Basic Information on CARES®
Basic and Advanced Fixed Bars
Prosthetic Finalization
This step-by-step instruction is a handling guideline for the CARES® Basic and Advanced Fixed Bars. The following steps are considered a prerequisite:

- The prosthetic planning has been completed and aligned between all members of the treatment team
- A wax try-in of the prosthesis has been verified in the patient’s mouth
- Straumann implants have been implanted
- The accuracy of the master models has been counter-checked with a verification jig, to ensure accurate representation of the patient’s oral situation

**Step 1**

**Design in CARES® Visual**

To have an ideal adaptation of the CARES® Fixed Bars to the final prosthesis it is recommended to scan the wax try-in as an overlay (see picture on the left).

CARES® Advanced Fixed Bar: Determine the acrylic/metal finishing line according to the wax try-in.

For more details on designing the CARES® Basic and Advanced Fixed Bar please consult the CARES® Visual guidelines in the software.

**Step 2**

**Fit check**

After receiving the CARES® Fixed Bar check the fit on the master cast.

**Step 2a**

Optional:

To further check the fit, send the bar to the dentist for an additional appointment for a try-in in the patient’s mouth. To ensure the screws used are not damaged please insert the screws with the SCS Screwdriver. The friction fit secures the screws to the instrument during insertion and ensures safe handling.

**Step 3**

**Flask the verified wax try-in**

- Place the verified wax try-in on the master cast and flask it.
- Remove the flask and boil out the wax.
- Attach the bar to the master cast and ensure that the teeth in the flask don’t interfere with the bar.
Step 4
Bar preparation
Apply opaque on the area where the acrylic will be applied according the veneering system of choice.

Step 5
Close the screw channels of the bar during the acrylic adaptation phase. For example, use a Q-tip with the cotton applicator removed to close the screw channels of the bar. Insert the shaft of the Q-tip long enough for it to block out the screw channel when applying the acrylics.

Step 6
Finalizing the prosthetic restoration
Process and finish the prosthesis according to conventional dental techniques.

Step 7
Insertion in patient’s mouth
- Check the fit of the bar before fixing it in the patient’s mouth; if the implant-interface is subgingival, take a radiograph to verify the fit.
- Do not attach the bar if the fit appears to be unsatisfactory.
- Always use new abutment/occlusal screws for patient use.
- Torque implant level SRBB*: 35 Ncm
- Torque screw-retained abutment: 35 Ncm
- Torque occlusal screw for abutment-level SRBB*: 15 Ncm

* SRBB is the abbreviation for Screw-retained Bars and Bridges