SICAT SURGICAL GUIDES

Instructions for preparation of SICAT CLASSICGUIDE, SICAT OPTIGUIDE and SICAT DIGITALGUIDE
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1. SICAT Surgical Guides

CAUTION! Federal Law (USA) restricts use of this device to or on the order of a physician, dentist or licensed practitioner.

SICAT Surgical Guides support you in implementing the implant plan you have created using SICAT planning software (GALILEOS implant or SICAT Implant). SICAT Surgical Guides are custom-made for the respective patient and guide your drill to the planned positions in the patient’s jaw with the aid of guide sleeves.
1.1. SICAT Surgical Guide types

Three types of surgical guides are available: CLASSICGUIDE, OPTIGUIDE and DIGITALGUIDE.

The SICAT laboratory converts CLASSICGUIDEs directly into accurate surgical guides on the basis of radiographic templates and 3D X-ray data. CLASSICGUIDEs are available tooth and gingiva supported with optional fixation using anchor pins, fixation screws, or mini implants.

OPTIGUIDEs are fabricated directly in the SICAT laboratory on the basis of optical surface scan data and 3D X-ray data. Radiographic templates do not need to be used with OPTIGUIDE. OPTIGUIDEs are available tooth-supported.
**SICAT DIGITALGUIDE**

**DIGITALGUIDES** are designed in the SICAT laboratory on the basis of optical surface scan data and 3D X-ray data. In this process, a digital model of a surgical guide is created. You can produce it with your own 3D printer or you can have it printed in a laboratory of your choice. Radiographic templates do not need to be used with **DIGITALGUIDE**. **DIGITALGUIDES** are available tooth-supported.

If you order the fabrication of a surgical guide yourself, please make sure that your laboratory has the desired sleeves available.
The sleeve systems available for CLASSICGUIDE and OPTIGUIDE are pilot sleeves, a generic sleeve-in-sleeve system, and master sleeves for guided surgical systems. These guided surgical systems generally offer a complete procedure, from the initial osteotomy all the way to implant insertion.

Among others, the guided systems by the following manufacturers are supported by SICAT:

- Alphatech
- Anthogyr
- Astra Tech
- BEGO Implant Systems
- Bicon Dental Implants
- BioHorizons
- Biomet 3i™
- Bredent
- CAMLOG® Biotechnologies
- Dentaurum
- DENTSPLY Friadent
- Hiossen
- Implant Direct
- Kentec
- Klockner
- Leone
- Medentis Medical
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- MEISINGER
- Neoss
- Nobel Biocare™
- SIC invent
- Straumann®
- Sweden&Martina
- TRI Dental Implants
- Zimmer® Dental

Visit SICAT’s website [www.sicat.com](http://www.sicat.com) to find the guided systems currently supported.

**NOTICE**

Please note that under certain circumstances, the use of OPTIGUIDE and DIGITALGUIDE is limited or that in some cases, the use of CLASSICGUIDE is recommended. Please see the following chapter: *Decision-making aid: CLASSICGUIDE, OPTIGUIDE or DIGITALGUIDE? [► Page 12].*
1.2. Definition of terms

1. Bite plate with radiographic markers (CLASSICGUIDE)

The bite plate serves as a basis for the radiographic template and has radiographic markers (fiducial markers- see marking). Please use only SICAT bite plate kits. SICAT bite plate kits consist of a bite plate for fabricating a radiographic template, a blank CD for storing implant planning data and a small padded shipping package.

2. Radiographic template (CLASSICGUIDE)

The patient wears the radiographic template during the 3D scanning process. The radio-opaque prosthetic proposal, which may be incorporated in the radiographic template (see marking), is visible in the 3D X-ray and serves the dentist in charge of treatment as a basis for implant planning. Afterwards, SICAT manufactures a precise surgical guide out of the radiographic template.
3. Surgical guide

A surgical guide (CLASSICGUIDE, OPTIGUIDE), or a surgical guide based on a DIGITALGUIDE, is custom-made for your specific patient. Once the surgical guide is placed on the patient’s jaw, the sleeves are utilized to help guide your surgical instruments and, if appropriate, your implant, accurately to the position you have previously planned.

4. Optical impressions

Optical impressions are obtained by scanning a stone model with a 3D scanner or by scanning the jaw with a 3D intraoral camera.
1.3. Decision-making aid: CLASSICGUIDE, OPTIGUIDE or DIGITALGUIDE?

- **Edentulous jaw**
  - **CLASSICGUIDE** (Radiographic template for the edentulous jaw)

- **Partially edentulous jaw**
  - **Major metal artifacts likely**
    - Several missing teeth
      - CLASSICGUIDE: Conventional radiographic template
    - 1 to 2 missing teeth
      - CLASSICGUIDE: Direct radiographic template
  - **Minor metal artifacts likely**
    - Several missing teeth
      - CLASSICGUIDE: Conventional radiographic template
    - **OPTIGUIDE or DIGITALGUIDE** (good tooth support necessary)
      - OPTIGUIDE or DIGITALGUIDE: Conventional radiographic template
    - 1 to 2 missing teeth
      - CLASSICGUIDE: Direct radiographic template
      - OPTIGUIDE or DIGITALGUIDE

2. SICAT CLASSICGUIDE

SICAT CLASSICGUIDE is based on a patient-specific radiographic template, which can be prepared in one of three different ways, depending on the indication:

- Conventional radiographic template with thermoforming technique - for partially edentulous jaws utilizing barium sulfate prosthetic proposals.
- Direct radiographic template with bite registration material - for one to two missing teeth and prosthetic proposals through optical scan data.
- Edentulous radiographic template for a fully edentulous jaw - utilizes a duplicate copy of an acrylic denture.

CLASSICGUIDEs are directly transformed in the SICAT laboratory from the radiographic template. A high-quality radiographic template is therefore essential for the quality of the surgical guide.

For additional information to the previously mentioned topics go to Conventional radiographic template [▶ Page 15], Direct radiographic template [▶ Page 21] and Radiographic template for the edentulous jaw [▶ Page 24].
2.1. SICAT CLASSICGUIDE Workflow

1. INDICATION
2. PRODUCTION OF THE RADIOGRAPHIC TEMPLATE
3. CONEBEAM/CT SCAN
4. IMPLANT PLANNING
5. PRODUCTION OF THE SURGICAL GUIDE AT SICAT
6. SURGERY
2.2. Conventional radiographic template

Your dental laboratory will need the following materials to fabricate a radiographic template with a radio-opaque prosthetic proposal:

- stone model (type 4 plaster) of the patient’s jaw
- bite plate with fiducial markers (available at www.sicat.com)
- hard-elastic, transparent thermoforming sheet which bonds to PMMA (thickness min. 1.5 mm to max. 2.0 mm)
- thermoforming device
- cold-curing acrylic (PMMA)
- radio-opaque acrylic or barium sulfate powder

A current list of recommended materials can be found at www.sicat.com.

**WARNING**

Only use current impressions/stone models. A modified anatomical situation will result in a poorly-fitting surgical guide.

**WARNING**

For the preparation of a radiographic template please use only materials recommended by SICAT. A current list of recommended materials can be found at www.sicat.com.
NOTICE  Only use thermoforming sheets which bond to PMMA. Intermediate sheets must be removed after the thermoforming process. This is the only way to ensure a durable bond between bite plate, thermoformed stent and prosthetic proposal.

WARNING  Only use thermoforming sheets with material thickness of 1.5 mm and 2.0 mm.

NOTICE  Manufacturing a conventional radiographic template and a radiographic template for fully edentulous jaws requires dental technician experience and is preferably made by certified dental technicians.
## 2.3. Fabricating a conventional radiographic template

<table>
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<th><strong>NOTICE</strong></th>
<th>The quality and currency of the impression and stone model are essential for the precise fit of the radiographic template and the surgical guide and are therefore crucial for accurate implantation.</th>
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**WARNING**

- Modify the bite plate only at areas specified for modification.

**WARNING**

- Do not modify the radiographic template after the 3D X-ray scan.
1. Produce a stone model made of super-hard plaster (type 4) with a wax-up. The height of the stone model may not exceed 4 cm, as the shipping parcel has been designed for this maximum height.

2. Prepare a thermoformed stent (thickness min. 1.5 mm to max. 2.0 mm) on the stone model with wax-up and then remove the wax-up from the thermoformed stent.

3. Block out undercuts. Isolate the stone model from the acrylic.
4. Pour radio-opaque acrylic into the area of the thermoformed stent where the wax-up was previously located. *If you do not have ready-to-use radio-opaque acrylic*, mix cold-curing acrylic with 15% barium sulfate in relation to the weight of the PMMA powder until it has a viscous consistency. Make sure that the PMMA powder is mixed smoothly and thoroughly with the barium sulfate (no lumps).

5. The prosthetic proposal prepared in this way must sit flush on the gingiva.

6. For small jaws, the bite plate can be shortened in the **areas marked in green**. The **area shown in orange** should not be altered or covered with acrylic.
7. Mix cold-cure acrylic (without barium sulfate) until it has a viscous consistency. To etch the surfaces, apply cold-cure acrylic to the top of the thermoformed stent and bite plate (side without the fiducial markers). Pour the acrylic onto the bite plate (side without the fiducial markers). Make sure you use sufficient acrylic, as this serves both to bond the bite plate and the thermoformed stent and to stabilize the radiographic template.

8. Position the thermoformed stent in the frontal area of the bite plate on the side without the fiducial markers.

9. Press the thermoformed stent, situated on the stone model, onto the bite plate until the acrylic has cured. Check that the radiographic template fits securely and stably on the stone model.

Figure to point 7

Figure to point 8

Figure to point 9
2.4. Direct radiographic template

The direct radiographic template should **only be used with one or two missing teeth** when visualization of a prosthetic proposal in the 3D X-ray scan is *not* necessary or is displayed by a virtual prosthetic proposal (e.g. CEREC AC from Dentsply Sirona).

Utilization of bite registration material allows immediate fabrication of a radiographic template directly in the patient’s mouth. There is no need to make a radiographic template based on a stone model with the aid of thermoforming for the time being.

Only bite registration materials approved by SICAT should be used (e.g. Kettenbach Futar® Scan).

See [www.sicat.com](http://www.sicat.com) for a complete list of all recommended materials.

The radiographic template is the basis for the subsequent **CLASSICGUIDE**. A firm and stable fit on the patient’s jaw is therefore of critical importance.

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**NOTICE**

For reasons of quality assurance, please ensure that the corresponding stone model is sent to SICAT with every radiographic template.
2.5. Fabricating a direct radiographic template

**WARNING**
Check that the radiographic template fits securely and stably in the patient’s mouth. If the fit is inadequate, repeat the process.

**NOTICE**
Apply only one layer of bite registration material. The bite registration material is not used to stabilize the surgical guide, but only to reproduce an accurate position.

**NOTICE**
Apply the bite registration material only onto the side of the bite plate which does not show the fiducial markers.

**WARNING**
Do not modify the radiographic template after the 3D X-ray scan.
1. Drill 4 holes (Ø4 mm) in the SICAT bite plate in the pre-specified positions.

2. Apply bite registration material over the whole inner surface area of the bite plate (side without the fiducial markers). The holes ensure that the registration is retained on the bite plate.

3. Take the impression in the patient’s mouth.
2.6. Radiographic template for the edentulous jaw

A full denture of approximately the desired final result with regard to aesthetics, occlusion and physical attributes is necessary to fabricate a radiographic template for the edentulous jaw.

The basis for the radiographic template is a copy of the full denture, made with acrylics of different radio-opaque concentrations, so that the teeth and gingival surface can be visualized accordingly in the X-ray.

If no denture corresponding to the final result is available, a wax-up should be prepared beforehand.

| Original situation | Radiographic template | 3D X-ray scan |

**NOTICE**
Manufacturing a conventional radiographic template and a radiographic template for fully edentulous jaws requires dental technician experience and is preferably made by certified dental technicians.
2.7. Fabricating a radiographic template for the edentulous jaw

**NOTICE**
A good form-fit of the denture is very important, as the duplicated denture serves as a basis for the radiographic template.

**WARNING**
Do not modify the radiographic template after the 3D X-ray scan.
1. Check the fit of the full denture in the patient’s mouth. If the denture does not have a form-fit on the gingiva, it will be necessary to reline the denture to ensure proper fit over the gingiva. To reline the denture, use the existing denture as an impression tray to prepare an impression of the current mucosal situation (as when performing a soft-reline). Use silicone reline material.

2. Create a stone model from the full denture (relined if necessary), which represents the current mucosal situation of the patient’s jaw.
3. Remove excess material from the stone model.

4. Use a duplication form to duplicate the full denture with the model. If there is no duplication form available, you can use silicone impression material (overcast material) as an alternative to mold the denture situation.

5. Fill the section of the duplication form which represents the teeth with radio-opaque acrylic (corresponding to a barium sulfate mix of approx. 15%) to enable the teeth to be visualized subsequently in the 3D X-ray scan.
6. Now place the stone model representing the current mucosal situation in the duplication form, situating it on top of the radio-opaque acrylic dental arch, which should still be soft. The acrylic mix must contact the surface of the model so that the dental arch acquires the shape of the mucosal situation.

7. Allow the dental arch made of radio-opaque acrylic to cure.

8. Then, reduce the barium sulfate cast to obtain a separated dental arch. Separate the teeth so that these can be visualized individually in the X-ray and are clearly visible.

9. Place the separated dental arch into the duplication form.

Figure to point 6
Figure to point 8
Figure to point 9
10. Place the stone model representing the current gingival situation in the duplication form, flush with the dental arch.

11. Allow the radio-opaque acrylic with a barium sulfate mix of 8% to flow into one of the holes of the duplication form. Using an 8% barium sulfate mix will help differentiate gingiva and teeth clearly in the X-ray later. If using ready-mixed material, use 50% of the material with 50% neutral PMMA.

12. Once curing is complete, a duplicate of the denture made of different mixes of radio-opaque acrylic will be obtained.

13. Mix cold-cure acrylic (without barium sulfate) until it has a viscous consistency. To etch the surfaces, apply cold-cure acrylic to the underside of the bite plate (side without fiducial markers). Pour acrylic onto the bite plate. Make sure you use sufficient acrylic, as this serves both to bond the bite plate and the copy of the denture and to stabilize the radiographic template.
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2.7. Fabricating a radiographic template for the edentulous jaw

14. Position the duplicated denture made of the acrylic/barium sulfate mix on the bite plate. Press the duplicated denture onto the bite plate until the acrylic has cured. Make sure that the radiographic template is located securely and accurately on the stone model.

Figure to point 14

Figure to point 14

Bite plate

The area shown in orange should not be covered with acrylic or removed.

For small jaws, the bite plate can be shortened in the areas marked in green.

**WARNING**

Do not modify the radiographic template after the 3D X-ray scan.
2.8. 3D X-ray (Conbeam or CT)

General notes for the use of radiographic templates (CLASSICGUIDE)

For optimum scanning results, please observe the general instructions below:

- Check that the radiographic template is securely located and stable.
- Bite plate, thermoformed stent and any prosthetic proposal must remain firmly bonded to one another, even under mechanical load. The acrylic must be fully cured.
- Scan the patient wearing the radiographic template.
- Jaws should be scanned individually.
- Align the occlusion plane in parallel with the slice.
- Slightly pad bite (e.g. with cotton wool pads).
- Remove non-fixed metal prostheses from the opposing jaw, e.g. dentures.
- Make sure that the teeth of the opposing jaw do not touch the fiducial markers of the radiographic template.

**WARNING**
The acrylic must be fully cured prior to the 3D X-ray scan.

**WARNING**
Make sure that the radiographic template is seated on the jaw **without gaps**, and that the fit is **secure** and **stable**.
Practice the correct seating of the radiographic template with the patient in case he is scanned in your absence.

Please inform your patient that the radiographic template must not move, and they must remain still during the CBCT scanning process.

*Alignment of the occlusion plane in parallel with the slice*
2.9. 3D X-ray (Dentsply Sirona system)

1. Prepare the scan by selecting the appropriate bite plate holder (upper or lower jaw).
2. Let the patient try on the radiographic template. Check that the radiographic template is secure and stable.
3. Close the swivel arm and adjust the system height until the incisors and the ball of the bite plate holder are at the same level.
4. Now guide the patient carefully onto the bite plate holder. The patient should bite gently on the bite plate holder. The radiographic template should now be in a horizontal position.
5. Start the scanning process on your Conebeam system.

Figure to point 4

Figure to point 4
2.10. Scanning parameters for CT and Conebeam systems

For optimum scanning results, please observe the following parameters of your 3D X-ray system:

- Gantry tilt = 0°
- Parallel slices
- Slice thickness < 0.7 mm
- DICOM 3 format

For optimum scanning results, always follow the instructions of use of your Conebeam or CT radiographic system.

**WARNING**

For a SICAT CLASSICGUIDE at least four fiducial markers must be visible in the 3D X-ray scan.

**WARNING**

Please inform your patient that the radiographic template must **not move**, and they **must remain still** during the CBCT scanning process.

**WARNING**

If the thermoformed stent detaches from the bite plate after the CBCT scan, it must be reattached with radiolucent acrylic, followed by a new CBCT scan.
Only qualified persons should initiate the x-ray scan.

The 3D X-ray scan must not contain significant artifacts.
2.11. Preventing potential errors

1. Incorrect positioning of the radiographic template

In this example, a gap of approximately 2 mm can be seen between the radiographic template and the tooth. If you cannot ensure that the position of the radiographic template during the scanning procedure is exactly the same as the position of the surgical guide during the surgery, a significant decrease in accuracy of the osteotomy is possible.

2. Patient movement

If the patient inadvertently moves during the scanning process, this will cause movement artifacts. The artifacts make the fiducial markers and important anatomical structures difficult to detect. It is therefore important to tell the patient not to move during the scanning procedure. This 3D X-ray scan shows double structures. Production of a surgical guide is not possible with a 3D X-ray scan of this type. A new 3D X-ray scan is required.

3. Unclear fiducial markers

In order to be able to fabricate an accurate CLASSICGUIDE surgical guide, the fiducial markers must appear clearly and without errors. If the opposing jaw has structures which absorb X-rays to a significant extent (for example gold or ceramic crowns) and these structures are located close to the fiducial markers, it helps to pad the patient’s bite with cotton rolls.
2.11. Preventing potential errors

Figure 1: Incorrect fit

Figure 2: Patient movement

Figure 3: Unclear fiducial marker

**WARNING**

Make sure that you use only current 3D X-ray scans for implant planning. Otherwise tooth situation, gingiva situation and bone situation can significantly deviate from reality.
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2.11. Preventing potential errors

**WARNING**

Send the exact radiographic template that the patient was wearing during the CBCT scan.

**WARNING**

Do not modify the radiographic template after the 3D X-ray scan.
3. SICAT OPTIGUIDE

SICAT OPTIGUIDE is based on the superimposition of optical impressions of a jaw and the corresponding 3D X-ray data. Together with implant planning and the desired selection of sleeves, SICAT fabricates an accurate surgical guide. Production of a radiographic template based on a bite plate is not required for OPTIGUIDE.

| NOTICE | If you are uncertain whether a case is suitable for OPTIGUIDE or DIGITALGUIDE, before taking the 3D X-ray scan, follow the CLASSICGUIDE workflow. Alternatively, please contact SICAT Support. |
3.1. SICAT OPTIGUIDE Workflow

INDICATION

CONEBEAM/CT SCAN

SCAN OF OPTICAL IMPRESSIONS OR STONE MODEL

IMPLANT PLANNING

PRODUCTION OF THE SURGICAL GUIDE AT SICAT

SURGERY
3.2. Preparation of an OPTIGUIDE surgical guide

You can prepare an OPTIGUIDE in two different ways:

- Import optical impressions directly into the SICAT software program (GALILEOS Implant/ SICAT Implant) and superimpose the optical impressions with the 3D X-ray scan. You can find additional information on superimposing optical scan data with 3D X-ray data in our GALILEOS Implant or SICAT Implant software manuals.

- Send accurate stone models with your order for SICAT to digitize and superimpose with 3D X-ray data.

**WARNING**
For OPTIGUIDE or DIGITALGUIDE, ensure that the patient has sufficient remaining teeth to provide reliable support for the surgical guide. If this is not the case, follow the CLASSICGUIDE workflow.

**WARNING**
For OPTIGUIDE or DIGITALGUIDE, ensure that the optical impressions correspond *exactly* to the current situation in the jaw. Otherwise, it will be impossible to fit the surgical guide accurately, and this may lead to a deviation from the planned implant position.

**WARNING**
Verify and confirm accurate superimposition of optical impressions with 3D X-ray data. Inaccurate registrations may lead to deviations in the implant planning process.
NOTICE

Do not use alginate impressions to create accurate stone models.

For information about 3D X-ray scans and optical impressions go to: Scan notes (OPTIGUIDE and DIGITALGUIDE) [Page 47]
4. SICAT DIGITALGUIDE

SICAT DIGITALGUIDE is based on the superimposition of optical impressions of a jaw and the corresponding 3D X-ray data. Together with implant planning and the desired selection of sleeves, SICAT designs a digital model of a surgical guide. SICAT uploads the digital surgical guide design file to your personal SICAT Portal account. You can produce it with your own 3D printer or you can have it printed in a laboratory of your choice. If a SICAT partner laboratory is available in your country, you can choose this option and SICAT will forward the digital surgical guide model directly to the partner laboratory. Production of a radiographic template based on a bite plate is not required for DIGITALGUIDE.

| NOTICE | If you are uncertain whether a case is suitable for OPTIGUIDE or DIGITALGUIDE, before taking the 3D X-ray scan, follow the CLASSICGUIDE workflow. Alternatively, please contact SICAT Support. |
4.1. SICAT DIGITALGUIDE Workflow

- **INDICATION**
- **CONEBEAM/CT SCAN**
- **SCAN OF OPTICAL IMPRESSIONS**
- **IMPLANT PLANNING**
- **DESIGN OF THE MODEL OF THE SURGICAL GUIDE AT SICAT**
- **FABRICATION OF THE SURGICAL GUIDE LOCAL OR IN A PARTNER LABORATORY**
- **SURGERY**
4.2. Preparation of a DIGITALGUIDE surgical guide

Follow the steps to prepare a DIGITALGUIDE:

- Import optical impressions directly into GALILEOS Implant and register the optical impressions with the 3D X-ray scan. You can find additional information on registering optical scan data with 3D X-ray data in our GALILEOS Implant or SICAT Implant software manuals.

**WARNING**

For OPTIGUIDE or DIGITALGUIDE, ensure that the patient has sufficient remaining teeth to provide reliable support for the surgical guide. If this is not the case, follow the CLASSICGUIDE workflow.

**WARNING**

For OPTIGUIDE or DIGITALGUIDE, ensure that the optical impressions correspond **exactly** to the current situation in the jaw. Otherwise, it will be impossible to fit the surgical guide accurately, and this may lead to a deviation from the planned implant position.

**WARNING**

Verify and confirm accurate superimposition of optical impressions with 3D X-ray data. Inaccurate registrations may lead to deviations in the implant planning process.

If the surgical guide is not printed in a SICAT partner laboratory, make sure that you or your laboratory have the desired sleeves available.

For information about 3D X-ray scans and optical impressions, see: Scan notes (OPTIGUIDE and DIGITALGUIDE) [Page 47]
5. Scan notes (OPTIGUIDE and DIGITALGUIDE)

Below, you can find notes regarding 3D X-ray scans and scanning optical impressions that are relevant for OPTIGUIDE and DIGITALGUIDE.
5.1. Instructions about 3D X-ray scans

For optimum scanning results, please observe the general instructions below:

- Do not scan patient with the occlusion closed. Slightly pad bite (e.g. with cotton pads).
- Remove non-fixed metal prostheses from the opposing jaw, e.g. dentures.
- If possible, scan at least 3/4 of the curve of the jaw. This increases the likelihood of being able to use sufficient artifact-free teeth for registration.
- For better representation of the gingiva, it is helpful to separate jaw and lip or cheek using cotton rolls.
5.2. Instructions about scanning optical impressions

If possible, scan at least 3/4 of the curve of the jaw in order to ensure that the surgical guide is stable and to increase the likelihood of being able to use sufficient artifact-free teeth for registration.

**WARNING**

Complete optical impressions of at least 3/4 of the curve of the jaw must be available.

**WARNING**

If it is likely that a 3D X-ray scan will have several metal artifacts (for example numerous gold or ceramic crowns), follow the CLASSICGUIDE workflow. When severe metal artifacts are involved, it is not possible to manufacture an OPTIGUIDE or DIGITALGUIDE.
5.3. Preventing potential errors

1. Patient movement

If the patient inadvertently changes position during the scanning process, this will cause movement artifacts which causes the image to be blurred. These artifacts make it hard to register optical impressions with 3D X-ray scans. Therefore, it is important to tell the patient not to move during the scanning procedure. It is not possible to accurately superimpose optical scan data if there are movement artifacts in the 3D X-ray scan. SICAT cannot manufacture a surgical guide based on such 3D X-ray scans. A new 3D X-ray scan is required.

2. Metal artifacts

The precise shape of a tooth, that has been restored using metal or ceramic, cannot be verified accurately in the 3D X-ray scan due to metal artifacts. These teeth, and in many cases the adjacent teeth, cannot be used for successful registration or verifying the registration of an optical impression. This is why OPTIGUIDE and DIGITALGUIDE are not indicated in cases with many metal artifacts. In contrast, CLASSICGUIDE is relatively insensitive to metal artifacts.

3. Optical impressions do not correspond to jaw situation

SICAT manufactures this surgical guide based on optical impressions. Faulty scan data can lead to a surgical guide not fitting the patient's jaw correctly. It is therefore essential to ensure that the optical impressions correspond precisely to the patient's situation.
5.3. Preventing potential errors

Figure 1: Patient movement

Figure 2: Metal artifacts

Figure 3: Optical impressions do not correspond to jaw situation
5. Scan notes (OPTIGUIDE and DIGITALGUIDE)

5.3. Preventing potential errors
6. Preventing planning errors

To prevent planning errors, please follow the important tips below when executing your implant plan.

**Unsuitable drill path**

Figure 1 shows a drill path that is too close to an adjacent tooth. The drill sleeve and the final drill would collide with the adjacent tooth.

**Collision between drill sleeve and drill sleeve**

Figure 2 shows the collision of the drill sleeve of two implants. The visualization of the drill sleeves shows this clearly. Production of the surgical guide is not possible.
Collision between drill sleeve and neighboring tooth

Figure 3 shows the collision between a drill sleeve and a neighboring tooth. Avoid this scenario by allowing enough space between sleeves and neighboring teeth because the surgical guide will not fit the patient's jaw when such collisions are involved.

Collision between drill sleeve and gingiva

Figure 4 shows the collision between a drill sleeve and the gingiva. If you reflect a gingival flap during surgery, this will not be a problem. However, if you are planning a flapless surgery, the surgical guide will not fit on the jaw of the patient. Avoid this scenario by planning the sleeve on top the gingiva.
Right-click on the implant and select "Visualize drill path" to display the drill path of the pilot or the final drill. Select the corresponding sleeve system within the implant dialog in order to visualize drill sleeves.

**WARNING**

Please take into account the feasibility of using a surgical guide, while creating your implant plan.
6. Preventing planning errors
7. Handling of the surgical guide

Please pay close attention to the following, before using the surgical guide:

- Please protect the surgical guide from direct sunlight and elevated temperatures to prevent it from deforming.

- Check the surgical guide before surgery. Make sure that the surgical guide can be positioned without gaps and is secure and stable on the stone model, if available. Ensure that the position of the drill sleeves is in line with your implant plan. Do not use the surgical guide if you identify any issues.

- Disinfect the surgical guide before using. Disinfect the surgical guide only with disinfectants approved for this application.

- Before using the surgical guide, double-check any drills or surgical components to be used for possible defects or damage. Use only drills and sleeves in perfect condition in order to prevent drills from tilting in a sleeve.

- Ensure that the surgical guide is secure and stable on the jaw during use. Otherwise the holes are likely to be less accurate.

**WARNING**

Ensure that you have the correct drills and surgical components to fit the sleeves.
7. Handling of the surgical guide

**WARNING**

The drill should be inserted into the sleeve of the surgical guide before rotation begins. If the drills are rotating before being inserted into the sleeve, the drill could scratch and damage the inside surface of the sleeve, and/or the drill angle might deviate.

**WARNING**

Prior to surgery, check that the surgical guide is secure and stable on the patient’s jaw.

**WARNING**

The disinfection of the surgical guide prior to surgery must be carried out using disinfectants approved for this application.

**WARNING**

Please protect the surgical guide from direct sunlight and elevated temperatures to prevent it from deforming.

**WARNING**

Do not utilize heat-based methods (e.g. autoclaves) for disinfecting or sterilizing the surgical guide. The surgical guide could become deformed.

**NOTICE**

Ensure adequate cooling during drilling.
NOTICE
Always follow the manufacturer's instructions for use of your guided surgical system.

NOTICE
Inner sleeves for the SICAT SIS system must be sterilized before use.

WARNING
The force of the drill, can cause the guide to move during surgery. It is important to stabilize the guide properly during use.

WARNING
Ensure that excessive force is not exerted on the drill sleeve during the drilling process; this prevents the sleeve from separating from the guide. Sleeves planned too closely to adjacent teeth, will be surrounded by a limited amount of acrylic material.

WARNING
Ensure that excessive force is not exerted on the surgical guide during use; this will prevent it from breaking.

NOTICE
Check the surgical guide for obvious defects on receipt - for example loose sleeves, sharp edges, or transport damage. Ensure that the surgical guide received is the correct guide for your patient.
| NOTICE | In the unlikely event that it should become apparent during surgery that the surgical guide cannot be used, please ensure that you can still perform surgery safely without it. |
8. Ordering a surgical guide

Depending which surgical guide workflow option you have selected, there are various options for sending your order to SICAT.

The following pages summarize all of the methods for the surgical guide ordering process:

- SICAT CLASSICGUIDE
- SICAT OPTIGUIDE with registered optical impressions
- SICAT OPTIGUIDE with stone model
- SICAT DIGITALGUIDE with registered optical impressions

**NOTICE**

A guided surgery kit from the implant manufacturer is essential when selecting a guided implant system - e.g. CAMLOG® Guide from CAMLOG, Navigator® from Biomet 3i™, etc.

**NOTICE**

It is essential to follow the instructions for use for the planning program in question (GALILEOS Implant, SICAT Implant) for further helpful tips on implant planning.

**NOTICE**

Please note that in the event of the patient’s jaw opening being limited, it can be more difficult, if not impossible, to insert the drill into the sleeve, especially in posterior position.
8. Ordering a surgical guide

NOTICE Please ensure that you send patient-specific data in anonymised form.
Using the order wizard

To order surgical guides, please follow the order wizard in the software.

1. Under **Surgery**, click on the **surgical guide wizard** icon to start.
2. Select the type of surgical guide you would like to order.
3. Follow the instructions of the order wizard until the surgical guide ordering process is complete.

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**WARNING**

Make sure that you use only current 3D X-ray scans for implant planning. Otherwise tooth situation, gingiva situation and bone situation can significantly deviate from reality.
8.1. Ordering SICAT CLASSICGUIDE

**WARNING**
Send the exact radiographic template that the patient was wearing during the CBCT scan.

**WARNING**
Do not modify the radiographic template after the 3D X-ray scan.

SICAT produces the patient-specific CLASSICGUIDE for you. Please send the following materials:

**SICAT**
Abteilung SGL
Schwertberger Straße 14
53177 Bonn, Germany

1. **3D planning data on CD,**
2. **Signed payment form**
3. **Radiographic template**
4. **Stone model**

The 3D planning data on CD generated with the order wizard in a SICAT planning program (GA-LILEOS Implant, SICAT Implant). You only need the signed payment form if you have not authorized a direct debit. The radiographic template is the basis for the production of a CLASSICGUIDE (disinfected and dry in the polyethylene bag with a silica gel pack).
Label the CD, the stone model and the radiographic template (the latter only for **CLASSICGUIDE**) with the corresponding patient ID in the surgical guide order.

The easiest way to send a case is to use the SICAT Online Pick-Up Service. To arrange the pick-up, please visit our SICAT Portal by opening [http://www.sicat.com](http://www.sicat.com) and clicking the link to the SICAT Portal. If you have not registered yet, you can set up an account there.

Please ensure sufficient padding when packing to prevent the stone model or radiographic template from breaking.

Send the exact radiographic template that the patient was wearing during the CBCT scan.

Ensure that the radiographic template is disinfected before sending it.

Ensure that the radiographic template is placed inside the polyethylene bag before sending it.
8. Ordering a surgical guide

8.1. Ordering SICAT CLASSICGUIDE

WARNING

Ensure that a silica gel pack is placed inside the polyethylene bag before sending the radiographic template.
8.2. Ordering SICAT OPTIGUIDE (Option 1)

With registered optical impressions:

SICAT produces the patient-specific **OPTIGUIDE** for you. Please only use the order wizard in the software (SICAT Implant, GALILEOS Implant).

- You can digitally upload the order to SICAT, via the software order wizard.
- Alternatively, you can physically ship the order, burned onto a CD, to SICAT. In this case, please label the CD with the patient name and/or ID that corresponds with the information in the order, and ship it to:

  SICAT  
  Abteilung SGL  
  Schwertberger Straße 14  
  53177 Bonn, Germany

- If you have not authorized a reoccurring credit card payment, please fax the **signed payment form** to SICAT separately or enclose it with your package.
8.3. Ordering SICAT OPTIGUIDE (Option 2)

With stone model:

SICAT produces the patient-specific OPTIGUIDE for you. Please send the following materials:

1. **3D planning data on CD**, generated with the order wizard in a SICAT planning program (GA-LILEOS Implant, SICAT Implant).
2. **Signed payment form** if you have not authorized a direct debit.
3. **Stone model**

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**WARNING**

Label the CD, the stone model and the radiographic template (the latter only for CLASSICGUIDE) with the corresponding patient ID in the surgical guide order.

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**NOTICE**

The easiest way to send a case is to use the SICAT Online Pick-Up Service. To arrange the pick-up, please visit our SICAT Portal by opening [http://www.sicat.com](http://www.sicat.com) and clicking the link to the SICAT Portal. If you have not registered yet, you can set up an account there.

**NOTICE**

To prevent the stone model from breaking, please ensure sufficient padding when packing.
8.4. Ordering SICAT DIGITALGUIDE

With registered optical impressions:

SICAT designs a patient-specific digital 3D model of a DIGITALGUIDE surgical guide. You can produce it with your own 3D printer or you can have it printed in a laboratory of your choice. Please only use the order wizard in GALILEOS Implant (v1.9.2 or higher).

- You can digitally upload the order to SICAT, via the software order wizard.
- If you have not authorized a reoccurring credit card payment, please fax the signed payment form to SICAT separately.
9. SICAT documentation

You will receive the following documents from SICAT, along with your customized surgical guide (CLASSICGUIDE, OPTIGUIDE) or your surgical guide design file (DIGITALGUIDE):

**Surgical guide report**

The main component of the report is the implant-specific depth information. The report quotes the distances between the top of the sleeves and the apical end of the implants. You can compare these distances by measuring the drill during surgery.
9. SICAT documentation

Distance from the bottom of the drill sleeve to the apical end of the implant
Distance from the top of the drill sleeve to the apical end of the implant
Specifications of the planned implant

NOTICE Please note that individual arrangements with SICAT Support are also noted on the surgical guide report.
Drill protocol

If you are using a sleeve system from an implant manufacturer which requires a drill protocol, SICAT will send the protocol generated, accordingly, along with your surgical guide.

Accuracy report (only for CLASSICGUIDE and OPTIGUIDE)

The accuracy report states the deviations of the positions of the actual sleeves in relation to the digital implant plan. For CLASSICGUIDE and OPTIGUIDE, SICAT guarantees manufacturing deviation accuracy of max. 0.5 mm at the apical end of the implant.
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