

October 28, 2021

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Re: K210287

Trade/Device Name: VITEK 2 AST- Streptococcus Cefotaxime ( $\leq 0.125 - \geq 8 \text{ ug/mL}$ )

Regulation Number: 21 CFR 866.1645

Regulation Name: Fully Automated Short-Term Incubation Cycle Antimicrobial Susceptibility System

Regulatory Class: Class II

Product Code: LON, LTW, LTT

Dated: January 29, 2021 Received: February 2, 2021

#### Dear Cherece Jones:

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 <a href="https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cdrh/cfdocs/cfpmn/pmn.cfm">https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/cdrh/cfdocs/cfpmn/pmn.cfm</a> 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.

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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

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801 and Part 809); medical device reporting (reporting of medical device-related adverse events) (21 CFR 803) for devices or post marketing safety reporting (21 CFR 4, Subpart B) for combination products (see <a href="https://www.fda.gov/combination-products/guidance-regulatory-information/postmarketing-safety-reporting-combination-products">https://www.fda.gov/combination-products/guidance-regulatory-information/postmarketing-safety-reporting-combination-products</a>); 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 <a href="https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/medical-device-safety/medical-device-reporting-mdr-how-report-medical-device-problems">https://www.fda.gov/medical-device-problems</a>.

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Sincerely,

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Enclosure

# DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Food and Drug Administration

#### Indications for Use

Form Approved: OMB No. 0910-0120

Expiration Date: 06/30/2023 See PRA Statement below.

E10(k) Number (if known)  K210287  Device Name  VTTEK* 2 AST- Streptococcus Cefotaxime (≤0.125 - ≥8 μg/mL)  Indications for Use (Describe)  VTTEK* 2 AST-Streptococcus Cefotaxime is designed for antimicrobial susceptibility testing of Streptococcus spp. and is intended for use with the VTTEK* 2 and VTTEK* 2 Compact Systems as a laboratory aid in the determination of in vitro susceptibility to antimicrobial agents. VTTEK* 2 AST-Streptococcus Cefotaxime is a quantitative test. Cefotaxime has been shown to be active against most strains of the microorganisms listed below, according to the FDA label for this antimicrobial.  Active in vitro and in clinical infections:  Streptococcus pneumoniae  Streptococcus pneumoniae  Streptococcus pneumoniae  Streptococcus spp. (Viridans group streptococci)*  *The VITEK* 2 Streptococcus Susceptibility Card also reports the susceptibility of the following additional organisms as listed on the FDA Susceptibility Test Interpretative Criteria website (STIC): Streptococcus spp. β-Hemolytic Group (other than S. pyogenes).  The VITEK* 2 Streptococcus Susceptibility Card is intended for use with the VITEK* 2 Systems in clinical laboratories as an in vitro test to determine the susceptibility of S. pneumoniae, beta-hemolytic Streptococcus, and Viridans Streptococcus to antimicrobial agents when used as instructed.		
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Type of Use (Select one or both, as applicable)	as an in vitro test to determine the susceptibility of S. pneumoniae, beta-hemolytic	•
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#### 510(k) SUMMARY

# VITEK® 2 AST-Streptococcus Cefotaxime (≤0.125 - ≥8 μg/mL)

#### A. 510(k) Submission Information:

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Date of Preparation: January 29, 2021

**B.** Device Name:

Formal/Trade Name: VITEK® 2 AST- Streptococcus Cefotaxime (≤0.125 - ≥8

 $\mu g/mL$ )

Classification Name: 21 CFR 866.1645

Fully Automated Short-Term Incubation Cycle

Antimicrobial Susceptibility System

Product Code: LON

Common Name: VITEK® 2 AST-ST Cefotaxime (≤0.125 - ≥8 µg/mL)

C. Predicate Device: VITEK® 2 AST-Streptococcus Cefotaxime (≤0.125 -

 $\geq 8 \, \mu g/mL) \, (K121863)$ 

#### **D.** Device Description:

The principle of the VITEK® 2 AST cards is based on the microdilution minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) technique reported by MacLowry and Marsh<sup>(1)</sup> and Gerlach<sup>(2)</sup>. The VITEK® 2 AST card is essentially a miniaturized, abbreviated and automated version of the doubling dilution technique<sup>(3)</sup>.



Each VITEK® 2 AST card contains 64 wells. A control well which only contains microbiological culture media is resident on all cards. The remaining wells contain premeasured portions of a specific antibiotic combined with culture media. The isolate to be tested is diluted to a standardized concentration with 0.45-0.5% saline before being used to rehydrate the antimicrobial medium within the card. The VITEK® 2 System automatically fills, seals and places the card into the incubator/reader. The VITEK® 2 Compact has a manual filling, sealing and loading operation. The VITEK® 2 Systems monitor the growth of each well in the card over a defined period of time. At the completion of the incubation cycle, a report is generated that contains the MIC value along with the interpretive category result for each antibiotic contained on the card.

#### E. Substantial Equivalence Information:

The similarities and differences of the VITEK® 2 AST- *Streptococcus* Cefotaxime ( $\leq 0.125 - \geq 8$  µg/mL) when compared to the predicate device, VITEK® 2 AST-*Streptococcus* Cefotaxime ( $\leq 0.125 - \geq 8$  µg/mL) (K121863), are described in **Table 1** below.

**Table 1: Substantial Equivalence** 

Device:       Predicate:         VITEK® 2 AST-Streptococcus       Cefotaxime (≤0.125 - ≥8 μg/mL)         Cefotaxime (≤0.125 - ≥8 μg/mL)         (K121863)         General Device Characteristic Similarities         Intended         Use/Indications for Use       VITEK® 2 AST-Streptococcus       Same         Cefotaxime is designed for antimicrobial susceptibility testing of       Same	
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Streptococcus spp. and is intended	
for use with the VITEK® 2 and	
VITEK® 2 Compact Systems as a	
laboratory aid in the determination of	
in vitro susceptibility to antimicrobial	
agents. VITEK® 2 AST-	
Streptococcus Cefotaxime is a	
quantitative test.	
Test Methodology Automated quantitative antimicrobial Same	
susceptibility test for use with the	
VITEK® 2 and VITEK® 2 Compact	
Systems to determine the <i>in vitro</i>	
susceptibility of microorganisms	
Antimicrobial Agent Cefotaxime Same	
Inoculum Saline suspension of organism Same	
Test Card Streptococcus (AST-ST) Same	
Susceptibility Card	
Analysis Algorithms Discriminate Analysis Same	
Instrument VITEK® 2 and VITEK® 2 Compact Same	
Systems	



	Device:	Predicate:				
	VITEK® 2 AST- Streptococcus	VITEK® 2 AST-Streptococcus				
Item	Cefotaxime ( $\leq 0.125 - \geq 8 \mu g/mL$ )	Cefotaxime ( $\leq 0.125 - \geq 8 \mu g/mL$ )				
	(K210287)	(K121863)				
Concentrations	0.25, 0.5, 1, 2	Same				
3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	General Device Characteristic Diff					
Indicated Organisms	Cefotaxime has been shown to be	Cefotaxime has been shown to be				
8	active against most strains of the	active against most strains of the				
	microorganisms listed below,	microorganism listed below, according				
	according to the FDA label for this	to the FDA label for this antimicrobial.				
	antimicrobial.					
		Active in vitro and in clinical				
	Active in vitro and in clinical	infections:				
	infections:	Streptococcus pneumoniae,				
	Streptococcus pneumoniae	Streptococcus pyogenes (Group A				
	Streptococcus pyogenes (Group A	beta-hemolytic streptococci),				
	beta-hemolytic streptococci)*	Streptococcus spp.				
	Streptococcus spp. (Viridans group					
	streptococci)	The VITEK® 2 Antimicrobial				
		Susceptibility Test (AST) is intended				
	*The VITEK® 2 Streptococcus	to be used with the VITEK® 2 and				
	Susceptibility Card also reports the	VITEK 2 Compact Systems for the				
	susceptibility of the following	automated quantitative or qualitative				
	additional organisms as	susceptibility testing of isolated				
	listed on the FDA Susceptibility Test	colonies for the most clinically				
	Interpretative Criteria website	significant aerobic gram-negative				
	(STIC): Streptococcus spp. ß-	bacilli, Staphylococcus spp.,				
	Hemolytic Group (other than S.	Enterococcus spp., Streptococcus				
	pyogenes).	agalactiae, and S. pneumoniae.				
	The VITEK® 2 Streptococcus					
	Susceptibility Card is intended for					
	use with the VITEK® 2 Systems in					
	clinical laboratories as an <i>in vitro</i> test					
	to determine the susceptibility of <i>S</i> .					
	pneumoniae, beta-hemolytic					
	Streptococcus, and Viridans					
	Streptococcus to antimicrobial agents					
	when used as instructed.					

### F. Performance Overview and Conclusion:

VITEK® 2 AST-ST Cefotaxime ( $\leq 0.125$  -  $\geq 8$  µg/mL) demonstrated substantially equivalent performance when compared with the CLSI broth microdilution reference method, as defined in the FDA Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: Antimicrobial Susceptibility Test (AST) Systems; Guidance for Industry and FDA (Issued August 28, 2009).



The Premarket Notification (510[k]) presents data in support of VITEK® 2 AST-ST Cefotaxime. An external evaluation was conducted with contemporary and stock clinical isolates, as well as a set of challenge strains. The external evaluations were designed to confirm the acceptability of AST-ST Cefotaxime by comparing its performance with the CLSI broth microdilution reference method incubated at 20-24 hrs (i.e. *Streptococcus*). The data is representative of performance on both the VITEK® 2 and VITEK® 2 Compact instrument platforms.

The VITEK® 2 AST-ST Cefotaxime ( $\leq$ 0.125 -  $\geq$ 8 µg/mL) demonstrated acceptable performance as presented in **Table 2** below:

Table 2: VITEK® 2 AST-ST Cefotaxime Performance

Antimicrobial	Antimicrobial Code	Antibiotic Version	Bp <sup>1</sup>	Comment <sup>2</sup>	Essential Agreement Category			Category Agreement				% Repro du	
				% Error				% Er	ror		cibilit		
					%EA	VME	ME	mE	%CA	VME	ME	mE	
	CTX	(ctx01n)	FDA (CLSI)	#, E  Streptococcus pneumoniae (meningitis)	(346/351) 98.6	N/A	N/A	N/A	(314/351) 89.5	(0/54) 0.0	(2/243) 0.8	(35/351) 10.0	
				#, E  Streptococcus pneumoniae (non - meningitis)	(346/351) 98.6	N/A	N/A	N/A	(315/351) 89.7	(0/23) 0.0	(1/297) 0.3	(35/351) 10.0	
Cefotaxime*				#, E  Streptococcus pyogenes (Group A β- Hemolytic Group <sup>NS</sup>	(310/310) 100.0	N/A	N/A	N/A	(310/310) 100.0	(0/0) 0.0	(0/310) 0.0	N/A	100.0
				#, E  Streptococcus spp. β- Hemolytic Group (other than S. pyogenes) NS	(554/554) 100.0	N/A	N/A	N/A	(554/554) 100.0	(0/0) 0.0	(0/554) 0.0	N/A	
				#, E  Streptococcus spp. Viridans Group	(397/408) 97.3	N/A	N/A	N/A	(396/408) 97.1	(0/12) 0.0	(0/381) 0.0	(12/40 8) 2.9	

The VITEK 2 Cefotaxime MIC values for *Streptococcus* spp Viridans Group tended to be at least one doubling dilution lower than the reference method and may contribute to the occurrence of very major errors.

NS - The current absence of resistant isolates precludes defining any results other than susceptible. Isolates yielding MIC results suggestive of Nonsusceptible category should be submitted to a reference laboratory for further testing.



\*For specific information regarding susceptibility test interpretive criteria and associated test methods and quality controls standards recognized by FDA for this drug, please see: https://www.fda.gov/STIC.

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#= US Food and Drug Administration 510(k) cleared

E = External performance data

Quality Control demonstrated acceptable results.

#### **G.** Limitations:

The ability of the AST card to detect resistance with the following combination(s) is unknown because resistant strains were either not available or an insufficient number were encountered at the time of comparative testing:

• Cefotaxime (ctx01n): *Streptococcus pyogenes* (Group A β-hemolytic *streptococci*) and *Streptococcus* spp β-Hemolytic Group (other than *S. pyogenes*)

#### H. References:

- MacLowry, J.D. and Marsh, H.H., Semi-automatic Microtechnique for Serial Dilution Antibiotic Sensitivity Testing in the Clinical laboratory, Journal of Laboratory Clinical Medicine, 72:685-687, 1968.
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- 3. Barry, A.L., The Antimicrobic Susceptibility Test, Principles and Practices, Lea and Febiger, Philadelphia, PA, 1976.