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Mepilex® Transfer
Soft silicone exudate transfer dressing

Product description
Mepilex Transfer is a soft silicone exudate transfer dressing. It consists of a flexible and hydrophilic polyurethane foam coated with a soft silicone layer (Safetac Technology).

Safetac Technology
Safetac® is a patented soft silicone adhesive technology. Dressings with Safetac technology are atraumatic upon removal. These dressings minimize trauma to the wound and the surrounding skin, which minimizes pain to the patient. The risk of maceration is minimized by sealing the wound margins.

Mode of action
Mepilex Transfer is thin and conformable making it easy to keep the dressing in contact with the wound surface and the surrounding skin, even in awkward or uneven areas. The structure of Mepilex Transfer allows the exudate to be transferred vertically into a secondary absorbent pad. The Safetac layer seals around the wound edges preventing exudate from leaking horizontally on to the surrounding skin, thus minimizing maceration and excoriation. Mepilex Transfer maintains a moist wound environment in combination with an appropriate secondary dressing.

Intended use
Mepilex Transfer is designed for a wide range of exuding and difficult-to-dress wounds. Mepilex Transfer can also be used as a protective layer on non-exuding wounds and/or large areas of fragile skin. Mepilex Transfer can be used under compression.

Instructions for use
1. Cleanse the wound in accordance with normal procedures.
2. Dry the surrounding skin to assure optimal contact with Mepilex Transfer.
3. Remove the release films and apply Mepilex Transfer with the adherent side to the wound.
4. Mepilex Transfer sizes 15 x 20 and 20 x 50 cm should overlap the dry surrounding skin by at least 5 cm in order to protect the surrounding skin from maceration and excoriation and fixate the dressing securely.
5. Apply an appropriate secondary dressing to maintain a moist wound environment:
   For non-exuding to lightly exuding wounds, use a breathable film dressing for fixation.
   For moderately to highly exuding wounds, use a secondary absorbent dressing on top of Mepilex Transfer. Fixate Mepilex Transfer and the secondary dressing with a bandage or other fixation.

If required, Mepilex Transfer can be cut.

Frequency of change
Mepilex Transfer may be left in place for several days depending on the condition of the wound and the surrounding skin, or as indicated by accepted clinical practice. A change in dressing regimen can result in an initial change in the level of wound exudate. On infected wounds the dressing should be changed at least daily until infection is controlled.

Mepilex Transfer should be stored in dry conditions below 95°F (35°C). If exposed to direct sunlight, Mepilex Transfer may discolor, although this will not adversely affect the dressing.

Sterility is guaranteed unless inner package is damaged or opened prior to use. Do not re-sterilize.