

Press Release

Skin-Friendly Sempermed® Innovations at MEDICA 2014

Vienna/Düsseldorf, November 11, 2014 – Sempermed, one of the world's leading producers of medical gloves, is showcasing its products under the motto "Skin-Friendly Innovations" at MEDICA, the largest international trade show for medicine and medical technology to be held from November 12-15, 2014. In addition to the latex- and accelerator-free surgical glove Sempermed® Syntegra UV, the globally operating company Sempermed is presenting two new skin-friendly examination gloves. In line with the saying "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure", the latest innovations focus on the issue of skin-friendliness. Both Sempercare® soft as well as Sempercare® silk are suited for users with sensitive skin, because the gloves protect them even during prolonged wear without burdening the skin.

Sempercare® silk – silk for sensitive skin

Sempercare® silk combines protection against infection with skin care technologies from the cosmetics industry. The white examination gloves boast a special film enriched with liquid silk on the inside of the glove, which also protects and nurtures and skin even in the case of extended wear. The liquid silk protects the natural protective layer of the skin against excessive dehydration and contributes to a silky-smooth feeling on the skin.

Sempercare® soft – soft material for sensitive skin

Sempercare® soft is a light pink examination glove which provides reliable protection against liquids and viruses. Its soft material enables the user to experience a particularly high level of wearing comfort.

Both Sempercare® silk and Sempercare® soft are powder-free and free of natural latex proteins. For this reason, they are optimally suited for users suffering from or wanting to prevent type-I allergies. The two new gloves are also suitable for dental practices, the entire field of registered medical practitioners as well as for personal protective equipment and laboratory purposes.

Sempermed® Syntegra UV – award-winning surgical glove

A further highlight at the Sempermed trade fair stand is the patented Sempermed® Syntegra UV. This product innovation enabled Sempermed to become the world's first producer to offer a surgical glove from the natural latex-related material polyisoprene, which is interlinked by ultraviolet light instead of allergenic accelerator chemicals. At the same time, it also offers the wearing comfort of a latex glove. In this way Sempermed® Syntegra UV fulfils the special needs of users who suffer from a type-I allergy (latex incompatibility) which can be triggered by accelerators in production processes (type-IV allergy). The glove has the feel of natural latex with respect to its sense of touch and snugness. "The skin-friendly glove Sempermed® Syntegra UV is highly recommended for sensitive areas such as emergency surgery and paediatrics. Fundamentally speaking the concept of prevention applies to all workers in the health care system", states Clemens Eichler, Head of Segment Sempermed.

Further information and glove samples to try out are available during MEDICA at the Trade Fair Düsseldorf in **Hall 06 / E35**. Please come and see us!

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About Sempermed

Sempermed is the largest segment of the Semperit Group and is ranked among the international leading manufacturers of medical and industrial gloves. At Sempermed's research centre in Wimpassing, lower Austria, new products are continually developed and tested in close cooperation with users and experts. For more than 95 years Sempermed has been producing gloves of the highest quality and as the worldwide leader in technology we are setting standards in terms of quality and innovation. Sempermed guarantees optimum safety and reliability, highest production hygiene and strictest quality checks.

About Semperit

The publicly listed company Semperit AG Holding is an internationally-oriented group that develops, produces, and sells in more than 100 countries highly specialised rubber and plastic products for the medical and industrial sectors: examination and surgical gloves, hydraulic and industrial hoses, conveyor belts, escalator handrails, construction profiles, cable car rings, and products for railway superstructures. The headquarters of this long-standing Austrian company, which was founded in 1824, are located in Vienna, and the global R & D centre is in Wimpassing, Lower Austria. The Semperit Group employs about 11,200 people worldwide, including more than 7,000 in Asia and more than 700 in Austria (Vienna and production site in Wimpassing, Lower Austria). The Group has 22 manufacturing facilities worldwide and numerous sales offices in Europe, Asia, and America. In 2013 the group generated sales of EUR 906 million and an EBITDA of EUR 133 million.