Algidex Ag® is an effective bacterial barrier to help prevent catheter related infections. It is an ideal dressing for intravenous catheters, tube sites, or external fixator pin sites. It has a unique combination of silver alginate and maltodextrin that provides an immediate and sustained antimicrobial barrier against a broad spectrum of wound pathogens for up to seven days.
ALGIDEX AG® I.V. PATCH
silver alginate catheter dressing

antimicrobial analysis:

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SURVIVAL CURVES*

[Graphs showing survival curves for MRSA, S. AUREUS, S. AURUES, and E. COLI]
**ALGIDEX AG® I.V. PATCH RESULTS:**

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**METHODS**

An in-vitro laboratory study using the Kirby-Bauer Susceptibility Test to determine antimicrobial properties by measuring the zone of inhibition.

**use of the patch during imaging procedures**

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features & benefits

- Ionic silver contacts wound pathogens associated with catheter related infections
- Absorbs moisture around the catheter insertion site
- Sterile patch of polyurethane foam coated with a silver alginate and maltodextrin matrix
- Antimicrobial barrier against a broad spectrum of wound pathogens for up to seven days including methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA), Staphylococcus aureus, Pseudomonas aeruginosa and E. Coli*

indications

- Dialysis catheters
- Central venous lines
- Arterial catheters
- External fixator pins
- Epidural catheters
- Peripheral I.V. catheters
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application & removal

APPLICATION:

1. May be applied immediately following initial catheter placement or during routine catheter dressing change.
2. Apply Algidex Ag I.V. Patch with dark side touching the catheter and skin.
3. Secure patch in place with retention dressing such as gauze, transparent film or tape.
4. Patch may be worn up to seven days.

REMOVAL:

1. Remove retention dressing, if applicable.
2. Lift Algidex Ag I.V. Patch from the catheter and gently wipe away any residue during routine dressing change using saline or antiseptic skin prep as stated in the institutional procedural guidelines.
3. Discard according to institutional policy.

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