

Flo-Thru



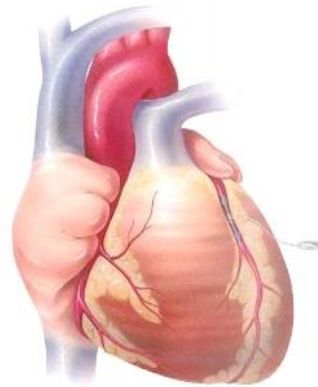
Providing optimal  
flow during the  
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**Flo-Thru**  
Intraluminal Shunt®

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The Flo-Thru Intraluminal Shunt® is a simple atraumatic method of controlling bleeding, stenting vessels and ensuring myocardial preservation during coronary bypass grafting. Flo-Thru combines the latest in intraluminal shunt technology and 25 years of clinical success with the Flo-Rester® Internal Vessel Occluder.

The Flo-Thru Intraluminal Shunt, a single-piece radiopaque silicone tube with an atraumatic bulb shaped at each end, is designed for optimal flow and safety. The bulbs create a blood-free field and the Flo-Thru lumen provides perfusion of the distal artery. Once in place the shunt stents the vessel which allows for ease of suturing and reduces the likelihood of backwall suture. A radiopaque tab identifying the outer diameter of the bulbs is attached to the shunt by a tether which can be used to facilitate positioning and removal of the shunt.



## Proven Performance

The use of a Flo-Thru shunt is associated with:

- Greater flow than with tested competitive shunts<sup>1,4</sup>
- Good myocardial preservation<sup>2,3</sup>
- Improved myocardial pH<sup>2</sup>
- Total revascularization<sup>1</sup>
- Low conversion rate to CPB<sup>5</sup>

## Clinical Benefits

- Unique single-piece design with large internal diameters provides exceptional distal perfusion
- Multiple sizes, in 0.25 mm increments, ensure an ideal fit for a blood-free field and improved visualization at the site of anastomosis
- Tapered bulbs allow for ease in insertion
- Flexible silicone material allows for easy, atraumatic removal

## A Convenient Choice

- Cost effective – up to 50% less expensive than competitive shunts
- Available in a variety of bulb diameter sizes from 1.0 mm - 3.0 mm
- Supplied sterile and ready to use

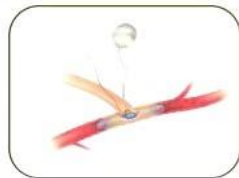
## Surgical Applications

Flo-Thru is designed to facilitate anastomosis during:

- Bypass surgery
- Beating heart surgery
- Peripheral vascular procedures



Easy Insertion



Vessel Occlusion, Stenting and Distal Perfusion



Easy Atraumatic Removal

## Ordering Information

PRODUCT NUMBER	BULB DIAMETER	OVERALL LENGTH	UNITS PER BOX
FT-12100	1.00 mm	18 mm	5
FT-12125	1.25 mm	18 mm	5
FT-12150	1.50 mm	18 mm	5
FT-12175	1.75 mm	18 mm	5
FT-12200	2.00 mm	18 mm	5
FT-12225	2.25 mm	18 mm	5
FT-12250	2.50 mm	18 mm	5
FT-12275	2.75 mm	18 mm	5
FT-12300	3.00 mm	18 mm	5

Flo-Thru Intraluminal Shunt® is for single-use only and cannot be resterilized.

Contact your sales representative or Synovis Surgical Innovations for ordering information, in-service support materials, and technical specifications.

## References

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