

# (NON-ADHESIVE)

HYDROGEL COLLOIDAL SHEET  
with ACTIVE *LEPTOSPERMUM* HONEY

WOUND & BURN DRESSING

# MEDIHONEY® HCS

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

### LATEX FREE



- For single use



- See Insert for Instructions For Use



- Store at Room Temperature



- Gamma Sterilized

### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

MEDIHONEY® HCS SHEET DRESSING with ACTIVE *LEPTOSPERMUM* HONEY is a moist wound dressing made of *Leptospermum* Honey (+15) in combination with a hydrogel colloidal gelling agent. The gelling agent is contained within the dressing mass. The dressing contains 63%, by weight, Active *Leptospermum* Honey. As wound exudate is absorbed, the dressing – which has a low pH and high osmolarity – forms a gel. This assists in maintaining a moist environment for optimal wound healing, aids in autolytic debridement, and allows for non-traumatic removal. This product is an occlusive dressing, and does require a secondary dressing.

### INDICATIONS

Under the supervision of a healthcare professional, MEDIHONEY® HCS SHEET DRESSING with ACTIVE *LEPTOSPERMUM* HONEY provides a moist environment conducive to wound healing and is indicated for non-draining to lightly 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® HCS SHEET DRESSING with ACTIVE *LEPTOSPERMUM* HONEY is not indicated for:

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

### PRECAUTIONS

If the dressing is not easily removed, soak with sterile saline or water until it is removed without difficulty.

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

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 HCS Sheet 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 wound care products, other than those listed in this package insert, without first consulting a healthcare professional.

### DIRECTIONS FOR USE

- Prior to application of MEDIHONEY® HCS SHEET DRESSING with ACTIVE *LEPTOSPERMUM* HONEY cleanse the wound area as necessary.
- Use an appropriately sized MEDIHONEY® HCS SHEET DRESSING with ACTIVE *LEPTOSPERMUM* HONEY.
- Open pouch and remove dressing.
- If desirable, the dressing may be cut with sterile scissors to fit within the wound margins. Overlapping the wound margins is acceptable, so cutting the dressing to size is not necessary.
- Remove bottom liners (marked "1") from the dressing, exposing the wound contact surface of the dressing.
- Position dressing so that the dressing completely covers wound area, and apply.
- Smooth all edges and corners to ensure that dressing is making contact with the wound and margins.
- Cover the dressing, or secure in place, with an appropriate secondary dressing.
- As noted above, there may be increased levels of exudate upon initial use of the dressing. In the case of increased levels of exudate, protect the periwound skin with a skin protectant barrier.

### DRESSING CHANGE AND REMOVAL

- Dressing change frequency will depend on the condition of the patient as well as the level of wound exudate. The dressing can be left in place under compression and off-loading devices.
- Reapply when MEDIHONEY® HCS SHEET DRESSING with ACTIVE *LEPTOSPERMUM* HONEY 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 by pressing down on the skin with one hand and carefully lifting an edge of the dressing with your other hand.
- Upon removal, some residual hydrogel/colloidal material from the HCS dressing may be left behind on the wound bed. This material should be cleansed away as part of the normal cleansing process between dressing changes.
- 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.

Store at room temperature: 10 – 25°C (50 – 77°F). Keep dry.



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