

VESCOOM CARE(S)

**Wallcovering, upholstery
and curtain fabrics for
Care environments**





FOCUS ON CARE



Hospitals and medical clinics – places where patients are treated – are at the core of the Care market. The Care umbrella has become more holistic and human-centric, aligned with the rise in awareness of personal wellbeing. One key commonality in Care interiors is safety: they should make patients feel physically and emotionally safe, and their conditions should also safeguard the staff.

WHERE WE CARE

The Care sector includes hospitals, medical clinics, and specialised care centres like children's hospitals, maternity centres, dental clinics, rehabilitation clinics and aged care homes. While wellbeing is naturally a key consideration in surgical, treatment and patient rooms, wellbeing elements are also increasingly entering the public-facing areas of Care institutions, such as waiting rooms, lobbies, lounges, corridors, restaurants and staff offices.

TREATMENT ROOMS



SURGERY



STAFF OFFICES



WAITING ROOMS



SPECIALISED CARE



REVALIDATION



PATIENT ROOMS



RESTAURANT



CORRIDORS



To truly facilitate treatment and promote recovery, Care projects should treat patients as people. Spatial arrangements can help to ease anxiety and empower patients. While it's paramount that the materials introduced are hygienic and fulfil their function, they should also satisfy our human desire for comfort and support our wellbeing. 'Sterile' doesn't have to mean 'clinical'.

HUMANISED HEALTHCARE





**OUR
SUSTAINABILITY
COMMITMENT
FOR WIDER
WELLBEING**

**As makers of materials,
we've undertaken the
responsibility to develop,
produce and distribute
interior materials in
the most conscious and
sustainable way we can.**



 **circularity**

Where possible, we adopt circular production principles, such as:

- In everything we do, we strive to reduce our carbon footprint
- Valuing waste as a resource
- Utilising recycled post-consumer and post-industrial waste
- Continuously increasing the proportion of recycled material in our products
- Recycling waste from our wallcovering production, the first step towards a closed-loop system

 **best-practice materials**

- We use only best-practice vinyl
- We are a member of VinylPlus®
- All our raw materials are sourced from trusted partners

 **local and eco-friendly production**

Our factories are located in the Netherlands and Germany, and around 90% of our materials for the Care market are sourced in the EU

 **renewable electricity**

We power our factories with 100% renewable electricity, sourced directly from our own solar panels and from wind farms

 **impact documentation**

We have conducted LCAs and provide EPDs for almost 100% of our Care collection

SAFETY AND HEALTH



superior hygiene

All our Care products can be cleaned and disinfected



improved indoor air quality

Our vinyl wallcovering is odour-free and has low VOC (volatile organic compound) emissions (A+ certified)



free of phthalate and PFAS

- Our vinyl wallcovering and vinyl upholstery are free of phthalate and PFAS
- Our curtain fabrics are PFAS-free



STANDARD 100 by OEKO-TEX®

Our textiles contain no harmful substances and are 100% certified to have no adverse impact on human health



flame retardancy

All our materials have the highest level of flame retardancy



water-based inks

We use only water-based inks for our standard vinyl wallcovering and upholstery

Vescom Care materials contribute to a safe and healthy environment, a key benefit for Care spaces.





GUARANTEED HYGIENE



Vescom offers vinyl wallcovering, vinyl upholstery and curtain fabrics that celebrate tactility and colour yet stand up to stringent cleaning protocols, making it possible to fill Care environments with beautiful and hygienic materials that help patients feel at home.

Walls account for a large part of a Care facility's interior architecture – sizable surfaces that collect dirt, stains, viruses and bacteria. Vescom's easy-to-clean vinyl wallcovering offers a high level of protection and can be much better cleaned and disinfected than painted walls or glass fibre wallcovering.

EASY-TO-CLEAN VINYL WALLCOVERING





The following is a list of tested and approved cleaners and disinfectants for Vescom vinyl wallcovering:

disinfectant cleaner

- DrySan Oxy
- Mikro-Quat Classic
- Mikro-Quat Extra
- Mikro-Quat NF

disinfectant

- Sanichlor

maintenance cleaning

- MAXX Magic2
- MAXX Brial2

odour control

- Oasis Pro White Cotton

APPROVED CLEANERS AND DISINFECTANTS





VESCOOM PROTECT DISINFECTABLE WITH ALCOHOL

-  Highly resistant to stains
-  Highly resistant to cleaners and disinfectants
-  Highly resistant to alcohols, solvents, bleaching agents, acids and bases
-  Resistant to chemical degradation, ensuring the material maintains its aesthetic value even under harsh conditions

Vescom Protect takes hygiene further. Featuring a special protective film, the vinyl wallcovering is so sanitary it can even be employed in surgical spaces.

STAIN-RESISTANT VINYL UPHOLSTERY

Upholstery can add an essential layer of comfort to an interior, an extremely important component in spaces that cater for the vulnerable. Vescom vinyl upholstery adds a homelike quality to healthcare interiors while standing up to their stringent safety requirements.

- 🧴 Stain resistant
 - Optimally resistant to sweat, blood and sebum (score: 5/5 in EN 12720)
 - Highly resistant to urine
 - Protective against bacteria, dirt and grease
- 🧼 Easy to clean
- 🧴 Safe to clean with all-purpose cleaners
 - Disinfectable
 - Resistant to degradation from continual cleaning and disinfecting
- 💎 Textile look and feel with superior durability






The following cleaners and disinfectants are **NOT** safe to use on vinyl upholstery:

- Cleaning agents or disinfectants with a high alcohol or solvent content
- Abrasive cleaners
- Cleaners with a strong bleaching action
- Active chlorine when a high frequency of disinfection is required (e.g. daily) or the concentration is higher than 1,000 ppm

Textiles must be washed at a minimum temperature of 60°C to kill bacteria, viruses and dust mites.

 **All Vescom Care curtains are washable at 70°C to guarantee their hygiene.**

**CONTAMINANT-FREE
CURTAIN FABRICS**

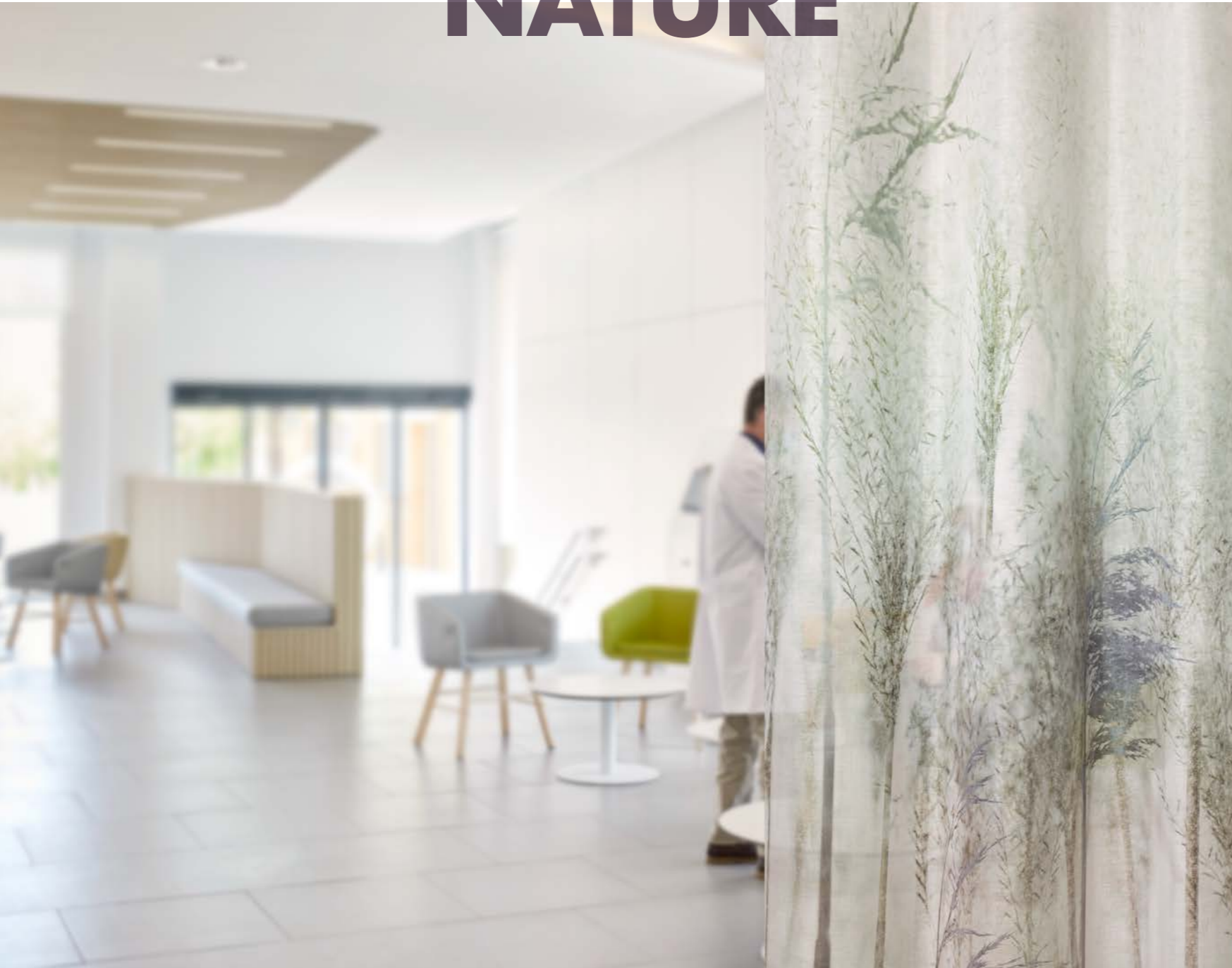


HOLISTIC WELLBEING



Care projects are now better considering physical and mental wellbeing, as well as preventative treatments. They are addressing the human as a whole, providing comfortable and supportive conditions that allow both patients and staff to thrive.

NURTURED BY NATURE



Connecting with nature has broadly recognized emotional and physiological benefits, including boosting physical and mental wellbeing, improving sleep, reducing stress and promoting positive social interactions.



Spaces dedicated to Care should tap into the healing power of nature, whether real or not. Biophilic elements – such as materials, colours, imagery and motifs plucked from the outdoors – can help patients recover, relax and recharge.





REST AND SLEEP

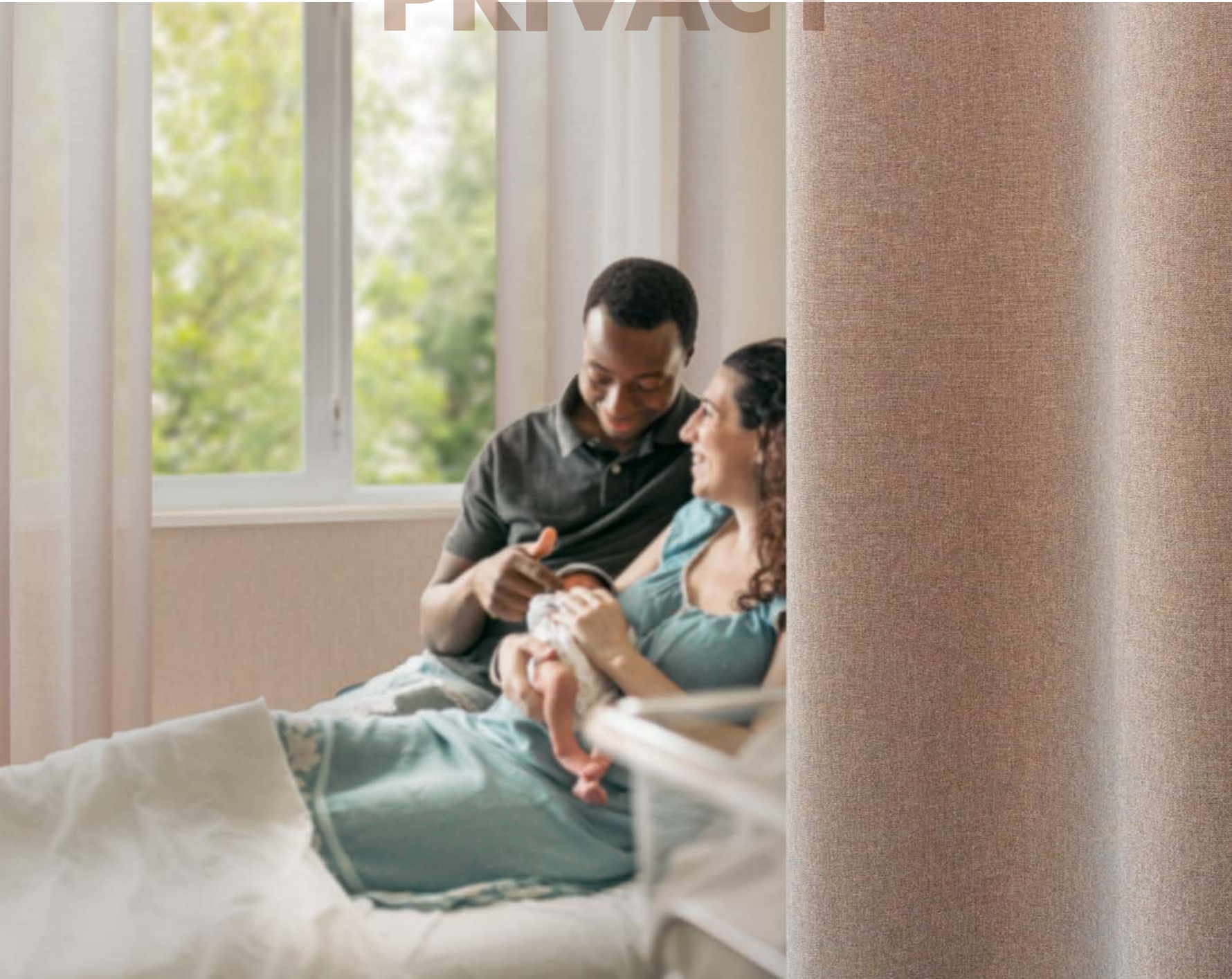


Vescom curtain and sheer fabric solutions can regulate light levels to greatly contribute to wellbeing in Care spaces, where the necessities of rest and sleep are often interrupted by light pollution.


- Transparent and sheer curtain fabrics diffuse and soften light to contribute to a calming ambience
- ☀ Black-out and dim-out curtain fabrics ensure the best possible coverage
- 🏠 All Vescom curtain and sheer fabrics offer a budget-conscious floor-to-ceiling solution



PRIVACY



In open-plan Care environments, curtains answer the crucial need for privacy. Vescom curtain fabrics can create disconnection or connection – or a balance between the two. Solid curtains shield unwanted views. Sheers offer some privacy while maintaining a sense of spatial and physical connection.

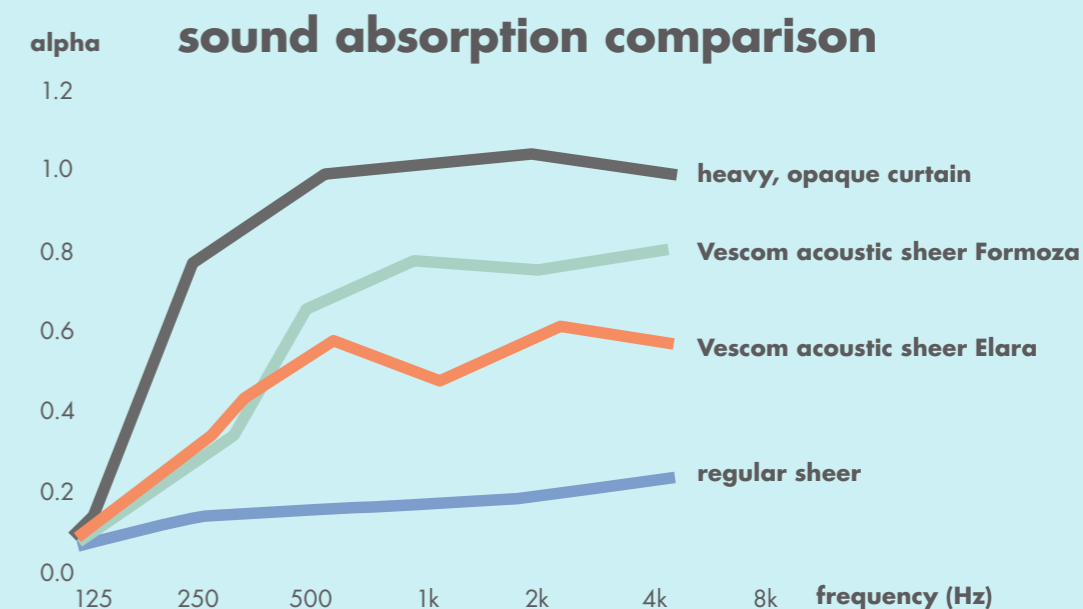


**NOISE
REDUCTION
FOR DECREASED
STRESS**

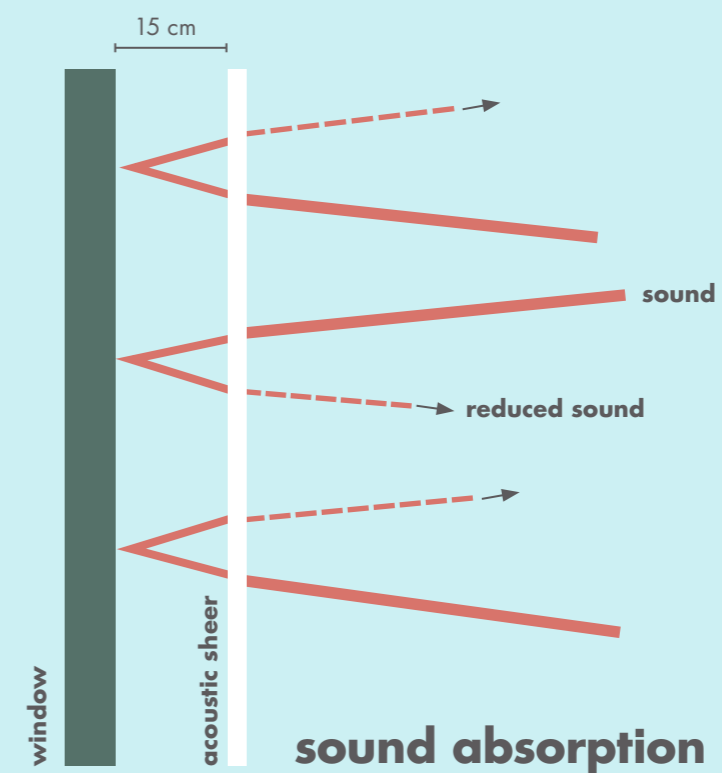


Often rich in sound-reflective surfaces, Care interiors benefit from acoustic sheers that soften reverberation and the space itself, contributing to a calm environment.

- Combat noise pollution while letting natural light shine through
- 🔊 Up to five times more noise absorption than standard sheer curtain fabrics
- Sound absorption coefficient alpha between α_w 0.5 and α_w 0.8 in the optimal installation
- 🏠 Budget-conscious floor-to-ceiling solution



15 cm gap between sheer and window or wall, fully pleated.



TIMETABLE

MP = Dr. Payne CG = Dr. Gibb RM = Dr. Mihai

	M	AFTERNOON	ER
MONDAY	MP	CG - RM	MP
TUESDAY	MP	RM - MP	-
WEDNESDAY	MP	MP	RM
THURSDAY	MP	CG - MP	-
FRIDAY	RM	MP	MP

The daily routines in hospitals and medical clinics are often complex and continually changing. Vescom's dry-erase writable WallWorks surfaces can assist staff in Care institutions with planning, organization and communication, helping them to feel more at ease. The flexible system can be quickly amended on the spot, helping to streamline their way of working.

WORKFLOW SUPPORT WITH WALLWORKS

-  Writable
-  Magnetic receptive
-  Durable
-  Flame retardant
-  Easy to clean
-  Easy to install



ADD CHARACTER WITH +PRINT

Vescom's digital printing service makes it possible to develop a customised vinyl wallcovering or curtain fabric that supports wellbeing in Care interiors. These customised materials can determine the mood of an entire Care interior, or provide a feature accent where needed. Customers receive support from our expert team throughout the entire +Print process.

- Tell a unique spatial story
- Provide an integrated method of wayfinding
- Choose from a variety of different surfaces and structures
- Choose from standard or double width material

COMPATIBLE COLOURS



Vescom's Care range includes colours that suit the large spectrum of Care spaces. Customers can choose from our incredibly varied palettes to find the perfect approach for their projects, or opt for customised vinyl wallcovering and vinyl upholstery colours.

- Biophilic, bringing natural tones indoors
- Introducing homelike comfort to Care spaces
- Colours for spaces with specific performance needs, such as surgical areas and specialised care facilities
- Helpful for defining clear wayfinding and organizational flow



BUDGET CONSCIOUSNESS



Vescom's Care materials stand up to intense use, giving them a high return on initial investment.

 **durability and high performance under intense use**

Our vinyl wallcovering, vinyl upholstery and curtain fabrics are designed and tested for strength and durability

 **long product life**

Our vinyl wallcovering has a product life of up to 15 years, making it more affordable than glass fibre or paint

 **superior quality**

Our materials are light- and colourfast

 **easy to clean and maintain**

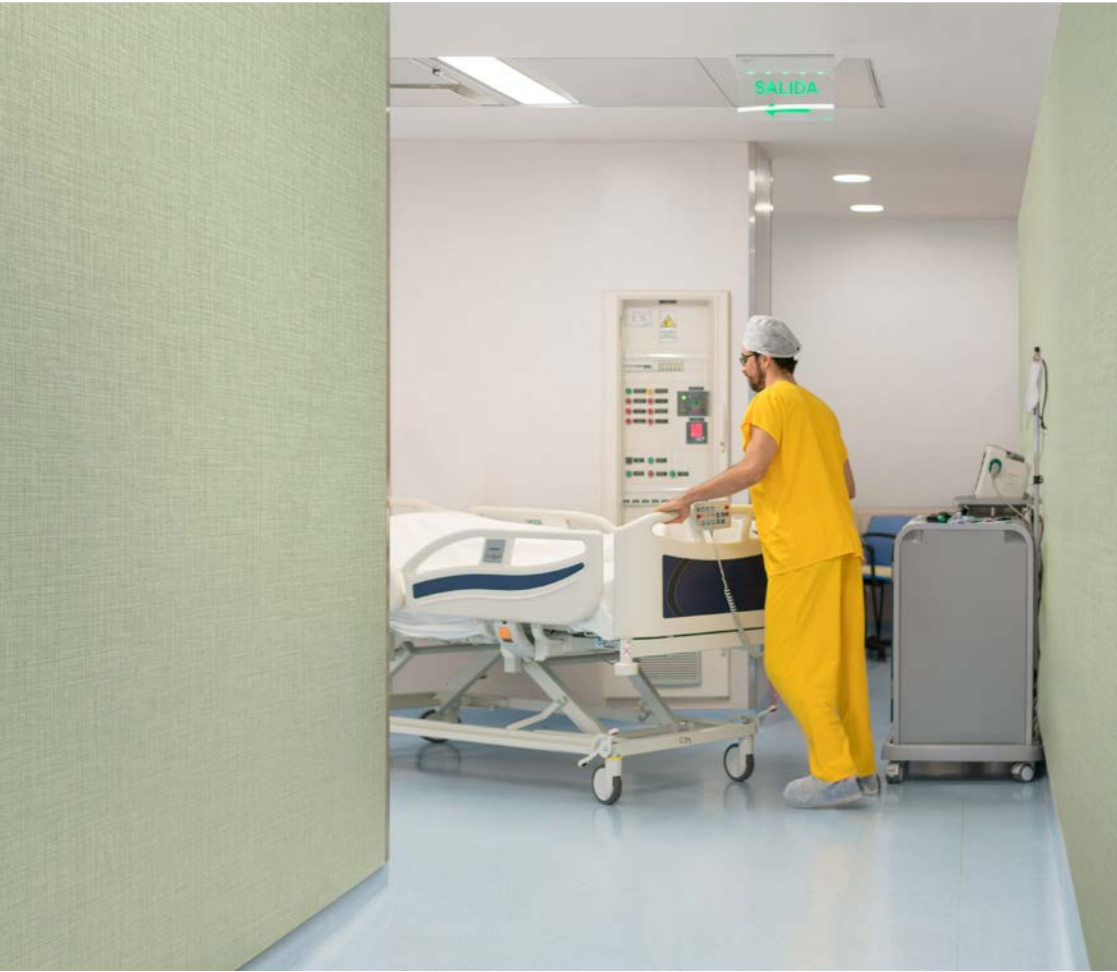
We provide detailed cleaning and repair manuals



EASE AND EFFICIENCY

Vescom is a one-stop shop for vinyl wallcovering, vinyl upholstery and curtain fabrics – all of which fit together in Care interiors.

- **certified for healthcare projects**
All our Care products are certified to meet the strict regulations of healthcare projects, making the selection process simple and safe for our partners
- **fast, reliable delivery**
Vescom manufactures almost all its products in its own factories in the Netherlands and Germany, allowing for fast and reliable lead times
- **easy to maintain**
Material maintenance is simple and time-efficient. Detailed maintenance instructions are available



Given the activities that occur in Care institutions – such as carts, trolleys and beds being wheeled through corridors and frequently bumping into walls – long-lasting wallcovering has a clear advantage.














- ❖ Damage resistant
- 🕒 Expected to last up to 15 years, with a warranty of 5 years
- 💎 Strong and durable
- ✓ Easy to apply
- ✓ Easy to repair without stripping walls

LONG-LASTING VINYL WALLCOVERING



VINYL WALLCOVERING: A PREFERRED SOLUTION IN CARE ENVIRONMENTS

Vinyl wallcovering in comparison with other common wall surfaces*, as reviewed by professional installers

	vinyl wallcovering	glass fibre*	paint*
• return on investment	•		
 extensive product lifespan (15 years)	•	•	
 easy to install	•	•	•
 easy to maintain	•		
 damage resistant	•	•	
 easy to repair	•		
 highly resistant to stains	•		
 easy to clean	•		
 easy to disinfect	•		
 resistant to chemical degradation (+ Vescom Protect)	•		
 light- and colourfast	•		
 flame retardant	•	•	•
• low VOC emission	•	•	•
 phthalate-free	•		
• odour free installation	•	•	
• bridges shrinkage and hairline cracks in the wall	•	•	
• low maintenance costs	•		
 IMO certified	•	•	•

*Based on standard glass fibre and standard two-layered acrylic dispersion wall paint system

DAMAGE- RESISTANT VINYL UPHOLSTERY

Vescom vinyl upholstery combines the look and feel of textile or leather with the superior functionality and resilience of vinyl.

-  Long service life
-  High resistance to abrasion (>300.000 Martindale)
-  Strong resistance to damage
-  Excellent results for breaking strength and flexibility
-  Light- and colourfast
-  Flame retardant

RESILIENT CURTAINS AND SHEERS

All Vescom curtains and sheers undergo both in-house and external testing to ensure their high performance.

-  Maintains properties after frequent washing at high temperatures
-  Stands up to frequent use and handling
-  Light- and colourfast
-  Flame retardant
-  Warranty of 10 years

SAFEGUARDING CARE IN THE FUTURE





With an eye to future materials, we've developed different innovative strategies for dealing with waste that benefit each of our products, such as creating new products with recycled content. We're collaborating on an in-development pilot project initiated by VinylPlus® Med that sees plastic waste from disposable medical devices in Belgian hospitals collected, cleaned, disinfected and shredded. The chips are transformed into a vinyl film with a total of 50% recycled content, which Vescom turns into a recycled vinyl wallcovering. The goal is to make a wallcovering with post-consumer hospital waste that can be used in Care institutions in the future.