THE HIDDEN LINK: CRYPTOGENIC STROKE + A-FIB

GET TO THE BOTTOM OF CRYPTOGENIC STROKE. UNDIAGNOSED ATRIAL FIBRILLATION MAY BE THE CULPRIT.

ABOUT CRYPTOGENIC STROKES**
Understanding cryptogenic strokes: What are they and who is affected?

Each year, 795,000 AMERICANS experience a stroke.*

ISCHEMIC STROKES, the most common type, affect roughly 690,000 Americans annually.†

THE CAUSE: An obstructed blood vessel supplying blood to the brain.

A CRYPTOGENIC STROKE IS A STROKE OF UNKNOWN CAUSE.

20-40% of ischemic strokes are cryptogenic.‡

ANALYZING ATRIAL FIBRILLATION
Its linkage to strokes is little known—until now.

Patients with AF are 5 TIMES MORE LIKELY to have a stroke.*

AF affects more than 3 million Americans today.†

It is projected to double by 2035 and increase to 8 million by 2050.

THE SOLUTION? STAY VIGILANT.
Address AF: Start continuous, long-term cardiac monitoring.

Unlike conventional monitoring methods, insertable cardiac monitors such as the Reveal LINQ™ Insertable Cardiac Monitor automatically and continuously detect and record abnormal heart rhythms for up to 3 years.14

Detecting AF allows physicians to change a patient’s medical therapy to potentially help reduce the risk of a second stroke.15,16

MAKE THE LINQ.
Help reduce the risk of recurrent strokes.

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* Heart Disease and Stroke Statistics 2015 Update. Circulation. 2015; 131: e29-e322 Published online before print December 17, 2014, doi: 10.1161/CIR.00000000000001522.

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**Indications**

**REVEAL LINQ™ LNQ11 Insertable Cardiac Monitor**

The Reveal LINQ Insertable Cardiac Monitor is an implantable patient-activated and automatically-activated monitoring system that records subcutaneous ECG and is indicated in the following cases:

- patients with clinical syndromes or situations at increased risk of cardiac arrhythmias
- patients who experience transient symptoms such as dizziness, palpitation, syncope and chest pain, that may suggest cardiac arrhythmia.

This device has not been specifically tested for pediatric use.

**Patient Assistant**

The Patient Assistant is intended for unsupervised patient use away from a hospital or clinic. The Patient Assistant activates the data management feature in the Reveal Insertable Cardiac Monitor to initiate recording of cardiac event data in the implanted device memory.

**Contraindications**

There are no known contraindications for the implant of the Reveal LINQ Insertable Cardiac Monitor. However, the patient’s particular medical condition may dictate whether or not a subcutaneous, chronically implanted device can be tolerated.

**Warnings/Precautions**

**REVEAL LINQ™ LNQ11 Insertable Cardiac Monitor**

Patients with the Reveal LINQ Insertable Cardiac Monitor should avoid sources of diathermy, high sources of radiation, interventional catheter, external defibrillation, phototherapy, therapeutic ultrasound and radio frequency array to avoid electrical reset of the device, and/or inappropriate sensing as described in the Medical procedure and EMI precautions manual. MRI scans should be performed only in a specified MR environment under specified conditions as described in the Reveal LINQ MRI Technical Manual.

**Patient Assistant**

Operation of the Patient Assistant near sources of electromagnetic interference, such as cellular phones, computer monitors, etc., may adversely affect the performance of this device.

**Potential Complications**

Potential complications include, but are not limited to, device rejection phenomena (including local tissue reaction), device migration, infection, and erosion through the skin.

See the device manual for detailed information regarding the implant procedure, indications, contraindications, warnings, precautions, and potential complications/adverse events. For further information, please call Medtronic at 1-800-328-2518 and/or consult Medtronic’s website at www.medtronic.com.

**Cautions:**

Federal law (USA) restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician.