

Steri-Strip™

Wound Closure System

Description:

The Steri-Strip™ Wound Closure System consists of individual skin closure/dressing. Each closure/dressing is composed of one 1/2" Steri-Strip skin closure in combination with an elliptical shaped Tegaderm™ Transparent Film Dressing. Refer to the information contained in this insert for information on the closure and dressing.

Directions for Use:

Prepare site for closure and dressing.

1. Remove the center window from the Tegaderm™ dressing. The Steri-Strip skin closure will remain on the window. (Figure 1)
2. Grasp end of strip to remove from paper window. (Figure 2)
3. Appose skin edges and apply strip. Smooth from center outward.
4. Remove the paper liner from the dressing to expose the adhesive surface. Position the dressing over the site so that the skin closure is centered. The longer dimension of dressing should be parallel with longer strip dimension. (Figure 3)
5. Remove the paper frame from the dressing while smoothing down the dressing edges. Firmly smooth dressing from the center toward the edges. (Figure 4) Observe the site without removing the dressing. Do not apply tape to the dressing.

To remove the dressing, gently grasp the edge and slowly pull the dressing from the skin toward the site from each end of the closure strip. The closure strip may adhere to, and be removed with the dressing. To remove the strip, slowly pull toward the site from each end of the strip.

Caution:

The packaging of this product contains natural rubber latex which may cause allergic reactions.

How Supplied:

Supplied in individual packages containing the number of closures / dressings indicated below:

Catalog Number	Number of Closures / Dressings
8512	1
8514	3
8516	5

Sterility is guaranteed unless individual package is damaged or open. Store at room temperature. Avoid excessive heat and humidity.

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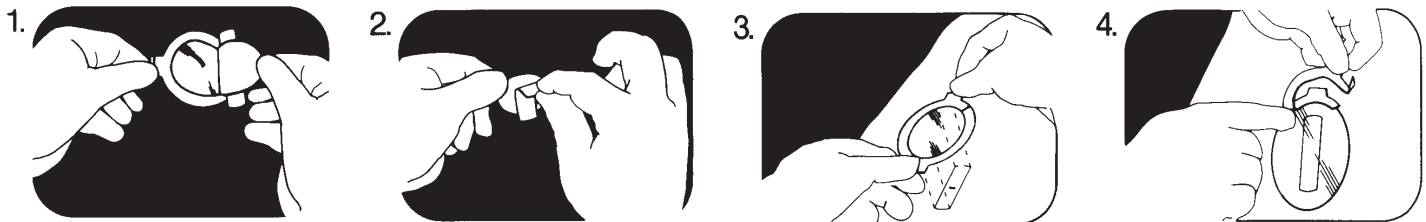
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Steri-Strip™

Skin Closures

Description:

3M™ Steri-Strip™ Skin Closures are made of porous, nonwoven material. They are reinforced with filaments for strength and are coated with a hypoallergenic adhesive.

3M™ Steri-Strip™ Blend Tone Skin Closures are made of porous, nonwoven material and are coated with a hypoallergenic adhesive. 3M™ Steri-Strip™ Elastic Skin Closures are made of porous, nonwoven, elastic material. They are designed to allow for tissue expansion and movement and are coated with a hypoallergenic adhesive.

Intended Use:

Steri-Strip skin closures are indicated for use as a skin closure device in the treatment of lacerations and surgical incisions. Steri-Strip skin closures may also be used in conjunction with skin sutures and staples or after their removal for wound support.

Contraindications:

1. Steri-Strip skin closures are contraindicated where adhesion cannot be obtained. Potential causes of inadequate adhesion are presence of exudate, skin oils, moisture, or hair.
2. Use of Steri-Strip skin closures on infected wounds is contraindicated.
3. Steri-Strip skin closures are contraindicated for use in high tension wounds which cannot be easily approximated with fingers or forceps.

Warnings:

1. The development of postoperative edema may cause skin shearing, skin blistering, or loss of tape adhesion to occur at either end of the strip.
2. Application of any surgical tape or adhesive skin closure may result in skin stripping upon removal.
3. As with all adhesive products applied to the skin, a small percentage of individuals may experience hypopigmentation or hyperpigmentation following removal.
4. Occasional cases of mild acne and folliculitis have been observed in testing on healthy volunteers.

Precautions:

1. The skin should be clean, dry, and free of skin oils to assure good adhesion.
2. Do not apply skin closures under tension. Skin shearing, skin blistering, or loss of adhesion may result if excessive tension is applied.

Directions for Use:

1. Clean and dry skin. If desired, a thin layer of Compound Benzoin Tincture may be applied to enhance strip adhesion.
2. Open package. Remove card and card end tab.
3. Grasp end of strip and lift strip straight upward from card.
4. When using as a skin closure device, without presence of skin suture or staple, appose skin edges using fingers or forceps. Place strips across wound, ensuring tensionless application.
5. Section larger wounds to distribute tension. Space strips approximately 1/8 inch (3 mm) apart.
6. Additional closures may be applied parallel to the wound and approximately 1/2 inch (12 mm) from closure ends. This may reduce shear force beneath the strip ends.

How Supplied:

1. Supplied in individually packaged cards of sterile skin closures.
2. Store at room temperature. Avoid excessive heat or humidity.
3. Sterile unless envelope is damaged or open.

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3M™ Tegaderm™ Transparent Film Dressing Frame Style

Product Description

Tegaderm™ Film consists of a thin film backing with a non-latex, hypoallergenic adhesive. Tegaderm™ Film with Border is notched and reinforced with soft cloth tape to provide a better seal around catheters and other devices. The dressing is breathable, allowing good oxygen and moisture vapor exchange. It is waterproof and impermeable to liquids, bacteria, and viruses. *An intact dressing protects the site from outside contamination.

*In vitro testing shows that the film of Tegaderm™ and Tegaderm™ HP dressings provides a viral barrier from viruses 27 nm in diameter or larger while the dressing remains intact without leakage.

Indications for Use

Tegaderm™ Film can be used to cover and protect catheter sites and wounds, to maintain a moist environment for wound healing or to facilitate autolytic debridement, as a secondary dressing, as a protective cover over at-risk skin, to secure devices to the skin, to cover first and second degree burns, and as a protective eye covering. Do not use the dressing as a replacement for sutures and other primary wound closure methods.

Precautions

1. Stop any bleeding at the site before applying the dressing.
2. Do not stretch the dressing during application as tension can cause skin trauma.
3. Make sure the skin is clean, free of soap residue and lotion and allowed to dry thoroughly before applying the dressing to prevent skin irritation and to ensure good adhesion.
4. The dressing may be used on an infected site, only when under the care of a health care professional.
5. Antimicrobial ointments containing polyethylene glycols may compromise the strength of the Tegaderm™ HP Transparent Film Dressings.
6. Tegaderm™ Transparent Dressings should not be re-sterilized by gamma, E-beam or steam methods.

Directions for Use: Refer to figures.

Shelf Life: For shelf life, refer to the expiration date on the package.

Explanation of Symbols

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