

# Veritas®

## Collagen Matrix

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

Read these instructions carefully before use



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## SYMBOL DEFINITIONS:

	Store at controlled room temperature.
	Keep away from heat. Do not use if heat indicator is red.
	Do not reuse
	Consult <i>Instructions for Use</i>
	Sterilized using irradiation
	This product is treated with sodium hydroxide.
	This product is derived from USDA-inspected cattle.
	CAUTION: Federal (USA) Law restricts this device to sale by, or on the order of, a physician.
	Catalog number
	Use by date
	Batch code
	Manufacturer
	SSI part number.
	SSI tracking number.
	SSI internal code.
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## DESCRIPTION:

Veritas® Collagen Matrix is an implantable biologic mesh comprised of noncrosslinked bovine pericardium. Veritas Collagen Matrix bovine pericardium is procured in the United States from cattle less than 30 months of age.

Veritas Collagen Matrix allows for neo-collagen formation and neovascularization of the implanted device and permits replacement of the device with host tissue, or remodeling. Veritas Collagen Matrix also minimizes tissue attachment to the device in case of direct contact with viscera.

Veritas Collagen Matrix is packaged in an inner sterile pouch and outer non-sterile pouch. The contents of the unopened, undamaged container are sterile.

## INDICATIONS FOR USE:

Veritas Collagen Matrix is intended for use as a prosthesis for urinary incontinence treatment, reconstruction of the pelvic floor, and repair of rectal or vaginal prolapse.

Veritas Collagen Matrix is intended for use as an implant for the surgical repair of soft tissue deficiencies; this includes but is not limited to the following: Abdominal and thoracic wall repair, muscle flap reinforcement, and repair of hernias (e.g., diaphragmatic, femoral, incisional, inguinal, lumbar, paracolostomy, scrotal, umbilical).

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## CONTRAINDICATIONS:

Use of Veritas Collagen Matrix is contraindicated in patients with a known sensitivity to bovine material.

## ADVERSE REACTIONS:

As with any surgical procedure, adverse reactions are possible and include but are not limited to: infection, rejection, erosion, and allergic reaction.

## WARNINGS:

- Do not re-sterilize.
- This product is for single use only; discard all open and unused portions.
- Do not use product if the outer or inner pouch is damaged or if the seals are not intact.
- Veritas Collagen Matrix is not designed, sold, or intended for use except as indicated; doing so may result in surgical complications.
- Do not use if the product has been exposed (1) to solutions above room temperature, (2) to chemicals, antibiotics, or other substances other than specifically addressed in these instructions, (3) or if heat indicator has been activated as the characteristics of Veritas

Collagen Matrix may change or be compromised.

## CAUTIONS:

- Product must be moist at all times; place the product in a solution of room temperature saline for up to one hour if needed.
- Avoid tension on the material.
- When clinical circumstances require implantation in a site that is contaminated or infected, appropriate local and/or systemic measures should be taken to manage the contamination/infection.

## STORAGE CONDITIONS:

1. Store at controlled room temperature (20° - 25°C / 68° - 77°F). The average temperature must be kept ≤ 25°C (77°F) but there may be brief temperature fluctuations between 15°C and 30°C (59° - 86°F).
2. Do not use the product if the heat indicator has been activated.

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE:

These *Instructions for Use* are designed for proper use of this device. They are not intended to serve as a reference to surgical technique or to supersede institutional protocols or professional clinical judgement regarding patient care.

1. Check the heat indicator on the carton. Do not use the product if the heat indicator is activated.
2. Remove the pouch from the carton.
3. Inspect the outer pouch. Do not use if the outer pouch is damaged or if the seals are not intact.
4. Open the outer pouch and aseptically transfer the inner pouch into the sterile field.
5. Open the inner pouch and remove the product with a smooth forceps.
6. Veritas Collagen Matrix is ready for implantation. If the product is not to be used immediately, keep it moist by placing it in a basin of room temperature sterile saline.

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7. At the surgeon's discretion a room temperature, pre-implant soak in saline and antibiotics for up to one hour may be conducted. The following antibiotics have

been demonstrated to not adversely affect Veritas Collagen Matrix: Ampicillin, Kanamycin, Neomycin, or Cefazolin.

## IMPLANT INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Using sterile technique, tailor the configurations of the Veritas Collagen Matrix to meet the patient's needs.
2. Veritas should be placed in maximum possible contact with healthy, well-vascularized tissue; adequate overlap is recommended to ensure that the implant margin is in contact with healthy, vascularized adjacent tissue.
3. Veritas Collagen Matrix may be secured in position to the host tissue by suture, staple, tack, or other method chosen by the surgeon; when suturing, place the sutures at least 2-3 mm from the edge of the Veritas Collagen Matrix .
4. Discard any unused portion of the Veritas Collagen Matrix.

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