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# SILVERCEL®

ANTIMICROBIAL ALGINATE DRESSING

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## **EN** Product Description

SILVERCEL® Antimicrobial Alginate Dressing is a sterile, non-woven pad composed of a high G (guluronic acid) alginate, carboxymethylcellulose (CMC) and silver coated nylon fibers. The sustained release of silver creates a favorable environment by protecting the dressing from bacterial contamination. The dressing absorbs exudate, maintains a moist wound healing environment and allows intact removal.

### **Indications**

SILVERCEL® Antimicrobial Alginate Dressing is an effective barrier to bacterial penetration. The barrier functions of the dressing may help reduce infection in moderate to heavily exuding partial and full-thickness wounds including; pressure ulcers; venous ulcers; diabetic ulcers; donor sites; traumatic and surgical wounds.

SILVERCEL® Antimicrobial Alginate Dressing is indicated for external use only

### **Contra-indications**

SILVERCEL® Dressing is not indicated for use on the following:

- Third-degree burns
- Patients with a known sensitivity to alginates or silver
- To control heavy bleeding

### **Precautions**

The dressing may adhere if used on very lightly exuding wounds. If the dressing is not easily removed, moisten it with sterile saline prior to removal. The dressing performance may be impaired by excess use of petrolatum-based ointments.

Avoid contact with electrodes or conductive gels during electronic measurements, e.g. electrocardiograms (ECG) and electroencephalograms (EEG).

Do not use dressing on patients undergoing Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI).

Do not use dressing on pregnant or lactating women due to the absence of specific information.

Clinicians/Healthcare Professionals should be aware that there are very limited data on prolonged and repeated use of silver containing dressings, particularly in children and neonates.

## **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

### **Site Preparation**

- Debride when necessary and irrigate the wound site in accordance with standard protocols
- Remove excess solution from surrounding skin

### **Dressing Selection**

- Select a size of SILVERCEL® Dressing that is slightly larger than the wound.

### **Dressing Application**

1. Cut (using clean scissors) or fold the dressing to fit the wound.
2. Loosely pack deep wounds, ensuring the dressing does not overlap the wound margins.
3. For heavily exuding wounds, apply to wound bed directly. For

wounds with minimal exudate, apply to saline moistened wound bed.

4. Cover and secure SILVERCEL® Dressing with a non-occlusive secondary dressing

### **Dressing Change and Removal**

1. Dressing change frequency will depend on patient condition and the level of exudate. Initially it may be necessary to change the dressing every 24 hours.
2. Reapply SILVERCEL® Dressing when the secondary dressing has reached its absorbent capacity or whenever good wound care practice dictates that the dressing should be changed.
3. Gently remove the secondary dressing.
4. If the wound appears dry, saturate the dressing with normal saline solution prior to removal.
5. Gently remove the dressing from the wound bed and discard.
6. Irrigate the wound site with a suitable wound cleanser prior to application of a new dressing.

### **Storage**

Store at ambient temperature.

**Do not re-use (single use).**

**Do not resterilize.**

**Do not use if package is damaged.**

**The use by date of this product is printed on the packaging.**

Caution: Federal Law (USA) restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a properly licensed healthcare practitioner).

*This caution is not applicable outside the U.S.*

## SYMBOLS USED ON LABELLING



= Do not use if package is damaged.



= Do not re-use.



= Do not re-sterilize.



= Sterilized using irradiation.



= Consult instructions for use.



= Caution.



77°F  
(25°C)

= Store below 77°F (25°C).



= Batch number.



= Use by.



= Catalogue Number.

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