

NHS BORDERS

Wound Formulary

Primary Care and Acute Joint Formulary

All wounds should be documented using the *NHS Borders Wound Assessment Guide* which is available [pre-printed from stores](#).

Practitioners should aim to use a product included in the Formulary . If prescribing a non formulary product a [Non Formulary request form](#) must be completed.

Prices have been included as a guide to product cost, they were correct at time of print but will be subject to market changes.

Products procured through supplies are subject to variation. Where variation is necessary this will be agreed with the chair of the wound formulary group prior to substitution.

The formulary will be used as a tool for measuring practice and for identifying those clinical areas where prescribing is not consistent

Specialist products (denoted with an 'S') require prescribing/ initiating by a specialist practitioner (with specialist in their title) or a v300 qualified non medical prescriber.

Wound care formulary, product data and prescribing guidance developed by the Wound Formulary Group.
Wound formulary compliance will be monitored by the Wound Formulary group subgroup of the Area Drugs and Therapeutics Committee.

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Quick reference guide

NHS Borders Joint Wound Care Formulary Summary Chart of Formulary Products by Dressing Type



It is important that all wounds are regularly assessed and the management of a wound documented. A Wound Management Assessment Chart must be completed for any wound (excluding non-complex surgical wounds).

Low adherence dressings & Wound contact materials

Product	Available sizes
Aeropad	5cm x 7cm
	7.5cm x 10cm
	10cm x 20cm
Solvamine	5cm x 5cm
	10cm x 10cm
	10cm x 20cm
Meptil One	6cm x 7cm
	9cm x 10cm
	13cm x 15cm
	24cm x 27.5cm
Lomatueill Pro	5cm x 5cm
	10cm x 10cm
	10cm x 20cm
	10cm x 30cm
Profore Wound Contact Layer	14cm x 20cm

Foam Dressings

Product	Available sizes
Kliniderm Foam Silicone Lite *Specialist initiation to be used in wards 12,14 and MAU only	4cm x 5cm
	7.5cm x 7.5cm
	10cm x 10cm
	20cm x 50cm
Mepilex Border	7cm x 7.5cm
	10cm x 10.5cm
	10cm x 12.5cm
	10cm x 20cm
	15cm x 17.5cm
	Sacrum 15x15cm
	Sacrum 15x15cm
Mepilex XT	Heel 13x20cm or 18.5x24cm
	10cm x 11cm
	15cm x 16cm
	11cm x 20cm
	15cm x 16cm
	20cm x 21cm
Tegaderm Foam - (Non adhesive)	10cm x 10cm
	10cm x 20cm
	20cm x 20cm
	10 x 60 Roll
	*Specialist initiation this size
Tegaderm Foam (Adhesive)	6.9cm x 6.9cm
	10cm x 11cm
	14cm x 14cm
	Heel 14x14cm

Collagen ORC Matrix

Product	Available sizes
Promogran Prisma	28cm ²
	123cm ²

Basic Surgical Pad

Product	Available sizes
Premier Pads Sterile	20cm x 10cm
	20cm x 20cm
	40cm x 20cm

Vapour-permeable films and membranes

Product	Available sizes
365 Film	6cm x 7cm
	10cm x 12cm
	15cm x 20cm
Hydrofilm	6cm x 7cm
	10cm x 12.5cm
	15cm x 20cm
Leukomed® T Plus	20cm x 30cm
	5cm x 7.2cm
	8cm x 10cm
	8cm x 15cm

Super-absorbers

Product	Available sizes
Vliwasorb Pro (Non-adhesive)	12.5cm x 12.5cm
	12.5 x 22.5cm
	22cm x 22cm
	22cm x 32cm
Flivasorb (Adhesive) *Specialist initiation	12cm x 12cm
	15cm x 15cm
	15cm x 25cm

Hydrogels

Product	Available sizes
ActivHeal Hydrogel	8g
Actiform Cool	5cm x 6.5cm
	10cm x 10cm
	10cm x 15cm
	20cm x 20cm
Prontosan Gel X	50g
	250g

Glycerine & Surfactant Impregnated Dressings

Product	Available sizes
Polymem *Specialist initiation	8cm x 8cm
	10cm x 10cm
	10cm x 61cm
Polymem Adhesive *Specialist initiation	5cm x 7.6cm
	8.8cm x 12.7cm
	10cm x 13cm
	15cm x 15cm
Polymem Wic *Specialist initiation	8cm x 8cm

Hydrocolloids

Product	Available sizes
Comfeel plus transparent	5cm x 7cm
	10cm x 10cm
	9cm x 14cm
	7.5cm x 7.5cm
Duoderm extra thin	10cm x 10cm
	15cm x 15cm
	5cm x 10cm
	*9cm x 15cm
*Available in specific areas only	*9cm x 25cm
	*9cm x 35cm
Product	Available sizes
Granuflex Bordered Duoderm extra thin	6cm x 6cm
	10cm x 10cm
	15cm x 15cm
	10cm x 13cm
	15cm x 18cm
Drain Fix dressing	One size stores only
Product	Available sizes
Aquacel Extra	5cm x 5cm
	10cm x 10cm
	15cm x 15cm
	4cm x 20cm
	1cm x 45cm
Aquacel Foam (Adhesive)	2cm x 45cm
	8cm x 8cm
	8cm x 13cm
	10cm x 10cm
	12.5cm x 12.5cm
	10cm x 20cm
	10cm x 30cm
Aquacel Foam (Non-adhesive)	17.5cm x 17.5cm
	21cm x 21cm
	20cm x 16.9cm sacral
	24cm x 21.5cm Sacral
	19.8cm x 14cm Heel
Aquacel Surgical Cover Dressing	10cm x 10cm
	15cm x 15cm
	15cm x 20cm
	20cm x 20cm

Alginate Dressings

Product	Available sizes
ActivHeal Alginate (Sheet)	5cm x 5cm
	10cm x 10cm
Sorbsan Ribbon (with probe)	40cm

Protease modulating Products

Product	Available sizes
Urgostart Contact *Specialist initiation	5cm x 7cm
	10cm x 10cm
	15cm x 20cm

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Burns dressings

(Please note all serious burns need specialist referral)

Product	Available sizes
Jelonet (To be used in ED, Ward 5, MAU, ITU, Dermatology & Treatment Room ONLY or by specialist initiation)	10cm x 10cm

Charcoal Dressings

Product	Available sizes
CarboFlex	10cm x 10cm
	8cm x 15cm
	15cm x 20cm
	10cm x 10cm
Clinisorb *Specialist initiation	10cm x 20cm
	15cm x 25cm

Finger and Toe Dressings

Product	Available sizes
Adaptic Touch Digit	Small 2cm
	Medium 2.4cm
	Large 2.8cm
	X Large 3cm
	Toe 2.8cm

Heel Dressings

Product	Available sizes
Mepilex Border	13cm x 20cm
	18cm x 24cm
Kliniderm Foam Silicone without border	10cm x 17.5cm
Tegaderm Foam Adhesive	14cm x 14cm

Irrigation Solutions

Product	Available sizes
Prontosan Soak	Solution Ampule 40ml
	Solution Bottle 350ml

Astringents

Product	Available sizes
Potassium Permanganate *Specialist initiation *Pharmacy Only	Permitabs 30 x 40mg
Benzalkonium Chloride 1% *Specialist initiation *Pharmacy Only	1% soln 100%
Eosin 2% solution *Pharmacy Only	2% soln x 100%

Basic Adhesive Island Dressing

Product	Available sizes
Premiropore	5cm x 7cm
	10cm x 10cm
	10cm x 15cm
	10cm x 20cm
	10cm x 30cm

Physical Debridement Pad

Product	Available sizes
Debrissoft	10cm x 10cm
	5cm x 2.7cm

Barrier Products

Product	Available sizes
Cavilon Cream 1 st choice	28g tube 92g tube 2g sachet
Sorbaderm Cream 2nd choice	28g tube 92g tube 2g sachet
Medihoney Cream *Specialist initiation	50g tube 2g sachet (x20)
Zinc and Castor Oil Ointment *Pharmacy only	100g 500g
Yellow Soft Paraffin *Pharmacy only	15g 500g 28ml spray
Cavilon no Sting Barrier Spray 1 st choice	Foam applicators 1ml (x5) Foam applicators 3ml (x5)
Sorbaderm 2nd choice	28ml spray Foam applicators 1ml (x5) Foam applicators 3ml (x5)

Pressure Reducing Silicone Pads

Product	Available sizes
Dermis Plus Pads *Order from stores for primary and secondary care	10 x 10 x 0.3cm
	10 x 10 x 1.2cm
	30 x 5 x 0.3cm
	50 x 2.5 x 0.3cm
	Sacrum
	Heel

Larval Therapy

Product	Available sizes
Biomode *Specialist initiation	2.5cm x 4cm
	4cm x 5cm
	5cm x 6cm
	6cm x 12cm
	10cm ²

Bandaging & Wadding

For all Bandaging, Wadding and Adhesive tapes please see section in full Formulary

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ANTIMICROBIAL DRESSINGS – Use the Scottish Ropper Ladder for infected wounds.

<http://www.healthcareimprovementscotland.org/our%20work/patient%20safety/tissue%20viability/infection%20in%20chronic%20wounds.aspx>

Iodine Based Products

Product	Available sizes
I nadine	5cm x 5cm
	9.5cm x 9.5cm
Iodaflex	5gm
	10gm
	17gm
Iodosorb (Ointment)	10gm
	20gm

Enzymatic Antimicrobial Dressings

Product	Available sizes
Flaminal ® Forte Gel	15gm
	50gm
Flaminal ® Hydro Gel	15g
	50g

Silver Based Dressing

Product	Available sizes
Silvercel Non-adherent *Specialist initiation	5cm x 5cm
	2.5cm x 30.5cm
	11cm x 11cm
	10cm x 20cm
Aquacel Ag+Extra *Specialist initiation	5cm x 5cm
	10cm x 10cm
	15cm x 15cm
	4 x 10cm
Silver Nitrate solution 0.5% * Pharmacy Only	100ml
	500ml
Silver Nitrate Sticks 75% *Specialist initiation * Pharmacy Only	44p

Other Antimicrobials

Product	Available sizes
Metronidazole Gel *Specialist initiation	0.75% 30gm
	0.75% 40gm

Honey Based Products

Product	Available sizes
Medihoney Antibacterial Wound Gel	20g tube
Activon Medical grade Manuka Honey	25g tube
	6cm x 6cm
	11cm x 11cm
Medihoney HCS sheet (non- bordered)	20cm x 20cm
	11cm x 11cm
	15cm x 15cm
	5cm x 5cm
Actilite	10cm x 10cm
	10cm x 20cm
	20cm x 30cm
Medihoney Apinate	10cm x 10cm
Medihoney Gel Sheet	5cm x 5cm
	10cm x 10cm

Key

Box Colours

Green:	Indicated for a low level of exudate
Orange:	Indicated for a Moderate level of exudate
Red:	Indicated for High exudate levels
Purple:	Not designed for handling exudate
Yellow:	Negative Pressure

Pricing

Primary Care, prescription pricing in Black.
Secondary care pricing in **(red brackets)** prices are subject to change and for reference purposes only.
Primary care should choose the most cost effective ordering route.

Prescribing authorisation

S= Specialist prescribing

P= Pharmacy (BGH or Community) Only

A= Through area stores only

Approval may be given to supplies for product substitution.

Low adherence dressings & wound contact materials

Basic Film Faced Dressing

Aeropad				
Can be used on wounds with no or low levels of exudate				
Size per dressing	5x5cm	7.5cm x 10cm	10cm x 20cm	Area stores only

Low adherent, double sided wound contact layer.

Solvaline				
*Only available in primary care through pharmacy				
Size per dressing	5x5cm	10cm x 10cm	10cm x 20cm	Primary Care Pharmacy only

Simple, safe & cost effective primary wound contact layer with a (Non Adhesive) polyethylene film contact layer that allows the wound to breathe.

Indications for use:	For light to moderate exuding wounds • For superficial wounds in post-operative treatment• For first aid e.g. cuts & abrasions •Suitable for use under compression
Contraindications:	Any sensitivities to key components eg Polyester
Can stay in place for	7 days depending on exudate levels
*Tip:	Can be cut to size. NB Polyethylene layers are bonded by heat – no adhesives are used

Silicone Contact Layer

Meptil One

A secondary dressing will need to be selected based on the level of wound exudate as dressing has no absorbency properties.

Size per dressing	6cm x 7cm	9cm x 10cm	13cm x 15cm	24cm x 27.5cm
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Non adherent wound contact layer coated with soft silicone on both sides. For the management of wounds where adherence of a dressing to the underlying tissue represents a particular clinical problem. The wound area can be cleaned OVER the dressing which reduces trauma to the wound bed and stops disruption of friable granulation tissue.

Indications for use:	Skin tears or abrasions • Friable granulation tissue •surgical excisions • second-degree burns • blisters • lacerations • partial and full thickness grafts • skin damage following radiotherapy or steroid therapy •in conjunction with VAC therapy
Contraindications:	Known sensitivity to any of the components
Can stay in place for	Depending on the nature and condition of the wound, may be left in place for up to 14 days but the outer absorbent layer should be changed as frequently as required based on exudate levels. This dressing should not be changed more than once a week
*Tip:	Moistening gloves with sterile water or saline will help to stop the dressing sticking to the fingers and thus facilitate application. If dressing is used on a wound where it is unable to stay in place for up to a week then it will become very costly, please consider alternative wound contact layer.

Gel Forming Wound Contact Layer

Lomatuell Pro

Can be used on wounds with no or low levels of exudate or combined with a superabsorbent dressing for moderate to high levels of exudate

Size per dressing	5x5cm	10x10cm	10x20cm	10x30cm

This unique, conformable Gel-forming wound contact net consists of a wide mesh tulle and a coating compound made from petroleum jelly and hydrocolloid. The hydrocolloid particles gel when in contact with wound exudate which promotes a moist wound healing environment while the Vaseline moisturisers dry wound areas and the wound edge. The open mesh structure of the tulle promotes transfer of excess exudate to a secondary dressing

Indications for use:	Fragile skin and Painful wounds • Chronic wounds • Acute wounds •Surgical wounds (graft and donor sites, toe nail avulsion surgery) •Can also be used alongside VAC Therapies <u>Lomatuell Pro contains liquid paraffin</u> When patients are being treated with a paraffin-based emollient product that is covered by a dressing or clothing, there is a danger that smoking or using a naked flame could cause dressings or clothing to catch fire. Please discusses this risk with the patient, as advised by MHRA in 2008.
Contraindications:	Any sensitivities to the key constituents e.g. Polyester
Can stay in place for	7 days
*Tip:	No need to cut dressing to the size of the wound moisturises surrounding skin whilst in use does not stick to the wound or gloves and promotes atraumatic removal

Knitted Viscose Rayon Wound Contact Layer

Profore Wound Contact Layer

***Only available in primary care through pharmacy**

A secondary dressing will need to be selected based on the level of wound exudate as dressing has no absorbency properties.

Size per dressing	14cm x 20cm	
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Contact layer dressings are thin, non-adherent sheets placed on an open wound bed to protect tissue from direct contact with other agents or dressings applied to the wound. They conform to the shape of the wound and are porous to allow exudate to pass through for absorption by an overlying, secondary dressing

Indications for use:	Indicated for partial- and full-thickness wounds, infected wounds, donor sites and split-thickness skin grafts. May be used with topical medications. Wounds with sensitive surrounding skin.
Contraindications:	If reddening or pain occurs discontinue use.
Can stay in place for:	7 days
*Tip:	Where possible use a dressing with a built in non contact layer

Foam Dressings

Adhesive Silicone Foams - Bordered

Kliniderm Foam Silicone Lite				
Can be used on wounds with no or low levels of exudate				
Size per dressing	4cm x 5cm	7.5cm x 7.5cm	10cm x 10cm	20cm x 50cm (without border)
*Specialist Prescribing To be used in wards 12, 14 & MAU only				

A soft, light, conformable polyurethane foam dressing with adhesive silicone wound contact layer with waterproof film outer layer and adhesive border. Very minimal exudate handling capacity.

Indications for use:	Low exuding wounds • postoperative wounds • skin abrasions •traumatic wounds.
Contraindications:	Please note foams do not protect against pressure damage please use appropriate pressure relieving device. Moderate to Heavily Exuding wounds- limited absorbency capacity. Known sensitivity to any of the components. Do Not use foam dressings under compression bandaging.
Can stay in place for	Up to 7 days depending on levels of exudate- monitor for strike-through
*Tip:	If regular dressing changes required, consider stepping up to Mepilex border dressing range.

Mepilex Border

Can be used on wounds with low to moderate levels of exudate

Size per dressing	7cm x 7.5cm	10cm x10.5cm	10cm x 12.5cm	10cm x 20cm
	15cm x 17.5cm	Sacrum 15x15cm	Sacrum 18x18cm	Heel 13cm x 20cm Or Heel 18.5cm x24cm

Adhesive foam dressing with moderate exudate handling capacity, comprising of 5 layers. The wound contact layer of Mepilex Border is Mepitel, a silicone wound contact layer designed with Safetac technology which is slightly tacky. This facilitates application and retention of the dressing to intact skin but does not cause epidermal stripping or pain on removal. It is designed to be easily peeled back and reapplied when required.

Indications for use:	Skin Tears • Wide range of exuding wounds both chronic and acute, including: •Diabetic foot ulcers • fragile skin• Post-operative wounds •Skin abrasions •Superficial & partial thickness burns •Donor sites •Traumatic wounds
Contraindications:	Do Not use foam dressings under compression bandaging. Please note foams do not protect against pressure damage please use appropriate pressure relieving device. Do not use on patients who have a known sensitivity to the dressing.
Can stay in place for	Up to 7 days depending on levels of exudate- monitor for strike-through.
*Tip:	Bordered foams can be used as a primary or secondary dressing. In the case of skin tears the Mepitel contact layer can be used to help align the flap, mark the dressing with an arrow to ensure removal in correct direction.

Dressing supported by NICE guidance: <https://www.nice.org.uk/advice/mib124/chapter/The-technology>

Adhesive Silicone Foams- Non Bordered

Mepilex XT

Can be used on wounds with low to moderate levels of exudate

Size per dressing	10cm x 11cm	15cm x 16 cm	11cm x 20cm	15cm x 16 cm	20cm x 21cm
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Mepilex XT is a soft and highly conformable foam dressing with a pattern on the wound contact side that can effectively manage a wide range of exudate, absorb viscous exudate and maintain a moist wound healing environment.

Indications for use:	Absorbent foam dressing for normal and viscous exudate used in the treatment of leg and foot Ulcers, Pressure Ulcers and Traumatic wounds. To protect epithelialising and granulating wound beds.
Contraindications:	Known sensitivity to any of the components. Please note foams do not protect against pressure damage please use appropriate pressure relieving device.
Can stay in place for	Up to 5 days depending on levels of exudate- monitor for strike-through. Not to be used under compression bandaging.
*Tip:	If regular dressing changes required consider stepping up to a superabsorber such as Vliwasorb Pro

Kliniderm Foam Silicone without border

Can be used on wounds with low to moderate levels of exudate

Size per dressing	10cm x 17.5cm Heel	
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Consider as a cost effective alternative to Mepilex Border Heel for heel wounds that may require a secondary dressing.

Non-adhesive Foam

Tegaderm Foam

Can be used on wounds with low to moderate levels of exudate

Size per dressing	10cm x 10 cm	10cm x 20cm	20cm x 20cm	10 x 60 Roll *Specialist prescribing in this size
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A low-adherent foam polyurethane dressing with no adhesive properties. Will need a secondary dressing to secure e.g. tape or bandage.

Indications for use:	Use over mepitel/adaptic touch as secondary dressing for minimally exuding wounds and bandage in place
Contraindications:	Arterial bleeds and heavily bleeding/exuding wounds. Known sensitivity to any of the components. Please note foams do not protect against pressure damage please use appropriate pressure relieving device.
Can stay in place for:	5 days depending on exudate levels
*Tip:	Costly dressing with limited absorption properties. If secondary adhesive dressing being used consider silicone foam or Non adhesive with Film

Non-adhesive Foam with Film Adhesive

Tegaderm Foam Adhesive

Can be used on wounds with low to moderate levels of exudate

Size per dressing	6.9cm x 6.9cm	10cm x 11cm oval	14cm x 14cm Square	14cm x 14cm heel
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Non-adhesive soft polyurethane foam contact layer with a gentle film adhesive border, this ensures no adherence to wound bed. The dressing has a vapour permeable film top and surround and promotes a moist wound healing environment.

Indications for use:	Use over mepitel/adaptic touch or where a non adhesive wound contact layer is required. Friable granulation or epithelisation tissue.
Contraindications:	Arterial bleeds and heavily bleeding/exuding wounds. Known sensitivity to any of the components. Please note foams do not protect against pressure damage please use appropriate pressure relieving device.
Can stay in place for	7 days depending on exudate levels
*Tip:	Useful for difficult body contours e.g. heels and elbows. If secured well can be worn in the shower.

Basic Adhesive Island Dressing

Premierpore

Can be used on wounds with no or low levels of exudate

Size per dressing	5cm x 7cm	10cm x 10cm	10cm x 15cm	10cm x 20cm	10cm x 30cm
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A basic, sterile non-woven island dressing, Latex free.

Indications for use:	Low exuding wounds • postoperative wounds • skin abrasions
Contraindications:	Not suitable for use with patients who are sensitive to acrylic adhesives. Moderate to Heavily Exuding wounds- limited absorbency capacity.
Can stay in place for	Up to 7 days depending on levels of exudate- monitor for strike-through
*Tip:	Ointments and creams may affect dressing adhesion and performance. If regular dressing changes required, consider stepping up to Mepilex border dressing range.

Basic Surgical Pad

Premier Pads Sterile

Can be used on wounds with low to moderate levels of exudate

Size per dressing

20cm x 10cm

20cm x 20cm

40cm x 20cm

These basic pads do not lock liquid away like a superabsorber or foam and therefore in wet wounds they can hold moisture to the patients skin causing maceration.

Indications for use:	Low to moderate exuding wounds • postoperative wounds • as secondary dressing for Larvae therapy
Contraindications:	For highly exuding wounds consider alternative dressing with higher exudate handling capacity
Can stay in place for	Up to 7 days depending on levels of exudate- monitor for strike-through
*Tip:	Ointments and creams may affect dressing adhesion and performance. If regular dressing changes required, consider stepping up to Mepilex border dressing range.

Vapour-permeable films and membranes

Transparent Film

365 Film

No fluid handling capacity

Size per product	6cm x 7cm	10cm x 12cm	15cm x 20cm	
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365 Film is a sterile, latex free, self-adhesive, waterproof, transparent film wound dressing. The dressing consists of a semi-permeable polyurethane film membrane coated with a hypoallergenic acrylic adhesive.

Hydrofilm

No fluid handling capacity

Size per product	6cm x 7cm	10cm x 12.5cm	15cm x 20cm	20cm x 30cm
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Vapour-permeable films and membranes allow the passage of water vapour and oxygen but are impermeable to water and micro-organisms. They are highly conformable, provide protection, and a moist healing environment

Indications for use:	Dry, non-infected wounds • retention of lines • fixation of secondary dressings. •Used as a secondary dressing over alginates or hydrogels
Contraindications:	Water vapour loss can occur at a slower rate than exudate is generated, so that fluid accumulates under the dressing which can lead to tissue maceration of the skin. Vapour-permeable films and membranes are unsuitable for infected, large heavily exuding wounds, and chronic leg ulcers
Can stay in place for:	The film dressing can stay in place for one day to several days depending on the wound and on the skin condition.
*Tip	Transparent film dressings permit constant observation of the wound. Films, when applied properly are shower proof

Vapour Permeable Film with Absorbent Pad

Leukomed® T Plus

Dry to minimally exuding wounds

Size per dressing

5cm x 7.2cm

8cm x 10cm

8cm x 15cm

Leukomed T-Plus is a sterile film dressing with absorbent pad suitable for minimally exuding clean wounds.

Indications for use:	Leukomed® T plus is intended to cover superficial wounds and wounds after surgery • Protects against friction • Granulating wounds
Contraindications:	Unsuitable for infected, large heavily exuding wounds, and chronic leg ulcers
Can stay in place for	The film dressing can stay in place for one day to several days depending on the wound and on the skin condition.
*Tip	To painlessly and gently remove the dressing stretch it at one corner and pull it towards you.

Super-absorbers

Non- adhesive Superabsorber

Vliwasorb Pro				
Superabsorber, suitable for high levels of exudate				
Size per dressing	12.5 x 12.5cm	12.5 x 22.5cm	22 x 22cm	22 x 32cm

Superabsorbent wound dressing with Flexible non-stick wound contact layer. Absorbent core with superabsorbent polymers allows fast high capacity absorption & retention of wound exudate. Reduces bacterial load by binding pathogens in the dressing.

Indications for use:	Primary or secondary dressing for the management of moderate to heavily exuding wounds • sloughy wounds • can be used under compression bandaging • Ulcers of all origins • Partial thickness burns • Leg ulcers and leaky legs •Post-operative wounds healing by secondary intention.
Contraindications:	Acutely Bleeding wounds •Known sensitivity to any components of the dressing e.g. Polyethylene • Lightly/non-exuding wounds • Cavity wounds
Can stay in place for	7 days- As exudate dictates
*Tip:	Due to non stick contact layer dressing can be used on fragile skin without the need for a primary non contact layer. Do not cut or tear Vliwasorb Pro

Adhesive Super-absorber

Flivasorb Adhesive *Specialist prescribing

Superabsorber, suitable for high levels of exudate

Size per dressing	12cm x 12cm	15cm x 15cm	15cm x 25cm	

*An all-in-one superabsorbent dressing that has the exudate management properties of Vliwasorb Pro plus a skin-friendly, self-adjusting **adhesive** membrane. Expensive dressing only to be used in situations where other adhesive dressings have not managed to deal with the amount of wound exudates effectively.*

Indications for use:	Primary or secondary dressing for the management of moderate to heavily exuding wounds where a Vliwasorb Pro dressing will not stay in place •A secondary dressing for a heavily exuding packed cavity wound •Fistulas •Dehisced wounds.
Contraindications:	Acutely Bleeding wounds •Known sensitivity to any components of the dressing e.g. Polyethylene • Lightly/non-exuding wounds.
Can stay in place for	7 days - As exudate dictates
*Tip:	Do not cut or tear.

Hydrogels

Amorphous Gel

ActivHeal Hydrogel

No fluid handling capacity, donates moisture to the wound

Size per product

ActivHeal Hydrogel 8g

Hydrogel has high water content, it donates fluid to the wound and promotes autolytic debridement and a moist wound healing environment. Not suitable for wounds with moderate to high exudate levels, monitor wound closely and if exudate levels increase dramatically or evidence of peri-wound maceration consider changing dressing.

Indications for use:	Hydrogel has no ability to absorb exudate and are therefore recommended for use on •dry or dehydrated wounds •necrotic and sloughy wounds with nil to low exudate •granulating and epithelising wounds that need hydration.
Contraindications:	Moderate to highly exuding wounds as it will cause maceration •surgical implantations •full thickness burns.
Can stay in place for	3 Days depending on levels of exudate- monitor secondary dressing for strike through
*Tip:	Half fill cavity to reduce risk of maceration

Gel Sheet

Actiform Cool				
Dry to minimally exuding wounds				
Size per dressing	5x6.5cm	10cm x 10cm	10cm x 15cm	20cm x 20cm

Actiform cool is a non adhesive dressing made up of 85% water that will either donate or absorb fluid depending on the moisture level of the wound, to maintain an optimal moisture level for wound healing. It is used as a primary dressing to assist in autolytic debridement by hydrating necrotic and sloughy tissue.

Indications for use:	Necrotic and sloughy wounds with minimal exudate • Painful wounds including nerve pain • Leg ulcers • Burns • Scalds • radiation therapy damage • can be used under compression
Contraindications:	Full-thickness wounds; heavily bleeding wounds; third-degree burns; or as a covering for deep, narrow cavities or sinuses.
Can stay in place for	7 Days depending on levels of exudate
*Tip	Monitor peri-wound skin for maceration and consider cutting dressing to size and using barrier spray if maceration noticed.

Hydrogel with Surfactant

Prontosan Gel X *Specialist prescribing

Dry to low exuding wounds

Size per product	50g	250g
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Ready-to-use colourless viscous gel containing betaine (a gentle effective surfactant that penetrates, disturbs and removes biofilm and wound debris) and PHMB (to help control bacterial levels on the wound)

Indications for use:	For the physical cleansing, moisturizing and decontamination of acute, chronic, thermal, chemical and radiation-induced wounds. It can be used in heavily colonised wounds to reduce the bacterial load. This can be used for first, second, third, and fourth-degree burns
Contraindications:	None listed
Can stay in place for:	It is a single patient product, not single use. It can be used for up to 8 weeks from date of opening
*Tip	Prontosan® Wound Gel is available in a smaller 30mL size and may be more cost effective for small wounds compared to Prontosan® Wound Gel X which is 50g or 250g

Hydro-colloids

Thin Hydrocolloid Sheet

Hydrocolloid dressings are used for wounds that are superficial and have low exudate. They aid rehydration and autolytic debridement of dry, sloughy or necrotic wounds.

Comfeel plus transparent				
Dry to minimally exuding wounds				
Size per dressing	5cm x 7cm	10cm x 10cm	9cm x14cm	

Transparent hydrocolloid dressing with a vapour-permeable film backing and bevelled edge to reduce rucking. Free from animal products. 1cm mapping grid to aid wound measurement and change indicator printed on the backing. Less adhesive than Duoderm Extra thin.

Duoderm extra thin				
Dry to minimally exuding wounds				
Size per dressing	7.5cm x 7.5 cm	10cm x 10cm	15cm x 15cm	5cm x 10cm
Available in specific areas only	9cm x 15cm	9cm x 25cm	9cm x 35cm	

An occlusive hydrocolloid dressing. Duoderm Extra thin is adhesive and can stay in place for up to 7 days, this promotes a sterile, moist wound healing environment. If the dressing is removed prematurely it can cause damage to fragile granulation tissue.

Indications for use:	•Dry or dehydrated wounds •necrotic and sloughy wounds with nil to low exudate •granulating and epithelising wounds • superficial acute wounds
Contraindications:	Wet wounds or patients with friable skin. Dressing is very adhesive, not to be used for protection of fragile/ red skin. Not to be removed daily as will cause trauma to granulation tissue.
Can stay in place for	7 Days depending on levels of exudate. Dressing will appear opaque when saturated. If a dressing change is needed before 3 days due to exudate, then consider a more absorbent dressing.
*Tip:	For wounds with increasing exudate levels aquacel extra can be used under duoderm extra thin.

	Comfeel does not contain any animal products whereas Duoderm contains Gelatin. To aid adhesion warm up dressing in hands before application.
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Thick Hydrocolloid Sheet

Granuflex Bordered

Dry to minimally exuding wounds- Thickly sloughed or necrotic dry to minimally exuding wounds

Size per dressing	6x6cm	10x10cm	15x15cm	10x13cm	15x18cm
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Hydrocolloid dressing with an adhesive foam border. Consists of an inner layer of hydrocolloids within an adhesive polymer matrix and an outer layer or polyurethane foam. It can be used for 'hard-to-dress' areas. The dressing features a wide outer foam border that does not require additional taping. The matrix layer forms a cohesive gel on contact with exudate.

Indications for use:	•Thick dry slough and necrosis •Pressure ulcers •Venous leg ulcers •Arterial leg ulcers •Donor sites
Contraindications:	Ulcers caused by chronic infections • tuberculosis •deep mycotic infections, syphilis •Arteriopathy stage IV • Bites and 3rd degree burns •Sensitivity to wound products.
Can stay in place for:	7 Days depending on levels of exudate. when a whitish blister has formed and approaches the edges of the dressing. Where leakage occurs the dressings should be changed immediately.
*Tip:	As dressing is very sticky if it is removed prematurely it can cause trauma. Note contains Gelatin.

Drain fix dressing

Hydrocolloid nephrostomy dressing

Size per product	One size Stores only
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Hydrocolloid Fibre

	Aquacel Extra						
	Can be used on wounds with moderate levels of exudate						
Size per dressing	5cm x 5cm	10cm x 10cm	15cm x 15cm	4x 20cm	1cm x 45cm ribbon	2cm x 45cm ribbon	

Aquacel extra Hydrofiber® sheet dressing is a soft, absorbent material that transforms into a gel on contact with wound fluid. The gelling action creates an optimal environment for wound healing and promotes autolytic debridement.

Aquacel Foam					
Can be used on wounds with moderate levels of exudate					
Size per dressing	Non Adhesive 10cm x 10cm	Non adhesive 15cm x 15cm	Non Adhesive 20cm x 20cm	Non Adhesive 15cm x 20cm	
Adhesive 8cm x 8cm	Adhesive 10cm x 30cm	Adhesive 12.5cm x 12.5cm	Adhesive 17.5cm x 17.5cm	Adhesive 24cm x 21.5cm (Sacral)	Adhesive 21cm x 21cm
Adhesive 20cm x 16.9cm (Sacral)	Adhesive 10cm x 10cm	Adhesive 8cm x 13cm	Adhesive 10cm x 20cm	Adhesive (Heel) 19.8cm x 14cm	

*Hydrofibre wound contact layer with absorbent foam backing, primary and secondary dressing *Aquacel Foam is a more cost effective alternative to the combination of Aquacel Extra and a secondary foam dressing.*

Indications for use:	Aquacel is best used on wet sloughy wounds with moderate to high exudate levels • sloughy or heavily exuding cavity wounds • Leg ulcers, pressure ulcers (Stage 2-4) and diabetic ulcers •Painful wounds
Contraindications:	Avoid in dry or low exuding wounds as it can dry out and adhere to wound bed, if this happens irrigate fully and it will turn to gel to be removed easier. In deep cavities requiring multiple dressings consider alternative. Any known allergy to dressing.
Can stay in place for	5 Days depending on levels of exudates
*Tip:	Aquacel extra is a primary contact layer and a secondary dressing is required. In wounds where an adhesive secondary dressing is required please consider the use of Aquacel Foam •For very wet wounds two layers of Aquacel can be used under secondary absorbent dressing or consider placing a sheet of Aquacel extra under Aquacel foam dressing.

Surgical Hydrocolloid Fibre

Aquacel Surgical Cover Dressing

*Available in Ward 9, surgical only

Can be used on wounds with moderate levels of exudate

Size per dressing Available in specific areas only	9cm x 25cm	19cm x 35cm
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Conformable cover dressing formed of a soft, sterile, non-woven pad of sodium carboxymethylcellulose with a waterproof polyurethane film backing and hydrocolloid adhesive.

Indications for use:	For the post-operative management of surgical incisions. Only for use in specified areas.
Contraindications:	Should not be used on individuals who are sensitive to or who have had an allergic reaction to the dressing or its components.
Can stay in place for	5 Days depending on levels of exudates

Alginate Dressings

Alginate Sheet

ActivHeal Alginate

Can be used on wounds with moderate levels of exudate

Size per dressing	5cm x 5cm	10cm x 10cm	
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Soft, conformable, highly absorbent calcium sodium alginate dressing. Used as a haemostat in lightly bleeding wounds.

Indications for use:	Moderately to heavily exuding chronic and acute wounds. Can be used to control minor bleeding in superficial wounds.
Contraindications:	Not indicated for use to control heavy bleeding.
Can stay in place for	2-7 days

Alginate Ribbon

Sorbsan Ribbon (with Probe)

Can be used to pack wounds with moderate to high levels of exudate

Size per dressing	40cm	
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Sterile non-woven calcium alginate cavity wound dressing. High in mannuronic acid and low in guluronic acid. The fibres swell and form a sodium-calcium alginate gel when in contact with wound exudate. Will promote haemostasis in bleeding wounds. Supplied with a sterile plastic medical probe (single-use only) to aid assessment of the wound dimensions.

Indications for use:	Cavity wounds with moderate to high levels of exudate. Packing for larger wet cavity wounds.
Contraindications:	Known sensitivity to any of the components of the dressing. Should not be used where the opening of the wound or sinus is smaller than the width of the probe provided.
Can stay in place for	2-7 days
*Tip:	Count and record number of ribbons used on insertion and removal.

Glycerine & Surfactant Impregnated dressings

Polymem *Specialist prescribing

Dry to minimally exuding wounds

Size per dressing

8cm x 8cm

10cm x 10cm

10cm x 61cm

Polymem is a unique wound dressing which contains an inbuilt cleanser and moisturiser. Although it looks like a foam it is not to be used as you would other basic foams.

Polymem Adhesive *Specialist prescribing

Dry to minimally exuding wounds. Self adhesive

Size per dressing

5cm x
7.6cm
(oval)

8.8cm x 12.7cm
(oval)

10cm x 13cm

15cm x 15cm

Area stores only

Thin polyurethane Polymem foam with a vapour-permeable film backing and adhesive border.

Polymem Wic *Specialist prescribing

Dry to minimally exuding cavity wounds

Size per dressing

8cm x 8cm

Designed for cavity wounds; can be used in both open and shallow cavities. Gently expands to fill the cavity, absorbing excess fluid from all sides of the dressing. The glycerol and non-toxic cleanser contained in the dressing keep the wound bed clean, moist and prevents adherence.

Indications for use:	Surgical wounds• traumatic wounds• donor graft sites• superficial and partial thickness burns• superficial skin loss such as a graze• wounds that require very gentle re-hydration
Contraindications:	Moderate to highly exuding wounds as it will cause maceration
Can stay in place for	7 days or if wound fluid is visible through the back of the dressing
*Tip:	Polymem will gently cleanse the wound whilst insitu therefore when changing the dressing please DO NOT cleanse the wound bed or flush with saline unless the wound is infected or contaminated.

Protease Modulating Products

Urgostart Contact *Specialist prescribing

Can be used on wounds with no or low levels of exudate or combined with a superabsorbent dressing for moderate to high levels of exudate

Size per dressing	5cm x 7cm	10cm x 10cm	15cm x 20cm	

Flexible contact layer containing a protease inhibitor (TLC-NOSF matrix) that inhibits proteases and limits their detrimental action, restoring the balance of the wound. For use on chronic, non healing wounds. Use of the dressing needs to be supervised by a specialist for initiation and discontinuation.

Indications for use:	Static/non-healing chronic wounds • surgical wounds healing by secondary intention • leg ulcers of various origin pressure ulcers •Can also be used alongside NPWT • Can be used under compression • Especially suitable for lining cavity or awkwardly placed wounds and for wicking deep wounds.
Contraindications:	Can cause overgranulation please discontinue if overgranulation tissue evident • Do not use on infected or critically colonised wounds • Cancerous wounds • Fistulas which may reveal a deep abscess • Sensitivities to key components • If the wound contains a large proportion of devitalised tissue/necrosis • Debridement is recommended prior to commencing Urgostart.
Can stay in place for	5-7 days
*Tip:	Should be used with a pad, or an absorbent dressing for heavily exuding wounds. For best results, use for 12 weeks

Collagen ORC Matrix

Promogan Prisma *Specialist prescribing

Dry to minimally exuding wounds

Size per dressing (dressings hexagonal in shape)	28cm ²	123cm ²	

Promogan Prisma is a sterile matrix of collagen 55%, Silver 1% and oxidised regenerated cellulose (ORC), 44%. It is designed to rebalance the wound micro-environment by inactivating proteases and protecting growth factors. Reduces the risk of re-infection and has haemostatic properties. It gels on contact with exudate and is absorbed by the wound bed. Use of the dressing needs to be supervised by a specialist for initiation and discontinuation.

Indications for use:	Can be considered for use when a wound is clean and granulating but has failed to progress to healing using recommended wound management products for a reasonable length of time •Diabetic foot ulcers •Cavity wounds •Granulating pressure ulcers •Venous leg ulcers- can be used under compression •Suitable under NPWT
Contraindications:	Wounds that are necrotic or sloughy or show signs of infection •Known hypersensitivity to the components of this product • Discontinue if signs of sensitivity appear • Please note this dressing contains silver but is not an antimicrobial dressing
Can stay in place for:	Dressing is absorbed into wound bed and needs to be replenished every 72 hours.
*Tip:	Where exudate is reduced in the wound the dressing needs to be moistened with saline prior to application

Iodine based products

Inadine			
Dry to minimally exuding wounds			
Size per dressing	5cm x 5cm	9.5cm x 9.5cm	

Non-adherent dressing impregnated with 10% povidone-iodine. Colour change indicates when to change dressing. Inadine® is rapidly deactivated by wound exudates, there are more effective antimicrobial dressings available.

Indications for use:	Inadine can be used to dry a wet wound • Management and prevention of infection in ulcers • minor burns and minor traumatic skin injuries.
Contraindications:	Should not be used to treat deep ulcerative wounds, burns or large injuries. Should not be used where there is a known iodine hypersensitivity; before and after the use of radio-iodine (until permanent healing); if the patient is being treated for kidney problems, is pregnant or breastfeeding; in cases of Duhring's herpetiform dermatitis (a rare skin disease). Must be used under medical supervision: in patients with any thyroid diseases; in newborn babies and infants up to the age of 6 months as povidone-iodine may be absorbed through.
Can stay in place for:	Colour change indicates when to change dressing
*Tip:	Observe for fading of colour of Inadine as this indicates loss of its antiseptic properties. In the event of highly infected/heavily secreting wounds Inadine can be changed up to two times daily please consider change of dressing in these wounds. Inadine has a non adherent contact layer and can be used when other non contact layers are not readily available.

Iodaflex

Dry to minimally exuding wounds

Size per dressing	5gm	10gm	17gm	

A sterile dark-brown paste dressing with gauze backing on both sides. Comprises cadexomer, polyethylene glycol and iodine. To remove excess exudate and slough from the wound bed, and reduce bacteria on the wound surface.

Iodosorb (Ointment)

No exudate handling capacity

Sizes available per product	10gm	20gm	

Sterile dark-brown paste ointment and powder. Comprises cadexomer, polyethylene glycol and iodine.

Indications for use:	Chronic exuding wounds • Leg ulcers • Diabetic ulcers
Contraindications:	Should not be used on dry necrotic tissue or on patients with a known sensitivity to any of its ingredients. Do not use on children, pregnant or lactating women or people with thyroid disorders or renal impairment. For details of precautions, please contact supplier.
Can stay in place for:	3-5 days
*Tip:	Can be used under compression therapy.

Honey Based Products

Honey comes in many preparations and has many benefits in wound healing, it can deodorise wounds and has anti-inflammatory properties. Honey creates an environment that promotes autolytic debridement, its viscous nature prevents adherence to the wound and it can help reduce oedema by drawing fluid from the tissues without macerating surrounding healthy skin. In addition, there is some evidence of antimicrobial properties.

***Blood sugar levels should be monitored as normal in diabetic patients*

Medihoney Antibacterial Wound Gel	
Dry to minimally exuding wounds	
Size per dressing	20g tube

Sterilised medical-grade manuka honey with antibacterial action, combined with natural plant waxes to increase viscosity and aid application.

Activon Medical grade Manuka Honey	
Dry to minimally exuding wounds	
Size per dressing	25g tube

100% medical-grade Manuka honey with antibacterial action in a single-patient-use tube.

Indications for use:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indicated for both chronic and acute infected wounds• can be used in cavities or as a blister dressing• to soften and lift hard slough or necrotic tissue• Superficial wounds• abrasions• malodorous wounds.
Contraindications:	Any allergy to honey or bee stings
Can stay in place for:	Monitor exudates levels 2-3 days
*Tip:	Note tube can be sealed and re-used safely on the same patient. Increased exudate can be expected for up to 48 hours after first application therefore appropriate secondary dressing is required. Patients may experience a drawing sensation/pain due to the osmotic action of the honey.

Medihoney HCS sheet

Dry to minimally exuding wounds

Size per dressing	6cm x 6cm Non bordered.	11cm x 11cm Non bordered	20cm x 20cm Non Bordered *Specialist prescribing size very expensive	11cm x 11cm (7.2cm x 7.2cm) Bordered	15cm x 15cm Bordered
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An all-in-one dressing that combines 63% Medihoney (active Leptospermum) in a hydrogel dressing with a superabsorbent polymer. Available with or without an adhesive border. The adhesive dressing does not require a secondary dressing. Medihoney® HCS has a lower honey concentration and can be used in patients who experience pain with other honey varieties.

Indications for use:	Dry to moderately exuding wounds: diabetic foot ulcers; leg ulcers; categories I–IV pressure ulcers; first- and second-degree burns; donor site wounds; traumatic wounds; surgical wounds.
Contraindications:	Any allergy to honey or bee stings or 3rd degree burns. If the patient has a known allergy to bee venom. Blood sugar levels should be monitored in patients with diabetes. A stinging sensation may be experienced when applying the honey, if this unacceptable remove dressing and discontinue use.
Can stay in place for:	Up to 7 days
*Tip:	Great for malodours wounds.

Actilite

Dry to minimally exuding wounds

Size per dressing

5cm x 5cm

10cm x 10cm

10cm x 20cm

20cm x 30cm

***Specialist prescribing**

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Non-adherent viscose net dressing coated with 99% manuka honey and 1% manuka oil. The dressing is designed to protect a wound, promote healing and allow the passage of exudate, and can be used on epithelialising wounds that are perceived to be at risk of re-infection. Actilite® has a lower honey concentration and can be used in patients who experience pain.

Indications for use:	Granulating and epithelialising wounds • Sloughy wounds • pressure injuries • malodorous wounds • leg ulcers • Skin tears
Contraindications:	If the patient has a known allergy to bee venom. Blood sugar levels should be monitored in patients with diabetes..
Can stay in place for:	Up to 7 days
*Tip:	Actilite® is suitable for low exudate wounds where antimicrobial action is required. It is more effective than Inadine® as it is not affected by wound exudates. Great for malodours wounds.

Medihoney Apinate *Specialist prescribing

moderately exuding wounds

Size per dressing	10cm x 10cm		
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Non-adherent, absorbant, calcium alginate dressing impregnated with medical grade honey.

Indications for use:	Acute and chronic wounds: leg/foot ulcers, pressure ulcers, sloughy wounds, infected wounds, malodorous wounds, donor and recipient graft sites and burns and surgical wounds.
Contraindications:	Any allergy to honey or bee stings
Can stay in place for	3-5 days monitor exudates levels
*Tip:	Great for malodours wounds.

Medihoney Gel Sheet *Specialist prescribing

low to moderately exuding wounds, NOT to be used on dry wounds

Size per dressing	5cm x 5cm	10cm x 10cm
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Sterilised antibacterial honey dressing containing Medihoney Antibacterial Medical medical-grade Manuka Honey and sodium alginate.

Indications for use:	Acute and chronic wounds: leg/foot ulcers, pressure ulcers, sloughy wounds, infected wounds, malodorous wounds, cavity wounds.
Contraindications:	Medihoney® gel sheet must not be used on dry wounds as it requires exudate to release honey and debride.
Can stay in place for:	3-5 days, monitor wound exudates
*Tip:	Can be rolled up and placed in cavity wounds, can be worked with hands like a putty to fill the wound bed.

Silver Based Dressings

Silver dressings are expensive antimicrobial dressings which need to be initiated under specialist advice. Please see NHS Borders antimicrobial wound dressing guidance for further information.

Silver with non adherent layer

Silvercel Non-adherent *Specialist prescribing				
low to moderately exuding wounds				
Size per dressing	5cm x 5cm	2.5cm x 30.5cm Ribbon	11cm x 11cm	10x20cm

Silver alginate dressing with unique non-adherent layer that allows release of silver ions into the wound fluid while also protecting the wound bed.

Alginate dressing with Silver

Aquacel Ag+ Extra *Specialist prescribing				
moderately exuding wounds				
Size per dressing	5cm x 5cm	10cm x 10cm	15cm x15cm	4x10cm

Soft, sterile non-woven dressing made from two layers of 1.2% ionic silver-impregnated Hydrofiber (sodium carboxymethylcellulose) and enhanced with antibiofilm technology, stitched together with cellulose strengthening fibres. Absorbs wound fluid, disrupts and breaks down biofilm to expose and kill bacteria, while preventing biofilm reformation.

Indications for use:	Antimicrobial dressings containing silver should be used only when infection is suspected as a result of clinical signs or symptoms.
Contraindications:	Allergy to silver. They should only be used if other antibacterial dressings have been tried or are inappropriate. Do NOT use on patients with a known sensitivity to alginates, ethylene or silver Do NOT use where the presence of metals is contraindicated e.g. patients receiving radiotherapy or having MRI Third degree burns
Can stay in place for	The silver in the dressing is active for 3 days
*Tip:	If no improvement seen in 2 weeks discontinue. Swab wound before starting dressing.

Silver Nitrate

Silver Nitrate solution 0.5% *Specialist prescribing

Not designed to handle exudate

Sizes per product	100ml	500ml	Only available through pharmacy

Silver Nitrate solution is a 0.5% solution of Silver Nitrate in a water medium. It is a topical anti-infective.

Indications for use:	Desloughing and astringent used for leg ulcers. For external use only.
Contraindications:	Allergy to silver nitrate. Do not apply to the face, to ano-genital region, on sensitive areas of the body.
Can stay in place for:	The dressing must NOT be allowed to dry out and must be rewetted every two to three hours with fresh silver nitrate 0.5% solution, otherwise the concentration of silver nitrate rises to caustic levels. Avoid unbroken skin.
*Tip:	Silver Nitrate solution must be handled carefully, since it tends to stain the skin, utensils, clothing and linens. Can cause chemical burns to surrounding skin.

Silver Nitrate Sticks 75% (Avoca)

*Specialist prescribing

Not designed to handle exudate

Pharmacy only

Silver Nitrate from an applicator, to be applied topically usually in aqueous solution and used as a haemostatic, for pain relief in certain conditions and for the removal of small quantities of unwanted tissue.

Indications for use:	Haemostasis, overgranulation, warts and verrucae
Contraindications:	Do not use near the eyes, on genital warts, on sensitive areas of the body. Silver nitrate is caustic and can cause staining. Pregnancy and breast feeding.
Can stay in place for:	The usual dose of Avoca is 3 applications for a wart and 6 applications for a veruca
*Tip	Use tap water or body fluid to activate the silver nitrate avoiding healthy skin and roll the tip on the area to be treated.

Enzymatic Antimicrobial Dressings

Flaminal® Forte Gel

Low to moderately exuding wounds

Size per product	15gm	50gm
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Alginate gel containing two antimicrobial enzymes, Debrides the wound and manages moisture balance. Can be used on a wide range of wound types and at every stage of healing

Indications for use:	Flaminal® Forte should be used in wounds that have moderate to heavy amounts of exudates. An appropriate secondary dressing for the amount of exudates should be chosen.
Contraindications:	Should not be used where patients have a previous sensitivity reaction to alginate dressings or to polyethylene glycol. Should not be used in full-thickness (third-degree) burns.
Can stay in place for:	If Periwound skin becomes macerated or excoriated discontinue. The dressing can stay in place for as long as the gel structure is intact (1-4 days , depending on amount of exudate).
*Tip	Tubes of Flaminal® Forte can be recapped, once open and used on the same patient until the expiry on the pack

Flaminal® Hydro Gel

Dry to low exuding wounds

Size per product	15g	50g
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Alginate gel containing two antimicrobial enzymes, glucose oxidase and lactoperoxidase, which exert their effect without damaging healthy skin cells. Debrides the wound and manages moisture balance. Can be used on a wide range of wound types and at every stage of healing. Contains lower proportion of alginate than Flaminal Forte.

Indications for use:	Flaminal® Hydro is suitable for dry to low exudate wounds. Necrotic wounds. Sloughy wounds. Dry wounds. Cavity wounds.
Contraindications:	Should not be used where patients have a previous sensitivity reaction to alginate dressings or to polyethylene glycol.
Can stay in place for:	Flaminal® (Hydro) should be changed when the gel structure becomes altered to the point it has almost disappeared, or alginate flakes have appeared, or the gel becomes too liquid.
*Tip	The type of secondary dressing will depend on the wound condition. On a wetter wound a more absorbent secondary dressing should be used to prevent maceration, e.g. Foam dressing or superabsorbent.

	On drier wounds a secondary dressing should be selected which will reduce evaporation and prevent the wound drying out e.g. Film or Hydrocolloid
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Other Antimicrobials

Metronidazole Gel *Specialist prescribing

For wounds with low to moderate exudates levels

Size per dressing	0.75% 30gm	0.75% 40gm		
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Metronidazole is an antimicrobial drug with high activity against anaerobic bacteria and protozoa.

Indications for use:	Malodorous fungating tumours Malodorous gravitational and decubitus ulcers
Contraindications:	Avoid exposure to direct light or sun. Allergy to Metronidazole
Can stay in place for	Apply 1-2 times a day . Re-assessment of wound to determine if antimicrobial to continue should be undertaken at least two weekly
*Tip	To be applied to clean wound and covered with non-adherent dressing.

Charcoal Dressings

CarboFlex

Moderate to heavily exuding wounds

Size per dressing	10cm x10cm	8cm x 15cm	15cmx20cm
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Primary contact wound dressing in 5 layers: wound facing absorbent layer containing hydrocolloid and alginate; water resistant second layer; third layer containing activated charcoal; non-woven absorbent fourth layer; water resistant backing layer.

Indications for use:	Discharging, malodorous wounds, sloughy and moderate to heavily exuding wounds. Palliative and fungating wounds.
Contraindications:	Not suitable for dry wounds as requires moisture to activate gelling process. Known sensitivity to dressing or its components.
Can stay in place for:	3-7 days depending on level of exudates
*Tip	The underlying cause of wound odour should be identified and any infection treated appropriately with antibiotics if required.

Clinisorb *Specialist prescribing

Dry to minimally exuding wounds

Size per dressing	10 x 10 cm	10cm x 20cm	15cm x 25cm
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Sterile activated charcoal cloth sandwiched between layers of nylon/viscose rayon cloth. Apply as a primary or secondary dressing. Exudate will reduce the dressing's effectiveness. Can be cut to size, primary or secondary dressing.

Indications for use:	Management of malodorous wounds whilst underlying cause is being addressed
Contraindications:	Known sensitivity to dressing or its components. Store at room temperature. Avoid excess heat and humidity. Do not use if packaging is damaged.
Can stay in place for:	3-5 days
*Tip	The underlying cause of wound odour should be identified and any infection treated appropriately with antibiotics if required.

Physical Debridement Pad

Debrissoft

Can be used on wounds or skin with any level of exudate

Size per product	10cm x 10cm PECOS code 164271 Product code (pip) 34321	5cm x 2.7*cm (*core width = 1.9cm) 5 pieces per box *Pecos code: 216451
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Debridement pad made from polyester, using patented Monofilament Fibre Technology. The soft fibres, which lift, bind and remove debris, are designed to reach all uneven areas of the skin or wound bed.

Indications for use:	For removal of superficial slough and debris, including biofilm, from wounds and skin during wound bed preparation. Removal of debris from wound bed, aids accurate wound assessment. Suitable for chronic wounds such as leg ulcers, diabetic ulcers and pressure ulcers, acute wounds such as lacerations, cuts and abrasions, and superficial epidermal and partial-thickness burns. <u>Debrissoft Lolly</u> Useful for cavity wounds and awkward areas, such as skin folds, smaller wounds (especially those with epibole) or specific areas of larger wounds.
Contraindications:	Sensitivity to the materials it is made from ie polyester. Prior treatment with autolytic debridement is advised if very stubborn slough or hard necrosis is present.
Can stay in place for:	Use to clean wound bed at every dressing change, do not leave on wound bed.
*Tip	Clean away emollients first before using Debrissoft Debrissoft Pad & Lolly must be used moistened with tap water, not soaked.

Burns Dressings

***Specialist burns dressings. Please note all serious burns need specialist referral**

Jelonet

To be used in ED, Ward 5, MAU, ITU, Dermatology & Treatment Room ONLY or by Specialist prescribing

Not designed to handle exudate

Size per dressing	10 x 10 cm
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*****please note liquid paraffin is flammable, use with caution**

Indications for use:	minor burns and wounds with superficial skin loss
Contraindications:	Although there are no absolute contra-indications to the use of Jelonet, if the dressing is placed upon a heavily exuding wound, its semi-occlusive nature may cause tissue maceration by preventing the free movement of exudate away from the surface of the wound.
Can stay in place for	for effective wound healing, apply two to four layers of Jelonet and <u>change every two days</u>
*Tip:	Jelonet dries out very quickly causing it to stick. Careless removal of dried-out Jelonet risks destroying fragile new granulation tissue. Granulating tissue often grows into the mesh. This tissue can be damaged upon dressing removal

Finger and Toe Dressings

Adaptic Touch Digit

To be used in ED Treatment Rooms & Community

For low to moderately exuding finger or toe wounds

Size per dressing	Small 2cm	Medium 2.4cm	Large 2.8 cm	Extra large 3cm	Toe 2.8cm
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ADAPTIC™ DIGIT Non-Adhering Digit Dressing is made of a unique, tacky, silicone-coated fabric covered with a tubular bandage. It is specifically designed for dressing fingers and toes.

Indications for use:	Wide range of finger and toe wounds
Contraindications:	Allergies to any of the components
Can stay in place for	3-4 days
*Tip	For wounds with excess bleeding or exudates, use a bigger size than required and add an alginate over contact layer

Barrier Products

All incontinent patients should have a barrier product used as routine practice in secondary care

Barrier Creams

Cavilon Cream

1st choice

Offers protection to skin against bodily fluids.

Size per dressing	28g tube	92g tube	2g sachet		
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PH balanced hypoallergenic highly concentrated barrier cream to protect against bodily fluids and moisturise skin. Provides long-lasting protection from skin breakdown and allows adhesive products to stick.

Sorbaderm Cream

2nd choice

Offers protection to skin against bodily fluids.

Size per dressing	28g tube	92g tube	2g sachet		
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Indications for use:	As a protective barrier against irritation from bodily fluids; prevention of skin damage associated with incontinence; as a moisturiser for severely dry or chapped skin. Can be used on broken skin but consider upgrading to film.
Contraindications:	Apply sparingly. Can increase adherence of some adhesive products, so should be avoided under adhesive products in people with fragile skin. Do not use on infected skin.
Can stay in place for:	Apply a pea sized amount twice a day to cover the area of sore skin
*Tip	Resistant to washing so no need to reapply more than twice daily.

Medihoney Cream *Specialist prescribing

Offers protection to skin against bodily fluids.

Size per dressing	Tube: 50g	Sachets: 2g (x 20)
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Barrier cream containing active Medihoney antibacterial honey. Helps to reduce inflammation, prevent maceration, excoriation and irritation resulting from effects of incontinence and diarrhoea. Can be applied to injured skin, peri-wound areas, pressure areas and skin folds. Moisturisers and protects dry skin.

Indications for use:	Protects at-risk skin from breakdown • Protects wound margins from exudate damage • Protects skin from damage caused by friction or shear. • Treatment of incontinence-associated dermatitis and atopic eczema • Treats blistered skin • Prevention and treatment of maceration and excoriation • Helps maintain the skin pH • Treats candidiasis and intertrigo.
Contraindications:	Patch test before first use. Allergy to honey products or bee venom
Can stay in place for:	Daily application
*Tip	Suitable for all skin types, including neonates, children and older people.

Zinc and Castor Oil Ointment

Offers protection to skin against bodily fluids.

Size per dressing	100g	500g	*pharmacy only
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A mild antiseptic, protective water resistant cream containing 7.5% zinc oxide and 50% virgin castor oil.

Indications for use:	Used as a barrier cream by providing a layer of oil on the surface of the skin to prevent water evaporating from the skin surface
Contraindications:	Known allergy to nuts or sensitivity to any other ingredients
Can stay in place for:	Can be applied up to four times a day as required.
*Tip	Consideration should be given to the following when prescribing: • Contains arachis oil (peanut oil) • May contain Beeswax and Lanolin

Yellow Soft Paraffin

Offers protection to skin against bodily fluids.

Size per dressing	15g	500g	*pharmacy only
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Yellow petroleum jelly used as an emollient. It soothes and softens skin and is not readily absorbed, providing a barrier to the skin.

Indications for use:	Used as a barrier cream by providing a layer of oil on the surface of the skin to prevent water evaporating from the skin surface • May be recommended by dermatology to apply as an occlusive barrier to protect post surgical lesions, either sutured or left to secondary intention.
Contraindications:	Known sensitivity to any of the ingredients
Can stay in place for:	Can be applied two hourly as required.
*Tip	Consideration should be given to the following when prescribing: • Yellow soft paraffin in contact with dressings and clothing is easily ignited by a naked flame. The risk of fire should be considered when using large quantities of any paraffin-based emollient.

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Barrier Films

Cavilon no Sting Barrier Spray

1st choice

Offers protection to skin against bodily fluids.

Size per dressing	28ml pump spray	foam applicators (pack of 5): 1ml	foam applicators (pack of 5): 3ml		
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Protective, transparent barrier film suitable for broken skin or where there is higher exudates/moisture levels. . Alcohol-free formulation is pain-free on broken skin and provides up to 72 hours' protection before re-application. Non-cytotoxic.

Sorbaderm

2nd choice

Offers protection to skin against bodily fluids.

Size per dressing	28ml pump spray	foam applicators (pack of 5): 1ml	foam applicators (pack of 5)		
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Indications for use:	Primary barrier against body fluids due to incontinence; protective barrier against aggressive adhesive products; skin protection around stoma sites; peri-wound protection from exudate.
Contraindications:	Cavilon No Sting Barrier Film is NOT to be used as the only covering in situations that require dressing protection from bacterial contamination/ penetration, e.g. intravenous therapy catheter sites and full or partial thickness wounds or on infected areas of the skin.
Can stay in place for:	Reapply every 48 to 72 hours. Product is not removed with routine cleansing so does not need to be reapplied after every episode of incontinence. This can cause a build up of the product and stop the skin breathing.
*Tip	Allow product to dry completely before applying pads or clothing. Too many layers may make the area feel stiff. Can affect electrode readings in the treated area. Not to be used with other barrier creams or lotions.

Larval Therapy

Biomode *Specialist prescribing					
Size per dressing Available from BGH pharmacy only	Biobag 2.5 x 4cm	Biobag 4 x 5cm	Biobag 5 x 6cm	Biobag 6 x 12cm	Biobag 10cm ²

Larvae are living creatures that need oxygen to survive. They move over the surface of the wound secreting a powerful mixture of proteolytic enzymes that break down dead tissue into a semi-liquid form that they are able to ingest. Enzymes secreted by the maggots will only liquefy devitalised tissue.

Indications for use:	Larval therapy can be highly effective in debriding wounds that fail to respond to conventional dressings. Please contact specialist if you feel your patient could benefit from Larval Therapy.
Contraindications:	The larvae can be sensitive to environmental conditions and are unsuited to certain wound types and, as such, their use should only be initiated on the advice of a practitioner experienced in their use.
Can stay in place for	4 days
*Tip	Require daily maintenance of dressing change with moistened gauze. Do not use superabsorbers or foam as a secondary dressing as this will suffocate the Larve.

Topical Negative Pressure Systems (rental)

Adaptic Touch *For use with VAC therapy

Silicone non contact layer for use with NPWT

Size per dressing	5 x 7.6cm	7.6 x 11cm	12.7 x 15cm	20 x 32cm
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V.A.C *Specialist prescribing

Size per product	Accessories Drape 30.5x26cm Gel strip 14x3cm Tubing cap ATS canister with gel 500ml	V.A.C Granufoam — Small Medium Large bridge dressing kit	VAC simplace ex dressing kit Small Med Negative pressure wound therapy advanced drape	VAC Whitefoam Dressing Small Large Dressing kit Small Large	Area stores only
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Negative Pressure Wound Therapy (NPWT) also known as Topical Negative Pressure (TNP) or Vacuum Assisted Closure (V.A.C). The Acelity (K.C.I) V.A.C Therapy system is the HB's chosen NPWT device. It is the most established NPWT system and uses a vacuum assisted method to create intermittent or continuous negative pressure at the wound bed.

Indications for use:	Dehisced surgical wounds Diabetic/neuropathic ulcers Chronic wounds Partial/full thickness pressure ulcers
Contraindications:	Patient non-concordance. Malignancy within the wound, known or suspected. Osteomyelitis, untreated by appropriate antibiotic therapy. Necrotic tissue, hard eschar. Exposed blood vessels, nerves, anastomotic sites or organs. Wounds with fistulas opening into a body cavity. Wounds where acute or chronic enteric fistulas are present. Wounds with sharp edges or where bone fragments are present. Non enteric and unexplored fistula. Impaired mental capacity (refer to Mental Capacity Act, 2005).
Can stay in place for:	It is recommended that dressings are changed every 48 – 72 hours but no less than 2 times per week, based on individual assessment. Infected wounds may need to be changed more frequently.
*Tip	Patients must be able to carry the NPWT device safely and not be considered a falls risk

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V.A.C. VERAFL *Specialist prescribing				
Size per product – Dressings to be used with V.A.C.Ulta system	V.A.C. VERAFL™ Dressing Small	V.A.C. VERAFL CLEANSE™ Dressing	V.A.C. VERAFLINK™ Cassette	Area stores only
	V.A.C. VERAFL™ Dressing Medium	V.A.C. VERAFL CLEANSE CHOICE™ Dressing		
	V.A.C. VERAFL™ Dressing Large			

V.A.C.® Therapy with automated topical wound solution distribution and removal to deliver additional therapeutic benefits. This therapy is available as an option on the V.A.C.Ulta™ System. May be considered when clinical assessment has determined surgical debridement is not possible or not appropriate. The dressing's design facilitates removal of thick wound exudate, such as fibrin, slough, to provide a wound cleansing option for clinicians when surgical debridement must be delayed or is not possible or appropriate.

Indications for use:	Instillation Therapy (VERAFL™ Therapy) is indicated for patients who would benefit from vacuum assisted drainage and controlled delivery of topical wound treatment solutions and suspensions over the wound bed. The V.A.C.ULTA™ Negative Pressure Wound Therapy System with instillation is indicated for patients with chronic, acute, traumatic, sub-acute and dehisced wounds, partial-thickness burns, ulcers (such as diabetic, pressure and venous insufficiency), flaps and grafts.
Contraindications:	Do not place foam dressings of the V.A.C.ULTA™ Therapy System (including V.A.C. VERAFL™ Therapy Dressings) directly in contact with exposed blood vessels, anastomotic sites, organs, or nerves. (NOTE: Refer to Warnings section of IFU for additional information concerning Bleeding) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Malignancy in the wound • Untreated osteomyelitis • Non-enteric and unexplored fistulas • Necrotic tissue with eschar present (NOTE: After debridement of necrotic tissue and complete removal of eschar, V.A.C.® Therapy may be used.) Do not use V.A.C.® Therapy Dressings with Octenisept™ (Schülke & Mayr GmbH)*, hydrogen peroxide or solutions that are alcohol-based or contain alcohol. Do not deliver fluids to the thoracic cavity or abdominal cavity due to the potential risk to alter core body temperature and the potential for fluid retention within the cavity. Do not use V.A.C. VERAFL™ Therapy unless the wound has been thoroughly explored due to the potential for inadvertent instillation of topical wound solutions to adjacent body cavities. Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) – V.A.C.® Dressings: V.A.C.® Dressings and V.A.C. VERAFL™ Therapy Dressings can typically remain on the patient with minimal risk in an MR environment, assuming that use of the V.A.C.ULTA™ Therapy System is not interrupted for more than two hours.
Can stay in place for:	It is recommended that dressings are changed every 48 – 72 hours but no less than 2 times per week, based on individual assessment. Infected wounds may need to be changed more frequently.

*Tips	Pauses in Negative Pressure: Application of V.A.C. VERAFL™ Therapy will result in pauses of negative pressure wound therapy, which is not recommended on wounds requiring continuous V.A.C.® Therapy.
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Disposable NPWT Units

SNAP *Specialist prescribing				
Size per product	SNAP™ Therapy Cartridge 60ml SNPA125	SNAP™ Advanced Dressing Kit 10cm x 10cm SKTF10X10 15cm x 15cm SKTF15X15 SNAP™ Bridge Dressing Kit 14cm x 11cm BKTF14X11	SNAP™ Therapy Strap Small 46cm STPAS Medium 53cm STPAM Large 61cm STPAL	SNAP™ SecurRing™ Hydrocolloid 5cm SRNG10 (box of 10) Area stores only

SNAP is a portable, disposable NPWT system creates negative pressure wound therapy without need of electrical power or batteries. Silent in operation it delivers negative pressure up to - 125mmHg. A built-in canister fills with exudate. Similar to electrically-powered NPWT systems, mechanically-powered SNAP™ System draws wound edges together and removes infectious material and exudate from the wound.

Indications for use:	The SNAP™ System is indicated for removal of small amounts of exudate from chronic, acute, traumatic, subacute and dehisced wounds, partial-thickness burns, ulcers (such as diabetic, venous, or pressure), surgically closed incisions, flaps and grafts.
Contraindications:	<p>The SNAP™ System should not be applied over:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inadequately drained wounds • Necrotic tissue, such as eschar or adherent slough • Exposed blood vessels, anastomotic sites, organs, tendons or nerves • Wounds containing malignancy • Fistulas • Untreated osteomyelitis • Actively bleeding wounds <p>The SNAP™ Therapy Cartridge and fitting are not indicated for use in a hyperbaric oxygen therapy environment.</p>
Can stay in place for:	It is recommended that SNAP™ Advanced Dressing is changed at a minimum of two times per week, with frequency adjusted by the clinician as appropriate
*Tip	Can be used as a step down from VAC therapy when wound is shallow and exudate levels low. It allows patients to be more independent and mobile.

Nanova Therapy System *Specialist prescribing

Size per product	Nanova Therapy Unit	Small Dressing 14cm x 18cm	Medium Dressing 18cm x 18cm	Large Dressing 18cm x 28cm
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Small, lightweight, disposable negative pressure therapy system that can be used for up to 30 days. Mechanical pump action delivers -125mmHg.

Indications for use:	The NANOVA™ Therapy System helps to simplify the delivery of negative pressure therapy when treating small- to medium-sized, shallow-cavity wounds with small amounts of exudate. Removal of small volumes of exudate from small chronic, acute, traumatic, subacute and dehisced wounds including partial-thickness burns, ulcers (such as diabetic, venous or pressure), surgically closed incisions, flaps and grafts.
Contraindications:	Malignant wounds and untreated osteomyelitis.
Can stay in place for:	Dressing for 3 days or if strike through The unit is Mechanically Powered with 30-day Use Life-single patient use.
*Tip	Can be used as a step down from VAC therapy when wound is shallow and exudate levels low. It allows patients to be more independent and mobile.

PICO *Specialist prescribing

To be used in Theatre, Ward 7 and Ward 9

Size per product	10cm x 20cm	10cm x 30cm	10cm x 40cm
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A single-use, portable negative pressure wound therapy (NPWT) system that manages low to moderate volumes of exudate. The lightweight pump delivers negative pressure of -80mmHg and provides therapy for up to 7 days.

Indications for use:	Chronic wounds • Acute wounds • Traumatic • subacute and dehisced wounds • ulcers (such as diabetic or pressure) • flaps and grafts • surgically closed incision sites.
Contraindications:	Do not use on patients with malignancy in the wound bed or wound margins (except in palliative care to improve quality of life); previously confirmed or untreated osteomyelitis; non-enteric and unexplored fistulas; necrotic tissue with eschar present; exposed arteries, veins, nerves or organs; anastomotic sites; emergency airway aspiration; pleural, mediastinal or chest tube drainage; and surgical suction. Always refer to Pico Instructions for Use for information on indication, application and contraindications.
Can stay in place for:	The system lasts for 7 days, dressings changed as required based on strike through or seal
*Tip	The system consists of 1 pump, 2 sterile dressings, sterile retention strips and 2 AA batteries. If more dressings are required consider changing to VAC

Irrigation Solutions

Prontosan Soak

Not designed to handle exudate

Size per dressing	Solution ampoule 40ml	Solution bottle 350ml
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Wound irrigation solution containing Betaine which is a gentle effective surfactant which penetrates, disturbs and removes biofilm and wound debris, and PHMB to help control bacterial levels on the wound.

Indications for use:	Biofilm or critical colonization disruption in <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Acute wounds• Chronic wounds• First and second degree burns
Contraindications:	If known sensitivity to any of the solutions ingredients
Can stay in place for	Has a shelf life of 28 days after opening – no refrigeration required One bottle should allow for approximately 8 dressing changes (based on average size 10 x 10cm wound size)
*Tip	Apply as a soak at every dressing change by wetting gauze swabs and leaving on the wound bed for at least 10 minutes

Astringents

Potassium Permanganate *Specialist prescribing

Not designed to manage exudate

Size per dressing

Permitabs (30 x 400mg)

*only available through pharmacy

400mg tablets for preparation of a topical solution used to cleanse disinfect and deodorise wounds and skin conditions.

Indications for use:	Astringent antiseptic for cleansing and deodorising weeping wounds
Contraindications:	<p>Irritant to mucous membranes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do not eat, drink or smoke while using this product• Do not use on unaffected skin• As permitabs are a dye, do not allow the tablets or solution made from the tablets to come into contact with clothing, fabrics etc. as it will stain• Do not use in a ceramic basin or bath as it will stain
Can stay in place for:	Review daily and stop treatment when the skin becomes dry or a maximum of 5 days. Avoid prolonged use
*Tip	When soaking hands or feet, apply petroleum jelly to the nails to prevent the permitabs solution from staining.

Benzalkonium Chloride 1% *Specialist prescribing

Not designed to manage exudate

Size per dressing

1% soln - 100ml

*only available through pharmacy

Topical antiseptic used to prevent infection.

Indications for use:	Astringent antiseptic for • Minor cuts • Scrapes • Burns
Contraindications:	Known sensitivities to any ingredients • Deep puncture wound • Animal bite • Serious burn
Can stay in place for:	Review after one week.
*Tip	Consideration should be given to the following when prescribing: • Unlicensed product • Prolonged topical use can make the condition worse.

Eosin 2% solution

Not designed to manage exudate

Size per dressing

2% soln -x 100ml

*only available through pharmacy

Topical aqueous antiseptic solution

Indications for use:	Astringent antiseptic for Ulcers, eczema and macerated wounds
Contraindications:	Known sensitivity to any of the ingredients
Can stay in place for:	Apply when dressing changed.
*Tip	Decant a small amount of eosin into a pot, dip a gauze swab into the solution and for initial treatment a small area of the ulcer is painted and left for 5 minutes. If the patient does not experience any discomfort, the whole area can be painted. Immediately dress the area

Paste Bandages

Medicated bandages require a 48 hour patch test.

Steripaste

Not designed to manage exudate

Size per dressing	7.5cm x 6m * only available through BGH pharmacy
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Cotton fabric, selvedge weave impregnated with paste containing zinc oxide.

ZipZoc

Not designed to manage exudate

Size per dressing	* only available through BGH pharmacy
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Sterile rayon stocking impregnated with ointment containing zinc oxide 20%

Viscopaste

Not designed to manage exudate

Size per dressing	7.5cm x 6m
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Cotton fabric, plain weave, impregnated with suitable paste containing zinc oxide.

Ichthopaste

Not designed to manage exudate

Size per dressing	7.5cm x 6m
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Cotton fabric, plain weave, impregnated with suitable paste containing 6.32% zinc oxide and 2% ichthammol.

Indications for use:	For the treatment of venous dermatitis/eczema. Wet weepy legs. Moisture associated dermatitis.
Contraindications:	Known sensitivities to zinc oxide or any other ingredients. Arterial leg ulcers
Can stay in place for:	Change the dressing at least once a week to avoid the risk of infection.
*Tip	Consideration should be given to the following when prescribing: Requires additional bandaging.

Bandaging & Wadding

Light Weight Conforming Bandages

Any bandaging of the lower limbs should start at the toes and extend to just below the knee in either a spiral or a figure of eight application. This is to aid in reducing the risk of oedema and/or reduce the risk of a tourniquet affect.

Premierband Conforming Cotton Stretch

Not designed to manage exudate

Size per dressing	5cmx4m	7.5cmx4m	10cmx4m	15cmx4m
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Non-sterile latex free cotton retention bandage. Designed to retain wound dressings securely in place anywhere on the body without constriction or compression. Supplied with non-fray edges and light enough to be worn with normal clothing and shoes.

Premierband Light support Crepe

Not designed to manage exudate

Size per dressing	5cm x 4m	7.5cm x 4m	10cm x 4m	15cm x 4m
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Sterile, 100% cotton crepe stretch bandage.

Actiwrap

Not designed to manage exudate

Size per dressing	6cm x 4m	8cm x 4m	10cm x 4m	
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Cohesive, flexible latex-free retention bandage. To retain dressings without needing tape or pins. The cohesive nature reduces the risk of slippage

Tubular Retention Bandages

Tubular bandages can be used instead of traditional bandages to hold dressings in place where minimal support is required. Elasticated tubular bandages are particularly suitable for retaining bandages on difficult parts of the body or for soft tissue injury.

Clinifast Tubular Bandage (Clinisupplies)

Elasticated viscose stockinette not designed to manage exudate

Size per dressing	3.5cm x1m– red line	5cm x 1m green line 5cm x 3m green line 5cm x 5m green line (5cm x10m green line)	7.5cm x1m – blue line 7.5cm x 3m – blue line 7.5cm x 5m – blue line (7.5cm x10m blue line)	10.75cm x 1m 10.75cm x 3m 10.75cm x 5m (10.75cmx10m yellow line)
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A range of tubular bandages for dressing retention and wet and dry wrapping. Elasticated Viscose Stockinette, Light, breathable and soft fabric provides comfort. Available in 5 colour coded sizes.

IMS Ribbed bandage Elasticated Tubular Stockinette

Not designed to manage exudate

Size per dressing	Stores only 7.5cm x 5m	Stores only 10cm x 5m
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These are latex free, ribbed stockinette, jersey tubular bandage. For protection of several parts of the body in areas such as dermatology or orthopaedics. They are seamless, smooth and have excellent dermophilic properties. Made from 100% cotton. Due to the product characteristics, the indicated widths are approximated.

Comfinette lightweight surgical stockinette

Not designed to manage exudate

Size per dressing Area stores only	(34) 4.5cm x 20m	(56) 7.5cm x20m	(78) 8.8cm x 20m	(T1) 15cm x 20m	(T2) 20cm x 20m
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A cost-effective range of Tubular Bandages ideal for dressing retention. Made from 100% viscose, ComfiNette™ is ideal for frequent dressing changes. Available as 20 metre rolls in 8 widths to fit all areas of the body.

Surgifix elastic net bandage

Not designed to manage exudate

Size per dressing	Size 5 x 25m	Size 5.5 x 25m
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Soft white elastic net bandage, knitted from polyester, polyamide and latex threads - it is cool, comfortable and bulk-free. Can be stretched without shrinking or distorting and minimises tourniquet effect. Does not restrict patient movement.

**Stockinette garments –
Prescription only**

Choose most cost effect garment to meet clinical need

Elasticated Tubular Bandage

CLINIGrip

Not designed to manage exudate

Size A	1m x 4.50cm	0.5 x 4.50cm	
Size B	1m x 6.25cm	0.5m x 6.25cm	
Size C	1m x 6.75cm	0.5m x 6.75cm	
Size D	1m x 7.50cm	0.5m x 7.50cm	
Size E	1m x 8.75cm	0.5m x 8.75cm	
Size F	0.5cm x 10.0cm	1m x 10.0cm	
Size G	1m x 12.0cm	0.5m x 12.0cm	
Size J	1m x 17.50cm	0.5m x 17.50cm	

Clinigrip® is an elasticated tubular bandage providing light support for muscle sprains and strains and to support joints.

Wadding Bandages

Lantor FormFlex (Natural)

Not designed to manage exudate

Size per dressing	5cm x 2.7m	7.5cm x 2.7m	10cm x 2.7m	15cm x 2.7m	20cm x 2.7m	Area stores only
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Natural Orthopaedic undercast padding.

Softban (eco)

Not designed to manage exudate					
Size per dressing	5cmx2.7m	7.5cm x 2.7m	10cm x 2.7m	15cm x 2.7m	20cm x 2.7m

Synthetic Orthopaedic undercast padding.

FlexiBan

Not designed to manage exudate					
Size per dressing	10cmx3.5m				

Sub-compression bandage padding.

Indications for use:	Orthopaedic wadding may be used as the first layer of multilayer compression bandage system. Or under a cast.
Contraindications:	Please note Wadding bandages do not provide absorption or protection and are non sterile, they should only be used under compression or for orthopaedics or dermatology.
Can stay in place for:	Dictated by primary and secondary dressings and level of exudate
*Tip	Flexiban is the preferred wadding for under compression. Wadding can stick to dry flaky skin, consider non contact primary.

Adhesive Tapes

Clinipore® Adhesive tape

Not designed to manage exudate				
Size per dressing	1.25 cm x 5m	2.5cm x 5m	2.5 cm x 10m	5cm x 5m

Permeable non-woven synthetic adhesive tape. Securing dressings; for patients with skin reactions to other plasters and long-term use.

Softpore Non-woven Surgical Adhesive Tape

Not designed to manage exudate

Size per dressing	5cm	10cm	15cm	Area Stores only
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Non-woven tape. Non-sterile. Synthetic copolymer adhesive. Latex free. Soft, breathable, conformable and can be written on. Suitable for applications where repeated taping is necessary, securing dressings and anchoring tubes and small devices.

Pressure Reducing Silicone Pads

Dermis Plus Pads

***To be ordered from stores for primary and secondary care.**

Not designed to manage exudate

Size per product	10 x 10 x 0.3cm sheet	10 x 10 x 1.2cm sheet	30 x 5 x 0.3cm strip	50 x 2.5 x 0.3cm strip	Sacrum	Heel	Area stores only
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Silicone pads, effectively redistribute pressure, dissipating it over the pad to protect the skin from pressure ulcers. It's produced from silicone and is available in a range of shapes and thicknesses for a variety of applications.

Indications for use:	Indicated for the prevention of pressure ulcers in at-risk patients as part of a pressure ulcer prevention programme •Non blanching red or purple heels •Under medical devices such as callipers and neck braces •Contracted hands
Contraindications:	Allergy to Silicone
Can stay in place for	Single Patient Use but be washed with soap and water, then dried and reused on the same patient as often as required.
*Note:	Regular patient hygiene needs to be carried out and at least daily inspection of the risk area is vital.

Appendix 1

Loose Larvae Calculator

Loose Larvae Calculator

1. Measure the dimensions of the wound in centimetres
2. Pick the nearest size from the measurements on the left of the chart
3. Move sideways to the appropriate percentage of wound coverage
4. The recommended number of larvae required is indicated.

Key

- 1 x Larvae100°
- 1 x Larvae200°
- 1 x Larvae100° + 1 x Larvae200°
- 2 x Larvae200°
- Use combination of Larvae100° + Larvae200° as required

Maximum wound size (cm)	Percentage of wound covered with slough/necrotic tissue				
	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%
up to 2 x 2	100	100	100	100	100
5 x 5	100	100	100	100	200
5 x 10	100	100	200	200	300
10 x 10	100	200	300	400	500
10 x 15	200	300	500	600	800
15 x 15	300	500	700	900	1200
15 x 20	300	600	900	1200	1500
20 x 20	400	800	1200	1600	2000

Note that the calculator only measures the surface of the wound. If the wound has significant depth, more larvae may be required.

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Appendix 2 Alphabetical Listing: Wound dressings and specialist products

Red is Specialist prescribing only

Product	Sizes	Category	Product	Sizes	Category
365 Film	6cm x 7cm 10cm x 12cm 15cm x 20cm	Vapour Permeable films and membrane	Medihoney Gel Sheet - Specialist prescribing	5cm x 5cm 10cm x 10cm	Honey Based Products
Actiform Cool	5cm x 6.5cm 10cm x 10cm 10cm x 15cm 20cm x 20cm	Hydrogels	Medihoney HCS Sheet - Bordered	11cm x 11cm (7.2cmx7.2cm) 15cm x 15cm	Honey Based Products
Actilite	5cm x 5cm 10cm x 10cm 10cm x 20cm 20cm x 30cm - Specialist prescribing	Honey Based Products	Medihoney HCS Sheet - Non Bordered	6cm x 6cm 11cm x 11cm 20cm x 20cm - Specialist prescribing size very expensive	Honey Based Products
ActivHeal Alginate	5cm x 5cm 10cm x 10cm	Alginate Dressings	Mepilex Border	7cm x 7.5cm 10cm x 10.5cm 10cm x 20cm 15cm x 17.5cm Sacrum 15cm x 15cm Sacrum 18cm x 18cm Heel 13cm x 20cm Heel 18.5cm x 24cm	Foam Dressings
Activheal Hydrogel	8g	Hydrogels	Mepilex XT	10cm x 11cm 15cm x 16cm 11cm x 20cm 15cm x 16cm 20cm x 21cm	Foam Dressings
Activon Medical Grade Manuka Honey	25g tube	Honey Based Products	Mepitel One	6cm x 7cm 9cm x 10cm 13cm x 15cm 24cm x 27.5cm	Low adherence dressings & wound contact materials
Actiwrap	6cm x 4m 8cm x 4m 10cm x 4m	Bandaging & Wadding	Metronidazole Gel 0.75% - Specialist prescribing	30g 40g	Other Antimicrobials

Adaptic Touch	5cm x 7.6cm 7.6cm x 11cm 12.7 x 15cm 20cm x 32cm	Topical Negative Pressure Systems	Nanova Therapy System - Specialist prescribing	Nanova Therapy Unit	Topical Negative Pressure Systems
Adaptic Touch Digit - ED, Treatment Rooms & Community	Small - 2cm Medium 2.4cm Large 2.8cm Extra Large 3cm Toe 2.8cm	Finger & Toe Dressings	Nanova Therapy System DRESSINGS- Specialist prescribing	Small 14cm x 18cm Medium 18cmx18cm Large 18cm x 28cm	Topical Negative Pressure Systems
Aeropad	5cm x 5cm 7.5cm x 10cm 10cm x 20cm	Low adherence dressings & wound contact materials	PICO - Specialist prescribing - to be used in Theatre, Ward 7 & 9	10cm x 20cm 10cm x 30cm 10cm x 40cm	Topical Negative Pressure Systems
Aquacel AG+ Extra - Specialist prescribing	5cm x 5cm 10cm x 10cm 15cm x 15cm 4cm x 10cm	Silver Based Dressings	Polymem - Specialist prescribing	8cm x 8cm 10cm x 10cm 10cm x 16cm	Glycerin & Surfactant Impregnated Dressings
Aquacel Extra	5cm x 5cm 10cm x 10cm 15cm x 15cm 4cm x 20cm Ribbon 1cm x 45cm Ribbon 2cm x 45cm	Hydrocolloids	Polymem Adhesive - Specialist prescribing only	Oval 5cm x 7.6cm Oval 8.8cm x 12.7cm 10cm x 13cm 15cm x 15cm	Glycerin & Surfactant Impregnated Dressings
Aquacel Foam - Adhesive	12.5cm x 12.5 cm 17.5cm x 17.5cm Sacral 20cm x 16.9cm	Hydrocolloids	Polymem Wic - Specialist prescribing	8cm x 8cm	Glycerin & Surfactant Impregnated Dressings
Aquacel Foam - Non adhesive	10 cm x 10 cm 5cm x 15cm	Hydrocolloids	Potassium Permanganate - Specialist prescribing - only available through Pharmacy	Permitabs (30 x 400mg)	Astringents
Aquacel Surgical Cover Dressing - Ward 9 surgical only	9cm x 25cm 16cm x 35cm	Hydrocolloids	Premier Pads Sterile	20cm x 10cm 20cm x 20cm 40cm x 20cm	Basic Surgical Pad
Benzalkonium Chloride 1% - Specialist prescribing - only available through Pharmacy	1% sol - 100ml	Astringents	Premierband Conforming Cotton Stretch Bandages	5cm x 4m 7.5cm x 4m 10cm x 4m 15cm x 4m	Bandaging & Wadding
CarboFlex	10cm x 10cm 8cm x 15cm 15cm x 20cm	Charcoal Dressings	Premierband Light Support Crepe	5cm x 4m 7.5cm x 4m 10cm x 4m 15cm x 4m	Bandaging & Wadding

Cavilon Cream - 1st choice	28g tube 92g tube 2g sachet	Barrier Products	Premiernpore	5cm x 7cm 10cm x 10cm 10cm x 15cm 10cm x 20cm 10cm x 30cm	Basic Adhesive Island Dressing
Cavilon no Sting Barrier Spray - 1st choice	28ml pump spray foam applicator 1ml foam applicator 3ml	Barrier Products	Profore Wound Contact Layer	14cm x 20cm - only available in Primary Care through Pharmacy	Low adherence dressings & wound contact materials
Clinifast Tubular Bandage (Clinisupplies)	Red - 3.5cm x 1m Green - 5cm x 1m Green - 5cm x 3m Green - 5cm x 5m Blue - 7.5cm x 1m Blue - 7.5cm x 3m Blue - 7.5cm x 5m Yellow - 10.75cmx1m Yellow - 10.75cmx3m Yellow - 10.75cmx5m	Bandaging & Wadding	Promogram Prisma - Specialist prescribing	28cm ² 123cm ²	Collagen ORC Matrix

CLINIgrip Size A	1m x 4.5cm 0.5m x 4.5cm	Bandaging & Wadding	Prontosan Gel X - Specialist prescribing	50g 200g	Hydrogels
CLINIgrip Size B	1m x 6.25cm 0.5m x 6.25cm	Bandaging & Wadding	Prontosan Soak	Sol Amp 40ml Sol Bottle 350ml	Irrigation Solution
CLINIgrip Size C	1m x 6.75cm 0.5m x 6.75cm	Bandaging & Wadding	Silver Nitrate Solution 0.5% - Specialist prescribing - only available through pharmacy	100ml 500ml	Silver Based Dressings
CLINIgrip Size D	1m x 7.5cm 0.5m x 7.5	Bandaging & Wadding	Silver Nitrate Sticks 75% (AVOCA) - Specialist prescribing - pharmacy only		Silver Based Dressings
CLINIgrip Size E	1m x 8.75cm 0.5m x 8.75cm	Bandaging & Wadding	Silvercel Non-adherent - Specialist prescribing	5cm x 5cm Ribbon 2.5cm x 30.5cm 11cm x 11cm 10cm x 20cm	Silver Based Dressings
CLINIgrip Size F	1m x 10cm 0.5m x 10cm	Bandaging & Wadding	SNAP Advanced Dressing Kit - Specialist prescribing	10cm x 10cm SKTF 10x10 15cm x 15cm SKTF 15x15	Topical Negative Pressure Systems
CLINIgrip Size G	1m x 12cm 0.5m x 12cm	Bandaging & Wadding	SNAP Bridge Dressing Kit - Specialist	14cm x11cm BKFT 14x11	Topical Negative Pressure

			prescribing		Systems
CLINigrip Size J	1m x 17.5cm 0.5m x 17.5cm	Bandaging & Wadding	SNAP Securing Hydrocolloid - Specialist prescribing	5cm SRNG10 (box of 10)	Topical Negative Pressure Systems
Clinipore Adhesive tape	1.25cm x 5m 2.5cm x 5m 2.5cm x 10m 5cm x 5m	Adhesive Tapes	SNAP Therapy cartridge - Specialist prescribing	60ml SNPA 125	Topical Negative Pressure Systems
Clinisorb - Specialist prescribing	10cm x 10cm 10cm x 20cm 15cm x 25cm	Charcoal Dressings	SNAP Therapy Strap - Specialist prescribing	Small 46cm STAPS Medium 53cm STAPM Large 61cm STPAL	Topical Negative Pressure Systems
Comfeel Plus Transparent	5cm x 7cm 10cm x 10cm 9cm x 14cm	Hydrocolloids	Softpore Non-woven Surgical Adhesive Tape - Stores only	5cm 10cm 15cm	Adhesive Tapes
Comfinette lightweight surgical stockinette	(34) 4.5cm x 20m (56) 7.5cm x 20cm (78) 8.8cm x 20m (T1) 15cm x 20m (T2) 20cm x 20m	Bandaging & Wadding	Solvaline	5cm x 5cm 10cm x 10cm 10cm x 20cm	Low adherence dressings & wound contact materials

Debrissoft	10cm x 10cm Lolly 5cm x 2.7cm	Physical Debridement Pad	Sorbaderm - 2nd choice	28ml pump spray foam applicator 1ml foam applicator 3ml	Barrier Products
Dermis Plus Pads - ordered from Stores for Primary & Secondary Care	Sheet - 10x10x0.3cm Sheet - 10x10x1.2cm Strip - 30x5x0.3cm Strip - 50x2.5x0.3cm Sacrum Heel	Pressure Reducing Silicone Pads	Sorbaderm Cream - 2nd choice	28g tube 92g tube 2g sachet	Barrier Products
Drain Fix Dressing	One size - stores only		Sorbsan Ribbon (with probe)	40cm	Alginate Dressings
Duoderm Extra Thin	7.5cm x 7.5cm 10cm x 10cm 15cm x 15cm 5cm x 10cm Available in specific areas only 9cm x 15cm 9cm x 25cm 9cm x 35cm	Hydrocolloids	Steripaste	7.5cm x 6m - only available through Pharmacy	Paste Bandages

Eosin 2% solution - Specialist prescribing - available through Pharmacy only	2% sol - 100ml	Astringents	Surgifix Elastic Net Bandage	5 x 25m 5.5 x 25m	Bandaging & Wadding
Flaminal Forte Gel	15g 50g	Enzymatic Antimicrobial Dressings	Tegaderm Foam	10cm x 10cm 10cm x 20cm Roll 10cm x 60cm (Specialist prescribing in this size)	Foam Dressings
Flaminal Hydro Gel	15g 50g	Enzymatic Antimicrobial Dressings	Tegaderm Foam Adhesive	6.9cm x 6.9cm Oval 10cm x 11cm Square 14cm x 14cm Heel 14cm x 14cm	Foam Dressings
FlexiBan	10cm x 3.5m	Bandaging & Wadding	Urgostart Contact - Specialist prescribing	5cm x 7cm 10cm x 10cm 15cm x 20cm	Protease Modulating Products
Flivasorb Adhesive - Specialist prescribing all sizes	12cm x 12cm 15cm x 15cm 15cm x 25cm	Adhesive Super-absorber	V.A.C ATS Canister with gel - Specialist prescribing	500ml (x10)	Topical Negative Pressure Systems
Granuflex Bordered	6cm x 6cm 10cm x 10cm 15cm x 15cm 10cm x 31cm 15cm x 18cm	Hydrocolloids	V.A.C Bridge dressing kit - Specialist prescribing		Topical Negative Pressure Systems

Hydrofilm	6cm x 7cm 10cm x 12.5cm 15cm x 20cm 20cm x 30cm	Vapour Permeable films and membrane	V.A.C Drape - Specialist prescribing	30.5 x 26cm	Topical Negative Pressure Systems
Ichthopaste	7.5cm x 6m	Paste Bandages	V.A.C Dressing Kit - Specialist prescribing	Small Large	Topical Negative Pressure Systems
IMS Ribbed Bandage Elasticated Tubular Stockinette - Stores only	7.5cm x 5m 10cm x 5m	Bandaging & Wadding	V.A.C Gel Strip - Specialist prescribing	14cm x 3cm	Topical Negative Pressure Systems
Inadine	5cm x 5cm 9.5cm x 9.5cm	Iodine Based Products	V.A.C Granufoam - Specialist prescribing	Small Medium Large	Topical Negative Pressure Systems

Iodoflex	5gm 10gm 17gm	Iodine Based Products	V.A.C NPWT Advanced Drape - Specialist prescribing		Topical Negative Pressure Systems
Iodosorb (Ointment)	10gm 20gm	Iodine Based Products	V.A.C Simplace ex dressing kit - Specialist prescribing	Small Medium	Topical Negative Pressure Systems
Jelonet - Specialist prescribing - to be used in Treatment room, Ward 5, ITU, Dermatology	10cm x 10cm	Burns Dressings	V.A.C Tubing cap - Specialist prescribing		Topical Negative Pressure Systems
Kliniderm Foam Silicone Lite	4cm x 5cm 7.5cm x 7.5cm 10cm x 10cm 20cmx50cm(without border) - Wards 12, 14 & MAU	Foam Dressings	V.A.C Veraflo Dressing - Specialist prescribing - to be used with V.A.C Ultra system	Small Medium Large CLEANSE CLEANSE CHOICE	Topical Negative Pressure Systems
Kliniderm Foam Silicone without Border	Heel 10cm x 17.5cm	Foam Dressings	V.A.C VERALINK Cassette - Specialist prescribing - to be used with V.A.C Ultra system	Cassette	Topical Negative Pressure Systems
Lantor FormFlex (Natural)	5cm x 2.7m 7.5cm x 2.7m 10cm x 2.7m 15cm x 2.7m 20cm x 2.7m	Bandaging & Wadding	V.A.C Whitefoam Dressing - Specialist prescribing	Small Large	Topical Negative Pressure Systems
Larve - Biomode - Specialist prescribing - pharmacy only	Biobag 2.5cm x 4cm Biobag 4cm x 5cm Biobag 5cm x 6cm Biobag 6cm x 12cm Biobag 10cm2	Larval Therapy	Viscopaste	7.5cm x 6m	Paste Bandages
Leukomed T Plus	5cm x 7.2cm 8cm x 10cm 8cm x 15cm	Vapour Permeable films and membrane	Vliwasorb Pro - Non Adhesive	12.5cm x 12.5cm 12.5cm x 22.5cm 22cm x 22cm 22cm x 32cm	Non - adhesive Super - absorbers
Lomatuell Pro	5cm x 5cm 10cm x 10cm 10cm x 20cm 10cm x 30cm	Low adherence dressings & wound contact materials	Yellow Soft Paraffin - Pharmacy only	15g 500g	Barrier Products
Medihoney Antibacterial Wound Gel	25g tube	Honey Based Products	Zinc & Castor Oil Ointment	100g 500g	Barrier Products
Medihoney Apinate -	10cm x 10cm	Honey Based Products	ZipZoc	only available	Paste Bandages

Specialist prescribing				through Pharmacy	
Medihoney Cream - Specialist prescribing	50g tube 2g sachets	Barrier Products			

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