



TYBER MEDICAL WEDGE SYSTEM PACKAGE INSERT

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DESCRIPTION OF THE MEDICAL DEVICE:

The implants are:

- The Tyber Medical PEEK Wedge is an implant constructed of Polyetheretherketone (PEEK), medical grade as described by ASTM F2026
- The Tyber Medical TyPEEK Wedge is a Polyetheretherketone with a Titanium plasma spray as described by ASTM F1580.
- The device is open in the transverse plane to allow insertion of autograft into the device prior to placement.
- The tantalum markers used for this product are made to the voluntary standard ASTM F560.
- The radiolucent PEEK material allows visualization of the defect site on radiograph to assess bone growth.
- For all indications, this device is intended to be used with supplemental bone fixation systems that have been cleared for use in the foot (i.e. trauma screw systems, peanut plate systems, and rod systems.)

The Tyber Medical PEEK Wedge devices are offered both non-sterile and sterile.

The Tyber Medical TyPEEK Wedge devices are supplied sterile.

INDICATIONS FOR USE PEEK System Indications

The Tyber Medical Wedge System is intended to be used for internal bone fixation for bone fractures or osteotomies in the ankle and foot such as:

- Cotton and Evans Wedges
 - Opening wedge osteotomies of the bones of the foot including osteotomies for Hallux Valgus
 - Opening wedge of Medial Cuneiform of Cotton osteotomies
 - Lateral Column Lengthening (Evans Lengthening Osteotomy or Calcaneal Z Osteotomy)
- Midfoot Wedges
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 - Nonunion of arthrodesis of the Midfoot including Metatarsal/Cuneiform arthrodesis (TMT or Lapidus)

The device is intended for use with ancillary fixation

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TyPEEK System Indications

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MATERIAL

PEEK implants are manufactured from implant grade Polyetheretherketone (PEEK) per ASTM F 2026. The Tyber Medical TyPEEK wedge devices are constructed from Polyetheretherketone per ASTM F2026 and have a titanium plasma spray per ASTM F1580. Each implant contains Tantalum markers per ASTM F 560. The specialized instruments are made primarily of surgical grade stainless steel (ASTM F899).

HOW SUPPLIED

Tyber Medical PEEK Wedge Systems are delivered in both non-sterile and sterile as specified by the packaging.

Tyber Medical TyPEEK Wedge Systems are delivered sterile as specified by the packaging. All sterile implants are gamma radiation sterilized. The package should be inspected prior to use to ensure the sterile barrier has not been compromised. Do not resterilize.

Tyber Medical instruments are provided non-sterile and must be cleaned and sterilized prior to use according to the procedures outlined in this document.

CONTRAINDICATIONS

The operation should not be carried out against the following contraindications:

- Bone tumors in the region of the implant anchoring
- Unwillingness or inability of the patient to follow the instructions for postoperative treatment
- Any medical or surgical condition that could preclude the potential success of the implantation
- Pregnancy
- Osteoporosis or similar bone density loss
- Systemic or metabolic illnesses
- Drug abuse or alcoholism
- Generally poor condition of the patient
- Adiposity
- Psychosocial issues; lack of co-operation by the patient
- All cases that are not listed under indications

WARNINGS and POTENTIAL RISKS

The surgeon should be aware of the following:

1. The correct selection of the implant is extremely important. The potential for success is increased by the selection of the proper size, shape and design of the implant. The size and shape of the human foot presents limiting restrictions of the size and strength of implants. No implant can be expected to withstand the unsupported stresses of full weight bearing.
2. The surgeon must ensure that all necessary implants and instruments are on hand prior to surgery. The device must be handled and stored carefully, protected from damage, including from corrosive environments. They should be carefully unpacked and inspected for damage prior to use.
3. All instruments must be cleaned and sterilized prior to surgery.
4. As with all orthopaedic implants, Tyber Medical Wedge Systems should never be reused under any circumstances.
5. The Tyber Medical Wedge System should never be used with dissimilar materials.
6. Proper implant selection and patient compliance to postoperative precautions will greatly affect surgical outcomes. Patients who smoke have been shown to have an increased incidence of nonunion. Therefore, these patients should be advised of this fact and warned of the potential consequences.

7. Postoperative care is important. The patient should be instructed in the limitations of his/her implant and should be cautioned regarding weight bearing and body stress on the appliance prior to secure bone healing.

PRECAUTIONS

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Preoperative:

1. Only patients that meet the criteria described in the indications should be selected.
2. Patient conditions and/or pre-dispositions such as those addressed in the Contraindications Section should be avoided.
3. Care should be used in the handling and storage of the implant components. The implants should not be scratched or otherwise damaged. Implants and instruments should be protected during storage especially from corrosive environments.
4. All instruments should be cleaned and sterilized before use.

Intraoperative:

1. Any instruction manuals should be carefully followed.

Postoperative:

1. The physician's postoperative directions and warnings to the patient and the corresponding patient compliance are extremely important.
2. Detailed instructions on the use and limitations of the device should be given to the patient. The risk of bending, loosening, or breakage of an internal fixation device during post-operative rehabilitation may be increased if the patient is active, or if the patient is debilitated or demented.
3. To allow maximum chances for a successful surgical result, the patient or device should not be exposed to mechanical vibrations that may loosen the device construct. The patient should be warned of this possibility and instructed to limit and restrict physical activities. The patient should be advised not to smoke or consume alcohol during the healing process.
4. If a nonunion develops or if the components loosen, bend, and/or break, the device(s) should be revised and/or removed immediately before serious injury occurs. Failure to immobilize a delayed or nonunion of bone will result in excessive and repeated stresses on the implant. By the mechanism of fatigue these stresses can cause eventual bending, loosening, or breakage of the device(s). It is important that immobilization of the foot surgical site be maintained until firm bony union is established and confirmed by radiographic examination. The patient must be adequately warned of these hazards and closely supervised to ensure cooperation until bony union is confirmed.
5. Any retrieved devices should be treated in such a manner that reuse in another surgical procedure is not possible. As with all orthopaedic implants, none of the Tyber Medical Wedge Systems Device components should ever be reused under any circumstances.

POSSIBLE ADVERSE EFFECTS

1. bending, loosening or fracture of the implants or instruments;
2. loss of fixation;
3. sensitivity to a metallic foreign body, including possible tumor formation;
4. skin or muscle sensitivity in patients with inadequate tissue coverage over the operative site, which may result in skin breakdown and/or wound complications;
5. nonunion or delayed union;
6. infection;
7. nerve or vascular damage due to surgical trauma;
8. gastrointestinal, urological and/or reproductive system compromise, including sterility, impotency

9. and/or loss of consortium;
10. pain or discomfort;
11. bone loss due to resorption or stress shielding, or bone fracture;
12. hemorrhage of blood vessels and/or hematomas;
13. malalignment of anatomical structures;
14. bursitis;
15. autograft donor site pain;
16. inability to resume activities of normal daily living;
17. reoperation;
18. death.

MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING (MRI) SAFETY

The Tyber Medical Wedge System Implants have not been evaluated for safety and compatibility in the MR environment. The Tyber Medical Wedge System implant has not been tested for heating or migration in the MR environment. The safety of Tyber Medical Wedge System Implants in the MR environment is unknown. Scanning a patient who has this device may result in patient injury.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

The operating surgeon is solely responsible for determining an operating plan that specifies and appropriately documents the following steps:

- Selection of the implant components and their dimensions.
- Positioning of the implant components in the bone.
- Location of intraoperative landmarks.

The following conditions must be fulfilled prior to application:

- All requisite implant components are ready to hand.
- Operating conditions are highly aseptic.
- The implantation instruments are cleaned and sterilized prior to use according to the procedures outlined in this document.
- The implantation instruments, including the special Tyber Medical Wedge system instruments, are complete and in working condition.
- The operating surgeon and operating team are aware of information concerning the operating technique and the range of implants and associated instruments; this information is complete and ready to hand.
- The operating surgeon is familiar with the rules governing medical practice, the current state of scientific knowledge, and the contents of relevant scientific publications by medical authors.
- The manufacturer has been consulted if the preoperative situation was unclear and if implants were found in the area operated on.

The intervention has been explained to the patient, whose consent concerning the following information has been documented:

- In the case of delayed or incomplete fusion, the implants can break and loosen due to high loads.
- The life-span of the implant is dependent on a variety of factors that can include but are not limited to body weight, patient compliance with weight bearing, activity level, etc.
- Corrective surgery may become necessary if the implant loosens.
- The patient must undergo regular check-ups of the implant components, performed by a physician.

Implanting the PEEK devices

- Select the appropriate PEEK implant size and shape according to the indication, the preoperative planning, and the bone situation found intraoperatively.
- Correctly apply the preparation instruments (rasps, curettes and chisels) for preparing the implant bed, as well as the implantation instrument.
- To implant the Tyber Medical Wedge System implants, use only the specialized Tyber Wedge System

instrumentation. Do not use implants or instruments from any other system or manufacturer.

- Apply appropriate care when inserting the implant.
- Check implant height and/or angle using the trial implants.

For complete instructions regarding the proper use and application of all Tyber Medical Wedge System implants and instruments, please refer to the Tyber Medical Wedge Surgical Technique Manual (provided with the system).

CARE AND HANDLING

Certain Tyber Medical Wedge Systems Implants and all instruments are provided non-sterile and should be stored in the original packaging until cleaned and sterilized. Prior to use, they must be cleaned and sterilized according to the standard hospital procedure. Refer to the CLEANING and STERILIZATION section for recommended parameters.

Point of Use

Before being used for the first time and each use thereafter, the instructions outlined below should be followed to ensure safe handling of biologically contaminated instruments.

Containment and Transportation

It is recommended that instruments are reprocessed as soon as reasonably practical following use.

Preparation for Cleaning

Remove excess soil with a clean, lint-free, disposable, absorbent cloth.

Cleaning (Automated)

Equipment: Automated washer, soft bristle brush, enzymatic detergent¹, and neutral pH detergent².

- Preclean the instruments by placing under running water and scrubbing with a soft bristle brush to remove major debris. Rinse and scrub each instrument for at least one minute.
- After precleaning, place in the automated washer, making sure the samples do not touch each other - load instruments in such a way that the parts can drain.
- Use a standard instruments cycle with the following parameters (at a minimum):

Enzyme Wash	Hot (40 - 65 °C) (104 - 149 °F) for 3 minutes
Neutral pH Wash	60 °C (140 °F) for 3 minutes
Rinse	Ambient temperature for 1.5 minutes
Thermal Rinse	90 °C (194 °F) for 1 minute
Dry	82 °C (180 °F) for 6 minutes

- Determine if the instruments are dry. If they are not dry, dry with a soft, clean, lint free cloth.
- After drying, check instruments for complete removal of any debris. If necessary, repeat cycle or use manual cleaning. Replace an instrument that cannot be cleaned.

Cleaning (Manual)

Warning: Movable components and blind holes require particular attention during cleaning.

Preparation of Cleaning Agents (Recommended):

- Add 60 mL of Endozime® AW Plus to 3.8 L of water, (1:64 dilution).

Manual Cleaning Instructions:

- Preclean the devices by placing under running water and scrubbing with a soft bristle brush to remove major debris. Rinse and scrub each device for at least one minute.
- Bathe the devices in the enzymatic solution for 5 minutes; where appropriate, the devices shall be rotated and briskly moved in bath to promote flushing. Where appropriate, a large syringe or pulsating water jet may be used to thoroughly flush all channels and lumens with the solution.
- Scrub the devices with a soft bristle brush while submerged in the detergent.
- Rinse the devices in purified water at room temperature for 5 minutes.
- The rinse bath should be changed after each cleaning process.
- Pat dry with a soft, clean, lint free cloth.
- After drying, check instruments for complete removal of any debris. If necessary, repeat manual cleaning. Replace an instrument that cannot be cleaned.

Device Replacement

Warning: The use of damaged instruments may increase the risk of tissue trauma, infection and length of operative procedures.

Warning: Do not attempt to repair any Tyber Medical instrument.

If your Tyber Medical device is defective or damaged, contact your local Tyber Medical Distributor. In your correspondence please include, at minimum, the following:

- Device Part Number
- Device Lot Number
- Description of defect or damage
- Information on whether the device is available for return

Inspection and Function Testing

Visually inspect all instruments under normal lighting to ensure the cleaning was effective. Inspect for surface damage and wear. Check for staining, discoloration, corrosion, misalignment, burrs, bent or fractured tips. Where instruments interface with other devices, inspect to ensure that the instruments properly interface. Mechanically test the working parts to verify that each instrument functions correctly. Replace any instrument that is not functioning.

Verify the legibility of all markings. Replace any instrument that is unreadable.

Repeat the cleaning and/or replace the affected instruments as needed to ensure proper operation before proceeding with sterilization.

Packaging

Instruments may be loaded into the specified Tyber Medical instrument trays, or general-purpose trays. Wrap the trays using an appropriate method with no more than two layers of sterilization wrap that are FDA approved for pre-vacuum steam sterilization.

Sterilization

For devices provided Sterile, the sterilization method is noted on label. Sterile implant components are supplied sterile to a Sterility Assurance Level (SAL) of 10⁻⁶. Sterile packaged components are supplied in a protective sterile barrier packaging. Inspect package for punctures or other damage

prior to surgery. If sterile barrier has been broken, return component to Tyber Medical. Do not re-sterilize.

If not specifically labeled **STERILE**, or if labeled NON-STERILE, components are supplied non-sterile. Non-sterile instruments must be cleaned and sterilized prior to surgery.

Warning: Tyber Medical does not recommend that the instruments be sterilized by Flash, EtO or Chemical sterilization. When sterilizing multiple instruments in one autoclave cycle, ensure that the sterilizer's maximum load is not exceeded.

To achieve a sterility assurance level of SAL 10⁻⁶, Tyber Medical recommends the following parameters:

Sterilizer Type	Gravity	Pre-Vacuum	
Minimum Temp.	132 °C (270 F)	132 °C (270 F)	135 °C (275 F)
Exposure*	15 min	4 min	3 min
Dry Time	20 minutes		
<i>*Tyber Medical has validated the above sterilization cycles and has the data on file. The validated sterilization parameters meet the minimum requirements per ISO 17665. Other sterilization cycles may also be suitable; however individuals or hospitals not using the recommended method are advised to validate any alternative method using appropriate laboratory techniques.</i>			

Tyber Medical recommends following ANSI/AAMI ST79, *Comprehensive guide to steam sterilization and sterility assurance in health care facilities*, which includes: physical monitoring of the cycle, inclusion of a chemical indicator internal and external to the package, and monitoring of every load with a Biological Indicator and/or Class 5 Integrating Indicator.

Certain Tyber Medical PEEK and all TyPEEK implants are provided sterile and cannot be resterilized.

Storage

Tyber Medical instruments must be completely dry before storing and must be handled with care to prevent damage. Store in designated trays and in areas which provide protection from dust, insects, chemical vapors and extreme changes in temperature and humidity.

RETRIEVAL AND ANALYSIS OF REMOVED IMPLANTS

The most important part of surgical implant retrieval is preventing damage that would render scientific examination useless. Special care should be given to protect the implant during handling and shipping. Follow internal hospital procedures for the retrieval and analysis of implants removed during surgery. When handling removed implants, use precautions to prevent the spread of bloodborne pathogens. Please contact Tyber Medical customer service for return of removed implants.

DISPOSAL

Observe internal hospital/institution procedures, practice guidelines, and/or government regulations for proper handling and disposal of the Tyber Medical Wedge System devices.

CUSTOMER SERVICE

For further information regarding the Tyber Medical Wedge System or a copy of the Tyber Medical Wedge System Surgical Technique Manual, please contact Tyber Medical, LLC or your local Tyber Medical Distributor.



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¹ ENZOL®, a trademark of Advanced Sterilization Products, was used in the cleaning validation

² Polystica™ Ultra Concentrate neutral Detergent, a trademark of Steris Corporation, was used in the cleaning validation.

SYMBOL GLOSSARY

Symbol	Meaning
	Caution: Federal (United States) law restricts this device to sale, distribution, and use by or on the order of a physician
	Reference Number
	Lot Number
	Date of Manufacture / Country of Manufacture
	Use by Date
	Sterilized using irradiation
	Double sterile barrier system
	Non-Sterile
	Do not re-use
	Do not use if package is damaged
	Consult instructions for use
	Manufacturer
	Distributor
	Unique Device Identifier
	Medical Device