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PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

The Paragon 28® Gorilla Lapidus Plating System was designed to provide surgeons versatility in plate selection and precise crossing screw placement for Lapidus Arthrodesis procedures. The system has 20 plating options including standard, graft-spanning and medial wall step-off plates. The plates embody several features including a medial position with a plantar arm, a ramped edge proximally to avoid tendon irritation and anatomic curvature to provide a bent plate technique. The 4 hole standard, graft-spanning, and medial wall step-off plates all feature a patented plantar locking hole to help reduce plantar gapping. All Gorilla® Lapidus plate holes accommodate Gorilla® R3CON 2.7, 3.5 and 4.2 mm locking and non-locking screws.

The instrumentation provided in the Gorilla® Lapidus Plating System allows for placement of a crossing screw across the arthrodesis while avoiding on-axis locking and non-locking plate screws within the construct. The patented Precision® Guide provides four trajectories of guide wire paths to allow for insertion of a 3.5 mm or 4.0 mm cannulated Mini-Monster® crossing screw or a 4.5 mm cannulated Monster® crossing screw.

PLATE OFFERING

Standard Plates
- Left and Right Side Specific
  • 1.3 mm thickness
  • Compression slot present on all plates

Graft-Spanning Plate
- Left and Right Side Specific
  • 1.6 mm thickness
  • For use with Paragon 28® PRESERVE™ Grafts
    - Small Plate - 5 mm PRESERVE™ Lapidus Graft (offers compression slot)
    - Medium Plate - 8 mm and 10 mm PRESERVE™ Lapidus Graft
    - Large Plate - 12 mm and 14 mm PRESERVE™ Lapidus Graft

Medial Wall Step-Off Plates
- Left and Right Side Specific
  • 1.4 mm thickness
  • Size options include 1 mm step-off increments from 1-5 mm
  • Compression slot present on all plates
**Plate Features**

- **Anatomic Contour**
- **Medial Wall Curvature**
- **Plantar Locking Screw Hole**

Supports the 1st metatarsal in a corrected position and reduces the adductory force on the 1st metatarsal with plate fixation during screw insertion, allowing for a “bent plate” technique.

The plate fits the curved medial wall of the 1st metatarsal and medial cuneiform.

Provides a stable construct and helps to protect against plantar gapping. This creates a tension band allowing for possible early weightbearing at the surgeon’s discretion.

**Featured Instruments**

- **1.2 x 150 mm K-wire**
- **Mini-Monster® 3.5 mm screw**
- **Mini-Monster® 4.0 mm screw**
- **Monster® 4.5 mm screw**
- **1.2 mm Precision Guide K-wire Sleeve**
- **1.4 mm Precision Guide K-wire Sleeve**
- **Precision Guide Set Screw**
- **Precision Guide Arm**
  - Patented
  - Allows a lag screw to cross the joint and avoid the on-axis locking and non-locking plate screws in the construct

**Ancillary Implants and Instrumentation**

**PRESERVE™ Lapidus Angular Length Restoring Graft**

- Can help to restore length for a patient with a short 1st metatarsal, in a case with over-shortening or for revision procedures
- Anatomically shaped to the joint and features biplanar correction to plantar-flex and abduct the 1st metatarsal
- Available in 5 mm x 5°, 8 mm x 8°, 10 mm x 10°, 12 mm x 12° and 14 mm Universal sizes

**Lapidus Cut Guide System**

- A patented instrumentation option for joint preparation, enabling surgeons to make congruent cuts while minimizing resection at the 1st TMT joint
- Available in 0° and 8-20° options to achieve appropriate amount of transverse plane correction
- Left and Right side specific
INCISION/EXPOSURE

The procedure described can be performed on its own or combined with resection of the medial eminence and lateral release. Supine patient positioning with fluoroscopy available is recommended for this procedure. A dorsomedial or medial incision is recommended when using this plate. Soft tissue dissection is continued to expose the 1st TMTJ.

JOINT PREPARATION

After exposure of the joint surfaces at the 1st TMTJ, the method of cartilage resection is according to surgeon preference. Paragon 28 Lapidus Cut Guides can be used for this step, preferably through a dorsomedial incision. Subchondral bone preparation is recommended following joint resection using the Paragon 28 subchondral drill or surgeon's preferred technique. If used, bone grafting material or a PRESERVE Lapidus Length Restoring Wedge can be inserted at this time.

TEMPORARY FIXATION

The correct alignment of the 1st metatarsal is achieved per surgeon preference. A K-wire is recommended to be inserted from plantar medial distal to dorsal lateral proximal to avoid future plate and screw placement. A second K-wire can be used if additional stabilization is desired.

PLATE SELECTION

An appropriately sized “Left” or “Right” Lapidus arthrodesis plate is selected at this time. Position the plate along the long axis of the 1st ray in the sagittal plane.

TIP: If a thicker plate is desired for a patient that may have difficulty with restricted weight-bearing following the procedure, a small graft spanning plate (thickness 1.6 mm) may be used in lieu of a standard plate (thickness 1.3 mm).
PERMANENT FIXATION

Insert the Precision Guide set screw into the “Right” or “Left” Precision Guide Arm, aligned with the larger of the two central holes of the Lapidus plate. The small peg on the underside of the Precision Guide will mate with the smaller of the two central holes on the Lapidus plate to correctly orient the Precision Guide with the plate. Rotate the knob clockwise to secure the Precision Guide set screw to the Lapidus plate.

NOTE: Use of the Precision Guide Lapidus is optional. It may be used as demonstrated below, or it may be attached to the plate after plate screw fixation. In the latter case, a fully threaded crossing screw is recommended.

Secure the Lapidus plate (with the attached Precision Guide) to the bone using olive wires. One olive wire should be placed in the distal aspect of the compression slot. Insert the guide wire sleeve for the selected screw size into the Precision Guide Arm. If soft tissue dissection is not performed around the area of the guide wire sleeve, a stab incision with blunt soft tissue separation can be made in the skin prior to driving the guide wire through the arthrodesis site.

Insert the guide wire for the selected crossing screw size into the guide wire sleeve such that it crosses the arthrodesis site at the desired location. The position and length of the guide wire is confirmed using fluoroscopy.

When the guide wire position is correct, remove the Precision Guide from the plate by rotating the set screw in a counter-clockwise manner and slide the Precision Guide Arm off the K-wire of the guide wire.
The drill and drill guide for the selected crossing screw diameter are slid over the guide wire and drilling is performed. Countersinking for the headed screw is performed. If using a headless screw, countersink after measuring. The depth gauge is used to determine screw length.

The selected screw is inserted over the guide wire across the arthrodesis site. Remove temporary fixation prior to fully seating the screw. Remove the K-wire serving as temporary fixation just prior to fully seating the lag screw. Complete screw insertion. Remove the guide wire.

Insert a threaded drill tower into one of the proximal screw holes corresponding to desired plate screw diameter. Drill using the drill corresponding to the desired plate screw diameter. Screw length can be measured using the provided depth gauge or by measuring off the drill using the drill guide. Insert the plate screw using the provided driver. Continue to fill the plate holes with locking screws while removing the olive wires, according to surgeon preference.
PERMANENT FIXATION

Insert an oblong drill guide into the plate compression slot. The oblong drill guide can be reversed, with the arrow pointing away from the joint (as shown) to insert a non-locking screw into the compression slot without creating compression.

TIP: If the surgeon prefers to create compression via the compression slot, insert proximal plate screw(s) first. Use the compression drill guide with the arrow pointing towards the joint to eccentrically drill. Place a non-locking screw to achieve compression. The crossing screw would be placed last in this scenario.

Drill using the drill corresponding to the desired screw diameter.

Insert the screw using the driver provided.

Insert screws in the remaining screw holes, as desired. Confirm final screw length and placement using fluoroscopy.

CLOSURE

Proceed to incision closure or concomitant procedures at this time.
**Gorilla® Lapidus Plating Caddy**
The Gorilla® Lapidus Plating Caddy includes 20 varieties of Gorilla® Lapidus plates with the Precision® Guide Lapidus for use with the plates.

**Gorilla® R3CON Instrument Caddy**
Drills, drill guides, centering guides, olive wires, plate benders, drivers, K-wires and a depth gauge are located in the Gorilla® R3CON Instrument Caddy.

**Additional Gorilla® Caddies**
The Gorilla® Case has room for additional Gorilla® Plate Caddies or PRESERVE™ Allograft caddies that may be needed for additional procedures performed in addition to a Lapidus Arthrodesis case.

**Mini-Monster® Screw Caddy**
The Gorilla® Case can accommodate one Mini-Monster® Screw Caddy if a 3.5 mm or 4.0 mm cannulated screw is needed during a Lapidus Arthrodesis case.

**Gorilla® R3CON Screw Optionality**
The Gorilla® R3CON screw length options for both locking and non-locking screws are as follows:

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**Gorilla® R3CON Instruments**
The Casper Compression/Distractor device, osteotomes, baby Bennet retractors, bone reduction clamps, periosteal elevator, cartilage removal device, pin distractor and handles are located at the bottom of the Gorilla® Case.
INDICATIONS FOR USE

The Baby Gorilla®/Gorilla® Bone Plates and Bone Screws of the Baby Gorilla®/Gorilla® Plating System are indicated for use in stabilization and fixation of fractures or osteotomies; intra and extra articular fractures, joint depression, and multi-fragmentary fractures; revision procedures, joint fusion and reconstruction of small bones of the toes, feet and ankles including the distal tibia, talus, and calcaneus, as well as the fingers, hands, and wrists. The system can be used in both adult and pediatric patients. Specific examples include:

- Arthrodesis of the first metatarsal-cuneiform joint (Lapidus Fusion)
- Metatarsal or phalangeal fractures and osteotomies
- Lesser metatarsal shortening osteotomies (e.g. Weil)
- Fifth metatarsal fractures (e.g. Jones Fracture)

Mid/Hindfoot:
- Lisfranc Arthrodesis and/or Stabilization
- 1st (Lapidus), 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Tarsometatarsal (TMT) Fusions
- Intercuneiform Fusions
- Navicular-Cuneiform (NC) Fusion
- Talo-Navicular (TN) Fusion
- Calcaneo-Cuboid (CC) Fusion
- Subtalar Fusion
- Medial Column Fusion
- Cuboform Fracture
- Cuboid Fracture
- Navicular Fracture

In addition, the non-locking, titanium screws and washers are indicated for use in bone reconstruction, osteotomy, arthrodesis, joint fusion, fracture repair and fracture fixation, appropriate for the size of the device.

CONTRAINDICATIONS

Use of the Baby Gorilla®/Gorilla® Plating System is contraindicated in cases of inflammation, cases of active or suspected sepsis/infection and osteomyelitis; or in patients with certain metabolic diseases.

All applications that are not defined by the indications are contraindicated. In addition, surgical success can be adversely affected by:

- Acute or chronic infections, local or systemic
- Vascular, muscular or neurological pathologies that compromise the concerned extremity
- All concomitant pathologies that could affect the function of the implant
- Osteopathies with reduced bone substance that could affect the function of the implant
- 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
- Known or suspected sensitivity to metal
- Corpulence; an overweight or corpulent patient can strain the implant to such a degree that stabilization or implant failure can occur
- Whenever the use of the implant comes into conflict with the anatomical structures of physiological status

Other medical or surgical pre-conditions that could compromise the potentially beneficial procedure, such as:

- The presence of tumors
- Congenital abnormalities
- Immunosuppressive pathologies
- Increased sedimentation rates that cannot be explained by other pathologies
- Increased leukocyte (WBC) count
- Pronounced left shift in the differential leukocyte count

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 or fracture of the implant
- Acute post-operative wound infections and late infections with possible sepsis
- Migration, subluxation of the implant with resulting reduction in range of movement
- Fractures resulting from unilateral joint loading
- Thrombosis and embolism
- Wound hematoma and delayed wound healing
- Temporary and protracted functional neurological perturbation
- Tissue reactions as the result of allergy or foreign body reaction to dislodged particles
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- Pain, a feeling of malaise or abnormal sensations due to the implant used
- Bone loss due to stress shielding

WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

- 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.
- Use of an undersized plate or screw in areas of high functional stresses may lead to implant fracture and failure.
- Plates and screws, wires, or other appliances of dissimilar metals should not be used together in or near the implant site.
- The implants and guide wires are intended for single use only.
- Instruments, guide wires and screws are to be treated as sharps.
- Do not use other manufacturer’s instruments or implants in conjunction with the Baby Gorilla®/Gorilla® Plating System.
- If a stainless steel Gorilla® Breakaway Screw is used, it may only be used standalone.
- The device should only be used in pediatric patients where the growth plates have fused or in which active growth plates will not be crossed by the system implants or instrumentation.

MR SAFETY INFORMATION

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**Fractures and Osteotomies**
- Fractures of the tarsals, metatarsals and other fractures of the foot (i.e. LisFranc)
- Avulsion fractures and fractures of the 5th metatarsal (i.e. Jones Fracture)
- Talar fractures
- Ankle fractures
- Navicular fractures
- Fractures of the fibula, malleolus, and calcaneus
- Metatarsal and phalangeal osteotomies
- Veil osteotomy
- Calcaneal osteotomy

**Hallux Valgus Correction**
- Fixation of osteotomies (i.e. Akin, Scarf, Chevron)
- Interphalangeal (IP) arthrodesis
- Proximal, midshaft, or distal osteotomy
- Lapidus arthrodesis

**Arthrodesis/Deformity Correction**
- 1st MTP arthrodesis
- Metatarsal deformity correction
- Tarsometatarsal joint arthrodesis
- Naviculocuneiform joint arthrodesis
- Talonavicular arthrodesis
- Subtalar joint arthrodesis
- Triple arthrodesis
- Medial column arthrodesis
- Subtalar joint distraction arthrodesis
- Ankle arthrodesis
- Lateralizing calcaneal osteotomy
- Lateral column lengthening
- Hammertoe

*Fusion resulting from neuropathic osteoarthropathy (Charcot)* such as:
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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® as soon as 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 incorrect patient behavior.

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The purpose of the Lapidus Arthrodesis Surgical Technique Guide is to demonstrate use of the Lapidus Plates in the Gorilla® R3CON Plating System. Although various methods can be employed for this procedure, the fixation options demonstrated were chosen for simplicity of explanation and demonstration of the unique features of our device. Federal law (U.S.A.) restricts this device to sale and use by, or on order of, a physician.