MONOLATERAL FIXATOR

Micrometric system for reduction and external fixation

MMF



INDICATIONS

- Open fractures
- Comminuted fractures
- Infected fractures
- Pseudoarthrosis
- Epiphyseal distraction
- Elongation/angular corrections of the axis

ADVANTAGES

The MMF fixation system consists of two units:





A **reduction unit**, or "brain", which makes it possible to reduce the fracture (fig.1).

Fixation unit



A **fixation unit**, which guarantees stabilization (fig.2 a - b - c).

a - Fixator for humerus



b - Standard fixator

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c - Short fixator

Main characteristics of the system:

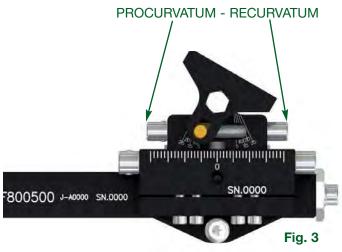
- Extreme facility in fracture reduction
- High level of stability
- Gradual and precise micrometric correction of the fracture.
- Dynamic or static management of the fracture.
- Minimum profile well tolerated by patient.
- Point of correction situated centrally on axis of the bone (the ideal distance between the correction head and the axis of the bone should be around 6 cm).

Fig. 2

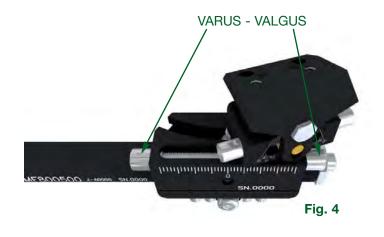
- Self-locking function: the forces acting on the fixator do not twist or otherwise modify the position of the correction heads.
- The fracture can be re-operated at any time by applying the reduction unit to the fixation unit.

REDUCTION UNIT

The micrometric – self-locking mechanism of the heads provides easy and precise reduction and keeps the correction stable.



The reduction heads can be independently adjusted in planes I (procurvatum and recurvatum) and corrected 2 x 25°, as shown in fig.3, and II (varus and valgus), as shown in fig.4.



The telescopic tubular mechanism ensures stability and provides for longitudinal movement (100 mm).



REDUCTION TECHNIQUE

DISTRACTION



The telescopic tubes are moved longitudinally by acting on the central screw on the end of the reduction unit.

Thus, the fracture can be distracted without any particular traction.

ROTATION



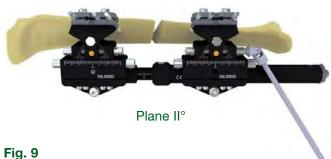
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The fixation screw must be loosened to allow alignment and then tightened again immediately afterwards.

ANGULAR REDUCTION



Reduction of the fracture in plane I is obtained by turning the screws (Varus - Valgus).



Reduction of the fracture in plane II is obtained by turning the screws (Procurvatum - Recurvatum).

COMPRESSION



Longitudinal compression is obtained by turning the centre screw on the end of the reduction unit. Compression of oblique fractures can be optimised by turning the screws for correction in planes I and II.

Fig. 10

FIXATION UNIT



Fig. 11 Having obtained reduction, the clamps and Schanz pins are transferred to the lighter stable fixation unit.

This does not alter the reduction of the fracture in any way.

Fig. 12 Place the fixation unit, with the clamps fully open, on the reduction unit.



Fig. 13 Insert and tighten the two hexagonal screws in each clamp.

The reduction unit clamps are thus fixed to the stable fixation unit.



- Fig. 14 Tighten the spherical joints on the fixation unit using the appropriate dynamometric wrench on the hexagonal bushes of the supports.
- Fig. 15 Remove the wrench from the clamp and use instrument cod. 800-451 to "snap" the wrench into the next work position (fig.15).



Fig. 16 Loosen the two hexagonal screws on each clamp that fixed the reduction unit to the clamps; once free, the reduction unit can be removed.

Fig. 17



SURGICAL TECHNIQUE

Fig. 1

Fig. 3

Fig. 6

Fig. 9



Determine the pre-selected position in which to insert the first Schanz pins. Having cut the skin, introduce the trocar into the soft tissue protector and then in the template.



The pins should be inserted into the diaphysis at an angle of around 45° anteromedially (tibia) and anterolaterally (humerus and femur).



Introduce the sheath for the drill bit in the soft tissue protector.

Fig. 4

Fig. 5

Fig. 2



Having inserted all the proximal pins, insert the pins in the distal bone fragment using the same procedure.



Loosen the screws on the reduction unit as shown. Make sure the rotation correction clamp is positioned distally.



other screws.



Drill the tibia crest medially

Remove the drill bit sheath and

introduce the first Schanz pins;

repeat this procedure for the

following the 45° angle.

Mount the reduction unit on the Schanz pins. The low positioning of the reduction unit ensures the subsequent higher positioning of the definitive fixation unit. Fig. 8



Tighten the locking screw to ensure longitudinal fixation



Distract the fracture by turning the centre screw on the end of the reduction unit.



Fig. 11

Fig. 12

Fig. 15



Rotation correction is obtained by manually turning the rotary reduction head. The fixation screw must be loosened to allow alignment and then tightened again immediately afterwards.



Reduce the fracture on the 2 planes using the brilliance amplifier. The long universal screwdriver is used to make corrections without exposing yourself to X rays.



Loosen the hexagonal bushes on the fixation unit.

Fig. 13

Mount the fixation unit on the clamps of the reduction unit.

Fig. 14



Insert and tighten the four screws on the plates of the fixation unit.



Tighten the hexagonal bushes on the fixation unit using the appropriate pre-calibrated dynamometric wrench.







Remove the wrench from the clamp and use instrument cod. 800-451 to "snap" the wrench into the next work position.



Loosen the four screws on the reduction unit.





Remove the reduction unit.

Fig. 19



Fixation is thus completed. The fixator can be subsequently dynamized by substituting the stopper nut on the end of telescopic tube (+1 or +2mm).

FIXATORS

REDUCTION UNIT

- MMF reduction unit without pin clamps and screws
- MMF reduction unit with 2 pin clamps and 4 screws



STABILIZATION UNIT

Standard monolateral external fixator with 2 pin clamps and 4 screws

Cod. 800-400



• Standard short monolateral external fixator with 2 pin clamps and 4 screws Cod. 800-420



• Standard monolateral external fixator for humerus with 2 pin clamps and 4 screws Cod. 800-300



Cod. 800-500

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ACCESSORIES







- Standard pin clamp Cod. 800-411
- Condylar pin clamp •
- Cod. 800-412

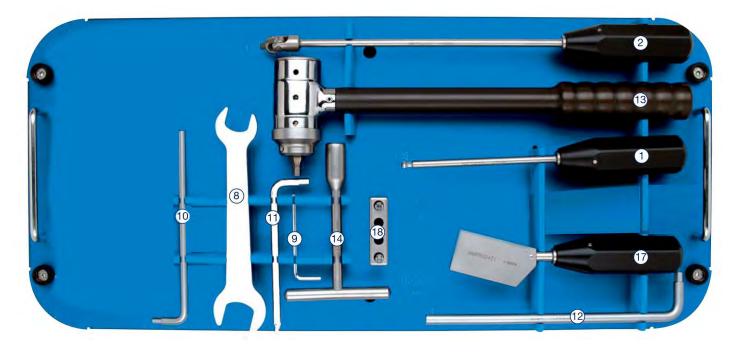
- Locking (hexagonal) screws for pin clamp (package of 4 pieces) Cod. 800-410
- Stopper nut, 1mm clearanceStopper nut, 2mm clearanceCod. 800-402Cod. 800-403



• Standard ball joint for MMF Cod. 800-406

- Ball joint for humerus
- Cod. 800-306

INSTRUMENTS



0. Code 800-702 Lower sterilization tray

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- 1. Code 800-458 Screwdriver with 5mm hexagonal spherical head
 - Code 800-459 Hinged screwdriver, 5mm
- 8. Code 800-451 Wrench, 18-22 mm
 - Code 800-456 L-shaped hexagonal wrench, 2.5mm
 - Code 800-454 L-shaped hexagonal wrench, 4mm
 - Code 800-455 L-shaped hexagonal wrench, 5mm
 - Code 800-457 High torque L-shaped hexagonal wrench, 6mm
- 13. Code 800-452 Dynamometric wrench
 - Code 800-460 T-wrench for Schanz pins
- 17. Code 800-471 Multiple drilling guide with handle
- 18.Code 800-470Fixed multiple drilling guide

EQUIPMENT



- 0. Code 800-701 Upper sterilization tray
- 1. Code 800-500 MMF reduction unit
- 2. Code 800-299 MMF fixator for humerus
- 3. Code 800-399 Standard MMF fixator
- 4. Code 800-411 Standard pin clamp
- 5. Code 800-412 Condylar pin clamp
- 6. Code 800-410 Locking (hexagonal) screws for pin clamp

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