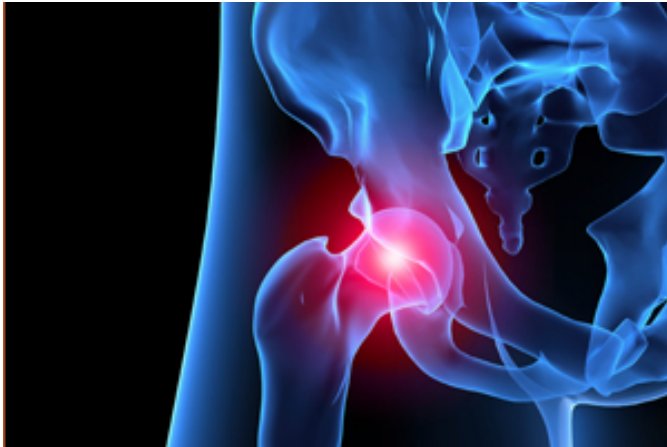


## **Stryker Recommends More Vigilant Monitoring of Patients with Recalled Hip Implants**

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**Stryker's Australian division recommends regular blood tests and soft tissue imaging for all patients implanted with the now-recalled ABG II Modular metal-on-metal implants.**



[Stryker's](#) [1] (NYSE:[SYK](#) [2]) Australian arm provided national health regulators with updated recommendations for monitoring patients who received the company's now-recalled ABG II Modular hip systems.

Australia's Therapeutic Goods Admin. issued the new guidelines for patient follow-up, advising regular blood testing and soft tissue cross-sectional imaging for all ABG II patients, even in the absence of pain or swelling.

Orthopedic giant [Stryker in July 2012 recalled](#) [3] its Rejuvenate Modular femoral stems and ABG II Modular necks, halting global production over concerns that the devices may be prone to "fretting and/or corrosion at or about the modular-neck junction," which may lead to pain, swelling and adverse reactions in surrounding tissue.

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