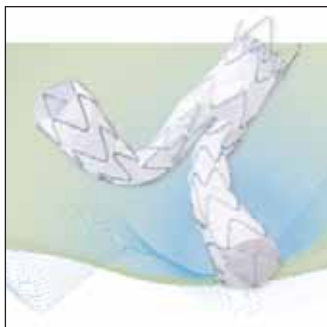


Talent Abdominal Stent Graft System

COMPANY	Medtronic Inc.
PHONE	(800) 961-9055
WEB	www.medtronic.com
KEY FEATURES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suprarenal fixation • Indicated for proximal neck lengths ≥ 10 mm • Proximal aortic neck diameters of 22–36 mm • No reported ruptures or conversions at 1 year • 0.8% migration rate 	



Medtronic Inc. (Santa Rosa, CA) announced FDA approval of the Talent Abdominal Stent Graft System on the CoilTrac Delivery System. Because of its unique proximal aortic neck length requirement of only 10 mm, Talent is able to treat an additional 20% of abdominal aortic aneurysm (AAA) patients. Consisting of a woven-polyester membrane supported by a tubular metal lattice, the device is specifically indicated for endovascular treatment of AAAs with or without iliac involvement. Talent is available in diameters of up to 36 mm, as well as flared and tapered iliac limbs of 8 to 24 mm.

With a 12-year history of strong clinical performance and more than 45,000 implants worldwide, Talent offers broad patient applicability, suprarenal fixation, and positioning accuracy. Additionally, the delivery system uses a single-step release mechanism and a coiled rod for enhanced trackability and flexibility. The stent graft has shown excellent US clinical results, with no reported ruptures or conversions, a 98.2% freedom from aneurysm-related mortality rate, a 96.5% freedom from secondary endovascular procedures rate, and a 0.08% migration rate (one patient), the company says.

Talent Clinical Investigator, Dr. Frank Criado, Director of Union Memorial Hospital's Endovascular Program in Baltimore, Maryland, stated, "AAA patients in this country can now enjoy the benefits of this device, which has been shown in the pivotal clinical trial to have distinct advantages over standard surgical treatment."

Savvy Long PTA Dilatation Catheter

COMPANY	Cordis Corporation
PHONE	(800) 327-7714
WEB	www.cordis.com
KEY FEATURES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Balloon lengths up to 220 mm • Balloon diameters of 2, 2.5, 3, 3.5, 4, 5, and 6 mm • Compatible with 0.018-inch guidewire • Rated burst pressure up to 15 atm 	

Cordis Corporation (Warren, NJ) recently launched the Savvy Long 0.018-inch Percutaneous Transluminal Angioplasty (PTA) Dilatation Catheter as its most recent addition to the comprehensive and innovative line of interventional and diagnostic products addressing lower-extremity peripheral arterial disease.

The Savvy Long 0.018-inch OTW (Over-the-Wire) PTA Catheter includes the first-ever 220-mm-length balloon for treating long, diffuse disease with fewer inflations. With shaft lengths of 120 cm, the Savvy Long Catheter is designed to deliver precision and control in treating complex superficial femoral artery and infrapopliteal lesions, the company says.



Sleek PTA Dilatation Catheter

COMPANY	Cordis Corporation
PHONE	(800) 327-7714
WEB	www.cordis.com
KEY FEATURES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Balloon lengths up to 220 mm • Balloon diameters of 2, 2.5, 3, 3.5, and 4 mm • Rapid exchange design • Rated burst pressures up to 16 atm 	

Cordis Corporation (Warren, NJ) recently launched the Sleek 0.014-inch Rx Percutaneous Transluminal Angioplasty (PTA) Dilatation Catheter as its most recent addition to the comprehensive and innovative line of interventional and diagnostic products.

The Sleek PTA Catheter includes the first-ever 220-mm-length balloon for treating long, diffuse disease with fewer inflations. Mounted on a hypotube shaft, the Sleek PTA Catheter provides pushability and trackability in a rapid-exchange platform enabling single-operator use with shorter guidewires, the company says. The Sleek PTA Catheter is designed for multiple applications including infrapopliteal vessels.



Gandras Catheter

COMPANY	Vascular Solutions, Inc.
PHONE	(763) 656-4300
WEB	www.vascularsolutions.com
KEY FEATURES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ultra-tapered distal segment with hydrophilic coating • Flexible shaft facilitates ipsilateral and contralateral access • Radiopaque-loaded distal segment provides enhanced visualization under fluoroscopy 	

Vascular Solutions, Inc. (Minneapolis, MN) recently launched the Gandras catheter for use in delivering embolic materials and radiopaque media to selected sites in the vascular system. The shape of the Gandras catheter is designed specifically for pelvic embolization procedures, primarily for the treatment of uterine fibroids.



According to the company, the unique primary and secondary curves together with the flexible, tapered distal segment make the Gandras catheter useful for accessing uterine and pelvic arteries. The tight primary curve allows easy access of bilateral uterine arteries through a single 5-F arterial introducer, and the tapered distal segment provides the functionality of a microcatheter without adding the extra cost, the company says. Three versions of the Gandras catheter are available with tapered tip lengths of 2, 4, and 6 cm for physician preference in distal vessel placement. The Gandras catheter is currently available in the US. ■