ACTICOAT® FLEX, Nanocrystalline Silver

*Acticoat dressings utilizing advanced silver technology to help create an optimal wound environment
Smith & Nephew

Available: Acticoat Flex 7/3 (3 day dressing or 7 day dressing), Acticoat Absorbancy, Acticoat POST Op

Indications:

ACTICOAT FLEX with SILCRYST is indicated as an antimicrobial barrier dressing over partial and full thickness wounds such as burns, recipient graft sites, surgical sites, pressure ulcers, venous ulcers and diabetic ulcers. ACTICOAT FLEX may be used on infected wounds. Where the product is used on infected wounds the infection should be inspected and treated as per local clinical protocol. ACTICOAT FLEX may be used as a wound contact layer in combination with negative pressure wound therapy (NPWT) for up to 3 days (Both products may only be used for up to 3 days in line with instructions for use with NPWT).

Benefits:
• Delivers a fast acting, long lasting antimicrobial barrier control
• Laboratory studies show that ACTICOAT dressings kill micro-organisms faster that conventional products such as silver sulfadiazine (1% cream) or silver nitrate (0.5% solution)

Application:
• ACTICOAT FLEX is versatile and can be cut to fit any size wound to wrap around any body part
• Can be left on a wound up to 3 days with ACTICOAT FLEX 3
and up to 7 days with ACTICOAT FLEX 7

Contraindications
• Do not use on patients with a known sensitivity to silver.
• Do not use on patients during MRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging) examination.
• Prior to administering radiation therapy, remove ACTICOAT FLEX 7/3. A new dressing can be applied following each treatment.

Precautions
For external use only, for example do not apply the dressing to exposed organs.
• ACTICOAT FLEX 7/3 is not compatible with oil-based products such as petrolatum.
• Avoid contact with electrodes or conductive gels during electronic measurements e.g. EEG and ECG.
• There may be transient pain experienced on application of ACTICOAT FLEX 7/3. This can be minimised by carefully following the application instructions. Should continuous pain be experienced after application remove the dressing and discontinue use.
ACTICOAT Flex 7/3 should only be used on premature infants (less than 37 weeks gestation) when the clinical benefit outweighs potential risks.