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510 (K) SUMMARY

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Date summary prepared:	March 11, 2004
Device trade name:	Step-Tip chronic hemodialysis catheter
Device common name:	Chronic hemodialysis catheter
Device classification name:	MSD, Class III, 21 CFR Part 876.5540, Catheter, Hemodialysis, Implanted
Legally marketed devices to which the device is substantially equivalent:	Arrow Cannon Catheter™ II Plus (K040078).
Description of the device:	The Step-Tip Catheter consists of a double lumen catheter with a detached connector assembly. This allows the arterial port at the catheter tip to be precisely positioned within the right atrium and the venous port to be positioned within the superior vena cava. After the catheter has been positioned, the proximal end of the catheter is tunneled retrograde to the exit site. The connector assembly is then fastened to the proximal end of the catheter using a compression sleeve and compression cap.
Intended use of the device:	The Arrow® Step-Tip Catheter is indicated for use in attaining long-term vascular access for hemodialysis and apheresis. It is inserted percutaneously in internal jugular or subclavian vein. It is intended to be used only in adult patients.
Technological characteristics:	The proposed device has the same technological characteristics as the predicate device.
Performance tests:	Tests were performed to demonstrate substantial equivalence in the following areas: - Flow rate tests - Recirculation tests - Hemolysis tests
Conclusions:	The results of the laboratory and in-vivo tests demonstrate that the device is as safe and effective as the legally marketed predicate devices.



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Mr. Brandon Epting
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Re: K040666

Trade/Device Name: Step-Tip chronic hemodialysis catheter; Models CS-15242-ST,
CS-15282-ST, CS-15322-ST, and CS-15362-ST

Regulation Number: 21 CFR §876.5540

Regulation Name: Blood access device and accessories

Regulatory Class: III

Product Code: 78 MSD

Dated: March 11, 2004

Received: March 15, 2004

Dear Mr. Epting:

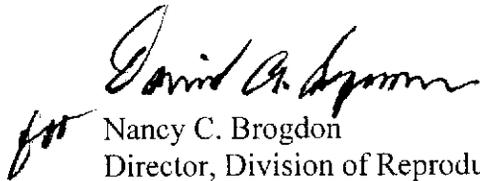
We have reviewed your Section 510(k) premarket notification of intent to market the device referenced above and have determined the device is substantially equivalent (for the indications for use stated in the enclosure) to legally marketed predicate devices marketed in interstate commerce prior to May 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). You may, therefore, market the device, subject to the general controls provisions of the Act. However, you are responsible to determine that the medical devices you use as components in the kit have either been determined as substantially equivalent under the premarket notification process (Section 510(k) of the act), or were legally on the market prior to May 28, 1976, the enactment date of the Medical Device Amendments. *Please note:* If you purchase your device components in bulk (i.e., unfinished) and further process (e.g., sterilize) you must submit a new 510(k) before including these components in your kit. The general controls provisions of the Act include requirements for annual registration, listing of devices, good manufacturing practice, and 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 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 (21 CFR Part 807); 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.

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 the labeling regulation, please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4616. Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification"(21 CFR Part 807.97). You may obtain other general information on your responsibilities under the Act 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nancy C. Brogdon". To the left of the signature is a small, stylized handwritten mark that looks like "for".

Nancy C. Brogdon
Director, Division of Reproductive,
Abdominal, and Radiological Devices
Office of Device Evaluation
Center for Devices and
Radiological Health

Enclosure

INDICATIONS FOR USE STATEMENT

510(k) Number (if known):

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Device Name:

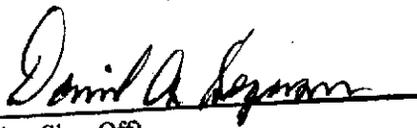
Step-Tip chronic hemodialysis catheter

Indications for Use:

The Arrow® Step-Tip Catheter is indicated for use in attaining long-term vascular access for hemodialysis and apheresis. The Step-Tip Catheter is inserted percutaneously and is preferentially placed into the internal jugular (IJ) vein. It may be placed into the subclavian vein also. The Step-Tip Catheter is intended to be used only in adult patients.

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Concurrence of CDRH, Office of Device Evaluation (ODE)



(Division Sign-Off)
Division of Reproductive, Abdominal,
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Prescription Use
(Per 21 CFR 801.109)