



November 6, 2018

Merit Medical Systems, Inc.
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Re: K182279

Trade/Device Name: Merit Syringe
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 880.5860
Regulation Name: Piston Syringe
Regulatory Class: Class II
Product Code: FMF
Dated: August 13, 2018
Received: August 22, 2018

Dear John Skousen:

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. Although this letter refers to your product as a device, please be aware that some cleared products may instead be combination products. The 510(k) Premarket Notification Database located at <https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cdrh/cfdocs/cfpmn/pmn.cfm> identifies combination product submissions. 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.

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); medical device reporting (reporting of medical device-related adverse events) (21 CFR 803) for devices or postmarketing safety reporting (21 CFR 4, Subpart B) for combination products (see <https://www.fda.gov/CombinationProducts/GuidanceRegulatoryInformation/ucm597488.htm>); good manufacturing practice requirements as set forth in the quality systems (QS) regulation (21 CFR Part 820) for devices or current good manufacturing practices (21 CFR 4, Subpart A) for combination products; and, if applicable, the electronic product radiation control provisions (Sections 531-542 of the Act); 21 CFR 1000-1050.

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 comprehensive regulatory information about medical devices and radiation-emitting products, including information about labeling regulations, please see Device Advice (<https://www.fda.gov/MedicalDevices/DeviceRegulationandGuidance/>) and CDRH Learn (<http://www.fda.gov/Training/CDRHLearn>). Additionally, you may contact the Division of Industry and Consumer Education (DICE) to ask a question about a specific regulatory topic. See the DICE website (<http://www.fda.gov/DICE>) for more information or contact DICE by email (DICE@fda.hhs.gov) or phone (1-800-638-2041 or 301-796-7100).

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

Indications for Use

510(k) Number (if known)

K182279

Device Name

Merit Syringe

Indications for Use (Describe)

The Merit Syringe is used to inject fluids into, or withdraw fluids from, the body.

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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K182279 510(k) Summary

General Provisions	Submitter Name:	Merit Medical Systems, Inc.
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	Contact Person:	Dr. John Skousen
	Date Prepared:	August 21, 2018
	Registration Number:	1721504
Subject Device	Trade Name:	Merit Syringe
	Common/Usual Name:	Piston Syringe
	Classification Name:	Syringe, Piston
	Regulatory Class:	2
	Product Code:	FMF
	21 CFR §:	880.5860
	Review Panel:	General Hospital
Predicate Device	Trade Name:	Merit 20 mL Syringe
	Common/Usual Name:	Piston Syringe
	Classification Name:	Syringe, Piston
	Regulatory Class:	2
	Premarket Notification:	K152783
	Manufacturer:	Merit Medical Systems, Inc.
	Product Code:	FMF
	21 CFR §:	880.5860
	Review Panel:	General Hospital
Device Description	The Merit Syringe contains a calibrated hollow barrel into which is inserted a closely fitted, plunger, and O-ring seal. The barrel contains an ISO 594-2 compliant fixed male luer connector, which is compatible with ISO 594-2 compliant female luer hubs. The syringe uses a fluorocarbon based non-silicone lubricant.	
Indications for Use	The Merit Syringe is used to inject fluids into, or withdraw fluids from, the body.	
Comparison to Predicate Device	The proposed Merit Syringe incorporates the same Intended Use with similar materials, design, and principle of operation as the predicate device. Differences include the nominal capacity; plunger material; plunger seal design and material; and lubricant. The safety and effectiveness of the new materials were verified via biocompatibility	

testing. Performance testing of the subject device was completed against FDA recognized consensus standards ISO 7886-1 and ISO 594-2. These differences between the subject device and predicate device do not raise different questions of safety and effectiveness.

**Comparison
to Predicate
Device
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Attribute	Subject Device – Merit Syringe	Predicate Device – Merit 20 mL Syringe	Comments
Design	Standard three-piece piston syringe constructed with a clear hollow barrel into which is inserted a closely fitting plunger and O-ring seal. Fitting offered with male luer lock connector.	Standard three-piece piston syringe constructed with a clear hollow barrel into which is inserted a closely fitting plunger and plunger tip seal. Fitting offered with male luer lock connector.	Different plunger and plunger seal design
Material	The barrel is constructed from clear cyclo-olefin polymer; the plunger from glass-filled nylon; the O-ring is made of silicone; fluorocarbon based non-silicone lubricant.	The barrel is constructed from clear cyclo-olefin polymer; the plunger from polycarbonate or ABS material; the plunger tip seal is made of silicone; the lubricant is silicone.	Same Barrel Material Different plunger material Different tip seal design Different lubricant
Principle of Operation	Manually operated by advancing and withdrawing the plunger within the barrel.	Manually operated by advancing and withdrawing the plunger within the barrel.	Same
Operational Volume	0.25 mL operational volume.	20 mL operational volume.	Different

Graduation	Printed with accurate graduation lines that are compliant with ISO 7886-1.	Printed with accurate graduation lines that are compliant with ISO 7886-1.	Different graduations but both follow same standard
Indications for Use / Intended Use	The Merit Syringe is used to inject fluids into, or withdraw fluids from, the body.	The Merit Medical 20 mL Syringe is used to inject fluids into, or withdraw fluids from, the body.	Same

Performance Data

FDA guidance and recognized consensus standards have been established for Piston Syringes under FDA Product Code FMF and 21 CFR 880.5860. A battery of tests was performed based on the requirements of the below recognized consensus standards and guidance, as well as biocompatibility, sterilization, and packaging standards and guidance.

- ISO 7886-1: 2017, *Sterile hypodermic syringes for single use – Part 1: Syringes for manual use*
- ISO 594-2:1998, *Conical fittings with 6% (Luer) taper for syringes, needles and certain other medical equipment – Part 2: Lock fittings*
- ISO 11135:2014, *Sterilization of health care products – Ethylene oxide – Requirements for the development, validation, and routine control of a sterilization process for medical devices*
- ISO 10993-7:2008, *Biological evaluation of medical devices - Part 7: Ethylene oxide sterilization residuals*
- AAMI TIR 28:2009, *Product adoption and process equivalency for ethylene oxide sterilization*
- ISO 11607-1:2006, *Packaging for Terminally Sterilized Medical Devices – Part 1: Requirements for Materials, Sterile Barrier Systems and Packaging Systems [Including: Amendment 1 (2014)]*
- ASTM D4169-16: 2016, *Standard Practice for Performance Testing of Shipping Containers and Systems*
- ASTM F1980-16: *Standard Guide for Accelerated Aging of Sterile Barrier Systems for Medical Devices*
- ISO 2233:2000, *Packaging – Complete, filled transport packages and unit loads – Conditioning for testing*
- ISO 10993-1:2009, *Biological evaluation of medical devices - Part 1: Evaluation and Testing within a risk management process*
- ISO 10993-4:2017, *Biological evaluation of medical devices - Part 4: Selection of tests for interactions with blood*

**Performance
Data
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- ISO 10993-5:2009, *Biological evaluation of medical devices – Part 5: Tests for in vitro cytotoxicity*
- ISO 10993-10:2010, *Biological evaluation of medical devices – Part 10: Tests for irritation and skin sensitization*
- ISO 10993-11:2006, *Biological evaluation of medical devices – Part 11: Tests for systemic toxicity*
- ASTM F756-17:2017, *Standard Practice for Assessment of Hemolytic Properties of Materials*
- AAMI/ANSI ST72:2011/(R) 2016, *Bacterial Endotoxins – Test methods, routine monitoring, and alternatives to batch testing*
- United States Pharmacopeia 40, National Formulary 35, <151> *Pyrogen Test* (2017)
- FDA Guidance, *Guidance on the Content of Premarket Notification [510(k)] Submissions for Piston Syringes, April 1993*
- FDA Guidance, *Use of International Standard ISO 10993-1, Biological Evaluation of Medical Devices Part 1: Evaluation and Testing within a risk management process, June 2016*

Performance Bench Testing

The Merit Syringe complies with the FDA recognized consensus standards ISO 7886-1 and ISO 594-2, as outlined within this submission. Results of the testing demonstrate that the subject device met the acceptance criteria sufficient for its intended use. Testing included the following from these standards:

Biocompatibility testing

A biocompatibility evaluation for the Merit Syringe was conducted in accordance with the FDA Guidance Document “Use of International Standard ISO-10993, ‘Biological Evaluation of Medical Devices Part 1: Evaluation and Testing within a Risk Management Process,’” June 16, 2016, and International Standard ISO 10993-1 “Biological Evaluation of Medical Devices – Part 1: Evaluation and Testing Within a Risk Management Process,” as recognized by FDA. The Merit Syringe is an externally communicating device with indirect blood contacting for a duration of less than 24 hours. Testing included the following:

- Cytotoxicity
- Sensitization
- Irritation
- Acute Systemic Toxicity
- Pyrogenicity
- Hemolysis

**Summary of
Substantial
Equivalence**

Differences between the technological characteristics of the subject device as compared to the predicate do not raise different questions of safety and effectiveness. The performance of the device is supported by non-clinical testing and risk management activities. The Merit Syringe is Substantially Equivalent (SE) to the Merit 20 mL Syringe, cleared under K152783.