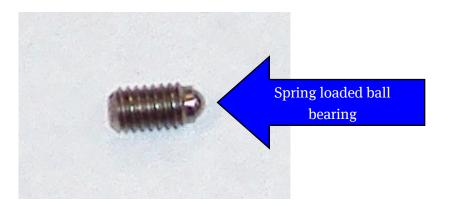
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# **Academy Tech Tips**

### Convert Gravity-Actuated Ring Lock to Manually-Actuated

The 501D1 Lock Retainer is a specialty 4mm screw with an integrated spring-loaded ball bearing. When installed into a Ring Lock joint, it creates an easily adjustable retainer to convert a gravity-actuated Ring Lock ("drop lock") to a manually actuated one.

In this Tech Bulletin, we will focus on installing the 501D1 Lock Retainer Assembly in Ring Lock orthotic joints such as the 17B20 System Knee Joint.



#### **Installation:**

Measure from joint center proximally 19 mm and center under upper bar as pictured.



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Center punch and use drill press with 1/8" bit. Apply a small amount of cutting oil, and then tap utilizing a 4x0.7 mm tap.

Screw the 501D1 Retainer into the Joint Head (Figure 1), until the ball protrudes just enough to "catch" the Ring Lock (Figure 2).





Figure 1 Figure 2

Decreasing the amount of protrusion makes locking and unlocking easier. Once proper adjustment has been determined clinically, apply a small drop of blue Loctite.

If you have any further questions, please contact Ottobock at  $800\,328\,4058$  and ask to speak with a member of our Professional and Clinical Services department.