

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE**

### RETRACTORS

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**REVISION 1** 

## Intended use

Retractors are surgical instruments used to hold an incision or wound open during surgical procedures providing optimal exposure. They can be manual i.e., needs to be held in position, or self-retaining as they maintain the position and shape, without needing to be held in place by the surgeon. They are available in varying styles, lengths and widths.

## Reuse of Single Use Product

This Product is designated as 'Single Use' ONLY. It should-be used for one-patient, during a single procedure and then discarded. It is not intended to be reprocessed and used again, even on the same patient. Along with an increased risk of infection, the safety of the product cannot be guaranteed with multiple use.

# <u>Product inspection before use</u>

Inspect device for rust, dents, cracks, pits and pores before use.

# **Warning**

- Do not use if product or sterile barrier system is damaged.
- Products supplied non-sterile must be sterilised before use.
- Please follow our sterilisation instructions prior to use.
- Do not use beyond the expiry date stated on the packaging.

# **Sterilisation**

Instruments can be sterilised using the following methods:

### **Ethylene Oxide**

Concentration: up to 450mg/l

Temperature: 60°C Exposure: up to 6 hours Humidity: up to100%

#### Irradiation

Dose to be validated by user, up to 70kGy.

## Contraindications

Instruments should not be used for anything other than their intended use. They are not to be used on patients who have an allergy or sensitivity to stainless steel, or any other component material e.g. Zinc.

## **Intended User**

Our instruments are designed for use by appropriately qualified clinicians, who will have good knowledge of their features and how they should be used. These products are not intended for use by lay persons.

# Disposal:

Used instruments should be disposed of in accordance with Local Clinical Waste Guidance.



