



PROVEN  
RELIABILITY,  
**INCREASED  
CONTROL**

Insertable Cardiac Monitors with  
SharpSense™ Technology





Insertable Cardiac Monitors (ICMs) are becoming a widely used diagnostic tool to detect arrhythmias. Abbott ICMs include updated SharpSense™ technology, which further improves the performance of the device. This is a collection of product and clinical data to help clinicians make informed decisions for their patients.

## DETECT ACCURATELY

Performance of SharpSense™ Technology

Retrospective analysis of a Global Registry demonstrates SharpSense™ technology **significantly reduces false detection** of AF, Bradycardia, and Pause episodes.

97.9%

**OVERALL REDUCTION  
IN FALSE POSITIVES<sup>1</sup>**

- 76,403 episodes from 356 devices were analyzed using a simulation of the validated SharpSense technology discriminators.<sup>1</sup>
- Enhanced arrhythmia detection algorithms in SharpSense technology significantly decreases incidents of false Pause, Bradycardia, and AF episodes while maintaining high sensitivity.<sup>1</sup>

NUMBER OF EPISODES BEFORE AND AFTER SHARPSENSE™ TECHNOLOGY DISCRIMINATORS<sup>1</sup>

	ALL EPISODES	FALSE POSITIVE EPISODES
BASE ALGORITHM INITIAL DETECTIONS	76,403	52,431
	<b>72.1% reduction</b>	<b>97.9% reduction</b>
AFTER SHARPSENSE™ TECHNOLOGY DISCRIMINATORS	21,301	1,119

FALSE POSITIVE (FP) REDUCTION & RELATIVE SENSITIVITY PERFORMANCE OF SHARPSENSE™ TECHNOLOGY<sup>1</sup>

	FALSE POSITIVE REDUCTION	RELATIVE SENSITIVITY
PAUSE	98.6%	99.2%
BRADY	98.8%	97.9%
AF	42.4%	94.6%

\* Relative sensitivity =  $\frac{\text{True positive detections after SharpSense technology}}{\text{True positive detections by the base algorithm}}$

## Algorithm enhancement **reduced episode rate**

78%

**LOWER RATE OF BRADY EPISODES<sup>2</sup>**

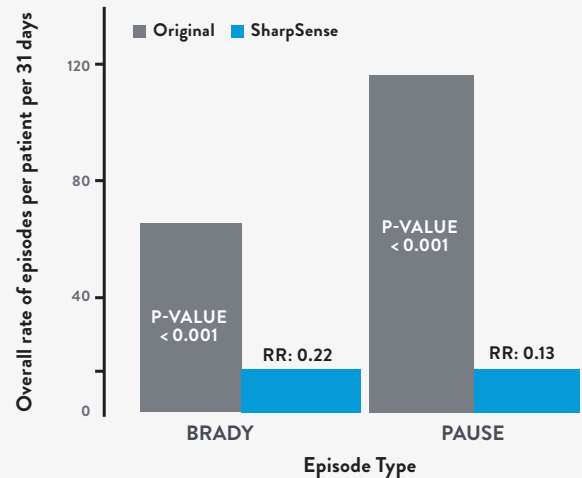
87%

**LOWER RATE OF PAUSE EPISODES<sup>2</sup>**

Patients with SharpSense™ technology were associated with a 78% lower rate of brady episodes and a 87% lower rate of pause episodes in the first four months post implant. SharpSense technology improves the data management of ICM detected episodes by reducing false positive episodes and decreasing overall episode count.<sup>2</sup>

6,810 patients were included in the retrospective simulation comparing algorithm performance among similar patient types.<sup>2</sup>

### REDUCTION IN OVERALL EPISODE RATE WITH SHARPSENSE™ TECHNOLOGY<sup>2</sup>



## Multi-center analysis demonstrates a **consistent improvement in performance**

97.8%

**OVERALL REDUCTION IN FALSE POSITIVES<sup>3</sup>**

76%

**REDUCTION IN ALL EPISODES<sup>3</sup>**

- 294,416 episodes from eight centers were retrospectively analyzed using a simulation from the validated SharpSense™ technology discriminators.<sup>3</sup>
- A median follow-up period of 317 days.<sup>3</sup>
- SharpSense technology significantly reduces false Pause, Bradycardia, and AF episodes with minimal reduction in true episode detection.<sup>3</sup>

### NUMBER OF EPISODES BEFORE AND AFTER SHARPSENSE™ TECHNOLOGY DISCRIMINATORS<sup>3</sup>

	ALL EPISODES	FALSE POSITIVE EPISODES
WITHOUT SHARPSENSE™ TECHNOLOGY	215,775	167,799
	↓ 76.0% reduction	↓ 97.8% reduction
WITH SHARPSENSE™ TECHNOLOGY	51,732	3,756

### FALSE POSITIVE REDUCTION & RELATIVE SENSITIVITY PERFORMANCE OF SHARPSENSE™ TECHNOLOGY<sup>3</sup>

	FALSE POSITIVE REDUCTION	RELATIVE SENSITIVITY
PAUSE	98.8%	99.6%
BRADY	94.9%	99.9%
AF	45.7%	98.6%

# Arrhythmia detection improves in devices with reported sensing issues

96.9%

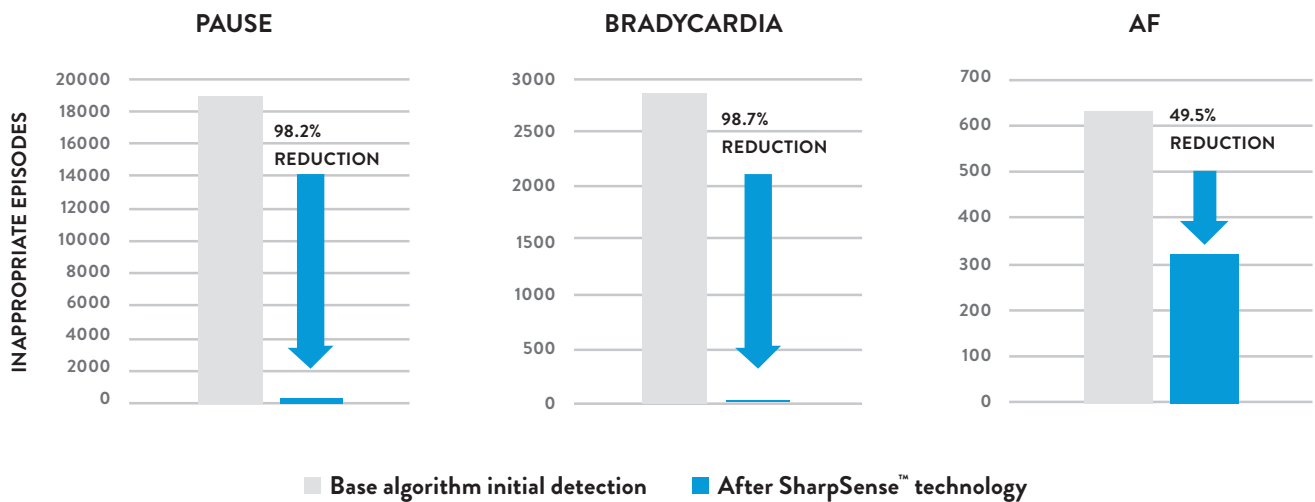
**REDUCTION IN FALSE POSITIVES<sup>4</sup>**

86%

**REDUCTION IN DETECTED EPISODES<sup>4</sup>**

- 25,359 Pause, Brady, and AF episodes were analyzed using a simulation of the validated SharpSense™ technology discriminators over a median device follow-up period of 116 days.<sup>4</sup>
- SharpSense technology significantly reduces false pause, bradycardia, and AF episodes with minimal reduction in true episode detection.<sup>4</sup>

## INAPPROPRIATE PAUSE, BRADYCARDIA, AND AF DETECTIONS BEFORE AND AFTER SHARPSense™ TECHNOLOGY DISCRIMINATORS<sup>4</sup>



Implementation of SharpSense™ technology may reduce episode review burden, improve clinical workflow and improve patient management.<sup>5</sup>

## PERFORMANCE OF DISCRIMINATORS IN THE VALIDATION TESTING DATA<sup>5</sup>

	FALSE POSITIVE REDUCTION	RELATIVE SENSITIVITY
PAUSE	99%	98%
BRADY	99%	100%
AF	58%	100%

## Arrhythmia detection improves in heart failure patients

**SHARPSENSE™ TECHNOLOGY  
ALGORITHM ENHANCEMENTS  
REDUCE FALSE POSITIVES BY**

**97.9%**

**IN PATIENTS WITH HEART FAILURE<sup>6</sup>**

- 313,051 Pause, Bradycardia, and AF episodes triggered by conventional algorithms were transmitted between August 2017 and May 2019 (follow-up duration 258 ± 159 days).<sup>6</sup>
- Abbott ICMs with SharpSense™ technology significantly reduce false positive detection of Pause, Bradycardia, and AF episodes while maintaining sensitivity. This may reduce the requirement for human review of arrhythmic episodes and thus improve clinic workflow.<sup>6</sup>

### PERFORMANCE OF ALGORITHM ENHANCEMENTS IN SHARPSENSE™ TECHNOLOGY<sup>6</sup>

	FALSE POSITIVE REDUCTION	RELATIVE SENSITIVITY
PAUSE	98.5%	99.3%
BRADY	96.1%	99.5%
AF	30.4%	98.0%

	ALL EPISODES	FALSE POSITIVE EPISODES
WITHOUT SHARPSENSE™ TECHNOLOGY	313,051	193,370
	↓ 63% reduction	↓ 97.9% reduction
WITH SHARPSENSE™ TECHNOLOGY	116,691	4,012

## Early generation ICM shows **Atrial Fibrillation can be accurately detected**

The 90-patient DETECT-AF study compared Confirm Rx™ ICM to a Holter monitor and found:

**94%**  
**AF EPISODE SENSITIVITY<sup>7</sup>**

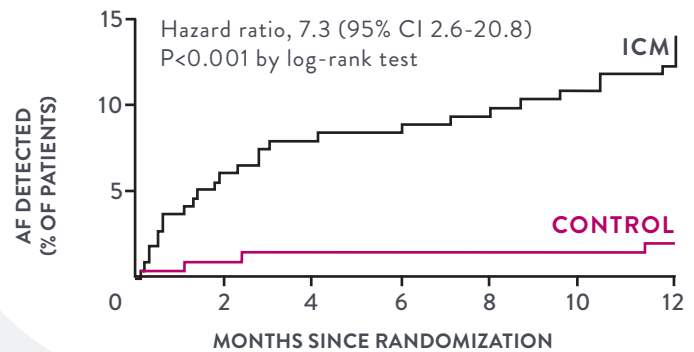
**97.3%**  
**POSITIVE PREDICTIVE VALUE (PPV)<sup>7</sup>**

Confirm Rx™ ICM can accurately and repeatedly detect paroxysmal AF episodes of at least 2 minutes in duration.<sup>7</sup>

Continuous monitoring using an ICM **better detects** AF in cryptogenic stroke patients vs. standard monitoring<sup>8</sup>

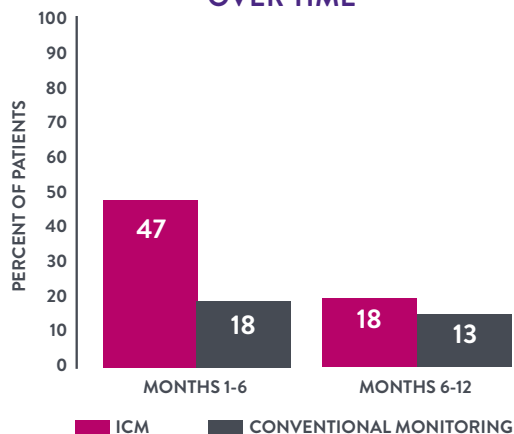
- AF detection using an ICM was 84 days (median).<sup>8</sup>
- At one year, an ICM detected AF in 7.3 times more patients than standard monitoring.<sup>8</sup>

### DETECTION OF AF BY 12 MONTHS<sup>8</sup>



**More Atrial Fibrillation properly detected** and more decisions made with an Insertable Cardiac Monitor after catheter ablation<sup>9</sup>

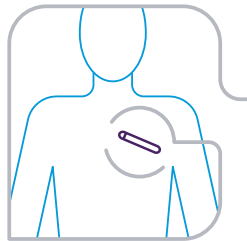
### DIFFERENCES IN AF DETECTION OVER TIME<sup>9</sup>



- 44 patients received implants.
- In the first six months, conventional monitoring missed AF in 29% of patients where ICMs accurately detected AF.<sup>9</sup>
- As many as 84% of AF recurrences were asymptomatic.
- Rate control and anti-arrhythmic drugs were discontinued more in the ICM arm.<sup>9</sup>

# OUTCOMES ARE A MATTER OF TIME

Time to diagnosis and intervention can impact overall care and cost of care.



ICMs



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CLINICIAN PORTAL

ICMs use smartphone connectivity and the myMerlin™ Mobile App to remotely monitor patients.

## 94%

OF ICM PATIENTS  
WERE REGISTERED  
WITH THE APP<sup>10</sup>

## 97%

OF REGISTERED  
PATIENTS HAD AT LEAST  
ONE TRANSMISSION<sup>10</sup>

All worldwide implants of Confirm Rx™ ICM between March 2017 to July 2018 were included:

- 13,323 patients enrolled<sup>10</sup>
- Episodes were transmitted to Merlin.net™ Patient Care Network (PCN) in minutes to hours and were viewed by the clinician within 1-2 days.<sup>10</sup>

### EPISODE TRANSMISSION AND VIEW TIMES<sup>10</sup>

EPISODE TYPE	TIME FROM EPISODE UNTIL MERLIN.NET™ PCN	TIME FROM MERLIN.NET™ PCN UNTIL CLINICIAN VIEW
Patient-Initiated	3.6 [2.5, 11.7] minutes	1.3 [0.6, 3.6] days
Device-Initiated	19.3 [11.5, 49.1] hours	1.2 [0.7, 3.3] days



# A COMPARISON

Between Reveal LINQ<sup>‡</sup> and Confirm Rx<sup>™</sup> ICM<sup>11</sup>

Enrolled 50 patients with 117 arrhythmic episodes transmitted over a mean follow-up of 4.3±1.6 months.<sup>11</sup>

Confirm Rx<sup>™</sup> ICM data transmission is approximately

20x

**FASTER** than  
Reveal LINQ<sup>‡</sup> ICM<sup>11</sup>

Mean time to data transmission is significantly faster with Confirm Rx<sup>™</sup> ICM.<sup>11</sup>

ABBOTT  
**CONFIRM Rx<sup>™</sup> ICM**

24 ± 103 min

P-value (P<0.0001)

MEDTRONIC  
**REVEAL LINQ<sup>‡</sup> ICM**

475 ± 426 min

Medtronic LINQ<sup>‡</sup> ICM

## ADJUDICATION OF TRANSMISSIONS COSTS TIME AND RESOURCES<sup>12</sup>

695

CareLink<sup>‡</sup> Remote  
Monitoring Transmissions

Average time to review  
one transmission was

**30 to 45 min**  
minutes

Adjudication of CareLink<sup>‡</sup> network transmissions required a considerable time commitment given a false positive incidence rate ranging **FROM 46% TO 86%**<sup>12</sup>

# CLINICAL DECISION MAKING

with an ICM

## THE RHYTHM EVALUATION FOR ANTICOAGULATION WITH CONTINUOUS MONITORING (REACT.COM)

Continuous rhythm assessment with an ICM allows for targeted anticoagulation (30 day dosage for AF episode  $\geq$  1 hour) without compromising stroke risk:<sup>13</sup>

94% REDUCTION IN TOTAL TIME ON NOVEL ORAL ANTICOAGULANTS (NOACS)<sup>13</sup>

## MANAGE WITH FLEXIBILITY TO GET ALL EPISODES

For hard-to-detect arrhythmias you can toggle to view all episodes for a specific patient, rather than three key episodes. You can also view all episodes facility-wide.

[ALL] EPISODES



[3 KEY] EPISODES

## POTENTIAL STAFF TIME SAVINGS FROM REDUCED DATA BURDEN

All patients<sup>14</sup>

Hours/year reduction

120 36

Clinic Personnel  
(100 patients)

Electrophysiologists  
(100 patients)

Top 25th percentile patients<sup>14</sup>

Hours/year reduction

300 96

Clinic Personnel  
(100 patients)

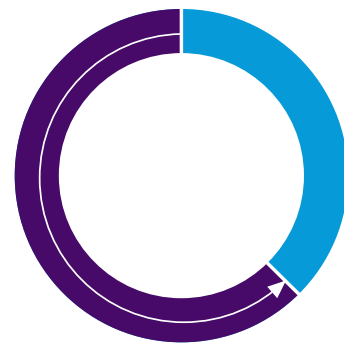
Electrophysiologists  
(100 patients)

## FOCUS YOUR DIAGNOSTIC DATA

Choose to view three key episodes for a patient or facility.

**Decrease your data burden** on average by

63%<sup>15</sup>



With Key Episodes turned on and pause algorithm improvements.

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**Brief Summary:** Prior to using these devices, please review the Instructions for Use for a complete listing of indications, contraindications, warnings, precautions, potential adverse events and directions for use.

**Indications:** An Abbott ICM is indicated for the monitoring and diagnostic evaluation of patients who experience unexplained symptoms such as: dizziness, palpitations, chest pain, syncope, and shortness of breath, as well as patients who are at risk for cardiac arrhythmias. It is also indicated for patients who have been previously diagnosed with atrial fibrillation or who are susceptible to developing atrial fibrillation. Abbott ICMs have not been specifically tested for pediatric use.

**Intended Use:** Abbott ICMs are intended to help physicians monitor, diagnose and document the rhythm in patients who are susceptible to cardiac arrhythmias and unexplained symptoms, as indicated.

**Contraindications:** There are no known contraindications for the insertion of an Abbott ICM. However, the patient's particular medical condition may dictate whether or not a subcutaneous, chronically inserted device can be tolerated.

**Adverse Events:** Possible adverse events (in alphabetical order) associated with the device, include the following: Allergic reaction, Bleeding, Chronic nerve damage, Erosion, Excessive fibrotic tissue growth, Extrusion, Formation of hematomas or cysts, Infection, Keloid formation and Migration. Refer to the User's Manual for detailed indications, contraindications, warnings, precautions and potential adverse events.

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