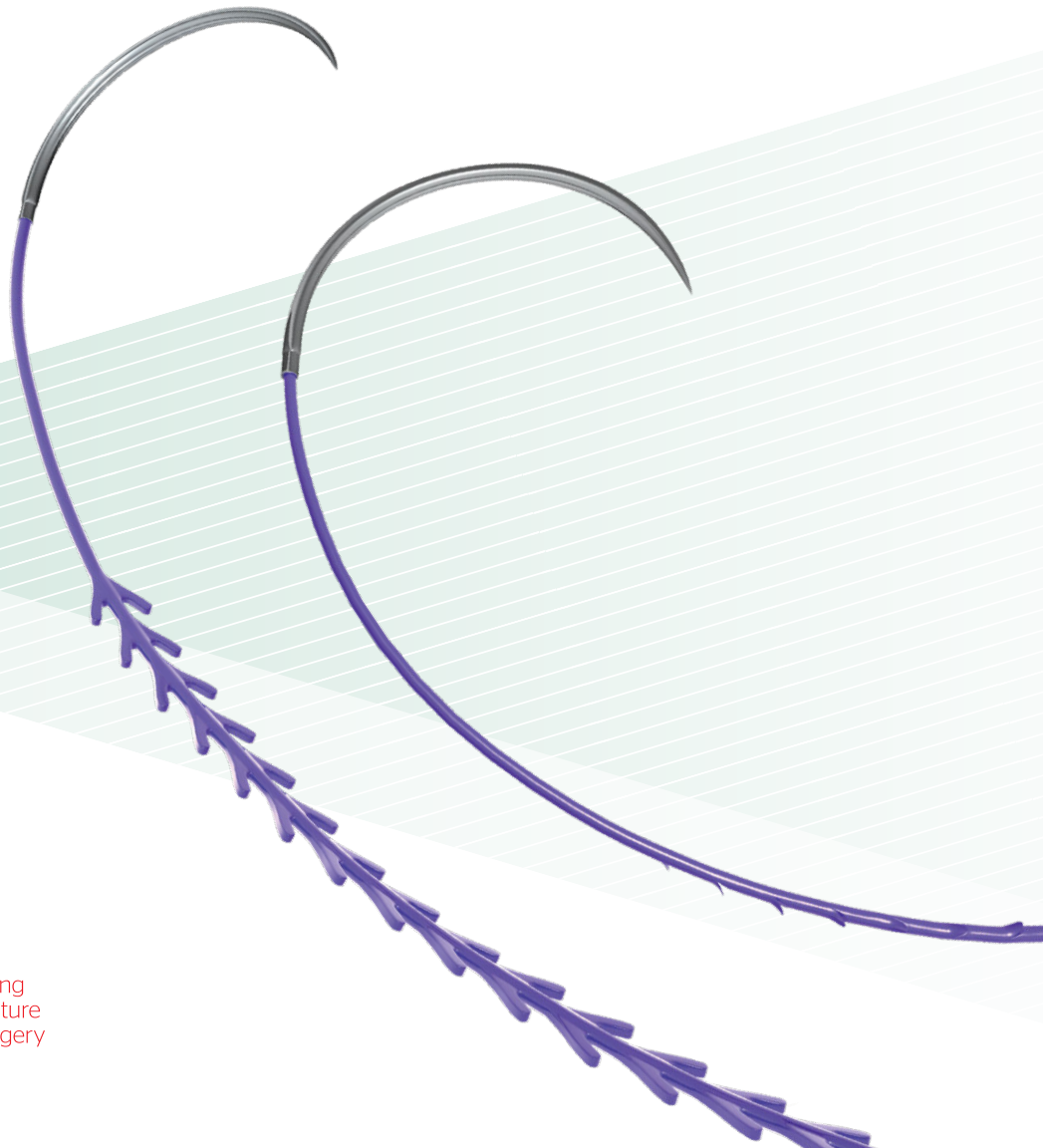




STRATAFIX™ Knotless Tissue Control Devices Product Brochure

A versatile portfolio to meet your wound closure needs

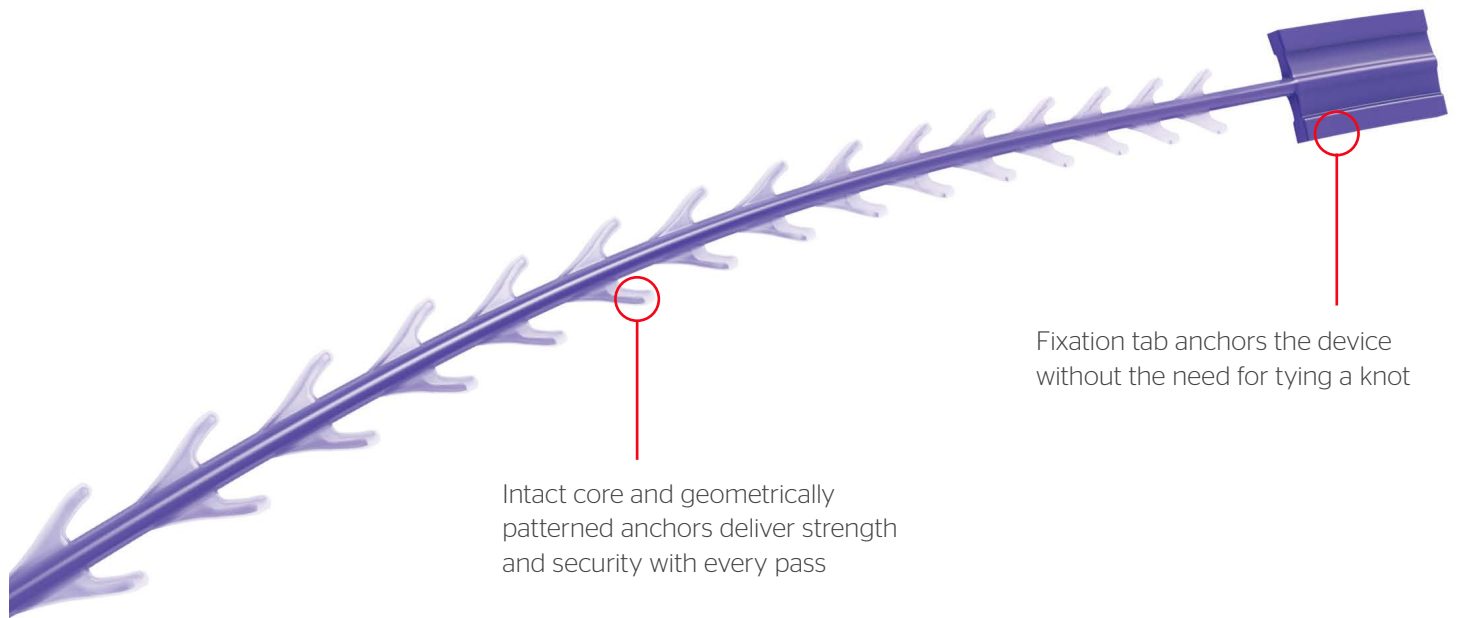


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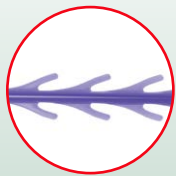
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STRATAFIX™ Symmetric PDS™ Plus Knotless Tissue Control Devices

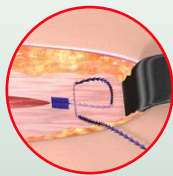
Only Ethicon offers a knotless tissue control device that is appropriate for closing high-tension areas, such as fascia¹⁻⁷



Symmetric



Pressed **symmetrical anchors** maintain the core of the device



Superior tissue-holding strength compared to interrupted technique with Coated VICRYL® (polyglactin 910) Suture, continuous technique with PDS® II (polydioxanone) Suture, and V-Loc™ 180 Wound Closure Device¹



STRATAFIX Symmetric PDS Plus Device offers **Plus Antibacterial Technology** to address a known risk factor for surgical site infection (SSI)^{7*}

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STRATAFIX™ Knotless Tissue Control Devices

A broad range of bidirectional and unidirectional devices offers the smooth glide of a traditional suture and Plus Antibacterial Technology¹⁻⁷

STRATAFIX™ Spiral PGA-PCL Knotless Tissue Control Device

STRATAFIX™ Spiral Polypropylene Knotless Tissue Control Device

STRATAFIX™ Spiral PDO Knotless Tissue Control Device

STRATAFIX™ Spiral PDS™ Plus Knotless Tissue Control Devices

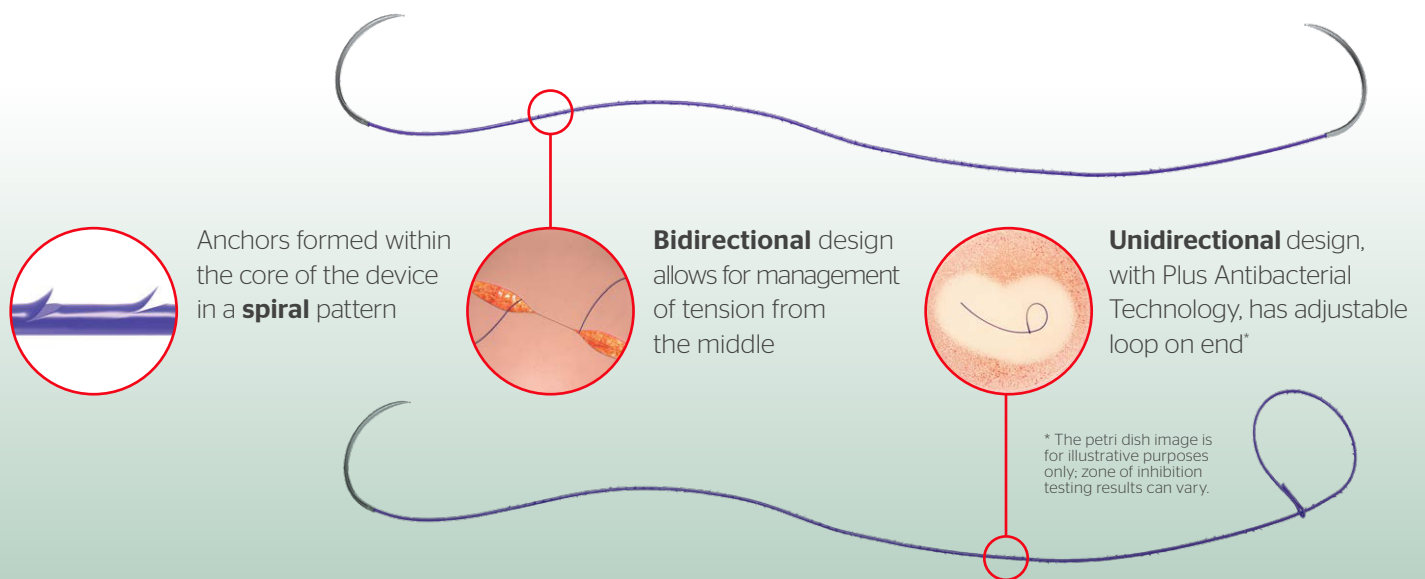
STRATAFIX™ Spiral MONOCRYL™ Plus Knotless Tissue Control Devices



Spiral anchor configuration provides a secure, 3-dimensional hold¹⁻⁷

Anchors retract into the core for a smooth pull through tissue, then re-engage for a secure hold¹⁻⁷

STRATAFIX Spiral Devices and STRATAFIX Spiral Devices with Plus Antibacterial Technology



Anchors formed within the core of the device in a **spiral** pattern

Bidirectional design allows for management of tension from the middle

Unidirectional design, with Plus Antibacterial Technology, has adjustable loop on end*

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STRATAFIX™ Knotless Tissue Control Devices

The only commercially available knotless tissue control devices with antibacterial protection – designed to address a known risk factor associated with surgical site infection (SSI)

Plus Sutures have been shown in vitro to inhibit colonization of the suture for **7** days or more, including bacteria commonly associated with surgical site infection (SSI).¹⁻³

PROVEN EFFECTIVE AGAINST:²⁻³

- ✓ *Staphylococcus aureus*
- ✓ *Staphylococcus epidermidis*
- ✓ *Escherichia coli**
- ✓ *Klebsiella pneumoniae**
- ✓ Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus epidermidis* (MRSE)
- ✓ Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA)
- ✓ *PDS® Plus Antibacterial (polydioxanone) Suture and MONOCRYL® Plus Antibacterial (poliglecaprone 25) Suture only



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Triclosan Coated Sutures are now supported by:

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Guideline for the Prevention of Surgical Site Infections 2017*

"Consider the use of triclosan-coated sutures for the prevention of SSI."⁴

World Health Organization (WHO)

Global Guidelines for The Prevention of Surgical Site Infection*

The panel suggests the use of triclosan coated sutures for the purpose of reducing the risk of SSI, independent of the type of surgery.⁵

American College of Surgeons Surgical Infection Society (ACS & SIS)

Surgical Site Infection Guidelines, 2016 Update*

The use of triclosan coated suture is recommended for wound closure in clean and clean-contaminated abdominal cases when available.⁶

*The CDC, WHO, ACS & SIS guidelines on reducing the risk of surgical site infections are general to triclosan-coated sutures and are not specific to any one brand.

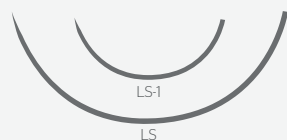
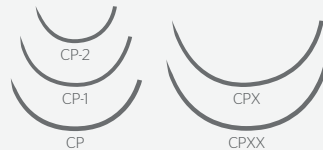
Ethicon Needle Types

REVERSE CUTTING

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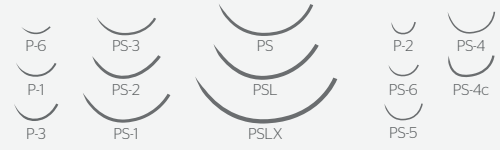


1/2 CIRCLE



PRECISION POINT

REVERSE CUTTING



CONVENTIONAL CUTTING



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