

Tissue Viability Service

WOUND MANAGEMENT PRODUCTS FORMULARY

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Introduction

The first choice dressing list will be available to all community practitioners working for Bucks Healthcare NHS Trust, Chiltern CCG and Aylesbury Vale CCG via the online wound dressings supply route.

The formulary has been devised by an expert clinical group in consultation with staff. It aims to provide a clinically effective, appropriate and cost effective choice of products to manage the vast majority of wounds.

The list will be evaluated and updated on an annual basis to reflect innovation in practice and new evaluated products. In most cases, the product list contains choices, to assist the choice of dressing following patient assessment. Selection of dressing product should also be based upon frequency of dressing change. Some of the products listed are not available via the online order system and will need a patient prescription- this is indicated as (PP).

There are other wound formulary products with restrictive use not listed within this booklet. Go to www.bucksformulary.nhs.uk for further information.

NOTES FOR USE

The following must be noted:

1. The choice of dressing should not replace sound clinical judgment
2. Clinicians should provide the patient with a quantity that is clinically required, rather than supplying whole packs that produce waste and inefficiencies
3. Correct initial and ongoing wound assessment must follow selection of dressing product

Dressing Choice

The choice of dressings is influenced by

- Maximising effectiveness
- Minimising a risk
- Continuation of care between primary and secondary care
- Minimising cost
- Patient concordance
- Specialist products e.g. NPWT & Larva therapy should only be used following discussion and where necessary assessment by the TVN.
- Compression products should only be applied by practitioners trained in their application. Maintenance hosiery can be prescribed in any size, including made to measure.
- Antimicrobial products should only be used where an increased risk of infection or clinical signs of critical colonisation/ infection are apparent. Once an infection has resolved, treatment with an antimicrobial product should be stopped.
- Long term use of antimicrobial dressings must be avoided e.g. stop using silver dressings if there are no improvements after 2 weeks and replace with a non-silver dressing.
- Indiscriminate use of topical antimicrobial dressings should also be discouraged because of concerns over bacterial resistance and toxicity. They should only be used where critical colonisation, an increased risk of clinical infection or clinical signs of infection are apparent.
- Silver dressings should not be used routinely for acute wounds, diabetic foot ulcers or uncomplicated leg ulcers.

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Buckinghamshire ONPOS formulary & Price List (March 2014 Drug Tariff Prices)

The clinician should read all product literature and manufacturers guide prior to use.

HYDROFIBER is an absorbent hydrocolloid. It converts to a soft gel when in contact with exudate. It is more absorbent than alginates. It does not adhere to a moist wound. It easily moulds around the wound. It can be removed in one piece as it does not break up. It can be pre-moistened if necessary. It comes in ribbon form and this is useful for packing wounds with non visible wound bed. Always allow a 1 cm overlap, do not cut to size of wound.

Product	Manufacturer	Size & (pack size)	PIP Code	Cost (each)	Wear time & other info
Aquacel	ConvaTec	Ribbon 2cm x 45cm (5) 1cm x 45cm (5)	240-8565 361-5978	£2.42 £1.79	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Avoid packing cavity wounds tightly
Aquacel EXTRA	ConvaTec	Square (flat) 5cm x 5cm (10) 10cm x 10cm (10) 15cm x 15cm (5)	367-3282 367-3290 367-3308	£0.99 £2.36 £4.44	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As the product absorbs exudate it converts into a soft coherent gel • Should be applied to the wound with a 1cm overlap onto surrounding skin • Wear time depends on exudate level, but should be changed when saturated • Made to absorb exudate • Wear time depends on exudate level, but should be changed when saturated

HYDROGEL SHEET + HYDROGEL AMORPHOUS

- Hydrogels are useful in debriding wounds and removing hard eschar as they donate fluid back to the wound. They have been known to cause maceration to surrounding skin in heavily exuding wounds. They come in gel or sheet form. The gel is useful for cavity wounds.
- 2ND Generation Hydrogel- e.g Actiform Cool is a flat sheet which allows absorption of some fluid and can be more effective than liquid hydrogel at cleaning the wound bed.
- Require a secondary dressing.

Product	Manufacturer	Size & (pack size)	PIP Code	Cost (each)	Wear time & other info
Actiform Cool	Activa Healthcare an L*R Company	5cm x 6.5cm (5) 10cm x 10cm (5)	315-5553 304-8352	£1.78 £2.61	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can be left in place for up to 7 days • Should not be placed into deep cavities or sinuses • Do not apply to a bleeding wound • Keep within 5°C-35°C temperature range
Purilon Gel	Coloplast	15g 8g	242-9801 270-1753	£2.24 £1.72	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not use on highly exuding wounds. Will need regular dressing changes • Maximum wear time 3 days • Needs secondary dressing • Can be used alongside larval therapy

HYDROCOLLOIDS STANDARD + THIN (NOT INDICATED FOR USE ON DIABETIC FOOT WOUNDS)

Promotes autolysis and is useful for maintaining a moist environment by forming a gel when the hydrophilic particles absorb exudate from the wound. The gel moulds into the wound keeping it moist but not wet. As the gel mixes with the exudate it produces a yellow substance with a characteristic odour. This is made worse if a hydrogel is also used. The smell should not be confused with the odour associated with infection and will disappear once the wound has been cleaned. It is useful for desloughing wounds and rehydrating. If the wound contains too much exudate there is a danger of maceration of the surrounding skin. Hydrocolloids often work too well causing over granulation and arresting the healing process. They should be discontinued if this occurs.

Product	Manufacturer	Size & (pack size)	PIP Code	Cost (each)	Wear time & other info
DuoDERM Signal	ConvaTec	10cm x 10cm (10)	299-6858	£10.50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adhesive, tapered edge, hydrocolloid wound dressing with a change indicator
Tegaderm Hydrocolloid	3M	10cm x 12cm	012-0212	£1.74	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Film bordered hydrocolloid dressing Change every 3-7 days depending on exudate levels
Comfeel Plus Contour	Coloplast	6cm x 8cm (Contour)	228-4818	£2.18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change every 3-7 days depending on exudate levels
Comfeel Plus Ulcer Dressing		9cm x 11cm (Contour)	228-4826	£3.78	
		10cm x 10cm	222-9904	£2.40	
		4cm x 6cm	285-2945	£0.94	
Comfeel Plus Transparent		5cm x 7cm	236-7332	£0.66	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 –7 days Patient may bath/shower with dressing insitu Avoid on infected wounds (risk of anaerobic infection) Use at the end stages of healing. Only for low exudate levels
		10cm x 10cm	282-7780	£1.25	

FOAMS: STANDARD

Foam dressings are used to absorb exudate and create a moist environment for wound healing.

They can be used for wounds with over granulation. Often used as a secondary dressing but can be used as a primary dressing for clean granulating wounds. If used under compression care should be taken to avoid pressure damage.

Product	Manufacturer	Size & (pack size)	PIP Code	Cost (each)	Wear time & other info
Biatain Non-Adhesive	Coloplast	10cm x 10cm (10)	265-3228	£2.35	• First choice foam dressing
		10cm x 20cm (5)	315-7674	£3.87	
		15cm x 15cm (5)	265-3236	£4.32	
Biatain Adhesive	Coloplast	12.5cm x 12.5cm (10)	347-2040	£2.52	• One handed application adhesive foam dressings for use on light to heavily exuding wounds. If maceration occurs consider decreasing wear time or changing to alternative dressing type
		18cm x 28cm	315-7666	£7.54	
		18cm x 18cm	259-6211	£5.09	
Tegaderm Foam Adhesive	3M	13.9cm x 13.9cm (circular heel)	304-1621	£4.18	• One handed application adhesive foam dressings for use on light to heavily exuding wounds. If maceration occurs consider decreasing wear time or changing to alternative dressing type
		10cm x 11cm (oval) 6.9cm x 6.9cm	304-1589	£2.37 £1.45	

FOAMS: WITH HYDROFIBER

Product	Manufacturer	Size & (pack size)	PIP Code	Cost (each)	Wear time & other info
Aquacel Foam Adhesive	ConvaTec	8cm x 8cm (10)	378-1820	£1.37	• Absorbent dressing with Aquacel wound contact layer and soft silicone adhesive • If wound is dry consider premoistening with clean tap water or saline • Discontinue if signs of over granulation occur
		10cm x 10cm (10)	370-2784	£2.12	
		12.5cm x 12.5cm (10)	370-2792	£2.63	
		17.5cm x 17.5cm (10)	370-2800	£5.26	
		19.8cm x 14cm (Heel) (5)	370-7486	£5.38	
Aquacel Foam Non-Adhesive	ConvaTec	20cm x 16.9cm (Sacral) (5)	370-6041	£4.82	• Do not use films to cover any foam dressings as this prevents evaporation of exudate
		10cm x 10cm (10) 15cm x 15cm (5)	369-9329 370-2750	£2.51 £4.22	

FOAMS: SILICONE

Product	Manufacturer	Size & (pack size)	PIP Code	Cost (each)	Wear time & other info
Mepilex Border	Mölnlycke	7cm x 7.5cm 10cm x 12.5cm	339-0986 339-0978	£1.39 £2.72	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use Mepilex Border on vulnerable skin only. Skin tears, Burns, friable skin etc. Mepilex is a foam dressing with silicone (Safetac). It is adhesive but will not adhere to broken skin. It is therefore used in patients with friable skin or a history of problems associated with adhesive.
Mepilex Border lite		4cm x 5cm		£0.92	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low absorbent foam useful size for digits
Mepilex lite		6cm x 8.5cm		£1.82	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low absorbent foam with low profile – no border

SUPER ABSORBENT DRESSINGS / SUPER ABSORBENT ATRAUMATIC

Can be used as primary or secondary dressings for highly exuding wounds. Second line choice in exudate management. For low exudate levels use light absorbent dressings or moderate absorbent pads.

Product	Manufacturer	Size & (pack size)	PIP Code	Cost (each)	Wear time & other info
Drymax Extra	Aspen	20cm x 20cm 20cm x 30cm	346-6968 346-6992	£4.28 £4.89	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rapid absorption of wound exudate • Core contains fluid containing particles to lock away exudate • Change when saturated • Use on heavily exuding wounds with large surface area
Sorbion Sachet Extra	H & R Healthcare	10cm x 10cm 10cm x 20cm	372-2220 372-2238	£2.25 £3.73	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use Sorbion sachet and sana on highly exuding wounds to promote healing and reduce the chances of maceration
Sorbion Sachet Border		15cm x 15cm	369-5442	£4.49	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be cost effective this dressing should not be changed daily. If daily dressings are required change to either Drymax or simple absorbent dressings. • If used on leg ulcers ensure full holistic assessment has been performed including Doppler assessment • Adhesive dressing especially useful for highly exuding pressure ulcers
Sorbion sana gentle		12cm x 12cm	344-1755	£2.49	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sana can be left in situ for 7 days • Useful for sensitive skin

CONTACT LAYERS

These are dressings which when removed from the wound do not damage granulating or epithelialising wounds.

Product	Manufacturer	Size & (pack size)	PIP Code	Cost (each)	Wear time & other info
Atrauman	Haartman	5cm x 5cm 7.5cm x 10cm 10cm x 20cm 20cm x 30cm	281-3012 281-3038 281-3046 324-8697	£0.26 £0.27 £0.61 £1.69	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non medicated, polyester mesh dressing for atraumatic wound care • Prevents granulation tissue from penetrating the dressing. Does not contain Vaseline or Paraffin.
N-A Ultra	Systagenix	9.5cm x 9.5 cm 19cm x 9.5 cm	230-4095 259-0990	£0.33 £0.63	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Max 7 days • Silicone dressing

LIGHT ABSORBENT DRESSINGS

Product	Manufacturer	Size	PIP Code	Cost (each)	Wear time & other info
Mepore	Mölnlycke	7cm x 8cm	284-2359	£0.11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mepore and Cosmopor E are sterile dressings with absorbent pad and light adhesive border indicated for sterile dressing of minor injuries e.g. in First Aid • Not for use on fragile skin
		10cm x 11cm	284-2367	£0.22	
		11cm x 15cm	284-2375	£0.36	
Cosmopor E	Haartman	5cm x 7.2cm	273-1222	£0.08	

MODERATE ABSORBENT PADS

Product	Manufacturer	Size	PIP Code	Cost (each)	Wear time & other info
Mesorb	Mölnlycke	10cm x 10cm	255-3527	£0.62	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pulp filled pads useful for moderate to highly exuding wounds • Use as first line for high absorbency. If wound fails to progress as expected consider changing to a superabsorbent dressing. • Use Mesorb if wound is changed daily
		10cm x 15cm	255-3535	£0.81	
		10cm x 20cm	255-3543	£1.00	
		15cm x 20cm	255-3550	£1.42	
		20cm x 25cm	225-3568	£2.24	
		20cm x 30cm	255-3576	£2.54	
Gamgee (Pink)	Robinson Healthcare	500g	010-7292	£5.20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use Gamgee for basic exudate management. Do not apply directly to wound bed and should not be used for wounds expected to progress to healing.

FILM DRESSINGS: GENERAL WOUNDS

See-through adhesive dressings used for epithelialising wounds.
It is possible to observe the wound without disturbing it.

They can also be used on intact bony prominences to reduce friction.

Product	Manufacturer	Size & (pack size)	PIP Code	Cost (each)	Wear time & other info
Tegaderm Film	3M	12cm x 12cm 6cm x 7cm	242-8951 003-8497	£1.10 £0.39	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Film dressings allow oxygen transmission, moist wound environment, protects newly formed epithelised tissue. Bacterial barrier water resistant. Remove both dressings in the direction of the hair growth

FILM DRESSINGS: IV / CANNULA

Ensure that the correct film dressings are used for central access lines to ensure the correct moisture vapour transfer rate is achieved.

Product	Manufacturer	Size & (pack size)	PIP Code	Cost (each)	Wear time & other info
Opsite IV 3000 Restricted – for use on patients who have had skin reactions to Tegaderm	Smith and Nephew	10cm x 12 cm	238-0285	£1.11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For use on IV dressing sites to reduce infection risk. High MVTR
Tegaderm IV (PICC line)	3M	10cm x 15.5cm	317-8944	£1.65	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tegaderm IV Transparent Film Dressings may be used for protecting and securing catheters
Tegaderm IV (peripheral line)		7cm x 8.5cm	284-9297	£0.59	

PROTECTIVES

Product	Manufacturer	Size & (pack size)	PIP Code	Cost (each)	Wear time & other info
Cavilon Barrier Cream	3M	2g (20) 28g	288-2272 301-748	£7.47 £3.98	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cavilon Durable Barrier Cream provides, long-lasting protection from bodily fluids whilst moisturising the skin. It is recommended to prevent skin breakdown on intact skin, and its highly concentrated formula means a little goes a long way. • Use the cream on every 3rd skin wash or at each dressing change for the periwound • Useful for the prevention of skin damage associated with incontinence
Cavilon +Honey Barrier Cream		2g (20) 28g	Not on DT 367-4322	£7.47 £4.07	
Cavilon Non Sting Barrier Film	3M	1ml applicator (5) 3ml applicator (5)	252-8941 252-8958	£4.96 £7.96	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cavilon No Sting Barrier Film is an alcohol-free liquid barrier film that dries quickly to form a breathable, transparent coating on the skin. It is designed to protect intact, damaged or 'at-risk' skin from urine, faeces, other body fluids, adhesive trauma and friction. • It lasts for up to 72 hours • Not to be used on infected areas of the skin - for example fungal infections

CAPILLARY ACTION WOUND DRESSINGS

Product	Manufacturer	Size & (pack size)	PIP Code	Cost (each)	Wear time & other info
Advadraw spiral	Advancis Medical	0.5cm x 40cm	314-8640	£0.82	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use spiral to treat sinus wounds eg pilonidal sinus. Removes wound fluid onto secondary dressing • Do not use capillary dressings on bleeding wounds • Use on mod to highly exuding wounds
Advadraw Flat		10cm x 10cm	304-3783	£0.88	

WOUND CLEANSING AGENTS - CLEANSE WITH TAP WATER AS FIRST LINE, ESPECIALLY FOR LEG ULCERATION

Product	Manufacturer	Volume	PIP Code	Cost (each)	Wear time & other info
Irripod	C D Medical Ltd	20ml (25)	313-7155	£5.76 for 25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May be warmed in lukewarm water
Prontosan Fluid	BBraun Ltd	40mls x 5 pods 350mls	374-5940 324-8572	£2.92 £4.71	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use on wounds contaminated with biofilm. Soak the wound for 10-15mins to ensure effectiveness. No need to rinse off.

ANTIMICROBIAL: SILVER

Antimicrobial wound dressings should be used in the presence of wound infection or critical colonisation.

Wounds should be assessed for the symptoms of infection and these should be documented.

Silver should be used for a trial period of 2 weeks. If no improvement, review and change to alternative treatment or consider using antibiotics. No antimicrobial should be used 'just in case'.

Product	Manufacturer	Size & (pack size)	PIP Code	Cost (each)	Wear time & other info
Aquacel AG EXTRA	ConvaTec	Square (flat) 10cm x 10cm (10) 15cm x 15cm (5)	378-1390 378-1382	£4.64 £8.75	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Depends on level of exudate• Review use after one week• Allow a 1 cm overlap over the edge of the wound
Aquacel Ag Ribbon Cavity dressing	ConvaTec	2 x 45cm (5) 1 x 45cm (5)	292-6434 326-3808	£4.67 £3.06	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Depends on level of exudate• Review use after one week
Biatain Ag Adhesive	Coloplast	12.5cm x 12.5cm	297-6751	£9.12	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Depending on exudate level
Biatain Ag Non Adhesive	Coloplast	10cm x 10cm	297-6736	£7.97	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Maximum 7 days

ANTIMICROBIAL: IODINE Cadexomer iodine (Iodoflex/iodosorb) is a hydrophilic starch powder. It has the ability to release iodine in a controlled manner depending on the amount of exudate absorbed. It can be left in situ for up to 3 days depending on the level of exudate. More frequent changes will be required if the ointment becomes saturated with exudate as indicated by a loss of colour A single application should not exceed 50 grams and not more than 150 grams of Iodosorb Ointment should be applied during the course of one week. A single course of treatment with Iodosorb Ointment should not exceed 3 months. If it is used for too long it may have a detrimental effect on wound healing. Therefore as soon as a wound shows signs of granulation the treatment should be changed. Should not be used in patients with known or suspected iodine sensitivity or with severely impaired renal function or with a past history of any thyroid disorder.

Product	Manufacturer	Size & (pack size)	PIP Code	Cost (each)	Wear time & other info
Iodoflex paste	H&R Healthcare	5gm (5) 10gm (3)	073-1547 014-9617	£4.01 £8.01	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Single use• Do not use in; renal impairment, thyroid disorders, children, pregnancy & lactating women• Review use after one week• For 3 months maximum use
Iodosorb ointment		10g	036-6658	£4.43	

ANTIMICROBIAL: HONEY (Do not use if allergic to Bee venom)

Product	Manufacturer	Size & (pack size)	PIP Code	Cost (each)	Wear time & other info
Algivon (Honey)	Advancis Medical	5cm x 5cm (5) 10cm x 10cm (5)	319-3711 319-3703	£1.96 £3.36	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Depends on level of exudate • Review use after one week
Activon Tulle		5cm x 5cm 10cm x 10cm	304-0631 304-0623	£1.80 £2.97	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removes slough and debrides necrotic tissue • Honey dressings may cause an initial increase in pain at the wound site and an increase in exudate levels. May need to change secondary dressing to accommodate the exudate increase and reduce risk of maceration. • Cut the honey to fit the wound and cover any areas of inflammation • Dressings may need frequent changes initially (once or twice daily) but as the bacterial load reduces the exudate will reduce and dressings can be changed every 2-3 days
Actilite		5cm x 5cm 10cm x 10cm	Not on DT 335-4917	£0.57 £0.98	
Medihoney wound gel	Derma Sciences	10g 20g	314-1207 314-1215	£2.69 £4.02	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tube honey may need to be inserted into any cavities to ensure it makes contact with the wound • Medihoney wound gel is easy to use on superficial or deep wounds to deslough and reduce bacterial load. This all natural and non-toxic honey ointment can be used safely in tunnelled wounds or wounds with undermining • An optional accessory applicator tip comes in each box, to help facilitate application into tough-to-reach areas

BANDAGES FORMULARY

LIGHT WEIGHT CONFORMING

Product	Manufacturer	Size	PIP Code	Cost per bandage	Wear time & other info
K Band	Urgo	10cm x 4m	034-4358	£ 0.28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a retention bandage. It should not be used in place of compression • Spiral bandage application
Actiwrap	Activa	6cm x 4m 8cm x 4m	290-3458 290-3441	£0.46 £0.67	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Latex free conformable retention bandage

TUBULAR BANDAGES

Product	Manufacturer	Size	PIP Code	Cost per bandage	Wear time & other info
Actifast	Activa Healthcare	Medium Limb 5cm (Green Line)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Depending on individual patient assessment • To be worn joint to joint e.g toe to knee
		1m	285-6516	£0.60	
		5m	285-6532	£2.89	
		Large Limb 7.5cm (Blue Line)			
		1m	285-6557	£0.79	
		5m	285-6573	£3.85	
Extra-Large limb or Childs Trunk 10.75cm (Yellow Line)					
	1m	285-6599	£1.24		
5m	285-6623	£6.20			

SHORT STRETCH COMPRESSION BANDAGES

Product	Manufacturer	Size	PIP Code	Cost per bandage	Wear time & other info
Actico Cohesive	Activa Healthcare an L*R Company	10cm x 6m Larger sizes used for lymphoedema are on the formulary. (PP)	271-5431	£3.95	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum 7 days • Apply at 100% stretch if ankle measures more than 25cm after padding apply 2nd bandage reverse turn ankle to below knee • Only nurses competent in compression bandaging should apply this product, following correct assessment

SUB-COMPRESSION ABSORBENT/ PADDING BANDAGE

Product	Manufacturer	Size	PIP Code	Cost per bandage	Wear time & other info
K-Soft	Urgo	10cm x 3.5m unstretched	266-8374	£0.45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply from toe to knee in a spiral application 50% overlap without any tension. For ankles measuring 18cm or less apply two layers
K-soft (long)		10cm x 4.5m	325-7177	£0.56	
Profore #1 Latex Free	Smith & Nephew	10cm x 3.5m unstretched	322-2700	£0.75	

LIGHT CONFORMABLE BANDAGE

Product	Manufacturer	Size	PIP Code	Cost per bandage	Wear time & other info
K-Lite	Urgo	10cm x 4.5m	239-3635	£0.98	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply from toe to knee in a spiral application 50% overlap 50% stretch • A woven crepe type bandage used to hold the absorbent padding in place
K-Lite (long)		10cm x 5.25m	325-7110	£1.13	
Profore #2 Latex Free	Smith & Nephew	10cm x 4.5m	322-2718	£1.41	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can be used in patients with reduced circulation or as layer 2 in a 4 layer bandage compression system

LIGHT COMPRESSION BANDAGE TYPE 3A - refer to SIGN leg ulcer guidelines

Product	Manufacturer	Size	PIP Code	Cost per bandage	Wear time & other info
K-Plus	Urgo	10cm x 8.7m	258-5768	£2.24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a compression bandage and should only be applied by a nurse competent in compression bandaging • Depending on individual patient assessment apply 50% overlap 50% stretch in a figure of eight • Maximum 1 week • Layer 3 of the 4-layer compression bandage system • Apply to ankles that measure 18-25cm or above 30cm
K-Plus (long)		10cm x 10.25cm	325-7201	£2.59	
Profore #3 Latex Free	Smith & Nephew	10cm x 8.7m stretched	322-2734	£4.21	

FLEXIBLE COHESIVE BANDAGE

Product	Manufacturer	Size	PIP Code	Cost per bandage	Wear time & other info
Ko-Flex	Urgo	10cm x 6m	266-8366	£2.97	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Depends on individual • Maximum 1 week • Layer 4 of the 4-layer compression bandage system • Apply 50% overlap 50% stretch in a spiral • For patients whose ulcers have an arterial component apply Profore#1,2 &4
Ko-Flex (long)		10cm x 7m	325-7151	£3.40	
Profore #4 Latex Free	Smith & Nephew	10cm x 8.7m stretched	322-2734	£3.48	

HOSIERY (PP)

Activa hosiery range

Product	Manufacturer	Ankle Size (circumference)	PIP Code	Cost per garment	Wear time & other info
Activa liner British standard hosiery ActiLymph Activa Leg ulcer hosiery Kit.	Activa Healthcare an L*R Company	Please see prescribers guide to compression hosiery as produced by Activa Healthcare an L*R Company	In guide	In guide	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New prescription following re-measurement every 6 months

PASTE BANDAGES

Product	Manufacturer	Size	PIP Code	Cost per bandage	Wear time & other info
Calaband	Med Lock	7.5cm x 6m	003-9727	£3.60	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure user is competent in application • Can be left in situ for 7 days • Patch test prior to use • Do not use steripaste on patients with known sensitivities
Icthopaste	Smith & Nephew	7.5cm x 6m	033-2668	£3.64	
Steripaste	Mölnlycke	7.5cm x 6m	212-9906	£3.64	
Zipzoc	Smith & Nephew	7.5cm x 6m	234-3739	£3.64	

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Nurse it (Dressing Packs)	Medicareplus International Ltd	Small / Medium (10) Medium / Large (10)	351-2407 336-9170	£0.52 £0.52	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Includes; compartment tray, forceps, Apron, latex free gloves, disposable bag, paper towel, 7 swabs, absorbent dressing pad, laminated sterile field, Wound measurement ruler
Gauze swabs – Non Sterile	Clinimed	100	217-7798	£1.41	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not apply directly to wound bed.
Gauze swabs – Type 13 Light 8 ply Sterile/ Pack 5		7.5cm x 7.5cm	336-8909	£0.40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use this product only if sterile gauze is required
Scanpor tape (adhesive tape)	Bio-Diagnostics	2.5cm x 5m 5cm x 5m	011-3407 011-4041	£0.68 £1.17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use as indicated. 1st line product for bandage fixation
Mefix adhesive tape	Mölnlycke Healthcare	2.5cm x 5m 5cm x 5m	268-4033 268-4793	£1.02 £1.81	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This should not be used for bandage fixation
Debrisoft	Activa	One size (10cm x 10cm)	358-1287	£6.27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This product is used to debride a wound contaminated with biofilm or tenacious slough Practitioners should ensure they are aware of the method of use by reading the company literature This is NOT a leave on dressing 3 treatments should prove effective to cleanse the wound bed

Other Useful Sources of Information:

1. BNF - <http://www.bnf.org>
2. Drug Tariff - http://www.ppa.org.uk/ppa/edt_intro.htm
3. Mims for District Nurse Formulary - <http://www.mims.co.uk>
4. www.bucksformulary.nhs.uk

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