Implant extraction set

Operative technique
This publication sets forth detailed recommended procedures for using Stryker devices and instruments. It offers guidance that you should heed, but, as with any such technical guide, each surgeon must consider the particular needs of each patient and make appropriate adjustments when and as required.

A workshop training is recommended prior to first surgery. See package insert (L22000007) for a complete list of potential adverse effects, contraindications, warnings and precautions. The surgeon must discuss all relevant risks, including the finite lifetime of the device, with the patient, when necessary.
Precautions and contraindications

**Precautions**

Stryker Systems have not been evaluated for safety and compatibility in Magnetic Resonance (MR) environment and have not been tested for heating or migration in the MR environment, unless specified otherwise on the product labels and/or respective operative technique.

**Contraindications**

Cold welded screws require cutting tools for metal to remove the screws. The extraction set does not feature carbide drills or other cutting tools to remove cold welded screws.

Stryker can only recommend use of the extractor instruments with its own products.
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- Screwdriver bits  
- Crown drills (Trephines)  
- Conical extractors male/female |
| Screwdriver bit 2.5mm (conical) | Screws:  
- T2 humeral compression  
- AsnisIII 4.0mm  
- Numelock 4.5mm  
- ISO 2.7mm  
- ISO 3.5mm  
- ISO 4.0mm |
| Screwdriver bit 3.5mm (conical) | Screws:  
- 4mm and 5mm locking screws (T2, S2, Gamma3, IC etc.)  
- T2/S2 end caps  
- T2/S2 femur/tibia compression screws  
- TLN all screws  
- 3.7mm and 4.6mm locking screws Grosse & Kempf  
- AsnisIII 5.0mm  
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| Screwdriver bit 4mm (conical) | Screws:  
- Set Screw for Gamma, Gamma3, Gamma Ti, Dyax-A, AP, AP-J; Proximal Plug for Gamma, Gamma Ti, Dyax, Dyax-J, AP, AP-J |
| Screwdriver bit 5mm | Screws:  
- 6.28mm locking screws  
- AsnisIII 6.5mm and 8.0mm  
- T2, S2, Recon lag screws |
| Screwdriver bit 6.3mm | Screws:  
- T2, S2 condyle screws |
| Screwdriver bit 8mm | Screws:  
- Grosse & Kempf, SCN condyle screws  
- Gamma3 end cap |
| Screwdriver bit T 8 (Torx) | Screws:  
- AxSOS 3.0mm |
| Screwdriver bit T 15 (Torx) | Screws:  
- AxSOS 4.0mm |
| Screwdriver bit T 20 (Torx) | Screws:  
- Alta 3.7mm locking screws  
- AxSOS 5.0mm |
| Screwdriver bit T 25 (Torx) | Screws:  
- Alta 5mm locking screws, lag screws and caps |
| Conical extractor, male, left hand, small (left hand driving) for diameter range 1–2.5mm | Screws:  
- AsnisIII 4.0mm |
| Conical extractor, male, left hand, 2.5mm (left hand driving, for damaged hex 2.5mm and diameter range 2.3–4mm) | Screws:  
- T2 Humerus compression  
- AsnisIII 4.0mm  
- ISO 2.7mm  
- ISO 3.5mm  
- ISO 4.0mm |
| Conical extractor, male, left hand, 3.5mm (left hand driving, for damaged hex 3.5mm and diameter range 3.3–4mm) | Screws:  
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- AsnisIII 5.0mm  
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- ISO 6.5mm |
| Conical extractor, male, left hand, 4mm (left hand driving, for damaged hex 4mm and diameter range 3.8–4.4mm) | Screws:  
- Set Screw for Gamma, Gamma3, Gamma Ti, Dyax-A, AP, AP-J; Proximal Plug for Gamma, Gamma Ti, Dyax, Dyax-J, AP, AP-J |
| Conical extractor, male, left hand, 5mm (left hand driving, for damaged hex 5mm and diameter range 4.8–5.4mm) | Screws:  
- 6.28mm locking screws  
- AsnisIII 6.5mm and 8.0mm  
- T2, S2 Recon lag screws |
| Crown drill 3 (bone drill for broken screws with diameter range ≤ 3mm) | N/A |
| Crown drill 4 (bone drill for broken screws with diameter range ≤ 4mm) | N/A |
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**Caution:** Implants can be subject to change. This can impact the compatibility of extraction instruments. It is therefore required to start the implant extraction with a complete extraction set in order to have access to alternative instruments.
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Screws
After identifying screw type and diameter, extract the screws with the appropriate screwdriver bit by turning the screwdriver counter-clockwise.

To avoid damaging the screw, make sure the screwdriver is in line with the screw axis and fully inserted.

Screws with reverse cutting flutes (e.g. AsnisIII screws, T2 recon lag screws) can be removed using the spreading screwdriver bits and cannulated handle. For spreading screwdriver instructions, see condyle screw removal below.

Stryker offers a wide variety of hex (standard, conical, spreading,) and torx screwdrivers. Check the available type and size on the ordering information page.

For condyle screw removal, assemble the necessary screwdrivers:

The 6.3mm hex screwdriver bit with the solid teardrop handle (for the nut) and the 6.3mm hex spreading screwdriver bit with the cannulated teardrop handle (in combination with the rotation rod) as shown in the illustration.

Make sure to tighten the rotation rod until the tip of the screwdriver spreads firmly and fully into the screw head.

A screwdriver needs to be inserted from each side of the condyle screw using one to stabilize the nut and the spreading screwdriver to loosen and extract the condyle screw. If necessary, use the spreading screwdriver to remove the nut in a second step.

The condyle screw is extracted by turning the screwdriver in a counter-clockwise direction.
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Never use a worn or damaged screwdriver to remove screws. Reverse cutting flutes are present for this reason. It is recommended that the solid screwdriver be used for screw removal. The solid screwdriver applies greater torque and may reduce the potential for damaging the hexagonal tip on the screwdriver. Strong bone formation around the implant is possible in the pediatric cases using partially threaded screws. This may lead to difficult implant removal with an increased risk of screw head breakage or stripping of screw hexagonal head.

If the oblique direction of the screw (approximately 135° to the shaft) is not changed, then the reverse flutes are not in an optimal position to cut the cortex. If the screw head is placed under traction and the angle of the screw is brought to a perpendicular position relative to the bone, cutting the cortex will progress and facilitate screw removal.

**Damaged screw head**
Screw stripping is commonly caused by slippage of a screwdriver that is not correctly aligned with the screw axis and/or fully seated. This may occur either during insertion or, more commonly, during attempted screw removal.

The appropriate sized conical extractor (based on the size of the screw head hex/torx) is inserted firmly into the screw head. Lightly tapping the conical extractor with a slotted hammer may be tried if purchase is not initially obtained with manual pressure. It is at the surgeon’s discretion if and how hard to use the hammer.

Assemble the selected conical extractor (male) with the teardrop-handle and turn it counter-clockwise while applying pressure in line with the screw axis, extracting the screw at the same time. If the screw does not come completely out, the forceps can be used to complete the extraction.

Be sure to use the solid screwdriver in combination with the appropriate sized screwdriver bits or the cannulated screwdriver with the spreading screwdriver bits. Proceed as described above.
Technical details

Plates
To remove any plate, first extract all screws by using the appropriate size screwdriver bits. Remove the plate by using a regular forceps.

The development of locking plate technology has led to “cold welding” of screws to the plates. In this case, cutting tools for metal have to be used for the removal of the screws. In order to help protect the soft tissue from excessive heat and metal debris accumulation, irrigation and suction should be used in combination with cutting tools.

Warning:
If screws are cold welded to the plate, carbide drills may be required. The extraction set does not feature carbide drills or any other instruments to remove cold welded screws.
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**Broken screws**
In case of a broken screw shaft:

**Step 1**
Remove the screw head portion in order to gain access to the remaining part of the screw shaft. The screw head can be removed with the appropriate screwdriver as described on page 6.

**Step 2**
Use the drift punch to extract the remaining part of the screw.

If difficulties are encountered with the above process, overdrill the remaining part of the screw with a crown drill before proceeding with the drift punch.

In case of a torn-off screw head:

**Step 1**
Overdrill the remaining part of the screw with a crown drill. Use another crown drill, one size larger, in order to create space for the female conical extractor/drift punch. It may be necessary to start with light pressure on the crown drill in order to avoid the drill walking on the cortex surface before applying additional pressure to penetrate the bone. Light tapping with the slotted hammer may be required. It remains at the surgeon’s own discretion if and how hard to use the slotted hammer.

Alternatively, the optional countersink (6mm or 8mm) can be used to create a path for the crown drill.

**Step 2**
Remove the remaining part of the screw with the conical extractor, (female) if the screw is broken close to the first cortex or with the help of a drift punch if the screw is broken close to the second cortex.

This procedure can also be applied to broken intramedullary nail locking screws.
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**Broken cannulated screws**

To remove the torn-off head:

**Step 1**
Select the appropriate spreading screwdriver bit. Attach cannulated teardrop handle. Insert rotation rod through the top of the teardrop handle. Insert tip into the screw head and turn rotation rod to engage and remove screw head.

To remove remaining screw body (parts):

**Step 2**
Insert the conical extractor (male) and extract the remaining screw body turning the conical extractor in a counter-clockwise fashion.

If steps 1 and 2 are unsuccessful for screw removal:

**Step 3**
Overdrill the shaft using the crown drill.

**Step 4**
Use a conical extractor (female) for screw removal.

If the attempt for screw removal is not successful, follow the standard procedure for broken screw removal described on page 8.
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**Lag screws**
An incision is made over the proximal end of the nail. The end cap, if used, is removed using the appropriate screwdriver bit followed by removal of the set screw using the 4.0mm screwdriver as shown in the image below (1).

Make a small incision through the old scar distal to the greater trochanter to expose the outer end of the lag screw.

The threaded rod is then attached and tightened into the lateral, exposed end of the lag screw (2).

For Gamma implants: position the K-wire through the lag screw.

The threaded rod is inserted over the K-wire (when used for Gamma) and tightened into the lateral, exposed end of the lag screw.

Remove the K-wire, if used.
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Check that ingrowth does not obstruct secure engagement of the extraction device, otherwise the implant or the instrument may be damaged and extraction will be more difficult.

Slide the appropriate connector over the threaded rod before adding the extraction rod & nut as shown in the picture 3.

**Note:**
The Gamma3 lag screw was selected as an example to demonstrate lag screw removal.

**However, different connectors are available for other implants including a lag screw. See details in the Implant Extraction Set System Component Guide (IES-BR-1).**

Finish assembly of the lag screw extraction device by tightening the nut 4 and attaching the T-handle 5 in a final step as shown in the picture.

The lag screw is extracted by counterclockwise rotation and pulling 6.

Use the 7mm spanner wrench if higher forces are required for the removal of the lag screw.
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**Intramedullary nails**
When removing an intramedullary nail, it is helpful to identify the nail brand and its diameter in order to choose the correct instrumentation.

The end cap, if used, is removed using a screwdriver. If bone ingrowth obstructs access to the nail, use of either a crown drill, pick (not supplied), or curette (not supplied) may provide access.

Remove the distal/proximal screw with the appropriate screwdriver bit. Do not take out the screws of the driving (proximal) end until the conical extraction rod is attached to the top of the nail in order to avoid rotation.

Insert the conical extraction rod into the driving end of the nail.

Lightly hammer the conical extractor in order to fully engage the cutting flutes.

Connect the strike plate and the universal rod either adding the sliding or slotted hammer as shown in the picture.

Remove the remaining locking screws and confirm with fluoroscopy that locking screws have been removed before using either hammer to remove the nail.

**Caution:**
Special care must be taken to check if the nail moves off-center from the entry point when screws are removed. Any attempt to remove a nail that is off-center may result in fractures of the distal condylar region.
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**Broken intramedullary nails**

Removal of broken intramedullary nails may be particularly challenging. Stryker developed a system that can be used for the removal of many cannulated intramedullary nails.

Remove the distal screw with the appropriate screwdriver bit. Do not take out the proximal screws until you have attached the conical extraction rod to the top of the nail in order to avoid rotation.

An incision is made over the proximal end of the nail. The end cap, if used, is removed using a screwdriver. If bone ingrowth obstructs the access to the nail, the use of either a chisel/pick (not provided) or a crown drill will facilitate removal.

Connect the universal rod and the strike plate to the extraction rod (center of page) either adding the sliding or the slotted hammer.

**Step 1**

Insert the nail extraction device into the proximal end of the nail, tightening it as firmly as possible.

**Step 2**

Remove the proximal screws before using either hammer to remove the nail.

**Step 3**

After removal of the proximal nail end, exchange the conical extraction rod for the extraction hook (as shown to the left). Insert extraction hook into the cannulation of the nail fragment.

Under fluoroscopy, verify that the hook has passed through the nail end. Make sure that the hook takes a hold at the end of the nail before pulling to remove it.

**Step 4**

Use the sliding or the slotted hammer to pull out the remaining part of the nail.
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