This information sheet describes the characteristics of the creos xenoprotect collagen membrane. It must be read together with the other information you receive from your dentist about your planned treatment. It will assist you in giving your informed consent to the treatment.

1. What is creos xenoprotect?
creos xenoprotect is a membrane that is used to cover and protect the bone material during the healing phase. It is composed of highly purified natural collagen - proteins - sourced from pigs.

2. Why is a membrane needed?
It has been clinically proven that better healing is achieved when the bone material is covered with a membrane. Since gum tissues grow faster than new bone can form, the membrane protects the bone substitute from the faster growing soft tissue. This ensures that, beneath the membrane, the defect can heal undisturbed.

3. Does the membrane have to be removed in a second surgery?
No. After a few months, the collagen membrane is completely broken down by the body and fully dissolved. A second operation to remove it is therefore not needed.

4. Is the membrane safe?
Yes. The creos xenoprotect membrane is manufactured using validated methods under stringent quality controls based on International standards. It complies with all relevant regulations ensuring its safety and effectiveness.

5. Are there any side-effects?
As with almost all natural and artificial materials, incompatibility and allergic reactions are possible and can never be fully ruled out. Some side effects may also occur that are not specifically related to the use of the creos xenoprotect membrane, but are possible with any surgical procedure. These include infection, wound swelling, bleeding, local inflammation, bone loss, or pain. If you experience any adverse reactions, please inform your dentist or doctor.