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Re: K241906

Trade/Device Name: BioBrace® Reinforced Implant
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 878.3300
Regulation Name: Surgical Mesh
Regulatory Class: Class II
Product Code: OWW, OWY
Dated: June 28, 2024
Received: July 1, 2024

Dear Mirela Gjini:

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 (the 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 available 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.

Additional information about changes that may require a new premarket notification are provided in the FDA guidance documents entitled "Deciding When to Submit a 510(k) for a Change to an Existing Device" (<https://www.fda.gov/media/99812/download>) and "Deciding When to Submit a 510(k) for a Software Change to an Existing Device" (<https://www.fda.gov/media/99785/download>).

Your device is also subject to, among other requirements, the Quality System (QS) regulation (21 CFR Part 820), which includes, but is not limited to, 21 CFR 820.30, Design controls; 21 CFR 820.90, Nonconforming product; and 21 CFR 820.100, Corrective and preventive action. Please note that regardless of whether a change requires premarket review, the QS regulation requires device manufacturers to review and approve changes to device design and production (21 CFR 820.30 and 21 CFR 820.70) and document changes and approvals in the device master record (21 CFR 820.181).

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 Part 803) for devices or postmarketing safety reporting (21 CFR Part 4, Subpart B) for combination products (see <https://www.fda.gov/combination-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 Part 4, Subpart A) for combination products; and, if applicable, the electronic product radiation control provisions (Sections 531-542 of the Act); 21 CFR Parts 1000-1050.

Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification" (21 CFR 807.97). For questions regarding the reporting of adverse events under the MDR regulation (21 CFR Part 803), please go to <https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/medical-device-safety/medical-device-reporting-mdr-how-report-medical-device-problems>.

For comprehensive regulatory information about medical devices and radiation-emitting products, including information about labeling regulations, please see Device Advice (<https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/device-advice-comprehensive-regulatory-assistance>) and CDRH Learn (<https://www.fda.gov/training-and-continuing-education/cdrh-learn>). 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 (<https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/device-advice-comprehensive-regulatory-assistance/contact-us-division-industry-and-consumer-education-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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for

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Office of Product Evaluation and Quality

Center for Devices and Radiological Health

Enclosure

Indications for Use

Submission Number (if known)

K241906

Device Name

BioBrace® Reinforced Implant

Indications for Use (Describe)

The BioBrace® Implant is intended for use in general surgical procedures for reinforcement of soft tissue where weakness exists. The BioBrace® Implant is also intended for reinforcement of soft tissues that are repaired by suture or suture anchors, during tendon repair surgery including reinforcement of rotator cuff, patellar, Achilles, biceps, or quadriceps tendons. The BioBrace® Implant is not intended to replace normal body structures or provide the full mechanical strength to support the rotator cuff, patellar, Achilles, biceps, or quadriceps tendons. Sutures used to repair the tear, and sutures or bone anchors used to attach the tissue to bone, provide mechanical strength for the tendon repair.

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
BioBrace® Reinforced Implant

In accordance with the requirements of the Safe Medical Device Act of 1990 and 21 CFR 807.92, CONMED Corporation is hereby submitting the 510(k) Summary of Safety and Effectiveness for 510(k) Number **K241906**.

I. SUBMITTER

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Date Prepared: June 28, 2024

II. DEVICE NAME

Device Name:	BioBrace® Reinforced Implant
Classification Name:	Mesh, Surgical, Collagen, Orthopaedics, Reinforcement Of Tendon
Regulatory Class:	Class II, per 21 CFR Part 878.3300
Product Codes:	OWW, OWY

III. PREDICATE DEVICE

Device Name:	The BioBrace™ Implant
Company Name:	CONMED Corporation
510(k) #:	K203267

IV. DEVICE DESCRIPTION

The device is a bioresorbable, reinforced Implant composed of a highly-porous collagen sponge made from insoluble bovine tendon type-1 collagen, and reinforced with poly-L-lactic-acid (PLLA) multifilament yarn. The BioBrace® Implant is 80% porous with a median pore diameter of 19 µm. BioBrace® Implants are approximately 3 mm thick, provided in rectangular sizes of 23 x 25 mm, 35 x 25 mm, and 40 x 60mm. The BioBrace® Implant is single-use and supplied sterile.

V. INTENDED USE/ INDICATIONS FOR USE

The BioBrace® Implant is intended for use in general surgical procedures for reinforcement of soft tissue where weakness exists. The BioBrace® Implant is also intended for reinforcement of soft tissues that are repaired by suture or suture anchors, during tendon repair surgery including reinforcement of rotator cuff, patellar, Achilles, biceps, or

quadriceps tendons. The BioBrace® Implant is not intended to replace normal body structures or provide the full mechanical strength to support the rotator cuff, patellar, Achilles, biceps, or quadriceps tendons. Sutures used to repair the tear, and sutures or bone anchors used to attach the tissue to bone, provide mechanical strength for the tendon repair.

VI. COMPARISON OF THE TECHNOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS WITH THE PREDICATE DEVICE

	Proposed Device	Predicate Device
Manufacturer Device Name 510k Number	CONMED Corporation BioBrace® Reinforced Implant K241906	Biorez, Inc The BioBrace™ Implant K203267
Intended Use/ Indications for Use	The BioBrace Implant is intended for use in general surgical procedures for reinforcement of soft tissue where weakness exists. The BioBrace Implant is also intended for reinforcement of soft tissues that are repaired by suture or suture anchors, during tendon repair surgery including reinforcement of rotator cuff, patellar, Achilles, biceps, or quadriceps tendons. The BioBrace Implant is not intended to replace normal body structures or provide the full mechanical strength to support the rotator cuff, patellar, Achilles, biceps, or quadriceps tendons. Sutures used to repair the tear, and sutures or bone anchors used to attach the tissue to bone, provide mechanical strength for the tendon repair.	The BioBrace Implant is intended for use in general surgical procedures for reinforcement of soft tissue where weakness exists. The BioBrace Implant is also intended for reinforcement of soft tissues that are repaired by suture or suture anchors, during tendon repair surgery including reinforcement of rotator cuff, patellar, Achilles, biceps, or quadriceps tendons. The BioBrace Implant is not intended to replace normal body structures or provide the full mechanical strength to support the rotator cuff, patellar, Achilles, biceps, or quadriceps tendons. Sutures used to repair the tear, and sutures or bone anchors used to attach the tissue to bone, provide mechanical strength for the tendon repair.
Contraindications	The BioBrace alone is not indicated for ligament repair or reconstruction. The BioBrace is not indicated for use in patients with known history of hypersensitivity to bovine-derived materials.	The BioBrace alone is not indicated for ligament repair or reconstruction. The BioBrace is not indicated for use in patients with known history of hypersensitivity to bovine-derived materials.
How Supplied	Sterile	
Single Use /Reusable	Single-Use Only	
Sterilization	Ethylene Oxide Sterilization achieving a SAL (10 ⁻⁶)	
Shelf-Life	6-months	2-years based on real-time data
Biocompatibility	In accordance with ISO 10993-1	

Packaging	Temperature label, retention box kit, pouch, envelope shelf box, packaging insert card, eIFU insert, patient implant card.	Temperature label, retention box kit, pouch, envelope shelf box, packaging insert card.
Base Material	75 denier multi filament PLLA yarn, collagen, PEG 400	
Physical form / Porosity	Porous mesh / scaffold - 80%	
PLLA Properties	Peak Melting Temperature, PLLA ©: 178 – 184°C Inherent Viscosity, PLLA (dL/g):1.20 – 1.70 dL/g	
Sizes	23X25mm 35X25mm 40X60mm	23X30mm; 5X250mm
Bioresorbable	Yes	

VII. **PERFORMANCE DATA**

Testing and analysis has been completed to demonstrate that BioBrace® Reinforced Implant performs as intended and is substantially equivalent to the predicate device.

- Transportation Qualification
- Sterilization
- User Validation
- Packaging and Labeling User Validation
- Mechanical Performance

VIII. **CONCLUSION**

The proposed and the predicate devices are substantially equivalent in design and technological characteristics. Difference in dimension, labeling, and the addition of a sterilization site do not present any new issues of safety and efficacy based on validation testing and transportation evaluations. The BioBrace Reinforced Implant is substantially equivalent to the predicate device, The BioBrace™ Implant (K203267).