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Medco Forum Presents: New Olympus Ultra-Slim Colonoscope

*The EVIS EXERA III System's PCF-PH190L/I:
A "Comfort Scope" for Both Routine And Difficult Cases*

The PCF-PH190L/I is among the new endoscopes Olympus has recently introduced as part of the EVIS EXERA III System. Often referred to as the "ultra-slim" colonoscope, it is designed for smoother insertion, increased patient comfort and reduced procedure time, offering a number of advantages over standard colonoscopes.



Not Only a "Rescue Scope" But a "Great Routine Scope"

One well-known user of the new "skinny scope," as he calls it, is Jerome D. Wayne, MD., past president of both the American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy and the American College of Gastroenterology. Dr. Wayne has been using the PCF-PH190L/I for several years in prototype form. After about 2000 cases with this 9.5 mm outer diameter scope, he states: *"I believe that this colonoscope is ideal as a rescue scope, but I also use it on any patient that comes through needing a colonoscopy. At first I thought I would use it only if I could not get through a difficult colon with a standard colonoscope or even with a pediatric colonoscope. However, I've found the skinny scope is also quite effective for everyday use."*

Dr. Wayne, who is clinical professor of medicine at the Mount Sinai Medical Center and director of endoscopic education at Mount Sinai Hospital, as well as editor of 14 books, including *Colonoscopy: Principles and Practice* (Blackwell Publishing, now in its second edition, 2009), goes on to explain: *"This instrument is more slender than a standard workhorse scope. It has a nice tip deflection capability, and I've found I can use it quite readily in difficult situations. But I've used it in multiple other routine situations, and it works well."*

Dr. Ronald L. Richardson, a board-certified gastroenterologist who practices at University Surgical Associates PSC in Louisville, KY, comments: *"I have used various Olympus prototype models for about five years and have done about 2500 procedures with them. Initially we were using the ultra-slim scope just as a rescue scope and in select patients who had prior difficulties with other scopes, or who had strictures or preferred less sedation. But then later I started using it on every case for periods of time, and frankly, I think the ultra-slim is a great routine scope. I tend to do all my procedures with*

conscious sedation and have found this colonoscope is much more suitable for light sedation procedures.”

The ultra-slim scope from Olympus was designed specifically for use with patients who have had previous pelvic or abdominal surgery, including altered anatomy; patients with strictures; thin or small patients; or those who have had a previous incomplete colonoscopy, diverticular disease or specific inflammatory conditions. Now, the PCF-PH190L/I can be viewed as a routine scope as well.

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