



Launch Announcement

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VERSABOND[®]
Bone Cement

Tired of waiting on VERSABOND
Bone Cement?

Wait less with the newly improved VERSABOND Bone Cement.



VERSABOND Bone Cement has always had excellent mechanical strengths which make it a superior cement to others on the market. However, to realize these mechanical benefits, our customers have had to wait too long in the OR for the cement to harden. Now the wait is over!

Several months ago we presented the developers of VERSABOND with a challenge: modify the cement to improve the handling characteristics without compromising its excellent mechanical strengths.

VERSABOND's developers were able to modify the cement's polymers during the manufacturing process. By roughening the polymers in the powder, VERSABOND can set up three to four minutes faster and still provide plenty of working time. Imagine the time saved in the OR!

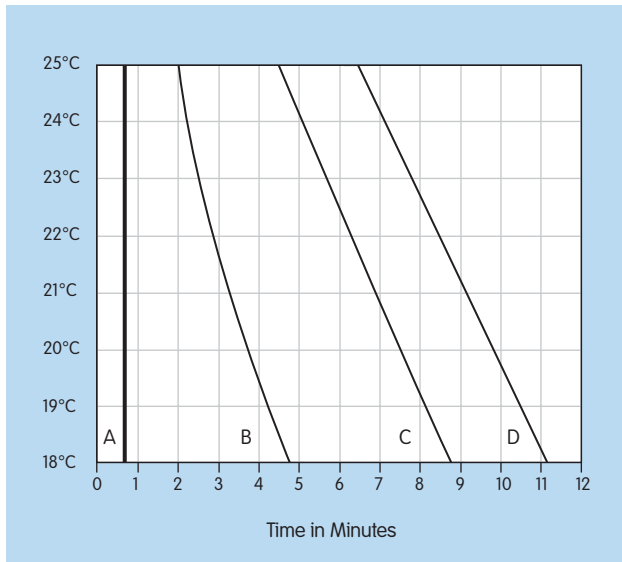
There have been no significant changes to the chemical makeup of the cement. This ensures that the mechanical properties are as solid as ever. There is no statistical difference in the exceptional fatigue performance of the two cements.

Samples of this modified cement have been shown to surgeons and OR staff members with very positive feedback. The hurdles that VERSABOND has seen due to difficult handling characteristics have been eliminated.

This modified VERSABOND is completely replacing part number 7127-1140. VERSABOND still features the same great packaging, the same great mechanical strengths, but with a much shorter wait.

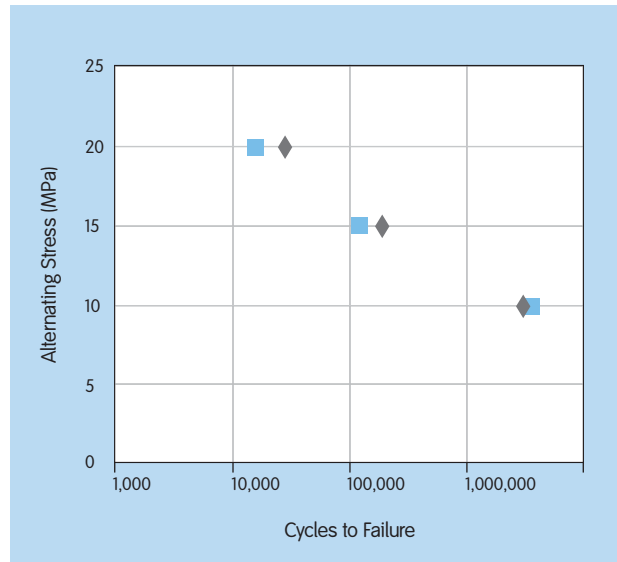
Product Information
 VERSABOND 40 Gram 7127-1340

VERSABOND Vacuum Mixing



A - Mixing time C - Working phase
 B - Dough phase D - Hardening phase

Fatigue – cycles to failure



◆ Original VERSABOND – 7127-1140
 ■ New VERSABOND – 7127-1340