

CLINICAL CHALLENGE

Omniflow™ II

When there is concomitant diabetes

Situation

- Patient has diabetes and requires peripheral revascularisation or AV access
- A viable saphenous vein is not available or an AV fistula cannot be constructed

Challenge

- Patients with diabetes are
 - at high risk for lower limb amputation
 - often young and require long-term solutions to vascular and renal ailments
 - susceptible to infection
- No synthetic prosthesis can match the performance of a vein for peripheral revascularisation or an AVF for AV access
 - Lower long-term patency
 - Susceptible to infection

Solution

Omniflow II – the biosynthetic vascular prosthesis when there is concomitant diabetes

- Good long-term patency, even with poor run-off
- High limb-salvage rate
- Resistance to infection

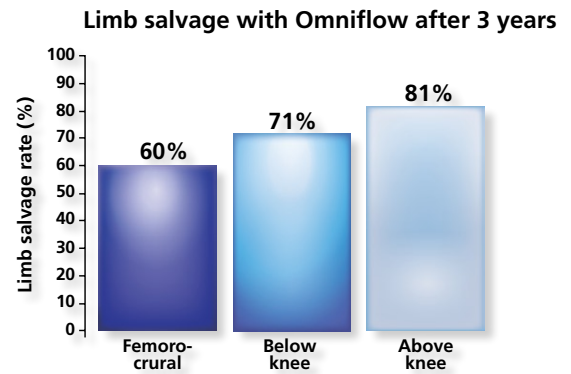


Omniflow demonstrates high limb salvage rates

Over a period of 8 years, 274 Omniflow vascular prostheses were implanted.

All of the patients had either pain at rest or gangrene of the foot or toe, and ankle pressure <50 mmHg.

After 3 years, limb salvage rates of 81%, 71% and 60% were reported in above-knee, below-knee and femorocrural bypass, respectively.



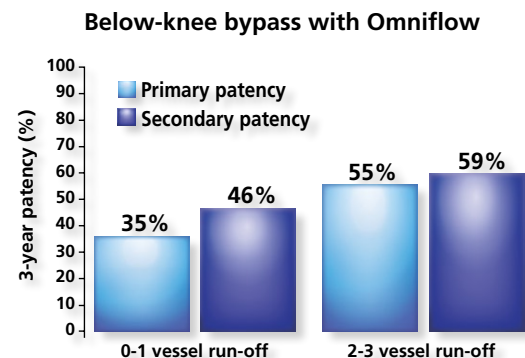
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Omniflow demonstrates good patency even with poor run-off

Over a period of 8 years, 274 Omniflow vascular prostheses were implanted in patients with critical lower limb ischaemia.

At 3 years, the patency was 55% for below-knee implants in patients with 2-3 vessel distal run-off (n=44): the secondary patency in the group was 59%.

With 0-1 vessel run-off (n=63), the primary patency was 35%, and the secondary patency was 46%.

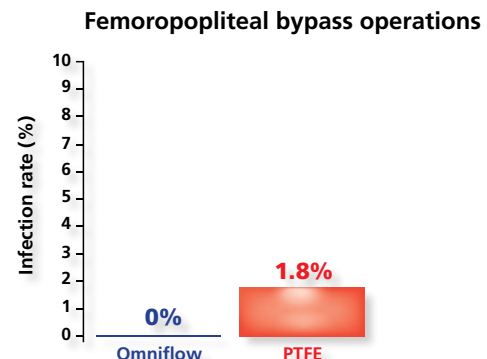


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Omniflow demonstrates a lower infection rate than PTFE

A study was undertaken of 653 arterial femoropopliteal reconstructions (inclusive of above-knee, below-knee and femorocrural bypass), performed over an 8-year period.

There were no infections in 270 Omniflow prosthesis compared with the rate for PTFE of 1.8%.



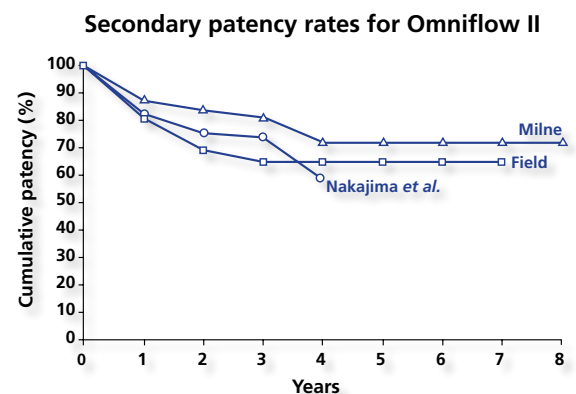
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Omniflow II demonstrates long-term patency

Long term follow-up of patients with either above- or below-knee grafts demonstrated long-term patency with Omniflow II.

In a study by Nakajima et al, the patency was 82.0% after one year, 75.7% after two years, 73.8% after three years and 59.0% after 4 years.

Similarly, patency rates of 60-70% were demonstrated by Field and Milne.



Nakajima et al. Jpn J Vasc Surg 1996; 5: 801-807.

Milne P. Personal communication.

Field P. Data on file, Bio Nova International.