



Center for Devices and Radiological Health

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1900
EMPLOYEES

18k
Medical Device
Manufacturers

183,000
Medical Devices
On the U.S. Market

22k/year
Premarket
Submissions
includes supplements
and amendments

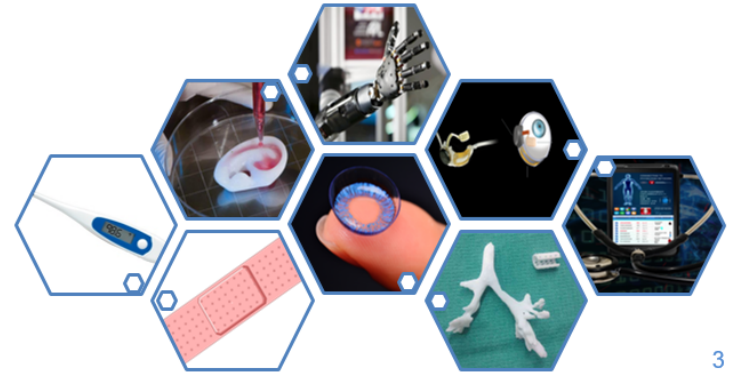
570k
Proprietary Brands

25k
Manufacturing
Facilities
Worldwide

1.4 MILLION/year
Reports on medical device
adverse events and
malfunctions

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- Medical Devices (including software)
 - Anesthesiology, Respiratory, Infection Control, Dental
 - Cardiovascular
 - Reproductive, Gastro-Renal and Urological
 - Neurological and Physical Medicine
 - Ophthalmic and ENT
 - Orthopaedics
 - Surgical



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- In Vitro Diagnostics
 - Glucose monitors
 - Genetic tests, eg 23 and me
 - Companion diagnostics for drugs



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- Radiological Health

- MRI, CT scanners
- Lasers
- Risk analysis of cellphones (which DO NOT cause cancer)
- Mammography Quality Standards Act





Research Interests

- Pediatric Devices/ sex specific devices
- Medical Device Development Tools
- Development of computational modeling and simulation as a regulatory tool
- Allowing sponsors to design safety into products
- Other regulatory science priorities at fda.gov

CDRH Reg Science Priorities



- Leverage “Big Data” for regulatory decision-making
- Modernize biocompatibility and biological risk evaluation of device materials
- Leverage real-world evidence and employ evidence synthesis across multiple domains in regulatory decision-making
- Advance tests and methods for predicting and monitoring medical device clinical performance
- Develop methods and tools to improve and streamline clinical trial design
- Develop computational modeling technologies to support regulatory decision-making
- Enhance the performance of Digital Health and strengthen medical device cybersecurity
- Reduce healthcare associated infections by better understanding the effectiveness of antimicrobials, sterilization and reprocessing of medical devices
- Collect and use patient input in regulatory decision-making
- Leverage precision medicine and biomarkers for predicting medical device performance, disease diagnosis and progression

Areas of Current Collaboration

- *In vitro* Respiratory Toxicity of sterilants
 - Some sterilants are class 2 devices
 - O-phthalaldehyde is occasionally used for reprocessing of multiple use instruments
 - The safe levels are not well known or codified in standards or guidance



Potential Future Areas

- We should jointly take a more strategic route
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Biocompatibility

- Optimize test methods
 - in situ polymerizing materials
- Advance alternatives to in vivo
- Define chemical equivalence

Reduce Healthcare Infections



- Understanding reprocessing
 - Cleaning, disinfection and sterilization
 - Testing cleanliness of devices
- Methods for the detection, characterization and elimination of biofilms



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