

# SYNTHETIC ABSORBABLE SUTURES

THE STRENGTH YOU NEED FOR THE CHOICES YOU MAKE

SUTURE BRAND	MATERIAL	BSR PROFILE †	MASS ABSORPTION ‡	RECOMMENDED USES IN PRIMARY CARE
Coated <b>VICRYL* rapide</b> (polyglactin 910) Suture	Braided Dyed & Undyed	<i>In vivo strength retention:</i> 50% at 5 days 0% at 14 days	Essentially complete by 42 days	closure of linear incisions of skin where there is no tension (e.g. scrotum) and scalp
<b>MONOCRYL*</b> (polyglactone 25) Suture	Monofilament Dyed & Undyed	<i>In vivo strength retention:</i> • Undyed 50% at 1 week 20% at 2 weeks • Dyed (violet) 60% at 1 week 30% at 2 weeks	Essentially complete between 90 and 120 days	deep dermal closure of skin and superficial subcuticular sutures
Coated <b>VICRYL* Plus Antibacterial</b> (polyglactin 910) Suture	<b>Antibacterial</b> Braided Dyed & Undyed	<i>In vivo strength retention:</i> 75% at 2 weeks 50% at 3 weeks (Gauge 6-0 & Larger) 40% at 3 weeks (Gauge 7-0 & Finer) 25% at 4 weeks (Gauge 6-0 & Larger)	Essentially complete between 56 and 70 days	deep dermal closure of skin
Coated <b>VICRYL*</b> (polyglactin 910) Suture	Braided Dyed & Undyed	<i>In vivo strength retention:</i> 75% at 2 weeks 50% at 3 weeks (Gauge 6-0 & Larger) 40% at 3 weeks (Gauge 7-0 & Finer) 25% at 4 weeks (Gauge 6-0 & Larger)	Essentially complete between 56 and 70 days	deep dermal closure of skin
<b>PDS* II</b> (polydioxanone) Suture	Monofilament Dyed & Undyed	<i>In vivo strength retention:</i> <b>Gauge 3-0 &amp; Larger</b> <b>Gauge 4-0 &amp; Finer</b> 75% at 2 weeks        60% at 2 weeks 70% at 3 weeks        50% at 3 weeks 50% at 6 weeks        35% at 6 weeks	Essentially complete within 180 and 210 days	deep dermal closure of skin in areas of high use (e.g. upper back)



† Breaking Strength Retention: tensile strength of suture in vivo as a % of original strength.  
‡ Mass Absorption: Rate of time necessary for suture to dissolve, leaving no detectable tracks in tissue.  
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<b>MONOCRYL™ Suture</b>								<b>Quantity/Box</b>	
W3207	undyed	3-0 USP	45cm	19mm	3/8 circle	reverse cutting	PRIME™ Needle	12	
W3205	undyed	4-0 USP	45cm	16mm	3/8 circle	reverse cutting	PRIME™ Needle	12	
<b>Coated VICRYL™ Suture</b>									
W9074	violet	4-0 USP	45cm	17mm	3/8 circle	Taper Point		12	
W9515T	undyed	4-0 USP	45cm	19mm	3/8 circle	reverse cutting	PRIME™ Needle	24	
W9516T	undyed	3-0 USP	45cm	19mm	3/8 circle	reverse cutting	PRIME™ Needle	24	
<b>Coated VICRYL™ PLUS Suture</b>									
VCP683H	undyed	3-0 USP	45cm	24mm	3/8 circle	reverse cutting	PRIME™ Needle	36	
VCP497H	undyed	3-0 USP	45cm	19mm	3/8 circle	reverse cutting	PRIME™ Needle	36	
<b>Coated VICRYL™ rapide Suture</b>									
W9915	undyed	5-0 USP	45cm	11mm	3/8 circle	reverse cutting	PRIME™ Needle	12	
W9922	undyed	4-0 USP	75cm	19mm	3/8 circle	reverse cutting	PRIME™ Needle	12	
W9918	undyed	4-0 USP	75cm	16mm	3/8 circle	conventional cutting	PRIME™ Needle	12	
W9932	undyed	3-0 USP	75cm	26mm	3/8 circle	reverse cutting	PRIME™ Needle	12	
W9923	undyed	3-0 USP	75cm	19mm	3/8 circle	reverse cutting	PRIME™ Needle	12	
<b>PDS™ II Suture</b>									
W9873T	clear	4-0 USP	45cm	16mm	3/8 circle	reverse cutting	PRIME™ Needle	24	

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