PLAIN SURGICAL CATGUT

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Surgical Catgut
ABSORBABLE Suture
Classification III

Colour Coding Suture pack - Yellow, Thread - Buff
Needle Image / Length 1/2 = 1/2 Circle needle
3/8 = 3/8 Circle needle
Length (eg. 35mm) = Stretched length of the needle in mm

- Round Bodied Taper
- Reverse Cutting
- Straight Premium Cutting
- Conventional Cutting
- Fineline® Cutting
- A-Cute® (RB Cutting Tip)
- Reverse Premium Cutting
- Blunt
- Special Cutting
- Lancet-Spatula (side cutting)

CV300 Unique Stainless Steel Material (high bending resistance, yet flexible when bent)

Met Refers to the thread diameter in 1/10mm
The number above Met (eg. 2/0) explains the thread size in USP/EP

Expiry Date (year, month)

LOT Refers to the batch number and allows full traceability

STERILE Sterile

STERILE R Method of sterilisation R = gamma irradiation

Do not reuse

Caution

REF Reference number

Do not use if package is damaged

EC REP Authorised EU Representative

Date of manufacture

Manufacturer's name and address

Recyclable materials

Do not resterilize

Fragile, handle with care

Consult Instructions For Use

Keep away from sunlight

Keep dry

25° Store below 25°C

60% Store below 60% Relative Humidity (RH)

Description - Plain Surgical catgut sutures are manufactured from the intestinal serosa. The suture is supplied as a spun fiber that has been centreless ground and polished. Plain catgut is supplied untreated. Surgical catgut sutures are absorbable. Plain catgut offers wound support for 7 to 10 days and intended to be absorbed within 70 days. All catgut sutures are supplied in a solution of isopropanol / demineralised water. The catgut is only sourced from BSE Negligible Risk countries.

Intended Use – Plain Surgical Gut sutures are indicated for use in general soft tissue approximation.
To be used in procedures requiring an absorbable suture.

Actions - Plain Surgical Catgut sutures may cause tissue reaction.

Indications - Plain Surgical Catgut sutures should only be used in surgical procedures requiring an absorbable suture or ligature.

Contraindications - None

⚠**Warnings -** Plain Surgical Catgut sutures are supplied sterile and are single use only devices. Plain Surgical Catgut sutures should not be resterilised under any circumstance. **Sterility is not guaranteed if the suture package is damaged or opened.**
Do not open the pack prematurely or do not leave the pack opened for a prolonged period of time, as the alcohol solution will evaporate.

⚠Plain Surgical Catgut sutures are for use by appropriately trained personnel only. Users should be familiar with surgical techniques involving absorbable sutures before employing Plain Surgical Catgut.

⚠All decision and responsibility regarding the selection, use of the suture and interpretation contained in this instructions for use, remains that of the user.

⚠WE DO NOT RECOMMEND THAT THIS SUTURE IS DIPPED, SOAKED OR RUN THROUGH ANY SOLUTIONS. Once it is removed from the packet, it should be used or discarded.

Instructions for Use - Knot tying requires the standard surgical technique of flat and square ties with additional throws as indicated by surgical circumstance and the experience of the end user.

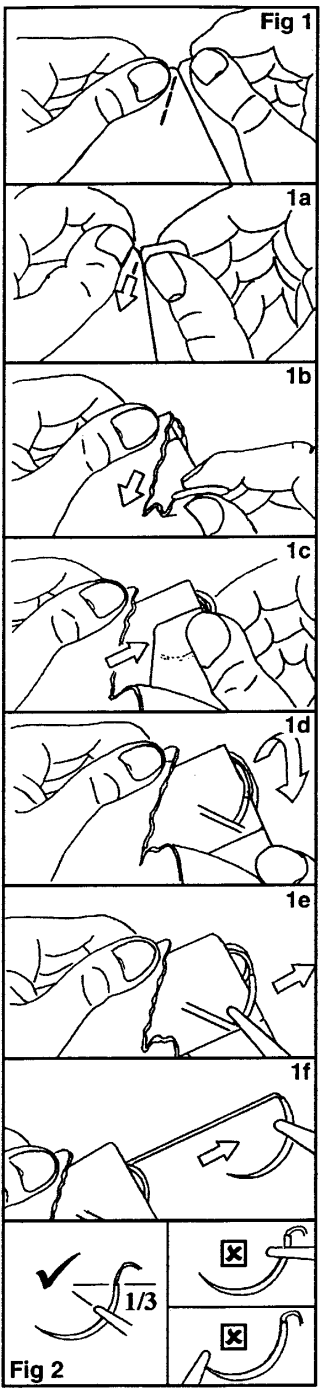
For easy handling and opening of the suture pack, please refer to Fig. 1. As with all sutures, care should be exercised during handling and use to avoid compromising the suture. In particular, precaution should be taken when using surgical instruments such as needle holders to grasp the suture. Instruments should be in good working condition with no sharp edges to avoid crushing or severing the suture. In all instances, the suture should only be held at the free end.

For Plain Surgical Catgut sutures supplied with attached needles, to prevent needle detachment the needle should be held away from the shank, approximately one third of the way down. The operator should not grasp the needle by the point as this could damage it. Please refer to Fig. 2.

Supplied - Plain Surgical Catgut sutures are supplied in various sizes and lengths, with or without pre-attached stainless steel needles of varying length, curvature and cutting profile. Standard sizes range from USP 6/0 to 3 (Metric 1 to 7). Other sizes may be available upon request.

Storage – Plain Surgical Sutures should be stored at temperatures below 25 degrees Celsius at 60% relative humidity and away from direct heat and moisture to ensure that packaging integrity is maintained.





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