

Supplementary files

Comparison of the mechanical properties of biodegradable and titanium osteosynthesis systems used in oral and maxillofacial surgery

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Ref	System	Drill (mm)	Tap (mm)	Maximum load		Stiffness	
				Mean Fmax (SD) in N	P-values (pairwise comparison)	Mean stiffness (SD) in N/mm	P-values (pairwise comparison)
1	SonicPin Rx 2.1mm	1.6	None	55.5 (14.5)	2: 0.001 ; 3: 0.539; 4: 0.474; 5: >0.999; 6: 0.423	117 (7.14)	2: 0.002 ; 3: 0.278; 4: 0.024 ; 5: >0.999; 6: >0.999
2	SonicPin Rx 2.1mm	1.6	1.7	29.7 (7.08)	1: 0.001 ; 3: 0.304; 4: <0.001 ; 5: <0.001 ; 6: <0.001	93.4 (6.53)	1: 0.002 ; 3: 0.774; 4: 0.468; 5: 0.020 ; 6: 0.001
3	SonicPin Rx 2.1mm	1.6	1.8	43.3 (11.1)	1: 0.539; 2: 0.304; 4: 0.002 ; 5: 0.316; 6: 0.001	103 (12.1)	1: 0.278; 2: 0.774; 4: >0.999; 5: 0.390; 6: 0.260
4	SonicPin Rx 2.1mm	1.6	2.0	68.0 (6.94)	1: 0.474; 2: 0.001 ; 3: 0.002 ; 5: 0.793; 6: >0.999	101 (6.25)	1: 0.024 ; 2: 0.468; 3: >0.999; 5: 0.137; 6: 0.010
5	SonicPin xG 2.1mm	1.6	None	56.8 (9.50)	1: >0.999; 2: <0.001 ; 3: 0.316; 4: 0.793; 6: 0.712	118 (11.4)	1: >0.999; 2: 0.020 ; 3: 0.390; 4: 0.137; 6: >0.999
6	SonicPin xG 2.1mm	1.6	2.0	68.3 (5.83)	1: 0.423; 2: <0.001 ; 3: 0.001 ; 4: >0.999; 5: 0.712	117 (5.05)	1: >0.999; 2: 0.001 ; 3: 0.260; 4: 0.010 ; 5: >0.999

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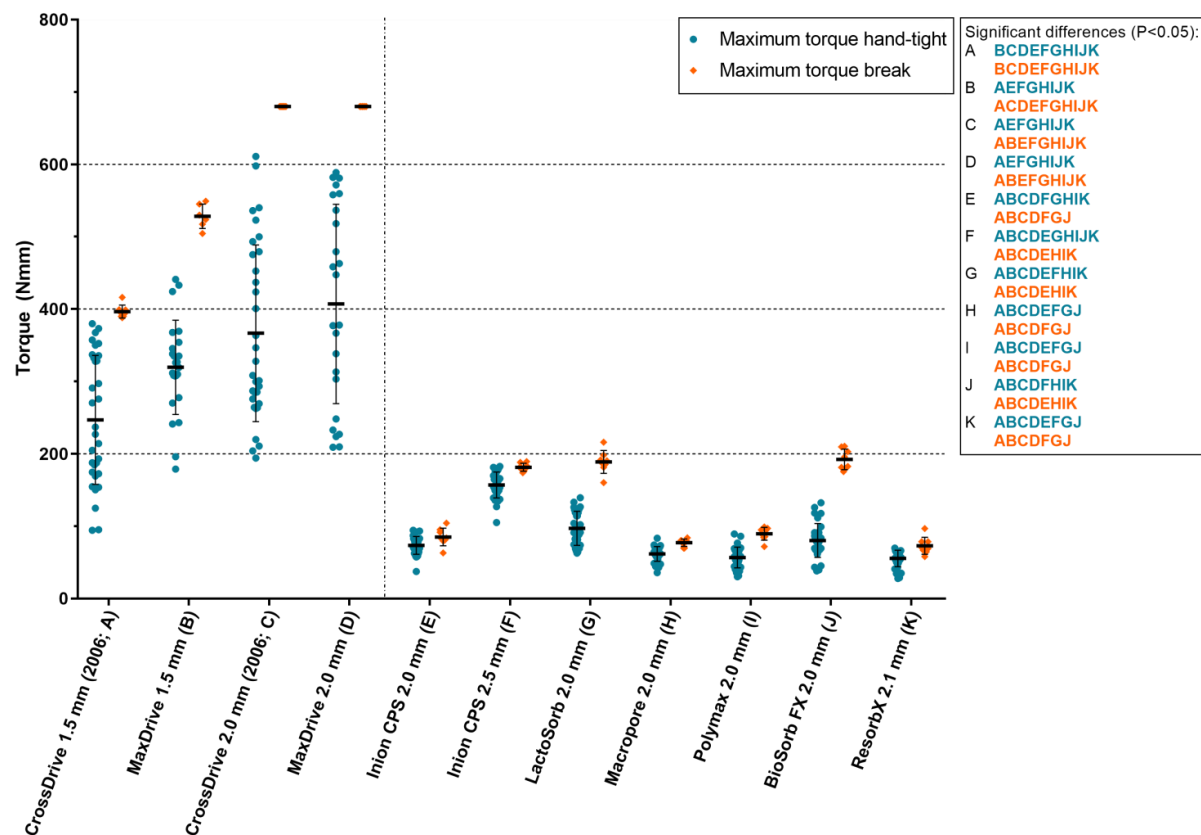
Ref.	System	Hand tight		Break	
		Mean torque (SD) in Nmm	P-values (pairwise comparison)	Mean torque (SD) in Nmm	P-values (pairwise comparison)
A	CrossDrive 1.5 mm	247 (89.1)	B: 0.046; C: 0.002; D: 0.001; E: <0.001; F: <0.001; G: <0.001; H: <0.001; I: <0.001; J: <0.001; K: <0.001	396 (9.00)	B: <0.001; C: <0.001; D: <0.001; E: <0.001; F: <0.001; G: <0.001; H: <0.001; I: <0.001; J: <0.001; K: <0.001
B	MaxDrive 1.5 mm	319 (65.2)	A: 0.046; C: 0.951; D: 0.306; E: <0.001; F: <0.001; G: <0.001; H: <0.001; I: <0.001; J: <0.001; K: <0.001	528 (16.9)	A: <0.001; C: <0.001; D: <0.001; E: <0.001; F: <0.001; G: <0.001; H: <0.001; I: <0.001; J: <0.001; K: <0.001
C	CrossDrive 2.0 mm	367 (122)	A: 0.002; B: 0.951; D: >0.999; E: <0.001; F: <0.001; G: <0.001; H: <0.001; I: <0.001; J: <0.001; K: <0.001	>680	A: <0.001; B: <0.001; D: -; E: <0.001; F: <0.001; G: <0.001; H: <0.001; I: <0.001; J: <0.001; K: <0.001
D	MaxDrive 2.0 mm	407 (138)	A: 0.001; B: 0.306; C: >0.999; E: <0.001; F: <0.001; G: <0.001; H: <0.001; I: <0.001; J: <0.001; K: <0.001	>680	A: <0.001; B: <0.001; C: -; E: <0.001; F: <0.001; G: <0.001; H: <0.001; I: <0.001; J: <0.001; K: <0.001
E	Inion CPS 2.0 mm	73.4 (12.2)	A: <0.001; B: <0.001; C: <0.001; D: <0.001; F: <0.001; G: <0.001; H: 0.005; I: <0.001; J: 0.999; K: <0.001	85.1 (12.3)	A: <0.001; B: <0.001; C: <0.001; D: <0.001; F: <0.001; G: <0.001; H: 0.950; I: >0.999; J: <0.001; K: 0.839
F	Inion CPS 2.5 mm	157 (18.0)	A: <0.001; B: <0.001; C: <0.001; D: <0.001; E: <0.001; G: <0.001; H: <0.001; I: <0.001; J: <0.001; K: <0.001	181 (5.49)	A: <0.001; B: <0.001; C: <0.001; D: <0.001; E: <0.001; G: 0.998; H: <0.001; I: <0.001; J: 0.826; K: <0.001
G	LactoSorb 2.0 mm	96.9 (23.5)	A: <0.001; B: <0.001; C: <0.001; D: <0.001; E: <0.001; F: <0.001; H: <0.001; I: <0.001; J: 0.261; K: <0.001	189 (15.7)	A: <0.001; B: <0.001; C: <0.001; D: <0.001; E: <0.001; F: 0.998; H: <0.001; I: <0.001; J: >0.999; K: <0.001
H	Macropore 2.0 mm	61.7 (10.2)	A: <0.001; B: <0.001; C: <0.001; D: <0.001; E: 0.005; F: <0.001; G: <0.001; I: 0.994; J: 0.009; K: 0.688	77.2 (5.05)	A: <0.001; B: <0.001; C: <0.001; D: <0.001; E: 0.950; F: <0.001; G: <0.001; I: 0.175; J: <0.001; K: >0.999
I	Polymax 2.0 mm	56.7 (14.3)	A: <0.001; B: <0.001; C: <0.001; D:	89.5 (8.92)	A: <0.001; B: <0.001; C: <0.001; D:

			<0.001; E: <0.001; F: <0.001; G: <0.001; H: 0.994; J: 0.001; K: >0.999		<0.001; E: >0.999; F: <0.001; G: <0.001; H: 0.175; J: <0.001; K: 0.223
J	BioSorb FX 2.0 mm	80.2 (23.4)	A: <0.001; B: <0.001; C: <0.001; D: <0.001; E: 0.999; F: <0.001; G: 0.261; H: 0.009; I: 0.001; K: <0.001	192 (14.2)	A: <0.001; B: <0.001; C: <0.001; D: <0.001; E: <0.001; F: 0.826; G: >0.999; H: <0.001; I: <0.001; K: <0.001
K	ResorbX 2.1 mm	55.4 (11.5)	A: <0.001; B: <0.001; C: <0.001; D: <0.001; E: <0.001; F: <0.001; G: <0.001; H: 0.688; I: >0.999; J: <0.001	82.9 (11.9)	A: <0.001; B: <0.001; C: <0.001; D: <0.001; E: 0.839; F: <0.001; G: <0.001; H: >0.999; I: 0.223; J: <0.001

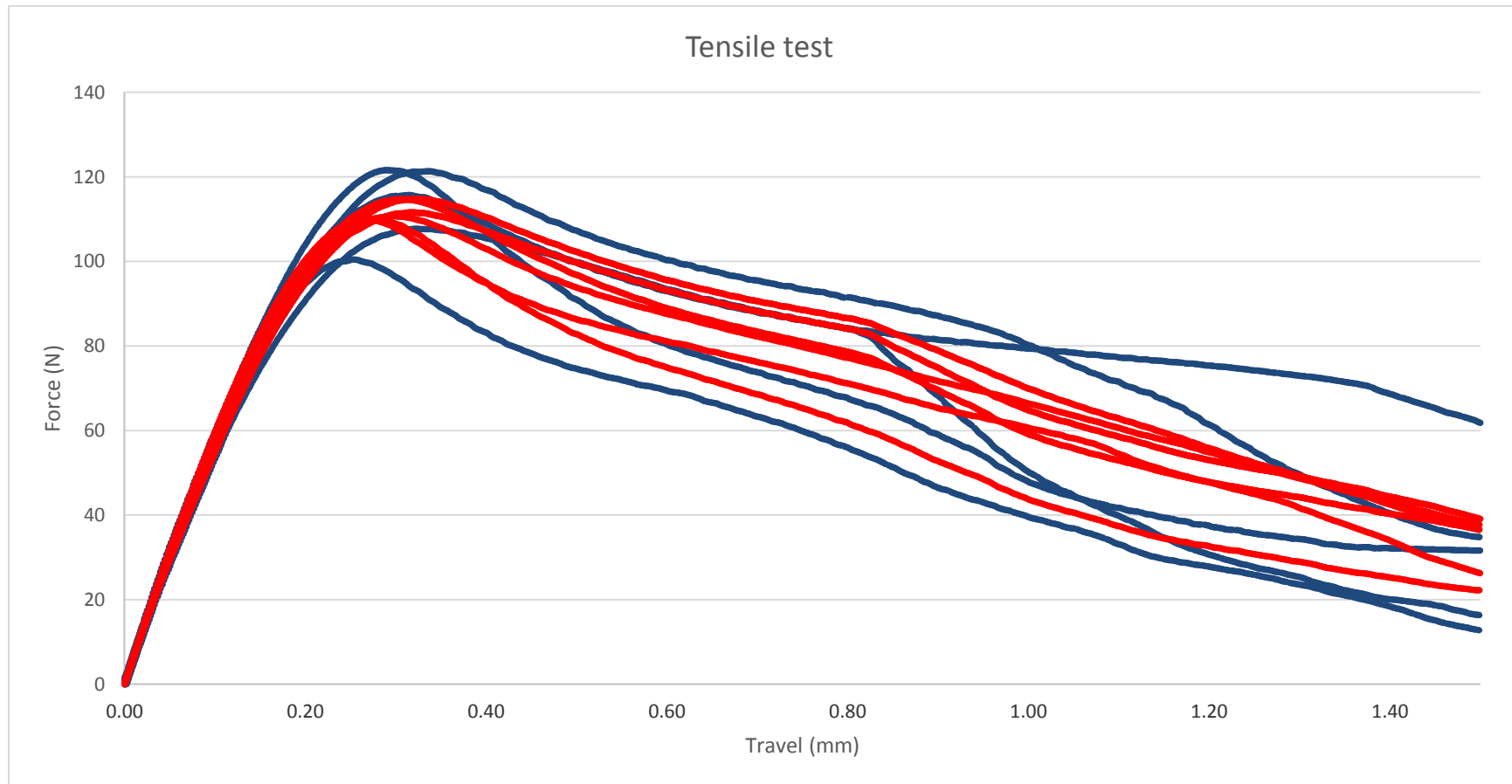
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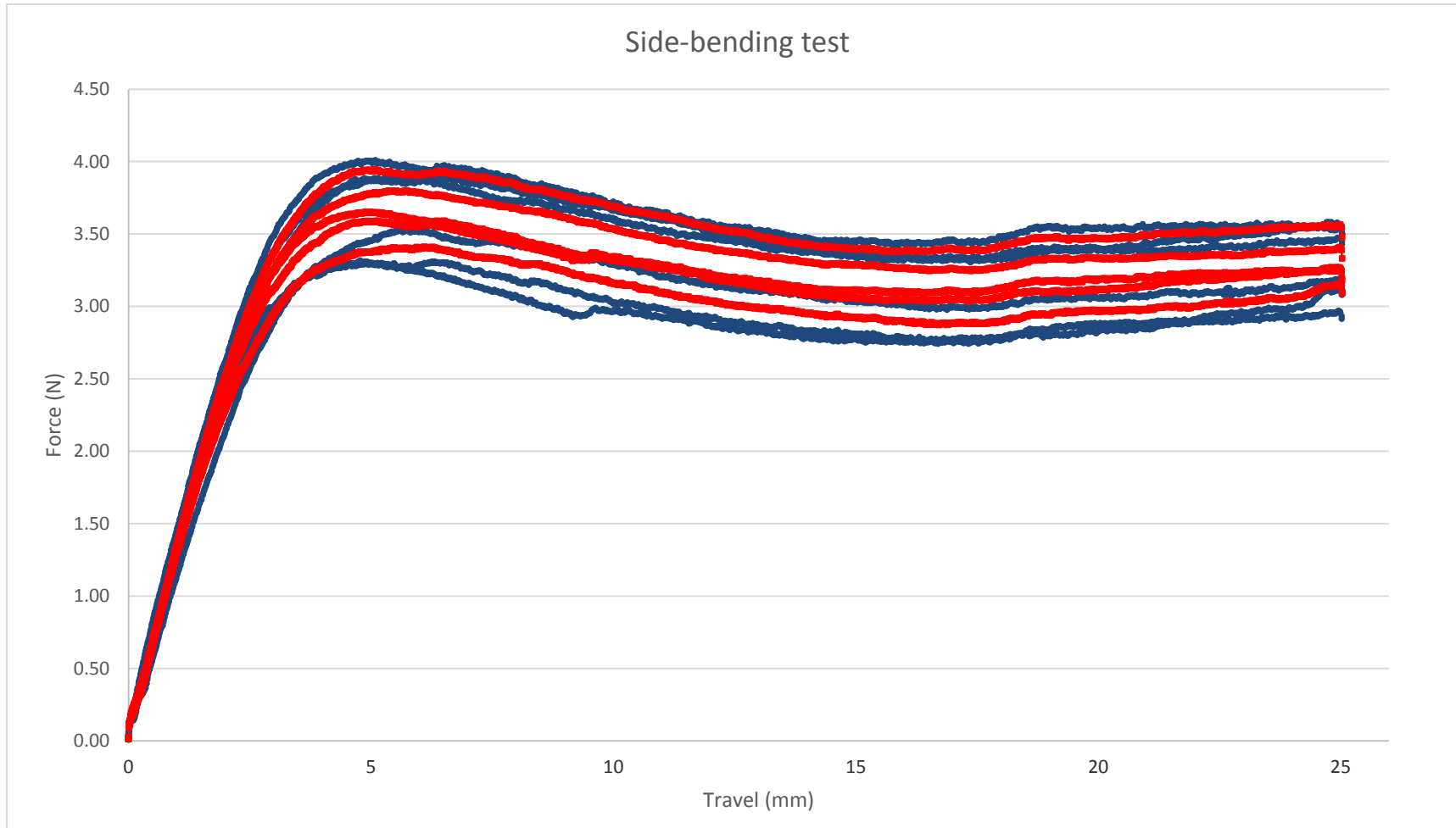
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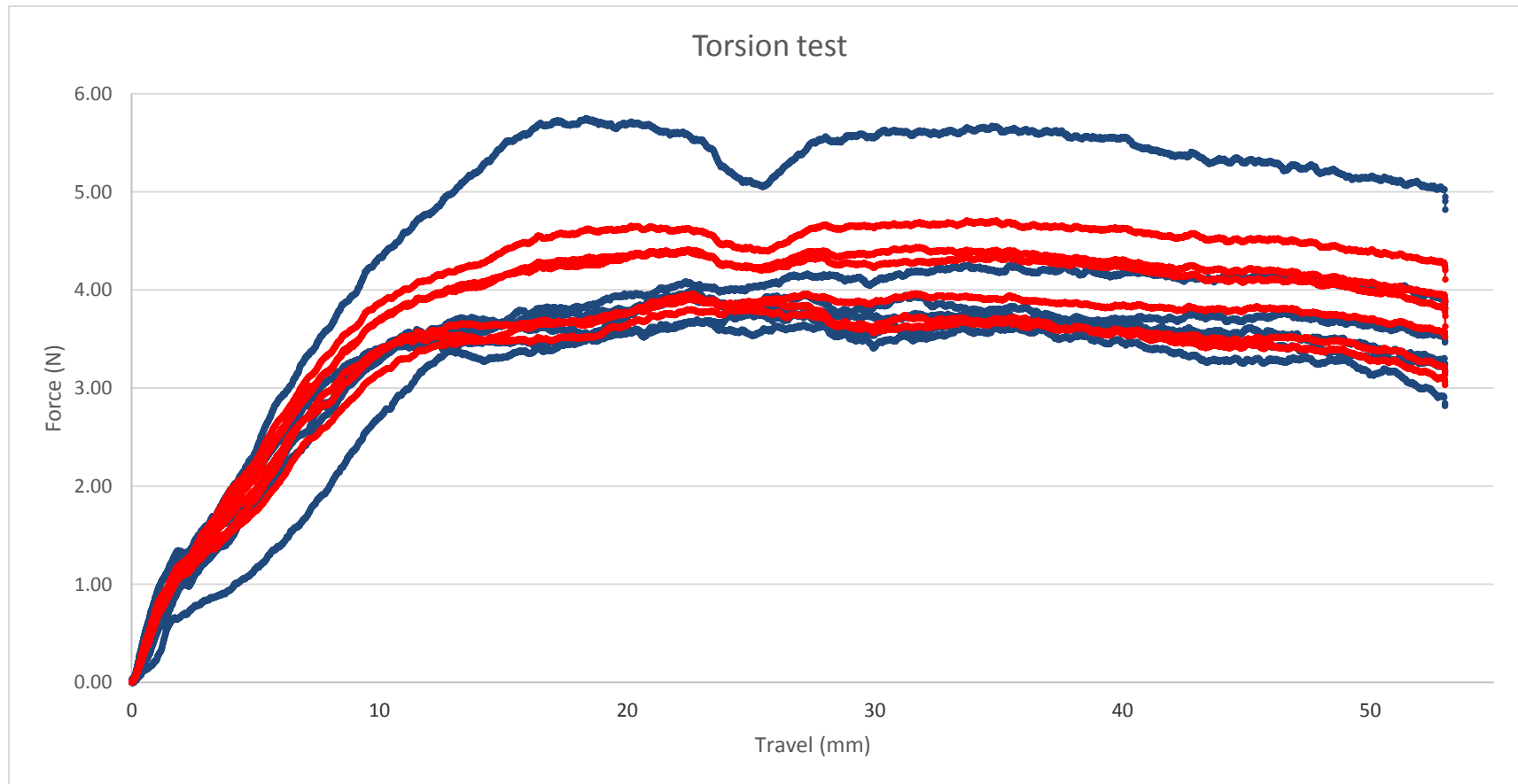
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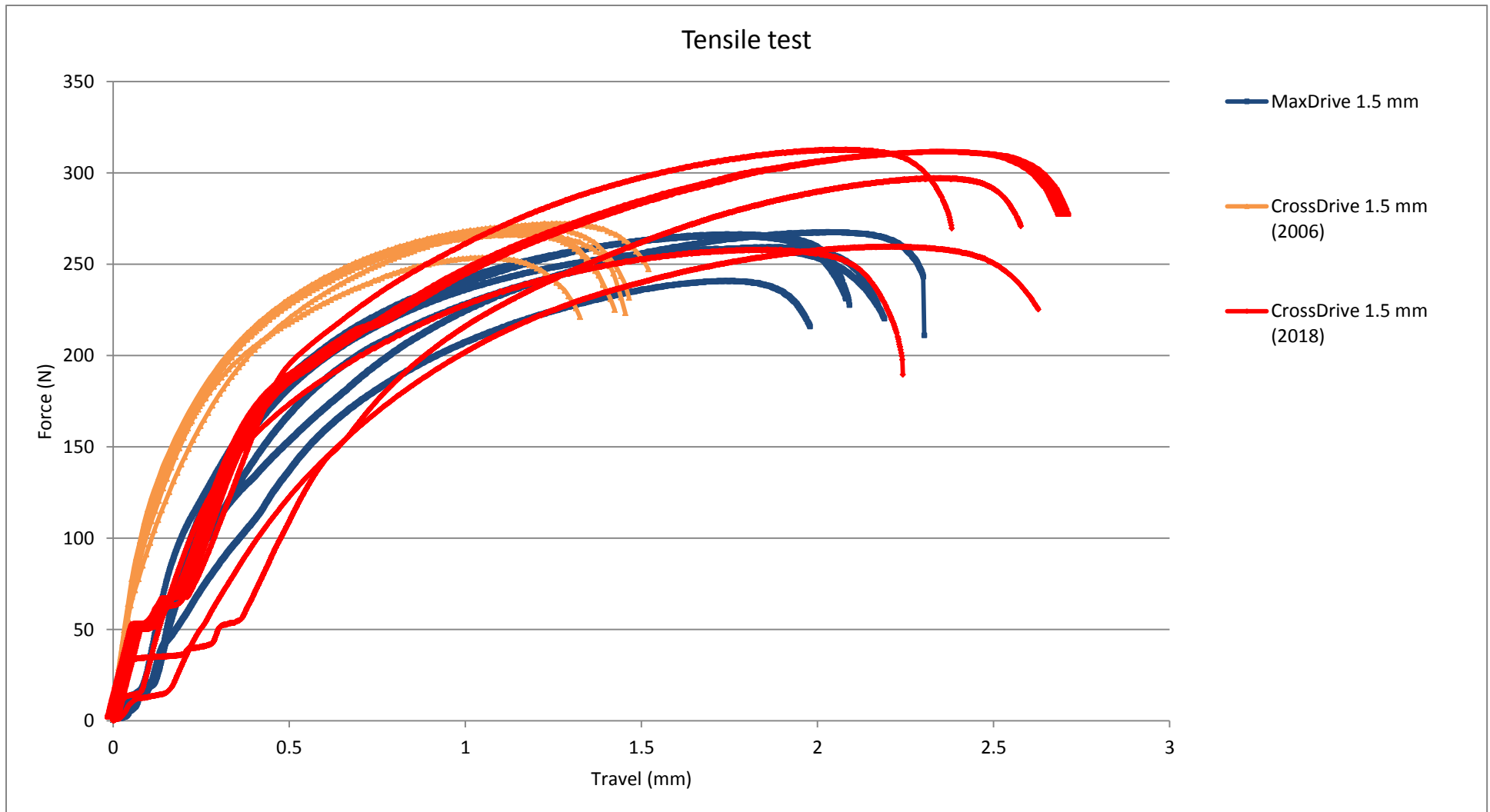
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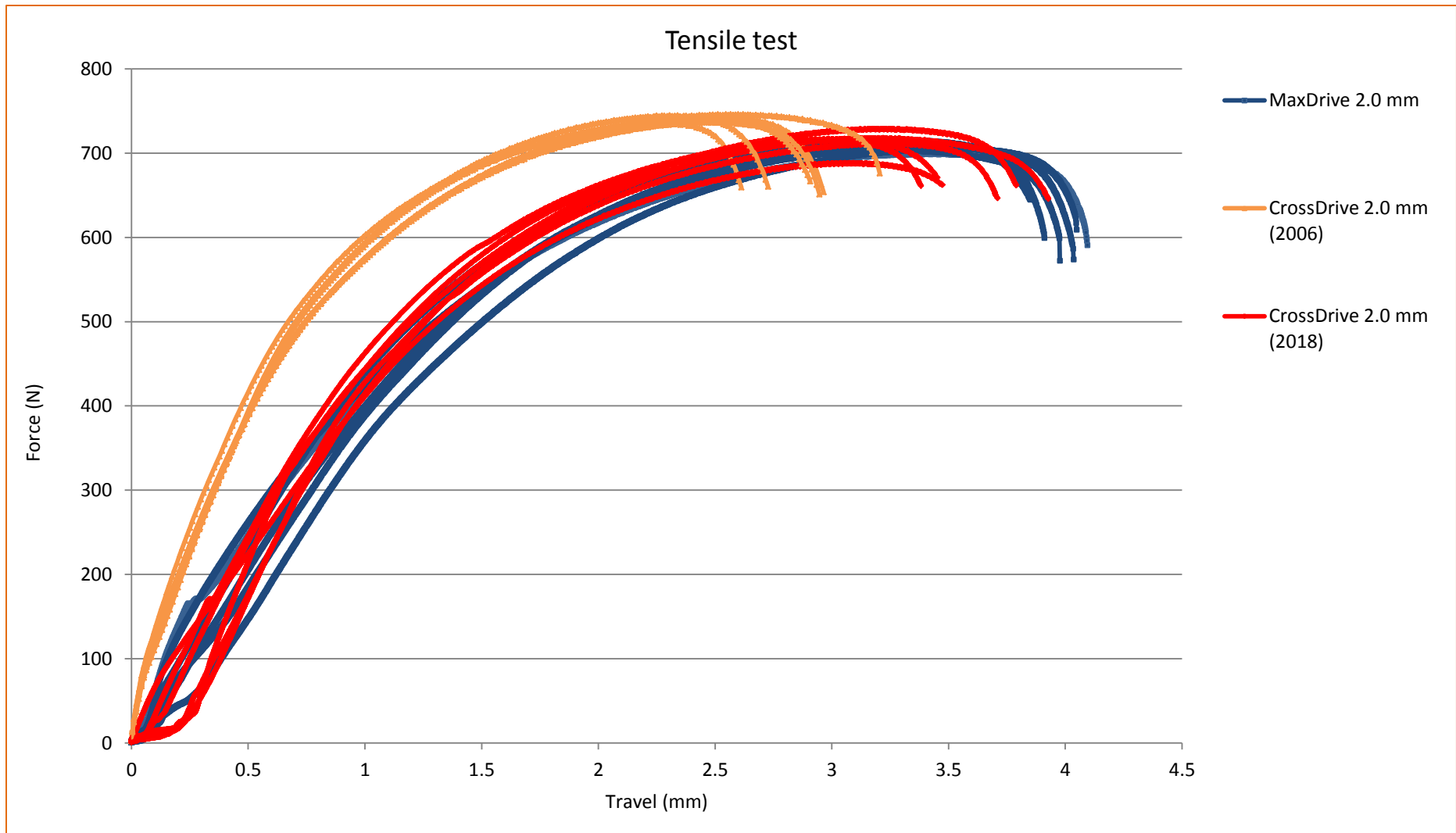
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