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Re: K143450  
Trade/Device Name: Ackermann Intervertebral Body Fusion Device  
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 888.3080  
Regulation Name: Intervertebral body fusion device  
Regulatory Class: Class II  
Product Code: MAX, ODP  
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Dear Mr. Ferguson:

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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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.

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

<http://www.fda.gov/MedicalDevices/ResourcesforYou/Industry/default.htm>. Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification" (21CFR Part 807.97). For questions regarding the reporting of adverse events under the MDR regulation (21 CFR Part 803), please go to <http://www.fda.gov/MedicalDevices/Safety/ReportaProblem/default.htm> for the CDRH's Office of Surveillance and Biometrics/Division of Postmarket Surveillance.

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

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosure

## Indications for Use

510(k) Number (if known)  
K143450

Device Name  
Ackermann Intervertebral Body Fusion Device

### Indications for Use (Describe)

When used as a cervical intervertebral body fusion device, the Ackermann Intervertebral Body Fusion Device c|spine implants are indicated for spinal fusion procedures in skeletally mature patients. Cervical interbody fusion implants are intended for use at one level in the cervical spine, from C2 to T1, for treatment of cervical degenerative disc disease (defined as neck pain of discogenic origin with degeneration of the disc confirmed by history and radiographic studies). The cervical device is intended to be used in patients who have had six weeks of non-operative treatment. Additionally, the c|spine implants are to be used with autogenous bone graft and supplemental fixation via an open, anterior approach.

When used as a lumbar intervertebral body fusion device, the Ackermann Intervertebral Body Fusion Device t|spine implants are indicated for spinal fusion procedures in skeletally mature patients. Lumbar interbody fusion implants are intended for use at either one level or two contiguous levels in the lumbar spine, from L2 to S1, for treatment of lumbar degenerative disc disease (DDD) with up to Grade 1 spondylolisthesis. DDD is defined as back pain of discogenic origin with degeneration of the disc confirmed by history and radiographic studies. The lumbar device is intended to be used in patients who have had six months of non-operative treatment. The t|spine implants may be implanted via an open or a minimally invasive posterior approach. Alternatively, these implants may be implanted via a transforaminal approach. These implants are to be used with autogenous bone graft and supplemental fixation.

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**

This summary of 510(k) safety and effectiveness information is being submitted in accordance with the requirements of 21 CFR Part 807.92 for the Ackermann Medical Intervertebral Body Fusion Device c|spine and t|spine implants.

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**DEVICE NAME:**

Trade Name: Ackermann Intervertebral Body Fusion Device

Common Name: Intervertebral Body Fusion Device

Classification Name: Intervertebral Body Fusion Device, 21 CFR 888.3080

Product Code: MAX, ODP

**LEGALLY MARKETED DEVICES TO WHICH ACKERMANN IS CLAIMING SUBSTANTIAL EQUIVALENCE:**

Primary Predicate Device: Amedica Valeo II Interbody Fusion Device (K142347)

Additional Predicate Devices: Aesculap CeSpace PEEK Spinal Implant System (K083311) and Aesculap PEEK Spinal Implant System (K071983)

**DEVICE DESCRIPTION:**

Ackermann Intervertebral Body Fusion Device c|spine and t|spine is an intervertebral body fusion device that is implanted into the vertebral body space to improve stability of the spine while supporting fusion. Components are offered in a variety of shapes and sizes to meet the requirements of the individual patient anatomy. Components are manufactured from implant grade PEEK (polyetheretherketone, VESTAKEEP<sup>®</sup> i4 R by Evonik).

**INTENDED USE:**

When used as a cervical intervertebral body fusion device, the Ackermann Intervertebral Body Fusion Device c|spine implants are indicated for spinal fusion procedures in skeletally mature patients. Cervical interbody fusion implants are intended for use at one level in the cervical spine, from C2 to T1, for treatment of cervical degenerative disc disease (defined as neck pain of discogenic origin with degeneration of the disc confirmed by history and radiographic studies). The cervical device is intended to be used in patients who have had six weeks of non-operative treatment. Additionally, the c|spine implants are to be used with autogenous bone graft and supplemental fixation via an open, anterior approach.

When used as a lumbar intervertebral body fusion device, the Ackermann Intervertebral Body Fusion Device t|spine implants are indicated for spinal fusion procedures in skeletally mature patients. Lumbar interbody fusion implants are intended for use at either one level or two contiguous levels in the lumbar spine, from L2 to S1, for treatment of lumbar degenerative disc disease (DDD) with up to Grade 1 spondylolisthesis. DDD is defined as back pain of discogenic origin with degeneration of

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### **SUMMARY OF THE TECHNOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE DEVICE COMPARED TO THE PREDICATE DEVICE:**

The components of the Ackermann Intervertebral Body Fusion Device c|spine and t|spine implants are offered in the same general range of sizes and shapes of the predicate devices. The material used for the Ackermann device is the same as that used to manufacture the reference predicate.

### **PERFORMANCE DATA:**

The Ackermann Intervertebral Body Fusion Device c|spine implants were tested for static axial compression, dynamic axial compression, static torsion, and dynamic torsion in accordance with ASTM 2077 and for load induced subsidence in accordance with ASTM 2267. The t|spine implants were tested for static axial compression and dynamic axial compression in accordance with ASTM 2077 and for load induced subsidence in accordance with ASTM 2267.

### **CONCLUSIONS:**

Based upon the testing and comparison to the predicate device, the Ackermann Intervertebral Body Fusion Device c|spine and t|spine implants have the same intended use and similar technological characteristics. Therefore, the device is substantially equivalent to other legally marketed devices.