

TIGR® Matrix Surgical Mesh obtains CE certification according to EU MDR

Uppsala 2021-12-24. Novus Scientific, leaders in soft tissue regeneration, today announced that their innovative implant, TIGR Matrix Surgical Mesh, has obtained CE certification under the new Medical Device Regulation EU 2017/745 (MDR). The certification is a crucial regulatory milestone and makes TIGR Matrix one of few class III medical devices that have met the new, more stringent requirements.

TIGR Matrix is an innovative surgical implant made from synthetic, resorbable polymers. Since its first market introduction it has been used to benefit patients in more than 20'000 general- and plastic surgery procedures involving repair and reinforcement of soft tissues such as breast reconstructions following cancer. It is designed to provide tissue support for over 6 months and degrade completely in 3 years.

The MDR, which replaces the Medical Devices Directive (93/42/EEC) and Active Implantable Medical Devices Directive (90/385/EEC) brings with it more scrutiny of technical documentation; it addresses concerns over the assessment of product safety and performance by placing stricter requirements on clinical evaluation and post-market clinical follow-up, and requiring better traceability of devices through the supply chain.

"We are proud that TIGR Matrix is one of only a few class III implants of its kind that already has obtained this essential certification." Says Henrik Magnusson Hjorth, CEO of Novus Scientific and co-inventor of TIGR Matrix. "A lot of hard work went into the process of updating our processes and our technical documentation to meet the new tougher requirements. We are now in a very strong position which we will use to accelerate usage of TIGR Matrix and strengthen our position as best-inclass when it comes to resorbable implants for breast- and abdominal wall reconstruction."

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About TIGR Matrix

TIGR® Matrix is the world's first long-term resorbable, 100% synthetic, surgical mesh. Its unique technology consisting of dual-stage degradation and full resorption, paired with ease of use, is a significant step forward in surgical mesh technology. Since it uses polymers common in medical devices since the 1970's, and is 100% synthetic, its components are more than well documented and clinically proven. With a growing body of published clinical evidence, TIGR® Matrix is being used in many applications, e.g. breast reconstruction and abdominal wall reinforcement.

About Novus Scientific

Novus Scientific started as a spin-off company from Radi Medical Systems, a renowned cardiovascular medical device developer and manufacturer with several market-leading products in its portfolio. Following the sale of Radi Medical Systems to St. Jude Medical, the owners started Novus Scientific and the product TIGR® Matrix saw the light of day. Novus Scientific now have a distribution network spanning the globe. Together with specialized staff, the company possesses over 20 years of experience in developing, manufacturing, and marketing resorbable medical devices.

Novus Scientific's headquarters are located in Uppsala, Sweden the medical technology and pharmaceuticals capital of the Nordics.