THE ART OF PRECISION
Innovative Technology for Varicose Vein Treatment
Radiofrequency ablation (RFA) is an established minimally invasive treatment of varicose veins.

The generator and ProCurve V applicator of the Precision System allow highly accurate and customized varicose vein treatments. Using bipolar radiofrequency technology, the "Pulse RRITT" mode (radiofrequency induced thermotherapy), occludes veins gently and efficiently.

SMART, GENTLE, EFFICIENT

RFA was less painful for patients than EVLA and produced less bruising in the postoperative period with comparable success rates [...]  

Goode SD et al. [Eur J Vasc Endovasc Surg. 2010 Aug]

Complete occlusion rates of 98.4 % were achieved [...]  

Brathwaite B et al. [Phlebology. 2013 Feb]

BENEFITS AT A GLANCE

- Applicator with slender 1.8 mm diameter (5 Fr/6 Fr)
- Short electrode tip of 18 mm (enabling treatment of short vein segments e.g. perforators)
- May be positioned up to 1 cm inferior of the saphenous junctions
- Tissue heated up to about 100° C
- Protects against thermal damage to the introducer sheath
- Visual and audible feedback of ablation progress
- Auto-Stop feature for increased safety and prevention of overtreatment
- Bipolar and monopolar standard modes with inpatient and outpatient settings for standard electrosurgical instrumentation
PRECISE ABLATION

Self-regulating System
The Precision System includes the following self-regulation features: During the entire ablation procedure, the system delivers only the power actually needed to occlude that particular vein being treated. In addition, the visual and audible feedback informs about the ablation progress. This allows the surgeon to match the rate of applicator withdrawal optimally to the specific characteristics of the target vein, thus achieving customized and precise ablation of the varicose vein.

Impedance Measurement & Auto-Stop Feature
The most notable feature of the system is its continuous intraoperative impedance measurement determining the tissue condition. As tissue impedance rises with progressing ablation, the Precision Generator automatically adjusts its power output. Once the impedance has reached a preset value, the power output is reduced to a minimum. This feature is also known as Auto-Stop.

GENTLE TREATMENT

Bipolar Radiofrequency Ablation
In bipolar radiofrequency ablation, the frequency of the current flowing between two electrodes (+ bipolar) is in the range of radio waves. The electrode arrangement precisely defines the area to be treated. In this way, the tissue along the tip of the electrode is heated to about 100° C and gently ablated. This precise local application of radiofrequency energy denatures the collagen in the vein wall. The occluded vein remains in the body and is no longer visible.

My first impression of the Precision System is very positive. [...] Short treatment time and an effective vein occlusion: These are the important quality features for a minimally invasive treatment of varicose veins and for high patient satisfaction.

Stefan Schulte MD, Cologne Vascular Center, Germany

“While the RF energy is applied to the adjacent tissue, the power is continuously adapted to the stage of ablation.”

“Once the vein is occluded or the tip is within an introducer sheath, the impedance rises rapidly.”

“The impedance is shown visually and audibly throughout the whole ablation procedure in real-time.”

“If the impedance rises beyond a preset value, the power output is reduced to a minimum (Auto-Stop function).”
The radiofrequency current does not heat the electrode tip itself, but only the adjacent tissue. Once the generator is deactivated by releasing the foot switch, the treatment stops immediately and there is no risk of thermal injury. Additionally, the Auto-Stop function prevents overtreatment of the vein and damage to the introducer sheath.

An ellipsoid coagulation volume is generated around the tip of the bipolar electrode. This ensures that only little heat is delivered beyond the spherical electrode tip. The applicator may be placed closely distal to the saphenous junctions.

**Benefits at a Glance**
- Slender diameter of 1.8 mm (5 Fr/6 Fr)
- Flexible shaft for easy insertion
- Centimeter markings for precise placement (Rubber ring-positioning guide)
- Clear tip visualization on ultrasound for easy positioning
- Short electrode tip of 18 mm enabling treatment of short vein segments e.g. perforators
- May be positioned up to 1 cm inferior of the saphenous junctions
- Tissue heated up to about 100 °C
- Protects against thermal damage to the introducer sheath
- Continuous withdrawal with inbuilt auto-feedback control

By courtesy of Stefan Schulte MD, Cologne Vascular Center, Germany

The bipolar applicator tip can be easily seen on ultrasound and positioned 1 cm below saphenous junctions. During ablation, the continuous pull back speed is determined by the characteristics of the vein being treated.
All-in-One: A Single Generator for Varicose Veins and Standard Electrosurgical Procedures

The Precision Generator is a radiofrequency-based platform comprising a variety of functions in one unit. In addition to the “Pulse RFITT” mode for the treatment of varicose veins, the generator may also be employed in standard inpatient and outpatient surgical procedures. The bipolar “SoftCoag” mode has an optional Auto-Start feature which activates the power output whenever the bipolar forceps touches the tissue to be coagulated. This does not require activation with the foot switch. During monopolar cutting, the “Fast Spark Monitor” ensures constant spark intensity to produce a good, even, cutting quality.

In monopolar procedures, the contact of the neutral electrode to the patient’s skin is continuously monitored, improving safety and control. As soon as the neutral electrode is slightly loose, this feature triggers an alarm, thereby protecting the skin against thermal injury. Operation of the user-friendly touchscreen is intuitive. Saving custom procedure settings simplifies the daily routine of healthcare professionals.

Benefits at a Glance

**Smart**
- Display of power, energy output, and duration of ablation
- Visual and audible feedback of ablation progress
- Saving of custom procedure settings

**Gentle**
- RFITT modes for less postoperative pain and hematoma due to lower temperatures (~100° C)
- Auto-Stop feature for more safety and prevention of overtreatment
- Monitoring of the tissue change through impedance feedback

**Efficient**
- Bipolar and monopolar standard modes
- Automatic applicator detection
- Simple touchscreen operation
- Auto-Start feature (with bipolar forceps)
- “Fast Spark Monitor” for constant cutting quality in different tissues
- Continuous monitoring of neutral electrode contact for safer monopolar application

### Pulse RFITT for Treatment of Varicose Veins

#### Procedure Names
- SoftCoag:
  - Little carbonization and adhesion, Auto-Start selectable
- FineCut:
  - Low spark intensity for small thermal effects
- PureCut:
  - Medium spark intensity for medium thermal effects
- StrongCut:
  - High spark intensity for large thermal effects

#### Instruments and Feedback
- Neutral Electrode
- Instrument Detection: ProCurve V applicator
- Power
- Application Time
- Energy Output
- Visual Feedback of Tissue Changes (Impedance display)

### Bipolar and Monopolar Modes for Standard Electrosurgical Procedures

#### Procedure Names
- SoftCoag:
  - Effective coagulation with less carbonization and adhesion
- ForceCoag:
  - Rapid and effective coagulation
Burns are less likely for RFITT due to its automatic, impedance-feedback cut-off when the treatment sheath is entered. No instances of skin burns occurred [...]  


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## Product Information

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