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## Rhythm Management Product Performance Report

Second Edition



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For over forty years, meaningful innovation at Boston Scientific Rhythm Management has helped patients live healthier, longer lives. We are committed to providing performance data which are accurate, transparent and responsive to topics of contemporary clinical interest. This 2025 Second Edition report includes data through July 8th, 2025.

Boston Scientific provides performance data for pulse generators and leads that meets or exceeds the 2014 revision of ISO 5841-2: 2014 (E), the AdvaMed Industry Guidance for Uniform Reporting of Clinical Performance, and addresses recommendations from the Heart Rhythm Society Task Force.

This report provides the most comprehensive presentation of rhythm management product performance data available, including:

- ✓ U.S. lead and pulse generator survival probability
- ✓ Worldwide malfunction counts and patterns
- ✓ Worldwide malfunctions during an implant procedure
- ✓ Acute (first month) lead observations
- ✓ Chronic (after first month) lead complications
- ✓ Reasons for out of service
- ✓ Return rates

Your feedback is always welcome, and plays a vital role in our effort to continuously improve our products and services, advancing science to transform the lives of our patients.

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## **Statistical Methodology**

#### What Is Device Survival Probability?

Medical journals have traditionally used patient survival probability to display information on treatment option effectiveness. In the report, **pulse generator and lead** survival probabilities convey information about long-term performance of implantable cardiac rhythm management products.

Device survival probability shows the percentage of implanted devices that remain implanted and in service at various points in a product's service life, in the absence of competing risks, such as natural mortality or voluntary explants. Conceptually, a pulse generator of high reliability and large battery capacity or low current drain remains near 100% survival until eventually, normal battery depletion begins to cause significant numbers of devices to be removed, and the device survival probability drops rapidly. For example, a device survival probability of 99% indicates that within the stated implant duration, the pulse generator had a 1% risk of removal for battery depletion or for incurring a malfunction that required replacement. Survival probabilities are provided with and without normal battery depletions, depicted as "Battery Depletions and Malfunctions" and "Malfunctions Only," respectively.

Boston Scientific estimates survival probability in compliance with the 2014 revision of international standard ISO 5841-2: 2014 (E). Survival probability is calculated at a given time by separately estimating the probability of surviving each interval and multiplying the survival probabilities of all intervals through which a device has passed. To estimate the probability of surviving any interval, the number of units that successfully functioned during the interval is divided by the number of units exposed to malfunction/depletion during the interval. The number of units exposed is calculated using the actuarial method, where device suspensions in an interval are distributed uniformly across the interval. Reasons for device suspension from survival probability statistics are detailed in the report section entitled U.S. Reason for Out of Service.

#### Inclusion Criteria for Pulse Generator and Lead Survival Probability Datasets

Pulse generator survival probability is reported for U.S. implanted devices in product families that meet inclusion criteria described below. Lead survival probability is reported for both the U.S. Registered Implant population and for leads enrolled in the Longitude Surveillance Registry, for product families that meet inclusion criteria described below.

To be included in survival probability statistics, a device must first be successfully implanted (defined in this report as occurring upon pocket closure). Prophylactic device removals are tracked as part of the active population up until the time the device is removed from service; devices removed prophylactically and not identified as malfunctions at the time of explant do not contribute to a reduction in survival probability. Reasons for device explant or out of service, if known, are provided in this report for each pulse generator product/product grouping.

Survival probabilities are based on devices registered as implanted in the U.S. Privacy laws in many other geographies preclude manufacturers from obtaining specific patient implant and explant information, thus device survival probabilities cannot be constructed from these data. Boston Scientific considers U.S. experience representative of worldwide performance. The Malfunction Details for leads and pulse generators reflect worldwide malfunctions, inclusive of U.S. data.

Criteria for inclusion of product families in this report are in compliance with the AdvaMed *Industry Guidance for Uniform Reporting of Clinical Performance of Pulse Generators and Leads*. Survival estimates are provided for product families once they have at least 10,000 cumulative U.S. implant

months. The minimum interval sample size is 200 U.S. implanted units. Pulse generator product families with fewer than 500 total remaining estimated active U.S. devices are not included in this report. Lead product families that received original U.S. market release approval twenty or more years ago are not included in this report.

Estimated Longevity information is provided for pulse generator products in the U.S. Survival Probability - Battery Depletions and Malfunctions graphs, depicted as a blue bar on the x axis for Years Implanted. The estimated longevity values from the Instructions for Use for each product family are used to construct the blue longevity bars on their U.S. Survival Probability graph. They represent the range of estimated longevity based on a variety of programmed settings and therapy usage.

Survival probability data are presented in tabular and graphical formats online at www.bostonscientific.com/ppr. Performance data for Intermedics products may also be found on www.bostonscientific.com/ppr. Specific inclusion criteria for pulse generator and lead survival probability datasets are described here. Not all products may be approved for use in all geographies, as product approval is geography specific.

Worldwide distribution, U.S. registered implant, and U.S. estimated active implant numbers have been rounded to provide population size context.

To convey implant experience for a product family, U.S. approval dates are provided. The U.S. approval date listed is the earliest date Boston Scientific received approval for one or more of the models in the family.

Survival Probability – Battery Depletions and Malfunctions (Pulse Generators) Reduction in survival probability for **pulse generators** is due to:

- Devices removed for normal battery depletion
- Device malfunctions occurring while implanted, as confirmed by returned product analysis

#### **Survival Probability – Malfunctions Only (Pulse Generators)**

Reduction in survival probability for **pulse generators** is due only to:

Device malfunctions occurring while implanted, as confirmed by returned product analysis;
 premature battery depletions are considered device malfunctions.

In this case, normal battery depletions do not contribute to the reduction in survival probability; rather, reduction in survival probability is due only to confirmed pulse generator malfunctions. Furthermore, unconfirmed reports of premature battery depletions do not reduce "Malfunctions Only" survival probability. Put another way, this information depicts the percentage of confirmed malfunction-free devices remaining in service at various intervals in the product's service life, based on returned product analysis.

#### **Survival Probability — Complications and Malfunctions (Leads)**

The 2014 version of ISO 5841-2: 2014(E) outlines a methodology for lead survival probability inclusion. Boston Scientific has applied this methodology for survival probability to all lead families implanted as of May 2009 and forward. Worldwide malfunctions are not included for previous lead families.

Reduction in survival probability is due to:

- Leads and lead segments returned for analysis and determined to be non-compliant in form, fit, or function at any time while implanted
- Leads removed from service with reported complications 30 days or more post-implant, whether returned or not. See the Chronic Lead Complications Table in this report for the observations which are included.

#### **Further Adjustments for Device and Lead Survival**

Because underreporting of patient deaths unrelated to device function would result in overestimation of pulse generator or lead survival by overstating the number of devices in service, Boston Scientific addresses this underreporting in two ways. First, regular updates are obtained from the Social Security Administration about deceased persons and compared to Boston Scientific patient data to identify patients who have died but whose deaths had not been reported to Boston Scientific. Second, Boston Scientific uses 10% annual patient mortality as a baseline and adjusts reported patient deaths in any interval for which reports are less than the baseline rate. No adjustment is applied to account for underreporting of malfunctions, as the rate of underreporting is unknown.

Boston Scientific does not make statistical adjustments to account for underreporting of battery depletion. However, as mentioned earlier, Boston Scientific includes non-returned devices removed from service for battery depletion with no associated complaint as normal battery depletions.

#### **Categorization of Malfunctions for Survival Probability Reporting**

Malfunctions represent pulse generators and leads removed from service and confirmed through laboratory analysis to have operated outside the specified performance limits established by Boston Scientific while implanted and in service. Device damage occurring during or after explant, or caused by external factors including those warned against in product labeling (such as ionizing therapeutic radiation), are not reported as device malfunctions in survival data. Damage to a pulse generator caused by a lead malfunction is reported as a lead malfunction. Malfunctions are further classified according to their impact on therapy, as follows:

#### Malfunction With Compromised Therapy —

The condition when a device is confirmed through laboratory analysis to have malfunctioned in a manner that compromised pacing or defibrillation therapy (including complete loss or partial degradation) while implanted and in service.

Examples include (but are not limited to): sudden loss of battery voltage; accelerated current drain such that low battery was not detected before loss of therapy; sudden malfunction during defibrillation therapy resulting in aborted therapy delivery; intermittent malfunction in which therapy is compromised while in the malfunction state.

#### Malfunction Without Compromised Therapy —

The condition when a device is confirmed through laboratory analysis to have malfunctioned in a manner that did not compromise pacing or defibrillation therapy while implanted and in service. Malfunctions in which critical patient-protective pacing and defibrillation therapies remain available are included here.

Examples include (but are not limited to): error affecting diagnostic functions, telemetry function, data storage; malfunction of a component that causes the battery to lose power quickly enough to result in premature battery depletion, but slowly enough that the condition is detected through normal follow-up before therapy is lost; mechanical problems with connector header that do not affect therapy.

Categorization of Normal Battery Depletion for Survival Probability Reporting
Per the AdvaMed *Industry Guidance for Uniform Reporting of Clinical Performance of Pulse Generators and Leads*, **Normal Battery Depletion** is defined as the condition when:

- a) A device is returned with no associated complaint and the device has reached its elective replacement indicator(s) with implant time that meets or exceeds the nominal (50 percentile) predicted longevity at default (labeled) settings, or
- b) A device is returned and the device has reached its elective replacement indicator(s) with implant time exceeding 75% of the expected longevity using actual device settings and therapeutic use.

Boston Scientific includes within this count both returned *and non-returned* devices removed from service for battery depletion with no associated complaint. In conformance with the AdvaMed guidance document, Boston Scientific performs battery usage analysis, including battery status verification, on all devices returned without a complaint. We continue to include non-returned devices reported by our customers as being removed from service due to normal battery depletion within this count.

#### Boston Scientific CRM's Corrective and Preventive Actions (CAPA) System

Boston Scientific strives to provide implantable devices of high quality and reliability. However, these devices are not perfect and may exhibit malfunctions at a low rate of occurrence. Device performance information is received from many sources through various channels. Boston Scientific monitors information from many sources including suppliers, testing, manufacturing and field performance to identify opportunities for improvement.

When a device is returned to Boston Scientific, laboratory technicians and engineers assess overall device function and perform analysis using specific tests related to the clinical observation(s). Test results are compared to original manufacturing records and design intent. Clinical observations are added to laboratory findings to help determine cause of the clinical observation(s). Each discrete event is then compared to other similar-appearing events. If a pattern is detected, actions are taken to identify a common root cause, and improvements intended to improve product reliability and/or performance may be implemented. Observations from supplier data and internal manufacturing operations also lead to opportunities for improvement. Improvements, when made, may include design changes, manufacturing and supplier process modifications, software updates, educational communications, or labeling changes to preceding, existing, or subsequent generations. Improvement implementation may vary by geography due to various factors including regulatory review timing. They may not be applied to every product susceptible to the malfunction pattern and may not mitigate or eliminate the potential for additional malfunctions. In cases where an improvement is made to an approved product line, devices made without the improvement may continue to be distributed where such products meet our high reliability and performance standards, particularly when changes are incremental and in accordance with our overall philosophy of continuous product improvement.

Improvements are closely monitored for effectiveness. Boston Scientific informs regulatory bodies of each significant event that poses potential risk to patient health to meet regulatory obligations, and shares returned product investigation findings with physicians. The malfunction details section for pulse generators and leads includes a summary of these findings.

In summary, thorough investigation of internal and external data coupled with low trigger levels for improvements creates a continuous product improvement system that is very responsive to patient and physician needs. Boston Scientific is committed to sharing an accurate picture of product performance and addressing identified opportunities for improvement in a timely fashion for our customers.

## **Malfunction Details: Overview**

Boston Scientific CRM pursues product quality and reliability with a passion. We therefore continuously monitor product performance to make improvements whenever possible. Worldwide Malfunction tables provide a count and description of malfunctions associated with the majority of actively in-service Boston Scientific products. Intermedics co-branded product data are included in corresponding pacemaker and pacing lead malfunction counts and details. Information presented is based on malfunctions reported to and analyzed by Boston Scientific. Each table contains malfunction counts listed by category, pattern and therapy availability.

#### Category

Malfunctions are categorized by the nature of their root cause. For example, a malfunction due to the software within a pulse generator is listed in the Software category. There are four pulse generator malfunction categories and four malfunction categories for leads (described below).

#### **Patterns**

Patients and physicians have asked for more access to Quality System details; therefore, we provide information on patterns of product performance. Patterns listed are informational and do not represent actions that need to be taken. Boston Scientific is committed to direct communication when predicted product performance fails to achieve design or performance expectations or when actions may be taken to improve patient outcomes. Malfunctions associated with product advisories are denoted. Refer to the Product Advisories section for more information. In cases where more than one malfunction pattern could be applied to a device, a single malfunction pattern is reported, with priority given to patterns associated with an advisory, patterns associated with an existing investigation, and malfunctions that resulted in compromised therapy.

#### Each pattern description includes:

- Clinical Manifestation and Root Cause Malfunctions for each product are characterized according to root cause. Descriptions provide clinical observations and/or analysis findings associated with each malfunction pattern listed in this report. Malfunctions listed within "Other" either do not yet have an identified root cause, or are related to a proprietary product feature, such as connectors or seal rings.
- Improvement Implementation All of the patterns listed are thoroughly investigated and analyzed. As part of Boston Scientific's process of continuous improvement, when possible, improvements have been or will be implemented in response to identified malfunction patterns. Improvements may include product design changes in existing or subsequent generations, manufacturing process modifications, software updates, educational communications or labeling changes. Improvement implementation may vary by geography due to various factors, including regulatory review timing. They may not be applied to every product susceptible to the malfunction pattern, and may not completely mitigate or eliminate the potential for additional malfunctions.

Pattern information in this report is dynamic. Pattern names, superscript number assignments and descriptions may all change from report to report; as Boston Scientific's investigations progress and improvements are implemented, updated information is provided.

#### **Therapy Availability**

Malfunctions are further classified according to their impact on therapy, as follows:

- Malfunction With Compromised Therapy The condition when a device is confirmed through laboratory analysis to have malfunctioned in a manner that compromised pacing or defibrillation therapy (including complete loss or partial degradation) while implanted and in service. Examples include (but are not limited to): sudden loss of battery voltage; accelerated current drain such that low battery was not detected before loss of therapy; sudden malfunction during defibrillation therapy resulting in aborted therapy delivery; intermittent malfunction in which therapy is compromised while in the malfunction state.
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#### **Pulse Generator Malfunctions**

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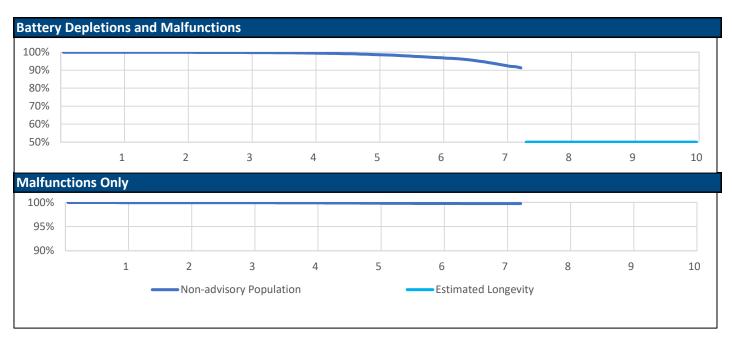
#### **Lead Confirmed Malfunctions**

Lead confirmed malfunctions represent leads removed from service and confirmed through laboratory analysis to have operated outside the performance limits established by Boston Scientific while implanted and in service. The Boston Scientific Product Performance Report is in compliance with the 2014 version of ISO 5841-2: 2 (E), Reporting of Clinical Performance of Populations of Pulse Generators or Leads. This version categorizes leads with reported complications which are taken out of service and returned, but for which no malfunction can be confirmed, as Chronic Lead Complications. This methodology also addresses the Recommendations from the Heart Rhythm Society Task Force on Lead Performance Policies and Guidelines.

## **RESONATE/MOMENTUM/CHARISMA/VIGILANT CRT-D**

Models: G124/G125/G126/G128/G138/G224/G225/G228/G237/G247/G248/G324/G325/G347/G348/G424/G425/G426/G428/G437/G447/G448/G524/G525/G526/G528/G537/G547/G548

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	106,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	552
US Approval Date:	September 2017	US Malfunctions:	77
US Estimated Active Implants:	95,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	59
		With Compromised Therapy:	18



<b>US Surviva</b>	IS Survival Probability											
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.6%	98.7%	97.0%	93.2%	91.3%			
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.8%	99.8%	99.8%			
106,000	Effective Sample Size	79346	57574	39737	25532	14386	6362	1216	292			

@ 88 months

## **RESONATE/MOMENTUM/CHARISMA/VIGILANT CRT-D**

Models: G124/G125/G126/G128/G138/G224/G225/G228/G237/G247/G248/G324/G325/G347/G348/G424/G425/G426/G428/G437/G447/G448/G524/G525/G526/G528/G537/G547/G548

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	141		
Worldwide Distribution	195,000		
US Approval Date: September 2017	With	Without	
	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Electrical			
Integrated circuit (63)	11	17	28
Low-voltage capacitor (69)	0	19	19
Battery (53)	3	32	35
High voltage capacitor (75)	3	0	3
Software			
Memory errors (51)	2	28	30
Other			
Non-patterned, other	7	19	26
Grand Total	26	115	141

## **AUTOGEN CRT-D**

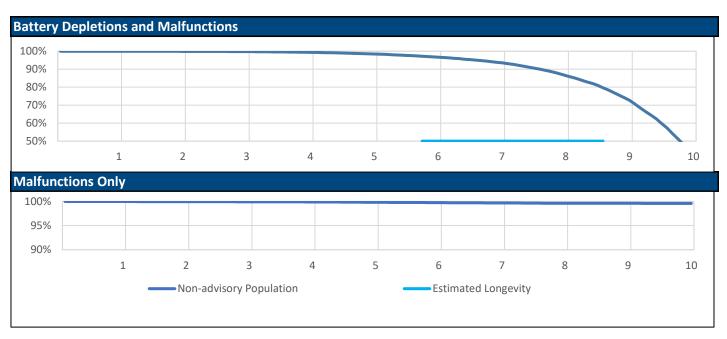
Models: G160/G161/G164/G166/G168/G172/G173/G175/G177/G179

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	49 <b>25,00</b> 0		
US Approval Date: April 2014	With Compromised	Without Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Electrical			
High voltage circuit component	0	7	7
(62)			
Integrated circuit (63)	2	4	6
Low-voltage capacitor (69)	0	7	7
Battery (53)	3	16	19
High voltage capacitor (75)	1	0	1
Software			
Safety Core-unintended	0	1	1
biventricular pacing (64)			
Memory errors (51)	0	1	1
Other			
Non-patterned, other	1	6	7
Grand Total	7	42	49

## **DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN CRT-D**

Models: G050/G051/G056/G058/G140/G141/G146/G148/G150/G151/G154/G156/G158

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	77,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	5,709
US Approval Date:	April 2014	US Malfunctions:	144
US Estimated Active Implants:	53,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	130
		With Compromised Therapy:	14



<b>US Surviva</b>	JS Survival Probability										
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	100.0%	99.9%	99.8%	99.4%	98.6%	96.9%	93.8%	87.3%	74.1%	44.2%
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.8%	99.7%	99.6%	99.6%	99.6%
77,000	Effective Sample Size	66965	58992	51652	44486	37231	29923	21742	13016	5363	766

## **DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN CRT-D**

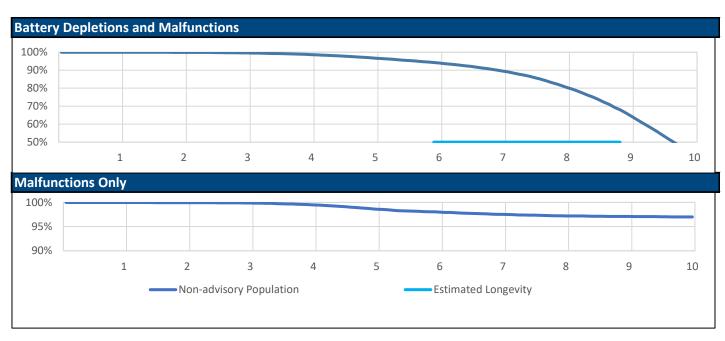
Models: G050/G051/G056/G058/G140/G141/G146/G148/G150/G151/G154/G156/G158

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	199 142,000		
US Approval Date: April 2014	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Electrical			
High voltage circuit component (62)	0	19	19
Integrated circuit (63)	4	11	15
Low-voltage capacitor (69)	1	37	38
High voltage capacitor (75)	3	1	4
Battery (53)	2	51	53
Low-voltage capacitors (47) Software	0	1	1
Memory errors (51)	2	36	38
Safety Core-unintended	0	3	3
biventricular pacing (64)			
Other			
Non-patterned, other	13	15	28
Grand Total	25	174	199

## **INCEPTA/ENERGEN/PUNCTUA CRT-D**

Models: N050/N051/N052/N053/N140/N141/N142/N143/N160/N161/N162/N163/N164/N165/P052/P053/P142/P143/P162/P163/P165

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	53,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	12,854	
US Approval Date:	November 2011	US Malfunctions:	814	
US Estimated Active Implants:	17,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	790	
		With Compromised Therapy:	24	



<b>US Surviv</b>	S Survival Probability										
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	100.0%	99.9%	99.6%	98.8%	96.9%	94.3%	90.0%	81.5%	66.4%	44.5%
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%	99.5%	98.7%	98.0%	97.5%	97.2%	97.1%	97.0%
53,000	Effective Sample Size	46280	41426	36959	32802	28739	24919	21223	17130	12358	6968

## **INCEPTA/ENERGEN/PUNCTUA CRT-D**

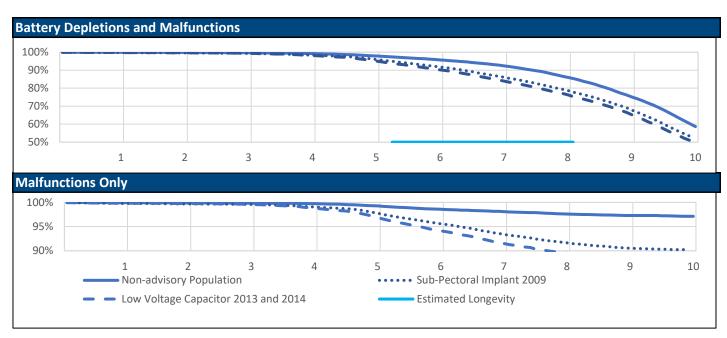
Models: N050/N051/N052/N053/N140/N141/N142/N143/N160/N161/N162/N163/N164/N165/P052/P053/P142/P143/P162/P163/P165

<b>Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions</b>	1,300		
Worldwide Distribution	81,000		
US Approval Date: November 2011	With	Without	
	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Electrical			
Safety Core-electrocautery (42)	1	6	7
High-voltage capacitor (43)	5	0	5
Low-voltage capacitors (47)	0	1	1
Integrated circuit (50)	7	2	9
Battery (53)	2	11	13
Low-voltage capacitor (54)	8	1205	1213
Low-voltage capacitor (69)	0	12	12
Mechanical			
Transformer (38)	6	0	6
Software			
Memory errors (51)	0	9	9
Other			
Non-patterned, other	8	17	25
Grand Total	37	1263	1300

#### **COGNIS CRT-D**

#### Models: N106/N107/N108/N118/N119/N120/P106/P107/P108

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	75,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	15,991	
US Approval Date:	March 2008	US Malfunctions:	2,099	
US Estimated Active Implants:	14,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	1,906	
		With Compromised Therapy:	193	



<b>US Surviv</b>	JS Survival Probability											
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.9%	99.8%	99.7%	99.3%	98.0%	96.0%	92.9%	86.6%	76.3%	60.2%	
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.3%	98.6%	98.1%	97.6%	97.3%	97.1%	
36,000	Effective Sample Size	31200	27973	25036	22316	19761	17278	14897	12377	9671	6745	

## **COGNIS CRT-D**

Models: N106/N107/N108/N118/N119/N120/P106/P107/P108

<b>US Surviva</b>	al Probability	y (cont.)									
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Subpectoral Implant 2009	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.8%	99.6%	99.4%	98.5%	96.3%	92.1%	86.6%	79.4%	69.2%	53.3%
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	99.8%	99.7%	99.6%	99.1%	98.0%	95.7%	93.6%	91.8%	90.6%	90.2%
32,000	Effective Sample Size	27064	23954	21370	18955	16540	14084	11783	9570	7392	5012
Low Voltage Capacitor 2013 and 2014	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.8%	99.7%	99.5%	98.3%	95.5%	90.6%	84.6%	77.1%	66.6%	50.9%
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	99.8%	99.8%	99.6%	98.9%	97.2%	94.3%	91.7%	89.6%	88.3%	87.9%
26,000	Effective Sample Size	22273	19750	17651	15611	13567	11445	9482	7652	5860	3922

<sup>\*</sup>Devices subject to an advisory. Refer to the Advisories for more details. Devices may be part of more than one advisory.

## **COGNIS CRT-D**

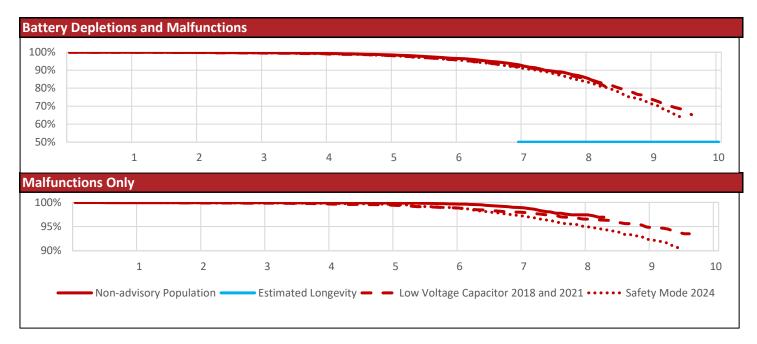
Models: N106/N107/N108/N118/N119/N120/P106/P107/P108

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	2,963		
Worldwide Distribution	109,000		
US Approval Date: March 2008	With	Without	
	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Electrical			
Low Voltage Capacitor 2014 - August 29, 2013 and	83	1617	1700
September 17, 2014 Voluntary Physician Advisory (3)			
Safety Core-electrocautery (42)	25	54	79
High-voltage capacitor (43)	6	1	7
Low-voltage capacitors (47)	0	7	7
Integrated circuit (50)	21	8	29
High voltage circuit (52)	1	0	1
Battery (53)	10	51	61
Low-voltage capacitor (54)	12	851	863
Low-voltage capacitor (69)	0	2	2
Mechanical			
Transformer (38)	9	0	9
Difficulty securing lead (41)	8	8	16
Header contacts (45)	8	10	18
Subpectoral implant 2009 - December 01, 2009	49	20	69
Voluntary Physician Advisory (6)			
Header (74)	25	9	34
Software			
Safety Core-programming (46)	0	1	1
Alert messages not displayed post-EOL (48)	0	2	2
Memory errors (51)	2	15	17
Other			
Non-patterned, other	11	37	48
Grand Total	270	2693	2963

## **VISIONIST/VALITUDE**

Models: U125/U128/U225/U226/U228

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	66,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	1,512	
US Approval Date:	October 2014	US Malfunctions:	365	
US Estimated Active Implants:	52,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	337	
		With Compromised Therapy:	28	



<b>US Survival F</b>	JS Survival Probability													
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	100.0%	99.9%	99.7%	99.4%	98.6%	96.6%	93.0%	86.2%	81.0%				
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.7%	98.9%	97.4%	96.9%				
48,000	Effective Sample Size	40070	30042	21857	14961	9531	5359	2205	652	259				

@ 100 months

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## **VISIONIST/VALITUDE**

Models: U125/U128/U225/U226/U228

<b>US Survival P</b>	robability (c	ont.)										
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	1
Low Voltage Capacitor 2018 and 2021	Depletions and Malfunctions	100.0%	99.8%	99.6%	99.2%	98.2%	95.9%	92.0%	85.6%	74.4%	65.3%	
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	99.9%	99.8%	99.7%	99.5%	98.9%	98.0%	96.6%	94.9%	93.5%	
7,000	Effective Sample Size	6104	5450	4863	4323	3820	3329	2788	2080	918	215	@
Safety Mode 2024	Depletions and Malfunctions	100.0%	99.8%	99.6%	99.2%	98.1%	95.8%	91.5%	83.9%	72.0%	63.9%	
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.6%	98.9%	97.3%	95.1%	92.4%	90.6%	
11,000	Effective Sample Size	9041	8065	7180	6369	5625	4904	3962	2339	658	251	@

@ 116 months

@ 114 months

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## VISIONIST/VALITUDE

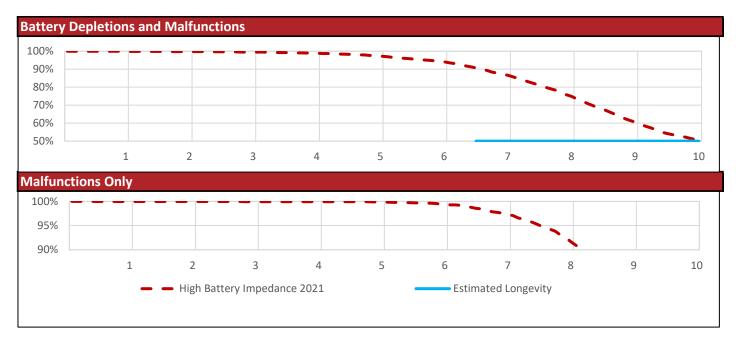
Models: U125/U128/U225/U226/U228

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	566		
Worldwide Distribution	137,000		
US Approval Date: October 2014	With	Without	
	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Electrical			
Low-voltage capacitors (47)	0	2	2
Integrated circuit (63)	3	24	27
Telemetry (68)	0	1	1
High battery impedance (89)	2	75	77
	2	104	106
Hydrogen induced premature depletion			
- September 2018 and June 2021 (70)			
High battery impedance initiating	11	258	269
safety mode - December 2024 (90)			
Software			
Memory errors (51)	0	26	26
Mechanical			
Battery liner (91)	1	0	1
Other			
Non-patterned, other	19	38	57
Grand Total	38	528	566

## INTUA/INVIVE/INLIVEN

Models: V272/V273/V282/V283/W272/W273/V172/V173/V182/V183/W172/W173/V274/V275/V284/V285/W275

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	10,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	1,296	
US Approval Date:	May 2013	US Malfunctions:	633	
US Estimated Active Implants:	3,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	598	
		With Compromised Therapy:	35	



<b>US Surviva</b>	IS Survival Probability											
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
High Battery Impedance 2021	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.9%	99.8%	99.5%	99.0%	97.5%	94.3%	87.3%	75.9%	61.5%	51.1%	
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%	99.5%	97.6%	92.6%	83.8%	78.2%	
10,000	Effective Sample Size	8954	7981	7098	6290	5540	4750	3774	2772	1811	1079	

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## INTUA/INVIVE/INLIVEN

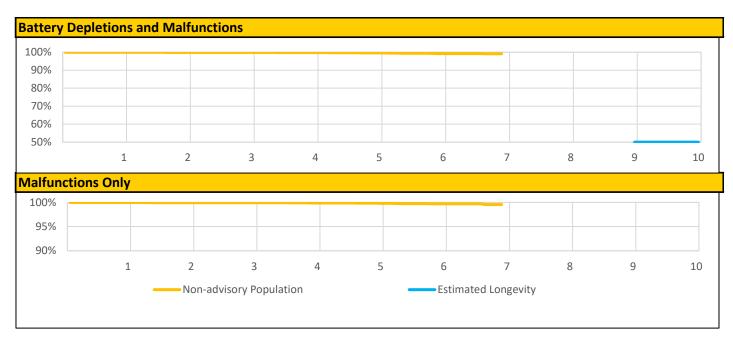
Models: V272/V273/V282/V283/W272/W273/V172/V173/V182/V183/W172/W173/V274/V275/V284/V285/W275

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	972 24,000		
US Approval Date: May 2013	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Electrical			
High battery impedance initiating safety mode 2021 (82)	20	832	852
Low-voltage capacitors (47)	1	0	1
Other			
Non-patterned, other	53	66	119
Grand Total	74	898	972

## RESONATE/MOMENTUM/CHARISMA/VIGILANT ICD DR

Models: D121/D221/D233/D321/D333/D421/D433/D521/D533

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	71,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	58	
US Approval Date:	July 2017	US Malfunctions:	47	
US Estimated Active Implants:	65,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	38	
		With Compromised Therapy:	9	



	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.6%	99.3%	99.1%			
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.7%	99.6%			
71,000	Effective Sample Size	51274	35011	22835	13382	6518	2430	298			

@ 84 months

## RESONATE/MOMENTUM/CHARISMA/VIGILANT ICD DR

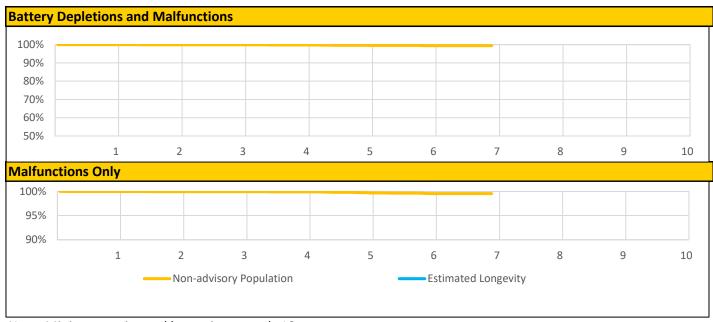
Models: D121/D221/D233/D321/D333/D421/D433/D521/D533

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	90 131,000		
US Approval Date: July 2017	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Electrical			
High voltage capacitor (75) Integrated circuit (63) Low-voltage capacitor (69) Battery (53) Low-voltage capacitors (47) Software Memory errors (51)	3 3 0 1 0	0 8 7 30 1	3 11 7 31 1
Mechanical Solder joint (88) Other	1	0	1
Non-patterned, other	3	11	14
Grand Total	12	78	90

## **RESONATE/MOMENTUM/CHARISMA/VIGILANT ICD VR**

Models: D120/D220/D232/D320/D332/D420/D432/D520/D532

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	39,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	22
US Approval Date:	July 2017	US Malfunctions:	31
US Estimated Active Implants:	35,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	29
		With Compromised Therapy:	2



Note: Minimum estimated longevity exceeds 10 years.

<b>US Surviva</b>	S Survival Probability											
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.6%	99.4%	99.4%				
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%	99.7%	99.6%	99.6%				
39,000	Effective Sample Size	28170	19416	12713	7960	4272	1761	227				

@ 84 months

## **RESONATE/MOMENTUM/CHARISMA/VIGILANT ICD VR**

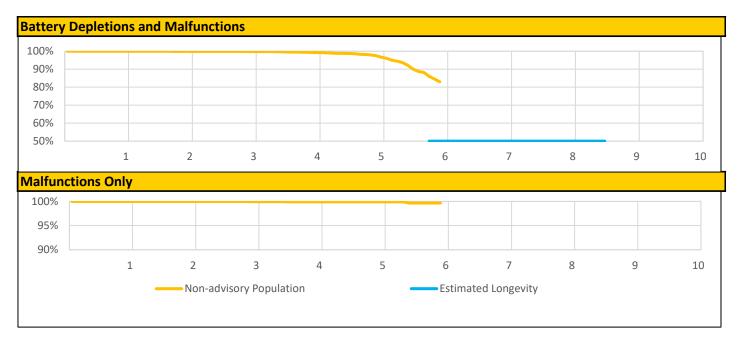
Models: D120/D220/D232/D320/D332/D420/D432/D520/D532

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	68 95,000		
US Approval Date: July 2017  Electrical	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
High voltage capacitor (75)	4	0	4
Integrated circuit (63)	1	1	2
Low-voltage capacitor (69)	0	2	2
Low-voltage capacitors (47)	0	1	1
Battery (53)	0	30	30
Software			
Memory errors (51)	0	13	13
Other			
Non-patterned, other	5	11	16
Grand Total	10	58	68

## **PERCIVA DR**

Models: D401/D413/D501/D513

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	7,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	157
US Approval Date:	July 2017	US Malfunctions:	3
US Estimated Active Implants:	6,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	3
		With Compromised Therapy:	-



	<mark>ıl Probability</mark> Year	1	2	3	Δ	5	6	7	8	9	10	
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Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	100.0%	99.9%	99.8%	99.3%	97.6%	83.0%					
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.7%					
7,000	Effective Sample Size	4843	3516	2390	1411	682	206					

@ 72 months

## **PERCIVA DR**

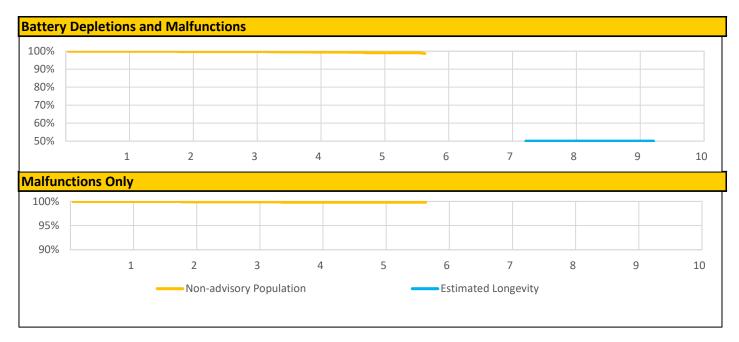
Models: D401/D413/D501/D513

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	5		
Worldwide Distribution	12,000		
US Approval Date: July 2017	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Other			
Non-patterned, other Electrical	0	2	2
Battery (53) <b>Software</b>	0	2	2
Memory errors (51)	0	1	1
Grand Total	0	5	5

## **PERCIVA VR**

Models: D400/D412/D500/D512

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	5,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	21
US Approval Date:	July 2017	US Malfunctions:	3
US Estimated Active Implants:	4,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	2
		With Compromised Therapy:	1



<b>US Surviva</b>	S Survival Probability											
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	100.0%	99.8%	99.8%	99.5%	99.2%	98.7%					
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.8%	99.8%					
5,000	Effective Sample Size	3574	2501	1561	911	473	213					

@ 69 months

## **PERCIVA VR**

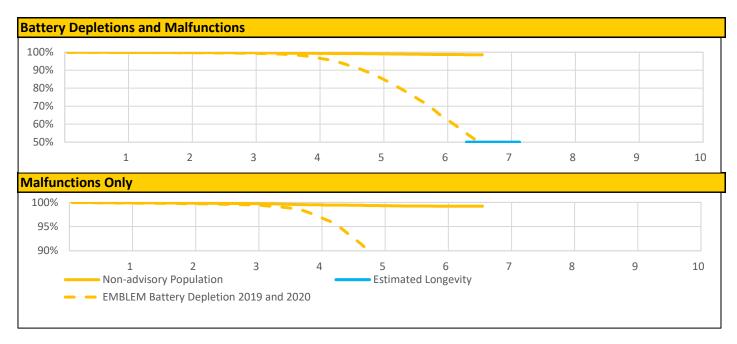
Models: D400/D412/D500/D512

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	5	5	
Worldwide Distribution	9,000	<mark>)</mark>	
US Approval Date: July 2017	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Other			
Non-patterned, other <b>Software</b>	0	1	1
Memory errors (51) Electrical	0	2	2
Integrated circuit (63)	1	0	1
High voltage capacitor (75)	1	0	1
Grand Total	2	3	5

#### **EMBLEM S-ICD**

Models: A209/A219

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	71,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	2,084
US Approval Date:	March 2015	US Malfunctions:	5,682
US Estimated Active Implants:	53,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	5,480
		With Compromised Therapy:	202



<b>US Surviv</b>	S Survival Probability											
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.9%	99.8%	99.7%	99.4%	99.1%	98.7%	98.6%				
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	99.9%	99.9%	99.7%	99.5%	99.3%	99.2%	99.2%				
49,000	Effective Sample Size	36837	26761	17935	10909	5812	2165	216				

@ 80 months

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#### **EMBLEM S-ICD**

Models: A209/A219

<b>US Surviva</b>	l Probability	/ (cont.)									
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Battery Depletion 2019 and 2020	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.9%	99.7%	99.4%	97.3%	87.0%	65.2%	41.8%	15.6%	13.2%	
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	99.9%	99.7%	99.5%	97.5%	88.1%	69.4%	49.8%	29.0%	26.8%	
22,000	Effective Sample Size	18481	16403	14540	12667	10073	6624	2975	307	223	

@ 97 months

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## **EMBLEM S-ICD**

Models: A209/A219

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	11,508		
Worldwide Distribution	169,000		
US Approval Date: March 2015	With	Without	
	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Electrical			
High-voltage capacitor (43)	4	0	4
Capacitor (72)	0	2	2
S-ICD battery depletion 2019 and 2020 (77)	191	10831	11022
Battery depletion (84)	1	3	4
Software			
Memory corruption (65)	1	0	1
Misaligned markers (73)	1	4	5
Memory corruption (85)	4	18	22
Mechanical			
Solder joint (78)	16	1	17
EMBLEM S-ICD electrical overstress 2020 (80)	8	0	8
RF antenna (81)	1	0	1
Cracked case (86)	25	1	26
Header (87)	1	0	1
Other			
Telemetry (56)	20	40	60
Non-patterned, other	54	281	335
Grand Total	327	11181	11508

### **AUTOGEN ICD EL DR**

Models: D162/D163/D176/D177

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	97	'	
Worldwide Distribution	17,000		
US Approval Date: April 2014	With	Without	
	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Electrical			
High voltage circuit component (62)	0	4	4
Integrated circuit (63)	2	0	2
Low-voltage capacitor (69)	0	21	21
Battery (53)	2	55	57
High voltage capacitor (75)	2	0	2
Software			
Memory errors (51)	0	6	6
Other			
Non-patterned, other	1	4	5
Grand Total	7	90	97

### **AUTOGEN ICD EL VR**

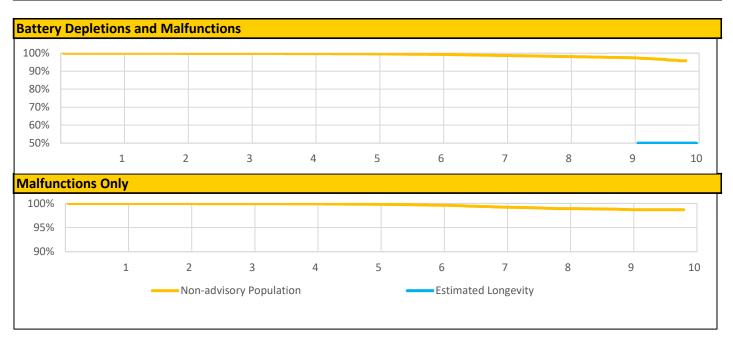
Models: D160/D161/D174/D175

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	97		
Worldwide Distribution	17,000		
US Approval Date: April 2014	With	Without	
	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Electrical			
High voltage capacitor (75)	2	0	2
Low-voltage capacitor (69)	0	9	9
Battery (53)	7	69	76
Integrated circuit (63)	1	1	2
Software			
Memory errors (51)	2	2	4
Other			
Non-patterned, other	0	4	4
Grand Total	12	85	97

## **DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN ICD EL DR**

Models: D052/D053/D142/D143/D152/D153

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	51,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	174	
US Approval Date:	April 2014	US Malfunctions:	178	
US Estimated Active Implants:	40,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	156	
		With Compromised Therapy:	22	



<b>US Surviva</b>	S Survival Probability										
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.6%	99.3%	98.8%	98.2%	97.5%	95.8%
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.6%	99.3%	98.9%	98.7%	98.7%
51,000	Effective Sample Size	44166	38075	32323	26919	21638	16837	11613	6396	2526	330

@ 119 months

# **DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN ICD EL DR**

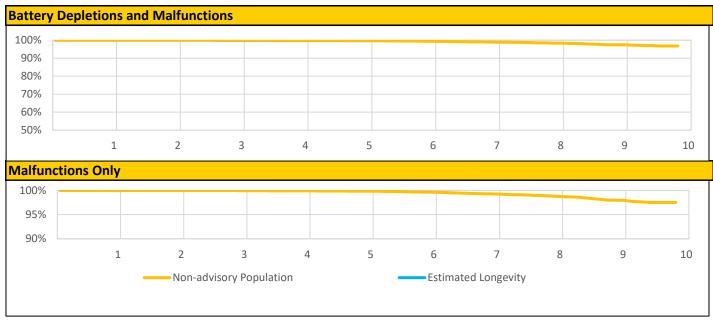
Models: D052/D053/D142/D143/D152/D153

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	225		
Worldwide Distribution	93,000	)	
US Approval Date: April 2014	With	Without	
	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Electrical			
Low-voltage capacitors (47)	0	2	2
High voltage circuit component (62)	0	4	4
Integrated circuit (63)	4	1	5
Low-voltage capacitor (69)	0	44	44
High voltage capacitor (75)	8	0	8
Battery (53)	12	120	132
Software			
Memory errors (51)	0	2	2
Other			
Non-patterned, other	7	21	28
Grand Total	31	194	225

## **DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN ICD EL VR**

Models: D050/D051/D140/D141/D150/D151

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	39,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	75	
US Approval Date:	April 2014	US Malfunctions:	192	
US Estimated Active Implants:	30,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	176	
		With Compromised Therapy:	16	



Note: Minimum estimated longevity exceeds 10 years.

<b>US Surviva</b>	S Survival Probability										
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.7%	99.4%	99.0%	98.4%	97.4%	96.8%
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.7%	99.3%	98.8%	98.0%	97.5%
39,000	Effective Sample Size	34198	29705	25582	21762	18058	14334	10202	5907	2546	307

@ 119 months

# **DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN ICD EL VR**

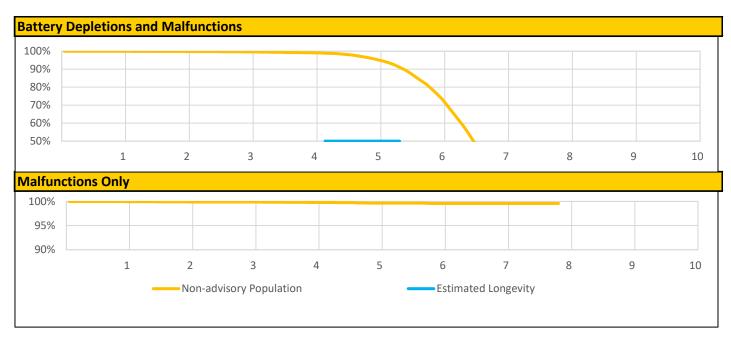
Models: D050/D051/D140/D141/D150/D151

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	261		
Worldwide Distribution	81,000		
US Approval Date: April 2014	With	Without	
	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Electrical			
Low-voltage capacitors (47)	0	1	1
High voltage circuit component (62)	0	2	2
Integrated circuit (63)	1	2	3
Low-voltage capacitor (69)	1	53	54
Battery (53)	15	145	160
High voltage capacitor (75)	1	0	1
Software			
Memory errors (51)	2	11	13
Other			
Non-patterned, other	6	21	27
Grand Total	26	235	261

## **DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN ICD MINI DR**

Models: D002/D003/D012/D013/D022/D023

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	12,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	2,872
US Approval Date:	April 2014	US Malfunctions:	27
US Estimated Active Implants:	6,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	24
		With Compromised Therapy:	3



US Surviva	l Probability	<u> </u>									
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.9%	99.9%	99.7%	99.2%	95.9%	76.3%	29.1%	14.2%		
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.6%	99.6%	99.6%	99.6%		
12,000	Effective Sample Size	9985	8542	7239	6015	4792	3012	779	203		

@ 95 months

# **DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN ICD MINI DR**

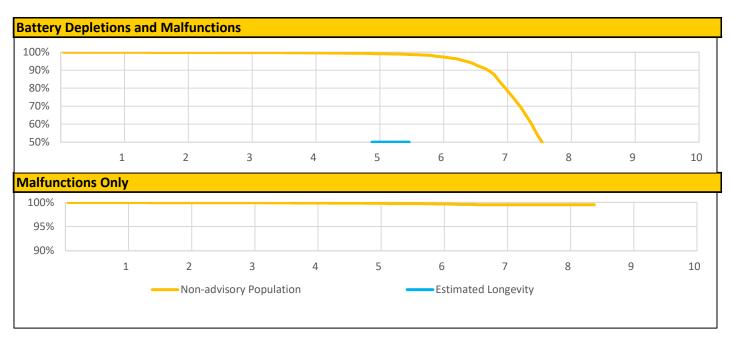
Models: D002/D003/D012/D013/D022/D023

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	41 36 000		
US Approval Date: April 2014  Electrical	36,000 With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
High voltage circuit component (62)	0	12	12
High voltage capacitor (75)	3	0	3
Integrated circuit (63)	0	2	2
Low-voltage capacitors (47)	1	0	1
Battery (53)	0	6	6
Low-voltage capacitor (69)	0	7	7
Other			
Non-patterned, other	3	7	10
Grand Total	7	34	41

## **DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN ICD MINI VR**

Models: D000/D001/D010/D011/D020/D021

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	10,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	1,907	
US Approval Date:	April 2014	US Malfunctions:	22	
US Estimated Active Implants:	5,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	21	
		With Compromised Therapy:	1	



<b>US Surviva</b>	US Survival Probability											
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.6%	99.2%	97.7%	83.7%	29.6%	17.7%		
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.7%	99.5%	99.5%	99.5%		
10,000	Effective Sample Size	8315	7246	6245	5369	4544	3667	2409	548	211		

@ 102 months

# **DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN ICD MINI VR**

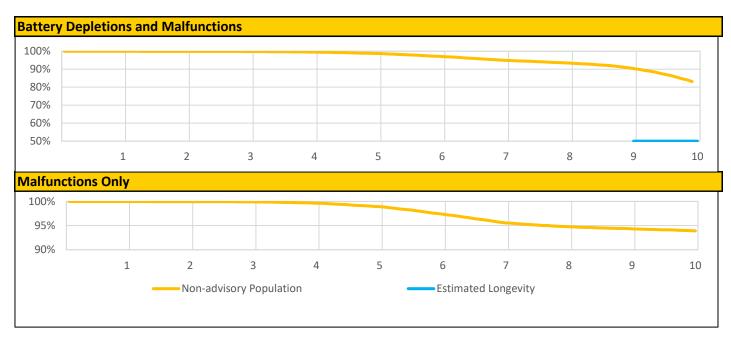
Models: D000/D001/D010/D011/D020/D021

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	47	1	
Worldwide Distribution	36,000	)	
US Approval Date: April 2014	With	Without	
	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Electrical			
Low-voltage capacitors (47)	0	2	2
High voltage circuit component (62)	0	7	7
High voltage capacitor (75)	7	0	7
Low-voltage capacitor (69)	0	7	7
Battery (53)	1	10	11
Software			
Memory errors (51)	1	3	4
Other			
Non-patterned, other	2	7	9
Grand Total	11	36	47

## **INCEPTA/ENERGEN/PUNCTUA ICD DR**

Models: E052/E053/E142/E143/E162/E163/F052/F053/F142/F143/F162/F163

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	47,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	5,177
US Approval Date:	November 2011	US Malfunctions:	1,303
US Estimated Active Implants:	21,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	1,267
		With Compromised Therapy:	36



<b>US Surviva</b>	JS Survival Probability										
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.5%	98.8%	97.2%	95.1%	93.5%	90.8%	83.1%
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%	99.7%	99.0%	97.5%	95.7%	94.8%	94.4%	94.0%
47,000	Effective Sample Size	41190	36504	32258	28384	24850	21479	18452	15887	13398	10231

## **INCEPTA/ENERGEN/PUNCTUA ICD DR**

Models: E052/E053/E142/E143/E162/E163/F052/F053/F142/F143/F162/F163

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	2,018		
Worldwide Distribution	72,000	)	
US Approval Date: November 2011	With	Without	
	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Mechanical			
Transformer (38)	2	0	2
Electrical			
High-voltage capacitor (43)	5	1	6
Low-voltage capacitors (47)	0	5	5
Integrated circuit (50)	6	7	13
Battery (53)	16	96	112
Low-voltage capacitor (54)	14	1787	1801
High voltage circuit (58)	0	1	1
Low-voltage capacitor (69)	0	41	41
Software			
Memory errors (51)	0	9	9
Other			
Non-patterned, other	11	17	28
Grand Total	54	1964	2018

## **INCEPTA/ENERGEN/PUNCTUA ICD VR**

Models: E050/E051/E140/E141/E160/E161/F050/F051/F140/F141/F160/F161

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	39,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	1,075
US Approval Date:	November 2011	US Malfunctions:	1,342
US Estimated Active Implants:	22,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	1,297
		With Compromised Therapy:	45



Note: Minimum estimated longevity exceeds 10 years.

<b>US Surviva</b>	JS Survival Probability										
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.5%	98.8%	97.4%	95.6%	93.1%	91.6%	90.4%
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%	99.7%	99.0%	97.8%	96.1%	93.9%	92.8%	92.3%
39,000	Effective Sample Size	34683	30703	27126	23876	20889	18120	15520	13221	11329	9209

## **INCEPTA/ENERGEN/PUNCTUA ICD VR**

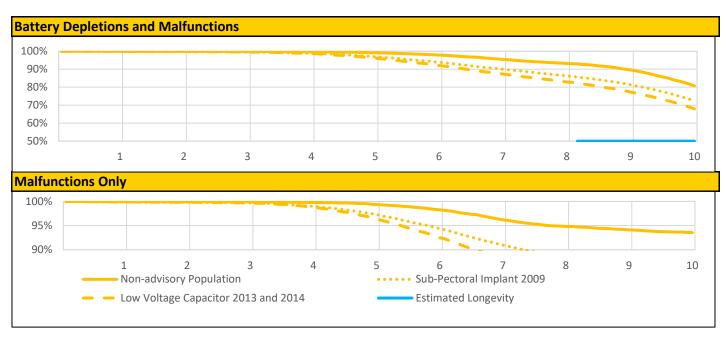
Models: E050/E051/E140/E141/E160/E161/F050/F051/F140/F141/F160/F161

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	2,246 68,000		
US Approval Date: November 2011	With	Without	
	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Electrical			
High-voltage capacitor (43)	4	1	5
Integrated circuit (50)	5	4	9
Battery (53)	30	156	186
Low-voltage capacitor (54)	19	1944	1963
High voltage circuit (58)	1	0	1
Low-voltage capacitor (69)	0	38	38
Mechanical			
Transformer (38)	6	0	6
Software			
Memory errors (51)	1	9	10
Other			
Non-patterned, other	11	17	28
Grand Total	77	2169	2246

### **TELIGEN DR**

Models: E110/E111/F110/F111

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	66,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	13,342	
US Approval Date:	March 2008	US Malfunctions:	3,046	
US Estimated Active Implants:	14,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	2,878	
		With Compromised Therapy:	168	



<b>US Surviv</b>	US Survival Probability											
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.6%	99.2%	98.0%	95.7%	93.4%	90.0%	81.8%	
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.4%	98.4%	96.4%	94.9%	94.2%	93.6%	
30000	Effective Sample Size	26330	23351	20704	18278	16074	13975	11967	10204	8589	6794	

### **TELIGEN DR**

Models: E110/E111/F110/F111

<b>US Surviva</b>	l Probability	(cont.)									
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Subpectoral Implant 2009	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.9%	99.8%	99.6%	98.9%	97.2%	94.1%	90.3%	86.6%	81.9%	73.4%
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	99.9%	99.8%	99.7%	99.1%	97.5%	94.7%	91.2%	88.5%	86.5%	85.1%
30000	Effective Sample Size	26381	23280	20569	18054	15675	13342	11213	9361	7675	5930
Low Voltage Capacitor 2013 and 2014	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.9%	99.8%	99.6%	98.8%	96.4%	92.4%	87.7%	83.2%	77.9%	69.0%
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	99.9%	99.8%	99.7%	98.9%	96.7%	92.9%	88.6%	85.2%	82.7%	81.0%
23000	Effective Sample Size	20434	18055	15943	13982	12041	10130	8409	6942	5625	4284

<sup>\*</sup>Devices subject to an advisory. Refer to the Advisories for more details. Devices may be part of more than one advisory.

### **TELIGEN DR**

Models: E110/E111/F110/F111

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	4,188		
Worldwide Distribution	91,000		
US Approval Date: March 2008	With	Without	
	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Electrical			
Low Voltage Capacitor 2014 - August 29, 2013 and	54	2299	2353
September 17, 2014 Voluntary Physician Advisory (3)			
Safety Core-electrocautery (42)	1	4	5
High-voltage capacitor (43)	8	1	9
Low-voltage capacitors (47)	0	8	8
Integrated circuit (50)	22	22	44
Battery (53)	43	256	299
Low-voltage capacitor (54)	15	1300	1315
Low-voltage capacitor (69)	0	7	7
Mechanical			
Transformer (38)	20	0	20
Seal plug (40)	0	3	3
Difficulty securing lead (41)	7	7	14
Header contacts (45)	13	3	16
Subpectoral implant 2009 - December 01, 2009 Voluntary	13	9	22
Physician Advisory (6)			
Header (74)	9	3	12
Software			
Alert messages not displayed post-EOL (48)	0	3	3
Memory errors (51)	0	19	19
Other			
Non-patterned, other	11	28	39
Grand Total	216	3972	4188

### **TELIGEN VR**

Models: E102/E103/F102/F103

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	38,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	5,221
US Approval Date:	March 2008	US Malfunctions:	2,422
US Estimated Active Implants:	10,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	2,285
		With Compromised Therapy:	137



<b>US Surviv</b>	JS Survival Probability												
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.9%	99.8%	99.7%	99.5%	99.1%	98.1%	96.3%	92.6%	89.4%	87.5%		
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.7%	99.3%	98.3%	96.7%	93.3%	90.6%	89.6%		
18000	Effective Sample Size	16008	14157	12495	11010	9657	8396	7194	6005	5029	4315		

### **TELIGEN VR**

Models: E102/E103/F102/F103

<b>US Surviva</b>	al Probability	(cont.)									
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Subpectoral Implant 2009	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.8%	99.6%	99.5%	98.7%	96.9%	93.7%	90.0%	86.5%	83.5%	81.1%
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	99.8%	99.7%	99.6%	98.9%	97.2%	94.1%	90.6%	87.2%	84.6%	83.2%
16000	Effective Sample Size	13487	11881	10465	9147	7898	6717	5632	4684	3928	3297
Low Voltage Capacitor 2013 and 2014	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.8%	99.7%	99.5%	98.2%	94.7%	89.6%	84.4%	79.2%	75.7%	73.0%
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	99.8%	99.8%	99.6%	98.4%	94.9%	90.0%	84.9%	80.0%	76.9%	75.2%
12000	Effective Sample Size	10749	9487	8360	7285	6192	5129	4186	3386	2803	2336

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### **TELIGEN VR**

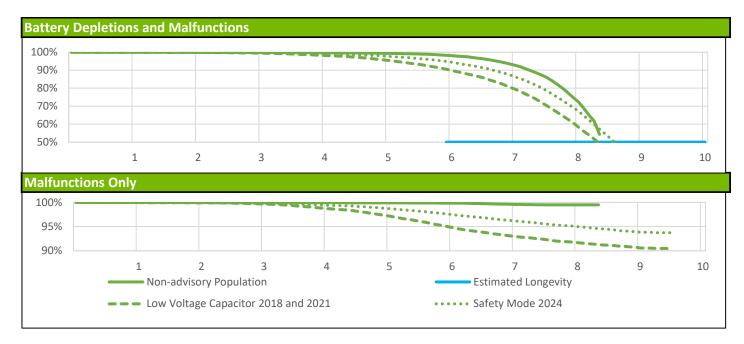
Models: E102/E103/F102/F103

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	4,108		
Worldwide Distribution	66,000		
US Approval Date: March 2008	With	Without	
	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Tota
Electrical			
Low Voltage Capacitor 2014 - August 29, 2013 and September 17, 2014 Voluntary	46	1924	1970
Physician Advisory (3)			
Safety Core-electrocautery (42)	1	1	2
High-voltage capacitor (43)	3	0	3
Low-voltage capacitors (47)	0	5	5
Integrated circuit (50)	17	11	28
Battery (53)	55	422	477
Low-voltage capacitor (54)	13	1448	1461
Low-voltage capacitor (69)	0	5	5
Mechanical			
Transformer (24)	1	0	1
Transformer (38)	14	0	14
Seal plug (40)	0	1	1
Difficulty securing lead (41)	9	0	9
Header contacts (45)	22	16	38
Subpectoral implant 2009 - December 01, 2009 Voluntary Physician Advisory (6)	19	13	32
Header (74)	13	4	17
Software			
Alert messages not displayed post-EOL (48)	0	4	4
Memory errors (51)	0	12	12
Respiratory Sensor Oversensing - March 23, 2009 Voluntary Physician Advisory (7)	0	2	2
Other			
Non-patterned, other	14	13	27
Grand Total	227	3881	4108

## ACCOLADE/PROPONENT/ESSENTIO DR

Models: L101/L111/L201/L211/L301/L311

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	330,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	17,553	
US Approval Date:	April 2016	US Malfunctions:	2,339	
US Estimated Active Implants:	249,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	2,193	
		With Compromised Therapy:	146	



<b>US Surviv</b>	S Survival Probability												
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.7%	99.4%	98.3%	93.5%	74.9%	54.3%			
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.6%	99.5%	99.5%			
234000	Effective Sample Size	198881	153016	113739	81240	55002	34008	15147	3205	365			

@ 101 months

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## ACCOLADE/PROPONENT/ESSENTIO DR

Models: L101/L111/L201/L211/L301/L311

<b>US Survival</b>	l Probability	(cont.)										
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	1
Low Voltage Capacitor 2018 and 2021	Depletions and Malfunctions	100.0%	99.9%	99.6%	98.5%	96.1%	91.1%	81.8%	62.8%	35.7%	20.6%	
Registered	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	99.9%	99.7%	98.8%	97.3%	95.0%	93.1%	91.8%	90.7%	90.5%	
	Effective Sample Size	37907	33792	30000	26474	23017	19398	15342	9640	2280	306	@ 1
•	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.9%	99.9%	99.7%	99.2%	97.9%	94.9%	87.4%	69.3%	39.4%	23.5%	
J	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	99.9%	99.8%	99.5%	98.8%	97.6%	96.3%	95.1%	93.9%	93.7%	
	Effective Sample Size	57636	51335	45639	40474	35650	30728	24841	14457	2730	374	@ 11

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# **ACCOLADE/PROPONENT/ESSENTIO DR**

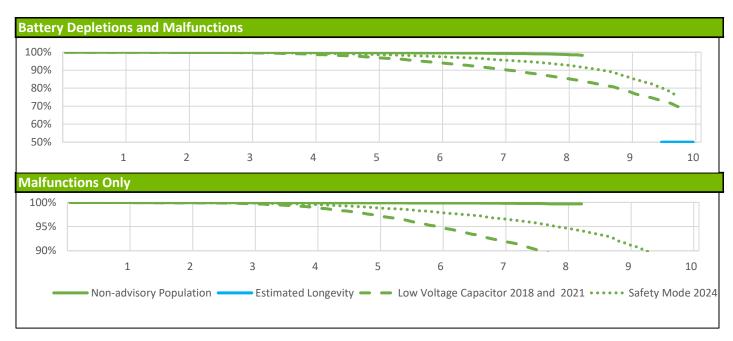
Models: L101/L111/L201/L211/L301/L311

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	3,773		
Worldwide Distribution	767,000		
US Approval Date: April 2016	With	Without	
	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Electrical			
Low-voltage capacitors (47)	2	7	9
Integrated circuit (63)	20	71	91
Capacitor (67)	0	4	4
Telemetry (68)	2	15	17
High battery impedance (89)	5	113	118
Hydrogen induced premature depletion -	64	2507	2571
September 2018 and June 2021 (70)			
High battery impedance initiating safety	33	548	581
mode - December 2024 (90)			
Software			
Memory errors (51)	0	96	96
Mechanical			
Battery cathode (79)	9	6	15
Other			
Non-patterned, other	125	146	271
Grand Total	260	3513	3773

### **ACCOLADE/PROPONENT/ESSENTIO EL DR**

Models: L121/L131/L221/L231/L321/L331

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	222,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	739	
US Approval Date:	April 2016	US Malfunctions:	1,287	
US Estimated Active Implants:	192,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	1,249	
		With Compromised Therapy:	38	



<b>US Surviva</b>	JS Survival Probability												
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.7%	99.6%	99.4%	98.8%	98.2%			
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.7%	99.7%			
181,000	Effective Sample Size	143886	104460	72934	48368	30193	17179	7282	1563	364			

@ 100 months

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# ACCOLADE/PROPONENT/ESSENTIO EL DR

Models: L121/L131/L221/L231/L321/L331

<b>US Surviva</b>	l Probability	/									
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Low Voltage Capacitor 2018 and 2021	Depletions and Malfunctions	100.0%	99.9%	99.7%	98.8%	97.0%	94.1%	90.3%	85.5%	78.0%	69.5%
Registered mplants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	99.9%	99.7%	98.9%	97.2%	94.8%	92.0%	88.6%	84.7%	81.6%
17,000	Effective Sample Size	15157	13479	11978	10582	9222	7915	6666	5033	1984	265
afety Mode 024	Depletions and Malfunctions	100.0%	99.9%	99.8%	99.4%	98.6%	97.5%	95.6%	92.8%	85.9%	75.1%
Registered mplants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.5%	98.9%	97.9%	96.6%	94.7%	91.3%	87.2%
24,000	Effective Sample Size	21321	18955	16839	14945	13181	11541	9856	6522	1703	220

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# ACCOLADE/PROPONENT/ESSENTIO EL DR

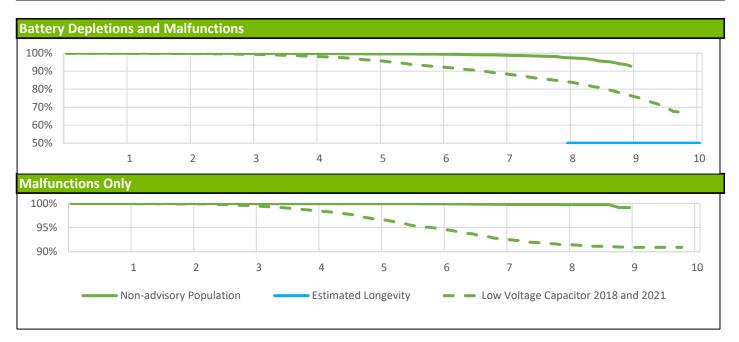
Models: L121/L131/L221/L231/L321/L331

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	2,507	7	
Worldwide Distribution	561,000		
US Approval Date: April 2016	With	Without	
	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Electrical			
Low-voltage capacitors (47)	0	11	11
Integrated circuit (63)	8	64	72
Capacitor (67)	0	2	2
Telemetry (68)	1	14	15
High battery impedance (89)	2	16	18
Hydrogen induced premature depletion - September	40	2091	2131
2018 and June 2021 (70)			
High battery impedance initiating safety mode -	12	85	97
December 2024 (90)			
Software			
Memory errors (51)	0	90	90
Mechanical			
Battery cathode (79)	2	1	3
Battery liner (91)	8	0	8
Other			
Non-patterned, other	12	48	60
Grand Total	85	2422	2507

## **ACCOLADE/PROPONENT/ESSENTIO SR**

Models: L100/L110/L200/L210/L300/L310

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	59,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	902	
US Approval Date:	April 2016	US Malfunctions:	578	
US Estimated Active Implants:	42,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	560	
		With Compromised Therapy:	18	



<b>US Surviva</b>	IS Survival Probability											
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.6%	99.4%	98.9%	97.5%	92.8%		
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.7%	99.1%		
33,000	Effective Sample Size	36418	28533	22080	16529	11785	7890	4316	1511	204		

@ 108 months

<sup>\*</sup>Devices subject to an advisory. Refer to the Advisories for more details. Devices may be part of more than one advisory.

# ACCOLADE/PROPONENT/ESSENTIO SR

Models: L100/L110/L200/L210/L300/L310

<b>US Surviva</b>	al Probability	/									
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Low Voltage Capacitor 2018 and 2021	Depletions and Malfunctions	99.9%	99.8%	99.3%	98.3%	95.9%	92.3%	88.7%	84.1%	76.4%	66.0%
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	99.9%	99.5%	98.5%	96.7%	94.7%	92.7%	91.5%	91.0%	90.9%
12,000	Effective Sample Size	10519	9332	8268	7298	6359	5456	4624	3522	1423	256

@ 118 months

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# ACCOLADE/PROPONENT/ESSENTIO SR

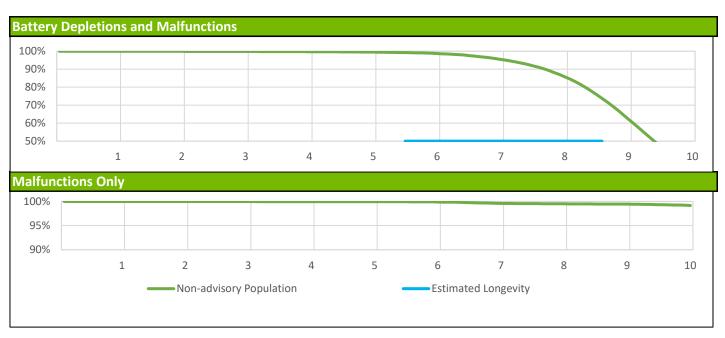
Models: L100/L110/L200/L210/L300/L310

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	1,339		
Worldwide Distribution	272,000		
US Approval Date: April 2016	With	Without	
	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Electrical			
Low-voltage capacitors (47)	1	3	4
Integrated circuit (63)	8	10	18
Capacitor (67)	0	4	4
Telemetry (68)	0	5	5
High battery impedance (89)	1	47	48
	40	1165	1205
Hydrogen induced premature depletion -			
September 2018 and June 2021 (70)			
Software			
Memory errors (51)	0	19	19
Other			
Non-patterned, other	11	19	30
Mechanical			
Battery cathode (79)	4	1	5
Battery liner (91)	1	0	1
Grand Total	66	1273	1339

## **ADVANTIO/INGENIO/VITALIO/FORMIO DR**

Models: J063/J066/J173/J176/J273/J276/J278/J279/K063/K066/K083/K086/K173/K176/K183/K186/K273/K276/K278/K279/K283/K286/K288/K289

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	121,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	31,457	
US Approval Date:	May 2012	US Malfunctions:	380	
US Estimated Active Implants:	43,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	337	
		With Compromised Therapy:	43	



<b>US Surviva</b>	S Survival Probability											
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.7%	99.5%	98.9%	95.9%	87.0%	64.7%	36.2%	
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.6%	99.5%	99.4%	99.2%	
121,000	Effective Sample Size	107240	95654	85287	76016	67577	59844	51665	41597	27185	12587	

### **ADVANTIO/INGENIO/VITALIO/FORMIO DR**

Models: J063/J066/J173/J176/J273/J276/J278/J279/K063/K066/K083/K086/K173/K176/K183/K186/K273/K276/K278/K279/K283/K286/K288/K289

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<b>Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctic</b>	454		
Worldwide Distribution	218,000		
US Approval Date: May 2012	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Electrical			
Low-voltage capacitors (47)	0	8	8
Integrated circuit (50)	7	3	10
Titanium case material (60) <b>Software</b>	3	0	3
Memory errors (51)	1	29	30
Other			
Non-patterned, other	41	362	403

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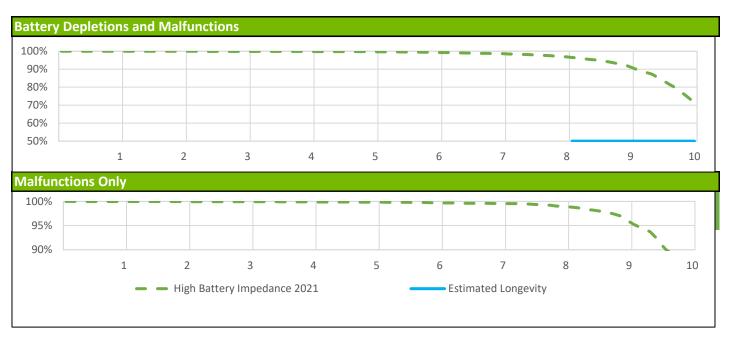
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**Grand Total** 

### **ADVANTIO/INGENIO/VITALIO EL DR**

Models: J064/J067/J174/J177/J274/J277/K064/K067/K084/K087/K174/K177/K184/K187/K274/K277/K284/K287

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	11,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	464	
US Approval Date:	May 2012	US Malfunctions:	678	
US Estimated Active Implants:	4,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	640	
		With Compromised Therapy:	38	



US Surviva	S Survival Probability											
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
High Battery Impedance 2021	Depletions and Malfunctions	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.7%	99.3%	98.7%	97.0%	92.3%	73.9%	
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.7%	99.6%	99.0%	96.8%	84.0%	
11,000	Effective Sample Size	9672	8585	7637	6790	6036	5328	4603	3787	2839	1445	

<sup>\*</sup>Devices subject to an advisory. Refer to the Advisories for more details. Devices may be part of more than one advisory.

## **ADVANTIO/INGENIO/VITALIO/FORMIO EL DR**

Models: J064/J067/J174/J177/J274/J277/K064/K067/K084/K087/K174/K177/K184/K187/K274/K277/K284/K287

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	1,669 75,000		
US Approval Date: May 2012	With	Without	
,	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Electrical			
Low-voltage capacitors (47)	1	5	6
Integrated circuit (50)	2	0	2
Titanium case material (60)	2	0	2
High battery impedance initiating	63	1103	1166
safety mode 2021 (82)			
High battery impedance (89)	0	1	1
Software			
Memory errors (51)	1	11	12
Respiratory sensor (59)	0	1	1
Other			
Non-patterned, other	103	376	479
Grand Total	172	1497	1669

## **ADVANTIO/INGENIO/VITALIO/FORMIO SR**

Models: J062/J065/J172/J175/J272/J275/K062/K065/K082/K085/K172/K175/K182/K185/K272/K275/K282/K285

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	27,000	US Normal Battery Depletions:	1,720	
US Approval Date:	May 2012	US Malfunctions:	17	
US Estimated Active Implants:	12,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	16	
		With Compromised Therapy:	1	



<b>US Surviva</b>	JS Survival Probability											
	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Non-Advisory Population	Depletions and Malfunctions	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.8%	99.8%	99.6%	99.4%	98.9%	97.5%	92.7%	
Registered Implants:	Malfunctions Only	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	
27,000	Effective Sample Size	22767	20238	18048	16107	14358	12789	11411	10166	8915	7025	

## **ADVANTIO/INGENIO/VITALIO SR**

Models: J062/J065/J172/J175/J272/J275/K062/K065/K082/K085/K172/K175/K182/K185/K272/K275/K282/K285

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	33		
Worldwide Distribution US Approval Date: May 2012	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Electrical			
Low-voltage capacitors (47)	1	3	4
Integrated circuit (50)	3	2	5
Titanium case material (60)	1	0	1
Software			
Memory errors (51)	0	9	9
Other			
Non-patterned, other	3	11	14
Grand Total	8	25	33

### **ALTRUA 2 DR**

Models: S702

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	15
Worldwide Distribution	12,000

CE Mark Date: December 2018	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Software			
Memory errors (51)	0	2	2
Electrical			
Integrated circuit (63)	0	1	1
Hydrogen induced premature depletion - September 2018 and	0	11	11
June 2021 (70) High battery impedance initiating safety mode - December 2024 (90)	0	1	1
Grand Total	0	15	15

## **ALTRUA 2 EL DR**

Models: S722

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	5		
Worldwide Distribution	9,000		
CE Mark Date: December 2018	With	Without	
	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Electrical			
Hydrogen induced premature depletion -	0	3	3
September 2018 and June 2021 (70)			
Other			
Non-patterned, other	1	1	2
Grand Total	1	4	5

#### **ALTRUA 2 SR**

Models: S701

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	15 12,000		
CE Mark Date: December 2018	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Electrical			
Integrated circuit (63)	0	1	1
Hydrogen induced premature depletion -	0	12	12
September 2018 and June 2021 (70)			
Other			
Non-patterned, other	1	1	2
Grand Total	1	14	15

#### **Confirmed Malfunction Details: Pulse Generator References**

Descriptions listed below provide an overview of the clinical observations and/or analysis findings associated with each pulse generator confirmed malfunction pattern listed in this report.

All of the patterns listed are thoroughly investigated and analyzed. As part of Boston Scientific's process of continuous improvement, when possible, changes have been or will be implemented in response to identified malfunction patterns. "Improvements implemented" may include product design changes in existing or subsequent generations, manufacturing process modifications, software updates, educational communications, labeling changes, etc. Improvement implementation may vary by geography due to various factors, including regulatory review timing, and may not completely mitigate or eliminate the potential for additional malfunctions.

- 3. **Low Voltage Capacitor 2014** *Aug 2013 and Sep 2014 Voluntary Physician Advisory*. Alert message during followup, beeping tones, premature battery depletion. Diminished low voltage capacitor performance. Improvement implemented.
- 4. **Unintended Fuse Activation 2013** *March 1, 2013 Voluntary Physician Advisory*.Inability to interrogate, no magnet response, permanent loss of therapy without warning. Improvement implemented.
- 5. High cathode condition— June 1, 2011 Voluntary Physician Advisory. Premature battery depletion. Misaligned battery component. Improvement implemented.
- 6. **Subpectoral implant 2009** *December 01, 2009 Voluntary Physician Advisory*. Noise, oversensing, inappropriate shocks, pacing inhibition, high impedance when implanted subpectorally. Weakened bond between header and titanium case. Improvement implemented.
- 7. **Respiratory Sensor Oversensing** *March 23, 2009 Voluntary Physician Advisory*. Oversensing, noise, inappropriate shock, pacing inhibition. When Respiratory Sensor is ON, RV lead or system complications may cause oversensing or noise. Improvement implemented.
- 8. Low-voltage capacitor— June 23, 2006 and August 24, 2006 Voluntary Physician Advisory. Premature battery depletion, no output, no interrogation. Failed low-voltage capacitor. Improvement implemented.
- 9. **Crystal timing component Failure Mode 1** September 22, 2005 Voluntary Physician Advisory. Intermittent or permanent loss of pacing output without warning, intermittent or permanent loss of telemetry, reversion to VVI mode or appearance of a reset warning message upon interrogation. Foreign material within a crystal timing component. Improvement implemented.
- 10. **Crystal timing component Failure Mode 2** September 22, 2005 Voluntary Physician Advisory. At implant procedure or during pre-implant testing: Intermittent or permanent loss of pacing output without warning, intermittent or permanent loss of telemetry, reversion to VVI mode, or appearance of a reset warning message upon interrogation. Microscopic particle within a crystal timing component. Three failures have been reported following confirmation of successful implantation. No currently distributed devices are subject to this peri-implant failure mode. Improvement implemented.
- 11. Longevity labeling— Battery longevity inconsistent with longevity labeling. Device battery status indicators are accurate and no loss of therapy has been reported.
- 12. **Solder bond** Loss of device output, loss of sensing. Separation of component solder from substrate, Improvement implemented.
- 13. Integrated circuit—Power on Reset state, loss of telemetry, safety mode operation or loss of output. Failed digital integrated circuit.
- 14. Capacitor—Premature battery depletion, inability to interrogate. Damage to low-voltage capacitor.
- 15. **Capacitor** No telemetry, no pacing, premature battery depletion. Gradual, premature battery depletion most common; in rare instances, rapid depletion occurred with no therapy available. Failed low-voltage capacitor.
- 16. Capacitor array— Loss of device output, loss of capture, inability to accurately measure charge times causing elective replacement indicator declaration. Damage to capacitor array. Improvement implemented.
- 17. Integrated circuit— No telemetry, premature battery depletion. Integrated circuit issue within high-voltage transistor.
- 18. **Battery depletion** Premature battery depletion and loss of capture.
- 19. Seal plug— Non-cardiac signals on electrograms leading to inhibition of pacing and/or inappropriate shock delivery. Damaged seal plug. Improvement implemented.
- 20. **Header** High impedance, compromised header bonding identified during lead revision procedures. Insufficient medical adhesive bonding between header and case. Improvement implemented.
- 21. Magnet response— No magnet response. Particulate material in component. Improvement implemented.
- 22. Battery depletion—Premature battery depletion.
- 23. **Memory error** Device resets (including pacing at reset parameters) and inability to interrogate. Errors in device memory.
- 24. Transformer— Charge time alert message and/or end of life (EOL) indicator displayed, loss of shock therapy. Damaged transformer, Improvement implemented.
- 25. Setscrew block— No pacing or pauses in pacing, intermittent or lack of setscrew contact with lead. Incorrect setscrew block. Improvement implemented.
- 26. **Battery depletion**—Loss of therapy, inability to interrogate, no magnet response, premature battery depletion.

- 27. **Solder bond** Inability to interrogate, no magnet response, no pacing output. Broken solder bond between wire mounting surface and internal circuitry. Improvement implemented.
- 28. Stored EGMs— Inability to view stored EGMs. Incorrect EGM index location.
- 29. Battery post— Inability to interrogate, no pacing output. Bent battery post. Improvement implemented.
- 30. **Integrated circuit** Premature battery depletion, loss of pacing output, inability to interrogate, loss of sensing, high-rate pacing, loss of shock therapy. Damage to integrated circuit. Improvement implemented.
- 31. Alert messages— During programmer interactions, alert messages appear which are able to be cleared. In one case, an alert message occurred with two memory errors after multiple device resets.
- 32. Setscrew— Inability to tighten or loosen setscrews during implant or replacement procedure due to process variability. Improvement implemented.
- 33. Seal plug— Lifted or missing seal plugs. Inadequate medical adhesive bond. Improvement implemented
- 34. Underestimation of battery status— Underestimation of remaining longevity due to invalid charge time measurement. Improvement implemented.
- 35. Interrupted telemetry— Early appearance of Elective Replacement Time (ERT) indicator, unexpected impedance measurements (>2500 ohms). Interruption in telemetry sequence during software upgrade. Improvement implemented.
- 36. Pacing rate limit—Inability to interrogate. Inappropriate pacing due to feature interaction. Improvement implemented.
- 37. **Solder joint** Inappropriate shocks, beeping, fallback mode, errors or inability to interrogate or program. Cracked solder joint due to repetitive mechanical stress-induced component damage, only when implanted subjectorally with serial number facing the ribs.
- 38. **Transformer** Inability to interrogate, loss of pacing and shock therapy. Failed transformer.
- 39. **Connector block** Connector block can be moved out of alignment or displaced from header. Prolonged implant procedure, high impedance, no pacing, no sensing. Improvement implemented.
- 40. Seal plug—Non-cardiac signals on electrograms may result in loss of pacing or inappropriate shocks. Seal plug allows air in lead port to escape.
- 41. **Difficulty securing lead** Noise, high impedance, inappropriate shocks or loss of therapy due to crossthreaded setscrews, intermittent or lack of contact between lead and header. Improvement implemented.
- 42. Safety Core-electrocautery— During electrocautery, device may enter Safety Core. Circuitry response to noise caused by electrocautery. Improvement implemented.
- 43. High-voltage capacitor— Alert message upon interrogation, extended charge time. Damaged high voltage capacitor.
- 44. Magnet rate During interrogation, magnet rate remains after removal of magnet. Reed switch stuck in closed position. Improvement implemented.
- 45. **Header contacts** Noise, oversensing, inappropriate shock, high pacing impedance, possible loss of pacing and sensing. Poor header connection with lead terminals due to contacts.
- 46. Safety Core-programming—Device enters Safety Core after three consecutive invalid programming attempts, due to firmware issue. Improvement implemented.
- 47. Low-voltage capacitors— Premature battery depletion, voltage alert during followup, device beeping. Capacitor failure.
- 48. Alert messages not displayed post-EOL— No alert message display after EOL declaration. Improvement implemented.
- 49. **Battery status** Longevity remaining, battery status, gas gauge and/or magnet rate do not align or are inconsistent.
- 50. Integrated circuit Loss of telemetry, premature battery depletion, alert message during followup. Integrated circuit issue. Improvement implemented.
- 51. **Memory errors** Safety mode operation, inaccurately labeled pacing data. Errors in device memory
- 52. **High voltage circuit** Alert message after implant, loss of shock therapy. Failed output module.
- 53. **Battery** Beeping tones and alert message upon interrogation. Reduced battery voltage. Improvement implemented.
- 54. **Low-voltage capacitor** Alert message during followup, beeping tones, premature battery depletion. Diminished low voltage capacitor performance. Improvement implemented.
- 55. Shortened replacement time 2018 November 2018 Voluntary Physician Advisory. Premature, gradual depletion of battery; in rare instances, rapid depletion with no therapy available. Improvement implemented.
- 56. **Telemetry** Inability to interrogate, premature battery depletion.
- 57. **Unintended Battery Depletion Alert** Beeping tones, Battery Depletion alert during followup despite normal battery depletion. Alert may be cleared without impact to battery status or therapy availability. Improvement implemented.
- 58. High voltage circuit—Long charge time at implant, inability to interrogate, loss of pacing and shock therapy. Improvement implemented.
- 59. Respiratory sensor—Temporary increase or decrease in pacing rate as a result of respiratory sensor response to non-respiratory signals. No loss of pacing output.
- 60. **Titanium case material** Noise, oversensing, abnormal pacing impedance, loss of capture, premature battery depletion. Titanium case material creating a higher than normal current drain condition. Improvement implemented.
- 61. Charge Timeout Alert—Beeping tones, programmer warning screen, abnormal shock impedance. Charge timeout alert.
- 62. **High voltage circuit component** Charge time alert message and/or Elective Replacement indicator (ERI) displayed, beeping tones. High voltage circuit component. Improvement implemented.
- 63. Integrated circuit Abnormal lead impedance, no telemetry, premature battery depletion. Integrated circuit issue within high-voltage transistor Improvement implemented

- 64. **Safety Core-unintended biventricular pacing** *Dec 2017 Voluntary Physician Advisory*. Device enters Safety Core after detecting unintended asynchronous biventricular pacing due to software issue.
- 65. **Memory corruption** Jun 2017 Voluntary Physician Advisory. Atypical energy delivery, error messages upon interrogation, loss of tachy therapy. Memory corruption. Improvement implemented
- 67. Capacitor— Premature battery depletion. Diminished low voltage capacitor performance.
- 68. **Telemetry** Alert message during followup, inability to interrogate, premature battery depletion, loss of pacing therapy. Telemetry component.
- 69. Low-voltage capacitor— Alert message during followup, beeping tones, premature battery depletion.
- 70. **Hydrogen induced premature depletion September 2018 and June 2021 -** *September 2018 and June 2021 Voluntary Physician Advisory.* Premature battery depletion. Diminished low voltage capacitor performance.
- 71. Battery Premature, gradual depletion of battery; in rare instances, rapid depletion with no therapy available. Improvement implemented.
- 72. Capacitor— Premature battery depletion. Diminished capacitor performance
- 73. Misaligned markers— Stored episode markers do not match recorded EGM.
- 74. **Header** Noise, oversensing, inappropriate shocks, pacing inhibition, high impedance when implanted subcutaneously. Weakened bond between header and titanium case. Improvement Implemented.
- 75. **High voltage capacitor** Charge time alert message, end of life (EOL) indicator displayed, beeping tones. Loss of tachy therapy without loss of brady therapy. Internal high-voltage capacitor issue. Improvement implemented.
- 76. Internal insulation— Beeping tones, loss of telemetry, premature battery depletion, loss of tachy therapy. Internal insulation issue.
- 77. S-ICD battery depletion 2019 and 2020 August 2019 and December 2020 Voluntary Physician Advisory. Premature battery depletion. Diminished capacitor performance.
- 78. **Solder joint** Beeping tones, device errors, loss of tachy therapy. Cracked solder joint.
- 79. Battery cathode— Safety mode operation, inability to interrogate, loss of brady therapy. Internal battery cathode issue.
- 80. **EMBLEM S-ICD electrical overstress 2020—** *December 2020 Voluntary Physician Advisory.* Beeping tones, loss of telemetry, loss of sensing, premature battery depletion, loss of tachy therapy.
- 81. **RF antenna** Beeping tones, loss of telemetry, loss of sensing, premature battery depletion, loss of tachy therapy. Exposed antenna issue.
- 82. **High battery impedance initiating safety mode 2021—** *June 2021 Voluntary Physician Advisory.* Safety mode operation, system resets. Temporary reduction in battery voltage later in device life.
- 84. Battery depletion— Beeping tones, device errors, premature battery depletion.
- 85. **Memory corruption** Inability to interrogate, error messages upon interrogation, inappropriate shocks, loss of tachy therapy, and/or inaccurate patient information. Product returned with evidence of transient memory corruption.
- 86. Cracked case— Error messages upon interrogation, inability to interrogate, inappropriate shocks, loss of tachy therapy. Cracked outer case.
- 87. **Header** Inability to interrogate, loss of tachy therapy. Header insulation issue.
- 88. Solder joint—Error messages upon interrogation, low impedance measurements, loss of tachy therapy. Fractured solder joint.
- 89. High battery impedance—Safety mode operation, system resets. Battery performance not as intended.
- 90. **High battery impedance initiating safety mode December 2024** *December 2024 Voluntary Physician Advisory*. Safety mode operation, system resets. Battery performance not as intended.
- 91. Battery liner— High impedance, muscle stimulation, loss of capture, loss of pacing therapy. Battery liner issue.

# **Before/During Implant Procedure - Worldwide Malfunctions: Pulse Generators**

This section of the report depicts the number of product malfunctions that occurred worldwide either before implant (prior to opening the sterile product packaging) or during implant (once the sterile product packaging has been opened). In all cases, the product in question must be returned to Boston Scientific CRM and confirmed through laboratory analysis to have operated or exhibited a problem outside the specified performance limits established by Boston Scientific. Damage incurred during shipping/transit or due to external factors warned against in labeling (e.g. radiation) is not reported as device malfunction here.

The Electrical category is comprised of confirmed malfunctions involving electrical components such as batteries and capacitors, and also includes fault codes encountered at implant. The majority of before/during implant pulse generator confirmed malfunctions in the Mechanical category are issues occurring within the connector block (e.g. stuck setscrews, seal plug/ring issues). The Software category consists primarily of confirmed malfunctions that result in telemetry issues. Confirmed malfunctions in the Labeling and Packaging categories include product labeling/identification issues and damage to sterile packaging, respectively. The Other category is comprised of non-patterned confirmed malfunctions.

CRT-D/Model	Worldwide Distribution	Electrical	Mechanical	Software	Other	Labeling	Packaging
RESONATE/MOMENTUM/CHARISMA/VIGILANT CRT-D							
G124/G125/G126/G128/G138/G224/G225/G228/G237/G247/ G248/G324/G325/G347/G348/G424/G425/G426/G428/G437/ G447/G448/G524/G525/G526/G528/G537/G547/G548	195,000	2	2	8	17	0	0
AUTOGEN CRT-D							
G160/G161/G164/G166/G168/G172/G173/G175/ G177/G179	25,000	3	0	0	4	0	0
DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN CRT-D							
G150/G151/G154/G156/G158/G140/G141/ G146/G148/G050/G051/G056/G058	142,000	4	4	5	17	0	0
CRT-P/Model	Worldwide Distribution	Electrical	Mechanical	Software	Other	Labeling	Packaging
VISIONIST/VALITUDE U125/U128//U225/U226/U228	137,000	6	1	3	10	0	0
INTUA/INVIVE/INLIVEN						_	
V272/V273/V282/V283/W272/W273/V172/V173/V182/V183/W172/ W173	24,000	0	0	1	6	0	0

ICD/Model	Worldwide Distribution	Electrical	Mechanical	Software	Other	Labeling	Packaging
RESONATE/MOMENTUM/CHARISMA/VIGILANT ICD DR	131,000	2	2	8	10	0	0
D121/D221/D233/D321/D333/D421/D433/D521/D533	101,000						
RESONATE/MOMENTUM/CHARISMA/VIGILANT ICD VR	95,000	1	6	2	5	0	0
D120/D220/D232/D320/D332/D420/D432/D520/D532		·					
PERCIVA ICD DR	12,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
D401/D413/D501/D513	12,000						
PERCIVA ICD VR	9,000	0	0	1	0	0	0
D400/D412/D500/D512				•			
AUTOGEN ICD EL VR	17,000	1	0	0	0	0	0
D160/D161/D174/D175	,000	•					
AUTOGEN ICD EL DR	17,000	1	0	1	0	0	0
D162/D163/D176/D177							
DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN ICD EL VR	81,000	1	0	3	5	0	0
D050/D051/D140/D141/D150/D151	,						
DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN ICD EL DR	93,000	0	3	2	4	0	0
D052/D053/D142/D143/D152/D153							
DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN ICD MINI VR	36,000	1	0	4	2	0	0
D000/D001/D010/D011/D020/D021							
DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN ICD MINI DR	36,000	2	0	0	3	0	0
D002/D003/D012/D013/D022/D023							
S-ICD/Model	Worldwide Distribution	Electrical	Mechanical	Software	Other	Labeling	Packaging
EMBLEM S-ICD A209/A219	169,000	3	0	5	147	0	0

Pacemaker/Model	Worldwide Distribution	Electrical	Mechanical	Software	Other	Labeling	Packaging
ACCOLADE/PROPONENT/ESSENTIO DR EL L121/L131/L221/L231/L321/L331	561,000	12	3	14	35	0	0
ACCOLADE/PROPONENT/ESSENTIO DR L101/L111/L201/L211/L301/L311	767,000	6	1	15	36	0	0
ACCOLADE/PROPONENT/ESSENTIO SR L100/L110/L200/L210/L300/L310	272,000	5	1	8	19	0	0
ADVANTIO/INGENIO/VITALIO EL DR J064/J067/K064/K067/K084/K087/ J174/J177/K174/K177/K184/K187/ J274/J277/K274/K277/K284/K287	75,000	1	1	0	6	0	0
ADVANTIO/INGENIO/VITALIO/FORMIO DR J063/J066/J173/J176/J273/J276/J278/ J279/K063/K066/K083/K086/K173/ K176/K183/K186/K273/K276/K278/K279/	218,000	4	0	1	15	0	0
ADVANTIO/INGENIO/VITALIO SR J062/J065/K062/K065/K082/K085/ J172/J175/K172/K175/K182/K185/ J272/J275/K272/K275/K282/K285	86,000	0	0	1	5	0	0

#### U.S. Reason for Out of Service

As requested by the Heart Rhythm Society Task Force on Device Performance Policies and Guidelines, Boston Scientific provides reasons for device explant or out of service, if known. The reasons consist of normal battery depletion, unconfirmed premature battery depletion, device upgrade, device malfunction (which includes devices under advisory that have experienced a malfunction), complication related to another system component or clinical condition, (such as infection), or "other," a category consisting of patient death, prophylactic device explant, elective replacement, general product dissatisfaction, other observation/complication, unspecified, or unknown.

The counts for normal battery depletion, unconfirmed premature battery depletion, and device malfunction are reflected in the U.S. survival probability data. Reason for device explant or out of service may either be confirmed through laboratory analysis (as in the case of device malfunction) or it may be reported to Boston Scientific with no associated device return or laboratory analysis. Although a device may be indicated by the health care provider to have been taken out of service for more than one reason, the table below indicates only one reason per device in category counts.

CRT-D/Model	U.S. Registered Implants	Normal Battery Depletion	Device Upgrade	Device Malfunction <sup>1</sup>	Complication related to another system component or clinical condition <sup>2</sup>	Other <sup>3</sup>
RESONATE/MOMENTUM/CHARISMA/VIGILANT CRT-D G124/G125/G126/G128/G138/G224/G225/G228/G237/G247/G248/G324/G3 25/G347/G348/G424/G425/G426/G428/G437/G447/G448/G524/G525/G526/G528/G537/G547/G548	106000	550	533	77	1427	8595
DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN CRT-D G050/G051/G056/G058/G140/G141/G146/G148/G150/G151/G154/ G156/G158	77000	5698	637	148	1394	16046
INCEPTA/ENERGEN/PUNCTUA CRT-D						
N050/N051/N052/N053/N140/N141/N142/N143/N160/N161/N162/ N163/N164/N165/P052/P053/P142/P143/ P162/P163/P165	53000	12848	538	824	959	20528
COGNIS N118/N119/N120/P106/P107/P108	75000	15980	445	2111	1692	40316
CRT-P/Model	U.S. Registered Implants	Normal Battery Depletion	Device Upgrade	Device Malfunction <sup>1</sup>	Complication related to another system component or clinical condition <sup>2</sup>	Other <sup>3</sup>
VISIONIST/VALITUDE	66000	1509	1597	365	531	10642
U125/U128/U225/U226/U228	00000	1000	1001	300	001	10042
INTUA/INVIVE/INLIVEN						

1295

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V272/V273/V282/V283/W272/W273/V172/V173/V182/V183/W172/ W173

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S-ICD/Model	U.S. Registered Implants	Normal Battery Depletion	Device Upgrade	Device Malfunction <sup>1</sup>	Complication related to another system component or clinical condition <sup>2</sup>	Other <sup>3</sup>
EMBLEM S-ICD	71000	2080	1115	5690	1394	7531
A209, A219						
ICD/Model	U.S. Registered Implants	Normal Battery Depletion	Device Upgrade	Device Malfunction <sup>1</sup>	Complication related to another system component or clinical condition <sup>2</sup>	Other <sup>3</sup>
RESONATE/MOMENTUM/CHARISMA/VIGILANT ICD DR	71000	58	2005	47	773	3756
D121/D221/D233/D321/D333/D421/D433/D521/D533						
RESONATE/MOMENTUM/CHARISMA/VIGILANT ICD VR D120/D220/D232/D320/D332/D420/D432/D520/D532	39000	21	1261	31	425	1903
DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN ICD EL DR D052/D053/D142/D143/D152/D153	51000	173	3024	179	797	7413
DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN ICD EL VR D050/D051/D140/D141/D150/D151	39000	74	2744	192	604	5413
DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN ICD MINI DR D002/D003/D012/D013/D022/D023	12000	2870	551	28	153	2325
DYNAGEN/INOGEN/ORIGEN ICD MINI VR D000/D001/D010/D011/D020/D021	10000	1905	577	22	146	1867
INCEPTA/ENERGEN/PUNCTUA ICD VR E050/E051/E140/E141/E160/E160/ F050/F051/F140/F141/F160/F161	39000	1071	3010	1347	606	11438
INCEPTA/ENERGEN/PUNCTUA ICD DR E052/E053/E142/E143/E162/E163/F052/F053/F142/F143/F162/F163	47000	5163	3322	1307	752	14844
TELIGEN VR E102/E103/F102/F103	38000	5210	2254	2430	687	17552
TELIGEN DR E110/E111/F110/F111	66000	13336	3082	3057	1166	31703

Pacemaker/Model	U.S. Registered Implants	Normal Battery Depletion	Device Upgrade	Device Malfunction <sup>1</sup>	Complication related to another system component or clinical condition <sup>2</sup>	Other <sup>3</sup>
ACCOLADE/PROPONENT/ESSENTIO DR EL L121/L131/L221/L231/L321/L331	222000	737	7179	1288	1252	19171
ACCOLADE/PROPONENT/ESSENTIO DR L101/L111/L201/L211/L301/L311	329000	17531	9931	2351	1744	48945
ACCOLADE/PROPONENT/ESSENTIO SR L100/L110/L200/L210/L300/L310	59000	899	2289	580	286	13092
ADVANTIO/INGENIO/VITALIO EL DR J064/J067/K064/K067/K084/K087/ J174/J177/K174/K177/K184/K187/ J274/J277/K274/K277/K284/K287	11000	463	545	679	60	4731
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Device malfunction consists of all U.S. confirmed malfunctions for a product/product grouping. These include confirmed malfunctions for advisory populations, as well as any other type of malfunction in which a device was returned and confirmed by laboratory analysis to have malfunctioned.. U.S. confirmed malfunction counts are reflected in U.S. survival probability.

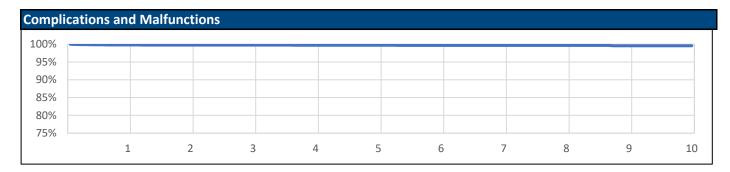
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> System component and/or clinical condition complications may include, for example: infection, erosion, lead-to-PG interface.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Other consists of: patient death, elective replacement, general product dissatisfaction, other observation/complication, unspecifed, or unknown.

## **ACUITY X4 Spiral L**

Models: 4677/4678

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	25,000	US Chronic Complications	61
US Approval Date:	February 2016	US Malfunctions:	1
US Estimated Active Implants:	21,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	1
		With Compromised Therapy:	-



<b>US Survival Probab</b>	ility										
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.8%	99.8%	99.7%	99.7%	99.7%	99.7%	99.7%	99.7%	99.6%	99.6%
Registered Implants: 25000	Effective Sample Size	19787	15843	12547	9724	7298	5283	3312	1719	564	212

## **ACUITY X4 Spiral L**

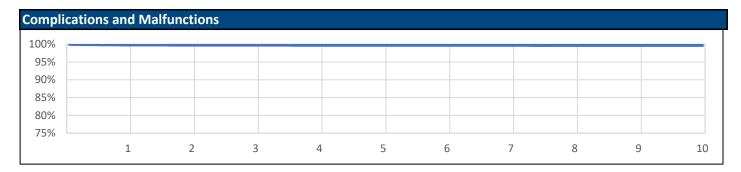
Models: 4677/4678

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	60,000	2	
US Approval Date: February 2016	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Other			
Non-patterned, other	0	2	2
Grand Total	0	2	2

## **ACUITY X4 Spiral S**

Models: 4674/4675

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	75,000	US Chronic Complications	170
US Approval Date:	February 2016	US Malfunctions:	1
US Estimated Active Implants:	64,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	1
		With Compromised Therapy:	-



US Survival Probability											
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.8%	99.8%	99.7%	99.7%	99.7%	99.7%	99.7%	99.7%	99.7%	99.7%
Registered Implants: 75000	Effective Sample Size	59446	47071	36513	27546	20103	13748	8376	4246	1097	332

## **ACUITY X4 Spiral S**

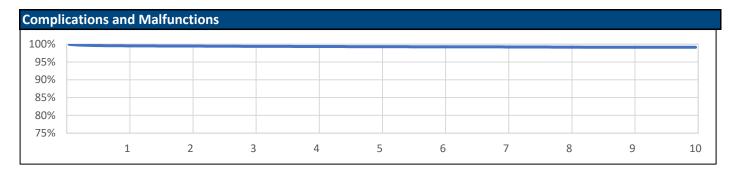
Models: 4674/4675

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	1 160,000		
US Approval Date: February 2016	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Other			
Non-patterned, other	0	1	1
Grand Total	0	1	1

## **ACUITY X4 Straight**

Models: 4671/4672

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	56,000	US Chronic Complications	311
US Approval Date:	February 2016	US Malfunctions:	2
US Estimated Active Implants:	47,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	2
		With Compromised Therapy:	-



US Survival Probability											
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.5%	99.5%	99.4%	99.4%	99.3%	99.3%	99.2%	99.2%	99.1%	99.1%
Registered Implants: 56000	Effective Sample Size	44360	35292	27449	20693	14815	10046	5925	2984	780	358

## **ACUITY X4 Straight**

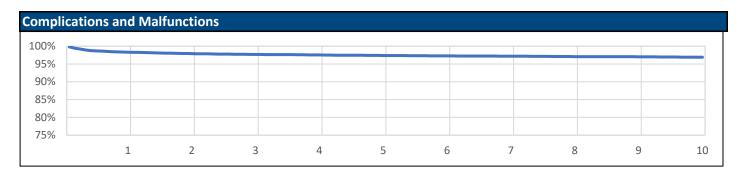
Models: 4671/4672

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	125,000		
US Approval Date: February 2016	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Other			
Non-patterned, other	0	4	4
Grand Total	0	4	4

## **ACUITY Spiral**

Models: 4591/4592/4593

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	24,000	US Chronic Complications	588
US Approval Date:	May 2008	US Malfunctions:	9
US Estimated Active Implants:	11,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	5
		With Compromised Therapy:	4



US Survival Probability											
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Complications and Malfunctions	98.3%	97.9%	97.7%	97.5%	97.4%	97.3%	97.2%	97.1%	97.0%	96.9%
Registered Implants: 24000	Effective Sample Size	<sup>e</sup> 20073	17865	15938	14216	12643	11210	9892	8680	7593	6380

## **ACUITY Spiral**

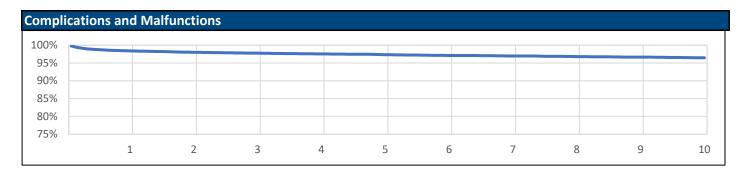
Models: 4591/4592/4593

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	9 47,000	9	
US Approval Date: May 2008	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Other			
Non-patterned, other	4	5	9
Grand Total	4	5	9

### **ACUITY Steerable**

Models: 4554/4555/4556

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	29,000	US Chronic Complications	761
US Approval Date:	May 2008	US Malfunctions:	33
US Estimated Active Implants:	12,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	12
		With Compromised Therapy:	21



US Survival Probability											
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Complications and Malfunctions	98.4%	98.0%	97.8%	97.6%	97.3%	97.1%	97.0%	96.8%	96.6%	96.5%
Registered Implants: 29000	Effective Sample Size	24477	21872	19599	17594	15795	14157	12665	11353	10130	8803

### **ACUITY Steerable**

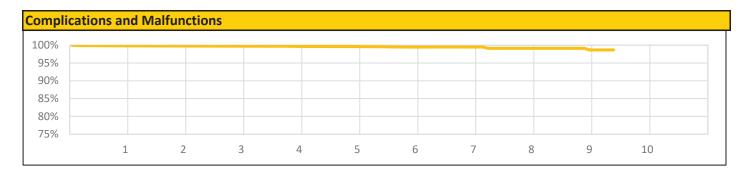
Models: 4554/4555/4556

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	57 65,000		
US Approval Date: May 2008	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Conductor			
Extracardiac fracture (34) Other	28	8	36
Non-patterned, other	10	11	21
Grand Total	38	19	57

#### **ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Dual Coil Active Fixation**

Models: 0653/0658/0675/0676/0695/0696

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	15,000	US Chronic Complications	42
US Approval Date:	May 2018	US Malfunctions:	-
US Estimated Active Implants:	13,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	-
		With Compromised Therapy:	-



<b>US Survival Probabil</b>	lity										
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Total Population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.8%	99.8%	99.7%	99.7%	99.6%	99.5%	99.5%	99.1%	98.7%	98.7%
Registered Implants: 15000	Effective Sample Size	11482	8571	6162	3952	2107	665	275	243	218	206

@ 113 month

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#### **ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Dual Coil Active Fixation**

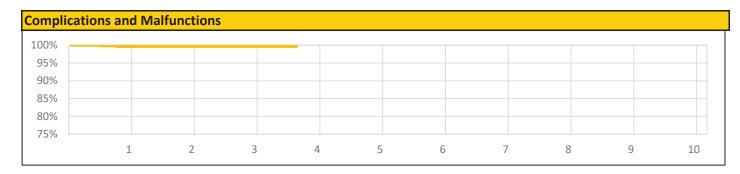
Models: 0653/0658/0675/0676/0695/0696

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	6		
Worldwide Distribution	39,000		
US Approval Date: May 2018	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Other			
Non-patterned, other	6	0	6
Grand Total	6	0	6

#### **ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Dual Coil Passive Fixation**

Models: 0636/0651/0655/0665/0685/0686

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	1,000	US Chronic Complications	2
US Approval Date:	May 2018	US Malfunctions:	-
US Estimated Active Implants:	1,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	-
		With Compromised Therapy:	-



US Survival Probability											
Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Total Population	Complications and 99.6% Malfunctions	99.6%	99.6%	99.6%							
Registered Implants: 1000	Effective Sample Size 521	390	266	205							@ 44 m

nths

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#### **ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Dual Coil Passive Fixation**

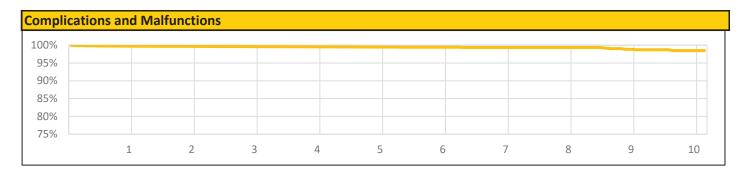
Models: 0636/0651/0655/0665/0685/0686

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	0		
Worldwide Distribution	2,000		
US Approval Date: May 2018	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Other			
Non-patterned, other	0	0	0
Grand Total	0	0	0

## **ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Single Coil Active Fixation**

Models: 0657/0672/0673/0692/0693

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	123,000	US Chronic Complications	393	
US Approval Date:	May 2018	US Malfunctions:	24	
US Estimated Active Implants:	114,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	3	
		With Compromised Therapy:	21	



US Survival Probability											
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Total Population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.7%	99.7%	99.6%	99.5%	99.5%	99.4%	99.4%	99.4%	98.9%	98.5%
Registered Implants: 123000	Effective Sample Size	88373	61269	41548	25982	12970	3753	731	654	586	361

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## **ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Single Coil Active Fixation**

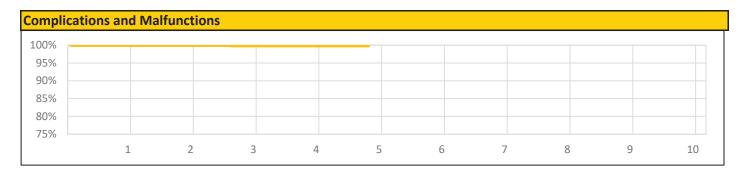
Models: 0652/ 0657/0672/0673/0692/0693

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	98		
Worldwide Distribution	360,000		
US Approval Date: May 2018			
	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Conductor			
Conductor cable fracture (38)  Other	25	0	25
Non-patterned, other	61	12	73
Grand Total	86	12	98

## **ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Single Coil Passive Fixation**

Models: 0650/0654/0662/0663/0682/0683

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	2,000	US Chronic Complications	2
US Approval Date:	May 2018	US Malfunctions:	-
US Estimated Active Implants:	2,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	-
		With Compromised Therapy:	-



US Survival Probability												
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Total Population	Complications and Malfunctions	100.0%	100.0%	99.8%	99.8%	99.8%						
Registered Implants: 2000	Effective Sample Siz	<sup>e</sup> 1519	1018	637	386	209						@ 5

nonths

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## **ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Single Coil Passive Fixation**

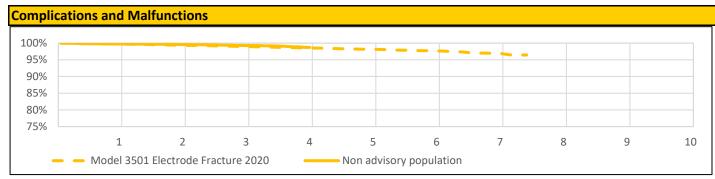
Models: 0650/0654/0662/0663/0682/0683

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	1		
Worldwide Distribution	10,000		
US Approval Date: May 2018	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Conductor			
Conductor cable fracture (38)	1	0	1
Grand Total	1	0	1

#### **EMBLEM S-ICD Electrode**

Models: 3501

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	43,000	US Chronic Complications	288
US Approval Date:	September 2017	US Malfunctions:	125
US Estimated Active Implants:	38,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	13
		With Compromised Therapy:	112



US Survival Probability												
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Non advisory population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.8%	99.6%	99.3%	98.7%							
Registered Implants: 20000	Effective Sample Size	15178	8933	3949	319							

48 months

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## **EMBLEM S-ICD Electrode**

Models: 3501

<b>US Survival Probabi</b>	lity (cont.)											
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Model 3501 Electrode Fracture 2020	Complications and Malfunctions	99.7%	99.4%	99.0%	98.5%	98.1%	97.7%	96.9%	96.4%			
Registered Implants: 21000	Effective Sample Size	<sup>e</sup> 17544	15526	13773	12226	8024	4285	1153	257			(

@ 89 months

## **EMBLEM S-ICD Electrode**

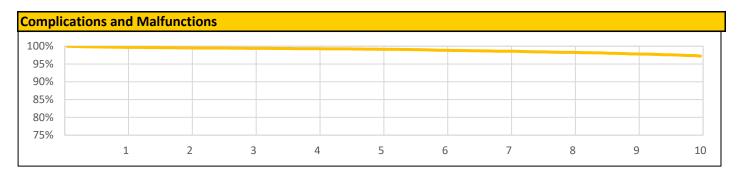
Models: 3501

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	307		
Worldwide Distribution	114,000		
US Approval Date: September 2017	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Conductor			
Model 3501 electrode fracture 2020 (42)	98	3	101
Electrode conductor fracture in or near the pocket (44)	165	22	187
Other			
Non-patterned, other	14	5	19
Grand Total	277	30	307

## **EMBLEM/Q-TRAK S-ICD Electrode**

Models: 3010/3401

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	24,000	US Chronic Complications	260
US Approval Date:	September 2012	US Malfunctions:	45
US Estimated Active Implants:	17,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	16
		With Compromised Therapy:	29



US Survival Probability											
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.7%	99.5%	99.4%	99.3%	99.1%	98.8%	98.6%	98.3%	97.8%	97.2%
Registered Implants: 24000	Effective Sample Size	20971	18644	16590	14744	13008	11355	9764	6944	3991	1811

## **EMBLEM/Q-TRAK S-ICD Electrode**

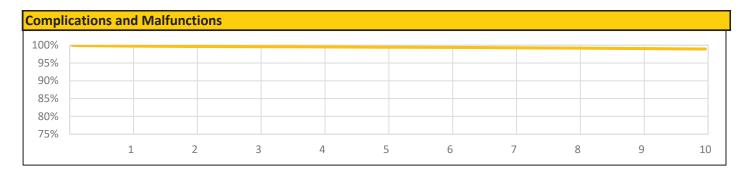
Models: 3010/3401

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	110		
US Approval Date: September 2012	43,000 With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Conductor		тистору	1000.
Electrode conductor fracture in or near the pocket (44)  Crimp/Weld/Bond	48	7	55
Weld fracture (37) Other	3	0	3
Non-patterned, other	30	22	52
Grand Total	81	29	110

## **ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site Dual Coil, Active Fixation**

Models: 0275/0276/0295/0296

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	78,000	US Chronic Complications	505
US Approval Date:	November 2010	US Malfunctions:	35
US Estimated Active Implants:	55,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	7
		With Compromised Therapy:	28



US Survival Probability											
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Total Population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.7%	99.6%	99.6%	99.5%	99.5%	99.4%	99.3%	99.2%	99.0%	98.9%
Registered Implants: 78000	Effective Sample Size	68836	61555	54931	49009	43425	37786	31163	24868	19237	14143

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## **ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site Dual Coil, Active Fixation**

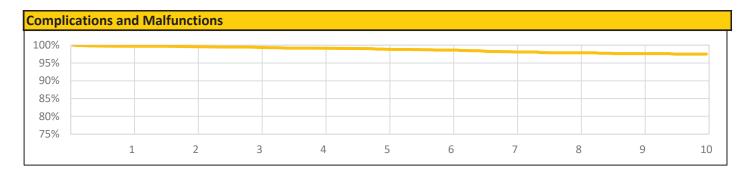
Models: 0275/0276/0295/0296

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	72		
Worldwide Distribution	127,000		
US Approval Date: November 2010	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Conductor			
Conductor fracture (24) Other	3	0	3
Non-patterned, other	55	14	69
Grand Total	58	14	72

# **ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site Dual Coil, Passive Fixation**

Models: 0265/0266/0285/0286

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	3,000	US Chronic Complications	49
US Approval Date:	November 2010	US Malfunctions:	2
US Estimated Active Implants:	2,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	2
		With Compromised Therapy:	-



<b>US Survival Probabi</b>	lity										
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Total Population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.7%	99.6%	99.3%	99.1%	98.9%	98.6%	98.1%	97.8%	97.6%	97.5%
Registered Implants: 3000	Effective Sample Size	3019	2709	2405	2128	1865	1598	1316	1048	804	584

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# **ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site Dual Coil, Passive Fixation**

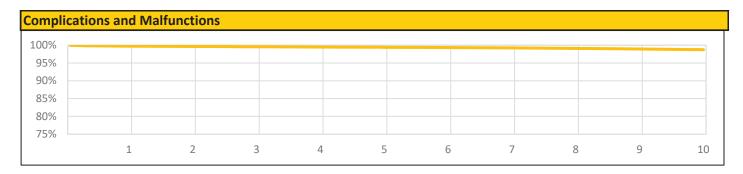
Models: 0265/0266/0285/0286

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	3		
Worldwide Distribution	11,000		
US Approval Date: November 2010	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Other			
Non-patterned, other	0	3	3
Grand Total	0	3	3

# **ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site Single Coil, Active Fixation**

Models: 0272/0273/0292/0293

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	120,000	US Chronic Complications	764
US Approval Date:	November 2010	US Malfunctions:	65
US Estimated Active Implants:	93,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	14
		With Compromised Therapy:	51



US Survival Probability											
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Total Population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.7%	99.7%	99.6%	99.5%	99.4%	99.3%	99.2%	99.1%	98.9%	98.7%
Registered Implants: 120000	Effective Sample Size	105758	94828	85075	76264	68088	59603	45031	30520	20054	11975

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# **ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site Single Coil, Active Fixation**

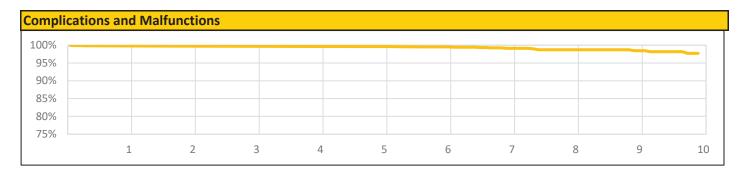
Models: 0272/0273/0292/0293

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	114		
Worldwide Distribution	221,000		
US Approval Date: November 2010	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Conductor			
Conductor fracture (24) Other	12	0	12
Non-patterned, other	80	22	102
Grand Total	92	22	114

# **ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site Single Coil, Passive Fixation**

Models: 0262/0263/0282/0283

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	26,000	US Chronic Complications	82
US Approval Date:	November 2010	US Malfunctions:	8
US Estimated Active Implants:	23,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	2
		With Compromised Therapy:	6



<b>US Survival Probabi</b>	lity										
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Total Population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.8%	99.7%	99.7%	99.6%	99.6%	99.5%	99.1%	98.7%	98.5%	97.7%
Registered Implants: 26000	Effective Sample Size	22094	17983	12992	8720	4937	2011	856	558	356	207

@ 119 months

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# **ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site Single Coil, Passive Fixation**

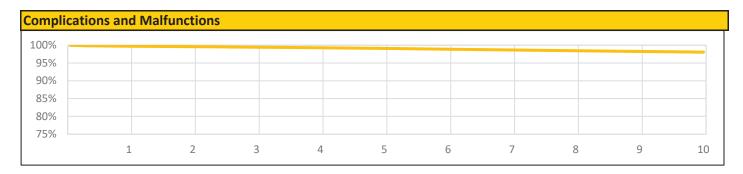
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Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	11 44,000		
US Approval Date: November 2010	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Other			
Non-patterned, other	10	1	11
Grand Total	10	1	11

# **ENDOTAK RELIANCE Dual Coil, Active Fixation**

Models: 0157/0158/0159/0164/0165/0166/0167/0184/0185/0186/0187

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	287,000	US Chronic Complications	3,939	
US Approval Date:	July 2002	US Malfunctions:	403	
US Estimated Active Implants:	101,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	132	
		With Compromised Therapy:	271	



US Survival Probability											
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Total Population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.7%	99.6%	99.4%	99.3%	99.1%	98.9%	98.6%	98.5%	98.2%	98.0%
Registered Implants: 287000	Effective Sample Size	251866	226055	203046	182269	163499	146449	131089	117351	104932	93620

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# **ENDOTAK RELIANCE Dual Coil, Active Fixation**

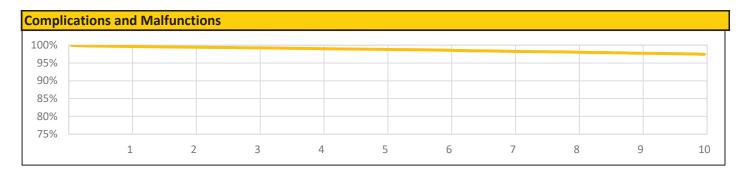
Models: 0157/0158/0159/0164/0165/0166/0167/0184/0185/0186/0187

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	604 383,000		
US Approval Date: July 2002	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Conductor			
Conductor fracture (24) Crimp/Weld/Bond	106	0	106
Seal rings (5) Other	2	2	4
Non-patterned, other	281	213	494
Grand Total	389	215	604

# **ENDOTAK RELIANCE Single Coil, Active Fixation**

Models: 0137/0138/0160/0161/0162/0180/0181/0182

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	35,000	US Chronic Complications	551
US Approval Date:	October 2000	US Malfunctions:	100
US Estimated Active Implants:	21,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	28
		With Compromised Therapy:	72



US Survival Probability											
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Total Population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.6%	99.4%	99.3%	99.0%	98.8%	98.6%	98.3%	98.1%	97.7%	97.4%
Registered Implants: 35000	Effective Sample Size	30571	27001	23924	21164	18687	16491	14473	12679	11013	9274

<sup>\*</sup>Devices subject to an advisory. Refer to the Advisories for more details. Devices may be part of more than one advisory.

# **ENDOTAK RELIANCE Single Coil, Active Fixation**

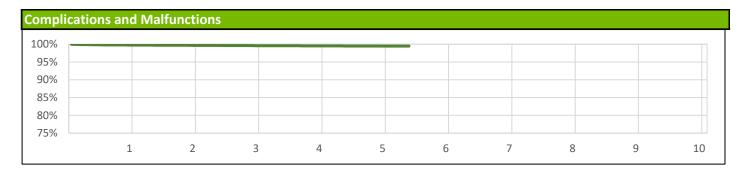
Models: 0137/0138/0160/0161/0162/0180/0181/0182

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	225		
Worldwide Distribution	82,000		
US Approval Date: October 2000	Mith Compromised	Without	
	With Compromised Therapy	Therapy	Total
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Conductor			
Conductor fracture (24)	62	1	63
Other			
Non-patterned, other	99	63	162
Grand Total	161	64	225

# **INGEVITY+ Positive Fixation**

Models: 7840/7841/7842

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	500,000	US Chronic Complications	1,303	
US Approval Date:	December 2019	US Malfunctions:	195	
US Estimated Active Implants:	465,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	118	
		With Compromised Therapy:	77	



<b>US Survival Probabil</b>	ity										
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.8%	99.7%	99.6%	99.5%	99.5%	99.5%				
Registered Implants: 500000	Effective Sample Size	355009	237506	142580	66676	8594	984				

@ 65 months

# **INGEVITY+ Positive Fixation**

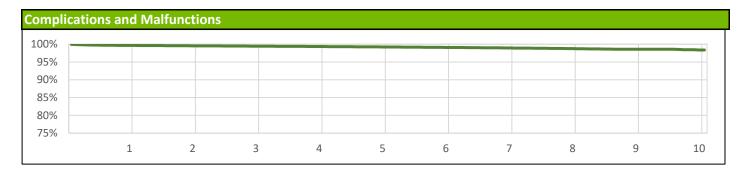
Models: 7840/7841/7842

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	222		
Worldwide Distribution	989,000		
US Approval Date: December 2019	With	Without	
	Compromised Therapy	Compromised Therapy	Total
Conductor			
Inner conductor break (39)	0	1	1
Extracardiac fracture (41)	34	59	93
Other			
Non-patterned, other	48	70	118
Insulation (43)	1	9	10
Grand Total	83	139	222

# **INGEVITY Positive Fixation**

Models: 7640/7641/7642/7740/7741/7742

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	365,000	US Chronic Complications	2,486	
US Approval Date:	April 2016	US Malfunctions:	382	
US Estimated Active Implants:	290,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	222	
		With Compromised Therapy:	160	



US Survival Probability											
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.7%	99.6%	99.5%	99.3%	99.2%	99.1%	98.9%	98.7%	98.6%	98.4%
Registered Implants: 365000	Effective Sample Size	321998	288644	258951	232298	206952	146722	87923	40143	3503	1899

# **INGEVITY Positive Fixation**

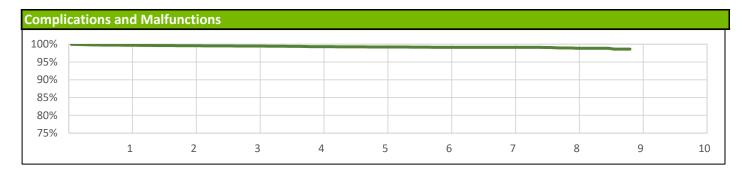
Models: 7640/7641/7642/7740/7741/7742

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	562	2	
Worldwide Distribution	1,141,000	o o	
US Approval Date: April 2016			
	With	Without	
	Compromised	Compromised	
	Therapy	Therapy	Total
Conductor			
Inner conductor break (39)	12	12	24
Extracardiac fracture (41)	128	173	301
Other			
Insulation (43)	3	37	40
Non-patterned, other	91	106	197
Grand Total	234	328	562

# **INGEVITY Atrial J Passive Fixation**

Models: 7635/7636/7735/7736

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	20,000	US Chronic Complications	106
US Approval Date:	April 2016	US Malfunctions:	10
US Estimated Active Implants:	18,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	10
		With Compromised Therapy:	-



<b>US Survival Probabi</b>	lity											
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Non-Advisory Population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.7%	99.6%	99.5%	99.3%	99.2%	99.1%	99.1%	98.8%	98.6%		
Registered Implants: 20000	Effective Sample Size	16257	13176	10450	8100	5970	4143	2484	1081	235		

@ 106 months

# **INGEVITY Atrial J Passive Fixation**

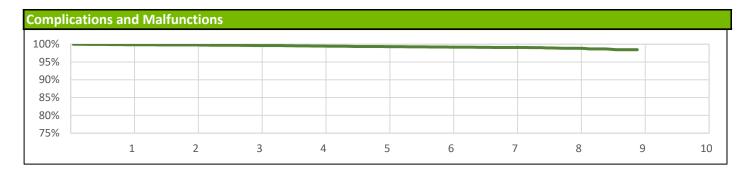
Models: 7635/7636/7735/7736

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	17 148,000		
US Approval Date: April 2016	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Conductor			
Extracardiac fracture (41) Crimp/Weld/Bond	0	9	9
Weld (40)	0	1	1
Other			
Non-patterned, other	0	7	7
Grand Total	0	17	17

# **INGEVITY Passive Fixation**

Models: 7631/7632/7731/7732

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	33,000	US Chronic Complications	147
US Approval Date:	April 2016	US Malfunctions:	17
US Estimated Active Implants:	28,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	3
		With Compromised Therapy:	14



US Survival Probability											
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.8%	99.8%	99.6%	99.5%	99.3%	99.2%	99.1%	98.9%	98.5%	
Registered Implants: 33000	Effective Sample Size	27415	22571	17939	13836	10190	7008	4265	1945	230	

@ 107 months

# **INGEVITY Passive Fixation**

Models: 7631/7632/7731/7732

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	24 148,000		
US Approval Date: April 2016	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Conductor			
Extracardiac fracture (41) Other	7	0	7
Insulation (43)	0	1	1
Non-patterned, other	14	2	16
Grand Total	21	3	24

# **FINELINE II EZ/FINELINE II Sterox EZ Positive Fixation (Polyurethane)**

Models: 4463/4464/4465/4469/4470/4471

US Summary				
US Registered Implants:	535,000	US Chronic Complications	4,070	
US Approval Date:	January 2000	US Malfunctions:	180	
US Estimated Active Implants:	264,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	61	
		With Compromised Therapy:	119	



US Survival Probability											
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.8%	99.7%	99.6%	99.5%	99.4%	99.3%	99.1%	99.0%	98.9%	98.8%
Registered Implants: 535000	Effective Sample Size	465702	411227	362341	318982	280092	243997	210813	181716	156817	129992

# **FINELINE II EZ/FINELINE II Sterox EZ Positive Fixation (Polyurethane)**

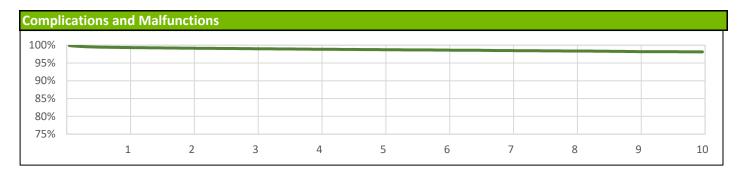
Models: 4463/4464/4465/4469/4470/4471

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions	21!	5	
Worldwide Distribution	855,000		
US Approval Date: January 2000	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Conductor			
Lead conductor (7) Crimp/Weld/Bond	66	19	85
Terminal weld (23) <b>Other</b>	1	0	1
Lead body (4)	72	33	105
Non-patterned, other	9	14	23
Insulation (43)	0	1	1
Grand Total	148	67	215

# **FINELINE II/FINELINE II Sterox Atrial J (Polyurethane)**

Models: 4477/4478/4479/4480

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	64,000	US Chronic Complications	871
US Approval Date:	January 2000	US Malfunctions:	39
US Estimated Active Implants:	26,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	20
		With Compromised Therapy:	19



US Survival Probability											
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.3%	99.2%	99.0%	98.9%	98.7%	98.6%	98.5%	98.4%	98.2%	98.1%
Registered Implants: 64000	Effective Sample Size	<sup>e</sup> 55594	49696	44533	39910	35719	31912	28370	25075	22069	18495

# **FINELINE II/FINELINE II Sterox Atrial J (Polyurethane)**

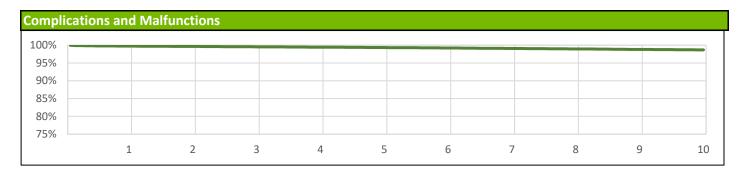
Models: 4477/4478/4479/4480

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	79 333,000		
US Approval Date: January 2000	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Conductor			
Lead conductor (7)	5	2	7
Other			
J-shape (22)	26	30	56
Lead body (4)	8	3	11
Non-patterned, other	3	2	5
Grand Total	42	37	79

# **FINELINE II/FINELINE II Sterox Passive Fixation (Polyurethane)**

Models: 4452/4453/4456/4457

US Summary			
US Registered Implants:	200,000	US Chronic Complications	1,726
US Approval Date:	January 2000	US Malfunctions:	48
US Estimated Active Implants:	74,000	Without Compromised Therapy:	3
		With Compromised Therapy:	45



US Survival Probability											
Year		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-Advisory Population	Complications and Malfunctions	99.8%	99.7%	99.5%	99.4%	99.3%	99.2%	99.1%	99.0%	98.8%	98.7%
Registered Implants: 200000	Effective Sample Size	<sup>e</sup> 172742	154168	137505	122520	109151	96908	85621	75467	66415	56178

# **FINELINE II/FINELINE II Sterox Passive Fixation (Polyurethane)**

Models: 4452/4453/4456/4457

Worldwide Confirmed Malfunctions Worldwide Distribution	71 562,000		
US Approval Date: January 2000	With Compromised Therapy	Without Compromised Therapy	Total
Conductor			
Lead conductor (7) Other	20	0	20
Lead body (4)	41	3	44
Non-patterned, other	6	1	7
Grand Total	67	4	71

# **Confirmed Malfunction Details: Leads References**

Descriptions listed below provide an overview of the clinical observations and/or analysis findings associated with each confirmed lead malfunction pattern listed in this report. All of the patterns listed are thoroughly investigated and analyzed. As part of Boston Scientific's process of continuous improvement, when possible, changes have been or will be implemented in response to identified malfunction patterns. "Improvements implemented" may include product design changes in existing or subsequent generations, manufacturing process modifications, educational communications, labeling changes, etc. Improvement implementation may vary by geography due to various factors, including regulatory review timing, and may not completely mitigate or eliminate the potential for additional malfunctions.

- 1. **IS-1 terminal pin** Compromised insulation and/or conductor integrity if lead is bent sharply away from the header block when placed in implant pocket or if pulse generator migrates from implant site. Improvement implemented.
- 2. Inner insulation abrasion—Loss of capture, decreasing impedance, increased pacing thresholds, noisy signals, oversensing. Abrasion of inner insulation.
- 3. **Terminal leg insulation** Loss of sensing, loss of pacing, loss of defibrillation therapy. Abraded insulation on terminal leg portion of lead due to lead-on-lead or lead-on-can contact. Improvement implemented.
- 4. **Lead body** Insulation abrasion due to lead-on-lead or lead-on-can contact combined with damage attributed to application of compressive or torsional loads which may be due to clavicle-first rib entrapment. Damage to lead body may expose conductor.
- 5. Seal rings— Insertion difficulty at implant, difficulty removing lead from header post-implant. Proximal silicone seal rings not fully adhered to lead terminal. Improvement implemented.
- 6. Manufacturing material—Loss of sensing, loss of pacing, noisy signals. Manufacturing material embedded in lead body.
- 7. **Lead conductor** Loss of capture, inability to deliver therapy. Fatigue of lead conductor due to repeated flexing.
- 8. Lead body— Lead fracture, inappropriate shocks, oversensing. Insulation damage resulting from implant stresses or manufacturing variability.
- 9. Lead conductor— Loss of sensing, loss of pacing. Physical damage to lead body due to repeated flexing.
- 10. Lead connector— Insulation damage resulting from bending or tension at the terminal connector. May lead to inappropriate shocks, oversensing.
- 11. **Lead conductor** Physical damage to lead conductor, inappropriate shocks, oversensing. Displacement of yoke component may lead to fatigue of high-voltage lead conductor. Improvement implemented.
- 12. Conductor connection— Loss of sensing, loss of pacing, loss of defibrillation output. Improper conductor wire connection, Improvement implemented.
- 13. **Serial number label**—Loss of sensing, loss of pacing. Sharp edge in serial number label resulting in breach in outer lead insulation, Improvement implemented.
- 14. Terminal component— Loss of sensing, loss of pacing, terminal pin separation from terminal ring during implant or ICD replacement. Improvement implemented.
- 15. **Electrode tip** Separation between electrode tip and lead body.
- 16. Lead body. Physical damage to lead body, inappropriate shocks. Abraded insulation due to contact with patient anatomy.
- 17. **DF-1 terminal pin** Loss of sensing, loss of pacing, loss of defibrillation output. Compromised insulation and/or conductor integrity from sharp or excessive bending. Improvement implemented.
- 18. Yoke component— Noise, impedance anomalies, threshold variation. Use of multiple or pre-formed stylets may cause component within lead yoke to dislodge. Improvement implemented.
- 19. **Lead conductor** Muscle stimulation, inappropriate shocks, oversensing, high pacing impedance, inability to deliver therapy. Repeated flexing leading to fatigue of lead conductor.
- 20. Serial number label— Loss of sensing, loss of pacing. Broken serial number label due to either sharp bend away from header at implant or repetitive movement during implant
- 21. **IS-1 terminal pin** Compromised insulation and/or conductor integrity if lead is bent sharply away from the header block when placed in implant pocket or if pulse generator migrates from implant site. Improvement implemented.
- 22. J-shape— Placement difficulty, dislodgement. Elevated temperatures resulting in a relaxation of pre-formed J-shape. Improvement implemented.
- 23. Terminal weld— Impedance rise, loss of pacing. Loss of connection on terminal weld. Improvement implemented.
- 24. Conductor fracture— High impedance, loss of capture, loss of pacing, inappropriate shocks. Flex fatigue leading to discontinuity of pace/sense conductor.
- 25. Conductor fracture— High impedance, loss of LV capture, loss of LV pacing. Flex fatigue leading to discontinuity of conductor.
- 26. Non-patterned, Other— Confirmed malfunction for which the root cause does not fit within other categories and is not associated with other malfunctions, or has not yet been identified
- 32. **Conductor damage** Noise, oversensing, inappropriate shocks, possible loss of therapy. Conductor damage attributed to application of compressive or torsional loads which may be due to clavicle-first rib entrapment.
- 33. **Insulation damage** Low pacing impedance, noise, possible loss of therapy. Insulation abrasion due to lead-on-lead or lead-on-can contact, or due to application of compressive or torsional loads which may be due to clavicle first rib entrapment. Damage to lead body may expose conductor.

- 34. Extracardiac fracture— High impedance, loss of LV capture, loss of LV pacing. Flex fatigue near suture sleeve, not including clavicle-first rib damage, leading to discontinuity of conductor.
- 35. Lead conductor— High impedance, loss of sensing, loss of pacing. Variability in wire conductor material. Improvement implemented.
- 36. Conductor connection— Loss of sensing, loss of pacing, loss of defibrillation output. Improper conductor wire connection. Improvement implemented.
- 37. Weld fracture— Noise, loss of sensing. Fractured weld.
- 38. Conductor cable fracture— High impedance, potential loss of pacing and defibrillation therapy. Fractured high voltage cable. Improvement implemented.
- 39. Inner conductor break— High impedance, loss of capture, loss of sensing. Inner conductor break. Commonly associated with helix extension/retraction difficulties at implant.
- 40. **Weld** Out of range impedance measurements, noise, oversensing. Incomplete weld.
- 41. Extracardiac fracture— High impedance, noise, oversensing, loss of capture, loss of pacing. Flex fatigue leading to discontinuity of outer conductor.
- 42. **Model 3501 electrode fracture 2020** December 2020 Voluntary Physician Advisory. High shock impedance, loss of tachy therapy. Fractured electrode conductor immediately distal to the proximal sense electrode. Note: per ISO 5841-2:2(E), only returned and confirmed failures are included in this table. All failures associated with this pattern including reports that are not returned are included in rate calculations and projections updated in the advisory section.
- 43. **Insulation** High pacing impedance, noise, undersensing. Insulation issue.
- 44. **Electrode conductor fracture in or near pocket** High shock impedance, loss of tachy therapy. Fractured electrode conductor proximal to the proximal sense electrode.

# U.S. Chronic Lead Complications (Occurring After the First Month of Service)

Boston Scientific strives to provide meaningful detail in describing the performance of our products. U.S. Chronic Lead Complications are reported in compliance with ISO 5841-2: 2014 (E), Reporting of Clinical Performance of Populations of Pulse Generators or Leads. To be included in the Chronic Lead Complications table, a lead must be successfully implanted, with clinical observations (as listed in the table) occurring after the first month of implant, and have been removed from service surgically or electronically. The lead either was not returned for analysis, or was returned but had no confirmation of a malfunction.

While multiple complications are possible for any given lead, only one complication is reported per lead. The complication reported is determined by an observation hierarchy, indicated by the order of the categories from left to right in the table. The number of U.S. Registered Implants is also provided as context for the data. Chronic Lead Complications are included in the calculation of survival probability.

Pacing Leads/Model	U.S. Registered Implants	Cardiac Perforation	Conductor fracture/ helix damage	Lead dislodgement	Failure to capture	Oversensing	Failure to sense	Insulation breach	Abnormal pacing impedance	Abnormal defibrillation impedance	Extracardiac stimulation
INGEVITY+ Positive Fixation	499,000	148	217	643	164	38	21	7	63	0	2
7840/7841/7842		140	217	040	104	30	21	,		0	
INGEVITY Positive Fixation	365,000	152	855	627	329	165	31	69	233	0	25
7640/7641/7642/7740/7741/7742		102	000	021	329	103	01	09	200	0	25
INGEVITY Atrial J Passive Fixation	20,000	0	25	51	14	4	2	2	8	0	0
7635/7636/7735/7736		U	25	51	14	4	2	2	0	U	U
INGEVITY Passive Fixation	33,000	2	56	24	28	0	4	2	25	0	0
7631/7632/7731/7732		2	56	21	20	8	4	3	20	0	U
FINELINE II ; Passive Fixation (poly) 4452/4453/4456/4457	200,000	6	511	252	317	82	36	220	283	0	19
FINELINE II EZ; Positive Fixation (poly) 4463/4464/4465/4469/4470/4471	535,000	31	908	946	561	224	168	620	581	0	31
FINELINE II Atrial J (poly)	64,000	2	135	373	146	31	36	83	57	0	8
4477/4478/4479/4480			100		140						
CRT Leads/Model	U.S. Registered Implants	Cardiac Perforation	Conductor fracture/ helix damage	Lead dislodgement	Failure to capture	Oversensing	Failure to sense	Insulation breach	Abnormal pacing impedance	Abnormal defibrillation impedance	Extracardiac stimulation
ACUITY X4 Spiral L	25,000	1	0	38	12	1	0	0	1	0	8
4677/4678	,										
ACUITY X4 Spiral S 4674/4675	75,000	1	2	128	17	2	0	1	1	0	18
ACUITY X4 Straight	F6 000	1	2	205	36	1	0	1	8	0	57
4671/4672	56,000	1	2	205	30	Į	0	1	8	0	57
ACUITY Steerable	29,000	6	49	466	73	6	2	19	42	0	98
4554/4555/4556	20,000			100					1.2		
ACUITY Spiral 4591/4592/4593	24,000	0	28	344	59	0	1	5	13	0	138

Defibrillation Leads/Model	U.S. Registered Implants	Cardiac Perforation	Conductor fracture/ helix damage	Lead dislodgement	Failure to capture	Oversensing	Failure to sense	Insulation breach	Abnormal pacing impedance	Abnormal defibrillation impedance	Extracardiac stimulation
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Single											
Coil Active Fixation	123,000	45	68	164	44	29	9	0	19	12	3
0652/0657/0672/0673/0692/0693											
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Single											
Coil Passive Fixation	2,000	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0650/0654/0662/0663/0682/0683											
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Dual											
Coil Active Fixation	15,000	3	5	17	4	5	1	2	1	3	1
0653/0658/0675/0676/0695/0696											
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Dual											
Coil Passive Fixation	1,000	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0636/0651/0655/0665/0685/0686											
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Dual											
Coil Active Fixation	15,000	3	5	17	4	5	1	2	1	3	1
0653/0658/0675/0676/0695/0696											
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site; Dual Coil,											
Active Fixation	78,000	26	75	127	44	93	17	20	37	59	7
0275/0276/0295/0296											
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site; Dual Coil,											
Passive Fixation	3,000	1	5	9	5	9	0	0	16	3	1
0285/0286											
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site; Single Coil,											
Active Fixation	142,000	40	122	226	82	126	27	18	72	96	12
0292/0293											
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site; Single Coil,											
Passive Fixation	3,000	2	6	3	5	1	0	0	7	1	0
0282/0283											
ENDOTAK RELIANCE ; Dual Coil, Active											
Fixation	287,000	35	860	440	261	928	108	172	494	611	30
0157/0158/0159/0164/0165/0167/ 0184/0185/0186/0187	,										
ENDOTAK RELIANCE ; Single Coil,											
Active Fixation	35,000	15	134	63	40	94	4	9	67	121	4
0137/0138/0160/0161/0162/0180/0181/0182	33,000	10	134	US	40	<b>∀</b> 4	4	9	U1	121	4
0137/0130/0100/0101/0102/0100/0101/0102											

S-ICD Electrodes/Model	U.S. Registered Implants	Perforation	Conductor fracture	Lead dislodgement	Failure to capture	Oversensing	Failure to sense	Insulation breach	Abnormal defibrillation impedance	Extracardiac stimulation	
EMBLEM S-ICD Electrode 3501	43,000	0	12	15	0	222	11	1	5	22	
EMBLEM/Q-TRAK S-ICD Electrode 3010, 3401	24,000	0	12	26	1	176	19	4	3	19	

# **U.S. Acute Lead Observations**

Boston Scientific strives to provide meaningful detail reflective of real-world product experience. In the first weeks following lead implantation, physiologic responses and lead performance can vary until chronic lead stability is attained. Acute lead performance may be subject to a number of factors, including patient-specific anatomy, clinical conditions and/or varying implant conditions/techniques.

Because acute implant time contributes to overall clinical experience. Boston Scientific provides specific information regarding acute lead performance. To be included in the Acute Lead Observations table, a lead must first be successfully implanted, with clinical observations occurring within the first month of implant. These reports may or may not have resulted in clinical action and/or product return to Boston Scientific. The categories are consistent with the AdvaMed guidance for *Uniform Reporting of Clinical Performance of Cardiac Rhythm Management Pulse Generators and Leads*. Although multiple observations are possible for any given lead, only one observation is reported per lead. The observation reported is determined by an observation hierarchy, indicated by the order of the categories from left to right in the table. The number of U.S. Registered Implants is also provided as context for the data. Acute Lead Observations are not included in calculation of lead survival probability.

Pacing Leads/Model	U.S. Registered Implants	Cardiac Perforation	Conductor fracture/ helix damage	Lead dislodgement	Failure to capture	Oversensing	Failure to sense	Insulation breach	Abnormal pacing impedance	Abnormal defibrillation impedance	Extracardiac stimulation
INGEVITY+ Positive Fixation 7840/7841/7842	499,000	523	64	1237	327	77	69	4	50	0	7
INGEVITY Positive Fixation 7640/7641/7642/7740/7741/7742	365,000	456	421	944	221	77	50	8	51	0	31
INGEVITY Atrial J Passive Fixation 7635/7636/7735/7736	20,000	1	0	48	11	1	1	0	1	0	0
INGEVITY Passive Fixation 7631/7632/7731/7732	33,000	2	0	48	13	0	3	0	0	0	0
FINELINE II; Passive Fixation (poly) 4452/4453/4456/4457	200,000	9	11	404	104	7	12	16	15	0	10
FINELINE II Atrial J (poly) 4477/4478/4479/4480	64,000	0	10	398	52	2	16	5	7	0	5
FINELINE II EZ; Positive Fixation (poly) 4463/4464/4465/4469/4470/4471	535,000	57	51	729	156	89	72	29	81	0	26

CRT Leads/Model	U.S. Registered Implants	Cardiac Perforation	Conductor fracture/ helix damage	Lead dislodgement	Failure to capture	Oversensing	Failure to sense	Insulation breach	Abnormal pacing impedance	Abnormal defibrillation impedance	Extracardiac stimulation
ACUITY X4 Spiral L 4677/4678	25,000	0	0	49	55	9	0	0	10	0	21
ACUITY X4 Spiral S 4674/4675	75,000	0	2	108	96	11	0	0	34	0	57
ACUITY X4 Straight 4671/4672	56,000	2	0	202	60	9	1	0	16	0	61
ACUITY Steerable 4554/4555/4556	29,000	1	1	291	22	13	1	1	21	0	162
ACUITY Spiral 4591/4592/4593	24,000	1	2	174	29	5	0	3	9	0	167

Defibrillation Leads/Model	U.S. Registered Implants	Cardiac Perforation	Conductor fracture/ helix damage	Lead dislodgement	Failure to capture	Oversensing	Failure to sense	Insulation breach	Abnormal pacing impedance	Abnormal defibrillation impedance	Extracardiac stimulation
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Single Coil Active Fixation 0652/0657/0672/0673/0692/0693	123,000	101	21	259	52	36	5	3	17	8	3
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Single Coil Passive Fixation 0650/0654/0662/0663/0682/0683	2,000	0	0	2	0	3	0	0	1	0	0
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Dual Coil Active Fixation 0653/0658/0675/0676/0695/0696	15,000	10	1	41	11	3	0	0	2	3	0
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Dual Coil Passive Fixation 0636/0651/0655/0665/0686	1,000	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site; Dual Coil, Active Fixation 0275/0276/0295/0296	78,000	56	18	253	42	31	3	2	27	7	6
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site ; Dual Coil, Passive Fixation 0285/0286	3,000	2	0	10	1	0	0	0	4	0	0
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site; Single Coil, Active Fixation 0292/0293	142,000	101	20	373	72	60	16	6	32	15	21
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site; Single Coil, Passive Fixation 0282/0283	3,000	4	1	6	0	2	1	0	8	0	0
ENDOTAK RELIANCE ; Dual Coil, Active Fixation 0157/0158/0159/0164/0165/0167/ 0184/0185/0186/0187	287,000	82	138	510	130	223	12	17	178	108	44
ENDOTAK RELIANCE ; Single Coil, Active Fixation 0137/0138/0160/0161/0162/0180/0181/0182	35,000	31	7	71	15	20	3	2	18	25	9
S-ICD Electrodes/Model	U.S. Registered Implants	Perforation	Conductor fracture	Lead dislodgement	Failure to capture	Oversensing	Failure to sense	Insulation breach	Abnormal defibrillation impedance	Extracardiac stimulation	
EMBLEM S-ICD Electrode 3501	43,000	1	2	37	0	401	16	0	7	13	
EMBLEM/Q-TRAK S-ICD Electrode 3010/3401	24,000	1	0	21	0	208	6	1	0	15	

# Before/During Implant Procedure - Worldwide Malfunctions: Leads

This section of the report depicts the number of product malfunctions that occurred worldwide either before implant (prior to opening the sterile product packaging) or during implant (once the sterile product packaging has been opened). In all cases, the product in question must be returned to Boston Scientific CRM and confirmed through laboratory analysis to have operated or exhibited a problem outside the specified performance limits established by Boston Scientific. Damage incurred during shipping/transit or due to external factors warned against in labeling is not reported as device malfunction here.

The Conductor category includes any conductor break or damage with complete or intermittent loss of continuity that could interrupt current flow, including clavicle fatigue or crush damage. The Insulation category includes any lead insulation breach, such as damage due to lead-on-lead or lead-on-anatomy contact, or clavicle fatigue or crush. The Crimp/Weld/Bond category includes any interruption in the conductor or lead body associated with a point of connection. The Other category includes malfunctions for which the root cause does not fit within other categories or has not yet been determined. The Labeling and Packaging categories include product identification issues and damage to sterile packaging, respectively. The Implant Accessory category includes lead malfunctions due to catheter, guidewire or sheath issues.

CRT Leads/Model	Worldwide Distribution	Conductor	Insulation	Crimp/Weld/Bond	Other	Labeling	Packaging	Implant Accessory
ACUITY X4 Spiral L 4677/4678	60,000	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
ACUITY X4 Spiral S 4674/4675	160,000	0	0	0	5	0	0	0
ACUITY X4 Straight 4671/4672	125,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ACUITY Steerable 4554/4555/4556	65,000	0	0	0	5	0	2	0
ACUITY Spiral 4591/4592/4593	47,000	0	0	0	2	1	0	0

Defibrillation Leads/Model	Worldwide Distribution	Conductor	Insulation	Crimp/Weld/Bond	Other	Labeling	Packaging	Implant Accessory
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Dual Coil Active Fixation 0653/0658/0675/0676/0695/0696	39,000	0	0	0	9	0	0	0
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Single Coil Active Fixation 0652/0657/0672/0673/0692/0693	360,000	3	1	0	150	0	0	0
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Dual Coil Passive Fixation 0636/0651/0655/0665/0685/0686	2,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-FRONT Single Coil Passive Fixation 0650/0654/0662/0682/0663/0683	10,000	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site; Dual Coil, Active Fixation 0275/0276/0295/0296	127,000	0	0	0	91	0	1	0
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site; Dual Coil, Passive Fixation 0265/0266/0285/0286	11,000	0	0	0	7	15	1	0
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site ; Single Coil, Active Fixation 0292/0293	217,000	0	0	0	67	0	1	0
ENDOTAK RELIANCE 4-Site; Single Coil, Passive Fixation 0282/0283	7,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ENDOTAK RELIANCE ; Dual Coil, Active Fixation 0157/0158/0159/0164/0165/0167/ 0184/0185/0186/0187	383,000	0	0	92	571	1	3	10
ENDOTAK RELIANCE; Single Coil, Active Fixation 0137/0138/0160/0161/0162/0180/0181/0182	82,000	0	0	15	81	0	1	1

S-ICD Electrodes/Model	Worldwide Distribution	Conductor	Insulation	Crimp/Weld/Bond	Other	Labeling	Packaging	Implant Accessory
EMBLEM S-ICD Electrode 3501	114,000	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
EMBLEM/Q-TRAK S-ICD Electrode 3010, 3401	43,000	0	0	1	2	0	0	0

Pacing Leads/Model	Worldwide Distribution	Conductor	Insulation	Crimp/Weld/Bond	Other	Labeling	Packaging	Implant Accessory
INGEVITY+ Positive Fixation 7840/7841/7842	989,000	0	0	0	97	0	0	0
INGEVITY Positive Fixation 7640/7641/7642/7740/7741/7742	1,141,000	2717	0	0	3361	0	0	0
INGEVITY Atrial J Passive Fixation 7635/7636/7735/7736	148,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
INGEVITY Passive Fixation 7631/7632/7731/7732	148,000	1	0	1	2	0	0	0
FINELINE II ; Passive Fixation (poly) 4452/4453/4456/4457*	562,000	1	0	3	8	6	26	0
FINELINE II EZ ; Positive Fixation (poly) 4463/4464/4465/4469/4470/4471*	855,000	0	0	6	729	1	52	3
FINELINE II Atrial J (poly) 4477/4478/4479/4480*	333,000	0	0	1	144	6	18	0

<sup>\*</sup>Counts consist of Boston Scientific and Intermedics co-branded pacing leads data.

## **Product Advisories**

A Product Advisory is a voluntary letter issued to inform physicians of an anomalous device behavior identified by Boston Scientific's Quality System. A Product Advisory is issued when there is a material elevation in risk to patient safety with potential for compromised lifesaving therapy, or when Boston Scientific can provide meaningful guidance to improve patient outcomes or device performance. Boston Scientific considers many perspectives in the decision to issue a Product Advisory, including internal expertise and guidance from an independent Patient Safety Advisory Board (PSAB).

This report section includes summaries of Product Advisories for which significant, active U.S. device populations exist. In general, this includes advisories for which the estimated active U.S. advisory population is at least 200. Physician and patient letters, as well as Advisory Updates, are available at www.bostonscientific.com. With respect to the number of reported events listed in the summaries below, Boston Scientific recognizes that the actual number of clinical malfunctions may be greater than the number reported. Information reported in the Current Status section of each summary represents Boston Scientific's most current understanding of the data presented, but is not necessarily updated in every report. Rates and counts reported in this section may differ from those in other sections of the report due to population, geographical, methodological, or timing differences. Additionally, rate projections are provided with the acknowledgment that predictive modeling is inherently uncertain due to its dependence on the device age distribution of reported events and resultant statistical approximations and assumptions. Advisory notifications may vary by geography, based upon local regulatory requirements. Please contact the local Boston Scientific office for more information. Not all products may be approved for use in all geographies, as product approval is geography specific.

## **PRODUCT**

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## RELIANCE G and SG Defibrillation Leads

RELIANCE ePTFE Potential
Calcification/Gradually Rising LVSI Physiian Letter, July 2025

RELIANCE ePTFE Potential
Calcification/Gradually Rising LVSI,
Patient Letter, July 2025

## ORIGINAL COMMUNICATION Jul 2025 - RELIANCE ePTFE Potential Calcification/Gradually

# Rising LVSI

Voluntary Physician Advisory FDA Classification: Pending

Voluntary Physician Advisory FDA Classification: Pending

Management of gradually rising daily subthreshold, low-voltage shock impedance (LVSI) pattern associated with calcification of expanded polytetrafluoroethylene (ePTFE) coated single coil (SC) and dual coil (DC) RELIANCE™ defibrillation leads manufactured by Boston Scientific Corporation (BSC) from 2002 to 2021 that are no longer available for distribution.

The association of calcified defibrillation lead coil(s) with a pattern of gradually rising LVSI measurements has been reported. This calcification phenomenon can biologically encapsulate and electrically insulate the defibrillation lead coil(s). BSC has completed a comprehensive investigation of ePTFE RELIANCE lead performance to identify the early signs of this phenomenon, characterize its potential effect on shock efficacy, and provide recommendations to mitigate the associated risk. Details of this investigation are described within Appendix A of the physician letter; key findings include:

- While fissuring of calcified ePTFE coating has been observed, calcification of the shock coil(s) does not compromise
  the physical or electrical integrity of the lead.
- A trend of gradually rising LVSI is correlated with shock coil calcification and is more prevalent with BSC RELIANCE ePTFE defibrillation leads compared to non-ePTFE defibrillation leads from BSC and other manufacturers; leads may be implanted for eight (8) or more years prior to manifestation of this trend.
- The shock coil encapsulant material may exhibit a polarity bias with Reversed (RV+) polarity having an elevated high
  voltage shock impedance (HVSI) relative to Initial (RV-) polarity. Reversed (RV+) polarity shocks are 4.5 times more
  likely to initiate a high, delivered shock impedance alert (Code-1005), and defibrillation systems programmed to
  Reversed (RV+) polarity exhibiting a gradual rising LVSI have a lower defibrillator-determined shock success rate.
- When managing leads with calcified coil(s), delivery of commanded shocks is neither effective at permanently
  mitigating rising impedance risk nor predictive of future impedance as LVSI may initially decrease but typically returns
  to pre-shock values in less than six (6) months.

## Estimated Rate of Occurrence

The most common harm is early lead replacement (1 in 238 at 10 years). The most serious harm is death or need for cardiac resuscitation due to non-conversion of a sustained ventricular arrhythmia from a reduced shock energy due to high impedance (1 in 47,500 at 10yrs). Advisory Population 354,000 active RELIANCE ePTFE leads.

Standard Warranty program available, please contact your local representative for terms and conditions.

## **CURRENT STATUS 25-Jul-25**

Estimated Rate of Occurrence - as of 07/2025

The most common harm is early lead replacement (1 in 238 at 10 years). The most serious harm is death or need for cardiac resuscitation due to non-conversion of a sustained ventricular arrhythmia from a reduced shock energy due to high impedance (1 in 47,500 at 10 years). Advisory Population 354,000 active RELIANCE ePTFE leads.

## **CURRENT RECOMMENDATION 25-Jul-25**

There are no changes to the scheduled follow-up interval for patients with ePTFE lead models.

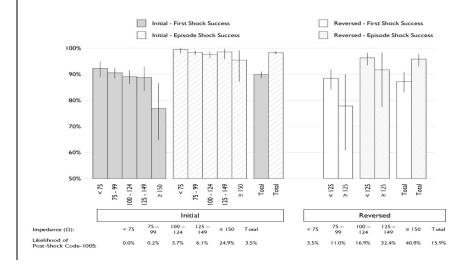
- Continue routine follow-up of defibrillation systems with ePTFE leads either via in-person or remote monitoring (RM) per labeling or medical guidelines with consideration that RM can facilitate early detection of this pattern.
   During routine follow-up of affected leads, determine the most recent approximate 28-day average LVSI that has
- 2. During routine follow-up of affected leads, determine the most recent approximate 28-day average LVSI that has not been influenced by the delivery of a shock (see examples in Appendix C of physician letter) and review HVSI for all shocks from the most recent episode since the last system check using the criteria in the Table below and data provided in Figure 1.
- 3. If lead replacement is planned, carefully consider the risk/benefit of lead extraction versus abandonment. Based on implant time and likely coil calcification, these leads may pose an increased risk of extraction-related complications.
- There may be circumstances such as routine defibrillator replacement that merit complex decision making. Contact BSC Technical Services for further assistance if necessary.

Table 1: Guidance for mitigating risk by assessing 28-day average LVSI and Code-1005 alerts of defibrillation systems with ePTFE leads

G :: :		Coil(s) <sup>†</sup>	Assessment and Recommended Risk Mitigations for Calcifying
Criteria  Most recent 28-day average	SC >90Ω	<b>DC</b> >70Ω	Program Shock Polarity to Initial (RV-) and all shocks to maximum energy.  Program Shock Polarity to Initial (RV-) and all shocks to maximum energy.  Por patients who cannot be reprogrammed for clinical reasons to Initial (RV-) polarity, further management should be guided by the data in Figure 1 including consideration for lead replacement if LVSI increases.
LVSI not affected by delivery of a shock (see Appendix C)	≥1:	50Ω	Lead replacement should be considered.  For Initial (RV-) polarity shocks, there is a 24.9% likelihood of an associated Code-1005 and the defibrillator-determined first shock success rate decreases in absolute and relative terms versus other intervals (Figure 1).  Contact BSC Technical Services for additional technical guidance to support informed lead replacement decision-making.
High-Voltage Shock Impedance (HVSI), Code- 1005 alert	x	x	Lead replacement should be considered.  Contact Technical Services as directed by alert message to rule out non-invasive options.  The urgency for lead replacement should be commensurate with the likelihood of the patient requiring shock therapy.

If the system includes a DC lead programmed RV2CAN, treat the system as a SC system; if DC lead programmed RV2RA treat as DC; if SC lead connected to SQ array treat as DC.

averaged LVSI. X-axis: LVSI Intervals and Y-axis: Defibrillator-Determined Shock Success Rate.



### **PRODUCT**

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# VALITUDE CRT-P

Models U125, U128

# VISIONIST CRT-P

Models U225, U226, U228

# ACCOLADE Pacemaker

Models L301, L311, L321, L331

## **PROPONENT Pacemaker**

Models L201, L209, L211, L221, L231

## **ESSENTIO Pacemaker**

Models L101, L111, L121, L131

### **ALTRUA 2 Pacemaker**

Models S702, S722

Accolade High Battery Impediance Initiating Safety Mode, Physician Letter, December 2024

Accolade High Battery Impediance Initiating Safety Mode, Patient Letter, December 2024

## ORIGINAL COMMUNICATION Dec 2024 – High Battery Impedance Initiating Safety Mode in a Subset of ACCOLADE DR-SLs, DR-ELs, and CRT-Ps

Voluntary Physician Advisory FDA Classification: Pending

A subset of ACCOLADE devices, produced prior to Sep 2018, have an increased potential of exhibiting a high impedance condition because of unanticipated concentration of lithium salts resulting from variability of battery assembly techniques. This may result in a lack of available electrolyte between the battery anode and cathode.

High battery impedance may cause a device to exhibit transient voltage decreases, typically during telemetry operations or, in rare instances, during other normal high power device operations. If the battery voltage drops below a minimum threshold during a high-power state, a system reset is automatically performed, and the conditions of the high-power state are interrupted. Subsequent high-power states may result in additional system resets due to the high battery impedance. If three (3) system resets occur within a 48-hour period, the device is designed to enter Safety Mode to maintain backup pacing with pre-defined, non-programmable settings (see labeling or advisory letter for

When a device is in Safety Mode, users are directed to contact Boston Scientific via a programmer warning screen and LATITUDE alert. Once a device enters Safety Mode, life-sustaining therapy continues to be available while battery capacity is available. The susceptibility of experiencing a high battery impedance and entering Safety Mode is increased when an affected device reaches approximately four years of remaining battery longevity.

Safety Mode provides back-up pacing under critical circumstances; it is not intended to be a substitute for chronic pacing therapy. The non-programmable Safety Mode pacing parameters may not provide optimal support of a patient's cardiac condition (e.g., adequacy of underlying escape rhythm, the need for AV/VV pacing for cardiac synchrony, and/or the potential for pacing inhibition due to myopotential oversensing).

The most common clinical outcome has been early device replacement. In certain patients, Safety Mode may result in unintended clinical impact such as pacing inhibition/pauses, muscle stimulation (e.g., skeletal muscle or phrenic nerve stimulation), or heart failure prior to device replacement. The worst-case reported patient harm has been loss of pacing with serious injury or life-threatening outcome. No affected devices remain available for implant.

There have been two (2) deaths in pacemaker-dependent patients associated with this behavior.

## Estimated Rate of Occurrence

Because of disparate batteries (e.g., SL vs. EL) and therapies provided (e.g., DR pacemakers vs. CRT-Ps), the occurrence rates vary. However, the susceptibility for a device to enter Safety Mode due to high battery impedance occurs when the device reaches approximately four (4) years or less of remaining battery longevity.

Advisory Population of approximately 203,000 distributed devices worldwide:

- DR-SL 0.6% at 9 years;
- · DR-EL 0.4% at 9 years;
- CRT-P 2.0% at 9 years

## Non-Advisory population:

0.1% at 9 years

Standard Warranty program available, please contact your local representative for terms and conditions.

# CURRENT STATUS 07-Jul-25

## Estimated Rate of Occurrence - as of 06/2025

Advisory Population of approximately 203,000 distributed devices worldwide:

- CRT-P: 2.75%% at 9 years
- DR-EL: 0.49% at 9 years
- DR-SL: 0.80% at 9 years

# Non-Advisory population:

- CRT-P: 0.80% at 9 years
- DR-EL: 0.08% at 9 years
- DR-SL: 0.16% at 9 years
- SR-SL: 0.18% at 9 years

## **CURRENT RECOMMENDATION 07-Jul-25**

Promptly identify patients within the advisory population who are at risk of harm due the non-programmable parameters in Safety Mode.

If a device enters Safety Mode, perform emergent replacement for patients who are at risk of harm. For other patients, non-emergent replacement is recommended. When choosing a replacement interval, do not rely on previously reported battery time remaining estimates which do not account for Safety Mode's increased outputs nor the battery's high impedance state. Note: During replacement of a device in Safety Mode, pacing inhibition should be anticipated during electrocautery and when the device is removed from the pocket due to unipolar pacing and high sensitivity.

General prophylactic replacement is not recommended. For patients with a device from the advisory population AND who are at risk of harm due to non-programmable parameters in Safety Mode, schedule device replacement promptly when the longevity remaining reaches four (4) years or if the longevity remaining is already less than 4 years.

If the device reaches the potential high battery impedance interval before the next scheduled follow-up, schedule an appointment with your patient prior to that interval to discuss management options using a shared decision-making approach.

Note: There is a potential for pacing pauses during in-person checks and LATITUDE patient-initiated interrogation (PII) in patients at risk of harm who remain implanted beyond the recommended replacement interval. During in-person device checks for such patients in the advisory population, consider patient recumbency and availability of resuscitation equipment with qualified personnel. Consider disabling PII for such patients on LATITUDE.

Perform system follow-up in accordance with the instructions for use. Perform a system follow-up via remote or inoffice interrogation at least every 12 months; and when remaining longevity reaches One-Year-Remaining, follow-up every three (3) months thereafter until replacement is indicated.

For each patient with an affected device, append/update the patient's medical record with this letter to maintain awareness to all follow-up physicians of this topic for the remaining service life of the device.

## ORIGINAL COMMUNICATION Jun 2021 – High Battery Impedance Initiating Safety Mode in **INGENIO EL Pacemakers and CRT-Ps**

**PRODUCT** 

Identifiable by serial number. Not al serial numbers are affected

A serialized search tool to determine if a specific device is affected by this product advisory is available here:

Device Lookup Tool

#### INLIVEN CRT-P

Models: V284, V285, W274, W275

#### INTUA CRT-P

Models: V272, V273, W273

## INVIVE CRT-P

K187

Models: V172, V173, V182, V183, W172. W173

## VITALIO DR EL Pacemaker Models: J274, J277, K274, K277,

INGENIO DR EL Pacemaker Models: J174, J177, K174, K184,

# ADVANTIO DR EL Pacemaker

Models: J064, J067, K064, K084, K087

Safety Mode, Physician Letter, June 2021

Safety Mode, Patient Letter, June 2021

Safety Mode, Physician Letter, December 2023 Update

Safety Mode, Patient Letter, December 2023 Update

Voluntary Physician Advisory FDA Classification: June 2021 - Class I; Advisory update issued in Nov 2023

Affected devices built with the extended life (EL) battery have the potential to transition to Safety Mode during periods of high-power consumption (e.g., interrogation by a programmer). If the battery voltage drops below a minimum threshold during a high-power state, a system reset is automatically performed, and the conditions of the high-power state are interrupted. Subsequent high-power states may result in additional system resets due to the high battery impedance. If three (3) system resets occur within a 48-hour period, the device is designed to enter Safety Mode to maintain back-up pacing with pre-defined non-programmable settings.

When a device is in Safety Mode, users are directed to contact Boston Scientific via a programmer warning screen and LATITUDE alert. Once a device enters Safety Mode, life-sustaining therapy continues to be available while battery capacity is available. The susceptibility of experiencing a high battery impedance and entering Safety Mode is increased when an affected device reaches approximately three (CRT-P) or four (DR EL) years of remaining battery

Safety Mode provides back-up pacing under critical circumstances; it is not intended to be a substitute for chronic pacing therapy. The non-programmable Safety Mode pacing parameters may not provide optimal support of a patient's cardiac condition (e.g., adequacy of underlying escape rhythm, the need for AV/VV pacing for cardiac synchrony, and/or the potential for pacing inhibition due to myopotential oversensing).

The most common clinical outcome has been early device replacement. In certain patients, Safety Mode may result in unintended clinical impact such as pacing inhibition/pauses, muscle stimulation (e.g., skeletal muscle or phrenic nerve stimulation), or heart failure prior to device replacement. The worst-case reported patient harm has been loss of pacing with serious injury or life-threatening outcome. No affected devices remain available for implant.

#### Estimated Rate

It is estimated that one third or more of affected devices will experience Safety Mode prior to reaching Explant battery indicator. The potential for life-threatening harm due to loss of pacing (occurring because of prolonged inhibition) over a device's lifetime is estimated to be less than 1 in 15,000.

### November 2023 update:

Since June 2021, the affected device population has aged, and additional post-market surveillance data has been

Most Safety Mode reports continue to be associated with telemetry operations involving an external device. However, approximately 3.5% of reports are unrelated to telemetry operations with an external device and may occur in an ambulatory setting by transient voltage drops during normal, higher power device operations such as automatic radio frequency telemetry circuit enablement and automatic memory checks.

There have been 15 reports of a pause in pacing for older devices with less battery capacity experiencing extended transitions into Safety Mode (up to approximately 20 seconds) during telemetry operations with an external device. Thirteen (13) were associated with in-person programmer/Consult interrogations, and two (2) were associated with a LATITUDE patient initiated interrogation (PII).

When Safety Mode is initiated due to this behavior, previously reported battery time remaining estimates are invalid because they were determined without accounting for Safety Mode's increased outputs or the battery's high

There have been three (3) deaths in pacemaker-dependent patients associated with this behavior; all were within the recommended replacement interval.

Estimated Rate

The occurrence rate for this behavior is up to 8% at 9 years, 12% at 10 years, and 49% at 11 years.

The potential for life-threatening harm for the affected population is 1 in 769 (0.13%) at 11 years, which may be mitigated if devices are replaced per the recommendations below.

Standard Warranty program available, please contact your local representative for terms and conditions.

## CURRENT STATUS 07-Jul-25

Estimated Rate of Occurrence - as of 11/2023

The occurrence rate for this behavior is up to 8% at 9 years, 12% at 10 years, and 49% at 11 years.

The potential for life-threatening harm for the affected population is 1 in 769 (0.13%) at 11 years, which may be mitigated if devices are replaced per the recommendations below.

## CURRENT RECOMMENDATION 07-Jul-25

Identify patients who are at risk of harm due to Safety Mode's non-programmable parameters.

If a device enters Safety Mode, perform emergent replacement for patients who are at risk of harm. For other patients, non-emergent replacement is recommended. When choosing a replacement interval, do not rely on previously reported battery time remaining estimates which do not account for Safety Mode's increased outputs nor the battery's high impedance state.

General prophylactic replacement is not recommended. For patients who are at risk of harm, device replacement is recommended as follows:

-For DR EL pacemakers, schedule replacement when the longevity remaining is 4 years or less.

-For CRT-Ps, schedule replacement when the longevity remaining is 3 years or less.

Note: There is a potential for pacing pauses during in-person checks and LATITUDE PII in patients at risk of harm who remain implanted beyond the recommended replacement interval. During in-person device checks, consider patient recumbency and availability of resuscitation equipment with qualified personnel. Consider disabling PII for patients on LATITUDE.

Follow-up interval. Per instructions for use, perform a system follow-up via remote or in-office interrogation at least every 12 months. When longevity reaches One-Year-Remaining and then follow-up every three (3) months thereafter until replacement is indicated.

For each patient with an affected device, append their medical record with this letter to maintain awareness of this topic for the remaining service life of the device.

#### PRODUCT

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# VALITUDE CRT-P

Models U125, U128

# VISIONIST CRT-P

Models U225, U226, U228

## **ACCOLADE Pacemaker**

Models L300, L301, L310, L311, L321, L331

# PROPONENT Pacemaker

Models L200, L201, L209, L210, L211 L221, L231

### **ESSENTIO Pacemaker**

Models L100, L101, L110, L111, L121

## **ALTRUA 2 Pacemaker**

Models S701, S702, S722

<u>Hydrogen Induced Premature</u> <u>Depletion, Physician Letter, September</u> 2018

<u>Hydrogen Induced Premature</u>
<u>Depletion, Patient Letter, September</u>
2018

<u>Hydrogen Induced Premature</u>
Depletion, Physician Letter, June 2021

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<u>Depletion, Patient Letter, June 2021</u>

## ORIGINAL COMMUNICATION Sep 2018 and Jun 2021 – Hydrogen-Induced Premature Depletion

Voluntary Physician Advisory

FDA Classification: Sep 2018 - Class II; Jun 2021 - Class II

This advisory discusses two separate, distinct subsets of pacemakers and cardiac resynchronization therapy pacemakers (CRT-Ps) with a potential for early pacemaker replacement due to hydrogen-induced accelerated battery depletion. The 2018 advisory population included approximately 2,900 active pacemakers, and the 2021 advisory population included approximately 125,000 active pacemakers.

Latent release of small amounts of hydrogen within the pacemaker may compromise electrical function of a low voltage capacitor over time, resulting in accelerated depletion of the battery. The susceptibility of a pacemaker to this hydrogen-induced accelerated battery depletion mechanism is dependent upon the amount of hydrogen accumulation within the device and the susceptibility of the low voltage capacitors to hydrogen. The 2018 population is composed of pacemakers built with specific batches/lots of a liner component exhibiting a higher likelihood for this behavior. The 2021 population is composed of pacemakers built with a discontinued/original low voltage capacitor that is susceptible to compromised electrical performance in the presence of hydrogen. The use of the original low voltage capacitor in pacemaker and production of pacemakers from these advisory populations ceased in Nov 2017, and therefore they are no longer available for implantation. The most common clinical outcome has been device replacement. There have been no reported deaths associated with this behavior.

#### Estimated Rate of Occurrence

In June 2021 Boston Scientific identified an additional population of devices and the rate of occurrence at that time is described for each population below.

- The 2018 advisory subset was composed of approximately 2,100 active pacemakers. The observed malfunction rate for this behavior was 11.0% at 5 years with a potential for life-threatening harm of 1 in 500,000 (0.0002%) at 5 years
- The 2021 advisory subset was composed of approximately 125,000 active pacemakers. The observed malfunction rate for this behavior was 1.3% at 5 years with a potential for life-threatening harm of 1 in 5,000,000 (0.00002%) at 5 years.

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## **CURRENT STATUS 07-Jul-25**

Estimated Rate of Occurrence - as of 06/2025

The combined 2018 and 2021 advisories subset is composed of approximately 80,000 active pacemakers. The observed malfunction rate for this behavior is 2.3% at 5 years, and 5.1% at approximately 10 years. The observed potential for life-threatening harm is 1 in 1,000,000 (0.0001%) at 5 years.

More than 98% of hydrogen-induced confirmed events have been replaced before the battery reached a depleted state; therefore, normal battery assessment during labeled 12-month follow-ups is effective and recommended for both advisory populations.

A polymer material, designed to remove excess hydrogen within the pulse generator, was added to this device family in March 2018 and is intended to mitigate hydrogen-induced accelerated battery depletion due to the low voltage capacitors. Additionally, improvements were implemented in the liner component starting in May 2021 intended to further reduce the device's overall capacity to generate hydrogen.

## CURRENT RECOMMENDATION 07-Jul-25

- Per labeling, perform a system follow-up via remote or in-office interrogation every 12 months until One-Year-Remaining and then every three (3) months thereafter until replacement is indicated.
- Promptly investigate any suspected indication of accelerated battery depletion, and contact Boston Scientific Technical Services for assistance as needed.
- Replace any affected pacemakers suspected of exhibiting accelerated battery depletion within 90 days of the
  Explant battery status indicator. Alternatively, Boston Scientific Technical Services can provide a recommended
  replacement interval specific to an individual device by using data from the programmer or LATITUDE. Prophylactic
  replacement is not recommended for pacemakers with normal battery consumption as the risk of surgical replacement
  outweighs the risk of accelerated battery depletion.
- For each patient with an affected device, append their medical record with this letter to maintain awareness of this topic for the remaining service life of the device.

### ORIGINAL COMMUNICATION Dec 2020 — Model 3501 Electrode Fracture

A serialized search tool to determine if a specific device is affected by this product advisory is available here: Device Lookup Tool

## EMBLEM Subcutaneous Electrode

Model 3501

Model 3501 Electrode Fracture, Physician Letter, December 2020

Model 3501 Electrode Fracture, Patient Letter, December 2020 FDA Classification: Class I

This advisory discusses the performance of approximately 47,000 EMBLEM S-ICD Subcutaneous Electrodes (Model 3501). During assembly of the EMBLEM S-ICD Subcutaneous Electrode, a small amount of adhesive is applied to a

This advisory discusses the performance of approximately 47,000 EMBLEM S-ICD Subcutaneous Electrodes (Model 3501). During assembly of the EMBLEM S-ICD Subcutaneous Electrode, a small amount of adhesive is applied to a location just distal to the proximal sense ring. Over time, mechanical stresses on the electrode body at this location may create the potential for a fatigue crack to initiate from the outer lumen. This crack then propagates inward toward the center-oriented distal sense conductor, eventually resulting in a fracture of the two high voltage conductors.

The cumulative occurrence rate for this specific electrode body fracture location is 0.2% at 41 months with a potential for life-threatening harm of 1 in 25,000 (0.004%) at 10 years.

The physician letter (link provided) details device programming considerations and troubleshooting and detection techniques.

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# CURRENT STATUS 07-Jul-25

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### Estimated Rate of Occurrence - as of 03/2024

The occurrence rate for EMBLEM S-ICD Subcutaneous Electrode (Model 3501) body fractures at a location just distal to the proximal sense ring is 0.32% at 81 months and the potential for life-threatening harm is 1 in 34,000 (0.0029%) at 10 years. This rate was derived by including all reports of this failure mode, whether or not the product was returned.

An enhanced version of the EMBLEM Electrode has been developed to address the risks associated with this device behavior. Based on accelerated, extreme laboratory test, the enhanced EMBLEM Electrode design has demonstrated statistical survival of the electrode body around the sense ring to 10 implant years. Contact your local Boston Scientific sales professionals for availability.

## **CURRENT RECOMMENDATION 07-Jul-25**

- 1. Remote monitoring. Enroll and monitor patients through LATITUDE remote monitoring to facilitate detection of high electrode impedance alert or non-physiologic, mechanical artifacts on stored S-ECGs during the interval between inoffice device checks. Instruct patients to comply with weekly remote interrogations.
- 2. Follow-up interval. Perform a system follow-up every three months via remote or in-office interrogation.
- 3. During follow-ups. For every remote or in-office follow-up:
- 3.1. Promptly investigate any high impedance alerts in-clinic, as this may indicate an electrode body fracture and an inability of the system to provide therapy.
- 3.2. Review stored episode S-ECGs for non-physiologic, mechanical artifacts, as this may indicate onset of electrode body fracture.
- 3.3. During in-clinic follow-up, capture all sensing vectors, and review for the following conditions, any of which may indicate onset of electrode body fracture:
- 3.3.1. cardiac signals on the S-ECGs of the Primary and Secondary sensing vector look nearly identical; or
- 3.3.2. flatline S-ECGs in the Alternate sensing vector.
- 3.4. Assess sensing performance in-clinic during isometrics and/or posture changes if any of the following is observed: non-physiologic, mechanical artifacts and/or high electrode impedance alerts. If isometrics and/or posture changes provoke non-physiologic, mechanical artifacts, this may indicate onset of an electrode body fracture.

  4. Imaging. If an electrode body fracture is suspected, perform chest radiography in PA and left lateral viewprojections, ensuring the entire electrode length can be visualized to enable differential diagnosis of competing causes of high impedance or artifact signals. Portable X-ray images typically provide insufficient clarity to evaluate electrode integrity. In the absence of any indications of electrode fracture, surveillance X-rays are not recommended.

  5. Shocks and beeping tones. During the next in-office follow-up visit, demonstrate the device beeper tothe patient
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- For patients not monitored by LATITUDE, repeat the beeper demonstration following any MRI scan, as strong magnetic fields may cause permanent loss of beeper volume; and
- Remind all patients to promptly contact their physician if beeping tones are heard from their device or if a shock is delivered.
- 6. Evaluate risk. The potential for life-threatening harm due to an electrode body fracture is greatest for:
- patients with a history of life-threatening ventricular arrhythmias such as secondary preventionindication or previous appropriate shock for VT/VF;
- patients who are unable to be reliably followed remotely or in person every three months; or
- patients who are not monitored via LATITUDE and are unable to hear beeping tones
- 7. Replacement. Following consultation with Boston Scientific Technical Services, promptly replace any electrode that is indicated to have compromised integrity as evidenced by non-physiologic, mechanical artifacts, high impedance alert, and/or X-ray. Routine prophylactic replacement of an electrode without evidence of fracture is not recommended. Return explanted devices to Boston Scientific.
- 8. De novo and replacement S-ICD candidates. Consider overall S-ICD performance with respect to the competing risks for transvenous ICDs. The Product Performance Report includes up-to-date performance data on Boston Scientific transvenous leads and subcutaneous electrodes.

#### PRODUCT

Identifiable by serial number. Not all serial numbers are affected

A serialized search tool to determine if a specific device is affected by this product advisory is available here: <u>Device Lookup Tool</u>

### EMBLEM S-ICD Models A209, A219

EMBLEM Electrical Overstress, Physician Letter, December 2020

EMBLEM Electrical Overstress, Patient Letter, December 2020

### ORIGINAL COMMUNICATION Dec 2020 — EMBLEM S-ICD Electrical Overstress

Voluntary Physician Advisory FDA Classification: Class I

This advisory discusses the potential for a specific subset of approximately 3,350 EMBLEM™ Subcutaneous Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillators (S-ICDs) (Model A209 and A219) to experience a malfunction during high voltage therapy delivery, necessitating device replacement due to electrical overstress (i.e., damage to the device caused by electrical shorting).

Laboratory analysis of the returned devices confirmed evidence of electrical overstress damage in the device feedthrough area. Investigation has shown that, over time, variations in header assembly allowed a very small pathway for moisture ingress enabling a shorting condition to occur during delivery of high voltage therapy. Each of the devices exhibiting electrical overstress were built within a specific timeframe (between May 2015 through December 2017); a header assembly subprocess was found to be subject to process variations directly contributing to this behavior. There is no available method to detect whether an individual device is vulnerable to this condition prior to its occurrence. It is important to note that not all S-ICDs built during this timeframe were exposed to these process variations.

## Estimated Rate of Occurrence

- Boston Scientific has confirmed six (6) events of EMBLEM S-ICD electrical overstress malfunctions that have
  occurred in association with delivery of high voltage therapy. These events manifested clinically by the subsequent
  inability to interrogate the device or by display of device-based errors/alerts. Boston Scientific Technical Services
  recommended device replacement in each instance, and no serious patient injury or death has been reported.
- The projected occurrence rate for this electrical overstress behavior is 0.3% at 5 years, and the most common clinical outcome is early device replacement. Although there have been no serious injuries reported to date, the potential exists for life-threatening harm due to an inability to provide needed defibrillation therapy, as it is possible that either all or a portion of programmed defibrillation shock energy may not actually be delivered in the event of an electrical overstress malfunction. We estimate that the probability of the hypothetical worst-case harm associated with loss of ambulatory ventricular tachycardia/ventricular fibrillation therapy resulting in death is 0.09% at 5 years

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## **CURRENT STATUS 07-Jul-25**

Estimated Rate of Occurrence - as of 08/2021

- The projected occurrence rate for this electrical overstress behavior is 0.3% at 5 years, and the most common clinical outcome is early device replacement.
- We estimate that the probability of the hypothetical worst-case harm associated with loss of ambulatory ventricular tachycardia/ventricular fibrillation therapy resulting in death is 0.09% at 5 years

## CURRENT RECOMMENDATION 07-Jul-25

- 1. Remote monitoring. Enroll and monitor patients through the LATITUDE NXT Patient Management System to facilitate prompt detection of accelerated depletion or alert conditions such as ERI or EOL during the interval between in-office device checks. Instruct patients to comply with remote checks and interrogations.
- 2. Follow-up interval. Perform a system follow-up every 3 months per labeling via remote or in-office interrogation.
- During follow-ups. Promptly investigate any suspected indication of accelerated battery depletion, and contact Boston Scientific Technical Services for assistance as needed.
- 4. Demonstrate beeping tones. During the next in-office follow-up visit, demonstrate the device beeper to the patient using the programmer's Test Beeper function available from the Beeper Control screen within the Utilities menu.
- For patients not monitored by LATITUDE, repeat the beeper demonstration following any MRI scan as strong magnetic fields may cause permanent loss of beeper volume; and
- Remind patients to promptly contact their physician if beeping tones are heard from their device as this may be an indication of ERI.
- 5. Evaluate risk. The potential for life-threatening harm due to accelerated depletion is greatest for:
- Patients with a history of life-threatening ventricular arrhythmias such as secondary prevention indication or previous appropriate shock for ventricular arrhythmias;
- Patients who are unable to be reliably followed remotely or in person every 3 months; or
- Patients who are not monitored via LATITUDE and are unable to hear beeping tones.
- 6. Replacement. Replace any affected EMBLEM S-ICD suspected of exhibiting accelerated battery depletion within 21 days of ERI. Alternatively, Boston Scientific Technical Services can provide a recommended replacement interval specific to an individual device by using data from the programmer or LATITUDE.
- In other cases of high risk, as indicated by the factors listed above, consider prophylactic device replacement after taking individual patient preferences and circumstances into account through a process of shared decision-making.
- Return explanted devices to Boston Scientific. A no cost Return Product kit is available from your local Boston Scientific representative.

#### PRODUCT

## ORIGINAL COMMUNICATION Aug 2019 and Dec 2020 — EMBLEM S-ICD Premature Depletion

Identifiable by serial number. Not all serial numbers are affected.

A serialized search tool to determine if a specific device is affected by this product advisory is available here: <u>Device Lookup Tool</u>

# EMBLEM S-ICD

Models A209, A219

EMBLEM Premature Depletion, Physician Letter, August 2019

EMBLEM Premature Depletion, Patien Letter, August 2019

EMBLEM Premature Battery Depletion Physician Letter Update, December 2020

EMBLEM Premature Depletion, Patient Letter Update, December 2020

EMBLEM Premature Battery Depletion
Physician Letter Update, February
2022

EMBLEM Premature Depletion, Patient Letter Update, February 2022 Voluntary Physician Advisory

FDA Classification August 2019: Class II

FDA Classification December 2020: Class II

In August 2019, a physician communication discussed a subset of EMBLEM™ Subcutaneous Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillators (S-ICDs) that may result in a need for device replacement (ERI/EOL) earlier than expected due to compromised performance of an electrical component causing accelerated battery depletion.

In December 2020, the advisory population was expanded to a total of approximately 42,000 distributed EMBLEM S-ICDs with an elevated likelihood of a low voltage capacitor causing accelerated battery depletion. This behavior can be detected if an unexpected decrease in remaining battery capacity is observed between remote/in-clinic follow-ups. Progression of accelerated depletion eventually produces a battery status replacement indicator (ERI) which is detectable through ambulatory beeping tones, remote monitoring, or in-clinic follow-up. Devices exhibiting this accelerated depletion behavior are capable of providing therapy for a minimum of 21 days after ERI independent of when EOL is initiated.

The most common clinical outcome associated with this device behavior is early replacement. In August 2018, Boston Scientific transitioned S-ICDs to an alternative low voltage capacitor. All EMBLEM S-ICDs with the original low voltage capacitor are included in either the original or the expanded advisory population and none are available for implantation.

#### Estimated Rate of Occurrence

• The August 2019 advisory subset is comprised of approximately 400 distributed worldwide devices manufactured in July 2017. The August 2019 advisory subset has a projected rate of accelerated depletion of 15.1% at 5 years with a projected potential for life-threatening harm in this subset of approximately 1 in 50,000 at 5 years.

The December 2020 advisory subset is comprised of approximately 42,000 distributed worldwide devices
manufactured before August 2018. The December 2020 advisory subset has a projected rate of accelerated depletion
of 3.7% at 5 years with a projected potential for life-threatening harm in this subset of approximately 1 in 250,000 at 5
years.

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## CURRENT STATUS 07-Jul-25

The existing Battery Depletion (BD) alert has been enhanced to enable detection of hydrogen-induced accelerated battery depletion in Model A209 and A219 EMBLEM S-ICDs. Affected devices must be interrogated by a programmer with updated software.

## Estimated Rate of Occurrence - as of 06/2025

Because the 5-year malfunction rate for the August 2019 and December 2020 populations has converged, a single malfunction rate is reported for the combined populations. There are approximately 13,000 active worldwide devices.

The malfunction rate is 10.3% at 5 years, 23.2% at 6 years, and 33.5% at 7 years. The projected potential for life-threatening harm is approximately 1 in 110,000 at 5 years.

### **CURRENT RECOMMENDATION 07-Jul-25**

Recommendations for countries where enhanced BD alert software upgrade is available. Contact your local Boston Scientific sales representative to determine availability of software in your country.

- 1. Programmer Software Upgrade. Confirm programmers at your center have been upgraded.
- Model 3300 LATITUDE Programmers are supported with Model 3877 v1.03 application
- Model 3200 EMBLEM Programmers are supported with Model 2877 v4.09 application
- 2. Next Follow-up. Boston Scientific continues to recommend 3-month follow-ups per labeling. Bearing in mind the risk versus benefits of in-person visits in the setting of the global COVID-19 pandemic, consider an in-person visit at the next scheduled follow-up, so the enhanced BD alert can be enabled in each affected device.
- When an EMBLEM S-ICD is first interrogated by an upgraded programmer, an S-ICD software update will be performed. Per labeling, monitor the patient and have external defibrillation equipment available as tachycardia therapy is suspended during a S-ICD software update.
- If a BD alert occurs, follow screen prompts and contact Technical Services. Using device data, Technical Services can provide a replacement interval.
- 3. Update Records. For each patient with an affected EMBLEM S-ICD, append their medical record with this letter to maintain awareness of this topic for the remaining service life of the device.

#### Follow-up Recommendations:

- 1. Remote monitoring. Enroll and monitor patients through the LATITUDE NXT Patient Management System to facilitate prompt detection of accelerated depletion or alert conditions such as ERI or EOL during the interval between in-office device checks. Instruct patients to comply with remote checks and interrogations.
- 2. Follow-up interval. Perform a system follow-up every 3 months per labeling via remote or in-office interrogation.
- 3. During follow-ups. Promptly investigate any suspected indication of accelerated battery depletion, and contact Boston Scientific Technical Services for assistance as needed.
- 4. Demonstrate beeping tones. During the next in-office follow-up visit, demonstrate the device beeper to the patient using the programmer's Test Beeper function available from the Beeper Control screen within the Utilities menu.
- For patients not monitored by LATITUDE, repeat the beeper demonstration following any MRI scan as strong magnetic fields may cause permanent loss of beeper volume; and
- Remind patients to promptly contact their physician if beeping tones are heard from their device as this may be an indication of ERI.
- 5. Evaluate risk. The potential for life-threatening harm due to accelerated depletion is greatest for:
- Patients with a history of life-threatening ventricular arrhythmias such as secondary prevention indication or previous appropriate shock for ventricular arrhythmias;
- Patients who are unable to be reliably followed remotely or in person every 3 months; or
- Patients who are not monitored via LATITUDE and are unable to hear beeping tones.
- 6. Replacement. Replace any affected EMBLEM S-ICD suspected of exhibiting accelerated battery depletion within 21 days of ERI. Alternatively, Boston Scientific Technical Services can provide a recommended replacement interval specific to an individual device by using data from the programmer or LATITUDE.
- In other cases of high risk, as indicated by the factors listed above, consider prophylactic device replacement after taking individual patient preferences and circumstances into account through a process of shared decision-making.
- Return explanted devices to Boston Scientific. A no cost Return Product kit is available from your local Boston Scientific representative.

#### PRODUCT

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#### **Device Lookup Tool**

#### COGNIS

Models N106/N107/N108/N118/ N119/N120/P106/P107/P108

#### **TELIGEN VR**

Models E102/E103/F102/F103

#### **TELIGEN DR**

Models E110/E111/F110/F111

Low Voltage Capacitor 2014 Physician Letter, Sep 17, 2014

Low Voltage Capacitor 2014 Patient Letter, Sep 17, 2014

Low Voltage Capacitor 2013 Physician Letter, Aug 29, 2013

## PRIGINAL COMMUNICATION Aug 2013 and Sep 2014 — Low Voltage Capacitor

Voluntary Physician Advisory

FDA Classification August 2013: Class II FDA Classification September 2014: Class II

In August 2013, a physician communication discussed a subset of COGNIS CRT-Ds and TELIGEN ICDs that had experienced an increased rate of premature battery depletion due to compromised performance of a low voltage (LV) capacitor. It also informed physicians how to identify and respond to a Safety Architecture low voltage alert. In

September 2014, a second subset of devices was identified that may exhibit compromised LV capacitor performance at a rate that is similar to the August 2013 advisory subset. The second communication also discussed improvements to Safety Architecture's low voltage alert, which were released through a programmer software update.

The performance of an LV capacitor may be compromised in some devices after two or more years of implant time, which will increase battery use and may eventually initiate one or more Safety Architecture alerts and patient-audible beepina

The most common alert is a yellow programmer screen that states, "Voltage is too low for projected remaining capacity. Contact Technical Services with Code 1003". LATITUDE issues a corresponding yellow alert (nominally configured "On"). In other instances, diminished LV capacitor performance can result in an early "Explant" battery status indicator (ERI) and a replacement window that may be less than 3 months.

Devices that experience a low voltage alert require replacement. If not replaced, increased current drain could deplete the battery and impact therapy delivery and telemetry.

### Advisory population

Approximately 22,800 devices identified in the August 2013 communication remain in service. In September 2014, Boston Scientific identified an additional 27,300 active devices that may exhibit diminished LV capacitor performance at a rate that is similar to the August 2013 advisory population. The projected cumulative rate of occurrence for LV capacitor malfunction within the total advisory population is approximately 2.9% at 60 months. Due to Safety Architecture alerts and timely physician response, the potential for life-threatening harm from loss of therapy is estimated to be less than 1 in 125,000 (0.0008%) at 60 months.

## CURRENT STATUS 07-Jul-25

#### Estimated Rate of Occurrence - as of 01/2022

- · COGNIS CRT-D and TELIGEN ICD advisory population The rate of occurrence is 2.8% at 60 months, 5.8% at 72 months, 8.6% at 84 months, 10.9% at 96 months, 12.2% at 108 months, and 12.9% at 120 months. The potential for life-threatening harm from loss of therapy is approximately 1 in 200,000 (0.0005%) at 60 months.
- · COGNIS CRT-D and TELIGEN ICD populations (advisory and non-advisory) The overall rate of occurrence is approximately 1.1% at 60 months, 2.4% at 72 months, 3.9% at 84 months, 5.2% at 96 months, 6.0% at 108 months, and 6.2% at 120 months. Since notifying customers of this behavior in September 2014 and improving the Safety Architecture voltage alert, the portion of malfunctions with compromised therapy is approximately 2.2%. The potential for life-threatening harm from loss of therapy is approximately 1 in 500,000 (0.0002%) at 60 months.
- · INCEPTA, ENERGEN and PUNCTUA CRT-Ds and ICDs The rate of occurrence is 1.1% at 60 months, 2.0% at 72 months, 3.0% at 84 months, 3.8% at 96 months, 4.3% at 108 months, and 4.5% at 120 months. The portion of malfunctions with compromised therapy is approximately 0.3%. The potential for life-threatening harm from loss of therapy is approximately 1 in 2,500,000 (0.00004%) at 60 months.

## CURRENT RECOMMENDATION 07-Jul-25

## Updated Software

In 2014 BSC released software that enhances the effectiveness of the Safety Architecture tools later in device life. When the software was introduced, BSC recommended an in-clinic follow-up with an updated programmer at first opportunity, but within 3 months for patients within the advisory population. In-clinic interrogation with a current programmer automatically downloads Safety Architecture software upgrades from the programmer into individual patient devices, enhancing detection of a compromised LV capacitor before therapy delivery is impacted.

## LATITUDE Patient Management System

Boston Scientific recommends that advisory patients utilize the LATITUDE Patient Management System (remote monitoring), which offers additional/supplemental device checks between office visits. Use of LATITUDE may accelerate detection of Safety Architecture alerts, and can notify if/when scheduled checkups have not occurred. Verify that the yellow alert "Voltage was too low for projected remaining capacity" is configured "On".

## Additional Recommendations

- After a device has been upgraded with new software, Boston Scientific recommends normal device monitoring as described in device labeling.
- Device replacement is not recommended for advisory devices displaying normal behavior.
- Promptly investigate alerts, device beeping, and unanticipated replacement indicator messages.
- Following a Safety Architecture alert, contact Boston Scientific Technical Services as directed on programmer screens. Technical Services can facilitate an evaluation of device information downloaded from a recent in-clinic or remote LATITUDE interrogation, which may help to clarify available replacement time.

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### **PRODUCT**

### ORIGINAL COMMUNICATION 01-Dec-09 — Subpectoral Implant

A serialized search tool to determine if a specific device is affected by this product advisory is available here: Device Lookup Tool

Voluntary Physician Advisory FDA Classification: Class II

Device Lookup Tool

This advisory is limited to devices identified in the product model list that were implanted subpectorally. Devices implanted subcutaneously are not included in this advisory.

This advisory is limited to those models listed below implanted subpectorally.

Boston Scientific has determined that the bond between the header and case could be weakened by significant forces associated with a subpectoral implant procedure or when a device in a subpectoral position is pushed against a rib during contraction of the pectoralis muscle. A weakened header bond may alter lead impedance and introduce noise that may inhibit pacing therapy or initiate inappropriate tachy therapy. Additional mechanical stress applied to a weakened bond may eventually cause header connection wires to fracture, resulting in loss of therapy.

### COGNIS

Models

N106/N107/N108/N118/N119

P106/P107/P108

## **TELIGEN VR**

Models E102/F102

#### TELIGEN DR

Models F110/F111/F110/F111

Subpectoral Implant 2009
Physician Letter, Dec 01, 2009

Subpectoral Implant 2009
Patient Letter, Dec 01, 2009

A weakened header bond can result in one or more of the following device behaviors:

- Significant changes in measured lead impedance
- Noise on real-time or stored electrograms
- Intermittent inhibition of pacing
- Inappropriate anti-tachy pacing or shock therapy
- Loss of pacing therapy
- Loss of anti-tachy pacing and shock therapy

No patient deaths related to this behavior have been reported. Patients have required early device replacement due to inappropriate shocks and/or noise induced by pocket manipulation or arm movement.

#### Rate of Occurrence

The implant orientation of devices is not reported to Boston Scientific, making it difficult to provide rate of occurrence and prediction information. Two (2) reports have been received worldwide of subpectoral implants with weakened header bonds. An estimated 5% of approximately 77,000 COGNIS and TELIGEN devices worldwide have been implanted in a subpectoral location.

The following factors may also impact the risk of failure if implanted in a subpectoral location:

- Exact location of the patient's ribs relative to the device
- Body size and/or muscle mass of the patient (risk may increase for larger/muscular patients)
- Activity level and/or occupation of the patient (risk may increase for more active patients)

### **CURRENT STATUS 07-Jul-25**

Reported events (worldwide)

106 reports have been received worldwide of subpectoral implants with weakened header bonds. An estimated 10% of approximately 104,000 COGNIS and TELIGEN devices worldwide have been implanted in a subpectoral location.

There have been no reported patient deaths associated with this advisory.

## **CURRENT RECOMMENDATION 07-Jul-25**

If a patient's device was implanted subcutaneously, it is excluded from this advisory and no change to current patient management is recommended.

## For affected devices implanted in a subpectoral location:

- Follow patient at least once every three months as recommended in device instructions for use.
- Consider advising patients to contact their physician or clinic if they receive shocks, in order to ensure timely review
  of associated electrograms and other device data via in-clinic or remote interrogation.
- Where available, consider using the LATITUDE® Patient Management System to facilitate remote device checks between in-clinic follow-ups.

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