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Skin and Wound Product Information Sheet

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Biatain Ag Non-Adhesive		
Classification Antimicrobial: Silver Foam		
Key Points	 Silver impregnated foam with a semi-permeable film backing that is waterproof and provides a bacterial barrier. Silver is released to the wound bed when in contact with wound exudate and is released for up to 7 days. It has been showed in vitro that Biatain Ag kills mature biofilms and prevent biofilm formation. Dressing is designed to fully conform to a wound depth up to 2 cm due to the dressing's 3DFit Technology. This conformity allows the dressing to act as a primary cover dressing for a wound with a visible wound bed as it ensures no dead spaces between the wound bed and the dressing which could allow for the pooling of exudate. Can be left in place for MRI. 	
Indications	 For exuding wounds with signs and symptoms (S&S) of local wound infection or biofilm. May be used prophylactically to prevent infection in clients at high risk for developing a wound infection. May be used in conjunction with compression therapy. For diabetic foot ulcers, the non-adhesive format is preferable over the Biatain Ag Adhesive. 	
Precautions	 May cause transient discolouration of the wound bed. Use during pregnancy, lactation and on children has not been demonstrated. Use with enzymatic debriding agents has not been demonstrated. Avoid putting electrodes or conductive gels in contact with silver products Remove prior to radiation treatment or examinations that include x-rays, ultrasonic treatment, diathermy or microwaves. 	
Contraindications	 Do not use for clients with known sensitivity or allergy to silver Do not use with oxidising solutions (e.g. hypochlorite and hydrogen peroxide solutions) as the safe use of other cleansers has not been demonstrated. 	
Formats & Sizes	 Biatain Ag Non-Adhesive 5 x 7 cm 10 x 10 cm 10 x 20 cm 15 x 15 cm 	Alternan Ag Alternan Ag Biotechi Ag Biotechi Ag
The Application Directions		Rationale
Cleanse/irrigate wound and peri-wound skin with Normal Saline or Sterile Water. Dry the peri-wound skin.		Cleansing reduces the wound debris; drying the peri- wound skin well allows for good adhesion of the tape. The safe use of other cleansing agents has not been
If required, apply skin barrier to peri-wound skin. If films, creams, ointments or similar products are used on the peri-wound skin, allow time for the skin to dry before applying dressing.		demonstrated. To protect the peri-wound skin from maceration and to improve the adhesion of the tape.
To ApplySelect a dressing where the foam pad overlaps the wound edge by a minimum of 2 cm beyond. For small wounds an overlap of only 1 cm is necessary.If wound is small amount of exudate, the foam may be moistened with sterile normal saline before placing on the wound.		Incorrect sizing will adversely affect the dressing function.
Apply the plain (non-printed) side towards the wound. Secure Biatain Ag Non-Adhesive foam with tape.		



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To Remove		
Gently lift corners of Biatain Ag Non-Adhesive away from the	If the dressing adheres to the wound bed, reassess	
peri-wound skin. If adhering to wound bed flush with sterile	whether there is enough exudate to warrant continued	
normal saline or water.	use of this dressing.	
Frequency of Dressing Change		
Change dressing: when clinically indicated, when visible signs of		
exudate approaches the dressing edge, or every 7 days.		
Expected Outcome		
S&S of local wound infection are resolved within 2 weeks.		
If used prophylactically, a local wound infection does not occur.		
For further information, please contact your NSWOC/Wound Clinician.		

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