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Bonalive is a smart biomaterials company, transforming healthcare at the intersection of biology and technology. With over 30 years of clinical history, and one of the most evidence-based technologies in the industry, we are re-imagining a smarter future for healthcare.

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The electronic reference list also contains:

- a link to each article's abstract
- surgeons' video presentations of their research

BIOACTIVE GLASS TECHNOLOGY

At the core of our technology is S53P4 bioactive glass – a smart biomaterial consisting solely of elements that exist naturally in the human body.

Characterized by its ability to firmly attach to living tissue and chemically bond with surrounding bone, S53P4 bioactive glass naturally facilitates the formation of new bone. Thus, it is a unique material for filling defects and replacing damaged bone tissue because S53P4 bioactive glass functions as naturally as your biology.

Smart Healing™ solutions are osteostimulative (non-osteoinductive) and come with a range of benefits for filling, reconstructing and regenerating bone defects as well as for filling bone cavities, voids and gaps in both adult and pediatric patients.

THE LEVEL OF EVIDENCE IN CLINICAL STUDIES

The Level of Clinical Evidence provides a guide to describe the strength of the results measured in a clinical trial or research study. It is developed from USPSTF and Oxford (UK) CEBM Levels of Evidence.^[1]

Type of evidence	Level of evidence
Data derived from meta-analyses or systematic reviews of randomized studies or multiple randomized trials.	L1a
Data derived from at least one well-designed randomized trial.	L1b
Data derived from at least one well-designed non-randomized trial (e.g. cohort studies, case-control studies) or from at least one low-quality randomized trial.	L2
Data derived from case reports or low-quality non-randomized trials.	L3
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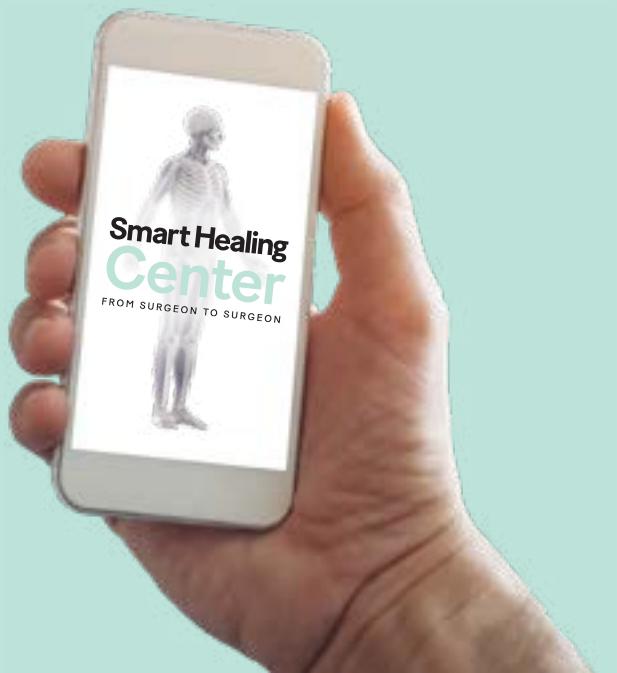
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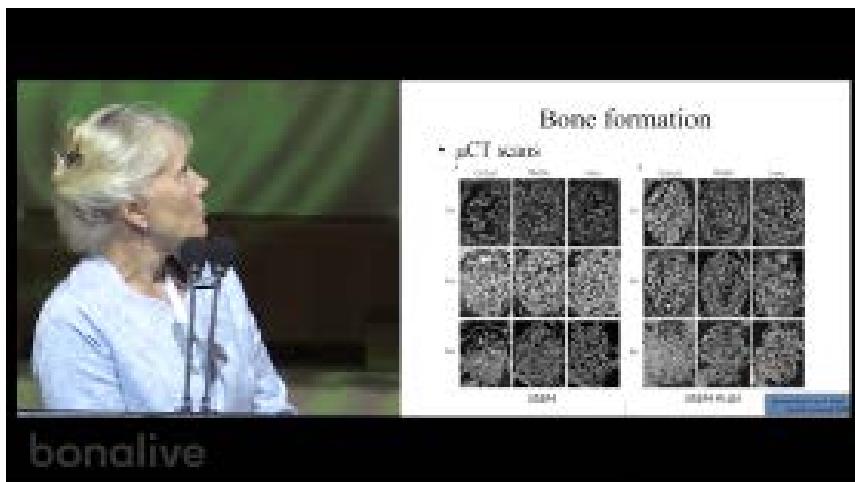
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