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Mepitel® Film The solution for preventing
radiotherapy skin reactions



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Radiotherapy skin reactions can be prevented

Have you been diagnosed with breast cancer, or do you know someone who has? It's becoming more likely, with 1 in 8 women being diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime.

What's not so well known is that up to 90% of women being treated with radiotherapy will develop a skin reaction side effect. Reactions can be painful, affecting quality of life.

We believe Mepitel® Film is the solution for preventing radiotherapy skin reactions.

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Understanding radiotherapy skin reactions

Why do skin reactions happen?

Radiation targets cancer cells but will often cause serious damage to the skin of the radiated area. The skin reactions are felt a couple of weeks into treatment, with varying degrees of severity from slight redness through to open ulcers.

In addition, these reactions may persist for up to 4 weeks after radiotherapy has stopped.

How does Mepitel® Film prevent skin reactions?

The key to preventing skin reactions is to use a protective film dressing on the skin from day 1 of radiotherapy and continue until 2-4 weeks after treatment has stopped. This protects fragile skin from the daily friction of clothes and moisture, allowing it to heal undisturbed and recover from treatment.

When Mepitel® Film is used in this way, as part of radiotherapy, it is clinically proven to be highly effective at preventing these skin reactions.



Without Mepitel Film

With Mepitel Film



Mepitel® Film

Believe in Mepitel® Film

In a randomised controlled clinical trial¹ published in 2014, 78 patients used Mepitel® Film on one half of the radiated area, while the other half was treated with aqueous cream.

The study showed that the prophylactic use of Mepitel Film decreased the severity of radiotherapy skin reactions by 92% and completely prevented skin breakdown.

92%

Reduction in skin reaction severity with Mepitel Film

0%

Skin breakdown with Mepitel Film

“Skin reactions can seriously affect the quality of life of cancer patients during radiation therapy. Our research shows that there are ways to significantly reduce the severity of these reactions”

Dr Patries Herst, Senior lecturer in the Department of Radiation Therapy at the Medical School of the University of Otago in Wellington, New Zealand



The only thing you won't believe is that you're wearing a dressing!

Mepitel® Film is an ultra thin, soft and highly conformable transparent film dressing, that feels so much like a second skin that people forget they're wearing it! These are product benefits you can believe in:

Prevention

Clinically proven to prevent skin breakdown and decrease skin reaction severity more than 90%¹.

Thin and transparent

Thin and completely transparent film. Will not interfere with radiotherapy and can be worn from the start of treatment and throughout.

Protective

Protects vulnerable skin from friction and is shower-proof.

Skin-friendly

Soft and breathable layer, with Safetac technology, that conforms to contoured areas like breasts.



Proven choice for a better outcome

Safetac^{*}, pioneered by Mölnlycke Health Care, delivers above and beyond the ordinary. Proven to help optimise the wound healing journey and even prevent wounds, dressings with Safetac are the safe choice² for patients and a champion for higher standards in wound care. In fact, we have a wealth of evidence that supports the clinical and economic benefits of dressings with Safetac, including Mepilex[®], Mepitel[®], Mepiform[®] and Mepitac[®]. To date, these dressings have helped millions of patients worldwide²⁻⁴.

*A unique proprietary technology exclusive to Mölnlycke Health Care

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