



SIERRA Limb Rescue System

Proximal/Distal Femoral Components

Femoral/Tibial Augments

Tibial Components and Bearings

Connectors/Segments

Stems and Extramedullary Collars

Accessory Implants/Hinge Components

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Caution:

The latest version of this Instructions for Use document are provided on Signature Orthopaedics' eIFU website. It is highly recommended that the latest version is consulted to ensure the most current information is referenced. The latest version can be retrieved by following the directions on the eIFU website, signatureortho.com.au/eIFU.

Carefully read all the instructions and be familiar with the surgical technique(s) prior to use of the system. This product must only be used by trained, qualified persons, aware of the directions for use.

Federal law restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician.

1 System Description

The SIERRA Limb Rescue System (LRS) is a limb salvage system offering modular knee and hip implants designed to address the needs of patients undergoing severe total knee arthroplasty (TKA) and/or total hip arthroplasty (THA) procedures. It consists of a proximal femoral component, distal femoral components, femoral augments, auxiliary implants for a rotating hinge knee (RHK) construct, tibial components/bearings, tibial augments, stems, extramedullary (EM) collars, and connectors/segments to accommodate patient anatomy/needs. Limb salvage procedures are complex surgical interventions designed to preserve the functionality and structural integrity of a limb in extreme situations. The SIERRA LRS implants restore mobility and provide mechanical stability by replacing large sections of diseased or damaged bone with modular segments, re-establishing the anatomical alignment of the hip and/or knee. The materials and composition of the system implants are as follows:

System Component(s)	Material
Femurs – RHK and Segmental	CoCr per ASTM F75
Yokes/Yoke Posts Axles Tibial Trays Segments, Couplers Cemented Stems Splined Stems (10, 11 mm ø only)	CoCr per ISO 5832-12, ASTM F1537
Monobloc Proximal Femur	Ti-6Al-4V per ISO 5832-3, ASTM F136 Titanium Plasma Spray Coating per ISO 5832-3, ASTM F1580
Proximal Tibial Replacement Sleeves Cone Augments EM Collars	Ti-6Al-4V per ASTM F136, ASTM F3001
Femoral Augments Complete Tibial Tray Augments Half Tray Augments Screws Splined Stems	Ti-6Al-4V per ISO 5832-3, ASTM F136
All-Poly Tibial Trays	Vitamin-E UHMWPE (GUR 1020-E) per ISO 5834-1, ASTM 648
Axle Plugs	UHMWPE GUR 1050 per ASTM 648

System Compatibility

Implants compatible with the SIERRA LRS are detailed in the table below. A listing of compatible implants part numbers may be provided upon request.

Component/Family	510(k) Reference
World Total Knee System: Spherical Patellas	K223062
World Liners	K243162
Logical Liners	K241690
Signature Dual Mobility System	K220495, K211742
Fusion Taper System	K201047
World Hip System Cups and Liners	K201278
CoCr Femoral Heads	K191708
Signature Ceramic Femoral Heads	K190704
Signature BiPolar Heads	K133370 K163081
22mm Femoral Head	K163081
Logical C-Series Acetabular Shells, Logical Constrained Liners, Logical Constrained Liner Collars, Logical 20° Hooded Acetabular Liners	K153131
Femoral Heads, Logical PX-Series Acetabular Shells, Logical G-Series Acetabular Shells, Logical Acetabular	K121297

- Components of the Signature Orthopaedics SIERRA LRS are only to be used with Signature Orthopaedics approved components. Any misuse will negate the responsibility of Signature Orthopaedics for performance of the resulting mixed component implant.
- Signature Orthopaedics instruments are to be used for the insertion of Signature Orthopaedics Knee Replacement Systems. Any misuse may result in damage to either the instrument or the implant.

2 System Instrumentation

The associated instruments for the SIERRA LRS consist of manual orthopaedic surgical instruments. Refer to the surgical technique for the specific instructions for the appropriate use of SIERRA LRS instrument.

The SIERRA LRS instruments are manufactured medical instrument grade stainless steels, titanium alloys, aluminum, and polymers.

Re-usable instruments are delivered non-sterile. A complete guide for reprocessing reusable instruments may be provided upon request.

3 Indications for Use

The SIERRA Limb Rescue System is indicated for use in skeletally mature patients for disease treatment, pain relief, or improved function with the following clinical conditions:

- Painful and disabled joint resulting from avascular necrosis, osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, or traumatic arthritis.
- Correction of varus, valgus, or post-traumatic deformity.
- Correction of revision of unsuccessful osteotomy, arthrodesis or previous joint replacement.
- Ligament deficiencies.
- Tumor resections.
- Treatment of non-unions, femoral neck fracture, and trochanteric fractures of the proximal femur with head involvement, unmanageable using other techniques (proximal femoral components only).
- Revision of previously failed total joint arthroplasty.
- Trauma.

These devices are to be used with bone cement unless cementless use (i.e. splined stem or fully porous augment) is indicated.

4 Contraindications

Absolute contraindications include infection, sepsis, and osteomyelitis. Relative contraindications include:

- Uncooperative patient or patient with neurologic disorders who are incapable of following directions

- Osteoporosis
- Metabolic disorders which may impair bone formation
- Osteomalacia
- Distant foci of infections which may spread to the implant site
- Rapid joint destruction, marked bone loss or bone resorption apparent on roentgenogram
- Vascular insufficiency, muscular atrophy, or neuromuscular disease

5 Potential Adverse Effects

The following adverse effects are the most common resulting from an implantation:

- Loosening of the implant may result from changed alignment or wearing and fracture of the cement bed and/or tissue reaction to the implant and the associated abrasion products.
- Early and late infection.
- Dislocation, sub-dislocation, insufficient range of movement, undesired shortening or lengthening of the leg as a result of poor positioning of the implant.
- Bone fracture resulting from unusual stress or weakened bone substance.
- Temporary or chronic neural damage resulting from pressure or hematoma.
- Wound hematoma and delayed wound healing.
- Vascular disease including venous thrombosis, pulmonary embolism and cardiac arrest. Heterotopic ossification
- Deformation or fracture of implant components may result from failure to observe the Warnings and Precautions contained herein. Fracture of the implant can also occur as a result of traumatic injury, acute excessive loading, or improper anatomical alignment.

Other possible adverse events include; component disassociation, component migration and component subsidence.

6 Warnings and Precautionary Information

It is vital for the operating surgeon to take an active role in the medical management of their patients. The surgeon should thoroughly understand all aspects of the surgical procedure, instruments and limitations of the devices. Care in patient/implant selection, and the use of proper surgical procedures and techniques are the responsibility of the surgeon and surgical team. Adequate surgical training should be completed before implanting any knee or hip prosthesis. The patient's attention should be drawn to the contents of the IFU as well as to factors that may impair the results of the operation and to possible complications that may arise. The patient should also be informed about the measures, which the surgeon will use to minimize the possible effects of these factors.

The Sierra LRS implants are manufactured from metal and polymer materials and are not expected to withstand activity levels and loads, associated with a normal healthy knee joint, in the long term.

Malfunction of the implant and other complications may result from a failure to take into account the following, but should not be limited to the advice given below.

- Allergies to implanted materials, particularly metals (e.g. cobalt, chromium) as well as polyethylene and bone cement.
- Allergies to surgical instrument materials (e.g. steel, aluminum)
- Overweight patients.
- Localized bone tumors or bone defects.
- Osteoporosis or osteomalacia.
- Deformations, excessive axial deformity of the knee.
- Systemic disease and metabolic disturbances.
- Alcohol and drug abuse.
- Physical activities involving excessive shocks, whereby the implant is exposed to excessive forces and/or excessive loading (e.g. heavy physical activity, competitive sports, marathons etc.).
- Conditions of senility, and mental illness where patient compliance to doctor's instructions are not likely.

Preoperative Planning

The operation planning is carried out following a thorough clinical evaluation of the patient. Also X-rays must be taken to allow preoperative templating as well as a clear indication of the bony anatomy and associated deformities. At the time of the operation, the corresponding Signature Orthopaedics implantation instruments in addition to a complete set of implants

must be available. It is important to determine preoperatively whether the patient is allergic to any of the implant materials.

MRI Safety Information

The Signature Orthopaedics SIERRA LRS product range has not been evaluated for safety and compatibility in the MR environment. It has not been tested for heating or unwanted movement in the MR environment. The safety of the SIERRA LRS in the MR environment is unknown. Performing an MR exam on a person who has this medical device may result in injury or device malfunction.

Signature Orthopaedics does not recommend MR imaging for any patient implanted with a product from this implant range without prior consultation with an expert radiologist for assessment of potential adverse events.

Intraoperative Care

- The correct selection of the prosthesis size and satisfactory placement is critical.
- All instruments and prosthesis sizes need to be present and checked in the operating environment before commencing surgery. All packaging should be checked for external damage, and the availability of additional components is recommended in case of errors.
- Implants should be handled with care. Discard all damaged or mishandled implants. Never reuse an implant, even though it may appear undamaged.
- Trials should be used to confirm preoperative templating.
- Trial prosthesis components should be used for trial purposes only.
- Do not modify the implants in any way.
- The surgical technique is recommended to be followed.

Postoperative Care

- The willingness and ability of the patient to cooperate with the recommended postoperative regime is vital. This regime should exclude heavy labour, active sports or any activity that places heavy, abrupt or percussive forces on the knee replacement.
- Loosening or failure of implants and other complications may result from failure to follow and observe the listed warnings and precautions.
- Patient monitoring, including periodic x-rays are recommended for comparative evaluation with immediate postoperative conditions to assess evidence of long-term complications, such as implant loosening, cracking, etc. with due consideration being given for the revision of the implant.
- All existing medical conditions should be taken into consideration for the postoperative management of the patient. Mental attitude or disorders resulting in a patient's failure to adhere to the surgeon's orders may delay postoperative recovery and/or increase the risk of adverse effects including implant fixation failure.
- **Caution:** Following the implantation of prosthesis, the patient may feel little or no pain in the early postoperative period and must be cautioned to comply with the postoperative regimen.

7 Sterilization and Resterilization

Implants are supplied sterile and have been double sterile packaged. The method of sterilization is EO (ethylene oxide) as noted on the package label. Dispose of the implant if the packaging is damaged. Do not resterilize and do not reuse implants.

Unless specifically labelled sterile, instruments are supplied non-sterile and must be sterilized prior to use.

A complete guide for reprocessing reusable instruments may be provided upon request. As a guideline, the following sterilisation method is recommended:

Method:	Steam Autoclave
Cycle:	Pre-vacuum
Temperature:	132°C (270° F)
Exposure time	4 minutes
Drying time:	30 minutes

Note: Drying time is subject to variation depending on machine load.

8 Cleaning

Implants are supplied sterile and intended for single use only. Dispose of the implant if the packaging is damaged. Cleaning of the implants is not recommended. Re-usable instruments are delivered non-sterile. A complete guide for reprocessing reusable instruments may be provided upon request.

9 Storage and Handling

Always handle implants with sterile powder-free gloves. Prior to use, implants should be stored in clean, dry conditions and should not be exposed to direct sunlight, ionizing radiation, and extremes of temperature or contamination.

Instruments are to be stored in dry, clean surroundings at room temperature, in their sterilization tray.

10 Limited Warranty / Liability

Signature Orthopaedics products are sold with a limited warranty to the original purchaser against defects in workmanship and materials. Any other express or implied warranties, including warranties of merchantability or fitness, are hereby disclaimed.

Signature Orthopaedics shall not be liable for any incidental or consequential loss, damage, or expense, directly, or indirectly arising from the use of this product. Signature Orthopaedics neither assumes nor authorizes any other person to assume for it any other or additional liability or responsibility in connection with this product. Signature Orthopaedics intends that these instruments should be used only by physicians having received appropriate training in orthopaedic surgical techniques.

11 Contact Information

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12 Glossary of Symbols

SYMBOL	TITLE	EXPLANATORY TEXT	STANDARD REFERENCE
	Catalogue Number	Indicates the manufacturer's catalogue number so that the medical device can be identified.	ISO 15223-1 Ref # 5.1.6 FDA Recognition #5-117
	Batch Code	Indicates the manufacturer's batch code so that the batch or lot can be identified.	ISO 15223-1 Ref # 5.1.5 FDA Recognition #5-117
	Consult instructions for use	Indicates the need for the user to consult the instructions for use.	ISO 15223-1 Ref # 5.4.3 FDA Recognition #5-117
	Do not resterilize	Indicates a medical device that is not to be resterilized.	ISO 15223-1 Ref # 5.2.6

			FDA Recognition #5-117
	Do not re-use	Indicates a medical device that is intended for one use, or for use on a single patient during a single procedure.	ISO 15223-1 Ref # 5.4.2 FDA Recognition #5-117
	Do not use if package damaged	Indicates a medical device that should not be used if the package has been damaged or opened.	ISO 15223-1 Ref # 5.2.8 FDA Recognition #5-117
	Symbol for Prescription Device	Caution: Federal law restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician.	Guidance for Industry and FDA on Alternative to certain Prescription Device Labelling Requirements
	Sterilized by Ethylene Oxide	Indicates a medical device that has been sterilized using ethylene oxide.	ISO 15223-1 Ref # 5.2.3 FDA Recognition #5-117
	Date of Manufacture	Indicates the date when the medical device was manufactured.	ISO 15223-1 Ref# 5.1.3 FDA Recognition #5-117
	Manufacturer	Indicates the medical device manufacturer, as defined in EU Directives 90/385/EEC, 93/42/EEC and 89/79/EC	ISO 15223-1 Ref # 5.1.1 FDA Recognition #5-117
	Use-by-date	Indicates the date after which the medical device is not to be used.	ISO 15223-1 Ref # 5.1.4 FDA Recognition #5-117
	Caution	Indicates the need for the user to consult the instructions for use for important cautionary information such as warnings and precautions that cannot, for a variety of reasons, be presented on the medical device itself.	ISO 15223-1 Ref # 5.4.4 FDA Recognition #5-117