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# More to love about AQUACEL® dressings

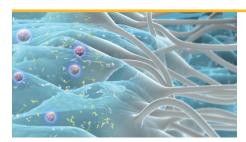




# Clinicians face many wound management challenges every day

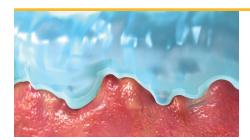
- Retaining and controlling exudate levels to prevent maceration<sup>1</sup>
- Removing harmful bacteria and enzymes from the wound to reduce delayed healing<sup>1</sup>
- Minimising patient pain and discomfort during dressing changes or when dressing
  is in situ<sup>1</sup>
- Containing costs while providing effective care

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



**Lock in** wound exudate and bacteria and reduce lateral spread of fluid<sup>2-4</sup>

- Helps protect periwound skin from maceration<sup>5</sup>
- May help minimise cross-infection and risk of wound infection during removal<sup>2,6</sup>



#### Micro-contour to the wound bed7

- Minimises "dead space" where bacteria can grow<sup>7</sup>
- Maintains an optimal moisture balance in the wound bed<sup>8</sup>



**Respond** to wound fluid levels by forming a cohesive gel

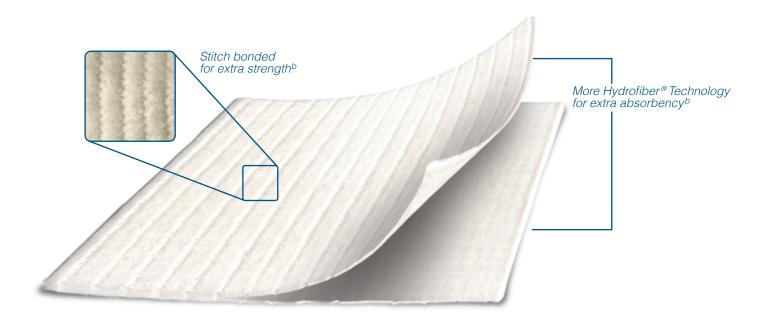
 Unique gelling action protects tender wound tissue and minimises pain associated with dressing changes<sup>4,9,10</sup>

# AQUACEL® dressing® is supported by a 15-year clinical heritage that demonstrates efficacy

- 17 randomised controlled trials
  - —50+ review papers as well as scientific studies
- Demonstrated evidence of progressing wounds toward healing<sup>10-16</sup>
- Shown to be a cost-reducing adjunct to a protocol of care 17-19

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>The following applies to AQUACEL® and AQUACEL® Ag dressings. All images are artists' impressions.

# **AQUACEL® EXTRA™ dressing takes Hydrofiber® Technology to the next level**



## AQUACEL® EXTRA™ dressing is designed to provide additional benefits<sup>20b</sup>

EXTRA Strength 9x stronger dressing <sup>b</sup>	<ul><li>Helps facilitate easy removal</li><li>May increase patient comfort during dressing changes</li></ul>	
EXTRA Absorbency 39% greater absorbency	<ul><li>More confidently manages exuding wounds</li><li>May enhance dressing efficiencies</li></ul>	

<sup>b</sup>As compared to original AQUACEL<sup>®</sup> dressing.







## AQUACEL<sup>®</sup> EXTRA<sup>™</sup> dressing manages a wide range of exudate levels in chronic and acute wounds

Low exudate Moderate exudate High exudate

#### **AQUACEL® EXTRA™ dressing**

## AQUACEL® EXTRA™ dressing—the newest member of a trusted family

Dressing size	Pack Size	Product code	PIP code	NHS Code
5cm x 5cm	10	420671	367-3282	ELY377
10cm x 10cm	10	420672	367-3290	ELY378
15cm x 15cm	5	420673	367-3308	ELY379













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