

# Abutment Release Pins CC

## Instructions for use



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### Description:

Abutment Release Pins CC are reusable instruments which are used to remove intact dental implant abutments featuring an internal conical connection (CC), that have become stuck to a dental implant after the abutment screw or clinical screw attaching the abutment to the implant has been removed.

Three versions of Abutment Release Pins CC are available: one for 3.0 internal conical connection, one for NP internal conical connection, and one for RP/WP internal conical connection. Each instrument is identified with corresponding laser markings.

Table 1 summarizes the available Abutment Release Pins CC and the corresponding compatible Nobel Biocare abutment families.

**Table 1: Abutment Release Pins CC and Compatible Abutments**

	Abutment Release Pin CC 3.0	Abutment Release Pin CC NP	Abutment Release Pin CC RP/WP
Temporary Abutment Engaging Conical Connection	✓	n/a	n/a
Esthetic Abutment Conical Connection	✓	n/a	n/a
GoldAdapt™ Engaging Conical Connection	✓	n/a	n/a
NobelProcera® Abutment Zirconia Conical Connection	n/a	✓	✓

### Intended Use/Intended Purpose:

#### Abutment Release Pins CC:

Intended for use to facilitate the removal of dental implant system components.

### Indications:

The Abutment Release Pin CC 3.0 is indicated for use to remove intact titanium and gold alloy abutments featuring an internal conical connection from NobelActive® 3.0 implants placed in the maxilla or mandible.

The Abutment Release Pin CC NP is indicated for use to remove intact zirconia abutments featuring an internal conical connection from Nobel Biocare implants with an NP platform size, placed in the maxilla or mandible.

The Abutment Release Pin CC RP/WP is indicated for use to remove intact zirconia abutments featuring an internal conical connection from Nobel Biocare implants with an RP or WP platform size, placed in the maxilla or mandible.

### Contraindications:

It is contraindicated to use Abutment Release Pins CC in:

- Patients who are medically unfit for an oral surgical procedure.
- Patients who are allergic or hypersensitive to medical grade stainless steel or any of its alloying components.

### Cautions:

#### General:

One hundred percent implant success cannot be guaranteed. In particular, non-observance of the product's indications for use and the surgical/handling procedure(s) may result in failure.

Close cooperation between surgeon, restorative dentist and dental laboratory technician is essential for a successful implant treatment.

It is strongly recommended that the Abutment Release Pin CC is used only with compatible Nobel Biocare abutments. Use of abutments that are not intended to be used in combination with Abutment Release Pin CC can lead to product failure, damage to tissue, or unsatisfactory esthetic results.

When using a new device/treatment method for the first time, working with a colleague who is experienced with the new device/treatment method may help avoid possible complications. Nobel Biocare has a global network of mentors available for this purpose.

#### Before Surgery:

The device has not been evaluated in pediatric/adolescent patients and is not recommended for use in children. Routine treatment is not recommended until the end of the juvenile jaw bone growth phase has been properly documented.

Pre-operative hard tissue or soft tissue deficits may yield a compromised esthetic result or unfavorable implant angulations.

All components, instruments and tooling used during the clinical or laboratory procedure must be maintained in good condition and care must be taken that instrumentation does not damage implants or other components.

#### At Surgery:

Care and maintenance of sterile instruments are crucial for a successful treatment. Sterilized instruments not only safeguard your patients and staff against infection but are also essential for the outcome of the total treatment.

Because of the small sizes of the devices, care must be taken that they are not swallowed or aspirated by the patient. It is appropriate to use specific supporting tools to prevent aspiration of loose parts (e.g. a throat shield).

### Intended Users and Patient Groups:

Abutment Release Pins CC are to be used by dental health care professionals.

Abutment Release Pins CC are to be used in patients subject to dental implant treatment.

### Clinical Benefits and Undesirable Side Effects:

#### Clinical Benefits Associated with Abutment Release Pins CC:

The Abutment Release Pin CC is a component of treatment with a dental implant system and/or dental crowns and bridges. As a clinical benefit of treatment, patients can expect to have their missing teeth replaced and/or crowns restored.

#### Undesirable Side Effects Associated with Abutment Release Pins CC:

The use of this device is part of an invasive treatment which may be associated with typical side effects such as inflammation, infection, bleeding, hematoma, pain, swelling. Depending on location it may also lead in rare cases to fenestration or fracture of bone, perforation of neighboring structures, sinusitis, or sensory/motor disturbances. During use of this device the pharyngeal (gag) reflex may be triggered in patients with a sensitive gag reflex.

### Notice regarding serious incidents:

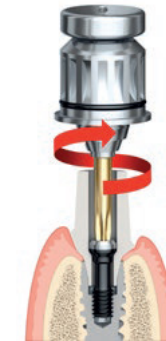
For a patient/user/third party in the European Union and in countries with an identical regulatory regime (Regulation 2017/745/EU on Medical Devices); if, during the use of this device or as a result of its use, a serious incident has occurred, please report it to the manufacturer and to your national authority. The contact information for the manufacturer of this device to report a serious incident is as follows:

#### Nobel Biocare AB

<https://www.nobelbiocare.com/complaint-form>

### Handling Procedure:

1. Remove the abutment screw or clinical screw using the Unigrip™ Screwdriver (Figure A). Refer to Nobel Biocare Instructions for Use (IFU) IFU1085 for information regarding the Unigrip™ Screwdriver. This IFU is available for download at [ifu.nobelbiocare.com](http://ifu.nobelbiocare.com).



**Figure A: Removal of Abutment/Clinical Screw**

**Note:** The abutment screw must be unthreaded from both the internal threads of the implant and the abutment. If the loose abutment screw or clinical screw is difficult to remove, use a small amount of sticky wax on the tip of the Unigrip™ Screw-driver, which will aid retention of the abutment screw or clinical screw head.

2. Select the appropriate Abutment Release Pin CC (see Table 1) and insert the instrument into the abutment until it stops (Figure B).



**Figure B: Insertion of Abutment Release Pin CC into Abutment**

- Loosen the abutment from the implant by gently wiggling the Abutment Release Pin CC (Figure C).



Figure C: Loosening the Abutment by Wiggling the Abutment Release Pin CC

**Note:** If the abutment cannot be removed with the Abutment Release Pin CC, the Abutment Retrieval Instrument Zirconia CC and the Abutment Retrieval Instrument Titanium CC may be used to remove zirconia abutments (including zirconia abutments with metal adapter) and titanium abutments, respectively. Refer to Nobel Biocare IFU1096 for information regarding the abutment retrieval instruments.

#### Materials:

- Abutment Release Pins CC: Stainless Steel alloy 303, 14305/AISI 303 according to ASTM A582 and ISO 5832.

#### Sterility and Reusability Information:

Abutment Release Pins CC are delivered non-sterile and are intended for reuse. Prior to use clean and sterilize the product following the manual or automated procedure in the Cleaning and Sterilization Instructions.

**Warning:** Use of non-sterile device may lead to infection of tissues or infectious diseases.

Abutment Release Pins CC are re-usable instruments which shall be inspected before each re-use to ensure that the integrity and performance continues to be maintained. Inspect the devices for signs of degradation that may limit the useful life of the devices, such as:

- Compromised legibility of the laser marking.
- Visible corrosion.
- Mechanical wear/damage.

Abutment Release Pins CC shall be discarded if any of these signs of degradation are evident.

#### Cleaning and Sterilization Instructions:

The Abutment Release Pins CC are delivered non-sterile by Nobel Biocare and are intended for reuse. Prior to each use, the device must be cleaned and sterilized by the user.

The device can be cleaned manually, or in an automatic washer. Each device must then be individually sealed in a sterilization pouch and sterilized.

The following cleaning and sterilization processes have been validated according to international standards and guidelines as applicable:

- Manual and Automated Cleaning: AAMI TIR 12.
- Sterilization: AAMI ST79 and ISO 17665-1.

According to EN ISO 17664, it is the responsibility of the user/processor to ensure that the processing/reprocessing is performed using equipment, materials and personnel which are suitable to ensure the effectiveness of the processes. Any deviation from the following instructions should be validated by the user/processor to ensure the effectiveness of the process.

**Note:** The manufacturer's instructions for use for any detergent/cleaning solution and/or equipment and accessories used to clean and/or dry the device(s) must be strictly followed where applicable.

**Note:** The Abutment Release Pins CC have been validated to withstand these cleaning and sterilization procedures.

**Caution:** Do not deviate from the described reprocessing instructions.

**Caution:** Keep dissimilar metals separated during sterilization to resist corrosion.

**Note:** The Abutment Release Pins CC are not intended on their own to maintain sterility; they are intended to be used in conjunction with a legally marketed, validated sterilization pouch or sterilization wrap in order to maintain sterility of the enclosed medical instruments until used.

#### Initial Treatment at Point of Use Prior to Reprocessing:

- Discard single-use instruments and worn reusable instruments immediately after use.
- Remove excess soil and debris from reusable devices to be reprocessed using absorbent paper wipes.
- Rinse the devices with cold running tap water.

#### Containment and Transportation/Shipping to Reprocessing Area:

- After removal of excess soil and debris, store the devices in a container which is suitable to protect the devices during transportation and to avoid any contamination of personnel or the environment.
- Transport the devices to the reprocessing area as soon as practical. If transfer to the processing area is likely to be delayed, consider covering the devices with a damp cloth or store it in a closed container to avoid drying of soil and/or debris.

**Note:** Reusable devices should be reprocessed by initiating the prescribed automated or manual cleaning and drying procedures within 1 hour of use, to ensure the efficacy of the reprocessing.

- If the devices are shipped to an outside facility for reprocessing, they must be contained in a transportation or shipping container which is suitable to protect the devices during transportation and to prevent contamination of personnel or the environment.

#### Automated Cleaning and Drying (Including Pre-cleaning):

##### Pre-cleaning:

- Immerse the device in 0.5% lukewarm enzymatic cleaning agent (e.g. Neodisher Medizym) for a minimum of 5 minutes.
- Fill lumina (where applicable) with 0.5% lukewarm enzymatic cleaning agent (e.g. Neodisher Medizym) using a 20 ml syringe.
- Brush the outer surfaces with a soft bristled nylon brush (e.g. Medsafe MED-100.33) for a minimum of 20 seconds until all visible soil is removed.
- Brush the inner surfaces, lumina and cavities (where applicable) with an appropriately sized bottle brush (e.g. 1.2 mm/2.0 mm/5.0 mm diameter) for a minimum of 20 seconds until all visible soil is removed.
- Thoroughly rinse all outer and inner surfaces, lumina and cavities (where applicable) with cold running tap water for a minimum of 10 seconds to remove all cleaning solution.
- Rinse lumina (where applicable) with 20 ml tap water using a 20 ml syringe.

##### Automated Cleaning and Drying:

The following washer was used in the Nobel Biocare validation: Miele G7836 CD with the Vario TD program.

**Note:** It is recommended to perform the automated cleaning and drying with a maximum load of 11 individual devices.

- Place the devices in a suitable rack or load carrier (e.g. metal sieve basket).
- Load the devices into the washer. Ensure the rack or load carrier is oriented in a horizontal position.
- Perform automatic cleaning. The following parameters are based on the Vario TD program on the Miele G7836 CD washer:
  - Minimum 2 minutes pre-cleaning with cold tap water.
  - Draining.
  - Minimum 5 minutes cleaning with minimum 55°C (131°F) tap water and 0.5% mildly alkaline detergent (e.g. Neodisher Mediclean).
  - Draining.
  - Minimum 3 minutes neutralization with cold desalinated water.
  - Draining.
  - Minimum 2 minutes rinsing with cold desalinated water.
  - Draining.
- Run drying cycle at minimum 50°C (122°F) for a minimum of 10 minutes.
- Dry with compressed air or clean and lint-free single use wipes, if any residual moisture remains after the drying cycle.

##### Visual Inspection:

After cleaning and drying, inspect the device for unacceptable deterioration such as corrosion, discoloration, pitting, or cracked seals and properly discard any devices that fail the inspection.

##### Manual Cleaning and Drying:

- Immerse device for a minimum of 5 minutes in a sterile 0.9% NaCl solution.
- Scrub the outer surfaces of the device with soft-bristled nylon brush for a minimum of 20 seconds until all visible soil is removed.
- Flush the inner surfaces, lumina and cavities (where applicable) with 20 ml lukewarm enzymatic cleaning solution (e.g. Cidezyme ASP, maximum 45°C (113°F)) using an irrigation needle connected to a 20 ml syringe.
- Brush the inner surfaces, lumina and cavities (where applicable) with appropriately sized bottle brush (e.g. 1.2 mm/2.0 mm/5.0 mm diameter) for a minimum of 10 seconds until all visible soil is removed.

- Thoroughly rinse the outer surfaces and lumina of the device with cold running tap water for a minimum of 10 seconds to remove all cleaning solution.
- Immerse the device in an ultrasonic bath (e.g. Bandelin; frequency 35 kHz; effective ultrasonic power 300 W) containing 0.5% enzymatic cleaning agent (e.g. Cidezyme ASP) and treat for a minimum of 5 minutes at minimum 40°C (104°F)/maximum 45°C (113°F).
- Flush the inner surfaces, lumina and cavities (where applicable) with 20 ml lukewarm tap water using an irrigation needle connected to a 20 ml syringe.
- Thoroughly rinse the outer surfaces with purified or sterile water for a minimum of 10 seconds to remove all cleaning agent.
- Dry with compressed air or clean and lint-free single use wipes.

##### Visual Inspection:

After cleaning and drying, inspect the device for unacceptable deterioration such as corrosion, discoloration, pitting, cracked seals and properly dispose any devices that fail the inspection.

##### Sterilization:

The following steam sterilizers were used in the Nobel Biocare validation: Systec HX-320 (pre-vacuum cycle); Amsco Century Sterilizer (gravity cycle).

**Note:** It is recommended to perform sterilization with a maximum load of 11 devices individually sealed in sterilization pouches.

- Seal each device in a suitable sterilization pouch. The sterilization pouch should fulfill the following requirements:
  - EN ISO 11607 and/or DIN 58953-7.
  - Suitable for steam sterilization (temperature resistance up to at least 137°C (279°F), sufficient steam permeability).
  - Sufficient protection of the instruments as well as of the sterilization packaging to mechanical damage.

Table 2 presents examples of suitable sterilization containers, pouches, and wraps.

Table 2: Recommended Sterilization Pouches

Method	Recommended Sterilization Pouch
Gravity Cycle	SPSmedical Self-Seal sterilization pouch
Pre-vacuum Cycle	SteriCLIN® pouch

- Label the sterilization pouch with information necessary to identify the device (for example, the product name with article number and lot/batch number (if applicable)).
- Place the sealed sterilization pouch into the autoclave/sterilizer. Ensure that the sterilization pouch is oriented in a horizontal position.
- Sterilize the device. Both the gravity displacement cycle and pre-vacuum (top dynamic air removal) cycle can be applied, using the following recommended parameters (Table 3):

Table 3: Recommended Sterilization Cycles

Cycle	Minimum Temperature	Minimum Sterilization Time	Minimum Drying Time (In Chamber)	Minimum Pressure
Gravity Cycle <sup>1</sup>	132°C (270°F)	15 minutes	20 minutes	≥2868.2 mbar <sup>4</sup>
Pre-Vacuum Cycle <sup>1</sup>	132°C (270°F)	4 minutes		≥3042 mbar <sup>5</sup>
Pre-Vacuum Cycle <sup>2</sup>	134°C (273°F)	3 minutes		
Pre-Vacuum Cycle <sup>3</sup>	134°C (273°F)	18 minutes		

<sup>1</sup> Validated sterilization processes to achieve a Sterility Assurance Level (SAL) of 10<sup>-6</sup> in accordance to EN ISO 17665-1.

<sup>2</sup> Recommendation of the Welsh Health Technical Memorandum (WHTM) 01-01 Part C.

<sup>3</sup> Recommendation of the World Health Organization (WHO) for steam sterilization of instruments with potential TSE/CJD contamination. Ensure that the packaging and monitoring systems (chemical/biological indicators) used for this cycle are validated for these conditions.

<sup>4</sup> Saturated steam pressure at 132°C as per required by EN ISO 17665-2.

<sup>5</sup> Saturated steam pressure at 134°C as per required by EN ISO 17665-2.

**Note:** Autoclave/sterilizer design and performance can affect the efficacy of the sterilization process. Healthcare facilities should therefore validate the processes that they use, employing the actual equipment and operators that routinely process the devices. All autoclaves/sterilizers should comply with the requirements of, and be validated, maintained and checked in accordance to SN EN 13060, EN 285, EN ISO 17665-1, and/or AAMI ST79, or to the applicable national standard. The autoclave/sterilizer manufacturer's instructions for use must be strictly followed.

**Storage and Maintenance:**

After sterilization, place the labeled and sealed sterilization pouch in a dry and dark place. Follow the instructions provided by the manufacturer of the sterilization pouch regarding the storage conditions and expiration date of the sterilized device.

**Containment and Transportation/Shipping to Point of Use:**

The container and/or outer packaging used to transport or ship the reprocessed device back to the point of use must be suitable to protect and safeguard the sterility of the devices during transportation, taking the device packaging and the required transportation or shipping process (intrafacility transportation or shipping to an external site) into account.

**Performance Requirements and Limitations:**

To achieve the desired performance, the Abutment Release Pins CC must only be used with the products described in this Instructions for Use and/or in the Instructions for Use for other compatible Nobel Biocare products, and in accordance with the Intended Use for each product. To confirm the compatibility of products which are intended to be used in conjunction with the Abutment Release Pins CC, check the color coding, dimensions, lengths, connection type and/or any direct marking as applicable on the products or product labeling.

**Facilities and Training:**

It is strongly recommended that new and experienced users of Nobel Biocare products always go through special training before using a new product for the first time. Nobel Biocare offers a wide range of courses for various levels of knowledge and experience. For more information please visit [www.nobelbiocare.com](http://www.nobelbiocare.com).

**Storage, Handling and Transportation:**

The device must be stored and transported in dry conditions in the original packaging at room temperature and not exposed to direct sunlight. Incorrect storage and transportation may influence device characteristics leading to failure.

**Disposal:**

Safely discard potentially contaminated or no longer usable medical devices as healthcare (clinical) waste in accordance with local healthcare guidelines, country and government legislation or policy.

Separation, re-cycling or disposal of packaging material shall follow local country and government legislation on packaging and packaging waste, where applicable.

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**Basic UDI-DI Information:**

The following table lists the Basic UDI-DI information for the devices described in this IFU.

Product	Basic UDI-DI Number
Abutment Release Pin CC 3.0	73327470000001747C
Abutment Release Pin CC NP	
Abutment Release Pin CC RP/WP	

**Symbols Glossary:**

The following symbols may be present on the device labeling or in information accompanying the device. Refer to the device labeling or accompanying information for the applicable symbols.



Authorized representative in the European Community



Batch code



Catalogue number



Caution



Sterilized using ethylene oxide



Sterilized using irradiation



Temperature limit



Tooth number



CE marking



Consult instructions for use



Contains hazardous substances



Contains or presence of phthalate



Date



Date of manufacture



Do not re-sterilize



Do not re-use



Do not use if package is damaged



Double sterile barrier system

Rx Only

For prescription use only



Health care centre or doctor



Keep away from sunlight



Keep dry

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Magnetic resonance conditional



Manufacturer



Medical device



Non-pyrogenic



Non-sterile



Patient identification



Patient information website



Patient number



Serial number



Single sterile barrier system



Single sterile barrier system with protective packaging inside



Single sterile barrier system with protective packaging outside

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