

RCH Burns Dressings: for further dressings information see [datacards](#)

Category	Suggested dressing	Other options	Indications
Creams, lotions and hydrogels	Solugel™	N/A	A liquid hydrogel used for superficial burns, particularly on the face and perineum, to maintain a moist wound environment. They need thorough washing off and reapplication 4 times per day
	Sorbolene with 10% glycerine		Provides moisture to skin surrounding the burn and to the newly healed burn
Low-adherent dressings	Mepitel™ then Melolin™ then crepe	Jelonet™, Bactigras™, Xeroform™, Cuticerin™	Used for superficial burns and can be left intact for several days, depending on wound exudate. The silicone-based dressings such as Mepital™ appear to be less adherent, aiding comfort of dressing changes and re-epithelialisation.
Silver products	Acticoat™ and Acticoat7™ (Nanocrystalline silver antimicrobial sheet)	Aquacel Ag™ dressings SSD (Silver sulphur diazide) cream-Silvazine™	Acticoat™ is low-adherent It needs to be activated by wetting with sterile water before application on the wound bed. Acticoat™ can stay intact for 3 days and Acticoat 7™ for up to 7 days. Intrasite conformable™ is used over the Acticoat™ to stop the Acticoat™ drying out. SSD creams should not be applied to face because of potential corneal toxicity
Adhesive papers/plastics	Hyperfix™	Tegaderm™, Mefix™	Useful for securing burns dressings They should not be applied to the burnt surface as they may damage new epithelium and some are not sterile. They are also painful to remove.