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**From:** Nathan Moskowitz <nmosk@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 17, 2011 8:55 PM CDT  
**To:** andymoskow@gmail.com  
**Subject:** RE: base 3 solids

- 1) We need to maintain something like ridges to help engage bone
- 2) There appears to be a head of the screw at the outside base of the cage, and the screw head is resting on top of the cage. I think this would retain it
- 3) It's [probably not a problem, Yes it would be helpful to change the design so that it does not occur.

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Date: Sun, 17 Apr 2011 18:37:05 -0700  
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From: **Eric Sugalski** <[eric@bostondevice.com](mailto:eric@bostondevice.com)>  
Date: Sun, Apr 17, 2011 at 6:23 PM  
Subject: Re: base 3 solids  
To: Andy Moskowitz <[andymoskow@gmail.com](mailto:andymoskow@gmail.com)>

Thanks for sending this data, Andy. I reviewed the competitive products, and I understand what you mean by the "bullet" shape. I think we can add that into the device. A few other questions for you:

1. Do we need to maintain insertion tool engagement geometry, such as the side notches?
2. How is the height adjusted screw being retained in the cage? Is there a retaining ring that is not shown in the CAD model?
3. It appears that the height adjusting screw will protrude out the distal end of the device as the spine is opened. Is this currently a problem? Would it be helpful to change the design such that this does not occur?

Let me know if you have any thoughts here.  
Thanks,

Eric

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On Fri, Apr 15, 2011 at 5:47 PM, Andy Moskowitz <[andymoskow@gmail.com](mailto:andymoskow@gmail.com)> wrote:

Dear Eric,

Enclosed is the solid of the base . There are other drawings in the file since sometimes by removing one file I might invalidate the others. **To have ease of insertion** boxes are being made more bullet shaped so it is easier to get in. this might be a good idea for the spiked variation. You can do a google image search on "PLIF cage , bullet" PLIF is what the procedure is called.

I didn't mail the initial payment I will do it Monday.

Thanks,

Andy