

Making History... in Cardiac Surgery

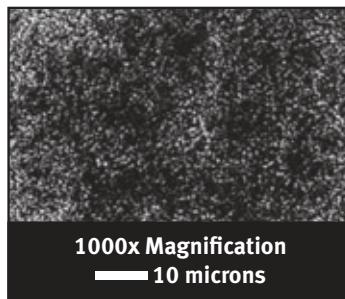
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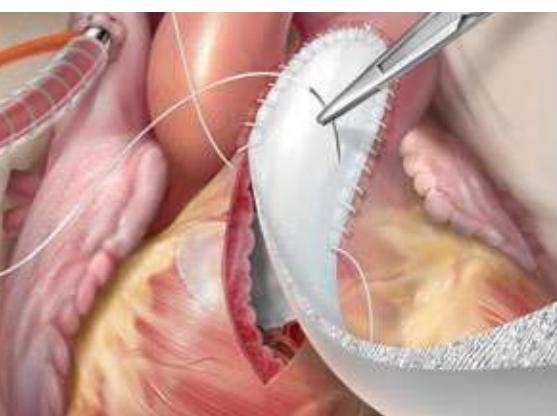
► GORE PRECLUDE® Pericardial Membrane

For reconstruction or repair of the pericardium

- 14 publications including over 2,500 patients¹⁻¹⁴
- An average of 1.1% reported infection rate¹⁻¹³
- Facilitates resternotomies (n=178)¹⁻⁷
 - Lower dissection time and blood use^{6, 9, 11}
- < 1 µm pore size inhibits tissue ingrowth
- Maintains a permanent plane of dissection
- Non-biological



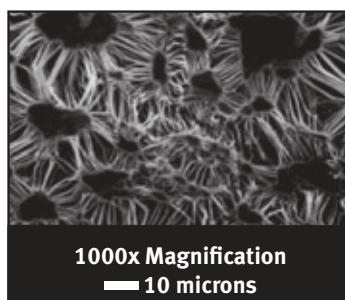
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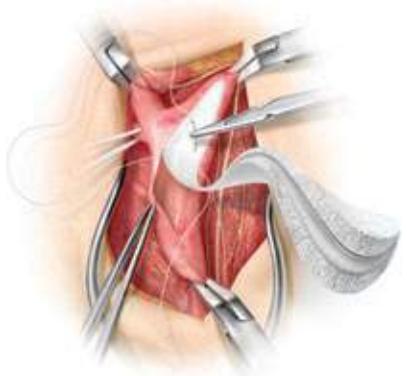
► GORE-TEX® Cardiovascular Patch

For use in cardiovascular patching

- More than 10 published studies, including endarterectomy,^{15, 17} septal defects,^{16, 18} aortopulmonary windows,¹⁹ atrioventricular canals,^{20, 21} and aortoplasty²²⁻²⁵
- An average of 0.4% reported infection rate^{15, 16}
- 22 µm pore size enables tissue ingrowth
- Low thrombogenicity
- Non-biological



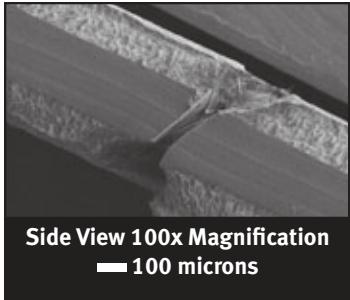
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GORE ACUSEAL Cardiovascular Patch

For use in cardiovascular patching

- Clinical experience since 1999²⁶
- Hemostasis in three to five minutes in carotid endarterectomy^{26, 27}
- 99% freedom from ipsilateral stroke at four years in carotid endarterectomy²⁶
- Zero infections in a 200 patient study²⁶
- 94% freedom from $\geq 70\%$ restenosis at three years in carotid endarterectomy²⁶
- 22 μm pore size enables tissue ingrowth
- Fluoroelastomer layer designed to reduce suture line bleeding
- Non-biological



Side View 100x Magnification
— 100 microns

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