

RFID tracking on surgical instruments

British surgeons are getting rather slapdash, according to [The Knowledge](#). The number of “foreign objects” left inside patients after operations hit a record 291 in the year from 2021 to 2022, up from 156 two decades earlier. Swabs and gauzes are the most common items sewn up in patients, but scalpels and drill bits have slipped in too.

The use of RFID chips can provide real-time location information on surgical equipment and endoscopes for managing and auditing these devices. You may need an autoclave resistant medical device adhesive to bond those chips onto your scalpels and the like. If so, [Dymax 1040-M](#) would be worth evaluating.



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