

Regulatory Submission Strategies and Outlines For Ultrasonic Surgical Devices: Contact and HIFU Systems

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Regulation Governing Medical Devices

- Europe: Council Directive 93/42/EEC
Medical Devices Directive
- United States: Food and Drug Act

Requirements to Legally Market Device in EU

- Europe: Must meet all of the Essential Requirements of the MDD, including
 - Evaluation of Clinical Data – Annex X and MEDEV 2.7.1
 - Notified Body Sign Off for Class III devices
 - Self certification possible for Class II devices if product category is listed on EN 13458 certification to Annex I

Requirements to Legally Market Devices in United States

- **Section 510, paragraph k of Food and Drug Act**

“(k) Each person who is required to register under this section and who proposes to begin the introduction or delivery for introduction into interstate commerce for commercial distribution of a device intended for human use shall, at least **ninety days** before making such introduction or delivery, report to the Secretary or person who is accredited under section 523(a) (in such form and manner as the Secretary shall by regulation prescribe)—

- (1) the class in which the device is classified under section 513 or if such person determines that the device is not classified under such section, a statement of that determination and the basis for such person’s determination that the device is or is not so classified, and
- (2) action taken by such person to comply with requirements under section 514 or 515 which are applicable to the device.”

Regulations Defining Report Required under Section 510(k)

- 21 CFR* 807 Subpart E

* Code of Federal Regulations

Where are Classifications for Specific Devices Listed

- 21 CFR Parts 862 - 892

Classes of Medical Devices

- Class I – Simplest devices:
 - Some Powered
 - Most are manual devices; i.e. brushes, trocars, forceps, rongers
- Class II – Most powered medical products such as RF devices, Cryogenic devices and Ultrasonic Surgical Aspirators
- Class III – Devices requiring Pre Market Approval under IDE/PMA guidelines unless the FDA has listed a 510k process for device

FDA Speak

- Devices which the FDA examines through the 510k process are deemed to be **“CLEARED”** TO MARKET
- Devices which require an IDE/PMA route are **“APPROVED”** to Market
- DO NOT CONFUSE THE TWO!!

Basic Goals of a 510k Submission

- Prove that the device in question is substantially equivalent to a device which was on the market before the enactment of the Food and Drug Act of 1976

Or

- Prove that the device is substantially equivalent to a device which already has a 510k Clearance letter (Predicate Device)

Types of Ultrasound Based Medical Devices

- Diagnostic Image Scanners
- Doppler Flow Meters
- Nebulizers
- Ultrasonic Diathermy Machines
- Wound or Osteo Treatment Systems
- Ultrasonic Surgical Aspirators
- HIFU Surgical Systems
- All Require PreMarket Approval by the FDA

Ultrasonic Surgical Systems and Classifications

- Contact Type Systems
 - CUSA Ultrasonic NeuroAspirator
 - LySonix or Vaser Ultrasonic Liposuction Systems
 - AutoSonix or Harmonic Scalpel Laproscopic Systems
 - Exogen Bone Healing System
- All of these systems are Class II
 - 510k Route can be used

Typical Class II Ultrasonic Medical Devices



General Purpose
Ultrasonic
Surgical Device
Stand Alone
System with
Analog Control

- Neuroaspirator
 - Integrated System with Software Control

Outline of 510k Submission for a Typical Contact Ultrasonic Surgical Device

- 510(k) Cover Letter
- Truthful and Accuracy Statement
- Indications for Use Statement
- Financial Certification or Disclosure Statement (where clinicals are required)
- Device Description and Comparison to Predicate Device(s)
- 510k Summary
- Substantial Equivalency Table
- Predicate Device Information (Catalogs, 510k Summaries, etc)
- Proposed Labeling: Manuals, Advertisements, Device Labels, Packaging, etc.
- Sterilization and Shelf/Use Life Statements and Testing
- Risk Analysis
- Biocompatibility Statements or Validations
- Software Descriptions and Validations
- Electromagnetic Compatibility and Electrical Safety Certificates of Conformity
- Description of Clinical Testing or History – Bench, Animal or Clinical

Elements of 510k Which Must Describe Ultrasound Device Specifically

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Cover Letter

- Must contain required sections
 - Type of 510k, i.e. Traditional or Special
 - Common Name of Device (i.e. Ultrasonic Surgical Aspirator)
 - 510k Submitter (Who will own 510k)
 - Classification Identifier (as per FDA) or Unclassified, i.e. LFL for Aspirators
 - Contact Person Info (could be outside consultant)
 - Class of Product, I, II or III
 - Which Panel you wish to review it (suggestion only)

Cover Letter (con't)

- Reason for Submission
 - New Device
 - Major Modification
 - New Indication for Use
 - New Control Method (Microprocessor vs. Analog)
 - Minor Change (in case of Special 510k)
- Indications for Use

Cover Letter (con't)

- Design and Testing Descriptions
 - Mini Summary of 510k
 - Things to Include
 - Non Clinical Tests Performed (EMC, Hardware Tests, etc)
 - Voluntary Standards Met (UL, EN, AAMI)
 - Sterile or Non Sterile Supply
 - Software Validations or No Software Provided
 - Submission based upon results of Clinical Testing?
 - Statement of Substantial Equivalency

Indications for Use

- Must be the same as predicate devices unless clinicals are included for additional indications

Or

- Indications are omitted from 510k which are listed in the predicate

Device Description and Comparison to Predicate Device(s)

- This is the most important section of the 510k
 - Section in which you will describe your product and its similarity and differences to a product which has already achieved Market Clearance from the FDA
 - Consists of many sub elements and paragraphs where your argument will be made

Device Description and Comparison to Predicate Device(s)

- Predicate Device must be chosen carefully
 - Closer to the new product the better
 - Indications must cover intended use of device either by surgical specialty or actual procedure
 - Examples
 - General Surgery or Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery
 - Ablation of Cardiac Tissue for Atrial Fibrillation Therapy

Device Description and Comparison to Predicate Device(s)

- Predicate devices do not necessarily have to be the same technology if results and safety with new device can be proven to be substantially equivalent
 - Example
 - Magnetostrictive and Piezoelectric devices have been considered by the FDA to be equivalent even though technology of hand piece and control circuitry are different

Examples of Predicates

- CUSA Ultrasonic Surgical Aspirator
- Ultracision Harmonic Scalpel
- Integra Medical Systems
- Sound Surgical Vaser
- FibraSonics Phacoemulsifier

Device Description and Comparison to Predicate Device(s)

- Section also includes expanded descriptions of information contained in Cover Letter and Summary

Device Description and Comparison to Predicate Device(s)

- Includes:
 - Mode of Operation
 - Description of Functional Components
 - Generator
 - Handpiece
 - Accessories
 - Conformance to Voluntary Standards
 - Summary with Statement that product is substantially equivalent to predicates and introduces no new concerns of safety and efficacy

510k Summary

- Outline of 510k which will be published
- Similar to Cover Letter in Scope
- More details required
- Examples may be found in CDRH Database on Releasable 510k's

Substantial Equivalency Table

- Comparison of New Device to Predicates in Tabular Format
 - Important Parameters for Ultrasonic Devices
 - Frequency of Output Signal
 - Waveform Type; continuous wave or pulsed output
 - Output Power; Average, Maximum
 - Output Amplitude of Probes
 - Transducer Type

Substantial Equivalency Table

– Additional Important Parameters for Ultrasonic Devices

- Irrigation Rates
- Aspiration Rates and Pressures
- Input Power Requirements
- Controls (hand, footswitch, parameters)
- Indicators and Alarms
- Sterilization Methods
- Materials of Construction

Labeling

- All written material regarding product
 - Instruction Manuals
 - Advertising (If developed)
 - Labels on Product and Packaging
- Drafts of Labeling generally acceptable

Validations

- Software Validations (if applicable)
Complete and Performed to Appropriate Standards
- Hardware Validations – Lists of tests performed
 - Life Testing
 - Hardware Performance Testing
 - Electrical Safety Testing

Voluntary Consensus Standards

- Third party performance, safety or EMC standards recognized by the FDA
 - Third Party Examples:
 - Underwriter's Laboratories
 - IEC
 - ANSI
 - Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI)
 - NEMA

Voluntary Consensus Standards

- UL 601-1 and Collateral Standards
- IEC 60601-1 and Collateral Standards
- IEC 60601-1-2:2001 EMC Standards
- AAMI ES-1

Conformance to Consensus Standards Statement

- Since most submissions are filed before final product testing, statement that product will meet applicable Voluntary Standards is sufficient.
- Specific information is required on statement. Can be found at:

www.fda.gov/cdrh/ode/reqrecstand.html

FDA Guidance Documents

- FDA documents which outline special controls on performance and test requirements for specific devices or indications. For Instance:
 - Information for Manufacturers Seeking Marketing Clearance of Diagnostic Ultrasound Systems and Transducers
 - Low Energy Ultrasound Wound Cleaner: Class II Special Controls Guidance Document - Guidance for Industry and FDA Staff

Evaluation of Clinical Data

- Clinical Data could be:
 - Non Human in vivo testing
 - Limited human testing done under IRB's
 - Compilation of published articles in peer reviewed journals, including those of competitors
- Non Clinical Data:
 - Bench testing done on cadaver or animal tissue

Evaluation of Clinical Data

- Report should be written which compiles all data and speaks directly to clinical safety and efficacy
- Provide very specific information on adverse events or side effects of treatment
- Compare reports on Predicate Devices to the results obtained with the new device

Risk Analysis

- Provide very detailed Risk Analysis
- Risk Analysis may be based on;
 - Fault Tree Analysis
 - EN/ISO 14973:2000 Risk Analysis

Special or Abbreviated 510k

- Used for cases where small changes in specifications are made
 - Changing Frequency of Operation (20kHz to 40 kHz)
 - Change in materials of construction
- **Cannot be used for:**
- Adding Indications for Use
- Changes in Control Type (Analog to Digital Frequency Control)
- Increasing power output

Biocompatibility

- All materials in direct or indirect contact with patient must be USP Class VI or better
 - Biocompatibility Statement must be sent with 510k
 - Provide test data or manufacturers statement for all materials
 - Best way is to use materials which already have been referenced in other 510k's

Conclusion

- Most contact Ultrasonic Devices may be cleared through the 510k process.
- Careful consideration of Predicates and logical, complete description of device operation, safety and efficacy are required for best chance quick, positive consideration by FDA