

# Meeting the surgical challenge:

## Chest Wall Reconstructions



GORE® DUALMESH® Biomaterial



GORE-TEX® Soft Tissue Patch

Choosing the right prosthetic material can make the difference in successful chest wall reconstructions. Thoracic surgeons are finding that expanded polytetrafluoroethylene (ePTFE) makes that difference.

A key advantage of the ePTFE in chest wall reconstruction is its microporous structure that inhibits the passage of fluid.<sup>1</sup> This helps in re-establishing pulmonary function by restricting air leakage and preventing the transfer of pleural fluid across the chest wall. The material's high, balanced strength:

- allows the tension needed for a firm reconstruction that minimizes paradoxical wall movement and
- provides dependable suture retention.

Yet, the material remains soft and highly conformable allowing:

- ease of handling and
- less irritation to surrounding tissues

Tissue ingrowth is encouraged by the microporous structure of this unique material. This results in a significantly lower incidence of adhesion formation.<sup>2</sup> It combines strength with softness to provide unmatched performance and superior handling.

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### GORE® DUALMESH® Biomaterial

#### Sizes Available

Catalogue Number		Nominal Width x Length
1 mm Nominal Thickness	2 mm Nominal Thickness	
1DLMC02	–	8 cm x 12 cm
1DLMC03	1DLMC200	10 cm x 15 cm*
1DLMC04	1DLMC201	15 cm x 19 cm*
1DLMC05	–	7.5 cm x 10 cm
1DLMC06	1DLMC202	18 cm x 24 cm
1DLMC07	1DLMC203	20 cm x 30 cm
1DLMC08	1DLMC204	26 cm x 34 cm*
1DLMC09	–	12 cm**

\* Oval Shaped \*\* Round

### GORE-TEX® Soft Tissue Patch

#### Sizes Available

Catalogue Number	Nominal Thickness	Nominal Width x Length
1405010010	1 mm	5 cm x 10 cm
1405015010	1 mm	5 cm x 15 cm
1410015010	1 mm	10 cm x 15 cm
1415020010	1 mm	15 cm x 20 cm
1420030010	1 mm	20 cm x 30 cm
142603401A	1 mm	26 cm x 34 cm*
1305010020	2 mm	5 cm x 10 cm
1305015020	2 mm	5 cm x 15 cm
1310015020	2 mm	10 cm x 15 cm
1315020020	2 mm	15 cm x 20 cm
1320030020	2 mm	20 cm x 30 cm
132603402A	2 mm	26 cm x 34 cm*

\* Oval Shaped

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