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Dr. Melle Vroom received his DDS from the Academic Centre for Dentistry Amsterdam (ACTA) in 1994. From 1995-1998 he attended the Master of Science programme in periodontology at ACTA. Dr. Vroom has been a general secretary of the Dutch Society of Periodontology (NVvP). From 1998 he has been working in private practice in Leeuwarden limited to periodontics and implantology. He lectures national and internationally about the usage of d-PTFE membranes and gives hands-on trainings.

The “Re-discovery” of GBR with d-PTFE Membranes: Applications and Techniques for Daily Practice

Cytoplast® dense PTFE (d-PTFE) membranes have been commercially available for over 20 years. Horizontal and vertical ridge augmentation with titanium-reinforced d-PTFE membranes is a well-known application. However, the most popular application globally is ridge preservation at the time of tooth extraction. In this presentation, various applications of d-PTFE membranes and associated surgical techniques will be presented, ranging from using non-reinforced d-PTFE membranes for single-tooth extraction sites to larger GBR applications with titanium-reinforced d-PTFE membranes. Additionally, cases and scientific justification will be presented, and new techniques will be shown.