

Enjoy fuller, more youthful lips for years to come with PermaLip™

Some people naturally have thin lips but it can also be part of the aging process. Loss of tissue particularly over the upper lip with age leads to reduction in height and protrusion of lips. Smoking can aggravate the lines around the lips and patients are always looking for treatment to improve the aesthetic appearance.

The most commonly used method is the use of fillers to the perioral area with or without small amount of botulinum toxin to reduce the furrowing. Commonly used fillers are usually non-permanent and the active movement of the perioral area reduces the longevity of the fillers. Therefore, a repeat treatment is required and some patients are tired of repeat injections and the accumulated cost of fillers.

Permalip™, a soft silicone implant, is an alternative to using repeat fillers. The implant can be inserted into the upper and lower lips through two small incisions under local anaesthetic. It is placed between the lip mucosa and underlying muscle and the implant will augment the volume of the lips and in addition, can reduce the appearance of the furrows.

Miss SD has been having injectable filler treatment to her lips for many years. She disliked the loss of protrusion and the height of the lips and after multiple non-permanent filler injections, she was keen to have something more permanent. A consultation with Mr. M Ho-Asjoe was made to discuss Permalip™. Once Miss SD

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was deemed to be an appropriate candidate for Permalip™, Mr. Ho-Asjoe proceeded to explain the surgery and the pros and cons associated with surgery. A particular size was chosen and a date was made to have the procedure carried out as a day case under local anaesthetic.

The surgery was carried out under local anaesthetic where the area around the mouth was numbed. The PermaLip™ implants were inserted into the upper and lower lip pockets and the incisions around the corners of the mouth are closed. The patient was given an icepack to reduce swelling and medications.

Before Permalip™



After Permalip™



2 weeks later, the patient was reviewed and most of the swelling has settled. The patient was very happy with the appearance. Miss SD was given an exercise to do to reduce tightening and further review confirmed a satisfactory final outcome.

The advantages of Permalip™ are multiple. It requires a simple procedure under local anaesthetic and does not require repeat treatments. It is a soft solid implant and can be removed easily if need to and does not have problems associated with injection of permanent liquid fillers.