

Zahn Dental Unveils Made in the USA With Imported Materials Zirconia for Dental Labs
Introducing ‘Zirlux[®] Independence ML’: Delivering Premium Strength Without Sacrificing Shade, Consistency, and Esthetics

MELVILLE, N.Y., February 16, 2026 – [Zahn Dental](#), the U.S. dental laboratory business of Henry Schein, Inc. (Nasdaq: HSIC), has launched Zirlux[®] Independence ML. These multi-layered zirconia discs, which are manufactured in the USA with imported materials, are designed to meet dental laboratories’ increasing demands for strength, superior esthetics, and efficiency.

Engineered for consistent shades, natural multilayer esthetics, and full-disc milling that helps maximize productivity, Zirlux Independence ML offers dental laboratories a combination of properties that streamline the milling process. Key features and benefits include:

- **Consistent Shades:** Features true shade accuracy across all 16 VITA[®]* shades, plus 0M2, helping to reduce remakes and decrease turnaround time.
- **Full-Disc Milling Efficiency:** Mills cleanly to the edge to help prevent chipping near the ring, contributing to reduced waste and improved yield per disc.
- **Natural Multilayer Opalescence:** Its natural gradient and pearl-like opalescence mimic natural esthetics while reducing staining and layering.
- **Balance of Strength & Esthetics:** Uses 4Y Zirconia technology to deliver strength of up to 1085 MPa and 48% translucency, making it ideal for full-arch bridges and anterior crowns.

“The introduction of Zirlux Independence ML solidifies our commitment to providing dental laboratories with a premium, yet affordable zirconia,” said Rita Acquafredda, President, Global Dental Lab & Prosthetic Solutions, Zahn Dental. “Our lab partners need a zirconia that can easily fit into their existing workflows, helping them improve production and increase their profitability.”

To learn more about Zirlux Independence ML, [click here](#), speak with your Zahn representative, or [register here](#) for Zahn’s session at LMT Lab Day in Chicago at the Hyatt Regency on February 20, 2026, titled, “**Zirconia Showdown: Which Material Wins in Strength, Esthetics & ROI.**”

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About Zahn Dental

Zahn Dental, the dental laboratory business of Henry Schein, is a leading distributor of CAD/CAM equipment, digital materials, removable prosthetic teeth, and traditional core supplies to dental laboratories in North America. Zahn Dental adds a full-service support, training and repair department and R&D to provide solutions for laboratories, and is dedicated to providing the best technology to help labs provide the best products to their clinicians. The business offers a comprehensive, industry-leading selection of innovative

products, breakthrough technologies, value-added services, and technical support that make Zahn Dental a total solution provider.

Laboratories can rely on Zahn Dental's highly trained and knowledgeable specialists, consultants, support technicians, and Team Schein Members to deliver everything a laboratory needs to thrive and succeed. For more information, visit www.zahndental.com.

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