3M[™] Tegaderm[™] + Pad Film Dressing with Non-Adherent Pad

English

Description:

The 3MTM TegadermTM + Pad Film Dressing with Non-Adherent Pad is a waterproof, bacterial and viral* barrier dressing. The dressing consists of a non-adherent, absorbent pad bonded to a larger thin film backing with a non-latex, hypoallergenic adhesive.

*Laboratory testing has proven Tegaderm™ transparent adhesive dressings provide a barrier against HIV-1 and HBV while the dressings remain intact without leakage.

Indications:

The 3MTM TegadermTM+ Pad Film Dressing with Non-Adherent Pad is designed for covering acute wounds such as cuts, burns, abrasions, IV catheter sites, and surgical incisions. It is also designed for covering superficial and partial thickness chronic wounds. Follow your "gauze and tape" protocol for use. This product is not designed, sold or intended for use except as indicated.

Contraindications:

None known.

Warnings:

Do not use the dressing as a replacement for sutures and other primary wound closure methods.

Precautions:

- 1. Stop any bleeding at the site before applying the dressing.
- 2. Do not stretch the dressing during application as tension can cause skin trauma.
- 3. Make sure the skin is dry and free of soap residue and lotion to prevent skin irritation and to ensure good adhesion.
- 4. The dressing may be used on an infected site, only when under the care of a health care professional.

Instructions for use:

Dressing selection:

Choose a dressing size large enough to provide a margin that adheres to dry healthy skin around the catheter or wound site.

Site preparation:

- 1. Prepare the site according to institution protocol.
- 2. Clipping of hair at the site may improve adhesion. Shaving is not recommended.
- 3. Allow all prep liquids to completely dry before applying the dressing to

prevent skin irritation and ensure good adhesion.

Application:

- 1. Open package and remove sterile dressing.
- 2. Peel the paper liner from the paper-framed dressing, exposing the adhesive surface.
- 3. Position the framed window over the wound site or catheter insertion site and apply dressing.
- 4. Press the dressing into place.
- 5. Remove the paper frame from the dressing while smoothing down the dressing edges. Seal securely around catheter or wound site. Firmly smooth adhesive border to the skin.

Site Care:

- 1. The site should be observed for signs of infection or other complications. If infection is suspected, remove the dressing, inspect the site directly, and determine appropriate medical intervention. Infection may be signaled by fever, pain, redness, swelling, or an unusual odor or discharge.
- 2. Change the dressing according to institution protocol, or when the barrier properties have been compromised.

Removal:

Gently grasp an edge and slowly peel the dressing from the skin in the direction of hair growth. Avoid skin trauma by peeling the dressing back, rather than pulling it up from the skin.

Storage and Shelf Life:

For best results, store in a cool, dry place. For shelf life, refer to the expiration date which is printed on each package.

How Supplied and Ordering Information:

Supplied in boxes of individually packaged sterile dressings. Sterility of dressing guaranteed unless individual package is damaged or opened. If you have any questions or comments, in the U.S.A. contact our 3M Health Care Customer Helpline at 1-800-228-3957.

Explanation of Symbols:

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