not rotating.

Summary of Technological Characteristics of the Subject Device Compared to Those of the Predicate Device

Technological Characteristic	Pantheris Catheter Predicate Device K162326	Pantheris Catheter Subject Device of this Submission
Indication for Use	The Pantheris System is intended to remove plaque (atherectomy) from partially occluded vessels in the peripheral vasculature with a reference diameter of 3.0 mm to 7.0 mm, using OCT-assisted orientation and imaging. The system is as an adjunct to fluoroscopy by providing images of vessel	Same

	<p>lumen, wall structures and vessel morphologies.</p> <p>The Pantheris System is NOT intended for use in the iliac, coronary, cerebral, renal or carotid vasculature.”</p>	Same
Anatomical Site of Use	Peripheral Vasculature	Same
Components of the System	Lightbox console Sled Pantheris Catheter	Same
Imaging Modality	Optical Coherence Tomography	Same
Imaging Energy Type	Near-infrared light	Same
Optical Output Power	< 30 mW (Class 1M laser output)	Same
Optical sensitivity (signal:noise ratio)	90 db minimum	Same
Attenuation of the laser when the Sled driver is not rotating	No	Yes
Imaging Capabilities	<p>OCT-assisted orientation and imaging of vessel lumen and wall structures in the peripheral vasculature to facilitate atherectomy.</p> <p>Identify clinically relevant morphologies and assess complex lesions in the peripheral vasculature.</p> <p>Differentiate and classify plaque</p>	<p>Same</p> <p>Same</p> <p>Same</p>
Electrical Safety	Class I, Type CF, defibrillation proof IEC 60601-1	Same
Electromagnetic compatibility	IEC 60601-1-2	Same
Laser Safety	21 CFR Part 1040 IEC 60825	Same
Software Level of Concern	Moderate	Same

Sheath compatibility for the catheter	7 Fr & 8 Fr	Same
Working length of the catheter	110 cm	Same
Guidewire compatibility of the catheter	0.014 in	Same
Distal tip OD of the catheter	0.100 (7 Fr) 0.110 (8 Fr)	Same Same
Provided Sterile	Yes	Yes
Single-use catheter	Yes	Yes

While the technique of plaque excision between the subject and predicate devices are the same, there have been design changes to the subject device to improve manufacturability and usability of the catheter, changes to the tweezers and flush fixture accessories, modification of the Sled component of the system, updates to the instructions for use, and a patch release of the system's software. The design changes are summarized below.

Summary of design and other changes of the subject device covered in this 510(k) submission:

Manufacturing

- Modify balloon inflation test during assembly
- Shorten the torque shaft hypotube length
- Add strain relief in the handle to reduce tension pulling on fibers from the lens
- Modify the edge of the cutter
- Modify the bushing that aligns the cutter

Sled

- Modify the integrated connector of the umbilical cable
- Modify the FORJ, which increased the length of the Sled slightly

Accessories

- Change tweezers material from nylon to stainless steel and change the shape of its tip
- Length the flush fixture increased

Labeling

- Revise the IFU in terms of volume of CO₂ used to inflate the balloons
- Revise the IFU to instruct user to test balloon inflation prior to insertion of the catheter

Software

- Update of software to allow attenuation of the laser whenever the drive in the Sled is not rotating

Testing was performed to demonstrate that these changes do not impact the safety and effectiveness of the final device.

Performance Data

The performance testing conducted establishes that these minor modifications do not raise new questions of the safety and effectiveness for the Pantheris System cleared under K163264.

Biocompatibility testing

There are no changes in patient-contacting materials in the subject device when compared to the predicate device. The only material change is to an accessory provided with the device, a pair of tweezers, which were nylon in the predicate device and in the subject device are stainless steel. The stainless steel tweezers do not have direct patient contact, but were subjected nonetheless to the following testing and passed all tests:

- Cytotoxicity;
- Sensitization;
- Irritation; and
- Systemic toxicity.

Electrical safety and electromagnetic compatibility (EMC)

The predicate and subject devices comply with IEC 60601-1 standard for safety and the IEC 60601-1-2 standard for EMC.

Software Verification and Validation Testing

Software verification and validation testing, as well as regression testing, were conducted and documentation was provided as recommended by FDA's Guidance for Industry and FDA Staff, *Guidance for the Content of Premarket Submissions for Software Contained in Medical Devices*. The software for this device is considered as a "moderate" level of concern.

Mechanical Testing

The mechanical testing of the subject device included:

- Sheath insertion cycle test;
- Destructive balloon burst test;

- Torque capacity;
- Leak evaluation;
- Bond joint tensile strength;
- Life-cycle tests;
- 8-month accelerated shelf life study;
- Simulated use testing;
- Corrosion testing*;
- Heat generation testing;
- Rotational speed testing*;
- Dimensional verification*;
- Balloon inflation/deflation cycle test;
- Plaque removal efficiency; and
- Flushing tool capacity.

*device historical data/information was provided to support the test conclusions

Animal Testing

No preclinical testing of the modifications of the subject device was necessary.

Clinical Studies

No clinical testing of the modifications of the subject device was necessary.

Conclusion

The information submitted in this premarket notification confirms that the minor modifications to the Pantheris catheter, components, and system software raise no new questions of safety and effectiveness and that the device is substantially equivalent to the predicate device.