

# L1 Instructions for use

High Gold Metal Alloys for the Ceramic-fused-to-metal Technique

(Products with catalogue numbers in the appendix)

## Preventive measures

Mixing of different alloys or alloys of similar types is not allowed!

Wear darkened eye protection and protective gloves when melting.

Protect eyes, hands and breathing when pickling.

Protect eyes and breathing during processing with rotating instruments with an aspirator device.

With the publication of these instructions for use all previous editions are no longer valid.

The manufacturer refuses any liability for damages due to disregard of the instructions for use below.

## Intended use

Fixed and removable dentures.

## Product description

High gold content ceramic-fused-to-metal alloys (Type 4 according to ISO 22674) are characterised by their fine-grained cast structure, high corrosion resistance, biocompatibility and ease of processing. Due to the high content of Au and Pt metals, alloys from this group can be soldered without any difficulties; they are also eminently suitable for the cast-on technique when prefabricated construction elements are used for combined works.

## Expected clinical benefit

Restoration of chewing function and improved aesthetics.

## Qualification

Professional dentist and dental technician know-how is required. The instructions for use must be available and understood before the first application. The manufacturing work must be carried out by qualified specialists. For information and additional details, please contact your Cendres+Métaux representative.

## Side effects

With patients having an existing allergy to one or several elements contained in any one alloy, this particular alloy must not be used. With patients suspected of having an allergy to one or several elements contained in any one alloy, this alloy can only be used after preliminary allergological testing and proof of a non-existing allergy.

## Traceability of lot numbers

If different lots of an alloy are being used for the realisation of a restoration, all lot numbers concerned must be noted in order to assure traceability.

## Disinfection

All the parts must be disinfected before use with a high-level disinfectant. Follow the instructions of the manufacturer regarding dosage and exposure time.

When choosing the disinfectant, ensure that:

- it is suitable for the cleaning and disinfection of dental prosthetic components,
- it is compatible with the materials of the products to be cleaned and disinfected, and
- it has proven efficacy in disinfection.

We recommend using an ortho-phthaldehyde (OPA) solution like the Cidex® OPA Solution. Strictly follow the manufacturer's instructions.

## General instructions

### Modelling

Usual modelling technique for ceramic-fused-to-metal works. Minimal wall thickness 0.4 mm. With bridgework the connections must have a minimum section of 6–9 mm<sup>2</sup>. Modelling of garlands or inlay shaped reinforcements in the palatal region will give added stability. The application of air and cooling vents improves casting results.

**Spruing**

Wax sprues of no less than  $\varnothing$  3.5 mm are required. Direct ( $\varnothing$  3.5 mm) and cross bar ( $\varnothing$  5 mm) spruing produce excellent results. Feeder sprues to heavy pontics should be of at least  $\varnothing$  4 mm. Air vents ( $\varnothing$  1 mm) may be used to advantage.

Wax patterns should be set outside the thermal centre, i.e. near the casting ring wall and about 5 mm from the end. For individual copings and small bridges (up to three units), use of the circular sprue provides ideal positioning of the wax patterns and ensure controlled solidification of the frameworks.

**Investing**

When using steel casting rings always use refractory liner in order to allow free expansion of the investment.

The following investment materials from Cendres+Métaux are suitable for this alloy type:

**uniVest Plus:** universal phosphate-bonded, graphite- and gypsum-free investment material

**CM-20:** graphite-free investment material based on quartz and cristobalite

**uniVest Rapid:** graphite-free, phosphate-bonded investment material

Plaster-based investments must not be used for these types of alloys!

**Rapid preheating technique:** the use of burn-out plastic parts can lead to spalling in the investment material.

**Preheating**

Observe manufacturer's recommendations with regard to setting times, temperature levels etc. On reaching the end temperature a soaking period of 20 to 45 min. is advisable depending on the size of the cylinder.

**Re-use of alloy**

Only use perfectly cleaned (by sand-blasting with aluminium oxide) buttons and sprues and add at least  $\frac{1}{3}$  of new alloy.

**Melting**

It is important, when using a torch for melting that the recommended propane (approx. 0.5 bar or 7.25 psi) / oxygen (approx. 1.0 bar or 14.5 psi) mixture and pressure are observed. Before melting add a pinch of flux to the alloy.

Flux: boric acid

**Surface quality of cast objects**

In order to prevent corrosion the cast object must have a surface free of shrink holes and porosities after trimming and polishing.

**Cooling of castings**

Do not quench the casting cylinder after casting, but bench cool to room temperature.

**Finishing**

Trim the framework first preferably using carbide burs and then fine grinding points at low speed.

**Soldering**

We recommend using a propane/oxygen torch for soldering and a flux like CM soldering paste. During soldering wear dark goggles for protection. The design of the soldering block is a compromise between minimising its thermal mass whilst retaining sufficient strength to avoid its fracturing during soldering. Leave a parallel gap of 0.1–0.2 mm between surfaces to be soldered and sufficient area to ensure adequate strength of the joint.

**Pickling**

After firing or soldering pickle in a warm, freshly prepared (clean) solution of 10 vol. % sulphuric acid ( $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ )  
Note: When using other pickling agents follow the instructions for use of the respective manufacturer.

**Thermal treatments (not compulsory)**

After casting, some of the high gold metal alloys have not yet obtained their maximal mechanical properties. For long-span bridgework and for works with attachments in combustible plastic which will not be veneered with ceramic, a simulation firing of the work in the as cast condition (cleaned frameworks, sprues not yet removed) in the ceramic furnace can be done.

This procedure has the following advantages: The hardness increase allows easier and faster trimming of the frameworks. Grinding overlaps are prevented. Possible tensions due to the casting process are reduced. (Firing data see table overleaf).

**Gilding of frameworks**

Gilding is carried out at the user's own risk.

**Polishing**

After the last firing free metal surfaces must be polished to a high shine in order to completely remove the oxide layer.

Labeling on packaging/symbols	
	Date of manufacture
	Manufacturer
<b>REF</b>	Catalogue number
<b>LOT</b>	Batch code
<b>QTY</b>	Quantity
	Consult instructions for use URL: <a href="http://cmsa.ch/docs">cmsa.ch/docs</a>
Rx only	Attention: According to US federal law, this product may only be sold by or on behalf of a physician.
  0483	Cendres+Métaux products with CE labelling meet the requirements of the relevant European requirements.

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Alloys	Cat. No.	Indication						Composition %														
		a	b	c	d	e	f	Au + Pt group metals	Au	Pt	Pd	Ag	Cu	Sn	Zn	In	Ga	Ir	Ru	Rh	Fe	Others
Esteticor® Helvetica	010893	■	■	■	■	■	■	97.87	86.70	10.75		0.03		0.10	1.50	0.20		0.02		0.40		Ta 0.30
V-Gnathos Plus	01050032		■	■	■	■		97.85	85.90	11.70					1.50	0.10		0.05		0.20	0.05	Mn 0.10, Nb 0.40
Esteticor® Ideal H	010865	■	■	■	■	■		97.00	85.50	9.90	1.50	0.40	0.80		0.50	1.10		0.10			0.20	
Esteticor® Royal H	01000087		■	■				97.80	84.80	8.90	4.00					2.00		0.10			0.20	
Esteticor® Lumina PF	01000010	■	■	■	■	■		98.00	84.50	13.30					1.90			0.10		0.10	0.10	
Esteticor® Avenir	010972	■	■	■	■	■		97.40	84.00	10.90	2.40	0.20			2.20			0.10			0.20	
Esteticor® Cosmor H	010609	■	■	■	■	■		96.50	78.50	10.00	7.80					3.50		0.20				
Esteticor® Special	010623	■	■	■	■	■		96.10	77.30	9.80	8.90	1.20	0.30	0.50		1.50		0.10			0.20	Re 0.20
Esteticor® Prestige	010783	■	■	■	■	■		94.00	75.10		18.85	1.00	0.50	2.00	0.50	2.00		0.05				
V-Classic	01050023		■	■	■	■		94.06	75.00		19.00	1.00	0.44	2.00	0.50	2.00		0.01	0.05			
Esteticor® Implant 76	01000038		■	■	■	■		96.90	76.80	1.35	18.60			2.90	0.20			0.15				

 a Inlays, onlays, crowns ¾    
  b Single crowns    
  c Short-span bridgework    
  d Long-span bridgework    
  e Milled work    
  f Clasps, lingual bars, palatal plates

Alloys	Physical properties					Mechanical properties							
	CTE   10 <sup>-6</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>		Density g/cm <sup>3</sup>	Melting range °C	Young's Modulus GPa	Hardness HV5		Proof stress Rp 0.2% MPa		Tensile strength (Rm) MPa		Elongation A5 %	
	(25-500°C)	(25-600°C)				As cast	After firing	As cast	After firing	As cast	After firing	As cast	After firing
Esteticor® Helvetica	14.5	14.8	19.0	1025-1145	90	185	220		525		655		6
V-Gnathos Plus	14.3	14.5	18.8	1025-1190	80	185	215		530		610		6
Esteticor® Ideal H	14.5	14.7	18.4	1045-1170	90	160	195		500		615		12
Esteticor® Royal H	14.3	14.5	18.6	1100-1275	90	170	210		515		605		7
Esteticor® Lumina PF	14.2	14.6	18.9	1045-1205	90	205	230		640		715		5
Esteticor® Avenir	14.2	14.6	18.7	1055-1185	100	205	240		670		755		6
Esteticor® Cosmor H	13.8	14.0	17.9	1120-1280	100	195	215		565		705		13
Esteticor® Special	13.7	13.9	17.7	1160-1275	110	185	200		490		635		8
Esteticor® Prestige	14.0	14.3	16.4	1120-1250	115	210	230		520		680		12
V-Classic	14.0	14.3	16.4	1135-1270	105	220	250		565		735		15
Esteticor® Implant 76	13.7	13.9	16.9	1165-1290	115	205	235		630		785		10

Alloys	Solders				Laser welding wire	Instructions for use		
	Pre-Solder		Post Solder			Preheating °C	Crucible	Casting temperature °C
Esteticor® Helvetica	S.G 1030		S.G 810	S.G 750	LW N° 1	850	① ② ③	1250–1300
V-Gnathos Plus	S.G 1030		S.G 750		LW N° 1	750	②	1390
Esteticor® Ideal H	S.G 1030		S.G 810	S.G 750	LW N° 1	800	① ② ③	1270–1320
Esteticor® Royal H	S.G 1055		S.G 810	S.G 750	LW N° 2	800	① ② ③	1375–1415
Esteticor® Lumina PF	S.G 975	S.G 1030		S.G 750	LW N° 1	800	① ② ③	1305–1355
Esteticor® Avenir	S.G 1030		S.G 810	S.G 750	LW N° 1	800	① ② ③	1285–1335
Esteticor® Cosmor H	S.G 1080		S.G 810	S.G 750	LW N° 2	850	① ② ③	1380–1420
Esteticor® Special	S.G 1080		S.G 810	S.G 750	LW N° 3	850	① ② ③	1410–1440
Esteticor® Prestige	S.G 1080		S.G 810	S.G 750	LW N° 2	850	② ③	1390–1420
V-Classic	S.W 1125		S.G 750		LW N° 2	850	① ② ③	1420–1450
Esteticor® Implant 76	S.G 1055	S.G 1030	S.G 750		LW N° 3	850	② ③	1390–1440

① = Graphite crucible    = Universal ceramic crucible    = Vitrified carbon crucible

Alloys	Recommended casting systems (not compulsory)						Thermal treatment of the framework before surface treatment (not compulsory)	Annealing	Hardening	Trimming of the framework surface with ceramically bonded grinding stones
	Propane-oxygen flame Post-melting time 5–10 s	Vacuum-pressure casting with electric resistance furnace Post-melting time 40–60 s	Centrifugal casting with electric resistance furnace Post-melting time 40–60 s	High frequency induction in atmosphere Post-melting time 5–10 s	High frequency induction in protective gas atmosphere Post-melting time 5–10 s					
Esteticor® Helvetica	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	900°C / 15 min / air	900°C / 15 min / air	450°C / 15 min / air*	✓	
V-Gnathos Plus	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		900°C / 15 min / H <sub>2</sub> O	450°C / 15 min / air*	✓	
Esteticor® Ideal H	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	950°C / 10 min / air	900°C / 15 min / H <sub>2</sub> O	550°C / 15 min / air*	✓	
Esteticor® Royal H	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓	
Esteticor® Lumina PF	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		900°C / 15 min / air	500°C / 15 min / air**/*	✓	
Esteticor® Avenir	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	
Esteticor® Cosmor H	✓			✓	✓	950°C / 10 min / air	900°C / 15 min / H <sub>2</sub> O	550°C / 15 min / air*	✓	
Esteticor® Special	✓			✓	✓	950°C / 10 min / air	900°C / 15 min / H <sub>2</sub> O	600°C / 15 min / air*	✓	
Esteticor® Prestige	✓			✓	✓	950°C / 10 min / air	900°C / 15 min / H <sub>2</sub> O	550°C / 15 min / air*	✓	
V-Classic	✓			✓	✓		900°C / 15 min / H <sub>2</sub> O	550°C / 15 min / air*	✓	
Esteticor® Implant 76	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	600°C / 15 min / air			✓	

\* Annealing before hardening

\*\* If firing/soldering < 820 °C

Alloys	Sandblasting with non-recycled aluminium oxide (Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> ) 50µm	Cleaning with steam jet	Oxide firing		Pickling after oxide firing in a warm and clean solution of 10 vol.% sulphuric acid (H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> )	Sandblasting after oxide firing with non recycled aluminium oxide (Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> ) 50µm
			with vacuum	without vacuum		
Esteticor® Helvetica	✓	✓	900°C / 10 min		✓	
V-Gnathos Plus	✓	✓	950°C / 10 min		✓	
Esteticor® Ideal H	✓	✓	960°C / 5 min		✓	
Esteticor® Royal H	✓	✓	900°C / 10 min			✓
Esteticor® Lumina PF	✓	✓	900°C / 10 min		✓	
Esteticor® Avenir	✓	✓	900°C / 10 min		✓	
Esteticor® Cosmor H	✓	✓		960°C / 5 min		
Esteticor® Special	✓	✓		960°C / 5 min		
Esteticor® Prestige	✓	✓		960°C / 5 min		✓
V-Classic	✓	✓	950°C / 10 min			
Esteticor® Implant 76	✓	✓		900°C / 10 min		

Alloys	Heating rate max.	Ceramic veneer: cooling cycle after firing					
		Ceramics < 900°C			Ceramics > 900°C		
		Long-term	Normal	Rapid	Long-term	Normal	Rapid
Esteticor® Helvetica	60°C / min	■	■		■	■	
V-Gnathos Plus	60°C / min		■			■	
Esteticor® Ideal H	60°C / min	■	■		■	■	
Esteticor® Royal H			■		■	■	
Esteticor® Lumina PF			■		■	■	
Esteticor® Avenir			■		■	■	
Esteticor® Cosmor H			■	■		■	■
Esteticor® Special			■	■		■	■
Esteticor® Prestige			■	■		■	
V-Classic			■			■	
Esteticor® Implant 76			■	■			■

Not binding, please also observe the instructions of the ceramic manufacturer!



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