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Field Safety Notice - Safety Information

NP462R - ENDURO SPECIAL KEY TIB.LOCK.RING F1/10MM NP454R - ENDURO KEY F/TIBIAL LOCKING RING







NP454R

Aesculap AG has received customer feedback that the assembly of EnduRo Tibia components and the replacement of the PE gliding surfaces can lead to the bending or breaking of the metal pins of the tibial locking ring key.

This bending or breaking of the metal pins on the tibial locking ring key is the result of a possible tilting of the NP462R or NP454R wrench during use.

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As part of ongoing product improvement, the system has been modified and added. Assembly and

changing the PE sliding surfaces was simplified by the use of the new modified instrument NQ839R

in combination with NP144PM and NP141R (only in combination with the modified version of the

wrench NP462RM). The NQ839R - ENDURO TIBIA PLATEAU HOLDING KEY makes it easier to hold

the tibia components in place when changing the PE gliding surfaces (including the axis

components). Tilting of the wrench during use is prevented.

Please check that the instruments you are using are the latest versions. Please only use these new

versions in the future. In the table below you will find an overview of the modified and added system

instruments. In order to also avoid the scenario described above when using the NP454R, Aesculap

AG recommends to use this tibial locking ring key only in combination with the new modified

instruments.

A detailed description of its use can be found in the operating technique instructions 038602.

If you do not yet have the latest version of the instruments at your facility, please contact our

product management to organize an exchange. If required, Aesculap AG will provide a new storage

tray and a corresponding packing template.

If you have any further questions regarding this safety information, please contact our product

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Old instruments	OLD	Action	New/ modified	NEW
			instrument	
NP462R		Modified with Hexagon	NP462RM	
NP144P	ANT	Modified with thread	NP144PM	Takena File
NQ830R		Replaced by	NQ839R	
		New Holding down clamp for NP462RM	NP141R	
NP454R		No change	NP454R	

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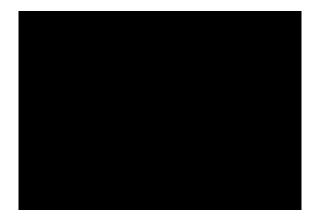
Please make sure that all users of the above products and other people who should be informed at your organization receive this information.

If you have given the products to third parties, please forward a copy of this information or inform Aesculap AG (vigilance_aag.de@aesculap.de).

The German Federal Institute for Drugs and Medical Devices has received a copy of this safety information.

Please return the feedback form attached to this letter as acknowledgment of receipt of this safety information.

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FEEDBACK FORM

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We acknowledge the receipt of the Field Safety Notice from B. Braun Aesculap / Germany.

Please mark:

We have take notice.

HOSPITAL_______ TOWN _______

NAME_______ DEPARTMENT _______ TELEPHONE _______

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