



MobileLink Acetabular Cup System

Product Rationale



Many years of experience with successful implant systems and fixation concepts as well as the latest material and coating technologies have been taken into account and used in the design of this acetabular system. The result is the versatile cementless MobileLink Acetabular Cup System.

The MobileLink Acetabular Cup System comes in two different versions: A cluster-hole press-fit cup and a multi-hole press-fit cup. Both versions of the shells are available in a PlasmaLink, a TiCaP double coating or a TrabecuLink surface.

The TiCaP double coating combines a porous surface for primary fixation with our osseoconductive⁷ HX calcium phosphate coating.This combination is designed to give optimal primary and secondary stability through accelerated osseointegration.

System Description



The 3-dimensional TrabecuLink structure, with its pore size, porosity and type of structure, also provides an excellent basis for promoting osseoconduction and microvascularization, taking into account the requirements for the cell-adhesive protein layer (fibronectin - vitronectin - fibrinogen).^{17,18}

The MobileLink Acetabular Cup System can be used with ceramic or UHMWPE inserts. UHMWPE inserts are available in X-LINKed and E-DUR (highly crosslinked, Vit-E PE) versions. All UHMWPE inserts are available in a standard version and also with protection against luxation.

The MobileLink Acetabular Cup System can be combined with modular offset and/or inclining casing/insert adapters (Face Changer). The adapters allow restoration of the anatomy in revision cases and necessary adjustments. In addition, the adapters permit the use of ceramic inserts in revision arthroplasties as well. The MobileLink Acetabular Cup System can be transformed into a modular dual mobility system, with the use of Dual Mobility Inserts made from EndoDur. The DM Insert is to accommodate poly DM Liners from the BiMobile Dual Mobility System.

The dual mobility concept was developed by Prof. Gilles Bousquet in the 1970s with the aim of avoiding recurrent hip luxations. A modular Dual Mobility System is composed of a Dual Mobility Insert with a highly polished inner surface placed in a Shell in which a mobile polyethylene Liner with a pressed-in Prosthesis Head is moving.

Features and Advantages of the Dual Mobility System:

- Dual mobility leads to reduced risk of dislocation and increased range of motion (RoM)¹
- Polished inner surface^{2,3}
- Elevated shoulder to facilitate removal of the liner in case of revision.
- Self-centering Liner promotes even wear patterns and enhances dislocation resistance⁴



System Overview



Shells



TrabecuLink Cluster Hole



TrabecuLink Multi Hole



TiCaP Cluster Hole

Inserts



E-DUR



E-DUR (with 5 mm shoulder)



X-LINKED

Shell/Insert Adapter (Face Changer)



Neutral

Dual Mobility Insert & Liner



Offset



Dual Mobility Insert EndoDur





TiCaP Multi Hole



PlasmaLink Cluster Hole



PlasmaLink Multi Hole



X-LINKED (with 5 mm shoulder)



Ceramic BIOLOX delta*



Ceramic CeraDur



10° Inclination



20° Inclination



Features and Benefits











Intraoperative flexibility One instrument platform for primary and revision surgery





TrabecuLink 3-dimensional structure for effective cell ongrowth

 The pore geometry (porosity: 70%, pore size: 610-820 μm, structure depth: up to 1 mm) ensures excellent cell ongrowth.^{17,18,19}



TrabecuLink pore filling

The sequence of images shows a pore of the TrabecuLink structure being filled with tissue under in-vitro cell culture conditions. The fibronectin laid down by human fibroblasts and continually reorganized over a period of eight days is visible as green fibers.

Fibronectin is a component of the extracellular matrix that is formed at an early stage of the healing process. It forms a basis for the embedding of collagen, which is essential for mineralization of the tissue and ingrowth of bone into the structure. Apart from the accumulation of fibronectin, which increases over time, a clear contraction of the matrix towards the center of the pore can be observed. This contraction mechanism, which is attributable to the cellular forces acting in the tissue, accelerates the rate at which the pore is filled with tissue, compared to a layer-by-layer tissue growth.



(Reference: Joly P et al., PLOS One 2013; https://journals.plos.org/plosone/article?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0073545). Julius Wolff Institute, Charité - Universitätsmedizin Berlin



TiCaP Double Coating: Titanium (Ti)/Calcium Phosphate (CaP)

The TiCaP coating is applied by first vacuum plasma spraying a highly dense adhesive layer of titanium, approximately 450 µm thick, onto the surface of the implant. In a second step, on top of this porous surface, an approx. 15 µm thick HX layer of mechanically stable calcium phosphate is deposited in an electro-chemical process. Animal experiments have demonstrated ingrowth on 47.9% of the implant surface.⁸





E-dur[®] Description



The excellent suitability of UHMWPE as a bearing material for joint replacement is accepted since the 60s.^{8,9,10}

The following features characterize UHMWPE:

- Biocompatibility
- High wear resistance6,10
- Impact resistance
- Fatigue and crack resistance

With these characteristics the national and international standards for implant materials are fulfilled.⁹

UHMWPE was developed to be the "Gold Standard" for articulating surfaces in endoprostheses reconstructions.

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The "Gold Standard" has since taken additional steps to further improve mechanical properties and longevity of the material.⁶ By cross-linking the material, the wear resistance improved substantially.⁶ The enrichment with Vitamin E protects against oxidation.^{11,12}

For the **E**-dur[•] Vit-E Inserts the Vitamin E is used as an antioxidant to neutralize the free radicals during the process of the cross-linking.

Due to the cross-linking process the wear resistance of the UHMWPE material is improved. The enrichment of Vitamin E counteracts the aging process.⁶

The mechanical properties and the biocompatibility are preserved. $^{6,11,13,14,15}_{\rm }$

- Vitamin E (α-tocopherol): 0.1%
- Irradiation for cross-linking: 75 kGy
- No additional heating
- Sterilization method: EtO





Mechanical Properties

The mechanical properties of the **E-dur**[•] Vit - E Inserts – defined via Breaking Strenght and Shape Retention – are improved due to the enrichment of Vitamin E in contrast to the cross-linked UHMWPE X-LINKed.⁵

Wear Resistance

Due to the cross-linking process the wear resistance of the UHMWPE material is improved. The enrichment of Vitamin E is counteracting the aging process.⁵

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