Evaluating Artificial Intelligence Devices at the FDA and Related Collaborations and Initiatives

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Part I. Definitions, Regulatory Review Process, and Tips for a Successful Premarket Submission
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Learning Objectives

• Gain familiarity with the classifications and intended use of radiological imaging software reviewed within the Division of Radiological Health (CDRH/OPEQ/OHT7/DRH)

• Learn about the FDA regulatory review process including submission types

• Understand the role of substantial equivalence and benefit-risk in regulatory review and decision-making

• Discuss strategies for gaining approval for new, higher risk devices including AI-assisted radiology

• Discuss common issues in radiological imaging software submissions

• Improve awareness of FDA-led initiatives and other collaborations
Presentation Outline

• Artificial Intelligence in Medical Devices including Software as a Medical Device (SAMD)

• Devices Reviewed within the Division of Radiological Health

• Regulatory Review Objectives and Pathways

• Emerging Applications of AI/ML in Radiology with Tips for a Successful Submission

• Additional Resources
AI/ML Based Medical Devices

IDx-DR

Potential to fundamentally transform the delivery of health care:

E.g., Earlier disease detection, more accurate diagnosis, new insights into human physiology, personalized diagnostics and therapeutics

Ability for AI/ML to learn from the wealth of real-world data and improve its performance

Already seen AI/ML lead to the development of novel medical devices
Examples of AI/ML-Based SAMD @ FDA

FDA News Release

FDA permits marketing of clinical decision support software for alerting providers of a potential stroke in patients

*February 13, 2018*

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FDA News Release

FDA permits marketing of artificial intelligence-based device to detect certain diabetes-related eye problems

*April 11, 2018*
IMDRF – toward global convergence in characterizing SAMD

Software as a Medical Device (SaMD)
Software intended to be used for one or more medical purposes that perform these purposes without being part of a hardware medical device

2013
- Foundational vocabulary

2014
- Risk framework based on impact to patients

2015
- QMS control
- Translating Software development practices to regulatory QMS

2017
- SaMD Clinical Evaluation
- Generating evidence for clinically meaningful SaMD
### IMDRF SAMD Risk Categorization

#### Significance of Information Provided by SaMD to Healthcare Decision

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#### Increasing Significance

- **Critical**: IV, III, II
- **Serious**: III, II, I
- **Non-Serious**: II, I

#### Increasing Impact/Risk

- Category I
- Category II
- Category III
- Category IV

- Impact: None, Low, Medium, High, Catastrophic

- Independent Review

- Arrow illustrates possible change to SaMD definition statement

- Category IV: Part of Medical Device or Embedded in Medical Device

- Closed Loop Interventions, No Clinical Intermediary
Devices Reviewed in the Division of Radiological Health (DRH)
Overview of Radiological Imaging Devices

• X-ray, US, CT, MR, PET, Mammography, Radiation therapy including image-guided
• All image acquisition and therapy systems in DRH use software
• DRH regulates many software-only devices that process or analyze images
  • CADe – Computer-aided detection
  • CADx – Computer-aided diagnosis
  • CADx + CADe – Computer-aided detection and diagnosis
  • CADt – Computer-aided triage
• Image processing software
  • Examples include quantification, image reconstruction, filters, segmentation, artifact reduction, and de-noising
  • Not disease specific, quantitative of anatomical features or function

• Historically, we referred to AI/ML software that analyzes medical images as Computer Aided Detection/Diagnosis/Triage (CADe/CADx/CADt)
Quantitative Imaging – Improved Accuracy and Consistency

- **Example**: K173780 Bay Labs EchoMD

- EchoMD is an AI software device cleared under K173780, using deep learning techniques to automatically evaluate Doppler ultrasound videos of the heart to calculate left ventricular (LV) ejection fraction (EF).

- The predicate device uses simple contrast thresholding techniques for edge detection of the left ventricle to calculate EF.

- Key difference was that the predicate provided an outline of the volume used to calculate LV EF and EchoMD only provided the image used and the numerical value.

- Estimated calculation error was decreased from 20% to 5%.
Computer-Aided Detection (CADe)

- Example: iCAD 2nd Look P010038/ S017
- From approval order ... [it] is a computer system intended to identify and mark regions of interest on standard mammomographic views to bring them to the attention of a radiologist after the initial reading has been completed...

From www.icadmed.com
Computer-Aided Triage (CADt) – Prioritization and Triage

Example: ContaCT DEN170073

Viz.ai Granted De Novo FDA Clearance for First Artificial Intelligence Triage Software

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 15, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- Viz.ai, Inc., an applied artificial intelligence healthcare company announced that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has granted a De Novo request for the first-ever Computer-Aided Triage and Notification Platform to identify Large Vessel Occlusion (LVO) strokes in CTA imaging. This regulatory clearance compliments
Computer-Aided Diagnosis (CADx)

- Example: QuantX DEN170022
Computer-Aided Detection and Diagnosis (CADe + CADx)

- Example: Transpara K181704
- Predicate: DEN180005 – OsteoDetect – Computer Aided Detection and Diagnosis (CADe/CADx) for wrist fracture

Device Name
Transpara™

Indications for Use (Describe)

The ScreenPoint Transpara™ system is intended for use as a concurrent reading aid for physicians interpreting screening mammograms, to identify regions suspicious for breast cancer and assess their likelihood of malignancy. Output of the device includes marks placed on suspicious soft tissue lesions and suspicious calcifications; region-based scores, displayed upon the physician’s query, indicating the likelihood that cancer is present in specific regions; and an overall score indicating the likelihood that cancer is present on the mammogram. Patient management decisions should not be made solely on the basis of analysis by Transpara™.
Summary: Recent Clearances and Approvals

- De Novos and 510(k)s:
  - DEN170022 – QuantX – Computer Aided Diagnosis (CADx) for breast cancer
  - DEN170073 – ContaCT – Computer Aided Triage for stroke
  - DEN180005 – OsteoDetect – Computer Aided Detection and Diagnosis (CADe/CADx) for wrist fracture
  - K182373 – PowerLook Tomo Detection V2 – CADe/CADx for breast cancer

- Our regulatory approach will enable many new safe and effective technologies to reach the market without the burden of the PMA process (e.g., CADe)
  - Burdensome and longer timelines
  - Almost always required a full Multi-Reader Multi-Case study
  - Doesn’t rely on knowledge gained over past 20 years
Regulatory Review Objectives and Pathways
Center for Devices and Radiological Health

- Protect and promote the health of the public by ensuring the **safety** and **effectiveness** of medical devices and the safety of radiation-emitting electronic products

- Total Product Lifecycle (TPLC)
  - Premarket, Compliance, and Post-market Surveillance
### Premarket Review of Radiological Imaging Devices

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*Most Class I and some Class II IVDs are “exempt” from premarket review*
### Summary of MDUFA Performance Goals

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Defining time-to-decision goals, including shared goals with industry, aids in getting safe, effective medical devices to healthcare providers and their patients sooner.
Breakthrough Devices

- Help patients have more timely access to devices
- Expedite device development and review for certain medical devices
- Work with sponsors to define a roadmap from early stages of device development to FDA marketing authorization
- Applies to PMA, De Novo, or 510(k) applications and submissions

[Graph showing number of granted breakthrough device designations from FY15 to FY18]

Breakthrough Devices Program - Guidance for Industry and Food and Drug Administration Staff
www.fda.gov/MedicalDevices/DeviceRegulationandGuidance/GuidanceDocuments/UCM581664
Common Submission Components & RTA Process

• Indications for Use (IFU) Statement / Intended Use ***
• Acceptance Checklist (recommended)
• Table of Contents
• Device Description ***
• Truthful and Accurate Statement
• Proposed Labeling ***
• Performance Testing ***

Content of a 510(k) submission: https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/premarket-notification-510k/content-510k#link_3
Content of a PMA application: https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/premarket-approval-pma/pma-application-contents
Content of a De Novo classification request: https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/premarket-submissions/de-novo-classification-request#How_to_Prepare_a_De_Novo_Request
The 510(k) Submission: Demonstrating Substantial Equivalence

- Establish equivalent safety and effectiveness of a proposed device through comparison with a legally marketed predicate(s) – special controls already exist
  - Predicates must not be subject to PMA (e.g., most class III devices)
- Compare indications/intended use and technological characteristics
- 510(k)s can have differences in technology, but they cannot include a new intended use relative to the predicate(s)
  - Differences in technology should not raise different questions of safety or effectiveness
  - Reference devices can help justify the use of certain test methods
  - Benefit-risk is occasionally used to help establish substantial equivalence, covered in next slides


De Novo Classification and PMA Applications: Defining Special Controls & Applying Benefit-Risk Analysis

• Special Controls for Proposed Class II Devices (De Novo only)

• Summary of the Benefits & Risks
  • Benefits: Factors in determining the extent of the probable benefits include the type of benefit, the magnitude of the benefit, the probability of the patient experiencing benefit, and the duration of effect.
  • Risks: FDA considers multiple factors including the severity, types, number, and rates of harmful events associated with the use of the device (including serious adverse events and procedure-related complications); the probability of a harmful event; the duration of harmful events; and, for diagnostic devices, the risk from false-positive or false-negative results.

• Benefit-Risk Analysis: Provide a discussion demonstrating that, when subject to general controls or general and special controls, the probable benefits to health from use of the device outweigh any probable injury or illness from such use.

Factors to Consider When Making Benefit-Risk Determinations in Medical Device Premarket Approval and De Novo Classifications, issued August 2019 [https://www.fda.gov/media/99769/download](https://www.fda.gov/media/99769/download)
Benefit-Risk Assessment

- Summary of B-R Assessment (details are in Appendix B of the guidance)
- Fundamental to decision-making in De Novo and PMA
- Occasionally useful in 510(k)s
  - Decreased benefit + decreased/equivalent risk
  - Equivalent/increased benefit + increased risk
Emerging Applications of AI/ML in Radiology & Review Considerations

Graphical data from the quarterly performance reports at:
https://www.fda.gov/industry/medical-device-user-fee-amendments-mdufa/mdufa-quarterly-performance-reports
Looking Toward the Future of AI in Radiology

• Changing User’s Role in the Radiology Workflow (AI-Assisted Radiology)
  • Ruleout of normals in screening to reduce time spent by radiologists reading through screening exams
  • Automated Detection and diagnosis
  • Treatment recommendations – who gets treated as well as when and how

• Changing Intended User
  • AI-guided image acquisition, for example, could one day allow patients to acquire their own images
  • Allows the use of image acquisition technology in a range of use environments outside the usual professional healthcare environment if an expert sonographer or physician is not always needed to acquire and interpret the images.
Potential Pitfalls in Automation AI Submissions

• Failure to use the Q-submission mechanism to seek feedback from the Agency early regarding benefit-risk, study design, and statistical analysis plan (SAP).

• Ignoring the potential for incidental findings where a physician’s historical knowledge, experience, and training cannot be replaced

• Too much too soon. Application scope is too large and frequently aims to rule out or diagnose too many disease states.

• Engineers and scientists developing algorithms frequently have limited experience with clinical study design. The result is a mismatch between study workflow and IFU, and frequently there are no pre-specified endpoints.

• Data double-dipping usage problems or test dataset isolation problems

• The consequence? Deficiencies...
PMA Major Deficiency Rate: Original and Panel Track

Data are based upon the number of submissions that received a major deficiency letter on the 1st review cycle, calculated as a percentage of the number of submissions with a completed 1st review cycle, for submissions rec’ed, accepted & filed as of 3/31/19. Note: For the current FY, a Proceed Interactively decision is considered a completed 1st cycle.
% 510(k)s with AI Request in 1st FDA Review Cycle
Keys to a Successful AI Premarket Submission

- Avoid the Common Pitfalls presented previously
- Use the Q-submission mechanism to obtain feedback from the Agency early in the product development lifecycle
  - Remember: Review timeframe for presubmissions is up to 75 days!
  - Craft your specific questions carefully in order to avoid the need for many supplements
  - Requests for Feedback and Meetings for Medical Device Submissions: The Q-Submission Program: Guidance for Industry and Food and Drug Administration Staff
Keys to a Successful AI Premarket Submission

• Do your homework: Only request clearance/approval for intended uses and technology you can successfully test
  • Understand clinical guidelines and practices
  • Understand the special controls (e.g., 510(k)s)
  • Research similar devices in our databases where possible

• Consider different testing methods that are available to streamline the submission and review process. Request feedback regarding your study design in Q-sub.
  • Standalone testing
  • Real world data and registries
  • Streamlined MRMC study designs

• Use a strategic, incremental approach to introduce new technology
  • Example: R2 Image Checker
Looking Ahead

• CDRH would like to hold public meetings to obtain feedback on AI uses that would replace and/or change the user for radiological devices as this would represent a significant change in the practice of medicine.
  • Public workshop is anticipated for the first quarter of 2020

• We continue to encourage proposals/submissions for adaptive learning AI software devices and their postmarket surveillance plans to ensure safe and effective use of these devices.
  • We recommend use of the presubmission Q-sub before submitting a premarket application

• We are working with professional organizations such as the ACR to create tools to streamline the review process by:
  • Providing universal test sets to compare against
  • Expand the use of artificial or synthetic data
  • Ensuring that future adaptive learning programs are improving with time and not getting worse
For More Information...

- Digital Health: [https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/digital-health](https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/digital-health)

**How Is the FDA Advancing Digital Health?**

**Reimagining the FDA’s Approach: Digital Health Innovation Action Plan**

The Digital Health Innovation Action Plan (PDF) outlines our efforts to reimagine the FDA's approach to ensuring all Americans have timely access to high-quality, safe, and effective digital health products. As part of this plan, we committed to several key goals:
Additional Resources

Guidances

• CADe: [http://www.fda.gov/RegulatoryInformation/Guidances/ucm187249.htm](http://www.fda.gov/RegulatoryInformation/Guidances/ucm187249.htm)

• SaMD evaluation: [https://www.fda.gov/downloads/medicaldevices/deviceregulationandguidance/guidancedocuments/ucm524904.pdf](https://www.fda.gov/downloads/medicaldevices/deviceregulationandguidance/guidancedocuments/ucm524904.pdf)

Draft guidances and discussion papers


Regulations/reclassification orders

• CADx: [https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf17/den170022.pdf](https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf17/den170022.pdf)

• CADx+CADE: [https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf18/DEN180005.pdf](https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf18/DEN180005.pdf)

• Triage: [https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf17/DEN170073.pdf](https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf17/DEN170073.pdf)

• Retinal diagnosis: [https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf18/DEN180001.pdf](https://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf18/DEN180001.pdf) (outside of DRH)
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Thank you!

We’ll take questions after Brandon’s talk...
Data from MDUFA Quarterly Reports

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* Please note that the average times will increase as more submissions are closed during subsequent quarters.
Average Time to MDUFA Decision: Original PMAs and Panel Track
Rates of PMA Approvals, Withdrawals, and Other Decisions
510(k) Average Days to MDUFA (SE/NSE) Decision (6/30/2019)
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Thank you!