

Effective in necrosis and drug accumulation in the tumor

Intraarterial coapplication of carboplatin and DSM increased the tumor concentration of carboplatin.⁹

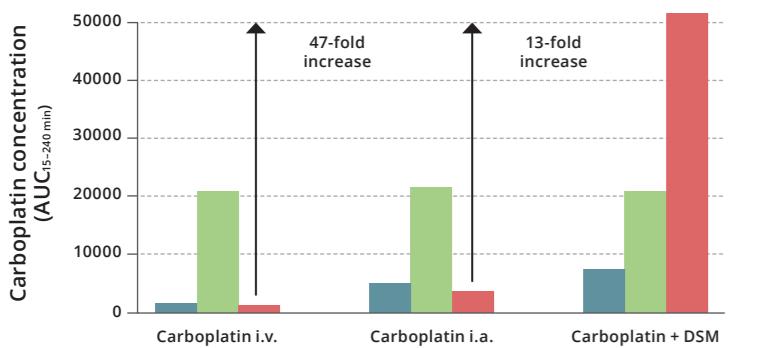


Figure 6: Comparison of carboplatin concentration in healthy liver tissue, kidney, and tumor tissue after i.v. carboplatin, i.a. carboplatin and i.a. coapplication of carboplatin and DSM in VX-2 liver tumor-bearing rabbits.⁹

DSM-TACE significantly improves necrotic cell death

Necrotic areas within the tumors increased significantly after application of DSM and DEB in contrast to Lipiodol.¹⁰

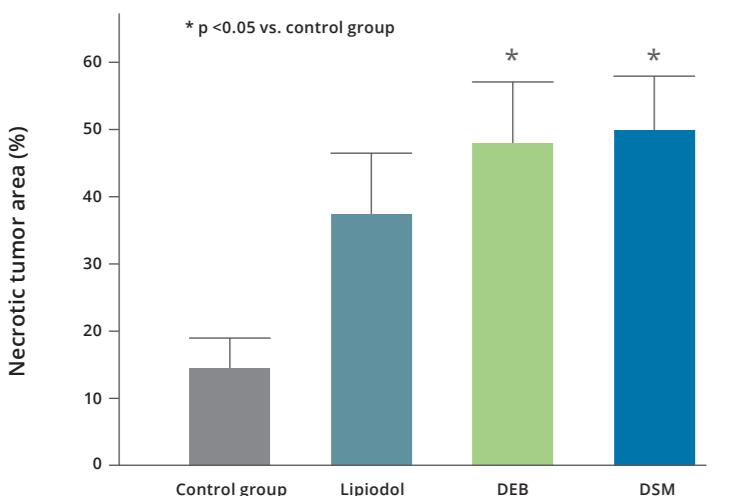


Figure 7: The effect of Lipiodol, drug-eluting beads (DEB), and degradable starch microspheres (DSM) on necrotic cell death were analyzed in a rat model of colorectal liver metastases¹⁰

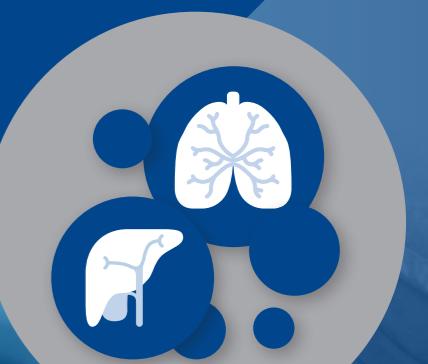
DSM-TACE quick facts

- Simple application³
- Well tolerated^{11, 12}
- Boosts tumor necrosis due to temporary ischemia¹⁰
- Preserves organ function over time^{12, 13, 14}
- Degradability of DSM allows vascular reperfusion after ca. 90 minutes⁵
- Can be combined with any chemotherapeutic drug³
- Repeated application possible at short intervals^{11, 15, 16}



Effective short-term chemoembolization

EmboCept® S DSM 50 μm:
Degradable starch microspheres (DSM)
for transarterial chemoembolization (TACE)
in liver and lung tumors



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^a Concerns the former products EmboCept® or EmboCept® S, manufactured by Serumwerk Bernburg AG

^b Concerns the former product Spherex®, manufactured by Pharmacia AB

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Characteristics of short-term embolization particles

EmboCept® S DSM 50 µm biodegradable particles

- Produced from hydrolyzed starch^{1,2}
- Can be mixed with various chemotherapies³
- Enzymatically degraded by endogenous alpha amylases^{1,4}
- Half-life (in vitro): 30-40 minutes¹

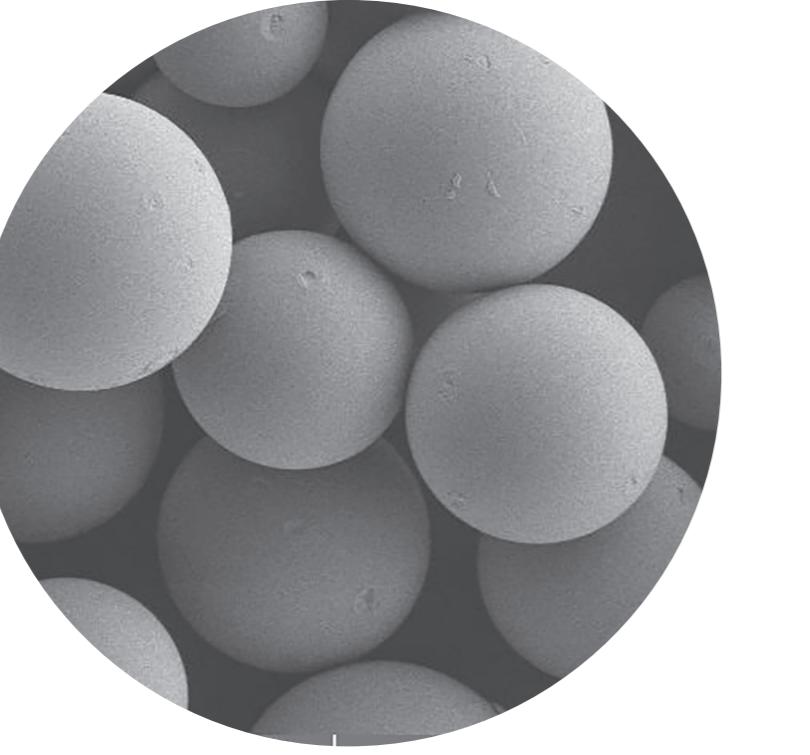


Figure 1: Scanning electron microscopy picture of EmboCept® S DSM 50 µm microspheres

Vascular reperfusion after ca. 90 minutes⁵

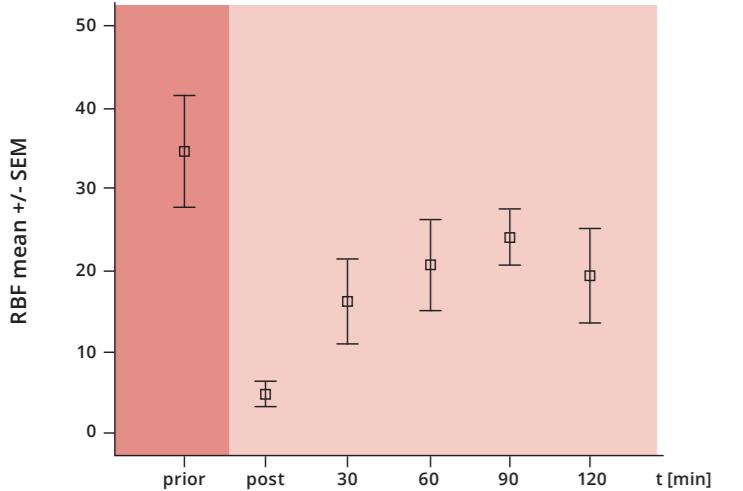


Figure 2: Change of regional blood flow (RBF) perfusion parameter from prior DSM-embolization to two hours post DSM-embolization in HCC patients.
prior = i.a. measurement prior to the DSM-embolization.⁵
post = i.a. measurement immediately post DSM-embolization.⁵

Outstanding technical properties for embolization

EmboCept® S DSM 50 µm: the tightest calibrated DSM particles (95% of particles between 20-90 µm in size)¹

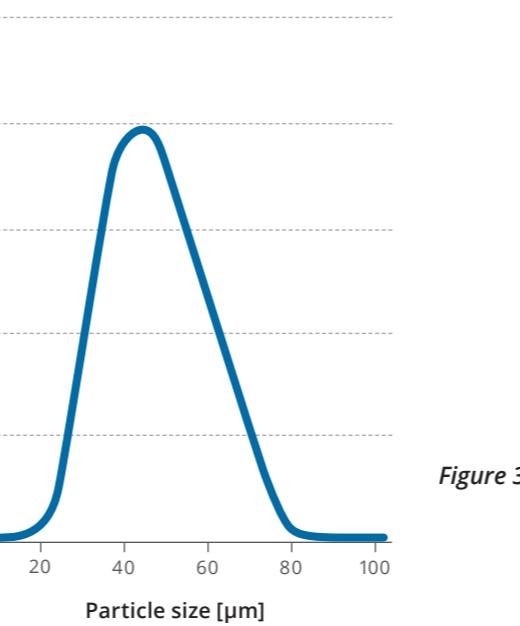


Figure 3: Particle size distribution curve¹

Calibrated Spheres for Optimal Vessel Occlusion

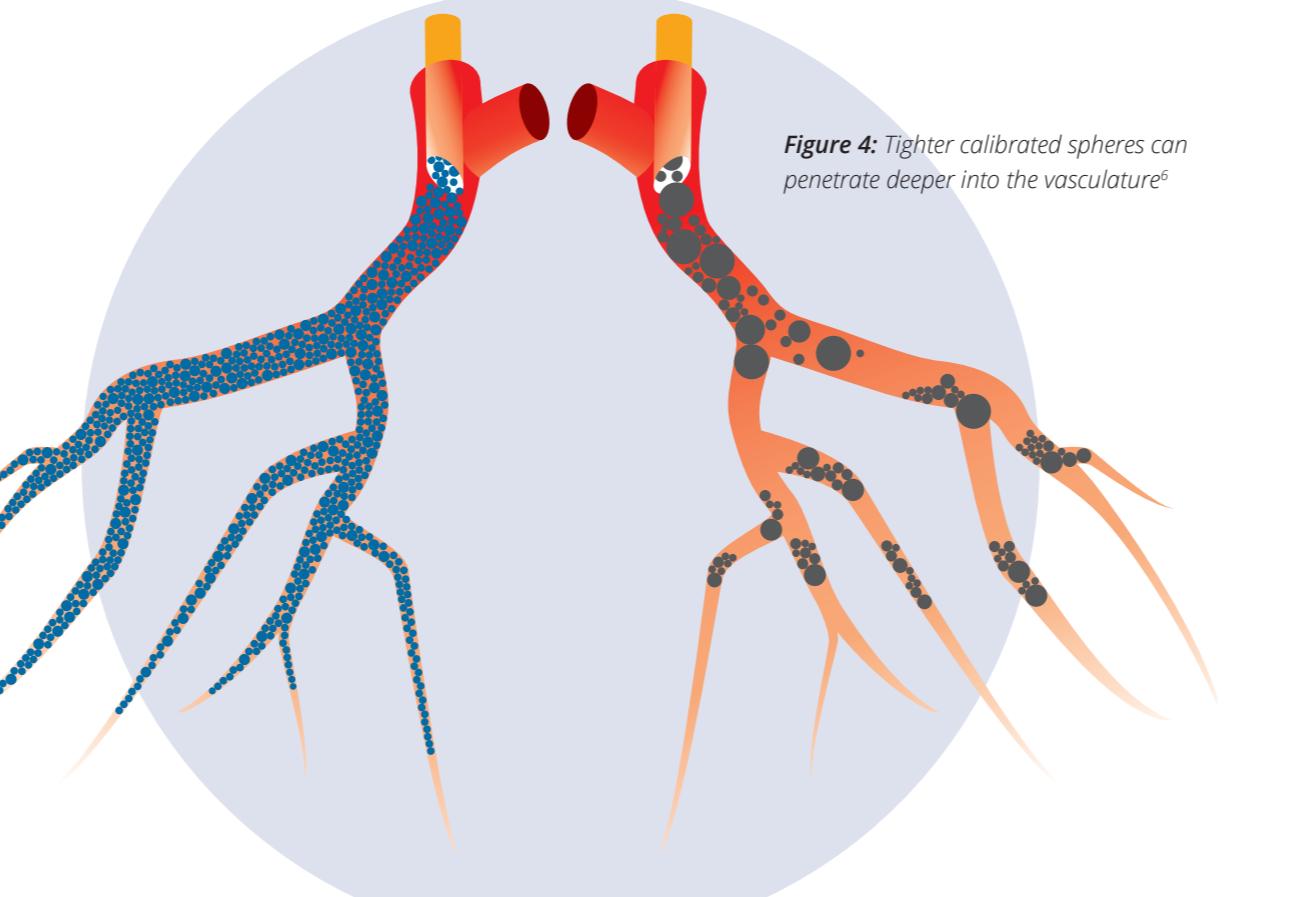


Figure 4: Tighter calibrated spheres can penetrate deeper into the vasculature⁶

Indicated for **chemoembolization** of liver and lung tumors

EmboCept® S DSM 50 µm has a broad application range

EmboCept® S DSM 50 µm microspheres are an adjuvant in the intra-arterial treatment of inoperable liver and lung tumors and used in combination with cytostatic agents.³

Due to its degradability EmboCept® S DSM 50 µm can be applied for superselective treatments of single-liver segments and used for a selective targeting of one liver lobe to treat multifocal, diffuse tumors and non-visible micro tumors.^{7,8}

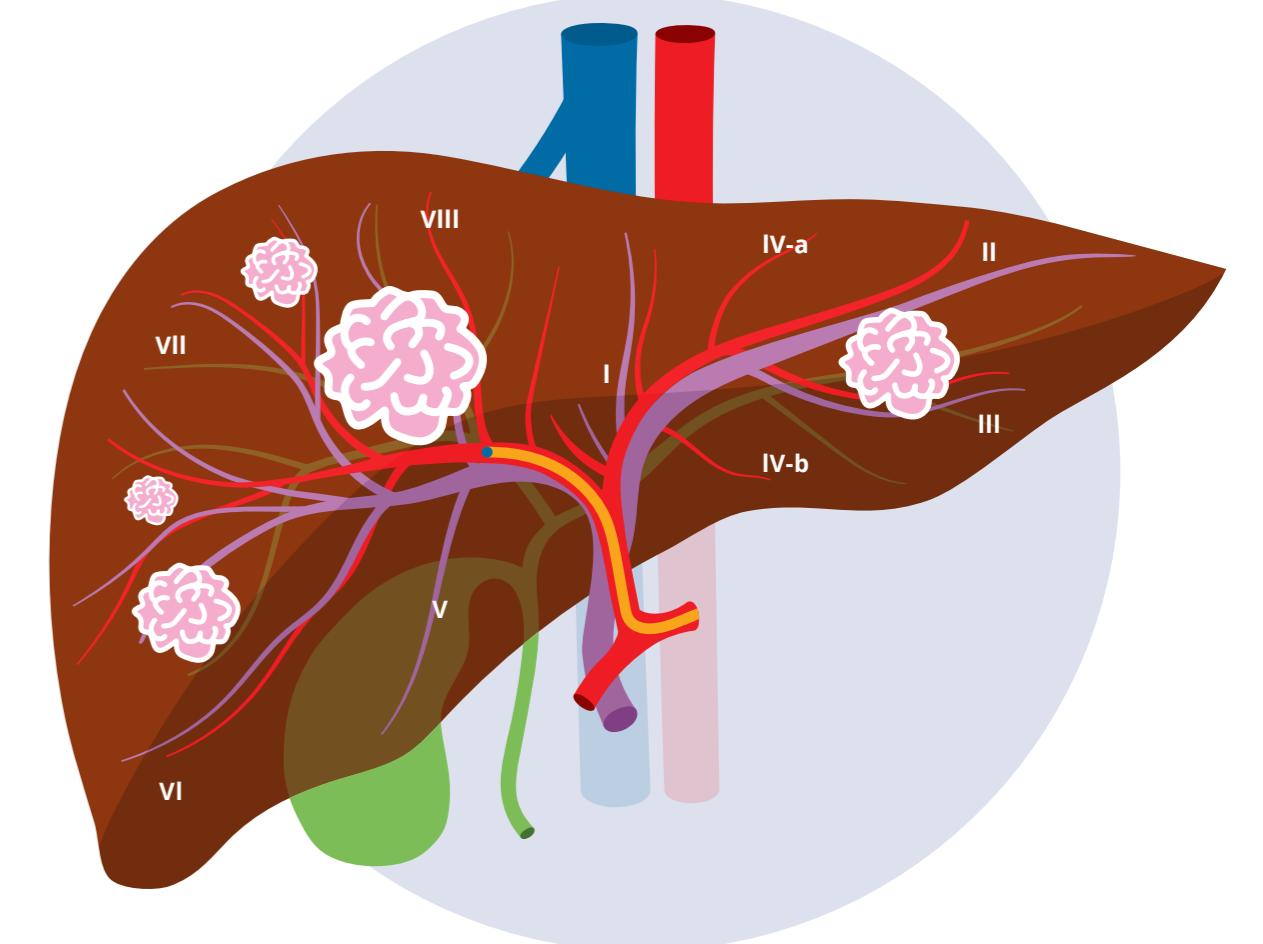
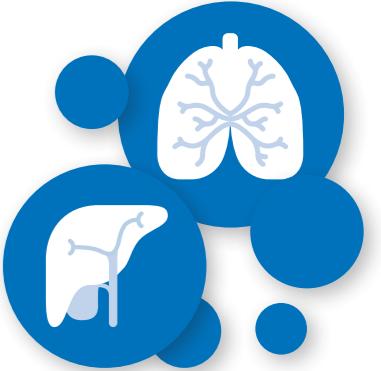


Figure 5: Right and left liver lobe with multifocal and single tumors and selective catheter position of the right liver lobe