

PRESSURE ULCER PREVENTION

## **AtmosAir Velaris®**

**Adaptable Alternating Pressure System** 





# Pressure ulcers are a serious global healthcare challenge

Pressure Ulcers (PU) are one of the most common and devastating complications of immobility, associated with higher mortality rates, longer hospital stays and costly treatment<sup>1</sup>.

International pressure ulcer prevalence rates are estimated to be:



In long-term acute care4 ~ 27 %

In long-term care<sup>5</sup> 3-32%



Under certain conditions PUs can begin to develop in a matter of minutes to hours<sup>1,6</sup>.

That is why once an individual's PU risk is assessed and identified, prescribing the right intervention needs to be simple and straightforward. However, this is often not the case.

- A patient's risk profile can fluctuate throughout their journey of care
- Securing the right support surface can be complex and time consuming
- It can be difficult to predict the type and number of surfaces needed
- Switching support surfaces can require complex patient transfer, cleaning, disinfecting and management

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### Introducing AtmosAir Velaris®

AtmosAir Velaris is designed to meet the time-critical challenges of Pressure Ulcer (PU) prevention.

When used as a reactive surface, the Velaris uses **ARM®** (**Air Redistribution Module**) technology to constantly maintain a predefined level of pressure throughout the mattress. With the pump attached, it uses **AltoVac® vacuum technology** to deliver alternating pressure therapy that is capable of full pressure offloading, including from the vulnerable heel and sacral areas.

**Adapting between the two modes is instant:** Simply attach and turn on the pump to deliver alternating therapy. Switch off the pump, and it reverts back to reactive pressure redistribution.

This allows you to deliver the appropriate therapy for **most PU risk profiles**, from low to high risk, without having to change support surfaces, and the majority of patients can use one support surface throughout their stay.

We call this a **One Surface Strategy**, delivering high pressure redistribution or pressure offloading performance and supporting best practice in pressure ulcer prevention – all the while saving time and effort for your care staff and facility managers. **Because time is everything.** 





## Effective pressure redistribution in reactive mode



### Reactive pressure redistribution with ARM®

Air Redistribution Module (ARM) redistributes air between cells to maintain predefined pressure levels throughout the mattress.

### Firm foam perimeter

Provides support for getting in and out of bed.

### 6° heel slope

Designed to enhance pressure redistribution from the vulnerable heel area.

### Covers designed for infection control

Available in either Dartex Reliant or Premium Covers, both featuring welded seams and handles, cable management loops, watershed flap over the zipper, and  $360^{\circ}$  zip allowing complete removal of top cover for ease of cleaning and disinfection.

## Full pressure offloading in active mode ©



#### Foam-filled air cells

Two layers of foam are built into each air cell, offering comfort without compromising therapy.

Active cells extend all the way to the sloped heel zone, further enhancing pressure offloading from the heels.

The top two cells do not inflate nor deflate during active therapy, in order to maintain comfort under the patient's head.

### Active alternating therapy with AltoVac®

Achieves full pressure offloading at the vulnerable sacral and heel regions<sup>7</sup>.

### QuietConcept™

Silent pump operation at 19 dB(A)8.

### **Automatic dimming LEDs**

Pump lights automatically dim when built-in sensors detect dark ambience.

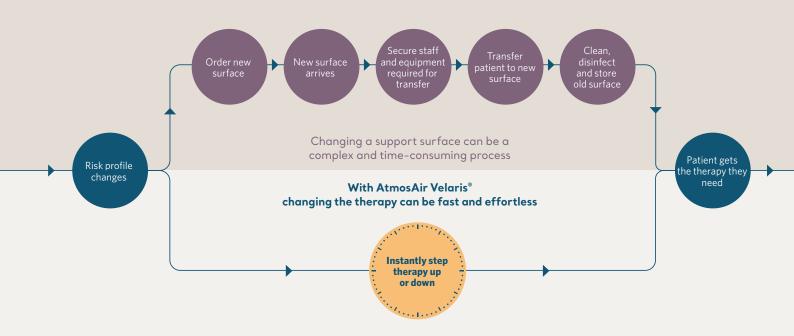
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# Designed to make your work flow

With AtmosAir Velaris, you can instantly adapt between active and reactive therapy without the need to change the support surface.

For **caregivers**, this can mean freeing up more time for vital care tasks. For **facility managers**, it means simplified inventory

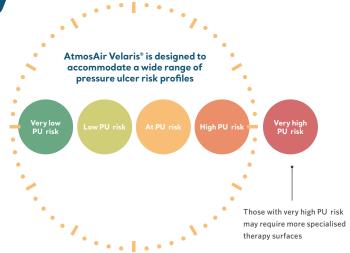
management. For the care facility as a whole, provides a cost effective solution by streamlining workflows, and supporting best practices that can reduce the occurrence of hospital acquired pressure ulcers.



Designed to enable a One Surface Strategy

AtmosAir Velaris enables you to deliver the appropriate therapy for **most pressure ulcer risk profiles**, from low to high risk, without having to change support surfaces. This also means the majority of patients can use one support surface throughout their stay.

We call this a **One Surface Strategy**, a system that supports streamlined care protocols without compromising therapy or patient comfort.





# Designed to support comfort without compromising therapy

The AtmosAir Velaris is designed to support the comfort, rest and recovery of your patients, but without compromising its pressure redistributing performance.

Each of the twelve air cells are filled with a top layer of viscoelastic (memory) foam and a base layer of firm foam, which offers comfort whilst eliminating the need for an additional foam layer between the patient and air cells, which can dampen the effects of active or reactive therapy.

In active mode, the **slow and controlled movement** of the AltoVac alternating therapy combines **full pressure offloading** with low peak pressures<sup>9,10</sup>.

QuietConcept™ technology limits pump operation sound levels to just 19 dB(A)<sup>8</sup>, while the pump's **LED lights automatically dim** when dark ambient lighting is detected.

AtmosAir Velaris is suitable for all care settings and is a Dementia Design Accredited Product with a 1A rating.



DSDC Product Accreditation Rating Class 1A

The Dementia Services Development Centre at the University of Stirling have undertaken a review of this product and have rated its design in relation to dementia design principles and its usability within a dementia-inclusive environment. For ease of identification, the suitability of the product is classified by number with corresponding explanation of use, within the ratings key provided.

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### AtmosAir Velaris® range

The AtmosAir Velaris range includes Standard and Plus size mattresses, offering active or reactive therapy for patients weighing up to 454 kg, as well as a reactive Stretcher Trolley Mattress and Seat Cushion.











AtmosAir Velaris Demonstration video

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