PRODUCT UPDATE

PLASMA ELECTROSURGERY DEVICE

Bovie Medical Corporations's new J-Plasma® hand piece has a retractable cutting feature for use in soft-tissue coagulation and cutting during surgery. J-Plasma stream, limited to 15 mm in length, is formed by passing an inert gas such as helium over the blade. The blade can be extended and used with or without energy or plasma, similar to a scalpel, for incisions and other cutting procedures. The hand piece is available in open and laparoscopic configurations, with an accompanying J-Plasma generator. ■

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT www.boviemedical.com

EMBRYO VIABILITY TEST FOR IVF

The Eeva Test™ from Auxogyn is an automated, noninvasive test that uses time-lapse imaging to determine which embryos will have the highest developmental potential during in vitro fertilization. The Eeva Test uses proprietary software to analyze embryo development against scientific and clinical cell-division timing parameters. ■

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT www.eevaivf.com

NATURAL REMEDIES FOR POSTPARTUM PAIN

Fairhaven Health says its Sitting Pretty products offer pain relief and help to increase the healing process for perineal tears, vaginal swelling and bruising, and hemorrhoids following delivery. A 2-oz Soothing Spray bottle contains witch hazel, peppermint, lavender, and tea tree oils with grapefruit seed and other herbal extracts. A 4-oz jar of Soothing Balm has shea butter, coconut oil, and other organic ingredients. ■

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT www.fairhavenhealth.com

TREATMENT FOR LARGE AND SMALL SCARS

ScarAway Daily Discs are small, round discs (1.375" in diameter) used to treat small scars that result from biopsies, mole removal, or acne blemishes. ScarAway Flex Long Sheets are for treating longer scars that may result from cesarean deliveries and other operations, injuries, and burns. The Flex Long Sheets measure 1.5"x7". ScarAway Scar Gel is a colorless, odorless, self-drying silicon gel that forms a flexible, breathable, waterproof cover over the affected area. Once dry, makeup and sunscreen can be applied. ■

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT www.MyScarAway.com

PORTABLE COLPOSCOPE

The Gynocular™ is a lightweight, portable colposcope with smart-phone adapter. Gynius says the battery-operated handheld device can be used with a tripod and allows physicians to capture, store, and send high-quality digital images and videos via phone or Skype. Gynius is collaborating with Woman Care Global, a nonprofit health-care company, to market and distribute The Gynocular worldwide. ■

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT www.gynocular.com

SUTURING IN ROBOT-ASSISTED SURGERY

StitchKit® Robotic-Assisted Surgery Suturing Technology, from Origami Surgical, is a sterile, single-use plastic canister preloaded with six ePTFE sutures (8" each), with a secure, see-through disposal compartment permitting needle counting during surgery. Origami Surgical says that each canister is intended to complete one sacrocolpopexy surgery.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT www.origamisurgical.com

COLLAGEN DRESSING FOR CHRONIC WOUNDS

Gentell has introduced four new collagen products designed to treat chronic nonhealing wounds. Gentell Collagen, derived from bovine collagen, is available in a powdery particle (1-g bottle), or as dressing sheets in 2"x2", 4"x5.25", and 8"x12" sizes. Gentell Collagen products can be used to treat aggressive wounds with minimal to heavy exudate, and partial- or full-thickness, granulating or necrotic, or second-degree burns. ■

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT www.gentell.com

INTRAOPERATIVE RADIATION THERAPY

The Xoft® Axxent® Electronic Brachytherapy System (eBx®) delivers intraoperative brachytherapy to treat breast cancer. Intraoperative radiation therapy is delivered as a single radiation dose using a balloon and a miniature x-ray source within the surgical cavity at the time of breast-conserving surgery (lumpectomy). Axxent eBx is designed to minimize radiation exposure to surrounding healthy tissue. ■

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT www.xoftinc.com

KEGEL EXERCISE SYSTEM

Juve is a biofeedback Kegel exercise system that helps women develop pelvic-floor muscle strength. A device inserted into the vagina has sensors that work with a Bluetooth smartphone app to monitor pelvic-floor muscle strength and provide instant feedback to the user. Six training programs are offered. ■

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT www.thejuve.com

WEARABLE BIOSENSOR FOR CORE METRICS

Vital Connect announced FDA clearance of its HealthPatch™ MD Biosensor. The device can capture clinical-grade biometric measurements of core-health metrics: single-lead ECG; heart rate; heart-rate variability; respiratory rate; skin temperature; posture including fall detection and severity; and steps. ■

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT www.vitalconnect.com

HORMONE-FREE CONTRACEPTION

FemCap is a reusable, hormone-free, latex-free cervical cap for birth control. Made of surgical-grade silicone in three sizes, it covers the cervix, preventing sperm from moving into the uterus. Used in conjunction with spermicide, it is more than 92% effective in the prevention of pregnancy, says **FemCap**, **Inc**. ■

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT www.femcap.com