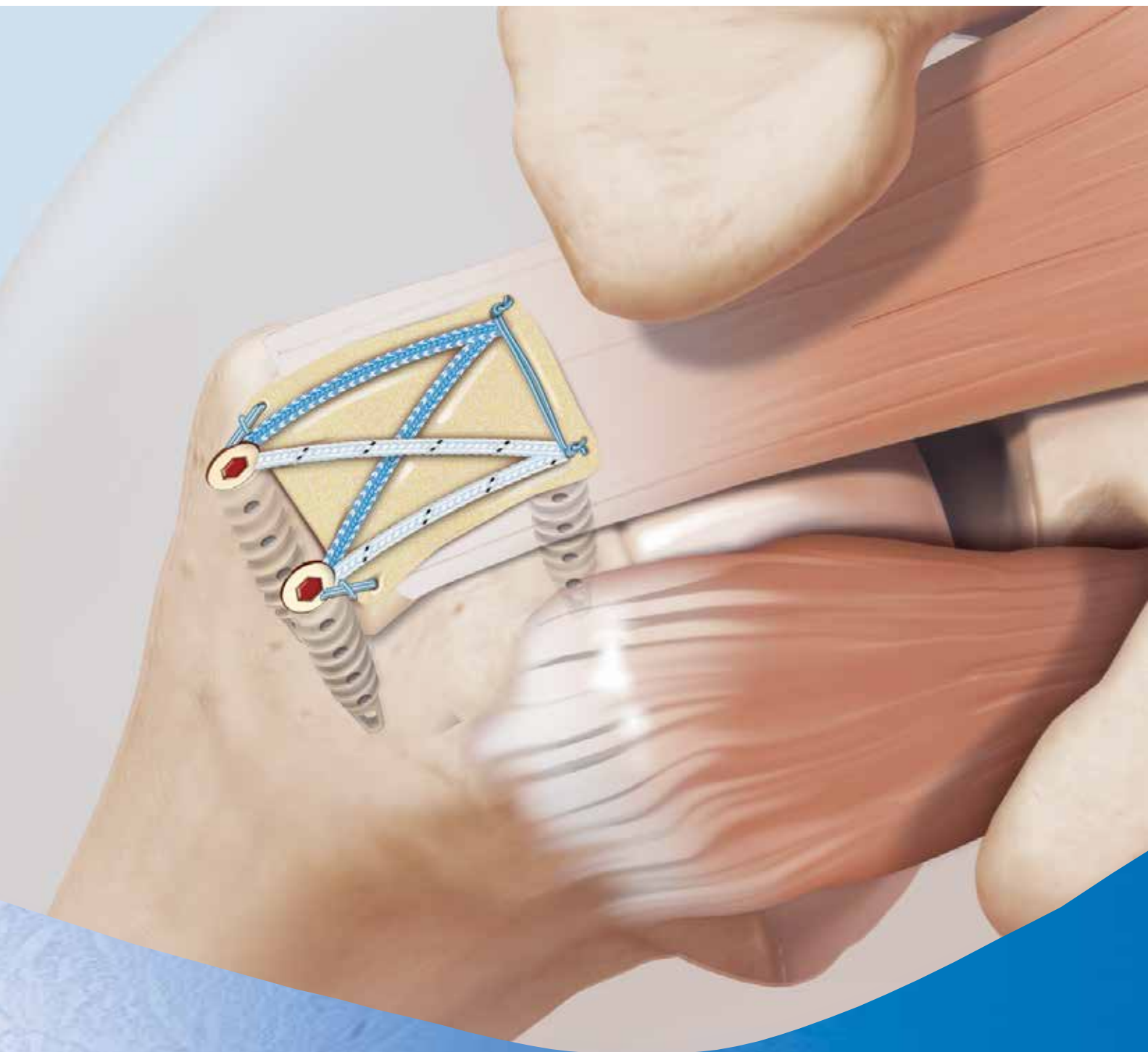




ArthroFLEX[®]

Decellularized Bio-Implant for Soft Tissue Repair





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HIGH PERFORMANCE EXTRACELLULAR MATRIX

ArthroFLEX® is an acellular dermal extracellular matrix (ADM) intended for supplemental support and covering for soft tissue repair. Matrancell®, a patented and validated process by LifeNet Health, renders the ArthroFLEX allograft dermis acellular, without compromising biomechanical or biochemical properties. This process allows the matrix to retain its growth factors, native collagen scaffold, and elastin, which are required for healing.

ArthroFLEX is treated with Preservon®, a proprietary and patented preservation technology that allows the graft to be fully hydrated at room temperature.



> 97% DNA Removed	Biocompatible
Intact Acellular Extracellular Matrix	Provides a strong, clean, collagen scaffold for host cellular and vascular ingrowth.
Convenience	Excellent handling. Ready to use. Room temperature storage (15° - 30° C)
Safety	10 ⁻⁶ SAL (Sterility Assurance Level) Contains less than a single viable particle out of 1 million.
Promotes Rapid Healing	Retains growth factors, elastin, keratin, matrikines, cytokines, and collagens

WHY USE ARTHROFLEX?

- Augmentation with ArthroFLEX has demonstrated improved clinical outcomes⁵
- Augmentation with ArthroFLEX provides improved strength to protect repair to allow healing¹⁻⁵
- Augmentation with ArthroFLEX can reduce re-tear rates.¹⁻⁵
- ArthroFLEX has high ultimate load and suture retention strength.^{2,3,6}

PROCESSING ARCHITECTURE⁷

Matracell[®] removes donor DNA from the dermal matrix, without causing damage or crosslinking, ensuring a biocompatible scaffold to facilitate repair.

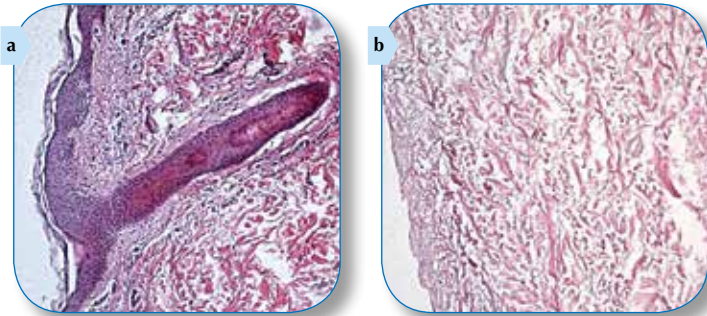


Figure 1: Human skin pre (a) and post (b) decellularization (Hematoxylin and Eosin staining). The Matracell process is designed to remove cellular materials from tissue. As shown in Figures 1(a) and 1(b), histological analysis demonstrates removal of cellular and potentially immunogenic components.

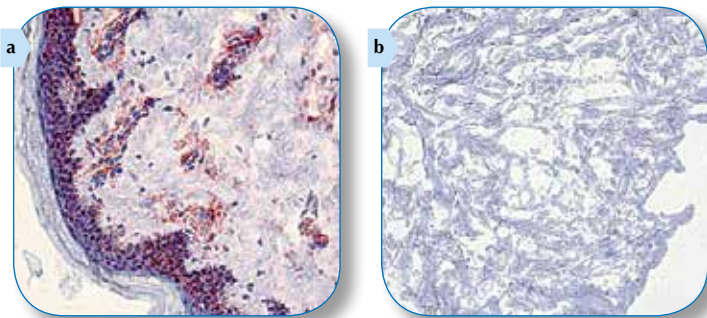


Figure 2: Human skin pre (a) and post (b) decellularization (Major Histocompatibility Complex 1 staining) Note absence of MHC 1 staining material in ArthroFLEX.

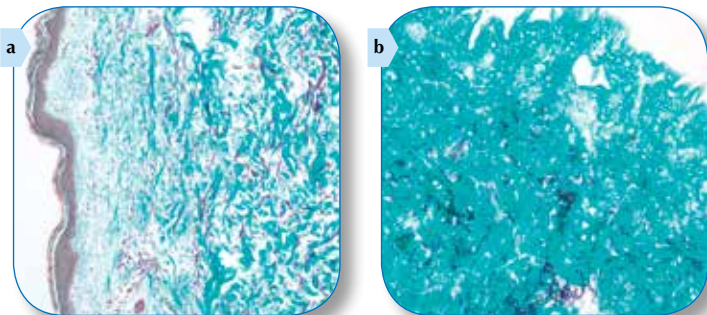


Figure 3: Elastin fibers are essential for skin elasticity. No significant difference was observed microscopically between pre (a) and post (b) decellularization on elastin fiber quantity and distribution.

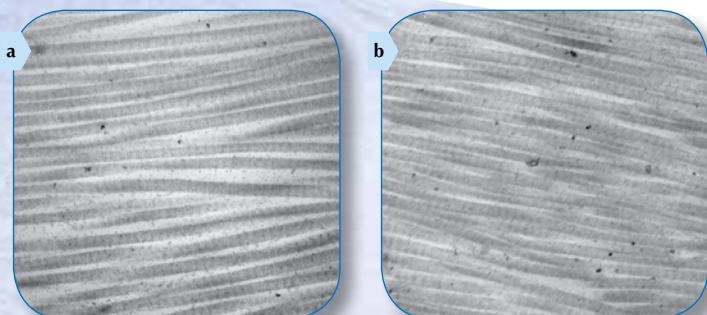


Figure 4: Human skin pre (a) and post (b) decellularization Electron Microscopy images of dermal collagen fibrils at 30K magnification shows no change in the collagen structure.

PERFORMANCE⁷

An intact acellular matrix of collagen, elastin and growth factors provides a clean scaffold intended for supplemental support and covering for soft tissue repair.

Figure 5: ArthroFLEX[®] explanted after four weeks *in vivo* in a subcutaneous mouse model. Hematoxylin and Eosin staining was used to identify blood vessels (identified by arrows) in the explanted tissue.

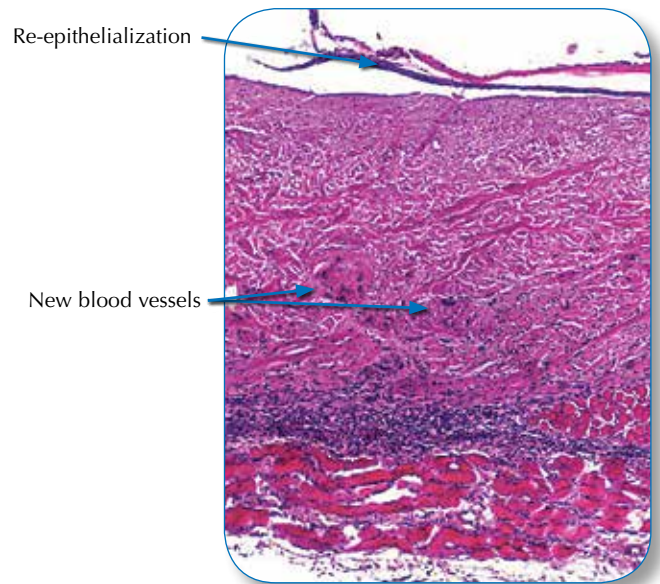
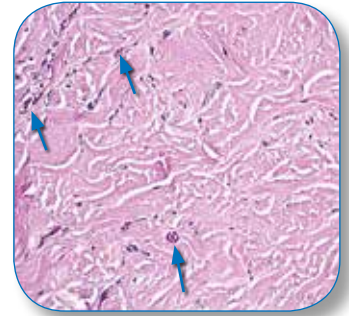
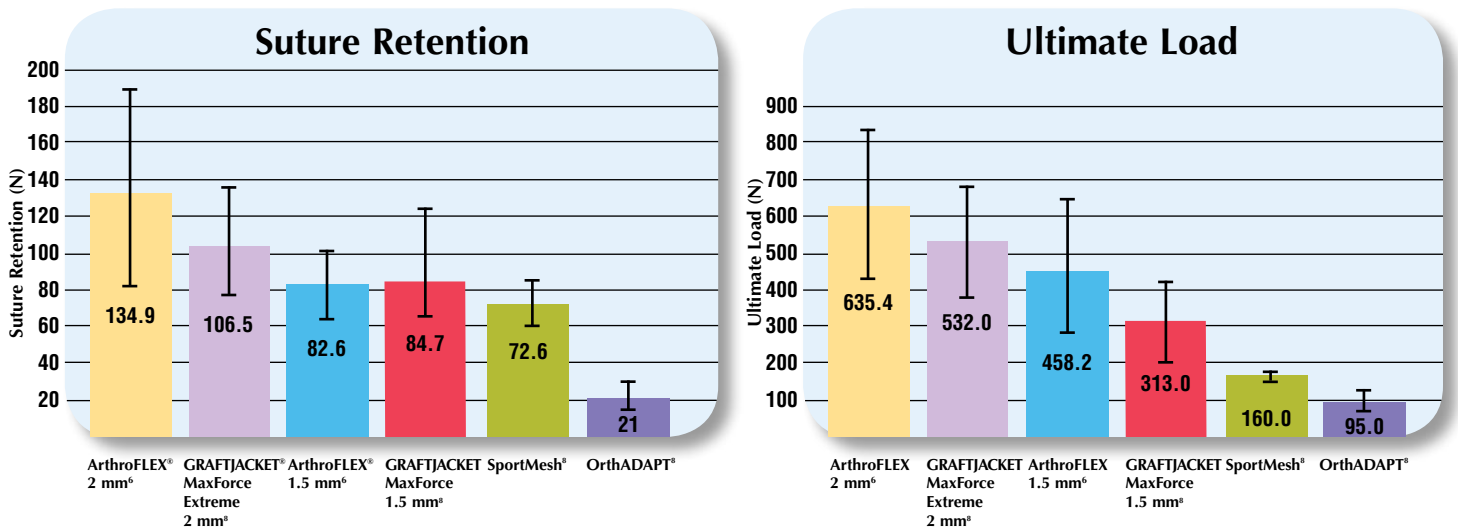


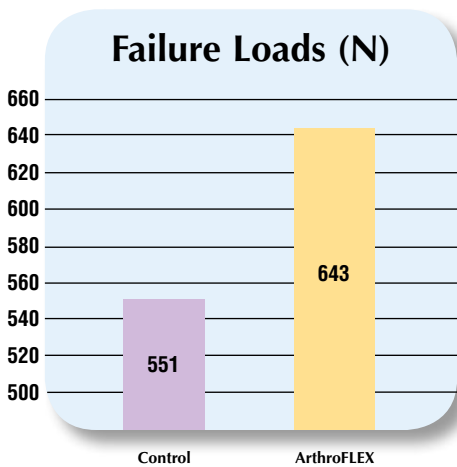
Figure 6: Histological analysis of Matracell Dermis explants using nude mouse skin excisional model. The implant was in place for 16 days prior to excision and analysis. The stain is Hematoxylin and Eosin for general cellular features. Note the presence of features indicating new blood vessels and epithelial layer.

STRENGTH^{6, 8}

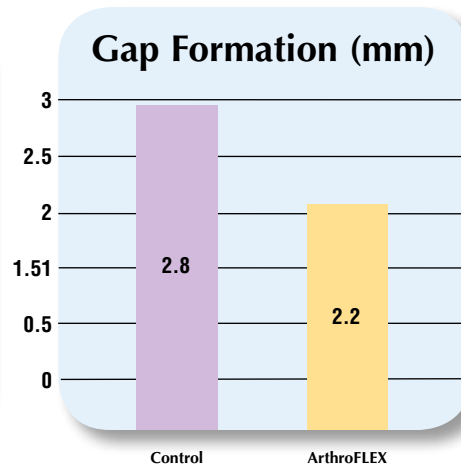
Elastin and collagen provide unparalleled strength for supplemental support and covering for soft tissue repair.



ROTATOR CUFF ANALYSIS³



Comparison of failure loads (N) of human dermal allograft extra-cellular matrix augmentation vs control.

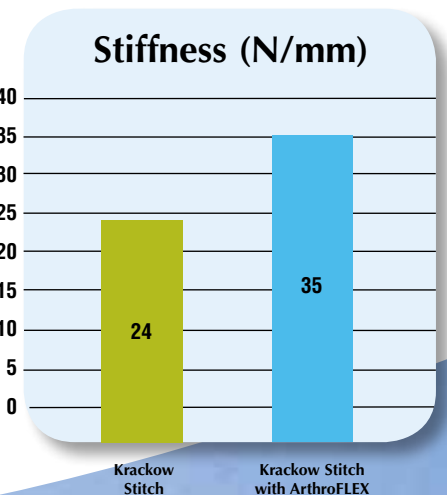
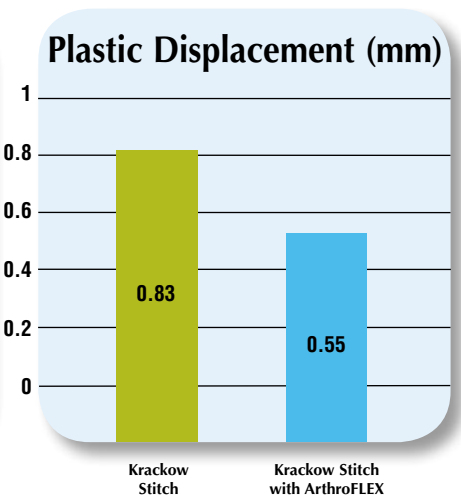
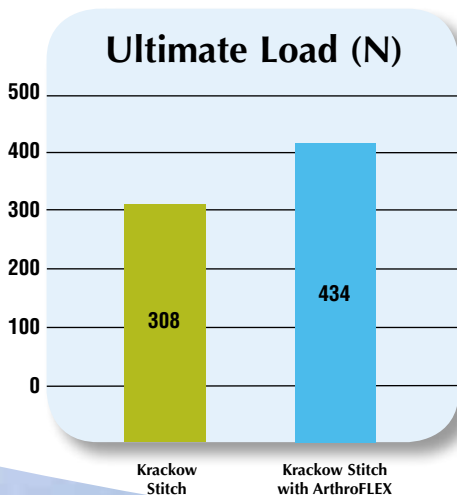


Comparison of gap formation (mm) of human dermal allograft extra-cellular matrix augmentation vs control.

The results suggest that the human dermal allograft is able to provide load sharing to protect the repair site during the early healing period.

- Decreased gap formation = graft helps hold tendon down to bone
- Increased failure load = improved strength of repair

ACHILLES TENDON ANALYSIS⁶



Cadaveric testing of midsubstance Achilles tendon repair with Krackow stitch alone compared to Krackow stitch augmented with ArthroFLEX.

ARTHROFLEX® PRODUCT GUIDE



Hand/Wrist Tendon Sheath Augmentation

AFLEX500 (30 mm x 40 mm x .5 mm)
AFLEX400 (40 mm x 40 mm x 1.0 mm)



Achilles Tendon Augmentation

AFLEX401 (40 mm x 70 mm x 1.0 mm)
AFLEX101 (40 mm x 70 mm x 1.5 mm)
AFLEX103 (50 mm x 90 mm x 1.5 mm)
AFLEX201 (40 mm x 70 mm x 2.0 mm)



Peroneal/Tibial Tendon Augmentation

AFLEX401 (40 mm x 70 mm x 1.0 mm)
AFLEX101 (40 mm x 70 mm x 1.5 mm)
AFLEX150 (15 mm x 140 mm x 1.5 mm)



Rotator Cuff Augmentation

AFLEX400 (40 mm x 40 mm x 1.0 mm)
AFLEX100 (35 mm x 35 mm x 1.5 mm)
AFLEX200 (35 mm x 35 mm x 2.0 mm)
AFLEX301 (40 mm x 70 mm x 3.0 mm)



Suture Reinforcement

AFLEX822 (10 mm x 14 mm x 2.0 mm)

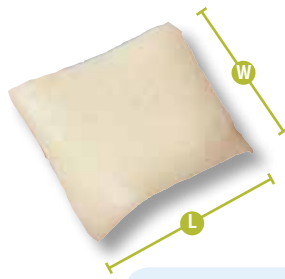
Capsular Reinforcement

AFLEX301 (40 mm x 70 mm x 3.0 mm)



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ArthroFLEX Decellularized Dermis

Product	Description	Size
ArthroFLEX 0.5 mm (Thickness = 0.3 mm - 1.0 mm)		
AFLEX500	Decellularized Dermis with MATRACELL	30 x 40 mm
ArthroFLEX 1.0 mm (Thickness = 0.76 mm - 1.24 mm)		
AFLEX400	Decellularized Dermis with MATRACELL	40 x 40 mm
AFLEX401	Decellularized Dermis with MATRACELL	40 x 70 mm
ArthroFLEX 1.5 mm (Thickness = 1.26 mm - 1.74 mm)		
AFLEX100	Decellularized Dermis with MATRACELL	35 x 35 mm
AFLEX101	Decellularized Dermis with MATRACELL	40 x 70 mm
AFLEX103	Decellularized Dermis with MATRACELL	50 x 90 mm
AFLEX150	Decellularized Dermis with MATRACELL	15 x 140 mm
ArthroFLEX 2.0 mm (Thickness = 1.76 mm - 2.24 mm)		
AFLEX200	Decellularized Dermis with MATRACELL	35 x 35 mm
AFLEX201	Decellularized Dermis with MATRACELL	40 x 70 mm
ArthroFLEX 3.0 mm (Thickness = 2.75 mm - 3.25 mm)		
AFLEX301	Decellularized Dermis with MATRACELL	40 x 70 mm
BioWasher 2.0 mm (Thickness = 1.76 mm - 2.24 mm)		
AFLEX822	Decellularized Dermis with MATRACELL	10 x 14 mm (2 pack)



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