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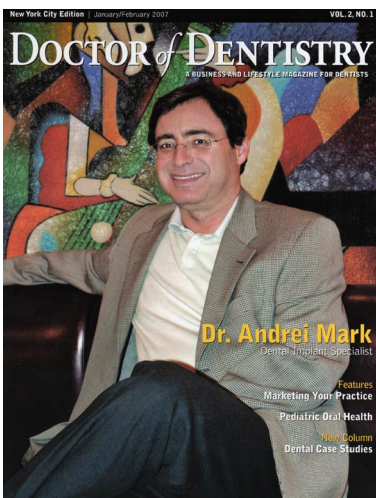
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Commenting on the potential use of INFUSE in implant dentistry Dr. Mark went on to say, “the accelerated bone growth promoted by this morphogenetic protein-2 will enable patients who were previously poor candidates for dental implants to revisit this procedure as a more permanent means to help restore their natural bite characteristics.”

Medtronic Sofamor Danek is a global leader in medical technology with the goal of alleviating pain, restoring health and extending life for millions of people around the world. For additional information on INFUSE Bone Graft visit infusebonegraft.com or call 1-800-468-9730. For information regarding dental case studies involving the use of INFUSE in implant dentistry contact: Jeff Corkill, public relations director at Central Park Oral Surgery, (212) 813-0707, (212) 813-0808 (fax).



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Dr. Andrei Mark is a leading board certified oral & maxillofacial surgeon specializing in dental implant surgery. He was the featured cover story in the Jan/Feb 2007 issue of Doctor of Dentistry magazine.

For more information on Dr. Mark and Central Park Oral Surgery, visit online at: www.CentralParkOralSurgery.com