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Urgent Field Safety Notice

Endolite 30mm Pyramid Clamp Adaptors: Part Number 409054 & (P)409028.

Details of affected devices:

Endolite 30mm Pyramid Clamp Adaptors- Part Number 409054 & (P)409028 **Batch Numbered within this range:**

P265 to P365 – Manufactured October to December 2007

Q001 to Q365 - Manufactured January to December 2008

R001 to R365 – Manufactured January to December 2009

S001 to S365 – Manufactured January to December 2010

T001 to T048 - Manufactured January to February 2011

Adaptor 409054 is also contained within the following kits: 739069, 739045, 739068 **Trans Tibial Pyramid Kits** 739058, 739059 Trans Tibial Pyramid Kits (2 off per kit)

Description of problem:

A small number of failures (0.85%) have been reported where components have cracked unexpectedly, both at the fitting stage and after a period of use. Similar failures could result in the limb wearer falling and injuring themselves.

Analysis of the field failures that have been received and subsequent in-house testing show that the risk of failure is increased if:

- The product has been immersed in water / liquids during use which can cause stress
- The product has been over torqued during assembly

Action Plan required:

Blatchford Products Ltd recommends the 409054 Adaptor is replaced with the new AK30M1 Titanium Adaptor on receipt of this notice.

- Where the component is changed in accordance with the above recommendation, Blatchford Products Ltd will give a full refund for every returned 409054 Adaptor.
- Please contact our Customer Services Department informing them of the claim and requesting a returns RMA number.
- Please return the old Adaptor in the normal manner and the refund will be then be given.









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Transmission of this Field Safety Notice:

This notice needs to be passed on to all those that need to be aware within your organisation or to any organisation where the affected devices have been transferred.

Blatchford Products Ltd confirms that the appropriate regulatory authority has been notified of this FSN.

Please contact Blatchford Customer Services for your RMA number on: +44(0)1142637900, or by your normal method of communication.

Please contact your local Sales Representative in the UK for any queries or questions, or the area Sales Manager covering your country.