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## Team Sky's medical team hugely impressed with new wound management support and ADAPTIC TOUCH®



Team Sky at Giro d'Italia 2011

You would expect a team that has a philosophy based on the “aggregation of marginal gains” to examine every little detail that could affect a rider’s performance. Since the summer of 2010, this commitment has been extended to include wound care management through a partnership with Systagenix.

A number of our dressings have already gained rave reviews from both Team Sky’s riders and medical staff, including the ADAPTIC TOUCH® silicone dressing.

Designed for use on a variety of wounds, including traumatic and surgical wounds, ulcers and first- and second-degree burns, ADAPTIC TOUCH® is a primary silicone wound contact layer that has also proved perfect for the cycling world. It is easy to apply and is designed not to hurt or damage a wound when the dressing is removed, thus helping to speed recovery time and enabling riders to stay focused on their performance.

Team Sky doctor, Dr Richard Freeman, has been impressed with the dressings since he first started using them at the team’s first training camp of the year. Speaking just prior to the Tour of Romandy, Dr Freeman explained: “The ADAPTIC TOUCH® dressing

has been one that we have used an awful lot. It is a non-adhering specialised dressing that has a soothing effect. We started using it in Majorca and we’ve got through a lot since then, as we seem to have had a lot of crashes so far this year.”

He added: “No matter how bad the wounds are these dressings have coped remarkably well. Patient confidentiality prevents me from giving details on specific riders, but I can say that the riders who have used them have found them much more comfortable than other dressings they have used in the past. The other main benefit is that they don’t need to be changed as often.”

The ADAPTIC TOUCH® provides vital healing benefits in terms of comfort and performance. Its soft-tack silicone coating means that the dressing can be applied easily and, more importantly, removed without damaging the wound. Its advanced mesh design also helps minimise damage to the wound during removal as fluid is able to pass through to the secondary dressing, reducing the chances of maceration. The mesh’s extremely small pores also helps prevent the secondary dressing sticking to the wound, which also helps prevent damage to the wound on removal.

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## WOUNDCHEK™ Protease Status coming soon



Systagenix are pleased to announce the name of our soon to be launched test for elevated Protease activity, **WOUNDCHEK™ Protease Status**. A point of care (POC) test that is able to identify wounds with elevated protease activity in stalled, complex, hard to heal wounds has the potential to aid clinicians in their wound assessment and in targeted application of advanced therapies.

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