

## Peripheral Vascular Disease Research Studies

Millions of Americans each year suffer from unexplained leg pain. Just like plaque can build up in the arteries of the heart, the arteries of our legs, kidneys, and neck can become blocked (called peripheral vascular and arterial disease). Today, cardiologists are treating these blockages with the same skills and techniques used to treat blockages of the heart. Main Line Health Heart Center cardiologists, who specialize in the treatment of peripheral vascular disease, participate in trials evaluating the safety and efficacy of a variety of techniques inclusive of stents and laser assisted therapies for the treatment of peripheral vascular disease.

<b>Indication</b>	Peripheral Vascular Disease
<b>Study Title</b>	The U.S. Study for Evaluating Endovascular Treatments of Lesions in the Superficial Femoral Artery and Proximal Popliteal Bypass Using the EverFlex Nitinol Stent System Post Approval Study – DURABILITY PAS
<b>Sponsor</b>	Covidien
<b>Purpose</b>	This post-approval study is designed to confirm the long-term safety and effectiveness of the EverFlex™ Self-Expanding Stent System for the treatment of atherosclerotic superficial femoral artery (SFA) and proximal popliteal arteries.
<b>General Inclusion Criteria</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Is at least 18 years old</li> <li>2. Is willing to comply with all follow-up evaluations</li> <li>3. Provides written informed consent prior to enrollment in the study</li> <li>4. Has stenotic, restenotic (from previous procedure not including stents) or occluded lesion located in the native superficial femoral artery or superficial femoral and proximal popliteal arteries suitable for primary stenting</li> </ol>

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<b>Study Title</b>	EXCIMER laser randomized Controlled study for treatment of femoropopliteal In-Stent-Restenosis: EXCITE ISR
<b>Sponsor</b>	Spectranectic Corporation
<b>Purpose</b>	The purpose of the study is to evaluate the safety and efficacy of laser atherectomy with balloon angioplasty compared to balloon angioplasty alone in the treatment of above the knee peripheral artery in-stent restenosis

<b>General Inclusion Criteria</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. 18 years to 85 years</li><li>2. History of previous femoropopliteal nitinol stenting</li><li>3. Resting leg blood pressures (ABI) &lt; 0.9</li><li>4. Angiographic significant restenosis (&gt;=50%)</li></ol>
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