The use of Debrisoft® on an 18 month old dog following amputation of a digit on the right fore

Case Courtesy of Ali King RVN, White Cross Vets and The Veterinary Wound Library

Patient: An 18 month old crossbreed dog **Presentation date:** *March 2014*

Presentation

The dog initially presented as a suspected RTA and was stabilised and treated for the injuries sustained. The dog had wounds to the lower limbs, amongst other injuries, and these were managed by clipping and cleaning, debriding, systemic antibiotics and, on 11th March, the main wound was sutured closed. The dog was troubled with a wound on the right fore near the pad and was dragging the foot, due to possible nerve damage.

Initial Management

Despite wound management and the use of a boot, the wound continued to be problematic. On 19th May the 5th digit of the right fore was amputated. The wound was dressed with a clean, dry dressing, bandaged and antibiotics were given for 5 days. At the bandage change on 29th May the wound did not appear to be progressing; it was therefore dressed with honey and changed every 2 days. The owners then moved house and veterinary practice.

Ongoing Management

White Cross Vets then took on the case and the wound was assessed, debrided and dressed with a hydrogel and a foam. At the next dressing change on 14th July the wound was still looking stalled, so it was debrided with **Debrisoft**®, a monofilament debridement pad, and dressed with a collagen dressing. At the following dressing change the wound had progressed well and was again debrided with **Debrisoft®** and dressed with collagen. The dog was not sedated during the procedure and tolerated it well.

Outcome

At the following dressing change the patient was discharged, as the wound had almost healed.





Product Summary

The **Debrisoft**® monofilament debridement pad is made up of more than 18 million specially angled fibres that sweep and bind debris and slough into the pad - effectively, yet gently, debriding the wound to allow healthy granulation tissue formation.

Debrisoft® offers veterinary professionals a simple to use, gentle, and rapid debridement option that debrides the wound immediately within a matter of minutes.



"Debrisoft® was a very good product and achieved the desired result less traumatically than saline soaked gauze; less rubbing was required to remove the debris"

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