

## Letter to Editor

### Role of tooth-pick in plastic surgery

Sir,

I would like to highlight the role of tooth-pick in Plastic Surgery. The tooth-pick has been found to be very useful in the following situations:

1. As Marking Pen
2. Tattooing the markings in cleft lip surgery
3. As a dilator during micro-mini hair transplantation
4. To mark the pits during dermabrasion
5. For chemical cauterization of small cutaneous lesions
6. For sensory mapping

7. To mark the holes during plating in Maxillo-facial surgery
8. As a guide for passing wire through holes during plating in Maxillo-facial surgery
9. To locate punctum of eye
10. To locate Stensen's duct in facial lacerations
11. To mark preauricular sinuses
12. To unwind the knot of suture
13. To extract buried suture
14. To clean the cautery tip

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### Announcement

The 5th World Congress of Cosmetic Surgery in Association with the 50th Anniversary of the International Academy of Cosmetic Surgery will be held in Tokyo, Japan from November 18 to 20, 2005.

The International Board of Cosmetic Surgery examination will be held in Tokyo, Japan from November 15 to 17, 2005.

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