

Why AQUACEL[®] Dressings?

Because Hydrofiber[®]
Technology beats hype
every time.



AQUACEL[®] Dressings are the answer.

AQUACEL[®]

AQUACEL[®] Ag

AQUACEL[®] Extra[™]

AQUACEL[®] Foam



AQUACEL[®]Dressings
TRIED. TRUE. TRUSTED.[™]

The family that helps heal.

In 1996, ConvaTec introduced **AQUACEL**[®] dressing, the world's first dressing with **Hydrofiber**[®] **Technology**. Since then, we've listened to feedback from our customers and extended this unique technology to more products that serve the specific needs of our patients. Now, the original AQUACEL[®] dressing has grown into an entire family of dressings that help protect and heal wounds, including surgical incisions, burns and more.

You'll find your answer in the AQUACEL[®] **family of dressings.**

In one prospective, multi-centric study,

75%

of patients experienced complete or substantial healing after only 4 weeks with AQUACEL[®] dressing¹

AQUACEL

[®] **Ag**

dressing kills superbugs, such as MRSA and VRE,^{*2-12} within 30 minutes³

*As demonstrated *in vitro*

Exudate Management

The first dressing in the Hydrofiber[®] family, the unique gelling of AQUACEL[®] dressing is like no other. Supports wound healing by creating a moist wound environment,^{*15} helps protect peri-wound skin and reduces maceration.^{16,17} A versatile dressing for moderately-to highly-exuding chronic and acute wounds.

AQUACEL[®]

Exudate and Infection

AQUACEL[®] Ag dressing with ionic silver provides rapid, effective, sustained antimicrobial activity – even against certain antibiotic-resistant bacteria (“superbugs”).^{*2-12,14,41}

A versatile dressing for moderately-to highly-exuding chronic and acute wounds that are infected or at risk of infection.

AQUACEL[®] **Ag.**

Why AQUACEL® Dressings?

Manages exudate

- ▶ Turns into a cohesive gel when it touches exudate
- ▶ Absorbs and locks in the exudate, preventing lateral spread*^{13,14}
- ▶ Helps maintain a moist wound environment,*¹⁵ protects peri-wound skin and reduces maceration^{16,17}
- ▶ AQUACEL® dressings:
 - Lock away bacteria*¹⁸⁻²¹
 - Micro-contour to the wound bed, minimising dead space where bacteria can grow*^{2,22}

Manages infection

- ▶ AQUACEL® Ag dressings with ionic silver:
 - Kill a variety of pathogens – including superbugs, such as MRSA and VRE*²⁻¹² – within 30 minutes³
 - Sustain antimicrobial activity for up to 14 days*^{3,4,6}

*As demonstrated *in vitro*

†As compared to AQUACEL® dressing

Micro-contours to wound bed*²

- ▶ Minimises 'dead space' where bacteria can grow*^{2,22}
- ▶ Maintains moisture balance in the wound bed*¹⁵

Helps minimise pain

- ▶ Clinically proven to help minimise pain while *in situ* and upon removal²³⁻³⁶
- ▶ AQUACEL® Burn can be left on for up to 21 days or until clinically indicated, which may lead to fewer dressing changes for burn patients³⁷⁻⁴⁰

Supported by evidence

- ▶ Supported by more than 160 pieces of evidence
- ▶ A wide range of study designs demonstrating *in vitro* efficacy and *in vivo* patient-oriented effectiveness:
 - Randomised controlled trials (RCT)
 - Published *in vivo* studies
 - Presented *in vivo* case studies and posters
 - Published *in vitro* studies
 - Presented *in vitro* posters

Strength and Absorbency

All the benefits of AQUACEL® dressing with 39% more absorption and 9 times more strength.^{†42} For wounds where extra absorbency and strength are required.

AQUACEL®Extra™
AQUACEL®Ag.Extra™

Comfort and Control

The comfort and simplicity of a foam plus the healing benefits of AQUACEL® dressing. Available in a range of sizes and shapes in adhesive – with a gentle silicone border designed to adhere to surrounding skin – and non-adhesive.

AQUACEL®Foam



Hydrofiber® Technology

Hydrofiber® Technology, found in the AQUACEL® family of dressings, is uniquely designed to:

Tried.

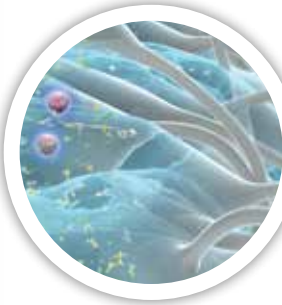
More than 15 years of clinical evidence.

True.

Unique technology, exclusively from ConvaTec.

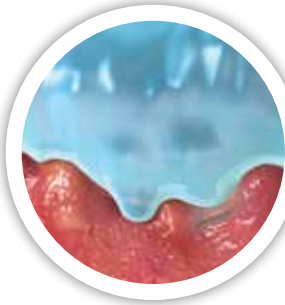
Trusted.

More than 400 million AQUACEL® Dressings sold.



Lock in*

wound exudate and bacteria¹⁸⁻²¹ and reduce lateral spread of fluid^{13,14}



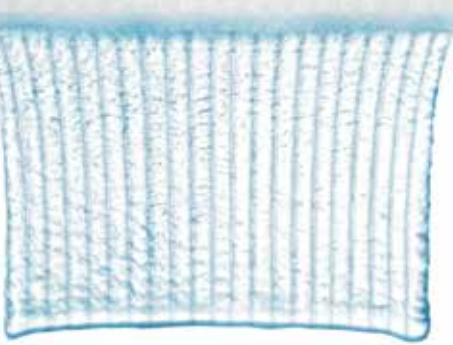
Micro-contour*

to the wound bed² maintaining an optimal moisture balance¹⁵ and eliminating dead space where bacteria can grow^{2,22}



Respond*

to wound fluid levels by forming a cohesive gel; AQUACEL® Ag dressing also provides a reservoir of silver ions for on-demand anti-microbial activity.^{2-6,14,41}



*As demonstrated *in vitro*

Footnotes: **a.** A post-operative dressing regimen using Mepore™ dressing covering AQUACEL® dressing was compared to a new dressing regimen of DuoDERM® Extra Thin dressing covering AQUACEL® dressing after application of a liquid film-forming acrylate. A subsequent study demonstrated no enhancement of the new dressing regimen by the acrylate. **b.** Equivalent performance of AQUACEL® SURGICAL cover dressing to DuoDERM® Extra Thin dressing covering AQUACEL® dressing demonstrated in *in vitro* testing.

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