

Guidewires for Coronary Angioplasty

(Alambres guía de Angioplastia Coronaria)

- Diferentes tipos**
- Descripción**
- Usos específicos**

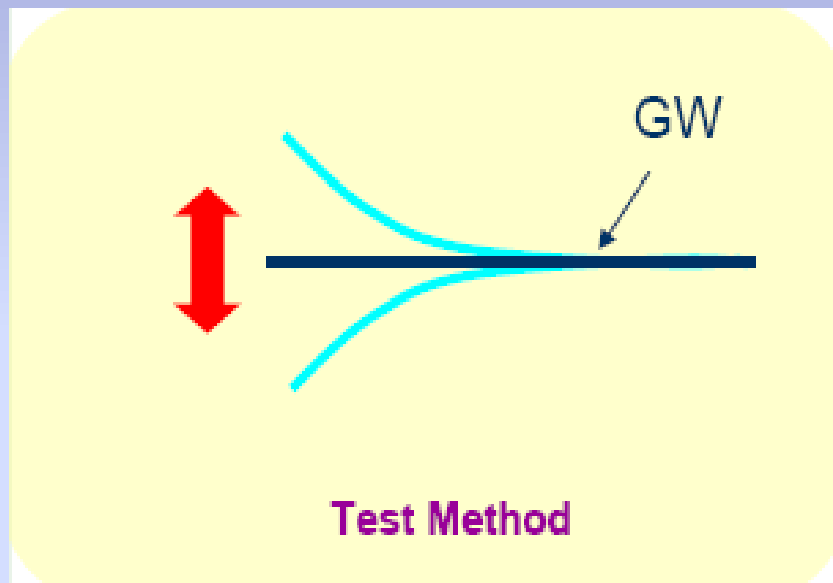
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Main Functions of Guidewires

- To **track** through the vessel.
- To **access** the lesion.
- To **cross** the lesion atraumatically.
- To provide **support** for interventional devices.

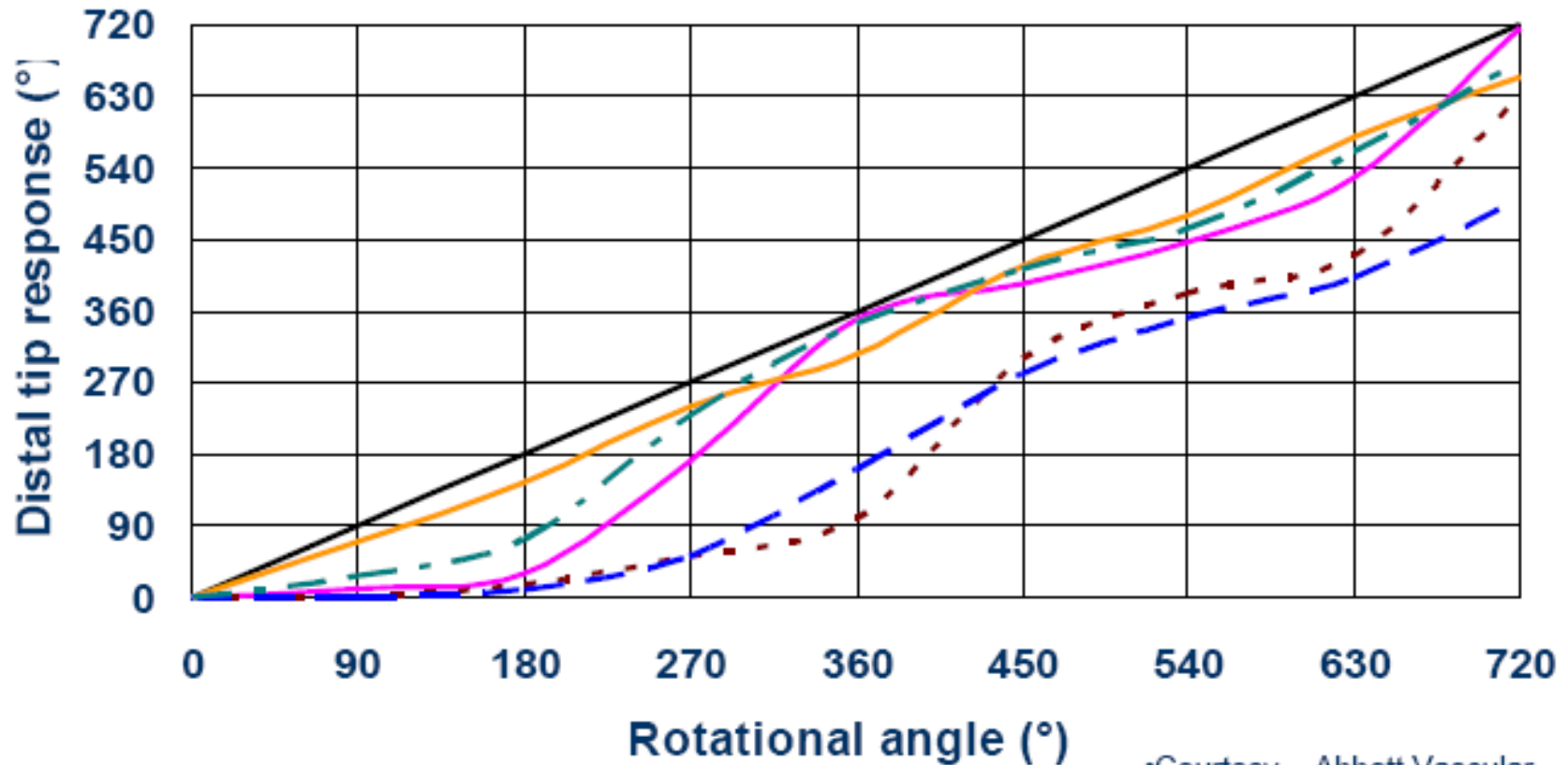
➤ Tip load	rigidez de la punta
➤ Tip stiffness	dureza de la punta
➤ Guidewire flexibility	flexibilidad
➤ Ability to shape	capacidad de moldura
➤ Shaping memory	memoria
➤ Shaft support	soporte del cuerpo
➤ Torque transmission	transmisión del torque
➤ Trackability	seg. del cuerpo a la punta
➤ Resistance to trapping	resistencia al atrapamiento
➤ Steerability	capacidad para ser dirigida

Support



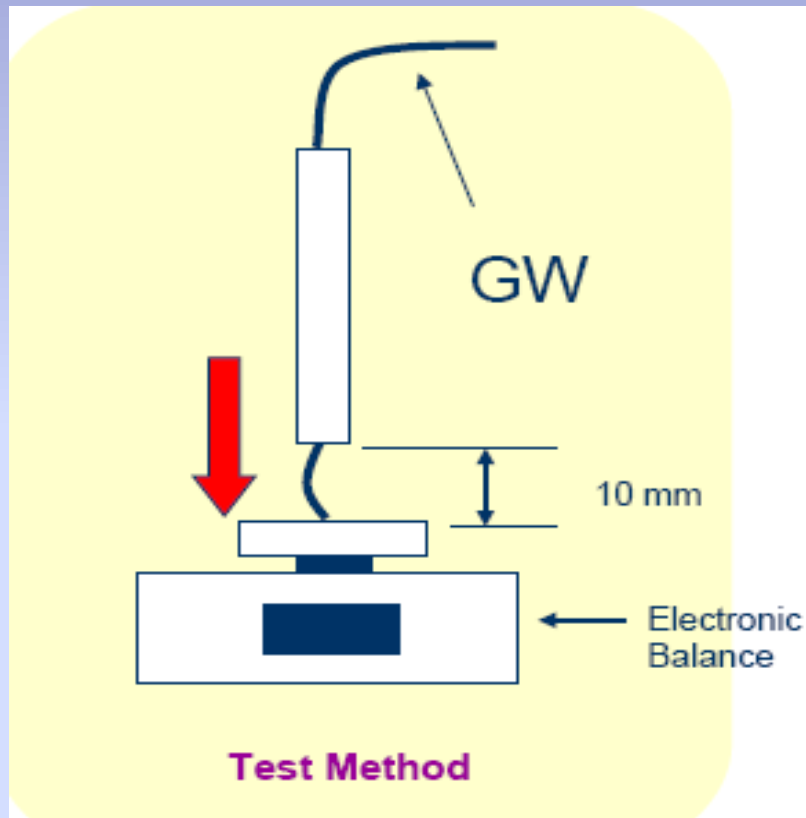
- The wire is fixed/secured at various distances from the tip, the wire is then bent to test the force needed for bending
- Lower support decreases friction/vessel wall injury and increases wire deliverability

Torque



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Tip load



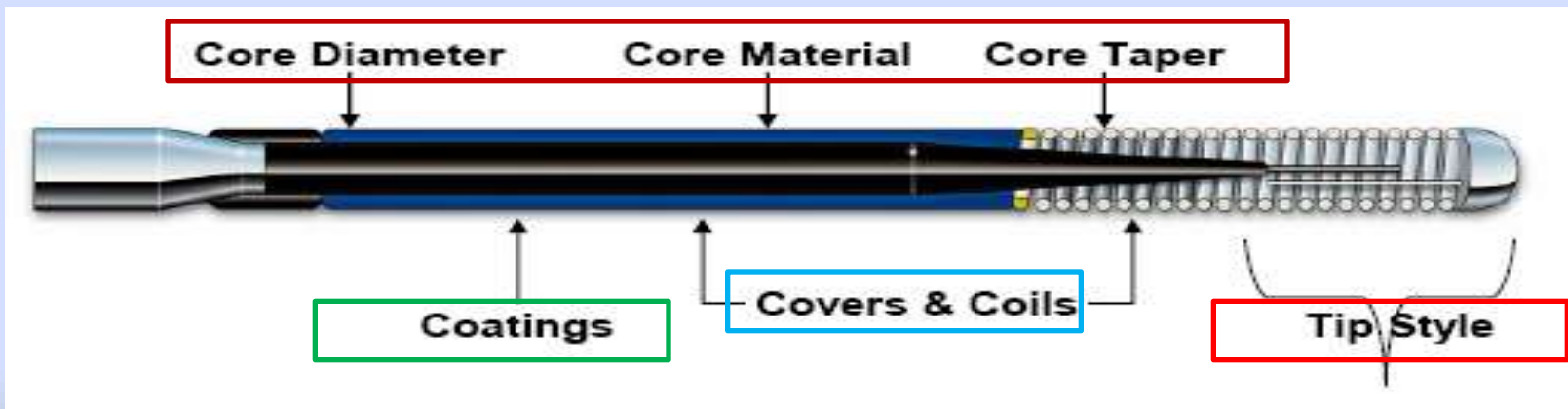
Tip load value (tip stiffness) gives a numeric value to the tip

- The buckling load is defined as tip load
- The distance from the lower end of the pipe to the upper side of the electronic balance is 10mm

Guidewires

Four main components:

- **Central core** (corazón)
- **Outer covering** (cubierta)
- **Distal tip** (punta)
- **Surface coating** (recubrimiento)



Guidewires

Four main components:

➤ **Central core**: is the longest portion of the wire and forms the backbone of the wire.

“Core-to-tip”: the tapered core reaches the distal tip
better force transmission and greater tactile response

“Two-piece core”: utilizing a shaping ribbon at the distal tip
more durable shaping memory but less tactile response and force transmission.



Guidewires:

Four main components

Central Core Diameter

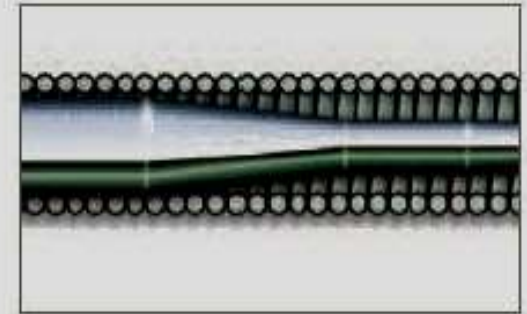
CORE DIAMETER

The core diameter of each guide wire is engineered for its particular clinical application.



Larger Core Diameter

- Increased support for device delivery and vessel straightening
- More material for superb torque



Smaller Core Diameter

- For enhanced tracking and flexibility

Trackability: ability of wire body to follow tip around bends
(capacidad del cuerpo de seguir a la punta en curvas)

Guidewires:

Four main components

Central Core Material

Affects flexibility, support, steering and tracking



Stainless Steel



Nitinol (more flexible)



High Tensile Strength Stainless Steel

Usually core is made of **stainless steel** (excellent torque and shaping) but may be **nitinol** or **nickel titanium** (reduced torque but greater flexibility).

Some guidewires have a **composite** core design.

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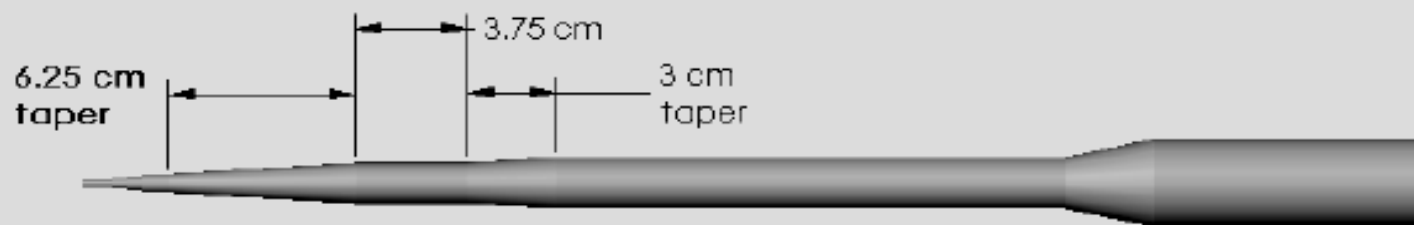
Four main components

Central Core: short vs long tapers

Long tapers



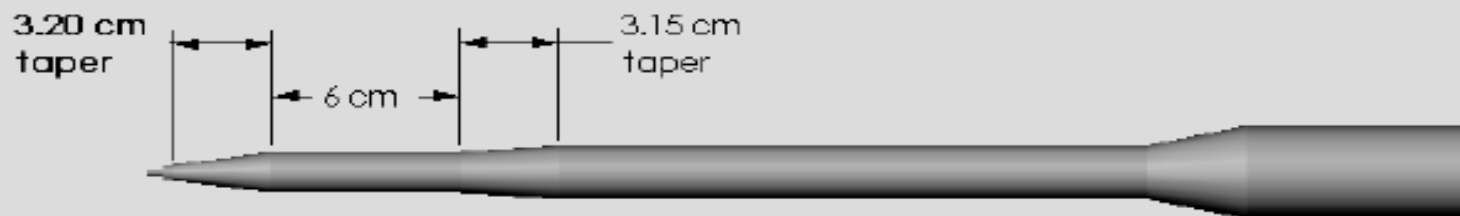
Increased steerability
Increased flexibility



Short tapers



Increased Support
Increased Torque



Guidewires

Four main components:

➤ **Outer covering**: designed to:

- Keep the overall diameter consistent
- Complement the core's physical properties
- Provide a smooth and noninteractive surface

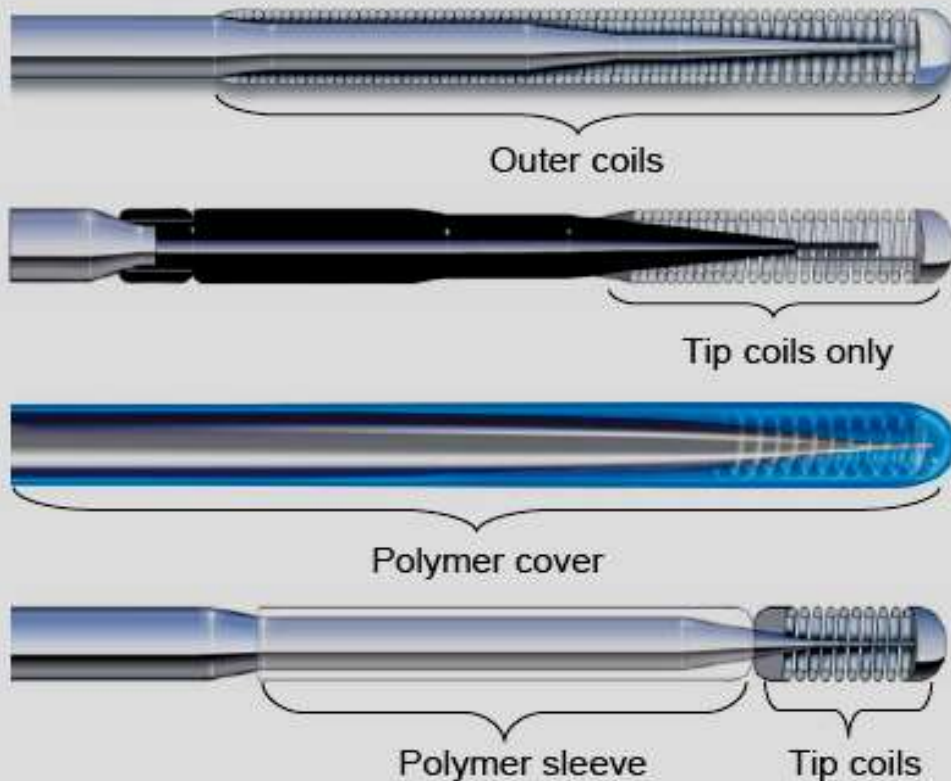
Most wires employ a **metal coil**, however some use a **polymer sleeve** for increased lubricity

Not to be confused with **coating**

Guidewires

Four main components:

Outer Covering



- ✓ **Coils** provide tactile feedback, radiopacity and maintain constant overall diameters
- ✓ **Polymer** covers/sleeves provide optimal lubricity to overcome resistance and access to the lesion

Guidewires

Four main components:

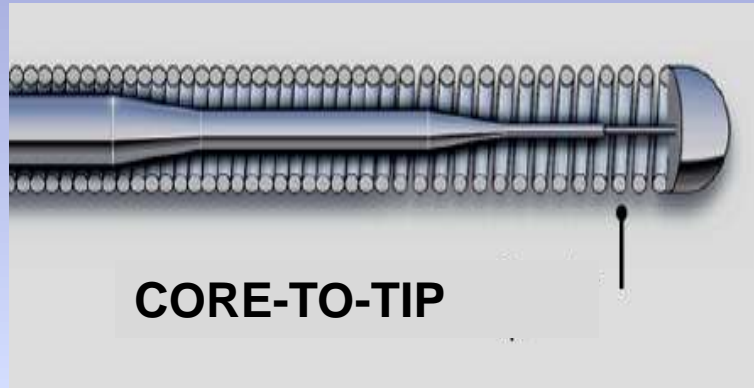
➤ Distal tip:

- usually is a **spring coil** extending from the distal untapered part of the central core toward the distal tip weld
- this spring coil is variable in **length** (1 to 30 cm.)
- It has a **radio-opaque** section of variable length in the distal portion (usually 2 to 3 cm but may be more)
- the distal **tip weld** is a short compact cap and is the true distal end of the wire.

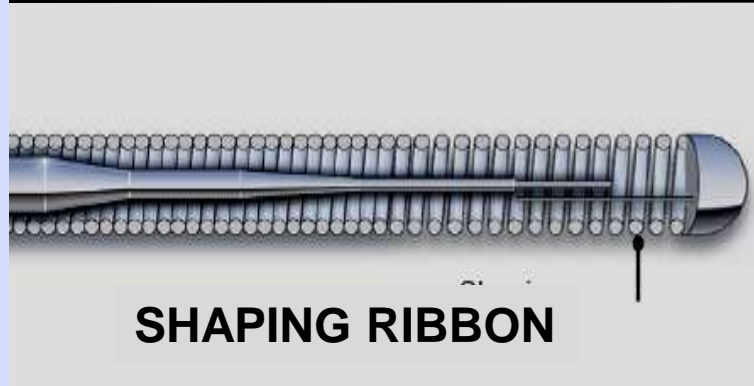
Guidewires

Four main components:

➤ Distal tip:



- ✓ Force transmission
- ✓ Tactile feedback
- ✓ Tip stiffness/Tip-load



- ✓ Better steering
- ✓ Better shapability
- ✓ Flexibility, softness
- ✓ Ability to prolapse

Guidewires

Four main components:

➤ Surface coating:

- reduce friction
- facilitate trackability
- reduce thrombogenicity

Must be chemically stable, biocompatible and thermo-resistant

Most guidewires are coated with PTFE but there are many proprietary hydrophilic coatings (M-Coat, Hydro-Track or Slip-Coat, etc.)

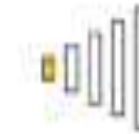
Cougar LS Light support

Tip Style: Forming Ribbon



Outer Coating: Hydro-track or Pro/Pel

Tip Stiffness

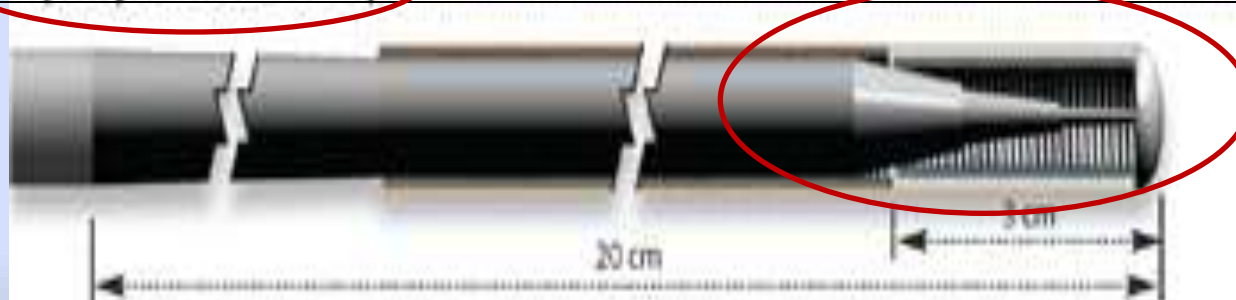


Support



Thunder[®]

Tip Style: Core-to-tip



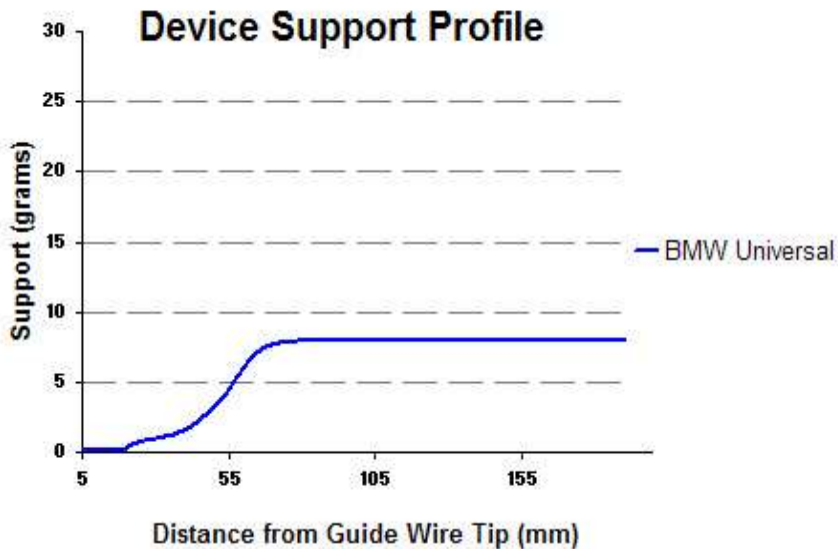
Outer Coating: Pro/Pel

Tip Stiffness



Support





HI-TORQUE BALANCE MIDDLEWEIGHT

Tip load: 0.7 g

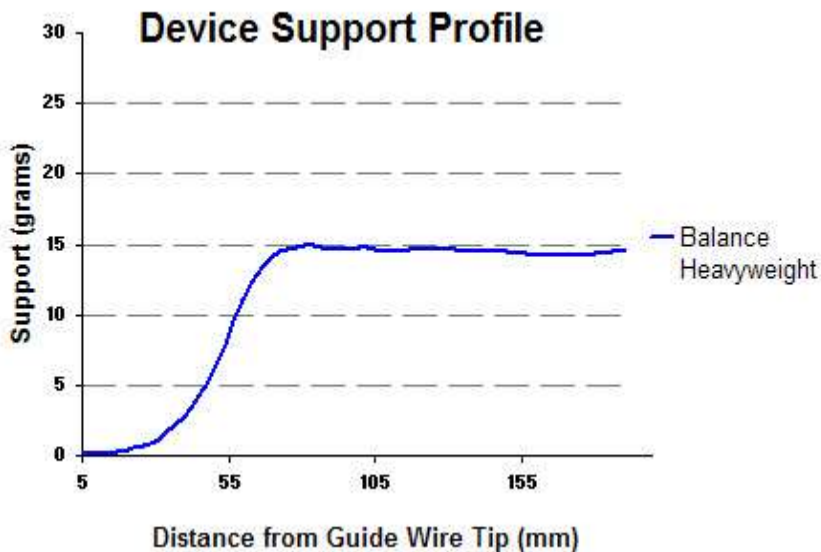
Radiopaque length: 3 cm

Outside diameter: 0.014"

Tip Outside diameter: 0.014"

Tip style: Shaping Ribbon

Core Material: ELASTINITE Nitinol



HI-TORQUE BALANCE HEAVYWEIGHT

Tip load: 0.7g

Radiopaque length: 4.5 cm

Outside diameter: 0.014"

Tip Outside diameter: 0.014"

Tip style: Shaping Ribbon

Core Material: ELASTINITE Nitinol



ASAHI Fielder FC

Tip load: 1.6 g

Radiopaque length: 3 cm

Outside diameter: 0.014"

Coating: Hydrophilic

Tip style: Core to tip

Polymer cover: Full polymer



ASAHI Fielder XT

Tip load: 1.2 g

Radiopaque length: 16 cm

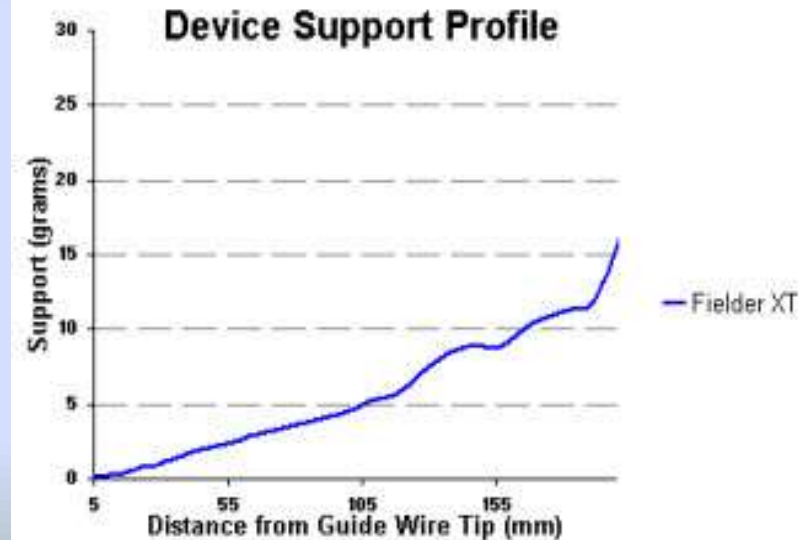
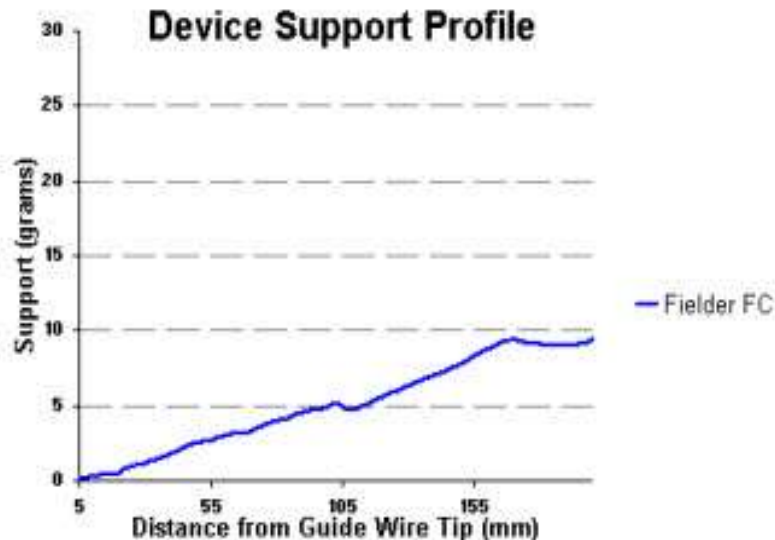
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Tip diameter: 0.009"

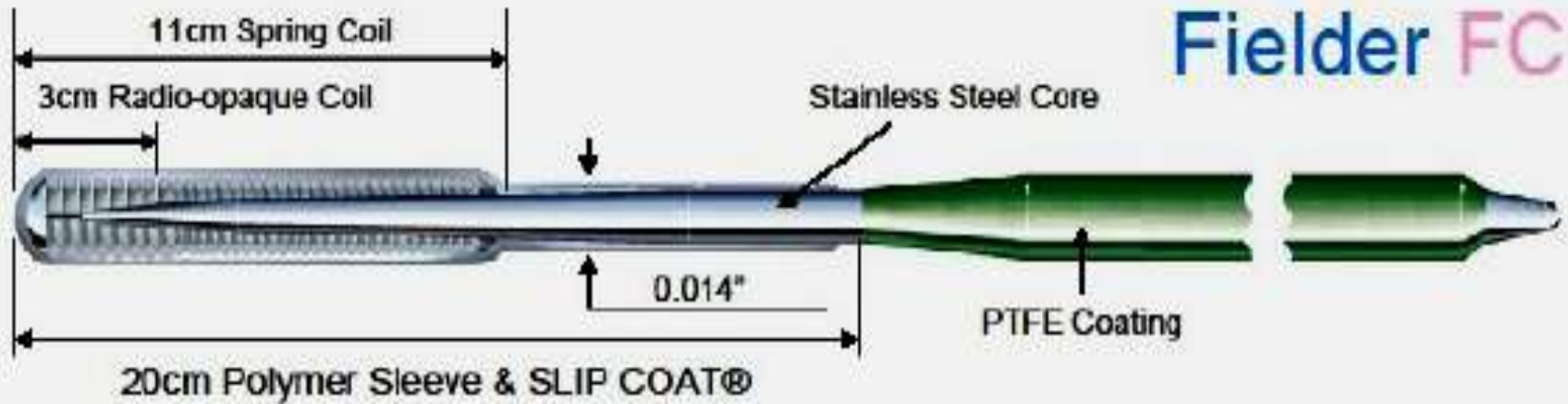
Coating: Hydrophilic

Tip style: Core to tip

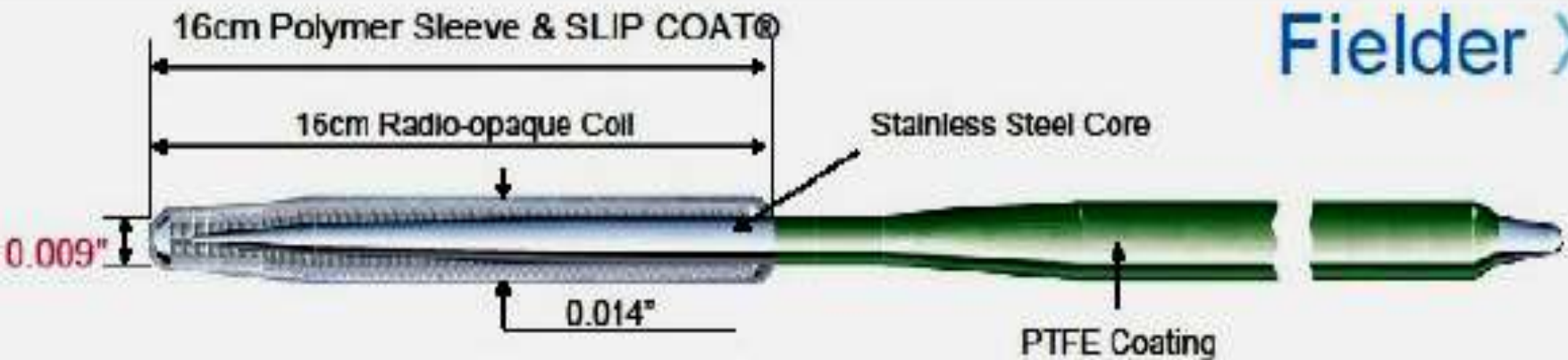
Polymer cover: Full polyme



Fielder FC



Fielder XT



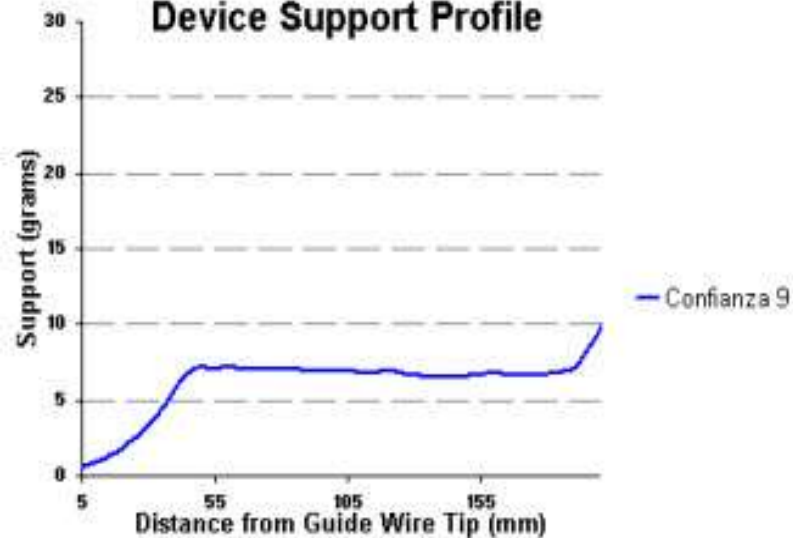
Central Core

Outer Covering

Distal Tip

Coating

Device Support Profile



ASAHI Conianza PRO 9

Tip load: 9.3 g

Radiopaque length: 20 cm

Outside diameter: 0.014"

Tip Outside diameter: 0.009"

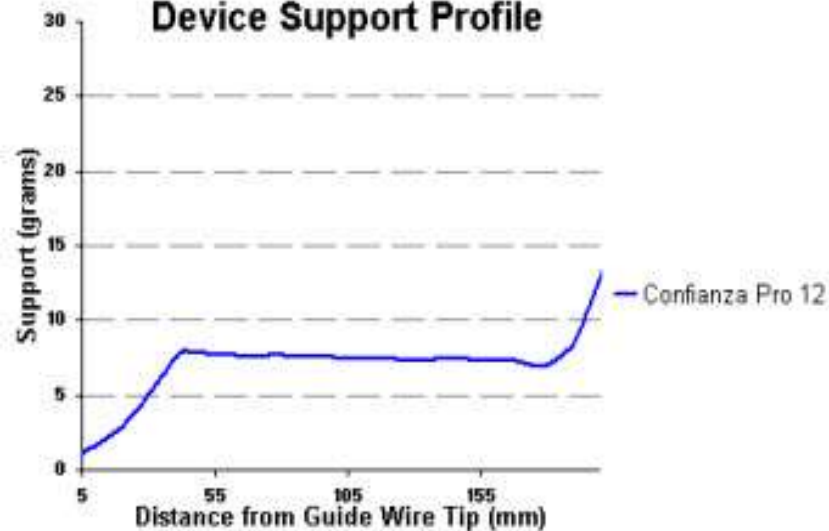
Coating: Hybrid

Tip style: Core to tip

Polymer cover: none



Device Support Profile



ASAHI Conianza PRO 12

Tip load: 12.4 g

Radiopaque length: 20 cm

Outside diameter: 0.014"

Tip Outside diameter: 0.009"

Coating: Hybrid

Tip style: Core to tip

Polymer cover: none

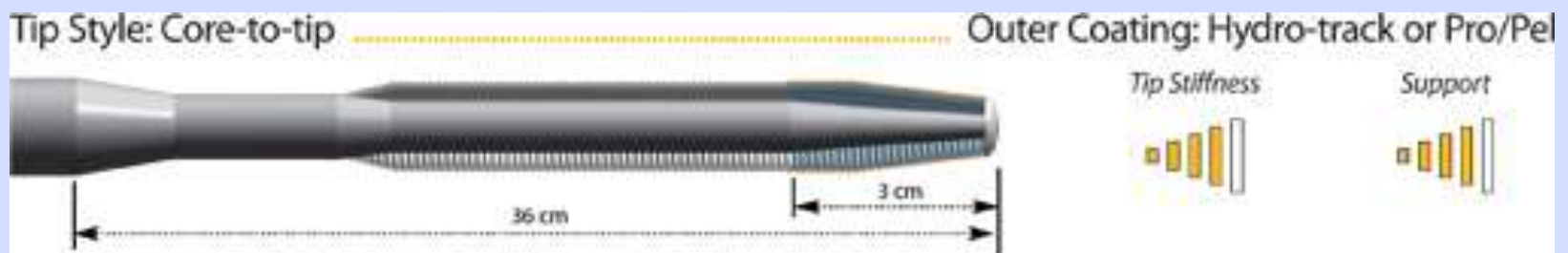




Persuader 3



Persuader 6



Persuader 9

Guidewires for Chronic Total Occlusions

Features required for CTO wires

1. *Penetration force* for penetrating proximal fibrous cap and advancing into true lumen
2. *Pushability* for crossing chronic occlusions and complex lesions with heavy calcifications and tough fibrous tissues.
3. *Steerability* for easy manipulate in various directions with good torque transmission
4. *Shaping Memory* of the tip

Conventional techniques for advancing CTO wires

- **Drilling technique: (perforación)**

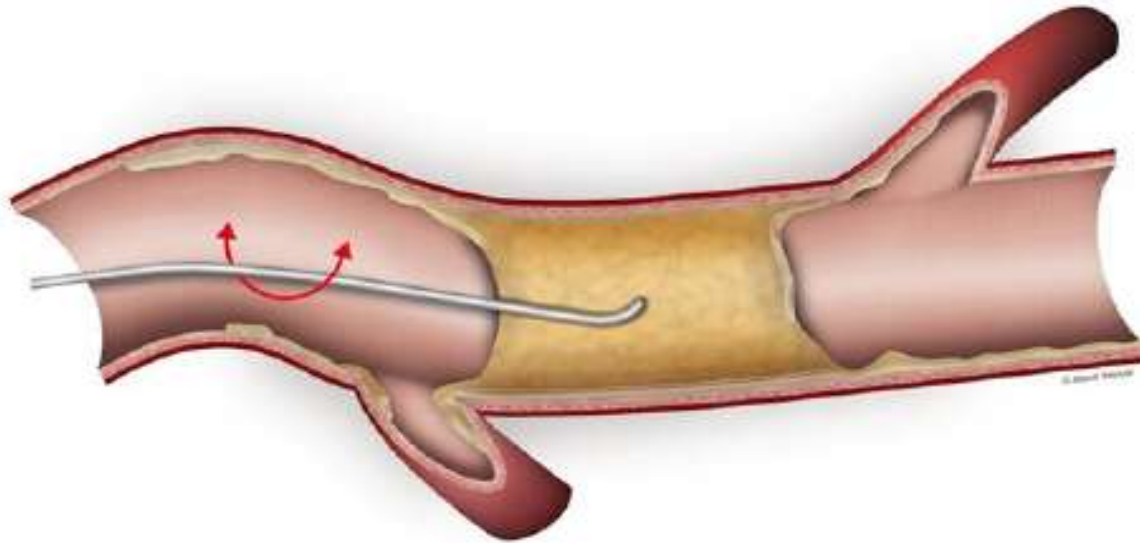
the guidewire is rotated clockwise and counterclockwise while the tip is pushed moderately against the CTO.

- **Penetrating technique: (penetración)**

the operator aims at the target with the tip of the guidewire without rotation.





- **Sliding (deslizamiento)**

Conventional techniques for advancing CTO wires: Controlled Drilling



Some recommended wires:

Straight Tip Guide Wires

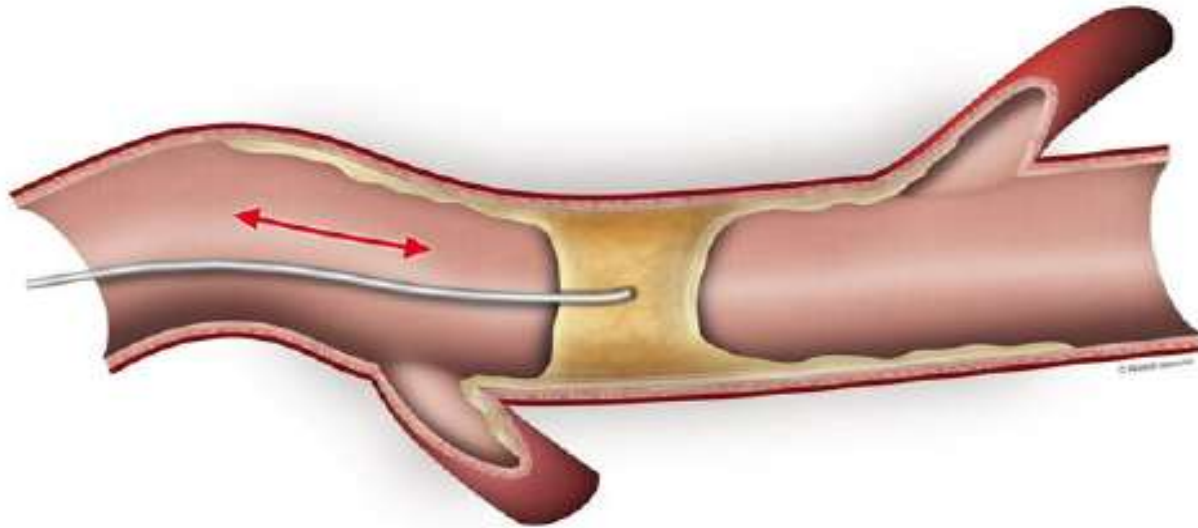
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-  **ASAHI MIRACLEBROS 4.5**
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-  **ASAHI MIRACLEBROS 12**

Tapered Tip Guide Wires

-  **HT CROSS-IT 100XT**
-  **HT CROSS-IT 200XT**
-  **HT CROSS-IT 300XT**

Clinical application: Inside *calcified and fibrotic CTO segment, ISR, Long CTO segment*

Conventional techniques for advancing CTO wires: Penetration Technique



Some recommended wires:

Straight Tip Guide Wires

 **ASAHI MIRACLEBROS 12**

Tapered Tip Guide Wires

 **ASAHI CONFIANZA 9**

 **ASAHI CONFIANZA PRO 9**

 **ASAHI CONFIANZA PRO 12**

 **HT CROSS-IT 400XT**

Clinical Application: Penetrate *proximal and distal cap*, *False to true lumen (IVUS)*,
Change wire direction (2nd wire in *parallel wire technique*)

ASAHI MiracleBros 6

Tip load: **8.8 g**

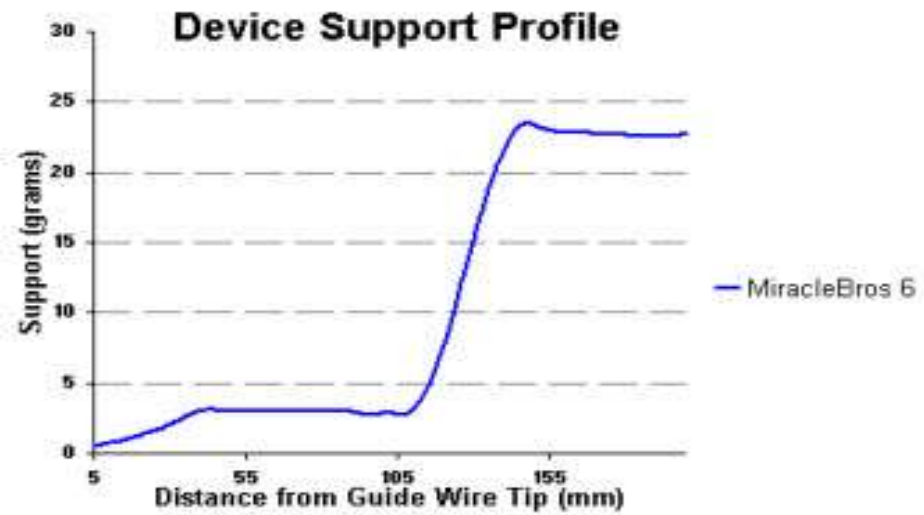
Radiopaque length: 11 cm

Outside diameter: 0.014"

Coating: Hydrophobic

Tip style: Core to tip

Polymer cover: none



ASAHI Confianza PRO 9

Tip load: **9.3 g**

Radiopaque length: 20 cm

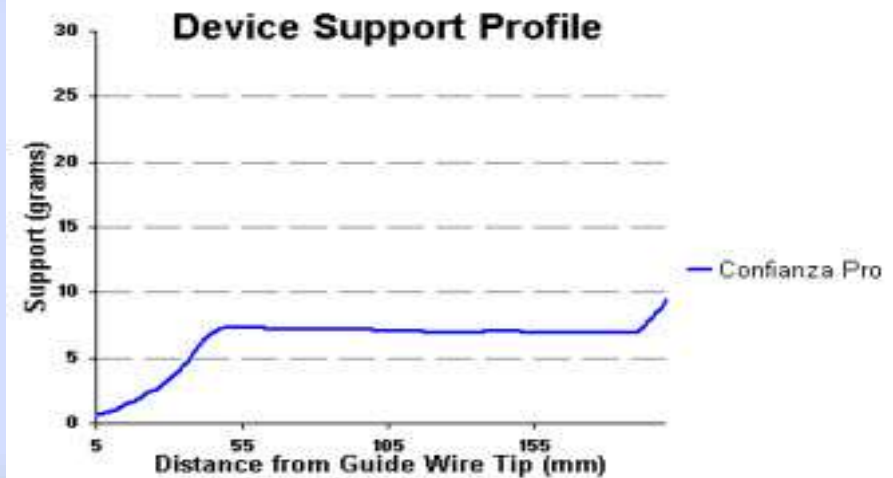
Outside diameter: 0.014"

Tip Outside diameter: **0.009"**

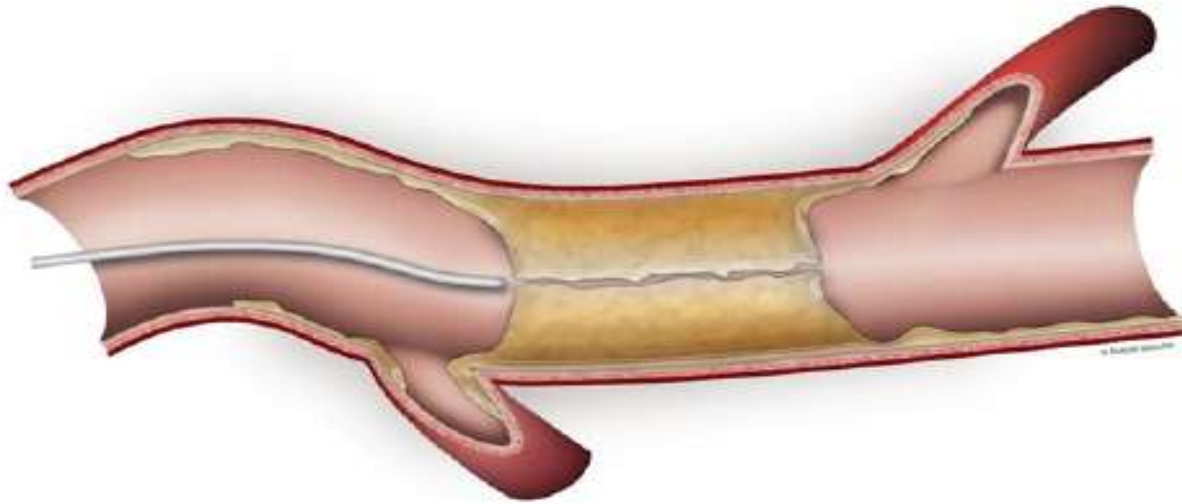
Coating: Hybrid

Tip style: Core to tip

Polymer cover: none



Conventional techniques for advancing CTO wires: Sliding – Microchannel tracking



Very lubricious polymer covered guide wires are used to slide through narrow lesions or functional occlusions.

Some recommended wires:

Tapered Polymer Tip Guide Wire



Polymer Covered Guide Wires



Clinical Application: Tracking *micro channels* (visible and invisible)

ASAHI Fielder XT



Tip load: 1.2 g

Radiopaque length: 16 cm

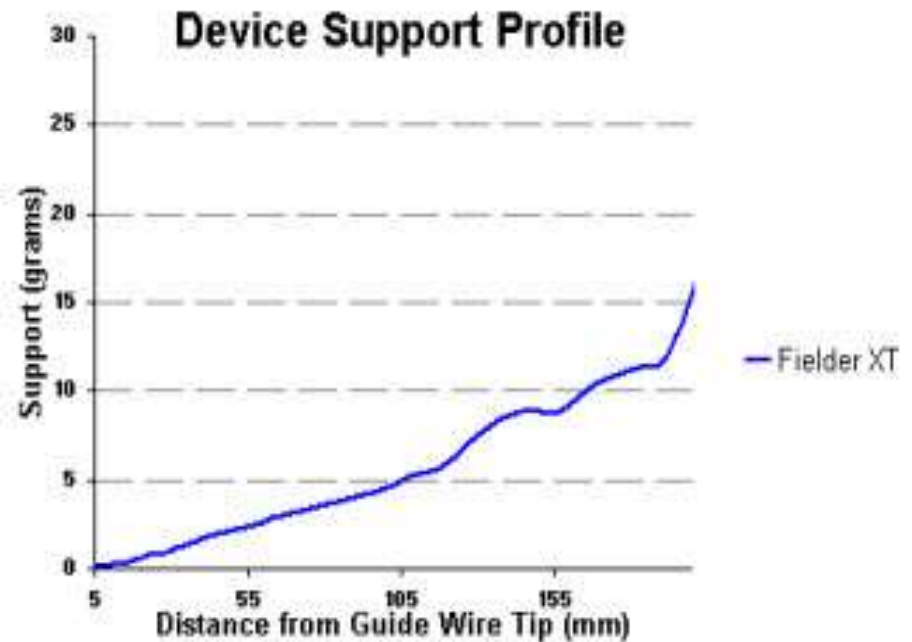
Outside diameter: 0.014"

Tip diameter: 0.009"

Coating: Hydrophilic

Tip style: Core to tip

Polymer cover: Full polym



ASAHI Fielder



Tip load: 3.7 g

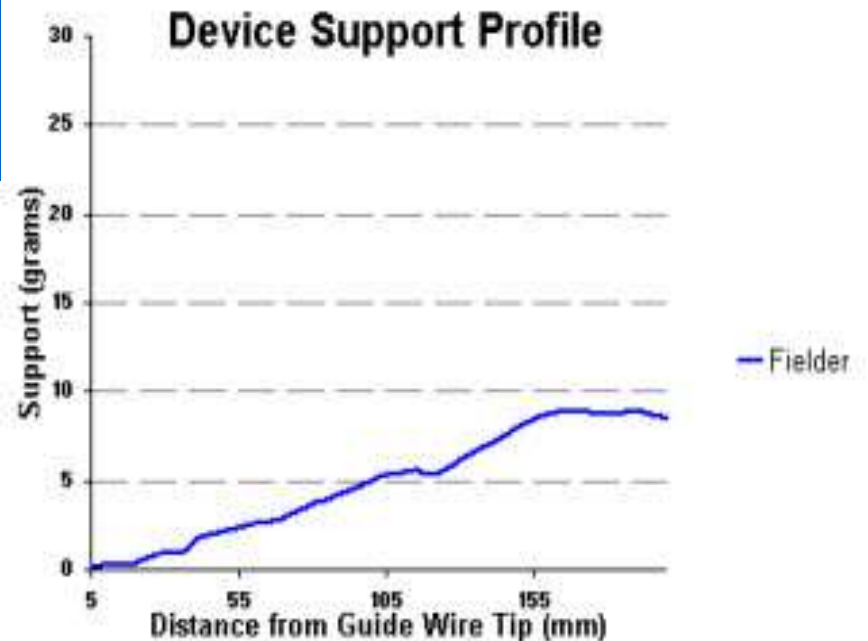
Radiopaque length: 3 cm

Outside diameter: 0.014"

Coating: Hydrophilic

Tip style: Core to tip

Polymer cover: Full polyme





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