

Clinical and Pre-clinical Publications

<p>Study Area Burn wounds</p> <p>Design Prospective, randomized, controlled study</p>	<p>Study Finds Vomaris™ Bioelectric Technology Significantly Decreased Biofilm in Burn Patients</p> <p>Chan RK, Nuutila K, et al.; <i>Adv Wound Care (New Rochelle)</i>. 2023 Apr 11. doi: 10.1089/wound.2023.0007. Epub ahead of print.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early, short-term treatment with WED significantly decreased biofilm severity in all burn wounds. • Incidence of opportunistic pathogens such as <i>Ralstonia pickettii</i> and <i>Serratia marcescens</i> was significantly lower in WED-treated wounds compared to SoC. • WED may result in a therapy that is superior to silver alone.
<p>Study Area Wound biofilm infection</p> <p>Design Pre-clinical porcine mechanistic study</p>	<p>Electric Field Based Dressing Disrupts Mixed-Species Bacterial Biofilm Infection and Restores Functional Wound Healing</p> <p>Barki KG, Das A, Dixith S, et al.; <i>Ann Surg</i>, 2017.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tested ability of wireless electroceutical device (WED) to manage bacterial biofilm infection in vivo in porcine chronic wound biofilm infection model inoculated with <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> and <i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i>. • WED disrupted existing biofilm infection and prevented biofilm from forming. • WED repressed genes responsible for quorum sensing, disrupting bacteria's ability to communicate and form biofilm.
<p>Study Area Diabetic wounds</p> <p>Design Prospective case series</p>	<p>Human Acellular Dermal Matrix Paired with Silver-Zinc Coupled Electroceutical Dressing Results in Rapid Healing of Complicated Diabetic Wounds of Mixed Etiology: A Novel Case Series</p> <p>Cole W; <i>Wounds</i>. 2016;28(7):241-247.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electroceutical wound dressing used in combination with human acellular dermal matrix in three complex cases (conventional care was unable to close wounds in up to two years). • All three cases healed fully within six weeks with this alternative treatment.
<p>Study Area WED in conjunction with NPWT</p> <p>Design Randomized controlled clinical trial</p>	<p>A Wireless Electroceutical Dressing Lowers Cost of Negative Pressure Wound Therapy</p> <p>Ghatak PD, Schlanger R, Ganesh K, et al.; <i>Adv Wound Care</i>. 2015;4(5):302-311.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thirty (30) chronic wound patients undergoing negative pressure wound therapy (NPWT) were randomized into two arms (control = NPWT standard of care with thrice weekly dressing changes and test = wireless electrical device [WED] + NPWT with twice weekly dressing changes). • WED + NPWT effectively decreased required dressing change frequency from thrice to twice weekly without any negative impact on wound healing. • Cost of care with use of WED + NPWT was significantly lower than NPWT alone ($p < 0.05$).
<p>Study Area Acute and chronic wounds</p> <p>Design Retrospective dual center review of wound healing outcomes</p>	<p>Demonstration of a Microcurrent-Generating Wound Care Device for Wound Healing within a Rehabilitation Center Patient Population</p> <p>Whitcomb E, Monroe N, Hope-Higman J, et al.; <i>J Am Coll Clin Wound Spec</i>. 2013;4:32-39.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluated differences in wound healing outcomes when treated with microcurrent-generating wound care device (MCD, n=18) vs. standard of care (SOC, n=20). • Study population of rehabilitation and long-term care patients with acute and chronic wounds of varied etiology. • MCD group wounds healed significantly faster (19.78 days) than SOC group (36.25 days) ($p = 0.036$) • 83.3% of MCD group wounds healed monotonically vs. 50% of SOC group ($p = 0.018$).
<p>Study Area Skin graft harvest sites</p> <p>Design Prospective single center clinical study</p>	<p>The Use of Bioelectric Dressings in Skin Graft Harvest Sites: A Prospective Case Series</p> <p>Blount AL, Foster S, Rapp DA, et al.; <i>J Burn Care Res</i>. 2012;33(3):354-357.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compared acute wound healing after skin grafting (n=13). • Half of each graft donor site was covered with a standard dressing (control) and half with a bioelectric dressing (test); both were covered with a semi-occlusive dressing. • One week post-op: significantly greater epithelialization with bioelectric dressing (71.8%) vs. control (46.9%) ($p = 0.015$). • Blinded evaluator rated bioelectric dressing side visually superior in 92.3% of wounds.

Scientific Publications

Study Area

Anti-fungal properties

Design

In vitro

Ketoconazole Resistant *Candida albicans* is Sensitive to a Wireless Electroceutical Wound Care Dressing

Khona D, Roy S, Ghatak S, et al.; *Bioelectrochemistry*. 2021 Aug 4; 142:107921.

- Tested whether wireless electroceutical dressing (WED, Procellera™) is effective against ketoconazole-resistant yeast *Candida albicans*.
- *In vitro* model used to test WED, ketoconazole, and the combination of WED + ketoconazole against ketoconazole-resistant *C. albicans*.
- WED significantly affected several critical pathways necessary for *C. albicans* viability. In contrast, silver alone was ineffective.
- Wireless electroceutical dressing (WED) inhibited *Candida albicans* biofilm formation.

Study Area

Anti-biofilm properties

Design

In vitro

Silver-Zinc Redox-Coupled Electroceutical Wound Dressing Disrupts Bacterial Biofilm

Banerjee J, Ghatak PD, Roy S, et al.; *PLoS One*. 2015 Mar 24;10(3):e0119531.

- Tested wireless electroceutical device's (WED) ability to inhibit *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* biofilm.
- WED impaired biofilm formation and significantly impaired extracellular polymeric substance formation compared to two different controls (placebo dressing and silver dressing) ($p < 0.05$).
- WED impaired biofilm structures and caused significant cell death compared to controls ($p < 0.05$).
- Silver alone was unable to disrupt *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* biofilm.

Study Area

Anti-biofilm properties

Design

In vitro

Antibiofilm Efficacy Evaluation of a Bioelectric Dressing in Mono- and Multi-Species Biofilms

Kim H, Izadjoo MJ; *J Wound Care*. 2015 Feb 24;Suppl2:S10-14.

- Tested a bioelectric dressing's effectiveness against 10 clinical wound pathogens in monospecies and multispecies biofilm settings.
- Bioelectric dressing was effective against monospecies and multispecies biofilm forming bacteria; demonstrated 100- to 1000-fold reductions in bacterial numbers compared to three controls.

Study Area

Re-epithelialization

Design

In vitro

Improvement of Human Keratinocyte Migration by a Redox Active Bioelectric Dressing

Banerjee J, Ghatak PD, Roy S, et al.; *PLoS ONE*. 2014 Mar 3;9(3):e89239.

- Human keratinocytes exposed to bioelectric dressing (BED) demonstrated significantly accelerated cell migration. This effect was not observed with three controls (placebo, silver alone, zinc alone).
- Cells exposed to BED's electric fields demonstrated increased signaling and production of H_2O_2 (required for cell migration).

Study Area

Anti-bacterial properties

Design

In vitro

Antibacterial Efficacy Testing of a Bioelectric Wound Dressing Against Clinical Wound Pathogens

Kim H, Makin I, Skiba J, et al.; *Open Microbiol J*. 2014 Feb 21;8:15-21.

- Examined *in vitro* antibacterial efficacy of bioelectric dressing against 13 wound pathogens.
- The bioelectric dressing demonstrated bactericidal activity against antibiotic-sensitive multidrug-resistant strains and multiple antibiotic-resistant strains of wound pathogens; bacteriostatic activity against *Enterococcus* species.