# MULTIGATE ProSeries Surgical Gowns

# Better for you, better for the planet

THE NEXT EVOLUTION IN OUR SURGICAL GOWN RANGE

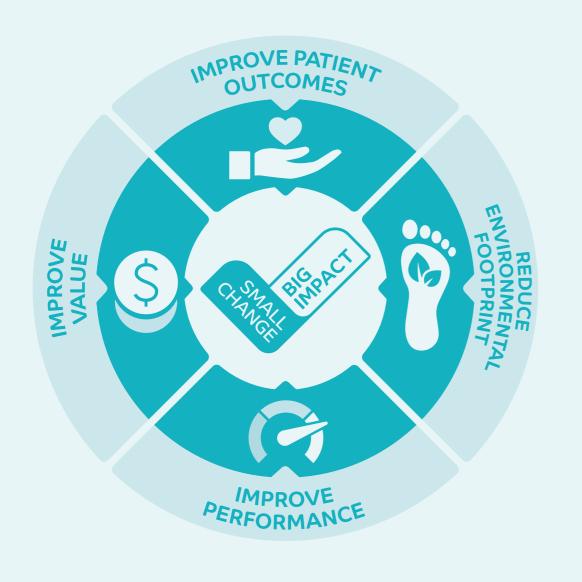


**DELIVERING THE HIGHEST VALUE TO YOU** 

# Small Change, Big Impact

Our approach to continuous improvement has taught us that it's often the small changes that deliver the biggest impacts — Small Change, Big Impact is a philosophy we apply when reviewing our products, services and supply arrangements.

We evaluate potential changes against a multi-criteria framework to ensure that they are well considered, balanced and that they deliver the highest overall value possible for all stakeholders.



**CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT** 

# The surgical gown evolution

2002 2004 ComPro® SoftPro® In the early 2000's, we began The AAMI Level 3 SoftPro® making our first surgical surgical gown was designed gowns to meet the needs to provide superior protection. of our customers. Its five-layer polypropylene construction delivered an ComPro<sup>®</sup> was designed for low effective splash-resistant to medium fluid procedures, barrier against bacterial with AAMI level 2 protection. and fluid transfer while maintaining breathability. Building on this innovation, the SoftPro<sup>®</sup> range expanded to include SoftPro<sup>®</sup> Advance gowns, featuring an additional inner layer made from an impervious membrane to meet AAMI Level 4 standards.

## 2014

## V-Tex<sup>®</sup>

The AAMI level 4 high tech, performance V-Tex<sup>®</sup> gown was launched.

They were made with a unique lightweight tri-laminate material to deliver an impermeable but breathable viral barrier that allows the movement of warm air vapour away from the body whilst stopping bacteria and virus penetration.

## 2024

## **ProSeries**

The 2024 ProSeries gowns represent a new frontier in surgical apparel and demonstrate Multigate's commitment to reduce environmental impact without compromising clinical efficacy or benefits.

Featuring new lighter-weight fabrics across the range, the gowns strike the perfect balance between comfort, protection, and sustainability. Notably, the Pro3<sup>®</sup> gown was designed to be Australia's first fully recyclable surgical gown.

**PROSERIES SURGICAL GOWNS** 

# Find the right gown for you



Simplifying choice — we've consolidated our range to three colour-coded gowns, visually different to help users correctly identify the correct gown for their needs.

### PRO3 5 STANDARD PROTECTION

Pro3® (AAMI 3) Standard level of protection. Recyclable gown suitable for wide

range of surgical procedures.



**PRO3® REPLACES** • COMPRO® (AMMI 2)

- SOFTPRO<sup>®</sup>
- SAFEPRO<sup>®</sup>

PRO**3+ \ \ \ + HIGH PROTECTION** 

Pro3+® (AAMI 3) High level of protection.

New innovative fabric provides superior protection without added reinforcement layer in critical zones.



**PRO3®+REPLACES** 

COMPRO<sup>®</sup> REINFORCED

SOFTPRO<sup>®</sup> REINFORCED

SAFEPRO 40<sup>®</sup> REINFORCED



Pro4<sup>®</sup> (AAMI 4) Highest level of protection. Maximum protection against bacteria/viral and fluid strike-through.



**PRO4® REPLACES**  SOFTPRO® ADVANCED • V-TEX®

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# Class-leading product labelling

Identify AAMI level and gown size at a glance — bold graphics indicate AAMI level and gown size to support correct gown selection. Know you have the right gown for you and the procedure before you touch it.



# Range protection



Each gown is designed to meet the specific protection requirement of your procedure — from the mono-material Pro3<sup>®</sup>, offering reliable AAMI Level 3 protection, to the Pro3®+, designed to uniquely addresses the challenges of imperviousness and the Pro4®, delivering maximum defence against exposure.

The chart below outlines the recommended gowns for surgical procedures, based off their ANSI / AAMI PB70:2022 rating. When selecting your surgical gown, please consider the surgical procedure and degree of exposure prior to use.

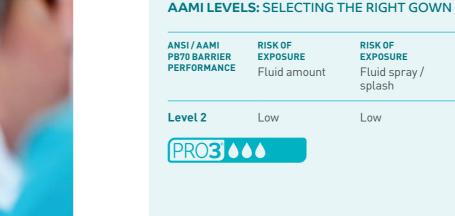
**RISK OF** 

EXPOSURE

Pressure

on gown

Low



Level 3	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
PRO3			
PRO <b>3</b> +	<b>\$\$\$</b> +		
Level 4	High	High	High
PRO4			



SOURCE: TECHNICAL INFORMATION REPORT, AAMI TIR11:2005/(R)2015

## Examples of procedures with anticipated exposure risks

- Simple excisional biopsies
- Excision of 'lumps & bumps'
- Ophthalmological procedures
- Simple ear, nose, and throat (ENT) procedures
- Tonsillectomies
- Endoscopic gastrointestinal procedures
- Simple orthopaedic procedures during which tourniquets are used
- Open hernia repair
- Minimally invasive surgery (MIS)
- Interventional radiology or catheter laboratory
- Mastectomies
- Arthroscopic orthopaedic procedures
- Endoscopic urological procedures, eg transurethral prostate resections (TURP)
- Open gastrointestinal and genitourinary procedures
- Any procedure in which the surgeon's hands and arms are in a body cavity
- Orthopaedic procedures during which prosthesis are used
- Open cardiovascular / thoracic procedures
- Trauma procedures
- Cesarean sections

## Range features

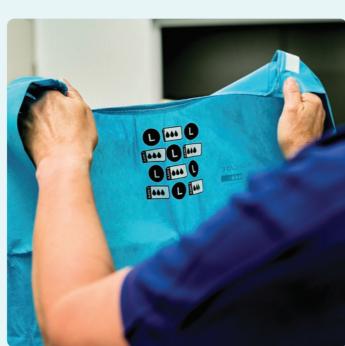


**Better for you** — consistent across the range, our new ProSeries gowns are designed for greater performance and comfort.



Fabric fastener Hook and loops are longer for more secure closure.





Ensures size and AAMI level

immediately identifiable.

Labelling





Improved pass card helps ensure correct donning technique.







## Advanced materials

New, lightweight fabrics enhance user comfort and reduce environmental impact.



# Better for the planet



When designing the series, choosing advanced materials enabled us to use less material — reducing the weight and impact of our gowns<sup>1</sup>. Multigate is proud to announce we also offset their cradle-to-grave greenhouse gas emissions to make them climate neutral<sup>2</sup>.





## **Renewal Energy Projects** Solar | Wind | Hydro | Biogas

We believe in supporting projects that can deliver significant environmental and social benefit in countries where we create impact.

By supporting renewable energy projects in China, Multigate helps to speed up their move away from fossil fuels, reducing greenhouse gas emissions and improving air quality which delivers health benefits to local communities.

Multigate and our customers also directly benefit from China having a cleaner energy grid, as this will reduce the climate change impact of products made there over time.







## Carbon Removal Projects Biodiversity | Reforestation

Forests play a critical part in combating climate change by removing carbon from the atmosphere and helping to clean and cool the air.

By supporting biodiversity and reforestation projects, Multigate helps to create, restore and protect woodland habitats, contributing to better land management and conservation of native fauna and wildlife species.

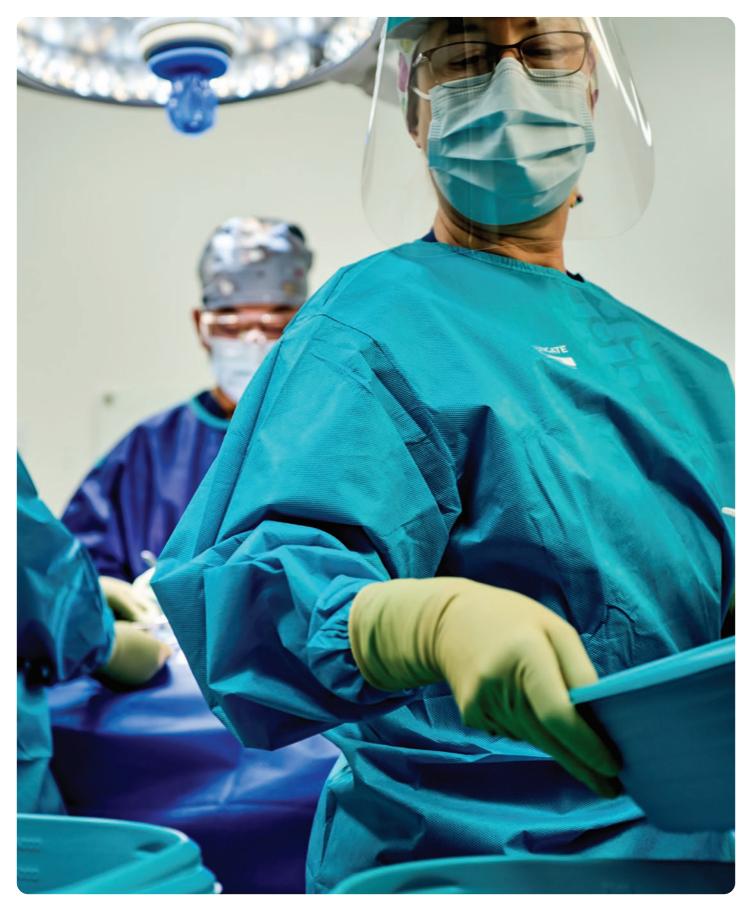
Many projects we support also deliver cultural, social and economic benefits to local indigenous communities.





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# Surgical gown models



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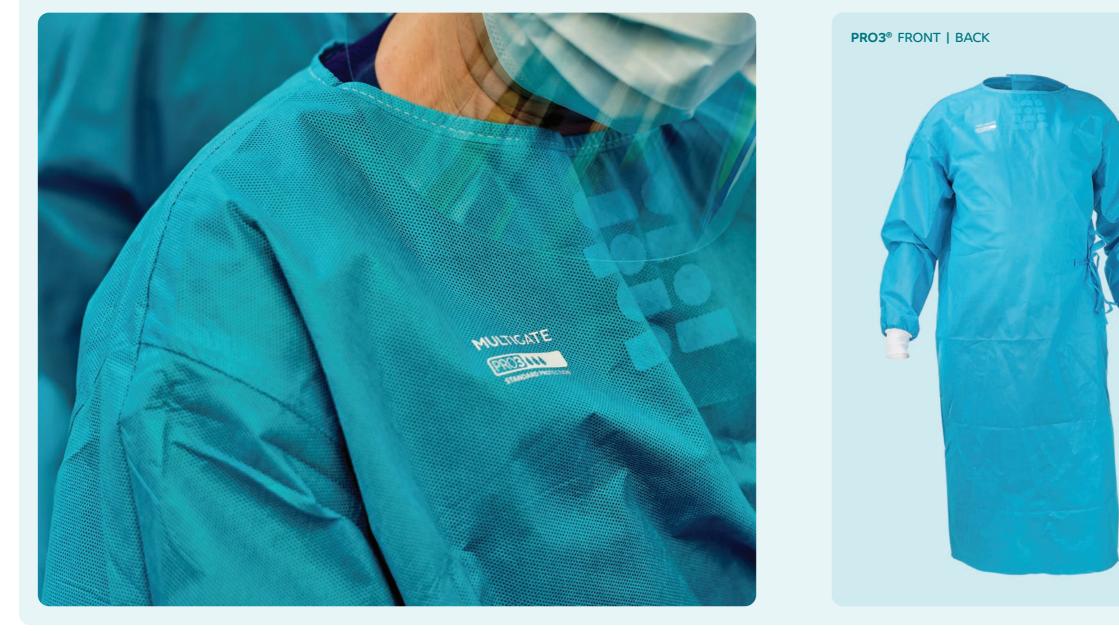
## The ProSeries: Pro3®

The Pro3<sup>®</sup> is designed to be Australia's first fully recyclable surgical gown<sup>3</sup> — this AAMI level 3 gown covers the widest set of procedures and utilises proven SMS technology.



## PRO3<sup>®</sup> SURGICAL GOWN — STANDARD PROTECTION (AAMI 3)

PRODUCT SIZE	S Small	M Medium	L Large	Extra large	Extra large Extra long	Extra, extra large	Extra, extra, extra large
STERILE CODE With x 2 MediCel Towels	GAC-0031SB	GAC-0032SB	GAC-0033SB	GAC-0035SB	GAC-0036SB	GAC-0037SB	GAC-0039SB





## Reduce environmental impact



What makes our Pro3<sup>®</sup> surgical gown truly special is that it was designed from the ground up to be recyclable - we went to great lengths to change the cuffs and stitching (normally polyester) and fabric fastener (normally nylon) to create a mono-material gown made entirely from polypropylene (PP). The pass card (removed during donning process) is made from paper so it's recyclable too.

Recycling our Pro3<sup>®</sup> surgical gown has the potential to significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions and reduce physical waste by reclaiming material that would normally be incinerated or disinfected and sent to landfill.



However, even if you cannot recycle our Pro3<sup>®</sup> surgical gown at this current time, you can still benefit from improved features and reductions in environmental impact<sup>1</sup> when you replace your current Multigate AAMI level 3 standard gown with Pro3<sup>®</sup>.

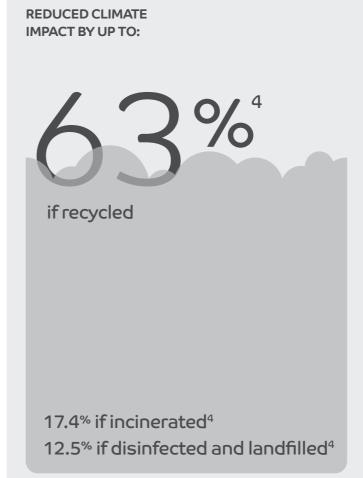




Less waste<sup>1</sup> Pro3<sup>®</sup>'s lightweight construction helps to improve comfort and reduce physical waste.

Lower emissions<sup>4</sup> Reduce your greenhouse gas emissions by switching to Pro3<sup>®</sup>,

## THE ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS OF SWITCHING TO PRO3®





## **Fewer mistakes**

New colour coded gowns with class-leading labelling help reduce the chance of you picking up or putting on the wrong gown.

especially if it is recycled.



## Giving hospital waste a new life



The Pro3<sup>®</sup> has expanded our potential for significant environmental impact reduction — Multigate is excited to collaborate in an innovative circular economy research project aiming to solve the challenge of reclaiming non-woven polypropylene.

The mono-material construction of the Pro3® gown creates new opportunities to significantly reduce environmental impact and reclaim materials that would normally be disposed of as clinical waste – Multigate is proud to be a key member of The Achieving Circularity in Hospitals project which is trialling new state-of-the-art recycling technology, for the first time in Australia.

It is trialling a potential new waste management opportunity which uses Sterimelt heat compaction technology to process and recover hard-to-recycle non-woven polypropylene (PP) products.

It is possible to recycle polypropylene if it undergoes an approved treatment method. The value of waste is destroyed in the current linear economy but can be recaptured and recycled into new products.

Sterimelt produces a briquette which has been dehydrated, is odourless and achieves up to an 85% reduction in volume.





01 Prepare Determine procedures and educate staff



02 Collect

Identify, segregate and collect compatible PP products



03 Process Load PP products for processing, cycle takes 1 hour



04 Unload & Store Remove, cool and store briquette for collection



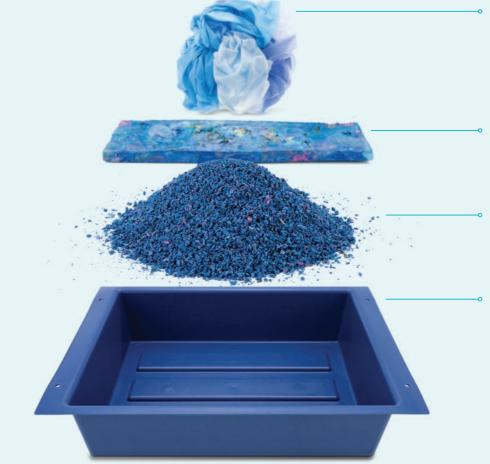
05 Manufacture Pellets created from briquettes used to make new PP products

## PROCESSING AND RE-USING POLYPROPYLENE

Stage One — Complete



We've proven creating a circular economy for nonwoven polypropylene is possible. Non-contaminated Sterilisation Wrap was processed on-site at





## **Stage Two** — Contaminated waste

This next stage will focus on delivering the ultimate prize – the establishment of a validated process which enables the safe and effective disinfection and recovery of contaminated non-woven PP, so it can be used to make new products, rather than be incinerated or sent to landfill.

Our hypothesis for stage 2 trials is that the Sterimelt, which operates at over 300 degrees Celsius, will not only reduce the volume of the material by up to 85%, it will also disinfect it at

THE ACHIEVING CIRCULARITY IN HOSPITALS PROJECT PARTNERS



Bankstown hospital and a product created from the high-quality material recovered.

## **Raw Material**

Used, non-contaminated sterilisation wrap collected from CSSD was successfully processed on-site at Bankstown hospital using the Sterimelt recycling machine.

## **Briquette**

Material volume is reduced by up to 85% and outputted as a briquette, making it easy to store and transport.

### Pellets

UTS shredded the briquette and created pellets that can be used to make a wide range of products.

### Final output

UTS created an injection moulded tray from the high-quality recycled content, demonstrating that used non-woven polypropylene products can be effectively recycled and a circular economy created.

the same time, making the recycled content safe to handle and use in products.

While this hypothesis still needs to be validated and the recycling process approved, based on stage one results, the high temperature and length of the heating cycle time, the project team is extremely excited by the prospect that the ability to recycle contaminated waste using heat compaction technology may soon be a viable reality.









## The ProSeries: Pro3®+

The Pro3®+ gown is a high-tech surgical gown featuring a new lightweight, breathable tri-laminate material (Spunbond, PE, Spunbond) that delivers enhanced protection without the need for traditional reinforced layers in critical zones.



## PRO3®+ SURGICAL GOWN — STANDARD PROTECTION (AAMI 3)

PRODUCT SIZE	M	C	L EXTRA LONG	XL	XL EXTRA LONG	XXL	XXL EXTRA LONG
	Medium	Large	Large Extra long	Extra large	Extra large Extra long	Extra, extra large	Extra, extra large Extra long
NON-STERILE CODE	GAB-0032	GAB-0033	GAB-0034	GAB-0035	GAB-0036	GAB-0037	GAB-0038
STERILE CODE With x 2 MediCel Towels	GAB-0032SB	GAB-0033SB	GAB-0034SB	GAB-0035SB	GAB-0036SB	GAB-0039SB	GAB-0038SB





## The ProSeries: Pro4®

The Pro4<sup>®</sup> surgical gown offers the highest level of **protection** — crafted from a new, lightweight tri-laminate fabric, it provides an impermeable yet Breathable Viral Barrier (BVB) that meets and exceeds AAMI level 4 standards. The Pro4® is engineered with advanced heat-regulating properties to optimise comfort during use.



## PRO4 666 **HIGH / VIRAL PROTECTION**

## PRO4<sup>®</sup> SURGICAL GOWN — HIGH / VIRAL PROTECTION (AAMI 4)

PRODUCT SIZE	M Medium	L Large	Large Extra long	Extra large	Extra large Extra long	Extra, extra large	Extra, extra large Extra long
STERILE CODE With x 2 MediCel Towels	GAA-0032SB	GAA-0033SB	GAA-0034SB	GAA-0035SB	GAA-0036SB	GAA-0039SB	GAA-0038SB

PRO4<sup>®</sup> FRONT | BACK





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### DISCLAIMERS

- 1. Based on lifecycle assessment (LCA) modelling data provided by Lifecycles.
- 2. Multigate purchases carbon credits via Carbon Neutral in approved, registered projects which have been independently assessed and verified as creating additional resources that help combat climate change using avoidance or sequestration means.
- The Pro3<sup>®</sup> gown, made from 100% polypropylene, is recyclable if your hospital has agreements and procedures in place to effectively collect and process them – see www.multigate.com.au for further information on Multigate recycling initiatives.
- 4. Up to 63% based on the difference in preliminary cradle-to-grave greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions between equivalent sized Mulitigate level 3 standard surgical gowns (non-sterile gowns only, packaging excluded), Pro3® EOL = sterimelt plus recycling, SafePro®40 EOL = incineration. Reduction if using same EOL method for both gowns: Pro3® creates 17.4% (SafePro40) or 13.2% (SoftPro) GHG emissions if incinerated, or 12.5% (SafePro®40) or 10.5% (SoftPro) less GHG emissions if gowns are disinfected and landfilled.
- Up to 51% based on the difference in preliminary cradle-to-grave water use between equivalent sized Mulitigate level 3 standard surgical gowns (non-sterile gowns only, packaging excluded), Pro3® EOL = sterimelt plus recycling, SafePro®40 EOL = incineration. Reduction if using same EOL method for both gowns: Pro3® uses 0.8% (SafePro40) or 0.5% (SoftPro) less water use if gowns are incinerated or disinfected and landfilled.

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

- Multigate use 3rd party specialists to help us measure our impact, guide our environmental stewardship projects, and validate our carbon neutrality programs.
- Multigate is committed to providing customers with as accurate, up-to-date Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) information on our products as possible so they can make better informed purchasing decisions. The LCA modelling tool used to calculate cradle-to-grave greenhouse gas (GHG) emission figures was created by Lifecycles (www.lifecycles.com.au) for Multigate. The LCA figures were generated in February 2025 based on Australian product, utilising a combination of tailored and the latest external LCA database information [EcoInvent V3.9 and AusLCI used], product data and other information available to us at the time. NZ LCA data may vary slightly.
- Our LCA figures are not comparable with other LCA figures unless they were created by Lifecycles using the same methodology, database reference source and version, assumptions etc. to ensure consistency in modelling approach and reported results.

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