Initiating clinical trials in Germany



About Kardium

Founded in 2007

 Developed device for treatment of atrial fibrillation



Located in Vancouver, Canada

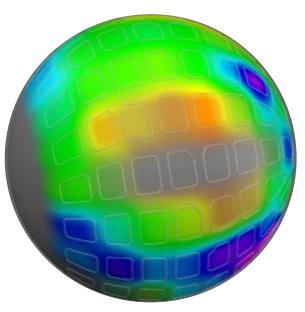
~100 employees





Globe® mapping and ablation system







Catheter

- Expanding 30 mm array
- 122 flat electrodes
- Every electrode can map and ablate

Software

- Detailed mapping
- Ablation selection
- Ablation control

RF Generator

- Controls all electronics
- 24 simultaneous ablations



C ∈ pre-market study

- Prospective · single-arm
- 2 centers = 1 + 1
- 60 patients · 16 in Germany
- Endpoints
 - Primary: SAE rate @ 7 days
 - Secondary: Acute PVI · freedom from AF out to 1 yr



Why Germany?

- Initial product launch in Europe
- Germany will be an important market
 - High procedure volume
 - Good reimbursement rates
 - Pathways for reimbursement of innovative devices
- Germany has good clinical trial infrastructure
 - Excellent research hospitals
 - Globally recognized doctors
 - Hospitals experienced with new medical devices



Selecting our partners

- Submitted protocol with 3 German centres
 - Herzzentrum Leipzig
 - Herzzentrum Dresden
 - Cardioangiologisches Zentrum Bethanien Frankfurt
- Selection criteria wanted Doctors who
 - regularly publish and present influential research
 - have experience working with new devices
- Recruitment
 - Met with doctors early, during development of device
 - Regular meetings to update them on our progress

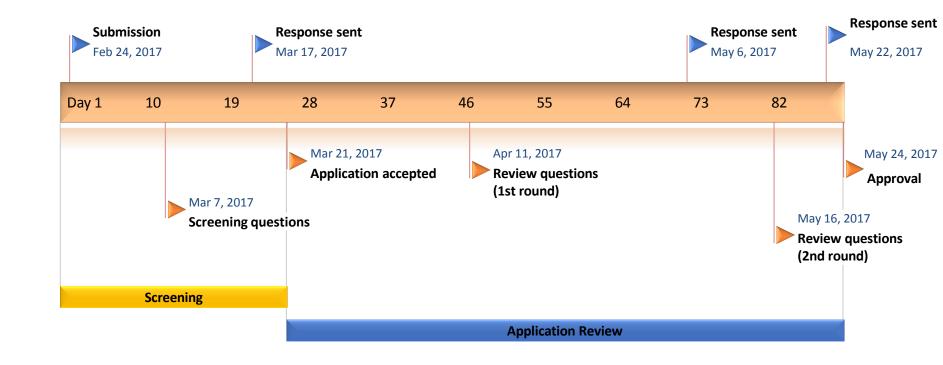


Clinical trial approvals in Germany

- 2 separate submissions
 - BfArM Bundesinstitut für Arzneimittel und Medizinprodukte (Federal Institute for Drugs and Medical Devices)
 - Ethics Committees
- Centralized submission, all online (https://www.dimdi.de)
- Need to nominate a coordinating Ethics Committee

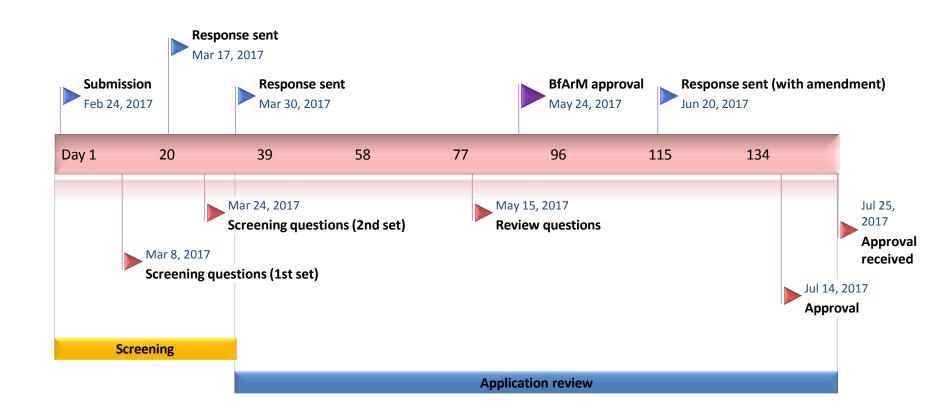


BfArM timeline





EC timeline





Our experience in Germany

- It has been a very rewarding partnership
 - Doctors were excellent and highly skilled
 - Hospital staff were great to work with and very supportive
 - Knowledgeable study monitors
- The project went very smoothly
 - Good experience with regulators
 - Site initiation went very well, even without German speakers on the team
 - Logistics were easy (shipping, customs, accommodation)



GTAI

- Highly recommend contacting GTAI when you start planning your project in Germany
- Have received advice on many topics
 - Device reimbursement
 - Labour laws and employment contracts
 - How and when to setup a German entity
- Provide detailed and useful information



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