

# **SURGICAL TECHNIQUE GUIDE**

Circular External Fixation





### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

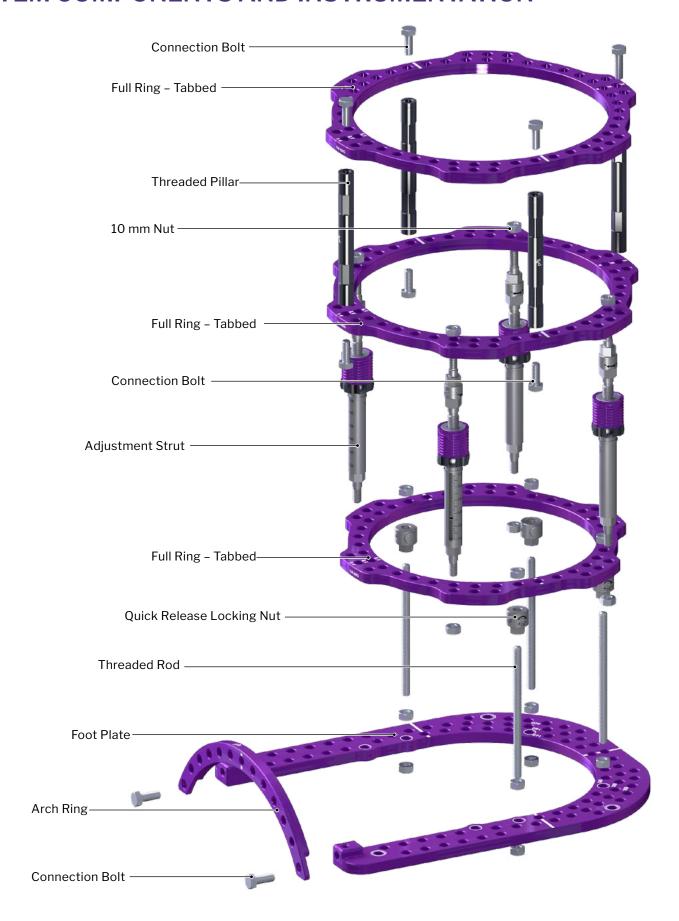
The Monkey Rings™ External Fixation System allows for modular flexibility in circular external fixation constructs. Half Pin and Wire placement, as well as Construct type, will depend on the injury or condition being addressed. Ring size, use of Struts or Threaded Rods, and Half Pins or Wires is all left to surgeon discretion.

### **Acknowledgment:**

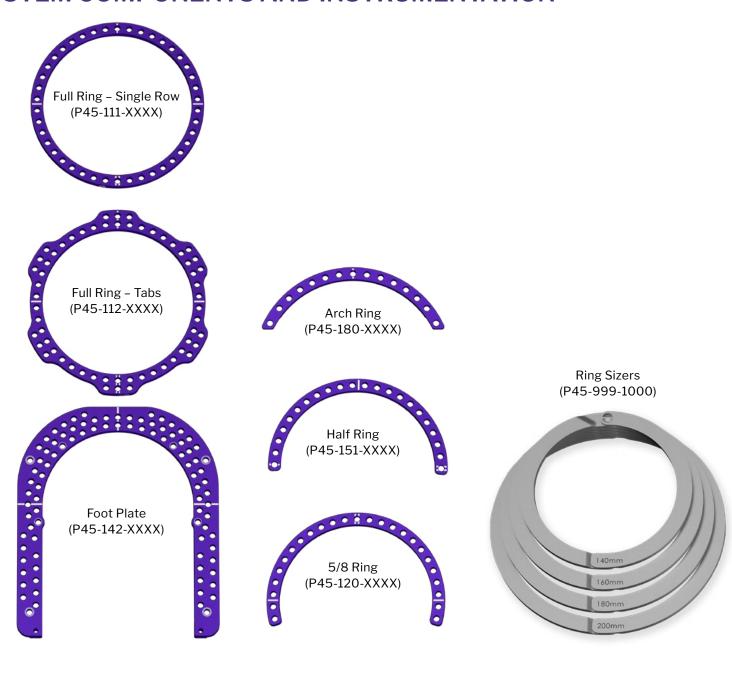
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Double marking is to denote the anterior orientation of the Ring, while the other three single markings denote the medial, lateral, and posterior orientation.



The size charts below depict the compatibility of the system's Ring/Foot Plates and specifies which Plates come standard in the case. All other Plate sizes are available by request.

Key:	= Available in case	= Sizes compatible
1.0,1	= Available for order	= Sizes non-compatible

				Foot	Plate		
		120 mm	140 mm	160 mm	180 mm	200 mm	220 mm
	80 mm						
	100 mm						
	120 mm						
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	160 mm						
Full Ring	180 mm						
	200 mm						
	220 mm						

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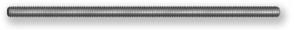


Adjustment Strut (P45-224-XXXX)



#### Threaded Rod (P45-310-XXXX)

Allow for the adjustments in the length between the Ring or Foot Plates.



#### Threaded Pillar (P45-330-XXXX)

Threaded Pillars are available in static lengths.



Universal Pin Clamp (P45-970-2000)



Wire Fixation Bolt (P45-913-2001)



Quick Release Locking Nut (P45-941-0002)



M6 Long Extension Nut,

10mm Hex (P45-941-0001)

Compression/Distraction,

**Quick Release Locking** Nut Wrench (P45-517-0001)



Convex Spherical Washer (P45-944-0001)





Concave Spherical Washer (P45-944-0002)



Male Extension Posts with Threaded Attachment (Male) (P45-921-XXXX)



	Strut Lengths Available	
Small	Medium	Large
100 mm-129 mm	120 mm-170 mm	160 mm-250 mm

	Roc	l Lengths Ava	ilable	
30 mm	60 mm	80 mm	100 mm	120 mm
150 mm	200 mm	250 mm	300 mm	

	Pillar Leng	gths Available	
30 mm	50 mm	75 mm	100 mm
150 mm	200 mm	250 mm	300 mm

### Connection Bolt (P45-914-XXXX)

Connection Bolt Lengths Available				
8 mm	16 mm	20 mm		

M6 Connecting Nut, 10 mm Hex (P45-940-0001)



Washer (P45-943-XXXX)

6	Washe	r Sizes A	vailable
	1 mm	2 mm	4 mm

4 Hole

Male/Female Extension Post Holes Available

3 Hole

### Female Extension Posts without threaded attachment (Female) (P45-920-XXXX)



### Rancho Cubes (P45-925-XXXX)



	Rancho Cube	Holes Available	
2 Hole	3 Hole	4 Hole	5 Hole

2 Hole

### Rancho Cube Centering Collars (P45-925-XXXX)



Center	ing Collar Diameters	Available
4.0 mm	5.0 mm	6.0 mm

Offset Slotted Ring Adapter (Short) (P45-935-XXXX)



Offset Slotted Ring Adapter (Long) (P45-935-XXXX)





	Drill Tip	Diameters Available	Overall Length	Thread Length	Drill
	Self-Drilling (P45-191-XXXX)	Ø4.0	95 mm	35 mm	Ø2.4
		Ø5.0	95 mm	35 mm	Ø3.4
		Ø5.0	160 mm	45 mm	Ø3.4
		Ø6.0	160 mm	35 mm	Ø4.4
		Ø6.0	160 mm	45 mm	Ø4.4
	Self-Drilling				
Size	(Hydroxyapatite Coating) (P45-199-XXXX-S)	Ø4.0	120 mm	35 mm	Ø2.4
Half Pin Size	(F45-133-AAAA-3)	Ø5.0	180 mm	50 mm	Ø3.4
Hal		Ø6.0	180 mm	50 mm	Ø4.4
	Blunt Tipped (P45-196-XXXX)	Ø4.0	95 mm	35 mm	Ø2.4
		Ø5.0	160 mm	35 mm	Ø3.4
		Ø5.0	160 mm	45 mm	Ø3.4
		Ø6.0	160 mm	35 mm	Ø4.4
		Ø6.0	160 mm	45 mm	Ø4.4



**NOTE:** Pre-drilling is always recommended regardless of Half Pin type.



Smooth Wire (P45-194-1840) 1.8 x 400 mm

Reduction Wire (P45-195-0007) 1.8 x 400 mm





10 mm Angled Socket Wrench (P45-513-0001)



10 mm Slotted Angled Socket Wrench (P45-513-0002)



10 mm Tang Angled Socket Wrench (P45-513-0003)





Snub Nose Attachment (P45-540-0001)



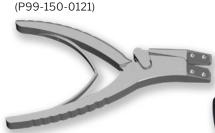
Long Nose Attachment (P45-540-0002)



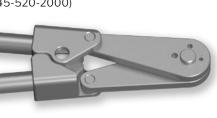
Ø6.0 Split Tissue Protector Sleeve (P45-580-1000)



Wire Cutter



Pin Cutter (P45-520-2000)



Pin and Wire Site Protective Sponge Fasteners (pack of 12) (P45-610-1000)



Strut Locking Clip (pouch of 10) (P44-PKG-4001)



Infection Shielding Pin and Wire Site Protective Sponges, Sterile Packed (pouch of 30) (P45-600-1000-S)



Wire Clamp Caps (pouch of 16) (P45-198-1000)





Foot Rocker

(P45-170-1000)

Protective Cap (pouch of 10) (P45-198-XXXX)

Diameters Available			
4.0 mm	5.0 mm	6.0 mm	



Pre-assemble the proximal tibial ring block by connecting two Full Rings. Connect using either Threaded Pillars and 16 mm Connecting Bolts or Threaded Rods and M6 Connecting Nuts affixed to both sides of each ring, Tabbed or Single Row Full Rings may be used per surgeon preference.





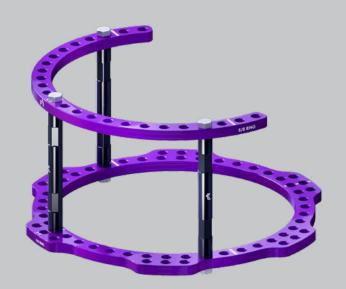


**NOTE:** Ring Sizers are provided to determine the correct ring size pre-operatively. When measuring utilizing the Ring Sizer, ensure a minimum distance of 2 cm between the Ring Sizer and the skin at all points.

### **OPTIONAL:**



Alternatively, the proximal tibial ring block may also be built using Threaded Rods and 10 mm M6 Connecting Nuts on either side of the Full Rings.



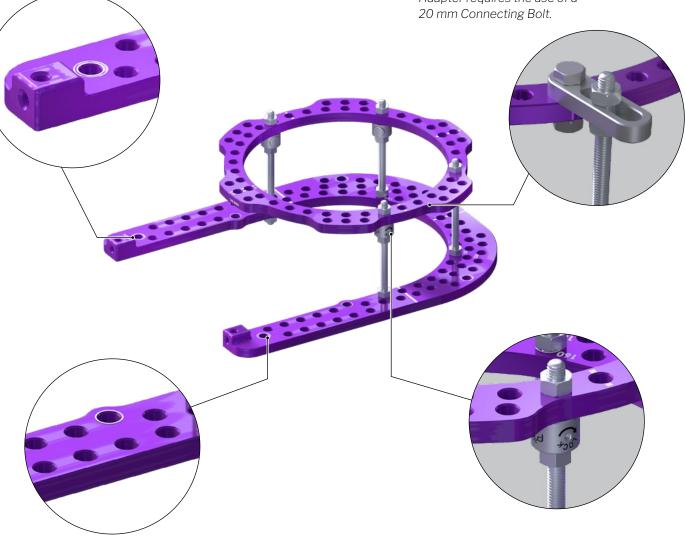
A 5/8 Ring may be used as an alternative to the most proximal Full Ring to allow for more range of motion at the knee and to prevent the posterior side of the leg from swelling into the fixator.



Build distal Foot Plate assembly construct according to surgeon preference. Shown below is a Full Tabbed Ring attached to a Foot Plate using Threaded Rods. This can also be referred to as the distal ring block.

The Foot Plate has double rings to note the placement of the Foot Rocker at a later time.

**OPTIONAL:** If the surgeon chooses to use a Single Row Full Ring, an Offset Slotted Ring Adapter is provided to taper the frame. The Offset Slotted Ring Adapter requires the use of a 20 mm Connecting Bolt.



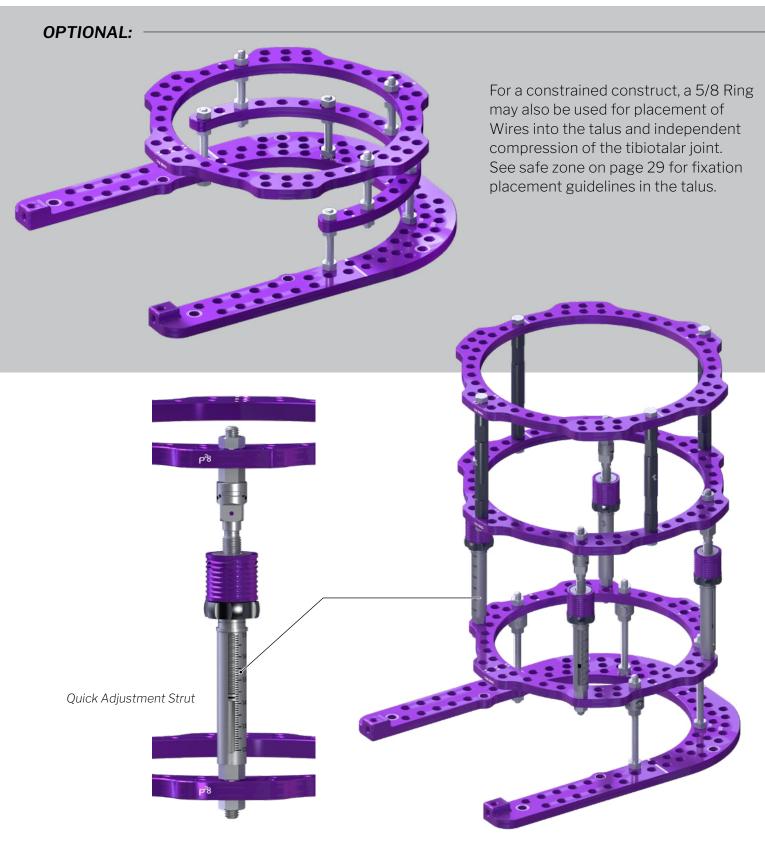
The two protruding holes of the Foot Plate allow for greater than 180° of functionality to increase the frame stability and are the preferred mounting site for the Threaded Rods.

**OPTIONAL:** Quick Release Locking Nuts are also provided to allow for quicker placement of each nut.

A Quick Release Locking Nut Wrench is provided to lock the Quick Release Locking Nut in position for final tightening. It is recommended to wait until the end of the case to perform final locking of the Quick Release Locking Nut.

Prior to connecting the proximal and distal ring blocks, ensure the Threaded Rods are aligned with the markings on the Tabbed Full Rings. The double markings on the Rings should be oriented anterior to posterior in relation to the tibia.





Connect the distal ring block and proximal tibial ring block using either 4 Threaded Rods or Quick Adjust Struts to allow for length adjustment of the fixator intra-operatively.

There are both a gross and fine length adjustment method to the Quick Adjust Struts.



### **QUICK ADJUST STRUT FEATURES**

### Gross Adjustment -





For gross adjustments, make sure the black locking nut is disengaged by loosening completely and turning to the bottom. Pull the purple knob straight down to unlock and adjust strut to the desired length. Confirm desired length of strut by comparing the location of the black laser mark to the length measurements on the strut.

Once desired length is achieved, pull the purple knob straight up and twist black locking nut clockwise to the top to lock in place. This will maintain the desired length of the strut.



NOTE: Confirm the purple knob is fully covering the laser marked black line and is no longer visible to ensure proper locking of the Quick Adjust Strut.



Not fully locked (laser marking visible)



Fully locked (laser marking covered)



### **QUICK ADJUST STRUT FEATURES**

### Fine Adjustment -



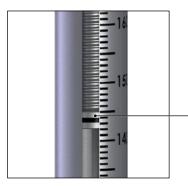
For micrometric gradual adjustment of the strut, ensure the gross adjustment strut is locked in place. Use a 10mm wrench to turn the square nut containing dice in either the positive or negative direction. Each 1/4 turn of the nut results in 0.25 mm of lengthening or shortening, depending on the direction it was turned.



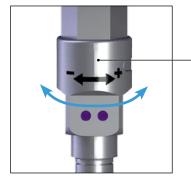
Four turns (one full rotation) of the square nut containing dice will result in 1 mm fine adjustment, either lengthening or shortening, depending on the direction it was turned.



**NOTE:** Each strut can be finely adjusted independent of other locked struts up to 2mm.



Confirm strut length, in mm, by using the black laser mark to determine length based on where it aligns with measurements on the side.



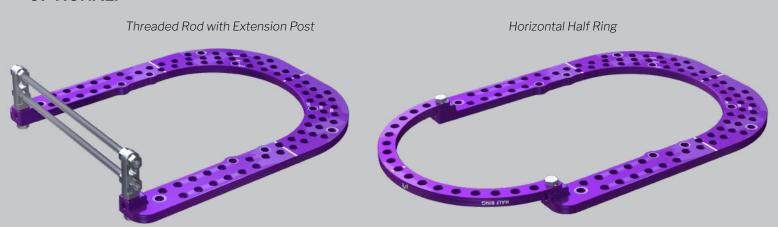
Turn square nut portion of the strut containing dice: toward+ sign to lengthen toward - sign to shorten.



An Arch Ring is recommended to be connected to the Foot Plate using 16 mm Connecting Bolts in order to prevent deformation of the Foot Plate construct during Wire tensioning.



### **OPTIONAL:**



Alternative constructs for Foot Plate closure may be used, including Extension Posts with Threaded Rods or a horizontal Half/Arch Ring for support.



Position the patient's ankle joint at a  $90^{\circ}$  neutral position and align the Foot Plate with the plantar aspect of the foot. Ensure there is a minimum 2 cm distance from the fixator and any soft tissue on the patient.







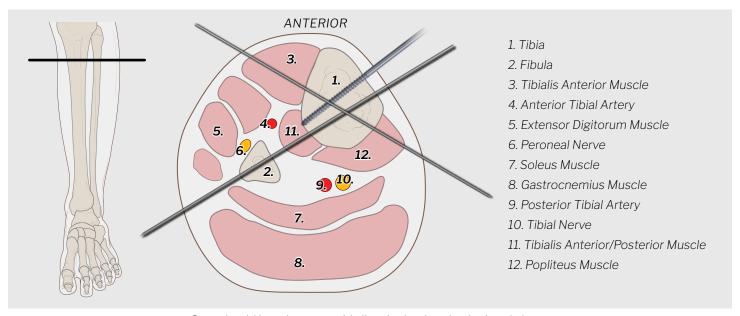
After sizing the frame on the patient, move the frame slightly proximal, away from the calcaneus, place a 1.8 mm Smooth Wire through the calcaneus from medial to lateral in the posterior calcaneal tuberosity. Slide the Foot Plate down to the reference Wire and connect the Smooth Wire to the Foot Plate using a Wire Fixation Bolt and M6 Connecting Nuts. Tighten, but do not tension the Smooth Wire and confirm position of the foot is correct.





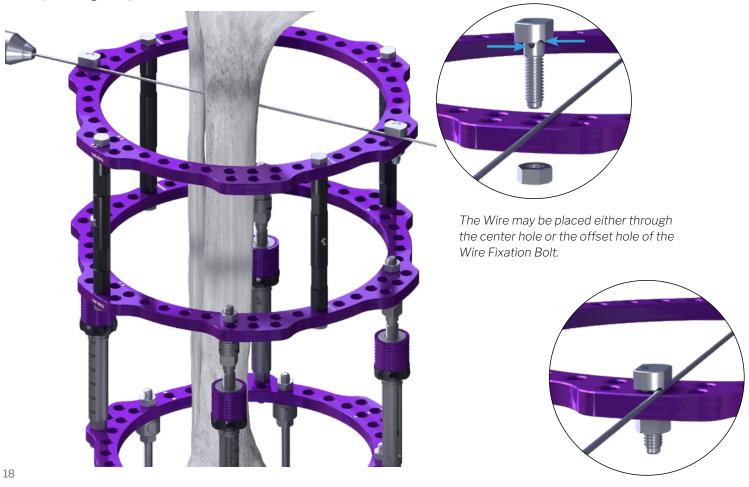
**NOTE:** For Charcot foot deformity, place the foot minimally below Foot Plate with Foot Rockers to load the frame. For limb lengthening, place foot further below Foot Plate so the patient is loading the bone and not the frame.





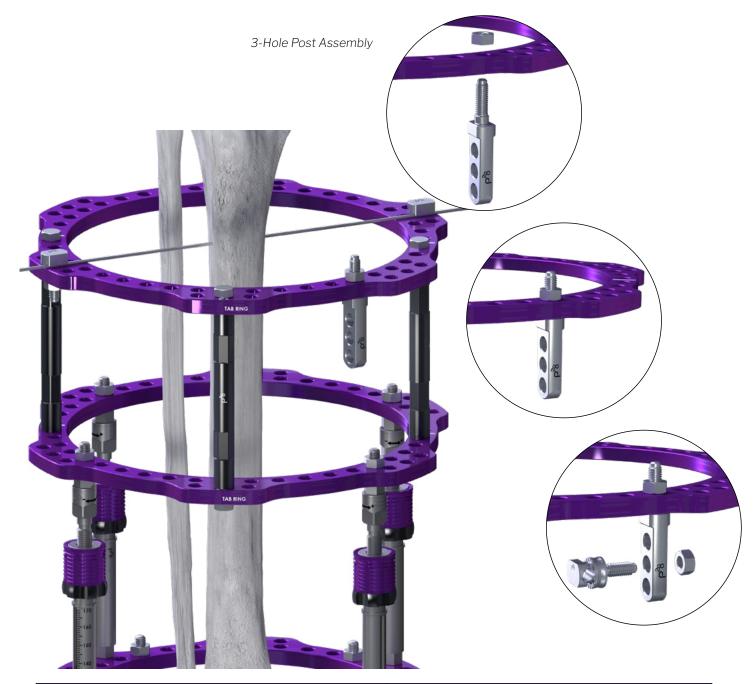
Care should be taken to avoid all major landmarks depicted above.

Position the proximal portion of the tibia either center or slightly anterior, relative to the proximal tibial ring block. Place a Smooth 1.8 mm Wire bi-cortically, lateral to medial, while keeping on same plane and level as the fixator. Ensure the frame is orthogonal to the patient and that there is at least 2 cm of clearance from the frame to the soft tissue at all points. Once the desired position is obtained, affix the Wire to the frame using Wire Fixation Bolts and 10 mm M6 Connecting Nuts. Tighten, but do not tension the Wire. Smooth or Reduction Wires may be used per surgeon preference.





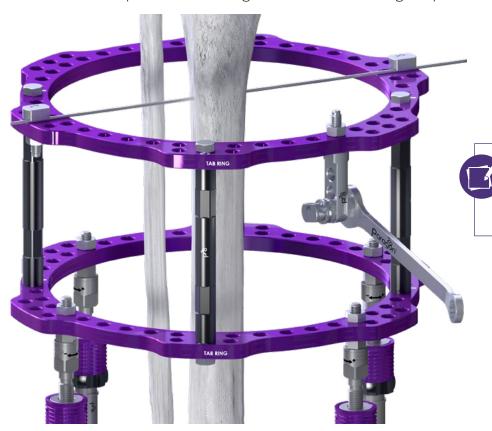
Attach either a 3, 4, or 5-Hole Post or Rancho Cube to the most proximal Full Ring, to attach either a 4, 5, or 6 mm Half Pin. Drilling is required to place a Blunt Half Pin and recommended for placement of a Self-Drilling Half Pin for optimal performance and bone purchase.



Half Pin Diameter	Drill Diameter
Ø4.0 mm	2.4 mm
Ø5.0 mm	3.4 mm
Ø6.0 mm	4.4 mm

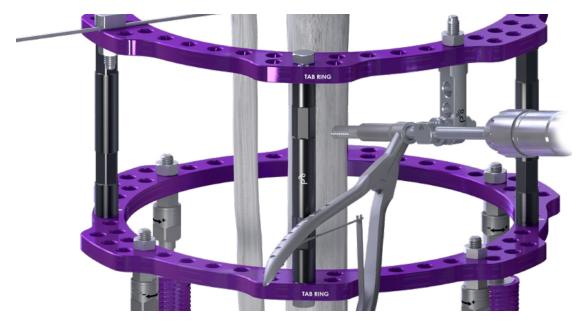


Secure the Pin Clamp to the Post using the a 10 mm Nut using the provided 10 mm Wrench.



**NOTE:** If Wire is placed on a Post, do not tension past 75 kg. If Wire is positioned on an open 5/8 Ring, do not tension past 90 kg.

Location	Tension (kg)
Tibia	125 kg
Midfoot/Calcaneus	90-100 kg
Forefoot	50-70 kg



Thread the Half Pin through the Pin Clamp and drill using the appropriate sized Half Pin Drill. An optional Ø6.0 Split Tissue Protector Sleeve is provided for the Ø6.0 Half Pin.



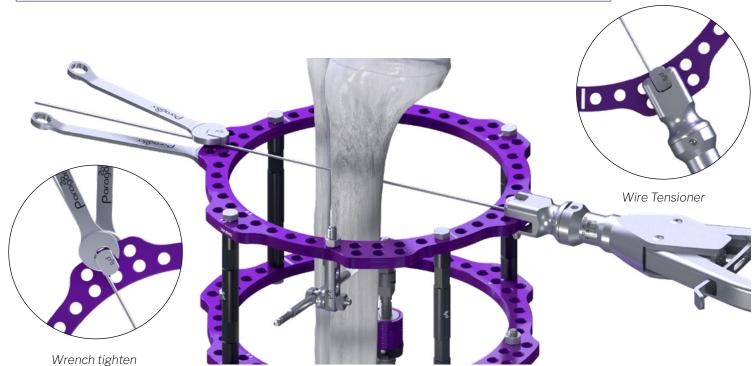
The Half Pin should be placed bi-cortically manually with the T-handle to avoid driving the Half Pin too far past the second cortex.



Once the Proximal Half Pin is placed, the Wire may be tensioned. Fully secure one end of the Wire and tension from the opposite end of the Wire until 125 kg of tension is reached.



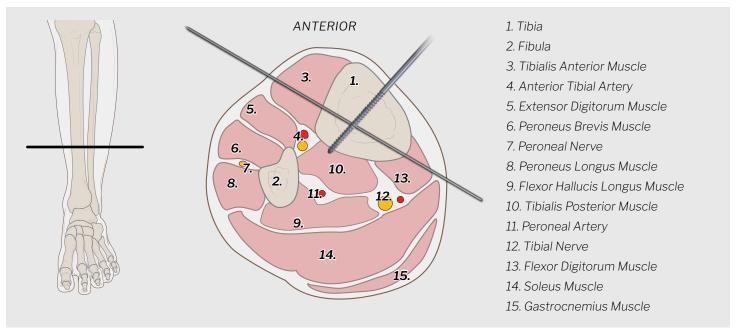
NOTE: Check for bicortical placement of the Half Pin under fluoroscopy prior to cutting the Half Pin.





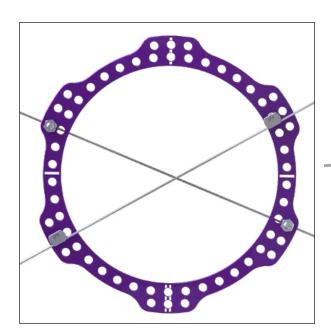
**NOTE:** Both a Snub Nose and Long Nose attachment are offered per surgeon preference.





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A Wire should be placed through the tibia at the second most proximal Tabbed Ring of the frame. Loosely secure the Wire using Wire Bolts during the placement of the Half Pin to allow for minor adjustments.





**NOTE:** If two Wires are used in a single ring, each Wire should alternate in placement to be above and below the ring.





Per surgeon preference, a second Half Pin may be placed at the second most proximal Tabbed Full Ring. Refer to page 20 for instruction on Half Pin placement.





Rancho Cube assembly with Rancho Cube Centering Collars

Half Pins used in the same plane are used in this image to show the function of the Rancho Cube, but only one Half Pin per plane is recommended.





**NOTE:** The laser etching of the Rancho Cube Centering Collar must be in the same orientation as the 8 mm Connecting Bolt to lock the Centering Collar in place.

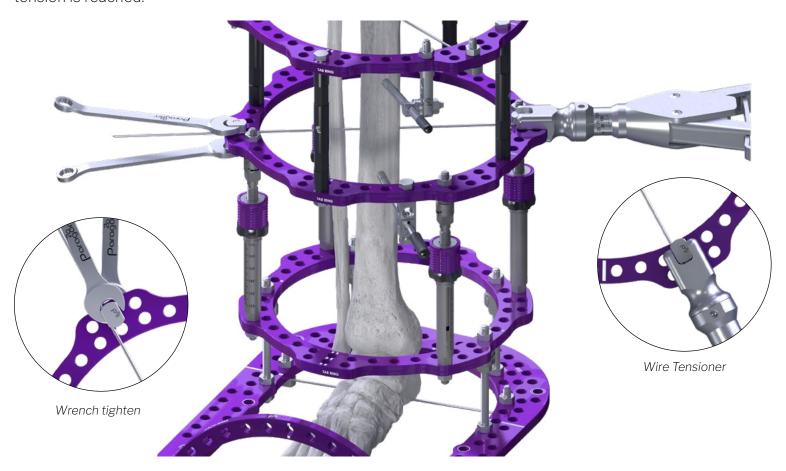
### **OPTIONAL:**



The Monkey Rings<sup>™</sup> system is designed to work with the The Monkey Bars<sup>™</sup> Pin to Bar External Fixation System Clamps. The Threaded Pillars are 11 mm, in order to accommodate a combination clamp attachment. A Monkey Bar, 11 mm Bar, and 5 mm Pin Combination Clamp may be used to attach a 5 mm Half Pin directly to the Monkey Rings Threaded Pillar.

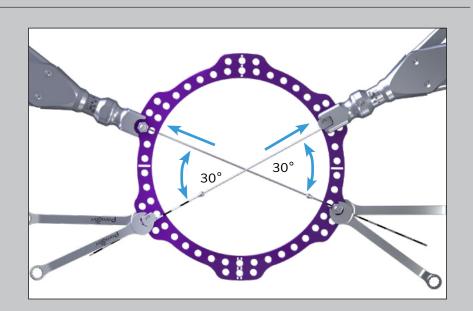


Fully tighten one Wire Bolt per Wire at this time using the provided Wrench. Tension the Wire until 125 kg of tension is reached.



### **OPTIONAL:**

If two Wires are used on the same ring, absent of any Half Pins placed, simultaneous tensioning should be performed to prevent deformation of the ring. An angle of 30° to 60° is recommended between each Wire to prevent the bone from translating after Wire fixation is placed. Placement of opposite side Reduction Wires, as shown in this image, will also help prevent translation in the bone and increase stability. If using Reduction Wires, make sure the olive portion of the Wires is apposed to the bone prior to tensioning.





Any excess Wires may be removed using the provided Wire Cutters.



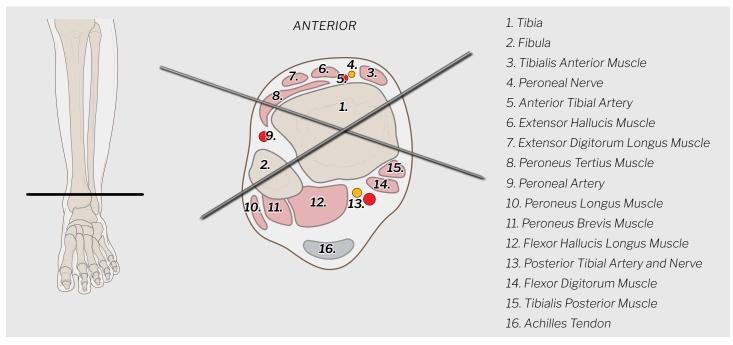
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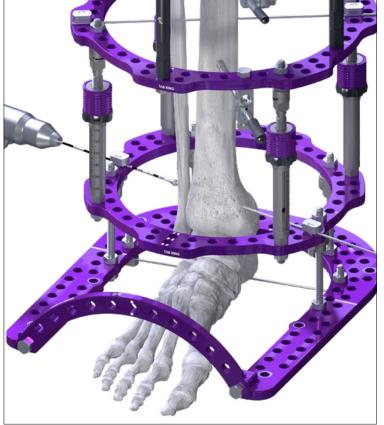


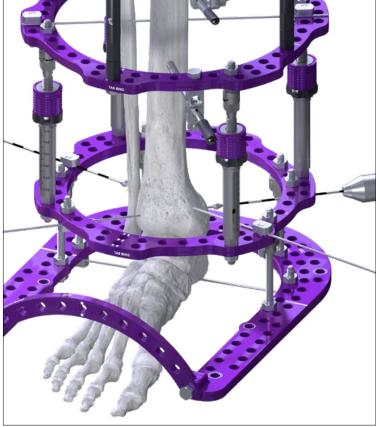
Per surgeon preference, a Pin Cap may be place over the cut end of the Half Pin.





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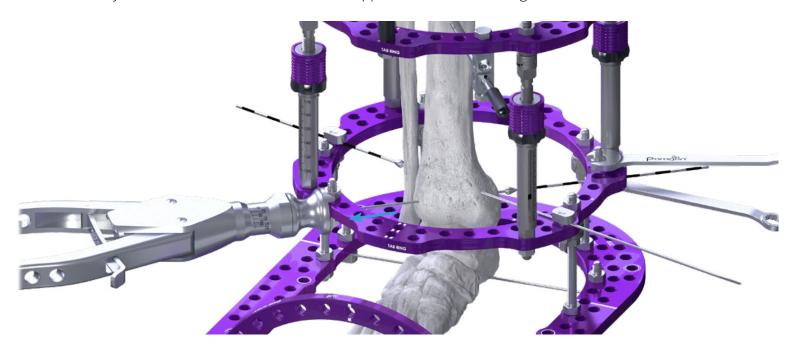




Similar to the proximal tibial ring block, each Reduction Wire should be placed in an alternating position above and below the Full Ring to avoid interference and deflection with the other Wire. Fully tighten one Wire Bolt per Wire, at this time using the provided Wrench.

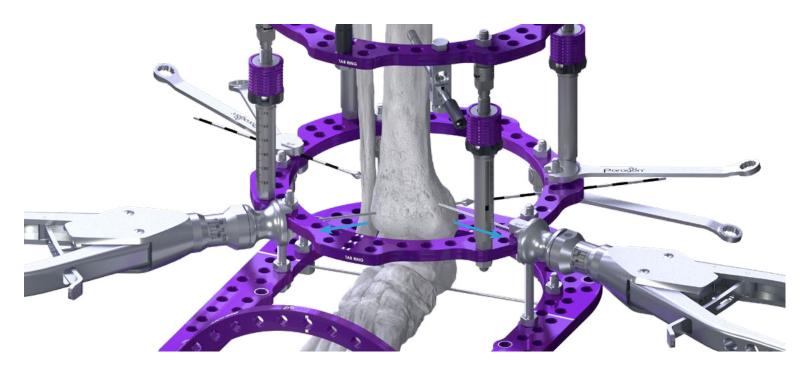


Simultaneously tension the Reduction Wires from opposite ends until 125 kg of tension is reached.





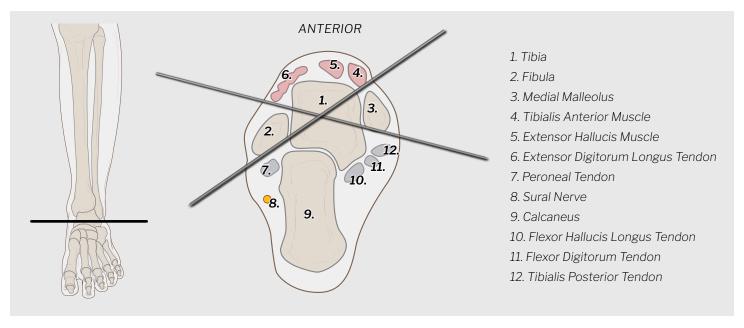
**NOTE:** If using Reduction Wires, the Wire should be secured to the frame on the dashed side of the Wire. The Wire Tensioner should be placed on the non-dashed side.



After desired tension has been achieved, fully secure the Reduction Wires to the Full Ring using the provided Wrench. The excess Wire may be bent or clipped per surgeon preference.

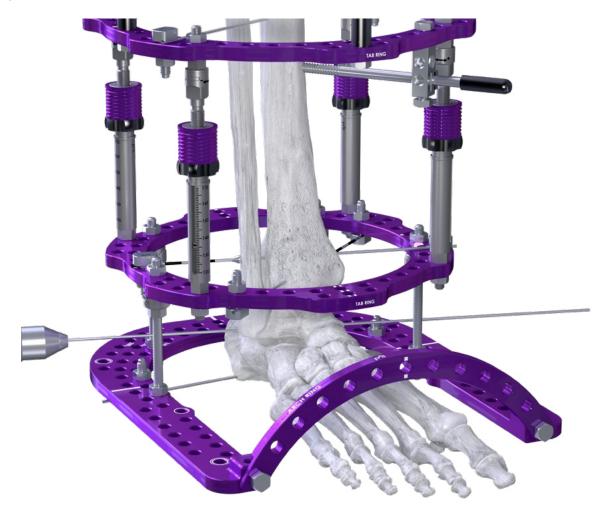
Distal tibial Wires are shown here to demonstrate adding stability to a static construct. Once distal tibial Wires are placed, additional compression may not be obtained using the Quick Adjust Struts in this scenario.





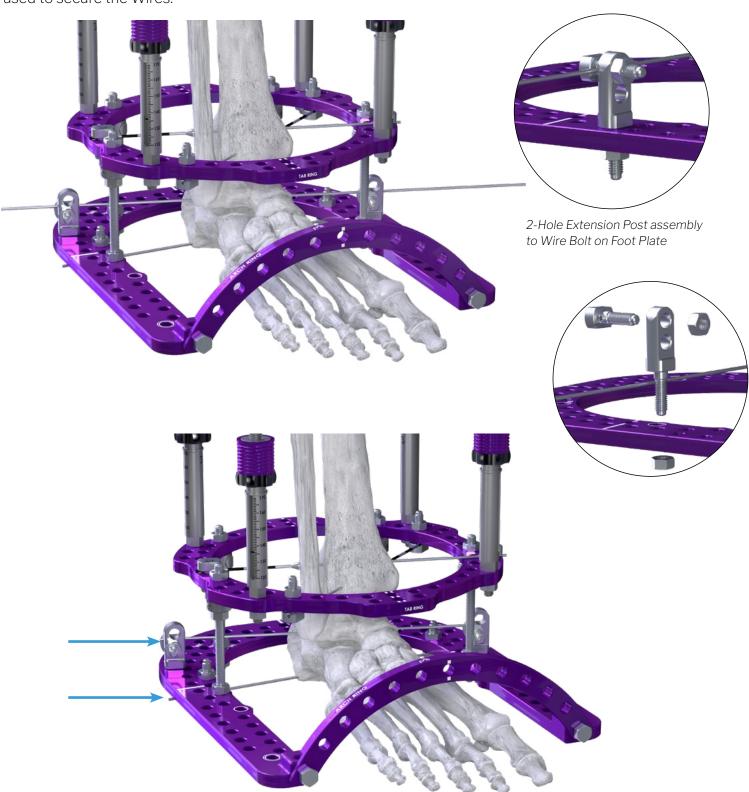
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Place an additional Wire through the calcaneus from lateral to medial with a minimum of a  $30^{\circ}$  angle to the other Wire.



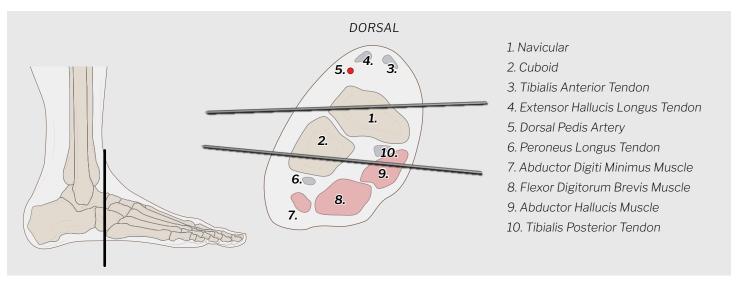


Loosely secure the calcaneal Wire with a Wire Fixation Bolt at this time. Per surgeon preference, a Post may be used to secure the Wires.



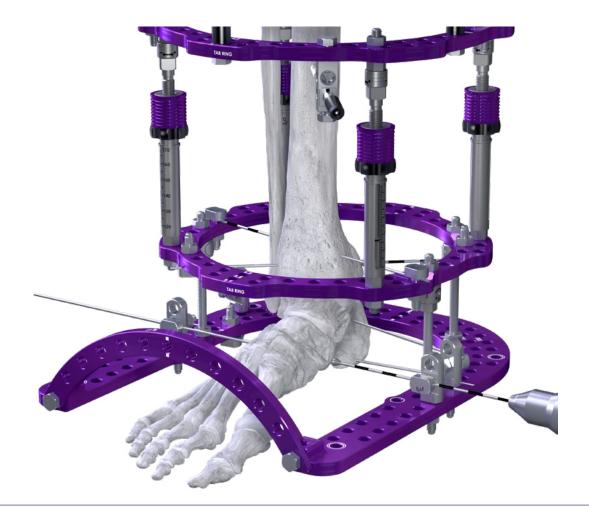
Both calcaneal Wires should alternate in placement above and below the Foot Plate to avoid skiving and interference with the other Wire. It is recommended not to tension the calcaneal Wires until the midfoot Wires have been tensioned.





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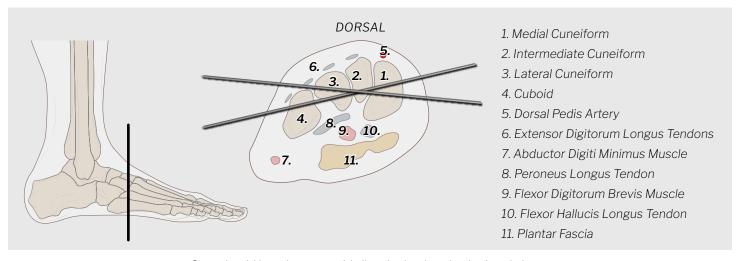
Place a Reduction Wire through the medial midfoot.



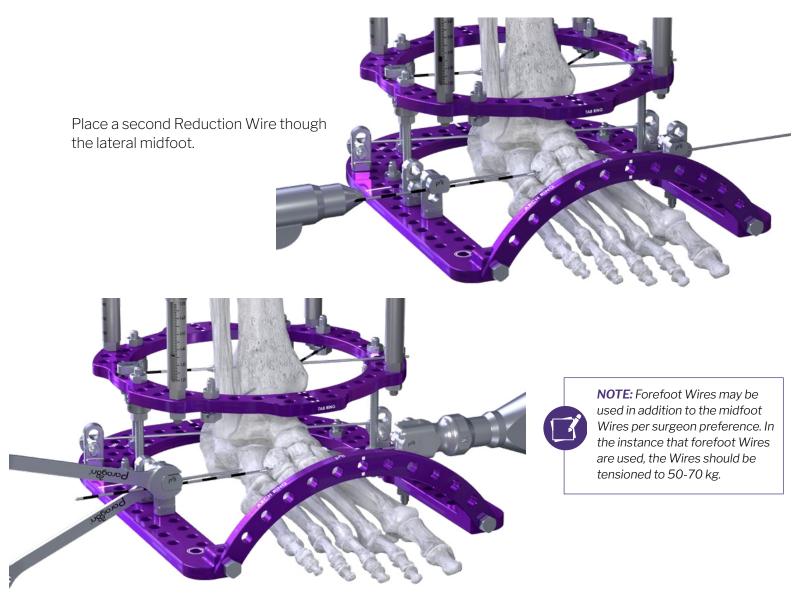


NOTE: The medial Reduction Wire should aim for the middle of the navicular. In the case of soft bone, a Washer may be used.



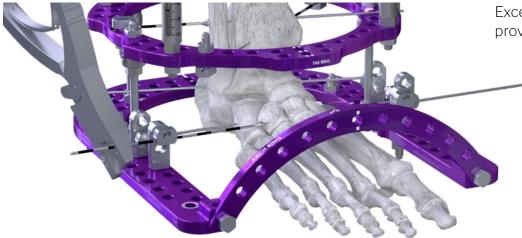


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Simultaneously tension the two midfoot Wires to 80-100 kg. This should be completed before the tensioning of the calcaneal Wires.

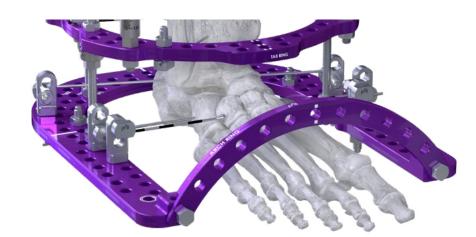


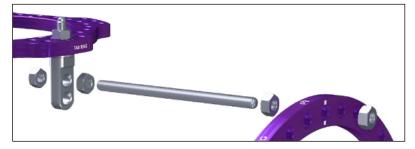


Excess Wire may be cut using the provided Wire Cutter at this time.

If not previously done, all Half Pins and Wires may be cut using the provided Pin Cutter/Wire Cutter.

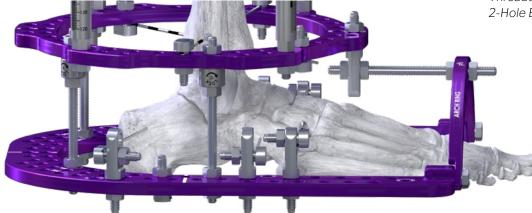
Any additional supporting Threaded Rods or Threaded Pillars may be added per surgeon preference.







Threaded Rod assembly to Arch Ring and 2-Hole Extension Post



An additional Extension Post may be added to the anterior portion of the most distal ring to connect the Arch Ring using a Threaded Rod. Secure the Threaded Rod using 10 mm Nuts.



The Strut Locking Clip is recommended to prevent any tampering or gross adjustment of the Quick Adjustment Strut postoperatively.



Ø6.0 mm protective Pin Caps and Wire Clamp Caps should be placed over the cut Half Pins and Wires, respectfully, to protect the soft tissue.



Per surgeon preference, a Foot Rocker Kit is provided to allow weight bearing. The Foot Rocker allows for anterior and posterior translation.

Attach the Foot Rocker to the Foot Plate through the plate holes with laser marked double ring. Use four 10 mm M6 Connecting Nuts and secure the Foot Rocker with the provided Wrench.



Anti-microbial Sponges are provided to be placed over Wires against the patient's skin to help prevent infection.



# **CLOSURE**

Proceed to incision closure or concomitant procedures at this time. Provide a final check that all Nuts (Including Quick Release Locking Nuts) and Bolts are tightened and secured.



# **REMOVAL**

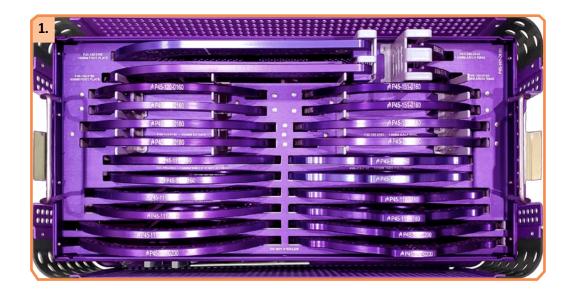
For the removal of the frame, use a Jacob's Chuck to remove the Half Pins and cut the Smooth/Reduction Wires with the provided Wire Cutter. After removal of all Wires and Half Pins, slide the frame off the patient.



# MONKEY RINGS® EXTERNAL FIXATION CADDY AND CASE -

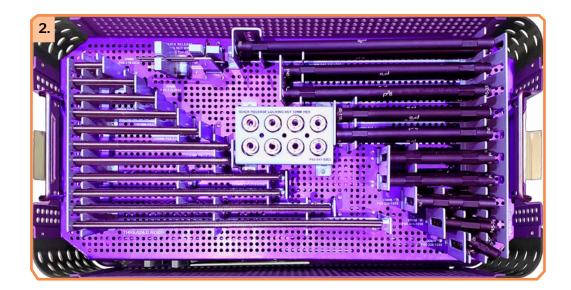
#### 1. MONKEY RINGS™ CASE 1

The Monkey Rings™ External Fixation System Case 1 contains the Single Row Full Rings, Tabbed Full Rings, 5/8 Rings, Half Rings, Arch Rings, and Foot Plates.



### 2. MONKEY RINGS™ CASE 2

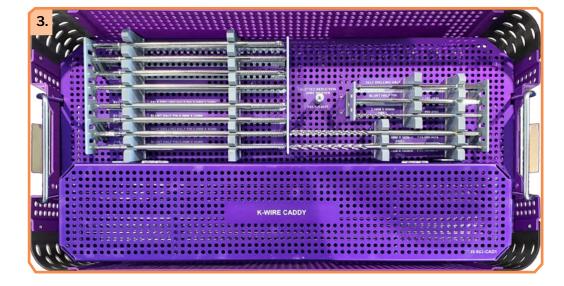
The Monkey Rings™ External Fixation System Case 2 contains the Threaded Rods, Threaded Pillars, Quick Release Locking Nuts, and Quick Release Locking Nut Wrench.





# MONKEY RINGS® EXTERNAL FIXATION CADDY AND CASE

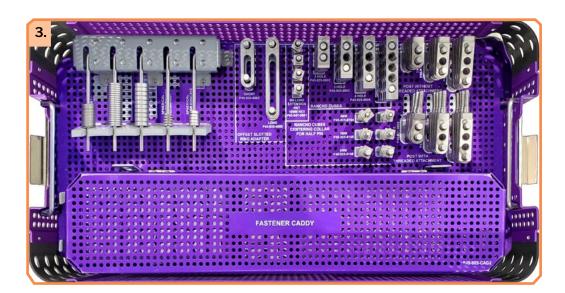
### **TOP TRAY**



### 3. MONKEY RINGS™ CASE 3

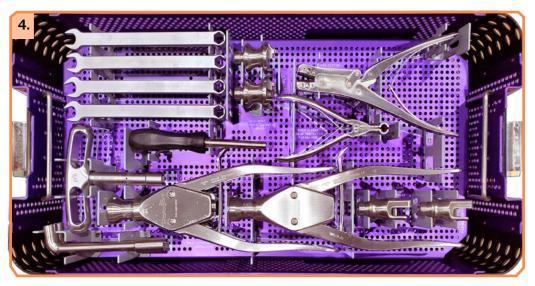
The Monkey Rings™ External Fixation System Case 3 contains the Half Pins, Half Pin Drills, K-Wires, Slotted Ring Adapter, Wire Fixation Bolts, Connection Bolts, M6 Connecting Nuts, Washers, Posts, Rancho Cubes, and Universal Pin Clamps.





### 4. MONKEY RINGS™ CASE 4

The Monkey Rings™ External Fixation System Case 4 contains the Wrenches, Wire Tensioners, T-Handle, Wire Tensioner Attachments, Tissue Protector, and Wire Cutter.





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#### **INDICATIONS FOR USE**

The Monkey Rings™ External Fixation System is indicated in pediatric patients and adults for the treatment and fixation of:

- · Open and closed fractures
- Post-traumatic joint contracture which has resulted in loss of range of motion
- Fractures and disease which generally may result in joint contractures or loss of range of motion and fractures requiring distraction
- Pseudoarthrosis, infected union, non-union, or malunion of long bones
- Limb lengthening by epiphyseal, diaphyseal, or metaphyseal distraction
- Correction of bony or soft tissue deformity (e.g. orthoplastic surgery)
- Correction of segmental bony or soft tissue defects
- Joint arthrodesis
- Management of comminuted intra-articular fractures
- Bone transport

The Monkey Rings™ External Fixation System is indicated in adults for:

- Osteotomy
- Revision procedure where other treatments or devices have been unsuccessful
- · Bone reconstruction procedures
- Fusions and replantations of the foot
- · Charcot foot reconstruction
- Offloading and/or immobilization of ulcers and/or wounds of the foot and ankle
- · Lisfranc dislocations
- · Ankle distraction (arthrodiastasis)
- · Septic fusion

#### **CONTRAINDICATIONS**

Since external fixation devices are often used in emergency situations to treat patients with acute injuries, there are no absolute contraindications for use. The surgeon's education, training and professional judgment must be relied upon to choose the most appropriate device and treatment for each individual patient. Whenever possible, the device chosen should be of a type indicated for the fracture being treated and/or for the procedure being utilized.

In addition, surgical success can be adversely affected by:

- Acute or chronic infections, local or systemic, and patients with a history of infection
- Vascular, muscular or neurological pathologies that compromise the concerned extremity
- All concomitant pathologies that could affect the function of the devices
- Osteopathies with reduced bone substance that could affect the function of the devices
- Any mental or neuromuscular disorder that could result
  in an unacceptable risk of failure at the time of fixation or
  complications in post-operative treatment. The risk of breakage
  of a fixation device is greater in older patients with mental
  deficiency, alcoholics or drug addicts or patients who, for other
  reasons, may ignore the necessary restrictions and precautions
  to be observed while using the device.
- · Known or suspected sensitivity to device materials
- Corpulence; an overweight or corpulent patient can strain the implant to such a degree that stabilization or device failure can occur

#### POTENTIAL COMPLICATIONS AND ADVERSE REACTIONS

In any surgical procedure, the potential for complications and adverse reactions exist. The risks and complications with these implants include:

- Loosening, deformation, migration, subluxation, fracture of the device, or premature loss of fixation with the bone which may result in nerve and soft tissue damage
- Delayed union, non-union, or malunion resulting in breakage of the construct. If healing is delayed, or does not occur, the construct may eventually break due to the increased loading.
- Acute post-operative wound infections and late infections with possible sepsis and osteomyelitis, including chronic drainage of the Schanze screw sites following removal of the device.
- Migration, subluxation of the implant with resulting reduction in range of movement
- · Thrombosis or embolism
- Avascular necrosis
- · Tissue necrosis, wound hematoma and delayed wound healing
- Excessive surgical bleeding
- Temporary and protracted functional neurological perturbation
- Tissue reactions as the result of allergy or foreign body reaction to dislodged particles
- Corrosion with localized tissue reaction and pain
- Pain, a feeling of malaise or abnormal sensations due to the implant used
- Bone loss due to stress shielding



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- · Shortening of the affected bone/fracture site.
- Bone loss or reduced bone density due to a reduction in the tension applied to the bone.
- · Fractures resulting from unilateral joint loading
- Edema or possible compartmental syndrome.
- Premature bone callus consolidation during distraction.
- Possible tension affecting the soft tissues and/or the fixation during manipulation of the callus (e.g. corrections of deformities and/or elongation).
- Fracture of regenerated bone, or at the Schanze screw holes, following removal of the device.
- · Bone damage due to erroneous Schanze screw selection.
- · Bone deformities or talipes equinus.
- The persistence or recurrence of the initial condition subject to treatment.
- Abnormal growth cartilage development in skeletally immature patients.
- Pressure on the skin caused by external components when the free space is insufficient.
- Secondary bony sequestration due to rapid perforation of the cortex with accumulation of heat and bone necrosis.
- Nerve or vascular damage following the insertion of Schanze screws or wires.

All possible complications listed here are not typical of Paragon 28® Inc. products but are in principle observed with any implant. Promptly inform Paragon 28® in the event that complications occur in connection with the implants or surgical instruments used. In the event of premature failure of an implant in which a causal relationship with its geometry, surface quality or mechanical stability is suspected, please provide Paragon 28® with the explant(s) in a cleaned, disinfected and sterile condition. Paragon 28® cannot accept any other returns of used implants. The surgeon is held liable for complications associated with inadequate asepsis, inadequate preparation of the osseous implant bed in the case of implants, incorrect indication or surgical technique or incorrect patient information and consequent non-compliant patient behavior.

#### **WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS**

- The patient must be informed that a second minor surgery for the removal of the fixation system is required.
- Re-operation to remove or replace implants may be required at any time due to medical reasons or device failure. If corrective action is not taken, complications may occur.
- The implants and guide wires are intended for single use only.
- Guide wires and Schanze screws are to be treated as sharps.
- Do not reuse single use devices. Reuse of single-use external fixators may lead to reduced biomechanical properties and/or fatigue breakage of the devices.

 Do not use other manufacturer's instruments or implants in conjunction with the Monkey Rings™ External Fixation System.

#### **MR SAFETY INFORMATION**

The Monkey Rings™ External Fixation System has not been evaluated for safety and compatibility in the MR environment. It has not been tested for heating, migration, or image artifact in the MR environment. The safety of the Monkey Rings™ External Fixation System in the MR environment is unknown. MR scanning of a patient who has this device may result in patient injury.



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The purpose of the Monkey Rings™ Circular External Fixation System Surgical Technique Guide is to demonstrate the optionality and functionality of the Monkey Rings™ Circular External Fixation System implants and instrumentation. Although variations in placement and use of the Monkey Rings™ Circular External Fixation System implants can be performed, the fixation options demonstrated in this technique were chosen to demonstrate the functionality of the system and for simplicity of explanation. Other uses for the Monkey Rings™ Circular External Fixation System can be employed, appropriate for the size of the device. CAUTION: Federal Law (USA) restricts this device to sale and use by, or on the order of, a physician.