

RUMEX INSTRUMENTS FOR VITREORETINAL SURGERY

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RUMEX International Co. is one of the leading manufacturers of high precision ophthalmic instruments for handheld surgery. Since 1994 our company has been working closely with honorable surgeons all over the world. The distinguished ergonomic design of our instruments, and high quality materials they are composed of, will ensure that every surgical manipulation is gentle and precise.

Our vitreoretinal product line is a result of professional experience and manufacturing skills accumulated over many years. Following the latest trends of vitreoretinal surgery, we launched lines of 27 Ga instruments and disposable products for the posterior segment.

We are pleased to introduce RUMEX FLUSHING SYSTEM as one of the latest innovative achievements that allows for efficient cleaning without disassembling and increases the lifespan of a tool.

The range of vitreoretinal products offers a variety of options to meet any preference: reusable and disposable instruments in one-piece and two-piece design made of titanium, stainless steel and plastics.

The brochure features suggested sets of vitreoretinal products, which include trocar systems, most popular models of scissors and forceps, backflush tools, diamond dusted scrapers and a selection of cannulas completed with silicone oil and infusion systems. The sets can be easily customized according to your personal requirements.

We respect long-term relationships and are always looking for new partners. Our brand is presented in 100 countries by now, and should you be interested to become a distributor of RUMEX products, please contact us for further details.



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POPULAR	SKU preferred by the majority of customers
NEW	Recently introduced into the product range of RUMEX International Co.
2	Disposable instruments
2	Available in a single-use edition
6 80	Quantity in the box
ss	Available in Stainless Steel
BRVO	Branch Retinal Vein Occlusion
CRVO	Central Retinal Vein Occlusion
ERM	Epiretinal Membrane
ILM	Internal Limiting Membrane
MVR	Micro-vitreoretinal
PFC	Perfluorocarbon
PVD	Posterior Vitreous Detachment
PVR	Proliferative Vitreoretinopathy

A VARIETY OF OPTIONS FOR VITREORETINAL SURGERY



FEATURED PRODUCTS

Universal End-Grasping Forceps with Asymmetrical Branches



Universal End-Grasping Forceps allow the performing of ILM peeling and safe removal of epiretinal membranes. Asymmetrical design of branches provides for ideal maneuverability and excellent visualization of the grasped tissue.



 12-420-23
 23 Ga
 POPULAR

 12-420-25
 25 Ga
 POPULAR

 12-420-27
 27 Ga

 Tip only

End-Grasping Forceps



The special design of the tips promotes delicate, precise and safe ILM peeling. The strengthened jaws ensure enhanced gripping power. Expanded space between branches contributes to greater visualization of the grasped membrane in the macular area. **12-4013** 23 Ga **Tip only**

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Gripping Forceps with a 'Crocodile' Platform



Designed for the removal of epiretinal membranes. Blunt, atraumatic serration intensifies grasping capacity and prevents tissue shredding.

 12-304
 20 Ga

 12-304-23
 23 Ga

 12-304-25
 25 Ga

 Tip only
 25 Ga

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VITREORETINAL INSTRUMENT TIPS: GAUGE CONVERSION CHART, COLOR CODE SYSTEM

We offer various models of vitreoretinal tips that can be adjusted to Universal Handles (12-001T or 12-003T)*.



*Handles are sold separately! **Colors of details may differ slightly from those displayed in this catalog. Product design and/or features that do not influence its functionality and main parameters are subject to change

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HANDLES FOR VITREORETINAL INSTRUMENTS*

RUMEX International Co is pleased to provide you with two models of Universal Handles that can be used with interchangeable tips.*

- Made of Titanium
- Corrosion resistant
- ${\mbox{\cdot}}$ Can be used with tips of any gauge 20/23/25/27 (and other gauges)



SCISSORS*

Designed for cutting membranes and junction zones of the proliferative tissue.



12-211 20 Ga



45° With illumination 12-2084 20 Ga



Side Curved Scissors 20 Ga 12-215

*Tips are sold separately! ** Compatible with Universal Handle 12-001T Only Product design and/or features that do not influence its functionality and main parameters are subject to change

INTERNAL LIMITING MEMBRANE (ILM) FORCEPS

Delicate branches for ILM peeling



Universal End-Grasping Forceps allow the performing of ILM peeling and safe removal of epiretinal membranes. Asymmetrical design of branches provides for ideal maneuverability and excellent visualization of the grasped tissue.



End-Grasping Forceps

Expanded space between branches

12-4013 23 Ga POPULAR

Enhanced visualization!

The special design of the tips promotes delicate, precise and safe ILM peeling. The strengthened jaws ensure enhanced gripping power. Expanded space between branches contributes to greater visualization of the grasped membrane in the



Tanaka Maculorhexis Forceps 12-414 23 Ga



Kawai ILM Forceps 12-415 25 Ga

*Tips are sold separately!

macular area.

EPIRETINAL (ERM) FORCEPS*

- Strengthened jaws for the removal of epiretinal membranes
- Gripping function is enhanced by sandblasted/serrated platform or nail shaped jaws



Designed for the removal of epiretinal membranes. Blunt, atraumatic serration intensifies grasping capacity and prevents tissue shredding.



12-413 20 Ga

FOREIGN BODY REMOVAL FORCEPS*





Avci Foreign **Body Forceps** 12-412*** 17 Ga



Spring Gripping Forceps 12-321** 20 Ga 12-321-23*** 23 Ga POPULAR





Vitreoretinal Forceps With cup jaws 12-313** 20 Ga



Stolyarenko Forceps For large foreign bodies 12-335** 20 Ga **POPULAR**

*Tip only. Handles are sold separately. ** Compatible with Universal Handle 12-001T only

*** Compatible with Universal Handles 12-001T and 12-003T

MEMBRANE INSTRUMENTS





BRVO Knife

Designed for performing a lateral CRVO incision. Overall length 135 13-1091-23 23 Ga

23 GAUGE INSTRUMENTS*







Eckardt End-Gripping Forceps

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12-410-23 23 Ga POPULAR



Asymmetrical End-Grasping Forceps

Designed for myopic eyes. Elongated tube, 30.00 mm 12-4202-23 23 Ga Enhanced visualization!



Tano Asymmetrical End-Gripping Forceps 12-411-23 23 Ga

End-Grasping Forceps

Asymmetrical

12-420-23 23 Ga

Enhanced visualization!

End-Grasping Forceps Expanded space between branches 12-4013 23 Ga POPULAR Enhanced visualization!



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ERM

Gripping Forceps With a sandblasted platform

12-301-23 23 Ga POPULAR



Gripping Forceps With a "crocodile" platform 12-304-23 23 Ga POPULAR

Spring Gripping

Forceps

12-321-23

End-Gripping

With nail-shaped jaws

12-402-23 23 Ga

Forceps



Vertical Scissors

70° Sharp tips **12-202-23** 23 Ga **POPULAR**





Curved Subretinal Scissors Curvature radius 12.00 mm 12-209-23 23 Ga POPULAR

23 Ga



End-Gripping Forceps With extended gripping area at the end of the tip

12-4012 23 Ga

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*Tip only. Handles are sold separately.

Forceps 12-410-27

Product design and/or features that do not influence its functionality and main parameters are subject to change

27 Ga

End-Grasping Forceps

12-420-27 27 Ga

Enhanced visualization!

ONE-PIECE VITREORETINAL INSTRUMENTS WITH FLUSHING SYSTEM



REUSABLE TWO STEP TROCAR SYSTEMS



2 extra cannulas MVR knives should be purchased separately

Reusable Trocar System with Closure Valves

Package includes:

- Trocar cannula with closure valves 5 pcs
- Loading forceps 1 pc
- Fixation plate 1 pc
- Blunt cannula inserter 3 pcs
- Universal infusion line 1 pc
- Sterilization tray 1 pc

12-5173-23	23 Ga 🔵
12-5173-25	25 Ga



DISPOSABLE ONE-PIECE STAINLESS STEEL INSTRUMENTS



All stainless steel disposable instruments in 23 and 25 Ga are designed for precise manipulations during posterior segment surgeries.



DISPOSABLE INSTRUMENTS WITH PLASTIC HANDLE*



DISPOSABLE DIAMOND DUSTED RETRACTABLE ILM ELEVATORS**



STERILE

Designed to consistently create a precise edge to facilitate the ILM removal with forceps.



*Not available in the US and Europe ** Not available in Europe

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DISPOSABLE ONE STEP TROCAR SYSTEMS*

S* **NEW** STERILE



Each set includes:

- Trocar knife with preloaded trocar cannula 3 pcs
- Self-sealing trocar cannula (preloaded) 3 pcs
- Universal infusion line $-1\,\mathrm{pc}$

12-5229	23 Ga	
12-5244	25 Ga	
12-5227	27 Ga	



Sharp MVR Blade

Helps to create a smooth incision and promotes low-pressure insertion and superior sealing



Trocar Cannula

Innovative sharp design of the cannula contributes to unstoppable smooth trocar insertion.



Silicone Closure Valves

Removable self-sealing valves ensure maintenance of the desired intraocular pressure (IOP) throughout the case and eliminate the need for plugs.

Trocar Cannula Inserter

The tip of the plastic handle serves as a caliper/ scleral marker (2 dimensions: 3 and 4 mm).

Universal Infusion Line for BSS

DISPOSABLE BACKFLUSH INSTRUMENTS*



One-piece instrument combines a handle and a soft, brush or blunt tip cannula. The set comes with two connectors for active and passive aspiration. Used for intraocular fluids and debris aspiration during vitreoretinal surgery.



BACKFLUSH HANDLES AND RESERVOIRS



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VITREORETINAL CANNULAS

Disposable Backflush Cannulas*

Designed for efficient and safe manipulations in the posterior segment. Used with the backflush handle.

Charles Flute Cannulas

Designed to aspirate blood and debris from the posterior segment. Smooth, finished tip provides atraumatic entry and reduces risk of trauma to surrounding tissue.

12-5164 23 Ga x 34 mm 12-5156 25 Ga x 34 mm 12-5492 27 Ga x 34 mm

Soft Tip Cannulas

Flexible silicone tip allows atraumatic entry through retinal or macular tears or holes and enables aspiration of subretinal fluid.

12-5161 23 Ga x 34 mm 12-5152 25 Ga x 34 mm 12-5491 27 Ga x 34 mm

Brush Tip Cannulas

The soft silicone brush tip cannula designed for atraumatic brushing of retina.

12-5162 23 Ga x 34 mm 12-5160 25 Ga x 34 mm 12-5167 27 Ga x 34 mm





Dual Bore Cannulas*

Dual Bore PFC Cannulas

Simultaneous infusion of heavy liquids and aspiration of intraocular fluids.

12-5203 23 Ga x 33 mm 12-5205 25 Ga x 33 mm









SILICONE OIL

Smartsil 1000/5000*

Purified Silicone Oil for Vitreoretinal Surgery

- Maximum interfacial tension and minimum interactions between tissues, cells and endo-tamponades media
- Optimal combination of specific gravity, refractive index and surface tension
- Different viscosity indexes enable easy injection (1000 cSt) and stable temporary tamponade (5000 cSt)
- Vacuum molecular distillation solvent-free purification no risk of emulsification

Physico-chemical properties			
Interfacial tension	≥ 40 mNm ⁻¹ at 37°C		
Density	0.97		
Viscosity	1000/5000 cSt		
Refractive index	1.40		
Volatility	< 1%		
Polydispersity	< 2.80		
Volume of oil	10 ml		
Syringe	20 ml		
Shelf Life	3 years		





Silicone Oil Infusion System is sold separately



Purification

- Vacuum molecular distillation solvent-free purification
- Potentially toxic low molecular weight oligomers (D4 to D20) extraction
- Residual volatile components extraction (water, ethanol, etc.)

Indication

SmartSil 1000/5000 is used for prolonged tamponade after surgical treatment for severe retinal detachment (RD), especially:

- RD with proliferative vitreal retinopathy
- RD with diabetic retinopathy complications
- RD with giant tears
- Traumatic RD
- Secondary RD with viral retinitis

*Not available in the US

*To be used with Silicone Oil Infusion System Product design and/or features that do not influence its functionality and main parameters are subject to change

SILICONE OIL INFUSION SYSTEMS

Silicone Oil Infusion Systems are used to connect RUMEX silicone oil syringe to the vitreoretinal surgical equipment.



Surgical System	Reusable
Ioltech [®] Pentasys [™] Optikon [®] Antares [™] Alcon [®] STTO [™] Storz [®] Premiere [™] DORC [®] Harmony Budget [™]	12-RTUB-1
DORC® Associate™ Alcon® Constellation™, Accurus™	12-RTUB-2
B&L® Millenium™, Stellaris™	12-RTUB-3
Oertli® Orbit [™] , Faros [™] , OS3 [™] Optikon [®] R-Evolution [®]	12-RTUB-4







Disposable Viscous Fluid Injection Cannulas*

Allow injection of viscous fluids such as silicone oil through a 23 Ga or 25 Ga trocar cannula

12-5248	23 Ga x 4 mm
12-5258	25 Ga x 4 mm



Infusion Cannula

Reusable Infusion Cannula

Self-retaining hub of 6.00 mm **12-026** 20 Ga



STERILE



Disposable Self-Retaining Silicone Oil Cannula Self-retaining hub of 4.00 mm 12-5165 23 Ga



12-001T	1	Universal Instrument Handle, One Finger Control
12-003T	2	Universal Instrument Handle, Squeeze Model,
		Two Fingers Control
12-202-23	3	Vertical Vitreoretinal Scissors, 23 Ga, Tip only
12-209-23	4	Curved Subretinal Scissors, 23 Ga, Tip only
12-410-23	5	Eckardt End-Gripping Forceps, 23 Ga, Tip only
12-4013	6	End-Grasping Forceps, Expanded Space between
		Branches, 23 Ga, Tip only
12-301-23	7	Vitreoretinal Forceps with a Sandblasted Platform,
		23 Ga, Tip only
12-304-23	8	Vitreoretinal Forceps with a "Crocodile" Platform,
		23 Ga, Tip only
*not shown		
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Key	Description
9	Pick Vitreoretinal Forceps
10	Spring Gripping Forceps,
11	Titanium Backflush Handl
12	Soft Tip Cannula, 23 Ga, I
13	Delicate Membrane Pick,
14	Reusable Trocar System,
15	Purified Silicone Oil for Re
	5000 cSt
16	Reusable Tubing System
	Plastic Sterilization Tray w
	Key 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

s, 23 Ga, Tip only , 23 Ga, Tip only le, Active Aspiration Disposable, 5 per Box 23 Ga 23 Ga etinal Endotamponade, for the Infusion of Silicone Oil vith Silicone Finger Mat, Double Level, Extra Large

DISPOSABLE SET, 23 GA



Reference	Key	Description
12-5229	1	Disposable One Step Trocar System 23 Ga, 6 per Box
12-5161H	2	Backflush Instrument with Soft Tip, 23 Ga, 6 per Box
12-7523	3	Disposable Diamond Dusted Retractable ILM Elevator, 23 Ga, 5 per Box
12-209-23DP	4	Disposable Vitreoretinal Curved Scissors, 23 Ga, Plastic Handle 360°, 6 per Box
12-410-23DP	5	Disposable Vitreoretinal Eckardt End-Gripping Forceps, 23 Ga, Plastic Handle 360°, 6 per Box



Reference	Key	Description
12-304-23DP	6	Disposable Vitreoretinal Gripping Forceps with a "Crocodile Platform", 23 Ga, Plastic Handle 360°, 6 per Box
12-202-23DP	7	Disposable Vitreoretinal Vertical Scissors, 23 Ga, Plastic Handle 360°, 6 per Box
12-5203	8	Dual Bore PFC Cannula, 23 Ga, 5 per Box
12-5248	9	Viscous Fluid Injection Cannula, 23 Ga, 4 mm Tip, 5 per Box
SmartSil5000	10	Purified Silicone Oil for Retinal Endotamponade, 5000 cSt

REUSABLE SET, 25 GA



Reference	Key 1	Description Universal Instrument Handle, One Finger Control
12-003T	2	Universal Instrument Handle, Squeeze Model, Two Fingers Control
12-2029	3	Vertical Vitreoretinal Scissors, 25 Ga, Tip only
12-2099	4	Curved Subretinal Scissors, 25 Ga, Tip only
12-410-25	5	Eckardt End-Gripping Forceps, 25 Ga, Tip only
12-420-25	6	Asymmetrical End-Grasping Forceps, 25 Ga, Tip Only
12-3019	7	Vitreoretinal Forceps with a Sandblasted Platform, 25 Ga, Tip only
12-304-25	8	Vitreoretinal Forceps with a "Crocodile" Platform, 25 Ga, Tip only

*not shown

Reference 12-3259 12-6000 Key Description Pick Vitreoretinal Forceps, 25 Ga, Tip only Titanium Backflush Handle, Active Aspiration Soft Tip Cannula, 25 Ga, Disposable, 5 per Box 9 10 12-5152 11 Delicate Membrane Pick, 25 Ga Reusable Trocar System, 25 Ga 13-0979 12 12-5173-25 13 SmartSil5000 14 Purified Silicone Oil for Retinal Endotamponade, 5000 cSt 12-RTUB-2 18-305* Reusable Tubing System for the Infusion of Silicone Oil Plastic Sterilization Tray with Silicone Finger Mat, Double Level, Extra Large 15

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DISPOSABLE SET, 25 GA



Reference	Key	Description
12-5244	1	Disposable One Step Trocar System 25 Ga, 6 per Box
12-5152H	2	Backflush Instrument with Soft Tip, 25 Ga, 6 per Box
12-7525	3	Disposable Diamond Dusted Retractable ILM Elevator, 25 Ga, 5 per Box
12-209-25DP	4	Disposable Vitreoretinal Curved Scissors, 25 Ga, Plastic Handle 360°, 6 per Box
12-410-25DP	5	Disposable Vitreoretinal Eckardt End-Gripping Forceps, 25 Ga, Plastic Handle 360°, 6 per Box



Ref	erence	Key	Description
12-3	304-25DP	6	Disposable Vitreoretinal Gripping Forceps with a "Crocodile Platform", 25 Ga, Plastic Handle 360°, 6 per Box
12-2	202-25DP	7	Disposable Vitreoretinal Vertical Scissors, 25 Ga, Plastic Handle 360°, 6 per Box
12-5	5205	8	Dual Bore PFC Cannula, 25 Ga, 5 per Box
12-5	5258	9	Viscous Fluid Injection Cannula, 25 Ga, 4 mm Tip, 5 per Box
Sm	artSil5000	10	Purified Silicone Oil for Retinal Endotamponade, 5000 cSt

HANDLING OF VITREORETINAL AND MICROINCISIONAL INSTRUMENTS

We at RUMEX guarantee our instruments against manufacturing defects, but the lifespan of reusable instruments lies within proper handling and care. To help your instruments preserve their initial conditions, we strongly recommend you to read the instructions below carefully before use.

A common misconception that "stainless steel" or "titanium" have extreme durability and are indestructible is in need of correction: these metals still might be affected by chemical, mechanical, thermal attacks and etc. However, if you are aware of metal characteristics and understand how to handle them, the lifespan of the instruments may be enlarged.

A particular care should be taken after microsurgical instruments as they have very delicate working tips. These instructions are being general recommendations, cleaning guidelines of the solutions, equipment manufacturer and your institution, especially those regarding temperature, time of exposure and concentration, should be observed.

APPLICATION

RUMEX Instruments (ophthalmic scissors and forceps for vitreoretinal and microincisional surgery) are designed for various applications in ophthalmic surgery. It is essential that the instrument is cleaned and sterilized before initial use and after each surgery, following as outlined in this instruction brochure.

CARE AND HANDLING

The intraocular tips have a delicate precision mechanism inside. Intraocular fluids will enter this mechanism during surgery. Proteins may also accumulate inside of the mechanism. If these fluids are not promptly and properly cleaned out, it will lead to corrosion or clogs and the possibility of instrument malfunction. Ensure the cleaning procedure is implemented after each surgery — warranty shall not extend to instruments that have been improperly handled. One-piece and two-piece vitreoretinal instruments are cleaned by use of special adapter and cannula.

INSPECTION

It is essential that the instrument is inspected before use. Please conduct this inspection under a microscope or magnification lens. If a problem is detected, notify us immediately. Once the instrument is examined and accepted, IT SHOULD BE CLEANED BEFORE PLACING IT IN THE STERILIZATION TRAY.

Stage 1: PRE-STERILIZATION CLEANING

Never skip this cleaning stage as residues on instruments such as care agents and the ones of package materials may form stains and depositions in course of sterilization.

It is imperative to follow the rules:

- 1. As much moisture as possible must be eliminated from all instrument's parts since moisture promotes corrosion.
- Only detergents and cleaners specially designed for use on surgical stainless steel or titanium instruments are acceptable for use in all the cleaning process. Cleaning guidelines of the solution manufacturer and your institution should be observed.
- 3. Thorough cleaning immediately after use is essential for the longevity of the instrument. We recommend that the established surgical instrument cleaning procedures of your institution be followed using these instructions as a guideline.
- 4. The cleaning/disinfecting solutions should be exchanged daily.

WARNING! Never use abrasive powders or steel wool to remove stubborn stains – these can damage the superfine finish of an instrument and can actually help cause corrosion of stainless instruments.

CLEANING OF TWO-PIECE VITREORETINAL INSTRUMENTS



- 1. Unscrew the tip from the handle, then attach flushing adapter 12-000T.
- 2. Flush the tip with distilled or demineralized water by connecting a syringe filled with water to adapter.
- 3. Flush the tip with alcohol this will remove the water and facilitate drying.
- 4. Dry the tip by forcing one or two syringes full of air through tip. Pressurized air is recommended, as it flushes out debris and fluid more efficiently than syringe forced air. Thoroughly dry handle, tip and cup.
- 5. Handle should be soaked in distilled or demineralized water for two minutes.
- 6. Dry with surgical sponge.
- 7. Lubricate joints in handle with instrument milk and work the mechanism by pressing the key.

CLEANING OF ONE-PIECE VITREORETINAL INSTRUMENTS



- 1. Put the instrument into PTFE protector (provided).
- 2. Soak it in the soap solution at temperature of 50°C (122°F) and keep it there for 15 min.
- 3. Wash the handle with brush and cotton/gauze pad.
- 4. Take the instrument out of soap bath and wash it under streaming water for 3 min.
- 5. Rinse the instrument with distilled or demineralized water.
- 6. After that flush the instrument with alcohol solution. It will remove water and contribute to drying.
- 7. Next, adjust the cannula on the luer of the syringe and fill the syringe with distilled or demineralized water.
- 8. A tube of the cannula then should be inserted into the port, situated at the base of the barrel near the colored wheels.
- 9. Flush the tube of the instrument and the tip with distilled or demineralized water by forcing syringe plunger. Then repeat the procedure with use of alcohol solution.
- 10. Finally, blow the air inside the tube by forcing it from the syringe into the port of the instrument. Pressurized air is recommended, as it flushes out debris and fluid more efficiently than syringe forced air.

WARNING! DO NOT apply ultrasonic cleaning to vitreoretinal and microincisional tips.

RECOMMENDED PRODUCTS FOR CARE AND CLEANING

Product name, Manufacturer	Description	Composition	Compatibility
SEKUSEPT Activ, Ecolab Deutschland GmbH	Disinfectant for automatic and manual processing of tools	 ≥ 30% oxygen-based bleaching agents; <5% non-ionic surfactants, phosphonates; 50% sodium perborate monohydrate; 25% tetraacetylethylenediamine; active antimicrobial components, nonionic surfactants, corrosion inhibitor; pH of 2% solution: 7.4-8.4 	Compatible. Discoloration of metal, residual detergent or water film formation may occur.
Neodisher MediClean Forte, Dr. Weigert GmbH & Co.	Detergent for automatic and manual cleaning of surgical instruments. Prevents reprecipitation of protein residues.	< 5% non-ionic and anionic surfactants; enzymes; pH: 10.4-10.8	Compatible. Discoloration of metal, residual detergent or water film formation may occur.

Product name, Manufacturer	Description	Composition	Compatibility
Neodisher MediKlar, Dr. Weigert GmbH & Co.	Rinser for automatic and manual cleaning of surgical instruments. Recommended for use with MediClean forte. Prevents reprecipitation of protein residues.	< 5% anionic surfactants, polycarboxylates; 5 - 15% non-ionic surfactants also preservatives; 2-octyl-2H-isothiazol-3-one, a mixture of: 5-Chloro-2-methyl-2h-isothiazol-3-one [EC-no.247-500-7] and 2-Methyl-2H- isothiazol-3-one; pH: 5.9-6.9	Compatible
ERIZYME, KiiltoClean FARMOS Oy	Detergent for hand treatment, washer disinfectors and ultrasonic treatment	non-ionic surfactants (< 5%); amphoteric surfactants (< 5%); complexing agent (5-15%); monopropylene glycol (15-30%); anti-foaming agent; enzymes; pH: 7.5	Compatible
ERISAN OXY+, KiiltoClean FARMOS Oy	Disinfectant in disposable sachets	sodium percarbonate 30 - <50%; citric acid 15 - <30%; tartaric acid 5 - <15%; pH: 5.9-6.9	Compatible. Discoloration of metal, residual detergent or water film formation may occur.

Fully demineralized water for rinsing and correct loading must be used to prevent staining!

WARNING! Hydrogen peroxide H2O2 may discolor titanium instruments.

The color of titanium instruments may change due to development of different properties of oxide layers. Such discoloration does not bring a safety risk, as well as water stains on the surface of the instruments. They don't affect the biocompatibility, functionality, and lifetime of the instruments. However, discoloration may affect the visual inspection of the tools (e.g. determining residual dirt). To prevent the color change of titanium instruments, use only neutral or mild alkaline cleaning agents. While using them, do not exceed a temperature of 70 °C (158 °F).

LUBRICATION

Moving parts and working mechanisms of the Rumex instruments should be lubricated occasionally with a medical grade instrument lubricant (especially after an ultrasonic bath) to ensure the smooth operation of the working mechanism. The lubricant must be biocompatible, suitable for steam sterilization and vapor-permeable. No silicone oil should be applied. The paraffin/white oil based lubricants are allowed to be used. The following products are recommended - Neodisher IP Spray, Miltex-Integra Spray Lube Instrument Lubricant, Sterilit[®] i lubricant.

After cleaning process let the instruments cool down to room temperature prior to their actuation, as otherwise metal abrasion may develop when the details of the tools rub against each other. This may destroy the instruments' functionality.

The recommended directions of the instrument lubricant manufacturer and your institution should be observed.

Stage 3: STERILIZATION

Stainless steel and titanium instruments can be sterilized via steam autoclaving, chemical disinfectants, ethylene oxide gas, or even dry hot air. Gas and dry chemical sterilization are the best methods for stainless steel instruments, but it takes a lengthy time period to accomplish the desired result. The most practical method of sterilization is heat or steam, which require less time, however, these methods can be damaging to delicate instruments. Please, be sure that you and the members of your staff have read and understood the instructions supplied by the manufacturer of your particular sterilizer.

STERILIZATION CYCLES

Finally, the instrument should be sterilized prior to the next surgical procedure.

WARNING! Only clean and disinfected products can be sterilized. For lumen instruments (e.g. tips, cannulas) the gravity procedure is not suitable!

RUMEX instruments can be sterilized using any of the following methods:

100% ETO cycles	
Concentration ETO	850±50mg/l
Temperature	37-47°C (99-117°F)
Exposure time	3–4 hours
Humidity	70% RH minimum
Drying Cycle	1 hour

	Steam Autoclaving	"Flash" Autoclaving
Sterilizer Type	Prevacuum	Prevacuum
Sample Config.	wrapped	unwrapped
Temperature°C	+132°C	+132°C
Temperature°F	+270°F	+270°F
Exposure Time	3 minutes	3 minutes
Drying Cycle	min. 10 minutes	min. 10 minutes

WARNING! Sterilization steam must not contain any impurities. Autoclave drying cycle should be used to avoid oxidation.

Gas plasma sterilization is not recommended as delicate instruments might be physically damaged when exposed to low pressure.

The above-mentioned sterilization cycles represent the industry standards and should be capable of producing a sterile device. Due to variations in sterilization equipment and device bioburden in clinical use, RUMEX International Co. is not able to provide specific cycle parameters. It is the responsibility of each user to perform the validation and verification of the sterilization cycle to ensure an adequate sterility assurance level for our products.

WARNING! Follow the guidelines of the processing times. The rapid sterilization process should be reserved for emergency processing only and should not be used for routine instrument sterilization. Longer sterilization period and higher temperatures can lead to premature aging of instruments.

AT THE END OF THE SURGICAL DAY

Instruments should be washed clean of all residues, dried and inspected after each use. Be sure to inspect every microsurgical instrument at the end of your surgical day. Please conduct this inspection under a microscope or magnification lens. If a damaged instrument is detected, repair or replace it. Washing, drying and inspecting the instrument under magnification helps to ensure that the instrument is kept in proper condition for the next surgical procedure.

STORAGE

Surgical instruments should be stored in the sterilizing trays of proper size lined with soft silicone mats. Instruments should not touch each other. We recommend using safety protectors made of PTFE, which are autoclavable. The photos below illustrate the way to fix a tip in a protector. Please insert the tips into PTFE protectors as shown in the picture:



- 1. Match the nut indicating the gauge with the hub, press the tip gently. Make sure the branches do not touch the protector.
- 2. The tips in their final position safely fixed by the protector.

Note: the tips should be sterilized in the protector to avoid any contact with other instruments. Product design and/or features that do not influence its functionality and main parameters are subject to change

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