

Geistlich
Medical

**PATIENT
INFORMATION**

Geistlich Derma-Gide®

**Designed to
support wound
healing**

Why do I need an advanced wound care product?

Since you are experiencing a delay in healing, your health care provider has chosen to utilize the Geistlich Derma-Gide® Advanced Wound Matrix to support your body's own healing.

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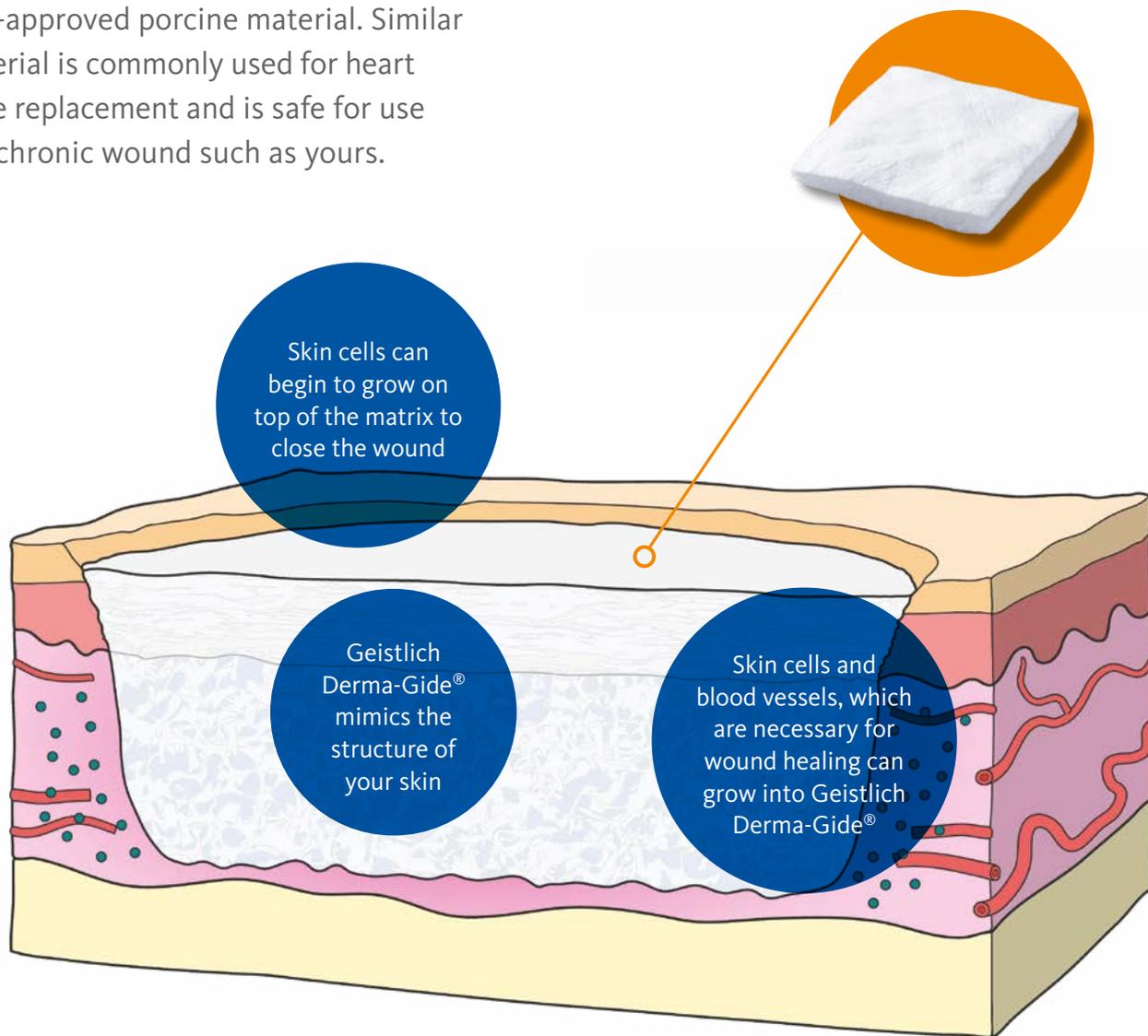
Advanced Wound Matrix is applied to hard to heal wounds to provide an environment for tissue formation and wound closure.



What is Geistlich Derma-Gide®?

Geistlich Derma-Gide® is a product specifically designed to aid in the management of challenging wounds. Geistlich Derma-Gide® is sourced from FDA-approved porcine material. Similar material is commonly used for heart valve replacement and is safe for use in a chronic wound such as yours.

Geistlich Derma-Gide®
placed in the wound bed



Why did my healthcare professional choose Geistlich Derma-Gide®?

The Geistlich Derma-Gide® was designed to work in combination with your own body. It provides a structure to support the movement of healing related cells into the wound. As the cells integrate into the matrix, the wound may begin to heal*.

- › Many patients have been successfully treated with Geistlich Derma-Gide®. For more information ask your health care provider.
- › Geistlich Medical is a trusted company, and their biomaterial products have been clinically and scientifically evaluated in more than 1.000 studies performed in countries all around the world.
- › The Geistlich Derma-Gide® is a safe and effective product to support wound healing and may provide you with an improved chance of a positive outcome.



Joe's story

Since 2014, Joe has been living with a reoccurring diabetic foot ulcer.

Reoccurrence of his wound and longer healing periods

created a feeling of depression for Joe and limited him from performing and enjoying his normal daily activities. Understanding why diabetic foot ulcers occur is important and Joe is grateful for the education provided by his health care provider so that he can work cooperatively to optimize his healing chances.



“I am very pleased that my diabetic foot ulcer healed so quickly once it was treated with Geistlich Derma-Gide®. I am grateful to companies such as Geistlich Medical, who provide solutions for healing my wound and who help patients like me to regain my quality of life.”

* Not all wounds will heal, even with an advanced wound matrix such as Geistlich Derma-Gide®. Please work closely with your health care provider to optimize the chance of wound healing.

How is Geistlich Derma-Gide® applied to my wound?



Preparation

Your health care provider will begin by carefully cleaning and disinfecting the wound and will remove non-viable tissue.



Sizing and Shaping

Your health care provider will then trim and shape the advanced wound matrix to fit the size of your specific wound.



Application

Once the wound is cleaned and the matrix is shaped, your health care provider will carefully place the Geistlich Derma-Gide® into your wound.



Your health care provider may also apply adhesive strips or sutures to secure the matrix into place.

Additional Wound Dressings

Your health care provider will apply multiple layers of different types of dressing on top of the Geistlich Derma-Gide® in order to protect the matrix and the wound.

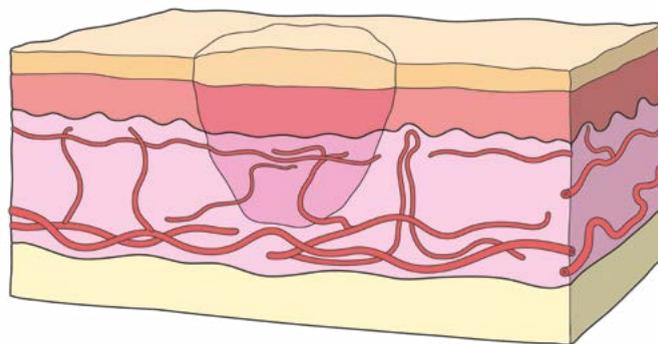
Disclaimer: These instructions are general guidelines and do not replace instructions received from your health care provider. Always follow your health care provider's directions.

For which wounds can it be used?

Geistlich Derma-Gide® is intended to be used for the management of wounds including:

- › Diabetic ulcers
- › Pressure and chronic vascular ulcers
- › Partial and full thickness wounds
- › Surgical wounds (donor sites/grafts, post Mohs surgery, post laser surgery, wound dehiscence)
- › Trauma skin wounds (abrasions, lacerations, second-degree burns and skin tears)

Illustration of the Healed Wound



Your health care provider may perform basic allergy testing to ensure that you have no allergic reaction to the material. Allergic reactions to porcine material are a very rare occurrence.

What can I do to increase the chance of my wound healing?

Your health care provider will provide you with specific instructions on how to manage your dressings. Please follow all instructions carefully as this will increase the chance of successful wound healing.

It is crucial to keep your regular appointments following the application of Geistlich Derma-Gide®. Chronic hard to heal wounds need support to heal and regular applications (typically weekly) are essential to increase the chance of wound healing.

The biggest improvement will be seen within the first several weeks of application. Please continue to follow your health care providers instructions (including returning to the clinic for additional applications) because even small wounds may have difficulty healing without the use of an advanced wound matrix.





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About Geistlich Medical
Geistlich Medical – a business unit of Geistlich Pharma AG – is a family owned Swiss company founded in 1851 with a strong dedication to research and a proven track record in the development of pioneering biomaterials. A Geistlich product is used somewhere in the world every 15 seconds.

