Treatment of Chronic and Complex Wounds with a Synthetic Hybrid-Scale Fiber Matrix*

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Introduction

Non-healing wounds develop as a result of varying etiologies including disease, surgery, and trauma. These wounds are often difficult to manage, and many times require advanced treatment options. A synthetic hybrid-scale fiber matrix is becoming increasingly popular as an option due to its versatility and effectiveness in treating various wounds. The current study investigates the efficacy of the synthetic hybrid-scale fiber matrix in the treatment of non-healing wounds of varying etiologies.



Synthetic hybrid scale fiber matrix

<u>Methods</u>

A retrospective analysis of 7 patients with a total of 7 wounds was conducted. Patients were treated with the synthetic hybrid-scale fiber matrix and wound healing progress was observed. The synthetic hybrid-scale fiber matrix was reapplied as deemed appropriate. The average patient age was 68 years old. Patients had multiple comorbidities including venous insufficiency, hypertension, hyperlipidemia, breast carcinoma, and chronic kidney disease. Various wounds were treated in this study, including venous leg ulcers, hematoma, and atypical post-surgical wounds. Four out of 7 wounds closed 7 weeks after initial treatment with the synthetic hybrid-scale fiber matrix. The 3 patients that did not achieve total wound closure developed 80 – 90% regranulation of the wound bed, resolved undermining and tunneling, as well as significant decrease in wound area of up to 65%. The average number of synthetic matrix applications was 5.6.

Results



Progressive healing of a post surgical trauma wound after 5 applications of the synthetic hybrid-scale fiber matrix. Time to closure was 98 days



Progressive healing of a venous leg ulcer after one application of the synthetic hybrid-scale fiber matrix. Time to closure was 28 days.



Progressive healing of an atypical ulcer with exposed tendon after 10 applications of the synthetic hybrid-scale fiber matrix. 63% decrease in wound size and regranulation over exposed tendon 86 days post initial application





Progressive healing of a spontaneous hematoma after 5 applications of the synthetic hybrid-scale fiber matrix. Time

to closure was 81 days.

Discussion and Conclusion

Use of the synthetic hybrid-scale fiber matrix demonstrated wound healing efficacy across various wound types and in the presence of multiple patient co-morbidities. Overall, this case series suggest that the synthetic hybrid-scale fiber matrix can be utilized to reach the appropriate clinical outcomes, whether that be total wound closure or wound bed regranulation