# **INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE**

# RAPID REPAIR WOUND DRESSING Wound dressing device

### **Product Description**

The Rapid Repair Wound Dressing is a soft silicone strip used to accelerate healing in skin wounds. It is a magnetic, non-biodegradable, radiopaque, device for external use, presented as a non-sterile strip of silicone composite.

#### **Indications**

The Rapid Repair Wound Dressing may be used in the repair of accidental lacerations, incision and excision wounds. The dressing is designed to augment wound closure. The dressing should be used during the first 24 hours of healing. In the healthcare setting, the dressing should be applied by a healthcare professional (HCP) such as a doctor or a registered nurse, or under the supervision of an HCP.

# **Contraindications, Risks and Safety Information**

The Rapid Repair Wound Dressing should not be used on:

Actively infected or heavily contaminated wounds.

Deep structure injuries, such as nerves or tendons or bone, needing further treatments.

Wounds that has been open for more than 24 hours.

Wounds where the skin edges cannot be opposed and fixed into position.

Wounds with uncontrolled bleeding.

Ulcerated wound.

Devascularised skin flap.

The Rapid Repair Wound Dressing should not be used on patients with a hypersensitivity to silicone or on dual anti-platelet therapy.

There could be interference when placed directly over implanted electromagnetic devices such as pacemakers and this device should **not** be used in a magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scanner.

The Rapid Repair Wound Dressing may increase bleeding during use, this would normally cease with increased pressure to the wound.

Incorrect application of the Rapid Repair Wound Dressing can have an impact on the intended healing effect in the dermis. Ensure the Rapid Repair Wound Dressing is placed **along** the length of the wound rather than **across** the wound. The line on the top of the dressing should be positioned directly above the line of the wound.

Ensure the dressing is flat against the skin. If it is raised off the skin, wrinkled or overlapping another strip of the dressing, this will impact the intended healing effect in the dermis.

Healthcare professionals (HCPs) are strongly recommended to participate in a training session to become familiar with the use of the Rapid Repair Wound Dressing and the technique for use and where appropriate request supervision prior to use.

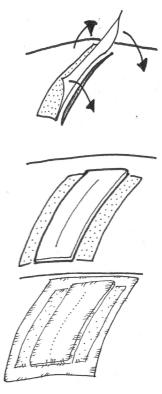
## How to Apply the Rapid Repair Wound Dressing

1. The wound should be cleaned, dried and the edges aligned and fixed in position.

Simple lacerations and incision wounds can be fixed in position by surgical strips ('Steristrips') or by applying a strip of surgical tape or similar thin dressing to one side of the wound which is then pulled across the wound and fixed in place to align and oppose the wound edges.

Larger lacerations and excision wounds may require surgical strips, stitches or staples to pull the edges closed before surgical tape is applied over the top.

- 2. Cut a length of the Rapid Repair Wound Dressing to fully cover the length of the wound. Apply the strip of Rapid Repair Wound Dressing along the length of the wound. Ensure the white side of the dressing is closest to the skin and the gold line on the green side is orientated along the length of the wound.
- Cover and secure the Rapid Repair Wound Dressing with a layer of adhesive surgical tape or similar. Ensure the Rapid Repair Wound Dressing is lying flat over the entire length of the wound. The wound should remain covered for 24 hours to 72 hours.



### How to Remove the Rapid Repair Wound Dressing

- The Rapid Repair Wound Dressing can be removed after 24 hours or remain in place for up to 3 days if required. Other dressing materials should also be removed. Stitches, staples and surgical strips should only be removed if clinically indicated.
- 2. The wound should be cleaned, as per your normal aftercare protocol.
- 3. The wound can then be covered with a strip of surgical tape or any similar dressing, as per your normal aftercare protocol.

The Rapid Repair Wound Dressing does not need to be re-applied to the wound at this time and should be disposed of.

4. Your normal wound after-care protocol should be followed from this point on.

## **Disposal After Use**

Used material should be disposed of as clinical waste.

#### Storage and Handling

Store dressings away from direct sunlight, at ambient temperature (5-30°C) and humidity. If the Rapid Repair Wound Dressing becomes wet, it can be dried prior to use without any adverse effect.

The Rapid Repair Wound Dressing has a shelf life of 10 years.

The manufacturing date is displayed on the packaging.

## Single Use, Non-sterile

The Rapid Repair Wound Dressing is a non-sterile, single use device. It should always be used **external** to a layer of surgical tape or similar.

#### **Presentation**

Rapid Repair Wound Dressing is available as a 20mm or 10mm wide strip in a 50cm roll.

The Rapid Repair Wound Dressing is entered in the ARTG as a Class I Medical Device (ARTG 331993)

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