



## **Innovative Medical Products Announces Multi-Groove Base Plate for Universal Lateral Positioner™ System**

***Additional grooves eliminate necessity to move patient into a precise orientation on the base plate, making it easier for OR personnel to ensure patient stability during hip surgery***

PLAINVILLE, Conn., (December 8, 2010) – [Innovative Medical Products](#), a global leader in patient positioning, has announced the Multi-Groove Base Plate, eliminating the need for OR personnel to move a patient into an exact orientation on the base plate without compromising patient stability during hip surgery. The multiple-groove plate gives OR personnel more flexibility and positioning options than a single-groove plate.

Because each patient's anatomy is not exactly the same, it is often a challenge for OR personnel to move patients into an exact orientation on a single-groove base plate that will allow the anterior support column, lumbar plate or IMP's patented hyperflexion plate to be precisely aligned with the patient's bodily contours. The Multi-Groove Base Plate lets OR personnel use any of its five grooves to lock in the accessories at a location of choice, providing ultimate flexibility in ensuring a fixed, stable, lateral decubitus position.

“The benefit that comes with a choice of grooves is that OR personnel don't have to move or lift the patient to ensure stable contact between the support accessories and the iliac crest or the patient's lumbar area,” said Earl Cole, IMP national sales manager. “Precisely positioning the patient on the base plate is not as critical as with a single-groove plate. All it takes is just to be ‘in the neighborhood’ of the iliac crest and the new Multi-Groove Base Plate will do its job, easily orienting the support accessories for maximum stability.”

IMP's Multi-Groove Base Plate is designed for use with the [Universal Lateral Positioner™](#) System. The IMP system includes a removable inferior arm and independently adjustable superior arm that allows more accurate contact with the iliac crest. The system also provides the patented hyperflexion plate that allows up to 120 degrees of flexion during testing for range of motion. A contour lumbar support, with a latex-free foam pad, conforms to patient anatomy, while improving stability and pressure distribution during surgery. Unique clip-on dual compression foam pads for the anterior support arms provide unsurpassed performance in preventing skin irritation and eliminate adhesive build up.

### **About Innovative Medical Products**

Established in 1983, [Innovative Medical Products](#) is focused on developing innovative products to benefit and improve efficiency in the operating room and hospitals where patient stability and positioning are required. Its products are designed to provide accuracy for the surgeon, save time for operating room personnel, and benefit the overall patient surgical experience. For more information, visit [www.innovativemedical.com/](http://www.innovativemedical.com/).

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