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THE Graft is a natural, mineralized bone augmentation material made from deproteinized porcine cancellous bone. Due to its porcine origin, THE Graft is structurally similar to human tissue. It has the highest possible level of porosity combined with a natural interconnectivity. Thanks to the patented manufacturing process, potentially immunogenic organic elements are removed very effectively while the native material structure is optimally maintained.

- **OPTIMAL VOLUME RETENTION**
  Native natural structure of the porcine cancellous bone ensures stabilization of the defect and improves bone regeneration.

- **INCREASED EFFICIENCY**
  High porosity and early remodelling improves clinical performance.

- **SAFE & BIOCOMPATIBLE**
  Optimized safety and biocompatibility profile thanks to the combination of porcine origin and a highly efficient preparation process.

**OPTIMAL VOLUME RETENTION**
Native natural structure ensures defect stabilization and improved bone regeneration

THE Graft has a high specific surface area allowing more bone apposition. The clinical potential of THE Graft has been confirmed in an in vivo pre-clinical study. Rabbit calvarial defects were filled with either THE Graft or natural DBBM and covered with resorbable collagen membranes.

Ingrowth of blood vessels and connective tissue as well as the regeneration of immature woven bone were observed in week 2. In week 8, a large number of osteoblasts and new bone were observed around the augmentation material in particular for THE Graft. At the same time, the amount of residual particles was lower for THE Graft than for DBBM, indicating that THE Graft was partially resorbed and remodelled.

**Augmentation volumes**

![Graph showing augmentation volumes](image)

**Newly formed bone**

![Graph showing newly formed bone](image)

THE Graft shows an in vivo volume retention in an augmented calvarial defect comparable to natural DBBM.

Augmentation with THE Graft results in a slightly higher formation of new bone compared to DBBM (not statistically significant).
With 72.4%, THE Graft has a higher level of porosity than comparable preparations of bovine origin (63.5%–71.2%), and almost reaches the level of human bone (76.5%). The high porosity of THE Graft results in a quicker absorption of liquids (e.g., blood) in comparison to natural DBBM. This not only facilitates the application of the material but is also clinically relevant.

In a comparative study, rabbit calvarial defects were filled with either THE Graft or natural DBBM and covered with a non-resorbable PTFE membrane. THE Graft showed a consistently higher rate of new bone formation than natural DBBM, particularly in the later study period after 8 weeks. The newly formed bone in the THE Graft test group also showed a much better bone quality than in the control group with DBBM (illustrated by a higher ratio of mature lamellar bone to loose woven bone for THE Graft versus DBBM (14.8 ± 11.3 versus 3.3 ± 2.0)), which indicates the early remodelling.

At all time points, THE Graft demonstrated an equal or higher proportion of newly formed vital bone than natural DBBM (left). After 8 weeks, the test group with THE Graft showed a much better bone quality compared with the control group with DBBM illustrated by a higher proportion of lamellar vs. woven bone (right).
SAFE & BIOCOMPATIBLE
Optimal safety and biocompatibility profile

The combination of porcine origin with the high level of purity enables predictable bone growth without risking an immunogenic reaction. Thanks to the highly efficient, patented manufacturing process, THE Graft is also completely free from any organic components that could be a potential cause of infection or immune reaction.\textsuperscript{6}

The high biocompatibility of THE Graft has been confirmed by an \textit{in-vitro} cell study.\textsuperscript{3} THE Graft therefore encourages cell adhesion to the same extent as the established natural DBBM and offers optimal conditions for vital cell growth.

**INDICATIONS**
THE Graft as a therapeutic option for successful bone augmentation

THE Graft can be used for the following indications:

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CLINICAL EVIDENCE – CLINICAL CASE 1
Augmentation of a dehiscence defect

PRE-OPERATIVE
Situation a few weeks after loss of tooth #36 showing bone deficit in the bucco-crestal aspect.

SURGERY
Situation following flap preparation and implant insertion: dehiscence defect around the implant.


4.5 MONTHS POST-OPERATIVE
Situation after re-entry: Excellent bony consolidation, complete restoration of bone contour around the implant.

6 MONTHS POST-OPERATIVE
Prosthetic final result: Optimal hard and soft-tissue situation, perfectly contoured bone volume around the implant in #36.

Courtesy of Dr Jun Seok Park, KDR.
CLINICAL EXPERIENCE – CLINICAL CASE 2
Complex augmentation in posterior upper jaw

PRE-OPERATIVE
Severely atrophied posterior upper jaw in second quadrant, teeth #26 and #27 not worth preserving.

SURGERY
Extremely narrow alveolar ridge at #24 as well as severe bone resorption at teeth #26–27 (left). Tooth extraction #26 and #27 and preparation of a sinus window at #26. Ridge split at #24 as well as insertion of three implants at #24, 26 and 27 (right).

Augmentation of sinus cavity and lateral augmentation in #24–27 area with THE Graft (left). Covering with OSSIX® PLUS cross-linked collagen membrane (right).

5 MONTHS POST-OPERATIVE
Optimal bony consolidation in the previously augmented horizontal dimension #24–27 (left) and in the augmented sinus areas #26–27 (right).

Excellent bony integration of THE Graft in the local bone (left), first signs of slow resorption and replacement by autogenous bone (right).

Courtesy of Dr Dong Hoon Lee, KOR.
CLINICAL EXPERIENCE – CLINICAL CASE 3
Lateral augmentation in posterior lower jaw

PRE-OPERATIVE
Severely atrophied posterior lower jaw in #45 – 47 area.

SURGERY
Situation post flap preparation shows bone deficit at #45 – 47. Due to the severe atrophy in the bucco-crestal dimension, it is not possible to insert an implant.

Restoration of the alveolar process at #45 – 47 with THE Graft (left). Covering of bone particles with resorbable collagen membrane (right).

4 MONTHS POST-OPERATIVE
Situation on re-entry: Optimally restored contour of the alveolar process (left), allowing insertion of three implants at #45 – 47 (right).

Courtesy of Dr Young Joo Jang, KOR.
AVAILABLE PRODUCTS

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REFERENCES

3. Internal test results PURGO, data on file.

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