

Coated VICRYL[®] Plus Antibacterial (polyglactin 910) Suture

Product Characteristics	Coated VICRYL [®] Plus Suture
Physical Material	Polyglactin 910 (copolymer of glycolide and lactide)
Construction	Braided (Monofilament in sizes 9/0 and 10/0)
Absorbable / Non-absorbable	Absorbable
Coating (if applicable)	50% Polyglactin 370 and 50% Calcium Stearate
Colours	Undyed beige and Dyed violet
Available Size Range	2 through 5/0
Tensile Strength (Wound Support)	Medium Term (4 weeks)
Tensile Strength Retention in Tissue	75% of original strength remains at 2 weeks 50% of original strength remains at 3 weeks 25% of original strength remains at 4 weeks
Absorption Time	Absorbed in 56-70 days, 63 days average
Frequent Uses	General soft tissue approximation and/or ligation, including use in Ophthalmic procedures

VICRYL[™] Plus Suture with IRGACARE[®] MP (triclosan) are effective against the pathogens most commonly associated with Surgical site infections:^{1,2,3}

- *Staphylococcus aureus*
- *Staphylococcus epidermidis*
- Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA)
- Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* *epidermidis* (MRSE)

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³. Coated VICRYL Plus IFU (instructions for use)