

PD233: Design of Biomedical Devices and Systems

(Lecture-13 Medical Implants and Prosthesis)

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Medical Implant

- Medical implants are devices or tissues that are placed inside or on the surface of the body.
- Many implants are prosthetics, intended to replace missing body parts.
- Other implants deliver medication, monitor body functions, or provide support to organs and tissues.

Examples:

Orthopaedic implants

Knee

Hip

Shoulder



Ophthalmologic

Intraocular lens

Contact lens

Retinal Surgery Implant

Prosthesis after Enucleation



Examples:

Cardiovascular implants
Vascular graft
Heart valves
Pacemakers



Reconstructive

Breast prostheses
Nose
Dental



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Factors affecting implant performance

Performance over the life of the implants need to be studied

Wear Micro-motion Stress-Shielding

Fit

Fixation

Stiffness

M Spector, MIT

For more details See https://ocw.mit.edu/courses/mechanical-engineering/2-782j-design-of-medical-devices-and-implants-spring-2006/lecture-notes/ch6_implant.pdf

Biomaterial Choices for Implants

Biomaterial : Any substance (other than a drug) or combination of substances, synthetic or natural in origin, which can be used at any period of time as a whole or in part of a system which treats, augments or place any tissue, organ or function of the body.

-Boretos and Eden, 1984

Depending on duration of use:

Non-absorbable materials for permanent implants

Absorbable materials for tissue scaffolds

Primary types of materials

Metallic (titanium, stainless steel)

Ceramics (ceramics, calcium phosphate, hydroxy apatite)

Covalent (polymers, biological macromolecules)

Metallic Biomaterials

Stainless steel

Fe-Cr-Ni-Mo-C...

+Strength

+ease of manf.

+availability

-potential of
corrosion

-high elasticity
modulus

Cobalt Chromium

Co-Cr-Mo-Ni...

+Strength

+Rel. wear resistance

-high modulus of
elasticity

Titanium Alloy

Ti-Al-V-Fe

+Strength

+low elasticity
modulus

+Corrosion
resistance

-low wear
resistance

Ceramics

- Compounds of metal and non-metallic elements
 - Alumina (Aluminium oxide)
 - Zirconia (Zirconium oxide)
 - Chromium Oxide
 - Titanium Oxide
- Dense/Hard scratch resistant
- Can be polished to ultra smooth surface

Oxinium

- New metal alloy (Zirconium and niobium) developed for implants that has a ceramic surface produced by a special oxidation process.

+scratch resistance

+low modulus

Combines advantages of metal alloys and ceramic materials

Polymer materials

(non-absorbing biomaterials)

UHMWPE (Ultra High Molecular Weight Poly-Ethelene)

PMMA (Poly-methyl methacrylate)

PEEK (Polyether ether ketone) ← 3D printable

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Absorbable biomaterials (synthetic)

- Polylactic acid and Polyglycolic acid
- Polycarbonates
- Polydioxanones
- Polyphosphazenes
- Poly(anhydrides)
- Poly(orthoesters)
- ...

Absorbable biomaterials (natural)

- Collagen
- Collagen-GAG copolymer
- Albumin
- Fibrin
- Hyaluronic acid
- Cellulose