

Nobel Biocare and Dentalpoint announced

Partnership in the production of metal-free implants



Prof. Dr Stefan Holst, Vice President Nobel Biocare, Hans Geiselhöringer, President Nobel Biocare, Sandro Matter, Vice President of the Nobel Biocare multi-brand strategy.

At the 2017 European Association of Osseointegration (EAO) Congress in Madrid, Spain, Nobel Biocare announced it has entered into a partnership agreement with Dentalpoint AG, a leader in ceramic dental implants, to add a zirconia implant solution to its portfolio.

The partnership with Dentalpoint will add a new implant option to Nobel Biocare's leading range of titanium dental implants with the clinically proven TiUnite surface. The innovations from Dentalpoint, known for its ZERAMEX® implant brand, are intended

to help clinicians meet patient demand for metal-free solutions and high-end aesthetics.

Utilising breakthrough manufacturing technology, Dentalpoint is the developer of the first completely metal-free two-piece bone level implant system with internal connection that is not dependent on cement. Screw-retained with an innovative metal-free screw based on carbon fibre, the two-piece nature of the system means that clinicians can treat patients with a zirconia implant using protocols similar to those they are familiar with for traditional implants. It also offers greater restorative flexibility compared with existing one-piece or cement-retained ceramic implant options. A solution featuring this first-of-a-kind technology will be available from Nobel Biocare in early 2018. The introduction of a ceramic implant further extends Nobel Biocare's comprehensive range of innovative solutions for immediate function and excellent aesthetics.

Hans Geiselhöringer, President Nobel Biocare, said: "Nobel Biocare has been actively researching ceramic dental implant technology for many years. In Dentalpoint AG we have now found a partner and solution that meet the high standards we and our customers demand. As a result of this partnership, Nobel Biocare customers will very soon be able to offer their patients the very first completely metal-free screw-retained two-piece implant solution with an internal connection. It is the ideal addition to our already extensive range of solutions that maintain tissue-health and deliver long-lasting aesthetics."

Jürg Bolleter, President Dentalpoint AG, said: "As interest in ceramic implants among patients grows, so too does demand around the world. We are excited by the potential of this partnership with a company of the reputation and heritage of Nobel Biocare and, most importantly, the role it will play in helping more clinicians and patients across the globe to benefit from our standard-setting ceramic implant innovations."

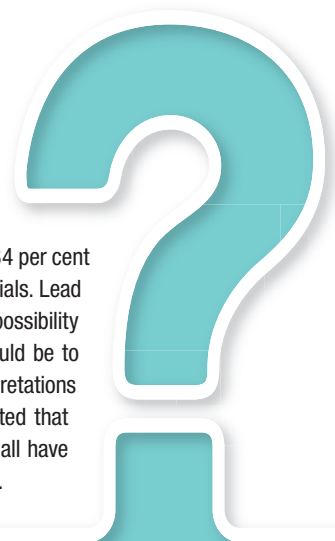
Researchers uncover the

Spin in scientific papers

In a new study, researchers from Australia have found more than a quarter of biomedical scientific papers may utilise practices that distort the interpretation of results or mislead readers so that the results are viewed more favourably—a practice known as "spin".

The researchers from the University of Sydney's Charles Perkins Centre and Faculty of Pharmacy, used meta-analysis to examine the association of spin with industry sponsorship of research. They reviewed 35 reports that investigated spin in clinical trials, observational studies, diagnostic accuracy studies, systematic reviews and meta-analyses, with the nature of spin varying depending on the study design.

In the researchers' findings, more than 26 per cent of papers identified as systematic reviews or meta-analyses contained spin. This figure rose to up to 84 per cent in papers reporting on non-randomised trials. Lead author Kellia Chiu pointed out that one possibility for combating the publishing of spin would be to publish results alongside other interpretations from multiple researchers. Chiu also noted that researchers, peer reviewers and editors all have a responsibility to remain vigilant for spin.



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