

MRI safety implant policies and where to find them...

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MRI Implant safety resources

- Other resources
 - Google: device name and instructions for use (IFU)
 - MRIsafety.com
 - FDA GUDID
 - Device vendor websites
 - Device vendor helplines / reps
- Our resources
 - Website: <http://www.mriphysics.scot.nhs.uk/>
 - Email address: gg-uhb.mrsafetyexpert@nhs.net

MRIsafety.com

- Search for device if implant name known
- Useful information on categories of implants and policies

The screenshot shows the MRIsafety.com website interface. The browser address bar displays the URL http://mrisafety.com/TMDL_list.php?q=biomet. The search bar contains the text "biomet" and is set to search "(full/part words)". Below the search bar, there are navigation tabs for "The LIST", "Safety Topics", "Home", and "help". A pagination control shows "1 2 3" and "Displaying 1 - 20 of 47" items. The main content area is a table with three columns: "Object Description", "Object Status", and "Safety Topic / Subject".

Object Description ↑		Object Status	Safety Topic / Subject
Adjustable External Fixation Device external fixation device carbon composite, SS Biomet, Inc. Warsaw, Indiana	3	Conditional 5 More...	External Fixation Devices More...
Arcos Femoral Revision System with BoneMaster Coating Biomet, www.biomet.com	1.5,3	Conditional 8 More...	Orthopedic Implants, Materials, and Devices More...
Bio-Modular Shoulder System Reverse Conversion Option Biomet, www.Biomet.com	1.5,3	Conditional 5 More...	Orthopedic Implants, Materials, and Devices More...

GUDID

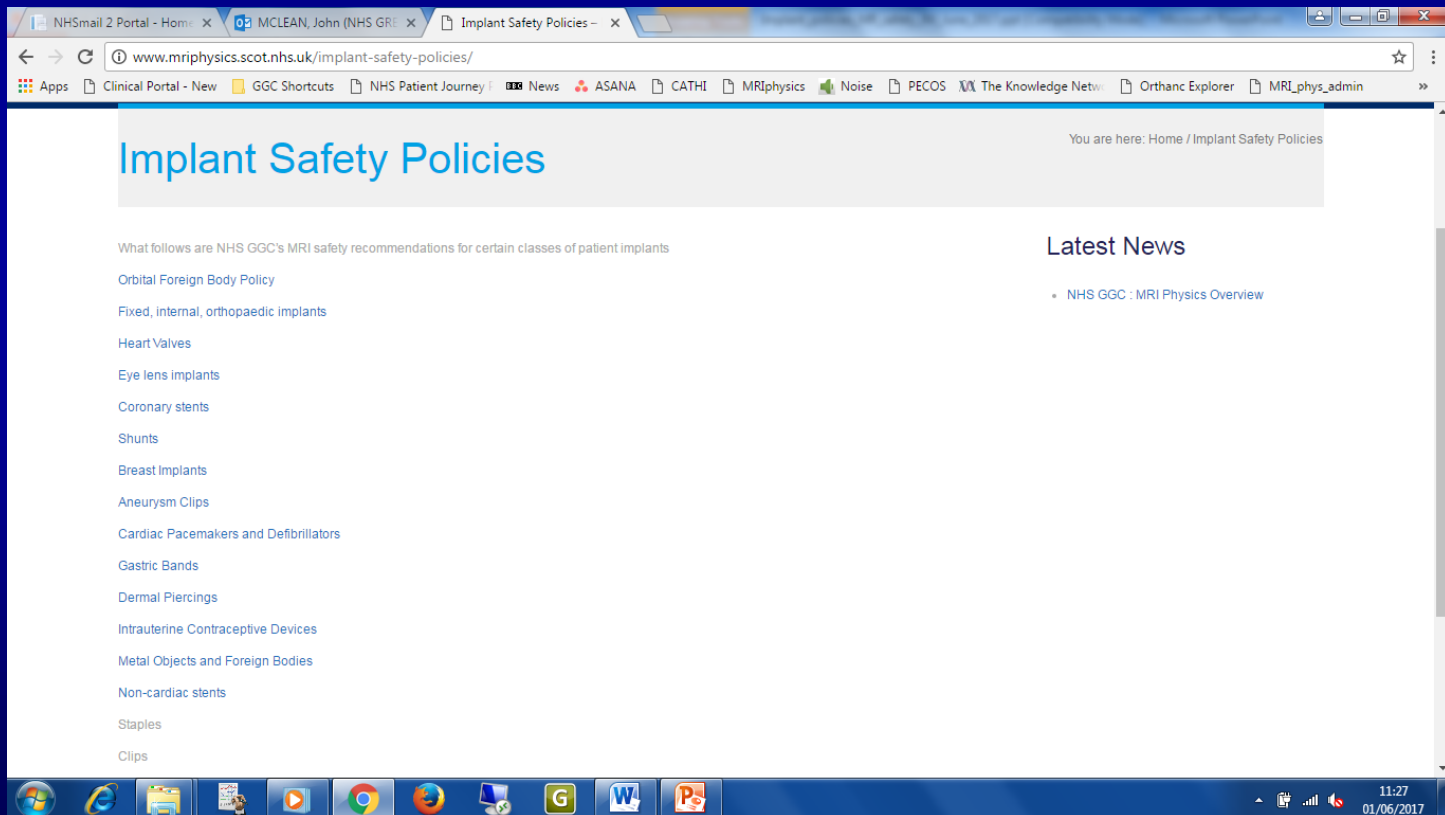
- Search GUDID for device name and then look under ‘Device Characteristics’ for MRI information

The screenshot shows the GUDID website interface. At the top, there is a search bar with the text "Enter Device Identifier, Name, or Company" and a magnifying glass icon. Below the search bar, the device information is displayed for "DEVICE: Titan@ (05708932072519)". The page includes a navigation menu with links for HOME, ABOUT, NEWS, API, DOWNLOAD, and HELP. The device characteristics are listed in two columns:

Brand Name: Titan@	Primary DI Number: 05708932072519
Version or Model: Titan Touch	Issuing Agency: GS1
Commercial Distribution Status: In Commercial Distribution	Commercial Distribution End Date:
Catalog Number: EN2816	Device Count: 1
Company Name: Coloplast A/S	Labeler D-U-N-S® Number*: 305524696 *Terms of Use
Device Description: Titan Touch Narrow Base Infrapubic Zero Angle 16cm	

Where to find our implant policies?

- <http://www.mriphysics.scot.nhs.uk/>
- <http://www.mriphysics.scot.nhs.uk/implant-safety-policies/>



The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the 'Implant Safety Policies' page on the NHS MRI Physics website. The browser's address bar shows the URL www.mriphysics.scot.nhs.uk/implant-safety-policies/. The page title is 'Implant Safety Policies' and the breadcrumb trail indicates 'You are here: Home / Implant Safety Policies'. The main content area lists various implant types with links to their respective policies: Orbital Foreign Body Policy, Fixed, internal, orthopaedic implants, Heart Valves, Eye lens implants, Coronary stents, Shunts, Breast implants, Aneurysm Clips, Cardiac Pacemakers and Defibrillators, Gastric Bands, Dermal Piercings, Intrauterine Contraceptive Devices, Metal Objects and Foreign Bodies, Non-cardiac stents, Staples, and Clips. A 'Latest News' section on the right contains a link to 'NHS GGC : MRI Physics Overview'. The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the system clock as 11:27 on 01/06/2017.

Background to generic implant safety policies (GISP's)

- Creating GISP's is tricky
- When GGC formed, attempted to harmonise and formalise implant safety policies
- Layers of governance were lacking
- If you have 'a policy' it must be written down
- Policy must be communicated and accessible
- Policy must be known

GISP's: The picture across (some of) Scotland

		Yes, we already have something similar.	Yes, but this would be new for us.	Possibly, but needs more work.	No, we have a different policy.	No, not convinced.
1	External Fixation Devices	5	0	0	0	0
2	Heart Valves	5	0	0	0	0
3	Aneurysm Clips	5	0	0	0	0
4	Cardiac Pacemakers and Defibrillators	5	0	0	0	0
5	Metal Objects and Foreign Bodies	5	0	0	0	0
6	Orbital Foreign Body Policy	4	0	0	1	0
7	Coronary stents	4	1	0	0	0
8	Shunts	4	1	0	0	0
9	Gastric Bands	4	1	0	0	0
10	Dermal Piercings	4	1	0	0	0
11	Non-cardiac stents	4	0	1	0	0
12	Staples	4	0	1	0	0
13	Breast Implants	3	1	0	0	0
14	Intrauterine Contraceptive Devices	3	1	0	1	0
15	Clips	2	0	2	1	0
16	Fixed, internal, orthopaedic implants	1	1	2	1	0
17	Eye lens implants	1	4	0	0	0

Benefits of a web based approach for policies

- Information can be found quickly
- Links to supporting information can easily be followed
- A single source of information
- Information available 24/7
- Easy to disseminate
- Easier to manage i.e. only one instance of a policy
- Easier to update
- Less confusing

Limitations / challenges

- Challenge in disseminating information within and among staff groups
- Challenge disseminating information across Health Boards
- Problem ensuring consistency within and across boards
- Obtaining governance approval
- Peoples attitude towards risk can vary
- The policies are not without risk
- The whole process relies on radiographer engagement and feedback

Live demo.... (cross your fingers)

- <http://www.mriphysics.scot.nhs.uk/>
 - Implant policy
 - Highlight sections
 - Risk assessment
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- NB: look out for other information on the website in regard to other aspects of MRI safety, e.g. guidance on scanning during pregnancy

How to make life easy for yourself....

- Bookmark website
- Communicate policies to staff
- Communicate information to Radiologists
- Ask lead Radiologist to cascade
- Provide feedback, other topics? New Info, Report Incidents, flag up new implants, ideas for GISP's
- Report incidents on datix but also communicate with us
- What we will do...
- Update website when new information becomes available

What to include if you contact us...

- If emailing: gg-uhb.mrsafetyexpert@nhs.net
- How urgent is it?
- What is scan for?
- If they have had previous imaging or not:
 - MRI
 - Imaging of implant?
- Any information you have already found out
- Where you found it?

What next....

- Review and make more our GISP more robust
- Add more GISP's for other implant classes
- GISP's on agenda at both Scottish and UK wide
- MPNET: MRI in Scotland aiming to agree on GISP's
- IPEM MR-SIG has a working party on this topic

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the IPEM website. The URL is <https://www.ipem.ac.uk/ConferencesEvents/ForthcomingConferences/EventDetails.aspx?dateid=516>. The page features the IPEM logo (Institute of Physics and Engineering in Medicine) and a search bar. A navigation menu includes links for ABOUT IPEM, NEWS & EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, CAREERS & JOBS, CONFERENCES & EVENTS, SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS & PUBLICATIONS, TRAINING & WORKFORCE, and RESEARCH & ACADEMIC ACCREDITATION. The main content area is titled "MR Safety Update 2019" and is dated "14 November 2019" in "Birmingham". It is organized by the "IPEM's Magnetic Resonance Special Interest Group". The text describes the importance of MR safety, mentioning changes in legislation and research findings, and states that the meeting will cover guidance, legislation, safety management, and the safe scanning of implants. It also notes that the meeting provides a platform for sharing best practice within the MR community. A "Learning outcomes" section lists two points: 1. To gain useful information on current safety guidance and its practical implementation. 2. To increase safety expertise through knowledge of experiences and practices within the MR community. The browser's taskbar at the bottom shows various application icons and the system clock indicating 11:38 on 26/09/2019.

Governance framework for MRI generic implant safety policies

