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**OPINION ABOUT THE USABILITY OF THE CARDIAC STABILIZER**  
**(KD 26, KD 26 A, KD 16 A, KD 16 B, KD 16 C)**

Cardiac stabilizer produced by Manufacturer of Surgical and Medical Instruments CHIRMED (Mstowska 8A Str., 42-240 Rudniki) was tested in the Clinic of Cardiovascular Surgery and Transplantology of the Institute of Cardiology of the Jagiellonian University in the Cracowian Hospital of John Paul II. The stabilizer consists of reusable instruments made of acid proof steel. Into the composition of the set enter: self – stiffening arm KD 26 fixed on a retractor for Breast bone and exchangeable attachments KD 26 A, KD 16 A, KD 16B, KD 16 C.

The universal holder enables open heart surgeries on the left or right atrium by selecting from the suitable attachments. Atrium retractors KD 16 A, KD 16 B, KD 16 C enable optimal exposure for mitral valve plastic surgery, exchange of the mitral valve and tricuspid valve plastic surgery. The attachment KD 26 A enables stabilizing and positioning the heart during by-pass implantation on beating heart.

The quick fixing grip used in the holder KD 26 enables easy and quick fastening the suitable attachments.

The device is made professionally, the used material warrants durability and corrosion resistance in the conditions of sterilization and exploitation.

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