



## Single-use vs. multi-use flexible ureteroscopes

## **Explore the evidence for yourself**

Since the launch of the award-winning LithoVue™ Single-Use Digital Flexible Ureteroscope, the landscape of flexible ureteroscopy has changed. A growing body of evidence supports the clinical, financial, and operational benefits single-use ureteroscopes such as the LithoVue System offer your facility, health care professionals, and patients.





In cost analysis, it was determined that

46%-59% of the cost of maintaining a flexible ureteroscopy program results from ureteroscope damage<sup>1</sup> Another study showed that

~70% of major ureteroscope repairs resulted from operator-induced damage

that is not covered by any manufacturer's warranty<sup>2</sup>

In a study comparing two digital flexible ureteroscopes, each ureteroscope was used until it was damaged to the point that a major repair was required.

The Gyrus ACMI/Olympus Invisio DUR-D scope lasted 11.25 cases per repair, and the Olympus URF-V lasted 14 cases per repair<sup>3</sup>

> **52%** working channel

> > 27%

scope shaft

deflection components 15%

eyepiece components

A study analysis suggests that

after damage occurs to a ureteroscope more damage may occur with greater **frequency.** The cost of maintaining previously used ureteroscopes should be carefully considered in comparison to the cost of purchasing a new ureteroscope<sup>4</sup>



A data analysis showed

for flexible ureteroscopes, the working channel accounted for the greatest percentage of repairs<sup>5</sup>



In a case report

the physician was able to access the lower pole of the kidney, a challenging location, with the LithoVue Ureteroscope while using a 365 micron holmium laser fiber<sup>6\*</sup>



A prospective case-control study showed a

lower complication rate in the LithoVue Single-Use Digital Flexible **Ureteroscope group (5.4%)** 

in 142 cases performed for stone removal compared with the reusable fiber optic flexible ureteroscope group (18.0%), p<0.05<sup>7</sup>



In a study comparing 115 LithoVue cases to a reusable scope cohort of 65 cases,

the LithoVue System showed a 15.5-minute reduction (p<0.05) in operating room time<sup>7</sup>

using a multivariate analysis

## For more information about the LithoVue Single-Use Digital Flexible Ureteroscope, visit www.BostonScientific.com/LithoVue

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<sup>\*</sup> Results from case studies are not necessarily predictive of results in other cases. Results in other cases may vary.

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