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Re: K160294

Trade/Device Name: SPROTTE<sup>®</sup> NRFit<sup>™</sup> and Quincke NRFit<sup>™</sup> lumbar puncture needles  
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 868.5150  
Regulation Name: Anesthesia Conduction Needle  
Regulatory Class: Class II  
Product Code: BSP  
Dated: September 19, 2016  
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Dear Christian Quass:

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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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); medical device reporting (reporting of medical device-related adverse events) (21 CFR 803); 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.

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

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Enclosure

## Indications for Use

510(k) Number (if known)

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Device Name

SPROTTE® NRFit™, Quincke NRFit™ lumbar puncture needles

Indications for Use (Describe)

The SPROTTE® NRFit™, Quincke NRFit™ lumbar puncture needles are intended to gain entry into or puncture the spinal cavity permitting injection (including anesthesia) / withdrawal of fluids for purposes of diagnostic lumbar puncture, myelography/ discography procedures.

The device is intended for adult and pediatric patients.

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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## Device Information:

Device Name: SPROTTE® NRFit™ and Quincke NRFit™ lumbar puncture needles

Sterilization method: Ethylene Oxide  
disposable device, supplied sterile to the end user and non-sterile intended to be sterilized prior to use to repackagers/ medical device manufacturers

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Classification Name: Anesthesia Conduction Needle

Classification Reference: 21 CFR § 868.5150

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Regulatory Class: II

Panel: Anesthesiology

Predicate Devices: K911260  
(Owner: PAJUNK® GmbH Medizintechnologie)  
ATRAUMATIC STANDARD SPROTTE NEEDLE  
K040965  
(Owner: PAJUNK® GmbH Medizintechnologie)  
PAJUNK TUOHY NEEDLES, QUINCKE NEEDLES, CHIBA NEEDLES & CRAWFORD NEEDLES

PAJUNK® GmbH Medizintechnologie is submitting this 510(k) for **SPROTTE® NRFit™ and Quincke NRFit™ lumbar puncture needles**.

The intended use as well as the basic technical description of the needles which is relevant to clinical use is identical to the predicate devices and has been cleared in 510(k)s sent in earlier by the sponsor.

The clinical technique, the indications for use, the technical specification, the materials used, the sterility status (validation and sterility assurance level) as well as the biocompatibility status is identical. None of these is affected by the altered hub as it is subject to this submission.

## 1 Identification of Predicate devices

In this section SPROTTE® NRFit™ and Quincke NRFit™ lumbar puncture needles are compared to the predicate device.

In order to avoid confusion and to make the information more readable, the predicate devices shall be identified as Predicate Device I (which is for the SPROTTE® NRFit™) and Predicate Device II (which is for the Quincke NRFit™) since the Subject devices are identical in Indications for use while the predicates show differences in wording.

### Predicate Device I

The predicate device for the SPROTTE® NRFit™ lumbar puncture needles is:

- K911260 ATRAUMATIC STANDARD SPROTTE NEEDLE (Owner: PAJUNK® GmbH Medizintechnologie)

### Predicate Device II

The predicate device for the Quincke NRFit™ lumbar puncture needles is:

- K040965 PAJUNK TUOHY NEEDLES, QUINCKE NEEDLES, CHIBA NEEDLES & CRAWFORD NEEDLES (Owner: PAJUNK® GmbH Medizintechnologie)

## Determination methods and results of Substantial Equivalence Determination:

## 2 Determination of Substantial Equivalence

### 2.1 Intended Use

#### *Intended Use Subject Device*

The SPROTTE® NRFit™, Quincke NRFit™ lumbar puncture needles are intended to gain entry into or puncture the spinal cavity permitting injection (including anesthesia) / withdrawal of fluids for purposes of diagnostic lumbar puncture, myelography/ discography procedures.

The device is intended for adult and pediatric patients.

#### *Intended Use K911260 (Predicate Device I)*

To gain entry into or puncture the spinal cavity permitting injection/ withdrawal of fluids for purposes of diagnostic lumbar puncture, myelography/discography and chemonucleolysis procedures.

#### *Intended Use K040965 (Predicate Device II)*

Pajunk's anesthesia conduction needles - Tuohy, Quincke, Chiba, and Crawford - are intended for the transient delivery of anesthetics to provide regional anesthesia or to facilitate placement of an epidural catheter.

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## Discussion of differences

For the SPROTTE® NRFit™ lumbar puncture needles the indications for use is exactly the same as in K911260.

For the Quincke NRFit™ lumbar puncture needles the indication for use is covered by the indications for use as given in the predicate K040965.

Rationale: K040965 covers needles for regional anaesthesia (spinal and epidural) and placement of epidural catheters. The Quincke Needle subject to this Premarket Notification is intended for diagnostic lumbar puncture. Instead of injecting agents it is intended for collecting samples of cerebrospinal fluid. The anatomical region of the body is the same. Furthermore Quincke needles (and SPROTTE needles) are state of the art in lumbar puncture for application of anesthetics as well as harvesting spinal fluid. So only the nature of fluid passing through the needle is different, but the anatomical regions are identical. By indicating the needle for collecting of specimens instead of injecting anesthetic agents the risk for the patient especially regarding contamination through fluid path is lowered.

Conclusion: Substantially Equivalent

The predicate device as well as the subject device only differs in design of the hub. This difference does not have any impact on the performance tests listed below due to the fact, that the materials used, the manufacturing processes employed and the techniques described are identical.

## 2.2 Technical Description

### 2.2.1 Technical Description SPROTTE

Materials used in SPROTTE® NRFit™ lumbar puncture needles:				Predicate Device	
	NAME OF COMPONENT		MATERIAL	BODY CONTACT	MATERIAL K911260
01	Needle/ cannula	Tubing	Stainless Steel	Direct, limited	Stainless Steel
		Hub	Polycarbonate	Indirect, limited	Polycarbonate
		Optional: Glue	Epoxy resin	No contact at all	Epoxy resin
02	Introducer	Tubing	Stainless Steel	Direct, limited	Stainless Steel
		Hub	Polycarbonate	No contact at all	Polycarbonate
		Optional: Glue	Epoxy resin	No contact at all	Epoxy resin
03	Stylet	Tubing	Stainless Steel	Direct, limited	Stainless Steel
		Knob	Polycarbonate	No contact at all	Polyamide
		Optional: Glue	Epoxy resin	No contact at all	Epoxy resin
04	Retaining plate	Plate	Polycarbonate	No contact at all	Polycarbonate

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Based on substantial equivalence testing listed below the following devices are subject to this premarket notification and shall be cleared:

SPROTTE® NRFit™ in a range from 18G to 29G at a range of length from 50mm to 150mm.

Dimensions cleared in Predicate Device's Premarket Notification 510(k): K911260

Length: 70mm -150mm

Diameter: 19,5G – 24G

Dimensions intended in the subject devices Premarket Notification K160194:

Length: 50mm to 150mm

Diameter: 18G – 29G

## 12.2.2.1.1 Discussion of differences

1. The material of the hub has been altered in 1994. Before that date Polycarbonate yyy has been used which then was switched to Polycarbonate xxx. The biocompatibility test reports provided for the SPROTTE contain needles equipped with hubs made from xxx. However, the base substance for both is Polycarbonate Medical Grade. Note that yyy has a significant higher flow pattern index.

2. The material of the stylet's knob has been switched from Poliamide to Polycarbonate. Since the knob does not have any patient contact this change is non-significant to form, fit and function.

## 2.2.2 Technical Description Quincke

Materials used in Quincke NRFit™ lumbar puncture needles:					Predicate Device
	MATERIAL K911260		MATERIAL	BODY CONTACT	MATERIAL K040965
01	Needle/ cannula	Tubing	Stainless Steel	Direct, limited	Stainless steel
		Hub	Polycarbonate	Indirect, limited	Polycarbonate
		Optional: Glue	Epoxy resin	No contact at all	Epoxy Resin
02	Introducer	Tubing	Stainless Steel	Direct, limited	Stainless steel
		Hub	Polycarbonate	No contact at all	Polycarbonate
		Optional: Glue	Epoxy resin	No contact at all	Epoxy Resin
03	Stylet	Tubing	Stainless Steel	Direct, limited	Stainless steel
		Knob	Polycarbonate	No contact at all	Polycarbonate
		Optional: Glue	Epoxy resin	No contact at all	Epoxy Resin



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Materials used in Quincke NRFit™ lumbar puncture needles:					Predicate Device
	MATERIAL K911260		MATERIAL	BODY CONTACT	MATERIAL K040965
04	Retaining plate	Plate	Polycarbonate	No contact at all	Polycarbonate
05	Fixation Clip	Clip	Polycarbonate	No contact at all	Polycarbonate

Based on substantial equivalence testing listed below the following devices are subject to this premarket notification and shall be cleared:

Quincke NRFit™ in a range from 20G to 27G at a range of length from 50mm to 120mm.

Dimensions cleared in Predicate Device’s Premarket Notification 510(k): K040965

Length: 35mm – 200mm

Diameter: 14G – 23G

Dimensions intended in the subject devices Premarket Notification K160194:

Length: 25mm – 285mm

Diameter: 20G – 27G

### 2.2.3 Devices under test

For demonstrating substantial equivalence the items listed below have been compared:

#### SPROTTE® NRFit™

#	Devices/ Materials	Item-number	Length [mm]	Gauge
1	SPROTTE® NRFit™	321163-30F	120	18
2	SPROTTE® NRFit™	321163-31C	90	19
3	SPROTTE® NRFit™	321163-31B	90	20
4	SPROTTE® NRFit™	321163-31A	90	21
5	SPROTTE® NRFit™	141163-30C	150	22
6	SPROTTE® NRFit™	131163-30A	150	24
7	SPROTTE® NRFit™	261163-29A	150	25
8	SPROTTE® NRFit™	231163-27A	120	27
9	SPROTTE® NRFit™	501163-28A	90	29

#### SPROTTE®

#	Devices/ Materials	Item-number	Length [mm]	Gauge
1	SPROTTE®	321151-30F	120	18
2	SPROTTE®	321151-31C	90	19
3	SPROTTE®	321151-31B	90	20
4	SPROTTE®	321151-31A	90	21
5	SPROTTE®	141151-30C	150	22
6	SPROTTE®	141151-30A	150	24
7	SPROTTE®	061151-29A	150	25
8	SPROTTE®	231151-27A	120	27
9	SPROTTE®	501151-28A	90	29

#### Quincke NRFit™

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#	Devices/ Materials	Item-number	Length [mm]	Gauge
1	Quincke NRFit™	1163-3G080	80	20
2	Quincke NRFit™	1163-3E090	90	22
3	Quincke NRFit™	1163-7Y090	90	24
4	Quincke NRFit™	1163-7C090	90	25
5	Quincke NRFit™	1163-7B090	90	27

## Quincke

#	Devices/ Materials	Item-number	Length [mm]	Gauge
1	Quincke	1149-3G080	80	20
2	Quincke	1149-3E090	90	22
3	Quincke	1149-7Y090	90	24
4	Quincke	1149-7C090	90	25
5	Quincke	1149-7B090	90	27

Both, the subject devices as well as the predicate devices have been tested ready to use right after sterilization and have been subject to testing after accelerated aging (1year, 3years, 5years) in order to demonstrate substantial equivalence and Shelf Life.

## 2.3 Technology/ Performance

### 2.3.1 Performance Testing: Summary

The predicate device as well as the subject device only differs in design of the hub.

This difference does not have any impact on the performance tests listed below. Therefore performance testing is still valid and applies to both, subject device and predicate device.

Additional benchmark tests of the predicate device and the subject device is not necessary and has not been performed due to the fact, that the materials used, the manufacturing processes employed and the techniques described are identical. Therefore no further benchmark testing is required in order to verify substantial equivalence.

The performance tests have been accomplished in order to comply with the standards listed below (even though 6-366 and 6-362 are not directly linked with Product Code BSP):

Recognition-#	Standard Number	Title
6-366	ISO 9626	Stainless steel needle tubing for the manufacture of medical devices - Requirements and test methods
6-362	ISO 7864	Sterile hypodermic needles for single use - Requirements and test methods
5-108	ISO 80369-6	Small bore connectors for liquids and gases in healthcare applications - Part 6: Connectors for neuraxial applications.

Stability test Bonding-to-Hub has to be conducted in order to compare the stability of the LUER Hub with the stability of the NRFit™ hub.

Furthermore compliance of the needle hub with ISO 80369-6 has to be proven.

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Standard testing regarding the remaining sections of the recognized performance standards can be conducted using either the predicate device or the subject device because the needle tubing is identical.

## Needle: stability test bending rigidity

Reason for test: The needle has to demonstrate bending stability and resistance against breakage in order to resist forces reasonably assumed to be applied to the needle in situ under the defined intended use

Procedure of test: The test procedure is defined by international standard ISO/FDIS 9626:2016 Stainless steel needle tubing for manufacture of medical devices.

Pass/ Fail criteria: The acceptance criterion of bending rigidity for the cannula is defined in above mentioned standard.

Results: The bending rigidity of the predicate device's needles and the subject device's needles is compliant with the standard.

Conclusion: Substantially Equivalent

## Needle: stability test bonding to hub

Reason for test: The needle has to demonstrate stability at the bonding of the hub in order to resist forces reasonably assumed to be applied to the needle in situ under the defined intended use.

Procedure of test: The test procedure is defined by international standard ISO 7864:2016 Sterile hypodermic needles for single use

Pass/ Fail criteria: The acceptance criterion for the bond between hub and needle tube (pull-off force) is  $\geq 22\text{N}$ .

Results: For the needles of the subject device and the needles of the predicate device a force significantly higher than the target value has to be applied. Therefore the predicate device's needles as well as the subject device's needles are substantially equivalent.

Conclusion: Substantially Equivalent

## Needle: Penetration force

Reason for test: The needles have to demonstrate less trauma when applied with the patient under the intended use. ISO 7864:2016 Sterile hypodermic needles for single use recommends penetration force testing only without giving a normative test method.

Procedure of test: According to international European standard EN 13097.

Pass/ Fail criteria: -none- objective comparison only.

Results: The subject device's needles as well as the predicate device's needles show identical penetration/ insertion forces.

Conclusion: Substantially Equivalent

**2.4 Sterilization**

The predicate device as well as the subject device only differs in design of the hub. This difference does not have any impact on Sterilization. Therefore the Sterilization validation is still valid.

The contract sterilizer and the sterilizing process are identical to the contract sterilizer and the sterilizing process used for all PAJUNK® - manufactured devices which are already cleared for market or exempt.

Sterilization parameters are

SAL	10 <sup>-6</sup>
Type of gas	Ethylene Oxide 99,99%
Exposure time	300 min.
Aeration method	evacuation 2 airwashes
Aeration period	residual EtO-gas is removed in circulating air at 40° C (±5) for at least 48h

Sterilization has been validated according to ISO 11135-1 Overkill Approach (1 sublethal cycle, 2 half cycle, 1 full cycle)

Residuals of EO and ECH are in compliance with ISO 10993-7.

Cleaning and Sterilization method, which ensures an SAL of 10<sup>-6</sup> as well as compliance with limits for chemical burden, bioburden, pyroburden (i.e. LAL) and EtO-residuals as well as shelf life have been validated and are safe and effective.

The limits listed below are met by each device:

The needles are also available in bulk non sterile. If appropriately packed and sterilized with Ethyleneoxide according to the parameters above the technological parameters remain unchanged. However, final responsibility for sterilization validation remains with the customer of needles purchased bulk non-sterile.

**2.5 Shelf Life**

The predicate device as well as the subject device only differs in design of the hub. This difference does not have any impact on Shelf Life. Therefore the Shelf Life is still valid.

Efficacy of sterile product’s lifecycle has been validated using similar products and worst case devices.

Sterility tests have been performed using worst case devices with similar characteristics made from identical material after 5 years. The devices were found to be sterile after 5 years, the sterile barrier system is efficient.

Performance of the essential performance of the device (LUER/ NRFit™ connection, stability of bonding connections, catheter’s tensile strength, needle’s bending rigidity) has been tested with real time aged needles and catheters made from identical material employing identical processes and those are found to work properly. There is no decrease in performance after 5 years.

Shelf-life is set to 5 years.

## 2.6 Biocompatibility:

The predicate device as well as the subject device only differs in design of the hub. The manufacturing processes of the subject device and the predicate device are identical. The difference in design does not have any impact on Biocompatibility of the device. Therefore the biocompatibility testing conducted with the predicate device is still valid.

All devices comply with ISO 10993-1, 2nd and 3rd edition.

The components of the SPROTTE® NRFit™ and Quincke NRFit™ are identical to the components of the SPROTTE and Quincke as they were approved/cleared in K911260 and K040965 in formulation, processing, and sterilization, and no other chemicals have been added (e.g., plasticizers, fillers, color additives, cleaning agents, mold release agents, etc.).

The components of the subject devices SPROTTE® NRFit™ and Quincke NRFit™ and the components of the predicate devices SPROTTE and Quincke are identical to the components of the worst case device which has been tested in formulation, processing, and sterilization, and no other chemicals have been added (e.g., plasticizers, fillers, color additives, cleaning agents, mold release agents, etc.).

The tests listed below have been conducted and accomplished successfully by the worst case device:

- *In vitro* Cytotoxicity\_ISO 10993-5
- Irritation\_ISO 10993-10
- Sensitization ISO 10993-10
- Acute systemic toxicity
- Hemocompatibility

Therefore and based upon sterilization validation and residuals validation the devices are considered to be biocompatible.

## 3. Conclusion

All tests are passed successfully. There are no significant differences between the baseline and the aged needles Subject device and Predicate device nor are there significant differences between the predicate device and the subject device in performance.

Compliance to international standards and Shelf life of 5 years is proven.

The conclusions drawn from the nonclinical and clinical tests that demonstrate that the device is as safe, as effective, and performs as well as the legally marketed device identified.