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# Effectiveness of an enhanced silver-containing dressing in hard-to-heal venous leg ulcers: a randomised controlled trial

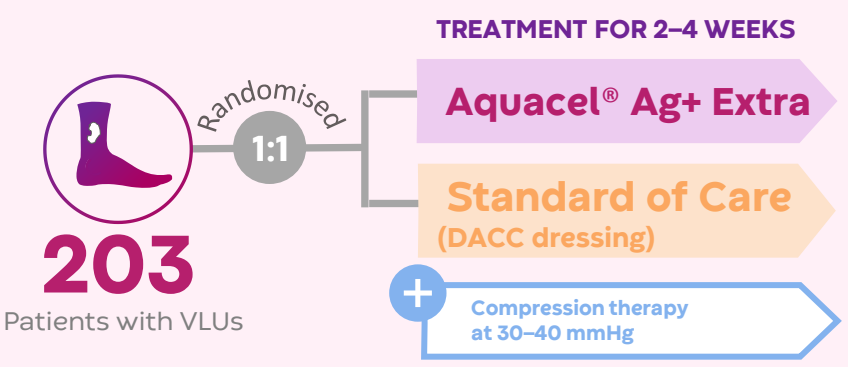
## Background

**Hard-to-heal wounds**, such as venous leg ulcers (VLUs), are a major challenge to healthcare systems globally

**Biofilm** has long been implicated in hard-to-heal wounds

**Aquacel® Ag+ Extra** is a gelling fiber dressing with antibiofilm properties

## Overview




**ENDPOINTS**

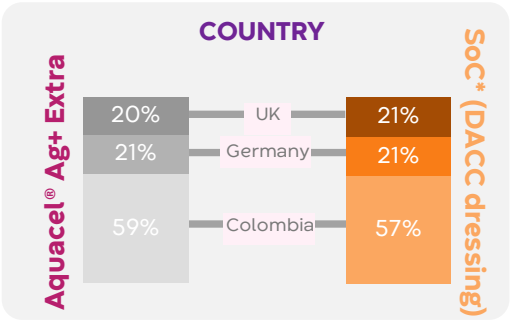
**Primary**

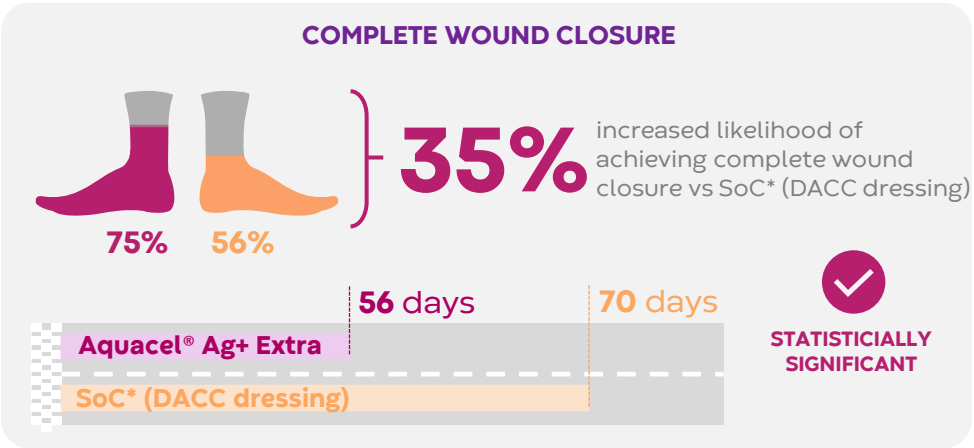
- Complete wound closure at week 12 (100% wound surface epithelialization)

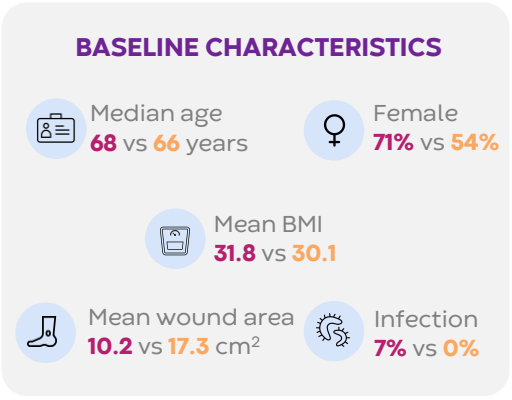
**Other**

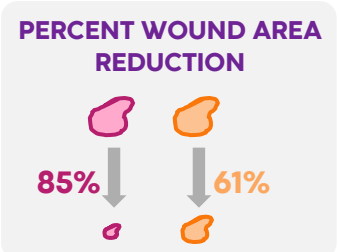
- Percent change in wound area
- Satisfactory clinical progress (40% wound area reduction)
- Time to complete wound closure
- Safety

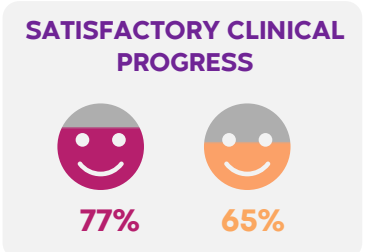
## Results

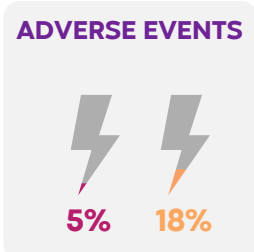



## Conclusion

**Management of VLUs with Aquacel® Ag+ Extra versus SoC* (DACC dressing) was associated with**

- Higher rate of and shorter time to complete wound closure
- Greater mean percentage reduction in wound area
- Higher rate of satisfactory clinical progress
- Lower incidence of AEs

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