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## CAUSES OF LEG ULCERS

- 70% chronic venous insufficiency
- Arterial disease (10-15%)
- Mixed arterial and venous disease (10-20)
- Diabetes (5-8%)
- Vasculitis(2-5%)
- Lymphoedema(1%)
- Trauma(2%)
- Malignancy (1%)



### PATHOPHYSIOLOGY OF VENOUS ULCERS

- Sustained venous hypertension
- Oedema

Increase distance from microcirculation to

tissue cells

- Tissues ischemic
- Chronic reperfusion
- > Edema
- > Tissue fibrosis
- A cuff of extracellular matrix proteins around capillaries
- Aching, heaviness of the legs, itching, lipodermatosclerosis, pigmentation, swelling, eczema, and ultimately ulceration



Perforating vein

Perforating veins connect the deep system with the superfical system

deep

vein

skin

vein

superficical

## **VENOUS IMPAIRMENT**

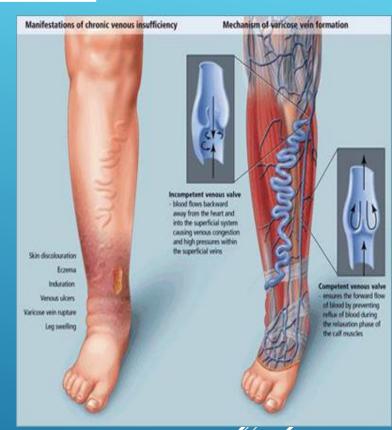
- Arises in superficial and deep veins
- Poor blood return to heart
- Causing pooling of blood around ankle
- symptoms pain/edema e.g. Varicose vein
  - colour
- haemosiderosis (pigmentation)
- Telangiectasis
- Eczema itchy/ulcer





# MANAGEMENT OF VENOUS LEG ULCERS

- Four layer or 2 layer compression bandaging
- Leg elevation
- Improve mobility
- Reduce obesity
- Improve nutrition
- Skin grafting in selected patients
- Venous surgery in selected patients





## **Venous Dressing**

Cleans, removes dead tissue and gently drying the area.

Two-layer; active patients

Four-layer non-adhesive dressing: immobile pt. Compression: constant pressure on the ulcer.

### **Good Bandaging Technique:**

- Each turn of bandage = equal tension
- ▶ Spiral form with overlapping by 50%
- Ankle circumference determine type and regime of bandage
- ▶ Only use bandage 10cm wide
- Protect all bony prominences





## Compression dressing

The four layer bandage (an elastic system) Standard method in the UK comprises

- Orthopaedic wool,
- Crepe bandage,
- Elastic bandage, and
- Cohesive retaining layer.











#### General Assessment (N=13; median = 0.3)

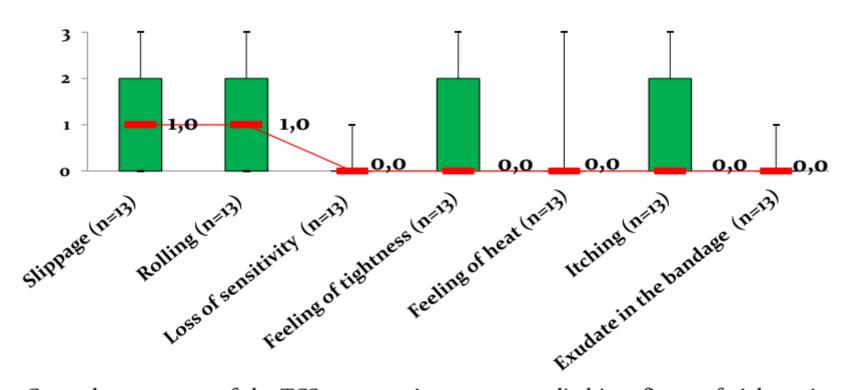
Score: nothing = 0, low = 1, moderate = 2, strong = 3

**25% - 75% Quartil** 

Max

- Min

—Median



**Fig 1:** General assessment of the TCS compression system applied in a figure of eight or in a spiral technique with a 50% overlap of the layers (N=13).

## USABILITY, PATIENT SATISFACTION AND INTERFACE PRESSURE OF A NEW COMPRESSION SYSTEM\*

G. Mosti

Private Out-patients Ambulance, Lucca, Italy

20 patients affected by VLUs had good general assessment and satisfaction

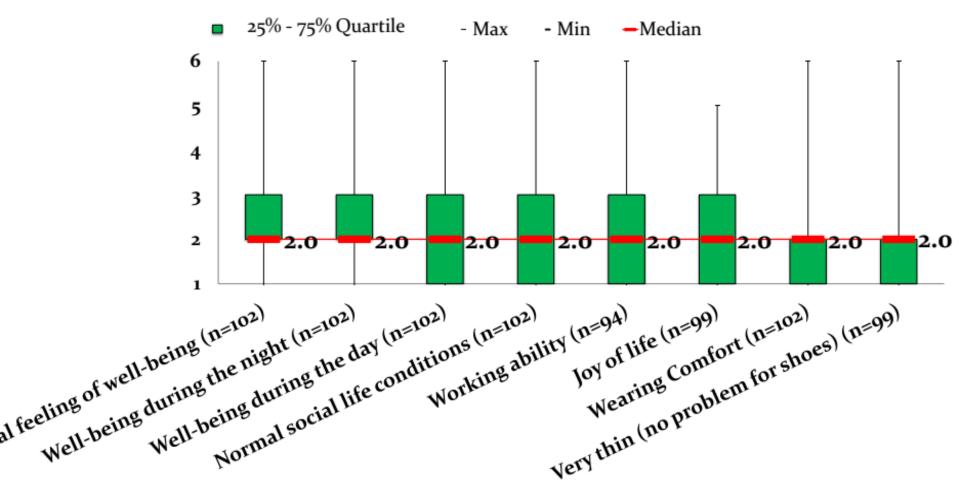


#### RESULTS OF AN OBSERVATION STUDY IN 102 LEG ULCER PATIENTS WITH A NEW TWO-COMPONENT-SYSTEM (TCS)\*

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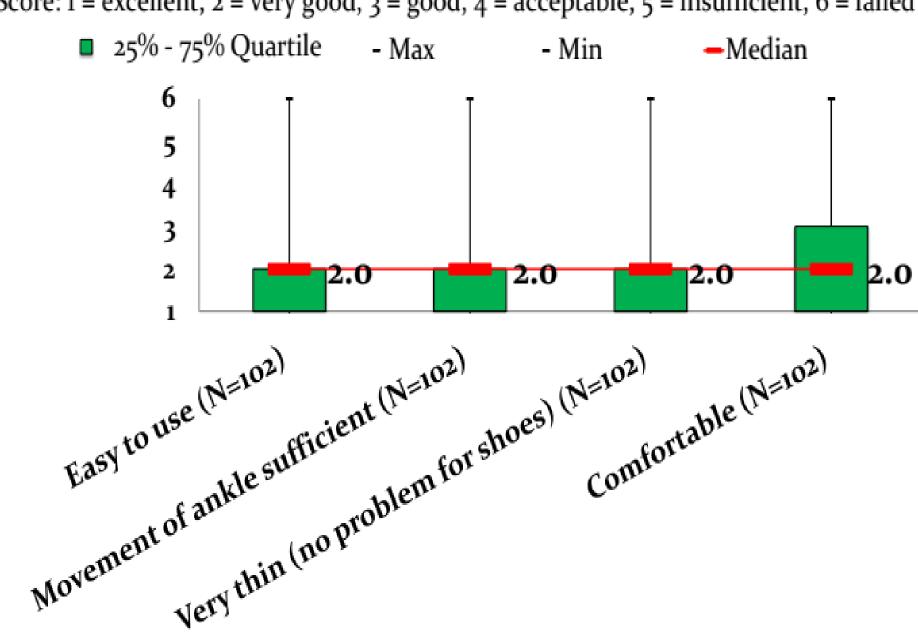
#### Patient - Quality of life with TCS (N = 102; median = 2.0)

Score: 1 = excellent, 2 = very good, 3 = good, 4 = acceptable, 5 = insufficient, 6 = failed



## Technical Assessment (N = 102; median = 2.0)

Score: 1 = excellent, 2 = very good, 3 = good, 4 = acceptable, 5 = insufficient, 6 = failed



| Author - Year | Moffatt - 2008  | Guest - 2015  | Mosti - 2011  | Benigni – 2007   | Hayes and Day- 2008   | Schuren J - 2008  |
|---------------|---|---|---|--|---|---|
| Study Type    | RCT (8-week crossover)  | Retrospective chart review and<br>economic analysis   | RCT   | Prospective cohort, Phase III  | Case Reports/Series   | Pooled data from 3 studies (Collier<br>and Schuren - 2007), Schuren and<br>Mohr 2006, 2007) <sup>1,5</sup>  |
| Sample        | 81  | 675 (250 intervention)  | 100 (50 intervertion)   | 42 patients from 12 centers  | 20 (4 case studies presented)   | 744 compression bandage<br>applications   |
| Population    | Adults with VLU freeted<br>with compression for at least<br>2 weeks prior   | Case records of VLU patients in<br>the UK (nationally represented<br>database - THIN) treated with 1 of<br>3 compression systems  | Patients with venous ulcers of the<br>lower limbs were enrolled in three<br>centers. Venous etiology -<br>superficial (74 cases) and/or deep<br>veins (25 cases)  | Ulcers with at least 50% granulation tissue, a surface area of 2:20 cm2, an ulcer duration of 1-24 months, an arible circumference of less than 28 cm, and no history of deep vein thrombosis in the three months before enrolment.  | petients featured<br>had previously expressed concern<br>in<br>relation to aesthetic appearance   | bandages applied to artificial legs<br>equipped with pressure<br>transducers  |
| Comparator    | Profore, 4-layer<br>compression   | #1 KTwo (n=250), two layer<br>compression system<br>#2 Profore (n=175), 4-layer<br>compression system   | Unra boot<br>multi-layer, multi-component, stiff,<br>high pressure bandage considered<br>gold standard  | None   | None  | Profore™ [Smith & Nephew Medical Limited, Hull]     Actice (Activate Healthcare Limited, Staffordshire)     Unne's Boot (Medicopaster), GF Health Products, Atlanta, USA); covered with a 3M™ Coban™ bandage roll (3M™, St Paul, USA)     Rosidal® K short-stretch (Lohmenn & Rauscher International, Rengadorf, Germany)   |
| Key Results   | Slippage at each bandage change (7 days) Product X = 2.48cm Comparator = 4.17cm     Improvements in Health Related Quality of Life; Physical Symptoms and Daily Living scores were significantly higher over the first 4 weeks of use for Coban 2 Layer System than Profore™ (pooled 2-sample 1-test, p=0.046).     72% of patients preferred Coban 2 Layer Compression System over Profore     Study was not powered to detect differences in wound healing rates. | Product X had an increased healing rate with 44% healing at 6 months compared to 40% (p=0.001) for comparators ₱1 and ₱2, respectively.  Product X patients experienced better HRQoL over 6 months; 0.374 QAI Ys versus 0.368 and 0.353 for comparators ₱1 and ₱2 respectively.  Product X's mean 6-month cost was £2,413 versus £2,707 and £2,848 for comparators ₱1 and ₱2, respectively. | Coban 2 was associated with 100% uter healing  47 out of 50 cases healed within the first 5 months after application of the bandage  Compared with Unna boot there was no statistically significant difference  In both groups pain decreased by 50% within 1–2 weeks and remained overall well being improved significantly. | The patients considered that the new compression system was suched and patient concordance with the result of the treated wounds healing in a mean time of 25.9 ± 9.46 days.  Betwork of leg lubers improved or healed wher viz weeks.  Patient tolerance was considered very good and patient concordance with the new system was excellent.  The patients considered that the new compression system had a better effection quality of life, evaluated by parameters such as pain, heat, tiching and general comfort, than the system wom before entry into the study. | The reduction in exudate and the overall aeathetic appearance of the system had positive benefits for the patients. An improvement in their askle movement and subsequent mobility were also reported as positive outcomes. | <ul> <li>The results are compared with<br/>theoretical compression forces<br/>calculated by a modified<br/>Laplace's law equation which<br/>predicts gradualled compression<br/>ranging from 27–72mmHg at the<br/>ankle, tapering to 15–8mmHg<br/>below the knee. However, the<br/>results of the studies show that<br/>calculations using this equation<br/>do not reliably predict actual<br/>measured sub-bandage<br/>pressures</li> </ul> |

| Author - Year | Coller and Schuren- 2007  | Schuren J - 2010   | Walker - 2007   | Hayes - 2007   | Larson-Lohr V. 2007  | Heintesh 2007  | Barkauskas 2011  |
|---------------|---|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| Study Type    | Panel   | Cohart study   | Case Study  | Case Reports/Studies   | Case series  | Case study   | Case Study   |
| Sample        | 32 experts  | 60 volunteens; 120 lega  | 3   | 4  | 21 perients at Center for Wound<br>Care Warm Springs<br>Rehabilitation Hospital, San<br>Antonio, TX  | 3 patients   | 3 patients at Silver Cross<br>Hospital, Joles, Illinois  |
| Population    | NIA   | Healthy volunteers, both legs<br>wrapped   | Case study from subset of<br>patient enrolled in Moffatt et al.<br>2008 RCT   | National Study   | Patients with edema and<br>venous leg ulcers currently<br>using 4-leyer system   | Adults with VLU treated with<br>compression for at least 2<br>weeks prior  | Patients with ABPIs between<br>0.5 and 0.6 verified by an ABPI<br>or arterial doppler study.   |
| Comparator    | Profore™ (Smith & Nephew)     Actico (Active® Healthcare Ltd)     Unna's Boot (Medicopasie®);     covered with a 3M™     Coban™ bandage roll (3M™, St Paul, USA)     Rosidal® K short-shetch (Lohmann & Rauscher International)   | Coban 2 Lite system [3M], Rosidal sys. Dauertinde F, and Rosidal K [all from Lohmann & Rauscher]. ProGuide, Profore Lite, and Profore [all from Smith & Nephew]; KTwo [Laboratoires Urgo]; and Actico [Activa Healthcare Liti.]  |   | None   | 4-layer system   | 4 layer compression  | None   |
| Key Results   | The reproducibility of provided pressures with Coban 2 Layer Compression System was significantly incre accurate when compared with the currently used systems Coban 2 Layer Compression System is easy to use and provides more completed pressure values than the other four compression systems evaluated. | Mostbandages were well tolerated by the volunteers (84/96, 87.5%).     Five (5.2%) bandages were removed by the volunteers on day 1 because of discomfortduring the night.     Seven (7.3%) bandages were removed after 24 hours because of serious slippage. The dagree of slippage varied among the seven bendage systems tested, and ranged from a mean of 0.8 cm to 4.5 cm after 24 hours of wear and 1.1 cm to 6.6 cm after 48 hours of weer.     Differences also existed in the pressure profiles of the various bandages while at rest, standing, during exercise, and during recovery. Pressure and slippage during 48 hours of compression therapy, a sludy on healthy volunteers. | <ul> <li>Patient #1: Though patient has a resistant, slow to heal ulcer, he rated his overall quality offife a 9/10 at all 3 time points. He reported that the 2 layer system was more comfortable overall, and he experienced less slippage.</li> <li>Patient #2: CoL attributes reported by patien to have improved while wearing the 2-layer system included less sleep disturbance, less pain from the wound site, and improved ability to perform activities of daily living.</li> <li>Patient #0: Pt reported that he fixed wearing the 2-layer system for its durability and comfort, though he selected the 4-layer as his preferred system for its warmth properties.</li> </ul> | Coban 2 Layer System provided sustained therapeutic levels of compression that patients could tolerate     In all four cases wound dimensions reduced during the six week evaluation period     Coban 2 Layer System enabled patients to wear their choice of clothing/footwear and undertake their normal activities of living     All patients experienced an increase in comfortlevels     All four patients were concordant with compression therapy | Parient satisfaction higher in regard to: Temperature, Mobility and Compliance Parient perception was that overall the 2 layer system was more effective in controlling their edems. Staff time for application was markedly reduced; application easier, and less product used in comparison to 4 layer system is easier and less product is utilized in comparison to current. Center was able to maintain healing outcomes of 90% at 5.1 weeks. | Several benefits were experienced by all 3 subjects while wearing the new 2 layer system, including: ILess slippage, improved contrord during wear, Less sleep disturbance, Less interference with flootwear,  All patients noted that their clinic appointment time decreased due to the easier namoval and application in the 2 layer system.  Two patients also acknowledged that the bendage system was "copier than the 4 layer wrap and not as itchy". | For these patients with mixed etiology and for our patients with venous stasis uters who do not tolerate full compression, the 2 layer lite compression system has proven to be clinically therepeats without compremising patient comfort, safety and compliance.  For the patients presented, edema was controlled and healing occurred with no adverse effects. |

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|---------------|---|---|---|--|---|--|
| Study Type    | Case Reports/Studies  | Case study  | Case study  | Plot study   | Single-centre, open label case study  | RCT  |
| Sample        | 5   | 8   | 4   | 10 healthy volunteers  | 15 patients   | 234 patients   |
| Population    | Elderly patients suffering from<br>venous leg ulcers  | Patients whose venous leg<br>ulcers had not responded to<br>conventional<br>compression bandaging   | Patients at two wound<br>management clinics   | Physically active healthy volunteers   | patients with ABPI of 0.5-0.8   | patients with ABPI ≥0.8; median<br>duration of ulcer was 16<br>months; beseline ulcer size was<br>7.9cm² with 23.6% >10cm²   |
| Comparator    | Other multilayer compression<br>systems   | Multi-layer compression<br>systems used prior (various)   | None  | <ul> <li>Profore® Multi-layer<br/>Bandaging System on the<br/>other leg</li> </ul>   | None  | Short-stretch compression<br>bandage   |
| Key Results   | In no instances were bandages changed due to sippage or loss of compression  The system conformed well to a variety of limb shapes  Wound condition improved in all five cases  The system was found to be aesthetically pleasing and demonstrated seven-day wear time on the majority of patients (minimum wear time four days)  All five patients found the Coban 2 Layer System comfortable and this could be associated with improved adherence levels and requests for continuing therapy in this system | Coban 2 obtained faster reduction in oedema, pain and exudation than the traditional multi-layer compression systems used previously  A 30-40% reduction in wound surface area was observed in 6 patients over the four-week trial period; one patient's ulcer was healed by the 6 <sup>th</sup> weekly visit, after two years of non-healing  Minimal bandage bulk allowed patients to wear normal shoes | 3MTM CobanTM 2 was comfortable and well tolerated by all platients     The persistent leg uicers of two patients healed within the four-week evaluation period     In all cases, considerable oedema reduction was achieved | Coban 2 Layer System was rated more comfortable than the Profore System Coban 2 Layer System had an average wear time almost 3 days longer than the Profore System (4.2 days versus 1.5 days) Coban 2 Layer System took less time to apply and remove than the Profore System Coban 2 Layer System caused less sleep interference than the Profore System Coban 2 Layer System had little effect on pant or shoe selection | Coban 2 Life was safe and well tolerated by patients with ABPI 0.5-0.8 Average supine subbandage pressure was 28mmHg immediately after bandage application No pressure-related skin damage occurred and no pain related to tissue hypoxia was reported Coban 2 Life demonstrated beneficial effects on the microcirculation | Efficacy was similar between products     At 12 weeks complete uiter healing was 36% and 34% for Coban 2 and SSB, respectively     Reduction in wound size was 62% and 49.5% for Coban 2 and SSB, respectively     There was a significant reduction in bandage changes for Coban 2 (12.7 versus 19.1)     There was a significant reduction in unscheduled for Coban 2 (3.7 versus 10.2)     Coban 2 patients were significantly less likely to return for an intermittent bandage change due to slippage (5% versus 44%) |



# MALDIVES – SOFT ROLL AND CREPE BANDAGE

AUSTRALIA – 3 TUBIGRIP

OTHERS – ORTHOPAEDIC WOOL AND COHESIVE BANDAGE

### 2 LAYER COMPRESSION SYSTEM- CASES

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SN. AZLINDA, SN. RAENAH, SN. AMAR

## CLINICAL CASE 1 MRS N

A 56 years old Malay lady. Started with a skin tear on right leg associated with vericose vein. Sought treatment from Dermatalogy Department, HKL. On assessment patient have chronic right leg anterior tibial ulcer with granulating, thick biofilm, moderate yellowish exudate and macerated surrounding ulcer. Patient complaint of localise pain at wound area, pain score 3/10.

1st week



(L) 18cm x (W) 7cm

3<sup>rd</sup> week



(L) 10cm x (W) 5,5cm

8<sup>rd</sup> week



(L) 5cm x (W) 2cm

### CLINICAL CASE 2 -MR Z

A 63 years old Malay man with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus on Oral Hypoglycaemic Agent. On examination found wound Right leg medial malleolus. On assessment wound was sloughy with mild biofilm, heavy yellowish exudate, and mild epithelization tissue surrounding ulcer.

1st week



(L) 1cm x (W) 1cm

3<sup>rd</sup> week



(L) 2cm x (W) 1.5cm

6<sup>th</sup> week



Wound healed

## CLINICAL CASE 3 MRS VJ

A 64 years old Indian lady with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus on Oral Hypoglycaemic Agent past 15 years. On examination found wound at venous ulcer at left medial aspect of lower limb. On assessment wound was sloughy with mild biofilm, heavy yellowish exudate, maceration skin surrounding ulcer and mild epithelization tissue surrounding ulcer.

1st week



(L) 4cm x (W) 2.5cm

2<sup>nd</sup> week



(L) 4cm x (W) 2cm

10<sup>rd</sup> week



(L) 4cm x (W) 1.5 m

# CLINICAL CASE 4 MR AR

A 68 years old Malay man with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus on Oral Hypoglycaemic Agent. On examination found wound at venous ulcer at left anterior tibial of lower limb. On assessment wound was granulating, mild biofilm, moderate yellowish exudate and epithelization tissue surrounding ulcer.

1st week



(L) 11cm x (W) 9cm

3rd week



(L) 2.5cm x (W) 4cm

6<sup>rd</sup> week



(L) 0.5cm x (V) 1.5cm



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