

The use of Activon® Tube and Activon® Tulle on the treatment of necrotic foot, heal and shin

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Introduction

I was asked to see this lady in July by her local private doctor as she was being seen by the seguridad social nurse (we live in Spain) the seguridad social nurses and doctors are equivalent to the NHS in the UK.

They were treating her necrotic foot, heal and shin with betadine soaked dressings, nothing more and a paraffin based cream to try to debride it.

Her primary problem is that she has thrombosis to her leg causing ischaemia. The vascular surgeon wanted to amputate her leg below the knee, she has already had her other leg amputated. The Spanish male nurse, who was visiting this lady insisted that we should try to use daily dressings to see if the necrotic tissue can be lifted.

Method

The male nurse was visiting her at home 3 times per week. It is very different here, the husband has to drive each time to the surgery which is 7 km away to collect the nurse.

Over time there was not much improvement in the wounds so the husband asked for a second opinion from his private doctor who immediately called me.

I have been using Advancis Manuka honey for 3 years now, always imported from the UK and have had excellent results. There is a long way to go to get other doctors and nurses to understand the use of honey in wound care but there is definitely a slow move towards using honey.

Results

I immediately started to use Advancis Manuka honey, specifically the Activon Tube and Activon Tulle onto the necrotic areas. I used this on her shin, heal and foot and toe area. The shin has healed and the tip of her toes, the necrosis, has lifted leaving healthy tissue beneath. I am seeing excellent results from this. She has not once needed to have any form of antibiotics since I have been visiting. The first picture of her foot was taken 7th August and the other ones on the 23rd August. As you can see the necrosis is lifting exposing healthy tissue beneath.



Before treatment - 7th Aug 2013



During treatment - 23rd Aug 2013



During treatment - 23rd Aug 2013



During treatment - 23rd Aug 2013



During treatment - 23rd Aug 2013



During treatment - 23rd Aug 2013