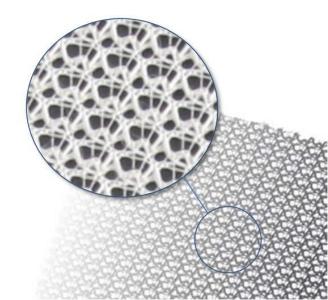
THE MATRIX

- The matrix is warpknitted, ie knitted with interlocking knits that prevents ravelling
- Fiber 1 locks the matrix in a stable state for a two week period following implantation, known as the *acute wound healing phase*
- When fiber 1 degrades, the matrix changes its mechanical properties
 - This behavior is designed for a gradual transfer of bodily loads from the matrix, to the new tissue that is produced and growing into the matrix.
- Fiber 2 is mechanically stable for over 6 months
- Fiber 2 will remain in the body for 3 years



THE FIBERS

Fiber 1

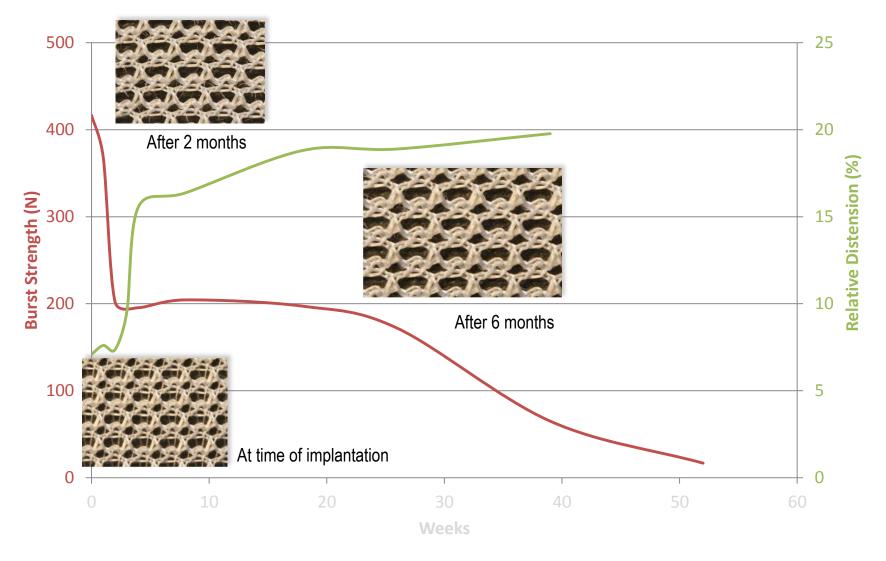
40% of the total weight 10 filaments per fiber 145 denier* Made of *polyglycolide*, *polylactide* and *trimetylene carbonate*

Fiber 2

60% of the total weight
43 filaments per fiber
85 denier*
Made of *polylactide* and *trimetylene carbonate*



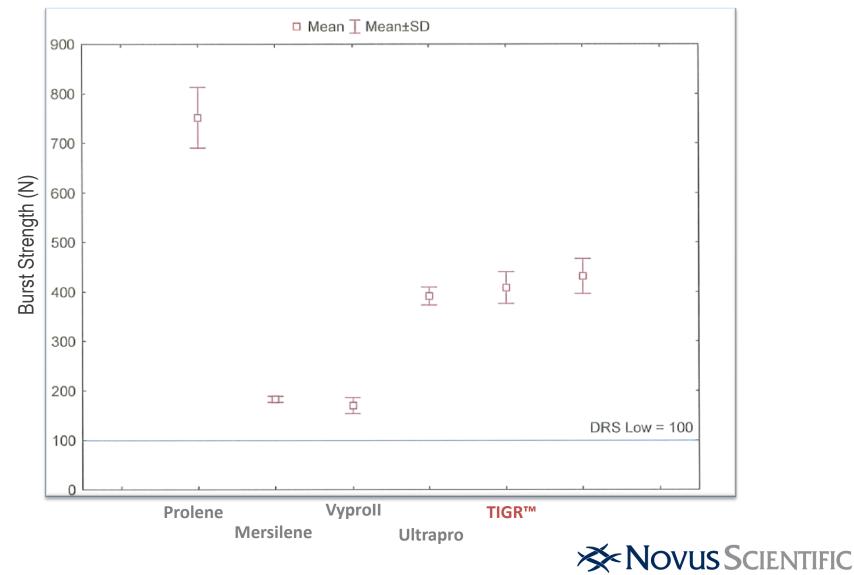
STRENGTH / DEGRADATION



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STRENGTH COMPARISON

At time of implantation



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FACTS AND FIGURES

Burst strength before implanatation:			400N
Burst strength aff	ter	2 months:	200N
		6 months:	170N

Area Weight before implantation: $135g/m^{2}$ Max pore size at time of implantation: 1.1mm (35% porosity) Thickness: 0.55mm

Suture retention strength:

40N

