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Ligoseal consists of a Water-tight layer of Polyester urethane and an adhesive layer containing polyethylene glycol-N-hydroxysuccinimide (PEG-NHS). It is designed to prevent Cerebrospinal fluid fistula after intradural surgery.

Kinaci ert al. assessed the safety and biodegradability of Ligoseal in a porcine craniotomy model.

In 32 pigs a craniotomy plus durotomy was performed. In 15 pigs Ligoseal was implanted, in 11 control pigs no sealant was implanted and in 6 control pigs a control dural sealant (Duraseal or Tachosil) was implanted. The safety of Ligoseal was evaluated by clinical, MRI and histological assessment. The degradation of Ligoseal was histologically estimated.

Ligoseal, 2 mm thick before application, did not swell and significantly was at maximum mean thickness of 2.14 (± 0.37) mm at one month. The foreign body reaction induced by Ligoseal, Duraseal and Tachosil were comparable. Ligoseal showed no adherence to the arachnoid layer and was completely resorbed between 6 and 12 months postoperatively. In one animal with Ligoseal, an epidural fluid collection containing CSF could not be excluded.

Ligoseal seems to be safe for intracranial use and is biodegradable. The safety and performance in humans needs to be further assessed in clinical trials $^{1)}$.

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