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510(k) SUMMARY

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CLASSIFICATION, COMMON OR USUAL NAME, DEVICE NAME

Classification Name: Spinal Intervertebral Body Fixation Orthosis
Appliance, Fixation, Spinal Interlaminar

Common/Usual Name: Anterior / Posterior Spinal Implants

Product Classification: Class II

Proprietary Name: Synergy™ VLS Cap Nut

PREDICATE DEVICE

The predicate device is the INTERPORE CROSS International Synergy™ anterior and posterior, 13.8mm Ti Hex Nut, which was previously cleared under 510(k)'s K950709 and K950099.

This summary of 510(k) safety and effectiveness information is being submitted in accordance with the requirements of 21 CFR §807.92.

INDICATIONS-FOR-USE

The Synergy Spinal System implants are intended to be used as a temporary construct that assists normal healing and are not intended to replace normal body structures. They are intended to stabilize the spinal operative site during fusion procedures and should be removed after fusion.

The implants are attached to the spine posteriorly by means of hooks and/or screws joined with rods and anteriorly by means of vertebral screws joined with rods.

As a pedicle screw system, the Synergy Spinal System is intended only for patients: (a) having severe spondylolisthesis (Grades 3 and 4) of the fifth lumbar-first sacral (L5-S1) vertebral joint; (b) who are having the screws fixed or attached to the lumbar and sacral spine; (c) who are receiving fusions using autogenous bone graft only; and (d) who are having the device removed after the development of a solid fusion mass. The levels of screw fixation are L3 to S1/Ilium.

the treatment of the following acute and chronic instabilities or deformities of the thoracic, lumbar, and sacral spine: degenerative spondylolisthesis with objective evidence of neurologic impairment, fracture, dislocation, scoliosis, kyphosis, spinal tumor, and failed previous fusion (pseudarthrosis).

As a posterior, non-pedicle, screw and hook system, and an anterolateral, intervertebral body screw system, the specific indications for the Synergy Spinal System are:

1. Degenerative Disc Disease (as defined by chronic back pain of discogenic origin with degeneration of the disc confirmed by history and radiographic studies).
2. Idiopathic scoliosis.
3. Kyphotic deformities of the spine.
4. Paralytic scoliosis and/or pelvic obliquity.
5. Lordotic deformities of the spine.
6. Neuromuscular scoliosis associated with pelvic obliquity.
7. Vertebral fracture or dislocation.
8. Tumors.
9. Spondylolisthesis.
10. Stenosis.
11. Pseudarthrosis.
12. Unsuccessful previous attempts at spinal fusion.

For posterior, non-pedicle, screw use, the Synergy screws and lateral connectors are intended for sacral/iliac attachment only, and the Synergy hooks and transverse connectors are intended for posterior thoracic and/or lumbar use only. As a whole, the levels of use are T1 to the Sacrum/Ilium.

The Adjustable Length Rod is intended for in situ adjustment after placement of the hooks or screws during spinal fusion surgery.

For anterior use, the recommended levels of attachment are: T10 – L3 for the double rod constructs and T5 – L5 for the single rod construct. The 4.75 mm diameter rod system can be used in single and double rod constructs while the 6.35mm diameter rod system is to only be used in single rod constructs. In all cases, instrumentation must be at least 1 cm from any major vessel.

DEVICE DESCRIPTION

The Synergy™ Spinal System components are grouped as follows:

Posterior Application:

1. Integral™ Open, Closed, Angled Closed and Reduction Screws, Variable Locking Screws with Variable Locking Seats, and Iliac Screws with Nuts and Set Screws. Only the Integral™ Open, Closed, Reduction and Variable Locking Screws are intended for pedicle fixation.
2. Open and Closed Spinal Hooks with Sliders, C-rings and Set Screws.
3. Adjustable and Fixed Transverse Connectors with Set Screws.

4. Closed and Axial Rod Connectors with Set Screws.
5. Lateral Connectors with Set Screws.
6. Rods and Adjustable Length Rods and Set Screws.
7. Instruments.
8. Sterilizer case(s).

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Anterior Application:

1. Integral™ Open and Closed Screws and Variable Locking Screws with Variable Locking Seats, with Nuts and Set Screws.
2. Vertebral Washers.
3. Fixed Transverse Connectors with Set Screws.
4. Rods.
5. Instruments.
6. Sterilizer case(s).

NOTE: While the Variable Locking Screws and some fasteners (nuts and set screws) are used for both the 6.35mm and 4.75mm rod sizes, the remaining components (except for those connector components that are designed to join the two rod sizes) are designed for specific rod diameters.

NOTE: The Adjustable Length Rod is intended for in situ adjustment after placement of the hooks or screws during spinal fusion surgery.

The Adjustable Length Rod is intended for use as part of either a single or double rod assembly. The Adjustable Length Rod allows for distraction at a central location once the bone anchors have been secured.

COMPARISON TO THE PREDICATE DEVICE

The Interpore Cross Synergy™ VLS Cap Nut Spinal Implant is technologically substantially equivalent to the Synergy 13.8mm Ti Hex Nut. Both implants are used to treat the same conditions, have the same precautions and contraindications for use, and have equivalent potential for complications for the risk of use. In addition, they all represent a long standing, basic design concept and in terms of safety and effectiveness, differ only in minor details. Based on the basic design concept, the use of established well-known materials, feature comparisons, mechanical testing, indications for use, surgical approach, preproduction quality assurance planning and engineering analysis, Interpore Cross International believes that sufficient evidence exists to reasonably conclude that the VLS Cap Nut is substantially equivalent to existing legally marketed anterior and posterior implants.

DISCUSSION OF NONCLINICAL TESTS

Data regarding the functional performance of the proposed Synergy™ VLS Cap Nut has been generated. Testing included static slip testing and unilateral fatigue testing. The test data indicates that the proposed Synergy™ VLS Cap Nut meets or exceeds all functional requirements and support its suitability for use.



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Re: K000236
Synergy™ Spinal System – VLS Cap Nut
Regulatory Class: II
Product Codes: MNI, MNH, KWP, and KWQ
Dated: January 26, 2000
Received: January 27, 2000

Dear Ms. Rodarti:

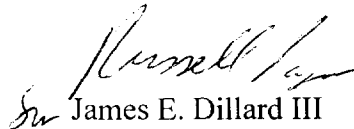
We have reviewed your Section 510(k) notification of intent to market the device referenced above and we have determined the device is substantially equivalent (for the indications for use stated in the enclosure) to legally marketed predicate devices marketed in interstate commerce prior to May 28, 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). 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 (Premarket Approval), 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 895. A substantially equivalent determination assumes compliance with the Current Good Manufacturing Practice requirements, as set forth in the Quality System Regulation (QS) for Medical Devices: General regulation (21 CFR Part 820) and that, through periodic QS inspections, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will verify such assumptions. Failure to comply with the GMP regulation may result in regulatory action. In addition, FDA may publish further announcements concerning your device in the Federal Register. Please note: this response to your premarket notification submission does not affect any obligation you might have under sections 531 through 542 of the Act for devices under the Electronic Product Radiation Control provisions, or other Federal laws or regulations.

This letter will allow you to begin marketing your device as described in your 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 and additionally 809.10 for *in vitro* diagnostic devices), please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4659. Additionally, for questions on the promotion and advertising of your device, please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4639. Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification" (21CFR 807.97). Other general information on your responsibilities under the Act may be obtained from the Division of Small Manufacturers Assistance at its toll-free number (800) 638-2041 or (301) 443-6597 or at its internet address "<http://www.fda.gov/cdrh/dsma/dsmamain.html>".

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James E. Dillard III". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J".

James E. Dillard III
Acting Director
Division of General and
Restorative Devices
Office of Device Evaluation
Center for Devices and
Radiological Health

Enclosure

510(k) Number (if known): K000236

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In addition, the pedicle screw system may also be used to provide immobilization and stabilization of spinal segments, in skeletally mature patients as an adjunct to fusion in the treatment of the following acute and chronic instabilities or deformities of the thoracic, lumbar, and sacral spine: degenerative spondylolisthesis with objective evidence of neurologic impairment, fracture, dislocation, scoliosis, kyphosis, spinal tumor, and failed previous fusion (pseudarthrosis).

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OR

Over-The-Counter Use

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Indications-For-Use (cont'd):

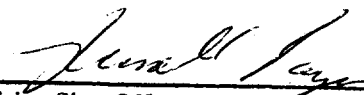
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Prescription Use Y

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