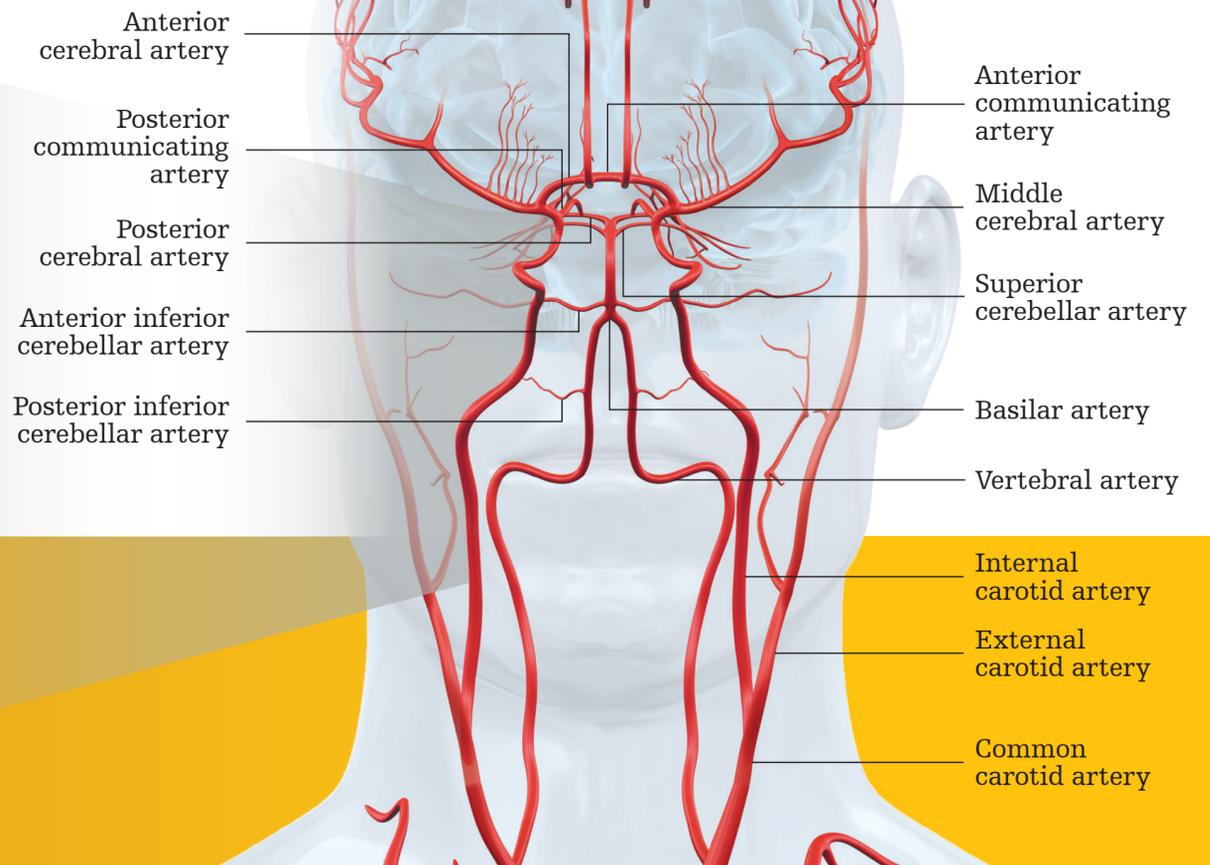
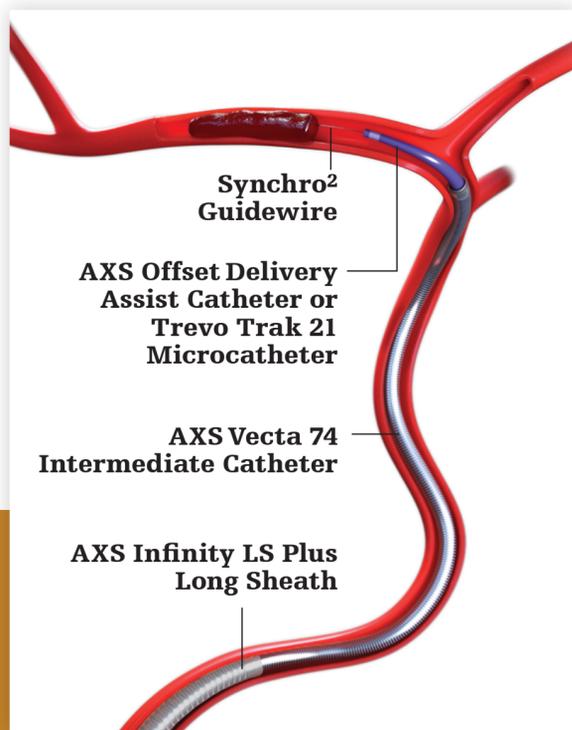


Neurovascular access and aspiration catheters



Artery sizes

Anterior		Posterior	
M2	2.4 ± 0.4	Vertebral	2.8 ± 0.6
M1	3.1 ± 0.4	Basilar	3.1 ± 0.5
ICA terminus	3.6 ± 0.4	Mean diameter (distal, mm) ²	
Cavernous ICA	5.0 ± 0.6		

Mean diameter (origin, mm)¹

¹ <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/22490430>
² <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/23178224>

6F long sheaths

Name	UPN	Inner diameter	Max OD	Length
AXS Infinity LS Long Sheath	GEN-10800-70 GEN-10800-80 GEN-10800-90	0.088in (2.24mm)	8F (2.76mm)	70cm 80cm 90cm
AXS Infinity LS Plus Long Sheath	INC-11196-70 INC-11196-80 INC-11196-90	0.091in (2.31mm)	8F (2.76mm)	70cm 80cm 90cm

8F and 9F balloon guide catheters

Name	UPN	Inner diameter	Max OD	Length
8F FlowGate ² Balloon Guide Catheter	90485 90495	0.084in (2.1mm)	8F (2.7mm)	85cm 95cm
8F Merci Balloon Guide Catheter	90076 90073	0.078in (1.9mm)	8F (2.7mm)	80cm 95cm
9F Merci Balloon Guide Catheter	90077 90074	0.085in (2.1mm)	9F (3.0mm)	80cm 95cm

Medium-bore aspiration catheters

Name	UPN	Inner diameter	Distal OD	Proximal OD	Length
AXS Catalyst 5 Distal Access Catheter	M003IC0581150 M003IC0581320	0.058in (1.47mm)	0.069in (1.76mm)	0.073in (1.86mm)	115cm 132cm
AXS Catalyst 6 Distal Access Catheter	M003IC0601320	0.060in (1.52mm)	0.071in (1.81mm)	0.079in (2.01mm)	132cm

Large-bore aspiration catheters

Name	UPN	Inner diameter	Distal OD	Proximal OD	Length
AXS Catalyst 7 Distal Access Catheter	IC068115 IC068125 IC068132	0.068in (1.73mm)	0.082in (2.08mm)	0.0825in (2.10mm)	115cm 125cm 132cm
AXS Vecta 71 Intermediate Catheter	INC-11129-115 INC-11129-125 INC-11129-132	0.071in (1.80mm)	0.082in (2.08mm)	0.085in (2.16mm)	115cm 125cm 132cm

Extra-large-bore aspiration catheters

Name	UPN	Inner diameter	Distal OD	Proximal OD	Length
AXS Vecta 74 Intermediate Catheter	INC-11597-115 INC-11597-125 INC-11597-132	0.074in (1.88mm)	0.083in (2.11mm)	0.087in (2.21mm)	115cm 125cm 132cm

Delivery catheters

Name	UPN	Inner diameter	Distal OD	Maximum OD	Length
Trevo Trak 21 Microcatheter	90338	0.021in	0.032in (0.81mm)	0.035in (0.89mm)	162cm
Excelsior XT-27 Microcatheter	M003XT2750810	0.027in	0.036in (0.91mm)	0.038in (0.97mm)	150cm
AXS Offset Delivery Assist Catheter	M003DC050150A0	0.021in (0.53mm)	0.036in (0.91mm)	0.050in* (1.27mm)	150cm

* in the bulbous section

AXS Catalyst Distal Access Catheter

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See **Directions For Use for complete indications, contraindications, warnings and directions for use.**

NOTE: This Catheter has two separate indications for use. Read the Directions For Use carefully.

Indication for use as a conduit

The AXS Catalyst Distal Access Catheter is indicated for use in facilitating the insertion and guidance of appropriately sized interventional devices into a selected blood vessel in the peripheral and neurovascular systems. The AXS Catalyst Distal Access Catheter is also indicated for use as a conduit for retrieval devices.

Indication for use as a revascularization device

The AXS Catalyst Distal Access Catheter as part of the AXS Universal Aspiration System is indicated for use in the revascularization of patients with acute ischemic stroke secondary to intracranial large vessel occlusive disease (in the internal carotid, middle cerebral - M1 and M2 segments, basilar, and vertebral arteries) within 8 hours of symptom onset. Patients who are ineligible for intravenous tissue plasminogen activator (IV t-PA) or who failed IV t-PA are candidates for treatment.

Additional device description when used as a revascularization device

The AXS Universal Aspiration System is composed of the following components:

- AXS Catalyst Distal Access Catheter
- AXS Universal Aspiration Tubing
- Medela Dominant Flex Pump
- AXS Universal Liner Set

The AXS Universal Aspiration System is designed to remove thrombus from the neurovasculature using continuous aspiration.

The AXS Catalyst Distal Access Catheter delivers aspiration from the Medela Dominant Flex Pump directly to the site of the occlusion to remove the clot. The AXS Catalyst Distal Access Catheter is the only component of the AXS Universal Aspiration System that is used intravascularly.

The AXS Universal Aspiration Tubing serves as a conduit to supply vacuum from the Medela Dominant Flex Pump to the distal tip of the AXS Catalyst Distal Access Catheter. The AXS Universal Aspiration Tubing provides a connection between the sterile and non-sterile environments. The proximal end of the AXS Universal Aspiration Tubing is connected to the AXS Universal Liner Set (outside of the sterile environment) while the distal end of the AXS Universal Aspiration Tubing is connected to the AXS Catalyst Distal Access Catheter (inside the sterile environment). The AXS Universal Liner Set is connected to the Medela Dominant Flex Pump (also outside of the sterile environment).

The Medela Dominant Flex Pump is designed to generate vacuum for the AXS Universal Aspiration System. When used as part of the AXS Universal Aspiration System, the AXS Catalyst Distal Access Catheter requires a minimum vacuum pressure of -68 kPa [-20.06 in Hg] from the Medela Dominant Flex Pump. The Medela Dominant Flex Pump is reusable, non-sterile, and intended to be utilized outside of the sterile environment.

The AXS Universal Liner Set is provided non-sterile and consists of an individually packaged canister liner and a ClotFinder specimen cup. The AXS Universal Liner Set is offered with and without a desiccant. The AXS Universal Liner Set is single-use and the repository for aspirated material.

Contraindications

None known.

Potential adverse events

Potential adverse events associated with the use of catheters or with the endovascular procedures include, but are not limited to:

- Access site complications
- Allergic reaction
- Aneurysm perforation
- Aneurysm rupture
- Death
- Embolism (air, foreign body, plaque, thrombus)
- Hematoma
- Hemorrhage
- Infection
- Ischemia
- Neurological deficits
- Pseudoaneurysm
- Stroke
- Transient Ischemic Attack
- Vasospasm
- Vessel dissection
- Vessel occlusion
- Vessel perforation
- Vessel rupture
- Vessel thrombosis

Use of device requires fluoroscopy which presents potential risks to physicians and patients associated with x-ray exposure. Possible risks include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Alpecia
- Burns ranging in severity from skin reddening to ulcers
- Cataracts
- Delayed neoplasia

Warnings

- Contents supplied STERILE using an ethylene oxide (EO) process. Do not use if sterile barrier is damaged. If damage is found, call your Stryker Neurovascular representative. The AXS Catalyst Distal Access Catheter is for single use only. Do not reuse, reprocess or re-sterilize. Reuse, reprocessing or re-sterilization may compromise the structural integrity of the device and/or lead to device failure which, in turn, may result in patient injury, illness or death. Reuse, reprocessing or re-sterilization may also create a risk of contamination of the device and/or cause patient infection or cross-infection, including, but not limited to, the transmission of infectious diseases) from one patient to another. Contamination of the device may lead to injury, illness or death of the patient. After use, dispose of product and packaging in accordance with hospital, administrative and/or local government policy.
- Limited testing has been performed with solutions such as contrast media, and saline. The use of these catheters for delivery of solutions other than the types that have been tested for compatibility is not recommended.
- Not intended for use with power injectors.
- If flow through catheter becomes restricted, do not attempt to clear catheter lumen by infusion. Doing so may cause catheter damage or patient injury. Remove and replace catheter.
- Never advance or withdraw an intravascular device against resistance until the cause of the resistance is determined by fluoroscopy. Movement of the device against resistance could dislodge a clot, perforate a vessel wall, or damage the device.

Additional warning for revascularization indication only

- Excessive aspiration may cause patient complications.

Precautions

- Carefully inspect all devices prior to use. Verify size, length, and condition are suitable for the specific procedure. Ensure the catheter's labeled outer diameter is smaller than the treatment vessel diameter. Do not use a device that has been damaged in any way. Damaged device may cause complications.
- To control the proper introduction, movement, positioning and removal of the catheter within the vascular system, users should employ standard angiographic and fluoroscopic practices and techniques throughout the interventional procedure.
- Operators should take all necessary precautions to limit X-ray radiation doses to patients and themselves by using sufficient shielding, reducing fluoroscopy times, and modifying X-ray technical factors whenever possible.
- Use the product prior to the "Use By" date printed on the label.
- To prevent thrombus formation and contrast media crystal formation, maintain a constant infusion of appropriate flush solution through catheter lumen.
- Torquing the catheter may cause damage which could result in kinking or separation of the catheter shaft.

Additional precaution for conduit indication only

- Limit use of the AXS Catalyst Distal Access Catheters with retrievers to three (3) retriever attempts per catheter.

AXS Vecta 71/74 Intermediate Catheter

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See **package insert for complete indications, contraindications, warnings and instructions for use.**

Indications for use as a conduit

The AXS Vecta Intermediate Catheter is indicated for use in facilitating the insertion and guidance of appropriately sized interventional devices into a selected blood vessel in the peripheral and neurovascular systems. The AXS Vecta Intermediate Catheter is also indicated for use as a conduit for retrieval devices.

Indications for use as a revascularization device

The AXS Vecta Intermediate Catheter, as part of the AXS Vecta Aspiration System, is indicated in the revascularization of patients with acute ischemic stroke secondary to intracranial large vessel occlusive disease (within the internal carotid, middle cerebral – M1 and M2 segments, basilar, and vertebral arteries) within 8 hours of symptom onset. Patients who are ineligible for intravenous tissue plasminogen activator (IV t-PA) or who failed IV t-PA therapy are candidates for treatment.

Contraindications

Do not use the AXS Vecta Intermediate Catheter in the coronary vasculature.

Do not use automated high-pressure contrast injection equipment with the AXS Vecta Intermediate Catheter because it may damage the device.

Adverse events

Potential adverse events associated with the use of catheters or with the endovascular procedures include, but are not limited to:

- Acute vessel occlusion
- Air embolism
- Allergic reaction and anaphylaxis from contrast media
- Arteriovenous fistula
- Death
- Device malfunction
- Distal embolization
- Embol
- False aneurysm formation
- Hematoma or hemorrhage at the puncture site
- Inability to completely remove thrombus
- Infection
- Intracranial hemorrhage
- Ischemia
- Kidney damage from contrast media
- Neurological deficit including stroke
- Risks associated with angiographic and fluoroscopic radiation including but not limited to: alopecia, burns ranging in severity from skin reddening to ulcers, cataracts, and delayed neoplasia
- Sterile inflammation or granulomas at the access site

- Tissue necrosis
- Vessel spasm, thrombosis, dissection or perforation

Warnings

- Do not use kinked, damaged, or opened devices.
- Exposure to temperatures above 54°C (130°F) may damage device. Do not autoclave.
- Torquing or moving the device against resistance may result in damage to the vessel or device.
- The AXS Vecta Intermediate Catheter has not been evaluated for more than one (1) clot retrieval attempt.
- The AXS Vecta Intermediate Catheter was evaluated for an average duration of direct aspiration of 4 minutes.
- This product is intended for single use only. do not re-sterilize or reuse. Re-sterilization and/or reuse may result in cross contamination and/or reduced performance.
- When the catheter is exposed to the vascular system, it should be manipulated while under high-quality fluoroscopic observation. Do not advance or retract the catheter if resistance is met during manipulation; determine the cause of the resistance before proceeding.
- If flow through the device becomes restricted, do not attempt to clear the lumen by infusion. Remove and replace the device.
- This device is coated with a hydrophilic coating at the distal end of the device for a length of 25 cm. Please refer to the Device Preparation Section for further information on how to prepare and use this device to ensure it performs as intended. Failure to abide by the warnings in this labeling might result in damage to the device coating, which may necessitate intervention or result in serious adverse events.
- Verify aspiration pump is appropriate before use if using a vacuum pump other than the Medela Dominant Flex Pump. The AXS Vecta Intermediate Catheters have been verified for use with the Medela Dominant Flex Pump and AXS Universal Aspiration Tubing. The Medela Dominant Flex Pump is capable of delivering vacuum pressures between -20.08 inHg and -28 in Hg [-68 kPa to -95 kPa] [-510 mmHg to -713 mmHg]] during use and is characterized by the pressure-flow performance curve below. If using another vacuum pump other than the Medela Dominant Flex Pump, carefully review the vacuum pump performance parameters to ensure it is equivalent and can achieve the same operating vacuum pressures between -20.08 inHg and -28 inHg [-68 kPa to -95 kPa] [-510 mmHg to -713 mmHg] and corresponds to the same flow rate ranges (see pump pressure-flow performance graph). The vacuum pump should also be verified to be compatible with the AXS Universal Aspiration Tubing.
- Limit the use of the AXS Vecta Intermediate Catheter to arteries greater than the catheter's outer diameter.

Precautions

- Use the device prior to the "Use By" date specified on the package.
- Maintain a constant infusion of appropriate flush solution.
- Examine the device to verify functionality and to ensure that its size and shape are suitable for the specific procedure for which it is to be used.
- The AXS Vecta Aspiration System should be used only by physicians trained in percutaneous procedures and/or interventional techniques.
- The Scout Introducer should be used with a guidewire and microcatheter inserted when in vasculature.
- If using the AXS Vecta Aspiration System for thrombectomy, monitor the canister fluid level and replace the canister if the fill level reaches 75% of the canister volume.
- Administration of anticoagulants and antiplatelets should be suspended until 24 hours post-treatment. Medical management and acute post stroke care should follow the ASA guidelines.
- Any neurological deterioration should be evaluated by urgent CT scan and other evaluations as indicated according to investigational best practice.
- As in all surgical interventions, monitoring of intra-procedural blood loss is recommended so that appropriate management may be instituted.
- Excessive aspiration with the distal tip of the AXS Vecta Intermediate Catheter covered by the vessel wall may cause vessel injury. Carefully investigate location of the distal tip under fluoroscopy prior to aspiration.
- There is an inherent risk with the use of angiography and fluoroscopy.
- Operators should take all necessary precautions to limit X-radiation doses to patients and themselves by using sufficient shielding, reducing fluoroscopy times, and modifying X-ray technical factors where possible.
- When transporting the Medela Dominant Flex Pump, utilize the pump handle.
- Ensure the RHV is fully open before inserting the AXS Vecta Intermediate Catheter. Avoid over- or under-tightening the RHV. Do not insert or advance the AXS Vecta Intermediate Catheter if resistance is encountered without careful assessment of the cause.

Warning

- Contents supplied STERILE using an ethylene oxide (EO) process. Do not use if sterile barrier is damaged. If damage is found, call your Stryker Neurovascular representative.
- For single use only. Do not reuse, reprocess or re-sterilize. Reuse, reprocessing or re-sterilization may compromise the structural integrity of the device and/or lead to device failure which, in turn, may result in patient injury, illness or death. Reuse, reprocessing or re-sterilization may also create a risk of contamination of the device and/or cause patient infection or cross-infection, including, but not limited to, the transmission of infectious diseases) from one patient to another. Contamination of the device may lead to injury, illness or death of the patient.
- After use, dispose of product and packaging in accordance with hospital, administrative and/or local government policy.

AXS Infinity LS Long Sheath and AXS Infinity LS Plus Long Sheath

RX ONLY

See **package insert for complete indications, contraindications, warnings and instructions for use.**

Intended use/indications for use

The AXS Infinity LS Long Sheath is indicated for the introduction of interventional devices into the peripheral, coronary, and neuro vasculature.

Contraindications

There are no known contraindications.

Adverse events

Potential adverse events associated with the use of catheters or with the endovascular procedures include, but are not limited to:

- Acute Vessel Occlusion
- Air Embolism
- Death
- Distal Embolization
- Embol
- False Aneurysm Formation
- Hematoma or Hemorrhage at the puncture site
- Infection
- Intracranial Hemorrhage
- Ischemia
- Neurological Deficit including Stroke
- Vessel Spasm, Thrombosis, Dissection or Perforation

Warning

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After use, dispose of product and packaging in accordance with hospital, administrative and/or local government policy.

When the AXS Infinity LS Long Sheath is exposed to the vascular system, it should be manipulated while under high-quality fluoroscopic observation. Do not advance or retract the AXS Infinity LS Long Sheath if resistance is met during manipulation, determine the cause of the resistance before proceeding.

Precautions

- Do not use kinked, damaged, or open devices.
- Use the AXS Infinity LS Long Sheath prior to the "Use By" date specified on the package.
- Exposure to temperatures above 54°C (130°F) may damage device. Do not autoclave.
- Torquing or moving the device against resistance may result in damage to the vessel or device.
- Maintain a constant infusion of appropriate flush solution.
- If flow through the device becomes restricted, do not attempt to clear the lumen by infusion. Remove and replace the device.
- Examine the AXS Infinity LS Long Sheath to verify functionality and ensure that its size and shape are suitable for the specific procedure for which it is to be used.
- The AXS Infinity LS Long Sheath should be used only by physicians trained in percutaneous procedures and/or interventional techniques.

AXS Offset Delivery Assist Catheter

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See **package insert for complete indications, contraindications, warnings and instructions for use.**

Intended use/indications for use

The AXS Offset Delivery Assist Catheter is intended to assist in the delivery of interventional devices, such as distal access catheters, in the neurovasculature.

Contraindications

None known.

Adverse event information

Potential adverse events associated with the use of Delivery Assist Catheters or with the endovascular procedures include, but are not limited to:
Access site complications, Allergic reaction, Aneurysm perforation, Aneurysm rupture, CNS Tissue Inflammation, Death, Embolism (air, foreign body, plaque, thrombus), Hematoma, Hemorrhage, Infection, Ischemia, Neurological deficits, Pseudoaneurysm, Stroke, Transient Ischemic Attack, Vasospasm, Vessel dissection, Vessel occlusion, Vessel perforation, Vessel rupture, Vessel thrombosis

Warning

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After use, dispose of product and packaging in accordance with hospital, administrative and/or local government policy.

This device should only be used by physicians who have received appropriate training in interventional neuroradiology or interventional radiology and preclinical training on the use of this device as established by Stryker Neurovascular.

This device is intended for use only by physicians trained in performing

endovascular procedures.

Limited testing has been performed with saline. The use of this catheter for delivery of solutions (such as contrast media) is not recommended.

Not intended for use with power injectors.

Do not exceed pressures greater than 43.5 psi (300kPa) during clinical use of the device. Excessive pressures could result in a ruptured catheter or severed tip, causing vessel injury.

Do not use catheter with stents, retrievers, occlusion coils, glue, glue mixture or non-adhesive liquid embolic agent. Carefully inspect all devices prior to use. Verify shape, size, and condition are suitable for the specific procedure.

Exchange catheters frequently during lengthy procedures that require extensive guidewire manipulation or multiple guidewire exchanges.

Never advance or withdraw an intravascular device against resistance until the cause of the resistance is determined by fluoroscopy. Movement of the catheter or guidewire against resistance could dislodge a clot, perforate a vessel wall, or damage catheter and guidewire. In severe cases, tip separation of the catheter or guidewire may occur.

Inspect product before use for any bends, kinks or damage. Do not use a Delivery Assist Catheter that has been damaged. Damaged catheters may rupture causing vessel trauma or tip detachment during steering maneuvers.

Cautions/precautions

Caution: Federal Law (USA) restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician.

To reduce the probability of coating damage in tortuous vasculature, use a Distal Access Catheter with a minimum internal diameter as specified in Table 1 above.

To control the proper introduction, movement, positioning and removal of the catheter within the vascular system, users should employ standard clinical angiographic and fluoroscopic practices and techniques throughout the interventional procedure.

To facilitate catheter handling, the proximal portion of the catheter does not have the hydrophilic surface. Greater resistance may be encountered when this section of the catheter is advanced into the RHV. Exercise care in handling of the catheter during a procedure to reduce the possibility of accidental breakage, bending or kinking.

Use the product prior to the "Use By" date printed on the label.

Flush dispenser coil and hydrophilically coated outer shaft of the Delivery Assist Catheter with saline prior to removal from packaging tray. Once the Delivery Assist Catheter has been wetted, do not allow it to dry.

Check that all fittings are secure so that air is not introduced into the Distal Access Catheter and Delivery Assist Catheter during continuous flush.

In order to achieve optimal performance of Stryker Neurovascular's delivery assist catheter and to maintain the lubricity of the Hydrolene Coating surface, it is critical that a continuous flow of appropriate flush solution be maintained between the Stryker Neurovascular delivery assist catheter and distal access catheter, and the delivery assist catheter and any steerable guidewire. In addition, flushing aids in preventing contrast crystal formation and/or clotting on both the steerable guidewire and inside the distal access catheter and/or the delivery assist catheter lumen.

Do not extend the Delivery Assist Catheter tip more than 30cm from the Distal Access Catheter tip.

Excelsior XT-27 Microcatheter

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See **package insert for complete indications, complications, warnings, and instructions for use.**

Intended use / indications for use

Stryker Neurovascular's Excelsior XT-27 Microcatheter is intended to assist in the delivery of diagnostic agents (such as contrast media), therapeutic agents, and non-liquid interventional devices (such as stents) that are indicated for use in the neurovasculature and with a catheter of 0.027 inches in inner diameter.

Contraindications

None known.

Potential adverse events

Potential adverse events associated with the use of microcatheters or with the endovascular procedures include, but are not limited to: access site complications, allergic reaction, aneurysm perforation, aneurysm rupture, death, embolism (air, foreign body, plaque, thrombus), hematoma, hemorrhage, infection, ischemia, neurological deficits, pseudoaneurysm, stroke, transient ischemic attack, vasospasm, vessel dissection, vessel occlusion, vessel perforation, vessel rupture, vessel thrombosis.

Warnings

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- For single use only. Do not reuse, reprocess or re-sterilize. Reuse, reprocessing or re-sterilization may compromise the structural integrity of the device and/or lead to device failure which, in turn, may result in patient injury, illness or death. Reuse, reprocessing or re-sterilization may also create a risk of contamination of the device and/or cause patient infection or cross-infection, including, but not limited to, the transmission of infectious disease(s) from one patient to another. Contamination of the device may lead to injury, illness or death of the patient.

After use, dispose of product and packaging in accordance with hospital, administrative and/or local government policy.

- These devices should only be used by physicians who have received appropriate training in interventional neuroradiology.
- Limited testing has been performed with solutions such as contrast media, interventional devices such as stents, and therapeutic agents such as FVA particles. The use of these catheters for delivery of products other than the types that have been tested for compatibility is not recommended.

- Do not use catheter with glue, glue mixture or non-adhesive liquid embolic agent.
- The accessories are not intended for use inside the human body.
- Carefully inspect all devices prior to use. Verify shape, size and condition are suitable for the specific procedure.
- Exchange microcatheters frequently during lengthy procedures that require extensive guidewire manipulation or multiple guidewire exchanges.
- Never advance or withdraw an intravascular device against resistance until the cause of the resistance is determined by fluoroscopy. Movement of the microcatheter or guidewire against resistance could dislodge a clot, perforate a vessel wall, or damage microcatheter and guidewire. In severe cases, tip separation of the microcatheter or guidewire may occur.
- Inspect product before use for any bends, kinks or damage. Do not use a microcatheter that has been damaged. Damaged microcatheters may rupture causing vessel trauma or tip detachment during steering maneuvers.

Shaping mandrel is not intended for use inside the human body.

- Discontinue use of microcatheter for infusion if increased resistance is noted. Resistance indicates possible blockage. Remove and replace blocked microcatheter immediately. Do NOT attempt to clear blockage by over-pressureurization. Doing so may cause the microcatheter to rupture, resulting in vascular damage or patient injury.
- Do not exceed 2,070 kPa (300 psi) infusion pressure. Excessive pressure could dislodge a clot, causing thromboemboli, or could result in a ruptured microcatheter or severed tip, causing vessel injury.

Cautions / precautions

- Federal Law (USA) restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician.
- To facilitate microcatheter handling, the proximal portion of the microcatheter does not have the hydrophilic surface. Greater resistance may be encountered when this section of the microcatheter is advanced into the RHV.
- Exercise care in handling of the microcatheter during a procedure to reduce the possibility of accidental breakage, bending or kinking.
- To control the proper introduction, movement, positioning and removal of the microcatheter within the vascular system, users should employ standard clinical angiographic and fluoroscopic practices and techniques throughout the interventional procedure.
- Use the product prior to the "Use By" date printed on the label.
- Flush dispenser coil of hydrophilically coated microcatheters prior to removal from dispenser coil. Once the microcatheter has been wetted, do not allow to dry. Do not reinsert the microcatheter into dispenser coil.
- Check that all fittings are secure so that air is not introduced into guide catheter or microcatheter during continuous flush.
- In order to achieve optimal performance of Stryker Neurovascular Microcatheters and to maintain the lubricity of the Hydrolene Coating surface, it is critical that a continuous flow of appropriate flush solution be maintained between the Stryker Neurovascular Microcatheter and guide catheter, and the microcatheter and any intraluminal device. In addition, flushing aids in preventing contrast crystal formation and/or clotting on both the intraluminal device and inside the guide catheter and/or the microcatheter lumen.
- Do not position microcatheter tip closer than 2.54 cm (1 in) from the stenosis or aneurysm. Damage to the microcatheter tip may result.
- Excessive tightening of a hemostatic valve onto the microcatheter shaft may result in damage to the microcatheter. Removing the peel-away introducer sheath without a guidewire inserted in the microcatheter lumen might result in damage to the microcatheter shaft.

FlowGate² Balloon Guide Catheter

RX ONLY

See **package insert for complete indications, complications, warnings, and instructions for use.**

Indications for use

FlowGate² Balloon Guide Catheters are indicated for use in facilitating the insertion and guidance of an intravascular catheter into a selected blood vessel in the peripheral and neuro vascular systems. The balloon provides temporary vascular occlusion during these and other angiographic procedures. The Balloon Guide Catheter is also indicated for use as a conduit for Retrieval devices.

Complications

Procedures requiring percutaneous catheter introduction should not be attempted by physicians unfamiliar with the possible complications. Possible complications include, but are not limited to, the following: infection, hematoma, distal embolization, vessel thrombosis, dissection, false aneurysm formation, acute occlusion, clot formation, hemorrhage at the puncture site, intracranial hemorrhage, arterial rupture, stroke and death.

Warnings

- Do not reuse. Discard after one procedure. Structural integrity and/or function may be impaired through reuse or cleaning.
- Never advance or torque catheter against resistance without careful assessment of cause of resistance using fluoroscopy. If cause cannot be determined, withdraw catheter. Movement against resistance may result in damage to vessel or catheter.
- To reduce risk of complications due to slow balloon deflation, adhere to the following recommendations:
 - Wet distal shaft with saline before advancing peel-away sheath over balloon.
 - Use peel-away sheath to advance catheter into introducer sheath.
 - Minimize pushing forces on shaft during advancement. These forces can cause wrinkles in shaft that can slow balloon deflation.
 - Do not use device if shaft is damaged during use.
 - Prepare balloon according to Recommended Procedure.
- To reduce risk of complications due to air emboli, remove air from balloon according to Recommended Procedure.
- Withdrawing balloon through introducer sheath may damage balloon. Do not use catheter again after withdrawing balloon through introducer sheath.
- To avoid balloon leakage, do not allow balloon to contact calcified or stented arteries

and do not allow balloon to move during inflation.

- Do not use a device that has been damaged. Use of damaged devices may result in complications.
- Do not exceed maximum recommended balloon inflation volume. Excess inflation volume may rupture balloon.
- For through-lumen, do not exceed 2068 kPa (300 psi) maximum recommended infusion pressure. Excess pressure may result in catheter rupture or tip detachment.
- If flow through catheter becomes restricted, do not attempt to clear catheter lumen by infusion. Doing so may cause catheter to rupture, resulting in vessel trauma. Remove and replace catheter.
- Do not steam shape guide catheter.

Precautions

- Store in a cool, dry, dark place.
- Do not use open or damaged packages.
- Use by "Use By" date.
- Exposure to temperatures above 54°C (130°F) may damage device and accessories. Do not autoclave.
- Upon removal from package, inspect device to ensure it is not damaged.
- Do not expose device to solvents.
- Use device in conjunction with fluoroscopic visualization and proper anti-coagulation agents.
- Torquing guide catheter while kinked may cause damage that could result in separation of catheter shaft.
- If a device becomes lodged in guide catheter, or if guide catheter becomes severely kinked, withdraw entire system (guide catheter, guidewire and catheter sheath introducer).
- To prevent thrombus formation and contrast media crystal formation, maintain a constant infusion of appropriate flush solution through guide catheter lumen.

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