

legGRIP™

DESCRIPTION: The legGRIP is a system to hold the lower extremity during skin preparation, and is designed to eliminate the need for operating room personnel to hold the leg while the skin is being prepared for surgery.

With the patient in the lateral position the foot/ankle support controls the rotation of the lower extremity. The knee support is used with patients who have limited rotation of the hip or an unstable knee and require support of both the knee and the ankle/foot during skin preparation.

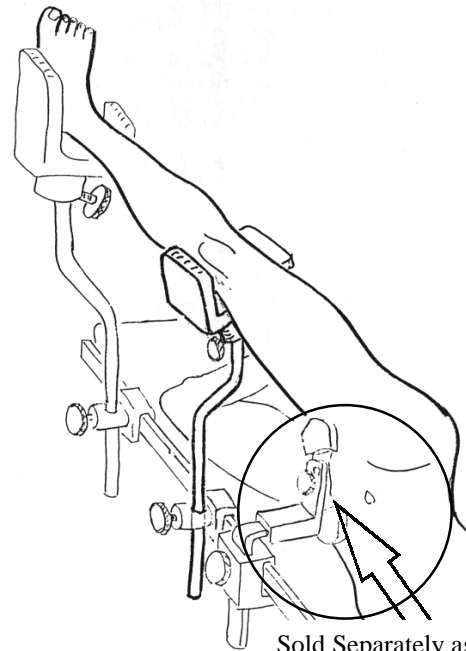
When the patient is in the supine position, the foot/ankle support or the knee support can be used to hold the stable lower extremity.

INDICATIONS: The legGRIP is a system to hold the lower extremity during skin preparation of the hip or lower extremity prior to surgery. Other uses include the utilization of both holders for the feet/ankles when the patient is supine such as bilateral lower extremity surgery.

CONTRAINDICATIONS: The legGRIP system relies on good skin integrity and normal circulation at the contact areas. This device should not be used where the skin is abnormal, fragile, where there is compromised circulation or where skin lesions or disease are present at the contact area.

PRECAUTION: The legGRIP should be placed by a health care provider experienced in skin preparation for hip or lower extremity surgery.

DISCLAIMER: SunMedica is not responsible for injury as a result of misuse or abuse of this product. Call SunMedica for any questions regarding proper use.



Sold Separately as part of the hipGRIP lateral positioning system

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DIRECTIONS FOR USE:

LATERAL POSITION: The patient is placed in the direct lateral decubitus position using a positioning device such as the hipGRIP by SunMedica.

FOOT/ANKLE SUPPORT: Position the round clamp (not provided in set) on the operating table anterior to the lower extremity at about the level of the ankle. Place the rod of the foot/ankle support through the clamp. Adjust the support to the desired position using the round clamp, the bend in the support rod and the ball joint adjacent to the foot/ankle support. See Fig. I

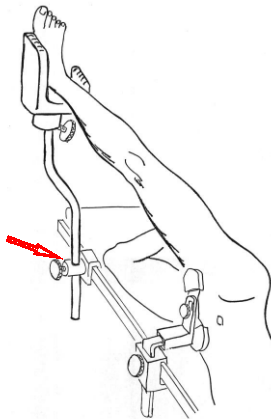


Fig I

Usually the long part of the foot/ankle support is used to support the medial foot and controls rotation.

With external rotation of the foot, often the effect of gravity will hold the knee locked in extension and only the foot/ankle support is needed to hold the lower extremity for skin preparation.

With hips that have limited motion or in patients with unstable knees, the knee support will be required.

Place the legGRIP foot/ankle support as described above. Secure the legGRIP knee support to the operating table using a second round clamp. Adjust the position of the knee support using the round clamp, the bend in the support rod and the ball joint adjacent to the knee support, so that the knee is supported for skin preparation. See Fig. II

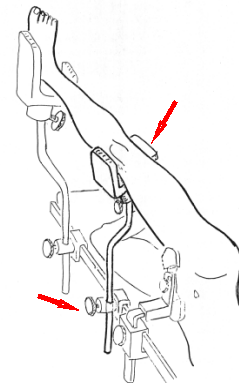


Fig. II

PRECAUTION: When positioning a lower extremity with an unstable knee or very stiff hip, the surgeon or operating room personnel will need to carefully hold the extremity while another person adjusts the legGRIP system. The same care will be required when removing the extremity from the legGRIP.

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