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Product description

Mepilex Border Ag is an absorbent and self-adherent soft silicone antimicrobial dressing. It consists of:

- 1. Bacteria and viral barrier* and shower-proof backing film
- 2. The non-woven layer helps spread fluid
- 3. The super absorbent layer absorbs and stores exudate
- 4. The unique, compressed foam with silver absorbs and spreads the exudate while allowing silver to be released
- 5. Safetac wound contact layer minimises patient pain and trauma to the wound

Safetac Technology

Safetac® is a patented soft silicone adhesive technology. Dressings with Safetac technology are atraumatic upon removal. These dressings minimize trauma to the wound and the surrounding skin, which minimizes pain to the patient. The risk of maceration is minimized by sealing the wound margins.

Mode of action

Mepilex Border Ag absorbs exudate, maintains a moist wound-healing environment and minimizes the risk for maceration. As Mepilex Border Ag absorbs exudate it releases silver ions into the wound. Silver ions in the fluid will strive to equilibrium. Due to this, silver ions will also be released to the wound, resulting in antimicrobial effect where it is needed the most.

As Mepilex Border Ag maintains a moist wound environment, supporting debridement, there might be an initial increase in the wound size. This is normal and to be expected. In case studies, dressings with Safetac technology have demonstrated to normalize dry and scaly surrounding skin.

Thanks to its absorptive and retentive properties Mepilex Border Ag is suitable for use under compression bandaging. Mepilex Border Ag can be used in combination with gels.

Intended use

Mepilex Border Ag is designed for a wide range of exuding wounds such as pressure ulcers, leg and foot ulcers, surgical incisions, infected wounds, and traumatic wounds, such as skin tears, blisters, abrasions, and secondary healing wounds.

Mepilex Border Ag can also be used on dry/necrotic wounds in combination with gels.

Instructions for use

- 1. Cleanse the wound in accordance with normal procedures.
- 2. Dry the surrounding skin thoroughly.
- 3. Remove the release films.
- $\ensuremath{\mathsf{4}}.\ensuremath{\mathsf{Apply}}$ the adherent side to the wound. Do not stretch.
- 5. On dressing removal gently lift one corner and slowly peel back the dressing.
- 6. If extra fixation is needed, fixate only on the borders of the product.

Frequency of change

Mepilex Border Ag may be left in place for several days depending on the condition of the wound and the surrounding skin, or as indicated by accepted clinical practice.

Mepilex Border Ag should be changed when exudate is present at the pad edges.

A change in dressing regimen can result in an initial increased level of exudates, which temporarily may require an increased change frequency.

Precautions

In case of signs of clinical infection, consult a health care professional for adequate infection treatment. Do not use Mepilex Border Ag together with oxidizing agents such as hypochlorite solutions or hydrogen peroxide. Mepilex Border Ag should be stored in dry conditions below 95°F(35°C). Sterility is guaranteed unless inner package is damaged or opened prior to use. Do not re-sterilize.