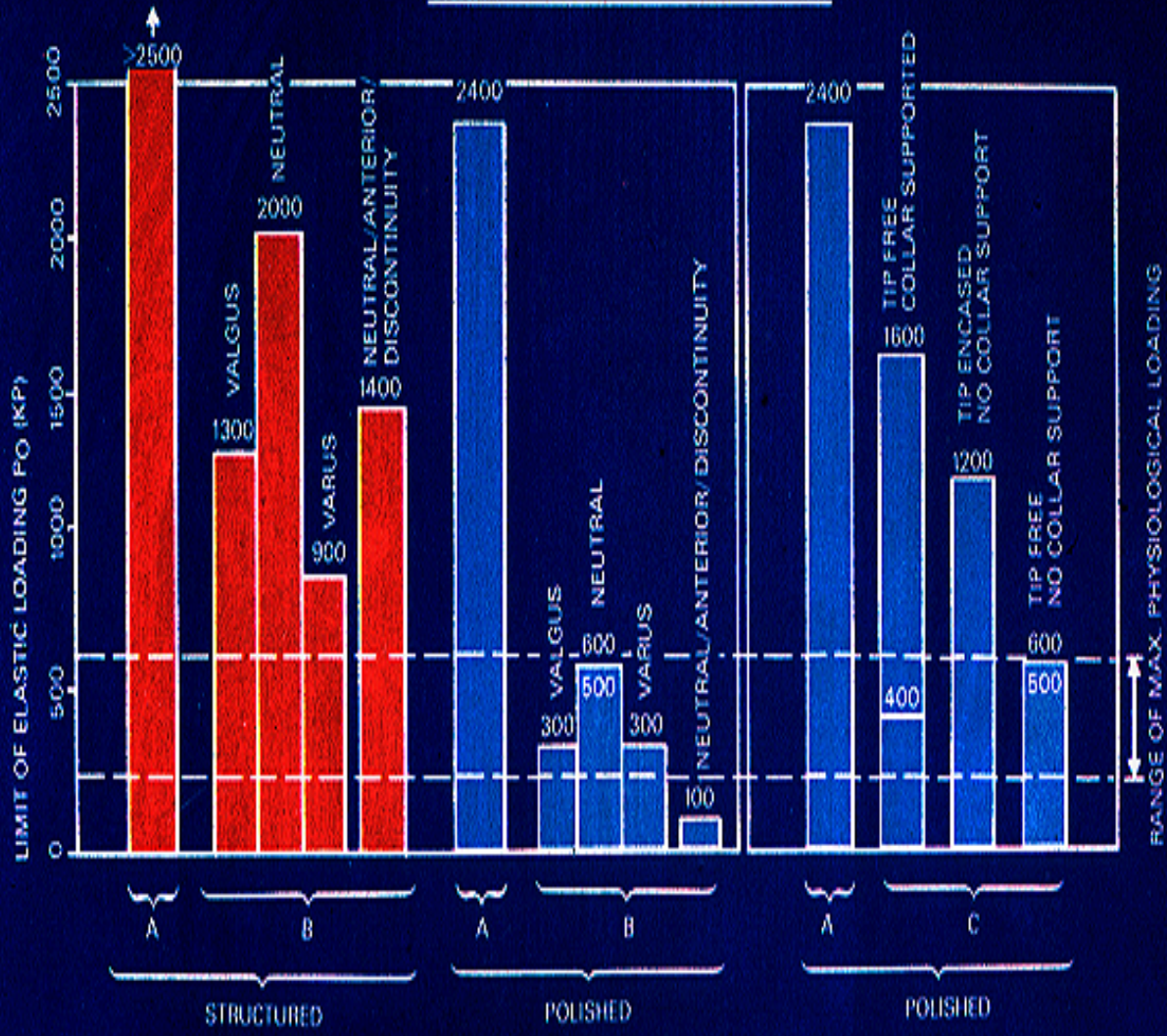


LOADING TESTS IN POLYESTER FEMUR MODEL



MÜLLER PROSTHESIS:  
 A: IN NEUTRAL POSITION,  
 FULLY CEMENTED

B: WITHOUT COLLAR SUPPORT,  
 WITH PROTRUDING TIP

C: IN NEUTRAL POSITION

RANGE OF MAX. PHYSIOLOGICAL LOADING

BIOMATERIALS

PRESENT AND FUTURE DEVICES



THE GOAL:

IMPROVED PROPERTIES:

INITIALLY AND

AFTER USE

Materials and Design are immutably linked:

Design expresses the properties of

Materials, New Materials thus

call forth New Designs

# PROPERTIES OF CURRENTLY USED ALLOYS

## CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### MAJOR ELEMENT COMPOSITION (%)

LOW CARBON STAINLESS STEEL 316L (1)	IRON	Cr 17-20	Ni 10-14	
CAST Co-Cr ALLOY & Ni-Cr ALLOY (2)	COBALT	Cr 27-30	Ni 6	Nb 2.5
BROUGHT Co-Cr ALLOY (3)	COBALT	Cr 19-21	Ti 14-16	Nb 9-11
FORGED Co-Cr ALLOY	COBALT	Cr 26-28		Nb 5.7
TITANIUM UNALLOYED (4)	TITANIUM			
TITANIUM 6 AL - 4V (5)	TITANIUM		Al 2.5-3.5	Nb 2.5-4.5
MP - 35N (MULTIPHASE)	COBALT	Cr 19-21	Ni 9-10.5	Nb 12-17

1. ASTM Minimum Specification - F 159-76 & F 159-78  
 2. ASTM Minimum Specification - F 20-76  
 3. ASTM Minimum Specification - F 24-76  
 4. ASTM Minimum Specification - F 22-77  
 5. ASTM Minimum Specification - F 22-79

All other values less than 1%  
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## ALLOYS

## ADVANTAGES

## USES

### IRON-BASE

GOOD FATIGUE STRENGTH  
 INEXPENSIVE  
 GOOD MACHINABILITY

PINS, PLATES, NAILS  
 SOME PROSTHESES

### COBALT-BASE

HIGH CORROSION RESISTANCE  
 BIOCOMPATIBILITY  
 EXCELLENT MECHANICAL  
 PROPERTIES WITH NEW  
 PRODUCTION TECHNIQUES

MOST PROSTHESES  
 MANY DIFFERENT  
 IMPLANTS

### TITANIUM-BASE

VERY HIGH CORROSION  
 RESISTANCE  
 LIGHT IN WEIGHT  
 (8% LOWER DENSITY)  
 HIGH ELASTICITY  
 (YOUNG'S MODULUS 1/2 OF STEEL)

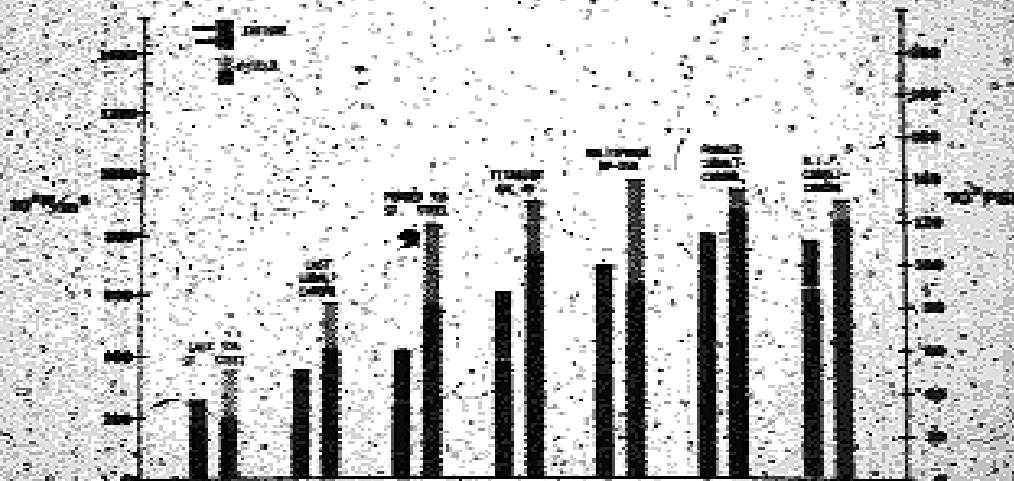
PROSTHESES, PLATES  
 SOME I.M. RODS

# PROPERTIES OF CURRENTLY USED ALLOYS

## MECHANICAL/PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

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STRENGTHS OF IMPLANT ALLOYS

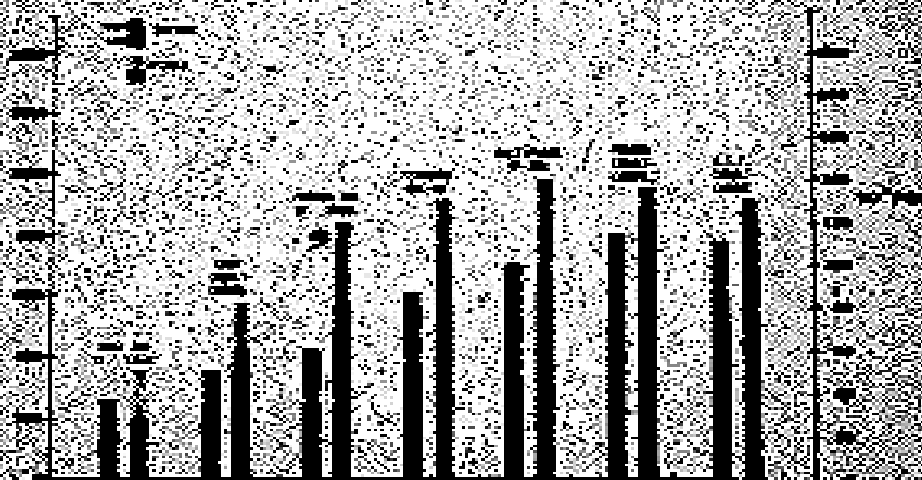


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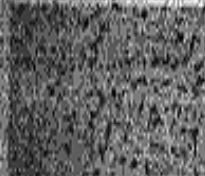
# HOW ARE METALS TREATED TO ACHIEVE DESIRED SHAPE AND PHYSICAL PROPERTIES?

## CAST



### INVESTMENT CASTING

Investment casting is a method for fabricating complex shapes such as prostheses. Non-uniform microstructure requires further processing.



Sol. Heat. Co-Cr (100x)

### SOLUTION HEAT TREATING

One method of heat treating castings by redissolving non-uniform regions in the metal to improve the homogeneity of the microstructure.



Solution Heat Treated Co-Cr (100x)

### MACHINING

Removing metal particles with a machine such as a drill or lathe to achieve certain dimensional tolerances as screw threads, holes, etc. The actual shape of the implant is usually not changed here.

## WROUGHT



### HEAT TREATING

**ANNEALING** - heating and cooling without mechanical working to change the microstructure and relieve internal stresses. Provides desired physical and mechanical properties by ductility, machinability and corrosion resistance.



Annealed MP-35N (310x)

### MECHANICAL WORKING

Mechanical shaping of metal to improve homogeneity and impart mechanical strength by refining its crystalline structure.



Cold Worked MP-35N (200x)

Forged MP-35N (100x)

### COLD WORKING

The shape is changed at room temperature. Used for pins, plates and wires. (Only for very simple shapes). As a result mechanical properties are raised (ductility decreases). (example: Cold Rolling or Drawing)



### HOT WORKING

Mechanical shaping of a metal in a heated state (usually above its recrystallization temperature). The grain size of the metal is refined resulting in better mechanical qualities. The stems of femoral components of total hips are sometimes made this way (example: Hot Forging)



## POWDER METALLURGY



### HOT ISOSTATIC PRESSING

Consolidation of metal powders under high pressure and temperature to form a dense material of fine grain size.



H.I.P. Co-Cr (100x)

## SUMMARY

1. There is no ideal metal for all implants.
2. The physical, mechanical and biochemical properties of each metal determine its selection for a specific implant.
3. Fatigue strength is a most important mechanical quality for implants such as prostheses subjected to stresses for unlimited time.
4. Elasticity and ductility can be important in some fracture fixation devices.
5. All metals must be biocompatible and corrosion resistant.
6. Stronger metals and improved designs have provided better implants in recent years, but success depends on high manufacturing standards, proper patient selection, application and surgical technique.

SELECTED PROPERTIES OF NOMINAL NITINOL 55

TREATMENT	TENSILE STRENGTH, PSI	YIELD STRENGTH, PSI	ELONGATION %	ELASTIC MODULUS, PSI
ANNEALED SPECIMEN AT ROOM TEMP. (BELOW TRANS TEMP.)	125,000	15,000 to* 20,000	60	$10.2 \times 10^6$ *
COLD WORKED SPECIMEN AT ROOM TEMP.	200,000	50,000	12	---

\* STRONGLY DEPENDENT ON TEMPERATURE AND  $A_s$  TEMPERATURE OF TRANSITION

# THE EVOLVING TECHNOLOGY OF MOLDED POLYETHYLENE

THE MOLDING PROCESS PRODUCES A SMOOTHER WEARING SURFACE, ENSURES CONSISTENT DIMENSIONS AND PERMITS UNIQUE DESIGN CAPABILITIES.

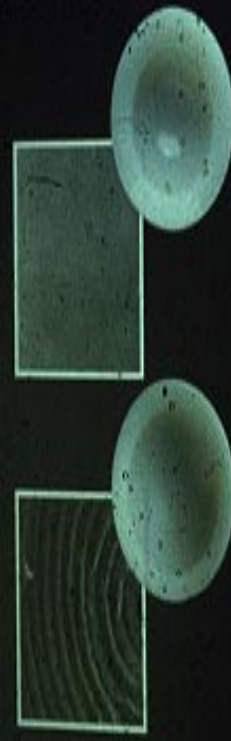
ZIMMER® polymer molding technology produces highly consistent Ultra-High Molecular Weight (UHMW) polyethylene implants offering improved control over many critical factors: molecular weight, molecular structure, absence of impurities or contamination, surface finish and dimensional variations. Unlike conventional polyethylene production techniques which rely upon machining of bar stock produced by outside production sources, ZIMMER molding technology permits almost total control over every phase - from receipt of high quality, pure virgin polymer resin to the finished polyethylene implant.

## poly two™

carbon polyethylene composite

### Mechanical Tests Demonstrate POLY TWO™'s Significant Improvements Over Conventional Polyethylene.

The technology of reinforcement of polyethylene with inert, high modulus carbon fibers has made possible an improved biomaterial for total joint arthroplasty. . . . POLY TWO. Mechanical tests show that this carbon-UHMW polyethylene composite material can offer significant improvements over conventional polyethylene.

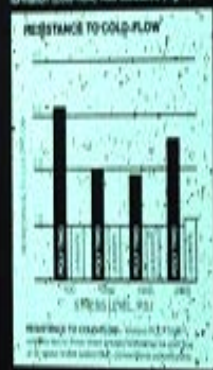


- MICRO-FINISH® ultra-smooth wearing surface to within 20 microns of an inch results in reduced friction and wear. Machining grooves or tool marks inherent in machining of conventional polyethylene are eliminated.
- Controlled molecular weight to ensure uniform properties through the implant.
- More intricate implant and implant surface designs (undercuts, interlocks, legs, etc.) to enhance function and cement fixation.
- Radiographic wires or internal metal supporting structures molded into UHMW polyethylene prevent their being loosened or dislocated during insertion.
- Controlled processing to eliminate contamination from machining compounds, extrusion contaminants and other foreign particles.
- Molding minimizes dimensional variations of finished components - implant to implant.

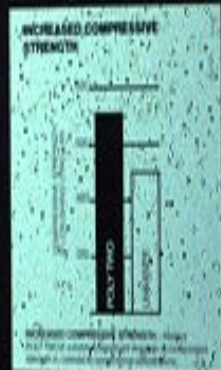


POLY TWO™ carbon-UHMW polyethylene composite has already been clinically utilized over a number of years in total joint applications. This composite is a patented technological advancement available exclusively through your ZIMMER® USA representative. U.S. Patent No. 4,505,842

#### I. GREATER RESISTANCE TO COLD-FLOW.



#### II. INCREASED COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH.



#### III. INCREASED RESISTANCE TO WEAR.



#### IV. BIODEGRADABILITY.

Biocompatibility and toxicity studies performed on molded POLY TWO show the carbon-polyethylene composite to be non-toxic. Tissue response to the composite shows no significant difference in cellular response to wear particulates from that encountered with conventional polyethylene. Historically, in vivo response demonstrates that implant materials made of UHMW polyethylene have generally been accepted as biocompatible. Testing of the molded POLY TWO composite involved both acute and chronic toxicity tests using conventional polyethylene and standard USP plastic test strips as controls. The molded POLY TWO composite and each of its individual components were tested for biocompatibility (Fig. 4).

Now, use of the unique molding process is combined with the benefits of a new technology developed in the ZIMMER®

# Micro-grain™ ZIMALOY®

## A High Strength Alloy Designed to Meet Demand of Increased Patient Activity and Weight.

Offering biocompatibility proven over nearly four decades, this ultra-fine grained version of cobalt-chromium-molybdenum offers the surgeon a material with increased load bearing capacity and reduced opportunity for fracture of femoral stems by metal fatigue secondary to loosening.

**Biocompatibility**  
MICRO-GRAIN ZIMALOY® has been shown to produce no adverse tissue reactions. Extensive animal testing has confirmed the same level of biological response as the cast, coarse grained version of the alloy.

**Elastic Modulus**  
Maintains the same elastic modulus as the cast alloy, but with increased ductility to reduce the potential for overheat fracture.

**Tensile Strength**  
MICRO-GRAIN ZIMALOY® offers the highest load bearing capacity of all the materials tested without plastic deformation at a fracture.

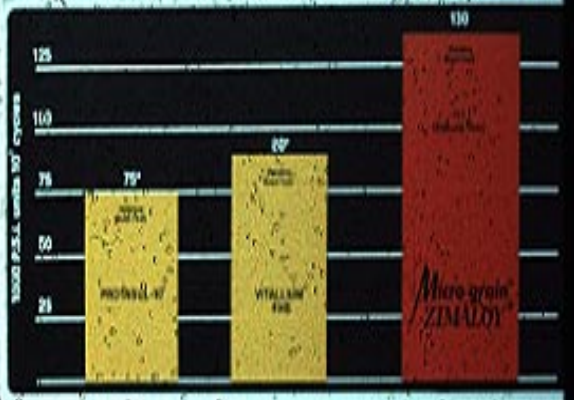
**Fatigue Strength**  
MICRO-GRAIN ZIMALOY offers the unique strength required to meet the demands of increased patient activity and weight-bearing by improving the load bearing capacity, resulting in a reduced potential for metal fatigue secondary to loosening.

**Smooth™ Surface**  
The homogeneous microstructure of MICRO-GRAIN ZIMALOY® provides ultra-smooth surface polishing of articulating surfaces.

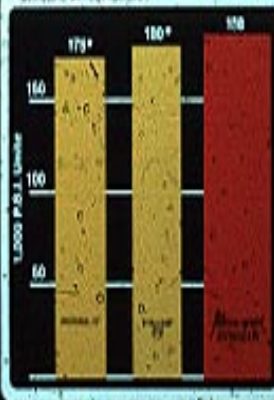


**HOMOGENOUS MICROSTRUCTURE**  
Cross-sectional view at 500x magnification

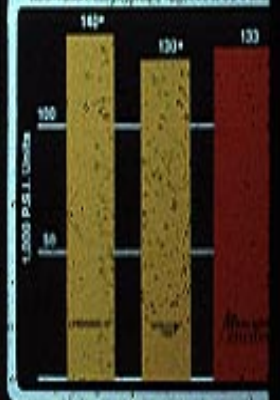
### FATIGUE STRENGTH (Measure of the maximum cyclic stress a material can withstand without fracture)



### ULTIMATE TENSILE STRENGTH (The maximum stress a tensile material can withstand without fracture)



### YIELD STRENGTH (The stress level at which measurable permanent deformation begins, usually applied at 0.2% strain)



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**TABLE I**  
**Representative Properties of Candidate Biocarbons**

	Tensile Strength (psi)	Modulus of Elasticity (psi x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	Strain to Fracture (percent)
ATJS	5,000	1.0	0.5
Glassy Carbon	17,000	4.0	0.4
Isotropic Carbon	30,000 <sup>a</sup>	3.4	0.9
Pyrostrand	4,000-33,000	1.4/2.0	1.0/1.8
PG/SIC	12,000-28,000	3.6/5.7	0.3/0.6

<sup>a</sup> Estimated from flexure data.