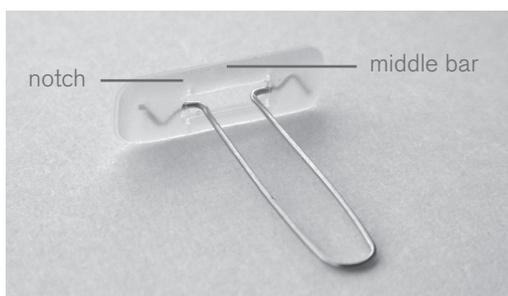




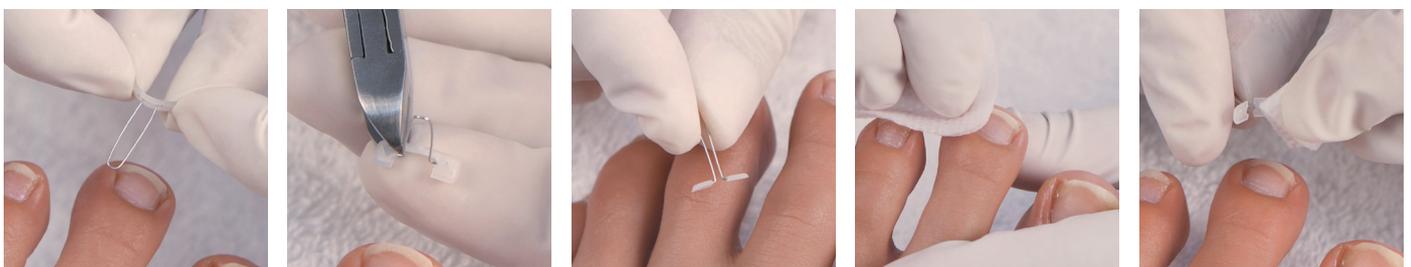
## GENTLE BUT EFFECTIVE: podofix MINI is suitable for even the smallest nails.

The podofix active glue-on brace MINI is only 12 mm wide and can therefore be used for particularly small nails (children's nails, on fingernails or also on the nails of the 2nd and 3rd toes). For even smaller nails, podofix MINI can be shortened by another 3 mm by cutting out the middle section (middle bar). In order to activate the glue-on brace, the nail must be at least 9 mm wide.



This technique requires some skill and is therefore only recommended for users who have already gained some experience in using the podofix active glue-on braces.

### Preparation:



1. Bend the brace with your fingers or round pliers according to the curvature of the nail (especially on the edges).
2. Shorten the braces by cutting out the two centre bars with the side cutter at the notched areas.  
**Attention: The wire must not be cut!**
3. Slide the two plastic pads together to the desired width to determine the size.
4. Clean the nail thoroughly and then clean the plastic pad of the brace. Let the nail and brace dry for at least 30 seconds.

## Attaching the braces:



5. Gently wipe the brush of the OrthoGlue bottle from both sides inside the bottle neck. The adhesive is applied thinly from the centre to the edges.

6. Put the brace on the nail.

7. Press the brace on with your fingers approx. 15 (wear gloves!). Then press on the brace again with the tension tool, especially in the inner area near the wire loop.

Let the adhesive harden for about 2 minutes.

## Activate the braces:



8. The wire loop is expanded with a suitable object (e.g. nail file, spatula, etc.).

9. Now insert the tension tool into the loop, pull it slightly upwards and twist the loop until the desired tension is achieved. Then press the wire loop down slightly if necessary.

10. Finally, the remaining wire is cut off. At least 1 - 2 turns must be maintained. The wire ends must be smoothed with a diamond nail file.

## Cover the wire connection:



11. To prevent the patients from injuring themselves and/or destroying stockings, the wire connection is sealed. To do this, a small amount of PediGel is applied and modelled between the adhesive pads of the brace. After curing for at least 20 seconds with the micro-lamp (with as little distance between the lamp and the gel as possible), the seal is wiped off with the alcohol swab.

**TIP:** Is the brace still too big for the small nail?  
The COMBIped adhesive-wire braces can be used with nails as small as 6 mm wide.

