

# Proven safe and effective: laser-assisted IVC filter removal

SIR late-breaker; First multi-center study proves laser technique safe and effective across centers with varied laser experience

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This retrospective, multicenter, real-world observational study analyzed 265 subjects at 7 sites in the US who underwent IVC filter removal using the laser sheath technology of CavaClear, Philips IVC Filter Removal Laser Sheath. Data was obtained from centers with varying of operator experience and overall



**Primary efficacy endpoint:**  
Procedural technical success 96%<sup>1</sup>



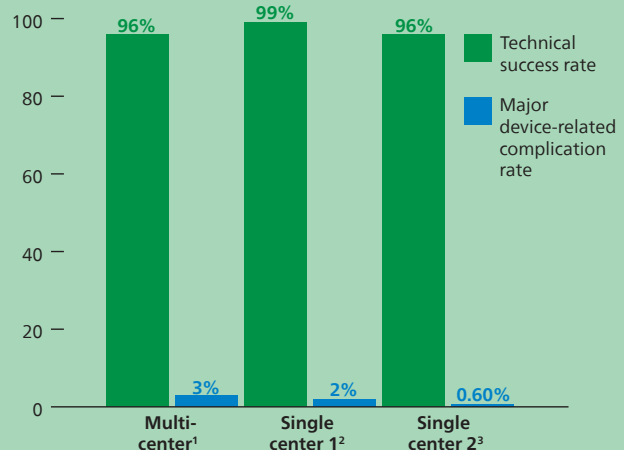
**Primary safety endpoint:**

- Device-related major complication rate 3%<sup>1</sup>
- No major complications identified as definitively related to laser use<sup>1</sup>



**Average filter dwell time:**  
5-year average filter dwell time across a variety of filter types<sup>1</sup>

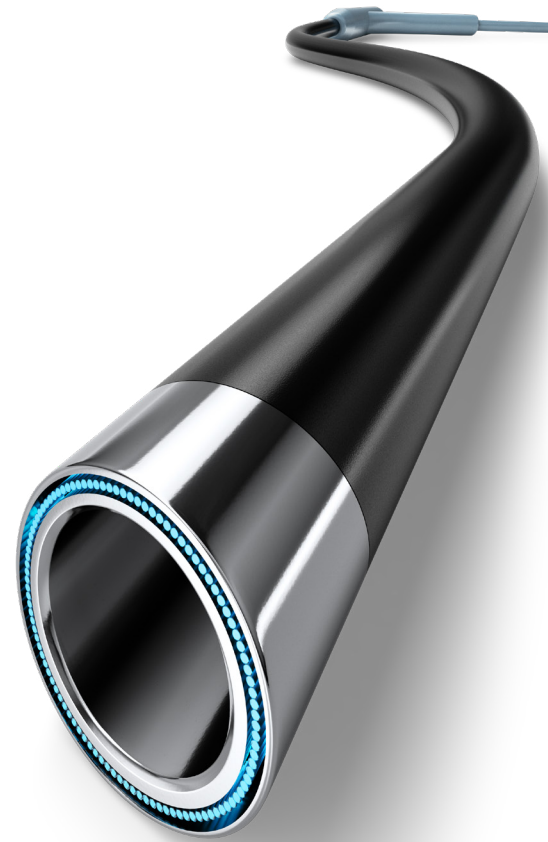
**Clinically proven across varied physician experience levels**



**Conclusion:** The results of this study demonstrate a high procedural technical success rate and a low major device-related complication rate across multi-center experience suggesting that laser has a low learning curve and can easily be integrated into your workflow for advanced IVC filter removals.

*"I am excited to present data from the first real-world, multi-center effort that demonstrates that CavaClear is a breakthrough in the safe and efficacious retrieval of embedded inferior vena cava (IVC) filters. This data demonstrates the broader safety and success of the device when used by experienced operators, providing physicians and the broader medical community with an option for the difficult clinical challenge presented by chronically implanted IVC filters that are no longer clinically indicated."*

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