

How to use Suprasorb® A+Ag

How to apply

Place dressing directly over the wound with a 2cm overlap or, if using the rope dressing to treat cavities or sinus wounds, gently place into the cavity/sinus.

Apply a secondary dressing that ensures the wound remains moist – the most suitable type will be determined by the degree of exudation.

How to remove

Irrigate away with tap water or normal saline as per local protocol.

Precautions

Do not use on lightly or non-exuding wounds.

Wear time

Intervals between dressing changes must be determined by the clinician, based on the condition of the wound, level of infection and degree of exudate.

Ordering information

Suprasorb® A+Ag Antimicrobial calcium alginate dressing

Individually sealed and sterile

Size (cm)	PIP Code	Ref Code	NHS SC Code	Pack contains
5 x 5	344-3942	20570	ELS446	10 singles
10 x 10	344-3959	20571	ELS447	10 singles
10 x 20	344-3967	20572	ELS448	5 singles
30 (2g rope)	344-3975	20573	ELS449	5 singles

Also available: Suprasorb® A calcium alginate dressing

All the benefits of Suprasorb® A+Ag, without the silver – perfect for stepping down once the infection has been eliminated

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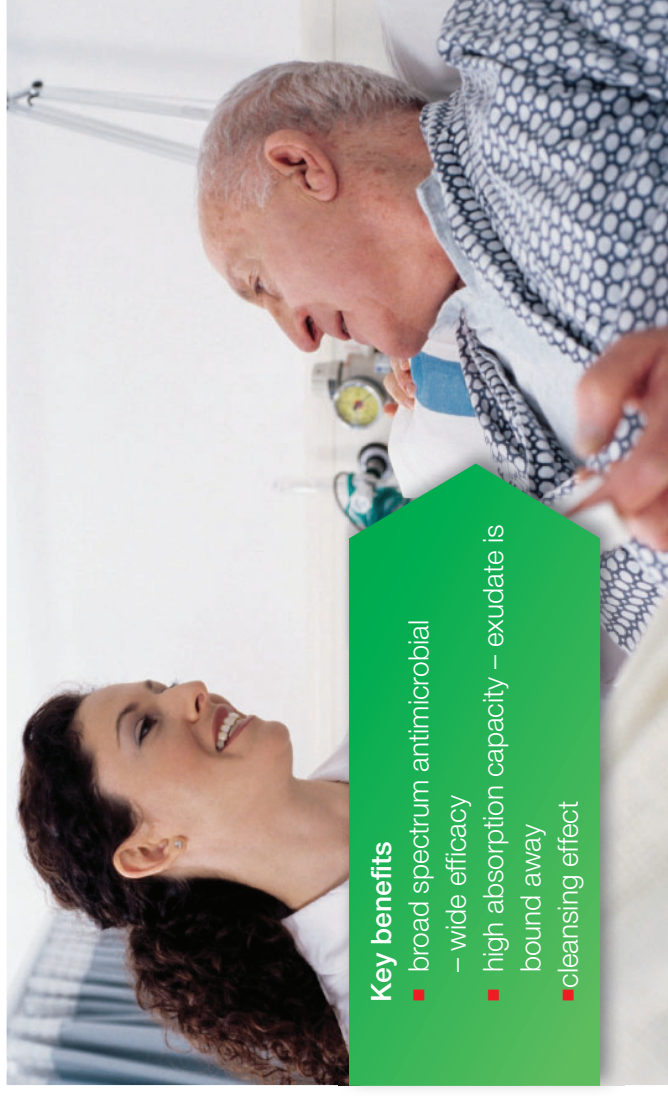
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Suprasorb® A+Ag

Antimicrobial calcium alginate dressing



Key benefits

- broad spectrum antimicrobial – wide efficacy
- high absorption capacity – exudate is bound away
- cleansing effect

Indications

Heavily exuding critically colonised or infected wounds – both superficial and deep, e.g.

- ulcers of various origins
- skin donor and grafting sites
- post-operative wounds
- partial thickness burns

Cleans wounds and fights infection



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How Suprasorb® A+Ag works



- A** the dressing forms gel when in contact with wound exudate (this is the effect of the calcium ions in the dressing interacting with the sodium ions in the exudate).
- B** surplus exudate from the wound is absorbed into the conformable gel, having a cleansing effect across the whole wound bed
- C** bacteria is killed by the silver ions that are released

Available as rope dressing
– ideal for cavities and sinus wounds.

Clinically effective

The evidence: infected sacral pressure ulcer



Initial presentation:

89 year old patient. Despite appropriate care with pressure relieving equipment whilst being treated for kidney issues, the health of the patients skin was in such poor condition that a pressure ulcer developed. The wound was treated with an alginate dressing secured with a film.



Treatment: 6 days post-discharge the wound became infected due to contamination from faecal incontinence. The current alginate was replaced with Suprasorb® A+Ag, and changed every other day.



Outcome: After 5 weeks the infection was gone and the wound progressing. The decision was made to continue with Suprasorb® A+Ag to mitigate the risk of infection.

10 weeks later, the wound had reduced to a quarter of its original size and had fresh granulation tissue. Dressing changes were reduced to twice a week and the dressing stepped down to Suprasorb® A.

Complete healing was achieved after a further 4 weeks.

Reference: Van Dam (2009) The treatment of infected wounds of older patients with a silver alginate. Poster presentation at EWMA conference, Helsinki.