

# Cura Vance™ Silver Alginate Dressing

## Description

Curavance™ Silver Alginate dressings are produced from high mannuronic (rapid gelling) calcium alginate fibers with ionic silver and are available in both non-woven pad and rope formats suitable for full thickness wounds or undermined and cavity wounds respectively. CuraVance™ Silver Alginate dressing forms a protective, conforming gel on contact with wound exudate. The gelling action absorbs and traps exudate, maintains intimate contact with the wound surface providing a moist wound healing environment with pain free atraumatic removal. Silver Alginate Dressing provides antibacterial protection against both gram positive and gram-negative bacteria.

#### **Indications for use**

Cura Vance™ Silver Alginate Dressing is indicated for the management of moderate to heavily exuding acute or chronic wounds including venous leg ulcers, diabetic foot ulcers, pressure injury wounds, donor sites and partial and full thickness burns.

#### **Precautions**

Cura Vance™ Silver Alginate is not appropriate for use on dry or lightly exuding wounds or those covered with dry necrosis. Moisten with saline to ensure complete removal from dry wounds, cavities, or sinuses. Do not use on 3<sup>rd</sup> degree burns, or on patients with known sensitivity or allergy to alginates or silver. Product is provided sterile for single use. Do not use if package is open or damaged. Do not re-sterilize.

#### **Directions for use**

- 1. Follow wound bed preparation protocol including wound cleansing and debridement.
- 2. Select a suitable dressing size that approximates the wound size and cut to fit wound or cavity.
- 3. Apply Alginate pad to the wound bed and/or loosely pack cavities and undermined areas with alginate rope.
- 4. Apply appropriate 2ndary occlusive dressing or bandaging for wound cover and dressing fixation.
- 5. Remove Alginate dressing and follow wound bed preparation protocol including cleansing with appropriate solution before applying subsequent dressings.

# Frequency of change

Dressing change frequency will vary as wound healing progresses. Daily dressing changes may be required initially until exudation decreases. Change when dressing is saturated, soiled or according to local protocol (up to seven days)

#### **Precautions**

Discontinue use of the alginate dressing and notify appropriate medical personnel if signs of infection are observed.

## Storage

Store in a well ventilated cool, dry space away from direct light.

Not made with natural rubber latex.



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