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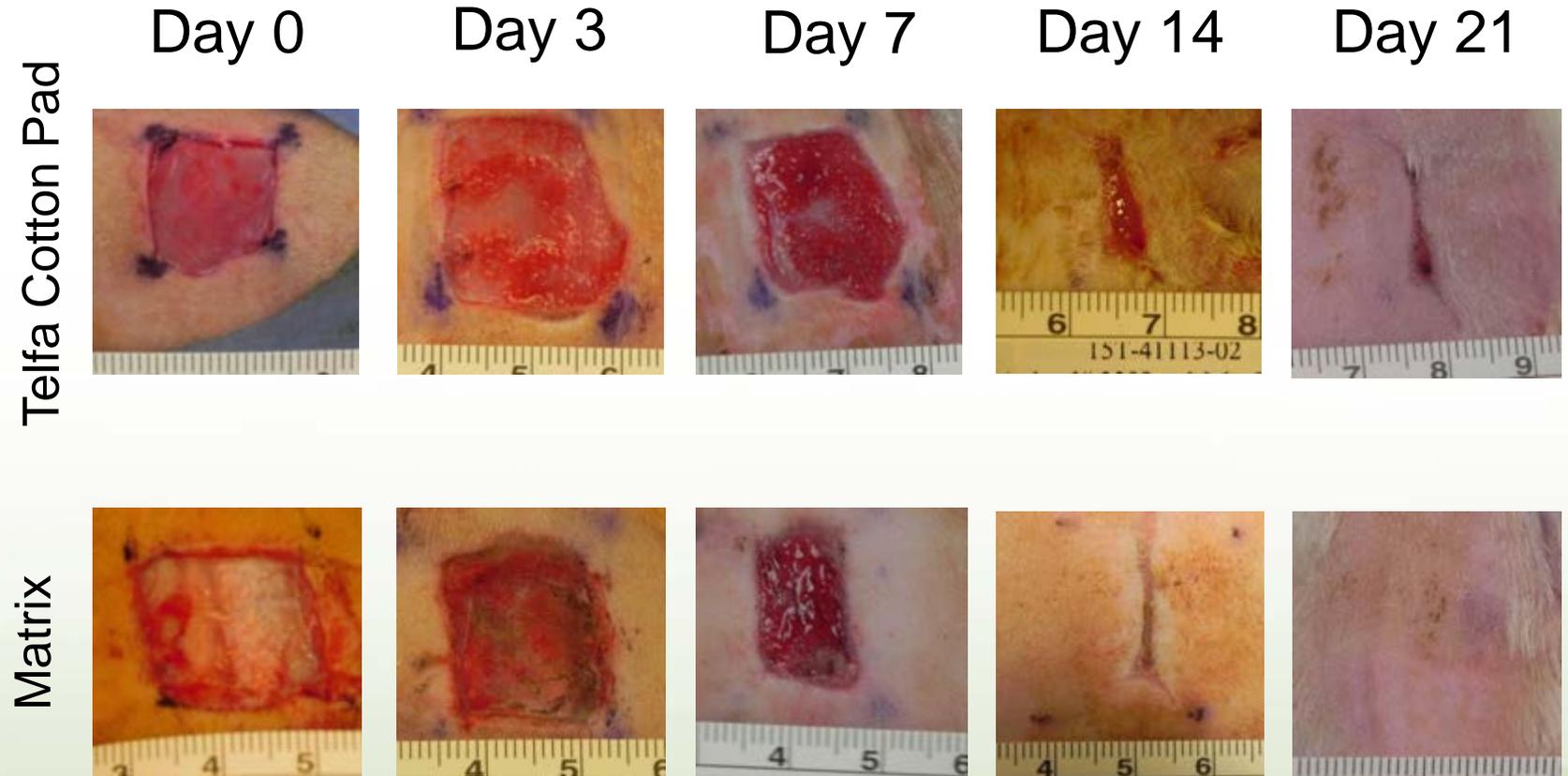
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# Background

- Chronic wounds affect all medical and surgical disciplines
  - Chronic wound = incomplete healing or lack of treatment response at 6 weeks
  - Annual cost approaches \$25 billion in the United States
- New approaches for improving the efficacy of treatment of chronic wounds is an area of significant research
- Surgical debridement reduces bacterial counts, but bacteria regrow from the wound bed interstices
- A nanofilm-based antimicrobial matrix that intimately adheres directly to the wound surface may improve healing in these complex and difficult to heal wounds

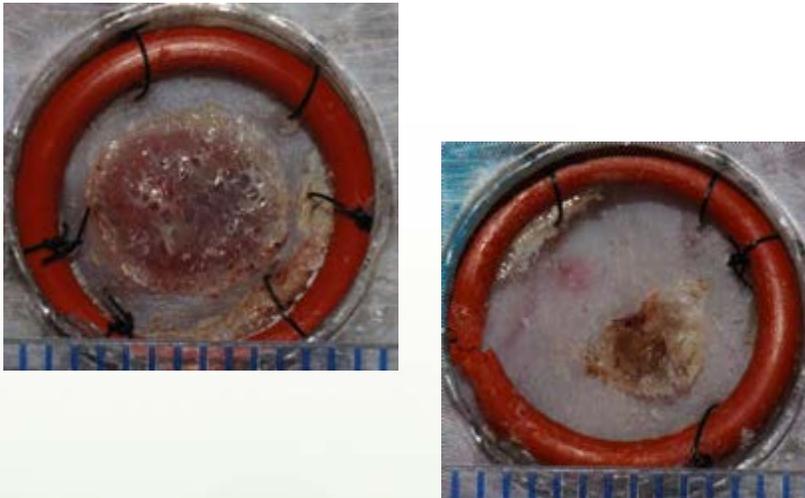
# Bioresorbable antimicrobial matrix: heals clean wounds faster

- *in vitro* studies demonstrate that the matrix results in 6 Log<sub>10</sub> CFU reduction of *S. aureus* and *P. aeruginosa* over 72 h
- *in vivo* murine studies demonstrate acceleration of healing in clean wounds

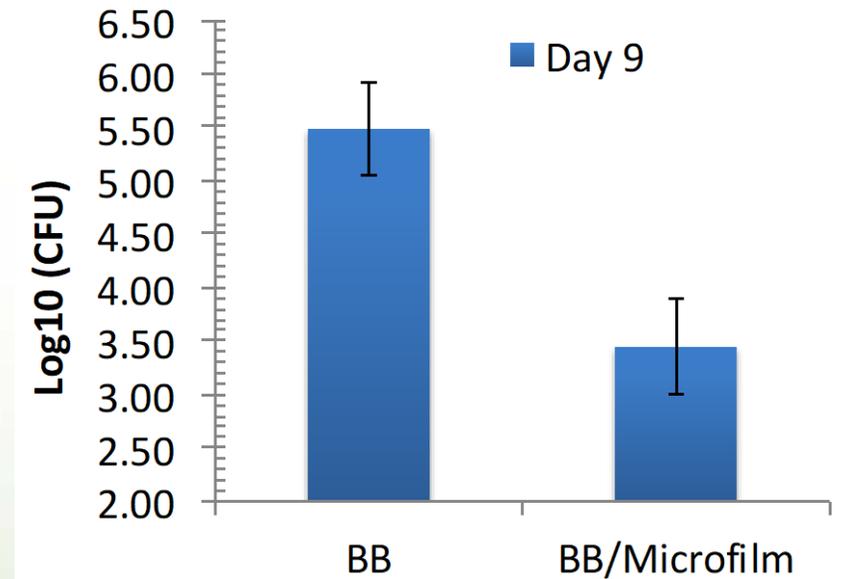


# Bioresorbable antimicrobial matrix: expedites closure of contaminated wounds

Mean wound closure: 52%



Mean wound closure: 90%



Full-thickness wounds (8 mm dia) in mice, splinted and inoculated with  $10^5$  CFU of *S. aureus* on day of surgery (n=20 wounds/group), harvested after 9 days post-surgery  
Data repeated in mice and pigs with a variety of collagen based dressings

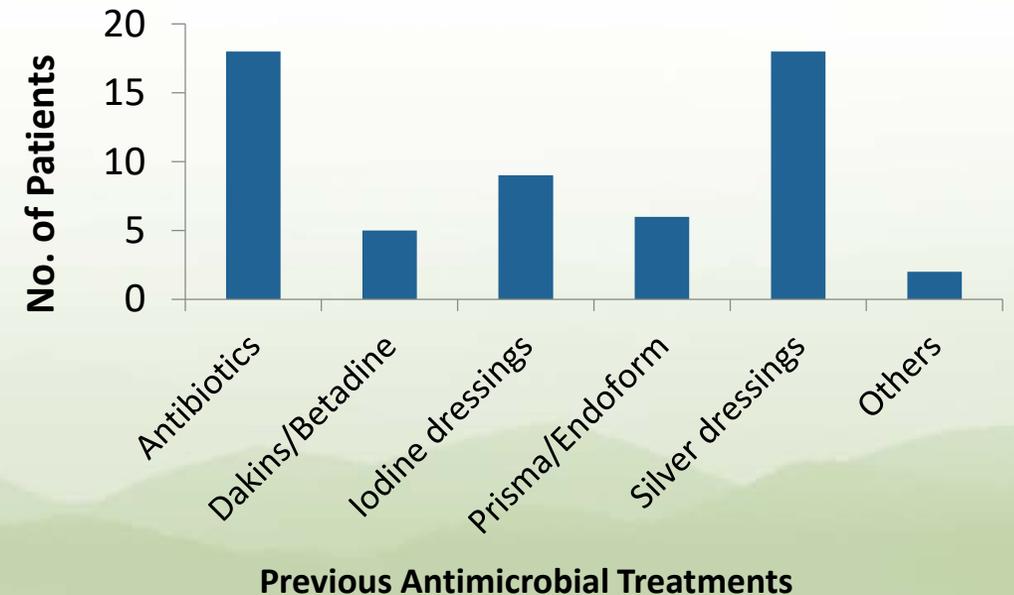
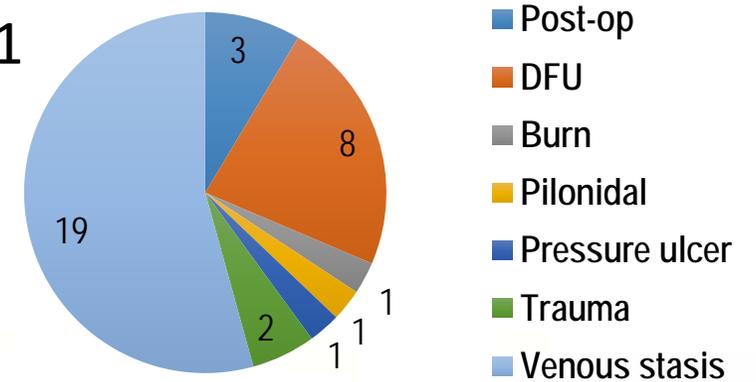
# Methods

- IRB-approved prospective evaluation of 32 human subjects (35 total wounds)
  - Existing patients of Wound Care Center
  - Chronic wounds previously treated unsuccessfully
- Antimicrobial Matrix applied at wound care visits over study period
  - Wound measurements
  - Photographs
  - Patient satisfaction survey
- Endpoints
  - Primary: Wound Closure at 3 Weeks
  - Secondary: Wound Closure at up to 12 Weeks

# “Clinical evaluation of a bioresorbable nanofilm-based antimicrobial matrix in complex chronic wounds.”

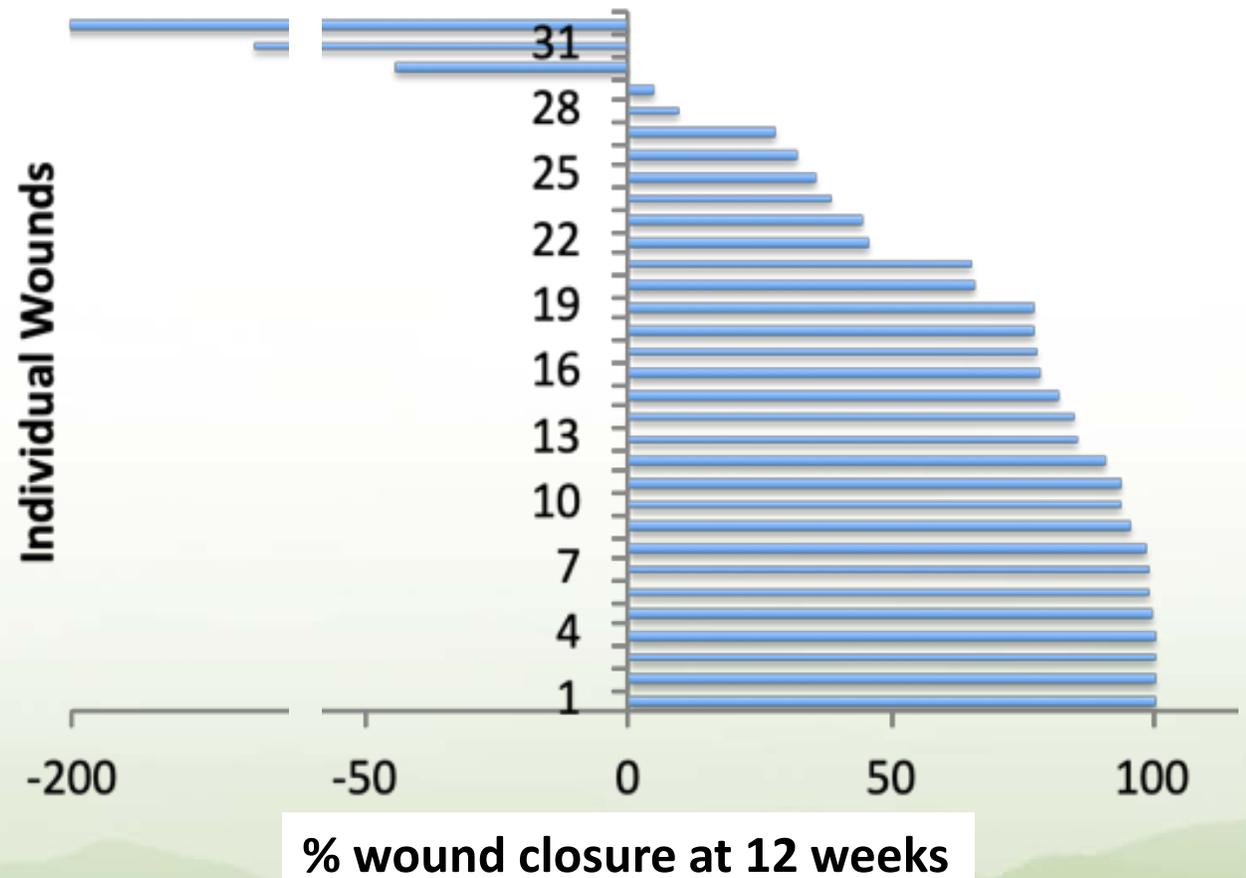
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- IRB-approved prospective evaluation
- *At the baseline, all wounds were non-healing for avg 40 weeks and had not responded to systemic antibiotics and topical antimicrobial agents*
- Treatment: standard of care + matrix on the wound surface with each dressing change (1-3x / week)



# Bioresorbable nanofilm-based antimicrobial matrix: expedites closure of chronic wounds in patients

- **72% (23/32) had average 66% wound closure @ 3wks**
- *91% (29/32) of all wounds improved with an average wound closure of 73% @ 12 wks*



Age	Wound Type	Days Stalled	Initial Wound Size (cm <sup>2</sup> )	Final Wound Size (cm <sup>2</sup> )	Treatment Days	Application Frequency	Wound Closure (%)
61	Post-op	259	19.5	11.3	95	2-3x / <u>wk</u>	42

**Day 0**



**Day 95**

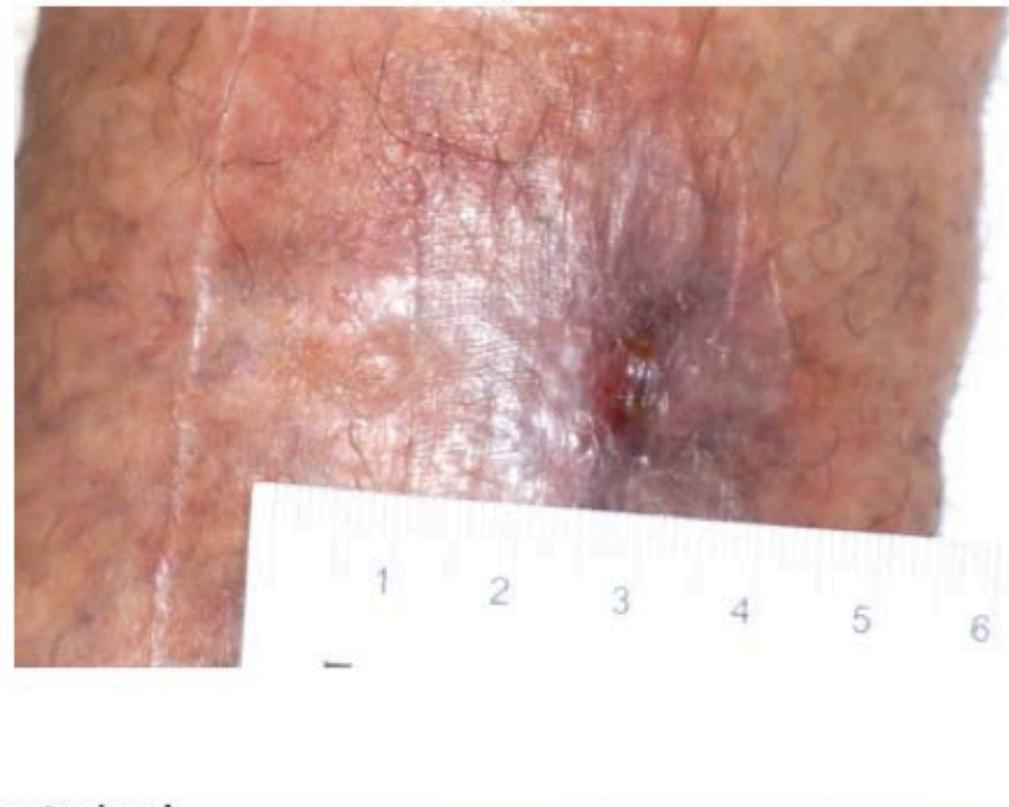


Age	Wound Type	Days Stalled	Initial Wound Size (cm <sup>2</sup> )	Final Wound Size (cm <sup>2</sup> )	Treatment Days	Application Frequency	Wound Closure (%)
58	Venous Stasis Ulcer	363	4.6	0.0	85	1x / <u>wk</u>	100

**Day 0**

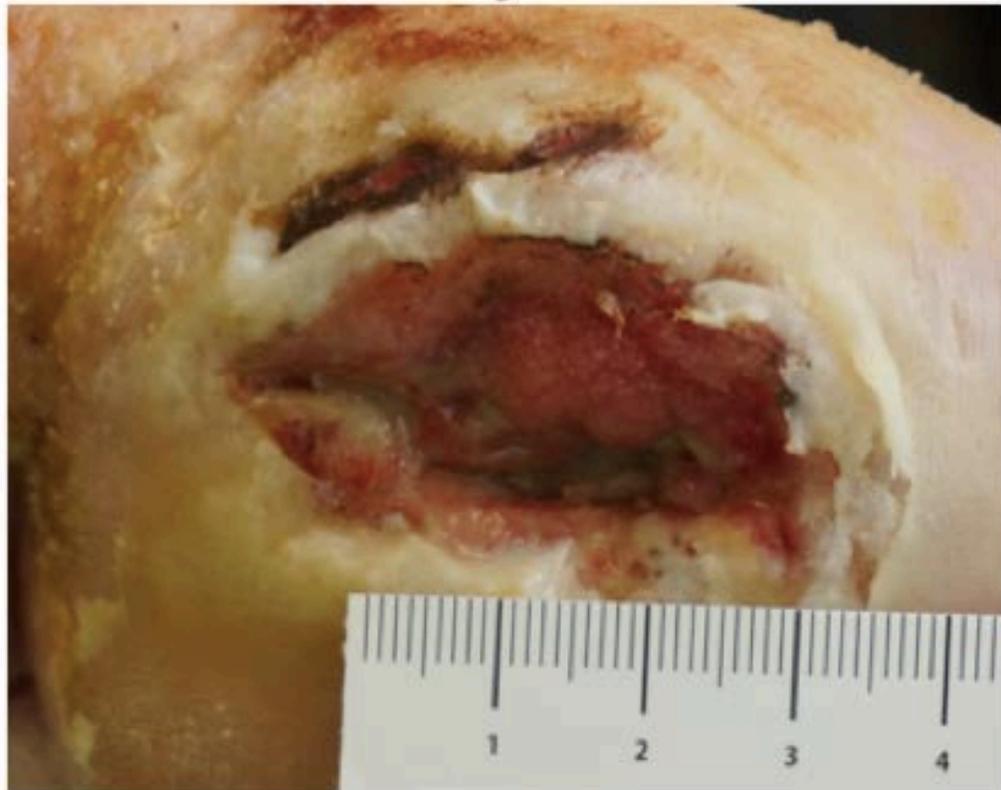


**Day 85**



Age	Wound Type	Days Stalled	Initial Wound Size (cm <sup>2</sup> )	Final Wound Size (cm <sup>2</sup> )	Treatment Days	Application Frequency	Wound Closure (%)
68	Diabetic Foot Ulcer	215	10.6	2.4	26	2-3x / wk	77

**Day 0**



**Day 26**



# Results/Conclusions

- Average non-healing time prior to trial = 40 weeks
- Average wound closure rate at three weeks was 66%
- Average wound closure rate at 12 weeks was 73%

**Novel antimicrobial matrix was efficacious in accelerating the healing of stalled chronic wounds.**

## Future Directions

- Lidocaine, 0.4 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>, >80% release in 30 min
- Gallium/silver synergistically disrupt biofilm
- *Cerium (0.6 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>) penetrates deeper into burn eschar at a lower dose*



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**Table 4: Outcomes for each wound type at primary and secondary endpoints. Total number of wounds = 35. Three wounds were excluded from analysis due to incomplete data set. At 12-weeks, all wounds had shown improved wound closure except for three venous stasis ulcers whose wound surface area had increased.**

Wound type	Non-healing	Primary Endpoint	Secondary Endpoint
	Weeks (avg.)	Wound closure at the end of 3 weeks	Wound closure over 12 weeks
Venous Stasis ulcer	45	11 out of 16 venous stasis ulcers improved by an average closure of 60%	13 out of 16 venous stasis ulcers improved by an average closure of 76%. Wound surface area of three wounds had increased.
Diabetic foot ulcer	53	6 out of 8 diabetic foot ulcers improved by an average closure of 79%. One wound had 94% closure at week 2, and the patient did not return for follow-up	An average wound closure of 79% was achieved
Postop	29	2 out of 3 post-op wounds improved by an average wound closure of 58%	An average 42% wound closure was achieved
Trauma	27	1 out of 2 trauma wounds improved by 85% at week 2, and this patient did not return for follow-up	An average 59% wound closure was achieved
Pressure ulcer	6	The pressure ulcer had 45% wound closure after week 1, and this patient did not return for follow-up	The pressure ulcer had 45% wound closure after week 1, and this patient did not return for follow-up
Pilonidal cyst	4.5	The pilonidal cyst had 94% wound closure	Achieved 98% closure in 6 weeks
Burn	5	The burn wound had 38% wound closure	Achieved 100% closure in 9.5 weeks
Overall	40	72% (23/32) of wounds improved by an average 66% wound closure	91% (29/32) of wounds had improved with an average wound closure of 73%, and 12 wounds had an average closure >90%