



iMac Intel 21.5" EMC 2544 CPU Replacement

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INTRODUCTION

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TOOLS:

- [Spudger \(1\)](#)

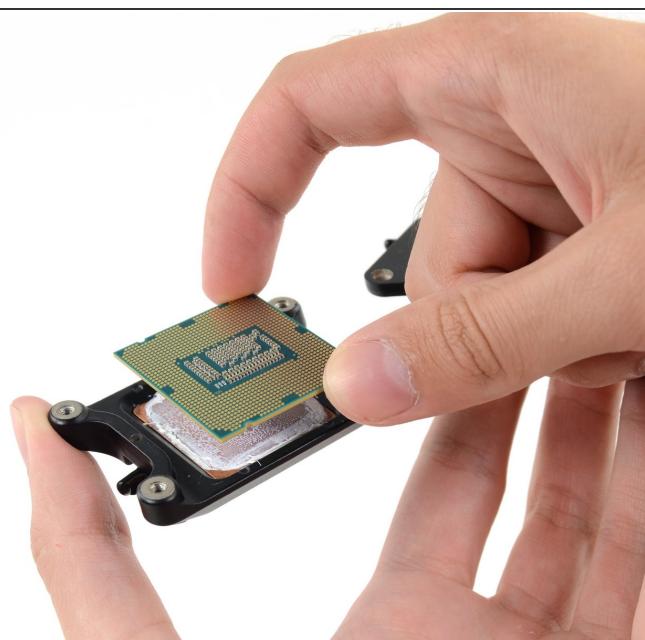
Step 1 — CPU



(i) The CPU will most likely be stuck to the heat sink with thermal compound.

- Insert the flat edge of a spudger between the CPU and heat sink.
- Gently pry the CPU off the heat sink by slightly twisting the spudger upwards.

Step 2



- Remove the CPU from the heat sink. Be careful not to touch the contacts.

To reassemble your device, follow these instructions in reverse order.