

# Think pink, think Amaris Gingiva

## Testimonial on the material Amaris Gingiva by Dr Peter Tatton

Voco's latest addition to its Amaris composite range, Amaris Gingiva, offers a new approach to overcoming the aesthetic problem of gingival recession.

The exposed – and frequently worn – cervical areas of teeth often lack a pleasing appearance when restored with conventional materials such as glass ionomer or tooth-coloured composite. It may well protect the underlying tooth from further wear, but does nothing to address 'the long-in-the-tooth look' associated with ageing and loss of gingiva. This is where Amaris Gingiva offers a paradigm shift in treatment. By using a gingival shade to replace lost tooth substance, the integrity of the root is protected and its appearance improved.

Amaris Gingiva is straightforward to use. The system consists of a basic gingival-shaded composite and three opaquer, which extend the range of gingival colour achievable.

When establishing the gingival colour, I find it helps to build up the wear cavity first with the basic gingival composite; this aids in visualising the final outcome and helps fine tune colour selection. With the composite temporarily in place, you can decide on whether an opaquer is necessary by using the excellent opaque shade guide made from the actual composite materials used.

The wear area can then be restored totally with Amaris Gingiva, or a combination of convention and gingival Amaris composites. If an opaquer is used it must be painted on sparingly. The gingival composite is then best built up in small layers and sculptured to reproduce the gingival form. I aim for minimal finishing to reduce gingival trauma.

Amaris Gingiva has now become my material of choice when restoring cervical wear; it is simple to use and patients appreciate the lifelike results.



Peter Tatton graduated from the Royal Dental Hospital in 1977, when composite restorations were in their infancy. With his wife Maureen, he set up a restorative practice in Radlett, Hertfordshire, in the early 1980s. Aiming to provide high quality and aesthetic dentistry, he has been closely

following the development of tooth-coloured filling materials and their expanding applications.

### Product profile

#### Amaris Gingiva

For the highest standards in aesthetic dentistry, Amaris Gingiva permits chair side gingival shade-matching. This new gingiva-shaded, composite-based restoration system facilitates individual shade-matching using a combination of a base shade (nature) with three mixable opaque shades in white, light and dark. The result is a representation of the gingiva that appears natural. Through this principle, behind which the proven Amaris-know how stands, extensively exposed cervical areas caused by gingival recession and wedge-shaped defects in the cervical area can be controlled in the future, both functionally and aesthetically. With Amaris Gingiva, the high standard placed on the capacity of modern composites no longer has to end at the cervical boundary. This new material permits the reconstruction of the 'red-white' boundary with a predictable result.

#### Suitable for multiple indications

Amaris Gingiva is also suitable for other indications. Reconstruction with gingiva-shaded composite thus represents an important extension of therapeutic measures after muco-gingival surgery. In addition, the so-called 'black holes' induced by the loss of interdental papillae as a consequence of periodontitis or gingival recession can be quickly and easily treated with Amaris Gingiva to provide an aesthetic restoration. Amaris Gingiva can also be used to significantly extend the lifespan of in situ crowns with visible and exposed edges caused by natural gingival shrinkage.

#### Outstanding material and handling properties

Amaris Gingiva is not only impressive with its material properties, but also by its handling. It models extremely well and can be polished to high gloss. And thanks to the new non-dripping, non-running NDT syringe from Voco, applying the material is just as economical as it is hygienic. Amaris Gingiva has outstanding translucency and shade stability and it exhibits a very low shrinkage with a high filler content of 80 w/w % as a modern composite. Amaris Gingiva provides long-lasting, aesthetic restorations with its low abrasion values as well as its high compressive and transverse strength.



Initial situation on tooth 23



Cervical restoration with Amaris Gingiva



Initial situation on teeth 24, 25, 26



Cervical restorations with Amaris Gingiva

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Amaris Gingiva Set: 1 x 4 g syringe base shade nature, 3 x 1.2 g syringe opaquer (white, light, dark), accessories



Amaris Gingiva refill: 1 x 4 g syringe base shade nature