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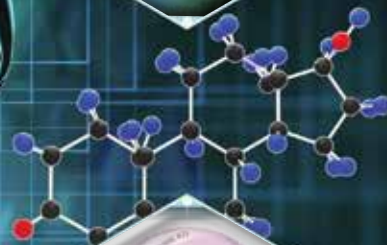
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by April Gocha and Lisa McDonald



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Perovskite tandem solar cell technologies improved rapidly in the past six years, but there are still challenges keeping them from commercialization. A recent review article by two researchers at the University of Surrey in the U.K. provides an expansive look at this budding industry.

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## Toward an International Year of Glass

Glass helps us live safer and more sustainable lives, from offering a sound disposal method for nuclear waste to improving osseointegration of biomedical implants to allowing for high-speed internet access. Yet this material, which is key to so many applications, is often underappreciated in society and viewed only in terms of windows and kitchenware.

Educating the public about the importance of glass in modern society is a goal for many materials science organizations, but individual efforts only go so far. What if we could bring people together in a global initiative to raise awareness of this influential material?

That is the driving force behind a recent initiative spearheaded by the International Commission on Glass (ICG) to have 2022 declared the International Year of Glass.

Since 1959, the General Assembly of the United Nations designated specific years as United Nations International Years to acknowledge fields of international endeavor and the importance of their contributions to global society. Usually, one or more Member States propose these observances, or on occasion, specialized agencies of the United Nations such as UNESCO and UNICEF may put forth a proposal. The proposal for the International Year of Glass, though, originated from a completely different source.

### International Year of Glass: From conception to a thousand endorsements

The idea for an International Year of Glass was first discussed at the 2018 Fall Annual Meeting of ICG in Yokohama, Japan, per a suggestion by ACerS Distinguished Life Member David Pye. In May 2019, ICG, The Corning Museum of Glass, The American



Ceramic Society, and The Glass Art Society endorsed the idea in a presentation to the Office of the United States Mission of the United Nations in New York City, which was well received.

ICG president Alicia Durán formally introduced the initiative to the ACerS community in a "Letter to the Editor" published in the September 2019 *Bulletin*. At the time, she noted that "Extensive planning is now underway to inform international art and scientific glass-themed societies and museums of this endeavor to secure the United Nations declaration of the 2022 International Year of Glass."

Since then, more than 1,100 organizations from over 70 countries have expressed support for the initiative. In an email, Durán says they are now forming an international steering committee to continue working and developing the initiative, and "Fundraising campaign, proposals of activities (international and national) and spreading these activities to the planet will be some of the tasks that we can face, and solve!!"

### Coming next: November presentation to the United Nations

The next big task on the way to having 2022 designated the International Year of Glass is to receive formal approval from the UN. To do that, the

International Year of Glass steering committee is preparing a presentation to be given in early November to the UN General Assembly.

Agustin Santos, the Spanish Ambassador to the UN, has guided the required resolution through the General Assembly, and he will present the proposal in November through a virtual presentation. The presentation will include introducing partner organizations and personalities in the International Year of Glass project, explaining the activities planned and concepts being developed, and how they link to the UN Agenda 2030.

Volkan Bozkir, the Turkish Ambassador and recently installed President of the Assembly, has already expressed his support and will do so during the presentation as well.

After the presentation, the resolution for approving the International Year will be presented at the 75<sup>th</sup> UN General Assembly planned for December 2020.

If you wish to become a supporting institution, you can register your interest on the official International Year of Glass website at <http://iyog2022.org> or email the steering committee at [manager@iyog2022.org](mailto:manager@iyog2022.org). You can follow updates on the initiative on the official LinkedIn page at <https://www.linkedin.com/company/international-year-of-glass-2022>. ■



## Review of “Transparent Ceramics: Materials, Engineering, and Applications”

Over the last two decades and more, a considerable effort has been invested in development of optically transparent ceramic and glass-ceramic materials for functioning as various optical elements. Fabrication techniques of ceramic components has the potential of being highly cost-effective, and exhibit improved uniformity of optical properties compared to their crystalline counterparts. The prospected uses range from transparent optical military armour up to optical laser components.

The book addresses in detail that entire scope, starting with the underlying theoretical basis through technical production details, relevant materials, and current and future prospected applications. Especially, it provides a survey and analysis of currently used and studied materials, and points out some goals for near future developments.

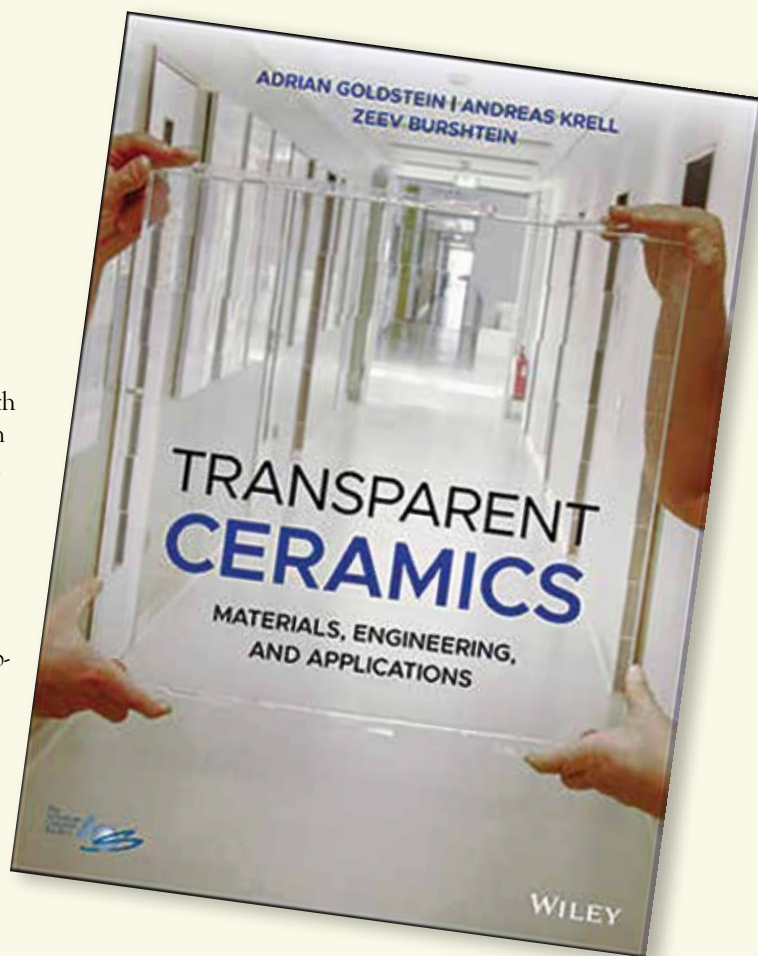
Chapter 1 describes the book rational topic and aims in view of some historic progress, a definition of the spectral regions of interest, definition of transparency factors, and fabrication means and costs.

Chapter 2 describes the basic physics underlying the interaction of light with matter. Fundamental features of light like polarization, interference, and interaction with matter involving reflection, refraction, absorption and scattering are related to the relevant material properties like refractive indices, and acoustic and optical waves. Special attention is devoted to energy states spectroscopy of dopant rare earth and transition metal ions.

Chapter 3 surveys in detail the issue of ceramic materials processing, with attention on those mostly adequate to obtain transparent parts of optical equipment.

Chapter 4 surveys the multitude of materials used and proposed to be used for production of transparent ceramics, all in view of available production techniques and aimed-at applications.

Chapter 5 elaborates on various possible applications of transparent ceramics, mostly for security windows, optical lenses, and laser parts, but also for some, perhaps less appreciated ones like colour filters, scintillation elements, dental parts, and many more.



The book offers the thus-far broadest and deepest account of transparent ceramics. Individuals wishing acquaintance with this still emerging field, for either teaching or performing of scientific research, will definitely benefit from learning and consulting this new book.

**Roni Shneck is professor in the Department of Materials Engineering at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel. ■**



## High-strength glass: Global markets

By Margareth Gagliardi

The global market for high-strength glass increased from \$28.9 billion in 2018 to \$30.9 billion in 2019, and is estimated to reach \$31.9 billion in 2020, corresponding to a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 5.0% during the two-year period.

The market is forecast to rise at a CAGR of 6.1% from 2020 to 2025, reaching global revenues of \$42.9 billion in 2025.

High-strength glass is a category of glass characterized by high tensile or compressive strength. Its origins can be traced back to the 1660s, when German-English officer and scientist Prince Rupert of the Rhine, Duke of Cumberland presented the first tempered glass with the shape of a teardrop to King Charles II of England. However, almost 200 years went by before the first industrial process for producing tempered glass was developed.

There are seven main sectors in which high-strength glass finds current and potential applications: aerospace and defense, construction, electronics and optoelectronics, energy, life sciences, mechanical/chemical, and transportation. Applications within the transportation sector currently account for the largest share of the market, at an estimated 53.4% of the total in 2020. High-strength glass for the construction sector represents a relatively smaller share at 21.5%, while electronics and optoelectronics is estimated to account for 7.6%. All the remaining applications represent a combined share of 17.4%.

Laminated and tempered soda-lime-silica glass currently represent the largest segment (85.4%) of the high-strength glass market, with projected sales of \$27.2 billion by the end of 2020.

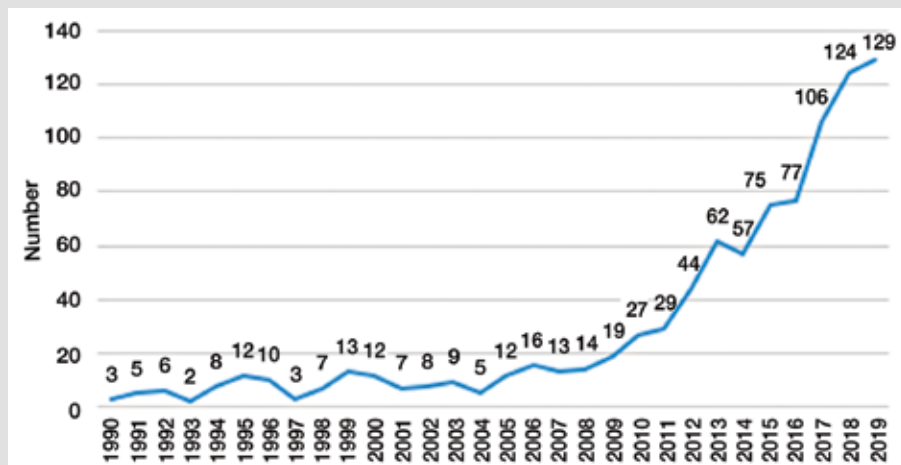


Figure 1. Number of global patent applications and patents issued related to high-strength glass, 1990–2019

Following that, aluminosilicate glass is estimated to be valued at \$2.4 billion (7.5%), borosilicate glass at \$1.6 billion (5.1%), and magnesium aluminosilicate glass at \$632 million (2.0%).

Sales of high-strength glass are expected to continue rising at a single-digit rate during the next five years due to a number of relevant factors, including

- Expected general moderate growth for most industry sectors in which high-strength glass finds application,
- Higher unit price for high-strength glass compared to traditional glass,
- Stronger demand in the construction sector due to architectural trends aimed at emphasizing natural lighting and energy savings,
- Stronger demand in the electronics

and optoelectronics sector due to on-going miniaturization and fabrication of devices with very thin profile,

- Larger use in the energy sector driven by the fabrication of solar cells and photothermal devices, and
- Emerging trends, such as higher demand for lightweight materials.

The Asia-Pacific

region is currently the largest consumer of high-strength glass, with sales estimated to reach \$13.1 billion by the end of 2020, corresponding to a share of 41.1% of the total. The United States represents the second-largest market (25.2%) with estimated sales of \$8.0 billion while Europe is expected to reach slightly over \$6.7 billion (21.1%).

### About the author

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### Resource

M. Gagliardi, "High-strength glass: Global markets" BCC Research Report AVM199A, October 2020. [www.bccresearch.com](http://www.bccresearch.com). ■

Table 1. Global market for high-strength glass, by end use, through 2025 (\$ millions)

End Use	2018	2019	2020	2025	CAGR% 2020-2025
Transportation	15,692	16,547	17,043	21,855	5.1
Construction	6,121	6,667	6,863	9,671	7.1
Electronics and optoelectronics	2,198	2,329	2,436	3,546	7.8
Energy	2,019	2,266	2,380	3,713	9.3
Aerospace and defense	920	953	977	1,194	4.1
Mechanical/chemical	750	798	822	1,074	5.5
Life sciences	597	640	670	914	6.4
Others	652	690	711	890	4.6
Total	28,949	30,890	31,902	42,857	6.1

## SOCIETY, DIVISION, SECTION, AND CHAPTER NEWS

### A Case for continuous membership

You were nominated to be an ACerS Fellow! ...but wait, you have not held continuous ACerS membership. I am sorry, you do not qualify for the Fellows distinction.

What if this situation happened to you? Do you count on renewing your ACerS membership only when you attend meetings? If you miss a meeting one year, you could experience a gap in membership and an interruption of important member benefits, such as the *Bulletin* and online access to ACerS' four peer-review journals and *Bulletin* archives.

It also makes you ineligible to receive distinctions that require continuous membership, such as becoming an ACerS Fellow (five continuous years) or Emeritus member (35 continuous years). To be eligible for Fellow and Emeritus status, ACerS encourages you to renew your membership each year. For more information about Fellows, Emeritus, or other awards eligibility, visit <https://ceramics.org/members/awards>. ■

### Volunteer Spotlight



*ACerS Volunteer Spotlight profiles a member who demonstrates outstanding service to the Society.*

**Delia Brauer** studied chemistry with environmental chemistry at Friedrich Schiller University Jena (Germany) and University of Northumbria at Newcastle (England) before executing a Ph.D. research project on degradable phosphate glasses and glass/polymer composites for medical applications at the Otto Schott Institute, Friedrich Schiller University Jena.

After postdoctoral research projects at the University of California, San Francisco; Imperial College London;

Queen Mary University of London; and Nagoya Institute of Technology (Japan), Brauer returned to Friedrich Schiller University Jena as a junior professor in 2012. She was made a full professor of bioactive glasses in 2017.

Brauer leads an international group of students and postdoctoral researchers from various backgrounds. Her research focuses on inorganic glasses as biomaterials and on the interaction between glass and water.

She has edited one book and has contributed several chapters to publications. She is regularly invited to give talks at international conferences.

Brauer served as chair of Technical Committee 04 (Bioglasses) and member of Technical Committee 23 (Education) of the International Commission on Glass. The 2015 winner of the Gottardi Prize of the ICG, she was made a Fellow of the Society of Glass Technology (U.K.) in 2016. In 2020, together with Jessica Rimsza, she served as program co-chair of the first Virtual Glass Summit organized by ACerS.

We extend our deep appreciation to Brauer for her service to our Society! ■

#### In memoriam

Edward Aitken  
David J. Barber  
Daniel Reardon  
Willard Renner  
John Roberts  
Stuart Weinland

Some detailed obituaries can also be found on the ACerS website, [www.ceramics.org/in-memoriam](http://www.ceramics.org/in-memoriam).

### Names in the News



Jain

**Himanshu Jain**, Lehigh University's T.L. Diamond Distinguished Chair in Engineering and Applied Science and professor of materials science and engineering, was

named winner of the 2020 *Journal of Non-Crystalline Solids* N.F. Mott Award, which recognizes a distinguished senior scientist with a history of outstanding contributions to the science of non-crystalline solids.



Wagner

**Larry Wagner** joined Du-Co Ceramics as automation engineer-electrical. ■

## AWARDS AND DEADLINES

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This year's ACerS award winners can be seen on our YouTube channel <https://youtu.be/7L9sRTTNVeI>. Congratulations to all the winners! ■

### Upcoming awards nomination deadlines

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### Society awards: January 15

ACerS runs a thriving awards program that recognizes the contributions of deserving individuals and companies in the ceramics and glass community. Nominations are encouraged for candidates from groups that are under-represented in ACerS awards relative to



## Awards and deadlines (cont.)

their participation in the Society, including women, underrepresented minorities, industry scientists and engineers, and international members.

We urge you to submit nominations for our many Society and Division awards.

### GOMD awards: January 21

The Glass & Optical Materials Division seeks nominations by **Jan. 21, 2021**, for the following awards:

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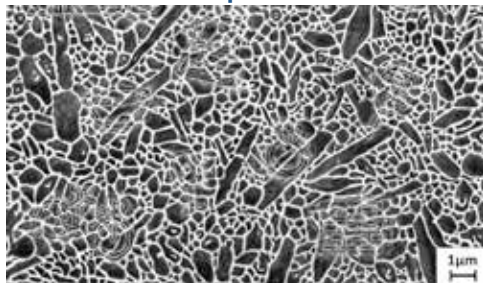
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by **Rachel Eckert**,  
Iowa State University

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*Promethean Sierpinski*  
by **Zach Abrams**,  
Charles E. Smith Jewish Day School



#### ACerS PCSA Lab Bloop Competition



#### ◀ 2020 Artistic, Scientific, and Viewer's Choice Award

*Murphy's Law always obey*  
by **Anna De Marzi**,  
University of Padova

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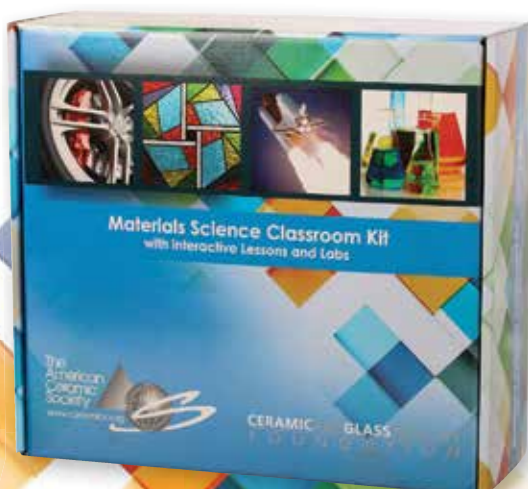
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## Titanium-reinforced bioceramic implant induces cranial regrowth in sheep

Researchers from several Swedish universities and institutes described in a recent paper a synthetic ceramic implant they created that could regenerate bone in large cranial defects in sheep.

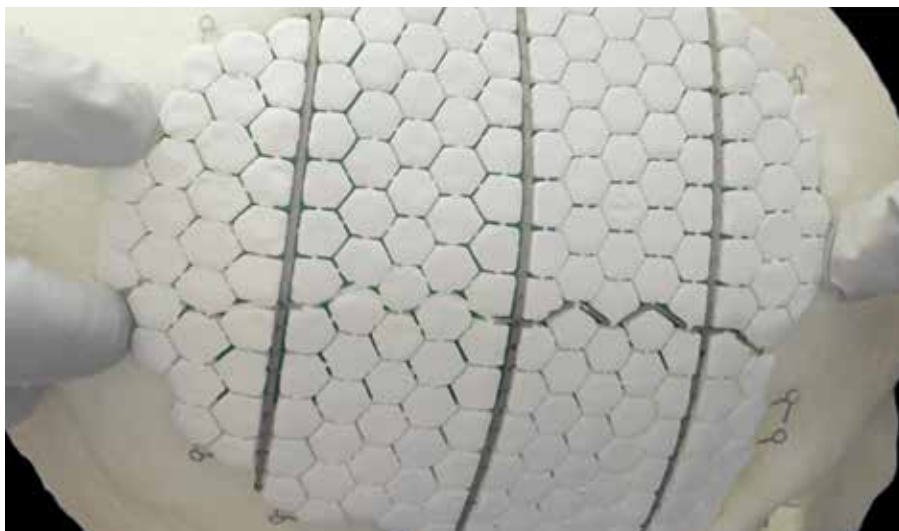
Cranioplasty, or the surgical reconstruction of a defect in the skull, is a practice stretching back hundreds of years, but the technique only became common during the second half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, due largely to warfare providing an impetus to improve our ability to cover large cranial defects.

To date, autologous bone grafts, or grafts made from bone obtained from other areas of the patient, are the standard for reconstructive treatment. Yet this approach is associated with frequent complications, in particular relatively high resorption, protrusion, and infection rates and a high rate of donor-site morbidities.

In the past few decades, researchers have extensively investigated alloplastic materials, or synthetic materials that substitute for tissue, as another option for cranioplasty grafts. Calcium phosphate ceramics are one group of materials that have played a central role in modern alloplastic cranioplasty research due to their biocompatibility and osteoconductivity, i.e., the ability of bone-forming cells in the grafting area to move across a scaffold and slowly replace it with new bone.

Calcium phosphate cements in particular have gained an edge over granular calcium phosphates because of advantages afforded by the cements' self-hardening properties, which make molding the brittle ceramic into a desired shape easier. Often, the cements are combined with or overlaid on other materials such as bioresorbable fibers or titanium mesh, respectively, to augment strength of the graft.

In recent years, several studies showed calcium phosphate ceramics that consist of several phases, such as beta-tricalcium phosphate ( $\beta$ -TCP) and hydroxyapatite, exhibit improved or new properties compared to ceramics with a single phase. For example, high protein adsorption and osteoinduction, or the ability to stimulate cells to change into bone-



**Researchers in Sweden developed this experimental bioceramic implant, which is composed of calcium phosphate tiles reinforced and interconnected by an additively manufactured titanium frame.**

forming cells. More researchers are now exploring mixed-phase calcium phosphate ceramics, such as the collaborative group of researchers in Sweden.

For their study, the researchers from the University of Gothenburg, Uppsala University, and Karolinska University Hospital and Karolinska Institutet chose a powder mixture of  $\beta$ -TCP/dicalcium pyrophosphate and monocalcium phosphate monohydrate for their ceramic, which they mixed with glycerol to form a paste. They molded this bioceramic paste in the form of hexagonal tiles around an additively manufactured titanium frame and then left it to set overnight in sterile water, a process that also eliminated the glycerol.

The titanium-reinforced bioceramic implant and a control implant made only of titanium were placed in sheep skulls for testing. Following analysis of observations recorded at three months and 12 months, the researchers drew several notable conclusions, including

- **Soft tissue adaption:** The bioceramic implants revealed defect restoration and soft tissue adaptation in sheep cranial defects. In contrast, soft tissue contraction was apparent around titanium implants, with visible metal on the skin and dura sides.

- **Bone growth:** In the sheep skull, the bioceramic implant promoted a higher degree of bone formation, remodeling, and osseointegration compared to the titanium implant, leading to enhanced repair of the cranial defect. Outside the skeletal envelope, only the bioceramic implant promoted bone formation and maintained bone. Regardless of the location, the regenerated bone from the bioceramic had a composition similar to that of the native bone.

In the discussion section, the researchers note two main limitations of the study: the absence of a mechanical evaluation after bone regeneration, and the absence of cellular and molecular techniques to shed light on the underlying ceramic-to-bone transformation mechanisms. Despite these limitations, the researchers say the study provided proof-of-concept for this bioceramic's potential to promote in situ bone regeneration and osseointegration.

The open-access paper, published in *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, is "In situ bone regeneration of large cranial defects using synthetic ceramic implants with a tailored composition and design" (DOI: 10.1073/pnas.2007635117). ■



## Thermal scanning probe lithography allows precise nanocutting of 2D materials

Researchers at École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL) in Switzerland explored using thermal scanning probe lithography to fabricate nanostructures in 2D materials.

To date, top-down approaches to nanostructure construction are used extensively in the semiconductor industry to fabricate integrated circuits, among other things. Specifically, lithographic techniques—or techniques by which a pattern is transferred onto a surface—are typically used.

Common lithographic techniques involve using beams of light, electrons, or ions to etch patterns onto a surface. However, though these techniques work well for fabricating nanostructures on most surfaces, they run into some challenges when used to pattern 2D materials, such as causing structural damage.

Scanning probe lithography (SPL) is one type of lithography that holds potential for effectively fabricating nanostructures in 2D materials. Instead of using a focused beam of particles to etch patterns in a sample, SPL methods use a physical tip to modify the surface through various physical and chemical interactions, such as scratching, nanoindentation, or heating.

Among SPL methods, thermal scanning probe lithography (t-SPL) has gained much attention in recent years. This method involves using a heated nanotip to modify the surface of a sample, and it has now reached a high level of technical maturity, with several dedicated tools to perform reliable t-SPL.

In the recent open-access study on t-SPL, the researchers made a significant change to the setup of their experiment to fully harness the thermal component of t-SPL.

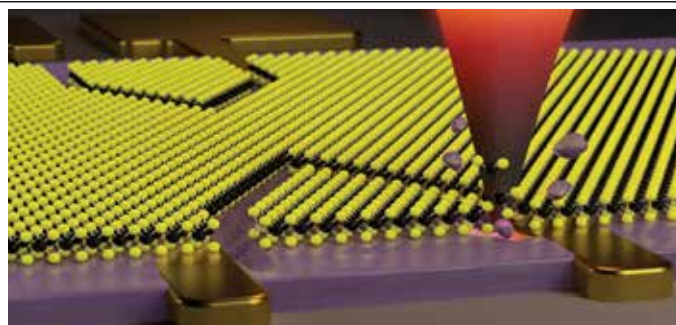
Instead of placing the 2D materials directly on an inelastic substrate, they placed a polymer layer between the 2D layer and substrate. “The polymer we use is polyphthalaldehyde (PPA) with a glass transition temperature of  $\approx 150^\circ\text{C}$ . Above this temperature, ... PPA does not melt but directly sublimates,” they write in the paper.

When they pressed the heated tip into the 2D material, sublimation of the underlying polymer layer allowed the tip to achieve a deeper indentation, thus making it easier to cut through the 2D material’s chemical bonds.

The researchers used the t-SPL method to create square patterns in a variety of molybdenum-based 2D materials, with pattern sizes ranging from 20 to 200 nm. “The smallest feature we were able to cut is about 20 nm, which is the smallest reported for a direct cutting method and is similar to the resolution in [electron beam lithography],” they write.

They also note their method is not limited to cutting monolayers but also can be used to cut certain multilayers and, “most interestingly,” heterostructures. They acknowledge graphene, even at monolayer thickness, could not be fractured “as the intra-layer bonding exceeds the force that can be applied with the t-SPL tool,” but they say this limitation “could be eventually overcome with a t-SPL cantilever that can apply larger contact forces.”

In an EPFL press release, first author Xia Liu, researcher and postdoc in the School of Engineering’s Microsystems



Credit: Case Western Reserve University

**Researchers in the U.S. and Italy found infiltrating metalenses with liquid crystals may allow dynamic control of the lenses’ optical properties.**

Laboratory, says their technique could prove quite useful to the semiconductor industry.

“This generic technology will be very useful in nanoelectronics, nanophotonics, and nanobiotechnology, as it will help to make electronic components smaller and more efficient,” she says.

The open-access paper, published in *Advanced Materials*, is “Thermomechanical nanocutting of 2D materials” (DOI: 10.1002/adma.202001232). ■

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## Modeling illuminates properties of ancient ceramics

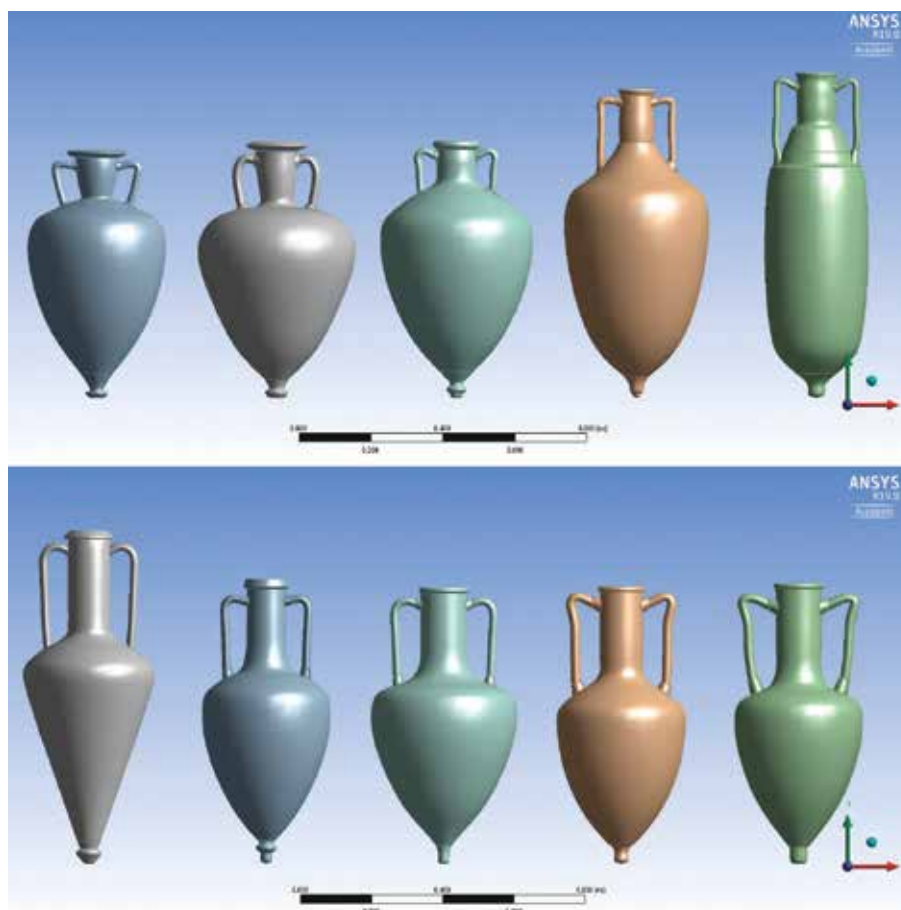
When master artisans passed down recipes for historic pottery from generation to generation, they determined correct firing and other processing conditions by relying on senses and experiences that could in no way be captured, even when records were kept. So it is no wonder some of the beauty and utility of historic pottery is difficult to replicate today, even by skilled artisans and engineers.

As archeologists find more artifacts, archeometrists seek to unlock the secrets of ancient civilizations and their engineers and artisans. But how can these scientists uncover key mechanical and chemical information from such priceless, irreplaceable items? How can they figure out how they were produced? Examining shards is helpful when the tests can be destructive, but it only goes so far. Instead, scientists use models to estimate and attempt to reproduce such items.

Two recent open-access articles in *International Journal of Ceramic Engineering & Science* discuss models that were used to better understand ceramics from different parts of the world designed for very different purposes: commerce and decoration.

### Amphorae: Understanding mechanical properties of standard transport containers

With the advent of regional trade, merchants needed containers in which to store and transport goods over long



3D models of amphorae from Kos (top) and Rhodes (bottom).

distances, especially by boat. And one type of ceramic container used often in antiquity for this purpose was amphorae.

Amphorae are bullet-shaped vessels, typically with long necks and handles that are affixed near the mouth of the

vessel on one end and attached to the body at the other. They are specifically designed to be stacked inside cargo holds of ships in multiple layers.

While the amphorae itself had some value, the real value lay in the vessel's

## Research News

### Flash graphene rocks strategy for plastic waste

Rice University researchers advanced a new technique to make graphene from waste with a focus on plastic. Instead of raising the temperature of a carbon source with direct current, as in the original process, the lab first exposes plastic waste to around eight seconds of high-intensity alternating current, followed by the DC jolt. The products are high-quality turbostratic graphene, a valuable and soluble substance that can be used to enhance electronics, composites, concrete, and other materials. They estimate that at industrial scale, the process could produce graphene for about \$125 in electricity costs per ton of plastic waste. For more information, visit <https://news.rice.edu/category/news-releases>. ■

### Mini perovskite solar panels with 18.4% efficiency

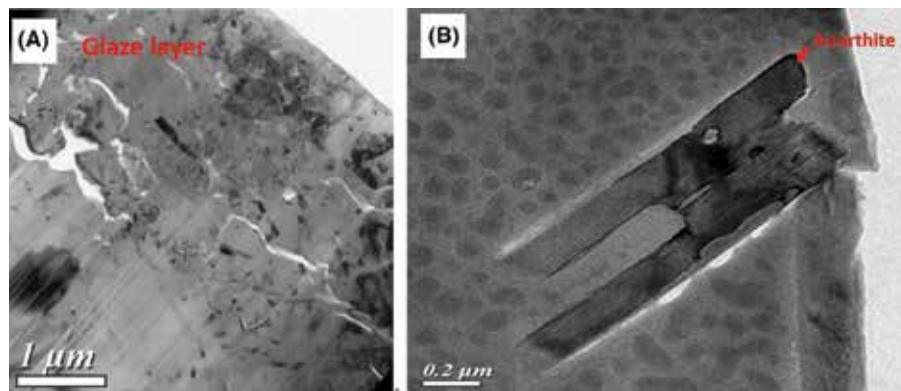
Researchers from Singapore's Energy Research Institute at Nanyang Technological University developed a mini solar module based on thermally evaporated perovskites with an efficiency of 18.4% and a geometric fill factor of around 91%. The module, which has an active area of 6.4 cm<sup>2</sup>, is based on thermally evaporated methylammonium lead iodide with an optimized thickness of 750 nm. The perovskite films were used to build solar cells with an "n-i-p" layout on fluorine-doped tin oxide glass substrates. For more information, visit <https://www.pv-magazine.com>. ■

contents. As such, if the container broke and the contents of that vessel were lost—and potentially damaged other goods in the cargo hold as well—it could result in substantial losses to the producer and the ship owner.

In the first open-access paper, Anno Hein and Vassilis Kilikoglou from the Institute of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology in Greece assessed specific design features of different amphorae for their performance (e.g., failure potential), particularly during transport. Furthermore, they used simulations to provide information to help interpret typical damages observed in archaeological finds.

The researchers ran nondestructive testing such as X-ray tomography to determine wall thicknesses while performing mechanical testing on shards to get insights into mechanical strength, tangent moduli, and plastic deformation.

They used the limited experimental information as inputs and boundary



**TEM micrographs of the shard of Ru celadon porcelain, including (A) the glaze layer of Ru celadon porcelain, and (B) anorthite surrounded by the dual-phasic glass matrix.**

conditions for finite element modeling of the stresses that build up at the contact points of the amphorae due to static vertical loading (e.g., the weight of one layer on the next), dynamic vertical loads (ships travel over waves), and dynamic horizontal loads (ships rocking side-to-side).

The results of the modeling include compressive and tensile stresses on the exterior and interior walls of the

amphorae. Excessive compressive loads are found, but the authors surmise these loads result in elasto-plastic deformation, which is not catastrophic. Tensile stresses on the outer surfaces, on the other hand, can lead to crack initiation and eventual failure. Failed amphorae artifacts show damage in the areas predicted by the modeling.

The open-access paper, published in *International Journal of Ceramic Engineer-*

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ing & Science, is “Digital modeling of function and performance of transport amphorae” (DOI: 10.1002/ces2.10056).

## Ru celadon: Investigating the coloring of a masterwork of Chinese ceramics

Celadon is a pottery term that refers to both a transparent, greenish glaze and the wares to which the glaze is applied. Though the term is purely European, celadon originated in China, and today notable kilns such as the Longquan kiln in Zhejiang province are renowned for their celadon glazes.

Celadons come mostly in some shade of green, but shades of pale blue—notably Ru celadon—are highly valued, and in historical times were reserved more or less exclusively for use in the Chinese Imperial court.

In the second open-access paper, Yen-Yu Chen (Chinese Culture University) and Yi-Wun Bai and Wen-Cheng J. Wei (National Taiwan University) investigated methods to reproduce the unique color and milky opalescence of ancient Ru celadon glazed ceramics.

The color of celadon is generated by two mechanisms: chemical coloring by iron species in calcium aluminosilicate compositions; and structural coloring by inhomogeneities, specifically crystallites and voids in the celadon glass. While there is some information available about the material composition of ancient celadon—both from analysis of ancient shards and from prior studies—the fabrication methods are not well understood. For example, it is believed the porcelain was fired in a reducing environment, but there is no way of knowing the composition of the gases or their temperature—the technology simply did not exist for those measurements 1,000 years ago.

In this article, the researchers created their own celadon by varying a range of experimental conditions, including composition relative to phase stability data for the complex chemical system and firing temperatures, environments, and holding times. They measured the model

systems they created against a shard of ancient celadon ceramic for color, microstructure, and chemical content of the glass and crystallites.

In the end they came close to the ancient celadon color and opalescence, giving insight into ancient firing protocols. Their work supports the combination of the chemical coloring and structural coloring mechanisms. Specifically, the dual-phase nature of the glass contributes to Rayleigh scattering while crystallites and voids contribute to the “milky” color, while the ratio of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  oxidation states of iron contribute to chemical coloration.

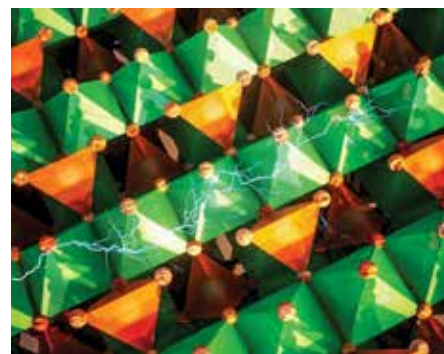
The open-access paper, published in *International Journal of Ceramic Engineering & Science*, is “Analysis of structural effects on coloring mechanism of Ru celadon porcelain” (DOI: 10.1002/ces2.10058). ■

## Updated small-polaron transport model accounts for complex oxide systems

An interdisciplinary collaboration between Cornell University and Technion-Israel Institute of Technology (Israel) updated a model for ceramic conduction to more accurately calculate small-polaron transport in complex oxides.

For the past 60 years, researchers described the movement of polarons through a material using a small-polaron transport model developed by Heikes and Ure in the 1960s. However, Heikes and Ure developed the model based on binary compounds. When this model is used to describe conduction in higher-order oxides with multiple cations, it quickly runs into problems, as the researchers describe in their paper.

“For instance, in the binary spinel  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$ , all of the charge-conducting octahedral (Oh) sites are occupied by Fe cations, and charge transport occurs along pathways having an alternating arrangement of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}^{3+}$ ,” they explain. “On replacing an  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  cation with a  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  cation, although the donor/acceptor pair arrangement is still present, the



Credit: Robinson et al., Cornell University

**An updated ceramic conduction model may help researchers custom-tailor the properties of metal oxides in energy technologies such as lithium-ion batteries, fuel cells, and electrocatalysts.**

charge transport may be affected by the differences introduced by the hopping barriers or different spinstates between the  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Mn}^{2+}$  cation pairs.”

To update the conventional small-polaron transport model, the researchers investigated conduction in a tightly defined sample of epitaxial thin films of the spinel  $\text{Mn}_x\text{Fe}_{3-x}\text{O}_4$  grown by molecular-beam epitaxy.

Experiments on the  $\text{Mn}_x\text{Fe}_{3-x}\text{O}_4$  spinels confirmed what the researchers suspected—that charge cannot hop between manganese and iron cations. “This creates a requirement for a contiguous elemental path and leads to an additional condition for charge transport to occur: separate, decoupled percolation networks need to be formed by both Fe and Mn cations,” they write.

They also observed a preference for polarons to travel along the manganese pathways rather than the iron pathways, and the presence of asymmetric hopping barriers between cross-hopping pairs. “To account for these observations, we introduce a percolation parameter, a polaron distribution parameter, and a cross-hopping parameter to the conventional electronic conductivity equation that correct the model for higher-order spinels,” they write.

The updated model with these additional parameters showed “excellent overlap” with the experimental trends, thus “confirming the role of percolation pathways and cross-hopping in describing the charge transport in ternary spinels.”

The paper, published in *Advanced Materials*, is “Breakdown of the small-polaron hopping model in higher-order spinels” (DOI: 10.1002/adma.202004490). ■

## Ceramic matrix composites contain corrosive materials in thermal energy storage

In the recent September/October 2020 issue of the *International Journal of Applied Ceramic Technology*, two articles from different research groups in Germany explore creating carbon/carbon-silicon carbide (C/C-SiC) ceramic matrix composites (CMCs) for use as container materials in thermal energy storage systems.

Thermal energy storage systems offer an alternative to batteries and pumped hydro for storing energy generated from renewable sources. However, the molten salts and other closely related materials that are at the center of such systems are difficult to contain due to the highly corrosive nature of the liquid materials, moderately high operating temperatures, and substantial expansion during the transition from solid to liquid.

Producing container materials that can withstand the high temperatures, thermal expansion stresses, and corrosive materials for decades of operation are key to adoption of large-scale thermal energy storage. And as the research groups in Germany showed, C/C-SiC CMCs have the potential to serve as good container materials.

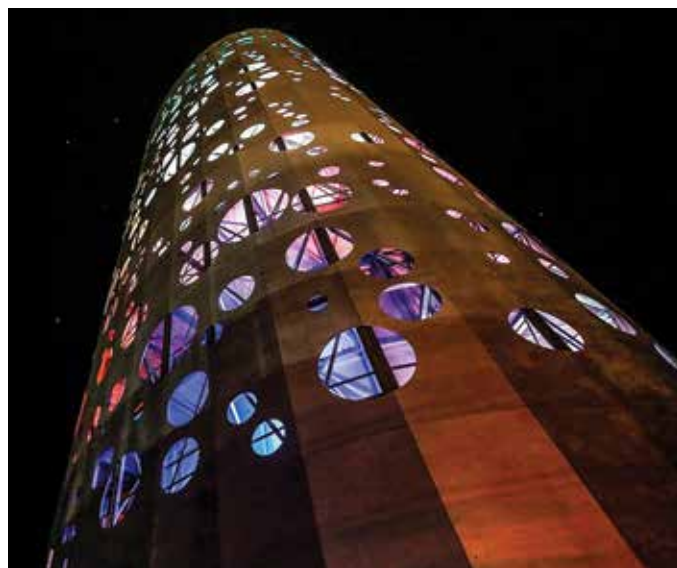
In the first open-access article, researchers from the German Aerospace Research Center and the University of Augsburg in Germany describe the design, fabrication, and characterization of a C/C-SiC container for an aluminum-silicon phase change alloy.

The first stages of their study focused on fabrication and compatibility testing of C/C-SiC test bars. They found the bars withstood the liquid aluminum-silicon alloy and maintained their physical properties with no discernable interactions, such as penetration of the alloy into the test bars. Though there are potential chemical reactions between the alloy and the CMC, the researchers found no evidence of substantial reactions, which echoes the findings of other researchers.

Following the test bars, they continued with the design and fabrication of the container. They decided on low-cost, scalable techniques for fabricating the four main components of their annular container and then used these techniques as boundary conditions for finite element analysis. They used finite element analysis to determine container wall thickness by balancing the strength needed to withstand stresses that arise during phase changes against heat conduction requirements to allow efficient energy transfer.

Unfortunately, pressure testing of the container revealed cracks at the interface of two of the parts, which most likely occurred during fabrication. Though the flaw prevented the full regimen of performance testing, and several issues require further experimentation, the researchers believe the container shows promise for thermal energy storage application.

The second article, by researchers from Chemnitz University of Technology in Germany, describes a different path to low-cost fabrication of C/C-SiC composites. The researchers pre-



**Thermal energy storage tower inaugurated in 2017 in Bozen-Bolzano, South Tyrol, Italy. Ceramic matrix composites hold promise as container materials for high-temperature and corrosive materials integral to thermal energy storage.**

pared C/C-SiC using carbon fiber reinforced polymers as the starting material. The moldable precursor polymers are shaped and cross-linked, then pyrolyzed to C/C composites under argon atmosphere. Conversion to C/C-SiC is achieved by either liquid silicon infiltration or internal siliconization, the latter of which is accomplished by mixing silicon powder into the original polymer.

The researchers explored the effects of carbon fiber fraction (weight %), silicon fraction, and silicon loading method by measuring the processing parameters of mass loss, shrinkage, and porosity, and performance parameters of strength and elongation. The results are complex, but in short, the researchers concluded that the best mechanical properties were found to be at a fiber mass content of 40%, and a silicon amount higher than 14 wt% negatively influences the whole process.

Their results show that molding C/C-SiC composites from preceramic polymer-based mixtures has the potential to be a cost-effective method for fabrication of complex structures. Further research to optimize properties and processing parameters should improve the end-product performance and allow this method to compete with the more conventional fabrication methods, such as those employed by the authors of the first open-access paper.

The first open-access paper, published in *International Journal of Applied Ceramic Technology*, is “C/C-SiC component for metallic phase change materials” (DOI: 10.1111/ijac.13570).

The second paper, published in *International Journal of Applied Ceramic Technology*, is “Properties of C/C-SiC composites produced via transfer moulding and inner siliconization” (DOI: 10.1111/ijac.13548). ■

## Polar rather than conductive battery cathodes lead to long-term cycling stability

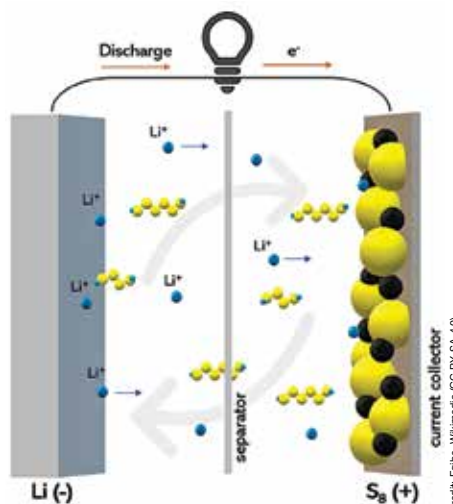
An international team led by Jong-Su Yu from Daegu Gyeongbuk Institute of Science & Technology (Korea) and Khalil Amine from Argonne National Laboratory conducted a recent study to determine the respective importance of two key properties—polarity and conductivity—in improving the cycling stability of lithium-sulfur batteries.

Li-S batteries have a theoretical specific energy of more than 2,500 Wh/kg, which is much higher than the average specific energy of 100–265 Wh/kg for current Li-ion batteries. However, to date the experimental values of Li-S battery specific energy have been far below theoretical values.

The main mechanisms hindering Li-S battery performance are irreversible loss of sulfur from the cathode (the polysulfide “shuttle” effect) and unstable lithium deposition on the anode. These mechanisms are not the only challenges, however. Sulfur also has low electrical conductivity ( $5 \times 10^{-30}$  S/cm at room temperature), which hinders the cycling efficiency of Li-S batteries.

To improve conductivity, researchers have experimented extensively with placing the cathode’s sulfur within highly conductive carbon host materials, such as hollow porous carbon, graphene, mesoporous carbon, and microporous carbon. Unfortunately, long-term cycling stability continues to be a problem because of the nonpolar covalent bonds that carbon forms with itself, which prevent polysulfides on the carbon surface from attaching strongly, and instead they diffuse away—leading to the notorious polysulfide “shuttle” effect.

Researchers have investigated employing oxide additives, polymers, or other inorganic materials on the carbon framework to enhance polysulfide confinement and mitigate the polysulfide shuttle effect. But these methods often require complicated and expensive synthesis processes, plus they limit the accommodation of sulfur by reducing available surface area.



**Shuttling of polysulfide compounds (shown as yellow and blue chains) impairs the performance of lithium-sulfur batteries. Polar host materials for the cathode’s sulfur can mitigate this effect, and researchers found this ability makes up for the materials’ low conductivity.**

Based on these challenges, the question of the best host material for sulfur in Li-S batteries remains wide open.

In the recent study, the researchers wanted to determine if it is better to pursue polarity or conductivity in the cathode to improve cycling if only one of these two properties can be maximized. To answer this question, they designed two cathodes, one made from platelet ordered mesoporous silica (pOMS) and one made from platelet ordered mesoporous carbon (pOMC).

“The two cathodes were designed to be exact replicas of one another apart from the use of either silica or carbon,” Amine says in an Argonne press release. “This way, we could determine whether a more polar cathode or a more conductive cathode improved the longevity of the battery.”

Upon testing, the researchers found that while the conductive carbon host with a higher specific surface area of  $1,597 \text{ m}^2 \text{ g}^{-1}$  showed better initial capacity, “the polar [silica host] with a lower surface area of  $844 \text{ m}^2 \text{ g}^{-1}$  reveals much more stable performance for long cycles

and eventually outperforms the conductive counterpart after 500 cycles.”

In addition, the silica host also demonstrated outstanding low fading rates, even at high current density, and comparable and improved areal and volumetric capacities, respectively, compared to carbon hosts.

“These outstanding areal and volumetric capacities, as well as cycle stability, which have not been achieved by even state-of-the-art carbon hosts, clearly indicate that the polar [silica] host, despite nonconductivity, has high promising potential for energy storage in [Li-S batteries],” the researchers write in the paper.

Of course, electrical conductivity is still necessary to achieve good electrochemical performance. “However, the conductivity is not a big issue in the host itself since the poor conductivity of the host can be compensated by the conducting agent involved as a required electrode material during electrode preparation,” the researchers add.

In the conclusion, the researchers note they are currently investigating ways to improve electron pathways in the silica host while maintaining the high surface polar properties, such as by adding a thin conductive carbon coating to the silica to enhance conductivity.

The paper, published in *Advanced Energy Materials*, is “Revisiting the role of conductivity and polarity of host materials for long-life lithium–sulfur battery” (DOI: 10.1002/aenm.201903934). ■

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# BETTER BODIES WITH BIOMATERIALS:

## How ceramic and glass contribute to the \$110B global market for implantable biomaterials

By April Gocha and Lisa McDonald

Ceramic and glass biomaterials integrate with the human body in diverse ways to support human health. As aging populations and evolving healthcare approaches shift the medical landscape, increasing opportunities for both established and innovative technologies predict a strong future for ceramics and glass.



**T**here are few systems that can efficiently incorporate materials that provide structural support, filtration capacity, energy generation, energy storage, electrical conductivity, gas exchange, processing power, dynamic flexibility, and regenerative potential into one integrated, highly functional, and incredibly adaptable self-contained system.

Yet the human body is a system that can provide all those functions and many more, and it does so through a unique collection of highly functional materials.

# Better bodies with biomaterials

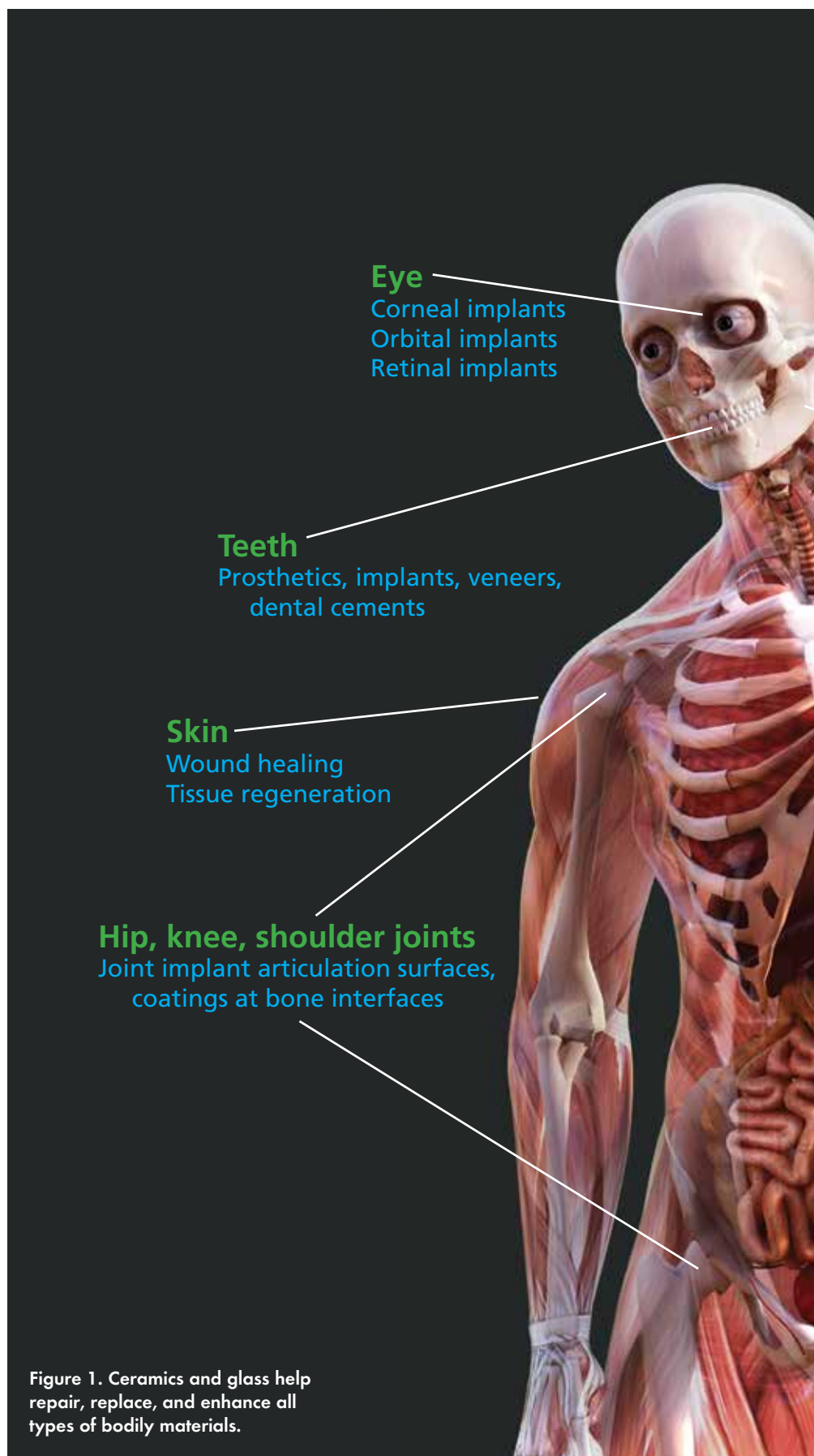
Collectively those materials enable everything our bodies do, and they often retain functionality throughout the human lifespan, which worldwide is an average of 73.2 years.<sup>1</sup> However, the materials are not always perfect and sometimes fail due to overuse, injury, disease, or genetics—circumstances that are becoming more common as worldwide populations age due to population dynamics and increasing life expectancies.

Globally, the number of individuals over 65 years old surpassed that of children under 5 years old for the first time in history in 2018. And while an estimated one in 11 individuals (9%) around the world were over 65 years old in 2019, the older population is expected to increase to one in six (16%) by 2050.<sup>2</sup>

These trends affect nearly every aspect of life, perhaps most notably healthcare. Individuals are living longer and are remaining active until later years of life, demanding enhanced strategies to maintain longer functionality of the body's materials.

Humans have long turned to biomaterials in diverse forms to repair, replace, or enhance bodily materials (Figure 1), establishing a global market for implantable biomaterials that was estimated to be worth nearly \$110 billion in 2019.<sup>3</sup> While metals, polymers, ceramics, and glass all are used for biomaterial applications, ceramics and glass have a particular advantage, says Frank Anderson, vice president of Global Research and Development at CoorsTek (Golden, Colo.). "Many technical ceramics are inherently biocompatible, chemically-resistant, and inert, which gives them a unique advantage over other implantable materials," he says.

The global market for bioceramics was valued at \$14.5 billion in 2016 and is predicted to reach a value of \$20.2 billion by 2021, growing at a 6.9% compound annual growth rate (CAGR).<sup>4</sup> The market is mainly dominated by alumina and zirconia, which account for 75% of the market due to primary use of these materials in bone and dental implants. Other bioceramics frequently found in implantable devices include hydroxyapatite and tricalcium phosphate, and bioactive glass also has clini-



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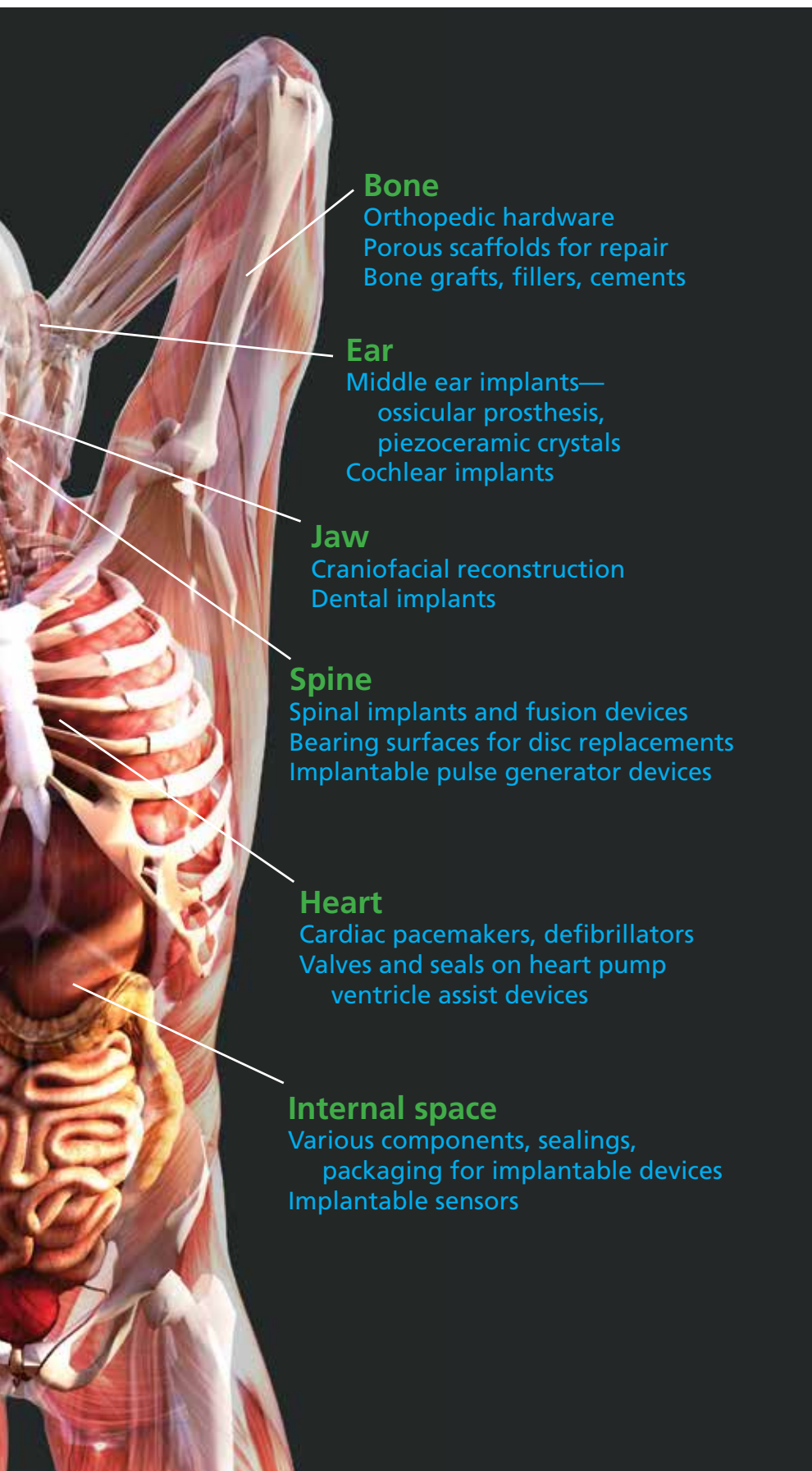
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**Figure 1. Ceramics and glass help repair, replace, and enhance all types of bodily materials.**





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packaging for implantable devices  
Implantable sensors

cal applications with rapidly expanding potential throughout the human body.

It should be noted that while these materials predominate many implantable applications within the human body, mainly due to their acceptance and time on the market, other ceramic and glass compositions are also suitable for many of these applications, and we might expect their purview to expand in future markets.

Collectively, ceramic and glass materials enable many different kinds of implantable medical products that not only significantly contribute to human health but also constitute robust industries with rich economic impact. Table 1 provides a sample of some companies that manufacture ceramic and glass biomaterials or implantable products.

The following sections highlight a handful of applications for ceramics and glass in the human body. Although the listed applications are not exhaustive, the diversity highlighted here should provide a flavor of the vast potential of ceramics and glass within the human body.

## **PACKAGING: GLASS PROTECTS BOTH BODY AND DEVICE**

Ceramic and glass materials are incorporated into or play supporting roles in many electronic devices implanted into the human body, such as neurostimulators and pacemakers. In these applications, a bioinert and long-lasting barrier between the device components and the harsh environment of the body is imperative to protect both—precisely a job for ceramics and glass.

For instance, glass-sealed feedthroughs and packaging often encase the batteries for implantable pacemakers, where a hermetic seal preserves both function of the device and safety of the patient.

“Glass is used to seal the terminals of pacemaker batteries. It acts as an electrical insulation material for the metal conductors. At the same time, glass creates a reliably gas-tight barrier when hermetically sealed with the electrical contact pins,” says Jochen Herzberg, medical program manager of Schott’s Electronic Packaging business unit (Landshut, Germany). “Specially selected glass types are resistant to the highly corrosive environment in the battery. And it doesn’t deteriorate



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or get brittle over time like polymers or epoxies. It enables a higher reliability and a longer device lifetime.”

To manufacture the glass-to-metal sealed packages and feedthroughs, Schott presses finely ground glass powder into a ring shape that is then sintered and assembled with the metal conductors inserted in the middle of the ring and an outer metal casing. The three components then undergo a sealing process in a belt furnace to bond the materials together.

Although this manufacturing tech-

nique provides a hermetic seal for battery feedthroughs, there is another glass technology that comes into play when miniaturization or encapsulation of heat-sensitive components is required. For those applications, Schott has another solution with its Primoceler glass micro-bonding technology. This wafer-scale technology uses a laser to precisely and locally bond glass to glass, creating a vacuum-tight bond with no additional materials.

“If you want to encapsulate, for example, a miniature sensor inside of a

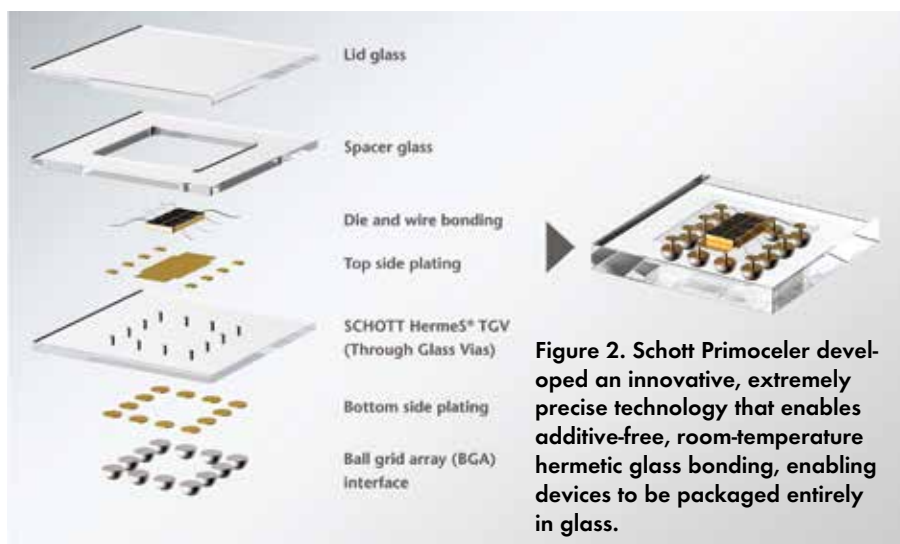
glass package, this is possible by stacking base wafers with spacer glass and cover or etched lid wafers, thereby creating a cavity in which the sensor device will be encapsulated,” Herzberg says. “The stacked glass wafers are then laser-sealed, resulting in a gas-tight all-glass sensor package. One major advantage of Primoceler laser bonding technology is that it all happens at room temperature. So even if the sensor is very heat sensitive, which is usually the case, it can be packaged using the Schott Primoceler process. The extremely precise laser fuses

**Table 1. Select companies that manufacture ceramic and glass implantable medical products or components\***

Company (location)	Annual revenue (millions)*	Website	Role in value chain
Johnson & Johnson	\$82,100	www.jnj.com	Develops, manufactures, and supplies diverse healthcare products, including medical devices such as orthopedic products
Stryker	\$14,900	www.stryker.com	Develops, manufactures, and supplies diverse healthcare products, including medical devices such as orthopedic products
Kyocera Corp. (Kyoto, Japan) • Life & Environment Group, business segment that includes medical and healthcare	\$15,404 \$760	http://global.kyocera.com	Develops, manufactures, and supplies advanced materials to diverse markets; medical application is mainly ceramic hip implants
Zimmer Biomet (Warsaw, Ind.)	\$7,982	www.biomet.com	Develops, manufactures, and supplies orthopedic products, including artificial joints and dental prostheses
Schott AG (Mainz, Germany)	\$2,568	www.schott.com	Develops and manufactures diverse glass and ceramic products, including dental materials, medical device electronic components, implant packaging
The Straumann Group (Basel, Switzerland)	\$1,746	www.straumann.com	Develops and manufactures diverse dental solutions, including implants, prostheses, technologies, and biomaterials
Morgan Advanced Materials Plc (Windsor, U.K.)	\$1,356	www.morganadvancedmaterials.com	Develops and manufactures ceramic components for medical applications, such as feedthroughs for implantable devices
Wright Medical Group NV (Middlesex, U.K.)	\$921	www.wright.com	Medical device, especially orthopedic surgical solutions and biologics
CoorsTek (Golden, Colo.)	\$1,000 <sup>†</sup>	www.coorstek.com	Develops and manufactures technical ceramics for numerous industries, including orthopedic and implantable ceramics, (including ceramic hip implants), medical device components, and pharmaceutical components.
Ceramtec GmbH (Plochingen, Germany) • Medical products	\$727 \$304	www.ceramtec.com	Develops and manufactures ceramic orthopedic components (including ceramic hip implants), dental implants, and medical engineering devices
Nobel Biocare (Zürich, Switzerland)	\$629 <sup>†</sup>	www.nobelbiocare.com	Manufactures and supplies diverse dental solutions, including implants, prostheses, technologies, and biomaterials
Rauschert GmbH (Pressig, Germany)	\$67 <sup>†</sup>	www.rauschert.com	Manufacturer of technical ceramics, including ceramic medical components
DSM Biomedical (Exton, Pa.)	\$65 <sup>†</sup>	www.dsm.com/biomedical	Develops and manufactures biomaterials including bioceramics for diverse healthcare industries
Collagen Matrix Inc. (Oakland, N.J.)	\$15 <sup>†</sup>	www.collagenmatrix.coc	Manufactures collagen and mineral-based medical products for dental and orthopedic applications, including ceramic and bioglass bone grafts
Mo-Sci (Rolla, Mo.)	\$6 <sup>†</sup>	www.mo-sci.com	Develops and manufactures high-tech glass, including bioactive glass for medical applications
Lithoz GmbH (Vienna, Austria)	\$5 <sup>†</sup>	www.lithoz.com	Develops and manufactures additive manufacturing technologies, particularly with ceramic materials, for diverse industries including medical applications
CAM Bioceramics (Leiden, The Netherlands)	\$3.5 <sup>†</sup>	www.cambioceramics.cco	Develops and manufactures calcium phosphate biomaterials and coatings for orthopedic and dental applications
Berkeley Advanced Biomaterials Inc. (Berkeley, Calif.)	\$0.6 <sup>†</sup>	www.hydroxyapatite.com	Develops and manufactures calcium-based biomaterials for medical industry, particularly bone grafts

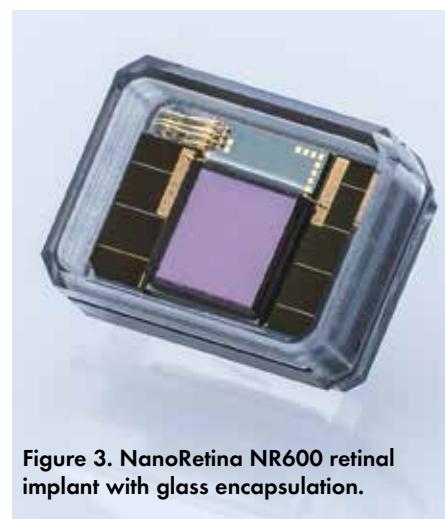
\*Conversions per Google as of October 16, 2020. All financial data obtained from company reports unless otherwise noted.

<sup>†</sup>Private company or data not available; revenue estimated from dnb.com or google.com.



**Figure 2. Schott Primoceler developed an innovative, extremely precise technology that enables additive-free, room-temperature hermetic glass bonding, enabling devices to be packaged entirely in glass.**

Credit: Schott Primoceler Oy



**Figure 3. NanoRetina NR600 retinal implant with glass encapsulation.**

Credit: Schott

and melts only the very small interface area where the glass wafers meet—an area of just some tens of microns—while leaving all other surfaces untouched.” (Figure 2)

The possibilities of such technology are wide-reaching even within implantable device applications, but one of the first to see clinical application is in the eye.

For patients with reduced or lost sight due to retinal degradation, a company called NanoRetina (Herzliya, Israel) pioneered an artificial retina device. NanoRetina’s NR600 implant, which is designed to mimic the functionality of the eye’s highly sensitive photoreceptor cells, is a tiny chip containing an imager, 3D neural interface, and embedded photovoltaics to provide power. The device is completely encased in glass using Schott Primoceler technology (Figure 3).

“Without our glass-to-glass laser bonding technology, this would not have been possible because the encapsulated sensor inside is very heat sensitive. Only with our technology could we encapsulate it at room temperature,” Herzberg says.

Enabled by glass, NanoRetina’s NR600 implant entered a small clinical trial of 20 patients in Europe and Israel in early 2020 and already shows promising results. “The device was activated for the first time, and the result was amazing: this patient had been completely in the dark for five years, and she immediately reported seeing an image in the center of her visual field when the device was activated, and could show with her hands the size of the image that she saw,” professor Peter Stalmans, who implanted the trial device and is one of Europe’s leading retinal specialists,

says in a Schott press release.<sup>5</sup> “I am very impressed by this experience. I have been working for more than 20 years as an ophthalmologist, but this is the first time I witnessed a completely blind patient being given back a visual perception.”

Akin to maturation in the smartphone industry<sup>6</sup>—where shrinking of components has enabled enhanced functionality in smaller devices—miniaturization is an important reason why implantable devices such as NanoRetina’s NR600 are possible today, and it can be

traced back to advances in ceramics and glass, as well as other materials.

The consequences of miniaturization are not limited to better performing and more innovative devices, however—it also affects the ultimate bottom line in modern healthcare: cost.

“It starts with the surgery itself,” Herzberg says. “Imagine the pacemaker—30 years ago it was very bulky, so hospitalization time of patients was really long, increasing healthcare costs. People cannot go to work, they are on sick leave,

## THE SCIENCE AND ART OF GLASS OCULAR PROSTHESES

Although ocular prostheses are often called “glass” eyes, many modern such prostheses are actually made of acrylic.

However, prosthetics fashioned from glass—true glass eyes—still exist and are especially prevalent in Germany, Austria, and Switzerland, where more than 90% of ophthalmologists manufacture custom glass ocular prosthetics.

These glass ocular prosthetics are individual works of glass art, handmade by an ophthalmologist to specifically match a patient’s need. Ophthalmologists train for about six years, gaining practical experience in addition to their education, to be able to master their art.<sup>1</sup>

Glass ocular prosthetics are uniquely made of cryolite glass, a silicate glass containing the mineral cryolite to provide a white hue that matches the look of a natural eye. The prosthetic is usually bowl or shell shaped.

Ophthalmologists custom match a prosthetic to the patient’s other eye, using colored glass to embed details such as iris color and drawn blood vessels onto the eye, rather than painting them on, thus reducing the potential for reaction with the body. All details are part of the 100% glass prosthetic and are fired into the finished product.

Firing produces a very polished uniform surface on the prosthetic to prevent irritation within the eye socket. And unlike the hydrophobic surface of acrylic prosthetics, which can leave a feeling of dryness for the patient, glass’s hydrophilic surface provides a uniform tear film that keeps the prosthetic moist.

A video of the custom manufacturing process is available at <https://doi.org/10.3791/60016>. ■

<sup>1</sup>Kunstaugen-Institut Leipold, <http://www.augenprothesen-essen.de/en/wiki/augenprothese-aus-glas>. Accessed Oct. 29, 2020.



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and this is very costly for insurance companies. Today pacemakers are getting smaller and smaller because technology is getting better and better.” Smaller devices allow more minimally invasive procedures, translating to faster recovery times and shorter hospital stays, which ultimately help reduce care-related costs.

Technologies and advances that continue to allow implantable devices to assume smaller forms with enhanced performance, as well as parallel medical developments that permit minimally invasive procedures and improved surgical outcomes, are critical components of future healthcare strategies to sustainably and effectively promote the health of growing, aging populations.

## JOINT IMPLANTS: CERAMICS EXTEND IMPLANT LIFE

Our joints, the connections between the skeleton’s more than 200 bones, provide our bodies with an incredible capacity for movement.

This ability is perhaps most appreciated in the face of reduced or lost mobility in the joints, often due to stiffening caused by conditions such as arthritis. Osteoarthritis, the most common form of arthritis, represents the single most common cause of disability in aging bodies, affecting an estimated 10%–15% of adults over 60 years old.<sup>7</sup>

As such, it is no surprise that the global market for joint replacement, implants, and regenerative product devices is expected to grow—reaching a value of \$33.6 billion by 2023, growing at a CAGR of 4.8% during 2018–2023.<sup>8</sup>

Knee replacements constituted the largest share of the \$26.5 billion joint replacement market (by value, not number) in 2018, accounting for 33% of the market, or \$8.8 billion. Hip replacements were the next largest share, accounting for 28% of the market or \$7.4 billion, followed by spinal implants (20%; \$5.2 billion) and then extremities reconstruction, which comprises implant devices for the shoulder, elbow, wrist, digits, and ankle joints.

At all of these locations, ceramic implants compete with those made of polymers, metals, and combinations thereof. Due to length of time in the

market, ceramics’ successful infiltration into joint replacements is most notable for hip replacements.

“Though implantable ceramics have been in the market for decades, the adoption of these materials has really happened in the last 15 years,” says Lucian Strong, vice president of CoorsTek Bioceramics (Grand Junction, Colo.), which manufactures ceramic femoral heads and acetabular liners for total hip arthroplasty, among other bioimplantable ceramic components. “The adoption is coming from the transition away from metals to ceramics due to the superior wear properties of ceramics, as well as patients’ demands for longer and more active lifestyles after joint replacement.”

Wear of polymer and metal joint implants can generate debris particles that cause inflammation around the joint, loosening the implant and potentially leading to its failure. Potential allergic reactions to metals as well as toxicity from release of metal ions from an implant into the body are also considerations.

These considerations are creating a favorable landscape for ceramic implants, and that shift is evident in data from the 2019 annual report of the American Joint Replacement Registry, a database of more than 1.5 million knee and hip arthroplasty procedures performed in the U.S. during 2012–2018. Registry data show that for total hip arthroplasty, the number of implants with ceramic heads is increasing and first surpassed those with cobalt chromium heads in 2015.<sup>9</sup>

This data, however, presents only a limited picture, as the registry captures an estimated 25%–30% of the volume of annual procedures in the U.S. Other estimates indicate that adoption of ceramic hip implants is already much higher in some parts of the world—more than 50% of hip implants performed in European countries like Austria, France, Germany, Italy, and Switzerland use a ceramic ball head, while 72% of total hip replacements in Asian countries such as South Korea have an alumina ball head.<sup>10</sup>

A large proportion of total hip replacement ceramic implants are historically alumina, although zirconia is used as well. Acceptance of zirconia was severely

hindered by the 2001 recall of millions of Prozyr brand zirconia ball heads, prompted by high fracture rates in patient implants. Subsequent failure investigation of the manufacturer, Saint Gobain Ceramiques Desmarquest, determined that a switch in the type of furnace used to manufacture the implants caused an unanticipated change in temperature kinetics, resulting in insufficiently densified zirconia.<sup>11</sup> Although the problem was traced back to a manufacturing error, the recall significantly marred zirconia’s reputation in the market.

Many modern ceramic hip joint implants now combine the best of both worlds with composites that offer improved properties of strength, toughness, and scratch resistance, for example, ones based on zirconia toughened alumina (Figure 4).

Beyond material-based considerations, additional factors also are coalescing to create a favorable landscape for ceramics implants. “Medical care has seen many transitions over time, but the latest big trend is the move to outpatient care due to rising costs,” Strong says.

Similar to how miniaturization of components allowed pacemakers to shrink in size, resulting in shorter hospital stays and lower care-related costs, parallel evolu-



**Figure 4. Femoral head and acetabular liner cup for total hip arthroplasty, manufactured by CoorsTek Bioceramics. The implant is made of CeraSurf-p, an alumina zirconia matrix composite that incorporates advanced toughening mechanisms to improve the material’s performance.**

Credit: CoorsTek Bioceramics



tions also occurred for joint replacements.

“Generally speaking, technical ceramics are a component of a larger medical implant. Modern ceramics are engineered to be so strong that they are allowing for design changes to the entire device,” Strong explains. “They have been optimized to the point where they are impacting the surgical procedures, which are now quicker and more efficient. In total hip arthroplasty, ceramics are a critical part of the overall device, which has been designed around the next generation in surgery. With the current trend toward robotics, these designs allow for faster and more accurate outpatient surgical procedures that previously would require significant time in hospital recovery.”

These advancements not only improve patient outcomes but also help reduce healthcare costs, factors that are intimately intertwined.

### SPINAL IMPLANTS: SECURING WITH GLASS OR SILICON NITRIDE

Because the spine provides a critical balance of flexibility and stability to the body, any modifications to the spine ideally also must balance those same properties.

Spinal implant devices stabilize and strengthen the spine in various ways, often by securing vertebral elements and inserting implants to shore up the intervertebral space (Figure 5). But that need for flexibility and stability makes spinal devices challenging to design.

For instance, the articulation surface for a total disc arthroplasty must not only be functional, it must be designed to account for an estimated device life of more than 40 years. Considering the estimated number and amplitude of load cycles a lumbar disc undergoes annually—based on an average adult bending an estimated 125,000 times and taking 2 million steps in that year—a disc implant is expected to endure some 85 million cycles of loading during its lifetime without wearing down.<sup>12</sup>

So these devices demand incredibly high-performance and long-lasting materials. While the usual biomedical materials have long been used in spinal implant devices—metals such as stainless steel, titanium, and cobalt-based alloys offer strength; high-performance



**Figure 5. Due to excellent their wear rates, ceramics can also be found in cervical disc bearing surfaces for spinal total disc replacements. This one, by CoorsTek Bioceramics, is made of alumina zirconia matrix.**

polymers such as polyetheretherketone (PEEK) provide good value—these materials do not offer perfect solutions in the spine, where integration with existing tissue is particularly desirable for preserving functionality of the spine and maintaining longevity of the device.

“Overall, the need of the hour is to develop materials that demonstrate both biomechanical applicability and biocompatibility while being user friendly in a surgical environment,” according to a 2017 article on trends in spinal surgery materials.<sup>13</sup> So it is not surprising that this field is also starting to realize the potential of ceramics and glass.

For instance, Mo-Sci (Rolla, Mo.) is developing multicomponent bioresorbable spinal bone grafts from bioactive glass—containing one bioactive glass formulation that dissolves more quickly and contains compounds to stimulate vasculature growth (e.g., copper and zinc elements) in early stages of healing, and another bioactive glass formulation that forms a porous silicate glass scaffold that dissolves more slowly to provide support while natural bone formation gradually replaces the graft.

“This bone graft has shown really nice improvements in spinal fusion rates, and it actually isn’t even on the market yet,” says Steve Jung, chief technology officer of Mo-Sci. “Mixing to get this benefit from this material and this benefit from this material is sometimes a better option than trying to find this one material that could do it all. Sometimes you have to accept that there are just two really great materials you can put together and get what you want from each.”

Beyond bioactive glass, other materials also have their sights set on the spinal



**Figure 6. Silicon nitride spinal devices manufactured by SINTX.**

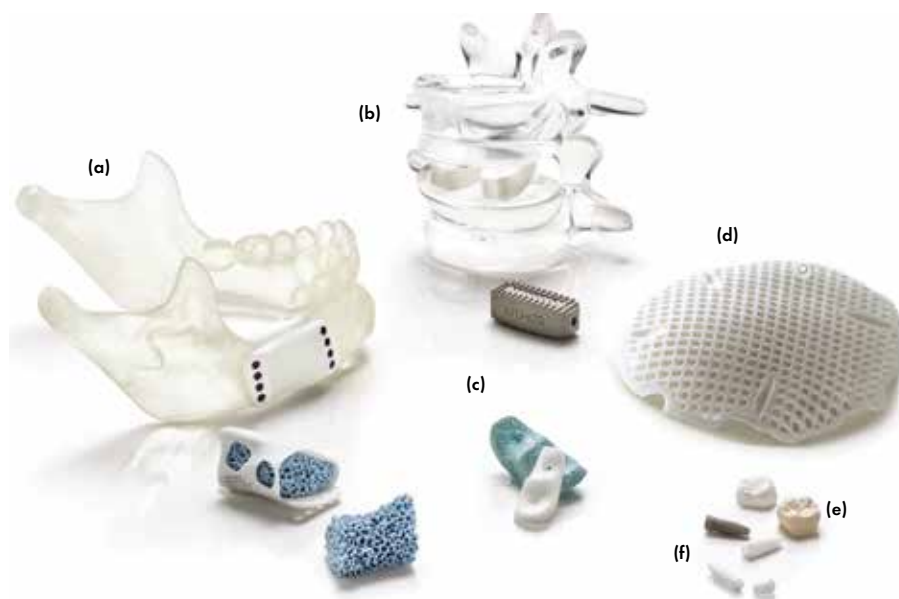
market. Silicon nitride spinal fusion devices manufactured by SINTX (Salt Lake City, Utah)—the only FDA-registered and ISO-certified silicon nitride medical device manufacturer in the world—and sold through CTL Amedica are working their way into this market (Figure 6). Silicon nitride is not only bioactive, antiviral, and antibacterial but also promotes bone growth, providing an effective orthopedic solution.

Although the material currently constitutes a small portion of the overall market for spinal fusion devices, data indicates silicon nitride has significant potential, as the company reports there were fewer than 30 FDA-reported adverse events despite more than 35,000 human spine implantations over 10 years.<sup>10</sup>

SINTX anticipates many additional orthopedic applications for silicon nitride, such as dental and craniofacial applications as well as joint replacements. “There’s a lot of concerns that metals corrode in the body. As you’re putting hips into younger and younger patients who are going to live longer, you’re not looking at 20-year outcomes. You’re interested in 30- and 40-year outcomes, and there ceramics have a very special role,” says Sonny Bal, president and CEO of SINTX.

For craniofacial applications, customized repair of defects with 3D-printed patient-specific implants is a possibility that SINTX has in mind, according to Don Bray, vice president of business development at SINTX. “If someone has a severe accident and you need to rebuild the facial bones and structure, you would want to do a CAT scan and make an exact fit. In the spine you can use some standard sizes. But because of the shape of the face, you can’t—and we think 3D printing there with our silicon nitride is key,” Bray says.

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**Figure 7. 3D-printed medical devices manufactured with Lithoz CeraFab System printers. From left to right: a) Mandibular implant (white: zirconia, blue: hydroxyapatite), b) spinal implants (grey: silicon nitride, white: tricalcium phosphate), c) front jaw bone augmentation (blue: hydroxyapatite, white: bioactive glass), d) cranial implant (tricalcium phosphate), e) zirconia crowns (native and colored), f) dental implants and abutment (grey: silicon nitride, white: zirconia).**

“It’s a very critical area, so having an antibacterial implant that would you could make exactly for the person is where we think this is going to go,” Bray adds. “And we don’t think it’s that far off.”

Because of silicon nitride’s favorable antibacterial and biological properties, SINTX also is developing techniques to incorporate silicon nitride into devices and products made of other materials as well. For example, silicon nitride can be mixed into polymer-based products or coated onto titanium devices to enhance biocompatibility of those surfaces, promote healing, and prevent infection and spread of viral diseases, according to Bal. “We are looking at 3D processing procedures that we can commercialize, in which we put a very tenacious micron-level coating of silicon nitride that supercharges the metal and makes it antibacterial,” he says.

## 3D PRINTING: A TECHNOLOGY WITH LAYERED MEDICAL POTENTIAL

### Multimaterial implants

At the intersection of medical care and additive manufacturing lies tremendous promise to completely change how we approach health strategies to replace, enhance, and restore function of the human body.

According to the annual Wohler’s

report, the 2019 additive manufacturing industry was worth some \$11.867 billion. Medical and dental applications account for about 11% of that market, and dental in particular represents a large growth segment in the latest report.<sup>14</sup>

Additive manufacturing company Lithoz GmbH (Vienna, Austria) is familiar with the potential of the technology for medical and dental applications. Lithoz’s lithography-based ceramic manufacturing technology 3D prints complex structures layer-by-layer using a photocurable polymer-ceramic slurry. After printing, green parts are debinded and sintered to remove the polymer, leaving fully dense ceramic parts.

Lithoz developed both the expertise and the custom printers to additively manufacture a diverse array of ceramic materials, everything from piezoceramics to regolith, and certainly including ceramics with medical applications such as alumina, zirconia, silicon nitride, hydroxyapatite, and tricalcium phosphate. Daniel Bomze, head of the Lithoz’s medical business unit, says the company also has success printing with bioactive glass. “We have produced several parts and some slurries already successfully with bioglass. So we know it works,” he says. Now, Bomze says Lithoz is waiting for a commercial partner who

is interested in making the investment to further develop applications for additively manufactured bioactive glass.

Lithoz’s technologies can print complex geometries such as high-resolution lattice structures with openings just several hundred microns wide—optimal scaffolds to promote interaction and integration with living tissues—so medical applications are one promising direction (Figure 7). For instance, such bioceramic scaffolds could be used to repair bone defects due to injury or disease.

While ceramic and bone are a perfect match materially speaking, design of bioceramic scaffold structures is challenging because they must provide both porosity and mechanical strength, properties that often come at a tradeoff. Fortunately, natural bone can provide some inspiration. Bone’s structure consists of an outer layer of dense cortical bone filled with porous and spongy inner trabecular bone, a multimaterial strategy that uses two different forms to provide two different components of bone’s function.

Lithoz is developing multimaterial 3D-printed implants that provide both porosity to promote tissue regeneration and mechanical stability to support a bone defect. These multimaterial implants incorporate a strong outer layer for structural support during the initial healing phase, composed of a ceramic material with good mechanical stability such as zirconia, with a porous inner scaffold of bioresorbable ceramic substrate such as tricalcium phosphate or hydroxyapatite. The inner material more closely matches the inorganic component of bone, and its porosity permits cell attachment and penetration of blood vessels, allowing the body to heal and replace the bioresorbable substrate with natural tissues over time.

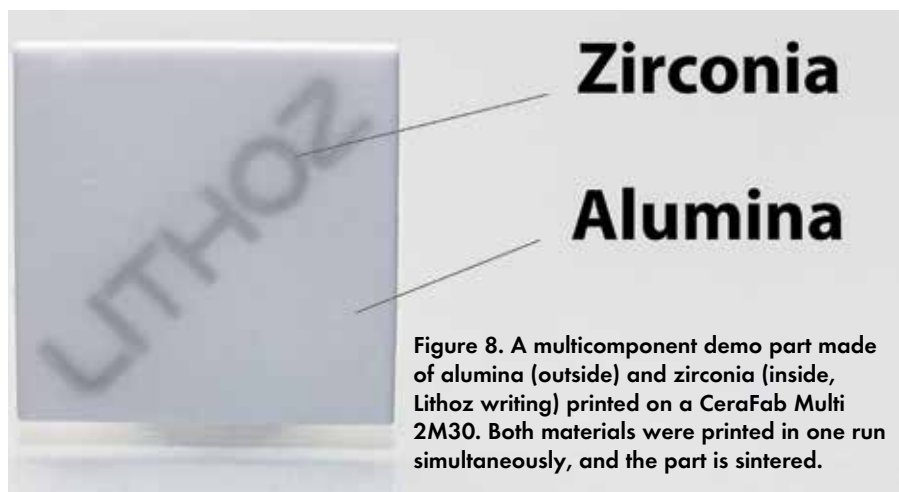
Such multimaterial implants could be used to repair many types of bone defects, such as those in the jawbone. Critically, Bomze says, the material’s resorption rate can be tuned to the area of the body being targeted. “The ideal would be that the regrowth, the new tissue forms at the same speed as the implant is being resorbed. So you have the overall volume and stability, and the whole healing time is the same by tuning

this artificial material and the natural material,” he says.

Although the individual components of these implants were implanted into a small number of human patients, with good results so far, the multimaterial implant is currently a proof-of-concept. And although the current design is printed into two separate steps, Lithoz has bigger plans for the future.

“The future will be printing it simultaneously, in one single step—you could print the cage and the inner part at the same time and then sinter them together,” Bomze says. “You can probably make even more sophisticated materials, for example a sandwich structure with an inner part of hydroxyapatite, then a shell of zirconia, and then a tiny outer coating or a third layer again of hydroxyapatite to facilitate ingrowth of the of implant. And here we’re making really rapid progress.”

In that vein, Lithoz released in September 2020 a new multimaterials 3D printer called the CeraFab Multi 2M30. The printer is similar to the company’s other offerings but now includes two vats to provide the ability to simultaneously print with two differ-



ent raw materials (Figure 8). This ability affords new functional applications, such as printing multiple materials in a single layer and allowing gradual compositional variation from one material to the next.<sup>15</sup>

### 3D-painting

Additive manufacturing is a diverse technology, so Lithoz’s lithography-based technique is one of many different approaches.

Another company, Dimension Inx (Chicago, Ill.), is innovating with print-

ing ceramic-based biomaterials at room temperature, with no additional post-processing sintering steps required—affording the ability to incorporate organic molecules such as proteins, drugs, and antibiotics into the materials themselves before printing.

As noted in a May 2019 *Bulletin* article,<sup>16</sup> “3D-painting is a materials-centric advanced manufacturing technology that permits nearly any material to be transformed into a 3D-printable ‘3D-paint’ via simple, room-temperature extrusion without the need for support materials,

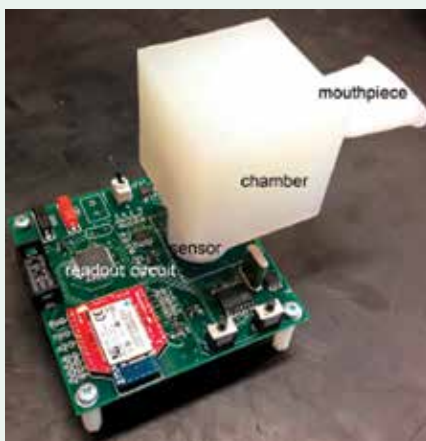
## BREATHALYZERS: ANOTHER WAY TO DETECT COVID-19

In the fight against COVID-19, the main technique used to collect samples is a deep nasal swab, a procedure doctors describe as moderately uncomfortable but some patients describe as “being stabbed in the brain.”

Testing methods that are more comfortable and more easily administered would certainly be appreciated by patients and physicians alike, and researchers have explored saliva testing as an alternative, with some promising results. However, according to Edward Orton, Jr., Chair in Ceramic Engineering Pelagia-Iren (Perena) Gouma at The Ohio State University, breathalyzers may be an even easier and readily accessible way to administer tests.

Breathalyzers use selective gas sensing elements to detect certain biomarkers in breath that signal disease. Compared to swab-based testing methods, breathalyzers are noninvasive, nonintrusive, and can deliver a result in dozens of seconds.

Gouma has explored the use of breathalyzers for medical diagnostics since 2003. She started investigating the development of breathalyzers aimed specifically at detecting infectious



The portable, battery-operated breathalyzer prototype to detect COVID-19 developed at The Ohio State University.

diseases a few years ago, and she has worked extensively the past few months to use that knowledge to design a breathalyzer that detects COVID-19.

The in-development COVID-19 breathalyzer uses ceramic sensors to target biomarkers that give a response specific to that infection, and it

includes advances on nanomaterials for detecting specific breath gases at concentrations that can make a diagnosis.

Gouma says her team initially tested the new breathalyzer by using gas canisters that were mixed to simulate the breath gas mixture as a result of COVID-19 infection. However, they have since moved to conducting human testing and have been testing at various COVID-19 testing sites around Columbus, Ohio.

In mid-September, they reported initial results from the ICU-focused human testing at the Ohio State Wexner Medical Center. The results showed the breathalyzer could detect acute cases of COVID-19 and can monitor the severity of the disease.

The researchers currently are seeking FDA emergency-use authorization for the breathalyzer.

For more information on Gouma’s study, as well as other breathalyzer studies taking place at Northeastern University, check out a recent *Wired* story on the topic at <https://www.wired.com/story/could-breathalyzers-make-covid-testing-quicker-and-easier>. ■



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**Figure 9. Anatomical structures display a handful of possible structures that were 3D printed by Dimension Inx with Hyperelastic Bone: (clockwise, from top left) spine, femoral head, mandible, and pelvis.**

powder-beds, resin-baths, cross-linking, or curing.”

In the 3D-painting technique, a powder-based material is mixed with elastomer and solvents; after extrusion through a nozzle, the finished printed product requires only rinsing and sterilizing. The flexibility of the technique means that in addition to 3D printing structures out of 3D-paints, the same strategy could also be used to coat products manufactured via other techniques and out of other materials.

Importantly, 3D-painting can be applied to almost any material, including ceramics. “3D-painting is materials agnostic. It’s not dependent on what you’re making or what material you’re using,” says Adam Jakus, co-founder and chief technology officer at Dimension Inx.

As one example of the 3D-painting technology, Dimension Inx’s bone-specific 3D-paint formulation, called Hyperelastic Bone®, is primarily ceramic yet still incredibly flexible, offering significant potential for bone implants. Hyperelastic Bone can be printed in specific structures (Figure 9) as well as porous scaffolds and sheets that could be cut and custom-fit in the operating room (Figure 10).

“The really interesting thing about Hyperelastic Bone is that it’s 90% ceramic, which is technically more ceramic than is in our actual bones,”

Jakus explains. Human bones contain 60%–70% dry weight of crystalline hydroxyapatite, bound by collagen and other structural and functional proteins. “But the end result is actually flexible and cuttable and shapeable, which you wouldn’t really expect for a something that’s mostly ceramic.”

That flexibility is because of Hyperelastic Bone’s unique microstructure, which forms as evaporants vaporize from the printed material after it is extruded through a printer nozzle. The rate of evaporation tunes precipitation of the elastomer, forming an optimized structure in the printed material.<sup>17</sup>

“A very specific microstructure really allows the different components of the composite, the ceramic and the resorbable polymer, to play off each other and move around and then return to their original form without breaking,” Jakus says.

Hyperelastic Bone also is microporous, which provides excellent osteoconductivity and biocompatibility. “If it’s intended to regrow bone, the body tissue needs to be able to access that material on the microstructure level and transform it,” Jakus says, although the porosity can have a drawback. “But it’s a balance if you want structural integrity and you want bioactivity. Those things are in conflict all the time.”

Since the technology is relatively well-established at this point, Jakus says Dimension Inx is now working on quality



**Figure 10. A sheet of Dimension Inx’s 3D-printed Hyperelastic Bone, which is flexible despite being 90% ceramic.**

control aspects of the process, showing that it can demonstrate consistent results. “So a lot of our efforts throughout 2020 have been establishing new quality control systems and quality manufacturing systems around design and synthesis of these new materials as well as the 3D-painting process itself,” he says.

That includes establishing consistent and detailed manufacturing processes and identifying and mitigating risks—all part of the company’s preparations toward seeking FDA approval for Hyperelastic Bone devices.

3D printing inherently conjures ideas of patient-specific printed implants. And while that is an eventual direction for Dimension Inx, the company is starting with a more practical pathway—and one common for biomedical innovations—by targeting mass-produced implants of Hyperelastic Bone, a collection of standard shapes like “strips or squares or blocks,” Jakus says. “We are introducing a new material in a new manufacturing process. So I think it’s important to get the regulatory agencies, the FDA, surgeons, everybody comfortable with the material and the process first so they are then willing to take that next step to patient-matched implants.”

That acceptance is a considerable issue in the medical industry—you not only have to prove that a device or technology works (see sidebar: *Regulating the pace of medical innovation*), but you also have to

convince medical professionals to use it as well. And that can be a major barrier, especially for new medical innovations.

"The technology is the easy part," Jakus says. "And even after you identify a technology that addresses an actual need, getting surgeons to venture out their comfort zone is very hard." If an existing clinical solution is trusted and works relatively well, medical professionals often are not keen to change a process, especially if the solution does not offer additional profit or patient benefit or it requires the professional to master a new technique. Introducing a new product also comes with some inherent risk, which medical care is designed to minimize, for good reason.

One sector, however, where medical professionals are often more willing to take modest risks is the craniofacial space—which is why medical innovations often target this site.

In particular, additively manufactured medical technologies often focus on craniofacial applications because these defects are non-load bearing and highly individualized. In addition, there are few existing off-the-shelf products to treat craniofacial defects, so these medical professionals are often more willing to take a slight risk with innovative new solutions.

Infiltrating a site like the craniofacial space can then be a strategic initial target application of a new technology to gain acceptance before expanding to additional sites and applications.

Another consideration that makes the craniofacial segment attractive for innovation in additive manufacturing, especially with bioresorbable materials, is that these surgeons treat many pediatric defects. "So they're most excited to use new materials, ceramic or not, that transform over time and grow with the patient," Jakus says.

### TISSUE REGENERATION: THE SOFTER SIDE OF BIOMATERIALS

In terms of the body's natural materials, ceramics and glass are most analogous to bone and tooth enamel—so it is not surprising that there are so many orthopedic and dental applications for ceramics and glass (see sidebar: *Ceramics used in dentistry*).

But modern developments in nanotechnology, particularly the ability to engineer nanosurfaces, nanoparticles, and nanoscaffolds, as well as more nuanced understanding of cell biology are together reshaping how we think about the potential of biomaterials.

Biomaterials were once designed to minimize interactions with the body and to eliminate any potential adverse reactions. But starting with Larry Hench's discovery of bioactive glass 50 years ago,<sup>18</sup> a more modern perspective for biomaterials no longer attempts to eschew cell biology.

"Design of a new biomaterial should always consider the need of the cells, because the cells are the engineers of our body," says Aldo Boccaccini, professor of biomaterials and head of the Institute of Biomaterials in the Department of Materials Science and Engineering at University of Erlangen-Nuremberg (Erlangen, Germany).

Many biomaterials now aim to not only stand in for living tissues when they need to be repaired or replaced, but the materials play a more supportive role in actually helping the body perform its own healing—more like an assist rather than a complete substitution. That guidance can be used to mediate processes such as wound healing and to rebuild damaged or missing tissues, broadly contributing to the overall field of tissue engineering, or regenerative medicine.

In terms of the future of healthcare, regenerative medicine is a big business. The global market for tissue engineering

### REGULATING THE PACE OF MEDICAL INNOVATION

While there is no shortage of innovative ideas for medical applications, bringing such innovations to the market is a whole different story.

"The medical market is slow and steady in terms of innovation," says Lucian Strong, vice president of CoorsTek Bioceramics (Grand Junction, Colo.). "While new applications or processes may demand new materials, there is a well-defined process that is governed through the regulatory bodies around the globe. There is no simple introduction of a new material that will be implanted into a patient. Clinical data, proven over numerous years and multiple patients, is necessary for any new material to gain acceptance."

Collecting such data takes considerable time, but it is a critical component of the regulatory processes to ensure that biomaterials and devices are safe and effective once implanted into human patients. And even before the clinical data, much additional time must be first

devoted to testing and documenting effectiveness and safety in both lab settings and in animal models.

In the U.S., where the FDA regulates the approval process, bringing a medical device to market takes on average 3–7 years.<sup>1</sup> Although this process unavoidably slows the pace of innovation, these pathways are critical to maintain safety and minimize potential harm to human health.

Yet even once clinical data does provide acceptance for a material, the story is still not over.

"The increasing longevity of the human race, younger patients undergoing surgical interventions, all points to a future in which we as scientists need to understand the long-term interaction of the implant with the body," says B. Sonny Bal, president and CEO of SINTX.

Of course, it is not feasible to wait decades while collecting long-term outcomes for every

new device—such observation trials would completely stifle innovation and prohibit entrance of any new product on the market.

Instead, to develop materials for the future, we need robust short-term outcome proxies that can predict long-term behavior, Bal says. "That's the Holy Grail."

Bal made the analogy to how NASA uses algorithms and modeling to predict the outcomes of its missions. There are no practice runs when sending a rocket to Mars—NASA incorporates knowledge and modeling to maximally reduce the margin of error. And that, he envisions, is where biomaterials need to go.

"Instead of experimenting with humans, we need to be able to predict how a biomaterial will behave in the body just like NASA does—because there's no room for mistakes. You do it once, and that patient has to live with it. You can't have failures," he says. ■

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and regeneration was valued at \$24.7 billion in 2018 and is predicted to reach \$109.9 billion by 2023, representing an impressive CAGR of 34.8%.<sup>19</sup> While bone is a significant focus of this market, it encompasses soft tissues as well, such as strategies to repair damaged cardiac and gastrointestinal tissues or engineer vascular, muscle, neural, and skin tissues.

Likewise, there is potential for many different types of materials in this broad field. “In the field of regenerative medicine and tissue engineering, there is no one material that is going to tackle all the problems,” Boccaccini says. And many of the ceramic- or glass-based strategies to heal tissues actually combine them with organic materials, in polymer composites or hydrogels, for example.

Although bioactive glasses were discovered half a century ago, their potential within regenerative medicine is

still being realized today. When in contact with body fluids, bioactive glasses dissolve and release ionic dissolution products such as biologically active ions within the body. Cells, in turn, respond to these ionic products, some of which stimulate growth of new blood vessels in the tissue, a process called angiogenesis. Blood vessels nourish developing tissue with oxygen and nutrients and remove waste products, so the angiogenic response is part of what makes bioactive glass so attractive for tissue repair.<sup>20</sup>

But ionic dissolution products also do more than stimulate angiogenesis—these products alter gene expression patterns in nearby cells, shifting signaling pathways that orchestrate every cellular function, such as cell migration, proliferation, and differentiation.

Although we are just beginning to unravel some of these biomolecular mech-

anisms, the potential exists for bioactive glass compositions and properties to catalyze a diverse array of cellular responses, precisely tuned to the target tissue and the desired effect in that tissue—whether that is modulating an immune reaction, prompting tissue regeneration, or stimulating release of growth factors to guide stem cell differentiation.

“Understanding genetic upregulation and activation by ionic stimuli released from bioactive glasses offers the possibility of developing patient-specific therapies, a huge challenge for the aging population,” per a 2015 *Bulletin* article on bioactive glasses.<sup>21</sup>

One of the more familiar and clinically approved applications of bioactive glasses for soft tissues is in wound repair, with products such as a cotton candy-like borate bioactive glass fiber matrix to heal advanced wounds.<sup>22</sup>

## CERAMICS USED IN DENTISTRY

Ceramics are ubiquitous in the \$10.7 billion U.S. dental industry,<sup>1</sup> with applications in prosthetics, fillings, orthodontic appliances, cosmetic products, process materials, preventive products, toothpaste, and more. Below are some highlights of the roles that ceramics play in this industry.

### **Dental caries: From prevention to treatment**

Dental caries, commonly known as tooth decay, is the most common bacterial disease of children and adults worldwide.<sup>2</sup> Formerly, tooth loss due to bacteria attacking the tooth enamel was inevitable, but advances in dental materials and techniques during the last few decades have greatly reduced chances of this outcome.

Plaque removal and teeth cleaning at home and by hygienists is the first line of defense against these bacteria. Toothpastes contain many ceramic powders ranging from stannous fluoride, potassium nitrate, and several calcium phosphate compounds. Bioactive glass is also present in some toothpastes, to promote remineralization of the enamel. Sodium bicarbonate is often used by hygienists to more thoroughly remove plaque, and pumice is sometimes used as well.

When bacterial attack progresses into the enamel, a dentist will seek to remove the softened tissue and restore tooth anatomy. Small to medium bacterial lesions (cavities) are treated with ceramic composite filling<sup>a</sup> material or glass

polyalkenoate cement<sup>b</sup> material to restore the tooth form.

When the disease progresses into the pulp, a medication that induces the pulp tissue to build a protective barrier of reparative dentine is needed. Calcium hydroxide-containing materials used to be the standard material used for this purpose, but now tricalcium silicate cements, which are based on the same materials as white Portland cement, are the “gold standard.” (These cements are set with a matrix that includes calcium hydroxide.)

If the pulp becomes irreversibly infected, a root canal procedure is required. In this procedure, the pulp is removed and is replaced by a combination of rubber points shaped like a root canal and sealed with another material. The trans-polyisoprene rubber points are usually filled with zinc oxide and barium sulfate. The sealing material comes in a variety of polymer and ceramic matrices, ranging from epoxy to zinc oxide–eugenol. The newest sealers are based on tricalcium silicate powders. Sometimes, glass fiber-reinforced composite posts are inserted in a root canal after a root canal procedure to help restore tooth function.

When a majority of the anatomy of a tooth is lost, the anatomy is restored with a crown. Gold foil and its alloys were the materials traditionally used for crowns, but in the 1950s, porcelain enameled crowns and bridges became the

standard tooth restoration for severely damaged teeth because of their greater durability and more natural aesthetic. Today, all-ceramic crowns—such as alumina, lithium disilicate, and yttria-stabilized tetragonal zirconia—are the most common crown type because of their strength, ease of fabrication, and aesthetics. Tetragonal zirconia with 3% yttria dominates this market due to its high strength, but zirconia with higher yttria formula are also in use due to better aesthetics, despite their diminished strength.

Whenever a temporary or permanent crown or bridge is placed, dental cements are needed. Numerous ceramic- and glass-containing dental cements are used in dentistry, but the original cements were all based on zinc oxide. More recently, glass-ionomer cements evolved from the original silicate filling materials in the mid 20<sup>th</sup> century and remain popular because of their temporary fluoride release, which deters caries from forming under a crown. Resin-modified glass-ionomer cements and compomers are also advantageous, by combining light-curable polymers from composites with limited fluoride ion release from the glass ionomers.

### **Tooth extractions: Replacing the missing teeth**

Periodontal diseases and tooth fractures may lead to tooth extraction. Dental implants, or posts surgically placed into the jawbone, are increas-

<sup>a</sup>Urethane polymers filled with about 40–70% by weight of ceramic powders, which may include radiopaque glasses, fumed silica, or quartz in combination. Requires bonding agents such as silane and a polymer primer to induce adhesion.

<sup>b</sup>In other words, glass-ionomer, composed of fluoroaluminosilicate glass powder reacted with a polyacrylic acid liquid, which bonds to tooth structure. Used for restoring tooth anatomy plus permanent cementation of crowns, bridges, inlays, onlays, posts, and orthodontic appliances.



"But you can also think of internal wounds, such as adhesives with hemostatic ability for coating internal wounds where there is a lot of bleeding," Boccaccini says. "Here I think yet is an open area for the applications of [bioactive glass], either as a fiber or mesh or in composites."

As research continues to characterize how cells respond to the unique materials as well as the underlying biomechanisms of these responses, soft tissue applications of bioactive glass will also continue to expand.

Mo-Sci's Steve Jung says that bioactive glass is experiencing increasing integration in medical products due to the material's recognition as a "premium material" and its ability to intimately interact with tissues. Bioactive glasses are being combined with other materials to make new products as well as being integrated into existing products already

on the market. "They're making these products better by the addition of bioactive glass," Jung says.

Jung says that in veterinary medicine, there also have been some indications that bioactive glass can also repair tendons and ligaments. "To me, that kind of outcome is really what gets you thinking about sports injury-type situations—if you blow a ligament, could we develop a technology to help to heal that back together?" he says.

Beyond being implanted within the human body to aid tissue regeneration, ceramic and glass materials can also be similarly used to grow tissues outside of the body, with the vision that these tissues could eventually be harvested and implanted into or on the body as appropriate.

"The possibilities for ceramic technologies for improving the health and wellbeing of mankind are vast," says

Randel Mercer, chief technology officer at CoorsTek. "One exciting avenue CoorsTek has been working on is the use of engineered ceramic cell culturing devices. Our product, Cerahive, is used to grow human tissue cells in an environment that mimics the growth environment in the human body." These porous ceramic substrates line the bottom of a cell culture dish to support 3D cell cultivation, allowing in vitro growth of cell spheres (Figure 11). "The future potential to 'manufacture' specific tissues in the laboratory could be used as a source for repairing damaged tissue in humans," Mercer says.

## LOOKING FORWARD—A GLIMPSE OF FUTURE HEALTHCARE

So what does the future of medical care look like, and how do biomaterials fit into that future?

ingly used to replace single teeth and to support bridges and dentures. Implants used to be exclusively titanium, sometimes with a hydroxyapatite (ceramic) coating. However, tetragonal zirconia is gaining popularity despite its higher cost due to its improved biocompatibility.

When implants are not possible, a partial or full denture may be made for a patient. Today, most dentures are composed of pressure formed acrylic base with injection molded acrylic teeth. However, in some regions of the world, porcelain teeth in an acrylic base remain popular. (Porcelain was the standard denture material in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century.)

### Other applications: Brackets, abrasives, equipment

Orthodontic brackets are commonly made of stainless steel, but sapphire, tetragonal zirconia, and polycrystalline alumina (with no glass bonding) are also used to manufacture orthodontic brackets because of their aesthetic appeal (they make the brackets less obvious). Ceramic coatings such as rhodium oxide are also used on orthodontic wires to disguise the orthodontic device. Diamonds, tungsten carbide, and alumina and silica abrasives are essential for dentistry to remove tooth structure and to polish or adjust any dental restorative or denture. Some abrasives are

bound in rubber; others are used in paste form.

"Of course, most of the equipment used in dentistry would not be possible without ceramics, from microscopes and cameras to curing lights to air turbines handpieces; from piezoelectric devices, to general electronic devices, to office scheduling and case record software and computers," says Carolyn Primus, medical device consultant and the 2020 Larry Hench awardee for Bioceramics.

### Future of dental ceramics

Biocompatibility is a top priority for medical devices, and ceramics excel in biocompatibility compared to polymers and metals. On the other hand, durability is a key concern for ceramic restoratives in dentistry, particularly composite ceramics. Current research on zirconia, for example, looks to optimize the strength and appearance of zirconia by exploring variations in the stabilizers for the tetragonal phase. Ceramic nanoparticles are another subject of much research, as nanoparticles offer a way to provide unique biological responses. Nanoparticles are not new in dentistry, however—silica nanoparticles have been used for decades in composites and toothpastes.

Compared to other fields, manufacturing in dentistry happens at a small scale. As such,

"Dentistry often follows the innovations in other industries or adopts materials used in other fields," Primus says.

For example, computer-aided design and computer-aided manufacturing (CAD/CAM) are examples of innovations from other industries adopted for dental applications beginning in the 1980s.<sup>3</sup> CAD/CAM dentistry is becoming a widespread method for making ceramic dental crowns in a dental office.

Additive manufacturing is also being adopted for dentistry. Fabrication of dentures and temporary restorations are leading the way for additive manufacturing. Lithoz GmbH (Vienna, Austria) is helping to lead the adoption of additive manufacturing for dental purposes with their lithography-based CeraFab 7500 Dental and CeraFab System Series ceramic manufacturing machines. Ivoclar Vivadent (Schaan, Liechtenstein) is also exploring additive manufacturing with their PrograPrint PR5, a digital light processing-based stereolithography printer.

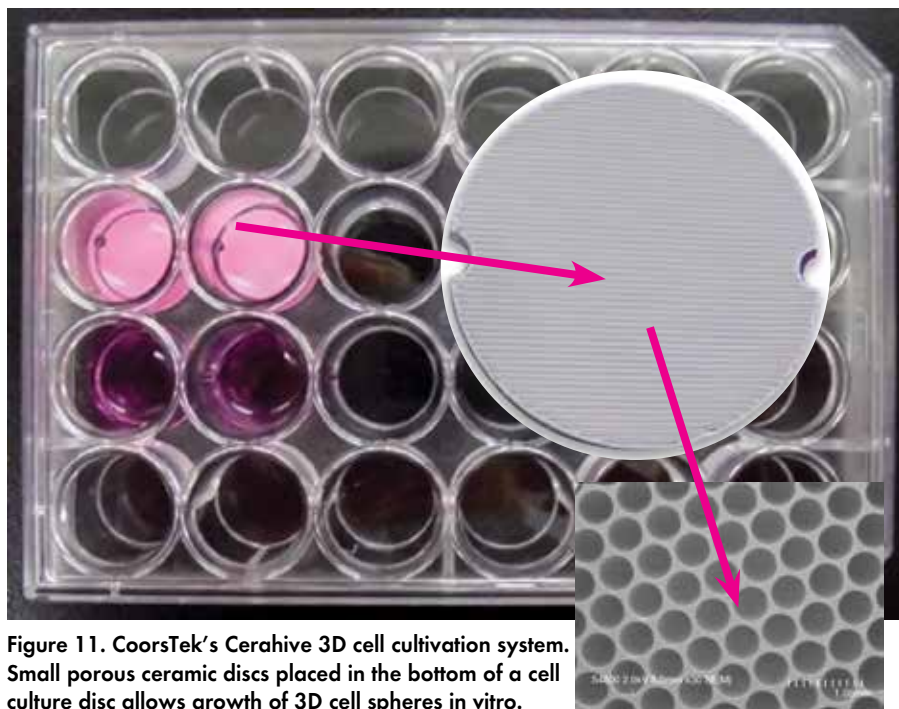
As these technical innovations allow people to retain more teeth, the dentistry field will continue to grow, and the opportunities for ceramic and glass materials along with it. ■

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**Figure 11. CoorsTek's Cerahive 3D cell cultivation system. Small porous ceramic discs placed in the bottom of a cell culture disc allows growth of 3D cell spheres in vitro.**

"The medical industry is constantly searching for new, better, and more cost-effective solutions, and advancements in the medical industry are moving at a pace so much faster than just a few years ago due to the introduction of advanced materials. With climbing healthcare costs combined with the move from inpatient to outpatient procedures, there is a pull from the market for better materials," says CoorsTek's Lucian Strong.

Ceramics and glass clearly fit into that future vision not only because of the role of established products such as joint implants but also due to entirely new forms and functionalities of the materials that are just starting to be discovered, realized, and matured.

"I absolutely believe that ceramics and bioactive glass have a really strong future, and their areas of use are going to diversify in a big way," says MoSci's Steve Jung. "Bioactive glass is 50 years old, but we're still finding new ways to use it all the time. Old materials used in new ways or in combination with new techniques I think is the wave of the future."

Some of those new ways, combinations, and techniques are highlighted in this article, but potential extends much, much further as well.

One particular area ripe for future

innovation is technologies that address multiple different tissues simultaneously. Although an isolated tissue-specific approach often guides biomaterial developments, components of the human body operate together in systems on several different scales.

"If you look at everything in isolation, there are solutions that already exist. They may not be the best solutions, but there are ways to treat individual tissues," says Dimension Inx's Adam Jakus. However, most injuries or conditions involve multiple tissues, so more complex solutions are often required.

"This has been a driving force for our technology for a long time, and we set up a manufacturing technology where all the materials are complementary to each other," Jakus says about Dimension Inx's 3D-printing platform. "So we can manufacture a bone material with a muscle material and with a ligament material, so that in the future you could make a multitissue implant."

Such strategies will inevitably need to leverage properties and strengths from multiple different materials. "This could be partially ceramic, partially polymer, partially biological, even partially things like graphene and graphite for electrical conductivity," Jakus adds. "So manufac-

turing different material types together to match the really different material types in the body."

Another systems-level approach that will certainly shape the future of healthcare is smart implants.

Miniaturization of devices, enabled by advances in the materials themselves, provided the feasibility for tiny sensors that can be implanted within the body to track an array of biological parameters on-demand. Such sensors provide the ability to track those parameters continuously, rather than sporadic measures taken at a doctor's office or hospital, and monitor for any changes that could signal a potential health problem. Such rich data provides a more comprehensive view of a patient's health as well as the ability to respond immediately to a potential disturbance in that health.

According to Schott's Jochen Herzberg, smart implants have a prominent place in the future of medical care not only because they provide better monitoring but also in terms of reducing healthcare spending, by reducing trips to the doctor or hospital and by informing more strategic medical intervention when necessary.

"A trend that is very visible right now is smart implants and remote monitoring of patients to reduce hospitalization. For example, in-line measurements of vital signs like blood pressure inside of your body, with smart computers inside your body communicating with your doctor without being hospitalized," Herzberg says.

Glass is already used in several different components of such devices, including hermetic seals, but its optical transmissivity offers compatibility in terms of data transmission (see sidebar: *Could future bandages not only be smart, but also made of glass?*).

Yet tiny implantable devices also can do more than just sense and monitor—they can also be designed with the capability to intervene as well, for instance by delivering a therapeutic.

"This is very fast moving technology. The idea is to replace conventional medical therapies with active implants so that you avoid overmedicating your whole body, for example by replacing

## COULD FUTURE BANDAGES NOT ONLY BE SMART, BUT ALSO MADE OF GLASS?



Credit: Schott North America, YouTube

"The materials of the future must be smarter than ever," states a video from Schott's Opportunity lab.

The company is clearly giving top marks to ultrathin glass, as the video depicts a transparent glass bandage being directly applied to a cut in the skin.

In this concept, thin-film sensors are integrated into a small sheet of ultrathin glass, which can be applied directly to a wound to not only treat the wound and help it heal but also to transmit health data in real time.

Although the smart bandage is a concept idea, it plays into current medical trends toward connected devices and data-driven monitoring of health, with increasing use of sensors in and on the body to continuously measure diverse health parameters.

Yet although thin glass is flexible, it is still breakable—meaning that damaging this bandage could result in additional wounds beyond what the bandage was originally intended to treat.

However, according to Schott's website,<sup>1</sup> the company is not discounting the concept's potential. "Sounds utopian perhaps, but due to the special properties of glass, it could soon be a reality," the website says.

Watch the video at <https://youtu.be/aSiJsGchvbw>. ■

<sup>1</sup>Schott, <https://www.us.schott.com/innovation/smart-glass>

chronic pain relievers with very smart implants that are active only where the pain is created rather than influencing the whole body," Herzberg says.

Smart implants play into an overall health ecosystem increasingly focused on early detection and proactive intervention, before health conditions become problems and require more involved treatment.

These data-based monitoring strategies extend beyond implants as well, according to a Deloitte Insights report on the future of health.<sup>23</sup> "Medical products might no longer be limited to pharmaceuticals and medical devices. They could also include software, applications, wellness products, even health-focused foods. The home bathroom of the future, for example, might include a smart toilet that uses always-on sensors to test for nitrites, glucose, protein, and pH to detect infections, disease, even pregnancy. A smart mirror equipped with facial recognition might be able to distinguish a mole from melanoma," the report says.

Ultimately, the entire landscape of how we approach, monitor, manage, and mitigate human health is shifting. While these changes will not come without challenges to the market for biomaterials, they also offer incredible opportunity—and ceramics and glass are certainly well-positioned to capitalize on such opportunities as well as integrate critical function into the human body. ■

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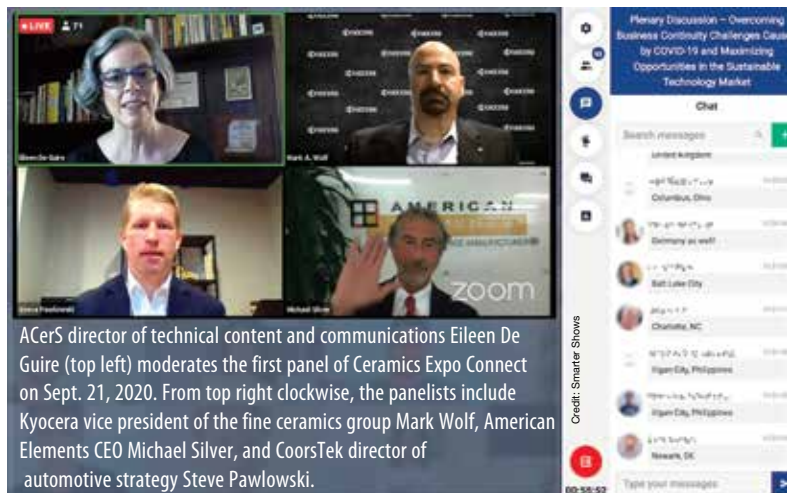


Connect covers wide range of new and emerging ceramic applications

How are manufacturers handling business during the COVID-19 pandemic? That question was at the core of many discussions during Ceramics Expo Connect, the virtual version of Ceramics Expo. The industry exposition, which typically takes place in the spring, took place instead from Sept. 21–25, 2020, and it welcomed more than 1,500 virtual event attendees and more than 150 exhibitors.

Each day of the exposition featured panels, interviews, and roundtables focused on different themes, including clean and electrified technology (Monday), additive manufacturing (Tuesday), aerospace applications (Wednesday), and quality and testing (Thursday).

The exposition kicked off Monday with a panel on overcoming business continuity challenges caused by COVID-19. The manufacturers on the panel say while there are still difficulties, overall some of the necessary workarounds enacted to handle the pandemic could prove useful in the future, such as facilitating business electronically and working from home.



ACerS director of technical content and communications Eileen De Guire (top left) moderates the first panel of Ceramics Expo Connect on Sept. 21, 2020. From top right clockwise, the panelists include Kyocera vice president of the fine ceramics group Mark Wolf, American Elements CEO Michael Silver, and CoorsTek director of automotive strategy Steve Pawlowski.

On Tuesday, manufacturers again were future focused in their discussions of additive manufacturing. However, they did caution that additive manufacturing should not be treated as a solution to all processing challenges but rather as just another forming process.

With all the talk of future potential, Wednesday discussions focused on one area in which ceramics are already making a difference: aerospace. The first jet engines based on ceramic matrix composites were commercially deployed in 2016, and panelists suggested more aerospace opportunities for ceramic materials in the future, including in shrouds, liners, nozzles, and blades.

In contrast to the other three days, Thursday wrapped up the exposition with a focus on current processes and how to ensure material quality and testing. Experts from multiple fields offered their expertise, including representatives from vehicle manufacturing, scientific instruments for molecular research, and clay brick making. ■

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Sixty-nine registrants from 13 countries, including 10 students, registered to attend the one-day event, which was organized into three main sessions: Testing, Quality, and Health & Safety; Ceramic Processing; and Raw Materials.

The day kicked off with a keynote presentation by Doug Freitag, technical director for government affairs at the United States Advanced Ceramics

Association. Freitag spent time describing the history and current status of research on transparent ceramic armor and ceramic fiber reinforced ceramic matrix composites for gas turbines.

Following Freitag's presentation, ACerS director of meetings and marketing Andrea Ross presented Allied Mineral Products vice president of research & development Dana Goski and manager of special projects Matthew Lambert with this year's John E. Marquis Memorial Award, in recognition of their paper "Engineering resilience with precast monolithic refractory articles."

During the three main sessions, several topics were discussed in regard to each theme, including

- Occupational Safety and Health Administration citations and ASTM test methods for powder characterization under **Testing, Quality, and Health & Safety**.
- Failure modes & effects analysis, additive manufacturing considerations, silicon nitride production, and specific volume diagrams under **Ceramic Processing**.
- Electric arc fusion of mullite ceramics and the role of alumina in various applications under **Raw Materials**.

"Working in the manufacturing environment, the CMSC event exceeded expectations; the speakers and the content of their talks were both excellent. I'm excited for this event to continue," says coorganizer Keith DeCarlo of Blasch Precision Ceramics. ■

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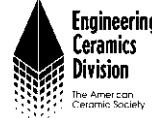
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## Biomimetic approach—the role of ions in bone regeneration

The challenge of bone tissue engineering (BTE) is to develop bone scaffolds that allow good integration with the surrounding tissues. Systems of particular interest are scaffolds based on calcium phosphates (CaP), mainly hydroxyapatite (HAp), due to its chemical and structural similarity to the inorganic matrix of natural bone and its excellent bioactivity.

Scientists have used growth factors in combination with CaP to enhance bone regeneration, but negative side effects such as ectopic or unwanted bone formation throw the safety of this approach into question.<sup>1</sup> An alternative way to adjust properties of synthetic materials is a biomimetic approach, in which various trace elements with a beneficial effect for bone formation are incorporated in CaPs.<sup>1</sup> The introduction of even small quantities of these ions may cause changes or improvements in the biological, physicochemical, or mechanical properties of scaffolds.

Researchers have extensively investigated CaPs substituted with strontium, magnesium, zinc, selenium, and carbonate ions.<sup>1,2</sup> Findings concerning each of these ions include

- **Strontium** ( $\text{Sr}^{2+}$ ) stimulates bone formation by decreasing resorption activity and differentiation of osteoclasts, while at the same time increasing osteoblast proliferation and differentiation.

- **Magnesium** ( $\text{Mg}^{2+}$ ) acts as a growth factor, especially in the early stage of bone formation, where it plays a key role in bone metabolism. It influences the osteoblast and osteoclast activity.

- **Zinc** ( $\text{Zn}^{2+}$ ) is thought to have the same influence on osteoblast and osteoclast activity as strontium and magnesium. Furthermore, it has antimicrobial and anti-inflammatory properties. Due to that, zinc-substituted CaPs could be used as a coating for metal implants to reduce inflammatory response.<sup>1,2</sup>

- **B-type carbonate** ( $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ ) substitution is characteristic for biological apatite and thus is a highly interesting substitution in synthetic HAp. Furthermore, the

$\text{CO}_3$ -substitution enhances bioresorption and therefore osteogenic performance of synthetic material.<sup>3</sup>

- **Selenium** is an essential element for the proper functioning of bone tissue, with strong antioxidant properties. Selenium can induce tumor cell apoptosis while at the same time enhance the proliferation of healthy bone cells.<sup>4</sup> As such, many experiments involve selenium oxyanions ( $\text{SeO}_3^{2-}$  or  $\text{SeO}_4^{2-}$ ), especially in bone cancer studies.

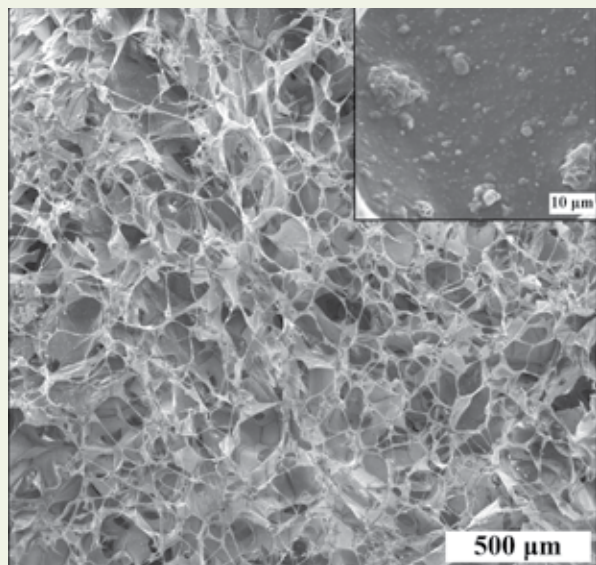
Though these results show the benefits of introducing trace elements in CaPs, scaffolds based on HAp still face some disadvantages, such as poor mechanical properties. To overcome these disadvantages, HAp has been combined with polymers to obtain composite scaffolds for bone regeneration.

The ongoing University of Zagreb research project “Development of biocompatible hydroxyapatite-based materials for bone tissue engineering applications” supported by the Croatian Science Foundation investigates highly porous scaffolds based on biopolymer chitosan and multisubstituted HAp (Figure 1). Initial results show multisubstituted scaffolds have better osteogenic properties compared to nonsubstituted scaffolds, confirming the importance of trace elements in BTE.

Currently, I am one of the researchers involved with this research project. In the future, we plan to investigate the efficacy of selective laser sintered bioinspired scaffolds for bone tissue engineering as well.

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North Carolina-based EnPro employs about 6,000 people.



The latest transaction follows two agreements Total signed in February to develop nearly two gigawatts of solar projects in Spain.

## TOTAL AGREES TO BUILD SOLAR PROJECTS IN SPAIN

French energy company Total SE reached an agreement with Spanish developer Ignis to build 3.3 gigawatts of solar projects in Spain. The first projects are scheduled to start in 2022, with the rest expected to be in production by 2025. The transaction will bring Total's portfolio of solar projects under development in Spain to more than five gigawatts by 2025, contributing to Spain's goal of generating 70% of its electricity from renewables by 2030 and 100% by the middle of the century.

## ALTONA ENERGY ACQUIRES MAJORITY STAKE IN RARE EARTH PROJECT

Australia-based Altona Energy, a mining exploration company with a focus on rare earth element projects in Africa, signed an agreement with Leadway Group Ltd. to acquire a 70% interest in a greenfield project in Uganda, the Nankoma Rare Earth Project. Altona says it wants to build a portfolio of rare-earth sites in Eastern and Central Africa. When the agreement is final, Altona will be responsible for completing a feasibility study on establishing a commercial-scale, rare-earth mining and processing operation at the site. Altona will also be the manager and operator of the project.



The Nankoma Rare Earth Project is located in Eastern Uganda.



## SIEMENS, UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO COLLABORATE ON RENEWABLE ENERGY

Siemens Industry and the University of New Mexico signed an agreement to collaborate on integrating renewable energy systems and microgrids. The agreement is centered around a University-owned microgrid. The microgrid assets include facilities such as a cooling tower, thermal storage tank, battery energy storage system, fuel cell, photovoltaic system, and a natural gas generator. The university is part of a statewide consortium that received a five-year, \$20 million grant in 2018 to modernize the electrical grid. Its microgrid facilitates research into power system modernization, renewable energy systems, smart grids, and smart cities.



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Berlin Packaging maintains more than 130 sales and warehouse locations, and design and innovation centers on two continents.

## SANDVIK JOINS GE ADDITIVE BETA PROGRAM

GE Additive announced that Sandvik Additive Manufacturing joined its Binder Jet beta partner program. Sandvik has a broad alloy program for additive manufacturing on the market, marketed under the Osprey brand. The GE program uses its industrialized additive technology with technical partners to grow its Binder Jet technology. GE says the first phase involves developing the beta system into pilot lines, and eventually into a commercially available factory solution in 2021.



Sandvik is a Stockholm, Sweden-based company with about 40,000 employees.

## GUARDIAN GLASS COMPLETES STARTUP OF PLANT IN POLAND

Guardian Glass completed starting up its second float glass facility in Częstochowa, Poland, to help meet the demand for high-performance coated and fabricated glass products in Eastern Europe. The plant hosts two float lines, two coater lines, and a lamination line. Headquartered in Auburn Hills, Mich., Guardian Glass has six float glass plants in the United States and one in Mexico, as well as many fabrication facilities and warehouses. Guardian Glass companies also operate ten float glass plants across Europe and Russia.



The Częstochowa plant represents Guardian's biggest greenfield capital investment in its history, the company says.





The Made In Space ceramics manufacturing module team.

## CERAMIC MANUFACTURING MODULE HEADED TO SPACE STATION

Made In Space plans to launch a ceramic manufacturing module to the International Space Station. The technology is a commercial, in-space manufacturing device designed to provide proof-of-potential for single-piece, ceramic turbine blisk (blade and disk) manufacturing in microgravity for terrestrial use. This project marks the first ceramic facility on the ISS. Made in Space says the module will demonstrate the viability of manufacturing with preceramic resins in an additive, stereolithography environment. Made In Space is developing the technology with technical partners HRL Laboratories of Malibu, Calif., and Sierra Turbines of San Jose, Calif.

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By David Holthaus

**S**tandards in manufacturing are essential to ensuring quality products and to improving the accuracy and reliability of the materials used to make them.

They are also critical to promoting the safety of those who use the products, and sometimes it can literally be a matter of life and death.

In 2018, after two years of work, a committee of ASTM International, one of the world's largest standards-developing organizations, published requirements for bullet-resistant doors on police vehicles.

The standard called for door panels to be made from a combination of ceramic and fabric, with the ceramic material acting as the strike face to break bullets that were made with steel cores. Such ammunition was increasingly being used in the high-powered weaponry that police were encountering on the streets, according to ASTM. Panels made with basic, armored steel often would not stop bullets with steel cores.

The new specification standardized protection levels and included language to help public safety agencies retrofit their vehicles or buy new ones with the safer ceramic-fabric panels.

It was a dramatic example of how standards evolve to keep up with new technology, materials, and processes.

Perhaps not as dramatic, but equally important in terms of safety and reliability, is the development and evolution of standards used to make refractories, the materials used to build structures routinely subjected to high temperatures.

The ASTM International Committee C08 on Refractories was founded in 1914. Over its history, the committee has defined what a refractory is, clas-

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sified them by type and function, and defined tests to determine their suitability for specific applications.

In the early decades of the committee's existence, refractories were used to build the linings of fireplaces, kilns, and stills, among other applications. By the end of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, refractories were used to line nuclear reactors and in the manufacturing of reentry heat shields for space shuttles.

The new uses demanded standardized tests to benchmark performance and to help evaluate and develop new materials.

Bill Headrick has been involved with creating and refining ASTM standards for more than 30 years, and he is currently working with Committee C08 as the chair of the technical subcommittee on monolithics.

Headrick is head of research and development for aluminosilicate products for the Americas at RHI Magnesita, the world's largest refractories company.

There are more than 100 standards relating to refractories alone, and the manual on refractory standards is nearly an inch thick, Headrick says. Committee members are engaged in a continuous process of evaluating and reviewing the standards to make sure they are up to date. In August alone, Headrick says the committee reevaluated six standards.

"The biggest thing is making sure we're using the best available methods," he adds.

For example, for years, the only method for determining the chemistry of materials was wet chemistry, and the relevant standards only addressed those methods. "Now, we have X-ray fluorescence, X-ray diffraction, mass spectroscopy, and we've had to rewrite our standards to take into account these better methods that give better results," he says.

The committee is currently doing a lot of work to make standards safer, Headrick says, and to have them align with the health and safety requirements of employers.



Standards for the production of refractories have evolved since 1914. Credit: RHI Magnesita

It is a deliberative process.

Every five years, ASTM standards must be reviewed and reapproved by the appropriate subcommittee and then by the main committee. Any negative comment about the proposed standard must be resolved before the standard can be approved.

"To pass a standard, you have to eliminate every single negative," Headrick says. "Once everyone is in full, 100 percent agreement, then the standard is published. That can take a matter of months to a number of years."

For several years now, ASTM committees and subcommittees have worked on the standardization of the growing and developing field of additive manufacturing, the process of fabricating parts and components layer by layer using computer-aided design rather than traditional manufacturing methods.

Improved technology, advanced equipment and sensors, and more suitable materials are driving the productivity and reliability of additive manufacturing production, yet the rapid change has pointed up the need for standardization, says Mohsen Seifi.

Seifi is ASTM's director of global additive manufacturing programs, responsible for additive manufacturing programs that support standards development and other products and services at the organization. He also oversees its Additive Manufacturing Center of Excellence, which has the mission to bridge the gap between standardization to research and development.

By 2008, the nascent additive manufacturing industry had reached the point where standards were needed.

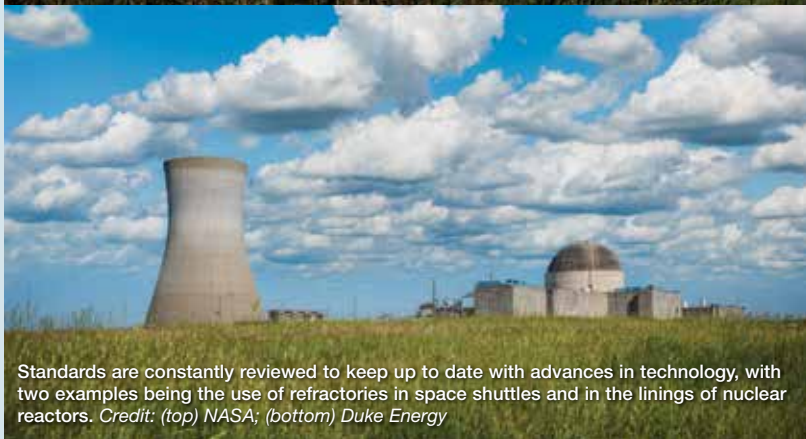
"Without standards, it's going to be the Wild West," Seifi says. "Industry needs standards for rapid implementation of this technology for critical applications."



Bill Headrick  
RHI Magnesita

Some of the standards for measuring chemistry use materials that are considered hazardous to health, leading the committee to look for alternative materials that are safer and can produce similar results.

"That's the biggest evolution going on," he says. "We're going through all the standards and making sure they're as safe as possible."



Standards are constantly reviewed to keep up to date with advances in technology, with two examples being the use of refractories in space shuttles and in the linings of nuclear reactors. Credit: (top) NASA; (bottom) Duke Energy

Additive manufacturing's shortened development cycle and more efficient process means products can be designed and produced more quickly, but standardization is necessary to create consistency and reliability, and to serve as a foundation for continued growth.

"Innovation is inevitable, but without having standards in place, you can't really drive this technology forward in terms of full implementation and adoption to satisfy regulation," Seifi says.

"The reason is very clear," he adds. "You need to make sure we're all communicating the same language and making products in a repeatable and reliable fashion."



Mohsen Seifi,  
ASTM International

ASTM's committee on additive manufacturing technologies has met since 2009 and now has more than a thousand members from more than 35 countries who have developed standards that support the application and adoption of additive manufacturing for diverse materials and processes across various industry sectors.

In 2011, ASTM International and the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) signed an agreement paving the way to create joint additive manufacturing standards in order to increase collaboration and minimize duplication of efforts.

"If you are a user of this technology interested in fabricating parts and components, are you going to receive the same results if you produce a part at a service provider in the U.S. versus Europe versus Asia?" Seifi says. "That's where standards play a critical role to make sure we manufacture products in a consistent, reliable, and repeatable manner."

Another key reason for standards is to facilitate certification of additively manufactured parts from regulatory bodies such as the Federal Aviation Administration, NASA, Department of Defense, Food and Drug Administration, and many others.

"Once a standard is out, it has the potential to become part of regulatory frameworks and can get into federal codes and referred to in federal contracts," Seifi says.

One of the key trends on additive manufacturing standardization is understanding the challenges the technology brings in regard to data management and schema, Seifi says. The 3D printers and their sensors can generate gigabytes, sometimes terabytes, of

data. "The question is, what data to collect according to what standard and format and why?" he says. "Is that data you collect findable, accessible, and reusable? Does it make sense to capture that data, and using what standard method? What kind of intelligence can we generate from the data to improve the process?"

"There are major standard gaps in this space that ASTM is trying to fill," he adds.

In the cases of newer technologies such as additive manufacturing, and older processes such as refractory production, standards have helped advance processes, improve quality, and enable those production methods to be used reliably in a growing range of industries and applications.



## A short list of standards-developing organizations

There are many organizations in the U.S. and around the world that work to develop standards for their industries. Here are some that apply to manufacturing:

- **The Association for Manufacturing Technology**  
Based in McLean, Va., the association promotes the interests of American manufacturing machinery and equipment, including the standardization of technology used to run machines. [www.amtonline.org](http://www.amtonline.org)
- **The American Nuclear Society**  
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- **International Code Council**  
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- **The International Organization for Standardization (ISO)**  
Headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland, ISO is an international standard-setting body composed of representatives from various national standards organizations. It promotes worldwide proprietary, industrial, and commercial standards. [www.iso.org](http://www.iso.org)
- **The International Committee for Information Technology Standards (INCITS)**  
Based in Washington, D.C., this committee is a standards development organization composed of information technology developers. [www.incits.org](http://www.incits.org)
- **The International Society of Automation**  
Based in Research Triangle Park, N.C., the Society is a technical society for engineers, technicians, businesspeople, educators, and students, and it sets standards for industry professionals in automation. [www.isa.org](http://www.isa.org)
- **National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)**  
Headquartered in Gaithersburg, Md., NIST is a nonregulatory federal agency within the U.S. Department of Commerce that develops and disseminates standards that allow technology to work seamlessly and business to operate smoothly. [www.nist.gov](http://www.nist.gov)
- **NSF International**  
Based in Ann Arbor, Mich., NSF International has developed more than 80 public health and safety standards, and tests and certifies products to verify they meet those standards. [www.nsf.org](http://www.nsf.org)
- **SAE International**  
Previously known as the Society of Automotive Engineers, Warrendale, Pa.-based SAE International is a standards-developing organization for engineering professionals in various industries. Its principal emphasis is on global transport industries, such as aerospace, automotive, and commercial vehicles. [www.sae.org](http://www.sae.org)
- **UL**  
Formerly known as Underwriters Laboratories, UL is a global safety certification company headquartered in Northbrook, Ill. It is approved to perform product safety testing by the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration. [www.ul.com](http://www.ul.com)

# JAPAN FINE CERAMICS ASSOCIATION AND ITS INTERNATIONAL STANDARDIZATION ACTIVITIES FOR FINE CERAMICS

By Hirofumi Takemura

Japan Fine Ceramics Association (JFCA) was established in 1986 with a mission to promote the development of the fine ceramics/advanced ceramics industry. To take advantage of the most advanced technologies of fine ceramics, overall collaboration of manufacturers, users, universities, and research laboratories is required, together with the fusion of other materials.

The members of JFCA are 104 companies from different industries, such as ceramics, chemicals, metals, automobiles, electronics, power supply, and service. Through various activities, JFCA brings together and promotes cooperation among government, industry, academia, and overseas countries for the further expansion of the fine ceramics industry. The United States Advanced Ceramics Association (USACA), European Ceramics Center (PEC), and Ceramics Application are cooperating members of JFCA.

There are technical committees and consortiums in JFCA. Committees operate research groups such as Solid Oxide Fuel Cells, Power Electronics, GaN, LED, Bioceramics, Optical Ceramics, Material Function Predictive Simulation, Advanced Coating Alliance, and Ceramics Matrix

Composites Consortium. In September, Fine Ceramics Roadmap 2050 Study Group was launched, which will publish the latest Roadmap in both Japanese and English versions in December 2021.

Figure 1 shows the amount of fine ceramics production in Japan, which reached \$30 billion in 2018.<sup>1</sup>

The benefits of standards for worldwide industries are extensive.<sup>2</sup> Standards help manufacturers reduce costs, anticipate technical requirements, and increase productive and innovative efficiency. Standards make trade across international borders easier and promote global competition, having a positive impact on economies.

Standards provide consumers with confidence in the quality and safety of products and services. In a global economy of rapidly emerging new technologies and markets, standards help set the rules and establish the frameworks, making it easier to innovate successfully.

ISO international standards help businesses of any size and sector reduce costs, increase productivity, and access new markets. Standards can help to

- Build customer confidence that the products are safe and reliable;
- Meet regulation requirements, at a lower cost;
- Reduce costs across all aspects of a business;
- Gain market access across the world;
- Improve quality, safety, and lead time of products and services;
- Lower research and development costs and improve speed to market by building on previously standardized technology or systems; and
- Provide uniformity of units measurement, enabling accuracy and confidence in commercial transactions locally and globally.

## THE ROLE OF JFCA

JFCA conducts surveys and research to promote the international standardization of fine ceramics. JFCA, as a drafting organization in

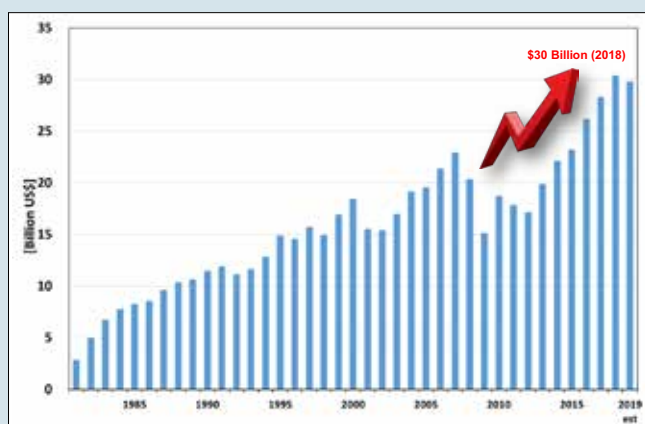


Figure 1. Fine ceramics production in Japan.  
Credit: Japan Fine Ceramics Association

the field of fine ceramics, is making international standards for high-quality, safe, secure, and highly reliable fine ceramic materials.

JFCA holds the secretariat of ISO/TC206 (Fine Ceramics) and ISO/TC150/SC7 (Tissue-engineered Medical Products) under the Japanese Industrial Standards Committee. In addition, as a national committee for ISO/TC206 and ISO/TC150 (Implants for Surgery) in Japan, we are engaged in deliberating proposals for new work items, development of projects in Japan and other countries, and maintenance and management of issued ISO standards.

### ACCELERATION OF STANDARDIZATION SPEED

The speed of technological development increases to popularize new technologies globally. The conventional model shown in Figure 2, "Research & Development-Standard Development-Manufacturing / Products," cannot catch up with its speed.

It is necessary to proceed with R&D and standard development at the same time and connect it to global manufacturing.

As shown in Figure 3, loop-shaped parallel development becomes the most effective way to establish standardization.<sup>3</sup>

### ABOUT INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS ORGANIZATION

International standards are published by international standardization bodies; three organizations are the representative. International Organization for Standardization (ISO) establishes international standards in a wide range of fields, except the fields of electricity, electronics, and communications. International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) establishes international standards in the fields of electricity and electronics, and International Telecommunication Union (ITU) establishes international standards in the fields of communication, broadcasting, and information technology.

ISO is currently divided into 333 technical committees that deliberate and manage international standardization. The international standards for fine ceramic materials mainly belong to two committees: ISO/TC206 (Fine Ceramics) and ISO/TC150 (Implants for Surgery).

ISO/TC206 standardizes various forms and functions of fine ceramics. Japan is the secretariat of this committee and has a committee manager. The chair is from South Korea. The ISO/TC206 scope states as follows<sup>4</sup>: Standardization in the field of fine ceramics materials and products in all forms: powders, monoliths, coatings and composites, intended for specific functional applications including mechanical, thermal, chemical, electrical, magnetic, optical, and combinations thereof. The term "fine ceramics" is defined as "a highly engineered, high performance, predominantly non-metallic, inorganic material having specific functional attributes."

#### Conventional: Progress in stages



Figure 2. Conventional standardization model. Credit: Japan Fine Ceramics Association

#### Future: Progress in parallel

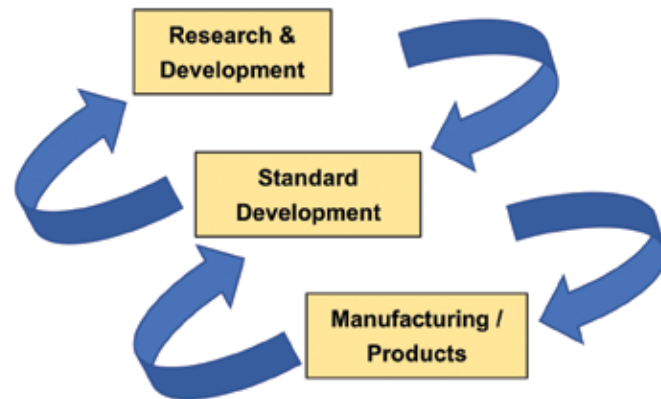


Figure 3. Future standardization model. Credit: Japan Fine Ceramics Association

Note: Alternative terms for fine ceramics are advanced ceramics, engineered ceramics, technical ceramics, or high-performance ceramics.

The ISO/TC206 strategic business plan has the following description<sup>4</sup>:

World demand for fine ceramics is projected to expand to \$75 billion in the year 2020.

In order for the fine ceramics industry to further grow to contribute to the 21<sup>st</sup> century as a new materials industry, the following issues have to be overcome.

- Further promotion of research and development in terms of the material itself, development of new uses and application technologies.
- Research on manufacturing processes, and cost-reduction through corporate efforts.
- Establishment of testing and evaluation methods and standardization of the methods to prepare a basis for research and development, application, and utilization.
- Promoting international cooperation in the fields of research and development, and standardization.

Table 1 shows the composition of ISO/TC206, the number of ISO registrations, and the number under development. ISO/TC206 is divided into more specialized working groups (WGs) from WG1 to WG12. Since the committee's inception in 1992, 136 standards have been issued. In recent years, about 10 new standards were published each year. In addition, there are 18 items under development.



WG	Title	Published Standards	Standards under development
WG1	Terminology/Classification	2	1
WG2	Powders	16	0
WG3	Chemical analysis	4	3
WG4	Composites	22	2
WG5	Porous ceramics	4	0
WG6	Monolithic ceramics/Mechanical properties	20	0
WG7	Monolithic ceramics/Physical and thermal properties	10	1
WG8	Joining	4	0
WG9	Photocatalysis	28	3
WG10	Coatings	16	2
WG11	Electrical and optical applications	6	3
WG12	Engineering applications	4	3
ISO/TC206		136	18

**Table 1. ISO / TC206 structure, number of published standards and standards under development**

SC/WG	Title	Published Standards	Standards under development
SC1	Materials	37	7
SC2	Cardiovascular implants and extracorporeal systems	33	11
SC4	Bone and joint replacements	36	5
SC5	Osteosynthesis and spinal devices	26	9
SC6	Active implants	16	2
SC7	Tissue-engineered medical products	4	0
WG1-15		14	5
ISO/TC150		166	39

**Table 2. ISO/TC150 structure, number of published standards and standards under development**

New work-item proposals are deliberated by experts in the relevant working groups depending on the technical field. After approval of new business-item proposals, deliberation and approval proceed by passing through the stages of working draft, committee draft, draft international standard, and final draft international standard, to the goal of being published. It takes about three years to complete the process.

ISO/TC206 is currently composed of Participating Members from 14 countries (nine countries in Europe; five countries in Asia) and Observer Members from 20 countries. Participating Members have the right to vote and can elect experts to actively participate in the proposed project.

ISO/TC206 holds a plenary meeting once a year where member countries can participate. This year, it was scheduled to be held in Brussels, Belgium, but due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the face-to-face conference was canceled, and a web conference was held by Japan. The plenary meeting is a valuable opportunity for experts on global standardization to gather once a year, but it was a shame it was canceled. It is scheduled to be held in France in 2021 and in Belgium

in 2022. Japan took the role as host country in the first, tenth, and twentieth plenary meetings. 2023 will be the thirtieth meeting, and we would like to hold the meeting in Kyoto, Japan.

ISO/TC150 is a committee related to surgical implants. It includes bioceramics such as artificial bones and dental implants, which overlap with the field of fine ceramics. Germany is the chair of TC150, and Japan holds the secretariat of TC150/SC7.

The ISO/TC150 scope states as follows<sup>5</sup>:

Standardization in the field of implants for surgery and their required instrumentation, covering terminology, specifications, and methods of tests for all types of implants, and for the materials both basic and composite used in their manufacture and application.

The ISO/TC150 configuration is divided into specialized fields: subcommittee (SC) from SC1 to SC7, and working groups from WG1 to WG15. Since its inception in 1971, the technical committee has issued 166 standards, and 39 standards are under development.

ISO/TC150 currently consists of Participating Members from 29 countries, and Observer Members from 17 countries.

#### RECENT INTERNATIONAL STANDARDIZATION ACTIVITIES

New work-item proposals were made from Japan to ISO/TC206 in 2020. Two proposals were made regarding the thermal characteristics evaluation method for ceramic substrates for power modules, and one proposal was made regarding the evaluation method for power generation characteristics of piezoelectric materials. One new work-item proposal was approved for a ceramic substrate for a

power module, and it is currently at working draft stage.

The market size of power modules was 420 billion yen in 2019, and it is projected to be 570 billion yen in 2025 (140% of 2019). The core technology for ensuring the long-term reliability of power modules is the high-temperature resistance of power semiconductors. More specifically, it is heat that controls the change over time, and the ambient temperature and heat generated by driving the element contribute as heat sources.

We have strategically promoted the world's first international standardization of the method for measuring the thermal properties of ceramic substrates for power electronics, which is a key element of next-generation power semiconductors.

In addition, JFCA is promoting a research project to develop international standardization of fine ceramics as a preliminary step to propose new work-item proposals to ISO. We are working on about six projects a year. Each project takes three years to research, prepare a standardization draft, and make a new proposal to ISO.

The following projects are underway as ongoing research and research projects.

- Test method for GaN crystal surface defects.
- Strength reliability test method for ceramic materials for solid oxide fuel cells (SOFC).
- Corrosion-resistant test method for fine ceramic thin films.
- Optical characteristic evaluation method for ceramic phosphors for white LEDs.
- Test method for thermal characteristics of insulating substrates for power electronics.
- Mechanical property test method for bioceramics.

All of these projects cover advanced technological fields where the market for fine ceramic materials is expected to expand, and they are developments for standardization related to property test methods for fine ceramic materials. We are aiming for international standardization to ensure high-quality, safe, secure, and highly reliable fine ceramic materials.

To secure the competitiveness of the fine ceramics industry and to develop the industry, it is necessary to differentiate products by improving functionality, strengthen price competitiveness by innovation in manufacturing processes, enhance product revolution by innovation of materials, develop new markets, and lead with speed. We hope that the international standardization promoted by JFCA will contribute to the further expansion of the fine ceramics industry.

#### OTHER JFCA ACTIVITIES

**CMC International Cooperation:** CMC International Cooperation was established in 2020 for developing reliability assurance technology for ceramic matrix composites. This consortium consists of the CMC center at Tokyo University of Technology, Ultra High Temperature Materials Research Center, and JFCA.

CMC International initiated development of the international standard inspection method that can overcome the problems of the conventional test method for ceramic matrix composite reliability. The method of guaranteeing reliability for use by taking advantage of the "damage tolerance" is not established yet. The first step is to prepare SiC/SiC test pieces that are damaged and defective inside. Then, we will conduct an evaluation test (round robin test) using common test pieces by overseas joint research partners of the University of Birmingham and the University of California, Los Angeles.

**Giant Micro-photonics Research:** The Giant Micro-photonics Project was established in 2020 by RIKEN Spring-8 Center (RSC), National Institute for Materials Science (NIMS), Mitsubishi Electric Co., Kounoshima Chemical, and JFCA to achieve dramatic sophistication of extremely high-power, solid-state lasers and terahertz generation by new transparent ceramic materials, or so called giant micro-photonics.

Based on these research results, the project is expected to prototype and develop a compact ultrahigh output, power density laser and develop wavelength conversion technology, which was difficult until now. It is also designed to convert to other important wavelengths and apply laser driven particle accelerators.

**Japan Ceramics Expo:** JFCA is the coorganizer of Japan Ceramics Expo, which is one of the world's largest exhibitions alongside Ceramtec in Munich and Ceramics Expo in Cleveland, Ohio. Japan Ceramics Expo is organized by the Reed Exhibitions Japan and gathers all kinds of highly functional ceramics, materials, forming/processing equipment, burning/heating equipment, evaluation/testing/analysis equipment. It is held every year in Osaka and Tokyo.

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<https://www.ceramics-japan.jp/en-gb.html>.

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## March 2021

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**24–25** 56<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Louis Section/Refractory Ceramics Division Symposium on Refractories – Hilton St. Louis Airport Hotel, St. Louis, Mo.; [www.ceramics.org](http://www.ceramics.org)

**24–29** ➤ 2<sup>nd</sup> Global Forum on Smart Additive Manufacturing, Design and Evaluation (SmartMADE) – Osaka University, Nakanoshima Center, Japan; <http://www.jwri.osaka-u.ac.jp/~conf/Smart-MADE2021>

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**1–4** 6<sup>th</sup> Ceramics Expo – Cleveland, Ohio; <https://ceramics.org/event/6th-ceramics-expo>

**3–7** 6<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Competitive Materials and Technology Processes (ic-cmtp6) – Hunguest Hotel Palota, Miskolc-Lillafüred, Hungary; [www.ic-cmtp6.eu](http://www.ic-cmtp6.eu)

**16–19** ➤ Ultra-high Temperature Ceramics: Materials for Extreme Environment Applications V – The Lodge at Snowbird, Snowbird, Utah; <http://bit.ly/5thUHTC>

**17–20** China Ceramitec 2021 – Messe München, Germany; <https://www.ceramitec.com/en>

**23–28** 14<sup>th</sup> Pacific Rim Conference on Ceramic and Glass Technology (PACRIM 14) – Hyatt Regency Vancouver, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada; [www.ceramics.org/PACRIM14](http://www.ceramics.org/PACRIM14)

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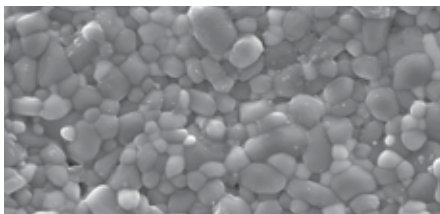
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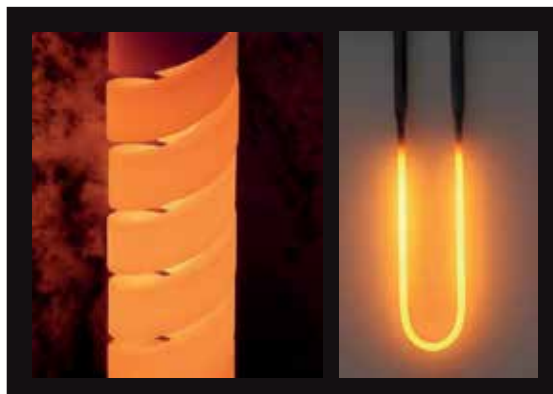
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 Cerlase France  
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 Laguna Clay Co CA  
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 Haiku Tech Inc FL  
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 Polymer Innovations Inc CA

### CNC Mills

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### Coating Equipment

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### Cold-End Coatings, Glass

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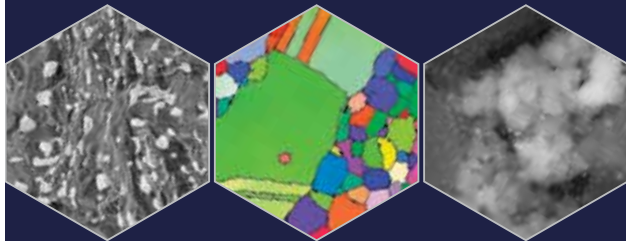
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### Crushers, Roll

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## Mills, Rod

Wyssmont Co NJ

## Mills, Roll

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Velco GmbH The Netherlands

Young Industries Inc PA

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 Pacific Refractories Ltd India  
 RHI US Ltd NY  
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 Aremco Products Inc NY  
 Blasch Precision Ceramics Inc NY  
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 Ceramco Inc NH  
 CeramTec-ETEC Germany  
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 Industrial Ceramic Products Inc OH  
 Ipsen Ceramics IL  
 LECO Corp MI  
 Magneco Metrel Inc IL

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 Selee Corp NC  
 Silicon Carbide Products Inc NY  
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