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Re: K150168

Trade/Device Name: Dimension Tacrolimus Flex® Reagent Cartridge (TAC)  
Dimension Tacrolimus Calibrator (TAC CAL)

Regulation Number: 21 CFR 862.1678

Regulation Name: Tacrolimus test system

Regulatory Class: II

Product Code: MLM, JIT

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Dear Ms. Dray-Lyons:

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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If you desire specific advice for your device on our labeling regulations (21 CFR Parts 801 and 809), 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” (21 CFR 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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Sincerely yours,

  
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Enclosure

## Indications for Use

510(k) Number (if known)  
k150168

Device Name  
Dimension Tacrolimus Flex® Reagent Cartridge (TAC)  
Dimension Tacrolimus Calibrator (TAC CAL)

### Indications for Use (Describe)

The Dimension Tacrolimus Flex® Reagent Cartridge (TAC) is an in vitro diagnostic test for the quantitative measurement of tacrolimus in human whole blood on the Dimension® clinical chemistry system. Measurements of tacrolimus are used as an aid in the management of tacrolimus therapy in renal and hepatic transplant patients.

The Dimension Tacrolimus Calibrator (TAC CAL) is an in vitro diagnostic product for the calibration of the Tacrolimus (TAC) method on the Dimension® clinical chemistry system.

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 submitted in accordance with the requirements of SMDA 1990 and 21 CFR §807.92.

The assigned 510(k) number is:     **k150168**    

### 1. Submitter

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### 2. Device

Name of Device: Dimension Tacrolimus Flex® reagent cartridge (TAC)  
Common Name: Tacrolimus Assay  
Classification Name: Tacrolimus Test System (21CFR§862.1678)  
Regulatory Class: II  
Product Code: MLM

Name of Device: Dimension Tacrolimus Calibrator (TAC CAL)  
Common Name: Tacrolimus Calibrator (TAC CAL)  
Classification Name: Calibrator Secondary (21CFR§862.1150)  
Regulatory Class: II  
Product Code: JIT

### 3. Predicate Device

Abbott® ARCHITECT Tacrolimus Test System - k070820

Dimension® Tacrolimus Calibrator – k060503

Reference Device: LC/MS –MS Assay for Tacrolimus

### 4. Guidance Document(s):

“Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: Cyclosporine and Tacrolimus Assays;  
Guidance for Industry and FDA” 11/16/2002

“Bundling Multiple Devices or Multiple Indications in a Single Submission”- 06/22/2007

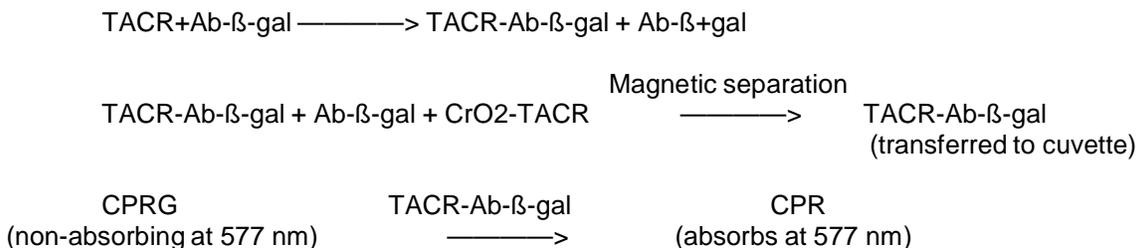
“The 510(k) Program: Evaluating Substantial Equivalence in Premarket Notifications [510(k)]  
Guidance for Industry and Food and Drug Administration Staff” 7/28/2014

**5. Device Description(s):**

Dimension Tacrolimus Flex® Reagent Cartridge (TAC)

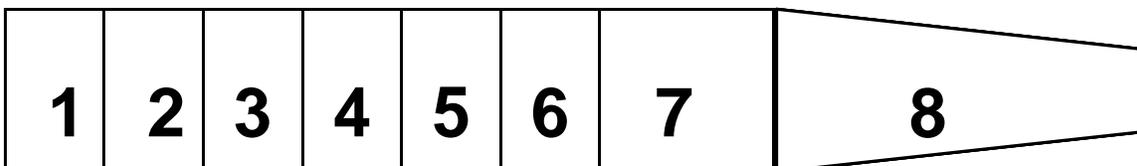
The automated Dimension® TAC method uses an immunoassay technique in which free and tacrolimus-bound antibody-enzyme conjugate is separated using magnetic particles. The assay is performed using a method specific Flex® reagent cartridge. The Flex® cartridge contains a pretreatment reagent, antibody-β-galactosidase conjugate, tacrolimus immobilized on chromium dioxide particles, chlorophenol red β-d-galactopyranoside (CPRG) substrate, and diluent to hydrate the tablets. To perform the TAC assay, a sample cup with a whole blood sample to be analyzed and a TAC Flex® reagent cartridge are placed appropriately on the Dimension® system. The

Dimension® system mixes and lyses the whole blood sample in the presence of pretreatment reagent 1. This reagent contains a displacer which acts to displace tacrolimus in the sample from binding proteins. The lysed sample is then mixed with the antibody enzyme conjugate. The tacrolimus present in the sample is bound by the tacrolimus antibody. Magnetic particles coated with tacrolimus are added to bind free (unbound) antibody-enzyme conjugate. The reaction mixture is then separated magnetically. Following separation, the supernatant containing the tacrolimus-antibody-enzyme complex is transferred to a cuvette and mixed with the substrate; chlorophenol red β-d-galactopyranoside (CPRG). β-galactosidase catalyzes the hydrolysis of CPRG to produce chlorophenol red (CPR) that absorbs light maximally at 577 nm. The change in absorbance at 577 nm due to the formation of CPR is directly proportional to the amount of tacrolimus in the patient's sample and is measured using a bichromatic (577, 700 nm) rate technique.



If the calculated tacrolimus concentration in the patient sample exceeds 20 ng/mL, the test is automatically repeated using pretreatment reagent 2 in place of pretreatment reagent 1. Pretreatment reagent 2 does not contain the displacer so the signal produced represents non-analyte signal. If significant signal is detected during the second analysis, the potential exists that interference from non-specific signal has impacted the accuracy of the initial test. In this situation, the reported test result is suppressed and replaced by a non-reportable test result message.

The reagents for the Tacrolimus assay are packaged in an 8-well Flex® Reagent Cartridge represented (top view) in the drawing below:



The reagent placement is as follows:

<b>Reagent Placement Dimension® Tacrolimus Flex® Reagent Cartridge</b>				
<b>Wells<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Form</b>	<b>Ingredient</b>	<b>Concentration<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>Source</b>
1	Liquid	Ab-β-galactosidase	<sup>c</sup>	mouse, monoclonal
2	Liquid	Pretreatment reagent 2		
3,4	Tablets <sup>d</sup>	Tacrolimus-CrO2	36 mg/tab	
5,6	Tablets <sup>d</sup>	CPRG	9.3 mg/tablet	
7	Liquid	Substrate diluent		
8	Liquid	Pretreatment reagent 1		

- a. Wells are numbered consecutively from the wide end of the cartridge.
- b. Nominal value in hydrated cartridge.
- c. Antibody titer and conjugate activity may vary from lot to lot.
- d. Tablets contain excipients, buffers, and stabilizers.

#### Dimension Tacrolimus Calibrator (TAC CAL)

Dimension® Tacrolimus (TAC) Calibrator is five level frozen liquid, whole blood hemolysate containing purified tacrolimus. The product is provided in 4.0 mL vials, 2 vials per level. There are five calibrator levels per kit which span the assay range for the Dimension® Tacrolimus (TAC) assay. Calibrators are filled with 1.0 mL per vial except for Level 1 calibrator which contains 2.0 mL per vial.

### **6. Intended Use/ Indications for Use**

#### **Dimension Tacrolimus Flex® Reagent Cartridge (TAC)**

The Dimension® Tacrolimus Flex Reagent Cartridge (TAC) method is an *in vitro* diagnostic test for the quantitative measurement of tacrolimus in human whole blood on the Dimension® clinical chemistry system.

Measurements of tacrolimus are used as an aid in the management of tacrolimus therapy in renal and hepatic transplant patients.

#### **Dimension Tacrolimus Calibrator (TAC CAL)**

The Dimension® Tacrolimus Calibrator (TAC CAL) is an *in vitro* diagnostic product for the calibration of the Tacrolimus (TAC) method on the Dimension® clinical chemistry system.

## 7. Comparison of Technological Characteristics

A comparison summary of the features of the products is included in the following table.

Item	Device <u>Dimension Tacrolimus Flex®</u> Reagent Cartridge (TAC)	Predicate <u>ARCHITECT Tacrolimus Assay</u> <u>(k070820)</u>
<b>Similarities</b>		
Intended Use	an <i>in vitro</i> diagnostic test for the quantitative measurement of tacrolimus in human whole blood	an <i>in vitro</i> diagnostic test for the quantitative measurement of tacrolimus in whole blood.
Indications for Use	used as an aid in the management of tacrolimus therapy in renal and hepatic transplant patients	used as an aid in the management of liver and kidney allograft patient receiving tacrolimus therapy
Sample Types	Whole blood in EDTA	Whole blood in EDTA
High Sample Dilution	Manual	Manual
Assay Type	Immunoassay	Immunoassay
<b>Differences</b>		
Instrument	The Dimension® clinical chemistry system.	The Abbott ARCHITECT <i>i</i> System
Sample Pretreatment	No manual pretreatment	Manual pre-treatment
Cross reactivity Profile		
M-I	1%	8%
M-II	18%	94%
M-III	15%	45%
M-IV	99%	9%
M-V	1%	Not Available
M-VI	1%	Not Available
M-VII	43%	Not Available
M-VIII	0%	Not Available
Measuring Range	1.0 – 30 ng/mL	2 – 30 ng/mL

**Calibrator:**

Item	Device Dimension Tacrolimus Calibrator	Predicate TACR CAL (k060503)
<b>Similarities</b>		
Intended Use	An <i>in vitro</i> diagnostic product for the calibration of the Tacrolimus (TAC) method on the Dimension® clinical chemistry system.	An <i>in vitro</i> diagnostic product intended to be used to calibrate the Tacrolimus method (TACR) for the Dimension® clinical chemistry system.
Form	Frozen Liquid	Frozen Liquid
Matrix	Whole blood hemolysate	Whole blood hemolysate
Levels	Five	Five
Traceability	Purified tacrolimus	Purified tacrolimus
<b>Differences</b>		
Assignment	Assigned for Dimension® TAC	Assigned for Dimension® TACR
Target Concentration Range	Level 1: - 0.5 to + 0.5 ng/mL Level 2: 2.7 to 4.2 ng/mL Level 3: 5.8 to 7.3 ng/mL Level 4: 11.6 to 13.6 ng/mL Level 5: ≥30.0 ng/mL	Level A: - 0.7 to + 0.7 ng/mL Level 2: 2.5 to 4.0 ng/mL Level 3: 5.5 to 7.0 ng/mL Level 4: 11.0 to 13.0 ng/mL Level 5: 31.0 to 34.0 ng/mL

**8. Performance Data****Precision**

Reproducibility testing was conducted for the Dimension® TAC method, at two external evaluation sites in addition to our internal testing. This testing was done in accordance with the CLSI/NCCLS Approved Guideline for User Evaluation of Precision Performance of Clinical Chemistry Devices EP5-A2. Typical precision at levels ranging from a mean of 1.8 to 27.4 ng/mL was ≤ 6.6% CV for Repeatability and ≤ 13.1% CV for Within Lab.

**Linearity**

The analytical measuring range of the TAC method was confirmed by the establishment of the Limit of Quantitation (LoQ), for the low end, and by a linearity study. The linearity study was performed by mixing of a sample with a known native high tacrolimus concentration (40.3 ng/mL) with a normal patient pool with no tacrolimus in various ratios. The testing procedure was based on the CLSI Guideline EP 06-A Evaluation of the Linearity of Quantitative Measurement. A linear regression, and a 2<sup>nd</sup> - and 3<sup>rd</sup> -order polynomial regressions of the mean observed analyte values vs. expected concentrations were performed. The assay range for the Dimension® TAC method was established as 1.0 – 30.0 ng/mL by these two studies.

**Specificity**

Interference and cross-reactivity testing was performed according to CLSI/NCCLS Approved Guideline Interference Testing in Clinical Chemistry: EP7-A2. The compounds tested included endogenous compounds, drugs that are commonly co-administered with tacrolimus, and the anticoagulant EDTA. The cross-reactivity testing was done with major tacrolimus metabolite, M I (13-O-desmethyl-tacrolimus), M II (31-O-desmethyl-tacrolimus); as well as minor metabolites M III (15-O-desmethyl-tacrolimus), M IV (12-O-hydroxyl-tacrolimus), M V (15,31-O-didesmethyl-tacrolimus); and second pass metabolites, M VI (13,31-O-didesmethyl-tacrolimus), M VII (13,15-O-didesmethyl-tacrolimus) and M VIII(unknown name). Testing was done as recommended in the FDA Guidance document “*Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: cyclosporine and Tacrolimus Assays; Guidance for Industry and FDA*” – 09/16/2002. These studies showed that the Dimension® TAC method has low cross-reactivity to the major (M-1) tacrolimus metabolite,

and partial cross reactivity to the minor and second pass metabolites of lower prevalence. Co-administered drugs and other compounds tested for interference, exhibited less than 10% bias at the levels tested.

**Recovery**

The recovery capability of the Dimension® TAC assay was challenged across the assay range using samples spiked with USP tacrolimus. All samples met the acceptance criterion of ≤ 10% mean bias in recovery.

**Method Comparison**

A method comparison study was performed at two external evaluation sites and internally per the “FDA Class II Special Controls Guidance document: Cyclosporine and Tacrolimus Assays; Guidance for Industry and FDA”. Samples included a nearly equal distribution of liver and kidney transplant patients which covered >80% of the assay range (1.0 – 30 ng/mL). CLSI Guideline EP-9A2 “Method Comparison and Bias Estimation using Patient Samples” was used to develop the study design.

As recommended by the guidance, samples were evaluated, at two external sites as well as internally, versus the predicate, ARCHITECT Tacrolimus Assay (k070820), and an LCMS reference method. An additional comparative method, Dimension® TACR, was also run at two sites. Analysis was done by Passing – Bablok regression. Least Squares regression was used to compute the correlation coefficient.

<b>Dimension Tacrolimus (TAC) method vs</b>	<b>Slope</b>	<b>Intercept</b>	<b>r</b>	<b>n</b>	<b>Range (ng/mL)</b>
Reference Method LC-MS/MS	1.04	-0.30	0.966	315	1.3-24.9
ARCHITECT Tacrolimus Assay (k070820)	0.99	-0.42	0.979	308	2.1-24.2
Dimension Tacrolimus (TACR) method (k060502)	1.00	-0.50	0.957	213	2.6 – 21.7

The samples range for the proposed Dimension TAC assay, in these studies, was 1.2 – 25.6 ng/mL.

**Calibrator Traceability**

Siemens Tacrolimus (TAC) Calibrator is traceable to purified tacrolimus drug through standardization of the LC-MS/MS reference method with gravimetrically prepared standards.

**Calibrator Stability**

Unopened vials of Siemens Tacrolimus (TAC) Calibrator are stored frozen (-25 to -15 °C) until the expiration date printed on each carton. Once thawed, assigned values are stable for 30 days when recapped immediately after use and stored at 2-8°C.

**9. Conclusion:**

The Siemens Healthcare Diagnostics Dimension® TAC method and the ARCHITECT Tacrolimus Assay (k070820) are substantially equivalent based on their intended use, indications for use and performance characteristics. In performance studies, summarized above, the Dimension® Tacrolimus methods demonstrated performance similar to the predicate ARCHITECT Tacrolimus Assay (k070820).

The modified Siemens Healthcare Diagnostics Dimension® TAC calibrator and the predicate Dimension® TACR calibrator (K060503) are also substantially equivalent in design, intended use, principle and performance.

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