

# Experience and excellence – focus on implant dentistry at the International Congress on Ankylos

**More than 1,000 visitors from close to 50 countries participated in the International Congress on Ankylos in Berlin, which took place on June 29 and 30, 2018. They experienced how implant dentistry and a dedicated dental community with focus on the digital future can create optimal results for patients.**

**Berlin, June 29, 2018.** The congress program featured lectures that represent the importance of trusting experience, such as the session “Based on evidence, proven by experience – state-of-the-art implant design” with Barry Goldenberg (USA), Ye Lin (China) and Valdir Muglia (Brazil). In addition, the emphasis was on discovering excellence and the digital future, where Paul Weigl (Germany) discussed “Implant therapy and the virtual patient” and Mark Ludlow (USA) asked “Why digital? Why now?”

Current news and trends, as well as scientific documentation and clinical evidence were in focus at the congress. “Clinical experience, professional skills and scientific evidence is the basis for the development of new treatment protocols and for overcoming challenges, ultimately leading to a long-term contribution to oral health,” said Lars Henrikson, Group Vice President Dentsply Sirona Implants. Indeed, not only current trends but also new scientific findings in implant dentistry were the main focus during the Berlin event.

### **Acuris – a new dimension in implant dentistry**

Delegates at the congress got an exclusive look at Acuris, the new conometric concept that uses friction instead of a screw or cement to secure the crown to the abutment in the final prosthetic part of the implant treatment.

This new solution saves time, improves predictability, and ensures high-quality end results in the clinic, while improving the workflow in the lab. In addition, there is a reduced risk of complications like cementitis due to the cement-free solution, which, in turn, increases patient satisfaction.

Acuris is a major breakthrough in implant dentistry as the solution redefines fixed retention. This groundbreaking innovation truly represents the best of two worlds: a retention that is removable for the dentist but fixed for the patient.

Acuris is developed in close cooperation with Dr. Marco Degidi, Italy. The solution will include abutments with different angulations, it will be available for all three implant systems from Dentsply Sirona Implants, starting with the Ankylos implant system, and can be used in all positions in the mouth.

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### **About Dentsply Sirona Implants**

Dentsply Sirona Implants offers comprehensive solutions for all phases of implant therapy, including Ankylos®, Astra Tech Implant System® and Xive® implant lines, digital technologies, such as Atlantis® patient-specific CAD/CAM solutions and Simplant® guided surgery, Symbios® regenerative solutions, and professional and business development programs, such as STEPPS™. Dentsply Sirona Implants creates value for dental professionals and allows for predictable and lasting implant treatment outcomes, resulting in enhanced quality of life for patients.

### **About Dentsply Sirona**

Dentsply Sirona is the world's largest manufacturer of professional dental products and technologies, with a 130-year history of innovation and service to the dental industry and patients worldwide. Dentsply Sirona develops, manufactures, and markets a comprehensive solutions offering including dental and oral health products as well as other consumable medical devices under a strong portfolio of world class brands. As The Dental Solutions Company™, Dentsply Sirona's products provide innovative, high-quality and effective solutions to advance patient care and deliver better, safer and faster dentistry. Dentsply Sirona's global headquarters is located in York, Pennsylvania, and the international headquarters is based in Salzburg, Austria. The company's shares are listed in the United States on NASDAQ under the symbol XRAY. Visit [www.dentsplysirona.com](http://www.dentsplysirona.com) for more information about Dentsply Sirona and its products.

## Clinical documentation on Ankylos implant system

With up to 17 years of clinical follow-up, a retrospective analysis of 18,945 Ankylos implants placed in a large patient population (7,783 patients) showed successful long-term clinical results when using a flapless surgical approach.\* The Ankylos implant system has been in clinical use for more than 25 years and shows high survival rates and favorable esthetic results.

## Science and clinical research

Long-term clinical documentation is one of the most important tools to show a product's efficiency, reliability and safety. Dentsply Sirona Implants focuses on research and development in all aspects of implant treatment, supported by extensive pre-clinical and clinical study programs. The comprehensive documentation includes more than 2,000 published scientific references to date and the products are researched, developed, documented and clinically proven to provide successful implant therapy for life-long function and esthetics.

## References

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## IMAGES

are available for [> Download](#) on the website.



*Fig.1. Acuris, the new conometric concept that uses friction instead of a screw or cement to secure the crown to the abutment in the final prosthetic part of the implant treatment.*



*Fig. 2., from left to right.: Björn Delin, D.D.S. Vice President Global Platform Implant Systems, Dominique Legros Senior Vice President Technologies and Equipment Segment, Dr. Marco Degidi, Oral Surgeon, Don Casey, Chief Executive Officer, Dr. Karsten Wagner, Global Director Platform Implant Systems Ankylos/Xive, Johan Falk Senior Project Manager Research & Development, at the press conference during the Ankylos-Congress*



*Fig. 3: Opening speech by Don Casey, CEO Dentsply Sirona.*



*Fig. 4: Dominique Legros, Senior Vice President Technologies and Equipment Segment speaking about Solutions.*



*Fig. 5: More than 1000 participants from close to 50 countries attended the Ankylos Congress.*



*Fig. 6: Dr. Karsten Wagner, Global Director Platform Implant Systems Ankylos/Xive introducing the new conometric concept, Acuris.*

