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CHARFIX system 2

INTRAMEDULLARY TIBIA OSTEOSYNTHESIS WITH CHARFIX2 NAILS USING A SUPRAPATELLAR APPROACH

- IMPLANTS
- INSTRUMENT SET 40.5300.500
- INSTRUMENT SET 40.6560.000
- SURGICAL TECHNIQUE



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SYMBOLS DESCRIPTION

	Caution - pay attention to a special procedure.
	Perform the activity under X-Ray control.
i	Information about the next stages of a procedure.
	Proceed to the next stage.
\bigcirc	Return to the specified stage and repeat the activity.
	Before using the product, carefully read the Instructions for Use. It contains, among others, indications, contraindications, side effects, recommendations and warnings related to the use of the product.
	The above description is not a detailed instruction of conduct. The surgeon decides about choosing the operating procedure.

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I. INTRODUCTION

CHARFIX system 2 - INTRAMEDULLARY TIBIA OSTEOSYNTHESIS consists of:

- implants (intramedullary nail, locking screws, end cap or compression screw),
- · instrument set for insertion and implant removal after treatment is finished,

• instructions for use.

The presented range of implants is made of titanium and its alloys and implantable steel in accordance with ISO 5832 standard. Compliance with the requirements of Quality Management Systems and the requirements of Directive 93/42/EEC concerning medical devices guarantee high quality of the offered implants.

Intramedullary osteosynthesis of tibia provides stable fixation of tibial shaft fractures.

- Indications for use:
- comminuted fractures of tibial shaft,
- fractures of tibia and fibula,
- fractures with knee ligaments injury,
- tibial fractures with compartment syndrome,
- open fractures I, II, IIIA degree by Gustillo-Anderson,
- pathological fractures,

• malunion of tibia shaft fragments due to treatment with other methods.

Depending on the type of fracture, CHAKELX system 2 allows for different types of stabilization when fixating the tibia shaft fragments.

Static stabilization

Static stabilization is utilized for comminuted fractures when there is no axial stability of adjacent bone fragments. When using the static stabilization, at least two distal and two proximal holes should be used for locking the nail with screws.



Holes placed at the top of the nail allow for multiaxial fixation of fractures of the proximal tibia.









Dynamic stabilization

Dynamic fixation may be used in the case of good cortical contact of bone fragments in transverse or oblique fractures, and in the false joints.

In this fixation, two distal holes and one oval-shaped hole in the proximal part of the intramedullary tibial nail should be used.

Dynamic fixation enables axial movement of bone fragments during limb loading so that physiological stimulus for bone scar formation and its remodeling into lamellar bone may occur.

Dynamic stabilization with compression

During the dynamic stabilization with compression (*compressive fixation*) a compression screw axially inserted into the internal socket of intramedullary nail shaft is used to put pressure on the nail locking screw.

The compressive fixation eliminates all micromovements in the initial stage of the treatment.



Threaded holes allow for optional locking with the use of:

- **CHARFIX2** distal screw 4.0 or **CHARFIX2** distal screw 5.0



- CHARFIX2 distal screw 4.5 or CHARFIX2 distal screw 5.5 that prevents angular displacement and movement of the fragments (*by using the threaded hole in the nail*).





	Diameter of intramedullary nail			
	Ø8 and	d Ø9 mm	Ø10 mm	and larger
	Standard locking	Standard locking with angular stabilization	Standard locking	Standard locking with angular stabilization
Round hole	CHARFIX2 Distal screw 4.0 (turquoise)	CHARFIX2 Distal screw 4.5 (brown)	CHARFIX2 Distal screw 5.0 (gold)	CHARFIX2 Distal screw 5.5 (blue)
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Oval hole	CHARFIX2 Distal screw 4.0 (turquoise)		CHARFIX2 Distal screw 5.0 (gold)	
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II. ĪMPLANTS

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II.1. CHARFIX2 TIBIAL NAIL

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		Len	Ŏ
		270	3 2651 270
		270	3 2651 285
		300	3.2651.300
		315	3.2651.315
	8	330	3.2651.330
		345	3.2651.345
		360	3.2651.360
		375	3.2651.375
		390	3.2651.390
		270	3.2652.270
		285	3.2652.285
		300	3.2652.300
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	9	330	3.2052.330
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Ster		375	3 2652 375
		390	3.2652.390
		270	3.2653.270
		285	3.2653.285
		300	3.2653.300
		315	3.2653.315
	10	330	3.2653.330
		345	3.2653.345
		360	3.2653.360
		375	3.2653.375
		390	3.2653.390
		270	3.2654.270
		285	3.2654.285
		315	3 2654 315
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		345	3.2654.345
		360	3.2654.360
		375	3.2654.375
		390	3.2654.390
		270	3.2655.270
		285	3.2655.285
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xxx √ √ 5.5 30÷90		Ø	8 mm ÷14 mm
√ 5.5 30÷90 √ 5.0 30÷90	available		8 mm ÷14 mm 210 mm ÷ 600 mm

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		Ті	
	Len		
	270	3.2665.270	
	285	3.2665.285	
	300	3.2665.300	
	315	3.2665.315	
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	345	3.2665.345	
	360	3.2665.360	
	375	3.2665.375	
	390	3.2665.390	
	270	3.2666.270	
	285	3.2666.285	
	300	3.2666.300	
	315	3.2666.315	
9	330	3.2666.330	
	345	3.2666.345	
	360	3.2666.360	
	375	3.2666.375	
	390	3.2666.390	
	270	3.2667.270	
	285	3.2667.285	
	300	3.2667.300	
	315	3.2667.315	
10	330	3.2667.330	
	345	3.2667.345	
	360	3.2667.360	
	375	3.2667.375	
	390	3.2667.390	
		Ø 8 mm ÷14 mm	1 mm

available $\frac{0}{1}$ 8 mm ÷14 mm L 210 ÷ 600 mm pitch 1 mm 5 mm

Use with instrument set [40.5300.500]



Stand for tibial nails CHARFIX/CHARFIX2 (implants not included)

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CHARFIX system

II.2. LOCKING ELEMENTS





30	3.5159.030	
35	3.5159.035	
40	3.5159.040	
45	3.5159.045	
50	3.5159.050	
55	3.5159.055	
60	3.5159.060	
65	3.5159.065	
70	3.5159.070	
75	3.5159.075	
80	3.5159.080	
85	3.5159.085	
90	3.5159.090	
30 ÷ 90		

CHARFIX2 COMPRESSION SCREW M8X1.25

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CHARFIX2 DISTAL SCREW 5.5



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30	3.5160.030
35	3.5160.035
40	3.5160.040
45	3.5160.045
50	3.5160.050
55	3.5160.055
60	3.5160.060
65	3.5160.065
70	3.5160.070
75	3.5160.075
80	3.5160.080
85	3.5160.085
90	3.5160.090
30 ÷ 90	

CHARFIX2 END CAP M8



	A	
	0	3.5161.100
	+5	3.5161.105
_	+10	3.5161.110
	+15	3.5161.115



Stand for CHARFIX2 nail locking elements (set with a box without implants)

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III. INSTRUMENT SET

Instrument sets [40.5300.500] and [40.6560.000] are used to stabilize the fracture fragments of the tibial shaft using suprapatellar technique, and to remove the implants after the treatment period. All instruments are placed in stands with a container and lid to enable sterilization and transportation to the operating suite

III.1. INSTRUMENT SET FOR TIBIAL NAILS 40.5300.500

		CHARFIX <i>sy</i>	stem 2
40.5300.500	Name	Catalogue No.	Pcs
	Targeter arm B	40.5301.000	1
	Targeter D	40.5302.100	1
	Targeter B	40.5303.100	1
	Wrench S8	40.5304.000	1
	Connecting screw M8x1.25 L-89	40.5305.000	1
	Connecting screw M8x1.25 L-22	40.5306.000	1
	Reconstruction targeter	40.5307.100	1
	Impactor-extractor	40.5308.000	1
	Connector M8x1.25/M14	40.5309.000	1
	Targeter arm B short	40.5312.000	1
	Compression screw	40.5313.000	1
	Mallet	40.3667.000	1
	Set block 9/5.0	40.5509.100	2
	Protective guide 9/7	40.5510.200	2
	Drill guide 7/3.5	40.5511.200	2
<	Trocar 6.5	40.5534.100	1

CHARFIX system 2

40.5300.500	Name	Catalogue No.	Pcs
Sector G G J <td>Nail length measure</td> <td>40.4798.500</td> <td>1</td>	Nail length measure	40.4798.500	1
	Guide rod handle	40.1351.000	1
	Teflon pipe guide 8/400	40.3700.000	1
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	Targeter D	40.1344.100	1
	Drill guide short 7/3.5	40.1358.100	1
	Trocar short 7	40.1354.100	1
	Aiming insert 9.0	40.5065.009	2
	Guide rod 2.5/580	40.3673.580	1
	Screwdriver T25	40.5575.300	1
«Боловока» рарасскарарар рабасскарарарарадарар (;),	Drill with scale 3.5/350	40.5339.002	2
	Screw length measure	40.5530.200	1
	Hole depth measure	40.2665.000	1
	Curved awl 8.0	40.5523.000	1
	Perforated aluminum lid 1/1 595x275x15mm Gray	12.0750.200	1
	Stand for tibial nails	40.5319.500	1
	Container with solid bottom 1/1 595x275x185mm	12.0750.103	1

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III.2. INSTRUMENT SET FOR TIBIAL NAILS - SUPRAPATELLAR 40.6560.000

CHARFIX system 2

40.6560.000	Name	Catalogue No.	Pcs
	Targeter arm	40.6561.000	1
	Connecting screw M8	40.6562.000	1
	Compression screw	40.6570.000	1
	Protective guide 14	40.6563.000	1
	Protective guide 12/14	40.6564.000	1
	Trocar 12	40.6565.000	1
	Guide 12/3	40.6566.000	1
	Drill 12	40.6567.000	1
	Screwdriver T25 with holder	40.6568.000	1
	Kirschner guide rod 2.5/400	40.4714.400	4
	Perforated aluminumcover 1/1 595x275x15mm gray	12.0750.200	1
	Stand	40.6569.000	1
	Container with solid bottom 1/1 595x275x86mm	12.0750.100	1

IV. SURGICAL TECHNIQUE

IV.1. INTRODUCTION

Each surgical procedure must be carefully planned.

X-Ray of the tibial fracture in AP and lateral position shall be performed before starting the operation in order to define type of fracture and the size of intramedullary nail that should be used for implantation.

It is helpful to use the fibula length measurement to determine the nail length. Implantation shall be performed on the operating table equipped with an X-Ray apparatus. When patient is placed supine, the operated limb should be flexed in the knee joint by an angle of 10° to 20°.





Supine position of a patient for intramedullary osteosynthesis of tibia. The positioning should enable X-Ray control in two planes (*AP and lateral*).



Surgical approach should be prepared by:

- longitudinal skin incision 2-4 cm long, 4 cm from the superior pole of the kneecap.
- deep longitudinal incision slightly above the kneecap that results in separation of the quadriceps tendon in its medial part to allow approach to knee through the knee articular capsule.
- loosening the knee patella in the place of knee articular capsule allowing for elevation of the patella.

Point of nail insertion

The point of optimal nail insertion into the intramedullary canal is located in:



AP view - in the axis of the intramedullary canal and the lateral intercondylar eminence tubercle.



• Lateral view - on abdominal edge of the tibial flatness.

IV.2. OPENING THE MEDULLARY CANAL



Connect the protective guide 14 **[40.6563]** with protective guide 12/14 **[40.6564]** and trocar 12 **[40.6565]**. Insert these connected elements into the knee joint through the prepared approach so they slide between the articular surface of the kneecap and trochlea of the distal femur and safely lean against the groove, while the kneecap is migrated to the front.







Insert the connected elements in the incision so the end of trocar 12 **[40.6565]** is as close as possible to the cortical layer of tibia.

Remove trocar.

Lean the protective guide 12/14 [40.6564] with protective guide 14 [40.6563] on the cortical layer of the bone.





Insert the guide 12/3 [40.6566].

Insert the Kirschner guide rod 2.5/400 [40.4714.400] mounted in the drive through the guide 12/3 into the medullary canal of tibia.



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The procedure should be performed under X-Ray control.





If the insertion point of the Kirschner guide rod is incorrect, then it should 4 be adjusted.

Guide 12/3 [40.6566] should be positioned in such a manner that the lateral hole is in direction of desired migration.

Insert the next Kirschner guide rod 2.5/400 [40.4714.400] into the lateral hole of the guide 12/3. The distance of correction performed is 4 mm.

Remove the unnecessary Kirschner guide rod and guide 12/3.

IV.3. PREPARATION OF MEDULLARY CANAL FOR NAIL INSERTION



felt on the protective guide. Remove the drill and Kirschner guide rod.

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Slowly ream the medullary canal with the drill until resistance of the drill collar is

Use guide rod handle [40.1351] to insert the guide rod 2.5/580 [40.3673.580] into the medullary canal, through the protective guide 12/14 [40.6564].



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Gradually widen the medullary cavity with flexible reamers, with steps of 0.5 mm, until the diameter of the canal is from 1.5 to 2 mm wider than the diameter of the nail, at a depth at least equal to the nail length. In case of using the nail of a diameter of 10 mm or smaller, the proximal part of the medullary canal shall be widened to the diameter of 12 mm to a depth of 5 cm.

Remove the flexible reamer. Leave the guide rod in the medullary canal.



IV.3.2. OPTION II: Unreamed canal

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Widen the proximal part of the medullary canal with reamers to a depth of 5 cm.

For nails with diameter of 10 mm or smaller - to the diameter of 12 mm for nails of diameter of 11 mm or larger - to the diameter from 1.5 to 2 mm wider than the diameter of the nail.

Remove the flexible reamer. Leave the guide rod in the medullary canal.



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(9) In case of using a different reamer guide than the guide rod 2.5/580 [40.3673.580] provided in the instrument set, replace the guide for the guide rod 2.5/580 when taking the nail length measurement.

Insert the teflon pipe guide **[40.3700]** into the medullary canal over the flexible reamer guide. Remove the reamer guide. Mount the guide rod 2.5/580 (*cannulated nail guide*) in the guide rod handle **[40.1351]** and insert it into the teflon pipe guide until its end tip reaches the distal tibia metaphysis.

Remove the handle from the guide rod. Remove the teflon pipe guide.





10 Insert the nail length measure **[40.4798.500]** via the guide rod. The measure beginning should be placed at a demanded depth of the nail insertion. Read the length on the nail measure scale. Remove the measure from the guide rod. In case of using the solid nail, remove the guide rod from the medullary canal. The medullary canal is ready for nail insertion.

Remove the protective guide 12/14 **[40.6564]** while leaving the protective guide 14 in place **[40.6563]**.



IV.4. NAIL INSERTION



The manner of mounting the targeter arm **[40.6561]** with targeter D **[40.5302.100]** and the position of the targeter slider in distal part depend on the operated limb (*left or right*). During the assembly, it is recommended to place the targeter in such a way that its proximal end is directed towards the operator, while the distal bent part of the targeter is directed upward.

Left leg:

- insert the connective part of the targeter D into the socket of the targeter arm from the left side and mount it using the knob,
- slider of the targeter D should be placed in such a manner that its positioning, mounting and regulation can be performed from the right side.

Right leg:

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- insert the connective part of the targeter D into the socket of the targeter arm from the right side and mount it using the knob,
- slider of the targeter D should be placed in such a manner that its setting and mounting elements are placed on the left side.



configuration for left leg surgery

configuration for right leg surgery



Prior to insertion of the nail, the slider of targeter D **[40.5302.100]** should be set in accordance with the holes in its distal part.



Mount the nail to the targeter arm **[40.6561]** using the connecting screw M8 **[40.6562]** and wrench S8 **[40.5304]**.







Positioning the targeter D [40.5302.100] to the nail.

When the guide and the nail are correctly mounted, the directions of deflection of distal parts of the nail and targeter D [40.5302.100] are the same.

With the help of a screwdriver T25 **[40.5575.300]**, set the slider of the targeter in the middle of the slider plate. Using two set blocks 9/5.0 **[40.5509.100]**, set the slider in line with distal locking holes of the intramedullary nail. Lock the slider with a screw using the screwdriver T25.

Remove the set blocks from the targeter's slider. Detach the targeter D from the targeter arm **[40.6561]**.





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Attach the impactor-extractor [40.5308] to the targeter arm [40.6561].





at an appropriate depth.

Cannulated nail should be inserted into the medullary canal via the guide rod 2.5/580 [40.3673.580]. Solid nail should be inserted directly into the medullary canal (without the use of a guide rod).

Detach the impactor-extractor from the targeter arm.

Remove the guide rod (in case of implantation of a cannulated nail).





IV.5. DISTAL LOCKING OF INTRAMEDULLARY NAIL



It is possible to lock the nail in its distal part maximally on four levels. Targeter D **[40.5302.100]** utilizes one round and one oval hole, which are located laterally.



Depending on the method of bone fragments stabilization, it is possible to insert the distal screws into the nail oval-shaped hole:

a) static method:

16 Instruments from the instrument set [40.5300.500] are inserted into the proximal part of the dual hole.

b) dynamic method with compression:

17 Instruments from the instrument set [40.5300.500] are inserted into the distal part of the dual hole.

IV.5.1. OPTION I: With X-Ray control



Use the image intensifier to verify the mutual position of holes in the targeter slider and in the distal part of the intramedullary nail.

Mount the targeter D **[40.5302.100]** to the targeter arm. Place the image intensifier in such a way that the image displayed shows round holes (*proximal or distal*). Insert the protective guide 9/7 **[40.5510.200]** and drill guide 7/3.5 **[40.5511.200]** into the appropriate hole of the targeter slider - the tip of the drill guide should rest on soft tissue of the lower limb.

Use the image intensifier to verify the mutual position of holes in the drill guide and intramedullary nail.

The holes in the nail and drill guide must coincide the display should show a circle (*shape similar to circle is acceptable*). The targeter position should be corrected if the shape on display differs from circle. Use the screwdriver T25 **[40.5575.300]** to shift the targeter slider (*by turning the screw left or right*) until the shape on display is a circle (*shape similar to circle is acceptable*).



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19 Remove the drill guide from the protective guide. Insert the protective guide 9/7 [40.5510.200] (*one groove on the handle*) together with the trocar 6.5 [40.5534.100] into one of the slider holes. Mark the entry point for the locking screws, then perform incision through the soft tissues along the marked point.

Reach the cortical layer of bone with the trocar and mark the entry point for the drill. Simultaneously, advance the protective guide and the trocar until they reach the bone.

Remove the trocar.



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20 Insert the drill guide 7/3.5 **[40.5511.200]** into the left protective guide. Use the electric drive and a drill with scale 3.5/350 **[40.5339.002]**, led via the drill guide, to drill an opening in the tibia that goes through its both cortical layers and the nail hole. The scale on the drill indicates the length of the locking element.



The drilling process should be controlled with image intensifier.

After disconnecting the drive, the drill should remain in the drilled hole.







(21) Insert the protective guide 9/7 [40.5510.200] with trocar 6.5 [40.5534.100] into the second slider hole of the targeter D [40.5302.100]. Advance the protective guide with trocar into the incision until they reach the cortex layer of the bone.

Remove the trocar.



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Insert the drill guide 7/3.5 [40.5511.200] into the protective guide 9/7
[40.5510.200]. Use the electric drive and a drill with scale 3.5/350
[40.5339.002], led via the drill guide, to drill an opening in the tibia that goes through its both cortical layers and the nail hole. The scale on the drill indicates the length of the locking element.



The drilling process should be controlled with image intensifier.

Remove the drill and the drill guide. Leave the protective guide in the slider hole.







Remove the drill with scale 3.5/350 **[40.5339.002]** and drill guide 7/3.5 **[40.5511.200]** from the proximal hole in the slider. Leave the protective guide 9/7 **[40.5510.200]** in the slider hole. Insert the screw length measure **[40.5530.200]** through the protective guide into the drilled hole until the end of measure reaches the *"exit"* of the hole. Read the length of a locking screw on the B-D scale. During the measurement, the tip of the protective guide should rest on the cortical layer of bone.

Remove the screw length measure. Leave the protective guide in the slider hole.





26 Insert the tip of a screwdriver T25 **[40.5575.300]** into the socket of a selected locking screw. Then advance them both into the protective guide 9/7 **[40.5510.200]** and the locking screw into the prepared hole in the bone until the head of screw reaches the cortex bone (*the groove on the screwdriver shaft should match the edge of protective guide ending*).

Remove the screwdriver and the protective guides. Remove the targeter D **[40.5302.100]**.





IV.5.2. OPTION II: Without X-Ray control



- a) determine the location of the nail holes by adjusting the position of targeter $\ensuremath{\mathsf{D}}$ slider.
- 27 Mount the targeter D [40.5302.100] on the targeter arm [40.6561].





28 Insert the protective guide 9/7 [40.5510.200] and trocar 6.5 [40.5534.100] into one of the slider holes (*distal hole is preferred*).

Mark the entry point on the skin for the locking screws and make the incision of soft tissues that includes this point. Then advance the protective guide and trocar until they reach the cortical layer of bone and mark the entry point for the drill.

Remove the trocar.





(29) Insert the drill guide 7/3.5 [40.5511.200] into the protective guide 9/7 [40.5510.200] until the drill guide end rests on the bone. Use the electric drive and a drill with scale 3.5/350 [40.5339.002], led via the drill guide, to drill an opening in the tibia that goes through its first cortical layer and the nail hole.





Correct placement of the drill may be controlled by the guide rod 2.5/580 [40.3673.580], which is inserted into the connecting screw M8 [40.6562] and oval-shaped hole of the nail. The drill inside the nail hole creates resistance for the guide rod.







If the drill goes through the first cortical layer but misses the hole, then:

- back the drill to enable slider to move,

- turn the knob of the slider regulation screw in desired direction by four full turns.

Turn of the knob clockwise moves the slider *"up"*, *counter-clockwise - moves the slider "down"*.

If the drill goes through the nail hole, drill through the other layer of the cortical bone. After disconnecting the drive, the drill should remain in the drilled hole. Scale on the drill determines the length of the locking element.



Insert the protective guide 9/7 [40.5510.200] with trocar 6.5 [40.5534.100] into the second (*proximal*) slider hole of the targeter D [40.5302.100].
Advance the protective guide and trocar into the incision until they rest on the cortical bone. Use the trocar to mark the entry point for the drill.

Remove the trocar.

Leave the protective guide in the slider hole.





(33) Insert the drill guide 7/3.5 [40.5511.200] into the protective guide 9/7 [40.5510.200] until the drill guide end rests on the soft tissue of the lower limb. Use the electric drive and a drill with scale 3.5/350 [40.5339.002], led via the drill guide, to drill an opening in the tibia that goes through its first cortical layer and the nail hole.

If the drill misses the nail hole, then use the first hole in the targeter slider to find the hole.

Use the guide rod to check whether the drill is actually located in the hole (*tip* of the guide rod leans against the surface of the drill).

If the drill goes through the nail hole, then drill through the other cortical layer of the bone. Disconnect the electric drive from the drill and leave the drill inside the hole. The scale on the drill indicates the locking element length.

Remove the drill and drill guide. Leave protective guide in place.





(34) Insert the screw length measure [40.5530.200] through the protective guide 9/7 [40.5510.200] into the drilled hole until the end of measure reaches the *"exit"* of the hole. Read the length of a locking screw on the B-D scale. During the measurement the tip of a protective guide should rest on the cortical layer of bone.

Remove the screw length measure. Leave the protective guide in the slider hole.





(35) Insert the tip of a screwdriver T25 [40.5575.300] into the socket of a selected locking screw. Then advance them both into the protective guide 9/7 [40.5510.200] and the locking screw into the prepared hole in the bone until the head of screw reaches the cortex bone (*the groove on the screwdriver shaft should match the edge of protective guide ending*).

Remove the screwdriver. Leave the protective guide.







Remove the drill with scale 3.5/350 **[40.5339.002]** and drill guide 7/3.5 **[40.5511.200]** from the second hole of the targeter slider, but leave the protective guide 9/7 **[40.5510.200]** in the slider hole. Insert the screw length measure **[40.5530.200]** through the protective guide 9/7 into the drilled hole until the end of measure reaches the "*exit*" of the hole. Read the length of a locking screw on the B-D scale. During the measurement the tip of a protective guide should rest on the cortical layer of bone.

Remove the screw length measure. Leave the protective guide in the slider hole.





Insert the tip of a screwdriver T25 [40.5575.300] into the socket of a selected locking screw. Then advance them both into the protective guide 9/7 [40.5510.200] and the locking screw into the prepared hole in the bone until the head of screw reaches the cortex bone (*the groove on the screwdriver shaft should match the edge of protective guide ending*).

Remove the screwdriver, protective guide and targeter D [40.5302.100].







IV.6. PROXIMAL LOCKING OF INTRAMEDULLARY NAIL



CHARFIX2 tibial nail has 5 holes in its proximal part. The decision regarding the number and place of locking screws to be inserted depends on the fracture and is made by the surgeon.

IV.6.1. Dynamic fixation and dynamic fixation with compression (compressive fixation)



Proximal part of the targeter B [40.5303.100] has two lateral holes for locking the nail in the oval-shaped hole.

When the dynamic fixation or dynamic fixation with compression is used, the proximal locking of the nail should be performed through the proximal targeter hole (the oval-shaped hole in the intramedullary nail).





(38) Insert the protective guide 9/7 [40.5510.200] together with the trocar 6.5 [40.5534.100] into the proximal part of the targeter. Mark the entry point for the locking screw, then perform incision through the soft tissues along the marked point with a length of about 1.5 cm. Advance the protective guide with trocar into the incision to place it as close to the cortical layer of bone as possible. Use the trocar to mark the entry point for the drill.

Remove the trocar.

Leave the protective guide in the targeter slider.







(41) Insert the tip of a screwdriver T25 [40.5575.300] into the socket of a selected locking screw. Then advance them both into the protective guide 9/7 [40.5510.200] and the locking screw into the prepared hole in the bone until the head of screw reaches the cortex bone (*the groove on the screwdriver shaft should match the edge of protective guide ending*).

Remove the screwdriver and protective guide.





IV.6.2. Intraoperative compression of fractures



The targeter arm [40.6561] allows for intraoperative compression of bone 42 fragments without the necessity to detach the targeter from the nail. It is possible thanks to the compression screw [40.6570] inserted into the connecting screw M8 [40.6562]. To perform the compression, the distal fragment should be locked in any nail hole, while the proximal fragment should be locked in the ovalshaped hole in the proximal part.



Nail locking in the distal part should be performed in accordance with steps 18-26. Nail locking in the proximal part should be performed in accor-

dance with steps 38-41.

Use the screwdriver T25 [40.5575.300] to insert the compression screw [40.6570] (screw it until the resistance is felt) into the connecting screw M8 [40.6562], which is used to connect the targeter arm [40.6561] with the intramedullary nail. Further screwing causes bone fragments compression by 1 mm at one screw turn.





After compression is performed, it is possible to lock the nail in the proximal part in the second lateral hole of the nail by using the targeter B [40.5303.100]



Remove the compression screw [40.6570] during locking in the reconstructive and oblique holes when using the reconstruction targeter [40.5307.100].



IV.6.3. Static fixation

When using the static fixation, it is recommended to lock the nail in the proximal part with two screws. In each case of locking the nail, the distally located round hole shall be used.





(44) Insert the protective guide 9/7 [40.5510.200] together with the trocar 6.5 [40.5534.100] into the distally located hole in the proximal part of the targeter B [40.5303.100]. Use the trocar to mark on the skin the starting point for an incision of soft tissues to be made with a length of about 1.5 cm. Advance the protective guide with trocar into the incision to place it as close to the bone as possible. Use the trocar to mark the entry point for the drill.

Remove the trocar. Leave protective guide in targeter's hole.





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The following screws may be used to lock the nail:





(48) Insert the tip of a screwdriver T25 [40.5575.300] into the socket of a selected locking screw. Then advance them both into the protective guide 9/7 [40.5510.200] and the locking screw into the prepared hole in the bone until the head of screw reaches the cortex bone (*the groove on the screwdriver shaft should match the edge of protective guide ending*). Remove the screwdriver and protective guide.





49 The nail may be locked in the proximal part with a second locking screw by using the central hole of the targeter B **[40.5303.100]**.

Nail locking should be performed in accordance with steps 44-48.

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IV.6.4. Static fixation with later dynamization

When using the static fixation, it is recommended to lock the nail in its proximal part with two screws - dynamically in the oval-shaped hole and statically in the round hole below the oval-shaped hole. The dynamization is obtained in the subsequent period by removing the locking screw from round hole.





50 Insert the protective guide 9/7 **[40.5510.200]** together with the trocar 6.5 **[40.5534.100]** into the proximal hole in the proximal part of the targeter. Use the trocar to mark on the skin the starting point for an incision of soft tissues to be made with a length of a 1.5 cm. Advance the protective guide with trocar into the incision to place it as close to the cortical layer of bone as possible. Use the trocar to mark the entry point for the drill.

Remove the trocar.

Leave the protective guide in the targeter hole.







[53] Insert the tip of a screwdriver T25 [40.5575.300] into the socket of a selected locking screw. Then advance them both into the protective guide 9/7 [40.5510.200] and the locking screw into the prepared hole in the bone until the head of screw reaches the cortex bone (*the groove on the screwdriver shaft should match the edge of protective guide ending*). Remove the screwdriver and protective guide.







The nail may be locked in the proximal part with a second locking screw by using the distal hole of the targeter B **[40.5303.100]**.

Nail locking should be performed in accordance with steps **44-48**.



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IV.6.5. Reconstructive and oblique fixation



In order to lock the tibial nail in the reconstructive holes, it is necessary to mount the reconstruction targeter **[40.5307.100]** onto the targeter B **[40.5303.100]**. The targeter B has two sockets for the reconstruction targeter.

55 During reconstructive locking the RECON socket of the targeter B and the RECON hole of the reconstruction targeter are used. Threaded rod of the reconstruction targeter is to be inserted into the lateral hole of the arm of targeter B, and then connected by tightening.

56 During oblique locking, the OBLIQUE socket of the targeter B **[40.5303.100]** and the OBLIQUE hole of the reconstruction targeter are used. Threaded rod of the reconstruction targeter is to be inserted into the lateral hole of the arm of targeter B, and then connected by tightening.





IV.6.5.A. Reconstructive fixation



57 Attach the reconstruction targeter **[40.5307.100]** to the targeter B **[40.5303.100]** using the socket described as RECON. Insert the protective guide 9/7 **[40.5510.200]** together with the trocar 6.5 **[40.5534.100]** into the selected hole of the reconstruction targeter. Use the trocar to mark on the skin the starting point for an incision of soft tissues to be made with a length of about 1.5 cm. Advance the protective guide with trocar into the incision to place it as close to the cortical layer of bone as possible. Use the trocar to mark the entry point for the drill.

Remove the trocar. Leave the protective guide in the targeter hole.



The following screws may be used to lock the nail:

	Diameter of intramedullary nail			
	Ø8 and Ø9 mm		Ø10 mm and larger	
	Standard locking	Standard locking with angular stabilization	Standard locking	Standard locking with angular stabilization
Round hole	CHARFIX2 Distal screw 4.0 (turquoise)	CHARFIX2 Distal screw 4.5 (brown)	CHARFIX2 Distal screw 5.0 (gold)	CHARFIX2 Distal screw 5.5 (blue)
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Oval hole	CHARFIX2 Distal screw 4.0 (turquoise)		CHARFIX2 Distal screw 5.0 (gold)	
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IV.6.5.B. Oblique fixation



62 Attach the reconstruction targeter **[40.5307.100]** to the targeter B **[40.5303.100]** using the socket described as OBLIQUE. Insert the protective guide 9/7 **[40.5510.200]** together with the trocar 6.5 **[40.5534.100]** directed *"upwards"* into the hole of the reconstruction targeter described as OBLIQUE. Use the trocar to mark on the skin the starting point for an incision of soft tissues to be made with a length of about 1.5 cm. Advance the protective guide with trocar into the incision to place it as close to the cortical layer of bone as possible. Use the trocar to mark the entry point for the drill.

Remove the trocar. Leave the protective guide in the targeter hole.





Further procedures should be performed in accordance with steps 58-61.

IV.7. PLACING COMPRESSION SCREW OR END CAP



Use the wrench S8 **[40.5304]** to remove the connecting screw M8 **[40.6562]** from the intramedullary nail shaft. Detach the targeter arm **[40.6561]** with targeter B **[40.5303.100]** and targeter D **[40.5302.100]** from the nail locked in the medullary canal.

Insertion of the compression screw or end cap

40.5575.300

63 OPTION I: Insertion of the compression screw - for dynamic fixation with compression (*compressive fixation*).

Use the screwdriver T25 **[40.5575.300]** to insert the compression screw (*implant*) into the threaded hole of the nail shaft.



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OPTION II: Insertion of the end cap - for dynamic and static fixation.

To secure the internal thread of the nail against the bone tissue ingrowth, use the screwdriver T25 with holder **[40.6568]** to insert the end cap (*implant*) into the threaded hole of the nail shaft.



V. LOCKING THE INTRAMEDULLARY NAIL WITH USE OF TARGETER D [40.1344.100] AND FREEHAND TECHNIQUE

V.1. NAIL LOCKING WITH USE OF TARGETER D

When using this method, a constant radiological control is required to determine the drilling site of holes and during the drilling process. It is recommended to use an angle drill attachment when drilling, so the operator's hands are outside the field of direct X-Ray exposure. After marking the points for holes to be drilled in the bone shaft, it is required to make an incision of soft tissues along the marked points that is about 1.5 cm long.





Use the image intensifier to establish the position of the targeter D [40.1344.100] in relation to the holes in the intramedullary nail. The holes in the nail and targeter must coincide. The teeth of the targeter must be sunk in the cortical layer of bone. Insert the trocar short 7 [40.1354.100] into the targeter D hole and advance trocar until it reaches the cortical layer and marks the entry point for the drill.

Remove the trocar. Leave the targeter D in place.



Insert the drill guide short 7/3.5 [40.1358.100] into the hole of targeter
D [40.1344.100]. Use the electric drive and a drill with scale 3.5/150
[40.5343.002] or a drill with scale 3.5/350 [40.5339.002], led via the drill guide, to drill an opening in the tibia that goes through its both cortical layers.
The scale on the selected drill indicates the length of the locking element.



The drilling process should be controlled with image intensifier.

Remove the drill and drill guide. Leave the targeter in place.







V.2. FREEHAND TECHNIQUE LOCKING

When using this method, a constant radiological control is required to determine the drilling site of holes and during the drilling process. It is recommended to use an angle drill attachment when drilling, so the operator's hands are outside the field of direct X-Ray exposure. After marking the points for holes to be drilled in the bone shaft, perform an incision of soft tissues along the marked points that is about 1.5 cm long.

Use the image intensifier to establish the position of the drill in relation to the hole in the intramedullary nail.



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(70) Insert the hole depth measure [40.2665] into the drilled hole until the end of measure reaches the *"exit"* of the hole. Read the length of a locking screw on the scale.



[71] Insert the tip of a screwdriver T25 [40.5575.300] into the socket of a selected locking screw. Then advance them both and insert the locking screw into the prepared hole in the bone until the head of screw reaches the cortical layer of bone.



VI. NAIL EXTRACTION



Due to the risk of damaging the intraarticular structures, use the standard "non-patellar" approach while removing the nail.





Open the canal using the curved awl 8.0 [40.5523].

Insert the awl at the angle of 10° in relation to the main axis of the medullary canal.



40.5575.300



Use the screwdriver T25 **[40.5575.300]** to remove the end cap (*or compression screw*) and all locking screws.



74 Insert the connector M8x1,25/M14 **[40.5309]** into the threaded hole in the intramedullary nail shaft. Attach the impactor-extractor **[40.5308]** to the connector and use the mallet **[40.3667]** to remove the nail from the medullary canal.





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