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Re: K201020
  Trade/Device Name: BriefCase for iPE Triage
  Regulation Number: 21 CFR 892.2080
  Regulation Name: Radiological computer-assisted triage and notification software
  Regulatory Class: Class II
  Product Code: QAS
  Dated: July 24, 2020
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Dear Dr. Smith:

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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devices or postmarketing safety reporting (21 CFR 4, Subpart B) for combination products (see https://www.fda.gov/comparison-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
Device Name

BriefCase for iPE Triage

Indications for Use (Describe)

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BriefCase uses an artificial intelligence algorithm to analyze images and highlight cases with detected findings on a standalone desktop application in parallel to the ongoing standard of care image interpretation. The user is presented with notifications for cases with suspected findings. Notifications include compressed preview images that are meant for informational purposes only and not intended for diagnostic use beyond notification. The device does not alter the original medical image and is not intended to be used as a diagnostic device.

The results of BriefCase are intended to be used in conjunction with other patient information and based on their professional judgment, to assist with triage/prioritization of medical images. Notified clinicians are responsible for viewing full images per the standard of care.

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 Description

BriefCase is a radiological computer-assisted triage and notification software device. The software system is based on an algorithm programmed component and is comprised of a standard off-the-shelf operating system, the Microsoft Windows server 2012 64bit, and additional applications, which include PostgreSQL, DICOM module and the BriefCase Image Processing Application. The device consists of the following three modules: (1) Aidoc Hospital Server (AHS) for image acquisition; (2) Aidoc Cloud Server (ACS) for image processing; and (3) Aidoc Worklist Application for workflow integration, installed on the radiologist’ desktop and provides the user interface in which notifications from the BriefCase software are received.

DICOM images are received, saved, filtered and de-identified before processing. Filtration matches metadata fields with keywords. Series are processed chronologically by running the algorithms on each series to detect suspected cases. The software then flags suspect cases by sending notifications to the Worklist desktop application, thereby prompting preemptive triage and prioritization by the attending radiologist. As the BriefCase software platform harbors several triage algorithms, the user may opt to filter out notifications by pathology, e.g. a chest radiologist may choose to filter out notifications on LVO cases, and a neuro-radiologist would opt to divert PE notifications. Where several medical centers are linked to a shared PACS, a user may read cases for a certain center but not for another, and thus may opt to filter out notification by center. Activating the filter does not impact the order in which notifications are presented in the Aidoc worklist application.

The Worklist Application displays the pop-up text notifications of new suspected studies when they come in. Notifications are in the form of a small pop-up containing patient name, accession number and the relevant pathology (e.g., iPE). A list of all incoming suspect cases is also displayed. Hovering over a notification or a case in the worklist pops up a compressed, low-quality, grayscale, unannotated image that is captioned “not for diagnostic use” and is displayed as a preview function. This compressed preview is meant for informational purposes only, does
not contain any marking of the findings, and is not intended for primary diagnosis beyond notification.

Presenting the radiologist with notification facilitates earlier triage by prompting the user to assess the relevant original images in the PACS. Thus, the suspect case receives attention earlier than would have been the case in the standard of care practice alone.

**Intended Use / Indications for Use**

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**Comparison of Technological Characteristics**

The subject BriefCase for iPE triage and predicate device BriefCase for PE triage (K190072) are identical in all aspects and defer only with respect to the training of the algorithm on iPE and PE images, respectively.

Both devices are radiological computer-aided triage and notification software programs. Both devices are artificial intelligence algorithms incorporated software packages for use with DICOM 3.0 compliant CT scanners, PACS, and radiology workstations. Both devices are intended to aid in triage and prioritization of radiological images. The predicate device processes CTPAs and is indicated for Pulmonary Embolism triage, while the subject device processes contrast-enhanced chest images and is indicated for incidental Pulmonary Embolism (iPE) triage. Both devices are intended to provide radiologists with notifications and unannotated preview images of suspect studies for the purpose of preemptive triage.

Both software devices notify the attending radiologist of the availability of time sensitive radiological images for review based on computer aided image analysis. Both devices send notifications and low-quality compressed previews to the radiology workstations' desktop. Both devices feature a notification filter in the user interface. Notifications are for informational purpose only and are meant to prompt the radiologist to start preemptive triage of a flagged case, upon which he may decide after observing the unannotated, low quality preview on his desktop, to turn to the local PACS to perform evaluation of the original series earlier than would have been the case in the standard of care alone.

Thus, the subject and predicate BriefCase raise the same types of safety and effectiveness
questions, namely, accurate detection of findings within the processed study. It is important to note that, like the predicate, the subject device does not remove cases from the standard of care reading queue and does not modify them. Both devices operate in parallel with the standard of care, which remains the default option for all cases.

A table comparing the key features of the subject and predicate devices is provided below.

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**Performance Data**

*Pivotal Study Summary*

Aidoc conducted a retrospective, blinded, multicenter study with the BriefCase software with the primary endpoint to evaluate the software’s performance in identifying Contrast-enhanced chest CTs (but not dedicated CTPA protocol), containing Incidental Pulmonary Embolism in 268 cases from 2 clinical study sites in the US. There were 74 positive cases and 194 negative cases (images with iPE versus without iPE) included in the analysis.

Sensitivity and specificity exceeded the 80% performance goal. Specifically, sensitivity was 90.5% (95% CI: 81.4%, 96.2%) and specificity was 88.7% (95% CI: 83.3%, 92.8%).

**Secondary Endpoint**

Briefcase’s potential clinical benefit of worklist prioritization for true positive iPE cases was evaluated by comparing the standard-of-care metric of time-to-exam-open to the software’s time-to-notification metric for iPE, in the study sites where the time-to-exam-open information was available.

- The BriefCase time-to-notification includes the time to get the DICOM exam, de-identify it, upload it to the cloud, analyze and send a notification on a positive suspect case back to the worklist application.
- The standard of care time-to-open-exam consists of the time from scan acquisition to when the radiologist first opened the exam for review.

The standard of care metric was compared to the BriefCase time-to-notification in the two study sites (both in the US) for 63 True Positive cases (i.e., identified as positive both by the reviewers as well as the BriefCase device), and the results are reported in the **Table 2** below.

The BriefCase time-to-notification for iPE was 4.7 minutes (95% CI: 4.4-5.1; Median: 5.0, IQR: 2.3). In contrast, standard of care time-to-exam-open was much longer, 223.3 minutes (95% CI: 125.8-320.7; Median: 70.4, IQR: 217.6). The mean difference of 220.9 minutes (95% CI: 122.0-319.9; Median: 63.2, IQR: 219.8) for these two metrics is statistically significant and assuming the radiologist receives a notification on a true positive iPE case and acts on it immediately, it can on average save more than three hours compared to the time-to-exam-open in a first in first out (FIFO) reading queue. The value of 220.9 is based on the study of 63 cases from 2 study sites and may vary in practice.
Table 2. Time saving data

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NPV was 99.7% (95% CI: 99.5%-99.9%) and PPV was 17.6% (95% CI: 9.5%-22.1%).

Thus, the reported time savings data demonstrates that radiologists may have the opportunity to be involved in the clinical workflow substantially earlier due to the notifications from the BriefCase device. Performance validation data suggest that when using the subject BriefCase for iPE triage, the radiologists may have the same benefit in time saving as with using the BriefCase for PE triage.

Conclusions

The subject BriefCase for iPE triage and the predicate BriefCase for PE triage devices are both intended to aid in prioritization and triage of radiological images for the indications of incidental Pulmonary Embolism and Pulmonary Embolism respectively. Both devices are software packages with similar technological characteristics and principles of operation, both incorporating deep learning AI algorithms that process images, and software to send notifications and unannotated compressed preview images to the radiologists' workstation. In both devices, the labeling states that the devices are not for diagnostic use and instructs the user to further evaluate and diagnose based only on the original images in the local PACS.

Both devices operate in parallel to the standard of care workflow in the sense that they do not change the original image, do not provide any marking on the output preview, and do not remove images from the standard of care FIFO queue, thus not disturbing standard interpretation of the images by the attending radiologists. Both devices notify the radiologist of time-sensitive critical cases within the range of several minutes, and thus contribute similarly to the standard of care workflow turnaround time reduction through preemptive triage.

The BriefCase device for iPE triage is thus substantially equivalent to the BriefCase for PE triage.