HELBO®-Treatment

Infection control

Treatment success – scientifically documented
Biofilm — A habitat for pathological bacteria

Pathogenic bacteria are the main cause of failure in dentistry! Studies have shown that the biofilm provides a safe habitat for them. A phenomenon called "Quorum Sensing" enables bacteria to communicate with one another and coordinate their activities. The more mature the biofilm, the more resistant the bacteria within it become.

Mechanical cleaning and rinsing solutions do not adequately destroy the bacteria in the biofilm. Even strong antibiotics seldom provide sustainable success. There are, however, side effects, interactions with other medications and the risk of resistance when using antibiotics.

Periodontal pathogenic bacteria increase the risk of numerous diseases:
- Periodontitis and periimplantitis
- Endodontics
- Inadequate healing following root tip resection (RTR)
- Caries
- Alveolar osteitis following tooth extraction
- Residual osteitis (impaired implant healing, particularly in the case of immediate implantation)
- Bone necrosis, for example following administration of bisphosphonates
- Diseases of the skin/mucosa (e.g. aphthae, herpes, candida, suture dehiscence)
HELBO® Treatment — modern treatment

With HELBO® Treatment you can quickly relieve your patients from these inflammations/infections or prevent disturbances to wound healing. The light also accelerates the healing process and has a proven analgesic effect. The treatment integrates exceptionally into existing treatments offered by bredent medical. HELBO® therefore ensures treatment success in the context of immediate restoration of whole jaws with SKY fast & fixed or even of individual tooth gaps with SKY elegance. HELBO® can also be combined perfectly with bone replacement materials, membranes or even collagen fleeces in the case of augmentative measures and socket preservation. The HELBO® treatment can be assigned to adequately trained assistants to reduce the workload for the dentist.

Singlet oxygen destroys pathogenic bacteria.
The proposed treatment is based upon the marking of the bacterial wall using light-sensitive dye molecules, which diffuse into the biofilm from the Photosensitizer. The dye molecules are then activated using laser light and transfer their energy into local oxygen. This creates highly-aggressive singlet oxygen, which destroys more than 99 percent of the bacteria in the biofilm. An efficacy rate as high as this would be unthinkable using conventional treatment methods.

How it works

1. Accumulation of light-sensitive photosensitizers on the bacterial membrane
2. Exposure and stimulation of the photosensitizers with the HELBO®TheraLite Laser
3. Reaction with oxygen, image of aggressive singlet oxygen
4. Damage to bacterial membrane: destruction of the micro-organisms
HELBO® therapy is used in initial and maintenance treatment. Depending on the severity of the disease and accessibility, the procedure is carried out by means of a closed or surgical procedure. Studies confirm that the inflammation subsides, healing is promoted and the probe depth is reduced with this treatment.

Despite mechanical cleaning and chemical disinfection prior to obturation, bacteria remain within the canal, the tubules and the apical delta. With HELBO® therapy, even bacteria located deep inside the dentine canal and in the apical bone region can be reduced.

Teeth are most often removed due to bacterial inflammations. In terms of aesthetics and additional measures such as immediate or even delayed implantation, it is particularly important to disinfect the extraction alveolus accordingly. Collapsing of the vestibular bone lamella can be avoided when using together with suitable materials.

During immediate implantation, HELBO® therapy, as a disinfesting measure following tooth extraction, can visibly reduce the occurrence of complications for single tooth restorations (e.g. with SKY elegance) and for full arch restorations (e.g. with SKY fast & fixed).

Chronic inflammations frequently lead to bone loss. Before augmentative measures are carried out, the hard and soft tissue infected with bacteria is decontaminated using HELBO®. The bone defect is then filled with bone replacement material and covered with a membrane. By using this procedure, the risk of inflammation is reduced and controlled regeneration is enabled.
Intraoperative staining of the biofilm with sterile *Photosensitizer* enables contamination on bones and soft tissue to be visualised and the area to be disinfected using laser radiation. This results in improved wound healing and ensures the success of the surgical measures.

Diseases of the skin/mucosa occur, for example, in the form of aphthae, herpes, candida and suture dehiscences. In addition to bacteria, viruses and fungi also play a key role in the development of these diseases. HELBO® therapy supports rapid wound healing and also has a pain-alleviating effect.

In the case of treatment of caries profunda, the bases of the cavities close to the pulp are decontaminated in a punctate manner. This prevents the continuation of the carious process and prevents inflammations in the pulp. This is particularly beneficial when treating children, especially due to the analgesic effect of the laser light. The procedure can also be used in the event of initial caries, for example in maxillo-orthopaedic treatments.

The so-called Low-intensity laser therapy (and therefore the photobiological effect) increases perfusion where required by the respective indication and conversely inhibits it for those indications where it is not required. The same regulatory behaviour is effected by the laser treatment in the case of the immune reaction too. Synthesis of ADP to ATP and mitochondrial activity are stimulated in the cells, and restricting influences (on metabolism and energy) are reduced. This has an effect that demonstrates inflammation inhibition, acceleration of wound healing and alleviation of pain and is an accompanying feature of using HELBO® therapy.

### Simple and safe application

HELBO® Manual REF 000567GB

The HELBO® Manual describes the materials required and the procedure for all areas of application, depicted in words and images – step by step.
Components required for successful treatment with HELBO®

HELBO® TheraLite Laser
- Red
  - REF HE103206
- Blue
  - REF HE103207
- Silver
  - REF HE103208

HELBO® TheraLite Laser including complete battery set
- Ultra-light diode laser with integrated power control, short treatment time due to optimum light output.
- Mobile as can be used independently from the mains supply (changing battery operation), ergonomically perfect, small and light at 80 grams, therefore effortless use.
- Treatment-oriented sterile optical fibre:
  HELBO®3D Pocket Probe for secure 3D exposure of the periodontal/periimplantar pocket,
  HELBO®3D Endo Probe for 3D channel root canal exposure and HELBO®2D Spot Probe for exposure of two dimensional areas.

HELBO® Cover Sleeve
- REF HE106001
  Sterile Einmalschutzhüllen für den HELBO® TheraLite Laser.

HELBO® T-Controller
- incl. 1 charger and 2 AA batteries
  - REF HE100401
- 2 AA replacement batteries for the HELBO® T-Controller
  - REF HE104002

Der HELBO® T-Controller including battery
- Systematic time and treatment checks on quality assurance.
- Aesthetic and functional due to optical and acoustic signalling.
- Simple control of the relevant treatment parameters.
Trust the market leader:

- Diffusion: biofilm is visible.
- Sterile products enable use in the case of haemorrhaging lesions and during surgery.
- More than 100 publications, including many randomised, clinically-controlled studies that have been published internationally, prove efficiency.

**HELBO®3D Pocket Probe**
Sterile single-use optical fibre for safe three-dimensional exposure of periodontal/peri-implant pockets and alveoli.

- **Set with 15 fibre optic light guides**
  (3 packs of 5 pieces)
  REF HE102007
- **Set with 30 fibre optic light guides**
  (6 packs of 5 pieces)
  REF HE102008

**HELBO®3D Endo Probe**
Sterile single-use optical fibre for three-dimensional root canal exposure.

- **Set with 15 fibre optic light guides**
  (3 packs of 5 pieces)
  REF HE102026
- **Set with 30 fibre optic light guides**
  (6 packs of 5 pieces)
  REF HE102027

**HELBO®2D Spot Probe**
Sterile single-use fibre optic light guide for exposure of two-dimensional areas.

- **Set with 15 fibre optic light guides**
  (3 packs of 5 pieces)
  REF HE102105
- **Set with 30 fibre optic light guides**
  (6 packs of 5 pieces)
  REF HE102107

**HELBO®2D 3D Pocket Probe**
Sterile single-use optical fibre for safe three-dimensional exposure of periodontal/peri-implant pockets and alveoli.

- **Set with 5 fibre optic light guides**
  (1 pack of 5 pieces)
  REF HE102006

Detailed information about the photosensitizer is available from our Sales team.
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"Never underestimate an enemy just because they are small and do not bear sharp teeth. Viruses and bacteria claim more people's lives than lions and crocodiles."

(Peter Hohl, writer, journalist and publisher, born in 1941)

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