

GUIDELINE FOR CLEANING, DISINFECTION AND STERILIZATION



Straumann® implant-borne prosthetic components

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1. GENERAL PRINCIPLES

The guidelines for reprocessing stated in the instructions for use must be followed. All prosthetic components must be cleaned, disinfected and, if required, sterilized before every use. This applies for first-time use of multiple-use components after delivery, as well as for single-use devices that are delivered non-sterile and might have to be sterilized prior to use. Cleaning and disinfection are performed after removal of the protective transport packaging. Effective cleaning and disinfection are mandatory requirements for efficient sterilization.

It is the responsibility of the user to ensure the following:

- Only procedures that are sufficiently validated specifically for the equipment or devices are used for cleaning, disinfection and sterilization.
- The equipment used (disinfector, sterilizer) is regularly maintained, checked and calibrated.
- The instructions regarding Straumann® components, the equipment, disinfectants and cleaning fluids must be observed at all time.

In addition to these instructions, please observe the legal regulations valid in your country as well as the hygiene regulations of the dental practice or the hospital.

Note

Each prosthetic component must only be used for its intended purpose.

2. CLEANING AGENTS AND DISINFECTANTS

For cleaning and sterilization, the prosthetic components must be separated in accordance to their material composition. In particular, components from different materials should never be placed together in one bath, especially components made from different metals (as this will result in an increased risk of contact corrosion). Information regarding the material of the devices can be found on the label, in the respective instructions for use or in the Straumann® product catalog.

2.1 Cleaning agents

For **automated cleaning** purposes use an **alkaline cleaning agent**, e.g. neodisher® MediClean.

For **manual cleaning** purposes use a mild **enzyme-based detergent solution**, e.g. Cidezime® GI.

2.2 Disinfectants

For **manual disinfecting** use an **ortho-phthalaldehyde based high-level disinfectant**, e.g. Cidex® OPA.

Note

For the mixing ratio, consult the instructions for use of the cleaning/disinfecting agent. For aluminum components, neutral/enzymatic detergents are recommended.

2.3 Cleaning agents and disinfectants used during validation

| Method | Supplier | Designation | Solution |
|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| Automated cleaning | Dr. Weigert | neodisher® MediClean | 0.2% |
| Manual cleaning | Johnson & Johnson | Cidezyme® | 1.6% |
| Manual disinfection | Johnson & Johnson | Cidex® OPA | undiluted |

Note

In all cases

- Follow the indications, instructions and warnings provided by the supplier of the cleaning agent and/or disinfectant.
- Select only detergents intended for cleaning and/or disinfection of medical devices made of metals, plastics and zirconium dioxide.
- Select only disinfectants with approved efficiency, EN ISO 15883, VAH¹/DGHM² or FDA³ approval or CE⁴ mark).

3. CLEANING AND DISINFECTING

3.1 Principles

An automatic method (disinfector) should be used for the cleaning and the disinfection. Manual methods alone are not recommended because of their clearly lower effectiveness and reproducibility, also when using an ultrasonic bath.

It is important that the user is properly trained and that protective clothing is worn while cleaning contaminated prosthetic components. The user always has to wear protective glasses, face mask, gloves etc. for his or her own safety during all activities.

It is the responsibility of the user to ensure the following:

- Only procedures sufficiently validated specifically for the equipment or device are used for cleaning, disinfection and sterilization.
- The equipment used (disinfector, sterilizer) is regularly maintained, checked and calibrated.
- The instructions regarding the equipment, disinfectant and cleaning agents must be respected at all time.
- The user has to be trained adequately.
- The guidelines for reprocessing stated in the instruction for use of the Straumann® device must be followed.



Caution

Never clean products and sterilization cassettes with metal brushes or steel wool. This can cause corrosion, deposition of metal particles, oxidation etc.

3.2 Pre-treatment

Coarse impurities must be removed from the products (multiple use components within two hours [2 h] at the most after use).

Sort the products in material groups and clean, disinfect and sterilize these groups separately. Never place products made of different materials together.

- Disassemble multi-piece components into their single parts (e.g. healing cap and screw).
- Place the products in a water bath or in a disinfectant solution. If the components are contaminated with blood, the disinfectant should be aldehyde-free (otherwise fixation of blood contamination may occur), should have tested effectiveness (e.g. VAH¹/DGHM² or FDA³ approval or CE⁴ mark), be suitable for disinfection of the products and be compatible with the products (see "2. Cleaning agents and disinfectants").
- Only use a soft brush or a clean soft cloth that is only used for this purpose.
- Never use metal brushes or metal wool for the manual removal of impurities.
- Rinse out all cavities of the products with disinfection solution at least five times (5 x) using a disposable syringe (minimum volume 20 ml).

Please keep in mind that the disinfectant used in the pre-treatment is meant for your protection only and cannot replace the disinfection step after cleaning!

3.3 Automatic cleaning and disinfection

Cleaning and disinfecting using a disinfectant/cleaning and disinfection unit (CDU).

Make sure when selecting the disinfectant that

- The disinfectant has been tested for its effectiveness (for example CE marking according to EN ISO 15883 or DGHM² or FDA³ approval).
- If possible, a tested program for thermal disinfection (AO value > 3000 or – for older units – at least 5 min at 90°C) is used (risk of disinfectant residues on the products in chemical disinfection).
- The program used for the components is suitable and contains sufficient rinsing cycles.
- The water used has at least drinking quality.
- The air used for drying is filtered.
- The disinfectant is regularly maintained and checked.

When selecting the cleaning agent system, make sure that it is basically suitable for cleaning metal, polymer and ceramic products. Unless the disinfection is thermal, a disinfectant with tested effectiveness (e.g. VAH¹/DGHM² or FDA³ approval or CE⁴ mark) is used. The disinfectant must be compatible with the cleaning agents. The cleaning agents used have to be compatible with the instruments.

Note

- Use compatible cleaning agents for medical use described in “2. Cleaning agents and disinfectants” that are suitable for automated cleaning.
- Always follow the instructions stated by the manufacturer of the cleaning agent, disinfectant and disinfectant.

Procedure

1. Place the disassembled prosthetic components in the disinfectant so that water can flow out of canulas and blind holes. Make sure that the parts do not touch one another. Connect all cavities of the products that can be rinsed to the rinsing connections of the disinfectant using a suitable rinsing adapter.
2. Start the program.
3. Remove the parts from the disinfectant after the end of the program.
4. Inspect and if necessary, pack the products as quickly as possible after removal in a sterilization bag.

3.4 Manual cleaning and disinfection

When selecting the cleaning agents and disinfectants, ensure the following:

- They are suitable for cleaning metal, zirconium dioxide and polymer components.
- The cleaning agent is suitable for ultrasonic cleaning (no formation of foam).
- A disinfectant with tested effectiveness is used and is compatible with the cleaning agents.
- The chemicals used are compatible with the prosthetic components (see "2. Cleaning agents and disinfectants").

Note

- Use compatible cleaning agents and disinfectants for medical use described in section "2. Cleaning agents and disinfectants" that are suitable for manual cleaning.
- Combined cleaning agents/disinfectants should not be used.
- Always follow the instructions stated by the manufacturer of the cleaning agent and disinfectant.

It must be strictly adhered to the concentrations and action times stated by the manufacturer of the cleaning agent and disinfectant. Use only solutions prepared shortly prior to use, only sterile or low-germ content (max. 10 germs/ml) as well as low endotoxin content (max. 0.25 endotoxin units/ml) water (e.g. purified water/highly purified water) or only filtered air for drying.

Cleaning with the Ultrasonic Cleaning Cassette and disinfection

- 1.** Place the disassembled components in the Ultrasonic Cleaning Cassette. Make sure that the parts do not touch one another. Separate the components according to the material. To improve the cleaning effect in the ultrasonic bath, cleaning without the lid is recommended.
- 2.** Remove the parts from the Ultrasonic Cleaning Cassette after cleaning and rinse thoroughly at least three times (3 x) with tap water. Rinse out all cavities of the instruments three times (3 x) using a disposable syringe (minimum volume 20 ml).
- 3.** Inspect the components.
- 4.** Place the disassembled, cleaned and inspected components for the specified action time in the disinfection bath. Ensure that the prosthetic components are sufficiently covered by the disinfection solution and that the instruments do not touch one another. Rinse out all cavities of the parts three times (3 x) with disinfectant at the beginning or at the end of the action time using a disposable syringe (min. volume 20 ml).
- 5.** Remove the components from the disinfection bath and rinse them thoroughly with water at least five times (5 x). Rinse out all cavities of the parts five times (5 x) with sterile water using a disposable syringe (min. volume 20 ml).
- 6.** Dry the components inside/outside with filtered compressed air.
- 7.** Inspect and if necessary, pack the products in a sterilization bag as quickly as possible after removal.

Use of the Ultrasonic Cleaning Cassette

The prosthetic components can be placed in the ultrasonic bath in the Ultrasonic Cleaning Cassette (see below).

- Before first-time use, manually clean the Ultrasonic Cleaning Cassette with water.
- The components must be pretreated according to section "3.2 Pretreatment", especially if blood residues have already dried in. Proper cleaning can be performed only in this way.
- It is not allowed to sterilize any components in the Ultrasonic Cleaning Cassette.



Cleaning without ultrasonic support

- 1.** Place the disassembled components in the cleaning bath for the specified action time so that the parts are sufficiently covered (if necessary, brush carefully with a soft brush). Make sure that the parts do not touch one another. Rinse out all cavities of the instruments three times (3 x) with the cleaning agent at the beginning or at the end of the action time using a disposable syringe (min. volume 20 ml).
- 2.** Remove the parts from the cleaning bath and rinse them thoroughly with water at least three times (3 x). Rinse out all cavities of the parts three times (3 x) using a disposable syringe (min. volume 20 ml).
- 3.** Inspect the parts.
- 4.** Place the disassembled, cleaned and inspected parts for the specified action time in the disinfection bath. Ensure that the components are sufficiently covered by the disinfection solution and that the instruments do not touch one another. Rinse out all cavities of the instruments three times (3 x) with disinfectant at the beginning or at the end of the action time using a disposable syringe (min. volume 20 ml).
- 5.** Remove the parts from the disinfection bath and rinse them thoroughly with water at least five times (5 x). Rinse out all cavities of the parts with water five times (5 x) using a disposable syringe (min. volume 20 ml).
- 6.** Dry the instruments inside/outside with filtered compressed air.
- 7.** Inspect and if necessary, pack the products as quickly as possible after removal in a sterilization bag.

4. STERILIZATION

Only the sterilization methods listed below may be used for sterilization. Other sterilization methods are not permissible.

Steam sterilization (fractionated vacuum method)

- Fractionated vacuum method (with sufficient device drying)
- Steam sterilizer corresponding to DIN EN 13060⁵ or DIN EN 285⁶
- Validated corresponding to DIN EN ISO 17665⁷ (valid IQ/OQ⁸ (commissioning) and product-specific performance assessment [PQ])
- Maximum sterilization temperature 134 °C (273 °F; plus tolerance corresponding to DIN EN ISO 17665)
- Sterilization time (exposure time at the sterilization temperature)

Basic sterilization information

| Material | Sterilizing Method | Sterilizing Parameters | Specific Requirements |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| Metal (Gold) alloy Ceramicor® | Autoclave, moist heat | 134 °C (273 °F), 5 min., 18 min. for prion inactivation | — |
| Ti/Ti alloy | | | |
| coron® | | | |
| POM | | | |
| PEEK/PEEK with Ti/Ti alloy inlay | | | |
| ZrO ₂ | Dry heat | 160 °C (320 °F) for 4 h In general, do not autoclave or chemiclave! | Please read instructions for use for specific product-related exceptions. |
| PMMA | In general, do not sterilize! | — | |

 **Note**

Only the following Straumann® prosthetic components are for multiple use:

- Straumann® PLAN abutments

Always observe the operating instructions of the manufacturer for your sterilizer especially with regard to the loading weight, the operating time and testing for functioning.

Corroded and rusty products can contaminate the water circuit of the sterilizer with rust particles. These rust particles will cause initial rust on intact products in all future sterilization cycles. It is important to regularly inspect and clean the unit!

The products must be stored dry after sterilization.

 **Caution**

Flash sterilization method is not permissible. Also, do not use hot air sterilization, irradiation sterilization, plasma sterilization, formaldehyde or ethylene oxide sterilization.

5. REFERENCES

- ¹ VAH – Verbund für Angewandte Hygiene E.V <http://www.vah-online.de/> "Association for Applied Hygiene"
- ² DGHM – Deutsche Gesellschaft für Hygiene und Mikrobiologie <http://www.dghm.org/> "German Association for Hygiene and Microbiology"
- ³ FDA – U.S. Food and Drug Administration <http://www.fda.gov/>
- ⁴ CE – Conformité Européenne <http://ec.europa.eu/> "European Conformity"
- ⁵ DIN EN 13060: Test method to demonstrate the suitability of a medical device simulator during steam sterilisation – Medical device simulator testing
- ⁶ DIN EN 285 Sterilization – Steam sterilizers – Large sterilizers; German version
- ⁷ DIN EN ISO 17665, Sterilization of health care products – Moist heat – Part 1: Requirements for the development, validation and routine control of a sterilization process for medical devices
- ⁸ IQ/OQ Installation qualification/Operational qualification

6. IMPORTANT GUIDELINES

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|---|---|
|  | Batch code |
|  | Catalogue number |
|  | Sterilized using irradiation |
|  | Lower limit of temperature |
|  | Upper limit of temperature |
|  | Temperature limitation |
| Rx only | Caution: Federal law restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a dental professional. |
|  | Do not re-use |
|  | Non-sterile |
|  | Caution, consult accompanying documents |
|  | Use by |
|  | Keep away from sunlight |
|  | Straumann Products with the CE mark fulfill the requirements of the Medical Devices Directive 93/42 EEC |
|  | |
|  | Consult instructions for use |

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