

DuPont™ Medical Fabrics Fact Sheet

Twenty-five years ago, DuPont set a new standard for protection, convenience and comfort for the medical industry by introducing a technologically advanced, single-use nonwoven fabric for gowns and drapes.

Today, DuPont™ Medical Fabrics has grown to become the leading global supplier of nonwoven fabrics for the healthcare industry.

DuPont™ Medical Fabrics incorporates advances in technology and materials to help wearers stay cool and comfortable, move more freely and work relaxed.

Recently, DuPont unveiled its latest Medical Fabrics innovation — Advanced Composite Technology (ACT). DuPont's proprietary ACT blends the ideal properties of two different raw materials to create nonwoven fabrics that meet specific needs. More than 20 new patents were developed for this technology. DuPont opened a new \$130 million facility in Tennessee in 2004 to produce innovative nonwoven fabrics born from a revolutionary composite technology that provides users with advanced levels of both comfort and protection.

The ACT's initial product is DuPont™ Suprel™, a highly protective and comfortable fabric used for hospital operating gowns and patient drapes.

Suprel™ is the only medical fabric available that is made of polyester—for strength—and polyethylene—for silk-like softness. DuPont™ Suprel™ is specially designed for high-fluid, long-duration procedures that require a higher degree of protection.

The DuPont™ Sontara® Technologies product line consists of hundreds of different nonwoven fabrics that provide users with solutions in a wide variety of industries beyond healthcare, such as automotive, aerospace, food service, printing, cleanroom apparel, and home furnishings.

DuPont™ Softesse™ combines the natural feel of cotton with advances in material technology to provide a splash-resistant barrier fabric that is highly breathable.

DuPont™ AccuPur™ is an ideal drape fabric—created for specialty or short-duration procedures.

DuPont™ Medical Fabrics also offers a variety of products for medical specialty applications, such as bandages, surgical mask ties, gauze, disposable cold packs, pressure cuffs and EKG pads.



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