

HARD TO DRESS WOUNDS

3M™ Tegaderm™ Hydrocolloid Dressing

Frequently Asked Questions

Question: How does Tegaderm™ Hydrocolloid compare to ConvaTec DuoDERM® and DuoDERM CGF® Dressings?

Answer: Tegaderm™ Hydrocolloid demonstrates excellent absorbency compared with other leading hydrocolloid dressings. It shows significantly higher absorbency during the first 48 hours. There is no breakdown or hydrocolloid residue left in the wound. The special shape and size allows convenient placement in the sacral/coccyx area. Most other hydrocolloid dressings are square in shape rather than oval.

Question: Is tape needed to hold the Tegaderm™ Hydrocolloid in place?

Answer: Tegaderm™ Hydrocolloid oval and sacral shaped dressings are bordered with a low profile, film/adhesive edge to eliminate the need for additional tape.

When using the square shaped Tegaderm™ Hydrocolloids, bordering the edge with tape is recommended.

Question: What is the advantage of 3M™ Tegaderm™ Transparent Film Dressing technology on the surface of the Tegaderm™ Hydrocolloid?

Answer: **The water-resistant seal allows showering and bed baths. The film also:**

- Acts as a barrier to liquids, bacteria and viruses.*
- Traps and controls odors which are characteristically associated with some wounds.
- Provides a comfortable, moist environment for optimal wound healing.
- Reduces and minimizes the likelihood of exudate leakage.
- Provides washability of the outside of the dressing.
- Provides a low profile border and smooth outer surface to reduce friction.

*Laboratory testing has proven 3M™ Tegaderm™ and Tegaderm™ HP dressings provide a viral (HIV-1 and HBV) barrier while the dressings remain intact without leakage.



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