STUDY TO EVALUATE THE EFFECT OF LOW-INTENSITY PULSED ELECTRICAL CURRENTS ON LEVELS OF OEDEMA IN CHRONIC NON-HEALING WOUNDS



Oedema causes problems with peripheral circulation and tissue oxygenation in patients with venous leg ulcers (**VLUs**) and can be a barrier to healing.

The objective was to evaluate the effect of **electrical stimulation** on the management of oedema in previously non-healing VLUs.

METHODS:







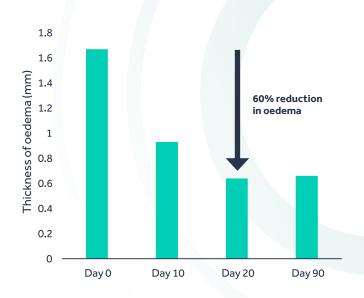
Peri-wound oedema was measured at intervals using high-frequency diagnostic **ultrasound**



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was applied until Day 10

- 30 consecutive patients Median age 74 years 57% female
- Median duration of VLU 17 months
- Significantly reduced oedema in the wound bed and the peri-wound were observed during treatment with Accel-Heal[®].
- A 60% reduction in oedema was measured by day 20.
- This was maintained for up to3 months after the end of treatment.



Conclusion:

Accel-Heal® appeared to be effective in reducing oedema in a range of previously non-healing venous leg ulcers and their surrounding tissues.

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