

NO 24 SORBACT[®] CLINICAL CASE

Chronic arterio-venous leg ulcer (the origin of the wound is arterial and venous)

WOUND TYPE

Chronic non- healing ulcer

PRODUCT

Sorbact[®] Compress, Sorbact[®] Gel Dressing, Sorbact[®] Foam Dressing

COUNTRY/LOCATION

Poland/Włocławek

TREATMENT PERIOD

5 August – 5 November, 2015

THE PATIENT

A male with an arterio-venous ulcer that has failed to heal over a period of three years.

THE TREATMENT

5 August 2015 Care of the patient was taken over with two extensive wounds reported. The first located on the right calf measuring 15x20cm in area and covered with a mix of dry black necrotic tissue and yellow-green fibrin based tissue. The second wound was situated on the dorsal aspect of the right foot measuring 3x4cm in area and covered with dry necrotic tissue. Management of the wounds were a final attempt to salvage the limb as amputation was being discussed by the clinical team.

Initially management involved wound cleansing using Octenisept, 0.9% Normal Saline, Jelonet gauze and swabs. The aim was to breakdown the superficial necrotic tissue in preparation for further debridement. During this phase Microdacyn, AquaGel, GranuGel, IntraSite Gel and EMLA cream as an analgesic.

24 September 2015 The first debridement was performed. The following week wound swabs revealed the wound was colonised with *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and *Klebsiella oxytoca*.

It was at this time the decision to use Sorbact[®] was made.

At first the Sorbact[®] compress was used with support provided by the Sorbact[®] foam dressing. This combination resulted in the wound becoming too dry and a change to the Sorbact Gel dressing as the primary layer was made. The Gel dressing enabled continued autolytic debridement of the wound to occur.

31 October 2015 The Gel dressing continues to be changed every 2-3 days with a simple Allevyn foam used as a secondary dressing. The wound improved clinically with the presence of healthy granulation tissue and absence of wound odour good indicators of wound healing.

