

Breathable film<sup>1,2</sup>

Absorbent<sup>1</sup> foam with silver sulfadiazine

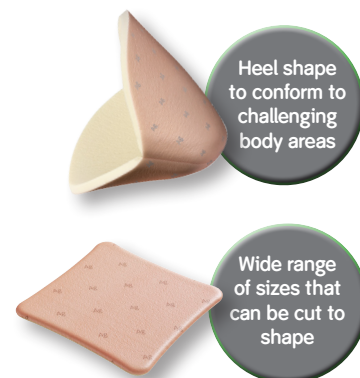
Non adherent<sup>3</sup> wound contact layer



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**ALLEVYN<sup>◇</sup>**  
Ag Non-Adhesive

ALLEVYN<sup>®</sup> Ag Non-Adhesive is a dressing that delivers fluid management via the unique triple-action technology which absorbs, retains and transpires the optimal balance of fluid<sup>1,2</sup>. This optimises the moist wound environment and helps to promote healing<sup>4</sup>. The addition of silver sulfadiazine to the hydrocellular pad provides a sustained antimicrobial action (demonstrated *in-vitro*)<sup>5</sup>

- Highly breathable top film<sup>2</sup> helps to minimise the risk of maceration to the wound and *peri-wound*<sup>6</sup>
- Non-adherent wound contact layer means the dressing is suitable for use on fragile and sensitive skin<sup>5</sup>
- Soft and comfortable for the patient<sup>6</sup> and conformable to challenging body areas<sup>7,8</sup>
- Specific Heel “cup” dressing designed to conform to this awkward area<sup>8</sup>
- Wide range of sizes that can be cut to suit different body contours
- Suitable for use under compression bandaging
- Easy to apply and remove<sup>7</sup>
- Proven *in-vitro* against a broad spectrum of bacteria including antibiotic resistant bacteria such as *Pseudomonas*, Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus (MRSA) and Vancomycin Resistant Enterococcus (VRE)<sup>9</sup>
- Provides a sustained action with antimicrobial properties remaining effective for up to 7 days *in-vitro*<sup>5</sup>



## Indications

Shallow, granulating wounds, chronic and acute exudative wounds, full and partial thickness wounds such as pressure ulcers, leg ulcers and diabetic foot ulcers, infected wounds, malignant wounds, surgical wounds, first and second degree burns, donor sites, fungating ulcers and oncological wounds.

## Application

Cleanse wound in accordance with local clinical protocols. Select an appropriate dressing size. ALLEVYN Ag Non-Adhesive can be cut to fit awkward areas. Always use a clean technique when cutting the dressing. When used under compression therapy, the dressing must be cut to the size of the wound. Prepare and clean the skin surrounding the wound area and remove excess moisture. Any excess hair should be clipped to ensure close approximation to the wound. Remove ALLEVYN Ag Non-Adhesive from the pack using a clean technique.

Apply the white face to the wound ensuring good contact and secure with a dressing retention sheet (eg OPSITE<sup>®</sup> Flexifix or OPSITE Flexifix Gentle), tape or bandage. If the dressing has been cut ensure any exposed foam areas are covered with an appropriate film dressing taking care not to cover the entire dressing.

## Frequency of change

During the early stages of wound management ALLEVYN Ag Non-Adhesive should be inspected according to local clinical protocol. Where the product is used on infected wounds the infection should be inspected and treated as per local clinical protocol. Dressings can be left in place for up to 7 days, except the sacral area where dressings can be left in place for up to 5 days, depending on the condition of the wound and the surrounding skin or until exudate is visible and approaches to within 0.5cm of the edge of the dressing pad, whichever is sooner. The decision of when to change should be dependent upon clinical assessment and local protocols should also be taken into consideration.

## Dressing Removal

To remove ALLEVYN Ag Non-Adhesive, remove the retention dressing or bandage and lift the dressing away from the wound.

## Contra-indications

- Do not use on patients known to be hypersensitive to SSD or sulfonamides
- As sulfonamides are known to cause kernicterus, ALLEVYN Ag Non-Adhesive should not be used on females who are at, or near full-term pregnancy, or lactating, or on premature and newborn infants during the first months of life.

## Precautions

- Do not use ALLEVYN Non-Adhesive with oxidising agents such as hypochlorite solutions (eg. EUSOL) or hydrogen peroxide, as these can break down the absorbent polyurethane component of the dressing. If reddening or sensitisation occurs, discontinue use. ALLEVYN Heel must not be used for pressure relief independently of pressure relieving devices. ALLEVYN Non-Adhesive is a single use product.
- For external use only.
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- ALLEVYN Ag Non-Adhesive may not be compatible with topical antimicrobials.
- In the event of clinical infection, topical silver does not replace the need for systemic therapy or other adequate infection treatment.
- In common with all adhesive products irritation and/or maceration of the skin surrounding the wound may occur. If reddening or sensitisation occurs, discontinue use, and consult a healthcare professional.
- It should be noted that inappropriate use or too frequent dressing changes, particularly on patients with fragile skin may result in skin stripping.
- Avoid contact with electrodes or conductive gels during electronic measurements such as EEG (Electroencephalogram) and ECG (Electrocardiogram).
- When ALLEVYN Ag Non-Adhesive is used on a patient during MRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging) some warming may be experienced.
- ALLEVYN Ag Non-Adhesive is not compatible with oil based products such as petrolatum.
- ALLEVYN Ag Non-Adhesive is not suitable for use alone on cavity wounds but may be used over cavity wounds as a secondary dressing.
- As with all products containing SSD the following precautions should be noted, especially when covering a large surface area with the dressing:
  - Use caution in patients with significant hepatic or renal impairment,
  - Use caution in individuals known to have glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase deficiency,
  - Effects of systemically administered drugs may be altered. This can especially apply to oral hypoglycaemic agents and to phenytoin. In the case of these drugs, it is recommended that blood levels should be monitored as their effect can be potentiated.
- ALLEVYN Ag Non-Adhesive is a single use only product.

	Code	Size	Pieces per Carton
ALLEVYN Ag Non Adhesive	66800083	5cm x 5cm	10
	66800086	10cm x 10cm	10
	66800089	15cm x 15cm	10
	66800091	20cm x 20cm	10
ALLEVYN Ag Heel	66800098	10.5cm x 13.5cm	5

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