




F17-2014	<b>Test Report</b> QuickFix Mechanism MMN pull-out force		 <small>zertifiziert nach: DIN EN ISO 9001 DIN EN ISO 13485</small>	
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## 1. Introduction:

The Self-Retaining Screwdriver has been enhanced with a QuickFix locking system to increase user-friendliness. This simplifies the correct locking of the Screwdriver blade in the implant.

The QuickFix system consists of 2 parts (QuickFix = coulisse + clamping mechanism).



coulisse



clamping mechanism

Pressing the elastic tensioning mechanism over the slide creates a dynamic retaining connection. This connection is tested in an endurance test for stability and reproducibility of the clamping mechanism on a T25 Self-Retaining Screwdriver as follows.



### **Example: Self-Retaining Screwdriver T25 with QuickFix Mechanism**

One sample was tested for tensile strength and its change due to the influence of sterilization temperature at 137°C and 10,000 mechanical applications (tensioning and relaxing) on the QuickFix system.

## Acceptance Criteria:

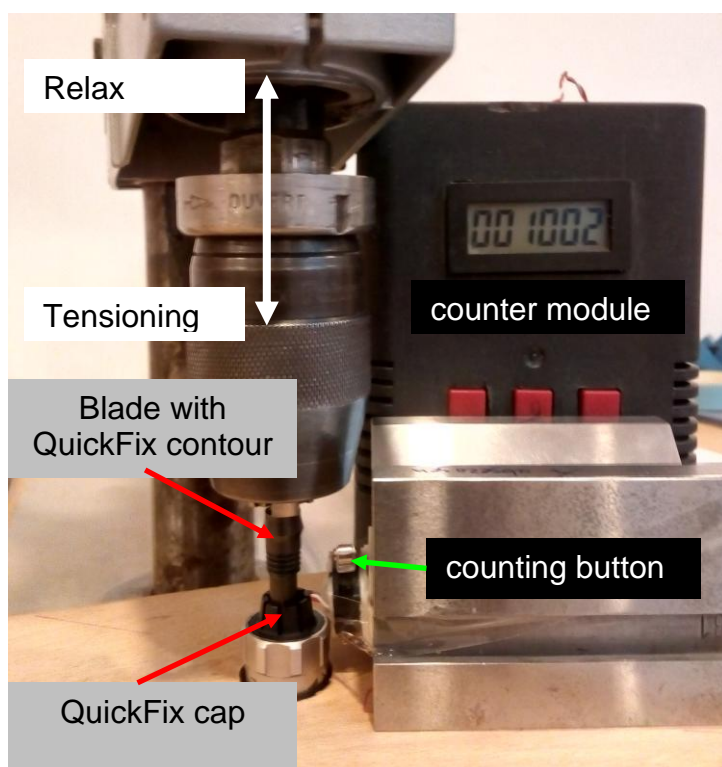
The QuickFix system must withstand 10,000 mechanical stresses (tensioning and releasing).

The QuickFix system must hold the sleeve securely on the blade even after repeated application of 137°C in a clamped state.

A possible increase in holding force due to thermal or mechanical stress is permissible. The pull-off force must be at least 90% of the pull-off force measured at the start of the test..

## 2. Experimental Setups

### Test setup 1: mechanical stress test using a lifting motion



### Description:

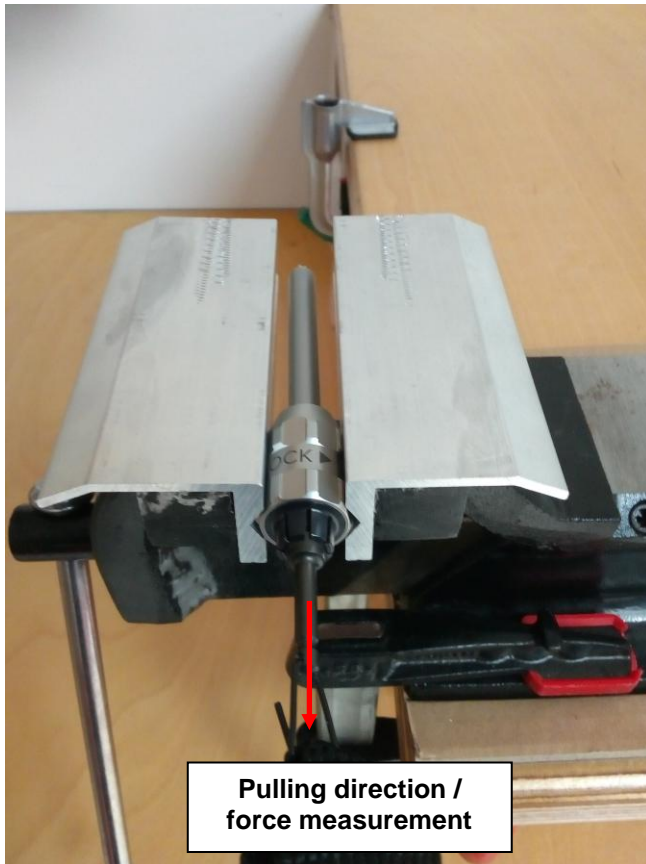
A series sleeve with a Quick Fix cap is secured against vertical movement. The corresponding blade with a Quick Fix contour is secured in a 3-jaw chuck.

Possible manual movement direction:

1. Vertically upward (releasing the QuickFix))
2. vertically downward (tightening the QuickFix)

The vertical stroke cycles of the Quick Fix system are recorded via a counter button.

## Test setup 2: Measurement of extraction force



### Description:

A series sleeve with a QuickFix cap is fixed horizontally in the 2-jaw chuck. The corresponding blade with QuickFix contour is inserted into the cap with QuickFix against the direction of pull (clamped).

The blade is pulled out of the cap using a handle with integrated force measurement. The force required is displayed and logged.

### Test setup 3: Simulation of the sterilization process:

Tempering Oven: Type Memmert



### **Adjusting the tempering oven temperature:**

The oven temperature is set to 137°C on the thermostat..

The temperature is displayed digitally on the oven display..

### **3. Experiment Implementation:**

Measurement and recording of the QuickFix extraction force at the start of the measurement series

#### **Cycle:**

- The QuickFix is manually tightened and loosened 1,000 times.. (test setup 1)  
Repetition frequency 60 / minute.
- Measurement and logging of extraction force QuickFix (test setup 2)
- The QuickFix clamped onto the blade is placed in the tempering oven. (test setup 3)
- The heating process is started.  
Once the required oven temperature of 137°C has been reached, it is maintained for 7 minutes (equivalent to the sterilization temperature and sterilization holding time).
- Simulation of the use of spray cooling in the standard sterilization process by switching off the oven, opening the oven door, and cooling the Quickfix with compressed air.
- After cooling the test specimen to room temperature, measure and record the pull-off force of the QuickFix.

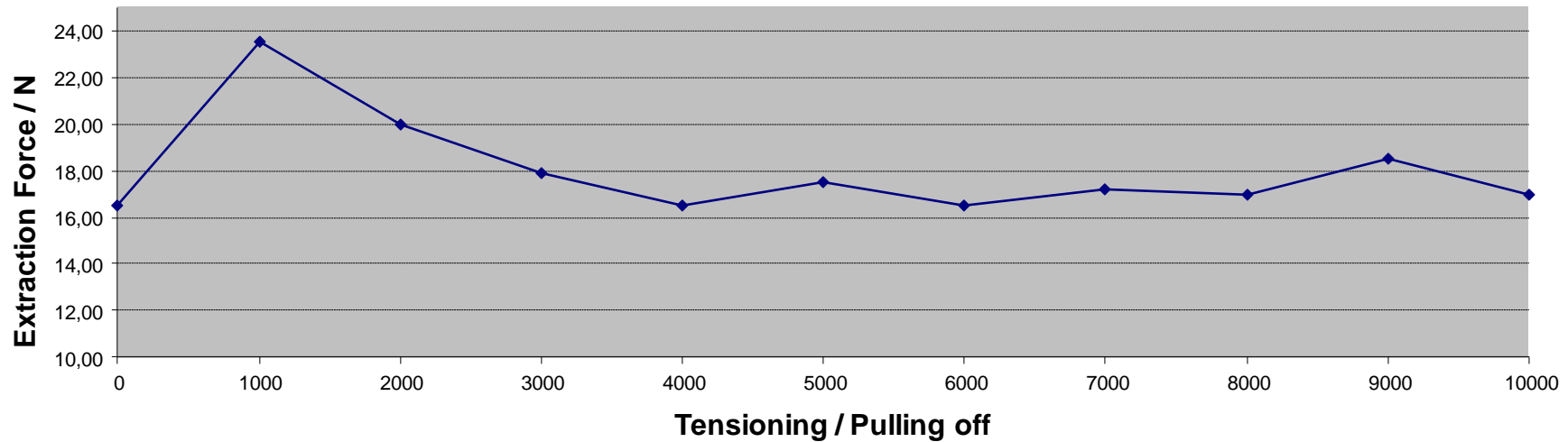
This cycle is repeated 10 times.  
Layover times and condition are recorded.

#### 4. Measured Values

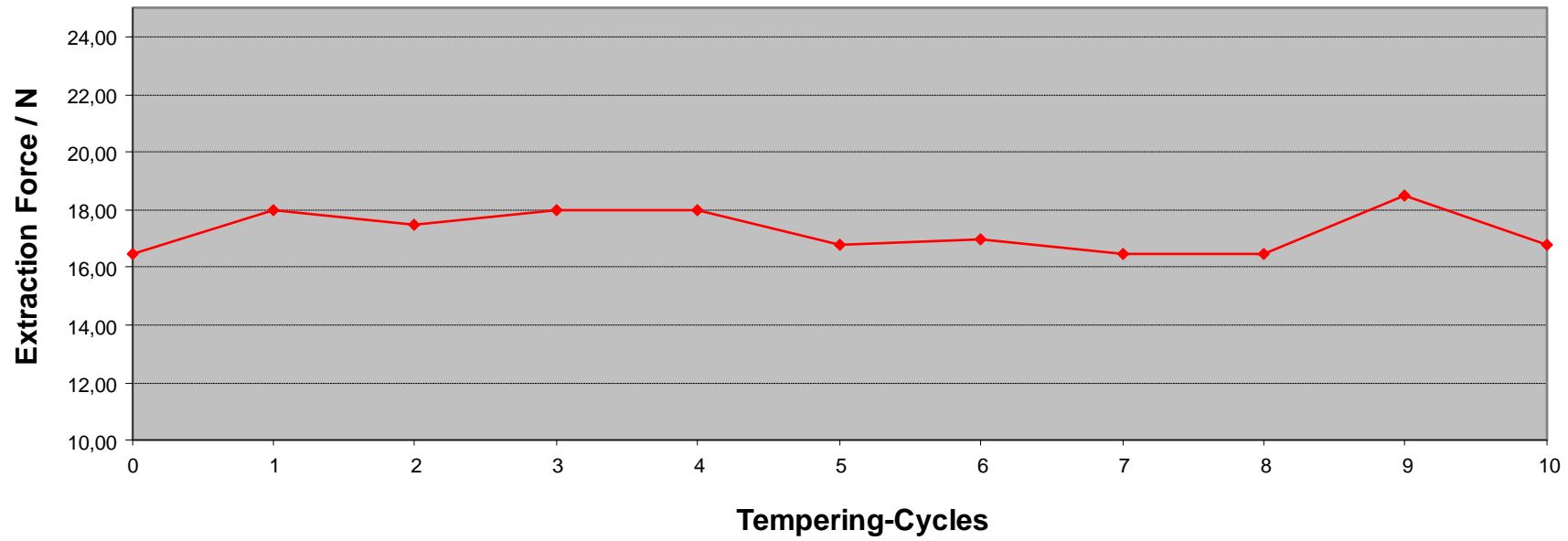
**System 3:** T25 pcs. with QuickFix contour (QuickFix – Closure cap glass bead blasted / 8-way slotted / Di = 8,041mm  
Blade T25 with QuickFix contour, WCC coated)

<b>Tempering cycles</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
Tensioning / Pulling off	0	1000	0	1000	0	1000	0	1000	0	1000	0	1000
Pulling force/N	16,50	23,50	18,00	20,00	17,50	17,90	18,00	16,50	18,00	17,50	16,80	16,50
Date	10.03.21	10.03.21	11.03.21	11.03.21	11.03.21	11.03.21	11.03.21	11.03.21	11.03.21	12.03.21	12.03.21	12.03.21
<b>Tempering cycles</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>		
Tensioning / Pulling off	0	1000	0	1000	0	1000	0	1000	0	0		
Pulling force/N	17,00	17,20	16,50	17,00	16,50	18,50	18,50	17,00	16,80	17,50		
Date	12.03.21	12.03.21	12.03.21	12.03.21	12.03.21	12.03.21	12.03.21	12.03.21	12.03.21	15.03.21		

**Measured extraction Force QuickFix System**



### Measured Extraction Force QuickFix System



## **5. Evaluation of measured values**

At the start of the experiment, the pull-off force was 16.50 N.  
The measured pull-off forces during the entire test series ranged between 16,50 N and 23,50 N.

## **6. Evaluation**

The measured values are within the range of the acceptance criteria.  
At the beginning of the test series, the pull-off force increased slightly due to the mechanical stress.  
During the test series, a slight difference in pull-off force was sporadically observed between the measurements after thermal stress and mechanical stress. The pull-off force increased slightly after mechanical stress, then decreased slightly after thermal stress.

## **7. Final Assessment**

The tested samples demonstrated full functionality during 10,000 manual mechanical and thermal stresses.  
The Self-Retaining Screwdriver with QuickFix thus fulfills the 10,000 mechanical application cycles of the Lyfecycle test, equivalent to the screwdriver version with double thread.