

ELASTO-GEL[™] FOR SCARS

In November, 1992, at the regional burn symposium in Kansas City, Missouri, Dr. David S. Zamierowski, M.D., F.A.C.S. a plastic surgeon displayed photographs, which showed the reduction of hypertrophic scars on a number of his patients. He reported that he had compared Elasto-GelTM treatment with Silicone gels and found similar or slightly better results with Elasto-GelTM, but that patients preferred the Elasto-GelTM because it was more comfortable. One of his patients was treated with Elasto-GelTM for 13 months. Dr. Zamierowski says that he has used the Elasto-GelTM under pressure garments and other elastic bandages, but has also found it effective even without the pressure. He also reported that Elasto-GelTM was more durable and much more cost effective.

A number of other physical therapists and nurses also visited our exhibit and reported positive results when using Elasto-GelTM under pressure garments for the control of hypertrophic scarring (keloids) on burn patients.

At the same time, Edward Stout, PhD, President and Jeanie Stout, BSN, Director of Sales from Southwest Technologies, Inc. visited a number of hospitals in Paris, France on their trip back from the Medica show. There they were shown a set of slides, which showed the treatment of several hypertrophic scars, which were 1½ years old on one patient, and they were nearly eliminated after two months of treatment. Again they reported pressure garments were not necessary.

We have also had many nurses report the complete healing of pressure sores of up to 3" diameter progress to complete healing to "normal" with skin and underlying tissue indistinguishable from the undamaged area. Similar results have been reported for amputated finger tips.

Treatment of deep second degree burns have healed in 15 to 30 days without any evidence of scar tissue when Elasto-Gel[™] was used as the only treatment for the wounds.

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