



## **Synthetic bone to help dental implants**

**BRISBANE:** If all you wanted for Christmas was your two front teeth, new research could help make your wish come true. Griffith University scientists are developing artificial bone to help replace missing teeth, which will make getting dental implants a less painful procedure. The team are using the latest tissue engineering technology to produce synthetic bone scaffolds that can be grafted into a patient's jawbone. These will provide a foundation in which to place titanium dental implants.