

SORBSAN &

SORBSAN SILVER





Wound management clinicians trust

Since its introduction in 1983, Sorbsan calcium alginate dressing has been a favourite with nurses for its ease of use, clinical efficacy and cost effectiveness. A natural product derived from seaweed, Sorbsan's soft and gentle properties have been employed across a variety of formats to provide solutions for a range of clinically challenging conditions.



Promotes healing with unique action

Constructed of natural, loose fibres made from seaweed, Sorbsan alginate dressings form an amorphous gel when in contact with exudate allowing the dressing to maximise contact with the wound bed. In critically colonised and/or infected wounds this action minimises the risk of untreated gaps in the wound bed which will delay healing^{1,2}.



Pain free, quick and easy removal

Sorbsan is gentle on a wound, upon absorption of exudate the fibres form a gel. Unlike other fibre dressings, gelled Sorbsan fibres totally disperse upon irrigation³ minimising the potential for foreign body reaction.



Sorbsan cavity packs with probe help you assess the wound

Sorbsan cavity dressings conveniently come with a sterile probe to help you measure the size and depth of the wound accurately without the additional cost of using a separate probe⁴.



Promotes haemostasis to facilitate faster healing

Sorbsan dressings have naturally occurring calcium ions which are exchanged for sodium ions in wound exudate. This ionic exchange promotes haemostasis^{5,6,7}; quickly reducing blood loss will allow the wound to progress to the next stage of healing.



A range of solutions to achieve your healing goals

Dressing selection

Wound bed type

Necrotic

Infected

Sloughy

Granulating

Epithelialising

Exudate level



Moderate to high



High

Wound depth



Flat/ Shallow



Deep/ Cavity

Sorbsan Flat

The original Sorbsan dressing trusted by nurses since 1983, Sorbsan Flat can be used alone, folded/layered for deeper wounds.

Cover with an appropriate secondary dressing for complete compatibility. Sorbsan Flat is placed directly on the wound bed. The gelled dressing is irrigated away with saline.



Sorbsan Packing/ Ribbon

Sorbsan's properties make it ideal for managing cavity wounds. The fibres absorb exudate and form a gel which fully contours the wound. The gelled fibres are easily irrigated from the cavity. Wound irrigation is gentle and minimises patient discomfort at dressing change. The sterile probe may be used to assess the wound bed and should be used in accordance with local protocols.

Do not use in wounds where the opening of the wound is smaller than the tip of the probe.



Sorbsan Silver Flat

Broad spectrum antimicrobial dressings, effective against MRSA, VRE and MRSE^{8,9,10}.

Sorbsan Silver capitalises on Sorbsan's conformability as the antimicrobial silver gel can contour the entire wound bed for maximum effect, providing optimal conditions to support healing¹. Indicated for infected or critically colonised wounds, Sorbsan Silver contains 1.5% Silver content.

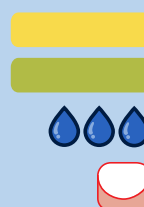


Sorbsan Silver Packing/ Ribbon

Broad spectrum antimicrobial dressings, effective against MRSA, VRE and MRSE^{8,9,10}.

Sorbsan Silver Packing/ Ribbon's properties make it ideal for managing infected cavity wounds (when moderated heavily). The fibres absorb exudate and form a gel which fully contours the wound. Sorbsan Silver Packing/ Ribbon contains 1.5% Silver content.

Do not use in wounds where the opening of the wound is smaller than the tip of the probe.



Ordering Information

Size	Product code	Qty	PiP code
Sorbsan Flat			
5cm x 5cm	1400	10	019-0579
10cm x 10cm	1410	10	034-8839
10cm x 20cm	1415	5	019-0975
Sorbsan Packing with wound probe			
30cm/2g	1411	5	034-8979
Sorbsan Ribbon with wound probe			
40cm/1g	1412	5	003-5212
Sorbsan Wound Probe			
6mm x 125mm	1425	100	416-0222
Sorbsan Silver Flat			
5cm x 5cm	AG1400	10	327-0824
10cm x 10cm	AG1410	10	327-0816
10cm x 20cm	AG1415	5	327-0808
Sorbsan Silver Packing with wound probe			
30cm/2g	AG1411	5	327-0782
Sorbsan Silver Ribbon with wound probe			
40cm/1g	AG1412	5	327-0766

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