

Melgisorb® Ag

Product Description

Melgisorb Ag is a sterile, non woven pad composed of a high G (gluturonic acid) calcium alginate, carboxymethylcellulose (CMC) and ionic silver complex (Silver Sodium Hydrogen Zirconium Phosphate), which releases silver ions in the presence of wound fluid. As wound fluid is absorbed the alginate forms a gel, which assists in maintaining a moist environment for optimal wound healing, and allows intact removal.

The silver ions protect the dressing from a broad spectrum of microorganisms over a period of up to fourteen (14 days), based on in-vitro testing. Odour reduction results from the antibacterial effect in the dressing.

Melgisorb Ag is an effective barrier to bacterial penetration.

Melgisorb Ag protects the wound and aids autolytic debridement therefore facilitating wound healing.

Indications

Melgisorb Ag is indicated for moderate to heavily exuding partial to full thickness wounds such as:

- post-operative wounds
- trauma wounds (dermal lesions, trauma injuries or incisions)
- leg ulcers
- pressure ulcers
- diabetic ulcers
- graft and donor sites
- 1st and 2nd degree burns
- post-operative surgical wounds

This product can also be used under compression bandages.

As the product contains alginate, it may assist in supporting the control of minor bleeding in superficial wounds.

Melgisorb Ag is suitable for use, under medical supervision, on wounds that are critically colonized.

Melgisorb Ag is indicated for external use only.

Contra-indications

Melgisorb Ag is not indicated for use on the following:

- individuals with a known sensitivity to alginates or silver
- surgical implantation
- to control heavy bleeding
- for direct application on dry or lightly exuding wounds.

Precautions

Systemic antimicrobial therapy should be considered when wound infection is evident. Melgisorb Ag may be used, under medical supervision, in conjunction with systemic antibiotics.

The dressing may adhere if used on dry or very lightly exuding wounds. If the dressing is not easily removed, moisten it with sterile saline solution prior to removal.

The dressing performance may be impaired by excess use of petroleum-based ointments.

Caution: Federal [US] Law restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician [or properly licensed practitioner].

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 Melgisorb Ag that is slightly larger than the wound

Dressing Application

1. Cut (using clean scissors) or fold the dressing to fit the wound. Loosely fill deep wounds, ensuring the dressing does not overlap the wound margins.
2. Apply to wound bed directly.
3. Cover and secure Melgisorb Ag with a non-occlusive secondary dressing.

Dressing Change and Removal

1. Dressing change frequency will depend on wound condition and the level of exudate. Initially it may be necessary to change the dressing every 24 hours.
2. Reapply Melgisorb Ag 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 sterile saline solution prior to removal.
5. Gently remove the dressing from the wound bed and discard.
6. Irrigate the wound site in accordance with standard protocols prior to application of a new dressing.

Storage

Store at ambient temperature (below 25°C/77°F).

Do not re-use.

Do not re-sterilize.

Do not use if primary package is damaged/opened.

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

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Symbols used on labelling



For single use



Attention, see instructions for use



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Sterile

Method of sterilisation: Irradiation

LOT

Batch number



Use by: Year and Month

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Antimicrobial alginate dressing



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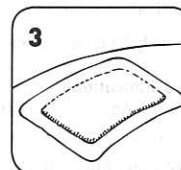
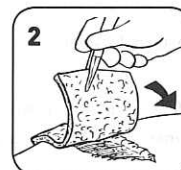
Melgisorb® Ag

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10 x 10 cm/4 x 4 in

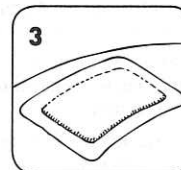
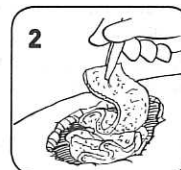
15 x 15 cm/6 x 6 in

20 x 30 cm/8 x 12 in



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3 x 44 cm/1.2 x 17.6 in



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