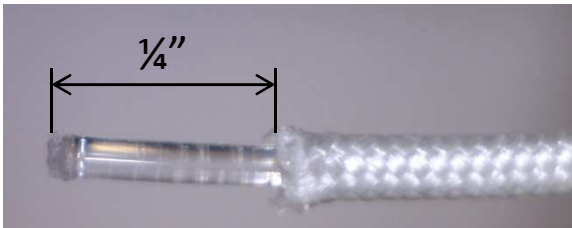




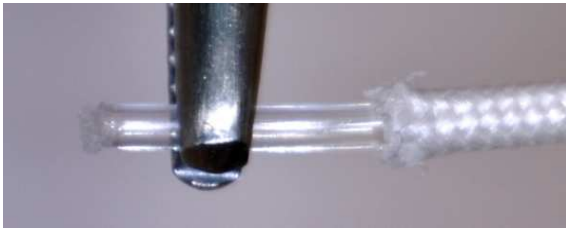
Management of De-bonded *SuperCable®* Ends

The SuperCable is comprised of a nylon core encased in a polyethylene sheath. The ends of each cable are sealed. Depending on the anatomy and the fixation strategy employed, cable ends may need to be passed through soft tissue and/or bone tunnels. Because anatomical structures are variable in size, shape, and strength, a cable end may de-bond during such maneuvers. If a cable end de-bonds, preventing its passage through the SuperCable locking clasp, the simple and fast technique described below can be used to easily pass it through the locking clasp.

1. Pull sheath back ¼ inch (6mm) to expose the nylon core.



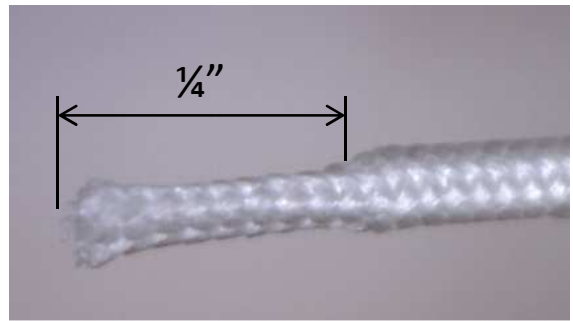
2. Capture tip of protruding nylon with a hemostat.



3. Trim the protruding nylon with sharp scissors. Discard the trimmed nylon tip.



4. Use light finger pressure to slide the sheath over the end of the nylon by ¼ inch (6mm).



5. Twist the excess sheath into a tight spiral.



6. The cable end can now be easily fed through the locking clasp.

