



*easy-graft*TMCRYSTAL

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• Advantages

- *easy-graft™*: principle & application
- Material & studies
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- *easy-graft™ CRYSTAL & CLASSIC*
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Advantages of *easy-graft*TM CRYSTAL



Easy handling:

- Injectable
- Modelling in the defect
- In-situ hardening
- In most cases no membrane needed

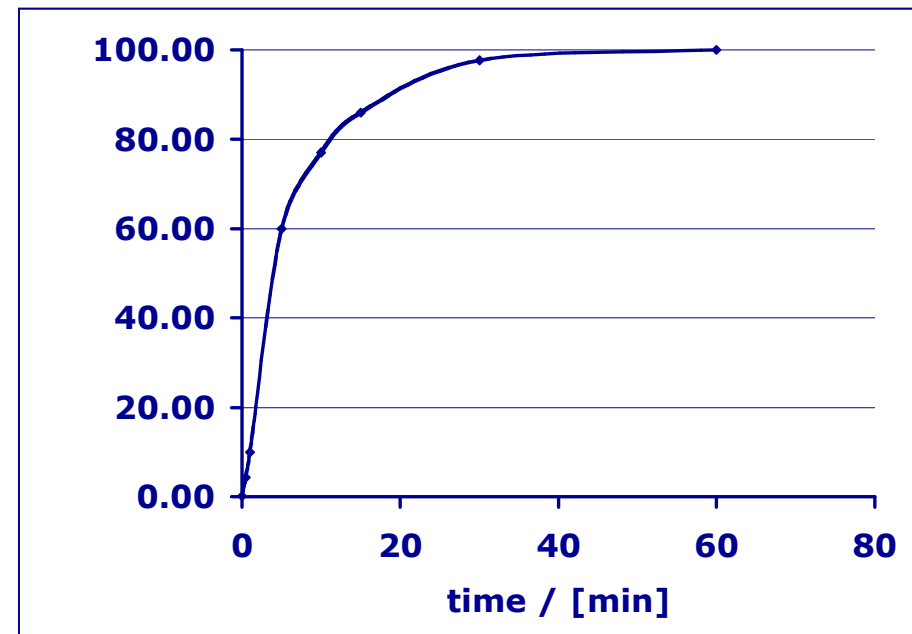
→ Time & cost savings due to simple handling

Advantages of *easy-graft*TM CRYSTAL

In-situ hardening:

- Hardening starts only in contact with body fluids
- No temperature increase
- Hardens within 30 - 90 seconds* in situ
- Stabilization of defect due to mechanical stability
- No dislocation of granules

* Depending on size of defect and amount of blood in defect



Advantages of *easy-graft*[™] CRYSTAL

Unique material properties:

- High osteoconductivity
- Long-term volume preservation
- 100% synthetic

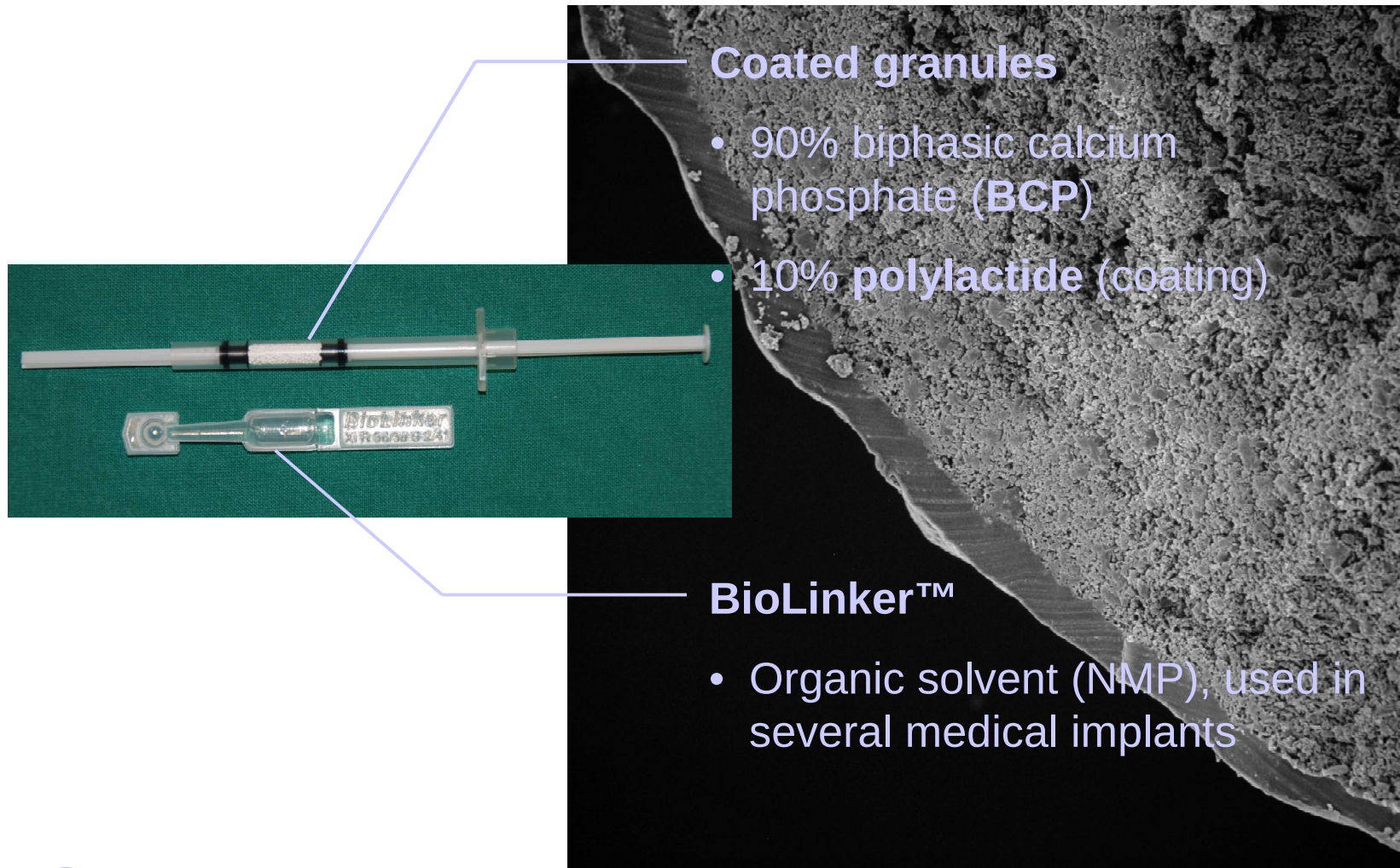


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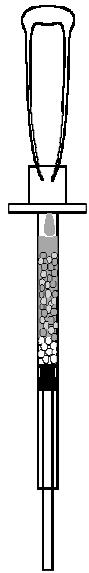
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Biomaterial

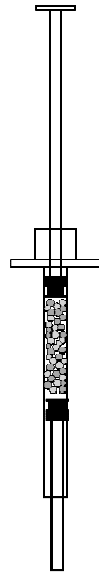
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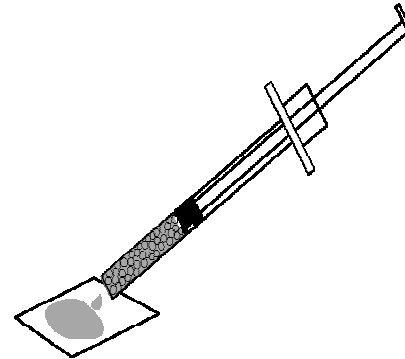
Application

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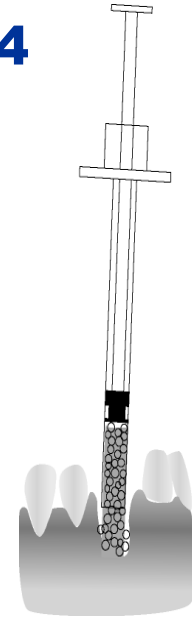
Transfer
BioLinker™
into funnel
shaped
opening of
syringe

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Push
BioLinker™
through
granules,
incubate for
approx. 20s

3

Remove
excess
BioLinker™

4

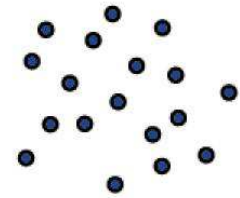
Apply *easy-graft™* directly
from the syringe
into the defect

Function & Application

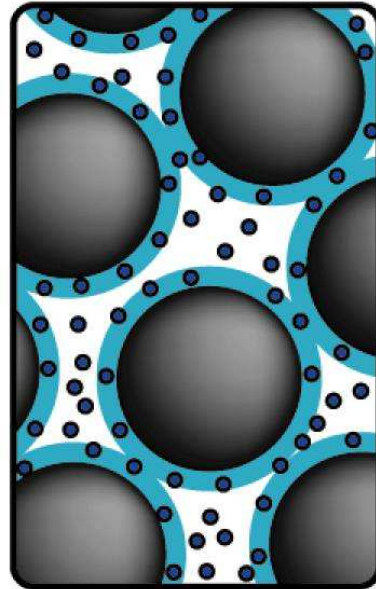
- BioLinker™ penetrates coating
→ sticky granules
- *easy-graft™CRYSTAL* can be applied directly into the defect and modelled in situ
- *easy-graft™CRYSTAL* hardens in situ when in contact with body fluid
- In most cases no membrane is needed



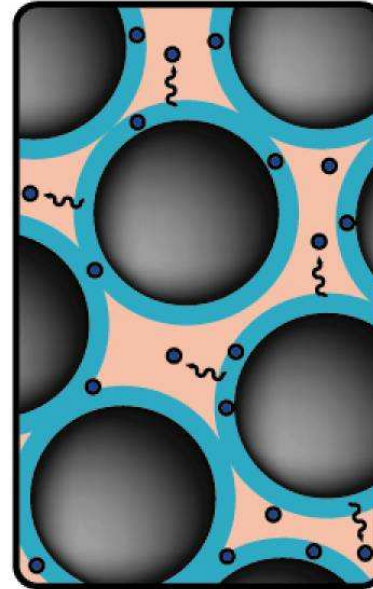
easy-graft™ Principle



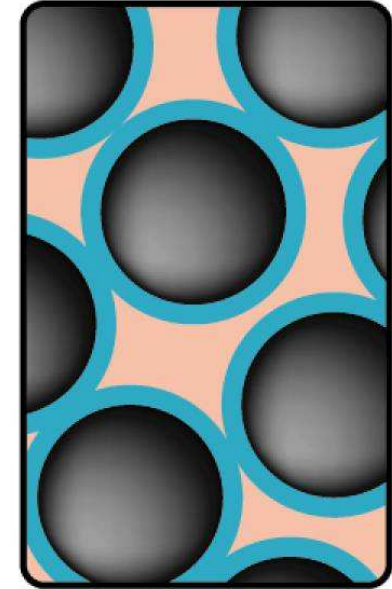
BioLinker™
+
coated
BCP granule



adhesive
granules:
modeling in-situ



In situ: extraction
of BioLinker™,
material hardens
in contact with
body fluids



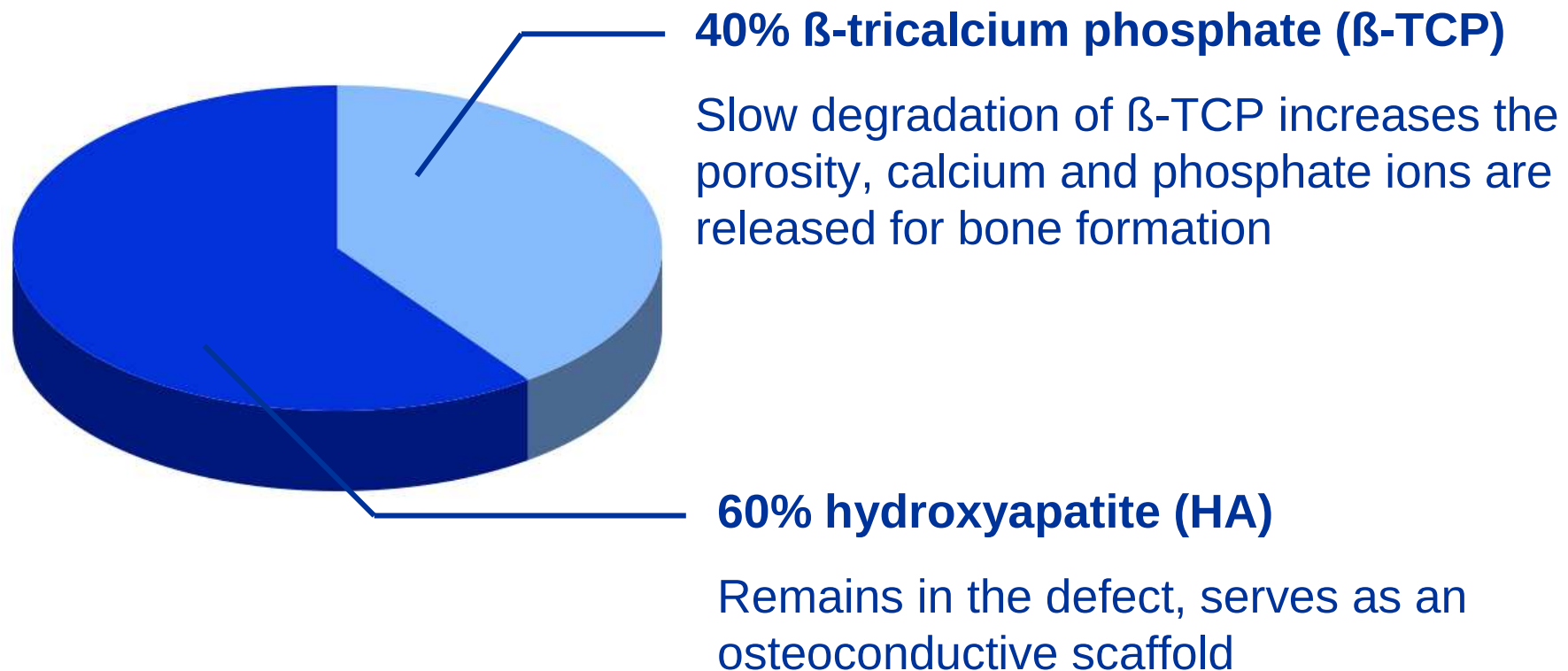
formation of a
porous, solid
body

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Composition of BCP

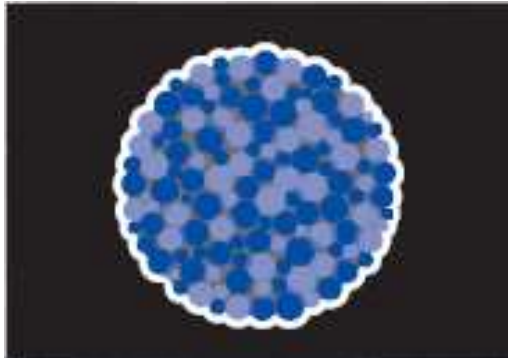
Biphasic calcium phosphate (**BCP**)



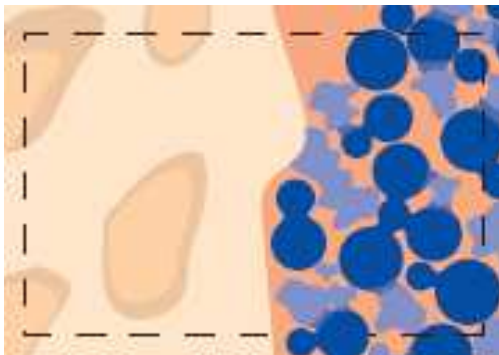
Behaviour of BCP in the Body Schematic Representation

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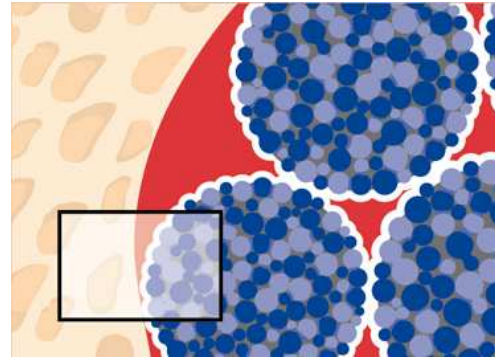
Cross section through an easy-graft™ CRYSTAL granule



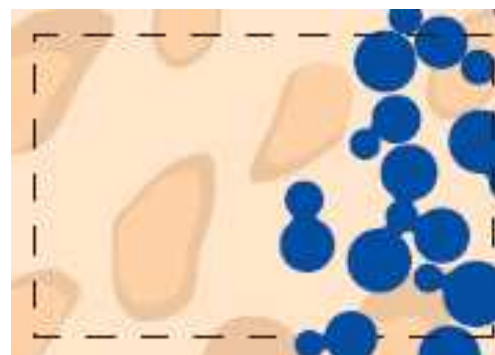
Phase III
proceeding bone formation



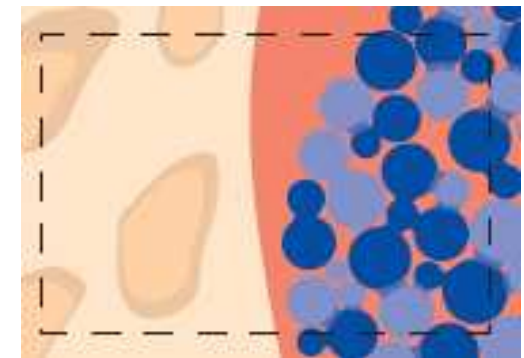
Phase I
after application into the defect



Phase IV
β-TCP part has been degraded, HA is embedded in bone



Phase II
after degradation of polylactid coating



- Hydroxylapatite (HA)
- β-tricalcium phosphate (β-TCP)
- Polylactide coating (PLGA)
- Bone
- Blood

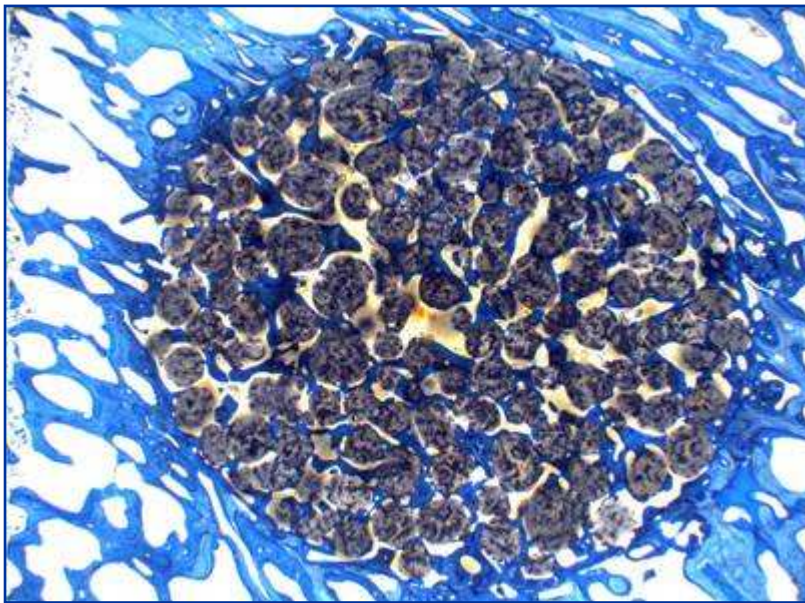
Comparison

*easy-graft*TMCRYSTAL & β -TCP

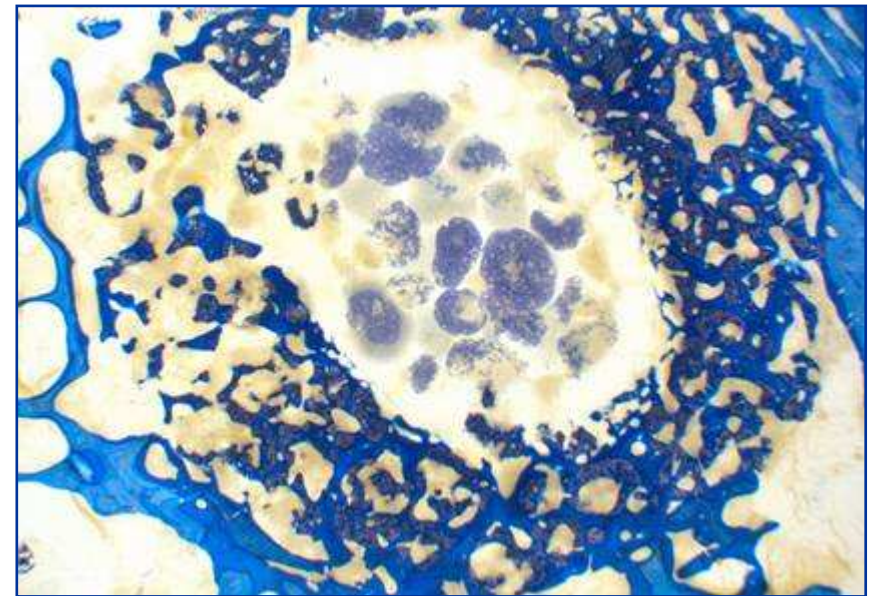
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Fast osteoconduction with *easy-graft*TMCRYSTAL

*easy-graft*TMCRYSTAL partly remains in defect



*easy-graft*TMCRYSTAL



β -TCP

8 mm defect in femur & humerus of a sheep after 2 months. Toluidine blue staining, bone appears blue.

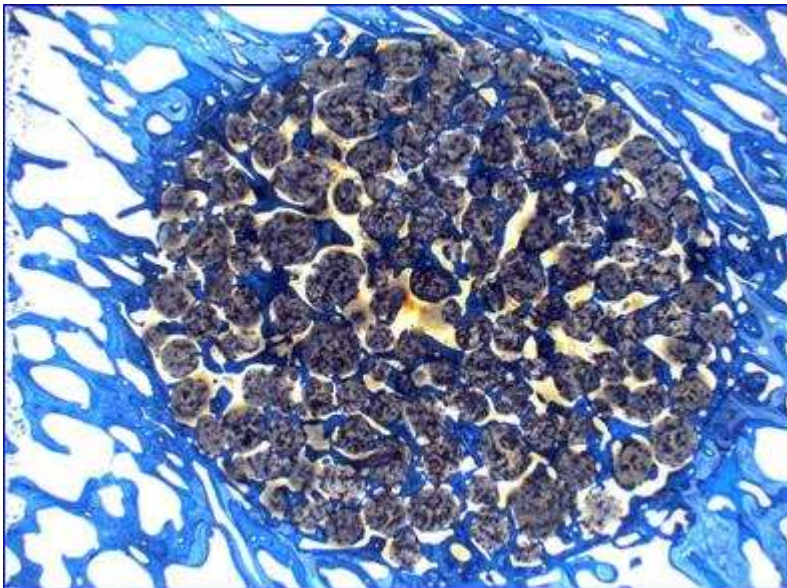
Comparison

easy-graft[™]CRYSTAL & Xenogenic Material

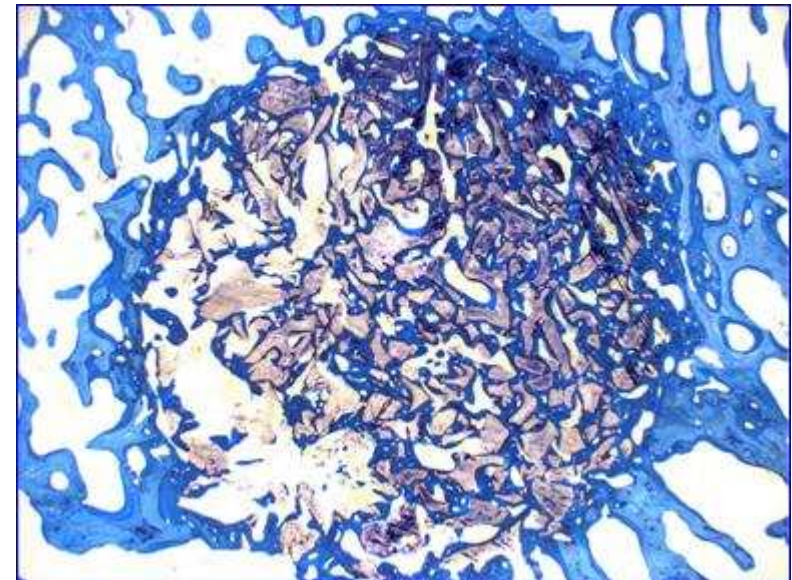
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easy-graft[™]CRYSTAL und xenogenic material remain in defect.

easy-graft[™]CRYSTAL granules are penetrated by tissue.



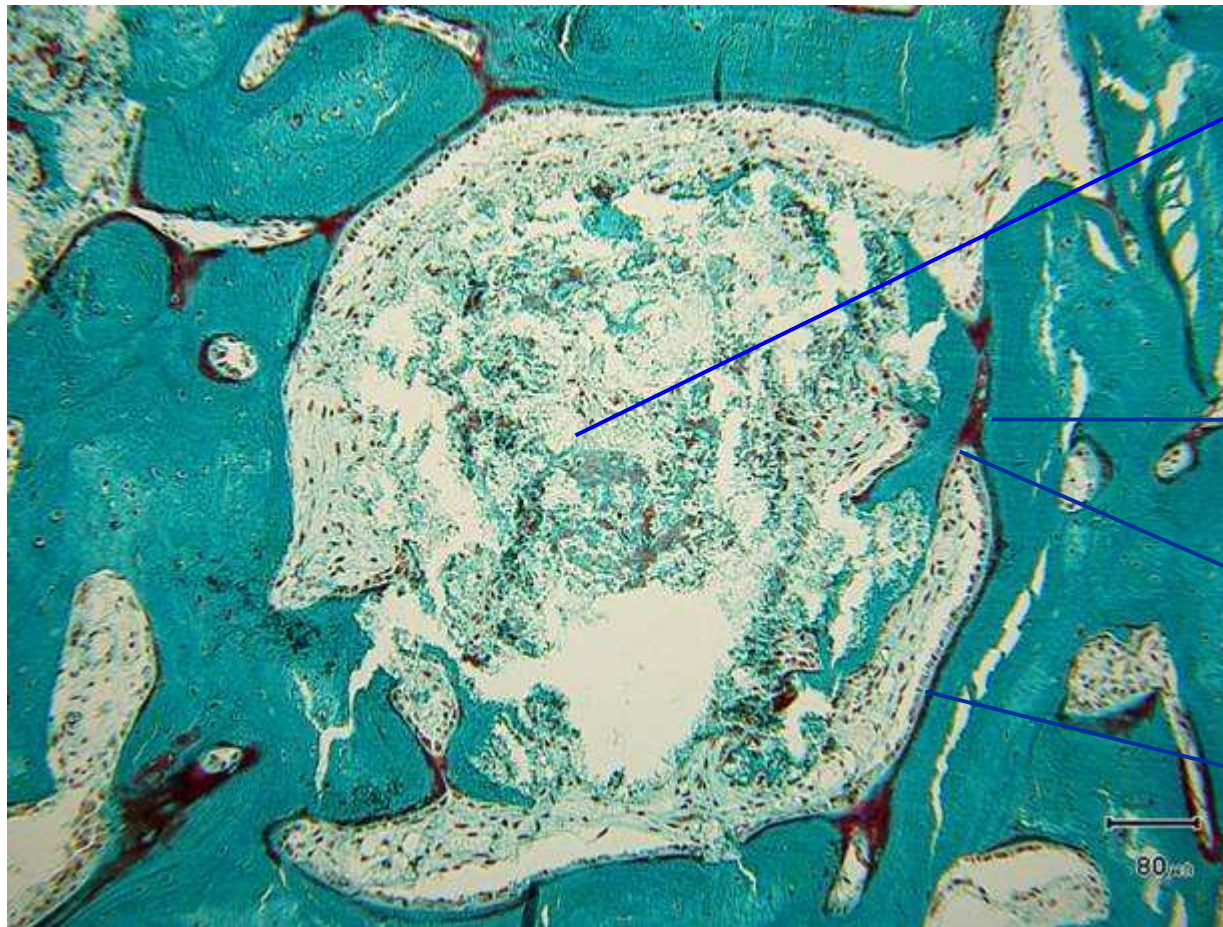
easy-graft[™]CRYSTAL



xenogenic bone graft substitute

8 mm defect in femur & humerus of a sheep after 2 months. Toluidine blue staining, bone appears blue.

Osteoconductivity



easy-graft™ CRYSTAL is penetrated by bone

Bone (turquoise)

Osteoid (red)

Osteoblasts

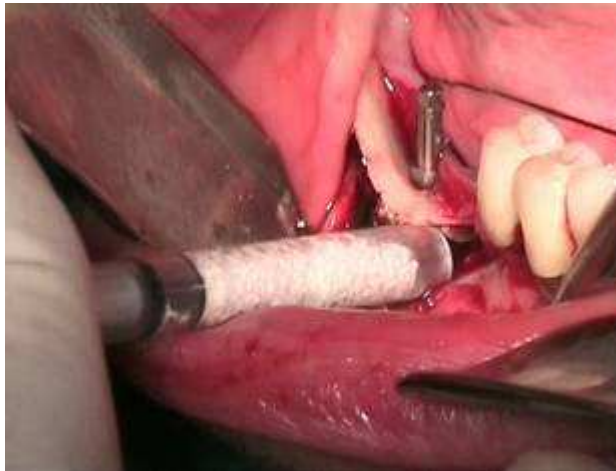
easy-graft™ CRYSTAL in cranial defects of rabbits after 4 weeks.
Masson-Goldner staining.

Clinical Application

Clinical application
Vertical augmentation

Dr. E. Fuchs, Thalwil

With Vertical-Control from
Hager & Meisinger GmbH



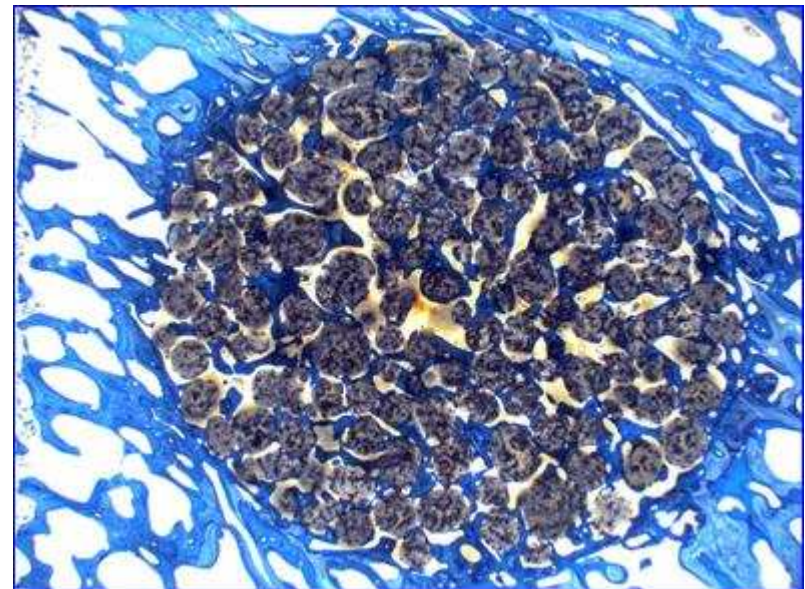
Studies & Publications

- Studies exist to the following topics:
 - Biocompatibility/efficacy of *easy-graft™ CRYSTAL* in an animal model
 - Biphasic calcium phosphate in dental applications (socket preservation, bone cysts, periodontal defects, sinus floor elevations)
- Further clinical studies in 2010

Studies & Publications

Key findings:

- BCP is biocompatible
- BCP is osteoconductive
- BCP remains in the defect



Studies & Publications

Literature about biphasic calcium phosphate (BCP) and DS biomaterials

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Indications

The fast osteoconduction and the long-term stability make *easy-graft™CRYSTAL* especially suitable for:

- Large bone defects
- Regions that are prone to bone atrophy
- Patients with reduced bone regeneration potential

Possible uses are:

- Cystectomy
- Socket preservation
- Sinus floor elevation
- Bone spreading
- Guided bone regeneration (GBR)
- Periodontal defects
- Periimplantitis

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partial resorption

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full resorption

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	easy-graft™ CRYSTAL	easy-graft™
Material	Biphasic calcium phosphate (60% HA / 40% β -TCP)	Pure phase β -tricalcium phosphate (>99%)
Properties	• Fast osteoconduction • Long-term volume preservation	• Degradation parallel to bone formation • 100% degradable
Indications	Large bone defects and patients with reduced bone regeneration potential, e.g. in cystectomy, socket preservation, sinus floor elevation, bone spreading, guided bone regeneration (GBR), periodontal defects, periimplantitis	Small defects in oral surgery, implantology, socket preservation, and sinus floor elevation

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- Spine surgery
- Sports medicine
- Traumatology

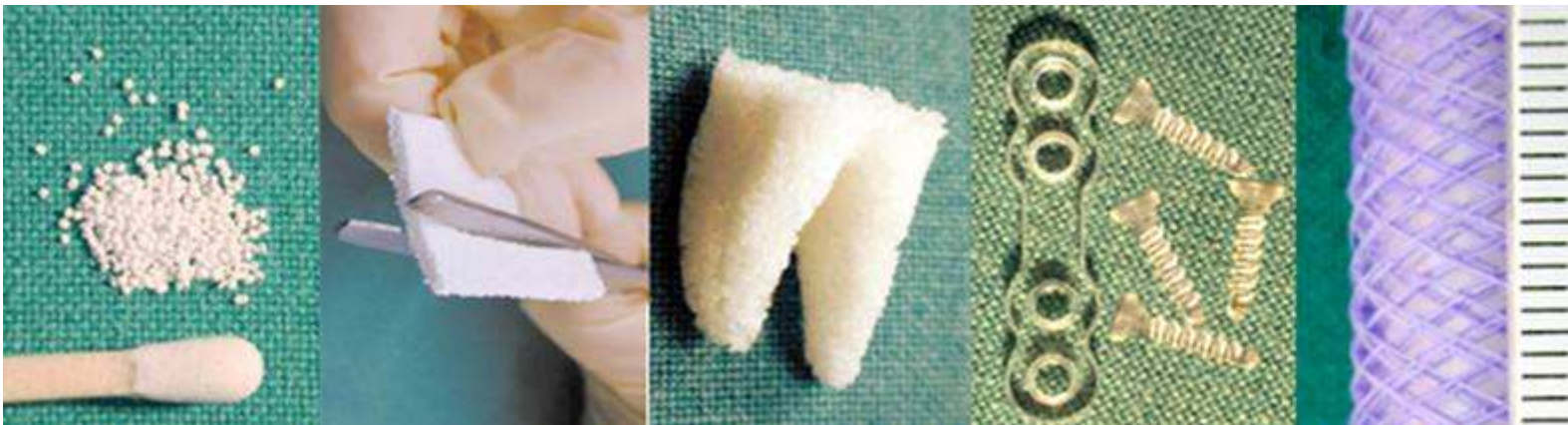
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easy-graft™ **CRYSTAL** is produced and sterilized in Switzerland according to rigorous quality standards.

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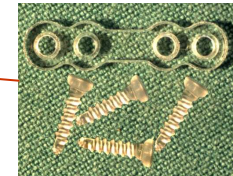
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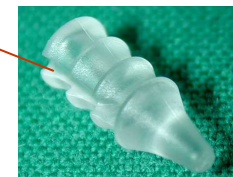
Fixation devices
for foot surgery



Fixation devices
for maxillo-facial
surgery



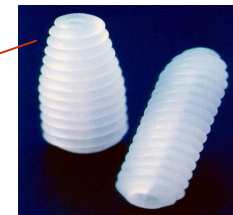
Suture anchors



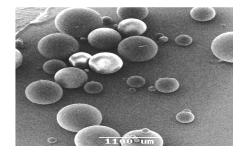
Cervical cages



Screws for knee
surgery



Drug release systems



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