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Trade Name: CryoProbe™

Common Name: Unit, Cryosurgical, Accessories

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Classification: 878.4350 Cryosurgical Unit, Class II

Predicate Devices:

- a) Wallach Surgical Ultra Freeze and Cold Soaker
- b) Erbokryo CA Cryosurgical System

Device Description:

The CryoProbe™ is a hand-held cryosurgical instrument for destroying tissue during surgical procedures by applying extreme cold gas (N₂O). The device is based on direct application of nitrous oxide in the liquid phase to the selected area. The N₂O gas is delivered to the treatment site at -89° C to effect cellular destruction.

The hand-held device is shaped like a pencil to afford maximum user control and comfort. An N₂O gas cylinder, commercially available, is held within the pencil body. The gas cylinder is punctured at its intended nozzle by the CryoProbe™ gas guidance tube and retained by the safety valve (handle) until treatment begins. The gas flow is controlled by the microapplicators, high or low flow. This flow rate is selectable when a gas cylinder is installed by selecting the appropriate microapplicator for the assembly.

The CryoProbe™ is designed for safety, performance, and convenience for the user. The design is confirmed by Risk Analysis and actual market usage in the European market. Over 3,000 units are in distribution and use with no adverse effects reported.

Intended Use:

To destroy tissue during surgical procedures by applying extreme cold.

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510(k) Summary

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Re: K024009
Trade/Device Name: CryoProbe™
Regulation Number: 878.4350
Regulation Name: Cryosurgical unit and accessories
Regulatory Class: Class II
Product Code: GEH
Dated: March 14, 2003
Received: March 17, 2003

Dear Mr. Ward:

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.

If your device is classified (see above) into either class II (Special Controls) or class III (PMA), it may be subject to such additional controls. Existing major regulations affecting your device can be found in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Parts 800 to 898. In addition, FDA may publish further announcements concerning your device in the Federal Register.

Please be advised that FDA's issuance of a substantial equivalence determination does not mean that FDA has made a determination that your device complies with other requirements of the Act or any Federal statutes and regulations administered by other Federal agencies. You must comply with all the Act's requirements, including, but not limited to: registration and listing

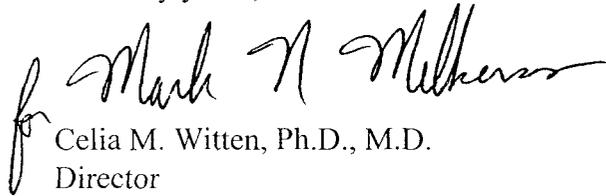
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(21 CFR Part 807); labeling (21 CFR Part 801); good manufacturing practice requirements as set forth in the quality systems (QS) regulation (21 CFR Part 820); and if applicable, the electronic product radiation control provisions (Sections 531-542 of the Act); 21 CFR 1000-1050.

This letter will allow you to begin marketing your device as described in your Section 510(k) premarket notification. The FDA finding of substantial equivalence of your device to a legally marketed predicate device results in a classification for your device and thus, permits your device to proceed to the market.

If you desire specific advice for your device on our labeling regulation (21 CFR Part 801), please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4659. Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification" (21CFR Part 807.97). Other general information on your responsibilities under the Act may be obtained from the Division of Small Manufacturers, International and Consumer Assistance at its toll-free number (800) 638-2041 or (301) 443-6597 or at its Internet address <http://www.fda.gov/cdrh/dsma/dsmamain.html>

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Celia M. Witten". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "C" and "W".

Celia M. Witten, Ph.D., M.D.
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Enclosure

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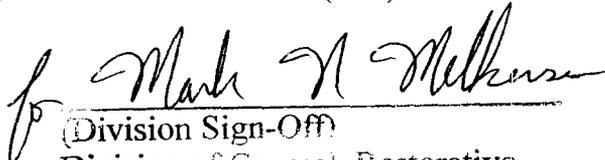
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Indications for Use:

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Concurrence of CDRH, Office of Device Evaluation (ODE)


for Mark A. Melkerson

(Division Sign-Off)
Division of General, Restorative
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Prescription Use X
(Per 21 CFR 801.109)

OR Over-the-Counter Use _____