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**VICRYL™**

FIO DE SUTURA  
VICRYL®  
POLYGLACTIN 910  
STERILE SYNTHETIC ABSORBABLE SURGICAL SUTURE

DESCRIPTION

VICRYL® Suture is a sterile, synthetic, absorbable surgical suture composed of copolymer made of glycolic acid and lactic acid. The copolymer is a copolymer of L-(+)-lactic acid (L-LA), D,L-ICP. VICRYL® Suture is available as a coated or uncoated Vicryl® Suture. Vicryl® Suture is a copolymer of equal parts of copolymer of glycolic acid and lactic acid and Polyglactin 370 with calcium stearate have been found to be monofilamentic, non-polymerized and elicits only a slight tissue reaction during absorption.

VICRYL® Suture is dyed with DGC Violet X2 Color Index 60725 to enhance visibility in the surgical field.

VICRYL® Suture is available in a range of gauge sizes and lengths, types and suture, and in pre-sterile sachets attached to needles of various types and as described below:

HOW SUPPLIED

These sutures, being absorbable, should not be used where extended approximation of tissues under stress is required.

Users should be familiar with surgical procedures and techniques involved in the use of Vicryl® Suture. Vicryl® Suture is available in sizes 4-0 through 6-0 (Metric 3.0 through 4.0 mm) for use in all types of surgery. Medical professionals should consider the use in performance of the following procedures:

• Vicryl® Suture is also available in sterile sachets attached to needles of various types and as described in the table below:

• Vicryl® Suture is also available as sterile strands attached to Metric and Ph. Eur. Sizes as shown in the table below:

• Vicryl® Suture is also available as sterile strands attached to CONTROL RELEASE™

sterile sachets which include the needles to be pulled off instead of being cut off.

• Vicryl® Suture is also available in size four, five or three dozen units per box.

Days Implantation	Approximate % Original Strength Remaining
14 Days	75%
21 Days (USP 6-0 Metric 0.7 and larger)	50%
21 Days (USP 7-0 Metric 0.5 and smaller)	40%
21 Days (USP 8-0 Metric 0.7 and larger)	25%

CONTRAINDICATIONS

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This suture may be inappropriate in elderly, malnourished or debilitated patients, or in those suffering from conditions which may delay wound healing.

There may be any factor which may affect the standard surgical technique of flat, square ties with additional knots as warranted by surgical circumstance and the experience of the surgeon. The use of additional sutures may be particularly indicated to avoid damage when handling surgical needles. Grasp the needle at the point of entry and exit and tie the knot around the needle at the point. Grasping in the point area could impair the penetration performance and cause fracture of the needle. Grasping at the attachment end could cause bending or breaking of the needle. It may cause users to become fatigued and be more prone to bending and breaking.

Users should exercise caution when handling surgical needles to avoid damage to the needle or the suture. Inertive foreign bodies such as needles or sutures may result in infection by blood-borne pathogens. Discard needles in "Sharps" containers.

ADVERSE REACTIONS

Adverse reactions associated with the use of this device include wound dehiscence, calcification of urinary or biliary tract when prolonged contact with salt solutions occurs, and transient inflammatory tissue reaction, and transient local irritation at the site of implantation.

STORAGE

Storage conditions required. Do not use after expiry date.

HOW SUPPLIED

Please note that not all sizes are available in all markets. Please contact your local sales representative for availability information.

VICRYL® Suture is available as sterile sachets in sizes 4-0 through 6 (Metric 3.0 through 4.0 mm) in a variety of lengths, with and without permanently attached needles.

VICRYL® Suture is also available as a monofilament in sizes 4-0 and 10-0 (Metric sizes 0.3 and 0.2).

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