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3.0 **510(k) Summary**

Sponsor:

Synthes (USA)
1302 Wrights Lane East
West Chester, PA 19380
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Device Name: Synthes Spherical Washers

Classification: 21 CFR 888.3030: Washer, bolt, nut, non-spinal, metallic (NDG)
21CFR 888.3040: Screw, Fixation, bone, non-spinal (HWC)

Predicate Devices: Synthes 13.0 mm Washer

Device Description: The Spherical Washers are round or oval in design with a slotted center hole which allows for screw angulation up to 70 degrees. They are used with 4.5 – 7.3 mm diameter screws and manufactured from Stainless Steel and Titanium.

Intended Use: The Synthes Spherical Washers are intended to prevent a screw head from breaking through the cortex of the bone by distributing the forces/ load over a large area when used for fracture fixation of large (long) bone and bone fragments.

In addition, the Spherical Washers are intended to prevent the projection of the screw head, when the screw must be inserted at an acute angle (e.g., in ankle arthrodesis).

Substantial Equivalence: Information presented supports substantial equivalence.

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Re: K052483
Trade/Device Name: Synthes (USA) Spherical Washers
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 888.3030
Regulation Name: Single/multiple component metallic bone fixation appliances and accessories
Regulatory Class: II
Product Code: NDG, HWC
Dated: October 19, 2005
Received: October 24, 2005

Dear Ms. Boyle:

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. 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.

If your device is classified (see above) into either class II (Special Controls) or class III (PMA), it may be subject to such 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 and 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 our labeling regulation (21 CFR Part 801), please contact the Office of Compliance at (240) 276-0120. Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification" (21CFR 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/industry/support/index.html.

Sincerely yours,

for Mark N. Melkerson
Acting Director
Division of General, Restorative
and Neurological Devices
Office of Device Evaluation
Center for Devices and
Radiological Health

Enclosure

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2.0 **Indications for Use**

510(k) Number (if known): K052483

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Prescription Use X AND/OR Over-The-Counter Use
(Per 21 CFR 801.109) (21 CFR 807 Subpart C)

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Concurrence of CDRH, Office of Device Evaluation (ODE)

(Division Sign-Off)
Division of General, Restorative, and Neurological Devices

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