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Medco Forum Presents: Merz Aesthetics

Recent Studies Validate Safety, Efficacy of CaHA and CMC for Glottal Insufficiency Treatment

When medialization of the vocal cords is required due to the onset of vocal dysfunction, patients may opt for a temporary solution rather than undergo surgery. To serve this need, Merz Aesthetics (previously BioForm Medical, Inc.), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Merz Pharmaceuticals GmbH, provides Radiesse in two FDA-approved formulations, one for short term augmentation (Radiesse Voice Gel™) and one for long-term (Radiesse Voice™).

Radiesse Voice Gel™ (Carboxymethyl Cellulose - CMC)

Radiesse Voice Gel is an injectable implant containing synthetically derived polymers, suitable for 1-2 month, short-term vocal fold augmentation, in patients where reversible nerve damage is suspected, or in patients wishing a short term augmentation before making a decision to have a long term augmentation done with Radiesse Voice.

Radiesse Voice™ (Calcium Hydroxylapatite - CaHA)

Radiesse Voice is an injectable implant containing synthetic calcium hydroxylapatite (CaHA) microspheres with a diameter range of 25 to 45 µm, suspended in an aqueous gel carrier. These consistently shaped and sized particles have proven safe and biocompatible while allowing gradual tissue growth for a long lasting augmentation shown to be effective up to 12-24 months.



RADIESSE[®] Voice Gel and RADIESSE[®] Voice is supplied in a 1.0 cc syringe ready for use



RADIESSE[®] Voice Gel and RADIESSE[®] Voice is supplied with a malleable trans-oral injection needle, or a percutaneous injection needle (not shown)

Two notable, recent studies have examined the use of these synthetic implantable materials—carboxymethyl cellulose (CMC) and calcium hydroxylapatite (CaHA)—for vocal cord medialization.

Radiesse formulations are readily available, easily injectable, and come packaged with an easy-to-use needle and injection system. Manufacturer Merz Aesthetics is dedicated to bringing physicians and their patients safe, effective medical products for use in the ENT, plastic surgery, dermatology and urology markets.



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