## Mastopexy (breast uplift)

Instructions for the Patient

## **Before the Intervention:**

- If you are having a full anaesthetic, do not eat, drink or smoke after midnight
- Taking Aspirin (or any other medication containing acetyl salicylic acid) is forbidden for ten days before the intervention;
- On the day of the operation, you are advised not to wear any make-up, nor any nail varnish.
- On the day of the operation, you are advised not to wear contact lenses.
- On the day of the operation, you are advised not to wear any jewellery.
- In the morning before the intervention, the body must be washed with a disinfectant soap of the Hibiscrub, Uni-Cura or Betadermyl variety (available from chemists).

It is important and obligatory to wear anti-embolic stockings on the day of your surgery. Please provide the long ones up to above the knees. These you can buy at the pharmacy or at our clinic (30 £).

## After the Intervention:

We can offer you a special bandage with negative wound pressure. Pocket sized PICO is designed to reduce disruption and supporting them through the healing process. Benefits for you are better wound healing via suction of low exudate and nicer scaring.

This bandage will be placed after your surgery in the operating room. You can go home without any worries regarding wound care till the bandages may come off. Price: 250£.

- The day after the procedure you will be expected at the clinic in order to check the bandages.
- After the intervention, a specific bra must be worn for a month, day and night. The bra can be briefly taken off after 48 hours, for a quick shower.
- Waterproof dressings are placed after the intervention in order to protect the stitches. They will be removed at the same time as the stitches, i.e. a fortnight after the intervention.
- You are advised to take Dafalgan (Paracetamol) at a rate of 1gr four times a day, alternating with Ibuprofen 600mg, three times a day and, possibly, Oxynorm instant 5mg, twice a day. This latter medication should be discontinued in the event of nausea.
- Antibiotics will be prescribed for you and must be taken two times a day for ten days.
- An oedema will appear after the operation, but it will disappear of its own accord.
- The stitches will be removed after a fortnight, by your doctor or at Beclinic.
- Once the stitches have been removed, the doctor will place some steristrips and a waterproof dressing, which will be removed after seven days. The scars can be massaged with Cicalfate (Avène). When they are closed, a silicon dressing (of the "Bapscarcare", "Cerederm" or "Dermatix" variety) can be applied in order to encourage the healing process. The scars absolutely must be kept out of the sun for at least a year.

You are advised not to carry a after the intervention.	iny heavy objects nor to	practise any sport for	four weeks
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