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Re: K202917

Trade/Device Name: LigaSure Exact Dissector, Nano-coated
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 878.4400
Regulation Name: Electrosurgical Cutting and Coagulation Device and Accessories
Regulatory Class: Class II
Product Code: GEI
Dated: February 22, 2021
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Dear Nancy Sauer:

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/pmnmn.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); 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.

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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) or phone (1-800-638-2041 or 301-796-7100).

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Enclosure

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See PRA Statement below.

Indications for Use

510(k) Number (if known)

K202917

Device Name

LigaSure™ Exact Dissector, Nano-coated

Indications for Use (Describe)

The LigaSure Sealer/Divider is a bipolar electrosurgical instrument intended for use in open surgical procedures where ligation and division of vessels, tissue bundles, and lymphatics is desired. The LigaSure Sealer/ Divider can be used on vessels (arteries and veins) up to and including 7 mm. It is indicated for use in general surgery and in such surgical specialties as urologic, thoracic, plastic, and reconstructive. Procedures may include, but are not limited to, bowel resections, gall bladder procedures, Nissen fundoplication, breast procedures, and adhesiolysis.

The instrument is also indicated for open ENT procedures in adults (thyroidectomy, radical neck dissection, parotidectomy, and tonsillectomy) for ligation and division of vessels, lymphatics and tissue bundles 2-3 mm away from unintended thermally-sensitive structures such as nerves and parathyroid glands.

The LigaSure system has not been shown to be effective for tubal sterilization or tubal coagulation for sterilization procedures. Do not use the LigaSure system for these procedures.

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

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Name of Device

Trade Name: LigaSure™ Exact Dissector, Nano-coated
Catalog Numbers: LF2019
Common Name: Bipolar Vessel Sealing Device
Classification Name: Electrosurgical cutting and coagulation device and accessories
(21 CFR 878.4400, Class II, GEI)

Predicate Device

Trade Name: LigaSure™ Exact Dissector, Nano-coated
Catalog Numbers: LF2019
Common Name: Bipolar Vessel Sealing Device
Classification Name: Electrosurgical cutting and coagulation device and accessories
(21 CFR 878.4400, Class II, GEI)
510(k) Number: K173281
Manufacturer: Covidien

Reference Device

Trade Name: LigaSure™ Curved, Small Jaw, Open Sealer/Divider
Catalog Number: LF1212/ LF1212A
Common Name: Bipolar Vessel Sealing Device
Classification Name: Electrosurgical cutting and coagulation device and accessories
(21 CFR 878.4400, Class II, GEI)
510(k) Number: K152286
Manufacturer: Covidien

Device Description

The LigaSure™ Exact Dissector, Nano-coated (LF2019) device is a sterile, single-use, coated, hand-held bipolar vessel sealing devices designed for use with compatible Covidien electrosurgical generators that include vessel sealing capabilities to ligate (seal) and divide (cut) vessels, tissue bundles, and lymphatics clamped between the jaws, grasp tissue, and perform blunt dissection during general surgical procedures (as indicated) using radio frequency (RF) energy.

A hemostat style body allows the user to open or close the instrument jaws during vessel sealing and cutting, with a single activation button incorporated into the body of the device.

How Provided

The LigaSure™ Exact Dissector, Nano-coated (LF2019) device is provided sterile and is intended for single use.

Compatible Electrosurgical Generators:

- ForceTriad™ Energy Platform (ForceTriad)
- Valleylab™ LS10 Generator (VLLS10GEN)
- Valleylab™ FT10 Energy Platform (VLF10GEN)

Indications for Use

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Patient Contacting Materials

Twenty-seven parts were determined to come into direct contact with the patient or user. The materials that comprise these parts, their location within the proposed (LF2019) device, and full biocompatibility information were identified in the original premarket submission for the LF2019 device (K173281).

Comparison of Technological Characteristics with the Predicate Device

The LigaSure™ Exact Dissector, Nano-coated (LF2019) device is unchanged from the predicate device, as cleared under K173281, in terms of intended use, design, performance and technological characteristics. The only difference is that the indications for use have been updated to include breast procedures.

Characteristic	Subject Device LigaSure™ Exact Dissector, Nano-coated (LF2019)	Predicate Device LigaSure™ Exact Dissector, Nano-coated (LF2019) [K173281]	Results (compared to predicate)
Classification Regulation	878.4400	878.4400	Same
Class	II	II	Same
Product Code	GEI	GEI	Same
Indications for Use	<p>The LigaSure Sealer/Divider is a bipolar electrosurgical instrument intended for use in open surgical procedures where ligation and division of vessels, tissue bundles, and lymphatics is desired. The LigaSure Sealer/Divider can be used on vessels (arteries and veins) up to and including 7 mm. It is indicated for use in general surgery and in such surgical specialties as urologic, thoracic, plastic, and reconstructive. Procedures may include, but are not limited to, bowel resections, gall bladder procedures, Nissen fundoplication, breast procedures, and adhesiolysis.</p> <p>The instrument is also indicated for open ENT procedures in adults (thyroidectomy, radical neck dissection, parotidectomy, and tonsillectomy) for ligation and division of vessels, lymphatics and tissue bundles 2-3 mm away from unintended thermally-sensitive structures such as nerves and parathyroid glands.</p> <p>The LigaSure system has not been shown to be effective for tubal sterilization or tubal coagulation for sterilization procedures. Do not use the LigaSure system for these procedures.</p>	<p>The LigaSure Sealer/Divider is a bipolar electrosurgical instrument intended for use in open surgical procedures where ligation and division of vessels, tissue bundles, and lymphatics is desired. The LigaSure Sealer/Divider can be used on vessels (arteries and veins) up to and including 7 mm. It is indicated for use in general surgery and in such surgical specialties as urologic, thoracic, plastic, and reconstructive. Procedures may include, but are not limited to, bowel resections, gall bladder procedures, Nissen fundoplication and adhesiolysis.</p> <p>The instrument is also indicated for open ENT procedures in adults (thyroidectomy, radical neck dissection, parotidectomy, and tonsillectomy) for ligation and division of vessels, lymphatics and tissue bundles 2-3 mm away from unintended thermally-sensitive structures such as nerves and parathyroid glands.</p> <p>The LigaSure system has not been shown to be effective for tubal sterilization or tubal coagulation for sterilization procedures. Do not use the LigaSure system for these procedures.</p>	Addition of surgical specialties and procedures, same intended use
Contraindications	None	None	Same
Maximum Vessel Diameter	7 mm	7 mm	Same
Single Use	Yes	Yes	Same
Sterile	Yes	Yes	Same
Sterilization Method	EtO	EtO	Same
Packaging	HDPE die cut card in a Tyvek/Nylon pouch	HDPE die cut card in a Tyvek/Nylon pouch	Same
Energy Type	Electrical (RF) bipolar energy	Electrical (RF) bipolar energy	Same
Compatible Energy Platform*	ForceTriad energy platform (K110268) Valleylab™ LS10 (K143654) Valleylab™ FT10 (K191601)	ForceTriad energy platform (K110268) Valleylab™ LS10 (K143654) Valleylab™ FT10 (K191601)	Same
Energy Activation	Handswitch or footswitch	Handswitch or footswitch	Same
Hand-activated Button Design	Two-stage	Two-stage	Same
Proprietary Connector	Yes	Yes	Same
Corded	Yes	Yes	Same
Jaw Type	Bilateral	Bilateral	Same
Jaw Shape	Curved	Curved	Same
Instrument Design	Hemostat style	Hemostat style	Same

Performance Data

No design or specification changes are associated with the expanded indication of the LigaSure™ Exact Dissector, Nano-coated (LF2019) device. Evidence of safety and effectiveness was presented in the previously submitted 510(k) and includes the following:

- Testing in accordance with IEC 60601-1, IEC 60601-1-2, IEC 60601-2-2
- Biocompatibility (ISO 10993-1)
- Device functionality
- Bench burst pressure
- *In vivo* acute and chronic animal studies

Relevance of Reference Predicate Device

The LF1212A LigaSure™ Curved, Small Jaw Open Vessel Sealer/Divider is used as a reference device in this submission. This is a valid reference device because it is used for the same intended use as the subject device and it uses the same principle of operation. It is very similar to the LigaSure™ Exact in terms of design and materials. It served as the predicate device for the initial clearance of the LigaSure Exact in premarket notification K173281.

The purpose of the reference device in this submission is to provide reference data for hemostasis performance and thermal spread in a LigaSure™ device for which there is a substantial body of literature showing successful use in breast procedures. The performance comparison between the LigaSure™ Exact and the LigaSure™ Curved Small Jaw supports the conclusion that the published data can be extrapolated to the LigaSure™ Exact device.

Clinical Literature Summary

A study of literature for breast procedures performed using LigaSure™ devices show that the hemostat-style open LigaSure™ devices have been used successfully in breast procedures including mastectomy, flap reconstruction, and axillary lymph node dissection. The safety and effectiveness outcomes reported in the literature were associated with effective hemostasis, operative time, blood, thermal damage, and intraoperative and postoperative complications, the same types of outcomes that are reported for other surgical procedures carried out with LigaSure™ devices. There are no new risk concerns for the LigaSure™ Exact Dissector, Nano-coated (LF2019) device when used to perform these procedure types. LigaSure™ technology performed well in the published studies.

Conclusions

The proposed LigaSure™ Exact Dissector, Nano-coated (LF2019) device for use in breast surgical procedures is substantially equivalent to the predicate LigaSure™ Exact Dissector, Nano-coated (LF2019) for its indicated use in general surgery and in such surgical specialties as urologic, thoracic, plastic, and reconstructive. The previously conducted bench and animal studies and clinical literature discussed in this submission have demonstrated that the device is suitable for the proposed expanded indications and that no new safety issues are identified with these indications.