

Claims:

1. An intravaginal device comprising a hollow open-ended cylindrical body and a removal strip;
the body having a first end and a second end, an anterior wall and a posterior wall;
the body having a first notch in the first end of the anterior wall, and a second notch in the second end of the anterior wall wherein the first notch and the second notch positioned in line and substantially at the midline of the anterior wall and forming a track for the removal strip;
the posterior wall comprising a lingulate-shaped extension, and an opening positioned substantially across from the first notch wherein the opening is adapted to receive therethrough the removal strip;
wherein the removal strip passes through the first notch, second notch and opening and when force is applied to the removal strip the anterior wall and the posterior wall are compressed together.
2. The intravaginal device of claim 1, wherein the body comprises a non-absorbent, flexible material.
3. The intravaginal device of claim 1 or 2, wherein the non-absorbent, flexible material comprises thermoplastic elastomers, thermoplastic vulcanizates, SantopreneTM, or SantopreneTM 8281-55MED.
4. The intravaginal device of claim 1, 2, or 3, wherein the removal strip comprises a non-absorbent, flexible material.
5. An intravaginal device comprising a hollow open-ended cylindrical body and a removal strip;
the body formed from a non-absorbent, flexible material;
the body having a first end and a second end, an anterior wall and a posterior wall;
the posterior wall comprising a lingulate-shaped extension;

the body having a first notch in the first end in the anterior wall and second notch in the second end in the anterior wall; the first notch and the second notch positioned in line and substantially at the midline of the anterior wall and forming a track for the removal strip;

the posterior wall further comprising an opening adapted to receive therethrough the removal strip and the opening positioned substantially across from the first notch;

the removal strip formed from a non-absorbent, flexible material; wherein the removal strip passes through the first notch, second notch and opening and compresses the anterior wall and the posterior wall together thereby reducing the cross-sectional area of the body when force is applied to the removal strip.

6. Use of the intravaginal device of any one of claims 1 to 5, to aid in the control of female urinary stress incontinence.
7. Use of the intravaginal device of any one of claims 1 to 5, to aid pelvic organ prolapse.
8. Use of the intravaginal device of any one of claims 1 to 5, to aid cystocele, urethrocele, uterine prolapse, vaginal vault prolapse, enterocele, rectocele, or a combination thereof.
9. A method of controlling female urinary stress incontinence, comprising inserting the device of any one of claims 1 to 5 into the vagina.
10. A method of controlling female overactive bladder, comprising inserting the device of any one of claims 1 to 5 into the vagina.
11. A method of controlling female incomplete bladder emptying, comprising inserting the device of any one of claims 1 to 5 into the vagina.
12. A method of aiding pelvic organ prolapse comprising inserting the device of any one of claims 1 to 5 into the vagina.
13. The method of claim 12, wherein the pelvic organ prolapse is stage 1 pelvic organ prolapse.
14. The method of claim 12, wherein the pelvic organ prolapse is stage 2 pelvic organ prolapse.

15. The method of claim 12, wherein the pelvic organ prolapse is cystocele, urethrocele, uterine prolapse, vaginal vault prolapse, enterocele, rectocele, or a combination thereof.
16. A method of aiding rectocele, comprising inserting the device of any one of claims 1 to 5 into the vagina.
17. A kit comprising the intravaginal device of any one of claims 1 to 5 and instructions.
18. A kit comprising the intravaginal device of any one of claims 1 to 5, an assistive wand, removal strip and instructions.
19. The kit of claim 18, wherein the assistive wand comprises a hook.
20. The kit of claim 18 or 19, wherein the assistive wand comprises a bowl end that holds the intravaginal device in a collapsed position.
21. The kit of any one of claims 18 to 20, wherein the instructions are provided in digital and/or written form.