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VENUS® nano
POSTERIOR AND ANTERIOR SPINAL
IMPLANT SYSTEM

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

This instruction for use must be read carefully and its content must be adhered to.

SCOPE

The instruction for use is applicable for all sterile and unsterile delivered implants of the VENUS® nano-System.

BASIC STRUCTURE

The VENUS® nano-System is intended for use as a posterior and anterior implant system for fixation in spinal surgery for children and adults of small stature. It consists of rods, pedicle screws, connector elements, washers and a variety of hooks.

The VENUS® nano VDS instrument kit contains monoaxial screws, washers, rods and set screws for a ventral insertion using a double-rod treatment. A bicortical screw with a minimum diameter of 5 mm should be used for a ventral treatment. Various forms and sizes of these implants are available so that adaptations can be utilized to take into account the unique anatomy of individual patients.

MATERIAL

Components of the VENUS® nano-System are made out of the titanium alloy Ti6Al4V according to ISO 5832-3. It also contains rods made out of cobalt-chromium-alloy CoCr28Mo6 according to ISO 5832-12.

INDICATIONS FOR USE

The VENUS® nano-System is intended for the surgical treatment of diseases and injuries of the thoracic, lumbar, and sacral spine, in particular for indications such as instability, degenerative disc disease, deformities such as scoliosis and kyphosis, spondylolisthesis, trauma, tumours, and revision surgery.

As a guideline, the implants are designed for patients aged from 5 to 11 years and for patients weighing less than 45 kg.

AREA OF APPLICATION

The area of application is the thoracic, lumbar and sacral spine.

GENERAL CONDITIONS / INFORMATIONS FOR USE

- The implants must be implanted by surgeons having undergone the necessary training in spinal surgery. The insertion of implants must be carried out in accordance with the surgical and medical indications, the potential risks, and limitations related to this type of surgery, the contraindications, side effects, and precautions defined, and in the knowledge regard for the structure and the physical, chemical, metallic, metallurgical and biological characteristics of the implant.
- This instruction for use provides essential information, but is not sufficient for the use of the system. This information is not a substitute for the following: the professional judgement and/or clinical skills and experience of the physician with regard to careful patient selection; preoperative planning and implant selection; knowledge of the anatomy and biomechanics of the spine; an understanding of the material and the mechanical properties of the used implants; training and skills in spinal surgery and the use of the instruments required for inserting the implants; the surgeon's ability to gain the patient's consent, adhere to a clearly defined post-operative treatment regimen, and to conduct scheduled follow-up examinations.
- The activities and kinetic behavior of the patient have a significant influence on the implant's useful life. Patients must be informed that every activity increases the risk of loss, loosening, dislocation, migration,
- bending or breakage of implant components. Informing patients about limitations to their activities in the postoperative phase and postoperatively monitoring of the patients are crucial factors in assessing the development of the surgical result, the fusion and the condition of the implant. The above-mentioned effects may occur even if a bony fusion occurred and the implant is well integrated and the activity restrictions are complied with. The patient

must be informed of this. If such an effect occurs, the surgeon must decide whether a revision of the implant or other measures should be taken, taking into account the well-being of the patient and the risks involved.

- Components of the VENUS® nano system may not be replaced by components / products from other systems from another source or from a different manufacturer. Furthermore, no direct connection may be made between components / products of the VENUS® nano system to components of other systems or to components/products made of materials other than Ti6Al4V or CoCr28Mo6 established. If this is not complied with or if the products are otherwise used or used improperly, HumanTech Spine GmbH assumes no responsibility.
- Never reuse the implants. Even if the implant appears to be intact following revision, alterations within the implant or minute defects resulting from the loading and stressing to which the implant has been subjected can cause the implant to break.
- Implants that have already come into contact with a patient's body fluids or tissues or have been soiled must not be reused.
- Handle removed implants in such a way that their reuse is not possible.
- The instructions in the operation instructions (Surgical Technique) are to be observed. You can download these from the internet from www.humantech-spine.de or directly from your HumanTech representative. It is advised to use the instruments described in the surgical technique, which are intended to be used with the system. Complications may occur if the implant is inserted with or without the intended instruments. No liability can be accepted for the use of external instruments.
- Proceed with extreme caution in the region of the spinal cord and the roots of the nerves, since damage to the nerves can lead to the impairment of neurological functions.
- Breakage, slippage or incorrect use of the instruments or implants can injure the patient or the operating staff or result in more time being required for surgery.
- Residues consisting of implant material and/ or not from implant material should be removed.
- Damaged implants must not be implanted.
- Safety and compatibility of the device in the setting of magnetic resonance (imaging) have not been evaluated. No thermal test or test of migration has been performed on the device in this setting.
- Use of the implant in the area of the thoracic spine in children can stop the growth of the chest wall and lungs, with associated consequences. As a result, multiple operations must be performed during the growth period in order to adapt the structure to the spine as it grows.
- Adapting the structure to a spine that is fully grown can lead to a drastic reduction in the expected service life of the implant. It is therefore advisable to replace the rod and set screw.
- Bending of the rods affect the biomechanical properties of the implant. Bending in the area of the fixation of the rod in the Poly- or Monoaxial Screw can have negative influences to the fixation of the rod – Bending in this area has to be avoided.

CONTRAINDICATIONS

Contraindications may be either relative or absolute. The selection of a particular implant must be weighed carefully against the overall assessment of the patient. The following conditions can have an adverse impact on the chances of successful surgery. Contraindications include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Acute infections or significant risk of infection (immunocompromise)
- Signs of local inflammation
- Open wounds
- Fever or leukocytosis
- Morbid obesity
- Pregnancy
- Psychological illness
- Grossly distorted anatomy due to congenital abnormalities
- Any other medical or surgical condition which would preclude the potential benefit of spinal implant surgery, such as the presence of congenital abnormalities, elevation of sedimentation rate unexplained by other diseases, increased white blood cell count (WBC) or a marked left shift in the WBC differential blood count
- Joint diseases, bone absorption, osteopenia, osteomalacia and/or osteoporosis. Osteoporosis or osteopenia is a relative contraindication since this condition may limit the degree of obtainable correction, stabilization, and/or the amount of mechanical fixation.
- Any neuromuscular disease that would place excess strain on the implant during the healing period
- Suspicion of an allergy or intolerance, and documented allergy or intolerance to the material used. Appropriate tests should be carried out
- Any case not needing a bone graft and fusion
- Any case where the implant components selected for use would too large or too small to achieve a successful result
- All cases which require the use of components other than the metals or alloys used in this system
- Any patient with inadequate tissue structure on the operational side, or an inadequate bone stock or bone quality
- Any patient in which implant utilization would interfere with anatomical structures or expected physiological performance.
- Any patient unwilling or not able to follow postoperative instructions.
- Any case not described in the indications

SIDE EFFECTS/ COMPLICATIONS

The side effects and complications listed are not only due to the implants, but often also to the surgical procedure and include, but are not limited to:

- Delayed bone growth or no visible fusion and pseudarthrosis.
- Neurological complications, paralysis, soft-tissue lesions and/or migration of the implant.
- Breakage, loosening or deformation of the implant, as well as abrasion
- Implant breakage during implantation or when implanted
- Superficial or deep-set infection and inflammatory phenomena
- Partial loss of the level of correction achieved during the operation.
- Allergic reaction to the implant material.
- Reduction of bone density.
- Neurological or spinal lesion in the dura mater caused by surgical trauma.
- Genitourinary disorders, gastrointestinal disorders, vascular disorders including thrombus, respiratory tract disorders including embolism, burstis, secondary bleeding, myocardial infarction, or death.
- Disorder of anatomical structures.
- Fracture of a vertebra, the pedicle, and/or the sacrum.
- Presence of microparticles around the implants (metallosis).
- Modified growth of the fused spine.
- Stopped growth of the chest wall and lungs, with associated consequences.
- Modification of spinal curvature and stiffness of the vertebral column
- Pain, discomfort or abnormal sensations due to the presence of the implant.
- Pressure on the skin caused by components located in positions with insufficient tissue coverage over the implant, with potential penetration of the skin.
- Fracture, micro fracture, resorption, damage to or penetration of a vertebral body above or below the treated segment/s
- Physiological limitations, such as joint degeneration
- Bleeding and/or haematomas
- Revision surgery
- Development of respiratory problems, including pulmonary embolism, atelectasis, bronchitis, pneumonia, etc.

PACKAGING, LABELING, TRANSPORT AND STORAGE

- The implant components must be handled, transported and stored with due care. Damages to the implant packaging or damages to the implant itself can significantly reduce the performance, stability and durability of the implant system. It can lead to cracks and/or increase internal loads, which can result in a fracture of the implant.
- The implants and instruments should be stored at room temperature. Environmental influences such as salty air, humidity, chemicals etc. may not be allowed to act on the implants.
- Before the surgery, a careful inspection of the components of the VENUS® nano system to be used must be carried out in order to avoid damages due to storage, transport or previous procedures. The sterilization containers, trays and the associated covers must not be damaged.

The implants are delivered in both NON STERILE and STERILE packaged condition:

Unsterile delivered implants:

UNSTERILE delivered implants are labeled as UNSTERILE and must be cleaned, disinfected and sterilized before use (see CLEANING, DISINFECTION and STERILISATION).

The implants are supplied as an implant system in equipped trays in sterilization containers or individually packaged. Individual packaging must be unopened at the time of delivery. Sterilization in the original packaging is not allowed. The sterilization containers, trays and the associated covers must not be damaged.

Sterile delivered implants:

STERILE delivered implants are sterilized by a validated gamma sterilization procedure and labeled as STERILE. Cleaning, disinfection and sterilization prior to use need not be performed.

The implants are supplied individually packaged in a blister and protected by a covering box. The implants may be used only when the label on the outer packaging and also the inner packaging are intact. If the packaging is damaged or already open, the sterility of the implant is not guaranteed and the implant may not be used.

The implants may not be used when the shelf life indicated has been exceeded.

Processing, reprocessing, sterilization or re-sterilization of the products after opening the sterile packaging or with damaged sterile packaging is not intended.

HumanTech Spine GmbH assumes no responsibility for the use of re-sterilized implants regardless of the person who performed the re-sterilization or the method used. The rules of asepsis must be observed when removing the implant from the sterile packaging. The sterile packaging may only be opened immediately before the implant is inserted. It is recommended to always have a replacement implant available. The implant must be removed from the packaging using appropriate aseptic provisos.

CLEANING, DISINFECTION AND STERILISATION

UNSTERILE packaged delivered products of the VENUS® nano System must be cleaned, disinfected and sterilized prior to use. All necessary steps for cleaning, disinfection, maintenance and sterilization are described in the instruction "Processing unsterile delivered Spine". The latest version can always be found on our homepage <https://www.humantech-spine.de/378-en-IFUs.html>, as well as on request from HumanTech Spine GmbH.

DISPOSAL

The products must be disposed of in accordance with the applicable local regulations, whereby the respective degree of contamination must be taken into account.

PRODUCT COMPLAINTS

Any person involved in healthcare (e.g. customer or user of this product system) who has complaints of any kind or is dissatisfied using the product with respect to quality, identity, strength, durability, safety, effectiveness or function should notify the appropriate HumanTech representative. If a VENUS® nano implant should ever malfunction (i.e. fails to fulfill the performance specifications or does not function in the foreseen manner), or if the above is suspected, the HumanTech representative should be informed immediately.













If a HumanTech product should ever malfunction in a way that results in the death or serious injury of the patient or if it has contributed to the above, the representative is to be informed immediately by telephone, fax or in written form.












If you have any complaints then we ask you to state the name, article number and batch number of the components as well as your name and address along with a detailed description of the fault and forward this information to us in writing.

FURTHER INFORMATION

If you have any complaints, suggestions or other points about the contents of this user manual or the use of the product, please contact the above address.

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	Manufacturer
	Do not re-use
	Batch number
	Reference number
	Read the documentation
	Keep dry
	Unsterile
	sterilized by irradiation
	Do not re-sterilize
	Date of expiry
	Do not use when packaging is damaged
	Attention

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	Αριθμός παρτίδας
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	Διαβάστε την τεκμηρίωση
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