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ConvaMax™ Superabsorber FAQ

EXUDATE MANAGED. SKIN PROTECTED¹

What is ConvaMax™ Superabsorber dressing?

ConvaMax™ Superabsorber is a new Superabsorber that effectively manages high levels of exudate, to maintain skin integrity and support healing¹.

What is ConvaMax™ indicated for?

ConvaMax™ Superabsorbent wound dressing is indicated for the management of highly exuding wounds; including leg ulcers, pressure ulcers, diabetic foot ulcers and dehisced surgical wounds.

Classification:

EU: Class IIb (CE Marked)

USA: Class I Exempt

Shelf life:

3 years

Sterilisation method:

Ethylene oxide

Storage conditions:

Store the product in a cool, dry place and avoid light.

Sizes:

ConvaMax™ is available in 9 non-adhesive and 6 silicone adhesive sizes, providing complete flexibility to support your care protocol. See Table 1 for specifications.

How does ConvaMax™ work?

ConvaMax™ Superabsorbent dressings absorb exudate, through the skin contact layer, into the core which contains superabsorbent polymers (SAPs). Here, the superabsorbent polymer turns to a gel, locking the exudate inside the gel structure. This means the fluid is retained, even under compression.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE DRESSING:

Protective blue backing – prevents strike through of exudate to bandaging or clothing, meaning exudate is locked in the SAP core.

Superabsorbent Core – superabsorbent polymer locks exudate away, including harmful components, minimising the risk of maceration to peri-wound skin.

Conformable wicking layer – rapidly wicks away exudate into the superabsorbent core.

Silicone contact layer (adhesive version only) – The gentle silicone layer is designed to allow exudate to pass through, while adhering to surrounding skin and not to the wound bed.

CONVAMAX™ KEY BENEFITS

Protects skin integrity¹

ConvaMax™ silicone wound contact layer provides gentle adhesion to the surrounding skin while allowing fast and even uptake of exudate. ConvaMax™ absorbs and locks away exudate by forming a gel core, which helps to prevent damage to peri-wound skin.

Protease Modulation¹

Matrix metalloproteinases (MMPs) are present in normal wound healing. In some chronic wounds, MMPs can be present in excess, which may hinder wound healing. ConvaMax™ has been proven in-vitro to not only absorb MMPs but also bind them. This reduces the excess MMPs present within the wound environment and encourages wound healing.

A choice to suit each wound

Choice of sizes, all of which are easy to apply and remove. Choose from adhesive or non-adhesive dressings, depending on the wound you're dealing with.

Fluid absorption¹

Wound exudate from chronic wounds can be corrosive to the wound bed and intact surrounding skin. ConvaMax™ absorbs high levels of exudate (typical absorbency approximately 170g/100cm²), locking it in the core of the dressing away from the wound.

Fluid retention¹

Once the exudate has been absorbed, ConvaMax™ retains the fluid within the SAP core, ensuring it is not released back to the wound, bandaging or clothing.

Fluid absorption under compression¹

ConvaMax™ can absorb and retain fluid while under standard 40mmHg of compression, a commonly used therapy, particularly on lower limb wounds or weeping oedema.

Enhance ConvaMax™ with Hydrofiber® Technology¹

ConvaMax™ Superabsorber dressings have been proven to work with Hydrofiber dressings (e.g. AQUACEL® EXTRA™), to provide additional absorbency and promote a beneficial wound healing environment.

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REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

ConvaMax™ dressings are not manufactured with latex or animal derived materials. ConvaMax™ dressings do not contain components listed on the California Proposition 65; phthalates, paper, cardboard, glass, metal or PVC.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Is ConvaMax™ waterproof?

The backing of the dressing prevents strike-through of exudate, however it is not recommended to be worn during showering.

MEDICAL INFORMATION

When is ConvaMax™ contraindicated?

ConvaMax™ dressings should not be used on individuals who are sensitive to, or who have had an allergic reaction to the dressing or its components. Arterial bleeds and heavily bleeding wounds

Is there a risk that the wound dries out?

There is potential for the wound to dry out if exudate levels are low, or when the wound stops producing exudate during the healing process. The silicone wound contact layer on the adhesive version will aid removal when exudate levels are lower. Clinical judgement should be used at each dressing change based on wound healing rate.

HANDLING INFORMATION

When should ConvaMax™ be changed?

ConvaMax™ should be changed when clinically indicated. Maximum recommended wear time is up to seven days. ConvaMax™ dressings can be replaced for as long as clinically required.

Can ConvaMax™ be cut to size?

No, ConvaMax™ dressings cannot be cut.

How is ConvaMax™ secured in place?

If required, ConvaMax™ can be secured with fixation tape, tubular bandaging or any other secondary dressings.

Can ConvaMax™ be used with compression?

ConvaMax™ can be used in conjunction with compression therapy.

TABLE 1: CONVAMAX™ SIZES AND ORDER CODES

ICC Code	ConvaMax™ Size
422566	ConvaMax™ Superasorbent Non-Adhesive 7.5X7.5CM 1X10
422566	ConvaMax™ Superasorbent Non-Adhesive 10X10CM 1X10
422566	ConvaMax™ Superasorbent Non-Adhesive 10X20CM 1X10
422566	ConvaMax™ Superasorbent Non-Adhesive 12.5X12.5CM 1X10
422566	ConvaMax™ Superasorbent Non-Adhesive 15X15CM 1X10
422566	ConvaMax™ Superasorbent Non-Adhesive 15X20CM 1X10
422566	ConvaMax™ Superasorbent Non-Adhesive 20X20CM 1X10
422566	ConvaMax™ Superasorbent Non-Adhesive 20X30CM 1X10
422566	ConvaMax™ Superasorbent Non-Adhesive 20X30CM 1X10
422566	ConvaMax™ Superasorbent Adhesive 7.5X7.5CM 1X10
422566	ConvaMax™ Superasorbent Adhesive 10X10CM 1X10
422566	ConvaMax™ Superasorbent Adhesive 10X20CM 1X10
422566	ConvaMax™ Superasorbent Adhesive 15X15CM 1X10
422566	ConvaMax™ Superasorbent Adhesive 15X20CM 1X10
422566	ConvaMax™ Superasorbent Adhesive 20X20CM 1X10

¹ In vitro performance characteristics of ConvaMax Dressings WHRI6O45 MS161, Data on file, ConvaTec.