

ALLEVYN Ag Heel for a critically colonised Stage III pressure ulcer

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ALLEVYN[®] Ag
HEEL
Non Adhesive Hydrocellular
Antimicrobial Heel Dressing



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Background

- 65-year-old woman with Alzheimer's disease and bipolar disorder
- Presented with a Stage III pressure ulcer on her heel with signs of critical colonisation

Aims and case challenges

- Reduce bacterial bioburden and the risk of infection
- Reduce slough and odour
- Manage heavy volumes of exudate

Management

- The wound was cleaned with a collagenase enzymatic debriding agent with the remaining necrotic/sloughy tissue being removed with a scalpel
- After 15 days the wound bed was clean and ALLEVYN Ag was applied and changed every 3–4 days

Outcome

- Wound was completely healed after **6 weeks**

HIGHLIGHTS

- Reduce bacterial bioburden and the risk of infection
- Promotes wound closure
- Manages exudate
- Reduces odour