March 26, 1999
Contact Person: David A. Clapp

Classification Name: Unknown
Common Name: Lacrimal Intubation Set, Dacryocystorhinostomy (DCR) Set

Classification: Unknown

Substantial Equivalent: The referenced devices manufactured and distributed by Hurricane Medical are substantially equivalent to:

- Lacrimal Intubation Set manufactured and distributed by JEDMED
- Canalculus Intubation Set manufactured and distributed by SOLAN
- Lacrimal Intubation Set and DCR Set manufactured and distributed by VISITEC

Description: The referenced devices consist of two pieces of the same gauge size and length 300 series stainless steel wire (20G or 23G) both connected to a common piece of medical grade silicone tubing by friction fit, gluing, or crimping.

Intended Use: These devices are by an oculoplastic surgeon to reconstruct the lacrimal outflow system due to injury or malformation of the lacrimal drainage system, dacryocystorhinostomy which is the construction of a new tear drainage channel from the lamrical sac into the nose, and other lacrimal system reconstruction. The stainless steel probe followed by the silicone tubing is used by the oculoplastic surgeon to navigate completely through the tear drainage channel. The stainless steel probe is retrieved at the opposite end of the tear drainage channel inside the nasal cavity and is removed from the silicone tubing. The silicone tubing is secured and left in place within the tear drainage channel. Post-Op assessment by the oculoplastic surgeon determines when the silicone tubing is removed.

Literature Review:

During the past several decades, several methods and materials have been used to temporarily splint portions of the lacrimal drainage system as treatment for injuries or obstructions.


In 1977, Crawford described a method for intubating the lacrimal system by using silicone tubing attached to a stainless steel probe on each end. After inserting the probes through the canaliculi into the nostril, the ends of the silicone were cut and tied. They were then left in place for up to six months. *Canadian Journal of Ophthalmology*, 1977, 12:289-292.
Dacrocystorhinostomy (DCR) as defined in the Dictionary of Eye Terminology is the construction of a new tear drainage channel from the lacrimal sac into the nose. Hurwitz describes a DCR procedure in which the silicone tubing is left in place for four months. Canadian Journal of Ophthalmology, 1982; 17:13-16.

Flanagan describes a DCR procedure where the silicone tubes were left in place for six months to allow scar tissue to form. Oculoplastic Surgery Strabismus and Pediatric Ophthalmology, 1990.

Reifler reports that silicone tubing has achieved great popularity and is viewed by many experts as the canalicular stent material of choice.

Technological characteristics as compared to predicate devices:

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Safety Characteristics: These devices are used only by oculoplastic surgeons who are experts in this discipline of reconstructive surgery. The use of a malleable stainless steel probe allows the surgeon to form the probe as needed. The probes contain a radius/blunt end to allow a smooth passage through the tear drainage channel. The silicone tubing following the stainless steel probe contains an equal or less diameter than the stainless steel probe. This allows the silicone tubing to easily follow the probe. The silicone tubing is friction fitted over the stainless steel probe as well as bonded with glue. This minimizes the risk of the silicone tubing becoming separated from the stainless steel probe during the navigation through the tear drainage channel. The silicone tubing and adhesive are medical grade. The devices are packaged in water impermeable and tear resistant tyvek/poly pouches that are heat sealed. The sterilization process ensures at least a $10^4$ sterility assurance level (SAL).

The literature review included in this summary has demonstrated that information regarding surgery to the lacrimal system has been published as far back as 1959. Devices used in these surgical procedures were commonly constructed from stainless steel wire and silicone tubing. The referenced literature has also shown that the referenced device may be safely and effectively be used by a competent oculoplastic surgeon to reconstruct the lacrimal outflow system, dacrocystorhinostomy, and other lacrimal system reconstruction many situations that are deemed appropriate.

The Hurricane Medical Lacrimal Intubation Sets and Dacrocystorhinostomy (DCR) Sets have equivalent technological characteristics as the proposed predicate devices. Each identified can be seen in the above chart and thus demonstrates substantial equivalence to a legally marketed device.
Dear Mr. Clapp:

This letter corrects our substantially equivalent letter of May 18, 1999.

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 (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 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 (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 Center for Devices and Radiological Health’s (CDRH’s) Office of Compliance at (240) 276-0115. Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification" (21CFR Part 807.97). For questions regarding postmarket surveillance, please contact CDRH’s Office of Surveillance and Biometric’s (OSB’s) Division of Postmarket Surveillance at 240-276-3474. For questions regarding the reporting of device adverse events (Medical Device Reporting (MDR)), please contact the Division of Surveillance Systems at 240-276-3464. You may obtain other general information on your responsibilities under the Act from the Division of Small Manufacturers, International and Consumer Assistance at its toll-free number (800) 638-2041 or (240) 276-3150 or at its Internet address http://www.fda.gov/cdrh/industry/support/index.html.

Sincerely yours,

Malvina B. Eydelm, M.D.
Director
Division of Ophthalmic and Ear, Nose and Throat Devices
Office of Device Evaluation
Center for Devices and Radiological Health

Enclosure
510(k) Number: K990672

Device Name: Lacrimal Intubation Set, DCR Set

Indications For Use:

These devices are used in ophthalmic surgery to reconstruct the lacrimal outflow system, dacryocystorhinostomy, and other lacrimal system reconstruction.

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Concurrence of CDRH, Office of Device Evaluation (ODE)

Prescription Use ✅ or Over-the-counter use __________

[Signature]
Division Sign-Off
Division of Ophthalmic Devices
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