Lapidus Reduction Clamp Surgical Technique





Introduction

The Lapidus reduction clamp is designed to assist in achieving and holding reduction for Lapidus procedures by addressing both frontal plane rotation and the intermetatarsal angle (IMA). The simplicity of this singular instrument provides surgeons the flexibility to use their desired approach, preparation, and fixation methods while maintaining three-dimensional correction and proper anatomical positioning of the metatarsal.

Product Highlight



Technique Overview



Using fluoroscopic guidance, make an incision over the 1st tarsometatarsal (TMT) joint. The incision is shown dorsomedial to the joint. However, this approach can vary in location and size based on surgeon preference and preferred hardware.



Using an osteotome or freer, incise and release the joint capsule so the 1st metatarsal can rotate freely.

Optional: Joint preparation can be completed at this time. In this technique guide, preparation is completed after reduction is achieved.



Insert a 1.6 mm guidewire into the neck of the 2nd metatarsal. Palpate the foot to avoid the extensor tendon upon insertion.



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Position the guidewire sleeve of the rotating arm to a dorsomedial position on the 1st metatarsal. Advance a second 1.6 mm guidewire through this sleeve into the 1st metatarsal.

Note: The guidewire sleeves have a built-in gripping feature that may add resistance when advancing the guidewire.





Once final reduction is achieved, lock down both the rotating arm and spin-down mechanism to maintain positioning.



Holding reduction, use instrumentation of choice to complete joint preparation.



For a more minimally invasive approach, the MIS burr and power system can be used.



Final Fixation Options





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Ordering Information

Product description	Item number
Reduction Clamp	AR- 8841RC
1.6 mm Guidewire	AR- 8941K

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