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Eurosilicone Press Release

Following the recent events and media coverage concerning Poly Implants Prothèse (PIP) implants, we feel it is very important to provide some clarification.

Eurosilicone has no relationship and never had any kind of relationship with PIP. Eurosilicone is an independent manufacturer, producing 200,000 implants per year at its facility in Apt, Vaucluse, France. Eurosilicone is the leading European manufacturer of breast implants and have been used successfully in more than 90 countries across the globe.

Implants produced by Eurosilicone, are CE marked, Class III medical devices and meet the requirements of European Medical device directive (93/42/EEC) and all standards specific to breast implants. Our site is inspected annually by authorities responsible for the certification of these products and we continue to meet the requirements of all standards that define the quality system necessary to manufacture of this type of medical device.

Our breast implants have always been and continue to be manufactured with long-term implantable medical grade silicone supplied by an ISO 9001 certified source. All our products are regularly checked throughout the manufacturing process which ensures their performance, reliability and safety. Traceability is key and is provided from the start of manufacture and continues post-implantation.

A large quantity of information corroborates the quality of our products, notably post-market follow-up which today covers more than 2 million implants. We are currently carrying out an ongoing multi-centre clinical trial in France and we have data from the Danish register of breast implants. Medical device vigilance and clinical data are regularly sent to the appropriate health authorities and confirms the performance and safety of Eurosilicone breast implants.

Breast implants prefilled with silicone gel are some of the most widely studied medical devices, with more than 3000 study reports reviewed and published, including serious epidemiological studies which prove their performance.

Should you have any questions in relation to Eurosilicone implants please email contact@eurosilicone.com.

Useful links:

<http://www.afssaps.fr/Infos-de-securite/Communiqués-Points-presse/Actualisation-des-donnees-d-incidents-declares-chez-les-femmes-porteuses-d-implants-mammaires-en-gel-de-silicone-PIP-Communiqué>

Questions / Answers

How can you find out which brand of implants you have?

By consulting the "patient card" you were given by your surgeon at the time of the operation, or by contacting your surgeon if you have mislaid it. Eurosilicone does not have this information.

Do Afssaps (French health products safety agency) recommendations concern Eurosilicone implants?

No, the problems which are in the news today are specific to PIP implants. Eurosilicone and its products have no connection with PIP. The measures recommended by the French authorities AFSSAPS concern people implanted with PIP implants. You are, however, advised to follow your surgeon's recommendations concerning your post-implantation follow-up.

I'm worried, I feel discomfort or pain in the area of my implants, what should I do?

Contact your surgeon for an appointment, or if he is no longer active or you have moved house since your operation, contact another plastic surgeon who will examine you. If you are looking for a surgeon you can look on the website of the Conseil National de l'Ordre des Médecins (CNOM) (National council for the order of physicians) or the Société Française de Chirurgie Plastique Reconstructrice et Eshétique (SOCPRE) (French Society for Reconstructive or Aesthetic Plastic Surgery) website.

I have Eurosilicone implants and would like more information on their quality.

You can consult the press release available on our website.