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Re: K243525

Trade/Device Name: SonoTAP and SonoTAP II
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 868.5150
Regulation Name: Anesthesia Conduction Needle
Regulatory Class: Class II
Product Code: BSP
Dated: February 25, 2025
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Dear Chiara Meyer:

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.

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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->

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Enclosure

Indications for Use

Submission Number (if known)

K243525

Device Name

SonoTAP and SonoTAP II

Indications for Use (Describe)

The SonoTAP and SonoTAP II anaesthesia conduction needles enhanced for ultrasound visibility are intended for the transient delivery of anesthetics to provide regional anesthesia and analgesia.

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 Name and Classification

Device Name:	SonoTAP und SonoTAP II
Premarket Notification Number:	K253525
Classification Name:	Anesthesia Conduction Needle
Classification Reference:	21 CFR § 868.5150
Product Code:	BSP
Establishment Registration Number:	9611612
Regulatory Class:	II
Panel:	Anesthesiology

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Sterilization Method:	Ethylene Oxide disposable device, supplied sterile to the end user and non-sterile intended to be sterilized prior to use to re-packagers/ medical device manufacturers
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Changes to Device: Predicate Device

Device Name:	SonoTAP, Tuohy SONO
Premarket Notification Number:	K113207
Classification Name:	Anesthesia Conduction Needle
Classification Reference:	21 CFR § 868.5150
Product Code:	BSP
Establishment Registration Number:	9611612
Regulatory Class:	II
Panel:	Anesthesiology
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Changes to Device: Reference Device

Device Name:	SonoBlock, SonoBlock II
Premarket Notification Number:	K241954
Classification Name:	Anesthesia Conduction Needle
Classification Reference:	21 CFR § 868.5150
Product Code:	BSP
Establishment Registration Number:	9611612
Regulatory Class:	II
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1 Narrative Device Description

The subject device, the SonoTAP and SonoTAP II needles are single-use anaesthesia conducting needles intended for the transient delivery of anesthetics to provide regional anesthesia and analgesia.

The SonoTAP and SonoTAP II needles are intended for use under ultrasound guidance. Visibility under ultrasound is enhanced by CornerStone reflectors as cleared by FDA in several Premarket Notification Submissions.

The SonoTAP and SonoTAP II needles is equipped with an injection tube. The distal connection of the tube is either equipped with a LUER Connector according to ISO 80369-7 or a NRFit-Connector according to ISO 80369-6.



Figure 1 SonoTAP



Figure 2 SonoTAP II

The device in focus is a single use device and has an intended time of use up to 24 hours acc. EO-residuals acc. DIN EN ISO 10993-7. The standard time of use is less than 60 minutes.

The SonoTAP and SonoTAP II cannulas are not for intrathecal use.

The SonoTAP and SonoTAP II cannulas are produced at PAJUNK® GmbH Medizintechnologie in Geisingen, Germany.

2 Determination of Substantial Equivalence

Intended Use Predicate Device (510(K) Predicate)

The cannulas/ needles for anesthesia and analgesia enhanced for ultrasound visibility – Tuohy Sono, Sono TAP, Quincke Sono, Chiba Sono, SPROTTE® Sono and Crawford Sono – are intended for the transient delivery of anesthetics to provide regional anesthesia and analgesia or to facilitate placement of a catheter.

Intended Use Subject Device

The SonoTAP and SonoTAP II anaesthesia conduction needles enhanced for ultrasound visibility are intended for the transient delivery of anesthetics to provide regional anesthesia and analgesia.

Discussion

The Intended Use of the Predicate device and of the subject device is substantially equivalent. The Subject device as well as the predicate device offers localization via ultrasound as it is state of the art and well established. The Predicate Device additionally offers the facilitation of the placement of a catheter (just Tuohy Sono).

Conclusion: substantially equivalent

3 Technical Description

Substantial Equivalence: Tabulatory Outline

Characteristics	Subject Device SonoTAP Manufacturer: PAJUNK® GmbH Medizintechnologie, Geisingen	Subject Device SonoTAP II Manufacturer: PAJUNK® GmbH Medizintechnologie, Geisingen	Predicate Device K113207 SonoTAP Manufacturer: PAJUNK® GmbH Medizintechnologie, Geisingen
Picture			
Needle Tubing	Stainless Steel 1.4301	Stainless Steel 1.4301	Stainless Steel 1.4301
Tip	Facet; Tuohy	Facet	Facet; Tuohy

Characteristics	Subject Device SonoTAP Manufacturer: PAJUNK® GmbH Medizintechnologie, Geisingen	Subject Device SonoTAP II Manufacturer: PAJUNK® GmbH Medizintechnologie, Geisingen	Predicate Device K113207 SonoTAP Manufacturer: PAJUNK® GmbH Medizintechnologie, Geisingen
Hub	Copolyester (Tritan MX731) (Indirect Patient Contact)	Lustran/Guardian ABS 348 white 012002 (No Patient Contact)	Copolyester (Tritan MX731) (Indirect Patient Contact)
Coating	Silicone (Dow Corning 360 Medical Fluid 12500 cSt), Silicone thinner (Dow Corning Q7-9180 Silicone Fluid 1.0 cSt)	Silicone (Dow Corning 360 Medical Fluid 12500 cSt), Silicone thinner (Dow Corning Q7-9180 Silicone Fluid 1.0 cSt)	Silicone (Dow Corning 360 Medical Fluid 12500 cSt), Silicone thinner (Dow Corning Q7-9180 Silicone Fluid 1.0 cSt)
US- enhancement	Cornerstones	Cornerstones	Cornerstones
Graduation	Tampapur TPU	Tampapur TPU	Tampapur TPU
Bonding Technology Needle-to- Hub	glued	Directly molded	glued
Glue	(Epoxy adhesive - Araldite 2011), alternatively: UV adhesive (Loctite AA 3921)	n.a.	(Epoxy adhesive - Araldite 2011), alternatively: UV adhesive (Loctite AA 3921)
Injection tube	PVC (MED7536), PC (HP4)	PVC (MED7536); PVC (RB1); PC (HP4)	PVC (MED7536); PVC (RB1); PC (HP4)
Diameter	18G-24G	21G-24G	21G-24G
Length	40mm-150mm	40mm-150mm	40mm-150mm
Connectivity	ISO 80369-7 (LUER)	ISO 80369-6 (NRfit) ISO 80369-7 (LUER)	ISO 80369-7 (LUER)
Packaging	Tyvek, Foil, chromo-duplex board Alternatively: Paper, Foil	Tyvek, Foil, chromo-duplex board Alternatively: Paper, Foil	Tyvek, Foil, chromo-duplex board
Biocompatibility	Complies with ISO10993-series as required by « Use of International Standard ISO 10993-1, "Biological evaluation of medical devices - Part 1: Evaluation and testing within a risk management process" », Docket Number : FDA-2013-D-0350		
Sterilization Method	Ethyleneoxide	Ethyleneoxide	Ethyleneoxide
Sterility Assurance Level	SAL=10 ⁻⁶	SAL=10 ⁻⁶	SAL=10 ⁻⁶

Characteristics	Subject Device SonoTAP Manufacturer: PAJUNK® GmbH Medizintechnologie, Geisingen	Subject Device SonoTAP II Manufacturer: PAJUNK® GmbH Medizintechnologie, Geisingen	Predicate Device K113207 SonoTAP Manufacturer: PAJUNK® GmbH Medizintechnologie, Geisingen
Sterilization Service Provider	Sterigenics, Wiesbaden HA2 Medizintechnik, Halberstadt	Sterigenics, Wiesbaden HA2 Medizintechnik, Halberstadt	Sterigenics, Wiesbaden
Shelf Life	60 month from sterilization	60 month from sterilization	60 month from sterilization

4 Substantial Equivalence Discussion

The Predicate devices, as well as the subject devices are equipped with ultrasound enhancing cornerstones. Ultrasound position guidance is state of the art. The technique is safe and effective.

The subject device can be either directly injection moulded or glued. Both manufacturing technologies are safe and the processes are running stable. Both technologies are standard technologies.

The predicate devices, the SonoTAP needles, are packed with Tyvek and foil and sterilized with Ethyleneoxide at Sterigenics, Germany.

The subject devices, the SonoTAP and SonoTAP II needles, are packed with Tyvek and foil as well as optionally with Medical Paper and foil.

Furthermore, the subject devices are sterilized at Sterigenics in Wiesbaden as well as optionally at HA2 Medizintechnik in Halberstadt.

The main differences which are subject to this premarket submission are

- a) the addition of a sterilization facility and
- b) the addition of an alternative packaging material.

In order to verify substantial equivalence of the sterilization process a sterilization validation according ISO 11135 has been performed and successfully accomplished. The sterility assurance level of 10^{-6} has been successfully validated at both facilities: Sterigenics and HA2.

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In order to verify substantial equivalence of the packaging exhaustive packaging and shelf life tests have been performed. Both, medical paper and Tyvek have been validated and verified to allow sterilization using EtO and to maintain sterility after a shelf life of 60 month after sterilization.

5 Performance Testing

The needles subject to this premarket submission are subject to performance testing prior to release as well as after shelf life scenario of 5 years.

There is no impact of the change subject to this submission (additional optional sterilization provider, additional optional packaging) on the performance of the needle as defined in the user requirements specification.

Especially the hub to needle bonding requirements remain unaffected. The processes are still valid and reliable.

The test listed below are standard tests performed on a regular basis as well as type tests performed after design transfer.

Tests are performed to comply with the international standards listed below in the respectively most current version:

ISO 9626 Stainless steel needle tubing for manufacture of medical devices

ISO 7864 Sterile hypodermic needles for single use - Requirements and test methods

ISO 80369-6 Small bore connectors for liquids and gases in healthcare applications - Part 6: Connectors for neuraxial applications

ISO 80369-7 Small-bore connectors for liquids and gases in healthcare applications - Part 7: Connectors for intravascular or hypodermic applications

ISO 80369-20 Small-bore connectors for liquids and gases in healthcare applications - Part 20: Common test methods

ISO 9626 defines the quality and properties of the stainless steel tubing. The tubing remains unaltered and therefore ongoing compliance with this standard remains unaffected by the change. There is no additional/ new risk of breakage or bending.

ISO 80369-series defines the type of connector which also is not affected by the change. The technical equivalency of LUER and NRFit has been verified and cleared in several submissions before and therefore is in compliance. The test reports related to this standard series also do not directly contribute to demonstration of substantial equivalence in this submission. There is no additional risk in this regard.

ISO 7864 defines properties of the needle.

Those properties are not directly linked to the material. Section 4.12 of this standard is directly linked to the stability of the connection of the needle and the hub and the risk of detachment of the needle from the hub. The

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acceptance criteria have to be met non regarding the material of the hub and the needle or the type of connection technology. So the test reports for hub-to-needle bondage are required to demonstrate substantial equivalence. The test reports attached to this e-mail subjecting worst case needles demonstrate compliance with the standard (69N required, an average of 104,9N and 196,01N met in result) as well as process stability when manufacturing the needles either with PC Tritan or ABS, either glued or directly moulded.

5.1 ISO 7864

The following sections have been tested:

section	Pass / Fail
4.3 Cleanliness	Passed
4.4 Limits for acidity or alkalinity	Passed
4.5 Limits for extractable metals	Passed
4.10 Needle Tube	Passed
4.11 Needle point	Passed
4.12 Bond between hub and needle tube	Passed
4.13 Patency of lumen	Passed

5.2 ISO 9626

The following sections have been tested:

section	Pass / Fail
5.2 Surface finish and visual appearance	Passed
5.3 Cleanliness	Passed
5.4 Limits for acidity and alkalinity	Passed
5.5 Size designation	Passed
5.6 Dimensions	Passed
5.7 Sample size	Passed
5.8 Stiffness	Passed
5.9 Resistance to breakage	Passed
5.10 Resistance to corrosion	Passed

5.3 ISO 80369

The following sections of the 80369-6 have been tested:

section	
6.1	Fluid Leakage
6.2	Air Leakage
6.3	Stress Cracking
6.4	Separation Axial Load
6.5	Unscrewing
6.6	Overriding

The following sections of the 80369-7 have been tested:

section	
7.1	Fluid Leakage
7.2	Air Leakage
7.3	Stress Cracking
7.4	Separation Axial Load
7.5	Unscrewing
7.6	Overriding

6 Conclusion

The comparison between the predicate device and the subject device of this submission focussed on the validated sterilization process and the shelf life testing demonstrates that the subject device can be optionally in addition packed using medical paper and can be optionally sterilized at the alternative sterilization service provider at an SAL of 10^{-6} .

Based on current in-process testing regularly conducted, safe performance of the SonoTAP and SonoTAP II needle is demonstrated.

The results demonstrate that the subject device is substantially equivalent and as safe, as effective, and performs as well as the predicate device.