

Fast, Effective Results for Chronic Wounds

Leg Ulcers

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Introduction

This case history illustrates the use of bagged larvae on a 7cm x 12cm sloughy ulcer on the left lower calf and a 2cm x 4cm sloughy leg ulcer on the lateral aspect of the left calf.

History

The patient was an 81-year-old male with Type II Diabetes, and chronic leg ulcers of 6 months duration. These had been treated previously with surgical debridement and various gel dressings that had no significant effect.

Treatment

After discussions with the patient, bagged larvae were suggested for each ulcer. These were applied in the hospital outpatients' clinic. They were left in situ for 5 days.

Due to the copious exudate, the District Nurse in the patient's home changed the absorbent secondary dressing daily. After 5 days the bagged larvae were removed and the wound reviewed.

Outcome

After removal of the dressing the larger of the two leg ulcers was almost slough-free, with the lesser completely desloughed.

The bagged larvae had produced the most effective and time saving debridement of the wounds, when compared to previously used dressings.



01: Wound 1, before treatment



02: Wound 1, day 5



03: Wound 2, before treatment



04: Wound 2, day 5