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Re: K223090

Trade/Device Name: GEM Premier ChemSTAT  
Regulation Number: 862.1345  
Regulation Name: Glucose Test System  
Regulatory Class: Class II  
Product Code: CGA, JGS, CEM, CGZ, JFP, CHL, KHP, GKF, JFY, CDQ, KHS  
Dated: September 29, 2022  
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Dear Gabriella Erdosy:

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. 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 located 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.

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 and Part 809); medical device reporting (reporting of medical device-related adverse events) (21 CFR 803) for devices or postmarketing safety reporting (21 CFR 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 4, Subpart A) for combination products; and, if applicable, the electronic product radiation control provisions (Sections 531-542 of the Act); 21 CFR 1000-1050.

Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification" (21 CFR Part 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

510(k) Number (if known)  
k223090

Device Name

GEM Premier ChemSTAT

Indications for Use (Describe)

The GEM Premier ChemSTAT is a portable critical care system for use by health care professionals to rapidly analyze lithium heparinized whole blood samples at the point of health care delivery in a clinical setting and in a central laboratory. The instrument provides quantitative measurements of sodium (Na<sup>+</sup>), Potassium (K<sup>+</sup>), Ionized Calcium (Ca<sup>++</sup>), Chloride (Cl<sup>-</sup>), Glucose (Glu), Lactate (Lac), Hematocrit (Hct), Creatinine (Crea), Blood Urea Nitrogen (BUN), Total Carbon Dioxide (tCO<sub>2</sub>), pH, and partial pressure of carbon dioxide (pCO<sub>2</sub>) from arterial and venous heparinized whole blood. These parameters, along with derived parameters, aid in the diagnosis of a patient's acid/base status, electrolyte and metabolite balance.

Electrolytes in the human body have multiple roles. Nearly all metabolic processes depend on or vary with electrolytes:

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- Lactate (Lac) measurement is used to evaluate the acid-base status of patients suspected of having lactic acidosis, to monitor tissue hypoxia and strenuous physical exertion, and in the diagnosis of hyperlactatemia.
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- pH and pCO<sub>2</sub> measurements in whole blood are used in the diagnosis and treatment of life-threatening acid-base disturbances.

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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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## 510(k) Summary

This 510(k) Summary of Safety and Effectiveness is being submitted in accordance with the requirements of the Safe Medical Device Act of 1990 and 21 CFR 807.92.

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<b>Preparation Date</b>	September 29, 2022
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<b>510(k) Number</b>	K223090
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<b>Device Trade Name</b>	GEM Premier ChemSTAT
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<b>Predicate Device</b>	GEM Premier ChemSTAT	K183549, K183546, K183555
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<b>Regulatory Information</b>					
<b>GEM Premier ChemSTAT</b>					
<b>Analyte</b>	<b>Regulation Section</b>	<b>Regulatory Description</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Product Code</b>	<b>Panel</b>
pH, $p\text{CO}_2$	862.1120	Blood Gases ( $p\text{CO}_2$ , $p\text{O}_2$ ) and Blood pH system	II	CHL	75
Sodium	862.1665	Sodium test system	II	JGS	
Potassium	862.1600	Potassium test system	II	CEM	
Chloride	862.1170	Chloride test system	II	CGZ	

Ionized Calcium	862.1145	Calcium test system	II	JFP
Glucose	862.1345	Glucose test system	II	CGA
Lactate	862.1450	Lactic acid test system	I	KHP

**Regulatory Information**

**GEM Premier ChemSTAT**

Analyte	Regulation Section	Regulatory Description	Class	Product Code	Panel
Hematocrit	864.5600	Automated hematocrit instrument	II	GKF	81
Creatinine	862.1225	Creatinine Test System	II	JFY	75
Blood Urea Nitrogen (BUN)	862.1770	Urea Nitrogen Test System	II	CDQ	
tCO <sub>2</sub>	862.1160	Bicarbonate/Carbon Dioxide System	II	KHS	

**Device Description**

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**Risk Management**

The Risk Management was performed in compliance with ISO 14971:2019 Medical Devices – Application of Risk Management to Medical Devices. A series of risk assessments were performed in order to identify and mitigate any potential risks associated to the design changes for the modified device.

**Verification and Validation Summary**

All verification and validation activities were performed in accordance to established plans and protocols and Design Control procedures. Testing verified all acceptance criteria were met.

**Cybersecurity Information**

Cybersecurity assessments for the GEM Premier ChemSTAT were performed as part of the Quality Management procedures for software validation and risk analysis activities. Vulnerabilities were identified, assessed and compensating controls were implemented within the software/system, to mitigate potential security threats, system vulnerabilities, viral attacks and safeguard against unauthorized access to patient data.

### Reason for Submission

This Special 510(k) is being submitted to upgrade the operating system from Fedora 17 Linux to WindRiver LTS 18 Linux for the GEM Premier ChemSTAT Instrument. The operating system is being upgraded to accommodate long-term support of resolutions for common vulnerability exposures. The software changes are limited to those required as part of Linux Wind River LTS 18 operating system (OS) and associated changes for the GEM Premier ChemSTAT application software to support the OS change, strengthen cybersecurity, and overall system improvements and reliability.

The submission meets the criteria for a Special 510(k) based on the following:

- The proposed change is submitted by the manufacturer legally authorized to market the existing device.
- Performance data is limited to Software Verification and Validation as the scope of this Special 510(k) is specific to an operating system upgrade from Fedora 17 Linux to WindRiver LTS 18 Linux.
- There is a well-established method to evaluate the change:
  - General Principles of Software Validation; Final Guidance for Industry and FDA Staff, January 11, 2002
  - Guidance for the Content of Premarket Submissions for Software Contained in Medical Devices, May 11, 2005
  - Content of Premarket Submissions for Management of Cybersecurity in Medical Devices Guidance for Industry and Food and Drug Administration Staff, October 2, 2014
  - Off-The-Shelf Software Use in Medical Devices, Guidance for Industry and Food and Drug Administration Staff, September 2019
- The data can be reviewed in a summary or risk analysis format.

In addition, the changes in this submission do not introduce:

- Changes to indications for use or intended use
- Changes to the fundamental scientific technology
- Changes to operating principle
- Changes to labeled performance claims

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<b>Comparison to Predicate</b>		
<b>Item</b>	<b>Predicate (K183549, K183546 and K183555)</b>	<b>Updated Device Subject of this Submission</b>
<i>Similarities</i>		
Trade Name	GEM Premier ChemSTAT	Same
Indications for Use	See above	Same
Intended User	Central Laboratory and Point-of-Care	Same
Blood Gas Measurement	Potentiometry: pH and $p\text{CO}_2$	Same
Electrolyte Measurement	Potentiometry: $\text{Na}^+$ , $\text{K}^+$ , $\text{Cl}^-$ , $\text{Ca}^{++}$	Same
Metabolite Measurement	Amperometry: Glucose and Lactate Potentiometry: $\text{tCO}_2$	Same
Hematocrit Measurement	Conductivity	Same
BUN	Enzymatic Potentiometry	Same
Creatinine	Enzymatic Amperometry	Same
Sample Introduction	Aspiration	Same
Sampling Modes And Sample Volumes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Normal Mode                      150 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></li> </ul>	Same
Test Principle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Potentiometry: pH, <math>p\text{CO}_2</math>, <math>\text{tCO}_2</math>, <math>\text{Na}^+</math>, <math>\text{K}^+</math>, <math>\text{Cl}^-</math>, <math>\text{Ca}^{++}</math></li> <li>• Amperometry: Glucose and Lactate</li> <li>• Conductivity: Hematocrit</li> <li>• Enzymatic Potentiometry : BUN</li> <li>• Enzymatic Amperometry: Creatinine</li> </ul>	Same
Sample Type	Lithium Heparinized whole blood (arterial and venous)	Same
Dimensions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Height: 18.5 inches</li> <li>• Width: 13.1 inches</li> <li>• Depth: 16.3 inches</li> </ul>	Same
Weight	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 42.1 pounds</li> </ul>	Same
System Operating Temperature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 12-32°C (53.6°F to 89.6°F)</li> </ul>	Same
User Interface	Menu Driven Touch Screen	Same
Sample Introduction	Aspiration	Same
<i>Differences</i>		
Operating System Software	Fedora 17 Linux	Wind River LTS 18 Linux

<b>Conclusion</b>	The GEM Premier ChemSTAT, with the change in its operating system from Fedora 17 Linux to WindRiver LTS 18 Linux is substantially equivalent to the legally marketed predicate device last FDA cleared under K183549, K183546 and K183555.
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