

# NobelPearl™ : metal-free two-piece implant solution

## Strong ceramic. Hydrophilic surface.

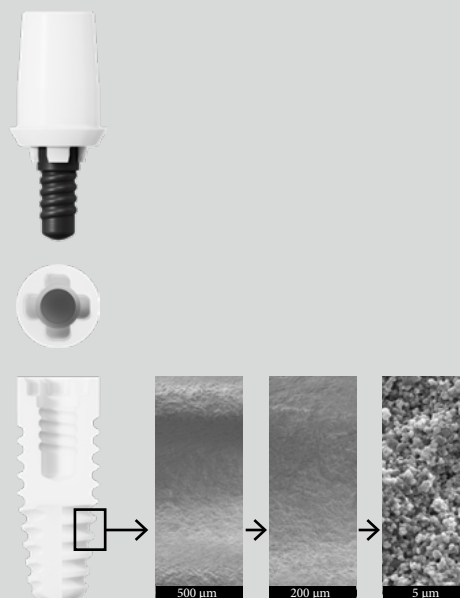
- Made of alumina-toughened zirconia (ATZ), a more durable hybrid ceramic with improved hardness, bending strength, and toughness compared to tetragonal zirconia polycrystal (TZP) which most ceramic implants are made of.<sup>1-3</sup>
- Hydrophilic ZERAFIL™ surface modified with sandblasting and acid etching.<sup>4</sup>

## Engineered for primary stability and restorative flexibility

- Two-piece, screw-retained.
- The implant and the tapered drill protocol are designed to achieve high primary stability.

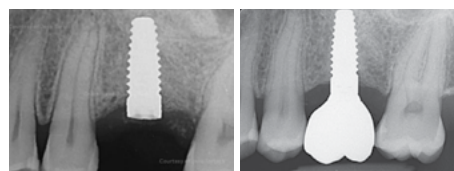
## Truly metal-free, including the screw

- Every component is 100% metal free, including the implant, restorative abutment and screw.



## How well do ceramic implants osseointegrate?

- Osseointegration of zirconia is comparable to titanium implants (meta-analysis of animal studies).<sup>5</sup>
- Zirconia accelerates and promotes the adhesion and proliferation of osteoblast-like cells (in vitro).<sup>6</sup>



Radiographs, 3 months after insertion of NobelPearl in position 26 (FDI) (left) and 4.5 years post-loading (right). Image courtesy of Dr. Jens Tartsch

## Are ceramic implants soft tissue friendly?

- Compared to titanium, zirconia shows a lower bacterial adhesion (in vivo)<sup>7,8</sup>, biofilm affinity (in vitro)<sup>9</sup> and low plaque accumulation<sup>10</sup>.



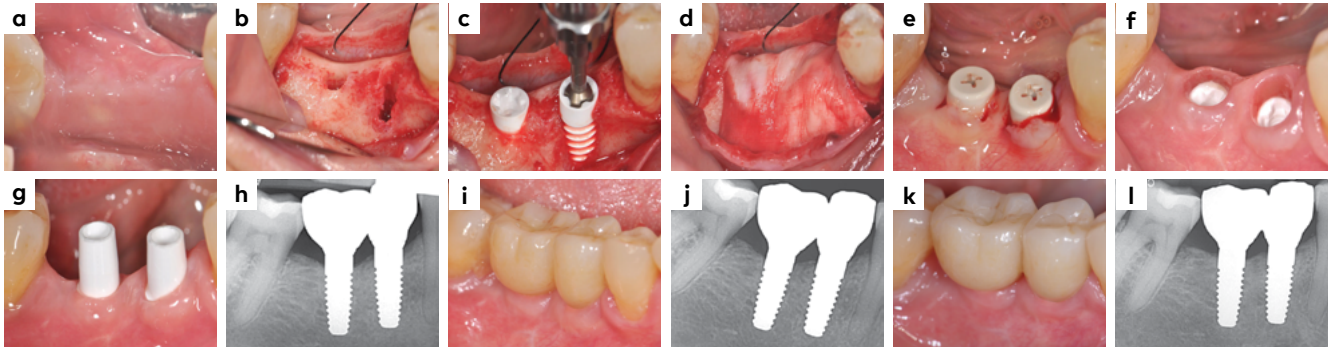
Thick keratinized peri-implant mucosa at removal of the NobelPearl healing abutment Inter-X. Image courtesy of Dr. Jens Tartsch

## What about complication rates?

- With the internal connection design of NobelPearl, the associated risks with intraoral cementation<sup>11</sup> are eliminated.
- NobelPearl is not sintered or processed after milling, in order to minimize the risk of shrinkage or micro-cracks.
- The threads of VICARBO® screw are round on their flanks, in order to distribute forces evenly within the implant body and avoid stress concentration.<sup>12</sup>



## Clinical case



Images courtesy of Dr. Jens Tartsch

A 57-year-old female patient was treated for missing molar and premolar in the mandible. (a) Initial situation, (b) osteotomies and implant insertion at positions 45 and 46; note the dehiscence at position 45, (c,d) NobelPearl implants were inserted 0.6 mm supracrestally and GBR performed to treat the horizontal defect, (e) re-entry with a small roll flap after 3 months to place healing abutments Inter-X, (f) healthy and thick keratinized soft tissue after removal of the healing abutment, (g) try-in of the NobelPearl abutments, (h) X-ray at final restoration delivery. Healthy soft tissue and stable bone level after 1 year (i,j) and 4.5 years (k,l).



Prof. Markus Blatz  
US

**"From a material and engineering standpoint, we have learned a lot over the years. NobelPearl sets entirely new standards when it comes to physical strength, biologic integration, and clinical applications of ceramic implants, providing a true and reliable alternative."**



Dr. Jens Tartsch  
Switzerland

**"The osseointegration and survival rate, as well as the surgical and prosthetic procedures of NobelPearl implants are comparable to titanium. However, zirconia implants show significantly healthier peri-implant soft tissues. That is why I believe in NobelPearl"**



Dr. Alfred Lau  
Hong Kong

**"When patients ask for a metal-free solution, NobelPearl is a perfect option. Evidence and clinical experiences show less inflammatory response and thus more stable soft and hard tissue around ceramic implants, while the two-piece design is the other well-known benefit."**

## More to explore



Patient's story



FOR - Interested in ceramic implants?



Ceramic vs titanium implants - when to choose which?



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