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Re: K192454  
Trade/Device Name: Wattson Temporary Pacing Guidewire  
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 870.1330  
Regulation Name: Catheter Guide Wire  
Regulatory Class: Class II  
Product Code: DQX  
Dated: December 18, 2019  
Received: December 20, 2019  

Dear Nancy Frame:

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.

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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) for devices or postmarketing safety reporting (21 CFR 4, Subpart B) for combination products (see https://www.fda.gov/comination-products/guidance-regulatory-information/postmarketing-safety-reporting-combination-products); 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.


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Sincerely,

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Enclosure
Indications for Use

510(k) Number (if known)
K192454

Device Name
Wattson™ temporary pacing guidewire

Indications for Use (Describe)
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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
[As required by 21 CFR 807.92]

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DEVICE
Name of Device: Wattson™ temporary pacing guidewire
Common or Usual Name: Catheter Guidewire
Classification Name: Catheter Guidewire (21 CFR 870.1330)
Regulatory Class: II
Primary Product Code: DQX
Secondary Product Code: LDF

PREDICATE DEVICES
Primary Predicate:
Manufacturer: Medtronic
Device Name: Confida™ /Breaker Guidewire
510(k) No: K181001 (cleared May 3, 2018), Class II, Product Code DQX; classified per 21 CFR 870.1330
**Secondary Predicate:**
Manufacturer: Bard

Device Name: Bard® Temporary Pacing Electrode Catheter

510(k) No: K800298 (cleared April 16, 1980), Class II, Product Code LDF; classified per 21 CFR 870.3680

**DEVICE DESCRIPTION**

The Wattson temporary pacing guidewire is a dual-purpose 0.035” guidewire designed for the delivery of devices and for temporary rapid pacing of the heart. The distal end of the device has an atraumatic pigtail shape. The shaft of the device has a silicone lubricant applied to the outer surface.

Rapid pacing is achieved through a bipolar electrode configuration integrated in the shaft of the guidewire. The electrodes terminate in a single positive electrode at the distal tip of the device and three discrete negative electrodes located proximal to the tip within the pigtail section. The entire device is visible using standard fluoroscopic methods.

The device is packaged with a proprietary adapter that locks on to the proximal end of the guidewire and converts it to discrete positive and negative terminal pins. The terminal pins of the adapter are compatible with standard external pulse generators.

The Wattson temporary pacing guidewire is sterilized with ethylene oxide.

**INDICATIONS FOR USE**

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**COMPARISON OF TECHNOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS WITH THE PREDICATE DEVICES**

This submission is seeking the clearance of the Wattson temporary pacing guidewire which has similar uses, fundamental technologies, principals of operation and performance as the identified predicate devices. The Wattson temporary pacing guidewire is similar to the Confida Brecker wire in that it is used to introduce and position catheters during diagnostic and interventional procedures within the chambers of the heart. It is similar to the Bard Temporary Pacing catheter in that it is used to transmit an electrical signal from an external pulse generator to the heart. Where there are technological differences, results of bench and animal tests confirm that the Wattson temporary pacing guidewire is substantially equivalent to the predicate devices. A comparison of the technological characteristics for the Wattson temporary pacing guidewire against the predicate devices is as follows:
## Substantial Equivalence Comparison

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### Indications for Use

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The Medtronic Confida™ Brecker guidewire is intended for use to introduce and position catheters during diagnostic and interventional procedures within the chambers of the heart, including transcatheter aortic valve replacement (TAVR).

Bard® Temporary Pacing Catheters are designed to transmit an electrical signal from an external pulse generator to the heart or from the heart to a monitoring device. When an internal lumen is present (other than the one used for balloon inflation), it may be used for fluid infusion, pressure monitoring, or blood sampling.

### Contraindication

The guidewire is contraindicated for use in the coronary arteries and in the cerebrovasculature.

The Medtronic Confida™ Brecker Guidewire is contraindicated for patients presenting with an intolerance to anticoagulation therapy and

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PERFORMANCE DATA

Biocompatibility Testing

The biocompatibility evaluation for the Wattson temporary pacing guidewire was conducted in accordance with the 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 Wattson temporary pacing guidewire is considered an externally communicating device in contact with circulating blood and tissue for a limited period of time (<24 hours) during use. The battery of tests included the following:

- Cytotoxicity
- Sensitization
- Irritation
- Acute Systemic Toxicity
- Pyrogenicity
- Hemolysis
- Complement Activation
- Thrombogenicity

Performance Testing- Bench

The device design was verified through the following tests:

- Dimensional Verification
- Visual Inspection
- Tensile Strength
- Track Force
- Guidewire Support Profile
- Distal Flex Force
- Shaft Friction Force
- Electrode Size
- Electrode Location
- Device Continuity
- Particulate Evaluation
- Corrosion Resistance
- Radiopacity

Performance Data – Animal:

Animal testing was performed to demonstrate the substantial equivalence of the Wattson temporary pacing guidewire to the predicates Confida Breaker Guidewire and Bard Temporary Pacing Catheter in a porcine model. The testing was performed in accordance with 21 CFR Part 58 for Good Laboratory Practice (GLP) for Non-Clinical Laboratory Studies. The subject Wattson temporary pacing guidewire shares the same fundamental scientific technology as the predicate devices.

A GLP study demonstrated that the Wattson temporary pacing guidewire and the predicate (control) devices performed similarly with regard to adverse events and other animal health concerns. No animals experienced sustained arrhythmia in the post-rapid pacing monitoring period, all animals returned to normal sinus rhythm after rapid pacing was turned off, and there were no histological findings that indicate any differences between the test and control group.
A second GLP study successfully demonstrated that the Wattson temporary pacing guidewire and the predicate (control) devices are similar in performance and handling during simulated clinical use in the swine model. In all cases: the Wattson wire provided a clinically significant reduction in blood pressure to adequately allow for successful BAV inflation; and the interventionalist was able to properly position the device, successfully deliver the BAV device and successfully connect to the external pacing programmer. Animals were monitored for 30 minutes post-procedure and demonstrated a return to normal sinus rhythm and were free of any concerning cardiac events.

**Performance Testing – Clinical:**

Twenty subjects underwent TAVR procedures and were treated with the Wattson temporary pacing guidewire in a single-center, pre-market, prospective study.

The Wattson temporary pacing guidewire offered predictable guidewire support with concomitant reliable bipolar pacing at low thresholds to allow safe transcatheter heart valve delivery in the treated cohort. In this experience the Wattson wire performance indicates the device has the potential to make TAVR a more efficient procedure in patients.

**CONCLUSIONS**

The results of bench and animal tests confirm that the Wattson temporary pacing guidewire, subject of this 510(k), is substantially equivalent to the predicate devices. The Wattson temporary pacing guidewire is similar to the predicate devices in its indications for use and substantially equivalent in technology, materials, and performance to the predicates. Performance data demonstrates that the Wattson temporary pacing guidewire performs as well as the Confida Breaker Guidewire and Bard Temporary Pacing Catheter. Therefore, it can be concluded that the Wattson temporary pacing guidewire is substantially equivalent to the predicate devices.