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#### **INSTRUCTION FOR USE**

Read the following warnings, precautions and directions for use carefully.

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The Radifocus GUIDE WIRE M is designed to direct a catheter to the desired anatomical location in the vascular system during diagnostic or interventional procedures.

#### **CONTRADICTIONS**

No contraindications are known when using guide wires in vascular procedures.

Carefully read the list of Contraindications in the Instructions for use accompanying the other interventional devices to be used with the guide wire.

#### **COMPLICATIONS**

Complications that may be related to the use of guide wire can include but may not be limited to the following:

-Tissue trauma - Infusion - Altered perfusion - Hematoma - Embolism

-Allergic reaction - Thrombus formation - Nerve injury

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#### **WARNING**

Failure to abide by the following warnings might result in damage to the vessel, shearing of the GUIDE WIRE M, and release of plastic fragments from the GUIDE WIRE M. Such pieces or fragments from the wire may have to be removed from the vessel.

• Do not manipulate or withdraw the GUIDE WIRE M through a metal entry needle or a metal dilator. Manipulation and/or withdrawal through a metal-entry needle or a metal dilator may result in destruction and/or separation of the outer polyurethane coating requiring retrieval. A plastic entry needle is recommended when using this wire for initial placement.

• Do not use the GUIDE WIRE M with devices which contain metal parts such as electrocautery catheters, laser catheter, or metal introduction devices as they may cause the GUIDE WIRE M plastic coating to shear and/or sever the wire.

• Do not reshape the GUIDE WIRE M by any means. Attempting to reshape the wire may cause damage, resulting in the release of wire fragments into the vessel.

• When exchanging or withdrawing a catheter over the GUIDE WIRE M, secure and maintain the guide wire in place under fluoroscopy to avoid unexpected guide wire advancement; otherwise damage to the vessel wall by the wire's tip may occur.

• A retrieving device, such as a gripper or basket troponic, can only be used after the GUIDE WIRE M has been removed from the patient's vessel. Using a retrieving device while the GUIDE WIRE M is in the vessel may cause the GUIDE WIRE M to break.

• Manipulate the GUIDE WIRE M slowly and carefully in the vessel while confirming the location and location of the wire's tip under fluoroscopy. Improper manipulation of the GUIDE WIRE M without fluoroscopic confirmation may result in vessel perforation.

• Do not apply repetitive bending force to one specific point of the device as this may cause damage to the GUIDE WIRE M.

• If any resistance is felt or if the tip's behavior and/or location seems improper, stop manipulating the GUIDE WIRE M and/or the catheter and determine the cause by fluoroscopy. Continuing to manipulate or rotate the GUIDE WIRE M or failure to exercise proper caution may result in bending, kinking, separation of the guide wire's tip, damage to the catheter, or damage to the vessel.

• Do not attempt to use the GUIDE WIRE M if it has been bent, kinked or damaged. Use of a damaged wire may result in damage to the vessel or the release of wire fragments into the vessel.

• Consider the use of systemic heparinization to prevent or reduce the possibility of thrombus formation on the surface of the GUIDE WIRE M.

#### **PRECAUTIONS**

• The GUIDE WIRE M should be used by a physician, who is well trained in manipulation and observation of guide wires under fluoroscopy.

• Sterile in an unopened and undamaged unit package. Do not use if the unit package or the guide wire is broken or soiled. The GUIDE WIRE M should be used immediately after opening the package and be disposed of safely and properly after use, following local regulations for medical waste management.

• When using a drug or a device concomitantly with the GUIDE WIRE M, the operator should have a full understanding of the properties/characteristics of the drug or device so as to avoid damage to the GUIDE WIRE M. For example when using the GUIDE WIRE M with any device that emits energy (heat, pressure, ultrasound, etc.) confirm that the GUIDE WIRE M is retracted into a position where it will not be impacted by the energy.

• Consider the use of systemic heparinization.

• The surface of the GUIDE WIRE M is not lubricious unless it is wet. Before taking it out of its holder and inserting it through a catheter, fill the holder and the catheter with heparinized physiological saline solution.

• When inserting the GUIDE WIRE M back into the holder, take care not to damage the wire/hydrophilic polymer coating with the edge of the holder.

• Do not use a metal torque device with the GUIDE WIRE M. Use of a metal torque device may result in damage to the GUIDE WIRE M.

• Do not slip a tightened up torque device or Y-connector over the wire, as this may result in damage to the wire.

• Due to the slippery nature of the hydrophilic coating on the GUIDE WIRE M, the operator may encounter some difficulties in handling the wire. A RADIFOCUS TORQUE DEVICE, sold separately, is recommended for easier handling/manipulation of the wire.

• Due to variations of certain catheter tip inner diameters, slippage of the hydrophilic coating may occur during manipulation. If any resistance is felt during introduction of the catheter, it is advisable to stop using such catheters.

• Do not manipulate the GUIDE WIRE M through a tightened up sealing hemostasis valve, as this may result in damage to the wire.

• After removal from the patient's vessel, and prior to reinserting it into the same patient during the same catheterization, the GUIDE WIRE M should be rinsed in a bowl full of heparinized physiological saline solution. Any blood residues still adhering to the wire can be removed by wiping once with a gauze soaked with heparinized physiological saline solution. Use of alcohol, antiseptic solutions or other solvents must be avoided, because they may adversely affect the surface of the GUIDE WIRE M.

• The GUIDE WIRE M contains a metallic core, do not use with any inappropriate equipment (e.g. MRI).

• The entire operation should be carried out aseptically.

• This product has been sterilized by ethylene oxide gas. For single use only. Do not reuse. Do not reprocess. Reprocessing may compromise the sterility, biocompatibility and functional integrity of the device.

• Avoid exposure to water, direct sunlight, extreme temperatures and high humidity during storage. Store under controlled room temperature.

#### **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

1. Remove the GUIDE WIRE M and the holder together from the package.
2. Fill the holder with heparinized physiological saline solution through the hub of the holder using a syringe.
3. Remove the GUIDE WIRE M from the holder and inspect the GUIDE WIRE M prior to use, to verify that it is lubricated. If the GUIDE WIRE M can not be easily removed from the holder, inject more heparinized physiological saline solution into the holder and try again.
4. Prior to use, prime the catheter with heparinized physiological saline solution to ensure smooth movement of the GUIDE WIRE M within it.
5. The GUIDE WIRE M may slide entirely into the catheter or slip out of the catheter because of its low sliding friction.
6. Keep at least 5 cm. of the wire extended out of the hub of the catheter during introduction.