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HYPAFIX

HYPAFIX is a self-adhesive, hypo-allergenic, semi-permeable dressing. It has a one way stretch and sticks well to skin even with repeated washing. Normal washing is therefore O.K. but you should let the dressing dry before covering it up again after bathing. Since it's easily removed by most oils and oil based products, don't use any creams on the dressing if you want it to stay on.

There are two ways of removing the HYPAFIX:

*Use citrus oil based product like "De-Solv-It" or "Cit-Sol". It's hard to keep up with brand names and these are only a sample. Since they originated in industry, you won't find them in Chemist shops. You will find them in some supermarkets, hardware stores or office suppliers. Don't be alarmed - they're perfectly safe!!! Flick the lid of any product that's labelled as an adhesive/ bandaid/ sticky tape remover and smell..... if it smells like a chemical factory put it back on the shelf. If it smells like citrus, buy it. Using this, means you only have to put it on for less than a minute before taking off the dressing. Sometimes children can get a skin irritation with it. If they seem to be upset for a while after removing the dressing, wash the area gently with mild soap and water.

*On the night before you want to remove the dressing, put lots of **any oily substance** (oily creams, cooking oil etc) all over the dressing and cover with "cling film"/ "glad wrap" (or similar) to stop the oil from soaking into the child's clothes. Cover this with bandage/ nappy/ underpants (whatever works best!) and put your child to bed. In the morning the dressing will have fallen off or be hanging loosely so that it can be easily removed. If this isn't the case, follow the same steps again leaving for a few more hours - or use the citrus oil mentioned above.

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