Fungating tumours, pressure ulcers and other chronic wounds are frequently the source of offensive odours that distress patients, family and healthcare professionals.

**Think Anabact to control the odour**

0.75% w/w Gel

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Uses: For the treatment of malodorous fungating tumours, gravitational ulcers and decubitus ulcers.

Dosage and Administration: Adults and Elderly: Clean the wound thoroughly. Apply the gel over the complete area and cover with a non-adherent dressing. Use twice or twice daily until the odour has been completely eradicated.

Children: Not recommended for children under 12 years of age.

**Contra-Indications:** Known sensitivity to metronidazole, bromacol, hydroxybenzoic acid esters, hydroxyethylcellulose, phosphoric acid or propylene glycol.

**Special Warnings and Precautions for Use:** Strong sunlight should be avoided because metronidazole is unstable under ultraviolet light. Contact with the eyes should be avoided. Anabact 0.75% w/w Gel contains bromacol which can cause local skin reactions such as contact dermatitis, propylene glycol which may cause skin irritation and hydroxybenzoic acid esters that may cause allergic reactions (possibly delayed).

**Side Effects:** Dryness of the skin, local stinging or irritation have been reported during treatment with metronidazole gel.

**Legal Category:** POM

**NHS Price:** £4.47, £7.89, £15.89

**Marketing Authorisation Holder:** Cambridge Healthcare Supplies Limited, Unit 1 Chestnut Drive, Wymondham, Norfolk, NR18 9SB.

**Date of Preparation:** December 2016.

**Adverse events should be reported.** Reporting forms and information can be found at www.yellowcard.gov.uk. Adverse events should also be reported to Cambridge Healthcare Supplies Ltd.

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**As most topical Metronidazole gels are only licensed for the treatment of Rosacea it is important to prescribe Anabact by brand name.**

**Dry Dressing**

1. Cleanse wound thoroughly. Apply gel over the complete area and cover with a non-adherent dressing.

2. Use once or twice daily until the odour has been completely eradicated.

3. Fix dressing in position with tape, bandage, stockinette or as appropriate.

**General Application**

1. Squeeze gel on to the wound.

2. Apply non-medicated dressing to the wound.

3. Gently spread over the wound with gloved finger or spatula.

4. Squeeze ample gel on to the dressing.

5. Apply gel side of dressing to the wound.

6. Fix dressing in position with tape, bandage, stockinette or as appropriate.

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Metronidazole
When odour affects quality of life...

Smell carries a social stigma and may cause a patient to feel guilty and ashamed. It can inhibit intimacy with a loved one resulting in depression.¹

*Anabact Gel is specifically indicated for the deodorisation of malodorous gravitational ulcers and decubitus ulcers*

*Clinically proven to rapidly reduce pain and infection as well as discharge and smell³*

*Included in many local and regional wound care formularies*

*Available in 2 sizes for convenience of use and reduced wastage*

... or dignity in palliative care

These odours often limit the patients’ contact with others and have a negative psychological impact on all concerned. The social embarrassment caused by a malodorous wound heightens the misery of advanced and uncontrolled disease, deepening the person’s sense of helplessness, worthlessness and social isolation at the time when support of family and friends is most needed.⁴

*Easy to apply with minimal disturbance to wound*

*Significant reduction in odour between 3 and 7 days¹*

*Can be used with many standard non-medicated dressings*

*Helps to restore self esteem*