

Quality of Dental Implants

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Situation, end of 90'ies

The number of implants and implant systems increase continuously

FDI is concerned about the quality of all the new implants being marketed

FDI Science Committee commissioned a project to investigate the issue



What characterizes a good quality implant? When..

- there are clinical data over 3 ... 5 ... 10yrs?
- implant is made from cpTi grade 1 ... 3 ... 4?
- implant is rough ..etched ..groovy ...rounded ...connects internally ...sandblasted ...?
- the producer follows an ISO9001 standard?
- a well known researcher tells you so?
- a well known clinician tells you so?
- your sales rep tells you so?
- scientific clinical studies provide an answer?

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Interventions for replacing missing teeth with or without osseointegrated implants [protocol]

This protocol should be used for replacing missing teeth with or without osseointegrated implants.

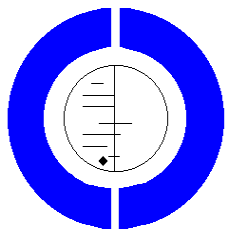
Background

Missing teeth and supp... masticatory, phonetic f... showing that bone will... concept, termed osseo... past 20 years. A mult... implant retained prosth...

or replacing missing... ary, Issue 1, 2001.

ng restoration of... over 10 years... well-accepted... s in dentistry over the... osseointegrated

Reviewer(s)	Esposito M, Coulthard P, Worthington HV, Thomsen P
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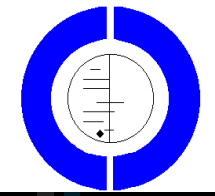


Cochrane Oral Health Group

Since 2000: 10 systematic reviews completed on osseointegrated dental implants

Esposito M, Coulthard P, Worthington H, Thomson P / (Jokstad A)

Problem: Selection of studies to include



Cochrane systematic reviews:

(Coulthard / Esposito & Worthington)

1. Zygomatic implants	0 RCT
2. Hyperbaric oxygen therapy	0 RCT
3. Use of prophylactic antibiotics	0 RCT
4. Perimplantitis	1 RCT
5. Preprosthetic surgery vs implants	1 RCT
6. Bone augmentation techniques	4 RCTs
7. Surgical techniques	4 RCTs
8. Immediate or conventional loading	5 RCT
9. Maintenance	5 RCTs
10. Characteristics of implants	12 RCTs

Quality Assessment of Randomized Controlled Trials of Oral Implants

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The aim of this study was to assess the quality of randomized controlled trials (RCTs) concerned with the effectiveness of oral implants and to create a trial register. A multilayered search strategy was used to identify all RCTs published by the end of 1999 in any language. The Cochrane Oral Health Group specialist register, PubMed, and personal libraries were searched. Seventy-four RCTs were identified. Forty-three articles, not presenting the same patient material, were independently assessed by 3 researchers using a specially designed form. A statistician assessed all trials for the appropriateness of statistics. The quality of each study was assessed on 7 items, including 3 key domains. Randomization and concealment allocation procedures were not described in 30 articles (70%). Reasons for withdrawals were not given in 10 reports (23%). No attempt at blinding was reported in 31 studies (72%).

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All types of information sources:

Scientific & quasi-scientific literature, WWW, promotional brochures and leaflets, CD/DVDs, trade exhibitions, etc.

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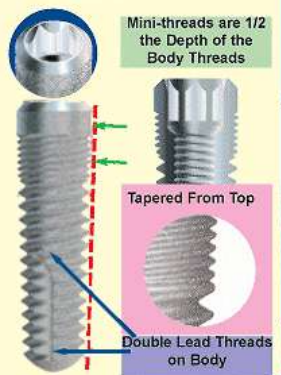
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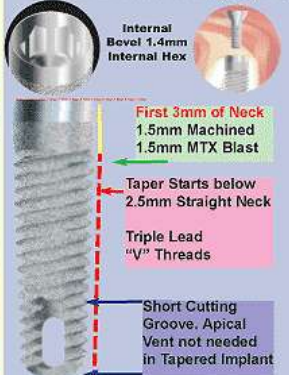
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Compare ScrewPlant to Zimmer's *Screw-Vent®

- ### ScrewPlant Implant
- SBM Blasted Surface to Top
 - Mini-Threads + Double-lead Threads
 - Body Taper starts at Top for Expansion
 - Long Cutting Groove - No Vent
 - Fixture-Mount is Transfer & can be Shorten for Final Abutment
- US List Price: \$150 Complete**
Healing Collar (2mm) + Abutment with machined margin & Comfort Cap



- ### Screw-Vent Implant
- Machined Surface 1.5mm from Top
 - Triple Lead Threads overall
 - Body Taper starts 2.5mm from Top
 - Short Cutting Groove & Vent
 - Fixture-Mount is Transfer & can be Shorten for Temporary Abutment
- US List Price: \$512 Complete**
Implant (\$325) + Healing Collar (\$42) + Abutment with machined margin (\$145)



*Screw-Vent® is a Register Trademark of Zimmer Dental Inc. Screw-Vent® implants are sold Exclusively by Zimmer Dental Inc.

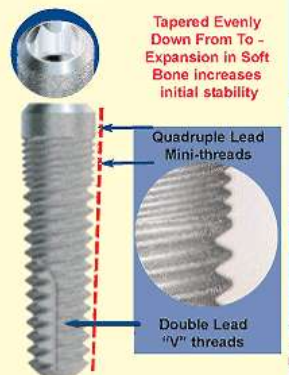
Compare ScrewPlant to Astra Implant

- ### Astra Implant
- TO₂ Blasted Surface to Top
 - Micro-threads + Single-lead Threads
 - Straight Body. Optional implant only provides taper in Micro-Thread area
 - Fixture-Mount fictional engagement Counter-torque needed to remove
 - Fixture Mount serves single purpose
- US List Price \$537.50 Complete:**
Implant (\$295) + Healing Collar (\$50) + Abutment /Cap (\$140.75) + Transfer (\$24.75) + Cover Screw (\$27)



Compare ScrewPlant to 3i's™ Certain* Implant

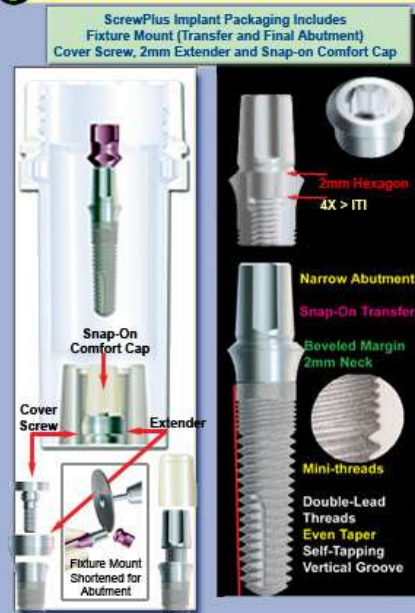
- ### ScrewPlant Implant
- SBM Blasted Surface 20u pits
 - Mini-Threads + Double-lead Threads
 - Body Taper starts at Top
 - Internal Hex 2mm Deep x 2.5mmD
 - Angled Abutments Indexed to Hex
- US List Price: \$150 Complete**
Includes Healing Collar, Straight Abutment, Snap-on Cap and Transfer



- ### 3i Certain™ Implant
- Acid Etched Osseotite 1-2u Pits
 - Minimal Thread Surface
 - Body Tapers from mid-point
 - Internal Hexes 3mmD & 2.5mmD
 - No Indexing - need Encode™ Collars
- US List Price: \$536 Complete**
Implant (\$319) + Healing Collar (\$45) + Abutment (\$147) + Cap (\$13) + Transfer (\$12)



ScrewPlus Implant vs Straumann's ITI Tapered Implant



COMPARE US PRICES

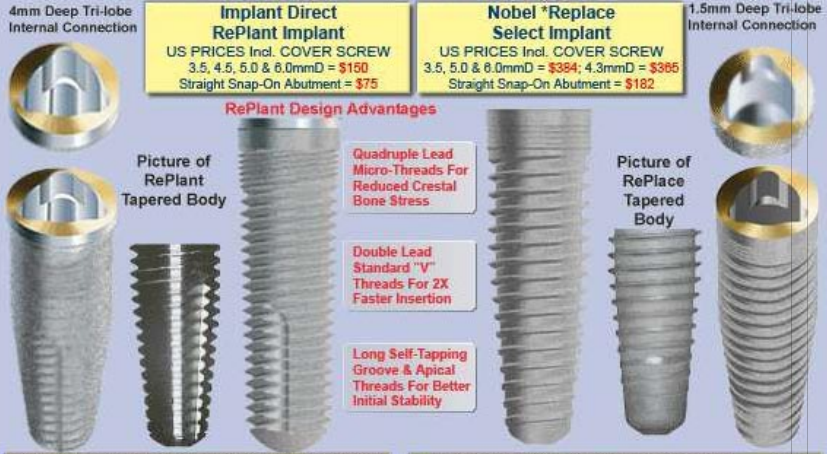
	ITI Tapered Implant	Screw Plus Implant
Implant	\$305.00	\$150
Cover Screw	\$34.50	Included
Healing Cap	\$48.00	2mm Included
Straight Abutment	\$129.00	Included
Protective Cap	\$7.50	Included
Transfer	\$7.50	Included
TOTAL US List Price	\$521	\$150
SAVINGS	3.5X	71%

ITI is a Registered Trademark of Straumann Company

Implant Direct's RePlant™ VS Nobel's *Replace Select

SURGICAL AND PROSTHETIC COMPATIBILITY
RePlant Implant is inserted with Nobel *Replace Surgical Instruments
RePlant Platform is Compatible with Nobel *Replace Abutments

PRICE COMPARISON - SAVE 60% FOR STRONGER, BETTER DESIGN



TITANIUM ALLOY FOR STRENGTH (SBM SURFACE) **CP TITANIUM WITH *TIUNITE SURFACE (Alloy on HA)**

*Replace Select and TiUnite are Trademarks of Nobel Biocare Inc.

Materials and methods

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Brochures, trade exhibitions, WWW, leaflets, presentations, etc.

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Differences in implant material:

- C.p.1 Titanium (e.g. Nobel Biopharma)
- C.p.2 Titanium
- C.p.3 Titanium (e.g. Straumann)
- C.p.4 Titanium (e.g. AstraTech)
- Titanium-alloys (e.g. C.p.5: Ti-6Al-4V)
- Hydroxyapatite
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Differences in implant body geometry:

- Major morphological form
- Flange design
- Main body w/ wo/ threads
- Apex form, grooves & vents
- Interface geometry
- Surface topography



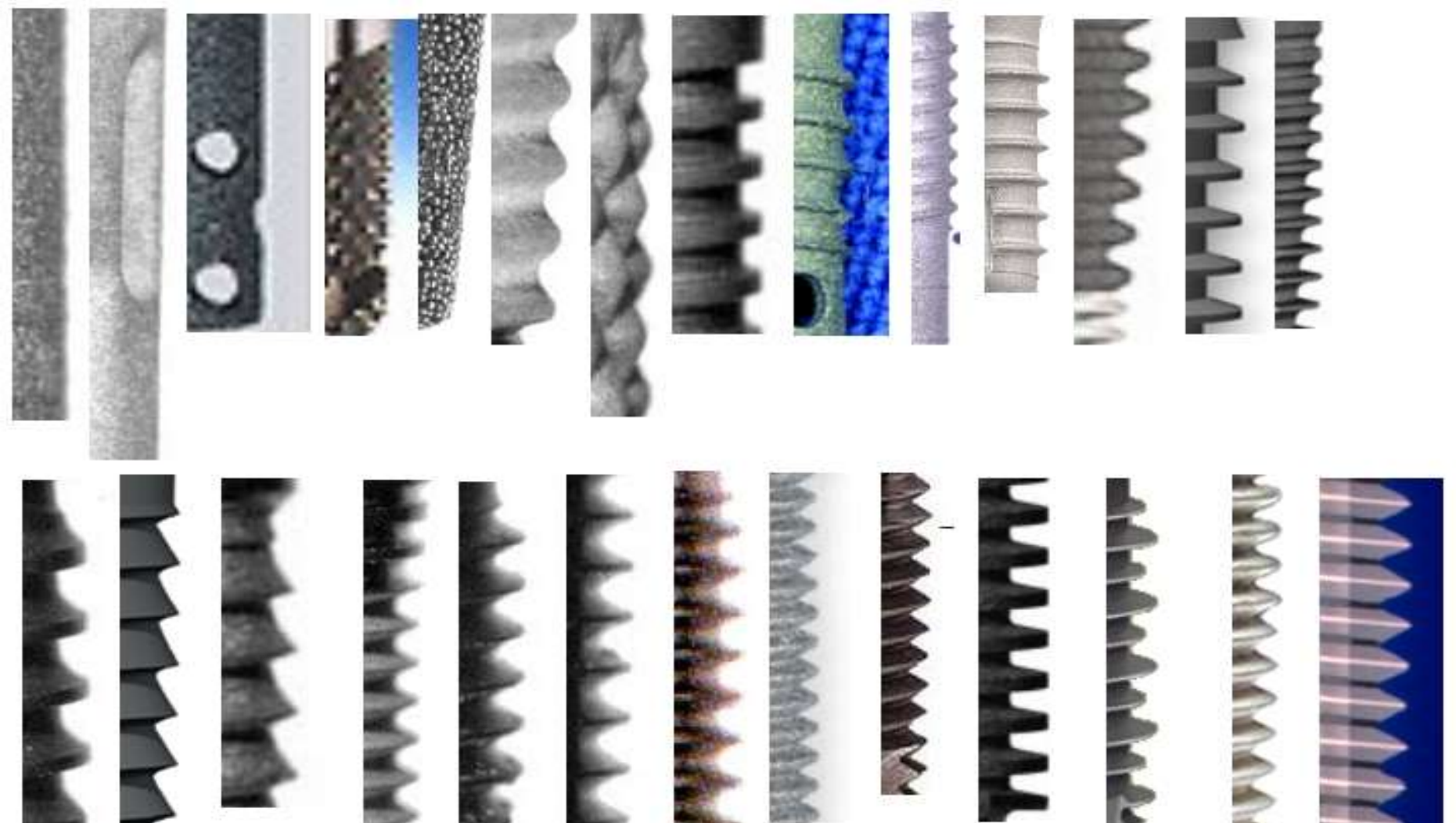


Straight, Tapered, Conical, Ovoid, Trapezoidal, Stepped & combinations ...



Flange design

- Flange vs. no flange
- Straight vs. flared vs. widening
- Height
- Polished vs. threads
- Added features
- Surface topography



- Threads vs. non-threads
- Shape: V- vs. square- vs. reverse buttress- vs. combinations
- Number and size of “lead threads”
- Number and location of grooves, groove forms and groove sizes
- Surface micro-topography
- Thread angle

Apex

- Threaded vs non-threaded
- V-shape vs flat vs curved apex
- Holes, round, oblong
- Apical chamber
- Grooves and groove size
- Flared apex
- Surface topography





Interface geometry

- External vs Internal
- Hexagonal vs. Octagonal vs cone
- Morse taper
- Rotational vs non-rotational
- Added non-rotational features
- Heights & widths
- Butt vs bevel joints
- Slip-fit vs friction-fit joints
- Resilience vs nonresilience

<u>Surface topography</u>	<u>Machining process</u>	<u>Example</u>
Anisotropic with oriented cutting marks	Turned	Brånemark System® MKIII (Nobel Biocare)
Isotropic	Blasted	TiO2 particles (Tioblast®, AstraTech)
Isotropic	Blasted + acid etched	1. Large size Al2O3 particles & HCl & H2SO4 (SLA®, Straumann) - 2. Tricalcium phosphate & HF & NO3 (MTX®, Centerpulse)
Isotropic with high frequency irregularities	Acid etched	HCl / H2SO4 (Osseotite®, 3i)
Isotropic and rough	Hydroxyapatite coated	Sustain® (Lifecore)
Isotropic and rough	Titanium Plasma Sprayed	ITI® TPS (Straumann)
Isotropic with craterous structure	Oxidized	TiUnite® (Nobel Biocare)

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Claims of improved clinical outcomes

1. Ease of placement
2. Osseointegration
3. Esthetics
4. Peri-implant mucositis
5. Marginal bone loss
6. Mechanical problems of the implant-abutment-superstructure connections
7. Mechanical failing of dental implants

Materials and methods

1. *PICO: Comparative elements*
2. *Information presented by manufacturers*
3. *Evidence in the scientific literature*
 - *Category A1, clinically controlled trial with patient randomization (RCT)*
 - *Category A2, clinically controlled trial with split-mouth randomization, (Split-mouth RCT)*
 - *Category B, (prospective) clinically controlled trial without randomization (CCT)*
 - *Category C, clinical study applying any other study design than A or B (e.g. retrospective cohort, case-series, case-controls, etc.).*

Cochrane, ISI, Medline, Embase, IADR abst.,etc

Results

N=1270





Commercially available implant and implant systems in October 2003:

225 implant brands

78 manufacturers – from all continents

~70 implant brands no longer marketed

Clinical documentation:

from none to extensive



126 clinical studies related outcome to implant characteristics (material, geometry, surface topography)

	RCTs	CCTs	Other	
1. Ease of placement	4	3	0	7
2. Osseointegration	25	3	21	49
3. Esthetics	1	1	0	2
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49 clinical studies related a specific implant characteristic to the outcome: osseointegration

	RCTs	CCTs	Other	
Implant geometry	4	-	8	12
Implant material	3	-	2	5
Implant surface	5	-	1	6
Complex study design	13	3	10	26
	25	3	21	49

Has this report
led to
anything?

Quality of Dental Implants

Background

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FDI recognizes that:

- Implants made from titanium and titanium alloys appear to perform well clinically in properly surgically prepared bone, regardless of small variations in design.
- The scientific evidence of the influence of dental implant material, geometry and surface topography on their clinical performance is limited and the study methodology is not strong. Hence there is inconclusive evidence for promoting specific implants or implant systems over others.
- Implants are manufactured and sold in some parts of the world without compliance to international standards.

It would seem prudent to only use dental implants supported by sound clinical research documentation and which conform to the general principles of good manufacturing practice in compliance with the ISO Standards or FDA (Food and Drug Administration) and other regulatory bodies.

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2005 Montréal Congress

Dates: 24th -27th August
Venue: Palais des Congrès

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Implant Manufacturers

A part of the FDI Science Commission Project 98-5 titled "Quality of Dental Implants" is to present this continuously updated list of implant manufacturers worldwide. The full report is published as a separate supplement to the International Dental Journal: Jokstad A, Braegger U, Brunski JB, Carr AB, Naert I, Wennerberg A. Quality of Dental Implants. Int Dent J, 2003; 53 Supplement 2: 409-33.

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[→ Implant Manufacturers](#)



Implant manufacturers

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The "Groovy implant"

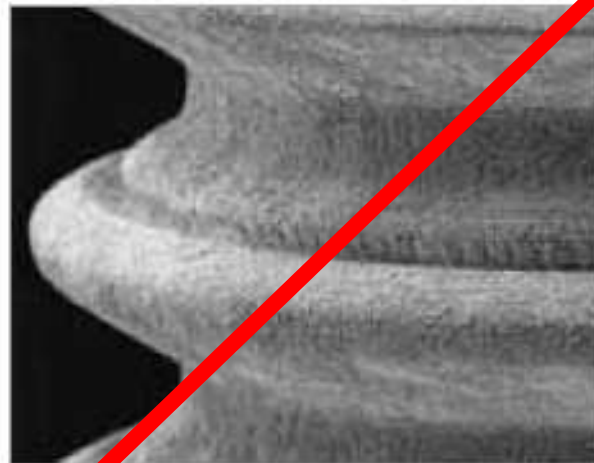
Feeling Groovy

In 2005, Nobel Biocare took the complete range of TiUnite® implants to a new level of effectiveness with the introduction of the Groovy™ technology. As a further step towards shorter healing times and safer implant treatment, Nobel Biocare added a groove of optimal dimensions to the thread of the implants. The combined effect of TiUnite® and the groove is a favorable environment that stimulates faster bone growth within and along the groove. The result is not only further enhancement of the rate of osseointegration, but also up to 30 percent higher implant stability due to increased mechanical interlock between the bone and the implant.

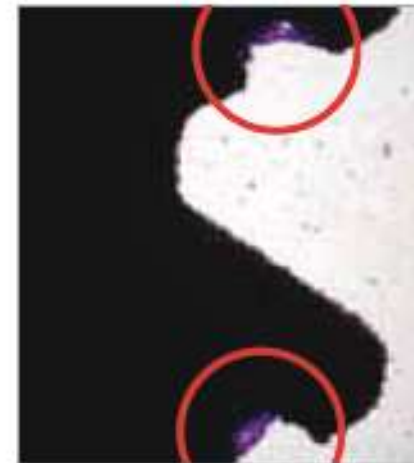
Benefits of Grooves Incorporated onto the Thread of the Implant:

- > Up to 30 percent higher stability
- > Enhanced osseointegrative properties leading to higher biomechanical stability
- > Bone forms more rapidly along the grooves compared to the rest of the implant
- > Particularly effective in soft bone

30%



> **GROOVY IMPLANT**
The groove at the thread takes the TiUnite® implants to a new level of effectiveness.



> **GROOVY BONE FORMATION**
Faster bone growth within the groove results in enhanced rate of osseointegration and biomechanical stability.

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1.4 510(k) Summary of Safety and Effectiveness

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Date of Submission: February 2, 2005

Classification Name: Endosseous Implant (21 CFR 872.3640)

Trade or Proprietary or Model Name: Groovy Implants

Legally Marketed Device(s): Nobel Biocare Endosseous Implants (K041661)

2.Feb 2005:
510K Application



Indications for Use:

Nobel Biocare's Groovy Implants are root-form endosseous implants intended to be surgically placed in the bone of the upper or lower jaw arches to provide support for prosthetic devices, such as an artificial tooth, in order to restore patient esthetics and chewing function. Nobel Biocare's Groovy Implants are indicated for single or multiple unit restorations in splinted or non-splinted applications. Nobel Biocare Groovy Implants may be placed immediately and put into immediate function providing that the initial stability requirements detailed in the surgical manuals are satisfied.

Groovy implants are indicated for use in soft bone in posterior regions or whenever immediate or early

...bone forms more rapidly in the groove than on other parts of the implant resulting in increased stability when compared to non-grooved implants.



[Hall J.](#), [Miranda-Burgos P.](#), [Semmerby L.](#)

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Purpose: *Study if bone formation and implant stability were influenced by 110 μ m and 200 μ m and 70 μ m deep grooves positioned at a thread flank*

M&M: 18 rabbits – 6 x 7 mm implants



9: 3 control impl. + 3 test impl. (110 μ m wide & 70 μ m deep)

9: 3 control impl. + 3 test impl. (200 μ m wide & 70 μ m deep)



6 weeks \rightarrow Removal torque (RTQ) (2 control impl. vs 2 test impl.)

\rightarrow Histology (1 control impl. vs 1 test impl.) “bone-fill”

Results:

RTQ

% bonefill

110x70 μ m grooves +30% p< 0.05 (36) p< 0.05 (18) vs. control

200x70 μ m grooves + 8% p< 0.05 (36) p< 0.05 (18) vs. control

Conclusion: *“The 110 micron-wide groove was shown to increase the resistance to shear forces significantly. It is suggested that implants with such a groove may be one way to optimize implant stability in suboptimal clinical conditions.”*



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Re: K050258

Trade/Device Name: Groovy Implants
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 872.3640
Regulation Name: Endosseous Implant
Regulatory Class: II
Product Code: DZE
Dated: February 2, 2005
Received: February 3, 2005

19. April 2005:
510K Approval

Dear Mr. Crane:

We have reviewed your Section 510(k) premarket notification of intent to market the device referenced above and have determined the device is substantially equivalent (for the indications for use stated in the enclosure) to legally marketed predicate devices marketed in interstate commerce prior to May 28, 1976, the enactment date of the Medical Device Amendments, or to devices that have been reclassified in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (Act) that do not require approval of a premarket approval application (PMA). You may, therefore, market the device, subject to the general controls provisions of the Act. The general controls provisions of the Act include requirements for annual registration, listing of devices, good manufacturing practice, labeling, and prohibitions against misbranding and adulteration.



World Science West Conference 2005

Coronal Ridge Reconstruction

- Labial soft tissue support
- Papillary support
- Scalloped shape
- Emergence profile
- Color, texture of soft tissue



2 Feb 2005:
Application



19 April 2005:
Approval



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“ Welcome to **Dentium Dental Implant System**: Since the establishment of Dentium in the USA in 2004, we have been manufacturing high quality dental implant products. Our extensive clinical documentation and research have lead to the development of an innovative, simple, and versatile dental implant system...”

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On the left side, there is a vertical menu with the following categories:

- Implantium One**
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- Screw Abutment Procedure**
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The main content area features a large image of a dental implant with a crown, labeled "About Implantium One". To the right, the heading "Design Features of *Implantium One*[®]" is displayed. Below this heading is a detailed diagram of the implant with labels A through G. The diagram shows the crown (A), the abutment (B), the neck (C), the threaded neck (D), the regular platform (E), the wide platform (F), and the implant body (G).

Two callout boxes provide further details:

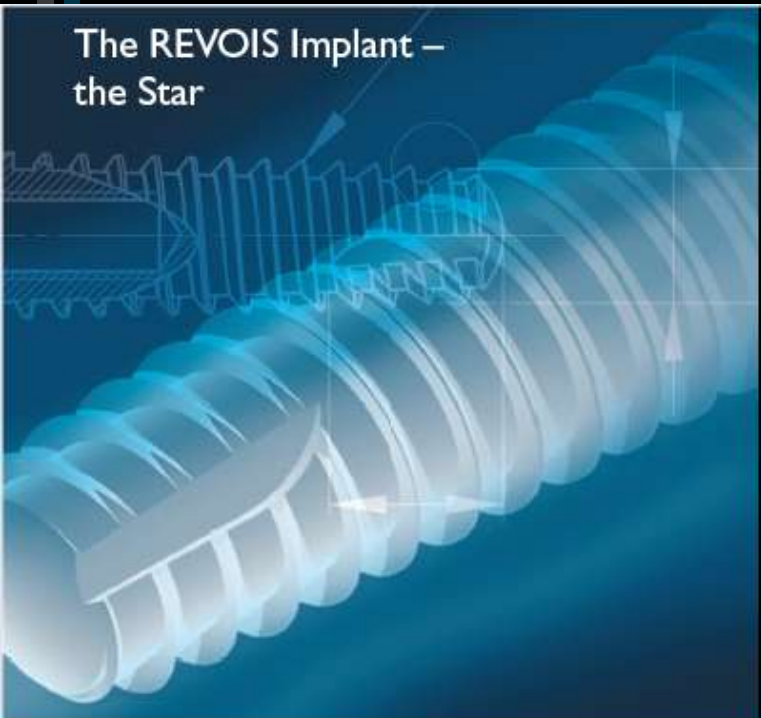
- A. Abutment TiN-Coating**: Shows four different abutment designs with a gold-colored coating. The text below reads "Esthetic gold color with TiN-coating".
- B. Optimal Fixation Screw**: Shows two different screw designs, labeled "Regular Platform" and "Wide Platform".

At the bottom right, there are two bullet points:

- ◆ Synchronized spiral neck thread,
- ◆ Initial stability & maximum sealing between the cortical bone and fixture.

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