

Description

CliniLene is a natural non-absorbable synthetic monofilament suture made from polypropylene. It is blue in colour. CliniLene sutures meet all the general requirements established by the B.P., the U.S.P. and the E.P.

Indications

CliniLene sutures can be used wherever non-absorbable sutures are appropriate. CliniLene suture is indicated for use in general soft tissue approximation and/or ligation, including use in cardiovascular, ophthalmic and neurological procedures.

Actions

CliniLene sutures exhibit excellent tissue tolerance, having virtually no tissue reaction.

Warning

Users should be familiar with surgical procedures and techniques before employing CliniLene sutures. Acceptable surgical practice should be followed with respect to drainage and closure of contaminated or infected wounds. As with any foreign body, prolonged contact of any suture with salt solutions, such as those found in the urinary or biliary tracts, may result in calculus formation.

Precautions

In handling this or any other suture material, care should be taken to avoid damage from handling. Avoid crushing or crimping damage due to the application of surgical instruments, such as forceps or needle holders. The smooth surface of the monofilament strand requires that knots be placed carefully and additional knots may be necessary to achieve knot security. To avoid damage to needle points and swage areas, grasp the needle in an area one-third (1/3) to one-half (1/2) of the distance from the swaged end to the point. Reshaping needles may cause them to lose strength and be less resistant to bending and breaking. Users should exercise caution when handling surgical needles to avoid inadvertent needle sticks. Discard used needles in "sharps" container.

Sterility

CliniLene sutures are sterilized by ethylene oxide gas. Do not use if package is opened or damaged. Discard opened unused sutures.

Storage



Recommended storage conditions: 15°C to 30°C, away from direct heat. Do not use after expiry date.

Adverse Reactions

Broken needles may result in extended or additional surgeries or residual foreign bodies. Inadvertent needle sticks with contaminated surgical needles may result in transmission of blood-borne pathogens.

How supplied

CliniLene sutures are available in sizes 6/0 through 0. The suture is supplied attached to various needle types in boxes of one dozen.

