

## ARTECOLL FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

FAQs	Artecoll
<b>What is it?</b>	Artecoll is a mixture of collagen and plastic microspheres which when injected into the skin, work like a scaffolding, encouraging your body to form its own collagen around it. This gives the skin a plumped up appearance, smoothing out fine lines and wrinkles or enhancing your own natural look.
<b>How is the procedure done?</b>	The Artecoll is injected under the skin using a fine gauge needle.
<b>What are the side effects?</b>	Rarely people have been shown to have an allergic reaction to Artecoll. To ensure that you will not have this reaction, you will be required to have a test site done at least one month prior to proceeding with treatment. The test is done in the forearm. Swelling and slight bruising may be present at the injection sites, which will resolve within a few days.
<b>How many syringes are required?</b>	The number of syringes required depends on the area(s) to be treated.
<b>How long does it last?</b>	Up to 10 years.
<b>Does the treatment hurt?</b>	Depending on the area to be treated there may be moderate discomfort. The doctor may choose to freeze the area first using a topical or injectable anesthetic.
<b>How much down time is there after treatment?</b>	None.
<b>What is the after-care following treatment?</b>	Patients must keep their head elevated and limit facial movements (excessive talking /laughing) for 4 hours following treatment.
<b>May I put makeup over treated area?</b>	Yes.
<b>How Long does the procedure take?</b>	15 - 30 minutes