





WHITENING



Effectiveness of nanoXIM•CarePaste on restoring dental natural whiteness

Whitening

Smile aesthetics has gained increasing importance over the years. People value the appearance of their teeth and want to achieve the perfect white smile [1]. This not only suggests good dental health, but it is also considered an ideal beauty in most cultures. For that reason, dental aesthetics can have a huge impact on confidence, self-esteem and social acceptance [2]. Therefore, consumers are looking for products that will make their **teeth whiter and brighter**, with a healthier appearance. However, a significant number of whitening products can damage tooth enamel due to the presence of highly abrasive ingredients [3]. Clinicians and formulators have been trying to find alternatives for effective whitening ingredients that do not cause tooth wear. **One of the most effective is nano-hydroxyapatite**. The latter effectively binds to tooth enamel, creating a new and uniform mineralized layer. The new white and opaque layer formed on the tooth surface blocks incoming light and reflects white light. This results in a tooth-whitening effect (Figure 1) [4].



Figure 1: Nano-hydroxyapatite contributes to the formation of a uniform and smooth enamel layer. This new enamel layer is whiter, not only due to the remineralization but also related with its ability to reflect light, resulting in a tooth-whitening effect.





nanoXIM•CarePaste

The nanoXIM•CarePaste is a nano-hydroxyapatite (nHAp) ingredient produced and marketed by FLUIDINOVA. This synthetic water-based suspension ingredient has been specifically developed for oral care applications, such as toothpastes, gels, mouthwashes, dental floss, and other oral care products (personal and professional use). Nano-hydroxyapatite is a calcium phosphate material widely accepted in dentistry and medicine due to its exceptional biocompatibility and bioactivity. Its excellent performance is related to its nanometer size, being very similar to natural teeth and bone. nanoXIM•CarePaste contains high-purity nanoparticles under 100 nm in size, being much smaller than the dentin tubules. Therefore, they can be easily integrated inside the tubules, blocking them and reducing the pain associated with dental hypersensitivity. In addition, nanoXIM•CarePaste is able to bind to the dentin apatite and tooth enamel. Consequently, a new apatite layer is formed, remineralizing the enamel, protecting the tooth surface, and restoring its natural whiteness.

Mode of action



1.

Dental hypersensitivity, a short and sharp pain, prevents us from drinking hot coffee, ice cream, or even an orange juice without feeling pain. The action of certain food and drinks (hot, cold, acidic) are considered aggressions to our teeth, resulting in the exposure of dentin tubules and the underlying nerves to the external environment (the dentin loses its protective covering).



2.

is reduced.

HAp has a great potential in the treatment of dental hypersensitivity, as it can be incorporated inside the dentin tubules. Consequently, these become sealed and pain



3.

As a result, a new layer is formed, remineralizing the tooth enamel and protecting the tooth surface, preventing the appearance of new cavities and making it resistant to acid attacks of our favourite meals.



4.

The deposition of HAp on the enamel surface improves its smoothness for better light reflection, and consequently brighter and whiter teeth.





The effectiveness of nanoXIM•CarePaste has been confirmed in numerous studies

Study 1

The purpose of this study was to investigate the tooth-whitening effects of mouthrinses containing different sizes of hydroxyapatite (HAp) particles after prolonged application time and compare them with a commercial whitening mouthrinse. For that, fifty bovine incisors were stained and randomly distributed into five groups: the HAp groups with 3 μ m, 200 nm and 50 nm particle size (nanoXIM•CarePaste), the commercial whitening mouthrinse group and the distilled water group. The teeth underwent prolonged mouthrinse applications that were equivalent to simulated three and sixmonth mouth rinsing applications. Tooth color was measured and calculated before and after mouth rinsing [5].



Figure 20: The mouthrinse-treated enamel surfaces were visualized at 1,000× and 10,000× after applications equivalent to three and six months.

A and F: untreated enamel surface at 1,000×.

K and P: untreated enamel surface at 10,000×.

B-E: the enamel of the 3 μ m, 200 nm, 50 nm HAP groups and the commercial mouthrinse group at 1,000 × after applications equivalent to three months.

G-J: the enamel of the 3 μ m, 200 nm, 50 nm HAP groups and the commercial mouthrinse group at 10,000× after applications equivalent to three months.

L-O: the enamel of the 3 μ m, 200 nm, 50 nm HAP groups and the commercial mouthrinse group at 1,000× after applications equivalent to six months.

Q-T: the enamel of the 3 μ m, 200 nm, 50 nm HAP groups and the commercial mouthrinse group at 10,000× after applications equivalent to six months.

- ✓ The whitening effect of HAp mouthrinses after the prolonged application time was confirmed.
- ✓ The HAp mouthrinses exhibited similar tooth-whitening effects to the commercial whitening mouthrinse. It was also observed that the tooth-whitening performance of HAp was dependent on the particle size and application time;
- ✓ The HAp 50 nm particles (nanoXIM•CarePaste) showed better tooth-whitening performance after a longer period of mouth rinsing than the microsized HAp particles.





Study 2



In this study, it was evaluated the whitening efficacy of VITIS Whitening toothpaste (Dentaid S.L., Spain) that contains 3% of nanoXIM•CarePaste [6].

Figure 21: Whitening effect of VITIS Whitening toothpaste (containing 3% nanoXIM•CarePaste). A reduced number of dental stains and whiter teeth are achieved after ten and twenty-one days of use.

- ✓ A 24% reduction in the number of dental staining was observed in 65% of patients after ten days of use;
- ✓ A 38% reduction in the number of dental staining was observed in 75% of patients after twenty-one days of use;
- ✓ After ten days of use, it was noticed teeth whitening in 45% of patients;





Conclusion

The studies stated in this document evidence the success of nanoXIM•CarePaste as an oral care ingredient, demonstrating excellent performance in restoring the teeth's natural whiteness. Whitening performance was also found to be dependent on particle size, with nano-sized HAp particles being the most effective.

Moreover, research demonstrates the ability of nanoXIM•CarePaste to create a new and restored tooth surface.

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