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Summary of Safety and Effectiveness

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Proprietary Name: G4 Sleeved Nail

Common Name: Femoral Nail

Classification Name: Intramedullary Rods (21 CFR 888.3020)

Legally Marketed Devices To Which Substantial Equivalence Is Claimed:
Titanium Intramedullary Nails- K982953; Küntscher Nails- Preamendment.

Device Description:

The G4 nail is an intramedullary rod used to stabilize fractures of the femur. It may be inserted in an antegrade or retrograde fashion.

Intended Use:

These devices are to be implanted into the long bones for alignment, stabilization, and fixation of fractures caused by trauma or disease, the fixation of long bones that have been surgically prepared (osteotomy) for correction of deformity, and for arthrodesis. Intramedullary rods are used in the femur.

Summary of Technologies: The G4 Sleeved Nail is similar to or identical in terms of function, labeling, and sizing to the predicate device(s).

Non-Clinical Testing: Testing determined that G4 Sleeved Nail presented no new risks and were; therefore, substantially equivalent to the predicate device. FEA was done in conformance to ASTM F-1264.

Clinical Testing: None provided as a basis for substantial equivalence.

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Re: K020962
Trade/Device Name: G4 Sleeved Nail
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 888.3020
Regulation Name: Intramedullary fixation rod
Regulatory Class: Class II
Product Code: HSB
Dated: March 22, 2002
Received: March 25, 2002

Dear Ms. Bickel:

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.

If your device is classified (see above) into either class II (Special Controls) or class III (PMA), it may be subject to such 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.

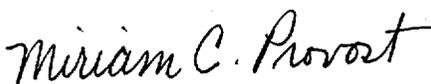
Please be advised that FDA's issuance of a substantial equivalence determination does not mean that FDA has made a determination that your device complies with other requirements of the Act or any Federal statutes and regulations administered by other Federal agencies. You must comply with all the Act's requirements, including, but not limited to: registration and listing (21 CFR Part 807); labeling (21 CFR Part 801); 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.

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This letter will allow you to begin marketing your device as described in your Section 510(k) premarket notification. The FDA finding of substantial equivalence of your device to a legally marketed predicate device results in a classification for your device and thus, permits your device to proceed to the market.

If you desire specific advice for your device on our labeling regulation (21 CFR Part 801 and additionally 21 CFR Part 809.10 for in vitro diagnostic devices), please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4659. Additionally, for questions on the promotion and advertising of your device, please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4639. Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification" (21 CFR Part 807.97). Other general information on your responsibilities under the Act may be obtained from the Division of Small Manufacturers, International and Consumer Assistance at its toll-free number (800) 638-2041 or (301) 443-6597 or at its Internet address <http://www.fda.gov/cdrh/dsma/dsmamain.html>.

Sincerely yours,


for Celia M. Witten, Ph.D., M.D.
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Enclosure

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Concurrence of CDRH, Office of Device Evaluation (ODE)

Prescription Use _____
(Per 21 CFR 801.109)

OR

Over-The-Counter-Use _____
(Optional Format 1-2-96)

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(Division Sign-Off)
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