Tegaderm™ High Integrity and High Gelling Alginate Dressings provide clinicians with a choice of products to meet their needs for moderate to heavily exuding wounds. Both types of alginate dressings become a gel-like consistency as they absorb exudate. Alginate fibers absorb up to 20 times their own weight in exudate.

- Highly conformable
- Ideally suited for the management of moderately to heavily exuding partial- and full-thickness wounds
- Compatible with the 3M family of cover dressings
- Available in a variety of sizes
Why use Tegaderm™ High Integrity Alginate?

Tegaderm™ High Integrity Alginate is designed to maintain its integrity when saturated. This dressing is easily removed from most wounds in one piece with minimal gel residue.

**Features:**
- Retains integrity when saturated
- Appears as gelled fibers when saturated
- Often removed in one piece from wound bed

**Clinical Application:**
- Deep cavity wounds with moderate to heavy exudate
- Wounds with tunneling or undermining
- Heavily draining wounds with potential for periwound skin maceration

Why use Tegaderm™ High Gelling Alginate?

Tegaderm™ High Gelling Alginate becomes an amorphous gel-like mass when saturated. The saturated dressing may be gently irrigated from the wound bed at dressing change.

**Features:**
- Completely gels with saturation
- Gel allows for gentle removal from fragile tissue
- Easily irrigated from the wound bed when saturated

**Clinical Application:**
- Shallow, moist draining wounds
- Wounds with friable wound base or fragile periwound skin
- Wounds requiring autolytic debridement

**Indications for Use:**
- Pressure ulcers
- Arterial ulcers
- Venous ulcers
- Diabetic ulcers
- Superficial wounds such as cuts and abrasions
- Donor sites
- Post-operative wounds
- Trauma wounds
- Other dermal lesions
- Help control minor bleeding
Dressing Application: Flat Alginate Dressing

1. Select dressing appropriate for size of the wound. If necessary, trim the Tegaderm™ Alginate so that it is slightly larger (1/8") than the wound.
2. Apply dressing to moist wound bed. Minimize overlap onto the periwound area.
3. Use an appropriate cover dressing.

Dressing Application: Rope Dressing

1. Fluff rope dressing as needed for light packing.
2. Assure that the dressing lightly contacts all wound surfaces including area of undermining.
3. Loosely pack deep wounds with rope style dressing by fluffing and layering the dressing back and forth into the wound.
4. Cover with an appropriate cover dressing.
5. The cover dressing should extend at least 2.5 cm (1 inch) beyond the wound edge.

Dressing Removal Technique

1. Gently lift off cover dressing.
2. Tegaderm™ Alginates are easily removed from heavily exuding wounds.
3. If alginate dressing appears dry or sticks to the wound, it may be necessary to saturate it with sterile saline to facilitate dressing removal.

Dressing Removal Tips

- Tegaderm™ High Integrity Alginate is easily removed from most wounds in one piece, with minimal gel residue.
- Tegaderm™ High Gelling Alginate may require gentle wound cleansing for removal of gel residue.
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3M™ Tegaderm™ High Integrity and High Gelling Alginate Dressings, formerly known as 3M™ Tegagen™ HI and HG Alginate Dressings, are new members of the expanding family of Tegaderm™ Brand Dressings.

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