§ 870.3375  Cardiovascular intravascular filter.

(a) Identification. A cardiovascular intravascular filter is an implant that is placed in the inferior vena cava for the purpose of preventing pulmonary thromboemboli (blood clots generated in the lower limbs and broken loose into the blood stream) from flowing into the right side of the heart and the pulmonary circulation.

(b) Classification. Class II. The special controls for this device are:

2. FDA’s:
   i. “510(k) Sterility Review Guidance and Revision of 2/12/90 (K90–1)” and
   ii. “Guidance for Cardiovascular Intravascular Filter 510(k) Submissions.”


§ 870.3450  Vascular graft prosthesis.

(a) Identification. A vascular graft prosthesis is an implanted device intended to repair, replace, or bypass sections of native or artificial vessels, excluding coronary or cerebral vasculature, and to provide vascular access. It is commonly constructed of materials such as polyethylene terephthalate and polytetrafluoroethylene, and it may be coated with a biological coating, such as albumin or collagen, or a synthetic coating, such as silicone. The graft structure itself is not made of materials of animal origin, including human umbilical cords.

(b) Classification. Class II (special controls). The special controls for this device are:

1. The device should be demonstrated to be biocompatible;
2. Sterility and shelf life testing should demonstrate the sterility of patient-contacting components and the shelf-life of these components;
3. Non-clinical and clinical performance testing should demonstrate substantial equivalence in safety and effectiveness, including durability, compatibility, migration resistance, corrosion resistance, and delivery and deployment;
4. Non-clinical testing should evaluate the compatibility of the device in a magnetic resonance (MR) environment;
5. Appropriate analysis and non-clinical testing should validate electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) and electrical safety;
6. The sale, distribution, and use of the device are restricted to prescription use in accordance with 21 CFR 801.109 of this chapter; and
7. Labeling must bear all information required for the safe and effective use of the device as outlined in §801.109(c) of this chapter, including a detailed summary of the non-clinical and clinical evaluations pertinent to use of the device.

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§ 870.3470  Intracardiac patch or pledget made of polypropylene, polyethylene terephthalate, or polytetrafluoroethylene.

(a) Identification. An intracardiac patch or pledget made of polypropylene, polyethylene terephthalate, or polytetrafluoroethylene is a fabric device placed in the heart that is used to repair septal defects, for patch grafting, to repair tissue, and to buttress sutures.