VOYAGER NC
Coronary Dilatation Catheter

CAUTION

CAREFULLY READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS PRIOR TO USE. OBSERVE ALL WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS NOTED THROUGHOUT THESE INSTRUCTIONS. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN COMPlications.

DESCRIPTION

The VOYAGER NC Coronary Dilatation Catheter has an integrated shaft system and a balloon near the distal tip. The shaft has a combination of single lumen and dual lumen tubing. One lumen is used for inflation of the balloon with contrast medium. The second lumen, in the distal shaft, permits the use of a guide wire to facilitate advancement of the dilatation catheter to and through the stenosis to be dilated. The dilatation catheter is coated with Hydrocoat Hydrophilic Coating, which is activated when wet.

This device has several markers. The balloon has radiopaque marker(s) to aid in positioning the balloon in the stenosis, and is designed to provide an expandable segment of known diameter and length at a specific pressure. The proximal shaft has proximal markers which aid in gauging dilatation catheter position relative to the guiding catheter tip (marker located closest to the dilatation catheter adapter is for femoral guiding catheters and the other marker is for brachial guiding catheters).

The design of this dilatation catheter does not incorporate a lumen for distal dye injections and distal pressure measurements.

HOW SUPPLIED

Sterile – Sterilized using ethylene oxide sterilization. Non-pyrogenic. Do not use if the package is open or damaged.

This single use device cannot be reused on another patient, as it is not designed to perform as intended after the first usage. Changes in mechanical, physical, and / or chemical characteristics introduced under conditions of repeated use, cleaning, and / or resterilization may compromise the integrity of the design and / or materials, leading to contamination due to narrow gaps and / or spaces and diminished safety and / or performance of the device. Absence of original labeling may lead to misuse and eliminate traceability. Absence of original packaging may lead to device damage, loss of sterility, and risk of injury to the patient and / or user.

Contents – One (1) VOYAGER NC Coronary Dilatation Catheter, one (1) primary flushing tool, one (1) protective sheath, one (1) regrooming sheath, one (1) dilatation catheter clip, one (1) compliance card

Storage – Store in a dry, dark, cool place.

INDICATIONS

The VOYAGER NC Coronary Dilatation Catheter is indicated for:

a) Balloon dilatation of the stenotic portion of a coronary artery or bypass graft stenosis for the purpose of improving myocardial perfusion
b) Balloon dilatation of a coronary artery occlusion for the purpose of restoring coronary flow in patients with ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction

c) Balloon dilatation of a stent after implantation (balloon models 2.00 mm – 5.00 mm only)

CONTRAINDICATIONS
The VOYAGER NC Coronary Dilatation Catheter is not intended to be used:

• In an unprotected left main coronary artery
• To treat coronary artery spasm in the absence of a significant stenosis

WARNINGS
This device is intended for one time use only. DO NOT resterilize and / or reuse it, as this can compromise device performance and increase the risk of cross contamination due to inappropriate reprocessing.

PTCA should only be performed at hospitals where emergency coronary artery bypass graft surgery can be quickly performed in the event of a potentially injurious or life-threatening complication.

PTCA in patients who are not acceptable candidates for coronary artery bypass graft surgery requires careful consideration, including possible hemodynamic support during PTCA, as treatment of this patient population carries special risk.

Use only the recommended balloon inflation medium. Never use air or any gaseous medium to inflate the balloon.

Balloon pressure should not exceed the rated burst pressure (RBP). The RBP is based on results of in vitro testing. At least 99.9% of the balloons (with a 95% confidence) will not burst at or below their RBP. Use of a pressure-monitoring device is recommended to prevent over pressurization.

To reduce the potential for vessel damage, the inflated diameter of the balloon should approximate the diameter of the vessel just proximal and distal to the stenosis.

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 unless the balloon is fully deflated under vacuum. If resistance is met during manipulation, determine the cause of the resistance before proceeding.

Do not use, or attempt to straighten, a catheter if the shaft has become bent or kinked; this may result in the shaft breaking. Instead, prepare a new catheter.

Treatment of moderately or heavily calcified lesions is considered to be moderate risk, with an expected success rate of 60 – 85% and increases the risk of acute closure, vessel trauma, balloon burst, balloon entrapment, and associated complications. If resistance is felt, determine the cause before proceeding. Continuing to advance or retract the catheter while under resistance may result in damage to the vessels and / or damage / separation of the catheter.

In the event of catheter damage / separation, recovery of any portion should be performed based on physician determination of individual patient condition and appropriate retrieval protocol.

PRECAUTIONS
Note the “Use by” date specified on the package.

Inspect all product prior to use. Do not use if the package is open or damaged.
This device should be used only by physicians trained in angiography and percutaneous transluminal coronary angioplasty (PTCA), and / or percutaneous transluminal angioplasty (PTA).

Prior to angioplasty, the dilatation catheter should be examined to verify functionality and ensure that its size is suitable for the specific procedure for which it is to be used.

During the procedure, appropriate anticoagulant and coronary vasodilator therapy must be provided to the patient as needed. Anticoagulant therapy should be continued for a period of time to be determined by the physician after the procedure.

The design and construction of these catheters do not provide the user with distal pressure monitoring capability.

If the surface of the VOYAGER NC Coronary Dilatation Catheter becomes dry, wetting with heparinized normal saline will reactivate the coating.

Do not reinsert the VOYAGER NC Coronary Dilatation Catheter into the coil dispenser after procedural use.

With 4.5 mm and 5.0 mm balloon dilatation catheters, some increased resistance may be noted upon insertion or withdrawal into or out of the guiding catheter. Choosing a larger guiding catheter size may minimize this.

ADVERSE EFFECTS

Possible adverse effects include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Acute myocardial infarction
- Arrhythmias, including ventricular fibrillation
- Arteriovenous fistula
- Coronary artery spasm
- Coronary vessel dissection, perforation, rupture or injury
- Death
- Drug reactions, allergic reaction to contrast medium
- Embolism
- Hemorrhage or hematoma
- Hypo / hypertension
- Infection
- Restenosis of the dilated vessel
- Total occlusion of the coronary artery or bypass graft
- Unstable angina

CLINICAL AND LABORATORY RESULTS

To evaluate the safety and effectiveness of direct PTCA as a treatment for patients with ST-segment elevation acute myocardial infarction, ACS conducted a multicenter, prospective, randomized clinical trial using primarily ACS Coronary Dilatation Catheters. The GUSTO II Direct PTCA Substudy (GUSTO IIb) evaluated treatment of patients presenting within 12 hours of ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction with direct PTCA or accelerated recombinant tissue plasminogen activator (t-PA). The primary hypothesis was that for patients with suspected acute myocardial infarction, with ST-segment elevation, direct PTCA would result in a lower rate of 30-day mortality, non-fatal reinfarction, and nonfatal disabling stroke when compared with thrombolytic therapy.

A total of 1138 patients were enrolled in this trial at 60 centers in 9 countries from North America, Europe, and Australia over a period of 17 months. Investigator selection criteria included those physicians who had significant experience performing primary angioplasty for patients with acute myocardial infarctions, who fulfilled the 1993 ACC volume criteria of at least 50 to 75 cases of angioplasty per year. Investigational institutions were required to have performed at least 200 angioplasties per year and have a 24-hour on call team with an established system for operating room backup. Five hundred sixty-five patients were assigned to primary angioplasty and 573 to accelerated recombinant tissue plasminogen activator (t-PA). At initial enrollment, the first 1012 patients were
also randomized in a factorial design, to intravenous heparin or intravenous hirudin, as part of the GUSTO II trial. Thereafter, all patients received intravenous heparin. At enrollment, patients were given chewable aspirin (160 mg was recommended) followed by a daily dose of 80 to 325 mg. Patients received standard medical care post assigned treatment. Other testing and adjunctive therapies were left up to the discretion of the physician.

Of the patients randomized to t-PA, 94.6% (542/573) received t-PA, 1.6% (9/573) received streptokinase, and 1.7% (10/573) had direct angioplasty. Eighty-two patients (14.4%) required emergency angiography and 60 (10.5%) required emergency PTCA. Two hundred seventy (47.3%) had elective angiography and 61 (10.7%) had elective PTCA. The in-hospital procedural characteristics for patients randomized to PTCA, were 73.3% (374/510) of the infarct arteries occluded (TIMI grade 0 or 1 flow) at initial catheterization (core lab) and 79.2% (446/563) patients received PTCA. Patency after angioplasty (TIMI grade 2 or 3 flow) was achieved in 93.1% (473/508) of patients (core lab). Twenty-two (4%) required emergency angiography and 19 (3.5%) required emergency PTCA. Nineteen (3.5%) had elective angiography, and 5 (0.9%) had elective PTCA. The mean time from arrival at the hospital to treatment for patients randomized to accelerated t-PA was 1.2 ±0.9 hours and for the PTCA treatment group was 2.2 ±0.9 hours.

When comparing the treatment of patients with ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction with direct PTCA to treatment with accelerated t-PA, PTCA resulted in a statistically significant lower 30 day composite endpoint rate of death, reinfarction, and nonfatal disabling stroke of 9.6% versus 13.7%, respectively, (odds ratio = 0.67, p = 0.033). Additionally, the direct PTCA group had a statistically significant lower rate of recurrent ischemia at 30 days when compared to the t-PA group 5.5% (29/526) versus 9.0% (48/532) respectively, (odds ratio = 0.59, p = 0.03). The overall stroke rate for this study was 1.6% (18/1133). The stroke rate for patients treated with direct PTCA was 1.3% (7/562) versus 1.9% (11/571) for patients treated with t-PA (odds ratio = 0.64, p value = 0.36). The accelerated t-PA treatment group had a statistically significant higher rate of intracranial hemorrhagic strokes when compared to PTCA, 1.5% (8/571) versus 0%, respectively (odds ratio = 0.06, p = 0.005). There was a statistically significant higher overall rate of bleeding in the PTCA group versus the t-PA group 40.3% (227/563) versus 34.2% (195/571) (odds ratio = 1.30, p = 0.03). The rate of severe or life threatening bleeding was equivalent in both treatment groups. Seventy percent (161/227) of bleeding complications in the PTCA treatment group were related to vascular access and 62.9% (142/227) were mild in nature.

At 180 days, there was no statistical difference in the composite rate of death, reinfarction, and nonfatal disabling stroke for accelerated t-PA versus direct PTCA, 16.8% (87/517) versus 14.7% (75/509) respectively, (odds ratio = 0.88, p = 0.36). The overall rate of re-admission to the hospital for chest pain, myocardial infarction, stroke and repeat cardiac procedures were similar between the two groups. At one year there is no statistical difference in the rate of death for accelerated t-PA versus PTCA 10.3% (52/507) versus 9.2% (46/500) respectively (odds ratio = 0.89, p = 0.57).

Direct PTCA with ACS Coronary Dilatation Catheters is safe and effective in eligible patients presenting within 12 hours of ST-segment elevation myocardial infarction, providing a reduced composite event rate at 30 days with an equivalent clinical outcome at 180 days and one year compared with accelerated t-PA.

Direct angioplasty, when it can be accomplished on a prompt basis by experienced physicians at centers with catheterization laboratory availability, should be considered a primary treatment option for patients with acute myocardial infarction.

**MATERIALS REQUIRED**

**Single Use, Sterile Items (Do not resterilize or reuse.)**

- Sterile heparinized normal saline
- Guiding Catheter (femoral or brachial) in the appropriate size and configuration to select the coronary artery
- Hemostatic valve(s)
- 60% contrast medium diluted 1:1 with normal saline
- 20 cc Luer-lock syringe (optional)
- Appropriately sized guide wire (diameter not to exceed the maximum guide wire for the dilatation catheter; see product label)
Guide wire introducer
Guide wire torque device
Inflation device

PREPARATION FOR USE

Prior to use examine all equipment carefully for defects. Examine the dilatation catheter for bends, kinks, or other damage. Do not use any defective equipment.

Prepare equipment to be used following manufacturer’s instructions or standard procedure.

Complete the following steps to prepare the VOYAGER NC Coronary Dilatation Catheter for use:

1. Remove the protective mandrel from the flushing sheath.

2. Flush the VOYAGER NC Coronary Dilatation Catheter:
   a) Attach a syringe filled with heparinized normal saline to the flushing hub, which is attached to the protective balloon sheath, and inject heparinized saline into the lumen, or
   b) Attach a syringe filled with heparinized normal saline to the flushing tool, insert the flushing tool into the distal end of the catheter, and inject heparinized normal saline into the lumen. Follow this procedure for subsequent flushing. Flush solution should be seen coming out of the guide wire exit notch located approximately 25 cm proximal to the balloon.

3. Slide the protective sheath off the balloon.
   Note: Submerge the balloon in sterile heparinized normal saline during balloon preparation to activate the coating.

4. Prepare an inflation device with the recommended contrast medium according to the manufacturer’s instructions.

5. Evacuate air from the balloon segment using the following procedure:
   a) Fill a 20 cc syringe or the inflation device with approximately 4 cc of the recommended contrast medium.
   b) After attaching the syringe or inflation device to the balloon inflation lumen, orient the dilatation catheter with the distal tip and the balloon pointing in a downward vertical position.
   c) Apply negative pressure and aspirate for 15 seconds. Slowly release the pressure to neutral, allowing contrast to fill the shaft of the dilatation catheter.
   d) Disconnect the syringe or inflation device from the inflation port of the dilatation catheter.
   e) Remove all air from the syringe or inflation device barrel. Reconnect the syringe or inflation device to the inflation port of the dilatation catheter. Maintain negative pressure on the balloon until air no longer returns to the device.
   f) Slowly release the device pressure to neutral.
   g) Disconnect the 20 cc syringe (if used) and connect the inflation device to the inflation port of the dilatation catheter without introducing air into the system.

   CAUTION: All air must be removed from the balloon and displaced with contrast prior to inserting into the body, (repeat steps 5a through 5g, if necessary); otherwise, complications may occur.
INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

1. Insert a guide wire through the hemostatic valve following the manufacturer's instructions. Advance the guide wire carefully into and through the guiding catheter. When complete, withdraw the guide wire introducer, if used.

2. Attach a torque device to the guide wire, if desired. Under fluoroscopy, advance the guide wire to the desired vessel, then across the stenosis.

3. Backload the distal tip of the dilatation catheter onto the guide wire ensuring that the guide wire exits the notch located approximately 25 cm proximal to the balloon.

   **Note:** When backloading the dilatation catheter onto the guide wire, the dilatation catheter should be supported. In advancing the dilatation catheter into the guiding catheter, one's hand should support the dilatation catheter and firmly grasp the proximal shaft. Shaft diameter differences should be taken into consideration when opening and tightening the hemostatic valve and upon withdrawal of the dilatation catheter.

4. Advance the dilatation catheter over the guide wire until it approaches the hemostatic valve. Open the hemostatic valve. Insert the dilatation catheter while maintaining guide wire position and tighten the hemostatic valve. To facilitate insertion, the balloon must be fully deflated to negative pressure.

   a) Tighten the hemostatic valve to create a seal around the dilatation catheter without inhibiting movement of the dilatation catheter. This will allow continuous recording of proximal coronary artery pressure.

      **Note:** It is important that the hemostatic valve be closed tightly enough to prevent blood leakage around the dilatation catheter shaft, yet not so tight that it restricts the flow of contrast into and out of the balloon or restricts guide wire movement.

   b) Advance the dilatation catheter until the appropriate proximal marker aligns with the hemostatic valve hub. This indicates that the dilatation catheter tip has reached the guiding catheter tip.

5. Advance the dilatation catheter over the guide wire and into the stenosis or stent. Inflate the balloon to a very low pressure (1 atm, 1 bar or 15 psi) to confirm that the balloon is correctly positioned.

   **Note:** When using the dual wire technique, a DUOSTAT (or equivalent) dual hemostatic valve should be used and care taken when introducing, torquing, and removing one or both wires to avoid entanglement. Guide wires should not be rotated more than 180 degrees in either direction during the dual wire procedure. It is recommended that one wire be completely withdrawn from the patient before removing additional equipment.

6. Inflate the balloon to perform PTCA or postimplant dilatation of a stent per standard procedure. Maintain negative pressure on the balloon between inflations.

7. Withdraw the deflated dilatation catheter and guide wire from the guiding catheter through the hemostatic valve. Tighten the hemostatic valve.

   **Note:** After the deflated balloon dilatation catheter is withdrawn, it should be wiped clean with gauze soaked with sterile, heparinized normal saline and stored. Prior to reinsertion, the balloon should be submerged in sterile, heparinized normal saline to reactivate the coating.

8. Coil the dilatation catheter using the clip as follows:
a) The dilatation catheter may be coiled once using the clip provided in the package. See diagram below for proper dilatation catheter coiling and clip placement.

b) Care should be taken not to kink or bend the shaft upon placement or removal of the clip. Only the proximal shaft should be secured with the dilatation catheter clip; it is not intended for the distal end of the dilatation catheter.

**EXCHANGE PROCEDURE TECHNIQUE**

The VOYAGER NC Coronary Dilatation Catheter has been specifically designed for rapid, single operator balloon exchanges. To perform a dilatation catheter exchange:

1. Loosen the hemostatic valve.

2. Hold the guide wire and hemostatic valve in one hand, while grasping the balloon shaft in the other hand.

3. Maintain guide wire position in the coronary artery by holding the wire stationary, and begin pulling the dilatation catheter out of the guiding catheter while monitoring the wire position under fluoroscopy.

4. Withdraw the deflated dilatation catheter until the notch in the guide wire lumen is reached (marker indicates notch). Carefully inch the flexible, distal portion of the dilatation catheter out of the rotating hemostatic valve while maintaining the guide wire's position across the lesion.

5. Slide the distal tip of the dilatation catheter out of the hemostatic valve, and tighten onto the guide wire to hold it securely in place. Completely remove the dilatation catheter from the guide wire.
6. Prepare the next dilatation catheter to be used, as previously described in the Preparation for Use section.

7. Backload another dilatation catheter onto the guide wire as previously described under the Instructions for Use section, step 3, and continue the procedure accordingly.

REFERENCES

The physician should consult recent literature on current medical practice on balloon dilatation, such as that published by the American College of Cardiology and the American Heart Association.

PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS

This product and/or its use are covered by one or more of the following United States Patents: 5,003,989; 5,040,548; 5,042,985; 5,046,503; 5,061,273; 5,090,959; 5,135,535; 5,137,513; 5,154,725; 5,158,548; 5,159,937; 5,176,661; 5,195,971; 5,234,002; 5,242,394; 5,242,396; 5,242,399; 5,256,143; 5,279,562; 5,290,230; 5,300,025; 5,300,085; 5,316,706; 5,318,527; 5,324,259; 5,334,154; 5,344,426; 5,346,505; 5,348,537; 5,350,395; 5,360,401; 5,397,305; 5,411,476; 5,423,755; 5,451,209; 5,451,233; 5,458,613; 5,480,383; 5,496,275; 5,496,346; 5,498,240; 5,507,301; 5,507,768; 5,507,795; 5,516,336; 5,525,388; 5,533,968; 5,542,925; 5,549,551; 5,549,554; 5,554,120; 5,555,121; 5,558,643; 5,565,523; 5,573,508; 5,573,509; 5,632,754; 5,636,641; 5,637,089; 5,693,015; 5,695,506; 5,709,658; 5,743,875; 5,747,591; 5,749,888; 5,769,868; 5,782,855; 5,807,355; 5,816,923; 5,830,181; 5,849,846; 5,868,706; 5,868,767; 5,891,090; 5,902,290; 5,931,819; 5,989,218; 5,993,460; 6,013,054; 6,013,069; 6,013,728; 6,019,777; 6,027,475; 6,036,707; 6,059,748; 6,059,770; 6,061,588; 6,117,106; 6,126,634; 6,126,635; 6,129,707; 6,136,011; 6,139,525; 6,156,047; 6,165,152; 6,165,292; 6,179,810; 6,193,686; 6,206,852; 6,217,547; 6,221,425; 6,224,803; 6,238,376; 6,248,092; 6,251,094; 6,368,301; 6,488,688; 6,561,788; 6,572,813; 6,575,993; 6,579,484; 6,589,207; 6,663,614; 6,835,059; 7,273,487; 7,303,798. Other U.S. patents pending. Foreign patents issued and pending.

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- Manufacturer
- Catalogue Number
- French Size
- Consult instructions for use
- Contents (Numeral represents quantity of units inside.)
- Do Not Reuse
- Sterilized Using Ethylene Oxide
- Outer Diameter
- Date of Manufacture
- Use By
- Batch Code
- Sterilized Using Irradiation
- Do not resterilize

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