**DEVICE DESCRIPTION**

**derma+flex**® is a sterile, high viscosity topical tissue adhesive, formulated as a gel to facilitate easy application.

**derma+flex**® gel adhesive is approved for the primary closure of surgical incisions and minor traumatic wounds with easily opposable skin edges, in areas of low skin tension. It may be used in conjunction with but not in place of deep dermal sutures.

When applied to the skin, **derma+flex**® gel adhesive sets quickly without burning or stinging the patient. The gel-like viscosity makes the adhesive easy to apply and helps prevent it running from or into the wound.

**derma+flex**® gel adhesive forms a waterproof and flexible microbial barrier which sloughs off naturally after 7-10 days. It may also be used in conjunction with sutures, steri-strips or surgical staples to provide a microbial barrier, instead of or in addition to traditional dressings.

**PRESENTATION**

**derma+flex**® gel adhesive is supplied in a single use disposable aluminium tube containing 0.7ml of formulated gel adhesive, packed in a sterilized pouch. Two applicators are provided allowing the clinician to choose the appropriate one for the wound site or personal preference:

- A foam tip to facilitate an evenly spread film of adhesive
- An elongated nozzle tip for detailed application.

**STORAGE**

**derma+flex**® may be stored at room temperature (below 30°C) away from moisture and heat.

Please refer to the ‘Instructions for Use’ for detailed instructions and important safety information.

Professional Use Only

**KEY FEATURES**

- Easy to Use
- Flexible
- Waterproof
- Non-sting
- Gel Viscosity
- Microbial Barrier
- Room Temperature Storage
HOW IT WORKS

When applied to the skin, derma+flex® has a gel-like viscosity and it polymerizes quickly.

derma+flex® forms a waterproof and flexible microbial barrier over the top of the wound and holds the approximated wound edges together to facilitate normal wound healing.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. Can the patient wash after treatment with derma+flex® gel adhesive?

A. The patient may have a light shower, but he/she should not swim, soak or scrub the area. He/she should not use detergents, oils or creams over the wound site and should avoid prolonged exposure to sunlight. He/she should not pick at the wound.

Q. Why is derma+flex® gel adhesive different to other tissue adhesives?

A. Most tissue adhesives are made of either octyl or butyl cyanoacrylate. derma+flex® gel adhesive combines both to provide the flexibility of an octyl and the strength of a butyl, forming an even, rapidly setting film over the wound site. Its high viscosity formulation makes it very easy to use and it won’t burn or sting the patient.

Q. Can I use derma+flex® gel adhesive to treat all wounds?

A. No. Topical tissue adhesives must not be used internally, on or near the mucosa, or to treat bites, chronic or infected wounds, complex or contused traumatic wounds, pressure ulcers, in high skin tension areas, or on cyanoacrylate sensitive patients. Topical tissue adhesives may not be suitable for patients with impaired wound healing. If in doubt, consult the hospital protocol for wound care.