

## Recommended Surgical Technique

- 1** Prepare Fortoss® **VITAL** approximately one minute before it is required. Mix the powder and liquid into a gritty paste using a very gentle stirring action, in accordance with mixing instructions.
- 2** Fortoss® **VITAL** starts to set 2-3 minutes after mixing. When the material is placed in the site during the latter part of the working time, the material will become mouldable.
- 3** Prior to placing Fortoss® **VITAL**, soak up any excess blood around the graft site using a damp, sterile gauze.
- 4** Build up Fortoss® **VITAL** in layers using a damp, sterile gauze to soak up excess blood – this will prevent the material from washing out. Washout may slow down or prevent the material from setting.
- 5** Over pack the defect to allow for some settling of the material. No membrane is required.
- 6** Allow Fortoss® **VITAL** to start to harden prior to suturing (this starts after a few minutes in the body). Dabbing Fortoss® **VITAL** with a damp gauze will help the material to set quicker.
- 7** Do not to disturb Fortoss® **VITAL** whilst setting. This ensures that the graft remains cell occlusive.
- 8** Passive, tension free suturing is important for the success of any graft.
- 9** A periodontal dressing or relieved denture/bridge should be used to protect Fortoss® **VITAL** from food impact or an inquisitive tongue whilst it is reaching full set (approximately 2 hours).
- 10** For periodontal work, mobile teeth should be splinted.

