

# ADVANTAGE

## NOBLE WHITE SILVER FREE PORCELAIN ALLOY

**ADVANTAGE** is a silver-free, 77% Pd porcelain dental alloy that is perfect for just about any type of restoration from single units to long-span bridges. The unique composition of **ADVANTAGE**, which includes 1% Au and 1% Pt, assist in avoiding marginal creep and marginal lifting, common problems facing many silver-free palladium alloys. Because **ADVANTAGE** has low specific gravity, you get more castings per ounce.

PROPERTIES	
Melting Range	2030° to 2300°F (1110° to 1260°C)
Coefficient of Thermal Expansion	
from 25°C to 500°C:	13.5x10 <sup>-6</sup> C <sup>-1</sup>
from 25°C to 600°C:	13.9x10 <sup>-6</sup> C <sup>-1</sup>
Density	10.7 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Grain Size	12 microns
Hardness	260 HV
Tensile Elongation	33%
Tensile Yield Strength	85,450 psi (590 MPa)
Ultimate Tensile Strength	120,115 psi (830 MPa)

CHEMISTRY	
Palladium	77%
Copper	10%
Indium	6%
Gallium	5%
Gold	1%
Platinum	1%
Contains less than 1% Ruthenium	
Au & Pt group - 79%	
Classification - Noble	

### PROCESSING TECHNIQUE

- WAXING** Wax to a minimum of .3mm for single units and .5mm for bridge work. Avoid sharp angles and wax to provide for an even thickness of porcelain.
- SPRUIING** The indirect method is recommended for multi-units. Use an 8 gauge runner bar with 10 gauge connectors. If preferred, the direct method may be used on both single units and small bridges. Use a 10 gauge sprue 1/4" (6mm) to 3/8" (9mm) long. Sprues longer than 3/8" (9mm) should have a reservoir 1/16" (1.5mm) from pattern. Patterns should be a maximum of 1/4" (6mm) from top of investment.
- INVESTMENT** A phosphate-bonded high heat investment without carbon is recommended.
- BURNOUT** 1450°F (785°C)
- MELTING AND CASTING** Wind casting arm one turn more than used for casting gold. Use a multi-orifice torch with 10 psi gas and 20 psi oxygen. Add 50% new metal to button. Use a high heat crucible. Heat the button and ingots until they pool together. After the alloy becomes molten, count slowly to 10 before releasing the casting arm. The casting temperature is 2390°F (1310°C).
- DEVESTING AND FINISHING** Blast with aluminum oxide to remove investment particles. Shape and finish down metal with aluminum oxide stones. Blast outer surface with non-recycled aluminum oxide (50 micron-white preferred). Clean in ultrasonic for 10 minutes in distilled water.
- OXIDATION** Oxidize from 1200°F (650°C) to 1850°F (1010°C) at 145°F/min (80°C/min) under vacuum. Remove and bench cool. Proceed with opaque according to porcelain manufacturer's instructions.
- SOLDERS AND FLUX** Pre-Solder: Spirit Solder or LX Solder  
Post-Solder: 1400 Solder  
Flux: Brown Fluoride Flux for both pre and post soldering

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