# The use of Debrisoft® on an avulsion injury in a dog

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Patient: A 9 year old Jack Russell Terrier
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#### **Presentation**

The dog presented to the practice with an avulsion injury and a large 'pocket' in her left hind limb following a road traffic accident.

#### **Initial Management**

Initially the wound was cleaned and lavaged, and some surgical debridement was performed around the skin margins. **Debrisoft**® was then used to gently debride the slough from the wound bed and the exposed muscle layers.

### **Ongoing Management**

Stay sutures were placed in the healthy tissue surrounding the wound to allow for the use of a tie over (bolus) dressing.

An antimicrobial tie over dressing was applied and debridement with Debrisoft took place daily at dressing change for the following 3 days, allowing for gentle, yet rapid debridement to remove necrosis and slough.

A staged approach to wound closure was taken in this case, with parts of the wound being sutured closed while the main pocket was left open to granulate and heal by second intention.

#### **Outcome**

The wound had almost healed within 6 weeks from initial injury, and continued to full healing without any complications.

## **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.

In this case **Debrisoft®** allowed for the debridement of delicate tissue following the initial surgical debridement and offered an ongoing gentle debridement solution.

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