

New generation visco-modulated bone pastes

Packed with technology Backed with technology

The line of **Activabone**[®] bone pastes stems from a unique technological combination. The equine origin bone substitutes obtained through the exclusive **Zymo-Teck**[®] enzymatic process are now associated to the innovative adjustable viscosity polymer hydrogel **Exur**[®] developed by Bioteck R&D.

Exur-Teck[®]

The hydrogels provide a structural grid able to promote threedimensional and consistent distribution of bone particles within defects of any size or shape. The hydrogels are able to mimic the chemicalphysical environment of the extracellular matrix (ECM) and, after grafting, they represent the ideal microenvironment for cell proliferation and differentiation allowing excellent physical integration into the defect.

Modulating the degree of polymerization and density of polymer crosslinking means being able to rely on highly versatile and adaptable biomaterials. Exactly by virtue of its polymerization, **Exur**[®] ensures no granule dispersal occurs during procedures and assures excellent product consistency for perfect filling of the defect.

Hydrogel technology by BIOTECK

The C factor

Exur-Teck[®] represents the peak technology in this sector. An ancillary amount of Vitamin C, acting as visco-modulator agent, has been added to hydrogels with low (LMW) and high (HMW) molecular weight to regulate their polymerization and final visco-elasticity. **Vitamin C** limits or prevents intra- and intermolecular reorganization of PEG/PEO and HPMC polymer chains within the hydrogel component during the ß ray sterilization process.



During the sterilization stage, Vitamin C prevents the polymerization in formulas containing hydrogel with low molecular weight (LMW). By suitably modulating the amount of Vitamin C, it is therefore possible to obtain varyingly viscous bone pastes (injectable, mouldable, crunch).



By reducing the amount of Vitamin C in formulas with high molecular weight (HMW) it is possible to achieve a certain degree of PEO and HPMC polymerization, obtaining pre-shaped biomaterials featuring high viscoelasticity.



The **Zymo-Teck**[®] process, unlike others based on high temperature treatments or using chemical solvents, uses enzymes, i.e. natural proteins able to precisely and selectively remove the various unwanted substances.

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Zymo-Teck[®] makes it possible to obtain perfect cleaning while retaining the physical and morphological features of the bone tissue, avoiding the use of chemicals potentially harmful to health. The choice of enzymes used for the **Zymo-Teck**[®] process preserves the useful molecules, such as collagen in its natural conformation.

Surgical advantage

Bone pastes based on first generation *carriers* (standard), often feature rheological properties unsuited to assure good *handling* or to withstand leaching during grafting in a bloody environment.

Bioteck has developed **Activabone**[®], a line of new generation heterologous bone pastes, featuring extraordinary balance between rheological and biological properties.



Perfect adaptability: the right graft for every defect

The innovative **Exur-Teck**[®] technology makes it possible to produce composite biomaterials with variable textures, malleability and rheological properties (specifically, injectable, mouldable and pre-shaped bone pastes), by virtue of the adjustable visco-elasticity of the hydrogel component.

By suitably modifying the dose of **Vitamin C** (viscomodulating), it is possible to obtain extremely versatile and functional bone substitutes, having specific biological, texture, malleability and adhesiveness, such as to adapt perfectly to the specific geometry of the bone defects of any dimension or shape, as well as with the ability to be shaped extemporaneously in the operating room with the aid of scissors.

Optimal dissolution

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Scientific research (*) has shown how quickly dissolving bone pastes pose problems already in the surgery stage due to the excessive physical instability of the material that tends to disperse in contact with blood.

Excessively long dissolution rates -- two weeks -- hinder neo-vascularization of the graft and the osteogenesis process. On the other hand, dissolution rates lower than 8 hours cause the formation of an unstable clot, leading to the formation of fibrous tissue.

Activabone[®] bone pastes have been formulated on the basis of a polymer gel able to dissolve in a time range that is ideal to assure complete regeneration of bone defects.

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The **Activabone**[®] pastes act as osteoconductive and osteoproductive collageneted bone substitutes in Regenerative Medicine procedures.

Dissolving rates of various formats in the Activabone[®] line

In vitro dissolution test (excerpt from Giannoni et al., 2016, Rheological properties, biocompatibility and in vivo performance of new hydrogel-based bone fillers. Biomaterials Science, 2016, 4:1691-1703)

A - Injectable Activabone® bone paste

B - **Activabone**[®] pre-shaped

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(*) D. Barbieri et al. Influence of different polymeric gels on the ectopic bone forming ability of an osteoinductive biphasic calcium phosphate ceramic. Acta Biomaterialia, 2011, 7:2007–2014.

ACTIVABONE[®] NEXT REGENERATION TECHNOLOGY

Line of new generation bone pastes



Equine derived bone substitutes, combined with modulated visco-elasticity polymer hydrogel.

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basis for the innovative solutions offered by **Bioteck**[®] products. The company collaborates on numerous national and international research projects, which have driven the basic research and helped in writing

The in-depth knowledge acquired by **Bioteck**[®] through its research ensures the absolute quality of its

products, which are subjected to strict environmental and quality controls, thereby guaranteeing a product meeting the highest quality and safety standards.

Bioteck[®] applies a policy of total transparency, opening up the doors of its Production and R&D Center for the monitoring of its innovative process and the intense scientific research carried out by its staff.

Bioteck[®] is an Italian company producing bone substitutes and protective membranes that are successfully used in orthopaedics, neurosurgery, oral and maxillofacial surgery.



important chapters in bone biology.



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In over twenty years of scientific research and clinical practice, **Bioteck**^{*} has made an important contribution to the clinical/scientific knowledge in the field of tissue biology.

The **Bioteck Academy** is the meeting place of all the excellences that continuously contribute to the development of this knowledge and **Bioteck**[®] products.

The Academy has developed a culture of sharing scientific knowledge aimed at the **dissemination of best techniques and practices in the various areas of regenerative surgery** and is open to all professionals who decide to participate in this activity by sharing their surgical experience.

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