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## RevoLix™ - why ?

**RevoLix** is the only laser specifically developed for soft tissue surgery. The **RevoLix** laser wavelength is 2 micron. This wavelength is similar to Holmium but the emission is continuous instead of pulsed. **RevoLix** unifies the advantages of formerly existing surgical laser principles in a single unit:

- ★ **RevoLix** laser beam is delivered by flexible laser fibres. Incision and vaporization of tissue is similar to CO<sub>2</sub> laser technology. This is ideal for endoscopic, laparoscopic, open and minimally invasive surgery.
- ★ **RevoLix** excellent haemostasis is proven for the treatment of high risk BPH patients under anticoagulant medication [9].
- ★ **RevoLix** provides the highest tissue vaporization rate published. Unlike green lasers the **RevoLix** vaporization efficiency does not decrease during surgery because the absorbing chromophore is water [10]. **RevoLix** tissue effect is shallow. Incisions are smooth and clean.

## RevoLix – what are the advantages ?

Cutting efficiency of soft tissue and haemostasis is superior to any known alternative. Saline or water is used for irrigation reducing the risk of TUR syndrome [2].

Excess laser radiation is absorbed by the irrigation and does not affect tissue more than 3 mm from the tip of the fibre tip. Tissue damage is limited to 0.2 to 1.0 mm.

Visualization is excellent. Neither bleeding nor visible laser glare affects the vision of the surgical site. Colour neutral laser safety glasses maintain true colours. Endoscope lenses remain free from splatter when used in laparoscopic surgery.

## RevoLix – what are the benefits ?

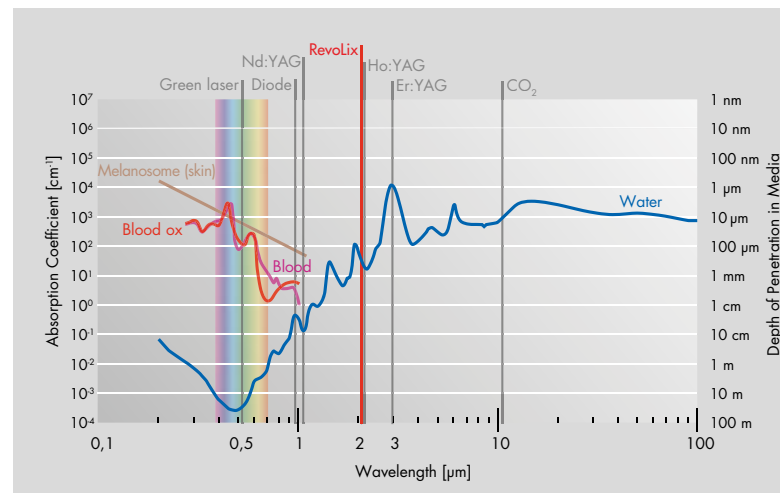
- ★ No blood loss, no transfusions
- ★ Quick recovery
- ★ Short hospital stay
- ★ Less postoperative care
- ★ Short catheterization time in BPH treatment
- ★ Precise surgery
- ★ No deep tissue penetration
- ★ Safe operation
- ★ Excellent haemostasis
- ★ Treatment of patients under anticoagulant
- ★ Ejaculation protective BPH surgery
- ★ Multi-disciplinary

## RevoLix™ - why 2 micron continuous wave ?

The **RevoLix** wavelength at 2.0 micron is excellent for incision and vaporization. It is safe in an aqueous irrigation and it provides superior haemostasis. The effect of the laser on tissue is independent of tissue vascularization.

These outstanding properties are due to the efficient absorption at the **RevoLix** wavelength of 2.0 micron by the water molecule which is ubiquitous in any tissue.

Strong absorption and continuous wave emission provides precise cutting and vaporization of soft tissue with excellent haemostasis. There is no deep penetration or uncontrolled necrosis. Clean cuts and excellent haemostasis are achieved by moving the fibre across the surgical site.



## Absorption spectra of body chromophores

This graph shows the absorption of the most important body chromophores (RED for blood, BLUE for water, BROWN for melanin) at different wavelengths. Depth of penetration is shown at the right. Laser wavelengths are shown as vertical lines.

**Green laser:** In the absence of haemoglobin the Green laser at 532 nm experiences close to no absorption in tissue because at this wavelength water is almost transparent. Under laser treatment haemoglobin bleaches due to the temperature increase in tissue caused by the laser. This explains the ever decreasing vaporization efficiency during a Green laser treatment.

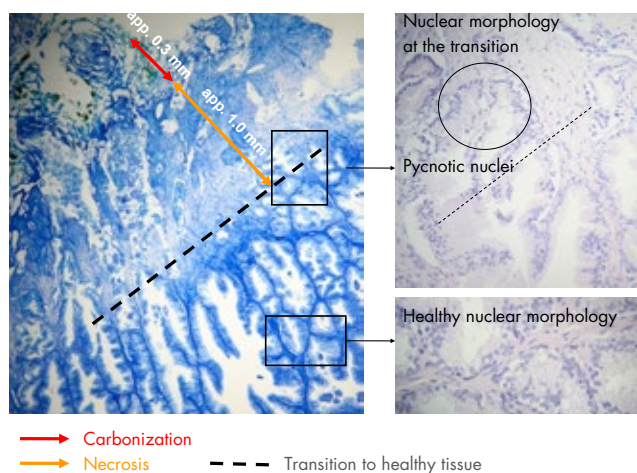
**Diode laser:** At Diode laser wavelength neither water nor haemoglobin is a good absorber. This explains the deep penetration of diode lasers and the Nd:YAG laser.

**RevoLix and Holmium laser:** Both lasers are of similar wavelength which is selectively absorbed by the water molecule. The optical penetration of **RevoLix** in tissue is app. ¼ mm [13].

Unlike haemoglobin water retains its absorptive properties when heated by any laser. This explains the everlasting tissue effect during **RevoLix** treatment.

### RevoLix - why is it safe ?

In an aqueous irrigation the laser effect to tissue is restricted to less than 3 mm in front of the tip of the fibre. Any tissue further afield is shielded by the irrigant. The same mechanism is protecting tissue and organs adjacent to the cut. Any tissue more than 3 mm distant is unaffected by the **RevoLix** laser. Unlike to Green lasers this eliminates the risk of unintentional tissue damage during laser surgery. Penetration and tissue damage is almost independent of power and is the same for all **RevoLix** lasers.

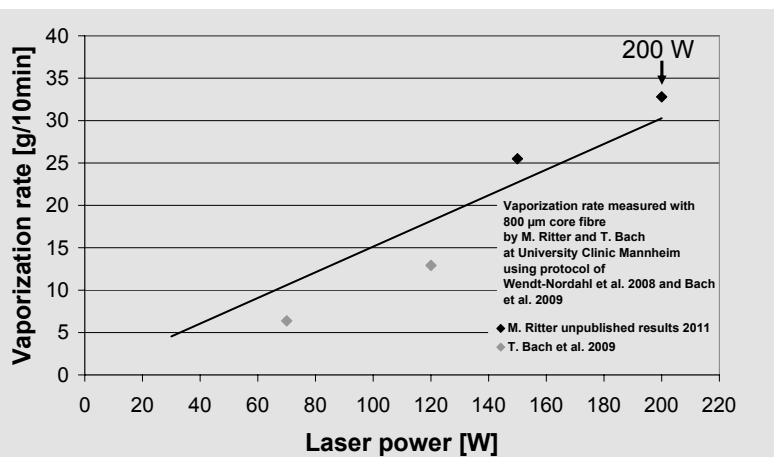


**Histology of excised prostatic tissue after vaporization with RevoLix 200 watt laser**

### The RevoLix laser family RevoLix 70 – RevoLix 120 - RevoLix 200

After its clinical introduction in 2003 the **RevoLix** laser experienced continuous development. The initial 70 watt model for basic surgery was upgraded to 120 watt which is ideal for the enucleation of prostate.

The added value of the **RevoLix 200** is the increased tissue vaporization rate to more than 3 grams per minute. This value was determined in a blood-perfused porcine kidney model [11]. In BPH surgery tissue vaporization eliminates the necessity for mechanical tissue morcellation.



**Vaporization rate vs laser power at 2 micron**

### RevoLix – BPH protocols and learning curve

**RevoLix** offers a variety of BPH options [8]:

- ★ ThuVAP
- ★ ThuVaRP
- ★ ThuVEP + ThuLEP

Your learning curve benefits from the range of these protocols. The beginner will start with vaporization and later will progress cutting chips which increase in size and finally ending up in enucleation – all with the same instrument.

Throughout the learning curve there is no additional surgical risk. For the **RevoLix** novice only the OR time is longer at the beginning of the learning curve [12].

Tissue samples are produced for subsequent histological examination during Vaporesection and Enucleation. **RevoLix** for BPH surgery is efficient and safe [6, 15].

### RevoLix – suitable for large glands and how long does surgery take ?

For **RevoLix** there is no limitation in prostate size. Gland volumes of up to 200 ml (TRUS) are reported. Approximately 1.5 grams per minute of tissue are enucleated [14, 15].

### RevoLix DUO – one box for BPH and stones

**RevoLix DUO** is the first universal laser in urology for lithotripsy, BPH, bladder tumours, UTUC, open and laparoscopic surgery. This versatility is achieved by combining a pulsed Holmium-YAG laser and a continuous wave Thulium-YAG laser in a single box. Lithotripsy in the lower, medial and upper tract with rigid and flexible instruments is accomplished by the integrated Holmium laser. Stones are fragmented irrespective of the chemical composition. Highly flexible laser fibres are most suitable for URS of the lower calix with flexible instruments.

Both laser units of the **RevoLix DUO** are available from the same fibre port. This feature allows using the same laser fibre for soft tissue surgery and for lithotripsy.

### How do RevoLix lasers match with your theatre ?

**RevoLix** is extremely user friendly. In the theatre the **RevoLix** laser operates quietly. Large castors allow for easy movement between rooms. **RevoLix** lasers operate from a standard power outlet. No special installation is required. The laser has proven its extreme sturdiness during routine transportation between theatres and use by mobile healthcare services.

## Family of Kix footswitches

To activate the laser device the choice of two footswitches is available. The **Kix** footswitch has a single pedal. The **Kix DUO** double pedal footswitch makes 2 selectable power settings available at the tip of your toe. This optional feature allows switching between power settings for cutting and coagulation or between different settings for slow and fast cutting speeds.



**Kix DUO** double pedal footswitch  
Order No. 101 630 144

## RevoLix - delivery systems perfected

LISA offers a wide range of specialised delivery systems. Reusable front firing fibres are stripped and cleaved in preparation for the next case. Disposable laser fibres are used in theatre situations where reuse is not allowed. Please refer to the LISA **Surgical Laser Accessories** brochure for laser applicators and reconditioning tools and to the **Surgical Laser Fibres** brochure for various front and side firing fibres.

## RevoLix - applications and publications

The **RevoLix** laser system has demonstrated its superiority in surgical disciplines such as urology, neurosurgery\*, ENT, gynaecology and bronchoscopy. More than 150 articles are published about surgical applications with LISA **RevoLix** lasers.



**Kix** single pedal footswitch  
Order No. 101 630 147

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**RevoLix - what are the applications ?**

The **RevoLix** laser system has demonstrated its superiority in surgical disciplines such as Urology, Neurosurgery\*, Gynaecology, Pneumology and ENT. In Urology **RevoLix** gains much attention for its superior performance in vaporization and resection of the prostatic adenoma (BPH), outpatient treatment of recurring renal UTUC and bladder tumours, opening of strictures, incisions and tissue preserving excisions.

**Urology**

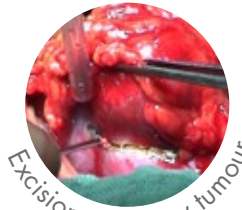
- VapoResection of prostate (ThuVaRP)
- Vaporization of prostate (ThuVAP)
- VapoEnucleation of prostate (ThuVEP)
- Blunt enucleation of prostate (ThuLEP)
- Bladder neck incision
- Opening of strictures
- Vaporization and excision of bladder tumours
- Vaporization of upper track urothelial carcinomas UTUC
- Partial nephrectomy
- Laparoscopy



VapoResection of prostate



Vaporization of prostate



Excision of kidney tumour



Ureter stone



Adhesiolysis

**Lithotripsy**

**Gynaecology**

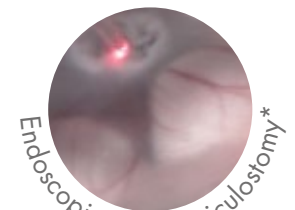
- Hysteroscopy
- Endometriosis
- Adhesiolysis
- Conisation
- Condylomata

**Neurosurgery\***

- Fenestration of cysts
- Ventriculocysternostomy
- Catheter recovery
- 3rd ventriculostomy
- Tumour resection
- Haemostasis



Ventricular cysts\*



Endoscopic 3rd ventriculostomy\*

**ENT**

- Excision of tumours
- Tonsillectomy
- Conchotomy



Tonsillectomy



Excision of tumour

**Pneumology**

- Bronchoscopy
- Airway recanalization
- Desobstruction
- Tissue coagulation



Lung surgery



Airway recanalization

## Technical Specifications

RevoLix™



70 Watt Laser

120 Watt Laser

200 Watt Laser

<b>Tissue laser system</b>	continuous wave DPSS laser
<b>Wavelength</b>	2013 nm
<b>Power at fibre tip</b>	5 to 70 W (adjustable)      5 to 120 W (adjustable)      5 to 200 W (adjustable)
<b>Emission mode</b>	continuous wave, chopped 50ms - 1000ms
<b>Repetition rate (chopped mode)</b>	0.5-10 Hz
<b>Beam delivery</b>	wide range of flexible silica fibres
<b>Fibre identification</b>	optical
<b>Aiming beam</b>	635 nm (red) or 532 nm (green), max. 1 mW (adjustable)
<b>Mains supply</b>	208 - 240 V AC, 50/60 Hz, (1~, N, PE), max. 16 A
<b>Cooling system</b>	integrated cooling
<b>Dimensions</b>	H 1025 x W 420 x L 1007 mm (height w/o display)
<b>Weight</b>	170 kg
<b>Environmental conditions</b>	15 - 28 °C / 10 - 90 % humidity (non-condensing)

## Technical Specifications

RevoLix™ DUO



150/200 Watt Laser

<b>Tissue laser system</b>	continuous wave DPSS laser
<b>Wavelength</b>	2013 nm
<b>Power at fibre tip</b>	5 - 150 W (adjustable)
<b>Emission mode</b>	continuous wave, chopped 50 ms - 1000 ms
<b>Repetition rate (chopped mode)</b>	0.5-10 Hz

<b>Stone laser system</b>	pulsed Holmium-YAG laser
<b>Wavelength</b>	2123 nm
<b>Power at fibre tip</b>	2.5 - 20 W (adjustable)
<b>Pulse energy</b>	0.5 - 2.6 J
<b>Frequency</b>	5 - 15 Hz
<b>Pulse peak power</b>	7 kW
<b>Beam delivery</b>	wide range of flexible silica fibres same fibre port for both lasers
<b>Fibre identification</b>	optical
<b>Aiming beam</b>	635 nm (red) or 532 nm (green), max. 1 mW (adjustable)
<b>Mains supply</b>	208 - 240 V AC, 50/60 Hz, (1~, N, PE), max. 16 A
<b>Cooling system</b>	integrated cooling
<b>Dimensions</b>	H 1025 x W 420 x L 1007 mm (height w/o display)
<b>Weight</b>	185 kg
<b>Environmental conditions</b>	15 - 28 °C / 10 - 90 % humidity (non-condensing)

Safety Standards: IEC 60601  
CE acc. Council Directive 93/42/EEC

U.S. federal law restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician.

Specifications are subject to change without notice.

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### IMPORTANT NOTICE:

The information provided is a general overview of potential clinical applications of the described products.

National health care regulations vary between countries and may exclude certain clinical applications at your location. The user assumes responsibility to be updated about national deviations from the applications listed above.

\*In the USA the products are not intended for use in clinical applications in neurosurgery.



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