

3477 XTRASORB HCS Super Absorbent Dressing Instructions

INDICATIONS

Under the supervision of a health care professional, XTRASORB® HCS dressing may be used for the management of acute and chronic, non-infected or mildly infected wounds. It may be used on dry, lightly exuding, and moderately exuding wounds including:

- Pressure Ulcers
- Venous leg Ulcers
- Arterial Ulcers
- Diabetic Foot Ulcers
- Post-Op Wounds
- Traumatic Wounds
- Donor Sites

CONTRAINDICATIONS

Known hypersensitivity to the product itself or to its components, including glycerin and sodium carboxymethylcellulose.

Not for use on heavily bleeding wounds or third degree burns.

PRECAUTIONS AND OBSERVATIONS

- Sterility of the dressing is guaranteed unless the pouch is damaged or opened prior to use. DO NOT use if either has occurred.
- The product is intended for single use only.
- Do not use after expiry date.
- In the case of intolerance to the dressing, remove and clean the area carefully.
- During the body's natural healing process, non-viable tissue is removed from the wound (autolytic debridement), which could initially make the wound appear larger. If the wound continues to grow larger after the first few dressing changes, consult a health care professional. The wound should be inspected during dressing changes. Consult a healthcare professional if there are signs of infection (increased pain, increased redness, wound drainage); excessive bleeding; an unexpected change in wound color and/or odor; irritation (increased redness and/or inflammation); sensitivity (allergic reaction); no signs of healing.
- If difficulty is experienced on removing the dressing, it should be irrigated or soaked with water or a sterile saline solution.
- Because this dressing provides an environment that supports the growth of new blood vessels, the delicate newly-formed tissue may produce blood stained fluid.
- Appropriate supportive measures should be taken where necessary (e.g. use of graduated compression in the management of venous leg ulcers or pressure relief measure in the management of pressure ulcers, systemic antibiotics and frequent monitoring in the treatment of wound infection, control of blood glucose for diabetic ulcers, etc.)
- A change in dressing regimen can result in an initial increased level of exudate, which temporarily may require an increased dressing change frequency.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

1. XTRASROB® HCS dressing can be placed directly onto the surface of the wound. The bordered version will be held in place by its adhesive nature. When using the borderless version, while there is some inherent tack and adhesion by the dressing, secondary fixation is recommended.
2. Prepare the wound site by cleansing as needed, and dry the surrounding skin.
3. Remove the sterile dressing from the package.
4. To apply the dressing, first remove part of the white plastic liner, exposing the adhesive/tacky portion of the dressing.
5. Allow the dressing pad to completely cover the wound and extend onto healthy tissue approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ inches (10 to 15mm) depending on the level of exudate.
6. Position and smooth into place while removing the second half of the white plastic liner.
7. In the case of the bordered dressing, once the dressing is securely in place, peel away the top liner from the dressing. The material is pre-cut to aid with this process.
8. In the case of the non-bordered dressing, secure in place either by using an appropriate secondary dressing such as a conforming bandage or by tape.
9. Check the wound regularly. The dressing should be changed as often as the condition of the wound dictates, but as a general rule, the dressing should be replaced after 3-7 days. In the treatment of a moderately exuding wound, it will be necessary to change the dressing more frequently.
10. If difficulty is experienced on removing the dressing, it should be irrigated or soaked with water or sterile saline solution.

CAUTION: Do not use product if the immediate product packaging is damaged.

Store at room temperature: 10-25 degrees Celsius (50-77 degrees Fahrenheit). Keep dry and keep away from bright light.