PORTABLE MULTIMEDIA PLAYERS AND IMPLANTABLE PACEMAKERS AND DEFIBRILLATORS

Portable multimedia players are small electronic devices that can store and play back audio and video. These devices typically include a base unit (player), headphones (including earbuds), and sometimes a cellular phone. All electronic equipment generates electromagnetic fields which may potentially cause electromagnetic interference (EMI). Some of these players and their accessories also contain magnets. Most electromagnetic and magnetic fields in consumer products are not strong enough to affect the function of a pacemaker or defibrillator. However, as a general precaution, electronic devices and any item containing magnets should be kept at least 6 inches (15.24 cm) away from an implanted medical device (heart pacemaker or defibrillator).

Potential EMI from Portable Multimedia Players

EMI occurs when the electromagnetic field of one electronic device interferes with the intended operation of another electronic device. Some electronic devices generate electromagnetic signals that are strong enough to interfere with an implanted pacemaker or defibrillator. Interference and its effects are typically temporary and can be eliminated if the patient increases the distance between themselves and the source of EMI.

Portable multimedia players are commonly in close proximity to an implanted device because they are often used or carried in a breast/shirt pocket or on an armband. Boston Scientific tested various players and accessory components to determine if they could be a source of EMI to an implanted pacemaker or defibrillator. Testing concluded that there were no unexpected observations with respect to EMI from the portable multimedia units tested with Boston Scientific devices when used according to instructions. While our testing suggests that the portable multimedia players tested should not interfere with the function of an implanted Boston Scientific pacemaker or defibrillator, many multimedia players contain components and accessories (e.g., cellular phone and headphones) that may be sources of EMI.

As a precaution, multimedia players and their accessories should be kept at least 6 inches (15.24 cm) away from an implanted pacemaker or defibrillator. Devices containing cell phones that transmit more than 3 Watts should be kept at least 12 inches (30.48 cm) from the implanted device. If wearing the device in an armband, consider wearing it on the arm opposite the side of device implant to increase distance from the implant. For patients using the LATITUDE® or LATITUDE® NXT Patient Management systems, it may be necessary to keep mobile phones at least 11 feet (3.35 m) away from the Communicator to help prevent EMI.

MAGNETS IN PORTABLE MULTIMEDIA PLAYERS AND ACCESSORIES

As described in the pacemaker and defibrillator instructions for use, exposure to strong magnetic fields greater than 10 Gauss (1 mTesla) may alter implanted device function. Exposure to fields of this strength can suspend therapy or cause asynchronous pacing, depending on device programming. The Apple® iPad® 2 (and onward) contains embedded magnets along the left edge of the device and on the right side of the front glass; some iPad covers and cases (including the iPad Smart Cover and Smart Case) use magnets to attach the cover to the device. Additionally, certain models of headphones and earbuds used with multimedia...
players contain strong magnets in the earpiece. Because the strength of magnets contained in these products is not always apparent, patients should keep these products at least 6 inches (15.24 cm) away from the implanted device. Accordingly, do not place the iPad (or magnetic accessories) on your chest during use or rest it there while not using it (e.g., while sleeping). If a magnet does interfere with device function, moving the magnet away should restore the device to its original programming and function.

**Evaluation of the ZOOM® LATITUDE® Programming System**

The ZOOM LATITUDE Programming System uses either wanded or ZIP™ Wandless Telemetry (RF telemetry) to communicate with compatible Boston Scientific defibrillators and pacemakers. Evaluation suggests that during an interrogation session between the programmer and the implanted device:

- ZIP Wandless Telemetry (RF) used to interrogate defibrillators and pacemakers is not susceptible to telemetry interference from a portable multimedia player.

- Wanded telemetry used to interrogate defibrillators and pacemakers may be susceptible to telemetry interference when an operating portable multimedia player is within 2 inches (5.08 cm) of the wand during interrogation. However, during testing this interference did not affect pacemaker or defibrillator function (pacing, sensing, and defibrillation), it only slowed or prevented communication with the programmer. At no time during testing was partial programming observed; programming was either completely successful or no changes were made.

**Additional Information**

For additional information on how pacemakers and defibrillators respond to magnets, cellular phones or other potential sources of EMI, please contact CRM Technical Services or refer to the following resources on Boston Scientific’s web site:

- Physician Instructions for Use web page—includes product “System Guides”
- A Closer Look web page—includes educational articles such as *Cellular Phones and Implantable Devices*
- Living with Your Implanted Device web page—includes general information on EMI, common items that may cause EMI, and general precautions for patients

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1. Portable multimedia players tested: Apple iPod (third generation #A1040 and fifth generation # A1136), Apple iPod Nano #A1236, Apple iPod Mini #1051, Apple iPhone #A1203; Creative Zen V; and Motorola MOTO Q.
3. RF telemetry in Boston Scientific defibrillators, pacemakers, LATITUDE®/LATITUDE® NXT Patient Management Systems and programmers operate in a higher frequency band, outside of the frequency range of spurious noise generated by the multimedia player function of the products evaluated. The multimedia/music player peak emissions were centered near 250 kHz (wanded telemetry range) and extended up to 30 MHz. These peak emissions are well below the range of RF telemetry operation (869-928 MHz).
4. Instructions for Use manuals website path: bostonscientific.com > Healthcare Professionals > Electrophysiology > Instructions for Use
5. A Closer Look article website path: bostonscientific.com > Healthcare Professionals > Electrophysiology > Product Performance Resource Center > A Closer Look Articles > EMI and Implantable Device Systems
6. Living with Your Implanted Device website path: bostonscientific.com > Patients > Heart and Blood Vessel Conditions > Living with a Pacemaker or Living with a Defibrillator > Electromagnetic Interference Look-up
CRT-P Systems from Boston Scientific - INVIVETM and INTUATM

Indications

The INVIVETM and INTUATM™ cardiac resynchronization therapy pacemaker (CRT-Ps) is indicated for patients who have moderate to severe heart failure (NYHA Class III/IV) including left ventricular dysfunction (EF ≤ 35%) and QRS duration ≥ 120 ms and remain symptomatic despite stable, optimal pharmacologic therapy for heart failure. Atrial tracking modes are also indicated for patients who may benefit from maintenance of AV synchrony. Adaptive-rate pacing is indicated for patients exhibiting chronotropic incompetence and who would benefit from increased pacing rates concurrent with increases in physical activity.

Contraindications

These devices are contraindicated in patients who have a separate implanted cardioverter-defibrillator (ICD). Single-chamber atrial pacing is contraindicated in patients with impaired AV nodal conduction. Atrial tracking modes are contraindicated for patients with chronic refractory atrial tachyarrhythmias (atrial fibrillation or flutter), which might trigger ventricular pacing. Asynchronous pacing is contraindicated in the presence (or likelihood) of competition between paced and intrinsic rhythms.

Warnings

Read the product labeling thoroughly before implanting the pulse generator to avoid damage to the system. For single use only. Do not reuse, reprocess or resterilize. Always have external defibrillation protection available during implant and electrophysiologic testing. Do not use this pulse generator with another pulse generator. In response to applicable nonrecoverable or repeat fault conditions, the pulse generator will switch irreversible to Safety Core operation. Do not kink, twist, or bend leads. Do not use atrial tracking modes in patients with chronic refractory atrial tachyarrhythmias. Do not use atrial only modes in patients with heart failure. In devices with the lead safety switch programmed to On, the lead polarity will switch to unipolar in the presence of a lead impedance of ≤ 200 or ≥ 2000 Q. If programmed to a fixed atrial sensitivity value of 0.15 mV, the pulse generator may be more susceptible to electromagnetic interference. Advise patients to seek medical guidance before entering environments that could adversely affect the operation of the active implantable medical device. Do not expose a patient to MRI scanning. Do not subject a patient with an implanted pulse generator and/or lead to diathermy. Left ventricular (LV) lead dislodgment to a position near the atria can result in atrial oversensing and LV pacing inhibition.

Precautions

For specific information on precautions, refer to the following sections of the product labeling: clinical considerations; sterilization and storage; implantation; device programming; environmental and medical therapy hazards; hospital and medical environments; home and occupational environments; follow up testing; explant and disposal; and supplemental precautionary information. Advise patients to avoid sources of electric or magnetic interference (EMI) because EMI may cause the pulse generator to deliver inappropriate therapy or inhibit appropriate therapy.

Potential Adverse Events

Potential adverse events include, but are not limited to, the following: allergic/physical/physiologic reaction, death, erosion/migration, fibrillation or other arrhythmias, lead or accessory breakage (fracture/insulation/lead tip), hematoma/seroma, inappropriate or inability to provide therapy (pacing/sensing), infection, lead tip deformation and/or breakage, procedure related, and component failure. In rare cases severe complications or device failures can occur.

Refer to the product labeling for specific indications, contraindications, warnings/precautions and adverse events. Rx only. (Rev. C)

CRT-P System from Boston Scientific – CONTAK RENEWAL TR®

Indications

The CONTAK RENEWAL TR® pulse generator is indicated for patients who have moderate to severe heart failure (NYHA Class III/IV) including left ventricular dysfunction (EF ≤ 35%) and QRS duration ≥ 120 ms and remain symptomatic despite stable, optimal heart failure drug therapy (as defined in the clinical trials section in the System Guide). These devices provide atrial-ventricular tracking modes to help preserve AV synchrony and adaptive-rate pacing for patients who would benefit from adjusted pacing rates concurrent with physical activity.

Contraindications

These devices are contraindicated in patients who have a separate implanted cardioverter-defibrillator (ICD). Single-chamber atrial pacing is contraindicated in patients with impaired AV nodal conduction. Atrial tracking modes are contraindicated for patients with chronic refractory atrial tachyarrhythmias (atrial fibrillation or flutter), which might trigger ventricular pacing. Asynchronous pacing is contraindicated in the presence (or likelihood) of competition between paced and intrinsic rhythms.

Warnings

Read the product labeling thoroughly before implanting the pulse generator to avoid damage to the system. For single patient use only Do not reuse, reprocess, or resterilize. Such damage can result in patient injury or death. Do not expose a patient to MRI device scanning. Do not expose a patient with an activated implanted pulse generator to diathermy. Do not use atrial-only modes in patients with heart failure. The clinical outcomes for patients with chronic refractory atrial tachyarrhythmias are not fully known. Safety and effectiveness studies have not been conducted. If a chronic refractory atrial tachyarrhythmia develops in a patient with these devices, do not use dual-chamber or single-chamber atrial pacing. Left ventricular (LV) lead dislodgment to a position near the atria can result in atrial oversensing and LV pacing inhibition.

Precautions

For specific information on precautions, refer to the following sections of the product labeling: clinical considerations; sterilization, storage and handling; implantation and device programming; pulse generator explant and disposal; environmental and medical therapy hazards. Advise patients to avoid sources of electromagnetic interference (EMI) because EMI may cause the pulse generator to deliver inappropriate therapy or inhibit appropriate therapy.

Potential Adverse Events

Potential adverse events include, but are not limited to, the following: allergic/physical/physiologic reaction, death, erosion/migration, fibrillation or other arrhythmias, lead or accessory breakage (fracture/insulation/lead tip), hematoma/seroma, inappropriate or inability to provide therapy (pacing/sensing), infection, lead tip deformation and/or breakage, procedure related, and component failure. In rare cases severe complications or device failures can occur.

Refer to the product labeling for specific indications, contraindications, warnings/precautions and adverse events. Rx only. (Rev. C)

Pacing Systems from Boston Scientific – INGENIO™, ADVANTIO™, and VITALIO™

Indications

INGENIO™, ADVANTIO™, and VITALIO™ indications include: symptomatic paroxysmal or permanent second- or third-degree AV block; symptomatic paroxysmal or transient sinus node dysfunction with or without associated AV conduction disorders; bradycardia-tachycardia syndrome, to prevent symptomatic bradycardia or some forms of symptomatic tachyarrhythmias; neurovascular (vaso-vagal) syndromes or hypersensitive carotid sinus syndromes. Adaptive-rate pacing is indicated for patients exhibiting chronotropic incompetence and who may benefit from increased pacing rates concurrent with increases in minute ventilation and/or level of physical activity. Pacemakers’ dual-chamber and atrial tracking modes are also indicated for patients who may benefit from maintenance of AV synchrony. Dual-chamber modes are specifically indicated for: conduction disorders that require restoration of AV synchrony, including varying degrees of AV block; VVI intolerance (eg, pacemaker syndrome) in the presence of persistent sinus rhythm or low cardiac output or congestive heart failure secondary to bradycardia.

Contraindications

Pacemakers are contraindicated for patients under the circumstances listed: patients who have a separate implanted cardioverter-defibrillator (ICD); use of Minutes Ventilation in patients with both unipolar atrial and ventricular leads; single-chamber atrial pacing in patients with impaired AV nodal conduction; atrial tracking modes for patients with chronic refractory atrial tachyarrhythmias (atrial fibrillation or flutter), which might trigger ventricular pacing; dual-chamber and single-chamber atrial pacing in patients with chronic refractory atrial tachyarrhythmias; asynchronous pacing in the presence (or likelihood) of competition between paced and intrinsic rhythms.

Warnings

Read the product labeling thoroughly before implanting the pulse generator to avoid damage to the system. For single use only. Do not reuse, reprocess or resterilize. Always have external defibrillation protection available during implant and electrophysiologic testing. Do not use this pulse generator with another pulse generator. In response to applicable nonrecoverable or repeat fault conditions, the pulse generator will switch irreversible to Safety Core operation. Do not kink, twist, or bend leads. Do not use atrial tracking modes in patients with chronic refractory atrial tachyarrhythmias. In devices with the lead safety switch programmed to On, the lead polarity will switch to unipolar in the presence of a lead impedance of ≤ 200 or ≥ 2000 Q. If programmed to a fixed atrial sensitivity value of 0.15 mV, the pulse generator may be more susceptible to electromagnetic interference. Advise patients to seek medical guidance before entering environments that could adversely affect the operation of the active implantable medical device. Do not expose a patient to MRI scanning. Do not subject a patient with an implanted pulse generator and/or lead to diathermy.

Precautions

For specific information on precautions, refer to the following sections of the product labeling: clinical considerations; sterilization and storage; implantation; device programming; environmental and medical therapy hazards; hospital and medical environments; home and occupational environments; follow up testing; explant and disposal; supplemental precautionary information. Advise patients to avoid sources of electromagnetic interference (EMI) because EMI may cause the pulse generator to deliver inappropriate therapy or inhibit appropriate therapy.

Potential Adverse Events

Potential adverse events include, but are not limited to, the following: allergic/physical/physiologic reaction, death, erosion/migration, lead or accessory breakage (fracture/insulation/lead tip), hematoma/seroma, inappropriate or inability to provide therapy (pacing/sensing), infection, procedure related, and component failure. In rare cases severe complications or device failures can occur.

Refer to the product labeling for specific indications, contraindications, warnings/precautions and adverse events. Rx only. (Rev. C)
Pacing Systems from Boston Scientific ALTRUA® and INSIGNIA®

**Indications**

Pacemaker indications include: symptomatic paroxysmal or permanent second- or third-degree AV block; symptomatic bundle branch block; symptomatic paroxysmal or transient sinus node dysfunction with or without associated AV conduction disorders; bradycardia-tachycardia syndrome, to prevent symptomatic bradycardia or some forms of symptomatic tachycardhythmias; neurovascular (vaso-vagal) syndromes or hypersensitive carotid sinus syndromes. Adaptive-rate pacing is indicated for patients who may benefit from increased pacing rates concurrent with increases in minute ventilation and/or level of physical activity. Pacemaker's dual-chamber and atrial tracking modes are also indicated for patients who may benefit from maintenance of AV synchrony. Dual-chamber modes are specifically indicated for: conduction disorders that require restoration of AV synchrony, including varying degrees of AV block; VVI intolerance (eg, pacemaker syndrome) in the presence of persistent sinus rhythm.

**Contraindications**

Pacemakers are contraindicated for the following patients under the circumstances listed: patients with unipolar pacing leads or in MV mode with an implanted ICD because it may cause unwanted delivery or inhibition of ICD therapy; use of the MV sensor in patients with only unipolar leads, because a bipolar lead is required in either the atrium or the ventricle for MV detection (INSIGNIA Ultra, ALTRUA® 30); single-chamber atrial pacing in patients with impaired AV nodal conduction; atrial tracking modes for patients with chronic refractory atrial tachyarrhythmias, which might trigger ventricular pacing; dual-P有很大-chamber single-chamber atrial pacing in patients with chronic refractory atrial tachyarrhythmias; asynchronous pacing in the presence (or likelihood) of competition between paced and intrinsic rhythms.

**Warnings**

Read the product labeling thoroughly before implanting the pulse generator to avoid damage to the system. For single use only do not resterilize devices. Inappropriate sustained high-rate pacing occurred in the PULSAR™ Max clinical study in 5 out of 130 patients with MV ON, 4 to 14 days after implant. If sustained high-rate pacing could be of concern, consider programming a reduced Max Sensor Rate or MV to Passive. These programming recommendations are intended to assure that MV calibration is evaluated and, if necessary, recalibrated (4 – ON) when the patient and pacing system have stabilized post implant. Continued monitoring of the MV sensor performance should be performed at all follow-up visits until implant stabilization has occurred.

**Precautions**

For specific information on precautions, refer to the following sections of the product labeling: MV sensor calibration at implant; clinical considerations; sterilization, storage and handling; lead evaluation and connection; implantation; programming and pacemaker operation; MV initialization; environmental and medical therapy hazards; elevated pressure; explanted pacemakers. Advise patients to avoid sources of electric or magnetic interference (EM). If the pacemaker inhibits or reverts to asynchronous operation at the programmed pacing rate or at the magnet rate while in the presence of the EM, moving away from the source or turning it off will usually allow the pacemaker to return to its normal mode of operation.

Potential Adverse Events

Potential adverse events include, but are not limited to, the following: allergic/physical/physiologic reaction, death, erosion/migration, lead or accessory breakage (fracture/insulation/lead tip), hemotoma/seroma, inappropriate or inability to provide therapy (pacing/sensing), infection, procedure related, and component failure. In rare cases severe complications or device failures can occur.

Refer to the product labeling for specific indications, contraindications, warnings/precautions and adverse events. Rx only. (Rev. R)

**CRT-D System from Boston Scientific – COGNIS®**

**Indications and Usage**

These Boston Scientific Cardiac Resynchronization Therapy Defibrillators (CRT-Ds) are indicated for patients with heart failure who receive stable optimal pharmacologic therapy (OPT) for heart failure and who meet any one of the following classifications:

- Moderate to severe heart failure (NYHA Class III-IV); EF ≤ 35% and QRS duration ≥ 120 ms
- Left bundle branch block (LBBB) with QRS ≥ 130 ms, EF ≤ 30%, and mild (NYHA Class II) ischemic or nonischemic heart failure or asymptomatic (NYHA Class I) ischemic heart failure

**Contraindications**

There are no contraindications for this device.

**Warnings**

Read the product labeling thoroughly before implanting the pulse generator to avoid damage to the system. For single patient use only. Do not reuse, reprocess, or resterilize. Program the pulse generator Tachy Mode to OFF during implant, explain or posttreatment procedures. Always have sterile external and internal defibrillator protection available during implant and electrophysiologic testing. Ensure that an external defibrillator and medical personnel skilled in CPR are present during post-implant device testing. Advise patients to seek medical guidance before entering environments that could adversely affect the operation of the active implantable medical device, including areas protected by a warning notice that prevents entry by patients who have a pulse generator. Do not expose a patient to MRI scanning. Do not subject a patient with an implanted pulse generator to diathermy. Do not use atrial-tracking modes in patients with chronic refractory atrial tachyarrhythmias. Do not use atrial-only modes in patients with heart failure. LV lead dislodgment to a position near the atria can result in atrial oversensing and LV pacing inhibition. Physicians should use medical discretion when implanting this device in patients who present with slow VT. Do not kink, twist or braid the lead with other leads. Do not use defibrillation patch leads with the CRT-D system. Do not use this pulse generator with another pulse generator. Do not open the PTM feature. Do not close the feature is enabled prior to sending the patient home with a magnet. Once the PTM feature has been triggered and the magnet response programming is set to inhibit therapy, the patient should not reapply the magnet.

**Precautions**

For specific information on precautions, refer to the following sections of the product labeling: clinical considerations; sterilization, storage and handling; implant and device programming; follow-up testing; explant and disposal; environmental and medical therapy hazards; hospital and medical environments; home and occupational environments. Advise patients to avoid sources of electromagnetic interference (EMI) because EMI may cause the pulse generator to deliver inappropriate therapy or inhibit appropriate therapy.

**Potential Adverse Events**

Potential adverse events from implantation of the CRT-D system include, but are not limited to, the following: allergic/physical/physiologic reaction, death, erosion/migration, fibrillation or other arrhythmias, lead or accessory breakage (fracture/insulation/lead tip), hemotoma/seroma, inappropriate or inability to provide therapy (pacing/sensing), infection, procedure related, and component failure. In rare cases severe complications or device failures can occur.

Refer to the product labeling for specific indications, contraindications, warnings/precautions and adverse events. Rx only. (Rev. S)

**CRT-D Systems from Boston Scientific – PUNCTUM™, ENERGEN™, and INCEPTA™**

**Indications and Usage**

The PUNCTUM™, ENERGEN™, and INCEPTA™ Cardiac Resynchronization Therapy Defibrillators (CRT-Ds) are indicated for patients with heart failure who receive stable optimal pharmacologic therapy (OPT) for heart failure and who meet any one of the following classifications:

- Moderate to severe heart failure (NYHA Class III-IV); EF ≤ 35% and QRS duration ≥ 120 ms
- Left bundle branch block (LBBB) with QRS ≥ 130 ms, EF ≤ 30%, and mild (NYHA Class II) ischemic or nonischemic heart failure or asymptomatic (NYHA Class I) ischemic heart failure

**Contraindications**

There are no contraindications for this device.

**Warnings**

Read the product labeling thoroughly before implanting the pulse generator to avoid damage to the system. For single patient use only. Do not reuse, reprocess, or resterilize. Program the pulse generator Tachy Mode to OFF during implant, explain or posttreatment procedures. Always have sterile external and internal defibrillator protection available during implant and electrophysiologic testing. Ensure that an external defibrillator and medical personnel skilled in CPR are present during post-implant device testing. Advise patients to seek medical guidance before entering environments that could adversely affect the operation of the active implantable medical device, including areas protected by a warning notice that prevents entry by patients who have a pulse generator. Do not expose a patient to MRI scanning. Do not subject a patient with an implanted pulse generator to diathermy. Do not use atrial-tracking modes in patients with chronic refractory atrial tachyarrhythmias. Do not use atrial-only modes in patients with heart failure. LV lead dislodgment to a position near the atria can result in atrial oversensing and LV pacing inhibition. Physicians should use medical discretion when implanting this device in patients who present with slow VT. Do not kink, twist or braid the lead with other leads. Do not use defibrillation patch leads with the CRT-D system. Do not use this pulse generator with another pulse generator. Do not open the PTM feature. Do not close the feature is enabled prior to sending the patient home with a magnet. Once the PTM feature has been triggered and the magnet response programming is set to inhibit therapy, the patient should not reapply the magnet. For DF-4-LHH or DF-4-LLHO leads, use caution handling the lead terminal when the Connector Tool is not present on the lead and do not directly contact the lead terminal with any surgical instruments or electrical connections such as PSA (alligator) clips, ECG connections, forceps, hemostats, and clamps. Do not contact any other portion of the DF4-LLHH or DF4-LLHO lead terminal, other than the terminal pin even when the lead cap is in place.

**Precautions**

For specific information on precautions, refer to the following sections of the product labeling: clinical considerations; sterilization, storage and handling; implantation; device programming; follow-up testing; explant and disposal; environmental and medical therapy hazards; hospital and medical environments; home and occupational environments; and supplemental precautionary information. Advise patients to avoid sources of electromagnetic interference (EMI) because EMI may cause the pulse generator to deliver inappropriate therapy or inhibit appropriate therapy.

**Potential Adverse Events**

Potential adverse events from implantation of the CRT-D system include, but are not limited to, the following: allergic/physical/physiologic reaction, death, erosion/migration, fibrillation or other arrhythmias, lead or accessory breakage (fracture/insulation/lead tip), hemotoma/seroma, inappropriate or inability to provide therapy (pacing/sensing), infection, procedure related, and component failure. In rare cases severe complications or device failures can occur.
Patients may develop psychological intolerance to a pulse generator system and may experience fear of shocking, fear of device failure, or imagined shocking. In rare cases severe complications or device failures can occur.

Refer to the product labeling for specific indications, contraindications, warnings/precautions and adverse events. Rx only. (Rev. C)

**ICD Systems from Boston Scientific – PUNCTUAL™, ENERGEN™, and INCEPTA™**

**ICD Indications and Usage**

**PUNCTUAL™, ENERGEN™, and INCEPTA™** ICDs are intended to provide ventricular antitachycardia pacing and ventricular defibrillation for automated treatment of life-threatening ventricular arrhythmias.

**Contraindications**

Use of these ICD systems are contraindicated in: Patients whose ventricular tachyarrhythmias may have reversible cause, such as 1) digitalis intoxication, 2) electrolyte imbalance, 3) hypoxia, or 4) sepsis, or whose ventricular tachyarrhythmias have a transient cause, such as 1) acute myocardial infarction, 2) electrocution, or 3) drowning. Patients who have a unipolar pacemaker.

**Warnings**

Read the product labeling thoroughly before implanting the pulse generator to avoid damage to the ICD system. For single patient use only. Do not re-use, reprocess, or re-sterilize. Program the pulse generator ventricular Tachy Mode to Off during implant, explant or post-mortem procedures. Always have external defibrillator protection available during implant and electrophysiologic testing. Ensure that an external defibrillator and medical personnel skilled in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) are present during post-implant device testing. Patients should seek medical guidance before entering environments that could adversely affect the operation of the active implantable medical device, including areas protected by a warning notice that prevents entry by patients who have a pulse generator. Do not expose a patient to MRI scanning. Do not subject a patient with an implanted pulse generator to diathermy. Do not use atrial tracking modes in patients with chronic refractory atrial tachyarrhythmias. Do not use this pulse generator with another pulse generator. Do not kink, twist or braid lead with other leads. For Patient Triggered Monitor (PTM) feature, make sure the feature is enabled prior to sending the patient home with a magnet. Once the PTM feature has been triggered and the magnet response programming is set to inhibit therapy, the patient should not reapply the magnet.

**Contraindications**

Use of these ICD systems are contraindicated in: Patients whose ventricular tachyarrhythmias may have reversible cause, such as 1) digitalis intoxication, 2) electrolyte imbalance, 3) hypoxia, or 4) sepsis, or whose ventricular tachyarrhythmias have a transient cause, such as 1) acute myocardial infarction, 2) electrocution, or 3) drowning. Patients who have a unipolar pacemaker.

**Warnings**

Read the product labeling thoroughly before implanting the pulse generator to avoid damage to the ICD system. For single patient use only. Do not re-use, reprocess, or re-sterilize. Program the pulse generator ventricular Tachy Mode to Off during implant, explant or post-mortem procedures. Always have external defibrillator protection available during implant and electrophysiologic testing. Ensure that an external defibrillator and medical personnel skilled in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) are present during post-implant device testing. Patients should seek medical guidance before entering environments that could adversely affect the operation of the active implantable medical device, including areas protected by a warning notice that prevents entry by patients who have a pulse generator. Do not expose a patient to MRI scanning. Do not subject a patient with an implanted pulse generator to diathermy. Do not use atrial tracking modes in patients with chronic refractory atrial tachyarrhythmias. Do not use this pulse generator with another pulse generator. Do not kink, twist or braid lead with other leads. For Patient Triggered Monitor (PTM) feature, make sure the feature is enabled prior to sending the patient home with a magnet. Once the PTM feature has been triggered and the magnet response programming is set to inhibit therapy, the patient should not reapply the magnet.

**Precautions**

For specific information on precautions, refer to the following sections of the product labeling: clinical considerations; sterilization and storage; implantation; device programming; environmental and medical therapy hazards; hospital and medical environments; home and occupational environments follow-up testing; implant and disposal; supplemental precautionary information. Advise patients to avoid sources of electromagnetic interference (EMI).

**Potential Adverse Events**

Potential adverse events from implantation of the ICD system include, but are not limited to, the following: allergic/physical/physiologic reaction, death, erosion/migration, fibrillation or other arrhythmias, lead or accessory breakage (fracture/insulation/lead tip), hematoma/seroma, inappropriate or inability to provide therapy (shocks/pacing/sensing), infection, procedure related, psychologic intolerance to an ICD system – patients susceptible to frequent shocks despite antiarrhythmic medical management/imagined shocking, and component failure. In rare cases severe complications or device failures can occur.

Refer to the product labeling for specific indications, contraindications, warnings/precautions and adverse events. Rx only. (Rev. C)

**ICD Systems from Boston Scientific – TELIGEN®**

**ICD Indications and Usage**

**TELIGEN®** ICDs are intended to provide ventricular antitachycardia pacing and ventricular defibrillation for automated treatment of life-threatening ventricular arrhythmias. ICDs (i.e. Vitality AVT) with atrial therapies are also intended to provide atrial antitachycardia pacing and atrial defibrillation treatment in patients who have or are at risk of developing atrial tachyarrhythmias.

**Contraindications**

Use of these ICD systems are contraindicated in: Patients whose ventricular tachyarrhythmias may have reversible cause, such as 1) digitalis intoxication, 2) electrolyte imbalance, 3) hypoxia, or 4) sepsis, or whose ventricular tachyarrhythmias have a transient cause, such as 1) acute myocardial infarction, 2) electrocution, or 3) drowning. Patients who have a unipolar pacemaker.

**Warnings**

Read the product labeling thoroughly before implanting the pulse generator to avoid damage to the ICD system. For single patient use only. Do not re-use, reprocess, or re-sterilize. Program the pulse generator ventricular Tachy Mode to Off during implant, explant or post-mortem procedures. Always have external defibrillator protection available during implant and electrophysiologic testing. Ensure that an external defibrillator and medical personnel skilled in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) are present during post-implant device testing. Patients should seek medical guidance before entering environments that could adversely affect the operation of the active implantable medical device, including areas protected by a warning notice that prevents entry by patients who have a pulse generator. Do not expose a patient to MRI scanning. Do not subject a patient with an implanted pulse generator to diathermy. Do not use atrial tracking modes (or an AVT device) in patients with chronic refractory atrial tachyarrhythmias. Do not use this pulse generator with another pulse generator. Do not kink, twist or braid lead with other leads. For Patient Triggered Monitor (PTM) feature, make sure the feature is enabled prior to sending the patient home with a magnet. Once the PTM feature has been triggered and the magnet response programming is set to inhibit therapy, the patient should not reapply the magnet.

**Precautions**

For specific information on precautions, refer to the following sections of the product labeling: clinical considerations; sterilization and storage; implantation; device programming; environmental and medical therapy hazards; hospital and medical environments; home and occupational environments follow-up testing; implant and disposal; supplemental precautionary information. Advise patients to avoid sources of electromagnetic interference (EMI).

**Potential Adverse Events**

Potential adverse events from implantation of the ICD system include, but are not limited to, the following: allergic/physical/physiologic reaction, death, erosion/migration, fibrillation or other arrhythmias, lead or accessory breakage (fracture/insulation/lead tip), hematoma/seroma, inappropriate or inability to provide therapy (shocks/pacing/sensing), infection, procedure related, psychologic intolerance to an ICD system – patients susceptible to frequent shocks despite antiarrhythmic medical management/imagined shocking, and component failure. In rare cases severe complications or device failures can occur.

Refer to the product labeling for specific indications, contraindications, warnings/precautions and adverse events. Rx only. (Rev. C)

**S-ICD® System from Boston Scientific CRM**

**Indications for Use**

The S-ICD® System is intended to provide defibrillation therapy for the treatment of life-threatening ventricular tachyarrhythmias in patients who do not have symptomatic bradycardia, incessant ventricular tachycardia, or spontaneous, frequently recurring ventricular tachycardia that is reliably terminated with anti-tachycardia pacing.

**Contraindications**

Unipolar pacemakers are contraindicated for use with the S-ICD System.

**Warnings and Cautions**

The S-ICD System contains sterile products for single use only. Do not re-sterilize. Handle the components of the SICD System with care at all times and maintain proper sterile technique. All Cameron Health implantable components are designed for use with the Cameron Health S-ICD System only. Connection of any S-ICD System components to any other ICD system will result in failure of the ICD system. In rare cases severe complications or device failures can occur.

**Precautions**

For specific information on precautions, refer to the following sections of the product labeling: clinical considerations; sterilization and storage; implantation; device programming; environmental and medical therapy hazards; hospital and medical environments; home and occupational environments follow-up testing; implant and disposal; supplemental precautionary information. Advise patients to avoid sources of electromagnetic interference (EMI).

**Potential Adverse Events**

Potential adverse events from implantation of the ICD system include, but are not limited to, the following: allergic/physical/physiologic reaction, death, erosion/migration, fibrillation or other arrhythmias, lead or accessory breakage (fracture/insulation/lead tip), hematoma/seroma, inappropriate or inability to provide therapy (shocks/pacing/sensing), infection, procedure related, psychologic intolerance to an ICD system – patients susceptible to frequent shocks despite antiarrhythmic medical management/imagined shocking, and component failure. In rare cases severe complications or device failures can occur.

Refer to the product labeling for specific indications, contraindications, warnings/precautions and adverse events. Rx only. (Rev. R)

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LATITUDE® Patient Management System from BostonScientific

Important Safety Information

LATITUDE® Patient Management is a remote monitoring system that provides implanted device data to both clinicians and cardiac device patients. The LATITUDE Patient Management system is not intended to assist with medical emergencies. If you are not feeling well, call your physician or 911. The Communicator is designed to work only with the implanted device of the patient for whom it was prescribed. It will not work with other patients’ implanted devices or any wireless devices. The Communicator is contraindicated for use with any pulse generator other than a Guidant or Boston Scientific device. Ask your physician if you have questions about any risks with using the Communicator or your implanted device.

It is very important that the Communicator remain plugged into the power outlet and telephone line. It is recommended that the customer install a surge arrester in the electrical outlet to which the Communicator is connected. The Communicator is designed to operate on standard, analog telephone lines like those found in most homes. The Communicator may work on other telephone systems, such as Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) and Voice Over IP (VoIP) internet systems, if those systems provide an analog interface for connecting the Communicator. The Communicator should not be connected to a digital phone interface, such as those commonly used in some businesses, hotels, and managed care facilities where telephones are typically provided by the facility. Your Communicator is designed to be used in the continental United States, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico. The Communicator may not communicate with your implanted device if you are too close to some household appliances. You should be at least 36 inches (3 ft.) away from televisions, VCRs, and personal computers when you are using the Communicator. Avoid placing your Communicator next to or in the immediate vicinity of other wireless products and sources of electromagnetic energy.

Refer to the product labeling for specific instructions for use. Rx only. (Rev. P)

LATITUDE® NXT Patient Management System from Boston Scientific CRM

Intended Use

The LATITUDE® NXT Patient Management system is intended for use to remotely communicate with a compatible pulse generator from Boston Scientific CRM and transfer data to a central database. The LATITUDE NXT system provides patient data that can be used as part of the clinical evaluation of the patient.

Contraindications

The LATITUDE NXT Patient Management system is contraindicated for use with any implanted device other than a compatible Boston Scientific implanted device. Not all Boston Scientific implanted devices are compatible with the LATITUDE NXT system. For contraindications for use related to the implanted device, refer to the System Guide for the Boston Scientific implanted device being interrogated.

Precautions

Alerts may appear on the LATITUDE NXT website on a daily basis. Primary notification of alert conditions is through the View Patient List page on the LATITUDE NXT website. The clinician needs to log onto the LATITUDE NXT website in order to receive alerts. Although secondary notification through email and SMS text messages is available, these reminders are dependent on external systems and may be delayed or not occur. The secondary notification feature does not eliminate or reduce the need to check the website. Implanted device data and alerts are typically available for review on the LATITUDE NXT website within 15 minutes of a successful interrogation. However, data uploads may take significantly longer (up to 14 days). If the Communicator is unable to contact the LATITUDE NXT server to upload data, up to two weeks may elapse before the LATITUDE NXT server detects these conditions and informs the clinician that monitoring is not occurring. If both of these conditions occur at the same time, this notification could take up to 28 days. Implanted device data and alert notification may be delayed or not occur at all under various conditions, which include but are not limited to the following: System limitations; the Communicator is unplugged; the Communicator is not able to contact the LATITUDE NXT server through the configured phone system; the implanted device and the Communicator cannot establish and complete a telemetry session; the Communicator is damaged or malfunctions; the patient is not compliant with prescribed use or is not using the LATITUDE NXT system as described in the patient manual; if subscribed to the LATITUDE Cellular Data Plan, missing two or more payments discontinues the subscription; the clinic user can identify any patients that are not being monitored as described above by using the Not Monitored filter on the View Patient List.

Adverse Effects:

None known.

System Limitations:

The LATITUDE NXT system does not provide continuous real-time monitoring. As a remote monitoring system, the LATITUDE NXT system provides periodic patient monitoring based on clinician configured settings. There are many internal and external factors that can hinder, delay, or prevent acquisition and delivery of implanted device, sensor, and patient information as intended by the clinician. These factors include: implanted device clock; patient environment; cellular data service; telephone system; communicator memory capacity; clinic environment; schedule/configuration changes; or data processing.

Refer to the product labeling for specific instructions for use. Rx only. (Rev. B)

ZOOM® LATITUDE® Programming System from BostonScientific

Intended Use

The Model 3120 Programmer/Recorder/Monitor (PRM) is intended to be used as a complete system to communicate with Guidant or Boston Scientific implantable pulse generators. The software in use controls all communication functions for the pulse generator. For detailed software application instructions, refer to the SystemGuide for the Guidant or Boston Scientific pulse generator being interrogated.

Contraindications

The Model 3120 PRM is contraindicated for use with any pulse generator other than a Guidant or Boston Scientific device. For contraindications for use related to the Guidant or Boston Scientific pulse generator, refer to the System Guide for the Guidant or Boston Scientific pulse generator being interrogated.

Warnings

There are no warnings associated with this programming system.

Precautions

For specific information on precautions, read the following sections of the product labeling: General, Preparation for Use, Maintenance and Handling.

Adverse Effects

None known.

Refer to the product labeling for specific indications, contraindications, warnings/precautions and adverse effects. Rx only. (Rev. E)