

# POLYGANICS

## TRANSFORMING PATIENT RECOVERY

Dr Carmine Zoccali, orthopaedic surgeon at the Regina Elena National Cancer Institute, Rome, Italy, reports on his experience with VIVOSORB®.

VIVOSORB® was used to avoid adhesion post-surgery after surgical procedures to stabilize the vertebral column / spinal fusion. More than 50 procedures have been performed using VIVOSORB®.

*Spinal stabilization is used for different reasons. The goal is to provide stability. Fusion creates a single unit out of two or more vertebrae and eliminates all motion in the sections. It can be necessary for different indications, including scoliosis, spondylitis, degenerative disc disease and herniated discs.*

VIVOSORB® is placed on the dural sac and nerve root as a temporary protective sheet to avoid unwanted adhesions with the opposing soft tissue, especially when roots are exposed.

Before VIVOSORB® became available, a gel was used for anti-adhesion. The VIVOSORB® sheet is simpler to apply and ensures greater stability.

For all 50 procedures, there were no complications and no adhesion identified at 3-6 months.

VIVOSORB® is simple and efficient. I am really satisfied with the product for this indication as the handling is good, compared to the gel, which is not controllable.

Conclusion: VIVOSORB® can be safely used in spinal surgery where roots are exposed.