# **MEDIHONEY®**

# GEL WITH ACTIVE LEPTOSPERMUM HONEY DRESSING

### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE**

## LATEX FREE



- For single use



- See Insert for Instructions For Use



- Store at Room Temperature



Gamma Sterilized

#### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

MEDIHONEY® GEL WITH ACTIVE LEPTOSPERMUM HONEY dressing is a moist dressing made of Active Leptospermum Honey (+15) in combination with natural gelling agents. The gelling agents act to maintain the physical integrity and viscosity of the dressing, even in the presence of body heat and fluids. As a percentage of the overall dressing, MEDIHONEY® GEL dressings contains 80% honey. The dressing has a low pH and can help to lower the overall pH of wounds. The dressing also possesses a high osmotic potential, which assists in debridement. MEDIHONEY® GEL assists in maintaining a moist environment for optimal wound healing.

#### **INDICATIONS**

Under the supervision of a healthcare professional, MEDIHONEY® GEL WITH ACTIVE LEPTOSPERMUM HONEY dressing provides a moist environment conducive to wound healing and is indicated for non-draining to moderately exuding wounds such as:

- Diabetic foot ulcers
- Leg ulcers (venous stasis ulcers, arterial ulcers and leg ulcers of mixed etiology)
- Pressure ulcers / sores (partial and full thickness)
- 1st and 2nd degree partial thickness burns
- Donor sites, and traumatic and surgical wounds.

#### CONTRAINDICATIONS

MEDIHONEY® GEL WITH ACTIVE LEPTOSPERMUM HONEY dressing is not indicated for:

- Third degree burns
- Patients with a known sensitivity to honey

#### **PRECAUTIONS**

Due to the dressing's low pH, some patients may notice slight transient stinging upon application of the dressing. If stinging persists and can not be managed with an analgesic, remove dressing, cleanse area, and discontinue use.

During initial use of the dressing (depending on wound exudate levels, interstitial fluid, and edema surrounding the wound), the dressing's high osmolarity may contribute to increased exudate. This can be managed by adjusting the frequency of dressing change according to the level of exudate.

During the healing process, due to autolytic debridement it is common for non-viable tissue to be removed from the wound resulting in an initial increase in wound size. Although an initial increase in size may be attributed to the normal removal of non-viable tissue, consult a healthcare professional if the wound continues to grow larger after the first few dressing changes.

After removing the dressing, if some material remains and is not easily removed, soak with sterile saline or water until it is removed without difficulty.

Consult a healthcare professional if you see signs of infection, which can include increased redness, increased pain, increased wound drainage, increased skin irritation, and changes in wound color and/or odor.

Do not use this dressing with any other primary dressings, other than those listed in this package insert, without first consulting a healthcare professional.

#### **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

- Prior to application of MEDIHONEY® GEL WITH ACTIVE LEPTOSPERMUM HONEY dressing, cleanse the wound area as necessary.
- Open the cap and remove the sterile seal before using.
- Apply MEDIHONEY® GEL WITH ACTIVE LEPTOSPERMUM HONEY dressing either directly to the wound bed,or onto a suitable primary dressing such as an alginate, gauze pad, or island dressing.
- Use an appropriate secondary dressing (such as a super absorbent dressing, hydrocolloid, foam, thin film, or island/composite) to cover the MEDIHONEY® GEL WITH ACTIVE LEPTOSPERMUM HONEY dressing. See package inserts of secondary cover dressings for complete instructions for use.

#### DRESSING CHANGE AND REMOVAL

- Dressing change frequency will depend on the condition of the patient as well as the level of wound exudate.
- Reapply when MEDIHONEY® GEL WITH ACTIVE LEPTOSPERMUM HONEY dressing or the secondary dressing has reached its absorbent capacity or as directed by a wound care professional.
- Moisten with sterile saline if the wound bed appears dry before removal of the dressing.
- · Remove the dressing from the wound bed gently.
- Cleanse the wound bed prior to application of new dressing.

Caution: Federal law (USA) restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician (or properly licensed healthcare professional).

CAUTION: Do not use product if the immediate product packaging is damaged.



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