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Ground Electrode NM-551B

General

The NM-551B Ground Electrode is used as a grounding electrode in evoked potential/electromyogram examinations. The electrode can be used with a Nihon Kohden MEB-2300A/K EMG/EP measuring system or MEE-1000A or MEE-2000 neural function measuring system.

Safety Information

MARNING A warning alerts the user to possible injury or death associated with the use or misuse of the instrument.

⚠ CAUTION

A caution alerts the user to possible injury or problems with the instrument associated with its use or misuse such as instrument malfunction, instrument failure, damage to the instrument, or damage to other property.

Pay attention to all safety information in the Operator's Manual or Installation Guide.

⚠ WARNING

When performing an MR examination, remove all electrodes from the patient. Failure to follow this warning may cause skin burns on the patient. For details, refer to the MR equipment manual.

⚠ WARNING

When measurement is continuously performed for a long period, the EEG paste gets dry and the cause artifacts. Therefore, always check that the paste is moist.

⚠ WARNING

When discharging energy to the patient using the defibrillator, all persons must keep clear of the bed and must not touch the patient or any equipment or cable connected to the patient. Failure to follow this warning may cause electrical shock or injury.

⚠ WARNING

Before discharging energy to the patient using the defibrillator, remove from the patient all electrodes, probes and transducers connected to connectors that do not have a "•" or "•" mark. Otherwise, the operator may receive electrical shock and the connected instrument may be damaged.

Before discharging energy to the patient using the defibrillator, remove everything including electrodes and patches from the patient. If the paddles contact these foreign substances, the discharged energy may be insufficient and may cause skin burn to the patient.

⚠ WARNING

When an electrosurgical unit (ESU) is used, firmly attach the entire area of the ESU return plate. Otherwise, the current from the ESU flows into the electrodes, causing electrical burn where the electrodes are attached. For details, refer to the ESU manual.

⚠ WARNING

When using an ESU, do the following. Otherwise, current from the ESU flows into the electrodes and causes skin burn.

- Ensure that there is enough distance between the electrodes and the ESU tip or return plate.
- Ensure that no electrodes are attached near the path for high frequency current between the ESU tip and return plate.
- If there is not enough distance between the electrodes and the ESU tip, return plate or path for high frequency current, disconnect the electrodes while using the ESU.
- During long term monitoring, periodically check that the electrodes are attached properly.

⚠ CAUTION

Do not attach the electrode on a wound or inflamed skin. Redness or irritation may appear.

⚠ CAUTION

Connect the electrodes only to the specified instruments or cables.

⚠ CAUTION

Dispose of Nihon Kohden products according to your local laws and your facility's guidelines for waste disposal. Otherwise, it may affect the environment. If there is a possibility that the product may have been contaminated with infection, dispose of it as medical waste according to your local laws and your facility's guidelines for medical waste. Otherwise, it may cause infection.

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