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Re: K251419

Trade/Device Name: Laboratorios Biogalenic Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP  
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 868.5450  
Regulation Name: Respiratory Gas Humidifier  
Regulatory Class: Class II  
Product Code: BTT  
Dated: December 12, 2025  
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Dear Jennifer Prussman:

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.

All medical devices, including Class I and unclassified devices and combination product device constituent parts are required to be in compliance with the final Unique Device Identification System rule ("UDI Rule"). The UDI Rule requires, among other things, that a device bear a unique device identifier (UDI) on its label and package (21 CFR 801.20(a)) unless an exception or alternative applies (21 CFR 801.20(b)) and that the dates on the device label be formatted in accordance with 21 CFR 801.18. The UDI Rule (21 CFR 830.300(a) and 830.320(b)) also requires that certain information be submitted to the Global Unique Device Identification Database (GUDID) (21 CFR Part 830 Subpart E). For additional information on these requirements, please see the UDI System webpage at <https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/device-advice-comprehensive-regulatory-assistance/unique-device-identification-system-udi-system>.

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](mailto:DICE@fda.hhs.gov)) or phone (1-800-638-2041 or 301-796-7100).

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

## Indications for Use

Please type in the marketing application/submission number, if it is known. This textbox will be left blank for original applications/submissions.

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Please provide the device trade name(s).

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Laboratorios Biogalenic Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP

Please provide your Indications for Use below.

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Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP is intended to provide a supply of sterile water to unfilled respiratory humidifier chambers. It is intended to be used in institutional and non-institutional care settings. The intended patient population is Adults, Pediatrics, Infants and Neonates.

Please select the types of uses (select one or both, as applicable).

- Prescription Use (Part 21 CFR 801 Subpart D)  
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**510 (k) SUMMARY****STERILE WATER FOR INHALATION, USP****APPLICANT**

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**DEVICE IDENTIFICATION**

Common Name of the device	Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP
Device Trade Name	Laboratorios Biogalenic Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP
Device Classification Name	Respiratory gas humidifier
Device Regulation Number	21 CFR 868.5450
Device Classification	Class II
Product code	BTT
Classification Panel	Anesthesiology

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**STERILE WATER FOR INHALATION, USP**

**PREDICATE DEVICE**

Laboratorios Biogalenic S.A. de C.V. identified the following legally marketed device as substantially equivalent:

<b>Predicate Device</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>510(k) Number</b>
Sterile Water for Inhalation Flex Bag USP	Cardinal Health	K090915

**DEVICE DESCRIPTION**

Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP is a sterile, single-dose medical device provided in flexible polyolefin bags, designed for safe and easy handling. The flexible polyolefin bags are prefilled with sterile water and feature a single polypropylene twist-off port used to transfer the sterile water to humidifier chambers using tubular feed sets. The humidifier chamber is then filled with sterile water from the bags via gravity. The device has a hanger to suspend the product during use.

Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP is not for parenteral administration or irrigation. The product is For Inhalation Therapy Only. It is supplied sterile and intended for single use only. Discard any unused portion.

**INDICATIONS FOR USE**

The Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP is intended to provide a supply of sterile water to unfilled respiratory humidifier chambers. It is intended to be used in institutional and non-institutional care settings. The intended patient population is adults, pediatrics, infants and neonates.

**NON-CLINICAL PERFORMANCE TESTING**

**PHYSICOCHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL TESTING:**

The tests listed below for Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP were performed using USP methods and internally validated procedures. The following tests were conducted on the subject device.

- Total Organic Carbon (TOC)
- Water Conductivity
- Process Bioburden
- Volume in Container
- Sterility
- Bacterial Endotoxin
- Appearance
- Particulate Matter

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Based on these tests, Laboratorios Biogalenic S.A. de C.V. has demonstrated that the device functions as intended, supporting substantial equivalence.

**PACKAGING TESTS:**

Specific tests conducted on the device demonstrate that it performs as intended and supports substantial equivalence. The results from the tests indicate compliance with the criteria for each test and provide valuable data on the expected performance of the packaging, ensuring it functions as required. The observed results are:

- **Resistance to Leakage (ASTM D3078-02):** No leaking or deformation of bags.
- **Hermeticity (ASTM F1929-23):** Compliance with hermeticity requirements.
- **Resistance to Pressure (ASTM F1140/F1140M):** The device withstands the required pressure limits.
- **Resistance to Rupture (ASTM D642):** The device resists rupture under specified conditions.
- **Tensile Force (ISO 15747:2018):** The device hanger remains intact under specified conditions.
- **Resistance to Damage from Dropping Tests and Compression Tests (ISO 15747:2018):** The device remains intact and functional after dropping and compression tests.

These results validate the device packaging integrity and durability, confirming its suitability for the intended use.

**BIOCOMPATIBILITY**

Biocompatibility testing performed in accordance with ISO 10993-1:2018: Biological evaluation of medical devices Part 1: Evaluation and testing within a risk management process. The following tests were performed to demonstrate substantial equivalence:

- **In Vitro Cytotoxicity** (L929 Cell Line) conducted per ISO 10993-5:2009, Third Edition: Biological Evaluation of Medical Devices: Tests for *in vitro* cytotoxicity
- **Sensitization** (Guinea Pig Maximization Test) conducted per ISO 10993-10:2021 Fourth Edition: Biological Evaluation of Medical Devices: Tests for Skin Sensitization
- **Intracutaneous Reactivity** conducted per ISO 10993-12:2021, First Edition: Biological Evaluation of Medical Devices: Tests for Irritation

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- **Material Mediated Pyrogenicity** conducted per ISO 10993-11:2017 Third Edition: Biological Evaluation of Medical Devices: Tests for Systemic Toxicity
- **Extractable/leachable testing** per ISO 10993-18:2020/Amd1:2022: Biological Evaluation of Medical Devices: Chemical Characterization of Medical Devices within a Risk Management Process
- **Toxicological risk assessment** conducted per ISO 10993-17:2023 Biological Evaluation of Medical Devices: Establishment of Allowable Limits for Leachable Substances on the Detected Chemicals within the Extract

**STERILIZATION VALIDATION**

The sterilization process was performed in accordance with PDA Technical Report No. 1 (Revised 2007), FDA Guidance for Industry for the Submission Documentation for Sterilization Process Validation in Applications for Human and Veterinary Drug Products, ISO 17665 Sterilization of Health care Products-Moist Heat, which outlines the validation of moist heat sterilization processes, including cycle design, development, qualification, and ongoing control. This process was qualified and is considered robust for controlling hold times during sterilization. The Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP, was validated for sterilization using steam- air to achieve a Sterility Assurance Level (SAL) of  $10^{-6}$ . *Geobacillus stearothermophilus*, known for its resistance to moist heat, was used as a biological indicator, and no growth was observed after being subjected to the sterilization cycle and incubated for 48 hours at  $55^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$ , indicating that the sterilization conditions were achieved. This process ensures that the Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP is sterile at the point of use. The product was sterilized at  $121^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $122^{\circ}\text{C}$  for a period of 97 minutes.

**SUBSTANTIAL EQUIVALENCE**

The comparison between the subject device and the predicate device shows that both devices have the same indications for use, specifically, providing a supply of sterile water for inhalation to humidifier chambers. Both devices share the same BTT classification and are manufactured using the same sterile water as the primary material, packaged in flexible single-use bags. They are similar in design and technological characteristics. Various physicochemical, performance, and biological testing have demonstrated that differences in primary packaging do not pose any significant issues. The subject device functions as intended.

The following Substantial Equivalence Comparison Table summarizes the key features of the subject device compared to the predicate device.



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**STERILE WATER FOR INHALATION, USP**

Section	Proposed Device (Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP)	Predicate Device (Sterile Water for Inhalation Flex Bag USP)	Result
510(k) Number	TBD	K090915	-
Manufacturer	Laboratorios Biogalenic S.A. de C.V.	Cardinal Health	-
Device Trade Name	Laboratorios Biogalenic Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP	Sterile Water for Inhalation Flex Bag USP	-
Generic/ Common Name	Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP	Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP	-
Regulation Number	21 CFR 868.5450	21 CFR 868.5450	Substantially equivalent
Device Classification Name	Humidifier, Respiratory Gas	Humidifier, Respiratory Gas	Substantially equivalent
Classification Panel	Anesthesiology	Anesthesiology	Substantially equivalent
Device Class	Class II	Class II	Substantially equivalent
Product Code	BTT	BTT	Substantially equivalent



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<b>Section</b>	<b>Proposed Device</b> (Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP)	<b>Predicate Device</b> (Sterile Water for Inhalation Flex Bag USP)	<b>Result</b>
Indications for Use	Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP is intended to provide a supply of sterile water to unfilled respiratory humidifier chambers. It is intended to be used in institutional and non-institutional care settings.	Sterile Water for Inhalation Flex Bag USP is intended to provide a supply of sterile water to unfilled respiratory humidifier chambers. It is intended to be used in institutional and non- institutional care settings.	The proposed device and the predicate device have the same indications for use.
Intended Patient Population	Adults, Pediatrics, Infants and Neonates	unknown	-
Prescription/Over the Counter Use	Prescription Use	Prescription Use	Substantially equivalent
Single-Use	Yes	Yes	Substantially equivalent
Design	The device is a flexible polyolefin bag prefilled with sterile water. It features a single polypropylene twist-off port used to transfer the sterile water to humidifier chambers using tubular feed sets. The humidifier chamber is then filled with sterile water from the sterile water bags via gravity. The device has a hanger to suspend the product during use.	The device is a flexible plastic bag with a single port at the base and is pre-filled with sterile water. Tubular feed sets connect the sterile water bags to unfilled humidifier chambers. The humidifier chamber is then filled with sterile water from the sterile water bags via gravity. The device has a hanger to suspend the product during use.	Similar (SE#1)



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Sizes	1000mL 2000mL	1000mL 2000mL	Substantially equivalent
Spike Access	Twist-Off Port	Twist-Off Port	Substantially equivalent
Hanger	Standard Integrated Hanger	Standard Integrated Hanger	Substantially equivalent
Primary Packaging Material	Polyolefin	Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC)	Similar
Container Clarity	Clear	Clear	Substantially equivalent
Mechanism of Action	Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP, is used to humidify air in respiratory therapy. It is transferred to a humidifier chamber where it is heated to produce water vapor. This vapor mixes with medical gases or air, ensuring the delivered air is moist. This prevents drying of the patient's airways, maintains mucous membrane moisture, enhances patient comfort and reduces the risk of respiratory complications.	Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP, is used to humidify air in respiratory therapy. It is transferred to a humidifier chamber where it is heated to produce water vapor. This vapor mixes with medical gases or air, ensuring the delivered air is moist. This prevents drying of the patient's airways, maintains mucous membrane moisture, enhances patient comfort and reduces the risk of respiratory complications.	Substantially equivalent
Biocompatibility	Meets the requirements of ISO 10993	Unknown	-



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Chemical Composition	Sterile Water, USP	Sterile Water	Substantially equivalent
Sterilization Method	Steam Air	Moist Heat	Substantially equivalent
Compounding	Water for the compounding is produced from drinking water that is purified in its final stage by distillation or other equivalent or superior technology that demonstrates the elimination of chemicals, microorganisms and endotoxins and does not contain any added substances. Sterile water is filled in compounding tanks at 70°C and then filled into bags.	Water for the compounding is produced from drinking water that is purified in its final stage by distillation or other equivalent or superior technology that demonstrates the elimination of chemicals, microorganisms and endotoxins and does not contain any added substances. Sterile water is filled in compounding tanks at 70°C and then filled into bags.	Substantially equivalent



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**CONCLUSION**

The Laboratorios Biogalenic S.A. de C.V. Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP, has the same technological characteristics and provides the same mechanism of action as the predicate. According to the above analysis, there is no major difference between the proposed device and the predicate device that would impact effectiveness and safety. The proposed Laboratorios Biogalenic S.A. de C.V. Sterile Water for Inhalation, USP, is considered to be substantially equivalent to the predicate.