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SERAVET PGA was developed especially as a SYNTHETIC alternative to Catgut chromic.

Current difficulties with Catgut:

- Increasing shortage of suitable(!) raw material worldwide
- Higher demand by food industry (for e.g. sausages)
- Increasing prices for raw material
- Quality unstable
- High BSE-safety for bovine intestines only in Argentina, Australia
- Stricter regulations for European imports
- Acc. to International Aviation laws the alcohol in cassettes is considered to be a „Dangerous good“; results in higher packaging - and transport costs



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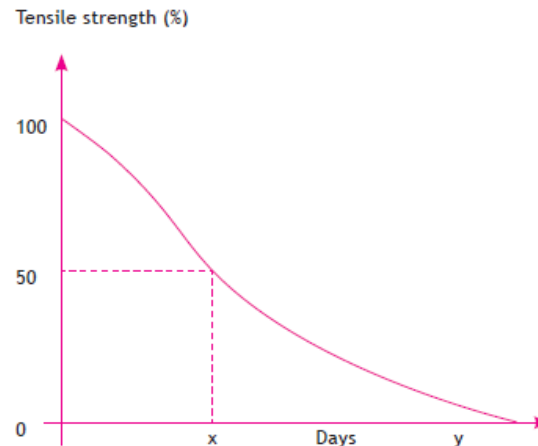
Description:

Synthetic absorbable suture  
Made of Polyglycolic acid (PGA)  
Multifilament, violet



Absorption profile:

Half-life (Tensile strength loss 50%):	15-20 days
Absorption time (Total loss of Tensile strength):	60-90 days



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- Available in USP sizes 4/0 to 6
- Tensile strength around 20-30% higher compared to Catgut
- Packed in cassettes up to 100 m
- Stable material quality
- Well proven and long established PGA material
- Easier and cheaper transport
- Price almost equivalent to Catgut
  
- Usage time after opening 6 months
- Special safety paper to absorb humidity in the cassette housing  
(Unique – only provided by Serag-Wiessner for higher safety)  
Up to 90% less humidity compared to competitors

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New cassette design  
more stable



Special safety paper  
to absorb humidity