viruses. Equine encephalomyelitis viruses are transmitted to humans by the bite of insects, such as mosquitoes and ticks, and may cause encephalitis (inflammation of the brain), rash, acute arthritis, or hepatitis.

(b) Classification. Class I (general controls). The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter subject to §866.9. 


§866.3250 Erysipelothrix rhusiopathiae serological reagents.

(a) Identification. Erysipelothrix rhusiopathiae serological reagents are devices that consist of antigens and antisera used in serological tests to identify Erysipelothrix rhusiopathiae from cultured isolates derived from clinical specimens. The identification aids in the diagnosis of disease caused by this bacterium belonging to the genus Erysipelothrix. This organism is responsible for a variety of inflammations of the skin following skin abrasions from contact with fish, shellfish, or poultry.

(b) Classification. Class I (general controls). The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter subject to the limitations in §866.9. 

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§866.3255 Escherichia coli serological reagents.

(a) Identification. Escherichia coli serological reagents are devices that consist of antigens and antisera used in serological tests to identify Escherichia coli from cultured isolates derived from clinical specimens. Additionally, some of these reagents consist of Escherichia coli antisera conjugated with a fluorescent dye used to identify Escherichia coli directly from clinical specimens or cultured isolates derived from clinical specimens. The identification aids in the diagnosis of diseases caused by this bacterium belonging to the genus Escherichia, and provides epidemiological information on diseases caused by this microorganism. Although Escherichia coli constitutes the greater part of the microorganisms found in the intestinal tract in humans and is usually non-pathogenic, those strains which are pathogenic may cause urinary tract infections or epidemic diarrheal disease, especially in children.

(b) Classification. Class I (general controls). The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter subject to the limitations in §866.9. 

[47 FR 50823, Nov. 9, 1982, as amended at 54 FR 25046, June 12, 1989; 66 FR 38791, July 25, 2001]

§866.3270 Flavobacterium spp. serological reagents.

(a) Identification. Flavobacterium spp. serological reagents are devices that consist of antigens and antisera used in serological tests to identify Flavobacterium spp. from cultured isolates derived from clinical specimens. The identification aids in the diagnosis of disease caused by bacteria belonging to the genus Flavobacterium and provides epidemiological information on diseases caused by these microorganisms. Most members of this genus are found in soil and water and, under certain conditions, may become pathogenic to humans. Flavobacterium meningosepticum is highly virulent for the newborn, in whom it may cause epidemics of septicemia (blood poisoning) and meningitis (inflammation of the membranes of the brain) and is usually attributable to contaminated hospital equipment.

(b) Classification. Class I (general controls). The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter subject to the limitations in §866.9. 

[47 FR 50823, Nov. 9, 1982, as amended at 54 FR 25046, June 12, 1989; 66 FR 38792, July 25, 2001]

§866.3280 Francisella tularensis serological reagents.

(a) Identification. Francisella tularensis serological reagents are devices that consist of antigens and antisera used in serological tests to identify antibodies to Francisella tularensis in serum or to identify Francisella tularensis in cultured isolates derived from clinical specimens. Additionally, some of these reagents consist of antisera conjugated
with a fluorescent dye (immunofluorescent reagents) used to identify *Francisella tularensis* directly from clinical specimens. The identification aids in the diagnosis of tularemia caused by *Francisella tularensis* and provides epidemiological information on this disease. Tularemia is a disease principally of rodents, but may be transmitted to humans through handling of infected animals, animal products, or by the bites of fleas and ticks. The disease takes on several forms depending upon the site of infection, such as skin lesions, lymph node enlargements, or pulmonary infection.

(b) **Classification.** Class II (special controls). The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter subject to §866.9.

[47 FR 50823, Nov. 9, 1982, as amended at 63 FR 59226, Nov. 3, 1998]

§ 866.3290 Gonococcal antibody test (GAT).

(a) **Identification.** A gonococcal antibody test (GAT) is an in vitro device that consists of the reagents intended to identify by immunochromatographic techniques, such as latex agglutination, indirect fluorescent antibody, or radioimmunoassay, antibodies to *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* in sera of asymptomatic females at low risk of infection. Identification of antibodies with this device may indicate past or present infection of the patient with *Neisseria gonorrhoeae*.

(b) **Classification.** Class III (premarket approval) (transitional device).

(c) **Date PMA or notice of completion of a PDP is required.** As of May 28, 1976, an approval under section 515 of the act is required before this device may be commercially distributed. See §866.3.

[47 FR 50823, Nov. 9, 1982, as amended at 52 FR 17734, May 11, 1987]

§ 866.3300 *Haemophilus* spp. serological reagents.

(a) **Identification.** *Haemophilus* spp. serological reagents are devices that consist of antigens and antisera, including antisera conjugated with a fluorescent dye, that are used in serological tests to identify *Haemophilus* spp. directly from clinical specimens or tissue culture isolates derived from clinical specimens. The identification aids in the diagnosis of diseases caused by bacteria belonging to the genus *Haemophilus* and provides epidemiological information on diseases caused by these microorganisms. Diseases most often caused by *Haemophilus* spp. include pneumonia, pharyngitis, sinusitis, vaginitis, chancroid, and conjunctivitis (inflammation of eyelid membranes).

(b) **Classification.** Class II (special controls). The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter subject to §866.9.

[47 FR 50823, Nov. 9, 1982, as amended at 63 FR 59226, Nov. 3, 1998]

§ 866.3305 Herpes simplex virus serological assays.

(a) **Identification.** Herpes simplex virus serological assays are devices that consist of antigens and antisera used in various serological tests to identify antibodies to herpes simplex virus in serum. Additionally, some of the assays consist of herpes simplex virus antisera conjugated with a fluorescent dye (immunofluorescent assays) used to identify herpes simplex virus directly from clinical specimens or tissue culture isolates derived from clinical specimens. The identification aids in the diagnosis of diseases caused by herpes simplex viruses and provides epidemiological information on these diseases. Herpes simplex viral infections range from common and mild lesions of the skin and mucous membranes to a severe form of encephalitis (inflammation of the brain). Neonatal herpes virus infections range from a mild infection to a severe generalized disease with a fatal outcome.

(b) **Classification.** Class II (special controls). The device is classified as class II (special controls). The special control for the device is FDA’s revised guidance document entitled “Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: Herpes Simplex Virus Types 1 and 2 Serological Assays.” For availability of the guidance revised document, see §866.1(e).