Manufacturer News

CAMLOG

4th International CAMLOG Congress

Scientific and technical precision have long been at home in Switzerland. Switzerland is not only unmatched in watch technology, but also at the forefront throughout the world in various other areas of technology. This includes medical technology, in which Switzerland is traditionally well represented—not in the least by Basel-based CAMLOG Biotechnologies AG, parent company of the internationally successful CAMLOG Group.

During the 4th International CAMLOG Congress from May 3 through 5, 2012 in Lucerne, many recognized speakers will present on a variety of scientific and technical subjects about state-of-the-art of implant dentistry. Congress participants will have the opportunity to increase their academic knowledge on the one hand, and to further improve their clinical results in their daily practice on the other. With "in the heart of Switzerland", the second part of the symposium leitmotif, CAMLOG will create a traditional Swiss environment for the Congress, in which the international participants will be introduced to the latest implant dentistry developments in a most memorable ambiance. The highly popular CAMLOG Party will be held at the evening of May 4 unusual altitude of 1,600 meters above sea level with a sensational alpine view—Let's rock the Alps! is the motto. CAMLOG is looking forward to feeling the pulse of science in the heart of Switzerland on the occasion of the 4th International CAMLOG Congress. Registration for the Congress is now open at: www.camlogcongress.com

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Schütz Dental

Complete Digital Workflow

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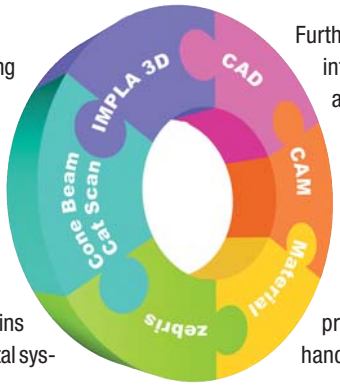

This Digital Workflow contains several well-coordinated digital systems. Schütz Dental offers the connection of: Tizian™ CAD/CAM, zebris (TMJ function analysis), IMPLA 3D (implant surgery navigation).

Furthermore, the user has the option to integrate other open systems, such as e.g. CT and CBCT systems, intraoral scanners and laser sintering systems: This complete Digital Workflow only available from Schütz Dental! The significant advantages for you: increased safety, more efficient work, higher precision, independence and enhanced image.

Of course, this Digital Workflow is continuously developed further and our team is constantly seeking additional networking possibilities. Contact us today to make an appointment for an individual demonstration to experience the new features yourself, and do not forget to ask for more information on the official, exclusive kick-off event, as well!

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Implant Direct Sybron

New SwishPlus™ Offers Surgical & Prosthetic Compatibility with Straumann

SwishPlus™, a new addition to the Implant Direct Sybron product line, offers a unique combination of design improvements while providing compatibility with Straumann's surgical and insertion instruments as well as prosthetic components. Like the Straumann tissue level implants, SwishPlus™ has a straight-walled body with flat-based threads matching the 1.2 mm pitch to make it surgically compatible with Straumann's drills and bone taps. A long, vertical cutting groove is provided for self-tapping insertion and the apical end narrows to help initiate insertion. The threads get progressively deeper and extend right to the apex for additional surface area and initial stability. Designed for versatility in implant placement, the 2 mm flared neck has the textured surface extending up 1 mm to facilitate deeper insertion in the esthetic zones without contributing to bone loss when a smooth neck is placed subcrestal.

The SwishPlus™, like the Straumann implant, has an internal octagon, originally licensed to Straumann in 2000 under Niznick's #4,960,381 internal connection patent. The SwishPlus™ fixture-mount not only allows for placement with either Straumann tooling or a standard ratchet but it also offers a clinical advantage. Each implant comes in an All-in-One Package with the frictional fixture-mount, a cover screw for two-stage healing and a 2 mm healing collar for only 115 Euro.

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Degradable Solutions

Sunstar Suisse SA takes over Degradable Solutions

The privately-owned Sunstar Group, one of the world's ten largest companies in the field of Mouth and Body Care, is announcing the complete takeover of Degradable Solutions AG. Sunstar Suisse SA has taken over all the shares of the company, a spin-off of the Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (ETH), from the previous private owners. Dr Kurt Ruffieux, the founder and CEO of Degradable Solutions, will from now on manage the company as an autonomous business unit of Sunstar. The entire organisation with more than 25 staff, and all activities at the headquarters in Schlieren near Zurich, are also being taken over. At the same time, Masakazu Nakamura, CEO of Sunstar Suisse SA, and Cyril Alemany, Director New Business Development of Sunstar Suisse SA, are joining the Board of Directors of Degradable Solutions. The parties have agreed not to divulge any details about the transfer price.

With this takeover, Sunstar is significantly expanding the technology sector of regenerative medical products. This core competence of Degradable Solutions involves products that have a temporary function in the body and then degrade automatically. The company attracted attention with the injectable bone regeneration material easy-graft, which rapidly advanced to 3rd place in the European dental market. The two partners intend to bring together existing designs under the umbrella brand of GUIDOR, develop new pioneering therapies and products, and thus gain a leading position in the market.

Masakazu Nakamura, CEO of Sunstar Suisse SA, comments: "With Degradable Solutions, we are broadening our worldwide technology network by adding a unique gem. As a spin-off of the internationally renowned ETH, Degradable Solutions is much more than a promising start-up company. With products that have already been successfully launched on the market, and a complete value creation chain from research via development and production to marketing, Degradable Solutions is excellently positioned in a rapidly growing market with high margins. This acquisition takes us closer to the vision of positioning Sunstar as a total-oral-health-company. With the internationally patented and certified know-how of Degradable Solutions, we can take the vital step of expanding our products and services from prevention to therapy."

Dr Kurt Ruffieux, the founder and CEO of Degradable Solutions, adds: "Today is an important day in the history of our company. With the globally active Sunstar, we have found the best partner for the next phase in our growth. Not only do we work in the same field of medicine, and our technology and product ranges supplement each other perfectly, we also share the same philosophy. As focused private companies, we both have a commitment to research and development, and the conviction that continuous innovation is capable of steadily improving both the well-being of patients as well as cost-effectiveness in the healthcare field. Our staff and I look forward to the future of Degradable Solutions as part of the Sunstar Group."

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BEGO Implant Systems

Former S-Line Tray and drills phase-out on the 1st January 2012!

End of 2010 BEGO Implant Systems presented the new BEGO Semados® S-Line TrayPlus with the appropriately redesigned drills.

The new tray contains everything except the S 5.5 drill module, which can be ordered separately as required. Drill stops are not included but a drill stop tray can be ordered separately if required. The long awaited optimized surgical tray is not only more clearly organized but also easier to use.

The drills have undergone to a complete redesign—the cutting geometry has been optimized for noticeably smoother and safer working when preparing the implant bed. Moreover, extremely clear depth markings in the form of block laser marks and additional grooves help to accurately gauge drilling depth. The paralleling posts and depth gauge have been modified in line with the new drill geometry—for optimum implant bed preparation. The internal cooling feature has been removed from the new drills for hygiene reasons.

This was the ideal way to meet hygiene chain requirements as prescribed by QA standards; furthermore, there is no longer any need for time-consuming cleaning of the internal cooling channel using cleaning reamers.

By way of transition, the previous generation of S-Line surgical trays (large), containers, drills (with internal cooling) and other BEGO Semados® S-Line instruments will still be available for purchase until the end of 2011.

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Straumann

Straumann presents new small-diameter soft tissue-level implant

Designed for limited inter-dental spaces or narrow bone ridges, the new Straumann® Standard Plus Narrow Neck CrossFit® ('NNC') small diameter soft tissue-level implant offers increased flexibility and additional treatment options, combining the exceptional strength of Straumann's proprietary Roxolid® material, the rapid osseointegration of the SLActive® surface and the reliability and improved handling advantages of the CrossFit® connection. The NNC implant is indicated for a variety of uses, including single-tooth replacement and multiple-tooth replacement with bridges and fixed or removable overdentures. The new implant facilitates soft-tissue management and can be placed in a one step procedure.

Roxolid has been the key to the development of the NNC. The material's physical strength has enabled Straumann to develop a small diameter implant with an internal rather than an external connection. The design of the implant-abutment interface provides an excellent seal and distributes the biting pressure optimally. It also offers greater flexibility for prosthetic angulation.

A broad portfolio of surgical and standard prosthetic components is available for the NNC and will be complemented by custom abutment options shortly after the full market release.

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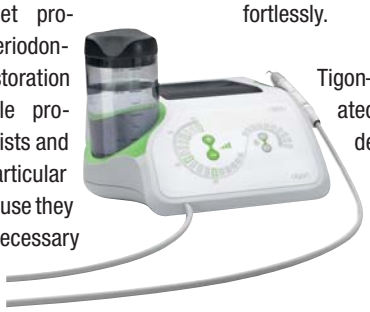
W&H

Perfection made simple

With Tigon+ W&H has developed a piezo scaler that optimally meets the needs of the patient and dentist.

Tigon+ has some unique features. The best for the patient: the temperature-controlled fluid. Even sensitive teeth and gums are no longer irritated from now on. Three temperature setting are available for selection. The heating is very easy to set on the display and can also be switched off as required. The five preset programmes (Prophylaxis, Periodontology, Endodontics, Restoration and a freely selectable programme) mean that dentists and dental technicians in particular work more efficient, because they avoid the otherwise necessary manual setting of functions for the scaler and machine. The navi-tooth on the display shows which programme is currently in use. The three power modes allow the user to define the scaler power according to their preferences. Dentists and dental technicians work in the safe knowledge of not treating the tooth too gently or too hard, but working with just the right pressure. The W&H LED technology ensures perfect lighting conditions and allows the user improved visual perception and the same contrast sensitivity as in daylight. The handpiece and LED ring can be thermally disinfected and sterilized effortlessly.



Tigon—a piezo scaler that can be operated with ease. The user increases or decreases the power of the scaler by simply pressing the plus and minus keys and the coolant flow rate at the same time. Other advantages: a stable-standing coolant tank, a generously dimensioned tray and here too, of course, a handpiece with innovative LED technology ensuring perfect lighting conditions. The coolant tank has a capacity of 400 ml and is graduated in 50 ml steps—so the coolant can be mixed directly in the coolant tank. In addition, the tank stands solidly and stably, even when not attached to the device. It is convenient to set down instruments on the generously equipped tray during treatment. The user can then remove the tray—together with the 360° rotating handpiece support—from the Tigon and thermodisinfect and sterilize it.

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Nobel Biocare

Nobel Biocare successfully launches a CHF 120 million domestic straight bond issue

Nobel Biocare has successfully launched its inaugural CHF-denominated domestic straight bond issue in the aggregate principal amount of CHF 120 million with a coupon of 4 %, due 10 October 2016.

Nobel Biocare will use the bond proceeds to partially refinance the outstanding convertible bond, which becomes due in November 2011. Nobel Biocare views this bond issue as a particular success given the current, highly volatile market environment.

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