Veterinary Endoscope for Insemination & Hysteroscopy
A Revolution in Artificial Insemination

Endoscopy is the best method for diagnosing and treating conditions of the genitourinary tract in bitches. The fine diameter and extended length of the KARL STORZ TCI endoscope allows easy access to the cervix and uterus in bitches of all sizes. An integrated working channel enables the insertion of instruments under direct visualization for procedures such as insemination, biopsy, aspiration, flushing and removal of foreign material.

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Compared to surgical insemination, endoscopic transcervical insemination (TCI) is less painful, less invasive and no post-operative care is needed. TCI is typically performed without sedation, making it easier than other methods.

The KARL STORZ TCI endoscope is also suitable for transcervical insemination in small ruminants and large non-domestic felids. For information about laparoscopic artificial insemination in small ruminants, see SELLSHEET VET 4: Laparoscopic Artificial Insemination in Sheep & Goats.
Applications:

- Visual evaluation of the vagina, cervix and uterus
- Transcervical Insemination (TCI) - possibility of several inseminations during the fertile period
- Diagnosis and possible treatment of vaginal defects (septa, strictures, adhesions)
- Visualization of the vaginal wall and cervix during TCI, addressing possible problems (cervicitis) to improve TCI outcomes
- Biopsy of masses in the vagina, cervix and uterus
- Flushing of the uterus to collect samples
- Diagnosis of a retained fetus or placenta (and possible removal)
- Assessment of obstructive dystocia

Insertion of the endoscope into the vagina. The use of a finger over the end of the endoscope during insertion may help to prevent inadvertently introducing the telescope into the urethral opening.

**Fig. 1:** Catheterization of the cervix for artificial insemination or diagnostic procedures, including uterine biopsies

**Fig. 2:** Hysteroscopy: presence of petechiae on the endometrium (possible sign of endometritis)

**Fig. 3:** Vaginal wall during oestrus, showing the crenulations

**Fig. 4:** Visualization of an amniotic sac in the cranial vagina of a bitch at stage 1 of parturition
Hysteroscope/TCI Endoscope

Special features:
- Atraumatic distal sheath with rounded tip
- Minimal shaft diameter, extended length facilitates cervical catheterization in small and large patients
- The large working channel allows the use of rigid instruments and catheters up to 5 Fr.
- 2 right angled lateral irrigation connections
- The rigid angled eyepiece makes working more comfortable and ensures easy introduction of catheters and instruments without bending or kinking

Specifications:
- Distal tip: 8 Fr.
- Sheath: 9.5 Fr., conical, 1 step 9.5-13.5 Fr.
- Working channel: 6 Fr., for use with instruments up to 5 Fr.
- Telescope: KARL STORZ Fiberoptic system, direction of view 6°
- Length: 43 cm
- Eyepiece: angled, rigid

The following accessories are included:

- 27001G Instrument Port with Sealing System and Quick Release Lock
- 27550N Seal, for Instrument Port 27001G, package of 10
- 27001RA Cleaning Adaptor, for port 27001G
Optional Instruments

- **27425F** Forceps for grasping stone fragments, rigid, double action jaws, 5 Fr., length 60 cm
- **27425P** Forceps for grasping larger stones and fragments, rigid, double action jaws, 5 Fr., length 60 cm
- **27425Z** Biopsy Forceps, rigid, double action jaws, 5 Fr., length 60 cm
- **67023VK** Stone Basket, flexible, 5 Fr., length 60 cm including:
  - 3-Ring Handle
  - Basket
  - Coil
- **27651UB** Cleaning Brush, round, flexible, outer diameter 2.2 mm, for working channel diameter 0.8-2 mm, length 60 cm

Wire Tray for Cleaning, Sterilization and Storage

- **63002MK** TCI Catheter, 5 Fr., length 70 cm

**39501X** Wire Tray for Cleaning, Sterilization and Storage, with integrated cleaning adaptor for washer-disinfector, with lid, spare parts basket 39501XS and silicone telescope holders, external dimensions (w x d x h): 644 x 150 x 80 mm

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