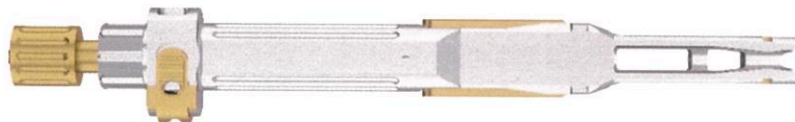


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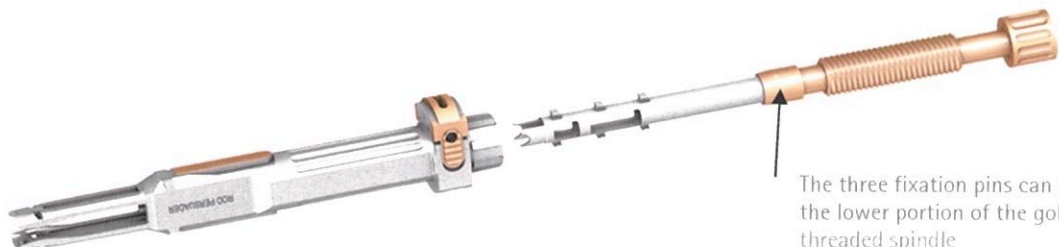
Safety Notice – Product Recall

**Product: Ennovate® Rod Persuader
Article-No.: SZ277R**



Aesculap AG has received feedback from the market that the use of the **SZ277R – Ennovate® Rod Persuader** can lead to the loosening of individual components. To be more precise, pins, which are located at the lower portion of the gold-coloured threaded spindle, may loosen inside the instrument. Internal investigations have shown that with the current design of the Rod Persuader, a recurrence of the above mentioned topic cannot be ruled out. So far, there is no case in which an intra-operative release of the pins has been observed.

As a precautionary measure, Aesculap AG has decided to recall the affected product from the market.



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Figure 1: Disassembled instrument with reference to the position of the pins.

According to our internal distribution information, you have received one or more items of the affected product. Please check whether such instruments are used in your facility.

The Ennovate® Rod Persuader (SZ277R) is stored in the SZ251R – Ennovate® Tray Open Manipulation/Optional tray with an amount of four pieces (see marking, Figure 2).

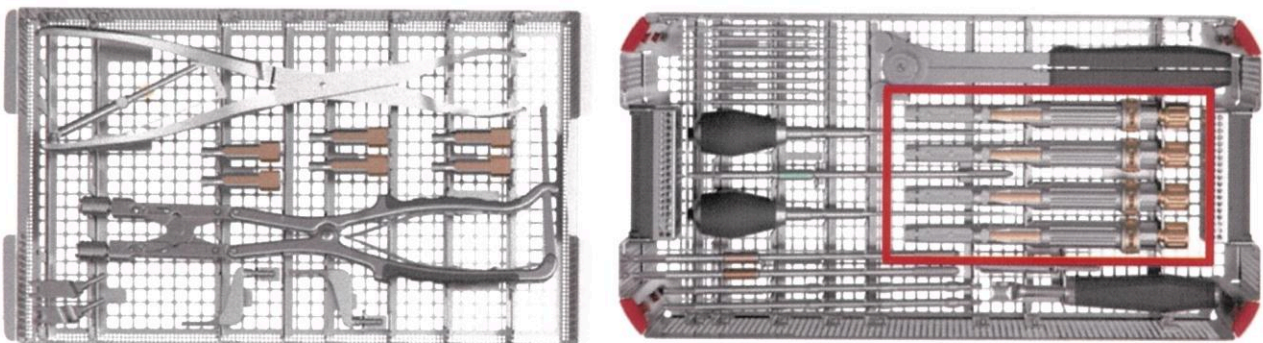


Figure 2: SZ251R tray – The Ennovate® Rod Persuader is stored in the lower layer of the tray.

In addition, the SZ251R tray is included in the following set configurations:

1. For consignment equipment:
SZ250 – Ennovate® Set Open Manipulation/Optional
2. For ELSA loan sets:
LSET-W0106 Ennovate® Open Instruments

Please follow the steps below when sending back the affected instrument:

1. You have identified an affected product:

- Please make sure that this instrument is not used any longer.
- Please send the identified products back with the enclosed "PRODUCT RECALL" return form to:

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2. You were not able to identify any affected product:

- If you have not identified any affected product, please send us the enclosed feedback form back.

At this point, we would like to inform you that we have already started a redesign of the Ennovate® Rod Persuader in order to completely remedy the issue. In order to continue working with the open Ennovate® module without any limitations, we would like to provide you following alternatives.

1. SZ273R – Ennovate® Rod Pusher,

Tray SZ201R / Set no: SZ200– Ennovate® Set Open Implantation:

This instrument can be used in case of slight rod offsets.

2. SZ275R – Ennovate® Fork Rocker CVD,

TraySZ206R / Set no: SZ205– Ennovate® Open Connector Application:

This instrument can also be used for slight to medium rod offsets

3. SZ405R – Ennovate® FRI Downtube Short,

Trays SZ401R and SZ403R / Set no: SZ400 and SZ402 – Ennovate® Open MIS FRI:

This instrument can be used in the presence of slight to high rod offsets, for spondylolisthesis reduction (up to and including Meyerding Grade 2), and the reduction of fractures. All functionalities of the Ennovate® SZ277R Rod Persuader can thus be completely covered by this instrument.

Please note that this instrument is part of a separate module of the Ennovate® platform. This module is, with immediate effect, available on stock. We would be glad to explain this alternative solution to you in more detail. For this, we offer workshops or trainings, in order evaluate the usage of this alternative in your hospital.

If you have any questions regarding the return and alternative solutions, please do not hesitate to contact us. In such cases, please contact the following person:

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Please ensure that all users of the affected product are informed about this safety information in your organization. If you have distributed the products to a third party, please forward a copy of this information or inform the above mentioned contact person. The Competent Authority BfArM - Bundesinstitut für Arzneimittel und Medizinprodukte, has received a copy of this safety information.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and thank you very much for your continuous support.

With best regards,

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FEEDBACK FORM / FSCA**SZ277R – Ennovate® Rod Persuader**

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- We do not have affected product(s).
- We will return potentially affected product(s).

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PRODUCT RECALL



Hygienic condition:

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