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Stopping Blood Loss With A New Hemostatic Coated Gauze

SAM Medical Products® introduces gauze coated with its proprietary CELOX™ hemostatic granules to help control life threatening bleeding from traumatic wounds.

Portland, OR (December 15, 2008). SAM Medical Products announces the launch of CELOX GAUZE™ at the SOMA (Special Operations Medical Association) Conference in Tampa, FL. CELOX GAUZE is a new fabric dressing coated with chitosan-based hemostatic granules used to effectively control major bleeding by placing the agent directly at the source of the bleeding. The flexible gauze allows for precise packing and placement in the wound.

How CELOX GAUZE works

CELOX GAUZE is coated with CELOX hemostatic granules, which control bleeding by reacting with red blood cells to form a robust clot. The estimated time for effective clotting is about thirty seconds.

CELOX GAUZE requires no cutting and can be readily torn to any required size, even after exposure to blood. CELOX GAUZE works well in windy conditions or in any other high stress environment that could prevent correct placement of the hemostatic granules, making CELOX GAUZE a very effective delivery system. The product is intuitive, easy to use, and safe for the patient.

“The amount of blood loss directly impacts survival,” states Dr. Sam Scheinberg, founder and CEO of SAM Medical Products. “Globally, uncontrolled blood loss is a leading cause of traumatic death both in the military and in the civilian setting. Each year in the U.S. alone, 50,000 people bleed to death before they are able to receive proper medical attention.”

CELOX GAUZE was designed to effectively meet the needs of our armed forces and emergency medical teams and is the newest addition to the CELOX line of temporary traumatic wound treatments. CELOX GAUZE is suitable for all moderate to severe bleeding wounds, including arterial and venous bleeding. It does not generate heat, is easy to irrigate from a wound, and works on blood treated with anti-coagulants.

About SAM Medical Products®

SAM Medical Products, based in Portland, OR, is a developer and manufacturer of innovative medical products used for emergency, military, and hospital care. The company was founded in 1984 by Dr. Sam Scheinberg, a board certified orthopedic surgeon, and his wife Cherrie in the kitchen of their Otis, Oregon farmhouse. More information about SAM Medical Products can be found on the company's website at: www.sammedical.com.