# SMTL Dressings Datacard

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| Product Name: | **COMFEEL: PLUS PRESSURE RELIEVING DRESSING** |
| Classification Name: | **Dressing Hydrocolloid, Pressure Relieving** |
| Manufacturer: | **Coloplast Ltd** |

## Description

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[*** linked comfeel-pre-01 ***] Comfeel: Plus Pressure Relieving Dressing consists of a Comfeel: Plus Ulcer Dressing on the back of which are a series of removable concentric rings made from closed cell polyurethane foam. The dressing is designed to combine the wound healing benefits of a hydrocolloid dressing, (see Comfeel: Plus Ulcer Dressing) with the advantages of a simple pressure relieving aid.

## Indications

Comfeel: Plus Pressure Relieving Dressing may be used for the treatment of existing [*** linked p-sore-grad2 ***] granulating and epithelialising pressure areas, and the prevention of sores on high risk areas.

## Contra-Indications

The manufacturers of Comfeel: Plus Pressure Relieving Dressing recommend that it should not be used on exposed muscle or bone, or applied to patients who are known to be sensitive to one of the ingredients. Comfeel: Plus Pressure Relieving Dressing is not the product of choice for application to very heavily exuding wounds, at least in the initial stages of treatment, as the dressing would require replacing too frequently. Comfeel: Plus Pressure Relieving Dressing should not be applied to wounds wholly or predominantly covered with slough or necrosis.

## Method of use

An appropriately sized dressing is removed from its paper backing and lightly pressed into position over the wound. [*** linked comfeel-pre-02 ***]The foam inserts over the wound or the area at risk are then removed. In order to ensure good adhesion to the surrounding skin, a minimum overlap of 1.5 cm from the margin of the wound should be allowed. It is recommended that [*** linked p-sore-grad3-01 ***] ulcers and cavity wounds greater than 5 mm deep are half filled with Comfeel Paste prior to the application of the sheet dressing.

## Frequency of Change

The frequency of dressing changes will be governed by the state of the wound and the amount of exudate produced but typically dressings will require replacing after 3-4 days. The dressing should also be changed when the foam backing is reduced to about 50% of the original thickness by the effects of compression.

## Warnings

Colonisation of chronic wounds is common and is not a contraindication to the use of Comfeel: Plus Pressure Relieving Dressing. Where systemic or local infection is suspected or develops during the use of the dressing, appropriate adjunctive therapy should be given and the progress of the wound monitored carefully. This may mean changing the dressing for the purpose of inspection more frequently than would otherwise be the case.

Comfeel: Plus Pressure Relieving Dressing should be used with caution on wounds caused by chronic infections such as syphilis or tuberculosis.

## Presentation

Comfeel: Plus Pressure Relieving Dressing is presented individually wrapped in a peel pouch, sterilised by gamma irradiation.

## Sizes

7.0 cm diameter

10.0 cm diameter

15.0 cm diameter

## Bibliography

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