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510 (k) Summary

Trade name: AURECAST GF
Common name: Dental casting alloy
Classification name: Gold based alloys and precious metal alloys for clinical use
Classification number: EJT

Legally marketed device: Jelenko Albacast
Description of the device: Silver-palladium based casting alloy
Intended use of the device: Type III restorations

Summary of the technological characteristics

Test methods applied: as in ANSI/ADA 5

Comparison of composition:

ALLOY		COMPOSITION (weight%)							
	Name	Ag	Pd	Cu	Zn	In	Ru	Ir	
Legal	Albacast	70	25	0	2	3	0	x	
New	AurecastGF	72.1	24	0.2	1	2.5	0.2	0.2	

x is less than 1 %

Comparison of physical and mechanical properties

ALLOY	Name	Melting point range (°C)		Hardness (Vickers 5/30)		Yield strength (MPa)		Elongation (%)		Density (g/cm ³)
		solid.	liquid	soft	hard	soft	hard	soft	hard	
Legal	Albacast	1020	1100	158	162	300	350	14	10	10.6
New	AurecastGF	1100	1115	130	155	330	350	18	13	10.6

Discussion

The constituents above 1% are the same. The concentration difference in the major component (silver) is less than 3 %. The base metal content is slightly less in the new alloy.

Conclusion

The mechanical properties of the two alloys are very similar, and considering the constitutions it may be assumed that also the chemical properties and biological effect should be very similar.





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Re: K972319
Trade Name: Aurecast GF
Regulatory Class: II
Product Code: EJT
Dated: June 13, 1997
Received: June 20, 1997

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Dear Mr. Davis:

We have reviewed your Section 510(k) notification of intent to market the device referenced above and we have determined the device is substantially equivalent (for the indications for use stated in the enclosure) to 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). 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.

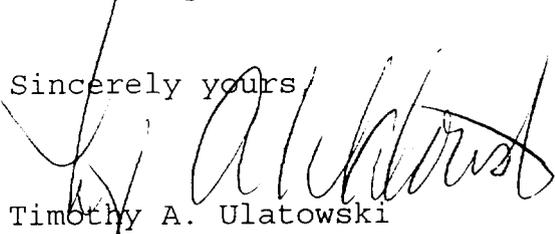
If your device is classified (see above) into either class II (Special Controls) or class III (Pre-market Approval), it may be subject to such additional controls. Existing major regulations affecting your device can be found in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Parts 800 to 895. A substantially equivalent determination assumes compliance with the current Good Manufacturing Practice requirement, as set forth in the Quality System Regulation (QS) for Medical Devices: General regulation (21 CFR Part 820) and that, through periodic (QS) inspections, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will verify such assumptions. Failure to comply with the GMP regulation may result in regulatory action. In addition, FDA may publish further announcements concerning your device in the Federal Register. Please note: this response to your pre-market notification submission does not affect any obligation you might have under sections 531

through 542 of the Act for devices under the Electronic Product Radiation Control provisions, or other Federal laws or regulations.

This letter will allow you to begin marketing your device as described in your 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 and additionally 809.10 for in vitro diagnostic devices), please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4618. Additionally, for questions on the promotion and advertising of your device, please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4639. Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification" (21 CFR 807.97). Other general information on your responsibilities under the Act may be obtained from the Division of Small Manufacturers Assistance at its toll-free number (800) 638-2041 or (301) 443-6597 or at its internet address "<http://www.fda.gov/cdrh/dsmamain.html>".

Sincerely yours



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Enclosure

510(k) Number (if known): K972319

Device Name: AURECAST GF

Indications For Use:

Dental casting alloy for making restoration.

(NOT FOR USE WITH DENTAL PORCELAIN)
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Concurrence of CDRH, Office of Device Evaluation (ODE)

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Division of Dental, Infection Control,
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Prescription Use
(Per 21 CFR 801.109)

OR

Over-The-Counter Use