

# DIFFERENT. BECAUSE IT HAS TO BE.



**Seal pulmonary veins and arteries**  
— up to and including 7 mm in diameter — with confidence<sup>1-6</sup>

Comparing the LigaSure™ Maryland jaw thoracic device to our original LigaSure™ Maryland jaw device

Compared to systemic vasculature, pulmonary vessels are:

## PHYSIOLOGICALLY DIFFERENT

Significantly lower blood pressure<sup>7</sup>

Thinner, less muscular, and more elastic walls<sup>8,9</sup>

## INHERENTLY COMPLEX

Vascular morphology and elasticity of pulmonary arteries varies throughout the pulmonary system<sup>10</sup>

Pulmonary veins have more collagen content than pulmonary arteries<sup>9</sup>

These variations highlighted the need to evaluate our devices differently, which led to design changes to our LigaSure™ Maryland jaw thoracic device.<sup>11</sup>

LigaSure™ technology provides a unique combination of **pressure and energy** to denature collagen and elastin within the vessel — giving you a permanent, reliable seal.

### Optimized jaw pressure for sealing pulmonary vasculature<sup>11</sup>

Although visually unchanged from the original LigaSure™ Maryland jaw device, the jaw pressure of the LigaSure™ Maryland jaw thoracic device has been optimized for pulmonary vessels by narrowing the specifications of two proprietary jaw parameters.<sup>11</sup>

### Powered by our most advanced energy platform

The LigaSure™ Maryland jaw thoracic device is only compatible with the Valleylab™ FT10 generator because it:

- Makes LigaSure™ devices better — and faster<sup>12†</sup>
- Reads tissue 434,000 times per second and automatically adjusts energy output to maintain the desired clinical effect<sup>13</sup>

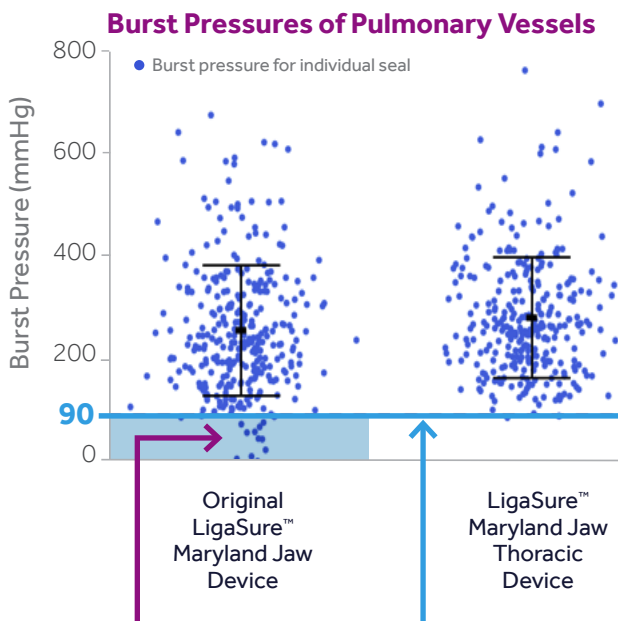


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# EVIDENCE-BASED TECHNOLOGY. PROVEN PERFORMANCE.<sup>11</sup>

Based on preclinical test results, we made changes to the jaws of the LigaSure™ Maryland jaw thoracic device that significantly improve the reliability of pulmonary sealing performance compared to the original LigaSure™ Maryland device (See Figure 1).<sup>11</sup>

Figure 1. The LigaSure™ Maryland jaw thoracic device delivers statistically significant higher burst pressures on pulmonary veins and arteries than the original LigaSure™ Maryland device ( $p < 0.05$ ;  $n \geq 304$  per group).<sup>11</sup>



**4.4%**  
of seals have burst pressures that don't meet the LigaSure™ technology performance standard on pulmonary vasculature<sup>11</sup>

**3X**  
normal pulmonary systolic blood pressure (30 mmHg)<sup>7</sup>

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The original LigaSure™ Maryland jaw device and LigaSure™ Maryland jaw thoracic device are both indicated for thoracic procedures. However, only the LigaSure™ Maryland jaw thoracic device is indicated specifically for sealing pulmonary vasculature.

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