

NHS Grampian Joint Wound Care Formulary

Product:

Aquacel[®] ribbon

Product description:

Absorbent hydrofibre dressing contains 100% hydrocolloids. The dressing absorbs high amounts of exudate and creates a soft cohesive gel that conforms to the wound surface. The method of absorption within the structure of its fibres minimises lateral wicking protecting the surrounding skin. Aquacel[®] retains its integrity during handling, allowing easy a-traumatic removal. Aquacel[®] is used as a primary dressing and requires secondary dressing such as a film or hydrocolloid dressing. Can be worn up to seven days depending on the wound exudate levels. The dressing provides a moist wound environment aiding autolytic debridement in necrotic and sloughy wounds and facilitating the migration of epithelial cells in granulating wounds

Indications for use:

Aquacel[®] is suitable for chronic wounds such as pressure ulcers, leg ulcers, fungating wounds, acute wounds, e.g. minor abrasions, surgical and traumatic wounds, second-degree burns, donor sites and wounds prone to bleeding.

Can be used on dry wounds if wet with sterile saline prior to application the absorption properties will maintain a moist area.

Contraindications:

Not indicated for use on patients with known sensitivity to the dressing or its components.

Precautions:

The dressing may be used on infected wounds under medical supervision, with frequent monitoring of the wound and appropriate therapy.

If the dressing dries out it should be soaked in water or saline for ease of removal.

Product type:

Protease Modulator

Product function:

Primary dressing

Cavity dressing

Debriding

Wound type:

Manages moderately to highly exuding wounds: wet necrosis, slough, granulating.



Product	Manufacturer	Available sizes	Pack size
Aquacel ribbon	Convatec	2cm x 45cm	5