

# Molecular-Based Devices (HEA, HLA, HNA and HPA)

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# Molecular Erythrocyte Antigen Typing Devices

# Previously Approved Devices

- Multiplex molecular assays
  - PreciseType™ HEA Molecular BeadChip Test: 36 blood group antigen phenotypes and a mutation in the beta-globin gene (hemoglobin S)
  - ID CORE XT™: 29 polymorphisms, 53 alleles and 37 antigens
- Submitted as modular PMAs

# Format of Modular PMA submissions



- Suggested major content for each module
  - Module 1 – CMC
  - Module 2 – Non-clinical studies
  - Module 3 – Software (if applicable)
  - Module 4 (final Module) – Clinical studies, labeling
- Address the identified deficiencies before submitting the next module, or address them in the final module

# Format of Modular PMA submissions (2)



- Include the following in the first module:
  - Intended Use
  - Instructions for Use
  - Device Description
- For the final module:
  - Notify FDA before submission
  - Include responses to all outstanding deficiencies
  - Provide any additional information required for a complete PMA submission

# Traditional PMA

- Submit all PMA data at the same time, regardless of when testing is completed
- PMA review timeline:
  - 320 Days for submissions that require Advisory Committee input (PreciseType - Blood Products Advisory Committee meeting)
  - 180 Days for submissions that do not require Advisory Committee input (ID CORE XT)

# CMC Information

- Include the following:
  - Detailed summary of device production
  - Device Master Record (DMR) of the subject device, such as
    - Production process specifications including the final manufacturing procedures (flow diagram)
    - Quality assurance procedures and specifications
    - Packaging and labeling specifications
    - Installation, maintenance, and servicing procedures and methods
  - Description of Facilities and Utilities



# CMC Information (2)

- Validation lots
  - At least three distinct validation lots (produced using the final manufacturing procedures)
    - One lot manufactured using raw material near its expiration date

# CMC Information (3)

- If the test kit component contains preservatives
  - Preservative effectiveness studies for applicable component
- If microbiologically controlled manufacturing
  - Provide bioburden limit, pre-filtration bioburden level (if applicable)
  - Microbial interference studies
  - In-process or release testing for bioburden
  - Level of microbial contamination in the facility during manufacturing

# Non-clinical Studies

- Blood sample storage time before DNA extraction
- DNA sample preparation (DNA extraction methods)
- Purified DNA sample stability
- Assay Limit of Detection (LOD)
- Assay Guard Band
- Carryover/Cross Contamination

# Non-clinical Studies (2)

- Interfering Substances
- Shipping
- Reagent stability including open-vial
- Cross Hybridization Studies
- Lot-to-lot Reproducibility Study
- Accuracy Study
- Submit any other non-clinical studies needed to demonstrate the device's performance

# Multiplex Assay Considerations

- Submit information to support the prediction of each phenotype from polymorphism/genotype data
- Samples tested should cover as many primers/probes as possible and different genetic variants
- Determine number of invalid calls used to declare an entire test/sample invalid
- Determine negative control run validity criteria

# Accuracy Study Considerations

- Use pre-selected samples to demonstrate that the test can accurately identify the phenotypes listed in the intended use statement
- Describe how the samples were well-characterized
  - Characterize antigen phenotypes using FDA-licensed reagents or approved molecular tests if available
  - Otherwise, you may predict phenotypes using bidirectional sequencing

# Accuracy Study Considerations (2)



- Include comparison to bidirectional sequencing or an FDA-approved molecular test if reporting polymorphisms/genotypes as final results
- If DNA sequencing is used to characterize samples or to investigate discrepancies
  - Use independently designed and validated primers for sequencing
  - Independently convert the sequencing results to phenotypes

# Accuracy Study Considerations (3)



- Internal accuracy study
  - Acceptance criteria:
    - The lower bound of the one-sided 95% confidence interval (CI) should be  $> 99\%$
    - For rare phenotypes with fewer than 299 samples – 100% agreement by point estimate
  - Analyze data and apply the criteria to each antigen phenotype (and genotype, if claimed), not to a blood group system



# DNA Concentration and Quality

- Submit recommended nominal DNA concentration for assay based on LOD
  - May use the nominal DNA concentration rather than the entire range for performance studies
- DNA quality consideration
  - May accept commonly recommended OD A260/A280 ratios for well-established technologies
  - A much wider range should be supported by adequate data

# Assay Guard Band Studies

- Comprehensively validate assay parameters outlined in the Instructions for Use
  - May test together with the assay QC material to demonstrate the QC material is sensitive to anticipated analytical variables

# Shipping, Drop Test and Stability Studies

- Use actual packaging configurations
- Challenge the worst case shipping conditions
- Show functionality of the kits, not just visual inspection of the kits

# Software

- Complete all development and software testing before submitting the PMA software module
- Delineate limitations of the software in the User Manual
- Recommend that no results are provided for invalid runs or invalid test samples

## Software (2)

- *Guidance for Industry and FDA Staff, Guidance for the Content of Premarket Submissions for Software Contained in Medical Devices* issued May 11, 2005
- *General Principles of Software Validation* issued January 11, 2002
- *Guidance for Industry and Food and Drug Administration Staff Design Considerations and Premarket Submission Recommendations for Interoperable Medical Devices* issued September 6, 2017
- *Guidance for Industry and FDA Staff, Guidance for the Content of Premarket Submissions for Management of Cybersecurity in Medical Devices* issued October 2, 2014

# Clinical Comparison Studies

- At least three sites representing US population
- Test random samples
  - Could be leftover de-identified samples
  - Collected from donors and patients
- Use at least two reagent lots
- Compare to phenotype results for antigens if FDA-licensed reagents or approved molecular tests are available; otherwise, compare to phenotype results predicted from bidirectional sequencing
- For genotype results, compare to results from FDA approved test or bidirectional sequencing

# Clinical Comparison Studies (2)

- Use a pre-defined algorithm to resolve discrepancies
- Investigate and report any discrepancies
- Conduct the study in accordance with the study protocol; report any study protocol deviations
- Calculate all agreement using initial test results prior to discrepancy resolution
- Apply acceptance criteria to each antigen phenotype (and genotype, if applicable)

# Precision Study (Reproducibility and Repeatability)

- Test panel of well-characterized DNA samples
  - The samples should cover different types of genetic variants targeted by the assay, and most, if not all, phenotypes
- Use at least three sites
- Capture possible sources of variation including within run, run-to-run, lot-to-lot, day-to-day, operator-to-operator, instrument-to-instrument and site-to-site variation
- Lot-to-lot study can be performed at an internal site
- Investigate and report any disagreement



# Labeling

- 21 CFR 809.10 for labeling requirements
  - Intended Use – include the polymorphisms, alleles and antigens that the device interrogates and reports as final results
  - Limitations of the procedure – discuss the genetic variants that are not targeted by the test but known to affect phenotype prediction
- Include labeling of other components such as user manuals
- Subject to the requirements of the Unique Device Identification (UDI) Rule (21 CFR 801.20)

# Quality Control Material

- If not human gDNA (e.g., plasmid DNA)
  - Demonstrate the QC material is as sensitive as actual human gDNA to anticipated analytical variables
- Limitation: Not intended to monitor the DNA extraction
- FDA guidance: *Assayed and Unassayed Quality Control Material*

<https://www.fda.gov/media/71538/download>

# Device Modifications After Initial PMA Approval

- FDA guidance: *Modifications to Devices Subject to Premarket Approval (PMA) - The PMA Supplement Decision-Making Process*  
<https://www.fda.gov/media/81431/download>
  - Traditional PMA
  - 180 Day supplement
  - 30-Day Notice
  - Panel-Track supplement
  - Real-Time supplement
  - Special supplement/CBE
- See 21 CFR 814.39
- Annual Report: changes that do not affect device's safety or effectiveness

# Device Modifications: New Molecular Variants

- Manufacturers may become aware of new molecular variants after approval for example, through feedback from customers or review of literature
- Applicable package insert changes should be incorporated
- New molecular variants or markers should be evaluated through the design and development process, and potentially incorporated into the device following FDA review and approval

# HLA, HPA and HNA Typing Devices

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- Require 510(k) submission
- General recommendations for HLA 510(k) submission are in FDA guidance
  - *Recommendations for Premarket Notification (510(k)) Submissions for Nucleic Acid-Based Human Leukocyte Antigen (HLA) Test Kits Used for Matching of Donors and Recipients in Transfusion and Transplantation*  
<https://www.fda.gov/media/87197/download>
- Some recommendations in the HLA device guidance may apply to HPA and HNA assays

# HLA Genotyping Tests

- Submit an internal accuracy study tested with nationally or internationally recognized well-characterized samples
  - For ambiguous typing results, concordance is determined if one pair alleles is the same as the known result
- For precision study, the list of ambiguities (if any) should be compared
- Submit a traditional 510(k) for a new test kit locus

# Summary

- Molecular erythrocyte antigen typing test: modular PMA or traditional PMA
- Major content of PMA: CMC, non-clinical studies, software, clinical studies and labeling
- QC material: sensitive to anticipated analytical variables
- Monitor new variants and make changes to an approved test as needed
- HLA, HNA and HPA typing devices: 510(k)





# Thanks!

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