### **INSORB®** Absorbable Skin Staples

## FACTS FOR CLINICIANS

INSORB staples are placed entirely underneath the surface layer of skin (epidermis). These staples offer clinical benefits, are cost-effective<sup>2</sup>, and highly patient-centric. Wound care for c-section patients with absorbable staples is similar to care for conventional incision closures, and may even have fewer complications.<sup>3</sup>

Clinical evidence suggests that incisions closed with INSORB staples are **low**maintenance wounds that may:

- Eliminate percutaneous insult
- Improve patient comfort & cosmesis
- Result in less pain immediately post-op in c-sections<sup>2</sup>
- Demonstrate evidence of reduced wound complications vs. metal staples in c-sections<sup>3</sup>

INSORB staples offer enhanced cosmesis less obvious scarring – with no "railroad track" scars, and no need for metal staple removal.

> Actual size: **INSORB** Absorbable Staple

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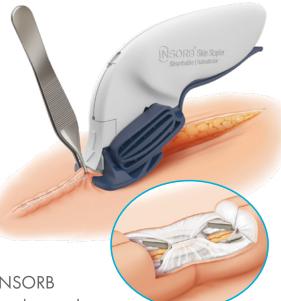
#### Redefining Optimal Skin Closure

- Rapid, simple closure
- May reduce operative time vs. subcuticular sutures<sup>1</sup>
- Eliminates percutaneous insult
- Improved comfort & cosmesis  $\checkmark$
- May result in less pain immediately post-op in c-sections<sup>2</sup>
- No percutaneous metal staple removal  $\checkmark$
- No suture knots
- Evidence of reduced wound complications vs. metal staples in c-sections<sup>3</sup>
- Eliminates risk of needlestick injuries at the time of closure<sup>4</sup>
- <sup>1</sup> Madsen, Annetta Madeline, et al. Absorbable Subcuticular Staples Compared with Suture for Cesarean Closure, Obstet Gynecol, 2015; vol. 125
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- <sup>4</sup> The International Healthcare Worker Safety Center (University of Virginia Health System)

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### INSORB staples can be

rapidly placed underneath the epidermis to close surgical incisions for improved wound healing<sup>3</sup> and cosmesis.



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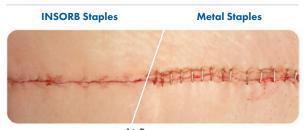
#### Overview

The INSORB Absorbable Skin Stapler is a subcuticular, interrupted closure modality that is designed to create uniform, symmetric dermis-to-dermis closures.

#### Features of Absorbable Skin Staples

- Rapid, patient-centric skin closure
- May reduce operative time vs. subcuticular sutures<sup>1</sup>
- Eliminates percutaneous insult
- May result in less pain immediately post-op<sup>2</sup>
- Improved comfort & cosmesis
- No percutaneous metal staple removal
- Evidence of reduced wound complications vs. metal staples in c-sections<sup>3</sup>

#### Midline Incision









At 7 Days

#### **Interrupted Closure**

**INSORB staples** create an interrupted closure that allows for natural immediate drainage.

#### **Wound Eversion**

Using the **INSORB stapler**, surgeons can create a raised incision line (eversion). Eversion is a technique usually used by plastic surgeons. It keeps tension away from the wound edges, and **flattens in a few weeks to create a minimal scar**. The INSORB absorbable skin stapler **allows eversion to be used in more common surgeries**.

#### No Metal Staple Removal

**INSORB staples** are absorbed within a few months. Patients are spared the cost, inconvenience, anxiety and discomfort associated with percutaneous metal skin staple removal.

#### **Eliminates Percutaneous Insults**

Incisions closed with INSORB do not have the numerous skin perforations of metal skin staples.

Clinical studies have shown that using INSORB staples shows evidence of reduced wound complications<sup>3</sup> and may result in less pain immediately post-op, compared to percutaneous metal skin staples.<sup>2</sup>

#### Eliminates the Risk of Sharps Injuries

The INSORB stapler is cited as a "sharps-protected device" and presents no risk of sharps injury.<sup>4</sup>

#### Wound Care For Patients With INSORB Staples

It is normal to observe a **raised incision line postoperatively**. This desirable wound eversion will gradually flatten in a few weeks as the wound heals.

#### Caesarean Section

#### **INSORB Staples**



At 3 Weeks





At Surgery

There are multiple factors that can affect patient results and recovery and these results may not be representative.