

A NEW GROOVED DIRECTOR FOR SIMPLIFIED NASAL LACRIMAL INTUBATION



Catalog #28-0189 Anderson-Hwang Grooved Director

This grooved director greatly simplifies retrieval of the olive tip probe. When the grooved director is placed in the proper position under the inferior turbinate, the olive tip probe is easily felt to be in the groove and is engaged by the keyhole design which engages the olive tip and prevents posterior migration of the olive tip that can occur with a standard grooved director. It also eliminates the posterior migration of the tip of the probe at intubation.

The new Anderson-Hwang Grooved Director has many advantages over the older model, including thinner side-walls which help prevent the probe from slipping lateral to the groove. A hole in the end of the grooved director allows easy cleaning. In addition, the new grooved director is a more rigid design to allow it to double as an instrument to infracture the interior turbinate and prevent breakage of the tip.

In summary, the new grooved director has the following advantages: 1) minimizes trauma and bleeding of the nasal mucosa; 2) greatly simplifies the intubation technique by trapping the olive tip probe; 3) and allows infracture expansion of the inferior meatus if the inferior turbinate is impacted. The grooved director also simplifies intubation at DCR and the olive tip may be engaged under direct supervision at either standard or endoscopic DCR surgery.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE ANDERSON-HWANG GROOVED DIRECTOR

The Anderson-Hwang Grooved Director is designed to retrieve the Crawford intubation probe during the intubation procedure. The intubation set is placed in the normal manner as described in the instruction sheet for the Crawford Intubation Set. The Anderson-Hwang Grooved Director is placed under the inferior turbinate. The instrument can be used to infracture the turbinate if required. As the olive tipped probe emerges from the lacrimal duct, it will come into contact with the properly positioned Anderson-Hwang Grooved Director. When contact is detected (by feel), the grooved director is withdrawn from the nose maintaining contact with the Crawford probe so that the olive is engaged in the slotted ferrule at the tip of the instrument. When the probe has been retrieved from the nose, proceed as directed in the instructions for the Crawford Intubation Sets.

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