

# TEST REPORT

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Test Material:	Metasul® LDH® Head Adapter Metasul® LDH® Femoral Head Metasul® Durom® Acetabular Component CLS® Spotorno® Femoral Stem
Test Method:	ISO 14242-1:2002 Implants for surgery - wear of total hip prostheses - Part 1: Loading and displacement parameters for wear-testing machines and corresponding environmental conditions for tests

Customer:	Testing Laboratory:
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## 1 Subcontractors


-none-

## 2 Specimens

Date of receipt: 08-Dec-2009

Test Period: 23-Dec-2009 to 05-Feb-2009

- 1 pc. CLS® Spotorno® femoral stem, Ti6Al7Nb ISO 5832-11, 9.0, 12/14, 5° 38', 135°  
REF 29.00.39-090, LOT 2418963  
EndoLab intern: femoral stem 1.1
- 1 pc. CLS® Spotorno® femoral stem, Ti6Al7Nb ISO 5832-11, 10.0, 12/14, 5° 38', 135°  
REF 29.00.39-100, LOT 2419563  
EndoLab® intern: femoral stem 2.1
- 1 pc. CLS® Spotorno® femoral stem, Ti6Al7Nb ISO 5832-11, 11.25, 12/14, 5° 38', 135°  
REF 29.00.39-112, LOT 2511627  
EndoLab® intern: femoral stem 2.2
- 2 pcs. Metasul® LDH® femoral head, CoCrMo ISO 5832-12, 50/P, 18/20, 5° 38'  
REF 01.00181.500, LOT 2502542  
Not used for testing
- 1 pc. Metasul® LDH® femoral head, diameter 54mm, CoCrMo ISO 5832-12, 54/T, 18/20, 5° 38'  
REF 01.00181.540, LOT 2458362  
EndoLab® intern: femoral head 1.1
- 2 pcs. Metasul® LDH® femoral head, diameter 48 mm, CoCrMo ISO 5832-12, 48/N, 18/20, 5° 38'  
REF 01.00181.480, LOT 2495736  
Femoral head box labeled with A; EndoLab® intern: femoral head 2.1  
Femoral head box labeled with B; EndoLab® intern: femoral head 2.2
- 1 pc. Metasul® Durom® acetabular cup, CoCrMo ISO 5832-12, D=60/54 mm  
REF 01.00214.060, LOT 2487029  
EndoLab® intern: acetabular cup 1.1
- 2 pcs. Metasul® Durom® acetabular cup, CoCrMo ISO 5832-12, D=54/48 mm  
REF 01.00214.054, LOT 2499279  
Acetabular cup box labeled with A; EndoLab® intern: acetabular cup 2.1  
Acetabular cup box labeled with B; EndoLab® intern: acetabular cup 2.2
- 1 pc. Metasul® head adapter, CoCrMo ISO 5832-12, size L/+4, 12/14 - 18/20  
REF 01.00185.147, LOT 2494482  
EndoLab® intern: head adapter 1.1
- 1 pc. Metasul® LDH® head adapter, CoCrMo ISO 5832-12, size M/0, 12/14 - 18/20  
REF 01.00185.146, LOT 2506529  
EndoLab® intern: head adapter 2.1

Date: 12-Feb-10 Signature: 







### 4.3 Test Description

All tests have been performed according to the normative references (ISO) listed above using the parameters specified (see Tab. 2).

A servo hydraulic six station hip simulator (EndoLab, Rosenheim) according to ISO 14242-1 has been used for the test (see Fig. 4). The specimens are oriented in an anatomically correct position and the resulting hip joint force is applied vs. the cup. Consequently, the direction of the force vector is constant regarding the cup and moves regarding the head.

All three in-vivo angular displacements are simulated: Flexion/extension, abduction/adduction and rotation. Please refer to Fig. 5 for the phasing of the individual movements.

Tab. 2: Test parameters used.

Parameter	ISO 14242-1
force curve	double-peak according to PAUL
force is fixed relatively to	cup
force maximum	3.0 kN
frequency	1.0 Hz
cup inclination (reference position)	30°
inclination cup-femoral head	0°
flexion-extension	+25°/-18°
abduction-adduction	-4°/7°+
rotation	-10°/2°+
test fluid	newborn calf serum
Test fluid temperature	37°C±2°C





EDTA has been added to the serum to bind the calcium phosphate. Patricin (50 µg/ml) has been added to retard bacteria-induced degradation.

Tab. 3: Composition of the serum.

Parameter	
Serum type	calf (newborn)
Lot	0618 S
Protein content	30 g/l
EDTA	2.96 g/l
Patricin (50µg/ml)	10.0 ml/l

Calf serum (Biochrom KG, Berlin, Lot 0618 S) diluted with a resulting protein content of 30 g/l has been used<sup>1</sup>.

Cleaning procedure:

Rinse in deionized water  
 Vibrate for 10 min in deionized water  
 Vibrate for 10 min in a mixture of ultrasonic cleaning detergent  
 Rinse in deionized water  
 Vibrate for 10 min in deionized water  
 Rinse in deionized water  
 Vibrate for 3 min in deionized water  
 Rinse in deionized water  
 Soak in Isopropanol for 5 min  
 Dry in a vacuum (0.133 mbar) for 30 min

All mass measurements have been made using high precision balances (Sartorius CP225D and Sartorius ME614S). The technical data of the high precision balances used herein are summarized in the appendix (see Tab. 19 and Tab. 20).

The specimens have been removed at 500,000 cycles, at 1,000,000 cycles, at 2,000,000 cycles and at 2,500,000 cycles to determine the actual mass loss. The serum has been replaced every 500,000 cycles. The specimens have been changed periodically between the different stations.

Due to failure of the lower implant holder of coupling 2.1 after 0.4 million cycles (automatic stop of the simulator), the wear data of coupling 2.1 was determined after 0.4 million cycles.

<sup>1</sup> According to data presented by Noordin et al. (Synovial fluid from patients with prosthetic joint arthroplasty: Protein concentration and in vivo wear of polyethylene. 43 ORS. P 769), the protein concentration has been set to 30 g/l rather than diluting the serum to 25 % as indicated by ISO 14243-1. As shown by Wang et al. (The impact of lubricant protein concentration on the outcome of hip joint simulator wear testing. 25 Soc. Biomat p 178), low protein concentrations may cause unphysiological wear.











## 6 Summary and Conclusion

The purpose of this test was to determine the wear behavior of the Metasul® LDH® head adapter (size 'L' +4: coupling 1.1, size 'M' 0: coupling 2.1 and size 'S' -4: coupling 2.2) tested in combination with two different femoral head diameters (Ø 54 mm: coupling 1.1 and Ø 48 mm: coupling 2.1 and coupling 2.2). All specimens were tested according to ISO 14242-1 up to 2.5 million cycles.

As instructed by the customer no attempt was made to quantify the amount of wear generated by the acetabular cups.

Prior to wear testing the implants (femoral head / head adapter / femoral stem) were assembled with a load of 7.4 kN (see EndoLab® test report 334.091215.10.1411).

In order to allow mass measurements of the femoral heads and head adapters the components were disassembled after 0.5, 1, 2 and 2.5 million cycles. The required disassembly load was determined and is shown in EndoLab® test report 334.091215.10.1411. After every inspection the samples were reassembled with a load of 7.4 kN before test continuation.

The results of the individual wear rates found herein are summarized in Tab. 12 to Tab. 14 and are shown in Fig. 13

Tab. 12: Summary of the wear results obtained for coupling 1.1. (Femoral head diameter 54 mm and head adapter size 'L' +4).

	wear rate head adapter [mg/million cycles]	wear rate femoral head [mg/million cycles]
coupling 1.1	0.86	0.72

Tab. 13: Summary of the wear results obtained for coupling 2.1. (Femoral head diameter 48 mm and head adapter size 'M' 0).

	wear rate head adapter [mg/million cycles]	wear rate femoral head [mg/million cycles]
coupling 2.1	0.13	0.28

Tab. 14: Summary of the wear results obtained for coupling 2.2. (Femoral head diameter 48 mm and head adapter size 'S' -4).

	wear rate head adapter [mg/million cycles]	wear rate femoral head [mg/million cycles]
coupling 2.2	0.19	0.18



Ziel der Untersuchung war die Ermittlung des Verschleißverhaltens der Metasul® LDH® Kopf Adapter. Unterschiedliche Kugelkopfdurchmesser und Kopf Adapter Größen kamen zur Anwendung. Die getesteten Paarungen sind in Tabelle 15 aufgelistet. Die Prüfung erfolgte nach ISO 14242-1 und die Proben wurden 2,5 Millionen Zyklen getestet.

Die Acetabulum Komponenten (Pfannen) waren während der Testung mittels Polyurethan in den Probenhalterungen fixiert (siehe Fig. 7). Wie mit dem Kunden vereinbart, wurde der Verschleiß der Acetabulum Komponenten nicht ermittelt.

Tab. 15: Geprüfte Paarungen.

	Paarung 1.1	Paarung 2.1	Paarung 2.2
Hüftschaft	1.1	2.1	2.2
Material Hüftschaft	TiAl7Nb	TiAl7Nb	TiAl7Nb
Kugelkopf Durchmesser	1.1	2.1	2.2
Kugelkopf [mm]	54	48	48
Material Kugelkopf	CoCrMo	CoCrMo	CoCrMo
Kopf Adapter	1.1	2.1	2.2
Material Kopf Adapter	CoCrMo	CoCrMo	CoCrMo
Größe Kopf Adapter	'L' +4 12/14-18/20	'M' 0 12/14-18/20	'S' -4 12/14-18/20
Acetabulum Komponente	1.1	2.1	2.2
Material Acetabulum Komponente	CoCrMo	CoCrMo	CoCrMo

Vor Versuchsstart wurden die Komponenten (Kugelkopf, Kopf Adapter und Hüftschaft) mit einer Last von 7,4 kN gefügt (siehe Prüfbericht 334.091215.10.1411).

Um eine Gewichtsmessung des Kugelkopfes und der Kopf Adapter zu ermöglichen wurden Kugelkopf, Kopf Adapter und Hüftschaft nach 0,5, 1, 2 und 2,5 Millionen Zyklen wieder getrennt. Die hierfür nötigen Abzugskräfte wurden ermittelt. Die Ergebnisse der Abzugstests sind in Prüfbericht 334.091215.10.1411 zusammengefasst.

Nach jeder Inspektion (nach 0,5, 1, 2 und 2,5 Millionen Zyklen) wurden die Komponenten erneut mit einer Last von 7,4 kN gefügt.

Die Verschleißergebnisse der einzelnen Paarungen sind in Tabelle 16, Tabelle 17, Tabelle 18 und in Abbildung 14 zusammengefasst.

Tab. 16: Zusammenfassung der Ergebnisse der Paarung 1.1. (Durchmesser Kugelkopf 54 mm, Kopf Adapter Größe ,L' +4)

	Verschleißrate Kopf Adapter [mg/Million Zyklen]	Verschleißrate Kugelkopf [mg/Million Zyklen]
Paarung 1.1	0,86	0,72



**Appendix A**

**Contact surface of the head adapters after 2.5 million cycles**

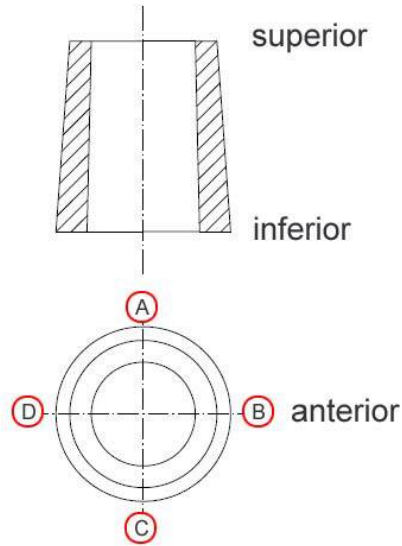


Fig. 15: Locations of the images taken of the contact surface of the head adapter (femoral head side)

























